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# Convention Credentials Committee at Work

The Credential Committee of the Cleveland Convention has begun its sessions last Monday, April 17, at-the home office of the International, 3 West 16th Street. The committee was appointed a week ago by Presi-dent Schlesinger, at the final quar-terly meeting of the General Executive Board, and consists of the fol-

lowing persons:

Joseph Breslaw, Chairman, Local
35; David Dubinsky, Secretary, Local
10; B. Schaefer, Local 5, Chicago; Elizabeth Rudolph, Local 15, Phila-delphia; Fannie Shapiro, Local 62; and Morris Essig, Local 63, Cincin-

the credentials, the Credential Com-mittee is also charged with the duty of taking up all objections referred to it by individual members or locals against any of the elected delegates. The committee is to decide upon the names, ledger numbers and eligibility and fitness of such objected in order to receive attention

delegates after a proper hearing is given them. The Credential Commit-tee thus acts as an Appeal Committee, and its findings are subject to the approval or rejection of the first plenary meeting of the convention. The committee also takes up pleas and statements by locals with regard to their indebtedness to the International on assessments and other obli-

From which it can be easily co cluded that the committee is head over heels in work. Chairman Bres-law and Secretary Dubinsky are planning to work evenings next week in order to get through with the mass of accumulated material. Locals and individual members who are interesed in any way in this committee will address it in care of the General Office at 3 West 16th Street. They must, however, in each case give their

# Situation in N. Y. Cloak Industry Still Indefinite

of New York is as indefinite as before. So far no change has taken place except that from time to time there appear statements in the trade press containing veiled or open threats against the cloakmakers. It is very difficult to say what will de-velop out of this state of affairs.

is quite definite, however, that the Protective Association will have a membership meeting on Thursday, April 20, and by the time this issue will reach our readers something more concrete and definite may be known. This membership meeting of the employers' association will prob ably have a great deal to say upon the shaping of events in the cloak in-dustry in the near future. It is a dustry in the near future. It is a known fact that the leaders of the Protective Association are in quite a warlike mood and are bent more in favor of war than neace in the trade.

The membership meeting of the Pro-tective Association will have to elect a new administration, and it will largely depend upon the personnel of this new leadership as to whether reathis new leadership as to whenher rea-son or agressiveness will prevail in their councils henceforward.

It is doubtless if the members of the Frotetive Association have learned sufficiently from the past to

know how to act in the best interests of the industry at this moment. How ever it may be, if they want another conflict, they will find the Union ready for the attack. The cloakmakers are fully aware of this situation ers are fully aware of this situation, and are contributing with readiness and zeal to the Defense Fund that the Union is raising. If the employ-ers in the cloak industry force another strike upon our members, the outcome will be just as certain as was the outcome of the last fight; the cloak shops of New York will remain

# Cleveland Board of Referees Meets Next Saturday

## UNION WINS CASE ON APPEAL

Next Saturday and Sunday, April 22 and 23, the hearings before the Board of Referees in the cloak indus-try of Cleveland, postponed from April 1, will take place in Cleveland. This hearing has been called at the request of the Manufacturers' Association, and will deal with the wage

plain words, it means that the cloak employers of Cleveland believe that the wages which they are paying their workers are too "high," and want a reduction of at least 15 or 20 per cent. The Union is, of course, firmly opposed to this, and Vice-President M. Perlstein, Manager of the Cleveland Joint Board, is fighting this

demand of the employers. Brother Perlstein, aided by Alexan der Trachtenberg, our statistician, who has prepared a considerable amount of facts and figures to refute the supporting statements of the mannfacturers, will lead the fight for the Union before the Board of Referces Union before the Hoard of Referees.
The Union has ample proof to produce before the members of the Board that the present earnings of work barely enable them to make a living in a decent, civilized manner.

Of course, the final word in this case belongs to the Referees, and we hope that their decision will favor the

APPELLATE DIVISION REVERS ES DECISION AGAINST

The Appellate Division of the Su-

reversed a devision of a lower court which gave judgment to a contractor by the name of J. Meyers, of Painsville, Ohio, for \$2,500 damages against the Union. The facts in the case are as follows:

Some itme ago, when the Cleveland cloak firm, Landesman - Hersheimer Company-against which the Union is now conducting a strike-was still a member of the Gleveland Cloak Manufacturers' Association, the Union had found out that this firm was sending out work to a contractor in ille by the name of J. Meyers This firm had no union shop, and, according to the collective agreement with the Union, the LandesmanHersh-eimer firm had no right to do that.

The Union brought charges against this firm before the Association, and these charges were substantiated.

The Association fined the Landesma firm \$50, and ordered it not to send any more work to the Painsville con-tractor. The Board of Referees, to whom the Landesman firm appealed, concurred in this decision.

The contractor thereupon brought a lawsuit against the Association, the suing for an injunction and for dam ages. The court granted him an in-junction, and in addition fined the Union-and the Union only-\$2,500 as liquidated damages. The Union appealed the case, and now the high-er court reversed the decision. The reversal comes at a time when the Landesman firm is no longer a shop and its workers have been out on strike for the last thirteen weeks.

The attorney for the Union in this case was ex-Secretary of War Newton D. Baker.

### SECRETARIES OF NEW YORK LOCALS. ATTENTION!

The General Office has made arrangements with the New York Central Railroad, chartering a Special Convention train, which will leave New York on Friday, April 28, in the evening, and will arrive at Cleveland on Sunday morning.

Several stops will be made on the way, and Saturday the delegates will spend at Niagara Falls, seeing sights and

decoming acquainted with one another.

Beretaries are requested to make reservations with General Secretary Baroff at once, in order to secure proper accommodations.

## Second Annual Convention of the Workers' Educa. tional Rureau

The second annual convention of the Workers' Educational Bureau will take place next Saturday and Sunday, April 22 and 23. Members of the International who are interested in this subject are invited to attend these sessions. The program of the

convention is as follows: The first session will open on Saturday at 2 o'clock in the after with Miss Fannia M. Cohn as Chairlady. Various speakers representing

labor schools and colleges all over the country will report all their activities. James M. Maurer, President Pennsylvania State Federation of Labor, will greet the delegates.

On Saturday evening a dinner will be tendered to the delegates at the Manhattan Lyceum, 66 East 4th Street. The following speakers are expected to be present at this dinner:

Samuel Gompers, President American Federation of Labor.

Benjamin Schlesinger, President International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union Prof. Charles A. Beard, of the

New School for Social Research.
Albert Mansbridge, a visitor representing the Labor Educational Move-

senting the Labor Educational Move-ment of England.
Hugh Frayne, General Organize of the American Federation of Labor.
Rose Schneiderman, President by the Women's Trade Union League.
All these desires of obtaining firkets to this dinner are requested a sply to the office of our Educa-tional Department, 3 West 16th Szeet, fourth floor.

## TOPICS OF THE WEEK

THE FIRST WEEK OF THE GENOA CONFERENCE T looked for some time as if Genoa would offer no surprises, no thrilling

spectacles. An entire week had almost passed and the committees and sub-committees continued their haggling and bargaining. A dreary procession of demands and counter-demands; reparations and debts; long rows of figures amounting to billions of dollars presented by pauper nations. But not a single definite decision had been reached. In fact no one ex pected anything else. The very fact that the conference lasted so long. against the prophesies of so many confident skeptics, was in itself an astounding achievement. But the conference was destined to deliver its shock to the participants, which reverberated in all the Foreign Offices, newspapers, political and economic circles. It is in fact far more than a shock. It is an epoch-making event.

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This ovent is the separate agreement which has been concluded between Russia and Germany. It did not of course come like a bolt from the
skite. It was bound to happen. Negotiations between the two countries
had been going on for months. But the terms of the treaty are significant, had been going on for months. But the terms of the treaty are significant, if not revolutionary, and the time and place where this understanding communated is as significant as the terms themselves. While the Allies were trying their best to being more chosen and destruction to Europe by their mad commands of reparations and debts, Germany and Russis signed a treaty which trips into plot Pelief the mean and societal deloctrings of the Allies, participations of the Allies and the Communication of the Communic

ularly the French.

The treaty was signed on Easter Sunday, a significant day for Christian s, but hard diplomats are not sentimentalists, nor are they Christians, and the effect will be lost on them. When this agreement became known, Louis Barthou, head of the French delegation, immediately telegraphed Paris for instructions and announced that the fate of the conference depended for instructions and announced that the fate of the conference depended upon Poincarés reply. Lloyd George resented this action of Russia, and Germany, although he had known for some time that the treaty was being negotiated. The French press is furious. A correspondent to the New York Times writes that "iff the Genoa conference lasts much longer it will drive the French press crazy.'

The policy upon which Germany and Russia base "clean the slate of all debts." All indemnity claims "clean the slate of all debts." All indemnity claims growing out of the war have been cancelled by the treaty. Regular diplomatic relations will be renewed. The treaty guarantees complete equality of rights and a b

of pacific co-operation.

The allied diplomats are in a dilemma. Here they have a n ane amen diplemats are in a dilemma. Here they have a model treaty for the restoration of the economic life of Europe. But the French particularly are more interested in getting the debts paid than in peace. They are also interested in seeing Europe divided, and the union of Germany and Russia will surely bring them bad dreams.

SIDELIGHTS ON SEMENCYF

W HETHER Semenoff, arch-bandit of Siberia, will be deported, im prisoned, hanged, or let scott-free, as will probably be the case, is of minor importance. The points of chief interest are some of the facts that are being brought to light by the Senate Committee on Labor.

Jacks that are being prought to ignt by the Senate Committee on Labor. That the Adaman has not dedicated his life to the practice of Christian virtues is new only to the American press. His record has been well known to all those who cared to know, and the present revolutions of his monstrous slaughters in Siberia are of value only because it is never too late to spread

The testimony of the Commissioner of Immigration before the Senate mittee is of far greater interest. We learn that the jailed Ataman was on his way to Paris for the purpose of conferring with Grand Duke Nicholas and the coterie of monarchists regarding the staging of another "revolution" in Russia. Another purpose of Semenoff was to discuss trade relations in Washington. Details are as yet lacking. What is significant is that our State Department was fully aware of these plans, and nevertheless admitted him to this country. Secretary Hughes must have suffered

less admitted bin to this country. Secretary Haghes must have suffered prefoundly when his honced guest was plaided in New Yee, Russin has an ambanander in this country. He is no other than Beris Bakhneteff, the "ambanander" of Kernniky. This measures affecting the best between the best proposed of the proposed of the proposed of the proposed about by the subposes served on Bakhneteff to come and testify before private individual. Everyhedy seemed to be upder the purposed in the Russian Anhanander was deposted over a year age. But Secretary Highes the proposed of the proposed of the proposed of the proposed of the rest that Bakhneteff is receptively by our Gevernment as the representation. that Bakhmeteff is recognized by our Government as the representative

or into administrative recognition by our coverinderia as the representative statement of the control of the co en Semenoff the country would have remained in ignorance as to this is portant fact. Ataman Semenoff's presence in this country has render a service to the American people.

#### MORE LAWS FOR NEW YORK STATE

OVERNOR MILLER has been busy signing bills for the last two weeks that had been passed by the Legislature this year. He then issued a statement expressing deep satisfaction with himself and the Leg-

stature. Of the most important hills which became laws are the seven of the Go of committee bills, including the one under which the Mctropolitan bills. Including the one under which the Mctropolitan bills increased to the committee of the Mctropolitan bills. In the committee of the Mctropolitan bills are seen as meath, Sene weeks ago the Governor approved the bill extending the time in which seen twenty and the Governor approved the bill extending the time in which seen terminal or new boases could be started under the tax exemption law. Another, which provided for the return of jury fees to ten

on whose cases were not tried separately was vetoed by Mayer

A large number of hills relating to reduction in cost of coverns development of the water power of the state, improvement of the port of New York, social welfare legislation have been approved by the Governor. Some of the specific bills are, for instance, the refusal to raise the salary of the Mayor, the breaking up of one of the Congressional districts in New York which always casts a heavy Socialist vote, a new and better workmen's compensation law, and many others

MINERS FIGHT INJUNCTION

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The HE right of the United Mine Western to engains further the nonunless coal fields of West Virginia is coming up for decision within
a for days. This decision will doublists be used as a precedent by
coal operators in other states, and for this reason the struggle of the miners
against the West Virginia injunction is of strategic importance.

Chairman Nolan, of the House Labor Committee, announced that
impostment proceedings will be brought in Congress against the Federia

impackment proceedings will be brought in Congress against the Federal judges, who issued injunctions, if investigation shows them gully of "par-tians and unfair action" against striking coal miners. One of the Proceed value of the partial striking coal miners who are also also as a second striking the coal of the partial striking manual striking the coal manual striking and the striking manual striking miners from the tent colonies in Mingo County, West Virginia.

County, West Virginia.

For some time is seems that Atterney General Daugherty was working on a plan to bring about a settlement in the coult industry. About two works age he left for Indianapolis for the purpose of clearing up the legal machinery of the purpose of clearing up the legal machinery of the purpose of clearing up the legal machinery of the purpose of clearing up the legal machinery of the legal ma

UBLIN, the capital of Ireland, is described by correspondents as an DUBLIN, the capital of armod camp. The struggle for power between the provisional from armod camp. The struggle for power between the provisional from struggle between the Republicans does not resemble anything like a struggle between two parties. It is more like civil war, or revolution, or

which me.

For the last several weeks the Republicans have started an open war against the Free State of Ireland. They repulsate the British-Irish paper and seeks to evershow the present 10th government beaded by Artine paper, and the property of the pro

been strengthened as a result of these attacks.

Republicans, on the other hand, used all the halls of Dublin, but they did not interfere with Arthur Griffith despite their previously announced de-termination to prevent the meeting. There may be a temporary showdown, but there appears to be no willingness for both parties to reach a common but there appears to be no willingness for both parties to reach a common understanding. The time is fundamental. The Republicans are deter-mined to fight for a free and independent republic. The Free Staters see the difficulties in such a program, and would rather compromise with the British. Indeed, Collins and Griffith demand a definite statement from de Velara as to how he would bring about a republic if he were in co of the Irish government.

Greetings to the W. E. B.! welcome the delegates to the W. E. B. Convention. The Labor Movement in Ameri

is awakening to responsibilities which it must assume. It has already asand now it is doing the same on the spiritual field!

The delegates to the convention are

CONVENTION OF THE W. E. B. | to be congratulated on this second conference, and on the possibilities of the Labor Educational Movement. or the Labor Educational Movement.
They are to be congratulated on the opportunity they have to shape the evolution of the Labor Movement in America. We trust that the end of this conference will see greater enthusiasm and increased effort for the final accomplishments of the aims and ideals of the American Labor Move-

Ladies' Tailors, Sample Makers' and Alteration Workers' Union. Local No. 3

#### ATTENTION

A general members' MASS MEETING will be held on Tuesday, April 25th, 6 P. M. sharp, in Bryant Hall, 725 Sixth Ave.

This meeting has been called especially to take up CONVEN-TION QUESTIONS. We therefore urge upon every member of the Local to come to this meeting and take part in the dis-

Fraternally yours,

S. LEFKOVITS, Manager-Secretary.

## What the Miners Earn

That no permanently satisfactory agreement on wage rates can be agreement on wage rates can be reached between miners and opera-tors in the bituminous coal industry so long as the over-development of many more mines than are required to supply the country's needs results in giving an average of only 214 days of employment to the 600,000 men in the industry, thus multifying the adthe industry, thus mullifying the ad-vantage of increased rates of pay, is the echelusion of a report on The Call Miners' Inscentity, a summary of Which is made public by the Rus-sell Sage Foundation. In connection with its studies of human relations in industry, the Foundation has analyzed facts on irregularity of production out analyzement in hituminus minfacts on irregularity of production and employment in bituminous min-ing over a period of 32 years, and the most recent statistics of annual earnings, gathered from state and earnings, gathered from state and fedgral bureaus and from associations in the coal industry, including the United States Geological Survey, the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics, State Bureaus of Mines, the National Coal Association, and the United Mine Workers.

The bituminous coal mines have been open for work on an average of only 214 days a year in the 32 years rom 1890 to 1921. If 304 days be regarded as a full working year, the operation have averaged 90 in a year. Only twice, and this during the war, did the miner reach the high mark when he had as few as 61 idle days in a year. Ih 11 of these 32 years the loss of working time, and consequently of wages, has averaged 100 days or more for the bituminous

Of these lost days, 37 per cent, according to the estimates of the United States Geological Survey, have been due to the over-development of soft coal mines. Mines now in opera-tion could produce from 700 million to 900 million tons a year, according to various estimates of the President's Bituminous Coal Commission, and Workers reported to the Bituminous statisticians of the Geological Survey. Coal Commission that in the year of

the country can use approximately 500 million tons. This excessive development of mines brings aive development of mines brings more men into the industry than are needed, and makes employment in-termittent and uncertain even when business in general is most prosperous. As the demand for soft coal has in-creased, from a little over 100 milcreased, from a little over 100 mil-lion fonts to ver 500 million tons an-nually in the past three decades, the number of mines and the number-of employees have increased, but the days of employment in a year have shown np appreciable increase, ex-cept temporarily during the period of the war. Increased decaded and higher prices have resulted in opening new mines, enlarging others, and employing more miners, rather than in giving more regular employment to men in the mines already open.

Seasonal variations in demand, according to the Geological Survey, ac-

count for 47 per cent of the lost days count for 47 per cent of the lost days in bituminous mining. In the period from 1913 to 1922 the production of coal in the month of greatest output exceeded production in the month of ast output by 11,000,000 to 16,000. least output by 11,000,000 to 15,000,000 tons or more, and was never less
than 6,900,000 tons. Seasonal fluctuations result in keeping more men
and more capital in the industry to be
equipped for the annual peak of demand than would be needed if work
were more evenly distributed throughwere more evenly distributed through-out the year. This excess of numbers employed tends in turn to make em-ployment irregular and uncertain. Nevertheless, even the elimination of seasonal variations would not make employment regular so long as too ny mines are operated.

To offset periods of idleness and lack of earnings, the bituminous min-ers are forced to seek higher rates of pay. But these higher rates do not give the miner a living wage throughout the year when he has the oppor-tunity to earn wages so few days in the year. In 1920 the United Mine.

greatest regularity of employment, ) 1918, the average annual earnings of their members in the central competitive field varied from \$1,364 in Ohio to a maximum of \$1,323 in Western Proncylvania. Hall they been able to work \$20 days a year their sensings with the sensing of \$1,000 to to a maximum of \$1,583 in Western Pennsylvania. Had they been able to

ular employment has nullified the advantage of increased rates of pay. Estimates of the cost of living pre-

pared by Professor W. F. Ogburn, of Columbia University, to be presented by the United Mine Workers to the by the United Mine Workers to the Bituminous Coal Commission, showed that in January, 1920, \$1,803 was required for a budget to provide a "minimum of subsistence" for a fami-ily of five. To provide a "minimum of health and comfort" for families living in mining communities re-quired, according to Professor Og-burn's estimate, an annual income of burn's estimate, an annual income of \$2,244. Prices have decreased some-what since these estimates, but even in the prosperous year of 1918 the miners' average annual searings were not equal to the estimated "mininum of subsistence," except for a compar-atively small group of machine miners employed every day that t mines were open, as estimated fro the operators' figures, and their ear ated from ings were nearly \$500 less than the miners' minimum of health and com-fort" budge, even in a year with as

many as 240 days of employment.
Facts about miners' earnings and
the suffering which unemployment
causes in their families can be underthe anterest value unemployment that the content of the content of

and lack of opportunity for the mir ers to earn wages regularly in the bituminous coal industry render pre-carious and difficult the lives of morthan half a million miners and their wives and children. The adjustment wives and children. The adjustment of wage rates every two years is sure to produce conflict and bitterness until the equally important question of stability for the industry receiver ctive attention from operators and public. Greater security in employ ment must be made the foundation for better human relations in industry.

The miners in the soft coal indus try might well ask for a guarantee minimum of employment as the basic need, taking precedence over wag-adjustments this year. The neces adjustments that year. I he necess sity for regarding a reasonable min mum of employment as a fixed charge upon the industry would prob-ably make operators more reluctan-to open new mines or to enlarge un duly those already open. To make employment regular is important no only for the standard of living of the miners' families, but for the economical conduct of the industry. Capita as well as men, is wastefully use when money and energy are investon a scale to produce much more coa than is required. The public, the op-erator and the investor, and the coa miner, have a common interest is making bitumin ous mining efficie

## Russian Relief Movement of International Federation of Trade Unions

"The Christian Russ," the first ship ent by the International Federation of Trade Unions to the starving population of Russia, left for Riga in the latter part of December last with roughly 1,200 tons of foodstuffs on board. As soon as she had left Hamburg measures were taken for dispatching a second and third ship as early as possible. Large parcels of foodstuffs were bought and stored, and orders were given for the chartering of the necessary ships,

Owing to the frost setting in the dispatch of these goods during January and February could not be pro-ceeded with. The harbors of Petrograd, Rigs, Reval, Libau and Windau were blocked with ice, and the Baltic was unnavigable owing to the ice drift. This meant that the large parcels of food and clothing which were ready for shipment, and which would have enabled the International Federation of Trade Unions to increase the number of 40,000 children which are under its care in the Chuvash ter-ritory, had to lie untouched for

International Federation of Trade Unions was able to dispatch a second ship on February 12. The total weight was 440,247 kilograms, representing a value of 3,000,000 lire, or nearly 400,000 Dutch guilders.

The ship sailed for Noworos where the cargo was discharged, and then sent on to the Volga territory. As soon as it was possible for a ship to reach a port in one of the Rusisan border states, preparations were immediately made for again forwarding foodstuffs, etc., to the Chuvash ter-

Three hundred and twenty-five thousand kilograms of rye flour bought by the International Federa-tion of Trade Unions in Sweden, were tian of Trade Unions in Sweden, were sent on March 7, per S. S. "Egil," to Windau (a port in Latvia), where the Latvian National Centre say to the discharging, and, on March 11 dis-patched 21 wagon loads to Shihkramy, the chief distributing conter of the International Federation of Trade Unions in the Churahl territory. In addition to these three ships, a fourth, S. S. "Morterens," left Limb-burg on March 41 for Windau, 150 or Windau, 150 or borg on March 41 for Windau, 150 or Wi

Federation of Trade Unions, Immediately on the arrival of this ship in Winday (this will have taken place before these lines appear) the foodstuffs will be discharged and also sent on to Shihkrany.

In the meantime preparations a being made for a fifth ship, which will most likely leave Hamburg in the first half of April, and which will contain quantities of foodstuffs which have already been bought and stored: The following have also been bought and will be sent on to Russia

distributed as soon as a favorable opportunity presents itself:

18,405 men's coats, 20,000 caps,

20,11 women's coats, 10,000 pairs of
men's socks, and, further, a large
quantity of children's clothing. The

National Trade Union Gentre of Czecho-Slovakia has had these goods specially manufactured in that

At the present time foodstuffs are

the most urgent requirements for

Russia. Owing, however, to the wretched state of the means of tran

port in Russia, it is not possible for us to have, even the necessary food stuffs which we have in hand sent to their destination in due ime. For this reason all the clothing which the International Federation of Trade

International Federation of Trade Unions has at its disposal must be left behind for the time being. Further, two parcels/of medicine-representing 50,000 guilders, and 16, 000 guilders, respectively, have been presented to Fredessor Namen for his relict movement, while a third parcel of medicines to a value of a too. 30,000 guilders, has been sent by the

internitional Federation of Trade Unions direct to Georgia for the ne-cessitous hospitals in that country. Th: total value of all the food-stuffs, medicines and clothing which the International Federation of the International Federation of Trade Unions has so far purchased and placed at the disposal of the famine-stricken people of Russia is

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## A Letter from England

By EVELYN SHARP

It was a foregone conclusion that the labor amendment of no-confidence, moved in the House on Monday last, to the resolution giving Mr. Lloyd George a vote of confidence for Genca, should be lost; for by this time we are accustomed to the ma-jority that votes as it is told in the division, though it has sat silent during the debate. These are the fruits of ear to every one who listened to the Prime Minister's speech on this occasion that he had lost his old magectasion that he had lost his out majority section where the coalition majority s concerned. The House was almost addifferent, and the atmosphere af-

ndifferent, and the atmosphere af-ected the speaker accordingly. It was unfortunate for him that the second was preceded by the enthusi-natic labor reception of George Ban-on, who came to take his seat after on, who came to take his seat arter he by-election victory last week, when a Coalition majority of 11,327 in 1919) was turned into a Labor najority of 5,352—a sign of the way ceing is changing in the country. Certainly the Prime Minister's speech was a poor effort compared, or instance, with the brilliant criti cisms of it that followed from the two Labor speakers, J. R. Clynes and Colonel Wedgwood, who, among others, exposed the former futility of Mr. Lloyd George's efforts in Euroean conference after confer when again and again he had yielded to French militarism and Tory reaction at home. There is no evidence that he will not do the same at Genoa; and so his statements in the use beforehand are appraised at

The Prospects of Genoa
The truth probably is that the
Tory die-hards in this country, who are in unholy alliance with the French militarists. will decide what Mr. Lloyd George will do in Genoa. Both will override the British experts, who

are agreed that Russia must be recog nized, and recommend that her recognition of pre-war debt shall be rewarded by the cancellation of her war debt to the Allies, provided that war debt to the Albas, protect has the withdraw her claim for damage caused by Allied intervention. The French policy is opposed to such a reasonable bargain, and demands fur-ther rigorous Allied control over certain of the Russian revenues. But will Mr. Lloyd George have the cour-age, backed as he certainly would be age, backed as an overally would be by all the opinion that really matters in this country (for Big Business as well as unemployed, see in the recog-nition of the Soviet Government their only chance out of the present inc only chance out of the present indus-trial and trade crisis) and also by Italy, to stand firm against French attempts to sabotage the conference on these grounds? His previous ca-reer does not make one very hypeful.

There is more hope in a very

portant interview, reported in to day's "Daily Herald," between it diplomatic correspondent and the rount. He stated emphatically that there is no ground for the suspicion, still current in Russia, that Polani-may back a new Petura-Wrangel outbreak, and declared that some of Wrangel's agents had recently been arrested in Warsaw, and that Petlura's whereabouts were not even ment nor the General Staff will have anything to do with any new attacks on Soviet Russia," added M. Skirmunt, and the importance of this ar nouncement can hardly be over-estimated, for if all fear of European backing of any fresh counter-revolu-tionary attack upon Russia can be removed, not only will European reconstruction be at last within sight, but also thousands of lives in the Volga Valley will be saved that would otherwise he lost through the block-

ng of Odessa and other ports through which supplies come to the famine region. But here sgain, as the above interview makes plain, it is France not below the the other border states on the west of Ressia, who will be represented from the part of the put forward at Genon, and this brings us back to the crux of the whole position: Will Mr. Lloyd George have the vision as well as the courage to follow the best instead of the worst the contraction of the contraction o

The Industrial Situation The Prime Minister would se have had more success, so far, in the have had more success, so far, in the pursuit of his own peculiar tactics, in the industrial situation, than he has had in the political situation. His speech in the House showed that he had against him both Tory die-hards and Liberals and Labor parties. But his intervention in the serious enginis intervention in the serious eigi-neering dispute now proceeding ap-pears to have had the effect he so dearly leves of dividing the united front of the enemy. For, of course, although there seem to be some work-ers who do not yet recognize this -fact, our Prime Minister's whole career in the present Parliament proves ers in every industrial dispute. unfortunately, his record in this re spect is not always remembered by the workers; and also, after an inter-view with him yesterday, the allied ns consented to negotiate sepa rately with the employers today, rately with the employers today, in-stead of standing as heretofore side by side with the Amalgamated Engi-neering Union, whose members are still locked out because they refuse to accept the principles on which the other unions have now been persuaded by the Prime Minister to negotiate. This does not necessarily mean that a settlement will follow in the case of that Mr. Lloyd George has been able to break the united front of the eneering trades, which alone could offer any menace to the employers in the present state of industrial depres-The Prime Minister's capacity

for making passe in Europe may have been hadly shaken since 1919, but his capacity for making mischled at home seems to be unimpaired.

The Tri-Itidal ratio of affairs in Ire. land seems to have been exactely affected by the peace pact entered into last week by Bir James Cacifg and Mesurs. Griffith and Gellins; for, the deed, entrible as for the mailmore, and outrages in Northern Ireland, the danger point at the moment is not in W. Nevinson, who is well known for his knowledge of Ireland and the Irish character, a case on his return from that toustry a week or two age. The split in the I. R. A., the leasentable fact that centuries of British military oppression, ending with the Black and Tan terrarism of last year, have left behind them a standard of government by force, that it may take centuries to wipe out completely from the Irish people—all this makes the outlook very black. If the new elections can be held, however, and see held fisher. case on his return from that country be held, however, and are held fairly, there seems to be little doubt of a big majority in favor of the treaty; and that may cool the ardor of the out-and-out Republians for a shorter cut to the realization of their very natural desire for complete separa tion from England

tion from England.

Economy and Public Services
There was an interesting little de-bate in the House of Commons last night, in which William Graham (Labor) declared that it was ng.part of the Labor policy to set up the State as a great provider of charity, but to tackle housing and education in a generous spirit and set up industry as a healthier proposition. gan Jones, in the same debate, said that the capitalist system, which as-sured the existence of unemploy-ment and made it impossible for workers to supply their own needs, made State education housing schemes, unemployment benefits, etc., necessary. The debate was a pleas-ant change from the ordinary purely political, unreal disc discussi

## Shop Chairmen of All Trades Will Meet at Cooper Union on April 26 for New York Call

"To All Shop Chairmen of Greater New Yorks

"We, the undersigned, officers of rarious labor unions in the City of New York, realizing the tremendous importance of a labor press, hereby call upon all chairmen in the shops of the several trades to come to a joint meeting of shop chairmen at Cooper Union, 8th Street and Third Avenue, on Wednesday, April 26, at 8 P. M. sharp.

"The only subject for discussion at this meeting will be the means we can devise to increase the circulation of 'The Call,' No collections or money pledges will be made. Prominent m will make short addresses, when defi-nite plans will be presented for dis-

ries with it no obligation for the orna sending their shop chairmen, but it is hoped that every shop chairman will be there to help make secure the existence of the only daily printed in English in this city, that fights bravely for the cause of the

"Louis Langer, Secretary Joint Board of Cloak, Skirt and Reefer Makers.

"Samuel E. Beardsley, President International Jewelry Workers' Un-

"Louis D. Berger, Manager United eckwear Makers' Union. Neckwear Makers

"David Dubinsky, Man ters' Union 10, L. L. G. W. U.

Murray Wein ters' Union 4. A. C. W. of A. "Alexander Brownstein, Manager Joint Board Furriers' Unions.

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"Abraham I. Shiplacoff, Manage New York Joint Board A. C. W. of A

"Max Zuckerman, Secretary Unit-North America. "F. Greenberg, Manager Children's ress Makers' Union,

"P. Levy, Secretary Cigarmakers'

"Arthur Samuels, Seen proof Garment Workers' Union.
"S. Schacter, Manager Suit Case and Bag Makers' Union.

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sues; and especially with the eco nomic principles that underlie politics

During the past few months "The Freeman" has printed a notable se-ries of articles called "The Myth of

a Guilty Nation" (now published in book form), dealing with the origin of the war and the inadequacy of the Versailles treaty. It has had an ar-ticle on China, by Bertrand Russell; on the negro in France, by Norman Angell; on Russia by Thorstein Vel-len; a story by Franz Molnar; letters from Gilbert Cannan; "The Diary of a Casual Laborer," by Powers Hsp. good; and other contributions fro such writers as Carl Sandburg, John Macy, Bella Cohen, W. N. Ewer, John Dos Passos, J. Salwyn Schapiro, Pierre Loving, and Padraic Colum.

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Wisdom of the Poor Fish By ART YOUNG

The Poor Fish says he doesn't like to pay more than five cents for carfare but he realizes that the stockholders have got to get something for their



## The West Virginia Treason Trial

e trials in the history of the labor movement of America will take place next week of America will take place next week in Charleston, W. Va., when the offi-cers of District 17, of the United Mine Workers of America and the rest of the miners' army that marched on Logan and Mingo Counties last August, go to trial for treason,

The class issue in all its nakedness was never better displayed. Logan County is the fairest of the "open scounty is the fairest of the "open abop" possessions. It is virtually a kingdom, ruled under the military dictatorship of Sheriff Don Chafin, who gets his authority from the coal operators of this richest bituminous field in America, and for that matter field in America, and for that matter of the world. Its coal veins are owned by the railroad interests and the Steel Trust, the great capitalists

Chafin has an army of deputies serating as county officials who are the Baldwin-Felts gunmen under another guise. C. E. Lively, the apy and informer for this agency, who was instrumental in causing the as-sassination of "Sid" Hatfield and Ed Chambers, the leaders of the Mingo miners, fled to Logan to receive the cident in the lurid history of the

West Virginia mine war. Chafin's money is provided by the coal operators, his deputies command the one railroad that penetrates from Huntington into the Guyon Valley. the local postoffice and the telegraph wires are under the direct consorable of the coal barons, even the currency of the region is coal company script, in which the 12,000 miners are paid, instead of the coin of the realm. It is this money which the company storekeepers honor and exchange, giving the miners groceries, meat and other supplies at fancy prices set by

the coal companies.

The chief defendants are C. Frank Keeney, President of District 17, U. M. W.; Fred Mooney, Secretary-Treasurer; William Bitzard, President of Sub District 2; Frank Sedent Sedent Substitute 1 (Substitute 1)

der, editor of the West Virginia "Fed-erationist," a weekly labor paper printed in Charleston, that has a wide printed in Charleston, that has a wide circulation in the mine camps; Law-rence Dwyer, Executive Board mem-ber United Mine Workers of Amer-ica; A. C. Porter and Isaac Scott. There are nearly 300 other union men under indictment.

As arrayed against the Logar, op crators' forces these men constituted a miners' army, it is charged, that marched to the relief of the Mingo tent colony. It was rumored last August the Baldwin-Felts agents were planning a massacre of the de-fenseless women and children in the tents, where they had been housed

during the long strike of the Mingo Hatfield and Chambers, the Mingo nem' leaders, had just been bru tally slain on the courthouse steps at Welch, the county site of McDowell County, where they had been lured under the protection of the state to answer to another indictment after they had been acquitted on a similar charge arising out of the battle with

compay agents at Matewan, the year The uprising was spontaneous an-The uprising was spontaneous apparently, but the state will charge at this trial that it was inspired by the union locals in the Kanawha and Cabin Creek fields, and that the army, commanded by ex-service men,

was drilled and prepared for a long campaign. the mine workers and their leaders undertook to overthrow the govern-

ment of Logan County by declaring ; an armed insurrection against the Sheriff of that county; to disregard the proclamation of martial law de-clared in Mingo County, by Governor E. F. Morgan soon after the miners went on strike in that field, raising an army to wage war against the state of West Virginia and thereby com-mitted acts against the state, which,

it is alleged, constituted treason.

Keeney, Mooney and Blizzard have already been detained for months in various county jails, where they were held under various indictments were held under various indictments growing out of the march. Some charge consuracy. Others charge them with aiding and abetting and counselling Frank Kitchin. a union miner, held on a charge of killing Frank Gore, one of Chafin's army who died of wounds received in the fighting on Blair Mountain.

The fighting, it will be remembered. was a nine-day wonder in the newspapers last summer. About 10,000 miners springing out of the ground, as it were, grabbed high-powered rifles, mounted machine guns on automatic trucks, commandeered trains and marched for Mingo when it was rumored that the tent colonies had been attacked.

While the mine operators' army at Logan entrenched after conscripting every person in the county that would bear arm in defer of the mine properties, and even emptying the jail, the Governor app ked for fed-eral intervention, and General Band-holtz was sent to West Virginia by

the federal government.

Although Keeney and Mooney had Although Keeney and Mooney nad urged the miners not to marcha it was not until General Bandholts had conferred with them and President Hardiny had issued a procla nation ordering the miners to lay down their arms that the advance ceased. A arms that the advance ceased. A conference with the district miners' officials had been held when orders were given to the miners to disband. General Bandholtz ordered his soldiers also to disarm the miners and hundreds of rifles and large quanti-

ties of ammunition were gathered up,

although the operators' army was molested.

molested.

When the disarmament was apparently completed, the officious State Constabulary, under Captain J. R. Brockus, again aroused the work-

An encounter between miners took place on the outskirts of Logan Cos ty, caused by three of the Cossacks running their horses into a miner's automobile, with serious co passed threats, however, saying tha they had just come from the Ming region, where miners were being shot on sight, and threatened to shoot up the town. This rumor spread, and a a result the retreating miners' arm re-formed, captured a train and sta ed for Mingo via Logan. They were further incited by the unprovoked at-tack of the State Cossacks upon miners at Sharples, in which a

The advance pickets of the m The advance pickets of the minera got into contact with the forces of Sheriff Chafin, on Blair Mountain, and fighting broke out along a 25-mile front. How many were killed will never be known, although in various small cemeteries in nearby s tlements new graves appeared.

Before the battle grew intense federal troops reappeared and the m ers' army was forced to retire. The actual casualties were not made pub The Logan forces lost at least three or four men and the miners rificed many more.

Among the slain was John Gore, a Deputy Sheriff, who was killed on Blair Mountain, and many charges of conspiracy to commit r

based on this. Grand juries of Logan, Mingo and Kanawha Counties immediately were summoned and sheaves of indictments were returned. Arraigned first in Lo-

gan County, then brought to Mingo, finally to Kanawha, the defendants were granted a change of venue to Jefferson County, where the trial will

open on April 24,
Judge John Mitchell Woods, of
Martinsburg, W. Va., will preside.

## Sacco-Vanzetti Defense Committee Writes to Our Locals

Important new evidence clearing Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti, the New England labor men who are-condemned to die in the electric chair, may be obtained in the near future-provided the money to continue the investigations now in progress can be raised, it appears from a letter to the locals of our International signed by Frank R. Lopez, Secretary of the Sacco-Vanzetti Defense Committee.

Lopez outlines the present status of the investigations, and points out that the results already netted justify the work can be financed. A representa tive of the committee, he says, will appeal for substantial aid at the I. L. G. W. U. Convention in Cleve-

The letter to our locals in full roads "Dear Brothers:

"In a letter son President, Brother B. Schlesinger, urged upon you the necessity of immediate aid in the defense of Sacco and Vanzetti, two foreign-born sons of labor who are about to die in the electric chair for their unswerving loyalty to working class ideals. We take the liberty of re-enforcing President Schlesinger's eloquent appeal with a brief statement of the situa-tion confronting the defense, and a

request for specific action on vo

eclines the death vandiet was brought in last July intensive investigations have been conducted into all the facts of the case. The work has been arduous and costly; trying upon our patience and the patience of the workers who pay the bills. But with the lives of two valiant labor men and in a measure the reputation of the labor vanguard of the whole world—at stake, it was necessary to follow every clue and delve into every

story and rumor, paying the price as we went along. "Some of these clues led now! Others have led to definite informa-

tion. The attorneys have reason to believe that another big, united effort will produce results. This last effort to check all available new evidence, and obtain data in a form pro sentable to the courts must be made and made quickly. Indications make it likely that the new evidence will be so clearcut and convincing that not even the most prejudiced court will dare to send Sacco and Vanzetti to

Unfortunately, the wo time practically held up for lack of funds. The last, and-as we have strong reasons for hopingful effort cannot be made until money is raised for the purpose. Such is the present situation in its

## "Labor Age" Appeals to Our Locals

"Labor Age," a new monthly publication in New York, which advocates socialization of industry, is making a special appeal to the locals of our International to assist in increasing its circulation. The following letter has been sent out by the publishers of the New York locals:

"We wish to secure your support for 'Labor Age,' a magazine which has been established for the purpose of promoting socialization of indus-

"You will recall that last social the editors of the 'Socialist Review' decided that this magazine extend its field, and instead of appealing pri-marily to college men, should take up the active work of expressing the ideas and purposes of the advanced union movement. The co-operation of advanced union leaders was secured and a new organization was formed, the Labor Publication Society, for the purpose of getting out

"Among the n of directors of the Labor Publication entials. And the request is A representative of the Sacco-Van-zetti defense will appeal for financia

Society are Joseph Schlossberg of the Amalgamated, Abraham Baroff and Max D. Danish of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, and J. M. Budish of the United Cloth Hat and Can Makers' Unio

"Five numbers of 'Labor Age' have now been issued. As you can see from the sample copies sent you, we have succeeded in producing an attractive publication which gives the un-to-date facts about the American labor movement, particularly stressing constructive things which that

movement is doing or might do "We ask the help of your local promoting this work. It can do this Publication Society, by subscribing to the publication, and by appointing a committee to see that subscribers are obtained from among your membe In giving us this aid, you not only secure for yourselves a magazine which we are unfident will meet your work into unions which now are much less sympathetic to socialization of industry than yourselves

convention to act favorably and senerously when the question comes up! "Yours, with fraternal greetings aid at the convention of your Inter-national. Will you, who recognise the great need and the noble cause, please instruct your delegates to the and heartfelt thanks

"Secretary the Sacco-Vanzetti
fense Committee."

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### EDITORIALS

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF "FORWARD"

Next Sunday, April 23, the "Daily Forward" will celebrate its twenty-fifth anniversary-a quarter of a century of life and activity among and for the Jewish population of America and the Jewish working masses in particular. Let it be stated at the out-set that the distinctive feature of the "Forward" all along has been that it never was a sectarian newspaper, not even a party organ in the strict sense of the word. From its early days it has striven to become a newspaper of the masses, a daily paper for the man in the shop and on the street, though its pulse beat always strongly and warmly for the toilers of America.

From its cradle days to this day of maturity, the "Forward" has not changed in this respect in the slightest degree. Always and forever it was fighting with and for the great Jewish working masses and this ability to win the heart of the masses and the courageous and unbroken battle it has waged on their behalf, has made the "Forward" the greatest Jewish newspaper in the world,

Indeed, one can barely realize the magnitude of the fact that a newspaper which began its existence without a cent, without any financial basis whatsoever, has lived to be regarded, after twentyfive years, as the greatest Jewish newspaper in the world. One must bear in mind that the "Forward" was born after several attempts to launch Jewish weeklies and dailies had failed after a struggle of a few years. The number of Jewish newspaper readers in those days was very limited, amounting to only a few thousand. The advertising field was poor and undeveloped. How much loyalty, love, sacrifice, in the truest sense of the word, was required to keep up the "Forward" in the first years of its existence!

Naturally there comes to mind, in this connection, Abraham Cahan, the editor of the "Forward,"—the soul and leading spirit of the publication. One can hardly imagine the "Forward" without Abraham Cahan. Yet, no matter how great and important a person may be, Cahan required a number of able and gifted coworkers, and it is our great pleasure to mention some who have stood by the "Forward" in the most critical period of its life. There was Louis Miller, who has later, regrettably and to his own misfortune, left the "Forward"; right after him comes that highly talented poet and publicist, Abraham Liesin; M. Jaffe, one of the ablest business managers the "Forward" has had; our own Benjamin Schledinger, who was for a number of years at the helm of the business department of the "Forward" and who had contributed greatly towards its present standing-and the other tens and hundreds who have hovered over and nursed the "Forward" with their own life-blood during its first critical years and would not let it die. The "Forward" has had the singular luck, in the early years of its life, of winning a following among the ablest, most energetic and most devoted men and wo our movement.

'The builders of the "Forward" are the tens and hundreds of thousands of its readers. The jubilee of the "Forward" is the jubilee of the great masses of the workers whose name is legion. The "Forward" anniversary is a popular festival.

We congratulate the "Forward" upon the past quarter of a century of its life and activities and wish it many, many years of continued and uninterrupted life and labor on behalf of the men and women who toil the world over.

#### THE LAST QUARTERLY MEETING

The General Executive Board of our International, elected two years ago at the Chicago Convention to be the chief supervisor and administrator of the interests of over one hundred thousand members which compose our International, has concluded its final work last Friday and Saturday. It read, discussed, and unanimously approved the report prepared by the General Office of the activities of our International for the last two years.

What concerns the report, we shall speak of it at greater length when it will be in the hands of the convention delegates. We can only say now that it would be of great benefit for each

delegate, as well as for every member of our International, to read this report painstakingly and carefully from cover to cover.

Our history for the last two years contains, indeed, pager of absorbing interest which one can only grasp and fully us derstand after reading a coherent story of our activities in the derstand after reading a coherent story of our activities in the form of a report. Not infrequently events that are regarded as of small importance at the time they occur, subsequently grow in significance as we look at them from a distance, and as we may be a subsequently grow in significance as we look at them from a distance, and as we may many members of our International, upon reading this report, will realize that many facts and events that have seemed to them small at the time they, took place are paramount in their international. The subsequence of t

But the story reself and the well-connected facts which fill this report, page after page, are bound to create this indelible impression upon the readers. We deem it a duty to remind the delegates to the convention that they make it their first task, before they do anything else, to read this report carefully and digest its contents. It will offer them the best basis for forming a proper point of view upon the issues confronting our International at the present time.

The reading and the discussion of this report has practically ended the work of the General Executive Board. The Board, of course, could not undertake any new activities at this time. There were other matters which had to be attended to, such as the election of a Convention Credentials Committee, used as the election of a Convention Credentials Committee, this or that delegate in connection with his eligibility to represent his local at the convention work of the convention has already begun, for the time being in New York City. The Credentials Committee will have to pass upon many other difficulties of the convention of the conventio

ties connected with the seating of delegates asside from the per-sonal fitness of this or that delegate. Some locals owe the In-ternational substantial sums of money, and according to our constitution such delegates are not entitled to be seated at a convention. Several of these locals have come to the last mea-ting of the General Executive Board with "hard-luck" stories and alibis; their treasuries are empty, their members are out of work, etc., etc. It is the duty of the Credentials Committee to pass upon such claims and pleas which the convention has to

pass upon such came and press when the convention may be a sention subsequently learned. Executive Board has listened to the appeals of these locals with earnest sympathy, but despite its best wishes, our International cannot afford such luxuries as wholesale exonerations of locals from paying their obligations to the General Office. The International has its duties to fulfill to the deferral Office. The international has its duties to fulfill and its alms to achieve. If if were to excuse the locals from paying their debts upon various pleas and apologies, it would find itself remise in its own duty. The locals will, it seems to us, have to meet their outstanding obligations if they are to be represented at the convention.

Our locals will been in mind that the international is working under a heavy funcial indiced at present. The Thumosla Report attached to the main report of the General Executive Board will prove that the extraordinarily heavy expenses incurred by our International during the past two years were lightheartedly. Too many locals, indeed, have availed themselves of the good nature of the General Office, and to this principally can be traced the deficit under which we are laboring

cipally can be traced the deficit under which we are laboring at present. In a present in the present in the present in the granting of a charter to the cloak pressers of Philadelphia, which was done with the full consent of the Philadelphia pressers complete separating of a charter gives the Philadelphia pressers complete separating themselves from the main body. On the other hand, through their representatives on the Joint Board, they will be closely connected with their central body and with the Inter-

national.

The Board also gave earnest consideration to the flagrant violations that have occurred in recent elections for delegates among some of our locals in New York City. It condemned these practices in unminced terms and decided to bring the entire matter before the next convention



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## News from Cleveland

By MEYER PERLSTEIN

The strike at Landesman-Herscheiner clock and suit factory, one of the largest and note largesters in the largest and note largesters. We have a suit factory, one of the largest and note largesters and there has been no levesh in the ranks were. All the 150 workers who were, employed there are out, and there has been no levesh in the ranks over the property of the largester of

Herscheimer strike, there are also two other strikes conducted against Mo-shantz Brothers and Bloomfield. The Union has been involved in twenty six court cases in connection with the strike, and has three injunctions against it. Two cases have so far been disposed of by jury trials, in ich the jurors were mostly women. The verdicts were in favor of the Union. The charges against the strikers ran from assault to kill to

interfering with the traffic.

The attorneys for the Union are

former Secretary of War Newton D. Baker and John A. Cline.
The strike has thus far cost about

The strike has thus far cost about 46,000. The crysness are met through a \$15 general assessment upon all the members of the Union, which was not strike the control of the cost of the co

On Wednesday, March 22, the Cleveland locals held a mass meeting in the ballroom of the Statler Hotel, at which about 1,000 members were present. The members were ac-quainted with the details of the strike and a detailed report of income and expenditures was given. The mem-bers seem to have been satisfied with bers seem to have been satisfied with the report and unanimously voted to approve it and to continue the 5 per cent assessment on earnings, no mat-ter how slack the coming weeks may be. The Convention Committee re-ported on the various preparations for the forthcoming convention, an-

nouncing the various entertal ments which have been prepared for the

delegates. The committee also rec-

commended that on May 1, the open-ing day of the convention, the weigh-ers should declare the first half day a holidary in house of the Convention, to a holidary in house of the Convention, to declare a holidary for a whole day, and that no members of the Cleveland Union should work on that day. Declations of inpactial Chairman Declare of the Convention of the Convention of the Convention of the Convention of the Professor Jacob Killander, of Johns Hopkins University, who took the phase of Major William Mack, has dealt with three cases which were valien. One cases involved the discation. One case involved the dis-charge of four workers. The Union was upheld in its contention and the workers were ordered reinstated. The second case dealt with workers The second case dealt with workers who spend time in committees which have to approve standards. The Impartial Chairman ordered that they be paid for the time they should spend on this committee. Another case dealt with old members who left the trade and came back. They refused to pay dues for the time they were out. Hollander ordered that they pay dues, otherwise they could not w

Wage Hearing The wage hearing, wi hich, according to the agreement, the Board of Referees should have held dur-

ing the month of April to consider the matter of wage scales, was first scheduled for April 1 and 2. The Chairman, Judge Julian W. Mack an nounced that he could not be present at that time and it was changed to April 15-16. Now, on greated April 15-16. Now, on account of Professor Hollander's inability to be

Professor Hollander's inshilly to be present at that time, it will probably he held April 22-23.

Our Joint Board has addressed a letter to the Board of Referees, sale that the only of the third property of the property of to surprise the workers at the hearing. The Board of Referees ruled
that briefs be submitted in advance
of the hearing, and since the manufacturers were the ones to insist on
the present hearing, they will have
to submit to the Board and the Union
the demands which they propose to
make at the hearing. The Union has
also demanded from the employers
that they submit copies of the pay
rule for the years 1990-1914, so that the Referees may have before them the actual earnings of the workers before the question of wages is sub-mitted. The employers refused to give the pay rolls and the Union sent a letter to the Referees, pointing out the importance of the earnings of the workers in connection with the forthming hearing.

## The Political Awakening of Labor

Oklahoma led off. A meeting was called at Shawnee, Oklahoma, was called at Snawnee, Untanoma, Pebruary 23rd. The Farmer-Labor Reconstruction League was organ-ized. A complete state and con-gressional ticket was nominated. The organization is being extended into all counties for the nomination of legislative and other candidates The conference was attended by 752 delegates. They were distributed as follows: 51 from the railroad brotherhoods, 221 from farmers' failows: 51 from the raurou-brotherhoods, 221 from farmers' unifets, 140 from community clubs, 236 from organized labor, and 104 from the Farmer-Labor Union. The delegates, both men and women, re-presented Democrats, Republicans and Socialists. Over a hundred Socialists were present.

J. C. Walton, the fighting may of Oklahoma City, formerly a rail-road conductor and consulting enneer, was the unanimous choice of the convention for governor. There was only one protest vote out of the 752 delegates present. A platform with real purpose in it was adopted. It recognized the common economic interests of farmers and workers. this as a menacing movement that threatens to wipe out the Democratic party and to sweep the state in the The r is being supported by the Oklahoma Leader, a Socialist daily with a powerful following in the state.

Conservative Iowa followed. Two ears ago Colonel Smith W. Brook-art nearly defeated United States Senator Cummins with the Cummins-Esch bill as the issue. On March 12, 125 representative workers took the initiative in Des Moines and oreanized the "Brookhart for Senator" Club, J. C. Lewis, president of the State Federation of Labor, was elected president of the club, and J. W. Kuykendall of Perry, of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, was elected secretary-treasurer. An executive committee of forty of the most prominent labor of forty of the most prominent labor men in the state was also selected. The workers recognized in the reso-lutions of endorsement, that Iows is essentially an agricultural state, and

that this fact should be recognized in the nominations and declarations. Colonel Brookhart has been endorsed by the chiefs of a number of railroad organizations, and is widely supported by the farmers of the state. issues on which he is making the fight are opposition to the Cum-mins-Esch bill; the development of mins-Esch bill; the development of the co-operative movement; the tax-ation of war profiteers, and opposi-tion to Newberryism.

Apparently North Dakota is com-

ing back in fine fighting trim. From a thoroughly reliable source we have the following information as to the conference of non-partisan lea held in Fargo, March 23, 24 and 25: This conference quickly eliminated all those who had caused friction within the ranks of the Non-partis League. It refused to endorse for the United States Senate ex-Senator Gronna, who had opposed the League at the last election, and opposed Senator Ladd at the primaries. A new Senator Ladd at the primaries. A new executive committee was elected which is in harmony with the farmers' views. When the convention closed it was apparent that the breach between some of the leaders and the rank and file had been healed and today the farmers apparently stand stronger as members of the Non-partisan League, than they have at any time during the last three years. They nominated a full ticket and decided to continue with the farm-ers' program. Ex-Governor Lynn Fraser was nominated for United States Senate, and he is expected to be elected by a large majority. selected an excellent man in ex-Se ator Baker as candidate for governor, who has had a wide experience in the Senate and the State. They se lected a full congressional ticket. Seems to be a common determin tion between the farmers and workers to carry out their program and

to elect their candidates to congress and for state office. Newberryism has figured largely Newberryism has ngured largely in the Michigan campaign. From the point of view of the C. P. P. A. that the movement has been started and is being vigorously pushed by Eugene J. Brock, Michigan representative of

chinists, is most significant. Certain ly Mr. Brock is working with energy and determination in co-operation with the sixteen railroad organizations. A conference has been called for the end of April. It is to be for the end of April. It is to be composed of the representatives of the sixteen railroad organizations and farmers. The executives of the railroad organizations are working in harmony with Mr. Brock and lend-

ing him every possible assistance In Indiana preliminary meetings were held on March 22 and 27. The temporary organization was perfect-ed and a state conference has been called for April 9 at the Denison Hotel, Indianapolis. Calls have been sent to 830 locals affiliated with the state Federation of Labor, 107 lo-cals of the four brotherhoods and other organizations and individuals. County organizations are being form ed. Already eight union men have entered the primaries for the general assembly in the Republican and eral assembly in the Republican and Democratic parties. Other candidates will be entered. At the temporary organization, Mr. J. J. Farnan was elected chairman, Louis C. Schwartz, of the Machinists Union No. 181, was elected vice-chairman; and A. E. elected vice-chairman; and A Gordon of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginem chosen as secretary. Two farmers were placed on the advisory commit Two farmers tee and a vigorous effort is being made to widen farmer representa-tion throughout the state.

Wyoming held its first conference in Cheyenne, March 24th. The con-ference adopted as its name "The Conference for Progressive Political Action." Sixty-three representatives from the railroad brotherhoods, farmer organizations, labor groups and progressives were present. A prorisional organization was comple a committee of 21 was provided for made up of representatives of rail-way brotherhoods, Non-partisan League, building trades, Farmer-La-League, building trades, Farmer-La-bor party, the progressives, farmer organizations, and mine workers. A convention is to be held within the next two months. Mr. Harry W. next two months. Mr. Harry W. Fox, president of the Wyoming state Federation of Labor, called the con-Federation of Labor, called the con-ference, and U. G. Applegate, of the B. of L. E., was elected state chair-man. Mrs. W. H. Japecke, of the Non-partisan League, was elected

tary-treasurer. he labor union men of this dir

trict, including all crafts, building trades, railroad unions and farmers. have formed an organization which we have named the 'Farmer-Labor Council.' Our object is to make every effort to get the laboring man, more especially the union men, to line up in co-operative way and give our undi vided support to men of our own choosing. We are putting a B. of L. E. man in the fight for Congress, Harold M. Rhea, of New Castle, Pa., and a union printer, Phillip S. Evans, for

tate Assembly." In Cleburne, Texas, a Non-partisar Political Conference has been organized, with 18 labor organizations at the first meeting. Their first test will come in the election for city officials, April 4, for which a complete labo ticket has been placed in the field. A county campaign is to follow, as well as a state and national campaign. The Cleburne conference started out to se cure the co-operation of the Farmer Labor unions, which are sitting is conference with them. C. M. Rodgers, of the Brotherhood of Railway Fire men, is president; W. J. Stead, of the International Brotherhod of Boilermakers, is vice-president; and W. B. Hicks, of the Brotherhood of Railway Carmen of America, is secretary-treasurer. Brother Hicks reports that solid support is being received from all of the local organizations.

Even in Delaware a movement has been launched. A conference is to be started in Wilmington, early in April, looking to independent nominations is that state.

#### THE MITCHELL DESIGNING SCHOOL

It will be interesting for our read-It will be interesting for our read-ers to note that the well-known Mitchell Designing School has re-moved from 920 Broadway to 18 West 37th Street, New York City.

This school has been in existence for the past fifty years, and we are pleased to inform our readers that their new quarters are most ideal, being larger and more centrally located, occupying a light and airy left on the ninth floor.

The instructors are not only effi-

cient in their ability to impart edge, but they are practical men throughout.

Our best wishes for complete suc-

## Labor and Education

By DAVID P. BERENBERG

About twenty-four group of enthusiasts in London conceived the idea of giving workers the equivalent of a "college education," and giving them at the same time, in formation and a point of view that would be of positive advantage to them in their struggle. It was pretty widely recognized at the time that education in itself was of no partic ular value to a man or a weman whose entire life was bound to a ma chine or to a deep pit. The desultory efforts at education which had marked the nineteenth century had produced some wierd results. Half digested theories - vaguely understood discoveries of science-gravely anread as "education," had brought forth types whose chief interest lay in proving some pet hobby, rather than in using knowledge concretely,

and for a definite end. We still meet the products of this older type of "labor education." They are rather pathetic-when they are not tragic

The London group (there were some now well-known Americans among them) had no particular faith in "general education." Nor did it in "general education." Nor did it think that more technical knowledge would solve the educational problem created by modern industrial life. It felt, rather, that if the worker understood the general tendencies of his-tory and of economics; if he had a notion of what labor in the rest of the world was doing; if he could get, in addition, some general, and yet would become a more useful member of his class.

All this is, to us, the obvious p gram of Labor Education on which much has been said and written, but of which regrettably little has per--

The result of the efforts of this little group of students in London is the now famous Ruskin College. For nearly a quarter of a century this college has been offering to the laborers of England the program of Lab Education for which it was founded. The very nature of our industrial avetem made it impossible for the college to reach any considerable masses of the workers. Only a few members of the vast working class of the United Kingdom have had the training it offered. But the work of Rúskin Colege, and of all institutions like it, is not to be measured by its direct Out of the college have come men and women who have carved the wark of the college into sarata of the proletarint that would never dream of entering its doors.

thing was attempted through the tablishment of the Rand School in 1996. There was, however, a totally different set of circumstances to co tend with in this country. In Eng and the workers are a homoger group; there is here and there an octhe working population is made up of workers of English blood-work descended from generations of wor ers, who expect their children to be workers after them. Here, and more particularly in the larger cities of the East, the foreign-born element is an important fraction of the laboring classes. They have certain prime needs which must be satisfied if they are simply to live here, and go about their daily tasks. It, therefore, im-mediately became the task of the Rand School to teach the workers English, and to familiarize th

In the United States the same

and habits.

This is, of course, not Labor Ed cation in the original meaning, of that phase. It is, however, a necessity which no subsequent educational effort has been able to discard.

Labor Education in this country has had to contend, besides, with the fact that we are not a homogene-ous people. Our working class is far more fluid than any in Europe. There are still avenues of escape into the professions and into business. Reprofessions and into business. Re-gent's preparatory schools and busi-ness colleges absorb a tremendous amount of youthful energy—energy enough to bring on the Co-operative Commonwealth if applied to social rather than to individual.

than to individual advance to divert its current from its present course of self-improvement to the more desirable course of social beterment, is at the moment the great

Those who teach the workers in any of the existing Labor Educational institutions must have been confronted by several facts. In the first place, the students want definite infor n, rather than scientific method. This is puxiling and annoying to the professional teacher who is at the same time an idealist. Such a teach-er feels that correct thinking and careful judgment are better than just facts half grasped.

Then the students, just like their liege student confrères, pick "easy" college student conferers, pick "easy" and interesting courses rather than courses that really mean something to the future of the workers' movement. They are not to be blamed for this. It is a fact that must be recognized

Under the circumstances, Labor Education, with its many promises and fine programs, faces difficult days. Programs on paper are not al-

uskin College, the Rand Sch and their many colleagues (which now must number dozens in the Engspeaking world) have done gree things, not so much in actually bring-ing education to the working masses, in working out the cur which, no matter how changed it may be in particulars, is yet the basis of all labor colleges. When they began their work the aim seemed clear enough to the founders. All that was needed was the means. Strangely enough, the means exist today, but the aim seems less certain-le nite. Naturally, we agree that Labor Education must prepare the worker for the workers' movement. But this is vague. Concretely, what will so prepare him?

The vagueness, the uncertainty that shrouds the entire question of Labor Education is by no means re markable. It is to be found in every other field of education. Things we ought we knew are turning out to be nonsense. Today we know that yesterday we were wrong! What of We go on until we find the right

way. This is expensive, but it is the only way. The alternative is stagna-

Members can still se son cards for the Yiddish Art Theatre, Madison Avenue and 27th Street, at the office of the Educational Department, 31 Union Square, Room 1003.

#### THE STAGE

THE JUNGLE-A NEW LABOR

The Elk Film Company, distribu-tors for the Labor Film Service, an-nounces the release of a number of labor pictures, which will be distrib-uted and shown in motion picture

labor pictures, which will be distrib-uted and shown in motion, picture houses in New York and New Jersey. Chief among the late releases is "The Jungle," adapted from the book by Upton Sinclair, and which created wide interest and discussion about eight years ago, when it was first released. This film picturizes the dra-matic exposure of the conditions in the meat industry, which made the book a nensation. The original film has been completely overhauled, and in its present form is destined for a long present form is destined for a long and sensational run, especially in those picture houses which cater to working class audiences. Among the first Act these to show the film is the Fifth Avenue Theater, on 110th Street and Fifth Avenue, which has apprepriately chosen the First of May for the opening performance.

The Stage Door Inn Players will give a single performance of "An Actress," by Nevada Heffron Hesse, at the Thirty-ninth Street Theater, on Sunday night, April 30.

ane Guitrys, who are announced to begin an engagement here on Christ-mas night under the direction of the Selwyns, will offer "Deburau" as their initial program. The Guitrys, who are announced to

Margaret Wycherly will play the leading feminine role in "What the Public Wanta," which the Theater Guild is producing.

"The Hairy Ape" was moved from the Provincetown Theater to the Plyouth Theater, opening with an Eas

Mary Boland will play the leading role in "The Advertising of Kate," to be produced by Lee Kugel.

Tallulah Bankhead has been gaged for the leading role in "Her Temporary Husband," a comedy by Edward A. Paulton. The play will be produced in New York

"The Green Ring," the delightful Russian tragicomedy on flappers and their foolish elders, will continue at the Neighborhood Playhouse through May Beginning Saturday, April 22, the

Beginning Saturday, April 22, the Saturday and Sunday evening per-formances will be given over to the Festival. "Salant au Monde," based on Watt Whitman's poem, with music by Charles Griffes. "The Green Ring" will play Toesday, Wednesday, Thurnday and Priday evenings, and Saturday matinee? "Salut au Monde," will play every Salurday and Sunderwill play every Saturday and Sunday evening, through May.

Idiot," adapted from the novel by Dostoievsky, will be pre-sented at the Little Theater next sented at the Little Monday and Tuesday afternoons with

Estelle Winwood, Reginald Pole, Mar, garet Mower, Thurston Hall and oth, er players.

Miss Hilds Spong will be featured in "On the Stairs," in a cast headed by Robert Edeson.

Max Gabel will be seen in a musical version of "The Golem," at Earl Car. roll's Theater on Sunday night, May 14, in aid of the Jewish Consump. tives' Relief Society

"Creditors," by Strindberg, will be given at special matinees at the Greenwich Village Theater on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons, April 25 and 26, under the manage-ment of Ellen Van Volkenburg and Maurice Browne. Bernard Shaw's "Candida" will continue as the regular attraction, playing every even and the usual Thursday and Saturday

William Mengelberg will make his William Mengelberg will make his last concert appearance in this sea-son at the two Philharmonic perform-ances of Beethoven's Ninth and First symphonies, on Wednerday evening, April 26, at Carnegie Hall, and Sunday evening, April 30, at the Metro-politan Opera House. Owing to the vocal requirements of the work, the Ninth does not receive presen in New York as often as some of the other Beethoven symphonies, but the Dutch conductor has directed it is Holland this season on some half dozen occasion:

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# LABOR THE WORLD OVER

#### DOMESTIC ITEMS

#### MINERS HOLDING FIRM

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### FEDERAL FUNDS NOT TO PROSECUTE LABOR

FAMERIA FUNDS NOT TO PROSECUTE LABOR
After voting again today to refuse the use of federal funds for the
prosecution of labor unions or farmer's co-perative organizations under anti-treat laws, the House passed and sent to the Senate the regular state and
justice appropriation bill carrying about \$25,000,000 to maintain those departments during the next finear justice.

#### LOWEST COAL PRODUCTION

The production of bituminous coal in the United States dropped to 3,500,000 tons, the lowest in modern coal history, while work in the anthracite fields ceased entirely during the first week of the strike, according to a review of the industry issued by the United States Geological Survey.

#### COMPENSATION LAW REVISED

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Governor Miller aigned the Knight Bill, completely revising the New
York State Workmen's Compensation law, saying that the "need for revision
of the law has been apparent for a long time," One of the important manments under the new law is the elimination of the sixty-day limitation for medical treatment of injured workmen and a requirement that the employer furnish to his injured employee medical care and treatment for as long a me as the nature of the injury require

#### GOMPERS URGES A "UNITED FRONT"

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President Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, speaking at
the Railroad Employees' Convention now being held in Quicago, admitted
that he was unfavorably disposed toward the decision registered by Judge
Landis a few weeks ago in the Building Trades dispute, and urged the Building Trades to put up a united front.

IMPORTED "SCAB" WORKERS
I. C. Dunway, of Cleburne, Texas, teatifying before the Federal Bailroot Labor Based yesterlay, declared that Mexican laborers are handed into
Texas and Oklabons by the curlends. "These near," he said, "sepplast with
thore, live in pilital conditions, and are so pourly her shorthed that they cannot do a proper day's work,"

#### LANDLORDING IN PANAMA

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Three thousand government employees of the Panama Canal and
Panama Railway have to pay the government for the use of their bouses
the Canal Zone, the United States Circuit Court of Appeals decided today
in denying the petition of Harvey McConaughy, representing the workers,
for an injunction to restrain the government from collecting the rents.

#### "MOVIE" ECONOMY

Manufacturers from all sections of the United States who are interested in the educational and sales value of motion pictures and also film producers and distributors, are to meet in Washington in the hope of developing a mational system of distribution that will be of greatest benefit to the man-

TEXTILE STREETS MORE HOPETUL.

At the require of Major Kanyan, Governor San Souri, of Rhode Island, decided today to retain was company of the National Guard an duty in conceiton with the textile strike because of the disorders there has hight. At Lawrence, President Mcfaham, of the Textile Workers, asserted that strike sizuation throughout New Engined was more favorable to the strikers this week than at any previous time.

#### A SPECIAL LABOR CONFERENCE

A conference of labor leaders has been called by President Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, to meet in Chicago this week. The purpose of the conference is reported to "consider problems confronting particular localities as well as the labor movement in general, and the best plans and methods with which to meet these problems."

#### SIL A WEEK BASIC WACE

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The Kansas Industrial Court will make its final order fixing the minimum wages and maximum bours at which women may work in the industries, laundries and mercantile establishments in the State of Kansas, on about May 10. It is expected that the basic wage will be \$11 a week for all women einployed in industrial or mercantile purposits.

## UNEMPLOYED BESIEGE FACTORY

An army of unemployed men besieged the factory of Henry Ford in Detroit in search of Jobs which it was rumored were to be had. The men were scattered by several squads of police only after a severe fight, in which many were bruised.

#### A FEDERAL INDUSTRIAL JAIL?

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#### FOREIGN ITEMS

## IRISH REPUBLICANS IN ENGLAND

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At third annual conference of the Irish Soli-Determination League,
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the sploins that it would be limplified to make any alternation in the
Lague's policy until after the Irish general election. There was much opposition from the Republican, who falled to pass their opposite resolution
pledging the Lagues to work for an Irish Republic, and walked out of the
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#### SMASHING LABOR VICTORY

#### FOR RUSSIAN FAMINE AID

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A mass meeting in Landon, representing women of all phases of thought
and political opinion, passed a resolution demanding a government grant
of three million pounds in aid of starving Russia, and proceeded to send a
deputation to the House of Commons to carry the resolution. The police,
following the usual precedent, received the deputation of wamen in forea
and refused admintance. However, in these days women have votes, and
having covered their retreat by returning to allow one woman, Mrs. Petide. Lawrence, of suffrage fame, to enter, these champions of law and order ther permitted the rest of the women to interview their representatives.

#### GERMANY

#### REPARATIONS CONTRASTS

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in regio to the German Chanceller's statement that the new demands of
in regio to the German Chanceller's faithtenent, Mr. Losio Stock,
Chairman of the Reparations Commission, states that "Germany can are
must pay, and if necessary, file Allies must have recovere to force."

In contrast to this manifests comes the presonnerment of Mr. Houghton,
the new American Anhabasedor For Germany, on the eve of his departure

the new American Amosssauor for Germany, on the dealers of the parties of Berlin. "Americans cannot be happy and contented as a nation so long as our fellow-citizens of German ancestry are embittered by a sense of injustice," he said, and added that he knew no reason why they should expect a great and proud nation to do something which in similar circumstances they themselves would not do.

#### HOUNDING LABOR

The repressive policy against Labor initiated by Venizelee is being energetically pursued by Gounaris, the present Premier. The Socialist party has been driven almost entirely under ground. The headquarters of the party has been repeatedly attacked and looted by the "Epistentee" Greek Pasielti-and must of the Socialist and trade union beaders are in

"A sallow, grizzled worker who sat opposite me in a tram car, pa A sallow, grizzied worker who sat opposite ine in a tram ear, paused in reading his newspaper to turn to his companion, a cripple, and any: "I nee Karichen is dead. . . . In bed,' he added oninously, 'Ja wohl,' answered his commed, 'and the papers are making more fusus about him than they die about the handreds of thousands of us whom he sent to death, or worse.' It was the Vienness workers' excellent on the dead Emperor."

PUTS COAL COST AT \$1.36

Coal loaded on cars at pits of the Dominion Coal Company in and around Glace Bay actually costs \$1.38 per ton, instead of approximately \$5.25, as claimed by the operators, it is declared by J. B. McLachlan, District Leader of the United Mine Workers.

To substantiate his claim, McLachian produced at meetings held yester-day a document which he declared to be an original "cost sheet" of the Dominion Coal Company, and which, he intimated, had been obtained in as "unorthodox" manner from the company's office files. He declared that the cost had risen in 1921 to \$2.07 per ton.

cost had risen in 1921 to \$1.267 per ton.
"We propose to get a living out of this industry," Mr. McLachlan said,
"he remove it from the hands of the people who have it min the hands
"we remove it from the hands of the people who have it min to the hands
"we demand a wage big mought to live one, to feed our women and
children, and if we do not get it from the capitalistic class, then we will
organize the workers to awage that class out of calculates."

#### ARREST INDIAN AGITATOR

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## Educational Comment and Notes

## What Has Been Accomplished Sessions of the

EXTRACTS FROM THE FORTHCOMING REPORT OF EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE TO NEXT CONVENTION For five years the I. L. G. W. U. | group which they were to tea

conducted educational activities. It spent many thousands of dollars in money. A number of carnest, faithful and far-seeing men and women devoted countless hours and energy to this task. What has been accom-

First of all, thousands of workers attended classes, lectures, and other activities. In these they learned a great deal about matters connected with their industry, their organization and the Labor Movement, They learned some of the economic laws underlying the development of the present order. They learned some of fundamental psychologic laws which govern the relations between human beings. They were inspired he literature which deals with the life, hopes and sorrows of other men

But, principally, they became ac quainted with the story of the struggie of their class. They heard how other workers, like themselves, speaking other languages and members of other races, struggled for many weary years; how they attempted to get more joy and happiness out of their miserable existence; how their attempts to unite for common interest were met with persecution and reasion from the ruling classes: and how, in spite of it all, they succeeded finally in winning the imroved conditions which prevail today. They learned how, through the devo-tion, loyalty and endless effort of other workers, they are in a position and comforts of life. They learned how unity and solidarity helped their fellow workers to achieve all this.

It is possible that all they learned

ras not used immediately by them their daily organization activities. It is possible that to some, all this intion was merely so many words But, knowing human nature as we ats for freedom and emancipation originated in similar efforte, we canot doubt that a large part of this instruction and training had a prac-tical value. There is no doubt that a great many of our members who attended our educational activi-ties were inspired there to greater sacrifice, higher ideals, more strenuone endeavors, and to greater desire to serve their fellow workers. You must not overlook the tre-mendous task that lies before us, and

the many difficulties we have to over-come. We had to carry on among our members a campaign for the need of education. Many of them sed education with We had to show them that workers must accumulate knowledge and must have at their disposal all the facts of our present social organization.

of our present social organization, because the group which possesses knowledge is the one to rule.

We had to prepare teachers for this work. We found many sympathetic men and women whom we interested in labor education and who were willing to place their knowledge and skill at the disposal of the work-ers. However, they lacked the experience and a knowledge of the

They were ignorant of the psychol-ogy, background, emations, beliefs and inspirations of the workers. Very few of them understood the labor movement, its tremendous task, its possibilities and limitations. To many of them all this was more

theory. We determined to co-ordinate a educational activities with the need of our Union in particular, and the labor movement in general, and we know that the success of our educational activities rests to a high degree with the teachers who must b armed with more than academic armed with more than academia knowledge and theoretic thought. Therefore we spent much time and effort to acquaint our teachers with the surroundings and problems of our members, with the books they read, with their aspirations and social ideas. We also succeeded in making our

We also succeeded in maxing our teachers part of our organization. Considering the volume of work we had to accomplish within a com-paratively short time, we say to all those who are impatient in their eagerness to see results, that years is a very short time in the life of any movement. There was a time of any movement. There was a time —not long ago—when many in our midst were doubtful about the ac-complishments of our Union. They were skeptical, if not pessimistic, when they compared results with the efforts and sacrifices made by so any of our members. But those of us who had the patience that goes with vision, foresaw the future and saw in their imagination a strong Union that would be one of the van-guards of the American Labor Move-

Parents send their children to school and do all in their power to surround them with influences which will mold their character and develop will moid their character and develop their personality. But after five years' instruction they cannot tell how the children will develop. All that they are certain about is what they want them to be.

The same principle that applies to parents and children holds good with the trade unions and their children— It is important that the educa

tional movement within trade tional movement withit trace throat should have a plan, an aim, a goal, a vision. It should make all possible efforts to accomplish these, but as for results, we shall have to wait for the future. It is very seldom that pioneers in a movement are fortunate enough to see the results of

We are happy to know that our large membership, of tens of thou-sands of men and women, old and young, Jew and Gentile, of American of foreign birth-those who do and do not take advantage of our ucational activities directly - all take pride in our work and are all willing to contribute to it. The tional activities they are furthering the development within their move-ment of an intelligent constructive body of opinion, and help to carry on activities that will give a chance to every man and woman with innate intelligence and with a desire for in-tellectual growth, to find himself and to place his gifts at the disposal of

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

# W. E. B. Convention

The members of the J. L. G. W. U., Movement and in Labor Education uparticularly those who have taken part in our educational work, are arread to attend the senious of the arread should be referred immediately at the office of the Educational De-

W F D Conventie At the first session on Saturday. April 22, at 2:30, at the New School for Social Research, 465 West 22d Street, they will hear reports of the representatives of many labor schools

We urge all of our students and friends to attend the dinner on Sat. urday evening, at 7:30 P. M., at Manhattan Lyceum, 66 East 4th Street. Eminent leaders in the Labor

partment.

The sessions on Sunday, April 23, will be very interesting. At 10 A. M, prominent labor leaders from many parts of the country will discuss labor movements and labor education. This meeting will take up the subject from a purely labor point of vis

rrom a purely labor point of view.

The evening session at 8 P. M. will take up the subject of "Teaching Methods in Workers' Education." Teachers in many of our workers' schools will participate. Students are invited to join in the discussion.

# Echo of the Get-Together

(Extracts from a disc work of our Educational Department at the gathering of our teachers and students on Saturday, April 1.) Those who know the difficulties

with which one is confronted in or-ganizing any activity within a trade union realize what a tremendous task it was to accomplish what we did in the field of education. must be remembered that the

main function of a trade union is to fight the economic battles of the worker for the betterment of his condition. A trade union must carry on a daily struggle for its very ex-Even when a union succeeds in gaining some concessions from employers, it must remain on the firing line to defend these concessions. Under such conditions it is quite natural that every other ac-tivity initiated by a trade union should be subardinated to its mair

Still, in the face of all these difficulties, we succeeded not only in forming classes for our members and giving for workers, but we did more than We were fortunate enough to art a movement for workers' education among trade unions. We sucthat, although the main function of the Union is, and will be, economic protection, its ultimate goal should be the Workers' Commonwealth. The Union should strive to stimulate in the workers a desire for everythin that makes the lives of men an women happier and more beautifu and that develops them intellectuall and that develops them intellectually spiritually and physically. The Union should also provide the facilities to satisfy such desires. We also im-pressed upon the leadership of the trade unions of this country that i is wrong and contrary to the interest of trade unions that workers wh to look for them outside of the move-ment. We succeeded in giving an intellectual and spiritual meaning to the purely econe ic trade unions of

To those of us who are eager to se results, and try to check up what was accomplished, we say: You tional movement is still in its infancy In addition, an intellectual and spir itual achievement cannot be meas ured. It is not of a tangible character. We plant valuable seeds, but are unnoticed at the begin gradually show their beauty.

## The Function of Labor Education

this country.

It is becoming evident that organ-ized labor is destined to play an increasingly important part in social and economic development. It is true, the present industrial condition caused by after-war adjustments is depressing. Labor is caught in a pre-dicament where it is compelled to struggle bitterly for its hard-earned gains. It does not require very much knowledge to see that things will not continue as they are. It is merely a matter of time when labor will be forced by existing conditions to unite more firmly than before, and to com-pel widespread and fundamental changes in the present economic

aystem. Who is going to accomplish this? Surely not millions of ignorant and disastisfied sinen and women. All they can do is to give yoice to discontent and to a deep-stated desire for change. The actual constructive work will be performed by those in

the labor movement who know and understand. But how are these to be found? Who are they? No one can answer correctly. No one can tell who are the men and women who, a few years hence, will lead their brothers and aisters to triumphant industrial de-

It is our sacred duty to find the It is our sacred duty to find these men and women, and give them the knowledge and vision which will en-able them to serve their fellow work-ers efficiently. This can be accomplished best by further developmer of labor education. Activities of all kinds—lectures, forums, classes, social and regreational functions, must be organized. Their doors must be flung wide open to attract as many of the rank and file as are sufficiently interested to enter. All of these who enter must be given proper training, for they will be the great labor army

## Making a New World bu Co-operative Production

By ALBERT F. COYLE

unity about consumers' co-operares that we are prone to overlook
e remarkable achievements of
prkers' co-operative productive socties, both here and abroad. We
e, of course, familiar with the unss attained by American farmers in operative production. The census operative production. The census for 1920 shows that the products of over one-half million farms valued bewe one billion dollars, are handled o-operatively. Indeed, throughout the Middle West, the most thriving the Middle West, the most thriving forms of co-operation are the pro-lucers' dairies, creameries, cheese factories, elevators, flour mills, and meat packing plants. While not dis-rounting the value of consumers' co-operation, the farmer-producer has operation, the farmer-producer has learned by years of hard experience that it is more important for him to unite co-operatively to get a fair price for the products he has to sell han it is to effect a small saving in

The workers of Europe are looking re and more to product ation as the basis for a just and stable economic order. Decent men are sick and tired of a system in which the ole motive for production and dis-ribution is greed for private profits. They see all around them the social havoc wrought by running industry "to make money" rather than to serve the needs of their fellow men. Even the dullest worker is prodded out of his indifference in times of in dustrial depression, when he has no work and his family has no bread because the men who own the jobs close their factories until the need for goods is so acute that society wil again pay them the profits they de-

the goods he needs to buy.

workers of Europe today are deterservice and not greed is the main-apring of human action, in which gain without labor shall no longer exist. This is the reason why American workers are taking a new interest in the possibilities of co-operative production and are steadily increasing the number of successful producers' co-speratives. It is the basis of the Plumb Plan of railt ay control, espoused by two and one-half million serican railroad employees. the essence of the proposal of the anarchy in the coal industry forever by operating the mines of the country for service and not for profit. The are demanding not only a just wage and decept security of employment; they are demanding that dem be applied to industry as well as to ament, that they have a voice in the direction of the enterprise in which they have invested all that they are and have—their labor and their

The supreme interest of men in life The supreme interest of men in life in our measured by what they conaume, but by what they produce. As a consumer, pan is on a level with all other forms of animal life. Like the pig at the trough, he can only consume so much and then he is through. As a producer, man exercises the highest talents intrusted to thin by his Maker—the reserve is. him by his Maker-the creative instinct, the desire to produce. This is what differentiates a man from brutewhat differentiates a man from brute-dom. It has been his crowing glory in all ages. It is the basis of civilina-tion, of art, of religion, of all that has enriched and inspired the fife of the human race. Valuable as con-tumers' co-operation is in reducing the cost of the physical and material seeds of life, it is restricted and con-ditioned on every side by the mate-ditioned on every side by the mateed on every side by the r

sial limitation upon man an accumer. Its ultimate goal is a nocial order in which production and distribution would be controlled by a giganite consumer? travit dominating all industries, and determining what appear absorble is made and who should have been and when the competition in to give control out the industries and pure control out that industries and pure some as the man who schalafly do the work, who knills who actually do the work, whe know better than anyone else how to oper-ate them efficiently, and whose pur-pose is not merely to turn out the cheapest possible product for the consumer, but the creation of the best and finest product that human ingenuity and devotion can devise. Just as men find their souls not in what they eat, but in what they cre ate, so will men find the long-sought era of brotherhood not in a ving pennies on their purchases, but in the dedicat, of their highant abilities to the satisfaction of the wants and needs of their fellow men. This is

In England and Wales there are already 91 thriving product of comembers, a share capital (raised by the workers themselves) exceeding \$4,000,000, and an annual trade of \$26,000,000. These producers' co-operatives fall into five main groups: Textile mills, boot and shoe factories, the metal trades, woodwork and build-ing construction, and printing estab-lishments. Their report for 1921 shows that after paying \$86,785.60 as interest on the capital hired, they reinterest on the capital hired, they re-funded to purchasers of their goods \$497,454, contributed \$26,258 to charities and social improvement, \$44,000 for educational purposes, and divided \$290,000 among the workers themselves as their co-operative share in excess of union wages. The workers in every co-operative pro-ductive society in Britain are required to be members of their respective trade unions. Indeed, thousands of dollars of trade union funds are invested in these co-operatives, The trade union itself is in some cases directly represented on the commit-tee of management. Thus the work-ers not only own their own jobs and assure themselves of a standard wage for their trade, but share with the consumers economies of production and savings or "profits" in the opera-tion of the business.

The French Workers' Produ Association, according to their 1921 report, are steadily growing and ex-panding into new fields. Their record shows a greater stability and length of life than either private enterprises or consumers' associations. Of the 215 workers' productive societies ex isting in 1908, over one-half are still in business, despite the industrial havoc caused by the war. One of the strongest forms of producers' associations in France is found in the printing industry. Although many of the co-operative printing plants lost all but their oldest members in the war, and were handicapped by the dearth of paper and type metal, yet only four of those associations existing in 1908 were not successfully opating in 1921.

To the Italian workers, however, belongs the credit for the greatest achievements in co-operative produc-tion. There the producers own farms tion. There the producers own farms and ships and factories. They have constructed co-operatively and now operate a successful railroad. They are now building a great canal to connect Milan, the capital of Lombardy, with the River Po, providing a valuable outlet to the Adriatic Sea. Withis the past menth the strong Italian Federation of Metal Workers' Co-Federation of Metal Workers' Co-operative Societies (Fed ratione Ital-iana delle Co-operative Metallur-iana delle Co-operative Metallur-giche) has been formed to unite all the workers' cooperative societies in the metal industry to purchase raw materials collectively, to standardize their products, and to market them in an orderly and socially useful man-nor derivative of the social control of the con-trol of the control of the control of the con-trol of the control of the control of the con-trol of the control of the control of the con-trol of the control of the control of the con-trol of the control of the control of the control of the con-trol of the control of the control of the control of the con-trol of the control of the contro

The first requisite for sue co-operatives in the United States is the mobilization of the credit power the mobilitation of the credit power of the workers under their own con-trol. For those who control credit control industry. Let each great amino of workers and farmers estab-lish its own cooperative bank to keep the funds of the producers out of the hands of speculators, manipulators and exploiters, and use them for pro-ductive surroses unit, and a new day ductive purposes only, and a new da-in industry will dawn.

Producers' co-operative societies have no desire to do away with consumers' co-operation. In fact, the In fact, they present consumers' organizations as distributing points for their products.

They should, as in England, form such a close alliance with consumers' societies that they save with them the savings and economies effected by cooperative production. The interests of the producers and consumers are not opposed. Workers are both producers and consumers. Although grouped differently, their interests are identical when laboring for the common good instead of for private

UNION HEALTH CENTER

RHEUMATISM: WHAT IT IS NOT The last of the series of talks on Posture and Orthopedic diseases will be given by Dr. S. W. Boorstein, on Friday, April 21, at the Union Health Center, 131 East 17th Street. Dr. Boorstein will talk on "R

What It Is and What It Is Not." Many serious diseases are erroneous-ly called rheumatism and patent med-icines are resorted to and much valuable time wasted in the endeavor, on the part of the patient to cure him self. It is very often true that forms of flat feet, sciatica, paralysis ar tuberculosis of the joints are call "rheumatism" and treated by qua Dr. Boorstein will take up each of these points and discuss what rheu-matism actually is.



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## The Weeks News in Cutters Union Local 10

By JOSEPH FISH

GENERAL

There remain not even two weeks fore our delegates will leave for Cleveland to attend the Sixteenth Biennial Convention of the L. L. G. W. U. The International has secured the Engineers' Auditorium as the Convention headquarters. This auditorium is owned by the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, and is considered one of the most spacious and beautiful in the country. The Arrangements Committee is to be congratulated on its good taste in having obtained this meeting place for our delegates, as it will surely mean comfort for those who will have to transact the business of the ladies' garment workers for a period of two

The International has also made arrangements so that the trip from New York to Cleveland will be as pleasant as possible. The understandpleasant as possible. The understand-ing is that a special train will be chartered which will take the dele-gates to Cleveland. The delegation will leave New. York City Friday evening, and will arrive in Buffalo Saturday morning, where it will re-Saturday morning, where it will re-main for the day. The Niagara Falls, one of the most picturesque sights in the world, are situated near Buffalo, and the elected representa-tives of New York City and vicinity will be afforded the opportunity of seeing them. Undoubtedly, all those traveling by this special train will take advantage of this wonderful op-

take advantage of this wonderful op-portunity of see the Falls.

The train will start from Buf-falo Saturday night and will reach Cleyeland Sunday morning, thereby giving the representatives a chance to secure suitable accommodations. for the two weeks they will stay in that city

As was announced in JUSTICE week, Brothers Perlmutter, Dubinsky, Sachs, Nagler, Fish, Ansel, Berlin and Ryan, were elected as delegates to represent our local at International Convention, and they are already busy working out different resolutions to be presented at the convention. At a recently held meeting of the delegates of Local 10 the organization of the delegates took place. Brother Perlmutelected Chairman, Brother Fish, Secretary, of the delegation. A joint meeting of the sentire Board and the delegates will be held in the very near future, at which meeting the different resolutions will be worked out. In all probability the next General Meeting, probability the next General Meeting, which will take place on Monday, April 24, and which is a special meet-ing for the acceptance of the report of the Election Board which supervised the election of the convention delegates, will also be a special meet-ing for the adoption of the different resolutions which will be drawn up jointly by the Executive Board and the delegation. This meeting will also present an opportunity to our ership of instructing our delegates on certain questions, and also ting any resolutions which may not have been drawn up by the joint meeting of the Executive Board and the delegation. All those who have any suggestions which they would like to bring before the attention of the membership are therefore urged to attend the April 24 meeting.

The membership is aware of the The membership is aware of the fact that in accordance with our newly-revised constitution a fine of \$1 is automatically imposed upon any member of our organization who has not attended at least one meeting of

the Union every quarter year; i. e., any man who has not attended at least one meeting during the months of Jenuary, February and March, and whose book is not stamped, is automatically fined \$1. But, since some may have various claims for not having attended meetings during the past three nounlis, the Executive past three months, the Executive Board, at its last session, appointed a committee of three, consisting of Brothers Assel, Evry and Rubin, to hear all such cases. All those who near all such cases. All those who may wish to present any excuse for their absence from meetings during the past quarter yeas will be afforded the opportunity of doing so this Sat-urday, April 22.

office of the Union, 231 East 14th Street, from 1 to 2:30 P. M. We also wish to instruct those

We also wish to instruct those members whose books are not stamped showing that they did not attend a meeting not to argue with the clerks either at Local 10's office or at that of the Joint Board, as the clerks have received instruction the effect that they are not to accept dues on any books which are not stamped, but should present their claims to the committee appointed for the purp

## CLOAK AND SUIT they have been for the past few weeks

in the cloak and suit industry without any improvement in the situation, although the depression is not yet as marked as that in our sister The activities of the office have been reported in the columns of JUSTICE all along, and the membership is acquainted with the work ngs of the Manager's office. Brother Dubinsky, who has been eleded as a delegate to the I. L. G. W. U. Con-vention in Cleveland, has been ap-pointed a member of the Credential Committee, which went into session on Monday, April 17. He will therefore be unable to attend to the routine of the office, as his time will be occupied as Secretary of this com-mittee for possibly the next two weeks. However, Brother Dubinsky can always be found in the office of

Due to the death of Brother Meyer Scharp, who was Manager of the downtown office of the Joint Board of Cloakmakers, a vacancy was cre ated thereby and up till last week the Joint Board did not appoint anyone to fill the deceased brother's place. Brother Fineberg, General Manager of the Joint Board, has appointed one of our men to act as Manager of that office. We wish to comment upon the good judgment of Brother Fineberg in having chosen Brother Sam Perimutter as Manager of the

the Union between 9 and 9:30 in the morning, before he leaves for the Credential's Committee headquarters,

The appointment of this broth a logical choice on the part of the Joint Board's General Manager, as Brother Perimutter has served Local 10 in various capacities, such as Manager of the miscellaneous division, Business Agent and Manager of the cloak and suit division, and is at present President of the organization.

Brother Perlmutter is to be conatulated upon his appointment, and there is no doubt but that he will be as successful an officer of the Joint Board as he was and is of Local 10.

WAIST AND DRESS
The depression in the waist and dress industry has not yet lifted, and it seems that it will take quite some

time before conditions in the trade | jurisdiction of the Waist and Dr improve. Joint Board, the Cloak and Soit Jo

One of the problems which will confront the coming Convention in Cleveland will be the question of alle-Cleveland will be the question of alle-viating the conditions in the waist and dress industry. There are vari-vous shades of opinion as to the method of doing this. The member-ship is aware that the dress industry is controlled by two different locals affiliated with the two different will Beards. One is Local 27, which is affiliated with the Waist and Dress Joint Board, and the other is Local 23, which is affiliated with the Cloak 23, which is affinited with the Cloak and Suit Joint Board. The best thing possible, under the circumstances, would be to amalgamate the two dress locals into one. The question left open is whether the two locals should amalgamate under the

Board, or should be made an inde-pendent local. These various differ-ences of opinion will be thrashed out at the Convention in Cleveland, and

MISCELLANEOUS

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For the third successive month a quorum of the members of the Miscellaneous Division failed to appear in Arlington Hall last Monday night, so Arlington Hall last Monday night, so that the requial monthly meeting of this branch, scheduled for the even-ing, could not be held. It seems that the only possible remedy for this sit-uation is to combine the Miceilanc-ous meetings with those of the Waist and Dress Branch. This matter will shortly come up before the Execu-tive Board for consideration and ac-tive Board for consideration and ac-

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