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Local Industry Lags Despite Revival Talk

REFLECTIONS

By the Editor

I AM GOING to accept Franklin D. Roosevelt's message to 54 nations at its face value—and reserve the right to alter my judgments as time and events may determine.

There are Reasons why Roosevelt and all other spokesmen for Capitalism should wish to avoid wars. For one thing, another war is likely to result in the absolute collapse of the economic system which the world's political and financial potentates are so eager to save. And, for another, the inability to limit the efforts of modern death-dealing devices to mere workers in uniform may make even directors of the armament trust less eager to sell their wares. What will it profit a man to gain a million dollars by selling poison gas which he may be forced to sniff?

So let us agree that Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. MacDonald and the rest of Capitalism's spokesmen are sincere in their quest for permanent peace.

BUT HAVING ADMITTED that, what does the Roosevelt message mean to you and to me and to the rest of the workers throughout the world? After all, wars come only now and then, and in between we are interested in less spectacular things than victories and casualty lists. Most of the time our attention is absorbed by the task of getting bread and beans and cheap clothing. Is an agreement between the masters going to help the slaves to solve their problems? Is permanent peace between the exploiters going to lessen the struggles of the exploited? Hardly.

SO FAR AS the Roosevelt message is concerned, the workers, as such, are out of the picture. They are no more included in the general set-up than the duly constituted authorities would be included in a pact between the gang leaders of the nation.

It is conceivable that the whiskey gangsters may some day come to the same conclusion which the more respectable gangsters of Capitalism are approaching. With some strong public enemy to take the lead, those "undesirables" may agree that it is foolish for them to exterminate each other with saved-off shot guns. Surely, there is territory enough for us all, some statesman of crime may argue. "Why should we waste our substance and place our agents and ourselves in danger? Why not come to an understanding—and play the game in safety?"

Such an argument would certainly be sensible—from the gangsters' viewpoint. But it would not be hailed with delight by public officials who were honestly seeking to enforce the liquor laws.

WHILE IT IS gratifying to me to reflect that my son may not be used as cannon fodder in a Capitalist war, I am not going to permit my approval to blind me to the fact that the task of the workers remains unchanged.

No matter what plans may be evolved by the masters for the preservation of their system, I am not losing sight of the fact that I remain a slave as long as that system exists. To me the exploiters of labor are the public enemies and no scheme which they may perfect for their own safety and advancement is going to make me more satisfied with the robbery of rent, interest, dividends and profits. As I see it, only a slave-minded worker will be elated by the news that the masters have agreed upon a

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TELL YOUR FRIENDS

GOOD TIMES "BUNK" FAILS TO FOOL WORKERS WHILE PART TIME, PAY CUTS RULE

Textile Machine Workers Slashed 8 to 10 Cents Per Hour.
Scott Foundry Closes Permanently While Jobs Leave
Fusion Reading For Pottsville—Unemployment
Grows and Public Treasuries Shrink as News Dope-
sters Talk of Business Upturn

With wage cuts and layoffs continuing in Reading's industries, the workers of this city are wondering about the why's and wherefore's of the prosperity ballyhoo which has taken first place position in the daily newspapers. Only a few workers who are still employed have been temporarily misled by the fake prosperity which is seen only in inspired headlines. For the most part, however, the people of this Socialist city read the signs of the times correctly and see that the immediate future of the workers is not to be brightened by a demand for labor.

Research workers and industrial engineers have admitted that even the return to a pre-depression standard of production would leave many millions of workers out of the picture so far as jobs are concerned. At least 5,000,000 who lost out since 1929 are permanently out and have no other hope of being self-supporting than that offered by the slave conditions offered a few thousand in lumber camps and other public projects.

More Cuts in Wyomissing
While the newspapers were bristling with revival "bunk," the big textile mill in Wyomissing demonstrated in a practical manner that "happy days are NOT here again" by imposing wage cuts this week ranging from 8 to 10 cents per hour. This event was not heralded in the newspapers. Had it been, more people would have realized that the return of good times is even farther removed than a week ago.

Scott Works "Goes Fusion"
Another event which gives the lie to the optimistic dopesters was the news that the foundry of the Scott works is being permanently closed. The story was not told in the newspapers, but is being passed by word of mouth among the workers of Reading. Work which formerly helped to swell local payrolls will now be done in Pottsville, the story goes.

The closing of this plant, which once employed a large corps of workers, recalls the campaign slogan of the Fusionists: "Defeat the Socialists and keep the industries in Reading," was the cry of the combined Republican and Democratic forces. The Socialists were defeated and since then many plants have closed their doors while scarcely one remains which has not cut wages and reduced working forces.

Virtual Slavery for Workers
The conditions under which thousands of Reading workers are now employed amounts to virtual slavery. In many plants regular hours are no longer considered. Employers now feel free to call their employees to

ROOSEVELT THIES POLITE TREATMENT OF BONUS VET

WASHINGTON (FP)—As though to prove to the war veterans and the country that he can be more polite than Hoover, President Roosevelt has not only refused to permit the police and the army to exclude or drive from the capital the Veteran's Expeditionary Force of bonus seekers, but he has ordered that they be comfortably sheltered and fed at Fort Hunt, 10 miles from the city. He has ignored the incendiary campaign conducted by the Hearst newspapers and the Washington Post against this bonus army—the pretext of attack being that Emanuel Levin, a member of the Communist Party, is one of the five members of the Veterans' National Liaison Committee which organized the march.

With his sixth sense of political tact, Roosevelt ordered that army tents and cots, army food and army trucks be put at the disposal of the

SALES TAX AS PRICE OF JOBS

Organized Labor Not Consulted
On Plan to Make Work-
ers Pay to Employ Jobless

WASHINGTON (FP)—Once more the American worker is offered a job-making program, on condition that it shall be financed by a sales tax. Hoover's proposal in that direction was rejected by Congress after a bitter struggle. Now the Roosevelt administration is dangling before the eyes of 13,000,000 unemployed the prospect of a public works construction program—toward which \$220,000,000 for bond interest and sinking fund must be produced by a sales tax. And just as in the Hoover regime, Speaker Rainey and Senator Robinson of Arkansas are hoping that organized labor and the progressives will relax their opposition, so that this burden may be fitted smoothly upon the shoulders of the remaining wage workers and farmers.

When a White House conference on Democratic leaders was summoned May 15 to discuss the chances of a sales levy in the House and Senate, Rainey told the press that putting such a scheme through the House would be harder than anything that Roosevelt has yet asked of his party followers. However, the Speaker added, if the 180 old members who voted against this tax, and the new members who similarly oppose it, shall defeat it this year, Congress will lay another form of consumption tax as a substitute. That is, it will be asked to tax coffee, tea, sugar and spices, and lay taxes on pipe lines, trucks and motor buses, broadcasting companies and advertisers.

Labor Ignored
By attaching the sales tax to the \$3,300,000,000 public works program, Budget Director Douglas and Secretary of the Treasury Woodin, representing the Wall Street end of the Administration, hope to force Congress to override the protests of organized labor against this deflationary tax. At American Federation of Labor headquarters it was indicated that the Administration had made no approach to President Green on this issue. No labor man was invited to the discussion. Donald R. Richberg, general counsel for the Rail Labor Executives' Association, who had been called in for advice as one of a committee of four headed by Senator Walsh of Massachusetts, responded as a private individual, and not as counsel for the rail workers. He opposed any sales tax, and fought for the 30-hour and minimum wage safeguards which were the foundation for the measure which the President undertook to replace with his public works and "partnership with industry" legislation. Until the text of the bill is published, President Green (Continued on Page Two)

T.P.L. WILL FIGHT CUT IN SERVICE TO UNEMPLOYED

Electricity, Gas and Water
Will be Demanded For Job-
less as County Officials Plead
Poverty

TAKING STUDY COURSE

20 Members of Unemployed
Organization Receive In-
struction Under Brookwood
Labor College Teachers

Determined that relief shall continue to be given to the unemployed of Berks, despite the pleas of the county authorities that the treasury is empty, the Executive Committee of the Taxpayers' Protective League, late yesterday afternoon, were planning to call upon the Joint Relief Committee and present claims for the consideration of that body.

Chief among the demands which the Committee was planning to make was the restoration of gas and electric service to the jobless families, and assurance that water would be supplied to such families as are being served by privately-owned suburban water companies.

Need More Than Bread
"The authorities must be made to understand that people who are out of employment through no fault of their own are entitled to more than mere food allowances," Steward Tomlinson, chairman of the League's committee, said. "He needs fuel, clothing, light, water and other things for his comfort. In this age of mass production, when everything can be produced in abundance the suggestion that the unemployed shall do without any necessity is ridiculous. We will expect our elected officials to make whatever provisions may be necessary to supply the basic needs of family life."

Twenty in Study Course
During the past week a class of twenty members of the League has been taking a course of instruction under Mark and Helen Starr, instructors at Brookwood Labor College. The class meets daily at 8:30 a. m. in the headquarters of the Southern Branch of the Socialist Party at Peach and Franklin streets and is given an intensive drill in the history of the labor movement, economics and English for organization purposes.

The course will end next Wednesday, when the Starrs will go to Connecticut to conduct similar classes.
Starr Speaks Today
Prof. Mark Starr of Brookwood Labor College will speak on "Unemployment, Its Cause and Cure," at a meeting of the Taxpayers' Protective League, Friday, at 1:30 p. m. in the City Hall Auditorium.

WOMEN OF UNEMPLOYED HEAR BIRTH CONTROL TALK

"It is criminal to subject helpless babies to starvation and suffering," said Mrs. Mary B. Nelson at a meeting sponsored by the Women of the T. P. L., held in the recreation room of the Universalist Church, Wednesday, May 17.

"Limiting the size of the family is of special importance to the unemployed who cannot provide for their children," was also a highlight in her interesting talk. Fifty women were present.

Refreshments were served.
Mrs. W. H. Lightwood will deliver an address to women on Wednesday, May 31, in the same hall on "How to Tell Your Children the Facts of Life."

WET GROUNDS DELAY SOCIALIST PARK EVENTS

Because of the recent rains in this section of the state the opening picnic of the season at the Socialist Park in Sinking Spring has been postponed from June 4 to June 18.

At the present time the park grounds are too damp for outdoor activities. The committee feels confident, however, that this condition will be relieved before the middle of next month.

Because of the extreme amount of moisture in the grounds the dedication of a newly planted tree, in honor of the Women's Socialist League, originally scheduled for next Sunday, will also be postponed until a later date. The League is the pioneer Socialist women's organization under the jurisdiction of Local Berks, and thousands of visitors expected to be present when the dedication takes place.

WAGE CUTS AND LAYOFFS SAVE RAIL DIVIDENDS

Workers Lose \$1,500,000,000
And 719,330 Jobs to Provide
Unearned Incomes For Para-
sites

SURPLUSES FOR OWNERS

Cutting Allowances of Rich
Will Provide Billions For
Wages and Pensions to
Workers

Prepared for Federated Press by
Labor Research Assn.

NEW YORK (FP)—Despite the crisis, some railroads have been able to make profits and pay dividends, as well as interest and principal on their debts to bankers, by wholesale wage cuts and firing.

Layoffs of more than 719,330 men and a 10% wage cut are represented in a saving of 1½ billion by the roads, and an equal loss to the workers.

For example, for the six months ending February, 1933, the Louisville & Nashville showed an operating income of more than eight millions compared with 3½ millions for the corresponding period of the year before. And the Southern Railway increased its net income from \$2,923,789 to \$5,472,140 during the same period. The Southern Pacific drew close to 14 millions in dividends from the Pacific Fruit Express, a gain of almost four million dollars from this source over 1931.

Profits During Hard Times
The New York Central reported a net income of \$3,396,261 for the quarter ending March 31; the Baltimore & Ohio earned a net of nearly 4 millions in the same quarter. Chesapeake & Ohio's 1932 net income amounted to 23½ millions. Chesapeake Corporation, a holding company, earned in 1932 over 6 millions, slightly below the 1931 income. The Van Sweringen interests have also maintained 1932 profits nearly on a par with those of 1931.

Huge surpluses with which to pay future dividends have continued to be piled up by the roads. The Southern Pacific tops the list with a 1932 surplus of \$472,938,236, or 21 millions more than in 1929; Delaware, Lackawanna & Western now has a surplus of 62 millions; Southern Railway of 93 millions; Denver & Rio Grande Western, 12 millions. The anti-labor Delaware & Hudson, headed by D. F. Loree, has 82 millions in reserve for stockholders, even after buying 10 millions of New York Central stock this year. The Pennsylvania Railroad (Continued on Page Two)

EDUCATOR HITS ATTACKS UPON SCHOOL SYSTEM

Prof. Stillman Declares Rich
Taxpayers Would Rob Work-
ers' Children of Social Ad-
vantages

CITE COMMERCE CHAMBER

Declares Demand For Budget
Cuts Is Part of Campaign to
Help Big Taxpayers

CHICAGO. — Payless pay-days for Chicago's school teachers, coupled with powerful efforts to curtail educational opportunities for the children of America's second largest city, are viewed by Charles B. Stillman, president, Joint Conference of Teachers and Principals of Chicago, as part of a national conspiracy to destroy the American school system as it now exists.

Prof. Stillman, in an article in the current Real America Magazine, warns that big business interests are using the depression to cover "an organized attack upon public education" and calls upon friends of the school system to realize that they are in for a "real battle."

Raps Selfish Interests
The educator suggests that the selfish interests are turning their heavy guns on the school system throughout the country, not only to save money by reduced taxes at the expense of the children, but for the more sinister reason of "developing a subservient generation of citizens lacking both the will and the training to challenge permanently lowered standards of living and the further concentration of political and social control over their daily lives in the hands of a financial oligarchy."

Prof. Stillman cites in the Real America article a recent letter by the United States Chamber of Commerce to local chambers throughout the country urging that they work for school budget cuts in twenty different education fields, omitting any reference to governmental economies elsewhere. Reducing teachers' salaries, increasing already overcrowded classes, eliminating night schools and kindergartens and requiring tuition from high school pupils are among "reforms" urged by the big business organization.

Sees Gov't In Danger
Declaring that the onslaught against the school system is actually an "assault upon popular government itself," the educator writes, "this attack upon public education is more

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MAURER SPENDS WEEK END IN WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA

James H. Maurer is having a busy week end in the western part of the state. Wednesday afternoon the local labor leader left for Pittsburgh where he addressed a meeting last night under the auspices of the organized unemployed groups there. Today at 3 p. m. Maurer will speak at the courthouse in Indiana, Pa. He will return to this city tomorrow night.

Next Thursday night Maurer will speak in Phillipsburg, N. J., at a meeting sponsored by the Central Labor Union and the Socialist Party. From there he will go to New York City to address the students of the Rand School of Social Science.

At all his meetings Maurer will discuss the activities of the United Workers' Federation of Pennsylvania, which was recently organized at a combined meeting of the Socialist, labor and progressive forces of the state.

What Reading Folks Are Talking About

SYMONTOWNE AGAIN

Russ Symontowne, Berks County's supervisor of work relief, has always been a picturesque type. As a mid-nite slayer of blackbirds, man about town, self-appointed "investigator" of bawdy houses, patron of a speak-easy queen and \$350-per-month advocate of 5-cents-per-hour labor, the doings of "Sy" have always been interesting and generally colorful.

This week "Sy" paid fines to the police as a result of complaints that he ran into several automobiles and then drove through a red light. Whether the latest escapade of the work relief director was the result of a vertigo attack, or whether his actions were the result of alcohol—in his radiator, of course—has not been explained.

However, to tell everything about Symontowne would rob him of his mystery and charm. It would also set the people to wondering why this man, who does so many things which might only be expected of common drunks, has been so generously favored by the Democratic gang of Berks. In fact, this is a question which Judge Schaeffer himself may be asked to explain in 1935 if he asks the people for re-election.

Symontowne, as one of the editors of the "Reading Times," in 1931 branded the Socialists of Reading as "Hinky Dinks." One of his associates has vanished from the scene and is now dodging the Pennsylvania authorities. How long will "Sy" be able to carry on as a high-priced public charge?

SENDING O'REILLY ABROAD

Why is the Wyomissing Foundation, financed and controlled by Wyomissing labor exploiters and real estate magnates, sending two of Reading's officials abroad?

Folks who know the labor policies of the Wyomissing magnates insist that they never spent a dollar without intending to get at least two dollars in return. But what can Water Engineer A. R. O'Reilly and Forster Herman Stroecker give to the group across the river?

Those who have thought long and hard upon the matter are remembering that the city was able to find \$75,000 in an otherwise depleted treasury when sewers were to be constructed in the 18th Ward neighborhood adjacent to the holdings of the Wyomissing Development Company. They are now wondering just what improvements are going to be recommended a year hence.

SLAVES OF THE CHEST

Once again workers with jobs are being coerced into contributing to the Community Chest.

This feature of the annual drive has become one of the regular subjects of comment in our columns. We have mentioned it so often that we are sick of pounding keys on the subject. However, it is just as well to mention the matter once, again in order to emphasize the utter helplessness of those who are permitted to work for the profit of an owning class.

Woe betide the wage slave who thinks he is going to get away without his shake-down this year. A few who have tried it report that they changed their minds when the boss significantly asked: "Isn't your job worth more than \$5 per year?"

Socialists who understand their slave condition under this system are best able to take the gaff. They laugh the matter off and give. But the boss' tyranny is hard on some of those workers who still nurse the superstition that they are "free and independent Americans." How those boys do howl (privately, of course) when they have to share the poverty which their votes help to create!

THE SCHOOL BUDGET

For once we agree with Andrew J. Fink—partly!
When Mr. Fink took an hour to tell the School Board that this year's budget is a "joke" he stated a mouthful. But when he made the proposed expenditures the object of his attack (Continued on Page Three)



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Michigan Hits Child Labor

LANSING, Mich.—The Michigan legislature has ratified the child labor amendment to the federal constitution. The vote in the house was 62 to 26.

MILK STRIKERS STANDING FIRM

Milk Producers Declare That Big Dairies, Not the Public, Are Target of Attack

MILWAUKEE (FP)—"Our strike is not against the city consumer but against the big dairies," Wisconsin farm strike leaders declared as they furnished milk to the sick, the needy and children, and enforced the no-sale rule.

"We have been charged with wanting to starve the city worker, and with wanting to shed blood of innocent persons," they said. "We are showing who it is that wants to starve the city worker. We want to know if the big dairies are as interested in the health of the city as they pretend to be, or if all they want is to get as much money as possible out of both farmers and city workers."

Grocers sent the price of canned milk from 5 cents up to 7 cents, while under Gov. Schmedeman's orders troops used tear gas in vain efforts to break the strike. The picket lines held firm and no milk entered the cities except that which the farmers had arranged to send in for the needy. Waukesha county officials, in whose territory the farmers braved tear gas and routed troops, asked for more tear gas bombs, and a supply was rushed to them by airplane.

More than 300 strikers burned an effigy of Milo Reno, head of the National Farm Holiday Association, who called off the scheduled national farm strike a short time after he had declared that "nothing can stop the strike." Walter Singler, of the Wis-

consin Cooperative Milk Pool, and strike head, declared Wisconsin groups are allying with those of other states to oust Reno. Eventual aim of the strike is abolition of the profit system from milk distributing.

WAGE CUTS

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has a surplus of 209 millions. Its 1931 income amounted to 49 millions. The Wabas, the Erie and the Illinois Central lines have between them piled up more than 100 millions in reserves. In January, 1933, Atlantic Coast Line Railroad reported a surplus of \$6 millions.

Gov't Aids Roads
Meanwhile, the Reconstruction Finance Corporation loans of six millions to railroads in March swelled the total of such loans to 300 millions. Much of this has gone to bankers for bond interest and payment of maturing obligations. Increased freight rates accounted for 62 millions which found its way into the same pockets. Roosevelt's railroad bill would net the roads another 400 millions through repeal of the recapture clause—practically the amount recently taken from the veterans. Wage cuts, decreased payrolls due to layoffs, and other such economies would net the roads another 250 millions.

The railroad industry, reported worth \$4 billion dollars, with another 15 billions represented in bank loans, is excessively burdened with watered stocks. This vast property is owned by capitalists such as the Vanderbilts, Rockefellers, Whitneys, Belmonts, Harrimans, Bakers, van Swerlengens and big New York bankers who received dividends for 1928 of 510 millions; in 1929, 561 millions, and in 1931, 603 millions.

The cutting down of these huge payments to the rich would maintain wages and living conditions for rail labor on a higher than pre-crisis level; would pay adequate retirement pensions to older railroad men; would provide living wages to the 500,000 or more men forced out of the industry in the past few years. But the Roosevelt emergency transportation act aims at none of these things. The bill's sole recognition of labor's rights is a provision recognizing collective bargaining in principle

and agreeing that rail labor unions are to be notified of any contemplated changes before they take effect. It is somewhat ironical that under these very safeguards have occurred the huge layoffs, the wage cuts and other measures reducing labor standards.

SALES TAX

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to say as to the sales tax or any other feature of the scheme.

Sweatshop Bill Waits
Secretary of Labor Perkins—who is said to have waited several hours outside the President's office door on one occasion when she felt that there was danger of his taking reactionary advice—was not in Washington when the sales tax policy came into favor. Her carefully drafted bill for abolition of sweatshop conditions in industry, as presented to the House Committee on Labor, had been chloroformed by the foreign trade embargo clause written into it by Chairman Connery of that committee under the guidance of Michael Flynn, of the Matthew Woll high-tariff lobby. The President had not raised a finger to save the bill, but had informed the Chamber of Commerce of the United States that he would offer his own plan for a "partnership" of the government with organized employers. He would try to establish minimum wage scales and the shorter workweek in agreement with the business men's associations. But he did not demand that organized business accept modern standards of worktime and wages which should be fixed by the government in conference with organized labor and on a basis of the American standard of decent family livelihood.

The Roosevelt "industrial recovery" bill remained disappointingly vague, on May 15, but it was wrapped tightly around a sales tax.

State Cops In Anthracite

PITTSBURGH, Pa. — State troopers and deputy sheriffs are guarding the miners of the Kehoe-Berge Coal Co. in Durycia against the pickets of the United Mine Workers of America. Daily arrests are made, especially among the ranks of the Kehoe-Berge miners, who are members of an independent union.

GUNMEN MURDER MINERS' LEADER

Company Thugs Riddle Strikers' Champion, Then Set Stage For "Self Defense" Verdict

By DON WEST.

WILDER, Tenn. (FP)—"Daddy, hurry back, mamma's sick and I'll be lonesome when you're gone," 12-year-old Della Mae Graham told her father as he left his barren shack. Barney Graham, fearless leader of Wilder miners who have conducted a 10-month strike, turned to her with a smile and replied, "I'll be back before dark. I'll try to borrow money for some medicine and a little food for your mother. Take good care of her." And he walked down into Wilder Hollow for the last time.

For months he had been a marked man among the company thugs. They had made their boasts to get Barney Graham first of all. Graham was the most fearless, cool-headed and intelligent leader the union had ever known. He was, indeed, a dangerous man to company oppression, greed and exploitation.

Disregarded Danger
Graham had reached the corner of the street even with the store of the Pentress Coal & Coke Co. He had just turned to cross and ascend the mountain toward his own shack. He was alone. Many times his friends had warned him about being alone around the company gunmen, but smilingly he had always told them he thought their fears unfounded.

No union men were in sight either to help him or act as witnesses against the murderers. It was just the occasion the company gunmen had longed for.

Fifteen or twenty shots rang out. Barney Graham writhed in the coal dust before the company store, with 10 bullet holes in his body. Four bullets entered from the back. Others were fired while he lay in the dust. As he lay in the grime and dirt mixed with his own blood, the gunmen rushed up and crushed his skull with their gun butts.

Guards Forbid Relief
Union men, hearing the shots, came running to the murder scene, but company thugs stood them off with machine guns and saved-off shotguns. They were not permitted to approach the dead body until the thugs had arranged things so they would lead to a "killed in self defense" decision. They took out Graham's gun and put it in his left hand, although Graham was right-handed. Not even the safety latch had been released on Graham's gun.

Back in the bleak shack on Wilder Mountain a wife sick with pellagra, and three little children awaited their daddy's footsteps. I visited their home the night after the murder and found the mother sick in bed. There was not a single bite of food in the house. The neighbors who were there sitting up with her told me she had wanted some cornbread that day, but no one had any meal. They only get a small bit of Red Cross flour and fat meat for food. Added to the darkness of their general despair, I found they had no kerosene for the oil lamps. Some grease had been melted into an old can and pieces of cloth bathed in it and set on fire to furnish light to that desolate surrounding.

Even the scabs who have been taking the jobs of the union men have become outraged at this cowardly work of the Pentress gunmen. I heard much talk among them to the effect that they too were considering walking out on strike against this deed.

The old mountain preacher in his primitive eloquence gave voice to the general sentiment of the union men at the funeral services when he spoke to a group of over 1,000. He had helped them in the funeral march down the company store where the dead body had been picked up. The set faces of mountaineers took in his words: "Our leader has fallen. He has given his life to end starvation, slavery and poverty. The company took his life so they could go on making profits, exploiting us and keeping us in slavery. Our leader is dead, but his spirit lingers with us. We will not soon forget Barney Graham and the thing for which he died."

And the crowd wound slowly and quietly down the mountainside to Wilder Creek, where Barney's widow had been waiting, unable to ascend the mountainside.

All is quiet in Wilder Hollow—the quiet that always comes before the storm breaks.

Strike Halts Wage Cut

ROCKY RIVER, O.—A wage cut which the Rocky River Basket Co. attempted to put over was hastily withdrawn when its 60 workers struck.

CASSEL'S

HOME OWNED... HOME OPERATED

FRESH DRESSED Chickens Stewing... 25c lb
Fowl... 28c lb
Broilers... 30c lb

Beef Roast... 10c lb
Pork Roast... 12 1/2c lb
Stewing Veal... 12 1/2c lb
Rump of Veal... 17c lb
Kidney Veal Roast... 19c lb
Pork Shld. Roast... 9c lb
Lean Pork Chops... 12 1/2c lb
Meaty Veal Chops... 12 1/2c lb
Lean Boiling Beef... 7c lb
Rump or Round Steak... 20c lb

SUGAR-CURED SMOKED HAMs, 15c
whole or string-end half... pound
FANCY SWISS CHEESE... 29c lb

OUR OWN MAKE
FRESH OR SMOKED SAUSAGE... 14c
pound

Legs of Lamb... 19c lb
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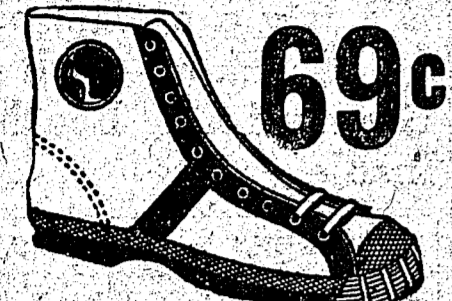
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CONT'L CONGRESS TO BACK FARMER

NEW YORK (FP).—The Continental Congress will organize for political and economic action in every state of the union, hold state congresses within 90 days, and have as its first duty the support of the farmers' strike called for May 13, Clarence Senior, secretary, announced at the Continuation Committee held its first meeting in New York.

The congress represents four million workers and farmers, Senior said.

The Continuation Committee reported that a permanent national organization should be set up to be

called the Continental Congress of Workers and Farmers, and that the affairs of the organization should be conducted by a National Committee of Correspondence and Action. The purpose of this committee would be to "preserve the fellowship" of the groups represented, to "exercise all possible economic and political pressure to fulfill the plans" of the congress, "including the exploration of the best methods of economic and independent political action by the producing classes."

The committee declared that it was the task of the congress to coordinate the work of existing organizations, not to compete with them or to involve itself in any internal matter of any of the participating groups.

A prophet is not without honor. And people are beginning to suspect that honor is not without profit.

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MORGAN FEARS SENATE PROBE

Newspaper Support of Roosevelt's Inflation Policy Now Suspected as Inspired by Terror

NEW YORK (FP).—There has been little in the last 20 years to bolster the rumor and yet the story persists in Wall Street that the partners of J. P. Morgan & Co. are going into the Senate probe set for May 23 with great fear.

It has been noted that the staff has been working way into the night, something unusual at Broad and Wall, and reports have leaked that desperate efforts are being made to cover up the worst.

When U. S. Steel went out of the way at the annual meeting to pass a resolution of confidence in President Roosevelt and later J. P. Morgan rushed into print—where Morgan seldom rushes—to approve the Roosevelt inflation program, it was taken for granted that any slight difference between the administration and the House of Morgan had been healed.

Sensational Disclosure
John W. Davis, Democratic candidate for president in 1924 and counsel for J. P. Morgan & Co. now, supported Roosevelt during the campaign. After the new administration took power, Davis agreed with Attorney Pecora, counsel for the Senate committee, to give any information requested and Pecora issued enthusiastic comments on the cooperation he was getting. It all looked very much as though everything had been arranged in advance.

Yet Wall Street remembers with trembling the Pujo investigation of 1912 and the thorough job of exposing the machinery of finance which was done then. Now there is much more to uncover and a real probe of Morgan activities would be the sensation of a sensational year.

Little hope is held out that the Rockefeller dynasty will be probed in similar fashion. Yet there is so much just beneath the surface of graft and scandal and killings in the extension of the Rockefeller power that it may be forced. It is little known that the Rockefeller interests protect their real estate holdings in New York—which are in the process of being expanded from a quarter to a half of a billion dollars—by supporting Tammany Hall. New Yorkers are wondering whether the tension between Roosevelt and Tammany, which has existed ever since the Chicago convention, will have any effect on a Rockefeller probe. All indications point to a whitewashing. Winthrop W. Aldrich, brother-in-law of John D. Jr. and head of the Chase National Bank which is reported the center of much of the financial dirty work, issued a statement rapping such private bankers as Morgan recently, got out of Fox Film (which is one of the spots an investigation ought to hit, as was shown in the book, Upton Sinclair Presents William Fox), and then went on a long vacation in Bermuda.

New Deal Puts Disabled Veterans On Street

SANDUSKY, O.—Some 500 disabled war veterans, members of the Ohio Soldiers and Sailors Home, are faced with eviction from the home July 1, as the result of President Roosevelt's economy program, which calls for discontinuance of federal aid to veterans under 62 years of age or less than 75% disabled.

The state welfare department charges that the federal government hasn't met its payments for the home since 1931. In that year it paid only \$43,470 on a \$90,000 bill.

Work Women 12 Hours

CLEVELAND.—Violations of the state labor laws in Cleveland in not confined to hole-in-the-corner sweatshops. A warrant has just been issued against the Grennan Cake Bakeries, Inc., a large plant, for overworking women.

An investigator of the Ohio Industrial Commission visited the plant recently at 8:30 p. m. and found 25 women working, some of whom had been working since 8 a. m. and others since 10 a. m. No time was allowed out for lunch or dinner. Ohio state law prohibits working women more than nine hours a day.

Not Drunk, Just Starving

MILWAUKEE.—"I wasn't drunk. I was wobbling from starvation. I haven't had a square meal for a month," Edward Cekal, 45, pleaded after he was picked up in front of the federal employment bureau.

Harvard Head Was Poison Gas Maker

WILLOUGHBY, O.—Dr. James Bryant Conant, new president of Harvard University, did his bit for humanity during the war by manufacturing poison gas at a factory near Willoughby. He specialized in Lewisite, a particularly deadly and painful gas. The men who worked in the plant lived in barracks, surrounded by wire walls and sentries. They were under oath to say nothing about the factory.

SEE GAINS IN CIVIL LIBERTY

American Civil Liberties Union Reports Drop In Cases of Violation of Constitutional Rights

Marked improvement in the attitude of federal and state governments generally toward civil liberties is noted by the American Civil Liberties Union's annual survey, just made public. Notable falling off of activities of state authorities violative of constitutional guarantees is cited.

For the first time in years, no one is serving sentence under criminal syndicalism or sedition laws in any state or colony (except the Philippines), and no such cases are pending in the two states where most of these persecutions have taken place—California and Pennsylvania. The only syndicalism charges pending are in Illinois and Ohio, in coal strike cases, and in Michigan and Iowa, against farmers who opposed mortgage foreclosure sales. Never before have farmers been the target of such a law.

"There is no activity by federal government departments interfering with civil liberties," the Union points out. "No cases of mail exclusion by the Post Office Department are hanging fire. The Department of Labor has ceased persecuting alien radicals."

It was a new Democratic administration in Michigan that caused the dismissal of the 1922 criminal syndicalism cases against W. Z. Foster and 17 other Communists, which had been engendered by the notorious Palmer Burns regime in the Department of Justice. In eight states laws curbing issuance of injunctions in labor disputes have been enacted this year. Repressive legislation such as teachers' loyalty oath bills has been generally defeated. In Kentucky all the criminal syndicalism indictments in the coal strike cases have been quashed.

Though the national tone is good, the A. C. L. U. explains, there are plenty of issues, of which the most conspicuous are old ones: the Mooney-Billings case, dating back to 1916; the Centralia (Wash.) Armistice Day case, of 1919; the Scottsboro case, 1931; the six Atlanta "insurrection" cases of 1930, based on a Civil War-time law, and the 1932 indictment against Angelo Herndon on the same charge.

Most of the recent interferences with civil liberties have been local—by company gunmen or the Ku Klux Klan, or by municipal machinery responding to employers' pressure, as in Kentucky, or to patriotic pressure, as in Los Angeles.

"The worst local areas of repression," the Union declares, "are in the South, where the Communists have made an issue of Negro rights; Southern California, where the Better America Federation of American Legion continue breaking up radical meetings; the Southern Illinois coal-fields; and Chicago and Boston."

Illinois Senator Has Snappy Comeback

GILLESPIE, Ill.—The Progressive Miners' delegates returning from the recent Continental Congress at Washington tell of their interview with U. S. Senator Dietrich, of Illinois. They were telling him of the denial of civil liberties by the authorities and company gunmen in the downstate coal fields. Dietrich smilingly said there were two sides to every case.

"But there's only one side to the constitution," a delegate pleaded. This made Dietrich, who was elected last fall with labor endorsement, angry and he shouted: "Oh, so you're one of them goddam agitators."

Glove Workers' Jobs Evaporate

MARINETTE, Wis.—More jobs disappeared when a Marinette glove factory took advantage of depression inactivity to install a conveyor system. The process that formerly took three weeks is now completed in 3½ hours.

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Monetary Stabilization Seen As President's Aim to Preserve Capitalist Slavery

WASHINGTON (FP).--

President Roosevelt, having consulted with the British and Canadian premiers and the former French premier, Eduard Herriot, announced April 27 that he had invited 50 other governments to take part in his preliminary economic conversations, preparatory to the World Economic Conference at London.

Only the Soviet Union, among the powers of the earth, was omitted from the invitation list--and this one power because Mr. Roosevelt had not gotten around to decide to recognize it. Diplomats assumed, however, that he had found ways of consulting men in touch with Moscow, or of having American envoys in Europe discover the Soviet attitude on the problems which will be taken up at London. His talks with MacDonald and Herriot left the President hopeful that a political basis would be reached in the Arms Conference at Geneva for the making of economic peace when the London meeting is held in June. Through Ambassador Davis he warned the Arms Conference that American aid in maintaining the security of other nations would depend upon the measure of their reduction of armaments.

Talk of Money

Because 60 nations will have a say in the London conference, Roosevelt and his foreign guests, thus far, have been careful not to announce agreement upon any specific proposal. But Roosevelt and MacDonald did announce that they had "found a reassurance of unity of purpose and method" in dealing with the need for monetary stability, reduction of trade barriers, expansion of credit, promotion of national programs of capital investment in order to give employment, and a general increase in commodity prices. They said they had discussed plans for improving the status of silver, "which is of such importance in trade with the Orient."

With Herriot, the President discussed armament and the French demand for pledges of political and military security. Herriot spoke for the continental countries which fear the Nazi-Fascist alliance as a threat to the survival of democracy and even liberalism in Europe. Herriot wanted the United States to agree to join in a consultative pact, whose purpose would be the enforcement, by embargo or otherwise, of League decisions as to the aggressor, whenever any power made war, violating the Kellogg anti-war treaty. Roosevelt is reported as promising to view this plan favorably, if it were made to cover the Far East as well as Europe. As a further step toward insurance against a new war, Roosevelt is said to have promised to look favorably upon an agreement whereby by no American concern, attempting to ship goods to an aggressor, would be protected as a neutral.

Tariff Barrier Discussed

Talks with Premier Bennett of Canada appear to have been less satisfactory than those with the Europeans. Bennett wanted the United States to put on the free list such Canadian products as cattle, dairy products, lumber, copper and fish. He was willing to consider reducing Canadian tariffs on American chemicals and on such machinery and motor cars and equipment as are not in competition with American branch factories in Canada. This one-sided trading gave the impression that Bennett's real purpose in Washington was to block any low-tariff move by MacDonald. Secretary Hull thought it unlikely that any reciprocal trade agreement would be made with Bennett before the general world economic program should be settled at London.

The end of the first week of talks had brought out chiefly the fact that the Washington government was concerned chiefly with monetary stabilization and a restoration of foreign trade on favorable terms, while the Europeans were primarily looking at the political clouds over their continent, and were pleading for a po-

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litical settlement that would assist in securing economic recovery. At the last, they agreed with Roosevelt, that economic and political moves must be made at the same time, and be part of one plan.

Students Will Not Fight

NEW YORK--More than 5,000 of 11,000 American students covered by a nationwide poll refuse to go to war under any circumstances, and 3,000 more refuse to go except under conditions. This was shown in the first returns from the National Student Federation peace poll which was inspired by the recent Oxford Union Society's adoption of a resolution that "this house will in no circumstances fight for king and country."

Rent Pickets Battle

NEW YORK--The American Civil Liberties Union is planning a suit to test the ruling of Corporation Counsel Hilly that peaceful picketing by rent strikers is illegal.

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The Northwest Women will hold another of their delightful card parties at their headquarters, Green and Gordon streets, next Tuesday night, May 23. All card players are invited. Fine prizes and good lunch are the attractions.

LUNCH AND DINNER AT SOUTHERN BRANCH

If you like to eat, visit the Southern Branch headquarters, Peach and Franklin streets, on Saturday for either dinner or supper. Meals at reasonable prices will be served from 11 a. m. to 2 p. m. and from 5 to 8 p. m. The menu has not been announced, but you can depend upon good food and your money's worth.

POLISH SOCIALISTS MEET SUNDAY AT SOUTHERN

All Polish members of the Socialist Party are asked to attend a meeting on Sunday at 7:30 p. m.

Y. P. S. L. ACTIVITIES

An open-air meeting will be held by the Y. P. S. L., Thursday, May 25th, at Gordon and Greenwich streets. Mike Shulman, who recently helped the "baby strikers" of Allentown to win their battle for decent working conditions, will be the key speaker. Mark Brown and William Stauffer will also speak and Donald Cowdrick will chair the meeting.

Let's put this meeting over with a BANG!

Last Tuesday about forty members of the Y. P. S. L. visited the Pottstown Circle, in order to help them make their "charter party" a success, only to find that the "charter party" had been postponed. Were they sore? Not much! After tasting their punch and other refreshments they

decided to go down this Tuesday. They are assured entertainment galore and plenty of eats, and a good time in general. If you miss the fun, you can't say you weren't warned!

Speaking of EATS! Are you going to the "Doggie Roast" Circle No. 2 is giving Friday, May 19th? Of course you won't miss such a promise of a good time with the cost only 10 cents, one dime, or "what have you!"

Circle No. 3 invites everyone to join them in a discussion on "Woman Suffrage in Russia," at their next meeting, Monday, May 22nd.

Comrades Jeannette Pike and Edward F. Goetz will debate on "Resolved, hat U. S. should recognize Russia," at the next meeting of Circle 6 and 7. We have an idea that it will be good.

CHARLES H. GRIFFITH

Many members of the Socialist Party were saddened this week by the death of Charles H. Griffith, a veteran member of the party. At the time of his death, last Tuesday night, Comrade Griffith resided in Stony Creek Mills. The sympathy of his comrades is extended to the bereaved family.

ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE

The Organization Committee will meet at Labor Lyceum, Thursday, May 25, at 8 p. m. All members are requested to attend as important business must be transacted.

NATIONAL REFERENDUM "A"

Another reminder that you must vote on this Referendum, and return your ballots promptly to your secretary. Failure to do so may mean less exempt stamps.

CARD OF THANKS

Anton Yaklich and family, 323 Harold street, wish to thank their friends for the many kindnesses shown at the funeral of the wife and mother, Helen Yaklich. They especially thank the members and friends of the Socialist Party who so generously provided automobiles for the occasion.

SOCIAL NIGHT TUESDAY FOR NORTHEAST WOMEN

All members of the Northeast women's group are reminded that next Tuesday night is the regular monthly "social night." Don't fail to be among those present at 1311 North Ninth street when the good time starts. Games and good eats are on the program.

BRANCH MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 22

Tonight—
Northwest: Fred Merkel.
West Lawn: Current events.
Berkshire Heights: Max Putney.
Exeter: Jesse George.
Shillington in I. O. of A. Hall: William Schwenen.
Monday, May 22—
Northeast: James Maurer.
Central: Max Putney.
Tuesday, May 23—
Womelsdorf: Fred Merkel.
Jacksonwald at Brookmoyer's: Stewart Tomlinson.
Muhlenberg: Darlington Hoopes.
Laureldale: Lincoln Steigerwalt.
18th Ward: Mark Starr.
Southern: George M. Rhodes.
Kenhorst: Cleve Long.
West Reading: Discussion.
Birdsboro in Orioles' Hall: Jesse George.
Friday, May 26—
Northwest: Lester Shulman.
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TERSUHOW'S MAY SALE

WHAT READING FOLKS ARE TALKING ABOUT

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took he was merely talking out of the window.

The "joke" lies in the receipt column of the budget. The Board has counted upon receiving all of its accounts in Reading's "frozen" banks, but not a single member of that body would bet a dollar of his own cash that the banks will pay in full. The Board has also counted upon getting in its total tax duplicate, but this year more than \$414,000 remain unpaid and next year's payments are likely to reach a new low.

When Mr. Fink urged that salary cuts justified a tax reduction he, no less than the budget, became a "joke." If prices continue rising and taxes continue to be unpaid, the chances are strong that before the end of the next school year the Board will have to borrow more than it did this year.

That's a gloom prophecy, of course, but what else can be expected as long as the people of the nation permit a few men to gather in the shacks and then depend upon the taxes of jobless and underpaid workers for the support of schools?

ILLINOIS BUILDING BOOM FLOPS, FIGURES REVEAL

CHICAGO (FP)—The Illinois building boom ballyhooed as a sign of the turn "round the mythical corner" was only a baby boomlet, inspection of the figures reveals.

Although building expenditures for April were 19.1% more than for March, and the capitalist press did not fail to report that the April increase was the second monthly consecutive gain, this is less than the average March-April increase for the preceding 12 years, 23.1%.

Building expenditures were more than 57.9% below those of April, 1932. In the whole state the number of families provided for in new residential building was only 44.

Says "Money Hogs Must Go"

LINCOLN, Neb.—Bayonet rule over foreclosed Iowa farmers is the last straw according to the Lincoln Herald, liberal farm weekly, which comments: "At last the farmers of Iowa are organizing and joining with urban labor, bankrupt bankers, business men, scholars, students and professional men to drive capitalism from the land and establish the co-operative commonwealth or industrial democracy. The motto is: 'The Money Hogs Must Go.'"

FARMERS HIT BY GRIMSYN LAWS

Measures Enacted During War May Now be Used Against Those Who Resist Foreclosures

NEW YORK (FP)—For the first time farmers are the targets of criminal syndicalism laws, the American Civil Liberties Union points out in its annual report. The only syndicalism charges pending are against farmers who fought to save their homes from foreclosure in Michigan and Iowa, and against striking miners of Illinois and Ohio. For the first time in many years no one is serving sentence under criminal syndicalism or redition laws.

An improvement in the attitude of officials toward civil liberties was noted by the A. C. L. U., which pointed to the fact that no cases of mail exclusion by the post office department are hanging fire, the department of labor has let up in its persecution of alien radicals, and anti-injunction laws have been passed in eight states. Repressive legislation, such as teachers' loyalty oath bills, has generally been defeated, it declares.

The worst local areas of repression are in the South, where the Communists have made an issue of Negro rights; southern California, where the Better America Federation and American Legion continue breaking

up radical meetings, the southern Illinois coal fields and Chicago and Boston, the A. C. L. U. says.

Close Schools, Protect Bankers

NEW YORK—While Arkansas is closing its schools, shortening the school year and cutting state employees' salaries, bondholders of the state are going to make sure they get theirs. A committee composed of big New York bankers and insurance company heads has been formed to watch over Arkansas highway and toll-bridge bonds, now outstanding to the amount of \$91,000,000.



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LABOR COLLEGE NEWS

By STEPHEN H. ELY

Students and friends of the Reading Labor College are awaiting with eager anticipation the banquet to be given tomorrow night (Sat.) at the Green Valley Country Club.

This affair marks the close of the College's activities for the season, and that it will be a most successful affair can be attested to by the fact that already over (100) one hundred tickets have been sold. Besides the good things we are going to appease our palates with, there will be music by the college orchestra, group and solo singing, and speeches by prominent personages. Prizes will be awarded to the winners of the Stewart Tomlinson Essay Contest during the course of the banquet.

We would like all who are going to attend, to meet at the Labor Lyceum tomorrow (Sat.) at 5:30 p. m., where transportation will be provided by

those students and friends having cars.

The meeting held at the Labor Lyceum last Monday night was well attended. Besides discussing details of the banquet, plans were made for next season's work.

Practically every student now enrolled has expressed his or her intention to attend the College next season. This fact, coupled with the numerous inquiries we are receiving from those who are interested in our work, gives promise of an enrollment next season which will be the largest since the College's inception.

PRETZEL BAKERY WORKERS WILL MEET SUNDAY

All workers in the pretzel baking industry are requested to attend an open meeting of the pretzel workers' union that will be held in the Plumbers Hall, 29 Reed street, 4th floor, on Sunday morning at 10:00 a. m.

Mark Starr of Brookwood Labor College will address the meeting.

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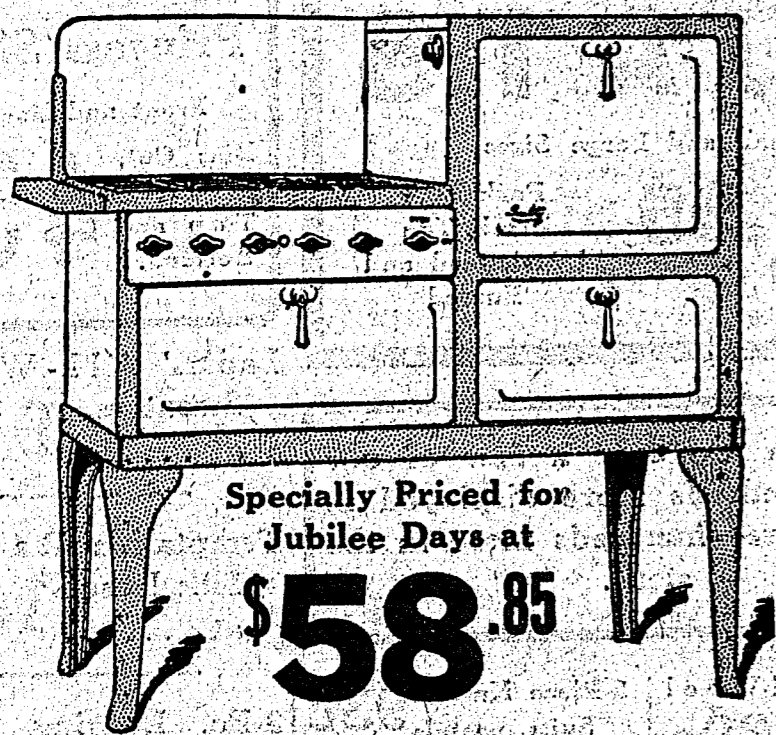
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plan to make Capitalist slavery safer. All who seek economic justice will now strive more earnestly than ever before to abolish the economic system which Roosevelt aims to preserve by peace pacts between the robber barons of the world.

INTERNATIONAL WAR NOW seems like suicide to the exploiters of workers. But there is one war which still must be waged. The war of the classes; that age-old struggle between the exploiters and the exploited, will not be ended until all forms of exploitation are banished from the earth.

The gangsters of Capitalism may agree among themselves, but they will still have to reckon with their workingclass victims. Real peace will not be possible as long as one man is able to wring profits from the labor of his fellow men. It is still the task of the workers of all nations to fight to abolish human slavery and drive exploiters from human society. The class war will go on.

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A New Declaration of Independence

Adopted May 7, 1933, at the New Continental Congress, Washington, D. C.

More than one hundred and fifty years ago our forefathers proclaimed in the Declaration of Independence that the supreme function of government is to make secure for men their inalienable right to life, to liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

Moreover, the fathers declared that

"Whenever any form of government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or abolish it, and to institute a new government, laying its foundations on such principles, and organizing its powers in such form as to them shall seem most likely to affect their safety and happiness."

Such are the two basic principles of human liberty and genuine Americanism laid down by the founders of this Republic.

It has now come to pass that there has grown up in this nation a system of business, industry and finance which has enthroned economic kings and financial barons over our lives vastly more powerful, more irresponsible, and more dangerous to human rights than the political kings whom the fathers overthrew in our American revolution of 1776. These economic rulers now have such absolute control over the economic life of the people as to threaten the very foundation of this Republic.

II.

Under this system of production for private profit these rulers have created conditions that are intolerable.

They have drawn billions in profit, rent, and interest; and they have slashed our wages and the prices of our farm products.

They have used the marvels of the machine age not to lift the burden of toil from our shoulders, but to speed us up beyond human endurance, and to throw us jobless upon the streets.

They have taken the products of our labor, and not paid us enough to buy back the goods we have produced.

They have wasted our natural, technical, and human resources, and led us into ever more tragic periods of industrial chaos.

They have mortgaged our farms, and then sold them from under us.

They have lived in mansions, and evicted us from our homes.

They have led us to trust in their banks, and then have stolen our savings.

They have invaded our civil liberties, and thrown our leaders into jail.

They have entrenched themselves in power

by controlling the schools, the press, and the government.

They have spent billions on bombs and battleships while we have gone cold and hungry.

They have forced us to bleed and die in defense of their loans and markets abroad, and to kill our fellow workers in other countries.

They have done these things as part and parcel of a profit system which places the few in control of gigantic monopolies, and puts profit above human life.

Since the first Declaration of Independence the American people have discovered and created the means for unheard-of wealth. Wide rivers have been tamed to provide electric power, huge mountains have been tunneled to give ore for the creation of new and marvelous machines, and the prairies have been made to yield rich crops. Man's power to produce wealth has been increased a hundredfold, until now a life of security and abundance is possible for all.

But today the nation starves in the midst of plenty. The gigantic machines stand idle, the crops lie in warehouses or rot in fields.

III

The system is collapsing before our very eyes. It is destroying itself with a destruction that threatens the historic gains of human rights and the achievements of human civilization. It is for us, workers and farmers of America, to build now a new economic system of justice and freedom. Only through our organized power can mankind be freed from the crushing and needless bonds of poverty and insecurity.

We, the representatives of workers' and farmers' organizations, in Continental Congress assembled, call upon all those who toil to organize to achieve one supreme aim, a new economic system based upon the principles of cooperation, public ownership and democratic management, in which the planlessness, the waste, and the exploitation of our present order shall be eliminated and in which the natural resources and the basic industries of the country shall be planned and operated for the common good.

Farmers and workers of America! The wealth and knowledge of one hundred and fifty years of achievement are at our command if we will organize for power. We shall not starve in the midst of plenty! We are the majority. Workers and farmers everywhere, unite! Agitate, educate, organize! We have a world to win!

GOOD TIMES "BUNK"

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duty at any hour of the day and work them until any hour of the night.

"I was idle for a week and then got a call to come to work Saturday afternoon," said one hosiery plant employee this week. "The next week I was called to work in the middle of the week. I worked two hours in the morning and was sent home. Then I was called in the afternoon for another two hours. And for that I received less than \$1.50," is another worker's story.

Working Without Pay

A number of cases of payless paydays have been reported. At the Meining textile plant workers waited as long as 7 weeks before the "ghost walked."

This week the employees of the Park Theatre brought civil suit against the trust officer of the Farmers' National Bank to secure wages which are four weeks in arrears, in violation of a state law which re-

quires that wages shall be paid semi-monthly. An ironical circumstance in this case is the fact that Wellington Bertolet, "conservator" of the bank, was the prime mover for fusion against the Socialists and the chief prophet of "good" times which would come to Reading if the Socialists were driven from public office.

Public Treasuries Empty

Not only are the rank and file citizens seeing nothing to justify the revival stories which are being printed, but the public bodies of city and county are steadily sinking deeper into debt. Right now the county officials are admitting that money for relief of 40,000 unemployed people is no longer to be found. As a means of getting something in their treasury, the county officials are planning to go into debt to the extent of an additional \$920,000. This move is made necessary as a result of the county's action in obeying the demands of property owners for a low tax rate in the face of unusual demands for relief by a growing number of unemployed.

In the city and school districts unpaid taxes are mounting and public works are being dispensed with in keeping with an economy policy which adds to the number of jobless men.

Purchasing Power Needed

Just how "prosperity" is to be restored in the face of a constantly-falling wage scale is one subject upon which Capitalism's editors do not dwell. Jobless workers cannot buy; underpaid workers can buy very little. The entire scheme appears to be intended as a ruse to lull the masses to a sense of false security while the national administration binds workers with the chains of Roosevelt Fascism, as exemplified by his labor camp scheme.

American Idea

Spreads To Berlin

Ex-Gov. Phil LaFollette of Wisconsin told a seakskin audience at the Palmer House in Chicago last week that a million and a half people were living in dugouts and tin-can shacks on the outskirts of Berlin, a la Hooverville and Roosevelt Roost. American standards of living are spreading over the globe, it seems.

EDUCATOR

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thoroughly organized and co-ordinated and better financed than at any time in the constant struggle of public education to secure and maintain its progress.

"There is substantial evidence," he continues, "that many large taxpayers and men of great financial power resent the provision of educational opportunities for the children of the poor comparable to those available for their own children. Perhaps they do not relish universal training and equipment of the children of the masses for effective life competition with their own children." He adds that many of the rich "in order to reduce their tax bills are determined to deprive the children of the poor of the only opportunity open to them for educational facilities which will permit them to meet the conditions of modern life and of citizenship in a modern industrial state."

He concludes with the statement that Chicago's teachers are being forced to the conclusion that the powers that be are attempting to force them into submission in order to more easily carry out the program against public education.

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ROOSEVELT TRIES

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veterans, regardless of their political or racial identity, and that men from the marchers' ranks be sworn in as deputy marshals to maintain order in the camp during the week of their stay. Two big circus tents were erected at the camp, in which the veterans will hold a convention before they parade in the city and plead their cause before House and Senate committees. Government hospitality at the camp was promised for 9,000 men.

Meanwhile Harold Foulkrod, former detective and prominent in the B. E. F. last year until shortly before the burning of the camps by Gen. MacArthur's troops, led 150 "anti-red" veterans here and demanded that the be sheltered near the capitol. When his demands were ignored and he was advised to go quietly to Fort Hunt, where he would get the same treatment as other veterans, Foulkrod persuaded his followers to sleep one night in the open, near the House Office Building. Rep. Fish of New York, who had denounced the Veterans National Liaison Committee and lauded the anti-radical statements of Foulkrod, was given police protection for his home, since he said he had been threatened by Communists. He departed for New York without helping Foulkrod to find a guaranteed anti-radical environment.

From the White House came an announcement that the slashes in veterans' allowances and care would be reviewed in a humane spirit. This was a concession to one of the demands of the Liaison Committee.

Montana Railroad Commission Limits Trucks

BUTTE, Mont. — Four trucking concerns that planned to operate out of Butte have been denied certificates by the Montana railroad commission. The denial was made on the ground that "any action which will tend to impair the financial stability of our rail carriers and so reduce the quality of their services and the proper maintenance of their properties would reflect upon the normal progress of our state and the general welfare of its people."

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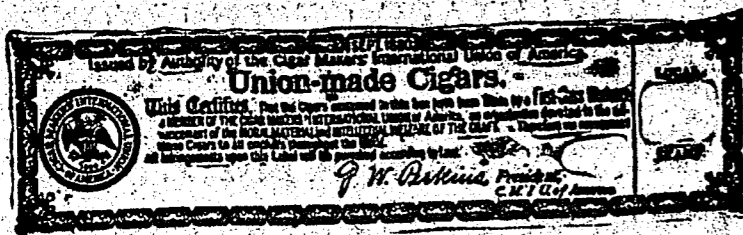
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CHICAGO (FP)—Until the city of Chicago pays its teachers it cannot expect organized teachers elsewhere to patronize its Century of Progress fair to be opened by Pres. Roosevelt May 27. The American Federation of Teachers has received resolutions from scores of teacher organizations in every part of the country pledging their members to boycott the world's fair pending payment of a year's wage arrears to Chicago teachers.

"This action has been taken," Sec. Florence Curtis Hanson of the federation announces, "because the teachers of the country have come to realize that the Chicago teachers remain unpaid so long because of

discriminatory tactics by Chicago banking institutions and financial interests. They know that the teachers have not been given an even break with other public employees in the matter of partial payment of back salaries."

Chicago teachers have over \$30,000,000 due them. Recent militant parades and stormy calls on bankers have frightened the authorities into getting together some money for partial payment. It was during the invasion of his bank by the teacher-demonstrators that Charlie Daws, after hiding away in his inner office for an hour, yelled out in a squeaky voice, "To hell with troublemakers." Charlie himself had raised hell with Hoover until the Reconstruction Finance Corp. gave him a handout of \$90,000,000 to save his rickety bank a year ago.

Small Towns Cynical About Roosevelt

PERRYVILLE, O.—"Pres. Roosevelt is slinging the same old line and there are just as many hungry here as there were before," he took hold," said a local shoemaker who had voted for the new deal. Similar sentiment exists in most Ohio small towns according to a hitch-hiker who stopped off here.

Store Girls Strike

INDIANAPOLIS—Girls employed by the Murphy dime store in Indianapolis walked out when they were asked to take a third wage cut since January. The girls had been receiving 15 cents an hour, had to buy and launder Murphy aprons, and frequently were forced to work after closing time without pay. The company does not observe the state law which provides that all female employees must be provided with seats during rest periods.

There's nothing that reduces the size of a big man like having his income cut off.

WASHINGTON GOSSIP

By LAURENCE TODD
(Federated Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON (FP)—How fragile is world peace, and how imminent the danger that the whole world would crash in economic ruin, was brought sharply home to the American people and to the public opinion of all countries, May 16, when President Roosevelt made his dramatic plea to Hitlerite Germany and imperialist Japan to draw back before the other powers should be driven to punish their offenses. Bidding for the world leadership which Woodrow Wilson exercised in 1918, Roosevelt sent his message to the heads of all governments, including "President Michail Kalinin, All Union Central Executive Committee, Moscow, Russia"—the first direct communication from the American government to the head of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

When Roosevelt declared to the "Sovereigns and Presidents of the Nations" in this message, that "The happiness, the prosperity, and the very lives of the men, women and children who inhabit the whole world are bound up in the decisions which their governments will make in the near future" at the Geneva arms parley and the London economic conference, he spoke but the simple truth. When he said that the economic conference must quickly establish economic order "in the place of the present chaos" he again stated a vital fact. And when he spoke of the "furtherance of durable peace for our generation in every part of the world" as "the only goal worthy of our best efforts," he struck at Hitler's incitement of a war of revenge and a capitalist war of conquest of the Soviet Union, on the one hand, and at Japan's fascist seizure of Manchuria and northern China on the other.

Perhaps Roosevelt, who served as Assistant Secretary of the Navy under Wilson, recalled the words of his old chief, in his reply of Sept. 27, 1918, to imperial German offers of compromise:

"We accepted the issues of the war as facts, not as any group of men here or elsewhere had defined them, and we can accept no outcome which does not squarely meet and settle them. These issues are:

"Shall the military power of any nation or group of nations be suffered to determine the fortunes of peoples over whom they have no right to rule except the rule of force?"

"Shall strong nations be free to wrong weak nations and make them subject to their purposes and interest?"

"Shall peoples be ruled and dominated, even in their own internal affairs, by arbitrary and irresponsible force, or by their own will and choice?"

"Shall the assertion of right be haphazard and by casual alliance or shall there be a common concert to oblige the observance of common rights?"

So Wilson challenged the Hohenzollerns and Ludendorffs, and a few weeks later the Kaiser fled, and the German republic was born. Today Roosevelt challenges the irresponsible rule of force by the Hitler storm troops of reaction in Germany. He declares that "the preservation of individual human rights" depends upon the decisions to be made by the concert of all powers at Geneva and at London. He warns all nations that one of the chief reasons for armaments is "the desire, disclosed or hidden, on the part of governments to enlarge their territories at the expense of a sister nation."

Viscount Ishii of Japan, now reaching San Francisco on his way to Washington, must have read this phrase with the same sense of shock with which Mac Donald, landing in New York, read of the American departure from the gold standard. It is a pledge of American support for the political status quo—the Versailles treaty boundaries and the Far Eastern situation prior to Japan's conquest of Chinese territory in the fall of 1931.

Finally there is Roosevelt's proposal of "a solemn and definite pact of non-aggression"—that all nations should "individually agree that they will send no armed force of whatsoever nature across their frontiers."

provided all nations have kept their pledges of arms limitation and reduction. This would not only block the sending of Japanese naval and military forces to Manchuria and China. It would block the sending of American expeditions of marines or naval forces to the Caribbean and other Latin-American countries to "restore order," in the Wilsonian way. It is a sacrifice of historical American imperial privilege, under the pressure of impending economic collapse of the entire capitalist structure around

the globe. It is an evidence of grave peril and of sincere recognition of that peril.

MONEY

By EDWIN T. RAYMOND

Money is stamped metal; usually of gold, silver or copper stamped by public authority, and used in commerce. Bank notes and bills of credit issued by authority and exchangeable for coin, or redeemable, are also called money.

Money is primarily intended as a medium of exchange. A standard of value to facilitate the transaction of business, or the supplying of needs and wants. This is how it came into use and now is a commodity in itself to be also bought and sold, borrowed and lent, as well as a god to many and a god to greed.

Many things have served mankind for money such as cattle, leather, sea shells, and the various kinds of metals. The metals were favored because of their indestructibility; of these gold and silver are used the most as they are very durable and are readily accepted the world over. They encompass great value in small body, and can be readily conveyed.

Butter and eggs have long served the country people the same purpose as metal or paper money. They are still in use; there are city as well as country merchants that will gladly take them and give other things in return. This is simple barter; a giving of something that you have and don't need for something that you need and do not have. Should any money be used in this transaction it is to make up the difference between the values of the things exchanged.

The Romans in the dim dawn of their history—when wealth was measured in animals that they drove from place to place—used cattle in computing values. The Latin name for cattle is pecunia and this word is used as a base in the English for other words that also signify money. The American Indian used strings of beads called wampum.

In the colder climates furs have always been a standard of exchange. The Hudson's Bay Company operating in the northern parts of Canada still advances food, clothing, guns and ammunition as well as many other things to the Indians and trappers and takes their furs in exchange for payment. This they have been doing for more than two hundred years.

There is a legend of a King Midas, ruler of Lydia, in the days of long ago; in fact, so long ago, that not even the prophet Isaiah had heard from in his thundering against the lover of money. The legend says that everything that he touched turned to gold and he died of starvation. Crude as this legend is, when it is examined closely, we find that under this King Midas the country of Lydia had a highly developed banking system using gold as a standard.

The value of this paper or metal, after it has been marked with the name of the authority issuing it, is the confidence that that authority can inspire in it. Villa and the other revolutionary chiefs of Mexico as they assumed power issued new money. It was practically worthless owing to the lack of confidence.

When money becomes tight many expedients are resorted to to make up the lack of ready currency. The one mostly talked about is the scrip. This has been used at various times and has been issued by our government in fractional currency, by municipalities and by private individuals. Postage stamps have also been used for the smaller denominations.

Our currency is issued in metal and paper. The metal currency consists of gold, silver, nickel and copper. The gold at this time has practically passed out of circulation. The paper money is issued only when it is secured by actual gold or silver in the United States Treasury. When it is guaranteed by gold it is known as a gold note or "yellowback"; when silver has been deposited it is called a silver note or more commonly "greenback."

Our paper money is a hybrid money; it is issued by the national government, the federal reserve banks, and national banks operated by private individuals subject to certain restrictions. The main object of these privately-operated banks is to earn a profit for their shareholders.

The economic upheaval which is taking place at the present time has shown the private bank to be one of the weak links in our money system; when the banking act is revised the right to issue money should be limited to the federal government and all national banks should be a branch of the government bank under its control and operation.

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EDITORIALS

By Norman Thomas

THE CONTINENTAL CONGRESS

Nothing that has happened lately is so encouraging for its proof that farmers and workers are awakening as the 'Continental Congress' in Washington. Nothing, by the way, in recent months has been worse reported by the great press associations! Here were nearly 4,000 delegates who had come hitch-hiking, by auto, by truck, by train as representatives of organizations back home vitally concerned in economic reconstruction. I have not the ability to put on paper a sense of its spirit of genuine enthusiasm. It was far more radical than I expected. It knew what it wanted.

It had no time for Roosevelt's state capitalism. Yet it had the judgment not to be swept off its feet by fair sounding but ill thought out demagogic proposals. It showed in a most practical manner its sympathy with farmers who are determined to save their homes, but it did not endorse any of the detailed program of syndicalism of a rather primitive type set forth by A. C. Townley. It left an able committee in charge of aiding the farmers with financial and legal help, and that is as it should be.

Unquestionably the Congress wants to head toward independent political action. Here is better raw material for a genuine farmer-labor party than I have seen in a long time. It will be up to the Continuation Committee, called the Committee of Correspondence and Action, to conserve this enthusiasm and to guide affairs wisely. More power to it!

The Continental Congress was a genuine mass movement, but great credit should be given to some individuals. To Emil Reive, its fair and efficient chairman; to Clarence Senior and the whole committee on arrangements; to the volunteer research secretaries who prepared the ground for effective actions on resolutions, particularly, perhaps, to Harry W. Laidler and to Henry Rosner and their associates; to Marx Lewis and some of the Washington comrades who had the local arrangements in hand—to them all, our thanks.

SOCIALISM IN THE CITIES

In many cities municipal politics are seething. Under our constitution and laws cities are woefully handicapped in facing the social problem of depression. Many of them drift toward bankruptcy, partly because of their own fault and partly because of external circumstances. Under these conditions I should like to emphasize the warning the N. E. C. the Socialist Party has already issued. We do not want to see Socialists—especially immature Socialist locals—becoming receivers in bankruptcy for broken down cities. It is not up to us to furnish police protection and officers of eviction. If we can elect a mayor with a disciplined party behind it and a well thought out program, there is something to be said for it, but I am sorry for some of our mayors. A snap election of a mayor is likely to do us more harm than good. What we want is to get representatives in legislative bodies where we can agitate for necessary change in laws.

The problems of Socialism are primarily national and international. It is a change of system of system that we want, and that will require national and state rather than city action. In good times experience in municipalities is worth having. In bad times it is a more dubious gain to Socialists. This problem must be very carefully considered by our Party from New York

City down to the smallest hamlet. Do I need to add that in saying this by no means do I want our Party not to participate in civic affairs and to work out a program which it can commend in municipalities which have so much to do with the well-being of the workers.

JIM CROW IN THE CAPITAL

One of the encouraging by-products of the Continental Congress was its convincing demonstration that the workers are opposed to racial discrimination. It was to me an amazing discovery not merely that Washington hotels discriminated against Negroes, but that in the capital of the nation, on property owned by the War Department, Negroes could not be received in tourist camps. I doubt if this fact was known to the administration leaders. I did my best to make it known, but the week-end holiday prevented establishing all the necessary contacts. It is of the utmost importance not merely that Negroes but that all friends of justice should protest against this discrimination and end it. How can we either protest Hitlerism with good grace or hope to escape similar ills in America when we chronically carry out a more thoroughgoing discrimination against our colored fellow citizens than he has as yet imposed upon the Jews!

THE GROWTH OF JUVENILE CRIME

Juvenile delinquency in New York City has increased 50 per cent in the last year, according to a report of the Boy Scout Foundation. Fifty-five per cent of the crimes in one borough in that period were committed by boys under twenty.

"The increase of crime among our boys is appalling," declared District Attorney James T. Hallinan of Queens.

"I believe it is due to economic conditions which divert parents' attention from the activities of the boys. The parents have their own pressing problems, and the boys naturally join street gangs."

Mr. Hallinan's explanation is the right one; but he might have gone further. When a boy's family is on or near the breadline, when his father is discouraged, his mother in tears, and not a dime can be spared for amusements, what can he join except a street gang?

The real wonder is that these gangs do not always go wrong, and that the increase in juvenile crime is not greater. That so many youngsters are coming unspoiled though not unscarred through the depression is a tribute to the essential rightness of youth.

Inquiry in Chicago and other cities revealed long ago that most young offenders come from the ranks of "underprivileged boys," as the social workers call them. In times like these, nine-tenths of the lads of a city are underprivileged. If we hope to stop the growth of juvenile crime, we must remove the economic cause.—Labor.

CAN YOU LIVE TWO YEARS ON TEN DOLLARS?

Although the \$500,000,000 voted for direct relief are wholly inadequate, it seems that the amount is expected to last two years, and a special administrator is to have charge of the fund. Of course, if the Roosevelt administration can manage to get industry started and see that the unemployed get jobs, the amount might tide over the interim; but the jobs will have to be forthcoming very soon if that is the case.

The unemployed could absorb the whole of the \$500,000,000 right now, and still not have anywhere near enough money to buy the things they are desperate need of. In fact, counting the unemployed and their women and children at 50,000,000, the sum appropriated is only \$10 apiece. And that's supposed to last two years!—Milwaukee Leader.

BALLYHOO AND THE REAL SITUATION

This week brings the periodical propaganda in the dailies that wages are rising all over the country and that many workers are going back to work. We wish this were true, but The Labor Bureau, Inc., a reliable statistical agency, in its May bulletin presents the real situation.

In February there were wage cuts in 552 plants averaging 11.5 per cent and wage advances in three plants. To this may be added wage cuts in 13 groups listed by the U. S. Department of Labor. Payrolls also dropped to a new low level in manufacturing in March and employment in March "showed sharp losses" compared with the low volume of March, 1932. "The decreases in earnings and employment between February and March are even more drastic than the percentage declines indicate because they run contrary to the usual trends."

This is the real estate of the republic in the third month of the New Deal. With inflation on the agenda the working class face still more hardships and a fighting class consciousness is all the more necessary.—The New Leader.

Cost Of Bread Increases

CLEVELAND—The price of bread in Cleveland has already been raised one cent. One-pound loaves have been stepped up from 5 to 6 cents and 2-pound loaves from 9 to 10 cents. "The price should have gone up long ago," an official of the Spang Baking Co. said.

Cops Hurt In Relief Riot

NEW YORK—A dozen policemen were hurt when they charged two groups of unemployed in New York protesting the smallness of relief payments. The unemployed used milk bottles, stones and sticks to defend themselves against the cops' attack.

IT'S A GREAT SYSTEM!

By JOHN PAINE
Federated Press

The New Deal is real at last:

Governors now get a 19-gun salute instead of the old 17-gun salute.

"The special handling postage charge applies to all parcels containing . . . baby alligators, which, because of their character, must be given special attention."—U. S. Parcel Post Bulletin.

Hoover's name has been dropped and it's Boulder Dam now. Poor Herbie; they don't even give a dam for him now.

INSULT TO EXPLOIT GREEK

MINES, says heading.

Greek mines and whom else?

TRIBUTE TO 'HELL AND MARIA' We called on Cusing Charlie Dawes to ask about our money.

You ought to see him show his claws. Perhaps he thinks it's funny. Cursing Charley, guard your tongue. Your record's not too pretty.

You may come begging round again Oh, that would be a pity! said a sign in the recent parade of militant Chicago schoolteachers.

As New York vets started on another trek to Washington, a company of U. S. infantry moved from Fort Hunt, Va., "to be prepared to police" the new bonus march.

EUGENICS NOTE

On May 7 The New York Times reported that about 500 negroes started from New York City on the Scottsboro march. On May 8 the Times reported that 1,000 New Yorkers, mostly negroes, arrived in Baltimore on the Scottsboro march.

No one can convince us that the population of an auto truck increases that rapidly.

Among those ranged around to help Dr. Raymond Moley of the Brain Trust to help Pres. Roosevelt is C. W. Taussig, head of the American Molasses Co., "whose sugar business has given him a wide knowledge of trade and tariff problems."

And a perfectly impartial attitude?

The reason, says the New York Post, for the insurrections in the Civilian Conservation Corps camps was that "we didn't get the right kind of boys."

No, indeed, "we" just got the hungry ones.

A prof stirred much comment a couple of years ago by telling his students: "Be a snob and marry the boss' daughter."

Well, the president of the biggest bank in the world was so unknown 10 years ago that he wasn't even mentioned in Who's Who. Then he married John D.'s sister and headed the only bank in America that ever lost 600 millions in deposits in one year.

P. S.—He's a snob, too.

GENEROUS

Wealthy Mrs. August Belmont, the most conspicuous unemployment relief woman in New York, says the present system of relief is all wrong. "It just penalizes the generous," she says.

So-o-o-o, being one of the "generous," Mrs. B. is resigning her fund-raising job.

Embezzlements of bank presidents are "common in the comptroller's office," testified former Comptroller of Currency John W. Pole before a Senate investigating committee.

IT'S A GREAT SYSTEM!

Demand Troops' Withdrawal

NEW YORK—A demand for the withdrawal of troops from Barre, Vt., where they used tear gas on striking granite workers, has been made by the American Civil Liberties Union in a telegram to Governor Stanley C. Wilson.

THE WORLD IN REVIEW

By JOEL I. SEIDMAN

THE ROOSEVELT RECORD

It is true beyond doubt that President Roosevelt has captured the popular imagination by the picture of ceaseless activity that he has presented since the fourth of March. Measure follows measure with such rapidity that the great bulk of our people are quite willing to give the president all the support he wishes, confident that he will propose the bills that will meet the country's needs.

Nor can it be denied that certain of the administration's measures are of some value. The Muscle Shoals bill, creating a Tennessee Valley authority for power development, flood control, and fertilizer production, is perhaps the best example. Also worthy of mention are the bill for half a billion dollars in direct relief, the public works program, the proposal to insure bank deposits, and the refinancing of farm mortgages.

On the other side of the ledger there is the slashing of the salaries of government employees, and the approval of a scheme to provide dividends for security holders by the elimination of railroad competition, which means the dismissal of from one hundred thousand to a quarter million employees. Equally bad is the provision of relief to farmers by taxing the processors of food, which will greatly raise the cost of food to consumers, and therefore lower further the urban standard of living. Inflation, of course, will have the same effect, for wages will never rise as quickly as prices.

The only really important plank in the entire Roosevelt program, the 80-hour bill with provisions for minimum wages and government control of production, has been shelved at least until the session of Congress next winter. This was the one measure that might have put an appreciable number of men back to work. In the meantime the number of unemployed has increased by several millions since Roosevelt was inaugurated, and though April was better than March it was far worse than the corresponding month of last year. A stock market recovery is meaningless so long as wage and employment figures continue to fall.

Judged by the vastness of the task to be done and the urgency of the crisis, the Roosevelt record of accomplishment is therefore pitifully inadequate. There is no reduction of hours, no forced increase in pay, no socialization of industry, and not even a provision of social insurance. Even if deflation and liquidation have run their course and some measure of improvement begins, its pace will be so slow that years of privation and suffering will remain ahead for the vast bulk of the fifteen millions now jobless and their families. If the president's program is the success that he hopes, all that it means is that a year from now the number of unemployed may be cut to twelve or thirteen millions.

THE CONTINENTAL CONGRESS

The four thousand delegates to the Continental Congress for Economic Reconstruction formed an impressive and inspiring spectacle. It is to be regretted that the official heads of the American labor movement were not even willing to sit down with other working-class groups to draw up a program for their common betterment, but the rank and file response was distinctly encouraging. A year from now, when the continuation of unemployment and starvation will have dispelled much of the halo that now surrounds the president, the situation may be entirely different; and when the next session of the Congress is called, it is to be hoped that many leaders absent in Washington will be then present. And they may be willing then, not merely to draw up a program, but to help form a political party that can carry it into effect.

THE CHINESE EASTERN

Friends of Russia and of peace will rejoice in the Soviet's decision to sell the Chinese Eastern Railway to Manchukuo, the puppet state that Japan has set up in Manchuria. It has been evident for some time that Japan was determined to wrest the important railway that traverses Manchukuo from Russian control, and was feared that Russia might fight to prevent its loss. However much one might resent this aggression on the part of Japan, it would have been distinctly damaging to Russian prestige had that country fought for a railroad on foreign soil just like any capitalist and imperialist government.

Russia cannot afford a major war now, any more than can any other nation in the world. It is fortunate that the Kremlin statesmen were wise enough to maintain peace, despite the provocation afforded by Japan.

Socialist Party Directory

Local Berks: First Thursday at Labor Lyceum, 8 p. m.

Labor Lyceum: First Thursday of each month immediately preceding the meeting of Local Berks.

Executive Committee: Second Thursday night of each month and at the call of the chair or any three members of the committee.

County Committee: Third Thursday night of each month.

Picnic Committee: Second and fourth Fridays at 8 p. m., at Labor Lyceum.

Finance Committee: Second Monday night of each month at Labor Lyceum at 8 o'clock.

Central Branch: Each Monday night at 8 o'clock at 600 North Ninth street.

Northeast Branch: Each Monday night at 1311 North Ninth street.

Northwest Branch: Every Friday at 8 p. m. at Green and Gordon streets.

Southern Branch: Meets each Tuesday night at 829 Franklin street.

18th Ward: Meets each Tuesday night at 431 Summit avenue.

Berkshire Heights: Each Friday night in basement of Peterson's barber shop, Seventh and Oley streets.

Birdsboro: Fourth Tuesday of each month in Orioles' Hall.

Exeter Twp.: Second District, first and third Fridays at 8 p. m. at Lincoln Homestead.

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Gibraltar: Second and fourth Friday at 8 p. m., at Gibraltar Fire House.

Muhlenberg: Every Tuesday at 8 p. m. at the Good Will Fire Co. Hall.

Jacksonwald: Meets every Second and fourth Tuesday at 8 p. m.

Kenhorst: Every Tuesday or each month until further notice, at 8 p. m., 1014 Broadway Blvd.

Laureldale: Every Tuesday night at Yeager's Hall, Elizabeth and Marion streets, Rosedale.

Shillington: First and Third Fridays at 8 p. m. First Friday in Borough Hall; third Friday in I. O. of A. Hall.

Sinking Spring: Meets first and third Monday, 8 p. m., at 934 Penn Avenue.

Vinmont: First and Third Tuesday at 8 p. m. in Vinmont Hotel.

West Lawn: Meets every Friday at 8 p. m. at 2022 Spring street.

West Reading: Each Tuesday night at 8 o'clock, 233 Kline street.

Womelsdorf Branch: every Tuesday, 8 p. m., at 118 Franklin street.

Women's Socialist League: Meets each Thursday night at Labor Lyceum.

Central Women: Every Friday night at Labor Lyceum.

Exeter Women: Meets every Second and Fourth Thursday at 8 p. m. at Lincoln Homestead.

Northeast Women: Every Tuesday evening, 8 o'clock, at 1311 North Ninth street.

Northwest Women: Tuesday night at Green and Gordon streets.

Southern Women: Every Friday, 8 p. m., at 829 Franklin street.

Women's Committee: Meets the third Thursday of each month at 7:30 at Labor Lyceum.

18th Ward Women: Meets second and fourth Thursdays at 8 o'clock at 431 Summit Ave.

Male Chorus: Rehearsal and meeting every Wednesday, 8 p. m., at 1311 North Ninth street.

Band Rehearsal: Every Wednesday at Labor Lyceum.

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Circle 9, meets every Thursday, 8 p. m., at Franklin and Peach Sts.

Circle 10, meets first and third Wednesday, 8:00 p. m., at Newmans-town Band Hall.

County Executive Committee meets every Sunday morning 8:30, at Labor Lyceum.

STATE SOCIALISTS

Allentown—Central Branch—Every Friday night at Labor Temple, 126 North Sixth street.

Erie—Every Wednesday night at 8 o'clock at the Workmen's Circle Hall, 133 East 23d street.

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MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Local Montgomery, second Sunday at 2 p. m. For location ask any branch secretary.

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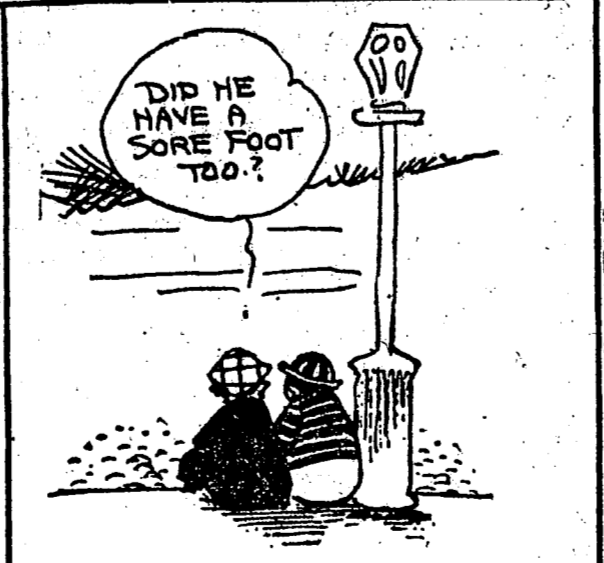
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