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PENNSYLVANIA FARMERS TAKE OVER SHERIFF SALE: BUY ALL STOCK AND GOODS FOR \$1.18

50 CHICKENS GO FOR 3 CENTS; HORSES
BRING NICKEL APIECE

300 Farmers Come From 25 Miles Around; Sale Held to
Satisfy Judgment of \$1800 Nets \$1.18

(BY ALFRED MILLER)

Perkasie, Pa., Jan. 3.—Today 300 farmers ran off a sheriff sale in accordance with their own plans. John Henzel, a widower with four small children, was to be sold out, tools, stock and household furnishings, to satisfy a judgment of \$1800 against him.

Hand Belongings Back to Owner

However, the 300 farmers took matters into their own hands and bought in Henzel's belongings for \$1.18 and then handed them back to him. Henzel's children stood in the lane where farmers attending the sale could see them. They wore placards reading, "Farmers save our home," "Your children may be next," "Our lives are in your hands."

Previously, the United Farmers Protective Association, a strong farm organization in this region, had decided to stop the injustice of robbing Henzel of his property and taking from him all his means of making a living because he was unable to pay his debt.

Messengers were sent to call farmers from each of 17 surrounding locals to be present at the sale and to carry it out in accordance with their plan. On the night before the sale, the Executive Committee of the Association agreed that the crowd assembled on the farm for the sale should appoint a special committee of action to control it and also should appoint three farmers who were to be the only bidders.

At 9:30 in the morning, a crowd of 300 farmers had gathered. And some came from 25 miles away. Listening to speeches describing the farmers case, every man in the crowd agreed that there should be no bidding except by the appointed three farmers. These men climbed up on the manure pile in the cow yard where everyone could see them.

TOUGH CONSTABLE

Promptly at ten, the sheriff, two constables and a lawyer started the sale. The crowd immediately surrounded the sheriff and his men and informed them in strong terms that they had come to protect the farmer and his children and insisted that they would do the bidding. One constable began to get tough: "We're running this sale here. You fellows watch out or you'll get jailed." "What charges can you bring," someone shouted. The sheriff decided to start the sale.

The first object put up for sale was a hay loader, worth perhaps \$30. "Five cents," called out one of the appointed bidders. "Twenty-five cents," said the lawyer. "Any more bids? Sold." All this took place inside a shed, in such low tones that hardly anyone could hear. During the minute in which the news of what was happening spread through the crowd, two more sales took place.

With an angry roar the crowd began to jam into the shed. A lane was opened reaching the lawyer. Somewhere shouting began, and out came the lawyer, the sheriff and constables into the crowd.

CALIF. STRIKERS TRIAL A VICTORY

Tree Pruners Vote to Continue Strike In Seventh Week

Vacaville, Calif., Dec. 30.—The first trial of the striking tree pruners of Vacaville resulted in a victory for the strikers. A hung jury was dismissed after a deadlock of 7-5.

Three Molgar brothers and A. Espinoza were arrested following a strike meeting that was broken up by the police. They were tried on a charge of disturbing the peace. The new trial is expected to take place in the middle of January.

The seventh week of the strike finds the ranks as solid as ever. However, many strikers are feeling the pinch of hunger and need food badly. Food should be sent to the Workers International Relief, 1223 Fillmore Street, San Francisco.

WIRE PROTESTS AT KILLING OF NEGRO FARMERS IN ALA.

(By a Farmer Correspondent)
A meeting of 100 farmers at Toivola, Minn., sent a telegram of protest to Alabama's governor, vigorously denouncing the armed attack of the sheriff and posse of Tallapoosa county upon the Negro share croppers several weeks ago.

It read in part, "We give full support to the heroic struggles of the Negro farmers against the attempts of the bankers, landlords, etc., to deprive the impoverished farmers of the right to live."

The telegram was signed by Reino Tahtila, chairman of the meeting and St. Louis county organizer of the United Farmers League.

3,000 CHINESE DEAD IN ATTACK BY JAPANESE

Raze City of Shanhaikwan In Bloody Attack on Chinese Civilians

New York, Jan. 7.—Japanese troops and tanks yesterday continued their advance into North China over the smoking ruins of Shanhaikwan and the mangled bodies of more than 3,000 Chinese civilians ruthlessly slaughtered by the Japanese army in its three-day bombardment of Shanhaikwan, the gateway to North China and Jehol Province.

ONLY A TRIFLE
Japanese warships have at the same time trained their guns on the working class sections of Chinwangtao and other North China cities.

A Japanese newspaper has declared that the slaughter of the 3,000 Chinese was only a trifle. It declares, "The Shanhaikwan incident was only a miniature of what is coming."

Jehol is a province of China which the Japanese now claim it is necessary to incorporate into Manchukuo. Manchukuo is the Japanese-controlled state which Japanese bayonets set up in Manchuria.

War is now raging in China and South America, and each day brings war nearer the workers and farmers of the world. The Anti-Imperial League calls on workers and farmers everywhere to fight against imperialist war which only brings destruction and misery for them.

PLANS STATE HUNGER MARCH TO BISMARCK CAPITOL

(BY R. W. DALZIEL)

Glenburn, N. D., Jan. 2.—A conference of mortgaged and tenant farmers will be held in our school house No. 4 January 13.

I will give a report on the Farmers National Relief Conference, and will present the demands of the conference to the farmers.

We are organizing a march on our legislature at Bismarck for the third week in January.

PROTESTS POUR IN AT MURDER OF CROPPERS

CountryWide Denunciation of Terror Forces Release of Three

SOME STILL HELD

Urge Widening of Protests to Free Negroes Still Held In Jail

Birmingham, Ala.—Protests continuing to pour in on the local sheriff and Governor Miller of Alabama, have forced the release of Ivy Moss, Jugg Moss and of Thomas Moss who were being held in jail after they had defended their neighbor Cliff James in protecting his livestock from the bloody hands of the law.

The funeral of Cliff James and Milo Bentley who were murdered by Sheriff Kyle Young and his posse at Notasuga was held Friday, January 6. A mass memorial meeting was arranged and from there it was expected that white and Negro workers would march through the main streets of the city to Grace Hill cemetery where a tremendous outpouring of workers was expected to hear Negro and white speakers at the grave.

WIDOWS ADDRESS MEETINGS

Both Mrs. James and Mrs. Bentley, widows of the murdered Negro share croppers, have addressed meetings of workers in Birmingham, telling their audiences of the miserable conditions under which they live and urging support of the Negro share croppers who are still held in jail.

White and Negro workers all over the country have protested at the cruel treatment accorded the Negro farmers and demanded that they be allowed to organize into the Share Croppers Union.

WIDESPREAD PROTEST

These protests have come from fraternal organizations, branches of the International Labor Defense, Union, Negro churches and sports clubs as well as many locals of the United Farmers League. Different organizations from such cities as Atlanta, Cleveland, Birmingham, New York, Lawrence, Youngstown and Cincinnati have flooded the governor of Alabama with telegrams. Meetings have been held in Boston, Pittsburgh, Forest, W. Va., New York, Cleveland and Chicago protesting the bloody action taken against the most oppressed of all farmers—the Negroes.

Many other protests have been voiced by farmers of the Northwest and have already been reported in the Producers News. The United Farmers League urges every farmer to send his protest to Governor B. M. Miller, Montgomery, Ala., and to Sheriff Kyle Young, Tallapoosa, Ala., without delay. Stop the terror against the Negro share croppers with a mighty roar of protest.

SELLS 100 POUND CALF FOR \$2 AND TRUSTS TAKE ALL

Greenfield, Iowa, Dec. 16.—Guy Keith shipped a 100 pound calf to Chicago. He received 2 cents a pound for it and wanted to use the \$2 to buy some Christmas presents for his family.

His expenses amounted to:
Trucking \$0.50
Freight to Chicago43
Yardage in Chicago25
Commission in Chicago55
Farmers Coop. Co of Greenfield25

Total \$1.98.
Keith had a balance of two cents left on the calf but the government took that as tax on the \$2 check.

This is a concrete case of how farmers are being ruined under capitalism.

TWO KILLED IN ILLINOIS MINE STRIKE: JAIL 30

Wife of Striking Miner Killed on Porch by Co. Gunman

Taylorville, Ill., Jan. 6.—The situation in the southern Illinois coal fields is very tense as the rank and file miners continue on strike.

RAID HEADQUARTERS

To protect the Peabody Coal Co. and its gunmen five units of the National Guard have been sent to the strike area. They have already raided the Christian county headquarters of the Progressive Miners Union here and closed it up as well as the relief station and soup kitchen.

Miners who are defending their very existence against the Peabody Coal Co. have established positions along the highway between Jerseyville and Tovey, scene of several clashes between miners on strike and the company's scabs and hired gunmen.

TWO KILLED

Thirty miners have been jailed and all meetings have been banned in Taylorville. Mrs. Emma Comerlato, mother of three children and wife of a striking miner was shot dead by a gunman while standing on her porch. Victor Rodems, a member of the National Guard was killed when thugs attacked a picket line at Mine No. 7, near Kincaid. About 1,000 miners are expected to attend Mrs. Comerlato's funeral today.

In Springfield miners are picketing five of the Peabody mines. Seven carloads of scabs have been sent into the strike area to work Peabody mines No. 57 and 57. Many of these scabs have been hired by Lewis head of the reactionary United Mine Workers of America which is trying to break the strike. The scabs carry U. M. W. A. cards and have been deputized.

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HALT TAX SALES IN TWENTY IOWA COUNTIES; FARMERS IN LE MARS STOP FORECLOSURES

800 HALT SALE

Insurance Co. Forecloses on Mortgage; Lawyer Submits Bid of \$30,000

FARMERS ENRAGED

Make Lawyer Raise Bid to Cover Indebtedness of Farmer

LeMars, Iowa, Jan. 4.—Farm unrest smoldering for months in the Iowa corn belt, flamed anew today, as enraged farmers gathered to stop a foreclosure sale.

Demonstration occurred when Herbert Martin, attorney for the New York Life Insurance Company submitted a sealed bid of \$30,000 for the John A. Johnson farm. This bid was \$3,000 less than the mortgage and would have left the farmer still in debt to the insurance company.

DRAG LAWYER AWAY

Enraged by the attempt of the Insurance company to hogtie the farmer, the crowd dragged the lawyer for the insurance company down the steps and threatened to tar and ride him out of town on a rail. Sheriff R. E. Rippey was slapped by the farmers and Judge C. W. Pitts who attempted to summon him was seized by the mass of farmers and prevented from using the telephone.

A few hours later Martin was forced to wire officials of his company asking permission to raise the bid. He ended his wire with a plea to "Rush answer, my neck at risk." By thus bidding the full amount of the mortgage Johnson was relieved of indebtedness.

With the foreclosure sale stopped, the farmers went to the mayor's office, seeking the key to the Peabody Implement Co., where a foreclosed tractor, once the property of Joe Sokolovsky, was stored. They were unable to obtain the key, however.

SALES STOPPED FOR A MONTH

It was in this same vicinity last summer that farmers engaged in a milk strike to raise the prices of milk. When leaders of the Holiday Association stopped picketing in the midst of their strike last summer, the farmers found out that only through mass struggle under their own leadership can they retain their homes and win better conditions.

They, therefore, have taken matters into their own hands and have been successful in stopping sales in many parts of the state. The officials at LeMars, scene of the Johnson sale, were forced to postpone further sales for a month.

JUDGE URGES LAW FOR MORATORIUM ON MORTGAGES

LeMars, Iowa, Jan. 5.—Action of irate farmers in the "bread basket of the world" has forced Judge C. W. Pitts, of the Plymouth county district court to write to Governor Herring regarding a moratorium on farm foreclosures. The United Farmers League points out that this measure, if enacted, is a very weak one.

The judge's plan would take away the power of the courts to sign mortgage foreclosure decrees on farm property where a money judgment was being asked. Only the court now, has authority to sign such decrees. By an act of the state legislature such power could be taken away from the courts.

CLOAKS OWN ACTION

Judge Pitts himself did not have to sign the two decrees which resulted in the farmers' militant action. By writing to the governor he therefore tries to absolve himself for his action which would have robbed two farmers of their homes, had not the farmers forestalled such an outcome. Judge Pitts merely passes the buck by his letter to the governor. The judge also suggested to the governor that he moratorium be enacted for a period of six or seven months which is totally inadequate to give farmers any relief.

Confronted with that are the demands of the farmers themselves for no evictions and a moratorium on taxes, interest, mortgage foreclosures and loan payments "until the depression lets up."

1,000 FARMERS BAR IOWA SALE

Attorney Withdraws Action at Farmers' Stand

LeMars, Iowa, Jan. 8.—Protesting against farm foreclosure sales, 1,000 northwest Iowa farmers served notice today that they would appear at the state house to demand relief laws as the state legislature convenes next week.

Their action came as a development of a mass meeting of members of the Farmers Council for Defense after they had halted a foreclosure sale on the farm of John Schimberg for \$10,000. It was the farmers' second such victory in three days.

A crowd of between 800 and 1,000 farmers gathered at the courthouse just before the sale was to start. Many of the group were the same farmers who had stopped the sale on the Johnson farm January 4.

ATTORNEY RETREATS

When the sheriff and the attorney who started the action saw the determination of the large crowd of farmers they announced the indefinite postponement of the sale. Attorney John T. Keenan thought discretion the better part of valor when he saw the farmers and, remembering what had happened to Attorney Martin a few days before in the Johnson sale, he withdrew action.

It has been learned the farmers plan to go to Des Moines by truck in order to put their relief demands before the legislature. The assembly convenes Monday.

TWO BARLEY CROPS GROW ON FARMER'S LAND IN POLAND

Wielun, Poland.—A peasant cut his barley a little too late so much of the grain remained on the field. A few weeks later it had grown enough for a second harvest. This second crop led Polish agriculturists to believe it possible to produce a special kind of barley to be sown early in the spring and give two crops during the year.

If such is found to be possible, it will not help the Polish peasant any, as prices on barley would be cut further and he would find himself no better off producing his double crop than producing one crop a year.

'NO BID' SALES

Wide Movement to Retain Homes and Land of Farmers

SOLIDARITY SHOWN

Sales Postponed Until Feb. When Farmers Will Act Again

Des Moines, Iowa. — The overall clad Iowa farmers are showing just what the strength of numbers means when it comes to retaining the homes they have built and the land they have broken and tilled.

At twenty annual county tax sales held thruout the state, masses of farmers have stilled the voices of possible bidders with the result that they still have ownership of their homes and no farmers have to face eviction on these cold winter days.

SIOUX CITY SALE STOPPED

Climaxing a well managed "no bid" auction Tuesday, January 3, in the office of the new county treasurer, F. Price Smith, of Woodbury county, (Sioux City), the tax sale again was delayed one month to the satisfaction of 500 farmers and workers who jammed the treasurer's office and courthouse lobby.

After hearing no bids during a two hour session of offers, Mr. Smith was compelled to postpone the sale.

UNITED FARMERS ACT

United Farmers attended the Boone county tax sale at Boone and forced Treasurer Harold Peterson to postpone the sale 60 days. At Knoxville, where several hundred farmers gathered to protect the Marion county sale, another 60day continuation was granted.

OTHER IOWA COUNTIES

No bidders for farm property appeared at the Jefferson county sale at Fairfield and County Treasurer V. S. Samuelson, continued the sale to January 30.

County Treasurer Orval J. Ellingson postponed the Winneshiek county sale until February 6. At Bedford the sale was extended to March 1.

Three hundred farmers presented a petition to postpone the Plymouth county tax sale at LeMars. They asked delay until July. The county officials were already compelled to postpone sales one month.

Only two small pieces of land were bid in at the Allamakee county sale and at Ames the Story county event disposed of one small piece of city property.

On motion of W. M. Ellis, banker, the Floyd county sale was postponed until January 30, after \$3,600 in taxes had been paid on Saturday. A total of \$8,000 has been received since December 24.

WIDE MOVEMENT

A 60 day delay featured the Buchanan county sale. In Chickasaw county sales will be held Feb. (Continued on Page Two)

\$4 BUYS GOODS IN SHERIFF SALE

Farmers Bid Low on Property and Return It to Owner

Linsdale, Pa., Jan. 6.—At a sheriff's sale 10 miles north of here, farmers gathered at the call of the New Jersey United Farmers Protective Association thwarted efforts of creditors to sell the personal property of a local farmer.

PAY \$4

Farmers bought the property of C. H. Renninger, upon whom a forced sale was being held, and then turned it back to him on a 99-year lease. They paid \$4 for the property.

The farmers' action followed upon a similar move in Bucks county. It was led by delegates to the Farmers National Relief Conference in Washington which adopted a militant program of struggle against foreclosure and starvation which is facing millions of farmers thruout the country.

WORKER PRESENTS DEMANDS OF HUNGER MARCHERS ON FLOOR OF BOTH HOUSES OF MONTANA LEGISLATURE: WINS APPLAUSE

(BY PETE GALLAGHER)

On Tuesday, January 3 a delegation of 104 workers and farmers, representing almost every county in the state, and every organization of farmers and workers in the state, met at Helena to present demands before the senate and house of representatives—demands destined to put an end to the unbearable conditions which are steadily forcing the great mass of people into a state of abject slavery.

These delegates were determined come what may, to place their proposals for relief before their political "representatives" in such a manner that there could be no shuffling or smothering of the issue by these politicians.

The capitalist powers, ever on the alert to crush this legitimate movement on the part of the farmers and workers had recourse to their usual tricks. The big guns of the kept press were moved into position and a steady barrage of slander, vilification, was thrown out for one purpose only, namely the creation of a reign of terror.

Chief among the lying representatives of the class that has so ruthlessly oppressed the farmers and workers of the state was a slimy reptile posing as an Associated Press correspondent, sending out "truthful" news from Plentywood.

Farmers of Sheridan county who read outside newspapers have been afforded an opportunity to reflect on the designs of a filthy wretch who would laugh with glee could he have succeeded in having their elected delegates to the hunger march butchered by the 72-gun thugs who were awaiting the delegates at Great Falls.

DOLLARS FOR BULLETS
NOTHING FOR BREAD

One thing to be noticed here: In Cascade county the workers and their families are starving to death yet the county commissioners absolutely refuse relief to the destitute. But these same commissioners can afford to spend upwards of \$500 per day to hire thugs to murder farmers and mothers who cry for bread for their starving babes. Such is the spirit of sympathy which fills the minds of capitalist politicians.

First Time In History That Workers' Spokesman Has Ever Been Allowed the Floor; 104 In March Representing Farmers and Workers Thruout State Demand Relief

PLOT FAILS

The delegates with only one weapon of defense and offense, the determination to reach Helena with their legitimate demands, slipped by this cordon of gunmen and arrived at Helena on Tuesday morning. Their traveling accommodations were not of the best, having no better choice than the "cushions" of a refrigerator car. But they got there. Other delegates from the western and southern parts of the state began to put in an appearance towards the afternoon, and in a short space of time an orderly session of the delegates was in progress.

WAR VETERANS MAKE THINGS PLEASANT

The feeling of distrust, created by a lying press was for a short time noticeable, but the war veterans, when it was learned that the hunger marchers were beginning to arrive, threw the doors of their club rooms wide open, gave the marchers a rousing welcome

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FIRST FIVE-YEAR PLAN TRIUMPHS
SECOND BEGINS IN SOVIET UNIONOUTLOOK BRIGHT FOR WORKERS IN
SOCIALIST STATE

With the close of 1932, workers and farmers in the Soviet Union completed the first five year plan of socialist construction in four years.

The official organ of the Soviet government lays the success of the tremendous undertaking upon the shoulders of the shock workers who have worked tirelessly to forge a new state for the workers and farmers of the Soviet Union.

Among the successes, even the Associated Press admits that there is absolutely no unemployment in the Soviet Union. Illiteracy has been eradicated among more than 50 per cent of those who could formerly neither read nor write. When it was expected that only 17 per cent of the cultivated area would be part of the state or collective farms, 80 per cent did. They have increased the produc-

tivity of the soil and made farming easier with modern machinery. The development of the fertilizer industry will increase productivity of the soil many times.

Russia jumped from sixth to second place in oil production; from eighth to third place in electric energy. And these achievements mean that the workers and farmers who own the industries are the ones who benefit.

While workers and farmers in the capitalist world sum up their losses and see only disaster ahead, workers and farmer in the Soviet Union face the new year with the certainty that the second five year plan will raise their cultural and material level and will build a classless society on the firm foundation of Socialism achieved in the first five year plan.

EINSTEIN CALLS GENEVA PEACE
CONFERENCE PROMOTER IN WARSAYS IT IS UP TO WORKERS OF WORLD TO
STOP MUNITION SHIPMENT

New York, Jan. 9.—The peace conference at Geneva was a travesty and a farce and its delegates under the guise of working for peace, actually were fostering war, Albert Einstein, world famous scientist, declares in an interview published today in the Pictorial Review.

UP TO WORKERS
It is up to the workers of the world, Einstein said, to declare an international boycott on munitions. "We should be standing on the rooftops, all of us," he said, "denouncing this conference as a travesty on justice. It is not only a failure but that these delegates have come here under the guise of peace to foster war. The peace conference is a farce . . .

NO NEARER PEACE

"Hundreds of millions of people in Europe and in America, billions of people the world over, as well as the billions of men and women yet unborn, have been and are being cheated, traded and tricked out of their lives and health and well-being and happiness in this conference.

RUMANIAN PEASANTS
BATTLE WITH POLICEUSE PITCHFORKS AND SCYTHES IN
POLICE ATTACKS

Bucharest, Rumania.—The fighting spirit of the Rumanian peasants is rapidly rising under the increasing burden of economic exploitation and political repression. Hundreds of collisions, many of them serious, have taken place between peasants and the police during the past few months and hardly a day passes but what collisions occur in some part of the country. The following is a recent crop.

A force of police raided the village of Urekesti and searched the cottages of many peasants who were under suspicion of having confiscated maize from the property of the former liberal minister Orleanu. The peasants opposed the police with pitchforks and scythes and the police were driven out of the village. However, they returned with reinforcements and made a number of arrests.

PROTECT WIDOW

In the village of Gigetich the bailiffs arrived under police protection to confiscate the property of a poor peasant widow for debt. Inside ten minutes the police were surrounded by a large crowd of peasants armed with pitchforks, etc. The whole party was beaten up and flung out of the village. In the village of Sutezesti peasants led by the village school teacher disarmed the police and hid the rifles and ammunition, apparently for future use.

DRIVE OUT COMMISSAR

In the municipality of Strasha (Bukovina) the elected mayor was arbitrarily replaced by a government commissar. The mayor hid

CONFERENCE OF
UNITED FARMER
LEAGUE CALLEDSt. Louis County, Minn.,
Will Meet Jan. 15 at
Mountain Iron

The County Board of the United Farmers League in St. Louis Co., is calling a county conference for Jan. 15 starting at 10 a. m. at the Mountain Iron Workers Hall, at Mountain Iron, Minn. Among the vital problems of the United Farmers League that will be taken up at the meeting are the following:

Endorsement of the new draft program that was adopted at the National Conference of United Farmers League.

2. Preparations for the State Workers and Farmers Relief March, which will take place in February. This will be the high point in the conference.

3. Election of a new county board of the United Farmers League.

SEND DELEGATES

Every U. F. L. local should send at least one delegate. All other organizations are invited to send fraternal delegates to the conference. Such organizations as Co-ops, STL clubs, YCL, Working Womans clubs, Farm Buro clubs, Farmers Hall clubs, etc., are invited to participate.

A young farmers State Conference will be held Jan. 29 (place of conference will be made known later). The UFL locals as well as other farmers organizations should give full support to this Youth Conference.

All United Farmers League locals, Action Committees, and other organizations, as stated above, should have a thorough discussion in their organizations on problems that they want to bring up at the conference, and have their delegates bring these up as proposals to the conference. This conference can be a success only if a thorough discussion is held by all organizations sending a delegate to the Conference.

United Farmers League
County Board,
John Lindman, Acting Sec.WANT HAY CROP
OR WILL FORE-
CLOSE ON LANDAgent Hounds Farmers
Who are Behind on
Payments

(BY WILLIAM P. SMITH)

Frazee, Minn., Jan. 2.—In this section of the country there have been no battles yet. Farmers have enough to eat and clothing and shelter, but very few own their own land. They are mostly mortgaged and tenant farmers.

The township I live in has six farmers who own their land out of 245 voters. These six farmers who have their land and stock paid for are having a hard time meeting their taxes this year. In the next township only three farmers own their land and stock. The rest are mortgaged farmers and tenant farmers.

WORK ON SHARES

Last year the tenants had to pay cash rent. They had a crop failure and couldn't pay the full amount. This year they have been offered the land if they work it on shares. This has been done in order to keep them quiet.

We have two banks here but we must go to the next town—Detroit Lakes—to cash our cream checks. The land agent was out to my place the other day and I wasn't home. He came again later. He surely was on the jump to do business with the mortgaged farmers and is ready to foreclose on some of the farmers. He has an idea farmers have money buried in the ground.

He said to me, "What are you going to do? The company wants to know."

HAY BRINGS \$3.50
Well, I have no money. But I have a hay crop and it is hard to sell hay and get cash. Tame hay is only worth \$3.50 to \$5 a ton. He says, "Can't you pay the back taxes and give us the hay crop. That will square us up till next fall."

"No," I said, "I have no money to pay the taxes." Every six months we must pay \$175 and I am four payments behind. Next fall it will be six payments behind. One year ago they got the oats crop and last year I gave them the hay crop in order to keep them from foreclosing and it keeps me broke.

We are all in the same condition. All of the defunct banks which have failed have got the depositor's money and now these very same gentlemen are getting hold of all the farm lands, too. If the farmers allow it to go on they will lose the clothes on their backs and the bankers will take their blood with it.

CONGRESS FEARS
FARMERS' ACTION
ADMITS SERVICEBlocking of Sheriff Sales
Is Worrying the
Capitalists

Washington, D. C., Dec. 28.—The Whaley-Eaton Service, "for clients only," is a secret information department for capitalists. Its Dec. 24, 1932 letter of information to the business men who pay for it says:

" . . . Consideration of the farm mortgage problem has undoubtedly been hastened by news during the past week such as that from Iowa which reported eight different cases of farmer mobs and openly threatening participants in foreclosures, with the result that the farms were bought in at nominal prices and returned to their owners. Fear of these belligerent moves for a general moratorium is real . . .

Recent cases of the sort of action that fills the capitalist rulers with "fear of these belligerent moves" are the action of the farmers of Greencastle, Pa., who turned a sheriff's sale into a joke by bidding in a farmer's live stock at two cents a head, and the action of scores of farmers a week ago at Dagmar, Mont., who stopped the sheriff from carrying off a tractor seized by the sheriff for debt.

HOPES TO LULL FARMERS

Congress, although its consideration of farm mortgage problems is speeded up by these events still apparently hopes to lull the farmers into quiet by the various trick bills. One is the Frazier Bill for the government to buy up the mortgages, the total amount being over nine billion dollars, and become the creditor instead of the banks. No gain to the farmers in that.

Another proposal is that of Senator Bailey of North Carolina for inflation of the currency, arguing that this would make it easier to pay interest on mortgages, but failing to mention that it would make everything the farmer buys or that the worker buys much more expensive.

RED "SPIRITUAL"

(BY HENRY GEO. WEISS)

Way down south
Workin like hell
From mornin' till dark
Don't do well.

Boss comes along
Gotta git a move on,
Nigger, see.

White boss gets
two thirds I make,
Black man gets
The belly ache.

'Long comes a white man
Gives me a ca'd
Shakes mah hand
And shakes it ha'd.

Come to the meetin',
Comrade Noah.
You bet I'm comin',
Comrade, suah.

Black men, white men,
Meetin' all de same.
You never saw the like
Down where I came;

All of 'em workers
Again' the boss,
Agin' drivin' the nigger
Like a spavined hoss.

No more lynchin'
For the black men when
The land belongs
To the workin' men.

Hope in the field
Where I toll all day,
With a red sun shinin'
To show the way.

GENERAL FOODS DECLARES
DIVIDEND

Directors of General Foods Corp. declared a regular quarterly dividend of 50 cents a share payable Feb. 1. General Foods buys up farmers' products cheap and sells them at a profit, with the result that the wealthy stockholders still make money.

ADS BRING RESULTS

AWAITMINE VICTIMS



Miners wives and daughters waiting at the entrance to the Moweaqua mine where 54 miners were killed the day before Christmas in a preventable accident.

STORES BENEFIT
FROM RELIEF NOT
MINN. FARMERSWorkers Paid In Order and
Can't Buy Direct From
Farmers

(BY FRANK MURLAND)

Bemidji, Minn., Jan. 6.—The stores and not the farmers are getting the benefit of relief both in the city and county of Bemidji. All those who work for federal relief are paid with an order on some store and not in cash.

This means that they can't buy from the farmers directly but have to buy at the stores which are run to make a profit for their owners.

U. F. L. WILL HELP

The United Farmers League will help the workers in their demands for cash for work as well as cash for relief. It is plain that workers and small farmers will have to bind themselves together in the United Farmers League and Unemployed Councils to prevent evictions and starvation.

We farmers here would like to have this problem discussed from workers and farmers from other parts of the country through the Producers News.

Moscow's Urban
Development Planned

Moscow, Sept. 25.—The Moscow urban administration has just completed a great project for the planned development of Moscow to a town of five million inhabitants. The street and railway plan of Moscow will be radically reorganized. Whole districts of old houses are to be torn down and modern buildings will come in their place. A great boulevard with traffic roadways will run from the Lubianka Square via the Sverdlov square to the Soviet Square. The banks of the river Moskva which already have numerous gardens and green spaces are to be made into modern promenades. Much alteration will be made in the railway net and a new great central railway station is to be built.

The gardening administration of Moscow is engaged in socialist competition with the similar authorities in Leningrad for the provisions of parks, green plots, and flower beds, with open spaces for the workers in the town.

The number of trams and motor busses in Moscow is increasing every month. New and ultra-modern busses are now being turned out by the Amo works and at present 300 busses are on the streets. The work on Moscow's underground railway is also proceeding at a fine speed.

GOOD CROWD OUT
AT S. D. MEETINGFarmers of Other Town-
ships Ask Delegates to
Speak to Them

(By a Farmer Correspondent)
Frederick, S. D., Jan. 3.—A good crowd attended a meeting at the Palmyra township school house to hear reports on the Farmers National Relief Conference. A committee of action was set up to handle farmers' immediate problems.

Four delegates spoke. W. J. Rystrom told of the trip and the soup lines of the east. L. J. Larson spoke of the Hooversville in Chicago and other large cities. Then John Sumption read the demands that had been drawn up by the Conference and spoke on the need for organization to protect themselves.

EXPLAIN DEMANDS

Roy Miller explained the demands one at a time so that every one could understand. He told of conditions in the fruit district, how it was no better in the dairy district; that potato farmers did not even dig their crop because of the low prices.

He also spoke of the horrible conditions in the south among share croppers and showed that it was not only the fight of Negro farmers but of all races.

Farmers from other townships who were at the meeting asked the delegates to come to their schools and give the same report. They also pledged that they would carry

N. DAK. FARMERS
FIGHT FOR RELIEF
IN WILLIAMS CO.Flood Langer With Tele-
grams Demanding
Action

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decessor have succeeded in doing up to the present time. Telegrams are pouring into the Governor's office from individual farmers and farmers organizations, demanding relief and censuring the chief executive for neglecting his duty.

One point the farmers are insisting on, namely, that relief be administered by the county commissioners of each county; that the Red Cross of America have no hand in the issuance of such relief as the Red Cross has left a sickening disgust in the hearts of many who have been victimized by this misnamed "Institution of charity."

At Grenora it is reported there are 600 sacks of flour which can be issued only to a chosen few. These chosen few are the pet proteges of one Cunningham, a banker and incidentally chairman of the Red Cross. The farmers declare that they will break down this party scheme and they are on the right road to succeed.

HALT TAX SALES
IN IOWA COUNTIESNo Bid Sales in Twenty
Counties

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6, the day also set for bids in Monona and Page counties. Only one bid was made at Fort Dodge, the Webster county auction being postponed to March 1.

Treasurer M. L. Collins of Crawford county ordered the tax sale postponed until February 20.

Want of bidders forced postponement until January 30 of the sale in Page county. Treasurer John Knowles said if there are no bids January 30, the sale will be postponed from day to day thereafter.

Last week's Producers News reported that sales in Harrison, Montgomery and Linn had been stopped by groups of farmers.

PA. FARMERS RUN
SHERIFF'S SALEBuy Stock and Goods
for \$1.18

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midst of the farmers, where they did not want to be.

LAWYER SEEKS SHELTER
The lawyer seemed to like the shelter and moved into a corner of the barn. This place was not as good as the shed because farmers could climb into the hay mow and even up on the rafters. "Now, then," says a farmer, "what we want you to do, Mr. Lawyer, is to take the money you are being paid for this job and give it to this man's children. You ought to work for nothing, the way the farmers do." At this point the sheriff spoke up and said, "I propose to postpone this sale until 2 o'clock." Another roar from the crowd, shouts of "Go on with the sale," "We'll handle the lawyer," etc.

The lawyer, looking a lot paler than when he arrived, and thinking that 300 enemies is his community is a tough thing to live with, said: "All right, I'll call your bluff. Go on with the sale in your way." Loud cheers.

ESCORT SHERIFF AWAY

From this point on, everything went like a holiday. The farmer bidders stuck close to the auctioneer, and bought 50 chickens for three cents, three horses for a nickel a piece, five cows and three heifers and a bull for a quarter, all household furnishings for six cents, and so on. Even the first items were given up by the lawyer and resold at the prevailing rates. The total property sold came to \$1.18. The money was carefully paid over to the sheriff and he and his followers were escorted to their car. The farmers even assisted in fixing the car's distributor which had somehow gotten out of adjustment.

The new owners, with an admiring crowd watching them, leased all the property back to Hanzel for a period of 99 years and received in return, one dollar. Meanwhile the hat was being passed to reimburse the bidders. Thirty-three dollars was collected to pay the bill of \$1.18. Twelve dollars was turned over to the farmer and it was voted that the rest be used for the "Organized Farmer," the paper of the U. F. P. A. and to stop future sales and evictions.

out the demands of the conference and said that there would be no evictions or forced sales in this neighborhood.

TO ISSUE SCRIPT

Philadelphia, Pa. Dec. 4.—Municipal script will be used by the city to pay 12,000 municipal employees. The city has no cash.

Doings of the
Advance Guard

If you want to keep posted on what is going on among the farmers, read the Producers News. Read about how the farmers in Pennsylvania handled a sheriff's sale and bid in everything for \$1.80. About how the farmers by the hundreds are stopping tax sales at their court houses in Iowa. About the Montana farmers and workers' Hunger March to the state capital, and how they let them speak from the floor and present their demands. Read about how the share croppers in the south are exploited and killed, and how they organize against it. How the milk farmer and fruit grower are struggling for a living.

If you are interested in the farmers' struggle and want to take part in it you must read the Producers News.

Don't fool yourself and think that all these demands and demonstrations haven't their effects. Look how the legislature in different states are falling all over one another pretending to do something in the line of moratorium, etc. Of course, most of it will be nothing but fake. But, we got them up the tree, and we got to keep them there by organizing stronger and make more demands.

DOINGS OF LAST WEEK

J. R. Taylor, Lockhart, Texas, writes for sample copies and advertising rates.

Fred Coles, Renton, Wash., sends us two more subs, one is for one year.

Emil Falk, Glencoe, Minn., also writes for back copies. Remember, sometimes we run out of back copies and can't furnish them.

Workers Center, Tacoma, Wash. pays for bundles received.

L. J. Osgood, Lynden, Wash., sends dollar for bundles.

Janet Seabury, Boston, Mass., asks for sample copies of paper.

A. F. Jones, Okemah, Okla., also sends us a list of names for some sample copies and orders a bundle.

IT CAN'T BE BEAT
Hilma Maki, Sandstone, Minn., is another standby. She writes "I am sending in more orders which I got at the meeting last night. Three renewals and four new subs. The Producers News can't be beat, everyone who reads it sure likes it too."

A. E. Casler, Olympia, Wash., sends us a six month sub.

John Hho, New Ipswich, N. H., also sends a six month sub.

E. L. Davis, Sioux City, Iowa, sends a list of farmers' names for sample copies and says they are very active.

Elba Chase, Hillsboro, N. H., requests a bundle of papers.

KIND OF SHORT OF MONEY
Fr. Denk, Deerbrook, Wis., is sending seven 25 cent subs and two renewals. "There is no money now among the farmers, otherwise I would get subs for a longer term" he says.

Robert Kirmo, Ludden, N. Dak., sends us two subs.

E. L. Fraley, Norton, Va., wants sample copies.

Mrs. H. Gerling, Wheelock, N. D., sends us two more subs.

PASS THEM AROUND
V. Chanak, Moorcroft, Wyo., renews his subscriptions and writes: "I never destroy one paper after reading it, I give it to some farmers." That's the way to do it.

A. P. LaRocque, Sanish, N. Dak. renews his subscription for another six months.

SUBSCRIPTION DRIVE INTENDED
M. L. Barney, Elkhart, Ind. says "I would appreciate a few sample copies and intend to carry on an extensive subscription drive." That is what we like to hear.

John Gould, New Plymouth, Idaho, sends another three subs.

Fred B. Rogers, Missoula, Mont. sends dollar for local edition.

Richard Koski, Omega, Minn., sends one more sub.

M. J. Nelson, Ceresco, Nebr., sends two subs.

A. T. Planisheck, Dallas, Texas, subscribes.

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John Husa and the Law

Husa is Getting the Trade; Rival Merchants Dig Up Old Law, Want Him to Pay \$5 Per Week or Quit Business.—Same Law Was Never Applied to Any of Our Other Stores.

(BY HANS RASMUSSEN)

Boosting for Plentywood has been the hobby among the business element here for years. Making the town bigger and better, getting more people to move in here has been the slogan.

Outside people were brought in here to build the school house. Outside people were brought in here to build the Peterson garage. That was all as it should be, it swelled the population of the town.

A few years ago the daily papers carried an item with a Plentywood date line, telling about the building boom in Plentywood, saying that millions of dollars was going to be spent here on new buildings. People wandered in here from far and near, competing with the local workers and taking away from them what little work there was. The business element was satisfied—competition among the workers was just what they wanted.

This fall John Husa from Belden, N. Dak., moved in here—but, that was different. He leased an empty building for a year. He too swelled the population and filled an empty space. But when he started a store he was not wanted—it was not competition in the business line they wanted.

John Husa was different from the rest of them. When the farmers learned he was a friend of theirs they came from far off and traded with him. He advertised in the Producers News and sold his goods cheaper than the rest of them. Farmers had their relief orders made out to him and saved

money by it. He brought a lot of extra trade to town.

Being in business in Plentywood and as the same time being a friend of the farmers and the Producers News was something the rest of them could not stand for. So, they started looking thru the law books to see if there wasn't some way they could get rid of him, put him in jail or something. And they found it—or, at least they found something they were going to try out.

What they found is a law which says that any person "who or which brings into temporary premises, into any county of this state, a stock of goods . . . sells or offers to sell" shall pay \$5 per week or put up a bond for \$1,000.

John Husa never moved into "temporary premises," he rented a store building, leased it for one year and started business. John did just the same as J. C. Penney and the N. W. Service stores and others did when they moved in here, and nobody ever tried to apply any law to them.

The county treasurer and county attorney have already called on Mr. Husa and read the law to him, but John just laughed at them. He has leased the building for a year and is here to stay.

"mob" like some of the others are, and he is getting their trade, that is the reason they are looking for a chance to put John in jail, and by doing so make fools out of themselves.

That John Husa had a good standing with the farmers among whom he lived at Belden, is shown by an article printed in the Mount-trail County Promoter at Stanley last year, saying that John Husa's store at Belden had been the leading store in the county, where \$11,045.90 of Red Cross money had been spent during the year. The second high on the list was M. E. Hansen of Stanley, with \$6,145.90.

Local Brevities

Otto Grantham and wife were in town Thursday from the Raymond county.

Jens P. Olson, Dagmar, called in Plentywood the middle of the week.

Harry Williams of Reserve was looking the town over Thursday.

Simon Hansen, living near Raymond, was here on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Thorstved were Plentywood shoppers the latter part of the week from Raymond.

Rodney Salisbury and Harry Juul motored to Williams county North Dakota Tuesday to attend relief meetings. They returned on Thursday, bringing Erik Sweet with them.

Jens Ibsen of Dooley, Fred Ibsen of Glasgow and Willis Ibsen of Scooby left for Viborg, S. D., Monday on account of the illness of their mother who resides there.

Mrs. Louis Moe underwent a major operation at the Memorial hospital Monday morning. She is reported as getting along fine.

Niels Sundsted of east of Antelope was a caller in town Thursday.

Pete Steinhoff is back again after spending some time in Dakota.

Miss Anna Njaa returned Wednesday to resume her work at the school after several weeks' illness.

Attorney T. W. Greer returned from his trip to California and Oregon Tuesday. He reports conditions out there being still worse than they are here.

Saturday night somebody entered the Fred Forman house, ransacked Mr. Forman's trousseau and got away with about ten dollars while Fred was sound asleep.

Dr. Storck also had a surprise Sunday morning when he woke up and discovered that his fat pig, all butchered and ready for the frying pan, had walked off during the night.

Dr. C. M. Hall returned Monday from Rochester, Minn., whither he had gone the week before to be with Mrs. Hall who underwent an operation. Mrs. Hall is reported to be getting along very nicely.

The "Al Capone" boy of our undersheriffs was brought onto the carpet again lately. It is reported he had been amusing himself by shooting at the windows on the county fair building, breaking about 60 of the window lights.

Mrs. Albert Engelke of Homestead died in the hospital Wednesday morning from burns received sometime ago.

PRODUCERS NEWS WANT ADS BRING RESULTS

INDIAN POW-WOW AT TEMPLE FEB. 3-4

The farmers of Sheridan county will enjoy a unique entertainment on February 3 and 4, when many talented Indians of the county will present, at the Farmer-Labor temple, a revival of the primitive amusements of their forefathers.

This is a treat which promises to add a distinctive color contrasting with the many entertainments which the farmers have enjoyed in the past.

Among the features to be presented are songs and dances, depicting the past and present state of Indian culture; King Phillips' address to the white settlers; the adventure of Sir John Smith with the Powhatan, his courtship, and marriage to Pocahontas, as well as many other interesting features.

You are promised to be entertained every minute of the two days. An Indian orchestra will furnish music for old time dances each evening, and one of the biggest crowds ever in the Temple is expected. More details will be published next week. Don't fail to come and tell the neighbors.

NEW COMMISSIONER TO BE CHOSEN SOON

Although Carl Hansen, present county commissioner, is not too well pleased with conditions in Oregon where he went, it can not be expected that he will be moving back again to the county after selling what he had here. His 60 day leave of absence will soon expire and it is expected that his resignation will arrive soon and another man be appointed to take his place.

By different people petitions have been circulated for half a dozen different aspirants to that office. Of all these candidates, Hans Hardersen is the most logical man and the one best fitted for the job. There should be no question about his appointment.

Carl Hansen was elected by the farmers, he was a farmers man and a good commissioner. When the vacancy was filled by one who for years has been one of the most capable and most active leaders, they are justified in their demand. From the active part Hans Hardersen has for years taken in politics and the farmers' organizations and movements he has been found to be absolutely dependable. He is recognized as a leader and one of the very best ones.

For years Hans Hardersen has been looked upon as good commissioner. Once upon a time he was picked to fill Chas. Lundeen's vacancy, but somehow it was switched, around and Bob Kahle was appointed in his place. At the convention when Carl Hansen was nominated, Hans Hardersen lost the nomination only by a few votes.

Petitions for Hans Hardersen have been circulated quite extensively and probably a thousand names have been secured. Not only are these thousands people, but many others, going to insist that Hans Hardersen be our next county commissioner.

Hans is a farmer and knows what the farmers are up against. He was among those who lately drove his car all the way to Washington and faced the guns, doing his part to bring about better conditions for those who do the work. He knows what class he belongs to and is not afraid to stick up for its rights.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR POULTRY SHIPPERS

(Contributed)

Our cooperative turkey shipping associations will soon be making their final shipment of the season. This shipment is made each year to provide an advantageous market for late turkeys, immature at the time of the Christmas shipment and capons especially but miscellaneous chicken classes, ducks and geese are also received.

Old turkeys will be received on government grades although these graders will divide other fowl into grade depending on finishing and dressing in line with market classes so that all consignors will receive accurate returns according to grade for the poultry delivered.

Turkey raisers have been rather generally informed on killing and dressing methods. Miscellaneous poultry should be handled in the same way for shipment with these associations, that is:

1. No birds should be killed that are not in prime condition.
2. All poultry should be kept off feed 18 to 20 hours before killing but should be given a plentiful supply of fresh water. Further, during this starvation period birds should be kept in a clean, sanitary place where they can not pick up straw or filth.
3. All birds should be properly bled and dry picked in exactly the same procedure used for turkeys. Remember and pick your birds clean including the wings of the turkeys.
4. As with turkeys the body temperature must be removed from the birds before taking them to market. If the birds are improperly cooled they "scuff" badly on their trip to town. Also if the outside temperature is 36° or lower the result is a green struck bird. "Cool thoroughly but do not freeze" is a rule that should always be followed.

With the present low prices for poultry, your immature, low grade, scuffed and badly dressed poultry should be sold locally or used at home as market price minus transportation costs for such grades will generally be unsatisfactory.

As always your Association will get you the top prices for your turkeys and capons and will bring you net that will be very satisfactory.

Shipping dates of the Montana Poultry Shipping Association, address Plentywood, are as follows: Opheim, Tuesday, Jan. 17; Richmond, Wednesday, Jan. 18; Scooby, Thursday, Jan. 19; Plentywood, Saturday, Jan. 21; Medicine Lake, Monday, Jan. 23; McCabe, Tuesday, Jan. 24.

One Sack of Flour--- 140 Days in Jail--- \$105 Board Bill

What is still known as the "chicken ranch," is located a few miles south of Plentywood. It seems such a long time ago when a sack of flour was supposed to have disappeared from its cellar, at a time when nobody was at home and nobody looking.

A Great Crime

Getting away with somebody else's sack of flour is a great crime. Solving crimes and putting somebody in jail is what sheriffs are for. In the name of justice many people have been hung for crimes that others have committed.

A sack of flour had disappeared and someone was supposed to go to jail for it. So our sheriff located a man up by Daleview, some thirty miles from Plentywood who was not so very busy at the time and stuck him behind the bars. It so happened that the man refused to confess to the crime which he said he never did, but that didn't matter. Law and justice had been satisfied. One sack of flour and one man in jail.

Sheriff Gets His Man

Not being very busy, the man did not try so very hard to get out on bonds. Being fairly well satisfied with his room and board, he just stayed in jail. The sheriff was satisfied too, he had gotten his man as the law said he should, he was getting 75 cents per day for feeding him, and the boarder couldn't leave no matter what he fed him.

A Cat for Company

The man in jail got lonesome. The next term of court was probably one or two years off. A neighbor tried to help him out by making him a present of her cat. The man and the cat had a great time playing together for awhile, but that got tiresome too. Playing with a cat and eating the sheriff's grub for 140 days is a long time even in depressing times.

Today they dropped the case and let the man out. The sheriff lost a good boarder, for whom the county paid a board bill of \$105. What became of the cat we do not know.

This little article reminds one of a verse in "The Sack of Flour," where the prisoner said to the judge:

"Guilty judge, let the law be paid.
But if you had children four or five,
As pretty as God had ever made
And lacked the food to keep them alive;
Lacked the method but not the will
Their cries of hunger to stop and still,
And then saw oceans of food in view,
For God's sake tell me what would you do."

FROM AROUND SHERIDAN COUNTY

OUTLOOK

Attorney Howard M. Lewis of Plentywood was business visitor in Outlook Wednesday.

Gladyse Merwin of Whitetail has been assisting at the Charles Betts home the past two weeks.

The Outlook town basketball team played their first game Wednesday, winning the game.

Mrs. E. E. Garlick spent a few days in Plentywood last week and she visited with her sister, Mrs. Bantz, who is staying there.

Mrs. and Mrs. Palmer Scott and Mrs. Junior left Wednesday for Denver where Mr. Scott will resume his teaching duties.

Mrs. E. E. Garlick returned Tuesday from Pickford, Mich., where she attended the funeral of her father.

Mrs. P. J. Scott entertained Mr. and Mrs. Frank Koester and Mr. and Mrs. C. Mills Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Nelson and Mrs. Ole Garlick motored to Plentywood Tuesday where Mrs. Nelson and Mrs. Garlick had dental work done.

Mrs. G. Garlick, Mrs. Len Tooke and Miss Selma Johnson shopped in Plentywood Wednesday.

Mrs. Koester has been ill the past few days.

Ransom and Margaret Cooper and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Crossman visited on Plentywood Saturday.

Edna and Whitetail visited friends and relatives in Outlook Saturday.

Comertown-Dooley

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rheimer and son Harold, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Heppner and daughter Josephine were guests at the H. O. Heppner home Sunday.

Blondina Stenke visited at the H. O. Heppner home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Holden and children visited at the Adolph Heppner home Sunday. Mrs. Heppner has been ill the past few days and everyone hopes her health will improve rapidly.

Mrs. and Mrs. Ruben Rice and children were the supper guests at the H. E. Stenke home Sunday.

John Heppner in San Diego called him into see the doctor Monday. He had a severe pain in his chest.

Mr. and Mrs. Christ Toedte and children visited at the Chris Mekleson home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Roan visited the Arthur Franklin home Jan. 3. Pauline Walsh, Mrs. Roan's sister, took care of the children during their absence. Mr. and Mrs. Roan stopped at the David Nelson home because of the severe storm that came up on their return.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Nelson called at the C. Hedge home Monday.

Callers at the Chan Hedge home Sunday were Mrs. Frederick and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. McLean and Mrs. James James.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Roan's children, Weldon and Rodney are reported as ill with the flu.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Stearns, nee Lottie Belle Domonkoska, have left town where they will make their home. Mr. Stearns' father is the owner of the Stearns Auto company of Minot. We wish the young couple a happy and prosperous journey through life.

English services will be held in the German Lutheran church on Jan. 22. U. P. L. meeting was held in Comertown Friday.

RESERVE

At the regular meeting of the Commercial club held Jan. 3, the old officers were reelected: Carl Holte, president; John Nelson, secretary; and Mr. Nelson, treasurer. The club voted to sponsor one of Rev. Stowell's regular services and chose

RAYMOND RESIDENT PASSED JANUARY 8

Alex Urquhart, Raymond, passed away Sunday night, Jan. 8 from a heart attack at the age of 48 years. He was born in Scotland and came to this country when but three years old. In 1918 he came to Dooley where he engaged in his trade as carpenter until three years ago when he moved to Raymond, making his home there until his death.

Mr. Urquhart was living alone being a bachelor and was last seen Saturday evening by Olaf Norby, who went to his home Sunday morning about 10 o'clock, finding him dead lying on the floor. The chimney had been knocked from the lamp but the lamp was still burning.

He leaves to mourn his passing three sisters and one brother. One of the sisters being Mrs. L. Goss of Dooley.

Under the direction of Fulkerson-Nelson the funeral was held Wednesday at Dooley, with Rev. Anderson officiating.

COUNTY DADS HELD MEETING JANUARY 3

(BY HANS RASMUSSEN)
On Jan. 3 the board of county commissioners met. A. J. Olson of Homestead taking the place of Frank French, Anker was elected chairman for the term. Carl Hansen absent.

After passing a long resolution in which it said a lot of things about "bring about substantial savings in the conduct of our county government," things were left pretty much as they were before. The hardest worker and the most useful man in the county, the janitor, was the one they hit the hardest, with a wage cut of \$45. Making an economic showing by making the janitor the goat has always been the easiest way out. A couple stenographers had their wages cut to \$100. There was no reduction in the amount of help, but the surveyor was laid off for awhile and Mrs. Carl Peterson was put on as deputy without pay.

The commissioners reduced their own mileage from 10 cents to eight cents. But nothing was said about reducing the sheriff's and other officers' mileage of 12 1/2 cents per mile.

Wm. Erickson was appointed deputy in the assessor's office. We like to see people get jobs; there are plenty of us without one, but it does look funny, after all the noise there was made before the election about Christ's ability and how he could handle the office all by himself, to go and appoint a deputy for him right off the bat. It just goes to show what all the pre-election crap amounts to.

At the next board meeting it is expected that Hans Hardersen will be taking the place of Carl Hansen. Signatures for his appointment have been secured by the hundreds. As soon as Carl Hansen's resignation has been received Hans Hardersen's name will be presented to the judge for appointment.

In circulation has been perhaps in current magazines. The total circulation of the main library during the month of December was 2213 books. Of these, 804 were juvenile, and 1408 were adult books.

Book purchases have been reduced to a minimum, the only additions being those made from the proceeds of the rental collection. During the month of December four new copies were added. They were as follows:

Douglas—Forgive us our Tresspasses.
Morgan—The Fountain.
Wharton—The Gods Arrive.
Halliburton—The Flying Carpet.

Miss Johnson suggests that if anyone has copies of recent books that they have finished reading, the library could use them to excellent advantage and would appreciate them as gifts. To quote Miss County—of the Minneapolis Public Library "When you have finished reading your Christmas books, will you be willing to pass them on to others through the service of the public library." One library patron has already donated two books and other contributions will be gratefully received. The library will also be glad to receive copies of current magazines to distribute from branches. And what is left of the Dagmar combine is still there.

And the cat in jail is looking for another man.

OLD RESIDENT OF PLENTYWOOD DIED NEW YEARS MORN

Charles H. Nichols who has been a resident of Plentywood for the past 16 years died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. L. H. Hillyard Sunday, January 1, 1933, at the age of 82 years, 6 months and 6 days.

Charles H. Nichols was born in Centralia, Ill., Aug. 25, 1850 where he grew to manhood and married. As a young man he moved with his family to Nebraska and later to Arkansas, where he lived up to the time he came to Plentywood.

His life as a benediction to those around him, unselfish, kind and thoughtful of others at all times. His cheerfulness will be greatly missed by those who knew him.

He leaves to mourn his passing his three children, Mrs. L. H. Hillyard and Frank M. Nichols of Plentywood, and Mrs. Emma Moore of Denver, Colo. His wife preceded him in death on May 27, 1914.

Funeral services were held at the Evangelical church Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock and interment was in the Lutheran cemetery. Rev. Bott of the Evangelical church officiated.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Hillyard, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Nichols.

FEDERAL LAND BANK WILL FORECLOSE ON WOLMER CHURCH NEAR DAGMAR

(BY HANS RASMUSSEN)

We have read and heard so much about the Russians taking the church away from the people, most of it being nothing but pure lies, of course. But, many people have been horrified about it. Only in an uncivilized and Godforsaken country could anything like that happen. Never could anything like that happen in this respectable and christian country. And that is just what is happening right in our own dooryard today. They are taking the church away from us.

About five miles southeast of

800 MARCH TO ORE. CAPITOL

100 Farmers and Workers Make Trek on Foot From Portland

(By a Marcher)

Salem, Oregon, Jan. 9.—Approximately 800 workers and farmers participated in a united front march of farmers, workers, and unemployed veterans onto the state capitol today, demanding unemployment insurance at the expense of the rich, no evictions of poor workers and farmers and a moratorium on debts, taxes and interest to unemployed workers and impoverished farmers. A committee of 20 presented the demands to the legislature. Among the speakers for the delegation were Fred Walker, leader, Lovelace for veterans, Nordling, representing unemployed workers and R. Ramp for the farmers.

The speakers and demands were greeted with tremendous applause from the marchers and workers who packed the legislative hall galleries.

MEETINGS ON WAY

The march began from Portland with 100 farmers and workers beginning the 52 mile trek from Portland to the state capitol by foot. Despite hardship, cold, exposure, and sore and blistered feet the marchers maintained a militant spirit thruout the march.

When Andrew Hansen gave a deed to the two acres of land on which the church is located, there was a mortgage on his land. The land bank doesn't overlook anything like that. They claim the deed was no good. They don't miss an opportunity like this, where they have a chance to grab a good church, a horse barn and a perfectly good two-seated toilet. And then we talk about Russia!

Coffee an'

What kind of reliable information people get from the press is shown by an article in the big daily papers with a Plentywood date line, saying that 100 farmers from Sheridan county went on the Hunger march to Helena. All substantial farmers supplied with plenty of money.

Dr. Storck's dead pig walked away over night.

And Harry Koike is serving free coffee. And some are bringing their own cookies.

And they want to put John Husa in jail because he is getting along with the farmers better than the rest.

And the county commissioners saved the county by cutting the janitor's wages.

And somebody went thru Fred Forman's pants. And his wife wasn't at home.

And one ex-banker went out of the court house and another one went in.

And the windows in the fair building are a thing of the past. And John Debing says people who can pay their light bills do not need relief.

And the relief committee is getting gray-haired.

And the Federal Land Bank is foreclosing on a church.

And what is left of the Dagmar combine is still there.

And the cat in jail is looking for another man.

OLD RESIDENT OF PLENTYWOOD DIED NEW YEARS MORN

Charles H. Nichols who has been a resident of Plentywood for the past 16 years died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. L. H. Hillyard Sunday, January 1, 1933, at the age of 82 years, 6 months and 6 days.

Charles H. Nichols was born in Centralia, Ill., Aug. 25, 1850 where he grew to manhood and married. As a young man he moved with his family to Nebraska and later to Arkansas, where he lived up to the time he came to Plentywood.

His life as a benediction to those around him, unselfish, kind and thoughtful of others at all times. His cheerfulness will be greatly missed by those who knew him.

He leaves to mourn his passing his three children, Mrs. L. H. Hillyard and Frank M. Nichols of Plentywood, and Mrs. Emma Moore of Denver, Colo. His wife preceded him in death on May 27, 1914.

Funeral services were held at the Evangelical church Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock and interment was in the Lutheran cemetery. Rev. Bott of the Evangelical church officiated.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Hillyard, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Nichols.

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Dagmar, on top of a hill stands the Wolmer church. It stands as a regular land mark and the people are proud of it. It was built by them when times were better and money was more plentiful. It was all paid for, the land that it stands on was deeded to them by Andrew Hansen. It belonged to the people, they were proud of it and liked to show it to strangers. It was their church and it was all paid for and nobody could take it away from them. Now, the Federal Land Bank is taking this church away from these people.

Recently the Federal Land bank started foreclosure on the half section of land of which the church occupies a couple of acres on top of the stony hill. The foreclosure includes all the buildings on the half section, which takes in the church, the horse barn and the two-seated toilet, that the farmers all thought belonged to them forever and ever.

Soon it will all belong to the Federal Land bank, and the farmers can either pay for their church once more or build another one some other place.

Some might say this cannot be done because it is not fair. No, it is not fair, but it is lawful. Did you ever see any law that was fair to the farmer? And why should they be? The farmer never took any part in the making of law. He always left that part in the hands of Federal Land banks and their tools so how can he expect to get anything but just what he is getting. That kind of an outfit will even steal the church away from you, and do it lawfully. Some day they will take the graveyard across the road from the church too.

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Told In Brief

Half Million Profit

New York, Jan. 5.—The Adams Express Co. reported 1932 net income of \$562,012. Doesn't look like there's any depression for the express companies.

Fire 3,000

Philadelphia.—The City Council plans to separate 3,000 city workers from their jobs. They will be forced to join the city's mounting unemployed.

Keep Rents Up

Washington.—A handful of men control 18,000 apartment buildings right under the nose of Congress. They maintain a combine to keep rents up in spite of the anti-trust law enacted by Congress.

Theatre Strike

Chicago, Jan. 6.—Six stage hands went out on strike at the Garrick theatre in sympathy with musicians who had been laid off while "The Family Upstairs" was shown. The theatre had to close down.

Happy New Year?

Jeannette, Pa.—The new year has brought a new wave of wage cuts in the coal industry. H. C. Frick put in effect a wage cut of 10 per cent January 1. Miners belonging to the National Miners Union are preparing to fight the cuts.

Police Terror

Los Angeles, Calif., Jan. 5.—Swinging clubs and hurling tear gas bombs, police broke up a hunger march demonstration of 1500 today. The marchers will reform their ranks and continue to the state capitol at Sacramento to present their demands to Gov. Rolph.

Close 826 Schools

Birmingham, Ala., Jan. 3.—Over 90,000 school children, mostly Negroes, have been deprived of an education and 2,500 teachers have been deprived of a job when 826 rural schools were closed in Alabama.

Veterans' Enemy

New York.—Col. J. O. Adler, leader of the American Veterans Assn. in a radio address demanded that the government refuse to pay the bonus until 1945 and compensation be denied 400,000 veterans.

Borrowed Finery

New York City.—A fashionable Fifth Avenue clothing store is suing Mrs. James J. Walker, wife of the former mayor, for a clothing bill of \$12,019. Among the items listed are \$35 for a bottle of perfume and \$6.50 for a pair of stockings.

New Low for Farm Prices

Washington, Jan. 4.—The Department of Agriculture announced Wednesday that the farm price index on Dec. 15 was 52 per cent of the pre war figure and back to the lowpoint registered last June.

Driven to Desperation

New York, Dec. 30.—A mother driven to desperation by fear of "another Christmas like the last," was held today on charges of assault and robbery for taking \$55 from the till of a bakery shop.

Jail for Jobless

Austin, Tex.—Unemployed who cannot get jobs immediately will be thrown in jail and fed on bread and water until they promise to leave town, the city fathers have announced. Rev. Dr. F. L. Jewett of the Kiwanis club and teacher of Bible, endorsed the move.

Can't Sell Beef

Denver.—Eight members of a buffalo herd in Denver's mountain park system have been killed to feed the city's jobless. Meanwhile cattle raisers are also destitute and losing their ranches because they can't sell their beef at cost of production.

Largest Hydro-Electric Plant in World

Khatkov, U. S. S. R.—The Lenin hydro-electric plant (formerly called Dnieprostroi) first produced more than 100 million kilowatt hours in one day on Dec. 20. It is the largest hydro-electric plant in the world.

"Live on Corn Meal," Says Judge

Muskogee, Okla.—Let the farmers work hard and live on corn meal, says U. S. Judge Williams, who has a life job at high pay. "I remember when the Confederate soldiers came back to Alabama," he said. "They would have shot anyone suggesting they needed charity. The poor are getting Red Cross flour now. In those days they knew little of flour; they used corn."

Let Not His Right Hand Know . . .

Washington, Jan. 4.—Rear Admiral Byrd draws an annual retirement pay from the government of \$4,200. At the same time he is supporting the National Economy League, an organization of big businessmen, which is working for a reduction in payments to needy and disabled war veterans.

Ten Years Hard Labor for Taking Wood

Berlin, Germany.—At the beginning of November unemployed workers demonstrated in Thale (Thuringia) before the office of the Public Welfare Committee in favor of the distribution of free fuel for the unemployed. Their demands were rejected whereupon they marched in a body to the nearby state forest and began to take their own fuel. A large force of police was sent to the spot in motor lorries and collisions occurred. Thirty-three workers were arrested. The ring-leader was sentenced to ten years hard labor.

\$4 A MONTH IN GROCERIES FOR RELIEF IN WASH.

Divide \$90 Among 25 In Small Town Near Centralia

(By a Farmer Correspondent)
Galvin, Wash., Dec. 31.—Four dollars a month in groceries is all a destitute family gets here. That includes things that are not edible, such as soap and kerosene. We have a baby five weeks old and it takes soap to keep her clean. That leaves us a few beans to exist on.

Here in Galvin, a small village four miles from Centralia, the welfare board is run by Mrs. George Kinder. I understand she is paid \$45 a month for her services. She is allotted \$90 a month to feed the 25 families who are getting relief.

PERSECUTED

When I talk against these intolerable conditions, they persecute me and put me in jail. Mrs. Galvin swore at me for openly expressing my views and supplying reading material to my neighbors. I wish I had better health so that I could do a lot more to bring about a change in conditions.

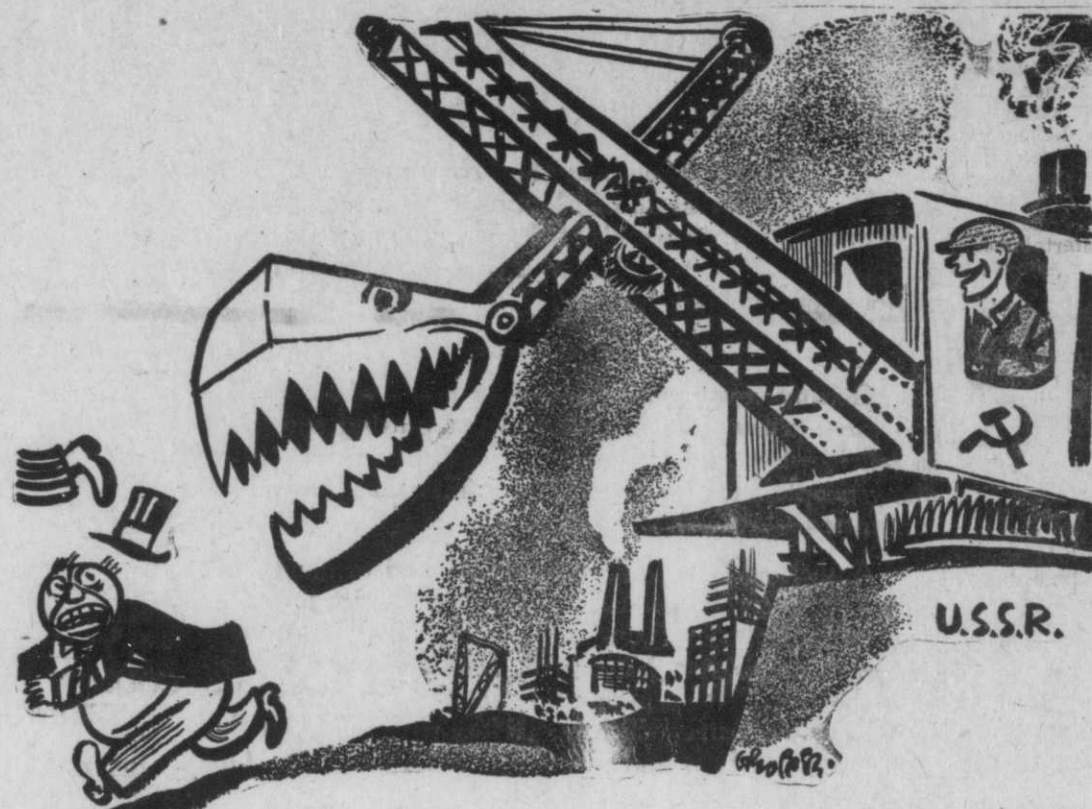
NO DEPRESSION FOR CALIFORNIA BANKS

San Francisco.—For the first time in its history, the San Francisco bank will pay two extra dividends to stockholders this year.

After enjoying the most prosperous year since it was established, directors of the institution met last night, and after voting the regular \$60 per share dividend and the usual \$75 per share extra dividend, decided to disburse a "special Christmas" dividend of \$50 per share to its rich stockholders.

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THE SOVIET UNION GOES AHEAD



The jaws of its giant industry, owned and controlled by the working class, will swallow capitalism.

FARMERS AGAINST ALABAMA MURDER

Send Protest Telegram to Gov. Miller From South Dakota

Frederick, S. D., Jan. 3.—At a meeting at the Palmyra township school, a telegram was adopted and sent to Governor B. M. Miller of Alabama at the murder and terrorization of Negro farmers. It read as follows:

"We farmers protest the murder and terrorization of Negro farmers by the mobs led by the Alabama authorities. We demand that the right of farmers to organize for their security and

a decent standard of living guaranteed by the U. S. constitution be upheld and protected by all forces at your command. We demand the immediate release of those arrested and hold you responsible for their safety.

FARMERS HOLIDAY ASSN. of Palmyra Township.

GET OUT IF YOU CAN'T PAY TAXES

Baton Rouge, La.—The purchaser of property sold for the non payment of taxes has a right to take possession of the property immediately after the purchase, ruled Asst. Attorney Gen. George M. Wallace recently. It doesn't matter at all whether the former owner has any place to move to.

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Minnesota Farmers at Meet Hear Rudolph Harju

(BY HILMA MAKI)

Sandstone, Minn., Dec. 31.—Twenty-seven farmers joined the United Farmers League at a meeting held at a hotel here last night. We are sure that many more will come, but the cold weather held them back.

Rudolph Harju spoke and helped us organize the League. He told us many interesting things and we hope to have him back at our next meeting which will be held

STRIKE TO REDUCE TELEPHONE RATES IN MINN. COUNTY

League Against Paying a Penalty on Auto Licenses

(BY FRANK MURLAND)

Bemidji, Minn., Jan. 6.—A strike to force the telephone company to reduce exchange rates to the 1914 level has been endorsed by the United Farmers League. Telephone rates in 1914 were \$3 a year; now they have been raised to \$6 a year.

AUTO LICENSING UNFAIR

The United Farmers League also favors a change in the law for auto licenses. Now workers and farmers have to pay for their licenses at the beginning of the year whether they are using their cars or not, and they have to pay a penalty if they don't get their licenses promptly at the beginning of the year.

Million and Half Acres Foreclosed on In Oregon

Salem, Oregon.—Figures recently released by the State Tax Commission, after a three month's study, show that 1,500,000 acres, by far the largest in the history of the State, have been or are now being foreclosed by the counties in the state, because of delinquent taxes. Of this, 1,499,756 is farm land or timber. Farmers who are having their homes taken from them by the capitalist state should join the United Farmers League which stands for a moratorium on taxes.

January 6. We should have started the League long ago as there's plenty of young folks and old who want to join.

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International News

Japanese Seamen Win Strike

Tokyo.—Workers at the Kissen Kaisha shipping company went back to work recently after a strike lasting several weeks in which the seamen won all their demands.

Attack Jamaica Native

On January 2 in Kingston, Jamaica, the Northumberland Fusiliers, watchdogs of the British government in the island, rioted and brutally attacked the civilian population to avenge the alleged murder of one of the soldiers.

Guards Fire on Prisoners

Dorchester, N. B., Jan. 9.—Forty guards of the Dorchester prison, armed to the teeth with rifles and riot guns, turned fire on 300 prisoners. Five of the convicts were shot who were protesting at intolerable prison conditions.

Release Peasant Leaders

Vienna, Jan. 3.—The Austrian government was today compelled to release four peasant leaders who had been jailed for an attack on the sheriff who was auctioning off their belongings in northeastern Styria. A march of the inhabitants on Graz, capital of Styria, was organized to force the release of the leaders, including one communist. An Austrian army battalion has been ordered to the area.

"Firm" Policy for Morocco

Madrid, Jan. 2.—The Spanish government is preparing to crush the revolt reported to be in preparation by the oppressed Moorish population. The commissioner of Morocco has been instructed to follow a "firm" policy.

Tension Grows Between Italy and Yugoslavia

To the wars now raging in South America and the Orient the Yugoslav and Italian imperialist governments threaten to add another. Tension is reported growing between the two governments over the domination of Albania.

Salvage Ship

Cherbourg, France, Jan. 6.—Tugs were pulling at the wreck of the French liner Atlantique toward Havre where the shipowners hope to salvage something of value from it after a fire in which 19 sailors lost their lives.

Save Chinese Leader

The All-China Trade Union Federation has issued an appeal for mass protest action throughout the world to save the life of Huan Ping, arrested by the Nanking government and subjected to the most inhuman torture. Ping is chairman of the Federation.

Italy's Unemployed Increases

Rome, Italy.—Mussolini boasted that fascism would abolish misery and unemployment but the official figures show that there are over one million unemployed in that little country. This is a 20 per cent increase since 1931.

Arrest Workers' Leader

Lima, Peru.—Eudocio Robinez, chairman of the Communist party of Peru has been arrested after a nation-wide search. The militarists are trying to muzzle the leaders of the only force against the war between Peru and Colombia.

Bulgarian Deputy Endangered

Sofia, Bulgaria, Jan. 6.—Christo Traikoff, Bulgarian worker deputy is in grave danger of being murdered in Sofia prison where he is being held illegally.

Spanish Communist Daily Appears

After a widespread mass campaign, the Spanish "socialist" government has had to withdraw the suppression of Mundo Obrero, central daily organ of the Communist party.

Oppress Haitian Masses

Port-au-Prince, Haiti, Jan. 4.—Waging a relentless fight on the masses of Haiti, the American chief of the Haitian Guard has started a drive of mass arrests against Communists. Wholesale arrests have been carried out of agricultural workers attempting to organize on plantations belonging to American interests.

Belfast Jobless Get Relief

Belfast, Ireland.—Unemployed who in October forced the Belgian Guardians to increase the relief scale of a man and wife from eight to 20 shillings a week have won another victory. The Guardians at the beginning of December were forced to give extra Christmas relief of 6 shillings to every man and three shillings to every woman.

Secret War Conference

Buenos Aires, Jan. 4.—Foreign Minister Saavedrinas of Argentina held a secret conference with the Peruvian ambassador yesterday afternoon. It is generally believed that the meeting was in connection with preparations of the Argentine government to enter the undeclared war between Bolivia and Paraguay.

Mass Troops on France-German Frontier

Berlin, Jan. 6.—German newspapers publish reports that French military forces along the frontier are being heavily reinforced. The newspapers state that this could be "the first wave of a French attack on Germany." German-French feeling is tense over the Polish Corridor which cuts off part of Prussia from the rest of Germany.

Call for Anti-War Conference

The workers and farmers of South America have issued a call for a South America Anti-War congress to be held February 23 at Montevideo, Uruguay. This is a demonstration against the wars now raging in South America instigated by Wall Street and London. The strike of the firemen on several Colombian warships recently shows that the masses are in revolt against the imperialist wars which mean slaughter and destruction for them.

Worker Presents Demands of Hunger Marchers from the Floor of Both Houses of Montana Legislature—Address is Greeted with Great Applause

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with a sliced onion thrown in to add flavor to the color.

DEMANDS DRAWN UP

After the necessary preliminaries a committee was selected to formulate the demands to be presented to the senate and house of representatives. These demands were then taken up by the body of delegates and approved. Then the speaker to present the demands was selected—Roger Murray of Butte, being the unanimous choice of the delegates—and at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon the delegates began their climb to the Capitol building.

"LEGAL" INTERFERENCE

When the marchers arrived at the Capitol doors the sheriff of Lewis and Clark county threw his bulky form across the entrance. He exposed his authority by "laying down the law," as he put it. He insisted that a committee of three be selected by the marchers to meet with a committee of three from the senate and three from the house of representatives; and that the conference would last just 15 minutes. Murray informed the sheriff that the marchers would stay in Helena until they got on the floor of the Senate and House to present their demands—this, he said, to give all the politicians an opportunity to hear and understand and to guard against the ready use of the waste basket. At this remark sympathizers in the crowd gathered around the Capitol

greeted Comrade Murray's stand, and immediately the sheriff's authority was subdued by the appearance of a messenger from the upper story stating Mr. Delwo, the speaker of the house of representatives, would meet a committee of the marchers in his office and endeavor to reach an agreement as to granting the marchers' committee access to the house. Comrade Murray selected a committee of George Salisbury, and Pat King of Butte and Pete Gallagher of Plentywood, and the remaining delegates moved to the gallery of the senate. A few minutes after the committee had entered Mr. Delwo's office Senator Kane from Ravalli county came to inform them that he would use his influence to secure the floor of the senate for the marchers' committee, and asked that Mr. Delwo extend the same privilege in the house. A few minutes were sufficient to reach a conclusion and Murray and his committee were allowed to enter the senate.

A NEW PAGE IN MONTANA HISTORY

When Murray made his initial remarks to a full house of Montana senators, a new precedent was established. Never before in the legislative history of this state was a representative of workers and farmers allowed the use of the senate floor to put the cause of his class before those who make the laws. Murray was given 20 minutes in which to portray the sufferings of the people. The

young man drew such a picture of the revolting conditions under which the workers were ground down by the oppressive rule of the Anaconda Copper company and its agents, that the gallery, which was packed, and such senators as had not yet been corrupted by the money of this corporation, greeted his remarks with outbursts of appreciation.

Murray paid his respects to Governor Erickson and to such politicians as were forced to wear a high collar to conceal the copper neckband of the A. C. M. company. With shafts of logic and well directed wit Murray pierced the armor of the copper company's legal bodyguards until the old building rang with applause for the speaker's keen analysis of the ruthless exploitation of the workers (and incidentally the farmers) by the Anaconda Copper company in Montana. Old timers were forced to admit that never before had they listened to so much logic compressed into such a short space of time.

GOVERNOR'S UNEASINESS REPORTED

After having put the demands of the workers and farmers before the senate Comrade Murray then pointed out a way to raise money to meet such demands, which can be found elsewhere in this paper. Among the many ways to raise money in a state which had been pillaged by the Anaconda Copper company and its racketeering poli-

ticians he insisted that Governor Erickson, instead of calling for a reduction in salary of the poorly paid clerks, he have his own salary reduced from \$10,000 per year to \$1,000 per year—a saving to the state of \$9,000 each year. This recommendation called forth such hearty approval, indicating at the same time Governor Erickson's poverty of intellect, that reports around Helena had it that the governor, mindful always of his own financial interests, insisted that a banner be painted and carried by the copper collared senators thru the streets of Helena, protesting against a cut in his salary.

HOUSE GIVEN TREAT

Living up to his agreement, the speaker of the house gave Murray the floor for 30 minutes on Thursday morning. Notwithstanding the warning given the members of this body to refrain from outbreaks of levity at the expense of the governor, the members were unable to repress their approval of Murray's remarks. Time and again the rafters shook with applause, and at the end of 30 minutes Comrade Murray and the hunger marchers left the house carrying with them the fruits of victory which must be written into Montana's history to make it complete.

KEPT PRESS REACTS

If the sentiment of Helena's population was at first indifferent to the change to enthusiasm for the workers and farmers cause was rapid. Everywhere could be heard

congratulations; so much so that the newspapers were forced to wear a different mask. From downright antagonism they soared to the heights of sympathy—a sympathy however, that was hypocritical as was evidenced by the attitude of the Helena Independent in particular.

But the workers and farmers are fast learning to analyze the false character of the capitalist press. They have begun to realize that any confidence placed in this direction is misplaced confidence; and they are turning in large numbers to their own class newspapers which fights their cause.

Among the demands raised by the delegates were: No evictions of workers or farmers; \$50 cash relief for each worker and farmer; a state unemployment insurance bill; no evictions of unemployed workers and impoverished farmers; free seed for impoverished farmers and no seizure of crops, chattels or cattle.

The march to Helena was an education to the delegates who went there, and for this they wish to thank those sympathizers who made such a trip possible. The delegates from Sheridan county sincerely thank the people of Plentywood whose names are below for their generous contributions. These contributors are: W. E. Carter, P. J. Aklestad, W. J. Hux, C. E. Tucker, A. F. Hux, Belden, N. D.; Jim Popescu, W. D. Roy, Wm. Herron, L. J. Moe, C. W. Grantham, Avery L. Roser, Otto Stadig and E. I. Miller.

The Life and Death of a Share Cropper

(BY A CORRESPONDENT)

Adel County, Ga.—Archer Burnett, a Negro share cropper, lived on a rich land owner's place here. The first of the year, the landowner told Burnett, "Now you start turning your land that you are going to work this year."

By the first of April he had all his land turned that he was going to plant. One morning the landowner went down to the sharecropper's shack and told him "I think you should plant forty acres. You would make more for yourself and your family."

The sharecropper asked "Who is going to help me work all of this land, there is nobody but me and my wife and we can't work all of that land. I will plant only 25 acres."

The landowner turned to the cropper's wife: "Lucy, me and your husband was talking about planting 40 acres this year." She said: "No, we can work 25 acres, we will do good to work that much. What do you think about it Archer?" He said: "I think we should work 15 acres in cotton, 10 in corn that is enough."

BILLS—FOR WHAT?

The landowner shrugged, "All

right, suit yourself. I tell you what I want you to do. You come up to my house and let's figure out how much fertilizer you are going to use this year. I've got the bills down there."

The share cropper asked what the bills are for. The landowner said "They are for fertilizer that I ordered for you to use this year." "Why, I haven't told you to order any fertilizer for me."

"The landowner said: 'You don't have to tell me what not to do. I ordered it and now you are going to pay for it.'"

The share cropper replied "I did not order it and I will not pay for it. I haven't got the money."

The landowner said: "You have strength, plenty of it. Now, the amount of money you've got to pay is \$200, and the best way for you to pay this money is to start working your crop and by the time you get it gathered you can pay me what you owe me."

The share cropper retorted: "I don't owe you anything."

The landowner replied furiously—

"You goddamn son of a bitch don't dispute my word. You owe me \$200 for that fertilizer. I am ordering and you are going to pay for it right here on my place or I

will have you put on the chain gang."

The share cropper said: "I am willing to go to the chain gang if that will pay the debt that you claim I owe."

"Yes it will pay the debt you owe me. Now what would you rather do?" "I would rather go on the road."

The landowner called up the sheriff and he came down to the plantation. After he heard the landowner's story they went over to the shack. The landowner called Archer. He was a little slow about coming. Finally he came to the door. The landowner said: "What was wrong with you, that you couldn't come when I called you."

The cropper replied "I was eating my dinner."

"You're a damn liar, you were trying to run off, weren't you?"

The cropper said: "No, no, sir. I was eating my dinner."

The landowner said, "So you call me a liar, eh, I am going to beat hell out of you."

VICIOUSLY BEATEN

He got a hoe handle and said:

"Hold him sheriff, while I teach him to talk to a white man. I'll show him how to stay in his place. The sheriff grabbed the cropper and tied him and held his gun on him while the landowner beat him. He pleaded but the landowner told him to shut his damn mouth."

The croppers' wife came out and pleaded to the sheriff said "Shut up that damn hollering. If you don't we will get you." The landowner beat that cropper for thirty minutes and then he told the sheriff to leave him alone. He was beaten unconscious. He lay on the ground with the blood coming out of his nose and side.

After he gained strength, the landowner said to him "Now, Archer are you willing to go to the road or are you willing to work a crop. Let me know now while the sheriff is here. If you don't the sheriff will be too glad to carry you back to town with him."

The sheriff said, "Yes, let me know now so I won't have to come back to get you."

Archer said, "Yes sir, I am willing to work it off."

The landowner told the cropper to come up to his house the next day. He had already been on this

landlord's place for one year and six months.

THE MURDER OF A CROPPER

The next morning at 6 a. m. he went up to the house. The landowner said: "Archer, you know the fence partitions what me and you made the other day. You know where they are. Go and get them." So when the Negro started to go for the partitions the landowner's wife hollered: "rape." The landowner went running to the house and got his gun and said: "Stop there, nigger, what the hell are you doing?"

Archer said, "I am looking for the partitions."

The landowner said, you are a damn black liar. You are trying to rape my wife. She said "he winked his eyes at her." The landowner shot the share cropper three times with a shot gun and killed him.

What happened to this Negro farmer happens to thousands. The only hope lies in organization against the landlords' terror. Both white and Negro must join the Sharecroppers Union.