DOWN TOOLS!
MAY DAY
Upper right: Tokyo, Japan.
Upper left: Mexico City.
Center right: Berlin barricades of May Day, 1929. 29 workers were murdered by "socialist" police.

Lower left: Chinese Red soldier. May Day, 1931 finds the Chinese masses rising against native and imperialist tyranny.
MAY

By ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG

ABOUT fifty years ago the organized labor movement in the United States decided to commence struggle for the realization of the 8-hour day.

May 1, 1886 was chosen as the day upon which a general strike movement was to be initiated on behalf of a universal 8-hour day which would benefit the organized as well as the unorganized workers.

The center was Chicago, where the strike movement was most widespread, but many other cities were involved in the struggle on May First. New York, Baltimore, Washington, Milwaukee, Cincinnati, St. Louis, Pittsburgh, Detroit, and many other cities made a good showing in the walkout. A rebellious spirit was abroad in the land, and bourgeois historians speak of the "social war" and "hatred for capital" which was manifested during these strikes, and of the enthusiasm of the rank and file which pervaded the movement. It is estimated that about half of the number of workers who struck on May First were successful, and where they did not secure the 8-hour day, they succeeded in appreciably reducing the hours of labor.

The Chicago Strike and Haymarket

The May First strike was most aggressive in Chicago, which was at that time the center of a militant Left-wing labor movement.*

With the aid of the revolutionary labor groups the strike in Chicago assumed the largest proportions. An 8-hour Association was formed long in advance of the strike to prepare for it. The Central Labor Union, composed of the Left-wing labor unions, gave full support to the 8-hour Association, which was a united front of all labor organizations. On the Sunday before May First the Central Labor Union organized a mobilization demonstration which was attended by 25,000 workers.

On May First Chicago witnessed a great outpouring of workers, who laid down tools at the call of the organized labor movement of the city. It was the most effective demonstration of class solidarity yet experienced by the labor movement itself. Its significance was deepened by the developments of the next few days. The 8-hour movement, culminating in the strike on May First, 1886, forms by itself a glorious chapter in the fighting history of the American working class.

But revolutions have their counter-revolutions until the revolutionary class finally establishes its complete control. The events of May 3 and 4, which led to what is known as the Haymarket Affair, were a direct outgrowth of the May First strike. The demonstration held on May Day at Haymarket Square was called to protest against the brutal attack of the police upon a meeting of striking workers at the McCormick Reaper Works on May 3, where six workers were killed and many wounded. The meeting was peaceful and about to be adjourned when the police again launched an attack upon the assembled workers. A bomb was thrown into the crowd, killing a sergeant. A battle ensued with the result that seven policemen and four workers were dead. The blood bath at Haymarket Square, the railroading to the gallows of Parsons, Spies, Fischer, and Engel, and the imprisonment of the other militant Chicago leaders, was the counter-revolutionary answer of the Chicago bosses. It was the signal for action to the bosses all over the country. The second half of 1886 was marked by a concentrated offensive of the employers, determined to regain the position lost during the strike movement of 1885-1886.

In 1888 the movement for the 8-hour workday was rejuvenated and May 1, 1890 was to witness once more a struggle for the shorter workday. The A. F. of L. leaders however, succeeded in limiting the strike movement to only one union—the Carpenters' Union which was supposed to test the possibility of a general movement.

An international labor congress, meeting in Paris in 1889, decided to support the proposed American struggle on May 1, 1890, by making May 1 a day of struggle for workers in all capitalist countries for the same demand.

Today, forty years afterward—the workers of America are in a life and death grapple with the bosses. Hunger stalks over the land. Deportations swell of foreign-born workers—tens of thousands being expelled, starving and penniless, from Texas and California into Mexico. Lynchings spread like a plague. The employing class is out to divide—to attack—and to crush the American workers to a level lower than slaves. For capitalism has run up a blind alley.

Today, forty years afterwards the workers of the Soviet Union celebrate May Day conscious of their victorious march to Socialism, while in capitalist countries they struggle for the shorter workday—now the 7-hour day, against war, against the ravages of unemployment, against capitalist persecutions. They demonstrate their strength and solidarity with all the struggling workers in all imperialist and colonial countries and hail the building of Socialism in the Soviet Union.

*Read "The History of May Day," just issued by International Pamphlets, and to be obtained at ten cents a copy through the Labor Defender.
JUDGE Lynch has put aside his noose, mask and gasoline for the moment—and returned to the courthouse.

Nine Negro workers were sentenced to death in almost as many hours by the state of Alabama. The oldest is 20. The ruling class does not care at this time to allow so large a group to be handled “out of court” by an unauthorized lynching committee. The state itself has taken the matter in hand. A bloody holiday is being “legally” prepared by the “duly” appointed authorities of Alabama at Scottsboro. They used to call such things “Roman holidays.” Now it’s typically American. The age-old cry of “rape” has been raised by the bosses to justify the masked terror of their court. But the mask is ill-adjusted. This viciousness of the master class looms forth unmistakably clear.

The bosses’ court has chosen the “defense” lawyers for these Negro workers. These attorneys stated before the prelimin-
ALL CONDEMNED TO DIE by the bosses’ courts in Scottsboro, Alabama. Left to right: Andy Wright and brother, Roy Patterson, Eugene Williams, Willie Robertson, Olen Montgomery, Clarence Norris, Charlie Weems, Ozie Powell. Seven are not yet eighteen years old. The oldest is twenty. White and Negro workers! Demand a new trial before a jury composed of workers—at least half to be Negroes. Stop the lynching of these working-class boys!
We Fight for Amnesty!
Free All Political Prisoners!

By Joseph Pass

In the Soviet Union 150 million workers and peasants will climb down from their steam shovels and tractors to celebrate in their cities and villages, May the First. The young worker’s republic will on this spring day, free from the misery of capitalist rule, wash the grease and soil from its hands and face in building the socialist state, and march in holiday spirit. In the streets and fields and woods of Russia the workers will laugh, and sing, and the memory of other days—bitter days of capitalist slavery—will be only a memory. In the Soviet Union, May the First, is a holiday! They will march, proud of their work—an accomplished fact—ready to defend their free workers’ republic, prepared to help workers in other lands. May the First is a holiday in Russia... they sing and laugh. The red army will march with its bayonets, a worker’s army!

The workers in the United States, too, will celebrate May the First. In every large city, from their stodgy crowded “homes” and furnished rooms, from factories and sweatshops, from flop houses and park benches, tens of thousands of militant workers will pour out on the streets as a challenge to the masters of America. May the First is a symbol. “THE MACHINES AND LAND TO THE WORKERS AND FARMERS! ! ! !

From the prisons and jails, voices of tortured workers incarcerated for their militant activities are heard in joining their comrades on the outside in song and slogan. In San Quentin, Tom Mooney and McNamara and the Imperial Valley prisoners will remember that they too once upon a time marched on a spring day with their fellow workers in celebration of May the First. And today...

In a letter from San Quentin eight workers serving what is practically a life sentence remember that May the First is here and once more pledge themselves to the struggle “and if need be lay down our lives” for a worker’s republic. And then they say, “in the United States the workers will follow on MAY DAY in the footsteps of the International Proletariat. The numberless millions of unemployed will on this day serve notice upon the American bosses that they will no longer starve—they will fight for their right to live, for bread and work. Long Live MAY DAY! Long Live the U. S. S. R.! Long Live the I. L. D.!”

The many workers now serving long sentences will not be marching along the streets in celebration of their MAY DAY. But they realize that on the outside world, men and women are fighting for their immediate release. The Amnesty campaign now waged by the International Labor Defense will be one of the major demands on May Day. Wherever workers gather on that spring day, wherever workers march, the cry of tens of thousands will be, “Immediate and Unconditional Release for All Class War Prisoners.”

In the Soviet Union too, the workers will march and sing and demand. But in Russia, thirteen years ago when the workers and peasants took over the land and factories, they freed their class war prisoners. They emptied their jails and prisons. But on this day, May the First, they remember that in the United States, their comrades are imprisoned and tortured, and the millions marching with their red flags and red army will be a challenge and demand on the ruling class of the world. A dozen years ago they saved the life of Mooney by their demonstrations in Leningrad. And today the Russian workers are ready once more to extend their hand to their imprisoned comrades in America.

May Day will soon be here!

In the little narrow cells of Folsom, Walla Walla, Blawnox, San Quentin, in a half dozen other prisons throughout the country; in the many jails, in Ellis Island, on chain gangs in the South, workers are being tortured for loyalty to their class.

May Day will soon be here, and the workers on the outside will be marching on the streets in solidarity with the workers the world over and on that day the demand will once more be raised:

FREE OUR CLASS WAR PRISONERS!
REPEAL SYNDICALIST AND ANTI-SEDITION LAWS!
STOP DEPORTATIONS!
AMNESTY FOR ALL CLASS WAR PRISONERS!

The Ku Klux Klan Sends Us a Letter

Hotel Walden "New and Improved"

Chattanooga, Tenn.

April 10, 1931

The Negro Labor Defense

New York, N. Y.

Your Negroes are invited to Alabama—we want your help! Along with the time we already have and will get in any one else who is a party to the Teleng.

Dear Sirs, in behalf of the nine Negroes to hang and burn till you treat body—XXX, Yell.
FRAMING UP FOR WAR

By Joseph Gaa.

Talks to Kassay he spoke a lot about the condition in the Soviet Union and since Kassay himself was sympathetic to the Soviet Union, it was easy for Petro to win his confidence.

Soon after this Petro disappeared. And soon after that Kassay was arrested suddenly. The Department of Justice agents came to his house shortly after he returned from work and ordered him to follow them without giving any reason for his arrest. The arrest was made public only after Kas-

say was grilled for five hours in the in-
quittal chambers of the Akron police headquarters.

The staid pigeon Petro claimed that Kassay tried to destroy the Zeppelin by spitting on the rivets in the structure of the Zeppelin. Every rivet on theh

uge structure is inspected by government

inspectors with powerful search lights. If the riveting would not be perfect certain-

ly this inspection would quickly show that.

According to the statement of the spies Kassay tried to wreck the Zeppelin by

leaving two out of six and a half million rivets loose.

The American government is making feverish preparations for war. The con-

struction of the world's largest Zeppelin is part of these preparations. The Good-

year Rubber Co. has the contract for the construction of this dirigible known as the Akron. The company according to the contract is subject to penalty if the construction is delayed because of faulty parts or defective workmanship. Every worker in the plant knows that the parts already completed are so imperfect that they are "decorated like Christmas trees with red tags" by the Naval inspectors. The whole of ring 1, the first section of the ship which was completed long before Kassay started to work in the plant is so decorated.

Let no worker be fooled, that because the charges are so clumsy, the American government is not going to persecute this worker. The courts are here for this purpose, to sentence innocent workers on flimsy frame-ups. The courts are here to justify the rule of the capitalist class.

The International Labor Defense which is on the scene already must spread out its activities in the whole state of Ohio and the whole country. The only thing that will save Kassay from the hands of capitalist justice is mass pressure on the courts.

By Victor Frederick.

The military attack on the Soviet Union scheduled for 1928, as revealed in the engineer's wreckers trial miscarried. But now, the situation is different. The outlook of the French War Staff, Poland, Russia, Hungary, and Spain are ready. One hundred thousand white guards prepared, by one Miller and paid, and subsidized by the French imperialists, stand ready to take the field against the workers' republics.

The "Socialist" Second International is working hand in hand with their capital-

ist big brothers.

On May Day one of our foremost slogans must be "DOWN WITH IMPE-

RIALIST WAR! DEFEND THE SOVIET UNION!"

The war fires flare high as capitalism-

in the midst of its severest crisis in history—is put to shame by the gigantic increase in production in the Soviet Union. The publicists of capitalist frankly pose the question in a dozen different languages—"Capitalism versus Communism." You see it in the New York Times leading editorial—in the Parisian Temps, in the Brit-

ish Times.

The capitalist press of France, Great Britain, the United States, only to mention a few of the larger capitalist powers, strain their imaginations daily with "dumping" stories—"terror" stories—running the entire gamut of war ideological preparations.

The term "armed camp" never more adequately described a situation than Eu-

rope today. Every capitalist spokesman and bourgeois pacifists admit it.

French imperialism jockeys against Br-

tish imperialism—against Italian fascism to win the best position in the contemplated demobilization of the Soviet Union. The wolves are prowling among themselves. British imperialism thru its special instru-

ment the League of Nations, seeks to win Jews and the occasion American imperialism forgets its own instruments for leadership in the anti-Soviet bloc (Kellogg "peace" pact.) French imperialism corrals together all its puppet lands—Poland, Russia, etc., building up its power on the continent.

"For Soviet Russia must be destroyed!" the capitalist men chant, as they beat the war drums. At the same time we find, in order to blind the eyes of the masses, innumerable peace treaties, con-

ferences. A veritable avalanche of "peace" and "conciliation" treaties during 1930 totaled fifty-two.

But the truth of the matter is that the militarization of the capitalist world has reached unprecedented heights. The ex-

tremism of imperialist war preparations is il-

lustrated in the United States. According to the War Department (adjutant general's report) 12,000 commissioned regular of-

ficers and 100,000 commissioned reserve officers are on the lists—ready. This is sufficient to officer an army of 4,000,000. Besides that another 100,000 candidates for commissioned reserve officers have been turned out by three hundred reserve officer training camps last year—enough to direct another army of 4,000,000.

The gauntlet of the war department in Washington contain 15,000 optional con-

tracts with as many manufacturing firms calling for an expenditure of 10 billion dollars for the first twelve months of war, for war material.

SPEEDING UP TO WAR is the construction on this dirigible which Kassay was charged with aiming to destroy. This will be the largest in the world—and will be able to hold tons of bombs to wipe out whole cities of workers when war is declared.

SPOTTING ON THE GIANT ZEP was one of the charges the Department of Justice agent made against Kassay in his attempts to prove that the worker was planning to destroy the dir-

gible. Kassay frame-up was another blow directed at the foreign-born workers of America.
ST. GANDHI SELLS OUT!

WORKERS, Peasants, Toilers of the World!

In India, where for ages mass starvation has been the symbol of Britain’s colonial oppression, the blood of the workers and peasants is flowing again in wide streams. In Bombay and Rangoon, in Cawnpore, in the villages of Burma, Bengal, in the United and the Northwest Provinces, hard shooting is going on. The British-India police and troops are re-establishing “order and peace” on command from London and Delhi. After the scaffold in Poona, where recently the four workers from Sholapur were hung, Singh, and two other revolutionaries have been executed in Lahore. Nor were these all.

These shots, these executions, are the bloody apotheosis of the Round Table Conference of the reconciliation between the Indian bourgeoisie and British imperialism, of the arrangement between Gandhi, the National Congress and Viceroy Irwing.

As before, the worker has to bend under the heavy burden in order to enrich the English and Indian bosses, for reduced wages, suffering from hunger and privations, unemployment, increased through the crisis. As before, the Indian peasant will not have enough to live, being tortured, ruined by the exorbitant taxes and the feudal exploitation of the land owners, usurers, and other parasites, to whom he is compelled to yield the fruit of his hard labor for a trifling sum.

Hypocritically and slyly the parts have been cast between Gandhi, Nehru, Booze, Mehta and the imperialists. While the former, using the remains of their influence, are calling forth to “resignation and non-resistance,” the authorities are increasing the most merciless terror. Releasing from prisons the participants of the salt campaign, cheated by Gandhi and the National Congress, the English gaolers, ex-

GANDHI LOOKS DOWN AND BLESSES British imperialism’s murder of thousands of Indian workers and poor farmers. The fakir-saint has nothing to say to the murder several weeks ago of 500 Indian workers — of 350,000,000 workers and poor farmers starving in order to give millions in profits to the British capitalists. And Ramsay MacDonald, the “socialist” premier, gave the signal for the mass slaughter. Gandhi is on his way to visit royalty in Great Britain — where he will receive his honors for selling out the masses of India. The “Labor” fakers of England will greet the saintly faker of India.

pecting the former to follow blindly as before the leaders, who have betrayed them, are continuing to keep in prison the Meerut defendants and thousands of revolutionary workers, peasants and students — those real fighters for the emancipation of India.

Workers, peasants, toilers of Europe, America, throughout the world!

Could you remain coldblooded witnesses of this new monstrous terror wave, flooding the three hundred and fifty million population of India? You, who are at every step, feeling the yoke of your own exploiters, the burden of the unheard of crisis of the capitalist system, the horrors of unemployment, the campaign of the bourgeoisie against the wages, the hunger subsidy for the unemployed, the fascist and police terror, the working of capitalist “justice”?

Rise unanimously, and, through a mighty protest action, confirm your revolutionary class solidarity towards the fighting masses of the Indian workers and peasants.

—From a resolution of the International Red Aid.
GIVE 'EM THE 3rd DEGREE!

TRAMP, tramp, tramp, the “boys” (as we capitalists like to call the police, handing them a cigar and a white-wash) are marching. We’ll have all the boys marching soon (and we’ll see who’ll talk about bettering working conditions in the army): “On to Moscow!” But first we have to do a little “mopping up” at home, jailing native-born workers, and deporting foreign-born. We’ve got to choke off the voices of hunger from the throats of ten million jobless men and women in the United States, who are starving as a result of our “temporary depression.” And who will do this choking off for us? Why, dear ladies and gentlemen, who has always done it for us?

The fink, the stool, the gangster, the provocative agent, the dick, the cop, the immigration official, etc., etc. These are the pillars of society which shall yet save our capitalist civilization.

Of course, we dub accounts of all such things lies. But as one wolf to another, over a cigar at the Harvard Club, let’s say, what are some of the things our “protectors” do to keep workers quiet? We hear they’re juicy. What is a third degree like?

In the first place, it doesn’t exist. It’s never mentioned in the newspapers, except to be denied: we own the newspapers. You get that straight? And since it doesn’t exist, it would be very disconcerting to have workers come into court, or otherwise in the public eye, with marks of police torture on them.

Therefore, the third degree is the art of torturing without leaving the marks of torture. This is achieved in two ways. By using instruments, preferably rubber hose, the marks of which quickly pass away, and by taking care never to use it on the face or neck.

Suppose you are a striker, and we want to force you to squeal on foreign-born strikers, so that we can ship them back for their national third degree-ers to put on any finishing touches we may have overlooked—execution, for example.

What, you son of a bitch, you won’t “talk”? Well, we’ll see about that. Line up, boys. The flower of our police and detective forces, strapping lads, who keep fit playing handball, are elected for these little “receptions.” Each has a rubber hose.

Just strip him, chief. Now you walk between us, you “damned anarchist bastard”; as Judge Thayer once said of Sacco and Vanzetti. The hose makes such a thrilling hollow sound on a bare chest and belly. Careful, not to hit him too high, boys. Oh, we know how to slug, we’ve had plenty of practise on the jobless.

What, you won’t “talk” yet? You — choice filth, assorted. Have a seat then. We’ll give him a “hearing.” Two dicks with hose lightly tap the sagging worker on the side of his head above and behind the ears. Oh, what pain! That’s got him. Scream your head off, it’s a nice secluded room, and this will be a souvenir. For the agony will last for weeks. He can’t lay his head on a bed (and our prison bunks are so soft), without starting in pain. And not a mark to show how.

He won’t “talk” yet! Feel like a little high-jumping, boys? Lay him on the floor before he falls on it. Chest up between two chairs. On the chairs, two of you. One, two, jump! That’s right, on his ribs. Sure, they fracture, but a fractured rib don’t show. Besides, he fell out of his bunk. Bad conscience, bad dreams! And the feet on the stomach don’t leave a mark either, though I wouldn’t like to have his guts afterwards.

Still won’t “talk”? His teeth need attention. We keep a dentist on tap for poor workers who can’t afford one. How are his molars? Perfect? Fine! Use your roughest drill, doc. You’re used to them screaming aren’t you, doc?

Then if nothing else works — every man has glands. What we do next is occasionally referred to, always as “indescribable or unmentionable.” Our agents in China, General Chiang Kai Shek & Co., have a neat little wooden vise in which to crush a man’s genitals until he goes raving mad or “talks.” We don’t use any cumbersome, tell-tale vise. Quick, the rubber hose, men! See if we can bring a blush to his private parts.

He may, however, go insane. He may die. Well, suppose he does. Who the hell cares about a working man who ‘gets caught’?

The answer is the first thought in the mind of every worker who finds himself in the power of the police as the class struggle grows bitter and bitter in America. For the above cases are not fiction, they are the authentic records of police ferocity in the back rooms of detention houses and jails. It is the International Labor Defense that cares for the worker in jail and his family outside. On its strength depends the worker’s fight against the capitalist courts and prisons, his chance to preserve his usefulness in the class struggle, and the security of his family from further persecution and destitution. Build the I.L.D.

By WHITAKER CHAMBERS

HE PULLED THE SWITCH for capitalism on Sacco-Vanzetti. Robert Elliott, executioner for five states. He gets $250 for each murder.

THIRD DEGREE—This is one way they make you “confess” in the torture chambers of capitalist justice.
THE reception room of the Paterson, New Jersey, county jail: a small square box, stonewalled. One wall is broken with the door, barred and screened with fine wire netting, through which the prisoners speak to their families and friends.

Crime is a big business in Paterson, "the city of silk." There are bootleggers there and racketeers of a dozen sorts. But none of their friends draw up to the jail-door in motor cars to visit them—because none of them are in jail. There are only workers here. Only the poor get caught:

A flunkey calls names; and with each name a different group draw up for two minutes of conversation through the barred and wire-screened door. Finally: "Lieb," he shouts. "All to see Lieb."

Six inches away, broken into a pattern by the fine wire mesh, is the head of Benjamin Lieb, a square, fine head, the head of a worker who for more than thirty years has fought in the vanguard of those who struggle for the liberation of the working class; and who now, with four comrades, faces death on the scaffold in the state of New Jersey, charged with murder and guilty—of struggle.

This is the story:

In December of 1930, the Max Urban Silk Company, of which Comrade Lieb was an employee and which was owned by one Max Urban, of whom more later announced that it would go on a three, in stead of a two-shift day. The workers were willing. Since 1924, when the four loom system was introduced in Paterson as an aspect of the dreadful stretch-out, the basic workday has increased from 8 to 12 hours. Stretches of 14, 16, 18—even 20 hours are not uncommon.

The workers were willing to accept an 8-hour day. But—they were not willing to accept the corresponding wage cut that was offered them. A Paterson dyer, working 90 hours a week can make about $18.00; a weaver, working 12 hours, may earn as much as $27. The Max Urban workers struck.

Scabs were brought in to take their places. Armed thugs were hired to "protect" them from the picket line, which would have drawn them too into the fight, and on the side of their own class.

On February 18 there was a fight in front of the shop in which the boss, Urban himself participated, and which was joined by a group of men who were then believed to be guerillas in his employ. When the fight cleared Max Urban was found beaten-up on the sidewalk.

It is known now that Mr. Urban was engaged, not only in the silk business, but in another profitable racket, hardly less respectable in capitalist America. He was a bootlegger. This fact was then in the possession of the police who, on at least one occasion, had found it advisable to arrest him and secure his conviction on liquor charges. However, they made no attempt to seek his assailants among his underworld companions (who have, on occasion, been known to resort to violence). Indeed no! They could think of "no one who could bear Mr. Urban a grudge, except his disgruntled employees."

Benjamin Lieb, 46 and with three children; Louis Harris, 26, and with one child; Lewis Bart, 43 and the father of 3 children; Albert Kalzenbuch, and Helen Gershonowitz, 43 years old and the sole support of 3 children and a husband crippled in the mills, were arrested and charged with malicious assault. All were known as militant workers. All are members of the National Textile Workers Union.

Of the five, only 3 were in the picket line the morning of the fight. Harris was actually at work in another shop and Bart was several blocks away from the scene.

On midnight of March 20, Urban died. The autopsy, said the Paterson Sunday Eagle, "revealed that his death was due to meningitis." Yet at 3 o'clock the next morning the five workers were re-arrested and held without bail on a charge of first degree murder.

The Paterson five have fought, not only for themselves and their immediate fellows, but for the ultimate victory of the whole working class. Now only the working class can save them from death.
ANOTHER SACCO-VANZETTI CASE! Five Paterson Silk Workers indicted on first degree murder for striking against speed-up and wage cuts.
WE ARE now entering a period when the bosses are attempting to substitute the partial and departmental wage cuts by more general and sweeping slashes of the workers’ wages. What this means in terms of the living standards of the workers, becomes clear when we remember that in the year 1930 the wages of the workers in the manufacturing industries had been reduced by more than one-third. Thru wage cuts, the stagger system and unemployment, the workers and their families are faced with starvation on an increasing scale. The bosses have only one aim, to place the whole burden of the crisis upon the shoulders of the masses of the workers, and thru this attack upon the workers, try to pull their system out of the crisis into which it has fallen.

The workers on the other hand, are showing increasing evidence that they will resist these attacks. The strikes in Lawrence, Kensington, Maynard, Bridgeport and Shelton, of the textile workers, the strikes of the longshoremen in New Orleans, the strikes of the Anthracite miners and the many local strikes in Pennsylvania and Illinois carried on by the miners, the strikes of the dressmakers in New York and Philadelphia, already show that the masses are willing to fight back. These struggles will increase.

There is only one force leading and organizing the workers for struggle. This is the Communist Party and the Trade Union Unity League. No wonder, therefore, that from the very beginning of the crisis, the bosses and their government, with the full assistance of the A. F. of L. and the more clever assistance of the Socialists and the Musteites, have made repeated at-

attacks against the Communist Party and the T.U.U.L. The Fish Committee, the campaign of terror, lynchings and deportations, have as their aim, the beheading of the rising movement of the counter-offensive of the workers against the onslaught on their living standards.

In every strike in the recent period, the workers were faced with the terror of the local, state and national governments. This terror, side by side with the work of the so-called labor department conciliator, aimed to break the ranks of the strikers, to rob them of militant leadership, and thus accomplish the defeat of the strike. This was already clear in the Flint auto strike in July, 1930, when only thru this terror did the auto magnates of the General Motors Company succeed in breaking the strike.

Dozens of organizers were beaten up and jailed. Ten of the organizers were taken for a ride into the woods, beaten with rubber hose and left unconscious. In the succeeding strikes, the activity of the government became even more open and treacherous. In the recent Lawrence strike, the local officials were not only assisted by the Federal government, thru the Labor and Immigration Departments, but these latter agencies took the lead in the strikebreaking activity. Thru terror, arrests, deportations, the government tries to break every strike. Injunctions are issued in every strike.

This is the edict of the government of Wall Street, the government of the ruling class, the Dictatorship of Finance Capital.

The workers of this country, who have glorious traditions of struggle, who have given to the world May Day, the International Day of Struggle against capitalism, will not fail in this situation. The fight for the right to organize, to strike and picket, must become the fight of the entire working class.

Upper: Demonstration in Phila. against hunger — for Unemployment Insurance. The Unemployed Councils are growing like wildfire.
Lower: Against wage cuts! Workers in New Orleans car strike overturning trolley being run by scabs. "Organize and strike against wage cuts," the slogan of the Trade Union Unity League.
CHOOSE FOR YOURSELF

The Land Where Workers Rule:
The Soviet Union, "Forced labor" the capitalist press shrieks. Take a look. If you're one of the 30,000,000 unemployed in capitalist lands you'll be glad to enjoy a little of this so-called "forced labor."

In picture (1) you see a typical Soviet worker and family. Eating. That's more than 100,000,000 workers and families throughout the Soviet Union, and it's not a scene that can be duplicated thousands of times over the U.S.S.R. It's a free nursery for workers' children. Moscow workers' apartment house is shown in picture (5). Does the woman farm worker in picture (4) look starved? And those Mongolian school girls in picture (5). Hungry—you think? Look at (6). Remind you of American bias-class lynching? In Soviet Union no lynching. No Jim Crowism. These are Russian and American alike having a chat in Oshana on the Black Sea. Do the workers in (8) fighting their day's toil, look worn out? Compare them with Ford workers. See the smoke of industry rise in Soviet toil. (9). They need 2,000,000 more workers today. The Mongolian farmer (10) looks happy. No Arizonan starvation in the Soviet land beneath the earth's surface.

In the Lands of the Bosses:
The Great Northwest Sees Red

By Fred Walker and Paul Munter

SURROUNDED by the towering pine trees of the Great Northwest is Centralla. Walla Walla penitentiary has in its stony grasp the seven Centralia workers doomed to life imprisonment. One product of the proud Northwest was the Everett massacre of militant workers.

So when the employing class juries bring in a verdict of “Not Guilty” against a working-class defendant—that’s news, big news, out of the lumber country.

Mass protest did it. The workers of Portland, Ore., the vortex of the whirlpool of red hysteria now swirling in the northwest states raised protest as high as their tallest pines—forced the grip of the lumber barons to release Fred Walker, facing ten years on “criminal syndicalism” charges.

“Free Fred Walker and the other prisoners!” 2500 Portland workers cried as they marched with banners calling “Down with the criminal syndicalist laws!” When the trial of Walker, Young Communist League district organizer was being held, the courtroom was flooded to the brim with workers. Protests had poured into the city from all over the land.

The lumber barons are capitalists of wide experience. They saw it was time to beat a temporary retreat in their attack on the militant Portland workers. They were forced to mumble the verdict of “Not Guilty.” And the first victory was won in the Northwest workers’ six months counter-offensive on the organized drive of the bosses to enforce starvation and wage-cuts by raiding all workers protesting mass misery.

Shipping Mike Kulkoff, Young Communist League member, to the insane asylum was too raw. This move of the bosses to punish Mike for speaking “class struggle” to his schoolmates undammed a Niagara of protest among workers throughout the land. The bosses were forced to parole the youth. And the force of the protest also influenced the bosses in their verdict on Walker.

Police, aided by M. R. Bacon, stool-pigeon and bootlegger, began the hysteria with the arrest of two workers, members of the Communist Party, last September 3. It presaged the present widespread attack to follow the bosses’ fear of the rising working class movement.

Fifteen workers have been arrested since then on immigration charges, eleven of whom have been ordered deported to fascist countries where death or torture awaits most of them. Three were released because the stool-pigeons did not think it necessary to get enough “evidence” to fit their own flexible laws, and one other is awaiting decision.

Ben Boloff, the first worker to go on “trial” for criminal syndicalism, was sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary. The judge, a fascist legionnaire, expressed regret that the death penalty wasn’t in use for anyone who committed “his crime.” Boloff’s sentence will be suspended, the bosses declared, if the workers make arrangements to send him to the Soviet Union. After Boloff’s conviction, and before the Walker trial, 2,500 Portland workers demonstrated against the criminal syndicalist law, foreign born and racial persecution. The workers of the Northwest are beginning to awaken to the need of organization.

The Walker trial lasted four days and the defense exposed Bacon, star witness of the state, as a bootlegger and a thief of the funds of the International Labor Defense. R. P. Bonham, immigration director and other state witnesses showed such revealing ignorance of the basic principles of the Communist movement that they were discredited in the eyes of even their capitalist employers.

The attorney for the defense, Irvin

Goodman, in his closing argument, told the jury how capitalism in four years had murdered ten million workers and destroyed billions in property in the World War. He did so in order to show the real perpetrators of force and violence. Walker gave part of the closing argument and the jury deliberated six hours while workers jammed the courtroom and corridors.

Mass protest and defense by the workers won this case. This failure of the prosecution to convict Walker must be the spur to greater activities upon the part of the Northwest workers in the ranks of the International Labor Defense and the revolutionary organizations.
Students of America, Awake!

By Max Weiss

(Suspended from City College of New York for editing the magazine "Frontiers"—attacking imperialist war.)

Hunger is eating into the American student body.

The present crisis has its effect upon the schools as well as on the factories. Just as the capitalist class sharpens its attacks upon workers, so does its paid agents, the public composition in the schools. The relative number of working class students increases and with it the introduction, more and more, of a militant working class character to extra-curricular activities. Passing from the class struggle to the class room, these students carry with them an entirely new outlook. In addition, the students who come from the homes of ruined petit-bourgeois business men and professionals, begin to question certain doctrines they formerly held blindly and tenaciously. The net result is an immense growth in the radicalization of the former inert and apathetic student body.

Recent happenings illustrate this tendency very graphically. In New York we have the case of the suspension of the Social Problems Club at the College of the City of New York, the confiscation of its monthly magazine, and the suspension of eleven of the members of the club including its president. This attack grew out of the publication by the club of a bulletin, called "Frontiers" carrying articles exposing the danger of a new world war, the role of college units of the Reserve Officers Training Corps in the preparation for that war, and other articles of a similar nature. Only the most determined struggle of the club, during the course of which it enlisted the support of seven other colleges and universities in the city, to say nothing of a score or more throughout the country, prevented it from being destroyed entirely. Even now, although permission has been granted for the publication of the bulletin, the club's charter restored, and ten members reinstated, the president of the club remains suspended for the remainder of the term.

Out in Los Angeles, a veritable reign of terror has been inaugurated against working class students of the Theodore Roosevelt High School. A mass meeting held on the campus of the school was attacked by members of the R.O.T.C., together with police and American Legionnaires. This attack was actually instigated by the principal of the school, the notorious pay-triooteer High Elston. Not satisfied with this, a group of hired gangsters waylaid a member of the Young Pioneers and slashed her arms and legs with a knife. The students who participated in the attack were later called to the office of the principal and congratulated for their "fine, patriotic work."

The University of Pittsburgh, scene of the famous free speech fight of a few years ago, during which William Alberston was expelled, has refused to return the charter of the Liberal Club. It has thus expressed its intention of preventing the recurrence of another struggle such as took place three years ago by denying the students the right to form a club which will serve as the medium of activity for militant students.

Walton High School in New York City has installed a widespread spy system to prevent Young Pioneers from speaking to other students. Just a short time ago, the leader of the Walton Pioneers was expelled for her activity in organizing Student Right Groups to demand free lunches for the children of the unemployed, non-payment of the student tax known as the G.O. fee, and greater freedom for expression of working class views in the school.

These outstanding examples of the terroristic methods employed by school and college faculties might be multiplied indefinitely. The return attack of student bodies in the form of greater, more determined student organization would require an article by itself. The important thing is the offensive of both students and faculties. While the student movement may never assume the same significance here that it has in colonial countries, it is definitely on the upgrade. The class struggle has at last begun to penetrate into the class rooms.
Voices from Prison

(From a worker who was sentenced to six months to Welfare Island for selling the Daily Worker.)

City Prison, N. Y. City.

Dear Comrade Maurer:

Received your most welcome letter and was indeed very glad to hear from you. Thanks for the check you mailed me.

I am very glad to know that you received the revolutionary greeting for the May Day issue of the Labor Defender. It would be a great pleasure to receive a few lines from our fellow workers. I am determined to continue in the struggle in spite of capitalist justice. I am sure I will be out in the near future and able to line up with the rest of the comrades and work as I have in the past.

I really don't know how to thank the L. L. D. for the five dollars, but I will show my appreciation when I return with more force than ever.

With revolutionary greetings,

L. Stokes.

(From a working class prisoner in California on the recent death of A. Jakira, organizational secretary of the I. L. D.)

San Quentin, Calif.

Dear Comrades:

It is with extreme regret that we have just learned of the death of Comrade Jakira. His passing marks a distinct loss to the revolutionary movement, for Comrade Jakira was untiring in his devotion to the cause of the workers. His record has been one of many years of consistent and able work in the movement, of which he was one of the founders.

In his post as organizational secretary of the I. L. D. Comrade Jakira did much to make that organization the true shield of the working class, and we, the Imperial Valley prisoners, will remember him particularly for his excellent work in that direction.

Comrade Jakira is dead, but it can be said of every true working class fighter, that none have died in vain. None fall in the fight but whose places are immediately filled by many more workers ready and willing to carry on the work. The working class mourns the loss of its leaders, but it does not mourn with empty words nor spill tears of sentimentality. Instead, it pledges greater sacrifice, greater determination, greater efforts! With growing numbers and firmer strength it marches on.

Comradely yours,

Lawrence Emery.

(Oscar Erickson at San Quentin writes in the name of six militants serving long sentences in that prison.)

San Quentin, Calif.

Dear Comrades:

The six comrades here wish to inform that they have all received the five dollars monthly allowance. The few little things which we can buy, such as shaving and writing material, sugar, books, etc. help a great deal towards making life more bearable.

Our time is spent in useful study. Every moment that we can get from work we spend in reading to equip ourselves with better understanding of the movement, in order to better serve our class when we are once again out amongst the workers. We are all in good spirits. Limited as we are in getting news, yet we follow as closely as possible the trends and happenings in the movement.

Though we are inside our interest and our thoughts are with the struggles of the workers on the outside. The workers, by united and determined action will force the release of all the imprisoned militants of the working class; they will crush all the attacks of the boss class and its hirelings. Build a strong revolutionary movement and workers' defense organization, the I. L. D.

Greetings,

Oscar Erickson,

48686.

(From Leon Mabile who was deported to France for his militant activities in the USA.)

Paris, France.

Dear Comrades:

I expected to have a chance to be once more among you in the struggle, but all chances are gone for the present time, as the American capitalist class succeeded in deporting me to France.

It is true that your bosses succeeded in getting rid of me, but did they manage to deport Communism? I SHOULD SAY NO.

Yours for the working class,

Leon Mabile.

(From the wife of Lawrence Allen, a worker serving ten years in West Virginia for his activities in the coal district of that state.)

Dear Friends:

Just a line in answer to your kind and welcome letter. Glad to hear from you at all times, as the money came in very handy, for we did not have a penny, and that is all we have now. I cannot find work to support the baby and myself. Will you please send the picture, at that is all I have of my husband, and I want it.

Fraternally yours,

Dora Allen.

FANCY BARS FOR BALKAN POLITICAL PRISONERS. These working class leaders, unhaunted by imprisonment in Fascist Yugoslavia, were afterward tortured to urging "confessions" from them.
How Do YOU Organize Mass Protest?

By Gertrude Ackerman

Most of the Districts are now responding more with mass protest and other activities, although not at all sufficiently. But this is being done on the whole without utilizing the concrete issues in each District and national cases (such as Mooney-Billings, Imperial Valley, Portland, Scottsboro, etc., etc.) not only for general propaganda, but to get organizational results and thereby build the I.L.D. as a real mass organization. We still find many mass meetings are being held without asking the workers to join the I.L.D. and sign application cards at the meeting.

How can this be done? The Cleveland District has shown to us a concrete example. In the Paul Kassay case, where a worker was framed up and charged with Criminal Syndicalism, the District Executive Committee immediately mobilized all its forces, drew up a plan of mass activities for this case and the repeal of the Ohio Criminal Syndicalist law, combining this campaign with the general Amnesty Campaign. They arranged a special campaign committee to carry through these plans in a systematic way.

A series of meetings are being held throughout the Cleveland District with proper arrangements. As a result at a protest meeting held in Akron, Ohio, where Paul Kassay was arrested, over one thousand workers were present; in another small town in the state a protest meeting was held in a hall with a sitting capacity of three hundred, and over five hundred workers overcrowded the hall. From all these meetings political, organizational as well as financial results were gotten.

Three workers lost their jobs for giving bail for the Kassay case. The Cleveland District of the I.L.D. immediately proceeded to develop a campaign against this discrimination, prepared a demonstration in front of the factory where these workers were employed. This received front page publicity in the capitalist newspapers, and as a result the three workers were reinstated on their jobs. The workers considered this as a great achievement of the I.L.D.

In E. Liverpool, Ohio, a Negro worker by the name of Roy Mahoney was arrested at an unemployed demonstration and charged with Criminal Syndicalism. On the basis of mass protest carried on by the I.L.D. together with the Unemployed Council, the government together with the bosses were compelled to let Mahoney go free.

All this can prove to other Districts that its is not legalistic methods that will get workers out of jail, but rather through mass activities of the I.L.D., and mass pressure by the working-class will the workers be freed from jail. ONLY so can the prestige of the I.L.D. be established and thereby a real mass organization built up.

This should prove as a definite example to other Districts; such as Philadelphia, before. The workers like to read the Labor Defender because it presents the struggles of the working class graphically in pictures and stories by the working class leaders. The circulation of the Labor Defender is constantly increasing. But our circulation must not be based on bundle orders. We must make the Labor Defender self-supporting by insuring it a steady financial income with paid subscriptions. This drive is mainly for this purpose.

Prizes for the Winners of the Drive

The comrade who will get the most subs will go to the Soviet Union with all his expenses paid. The trip will include three weeks' stay in the Soviet Union as the guest of the MOPR, and one week in Berlin as the guest of the German section of the International Red Aid. The second prize will be a set of Lenin books from the International Publishers or a library of ten volumes of the best working class fiction to be chosen by the winner. The third prize will be an article made by a U. S. class war prisoner. The branch which will secure the most subs will receive a banner from MOPR.

Any reader of the Labor Defender can participate in the drive. Get on the job immediately. Organize your apparatus for the drive. Work out definite plans and send them in to the National Office. Those comrades who will enter the contest for the first prize should send in their names so we can have them for the next issue of the Labor Defender.

In this drive every International Labor Defense member should be made a subscriber for the Labor Defender. Every new member when joining the organization should be asked to subscribe for the official organ of the International Labor Defense. At the same time the bundle orders should be increased. The branches should cover with their bundle orders factories and mass meetings regularly at definite times and places. Even here subscription blanks should always be on hand. Every I. L. D. member should become the agent for the Labor Defender for the next four months.

In our next issue we will publish the agreement made with the World Tourists for the steamship ticket of the winner. So you can see that everything is all ready for the trip. The question is: Who will be the winner? Let's see who will bring in the most subs!

Forward to Five Thousand New Subs by September 30!
LABOR DEFENDERS she sells of each issue. Anna Civik, Philadelphia agent. How about YOU?
Funds! An Important Weapon in Labor Defense!

An examination of the report for 1930, and of the financial situation now faced by the International Labor Defense in comparison with that of a year ago shows the following:

1. That every point stressed last year (in the May, 1930, Labor Defender) must now be more sharply raised.

2. Our needs grow great but we do not keep pace. This is due primarily to insufficient effort in the districts to raise funds, together with too great one-sided expenses for legal matters, bail-bond premium, lawyer’s fees, appeals, etc. Even still the I.L.D. continues in some places to pay fines, which is absolutely impermissible. No district meets its percentage obligation to the National Office. The National Office cannot exist on dues stamps with a deficit on Labor Defender, literature and on Prisoners’ Relief. The National Executive Committee recognizes its shortcomings and responsibility to straighten out this whole matter. We must press for mass fund-raising in connection with increased mass agitational activity.

3. Membership, judged by dues payments, shows an increase of about one sixth, with 1,050 new members. Considering exempt-dues because of unemployment, the increase is of course greater; yet we should have had, must have, a much greater growth.

4. Only through loans has the National Office been able to carry on. Excess of expenditure over income was $8,671.50. Current liabilities less assets are $21,500.00. In addition there is the Bail Fund liability of $16,065.49. We must plan to steadily decrease our liabilities—not increase them, in all districts as well as in the National Office.

5. Labor Defender. A loss of $3,500.00 on the Labor Defender for 1930 means a danger signal. The magazine should by now be paying for itself. The increased circulation, sale and payment for the Labor Defender in and by the districts must be made a main order of business.

6. Prisoners Relief. A total of $3,169.50 came in for domestic and foreign relief for prisoners and dependants, and $4,901.00 went for the purpose. Over $1,700 short. Only $407.00 was given for foreign relief, so where is our international solidarity? Less was sent to prisoners in the United States than our pledged obligation. These weaknesses must be quickly overcome with increased emphasis on international prisoners’ relief.

7. It is noted that $6,705.88 was expended in the Gastonia cases, only $1,919.55 was received for same during the year.

8. While a drastic economy must be immediately realized in handling of legal defense and bail matters particularly, the I.L.D. National Executive Committee again this year emphasizes even more the much greater needs in this period of mass arrests, deportations and greatly increased capitalist prosecution.

**BALANCE SHEET—DECEMBER 31, 1930**

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| LIABILITIES             |          |
| Bank Checks Payable     | 800.69   |
| Notes Payable           | 9,035.80 |
| Accounts Payable        | 7,358.77 |
| Loans Payable           | 13,456.44|
| Wages Payable           | 3,130.83 |
| Accruals                | 422.45   |
| **Unearned Subscriptions—Labor Defender** | 1,474.12 |
| Caribbean Section—Received | 8,089.15 |
| —Paid                   | 7,083.82 |
| Greek Prisoners—Received | 159.62   |
| —Paid                   | 100.75   |
| Bail Fund               | 16,665.45|
| **Total LIABILITIES**   | $52,808.75 |

| INCOME                  |          |
| Campaigns, Defense and Relief |          |
| Foreign Prisoners        | $407.73  |
| Miscellaneous Cases      | 4,185.89 |
| Prisoners Pledge Fund    | 2,762.50 |
| Special Campaigns        | 21,665.07|
| Gastonia                 | 1,919.55 |
| **Total Campaigns, Defense and Relief Income** | $30,940.74 |
| **Total Administrative, Publicity, Educational and Organizational Expenses** | $33,163.60 |

| Membership, Literature, General, Etc. |          |
| Membership Dues                  | 8,736.75 |
| Membership Initiations           | 1,745.80 |
| Members at large                 | 1,561.13 |
| Affiliated Organizations—Fees    | 959.45   |
| Literature                       | 2,406.60 |
| General Donations                | 12,199.46|
| Language Sections                | 1,676.80 |
| Chariters                        | 1,174.25 |
| Cards and Membership Books       | 405.65   |
| Calendars                        | 708.18   |
| Miscellaneous                    | 577.40   |
| **Total Membership, Literature, etc., Income** | 29,746.47 |
| **Labor Defender**               |          |
| Paid Circulation                 | 17,384.91|
| Advertising                      | 2,030.51 |
| Donations                        | 25.00    |
| **Total Labor Defender Income**  | 19,440.42|
| **Total Income**                 | 80,127.63|

| EXPENDITURES                  |          |
| **Defense and Relief, Campaigns:** |          |
| Expenditures                   |          |
| Gastonia                       | 6,705.88 |
| Prisoners’ Relief              | 1,348.37 |
| Prisoners’ Dependents Relief   | 2,358.50 |
| Foreign Prisoners’ Relief      | 1,197.41 |
| Miscellaneous Cases            | 12,888.29|
| Special Campaigns              | 8,175.70 |
| **Total Defense, Relief and Campaign** | 32,674.17 |
| **Administrative, Publicity, Educational and Organizational:** |          |
| Secretaries’ Wages             | 5,448.83 |
| Office Wages                   | 8,306.18 |
| Office Rent                    | 1,580.00 |
| Organizers’ and Speakers’ Publicity | 1,976.47 |
| Telephone                      | 2,309.73 |
| Telegraph                      | 1,964.13 |
| Telegraph                      | 1,964.13 |
| Stationery and Supplies        | 491.37   |
| Postage                        | 1,552.93 |
| Printing                       | 687.67   |
| Literature                     | 2,806.66 |
| Auditing                       | 420.00   |
| Interest and Bank Charges      | 440.86   |
| Fourth National Convention     | 449.66   |
| Collection Books               | 393.52   |
| Calendars                      | 390.00   |
| Miscellaneous Expenses         | 359.71   |
| Language Sections              | 2,186.81 |
| Films                           | 442.73   |
| Depreciation on Furniture & Fixtures | 309.75   |
Total Income ........................................ 80,127.63
Excess of Expenditures over Income for the year ended December 31, 1930 .................. $ 8,671.50

CERTIFICATE
We hereby certify that the above statement has been prepared from the books, records and accounts of the International Labor Defense, National Office, at 80 East 11th Street, New York City, and in our opinion reflects the true financial condition of this organization on December 31, 1930.
Yours very truly,

PRIMOFF & COMPANY
By GEORGE PRIMOFF,
Certified Public Accountant.

STATEMENT OF THE OWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT, CIRCULATION, ETC., REQUIRED BY THE ACT OF CONGRESS OF AUGUST 24, 1912,
Of LABOR DEFENDER, published monthly at New York, N. Y., for April 1, 1931.

State of New York,
County of New York, cc.

Before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and county aforesaid, personally appeared Marguerite Dunne, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that she is the Business Manager of the Labor Defender and that the following is, to the best of her knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management (and if a daily paper, the circulation), etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24, 1912, embodied in section 411, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse of this form, to wit:

1. That the names and addresses of the publisher, editor, managing editor, and business managers are:
   Publisher, International Labor Defense, 80 East 11th St., New York, N. Y.
   Editor, J. Louis Engdahl, 80 East 11th St., New York, N. Y.
   Managing Editor, Joseph North, 80 East 11th St., New York, N. Y.
   Business Manager, Marguerite Dunne, 80 East 11th St., New York, N. Y.

2. That the owner is: (If owned by a corporation, its name and address must be stated and also immediately thereunder the names and addresses of stockholders owning one percent or more of total amount of stock. If not owned by a corporation, the names and addresses of the individual owners must be given. If owned by a firm, company, or other unincorporated concern, its name and address, as well as those of each individual member, must be given.)
   International Labor Defense, 80 East 11th St., New York, N. Y.
   J. Louis Engdahl, Secretary, 80 East 11th St., New York, N. Y.
   George Maurer, Assistant Secretary, 80 East 11th St., New York, N. Y.
   Cretto Ackerman, Organizational Secretary, 80 East 11th St., New York, N. Y.

3. That the known bondholders, mortgagees, and other security holders owning or holding 1 percent or more of the total amount of bonds, mortgages, or other securities are: (If there are none, so state.)
   None.

MARGUERITE DUNNE,
Signature of Business Manager.
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 9th day of April, 1931.

(Signatur)
FAY SIEGARTEL.
(form expires March 30, 1933)
Form 3526.—Ed. 1924.

Judge Lynch Goes to Court
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girls proved conclusively that they had not recently been touched sexually. Of course the vicious Negro baiting press of the landlord class concealed this fact.

Condemned to death, the Negro youths revolted in prison and fought with the guards until they were beaten unconscious.

The International Labor Defense has already sent two lawyers to the South to represent the boys. Mass protest is being raised by white and Negro workers all over America.

For white and black workers are rising in revolt against the bosses’ civilization of profits in the ranks of the working-class. In Arkansas white and black workers together broke in the padlocked warehouses of the landlords and took food for their starving wives and children. The spectre of a united front of white and black workers against white supremacy looms like a giant threat before the trembling throne of the bosses.

On May Day, the First of May, the white and black workers will demonstrate against the rising terror of the bosses and their policy of divide and rule. Lynching is part and parcel of the bosses government of starvation and death.

An armed volunteer guard of Negro and white workers to defend these prisoners against Lynchers! Death to Lynchers!

IMPORTANT
NOTE: As this issue goes to press last minute news from Scottsboro reveals conclusively that the nine condemned Negro boys were NOT in the fight between the white and Negro youths on the train as herein previously reported. These latest facts are supported by statements of white workers who rode with the two girls and who declare that the nine Negro boys were on widely separated cars and that none of them had any part in the fight. Roy Wright, the 14 year old boy said, “They want to kill the others and jail me for life. But we are all innocent and I don’t want to live if these others are killed. Why should we die for nothing?”
Revolutionary Greetings on
INTERNATIONAL LABOR DAY of
CLASS STRUGGLE

LITHUANIAN ALDLD, BRANCH 52

Greetings of Solidarity

DETROIT WORKMEN'S
COOPERATIVE RESTAURANT
2914 Yemans St., Hamtramck, Michigan

INTERNATIONAL WORKERS HOME
3014 Yemans St., Hamtramck, Michigan

Greetings of Labor Defender on MAY DAY

We extend Revolutionary Greetings on
May Day, 1931

ROUMANIAN WORKERS
EDUCATIONAL CLUB
Detroit, Michigan

Forward to new Struggles on
MAY DAY

SACCO-VANZETTI BRANCH I. L. D.

We extend our expression of Solidarity to
The International Labor Defense
RIVIERA RESTAURANT

LITHUANIAN WORKING WOMEN'S
ALLIANCE OF AMERICA BRANCH 17
Greetings to the ILD and Labor Defender on
International Day of the Proletariat

Forward to a Mass ILD!
May Day Greetings from
WOMEN'S BRANCH I. L. D.
Detroit, Michigan

ITALIAN OAKWOOD BRANCH ILD of
DETROIT, MICHIGAN

Expresses Revolutionary Solidarity on
MAY DAY, 1931
to the Labor Defender

The Greek Workers of the
LOUIS TIKAS BRANCH I. L. D.
are resolved to carry on the struggle in
behalf of the Working Class

RUSSIAN BILL HAYWOOD BRANCH
sends Revolutionary Greetings to the
ILD on MAY FIRST, 1931

Greetings from

TOM MOONEY BRANCH I. L. D.

“A Bigger and Better Labor Defender”
POLISH EAST SIDE BRANCH
DETROIT

The Michigan District of the Interna-
tional Labor Defense extends Greetings
of Solidarity on May Day, 1931 to our
fighting organ and strong weapon, the
LORD DEFENDER. On this International
Day of Class Struggle we pledge our-
sewes to fight the persecution of the
bosses, and for the release of all Class
War Prisoners with renewed energy.
Oversized to a real militant Mass Defense
Organization which struggles in the front
ranks of the Working Class battle front.

MICHIGAN DISTRICT I. L. D.
1343 East Ferry Detroit, Mich.

Workers, show support to
International Labor Defense
by greeting the MAY DAY issue

Emil Sobol
Julius Parmentier
M. Zaremba
F. Bernadara
O. P. Dumfries
J. Ainas
G. Borna
G. D'Ambiano
T. Obriot
A Worker
Joseph Turri
Micky

J. Sheppard
Paul Jones
T. Busek
A. Routhier
J. Goldman
M. Fouso
C. Campbell
G. Tuchelsky
M. Olmstead
W. N. Noel
Louis Keliamoff

Oversized to a ruthless struggle against
the persecutors of the Working Class

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