

## AS WE

By T. J. O'P.

ONLY a few months ago the press gave us the story of Floyd Collins' incarceration in an underground prison, and the attempts of the military to rescue him. The work went on for three weeks and the newspapers gained in circulation, and an increase in circulation means an increase in advertising rates. Today we read that Collins' body is free and the story gets only a few paragraphs.

It should be remarked that the boasted ingenuity of the military failed to release Collins. This job has since been done by a practical miner and his body was released from the heavy boulder that held him down. We pointed out at the time the capitalist papers were filled with sentimental alms about one man who lost his life in a hole underground, that thousands of miners are killed every year while earning a living for themselves and their dependents and piling up profits for their masters. Most of those fatalities are preventable, but the capitalist press lets the worst of the mine disasters go with a headline or two. The god of profits must not be irritated.

ANOTHER socialist publication has come a cropper. This time it is the Polish daily, Dziennik Ludowy. Of course it has long ago lost any claim to consideration as an organ of socialism. It is interesting to note that while socialist papers are running into hard luck, Communist publications are growing in power and influence. Communism is on the up grade, while socialist parties are going the other way. The only parties that fight for socialism today are the Communist parties.

WORKERS' education is a very important question and one that should receive the greatest consideration from the working class movement. There is more than one kind of education. There is learning for the sake of learning, a luxury which only the parasite classes can afford. Then the kind of education that tries and succeeds in making the workers useful tools of capitalism, with minds trained to him in harmony with the industrial machine. There is also the kind of education that teaches the worker his place in society, besides putting at his disposal the concentrated experience of the human race, represented by knowledge stored in books.

THERE is more to it than that. Workers education not alone teaches the workers these things but it gives him the necessary urge to use the knowledge acquired to translate aims into achievement. We commented in a recent issue on the Workers' Education Bureau, which refused the privilege of attending its convention to Communist educators. When Scott Nearing mentioned the class struggle at the same convention, the labor fakery who control it threw cat fits. Yet Dennis Batt, recently prominent member of the proletarian party eulogized this pernicious doctrine. Official organs of American trade unions are so uniformly reactionary on this question, that it is a pleasure to read an article on working class education, like the one that

## GOVERNMENT SHIPPING BOARD OPEN SHOPPERS BREAK MARINE STRIKE

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., April 24.—The strike which the Marine Transport Workers' Union called on docks controlled by the Jarka Stevedoring corporation for the right to wear their union buttons on the job has been called off and an organization campaign is being substituted. Representatives of the union said that the strike showed that their recently revived organization is again at the fighting stage but that to sustain a long walkout they would have to gain more members. The crisis in the strike came when shipping board docks joined the Jarka policy by forbidding button men the privilege of passing. The union was weakest on these shipping board piers.

## WORKERS PARTY DEMANDS TEACHERS AND STUDENTS BE GIVEN CONTROL OF LOS ANGELES PUBLIC SCHOOLS

LOS ANGELES, April 24.—Demanding that the school system be changed so that "the children are taught to be citizens in a society based upon production for use and not profit," Samuel Levin, Workers (Communist) Party candidate for member of the board of education, has attracted the attention of thousands of Los Angeles workers to the Communist program. The program demands that textbooks be revised to conform with established fact, that teaching personal gain as goal be abolished, that labor

## LONDON LABOR DAILY EXPOSES BULGAR 'PLOT'

### Czarist Agents Wrote Terror Letter

(Special to The Daily Worker.)

LONDON, April 24.—The London Daily Herald, official daily organ of the trade union movement of Great Britain, has exposed the forgeries of documents alleged to be instructions from the Communist International to Bulgarian Communists to assassinate officials of the Zankov government. The alleged letter from Zinoviev set the date of the uprising for April 15. That this letter actually came from Berlin and was the work of czarist plotters acting in concert with the Zankov government is the belief here. The fake document was found on an alleged Soviet agent last April.

Another Forgery. The document was headed: "E. C. C. I., Central Section, Department For Foreign Relations." The Herald points out that the Comintern has no such department and says:

"As long ago as March 24, long before the document was published, before it had been 'captured,' the Berlin Rote Fahne issued a warning that a fake was being prepared, for what sinister purpose it could not surmise.

"It had discovered that a white ex-officer, now working as a secret agent, a man known sometimes as Gutschinski, sometimes as Brischewski, living at 96 Ansbacherstr., Berlin, had printed at a printing works in Lutherstrasse, Berlin, thousands of copies of forged Third International note paper. This Gutschinski forgery bore the same damningly impossible heading, 'E. C. C. I., Central Section, Department for Foreign Relations.'"

The capitalist press of England and the continent with a few exceptions have joined the chorus that lays the bomb explosion in the cathedral at the feet of the Communist International. Those liars are well aware that they are lying, but they are used to it, and a certain purpose can be served by lying. The recent British election campaign is a case in point.

## Silk Workers of Paterson Demand Wage Increases

(By The Federated Press)

PATERSON, N. J., April 24.—Getting higher wages is catching in Paterson among silk workers since the successful strike of the broadsilk weavers and the more recently won increase of the husband weavers. Loom fixers, twistlers and day workers in the Associated Silk Workers' Union are asking increases up to 12 1/2 per cent in wages.

Loom fixers ask a minimum wage of \$45 per week instead of \$40. Twistlers ask \$45 instead of \$40 average for piece work. Piece workers' rates are increased proportionately and preparatory workers are seeking \$40 weekly instead of \$2 cents an hour.

## Sun Yat Sen Meeting Held in Nova Scotia

(Special to The Daily Worker.)

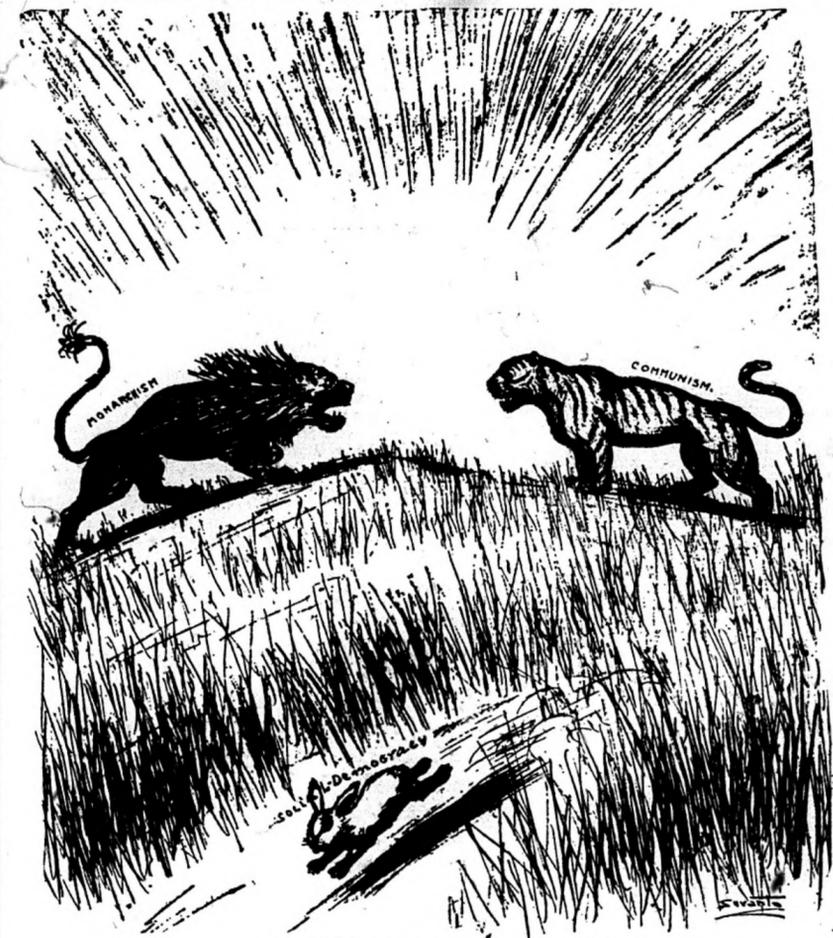
HALIFAX, Nova Scotia, April 24.—The Chinese National League of Halifax held a memorial meeting to their late president, Sun Yat Sen, in their rooms here, to which they invited the members of the Communist Party.

Very impressive addresses were made by the president and others of the Chinese comrades, and Joe Wallace of the Canadian Communist Party expressed the regrets of the party and conveyed the message of the Communist International on the demise of the great Chinese leader. A splendid feeling of interracial solidarity was evidenced.

Kopp Arrives in Tokio

TOKIO, April 24.—Victor Kopp, recently named ambassador to Japan by Soviet Russia, arrived here late yesterday.

## ONLY TWO SIDES IN THIS FIGHT



Germany Divides at the Poles on Sunday.

## HINDENBURG AND MARX UNITE IN ATTACK ON REDS

### Reich Gags Thaelmann, Aids Capitalists

(Special to The Daily Worker.)

BERLIN, Germany, April 24.—The monarchist candidate for president in Sunday's election contest, Field Marshal von Hindenburg, and the republican-socialist-catholic coalition, represented by candidate Wilhelm Marx, have united to preserve the power of the German industrialists and the foreign imperialists.

A united attack was made by both candidates at the last minute of the campaign, against the candidate of the Communist Party, Ernst Thaelmann. This attack was based frankly on the desire to preserve power for the bourgeoisie, and prevent a workers' and peasants' revolution.

Marx Against Workers' Revolution. In defending the exploiting system which at present prevails, Marx, in his last campaign speech declared, "The German republic has often been described as the product of revolution whereas it is really a protection against threatening revolution."

The government-controlled broadcasting station tonight was to be used by the two candidates representing the capitalist class for fifteen minute radio speeches which were to be heard by five million people. Hindenburg was to speak first, followed by Marx.

Government Gags Communists. Ernst Thaelmann, a stevedore, and the only representative of the working class in the presidential election, demanded the right to speak as well as the other two candidates. In answer to his request, minister of posts, Schiele, who permitted Hindenburg and Marx to speak, replied, "Parties or groups behind candidates allowed to broadcast have no intention radically to change the German constitutional form of government. But according to an article appearing in the Communist organ, Rote Fahne, no guarantee for retention of the present form of government is contained in the party platform."

## Strike of 10,000 Bakers Leaves the Mexicans Breadless

MEXICO CITY, Mex., April 24.—About 10,000 bakers and employees of bakeries went on strike here today. The bakers' union includes Mexico City and the federal district, embracing nearly 100 towns and villages, which will go without bread tomorrow.

## LEAGUE VEXED AT SOVIET'S REFUSAL TO ENTER ARMS PARLEY

GENEVA, Switzerland, April 24.—Soviet Russia's refusal to participate in the league of nations conference for the control of traffic in arms has vexed the league officials. The draft of the convention, prepared by the league's disarmament commission, provides that it will not be operative until ratified by twelve powers, among them Belgium, the United States, France, Britain, Italy, Japan, and Russia. Any treaty approved by the United States delegates would also have to be ratified by the senate.

Soviet Russia refused to participate on the grounds that the league of nations is a capitalistic body controlled by a few large world imperialist powers which attempts to keep the smaller nations under their yoke thru the league.

## 17 MINERS DIE; CAUGHT IN FIRE IN IDAHO PIT

### Three Bodies Removed; Cause of Blaze Unknown

SPOKANE, Wash., April 24.—All hope of saving 17 miners who are trapped in the fire, swept 2,000 foot level of the Hecla mine at Burke, Idaho, was abandoned today, according to word received here. Fire broke out in the mine at 11:10 p. m. last night and quickly swept thru the mine. At 4:25 this morning rescue crews from the Hercules and Morning mines had taken out three bodies which were found on the 1,600 level. The upper levels of the mine are reported filled with poisonous gasses making rescue work precarious. Origin of the fire had not been determined at an early hour today.

Rescue Crews At Work. Rescue crews had penetrated to the 1,600 foot level and were working feverishly to reach the men, who are 3,000 feet back from the shaft. Thirty-three men were in the mine when the fire broke out. Nineteen escaped before smoke and fire closed the shaft.

Mexican Newspaper Quits.

MEXICO CITY.—The newspaper El Globo has suspended publication, its publisher, Felix Palavitini, announcing that opposition of a cabinet member had estranged advertisers.

## WHEELER TRIAL GOES TO JURY, TESTIMONY ENDS

### Final Arguments Fixed at 2 Hours Apiece

(Special to The Daily Worker.)

GREAT FALLS, Mont., April 24.—The trial of Senator Burton K. Wheeler of Montana, for alleged misuse of office, speeded rapidly to a close in federal court here today.

Wheeler is accused of illegally receiving after election to the senate a \$4,000 fee from Gordon Campbell, Montana prospector, to handle government oil permits before the interior department.

Both prosecution and defense having rested, final arguments began today and the case was expected to reach the jury before night.

Limit Arguments.

Judge Frank S. Dietrich did not set any limit on the length of arguments, but each side agreed not to consume more than two hours apiece. John L. Slattery, United States district attorney, handled the final argument for the government, including both the opening and closing statements.

Final addresses of the defense were delegated to Senator Thomas J. Walsh of Montana, Wheeler's colleague, and William F. O'Leary, Great Falls attorney.

Completion of the arguments and the courts' instruction to the jury will bring to a close one of the most acrimoniously contested criminal cases in Montana history. Few before have attracted such attention and held so continuously the interest of the entire state. The trial has been in progress eight days. Opposing counsel repeatedly clashed bitterly, constantly interposing objections and motions to bar testimony and evidence. Judge Dietrich frequently was

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## POLITICAL PRISONERS IN MOUNDSVILLE PEN REFUSED DAILY WORKER

The political prisoners at the Moundsville, W. Va., penitentiary, have prohibited prisoners from receiving any Communist newspaper in the mails, according to a letter received by the DAILY WORKER. "We haven't seen any DAILY WORKERS since last October," says this letter from a political prisoner. "Radnik was coming for a time, but now that too has stopped."

## LOCAL DECLARES THAT 'JACKEY' WALKER, FARRINGTON APPOINTEE, IS NOT MINERS' UNION MEMBER

(Special to The Daily Worker)

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 24.—It is revealed in a decision of Local No. 413 of Sangamon Mine No. 2 that "Jackey" Walker, appointed by Frank Farrington, president of Illinois District 12, U. M. W. of A., to take the place of Freeman Thompson, illegally removed from the presidency of Sub-District 4, is not even a member of the United Mine Workers of America.

It appears from the decision of Local 413 that "Jackey" Walker paid no dues since September of last year and became a delinquent on December 31, and has not legally re-established membership since then.

Not a Member, Says Decision.

The decision, formally rendered by the committee empowered to act by the local union, is, in full, as follows:

"We, the committee elected to investigate the case of John A. Walker wherein it was alleged that he allowed himself to become a delinquent member of the United Mine Workers of America, after a thorough investigation into every available angle beg leave to submit the following decision.

"We find that John A. Walker's membership in Local Union No. 413 United Mine Workers of America, expired on the 31st day of December, 1924, because of the non-payment of dues on or before that date, for the months of October, November and December, 1924, and that he can only be reinstated into membership in the United Mine Workers of America by complying with Article 14, Section 2, International Constitution.

"We therefore notify all local unions, United Mine Workers of America, that John A. Walker is not a member of the United Mine Workers of America, and is therefore not empowered to handle any matters pertaining to the United Mine Workers of America. And we so decide."

Nesbit Refuses Records.

That the Farrington machine is put in a tight hole by the ridiculous, not to say illegal, action of Farrington appointing as sub-district president a character so lacking in union loyalty as to fail to pay his dues or arrange for exonerated; is shown by the autocratic and overbearing attitude of Walter Nesbit, secretary-treasurer of District 12, when asked by the local union committee for further facts on the standing of Walker during 1924. Nesbit flew into a rage and refused to show the committee his books, although under the U. M. W. of A. rules they had a legal right to examine all records.

How Many Days Did Jackey Ever Work?

The local committee, armed with credentials with full power to act, visited Nesbit's office and informed him of their mission, asking information from the record as to how many days John A. (Jackey) Walker worked in May and June while acting as board member.

Nesbit tried to ignore the question (Continued on page 3)

## NEGRO'S ANTI-KLAN BILL REPORTED ON FAVORABLY IN HOUSE

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 24.—The bill aiming directly at the Ku Klux Klan, introduced into the house by Representative William E. King, a Chicago Negro, was reported favorably by the judiciary committee and is now before the house for action.

The bill requires that copies of its bylaws, regulations and all its documents and membership lists shall be given to the secretary of state. "This bill drives specifically at the Ku Klux Klan," Representative King declared, "which, as far as I can learn, disguises all its actions, even to the admission by individual members that they belong to it, and which further carries to extremes questions of race and religion."

## 65,000 JOBLESS WORKERS WALKING STREETS OF LOS ANGELES, CALIF.; ORGANIZE UNEMPLOYMENT LEAGUE

(Special to The Daily Worker)

LOS ANGELES, Cal., April 24.—Sixty-five thousand unemployed in this city, who are in dire need, have organized themselves into the Los Angeles County Unemployment League and elected a committee of fifteen to interview the city administration with the object in view of securing relief, were juggled with by the mayor, board of supervisors, city council by referring it from one to the other with the statement that the above could do nothing for the unemployed, until finally the finance committee of the city council has at last given the committee of the unemployed a hearing before a crowded council chamber with unemployed and other spectators with Murphy and Bush as spokesmen.

The city of Los Angeles, according to Brother Murphy's statement at this hearing, has \$50,000,000 on deposit in the banks of Los Angeles (Continued on page 4.)

## BARBERS' UNION OFFICIALS GAG THE MEMBERSHIP

### \$4 Raise a Fairy Tale to Cover Betrayal

By JOSEPH GIGANTI.

(Member of Local 548, J. B. I. U. of A.)

Tomorrow afternoon the base-inspired arbitration award will be read to the journeymen barbers of Chicago assembled in mass meeting at Carman's Hall. No one, according to the officials of the union, will have a right to object to the award. Therefore all that a journeyman barber slave, after working twelve hours a day at his chair, all week long, may do, is to come to the meeting, hear the infamous award read to him and then quietly go home.

A Perpetual Gag on Membership.

The authority for this gag rule is a clause in the contract which provides that if master barbers and journeymen fail to come to an agreement a third person is called in and the decision of the arbitrator is to be final and binding. And, as an official of the journeymen barber union says: "In this way we will have a perpetual contract." To the progressive this means a perpetual dependence on the whims of the bosses.

The hullabaloo raised over the \$4 raise is a crude attempt to gloss over the betrayal of the barber workmen. It is a well known fact that the majority of barbers working in Chicago have received a minimum wage of \$30 a week for more than a year. It is true that the preceding contract called for a \$26 minimum wage, but this wage was scrapped long ago when the bosses were forced to pay \$30 because of labor shortage.

The hours of work, according to the award, remain the same. This, despite the strong rank and file movement for seven o'clock closing. The officials of the barbers' union are ignoring the rank and file demands when they propose to jam down the throats of the workers this shameful contract.

Members Must Protest.

The members of Local 548 must voice their protest in such manner as will prove to their officials that they will have the final say in such matters that will affect their everyday life and livelihood.

## Jurisdiction Again Divides Building Trades of Chicago

Construction of the new \$17,000,000 produce market at Fifteenth street and Racine avenue appeared yesterday to be halted indefinitely by the strike of thirty-five ornamental iron workers. Arbitration so far has been unsuccessful. The dispute is one of jurisdiction, the sheet metal workers and the ornamental iron workers being unable to agree.

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# SHOP NUCLEUS ISSUES FIRST FACTORY PAPER

## Westinghouse Workers Anxious for More

PITTSBURGH, Pa., April 24.—The first shop nucleus bulletin of the Workers (Communist) Party in America has appeared at the Westinghouse works of Pittsburgh. This marks a step in the Bolshevization of the Workers Party and its entry into the lives of American workers at their most vital spot, the point of production.

Many Brief Pointed Articles. The bulletin, a four-page printed leaflet carries nine brief and pointed articles dealing with the most burning interests of the Westinghouse workers.

It leads off with an article against wage cuts, and says that the corporation is preparing to slash the workers' wages. Then there are articles on piece work, the relationship of capital and labor, an article favoring a real shop committee instead of the fake one now established, and an article opposing slave-driver foremen. Besides, there are write-ups on the films shown by the International Workers' Aid and the DAILY WORKER.

Workers Ask For More. The Westinghouse Shop Nucleus promises to lead the way in activity for the numerous other shop nuclei of the Workers Party. This first bulletin was distributed at the plant to 1,000 workers who read it eagerly and who displayed great interest in what was to come next.

## Canadian Workers Hop from Nova Scotia Fry Pan to U. S. Furnace

MONTREAL, Que., April 25.—Residents of Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, continue to leave for the United States at the rate of twenty-five per day. The American consul at Sydney states the majority are from Glace Bay and the surrounding colliery districts. They include railway employes and men of the mechanical trades. The greater proportion will settle in Boston and vicinity.

Since the last of June, 1924, over 2,000 Cape Breton people have moved to the United States. A great number who had been looking forward to a settlement of the coal mine slump and had their hopes blasted by the failure of the Halifax conference last week are now arranging for departure.

## Anti-Semite Speech Creates Excitement at Plute Conference

WASHINGTON, April 24.—The meeting of the American society of international law was thrown into a turmoil today when Professor Philip Marshall Brown of Princeton University, delivered a speech containing harsh criticism of Jews.

Brown's criticism of the Jews was directed at what he called their "internationalism." They do not, he said, give whole hearted allegiance to any one land.

## Machinists' Union of Los Angeles Endorses Communist Candidates

LOS ANGELES, April 24.—At its regular meeting, held April 20, 1925, the Machinists' Union Lodge No. 311, of Los Angeles, endorsed the candidacy and program of Emmanuel Levin candidate for the board of education. The body also endorsed the candidacy of Edward Harris, member of the same union, who runs for office as alderman in District 15, San Pedro Harbor.

The meeting was well attended and those present listened very attentively to Comrade Levin who presented the program and important issues of the present campaign. After his talk the endorsement took place.

## Turns Down Educational Bill.

ALBANY, N. Y., April 24.—Governor Smith vetoed the Nicoll-Hofstadter bill which called for the establishment of additional colleges in Greater New York. The bill was favored by the educators of the city of New York. It was opposed by Brooklyn business men including Borough President Joseph A. Guider. Smith said he needed another year to decide whether the "people of the city were for the bill."

## Jury Gets the Wheeler Case

(Continued from page 1). forced to demand order and settle disputes.

Telephone Records Destroyed. Decision to go ahead with arguments was reached only when Judge Dietrich interposed to break an impasse between rival attorneys that threatened a recess until Monday to await the appearance of new witnesses from the east. The fight was precipitated over the defense's efforts to smash the testimony of George B. Hayes, New York attorney, star witness of the prosecution.

Hayes provided the big sensation of the trial when he testified that Wheeler, in a New York hotel lobby, in March, 1924, urged him to replace the senator in handling Campbell's oil permits and litigations before the interior department. Edwin S. Booth, formerly solicitor of the department, arranged the meeting over long distance telephone, Hayes said. Both Wheeler and Booth denied any knowledge of the meeting or of the alleged offer.

Telephone officials first reported to the defense there was no record of a call from Booth to Hayes. The prosecution told the court that the department of justice had conducted an independent investigation and found no call because telephone records had been destroyed. Neither side would admit the other's telephonic information into evidence. The court recessed four hours.

## 2,000 WILLIMANTIC TEXTILE STRIKERS STILL FIGHT CUTS

(Special to The Daily Worker.) HARTFORD, Conn., April 24.—(FP)—Strikers at the Willimantic plant of the American Thread Co. are in their seventh week out protesting against the last wage cut proposed by the employers.

## Flood of Protests Against Fleet War Reach Washington

(Special to The Daily Worker.) WASHINGTON, D. C., April 24.—Protests against the maneuvers of the United States Pacific fleet have flooded the offices to the secretary of the navy here. So many protests have come in that the department is sending out a form letter, signed by Secretary of the Navy Wilbur, which attempts to answer them.

## Japanese Consul Probes Death of 38 in Sinking of Maru

NEW YORK, April 24.—The Japanese government, thru its consul general, is investigating the circumstances of the sinking of the Rairaku Maru, when 38 Japanese sailors were drowned while the English liner Homeric stood by, but made no effort to lower life boats.

Many of the passengers charged that Captain John Roberts could have saved the crew had he lowered boats. H. Saito, consul general, said that his office is working on the case, in conjunction with officials of the Kokusai Kisen Kaisha, owners of Rairaku Maru.

Cram Constitution Down Throats. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 23.—The senate today passed a bill making compulsory the teaching of the constitution of the United States in all public schools. The anti-klan bill introduced by Representative King was reported favorably into the house by the judiciary committee. The bill, however, was amended to include all fraternal organizations and not the klan alone.

## Blue Laws in Action.

GUILFORD, Conn.—(FP)—Ancient blue laws are being revived by modern New England puritans in Guilford to close two fruit and candy stores of the town on Sundays. Drug stores are to be closed, filling stations and fish and oyster markets in the sluice basin. Fishermen and farmers are likely to be prohibited from working on Sunday.

Vandervelde Promises Cabinet Friday. BRUSSELS—Belgian political circles today predicted that premier-designate, Vandervelde, will announce the formation of his exclusively "socialist" cabinet today. Catholics and liberals refused to co-operate with him.

Briand Goes to See Chamberlain. PARIS — Aristide Briand, new French foreign minister, was expected today to leave for London soon for conferences with Foreign Secretary Chamberlain, on the proposed security pact.

Actors Organize in Germany. BERLIN, Germany, April 24.—The leading actors of Germany are solidly organized in opposition to the agreement of theater managers not to pay any singer or actor more than 300 gold marks (about \$75.00) a night.

## Wheeler Faces Second Charge

Finally telephone officials sent another message to the defense, verifying the government's information that the records had been destroyed. Immediately Walsh rested for the defense. Without offering rebuttal, Slattery announced the government also closed.

Subpoenas issued for the additional witnesses were revoked. After this trial Wheeler faces a second indictment in Washington, charging him jointly with Booth and Campbell with conspiracy to obtain Montana oil and gas lands from the government.

## Prosecutor's Plea

GREAT FALLS, Mont., April 24.—The trial of Senator Wheeler entered its final stage with closing arguments by opposing counsel. The jury was expected to get the case before nightfall.

Picturing Wheeler as a betrayer of his public trust, John L. Slattery, United States district attorney closed the case for the government with an appeal for a verdict of guilty.

## Esperanto Used for Radio.

NEW YORK, April 24.—Esperanto has been adopted as the official language for radio broadcasting by the amateur radio congress in Paris, France, according to a cablegram received by the Esperanto Club here.

## More Laws for Labor All Right; But None to Limit Profits

(Special to The Daily Worker.) AUGUSTA, Ga., April 24.—Emphatic protest against the tendency of the American people to demand the enactment of laws "for all sorts of problems better handled without government interference," was voiced before the executive council of the American Bankers' Assn., in annual session here.

The speaker was Merle Thorpe, editor of the official magazine of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce. He argued that business was becoming so complex that these new laws create misunderstandings. Sound business, for instance, could not see the logic of asking for lower freight rates and at the same time endorsing higher railroad wages. Government should leave business to run things its own way.

## Airplane Carts Off Plans.

MINEOLA, N. Y., April 24.—Carrying two planes and six men, the Sikorsky bi-plane left Roosevelt field at 8:55 a. m., to day for Bolling Field, Washington, on its pioneer trip. Igor Sikorsky, designer and pilot, was in command. The purpose of the trip was to demonstrate the bi-plane's freight carrying capacity.

## Butte Digs Out of Snow

BUTTE, Mont., April 24.—Butte this morning was digging itself out of the greatest spring snow storm in the city's history. More than 20 inches of snow fell during yesterday and last night tying up street car and automobile traffic and seriously impairing telephone and telegraph service.

## Two Silk Firms Now One.

INDIANAPOLIS, April 24.—Details of a \$1,500,000 transaction were made public here today with the announcement that the Real Silk Hosiery Mills, Indianapolis, had purchased the Theime Brothers Co., Fort Wayne. The latter concern is said to be one of the country's largest silk hosiery manufacturing firms.

## Job For Birth Controller.

ANDERSON, S. C., April 24.—The birth of triplets this morning to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Clarence Fields of Anderson county, establishes a record of five children born to them in ten months. Twins were born to them June 19, 1924. Mr. and Mrs. Fields are 30 years old each.

## CAPITALIST PRESS IS SUSPECTED OF MAKING READY FOR OPEN SHOP

(Special to The Daily Worker.) NEW YORK CITY, April 24.—The American Newspaper Publishers' association, at its 39th annual convention here, put thru a resolution which took away the power of the convention itself to negotiate contracts with organized labor, and placed that power in the hands of the board of directors.

While the actual ratification of the contracts is supposed to remain in the hands of the membership of the association as before, the move is looked upon by workers on newspapers as a step to concentrate power in the hands of the reactionary directors preparatory to an open shop drive on the unions engaged in newspaper production.

# PRISONS JAMMED TWICE CAPACITY, FEAR EPIDEMIC

## Government Gives No Relief to Inmates

LEAVENWORTH, Kas., April 24.—The federal prison here is becoming so crowded that special relief has been asked from the department of justice.

It was also admitted by prison officials that other federal penitentiaries were just as crowded. Thirty thousand one hundred and thirty-one prisoners is the population of the institution, with two carloads on the way from California and Indiana.

Danger of Epidemic. There are only 1,400 one-man cells here and it has become necessary to double up and put cots in basements to take care of the overflow. No ground remains within the prison walls to construct a new cell house. The huge dining hall accommodates 1,240 and three breakfasts, dinners and suppers are necessary to serve all.

With the danger of epidemic present, some relief must be obtained quickly, for McNeil Island, in the west, has discontinued receiving prisoners and Atlanta, Georgia, is reported to have at least 200 more than capacity.

All Prisons Overcrowded. Six hundred more convicts are expected to "dress in" at Leavenworth by July 1.

All state institutions are reported taxed to the utmost, and no state at present can take over any prisoners, as is sometimes done.

Two years at least would be required for the construction of a new penitentiary due to congressional enabling acts and red tape.

## Dever and Small Fight to Become Bankers' Servants

The city council is acting on a resolution calling on the state legislature to exempt Chicago from the state commerce commission, and place a committee appointed by the mayor in charge of the Chicago traction franchise.

The state senate is now considering a bill introduced by Richard Barr, which would allow the state commerce commission to issue permanent franchises to Chicago's traction companies.

Mayor Dever and Governor Small are now engaged in a fight as to which political group will turn the traction lines over to the bankers, and receive favors from them in return. The Barr bill was framed by Samuel Insull and his fellow traction magnates, Senator Barr admitted.

Foreign Exchange. NEW YORK, April 24.—Great Britain, pound sterling, demand 480%; cable 480%. France, franc, demand 5.20; cable 5.20%. Belgium, franc, demand 5.05%; cable 5.05%. Italy, lira, demand 4.10%; cable 4.11%. Sweden, krona, demand 26.93; cable 26.96. Norway, krona, demand 16.32; cable 16.34. Denmark, krona, demand 18.53; cable 18.55. Germany, mark unquoted. Shanghai, tael, demand 73.75; cable 74.00.

Keep Up War on Home Brews. WASHINGTON, April 24.—Federal prohibition authorities will continue their campaign against home brewers in spite of the decision of Chief Justice McCoey of the district supreme court that homes cannot be searched for liquor law violations unless previous sales of liquor can be proved.

Death of the Movies. Early Neilson, 12, was near death today from a self-inflicted gunshot wound because his parents had refused his permission to go to the movies. The boy shot himself with a small calibre hunting rifle given him a few weeks ago on his twelfth birthday.

## Battle Blaze in Berlin.

BERLIN.—Millions of dollars damage was done by a fire which started last night and burned out only today in the General Electric company. The entire Berlin fire department battled the blaze all night. One fireman was seriously injured.

## Baby Airplane Ready.

DAYTON, Ohio, April 24.—A tiny airplane weighing only 333 pounds, driven by a 22½ horsepower motor will make a non-stop flight from Dayton to New York and return within ten days or two weeks.

France Has Money for War. PARIS, April 24.—The second half of the naval program calling for an appropriation of 3,194,000,000 francs covering a period from 1925 to 1932 was adopted by the chamber of deputies today, 422 to 29.

"Unknown Soldier" Gets Wreath. PARIS.—King George and Queen Mary of England placed a wreath on the grave of the unknown soldier at the Arc de Triomphe this morning, following their arrival from the Rivera, and later lunched with President Doumergue.

# John D. Jr. Presents to the World the "Model Father" of Capitalism

By J. LOUIS ENGDahl.

TODAY, John D. Rockefeller, Jr., who competes with Edsel Ford as heir to the greatest pile of riches in the world, relieves himself of another paternalistic sermon to the effect that John D. Rockefeller, Sr., is a "model father."

It would certainly be gross ungratefulness on the part of John D. Jr., who has never performed a real day's work in all his life, to argue otherwise. Life has been pretty soft for John D. Jr., outside of the terrific exertion it takes to lecture a bible class in a Fifth Avenue baptist church, in New York City, occasionally.

John D. Jr. has kept up the christian end, while John D. Sr., has kept up the killing end of the Rockefeller business. "Jr." may be godly, but "Sr." was the go-getter, and still is, under a capitalist system that demands the subsidizing and corruption of a subservient government, to maintain an oppressive rule over the wage working masses, in order that private property may thrive, and profits flow in unstintingly. John D. Sr. may be a "model father." He is a "model capitalist" as he is a "successful capitalist." But there are 100,000,000 workers and poor farmers, with their children, in this country who are rapidly learning that the model and successful capitalist is their worst enemy, that John D. Sr. may treat his own children well, but that doesn't lift by the smallest iota the great burden of misery that crushes heavily upon the children of the working class. What labor is looking for are working class "models" of perfection and not capitalist class "models."

John D. Jr. says, "I cannot remember hearing my father say a harsh word to any of his children." Why should he? If any were to be spoken he could no doubt hire nurses and governesses to do that.

But the harsh words of the Rockefeller fortune are continually dinned into the ears of workers, the world around, by the lash wielding taskmasters. Whether in the oil refineries of Bayonne, New Jersey, the coal fields of southern Colorado, the oil fields of a dozen countries, or upon the oil ships that sail all the seas, all belonging to the Rockefeller Standard Oil trust, there the curses of the Rockefeller wealth are heard in an unending stream, urging labor at break neck speed to produce more wealth, greater profits, for the Rockefeller family.

John D. Jr. adds, "I cannot remember him ever criticizing us." But the working class has heard. Whenever it has sought to better its conditions, on the job, or in legislative halls, there Rockefeller money has been on hand to wield its anti-labor whip.

John D. Sr. may not have criticized his own children, but his thugs and gunmen, in the uniform of the Colorado militia, or otherwise, murdered the women and children, not to mention the men of the Colorado coal fields.

If the lips of the oppressed of Rockefeller oil could speak, their utterances would frame tales of horror that would outmatch those of any oppressed class since history began. It is not the model father that the workers are interested in. Labor struggles for a model social system that sloughs off class oppression forever and makes it possible for all to live happily.

Annually, around his birthday anniversary, John D. Sr. goes, of a Sunday, to the church at Tarrytown, N. Y., and delights the children of the neighborhood by dispensing brand new silver dimes among them. That is the price that the czar of oil places upon the affection of the children—a thin dime's worth.

But the children of this generation, in the pulsating working class sections of the nation and the world, are discovering different values. Not in the language of the Highland Park, Illinois, Press, declaring that, "the red workers have numerous agents at work in various ways, trying to teach the youngster that patriotism is something to be ashamed of, that the American government means bondage for the workers and that the only system of government is that which is now in vogue in Red Russia." Capitalism itself, with its oil czar, and heir apparent; with its flivver king and his crown prince; with its whole retinue of money monarchs and industrial kaisers, is even arousing the children to the real nature of the social system under which they live. These children will grow to consider only those fathers, as "model fathers," who organize and struggle for the ending of this Rockefeller-Ford-Morgan capitalist social system; for the Communist victory of the working class. For such "model fathers," John D. Jr., like the ruling oppressors of all capitalist nations, open prisons, gates swinging inward, and call on firing squads to do their murderous work. Yet these are the "model fathers" of the future, the future that belongs to the working class.

## Labor Daily Bares Bulgar Plot

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### Against Individual Terror.

The press of Soviet Russia fiercely attacks the capitalist papers for the new lying campaign against Russia in connection with the latest terror in Bulgaria. The Pravda says: "We Communists are resolutely opposed to individual terror. We call on all supporters of the Comintern not to lend themselves to provocation, and to rely only upon the movement of the masses, organizing them against all government licentiousness. The Comintern never, nowhere, has planned individual terror."

The Soviet press expresses the belief that the bomb in the cathedral is a manifestation of popular wrath against the white terror of the government. Comrade Korolov, an official of the Communist International and a Bulgarian, in an article declares that the attempt on the life of the Bulgarian king was the work of Zankov agents, as the king opposed the terroristic policy of the government and refused to sign the death sentences. It is reported that the British and American ministers in Sofia have protested against the severity of the white terror. The American said it might cause a widespread revolt of labor in Europe against the capitalist class.

### The Hanfy Professor.

One of the leading fascist sheets in Bulgaria urged the appointment of Prof. Constantine Stephanov, of the Sofia University, as minister to the United States. The professor is Bulgarian correspondent for Hearst's international news service and appears to be a staunch supporter of the Zankov government. This professor is sending out lurid stories of Soviet plots, of Soviet bombs captured and statements defending the actions of the Zankov regime.

### Workers of the United States

are warned against accepting as facts the news of events in Bulgaria appearing in the capitalist press, particularly stories with a Sofia date-line. Nothing can get out of Sofia that does not meet with the approval of the government military chiefs. Professor Stephanov's dispatches appear in the Hearst papers.

### Lisbon Rebels in Fortress.

LISBON, Portugal, April 24.—Thirty-eight officers who took part in the recent revolt of several army regiments have been transferred from the warship Vasco da Gama, where they were being held, to the fortress of Elvan Hantarem.

# FASCISTS PICK FIGHT ON REDS; THREE KILLED

## Paris Police Fired on Communists

PARIS, April 24.—Considerable excitement prevails here today over the result of a battle which took place yesterday between young Communists and fascists, in which three of the black-shirts were killed.

The trouble came to a head when a meeting, to which a Communist woman was invited to speak, broke up in disorder. The meeting was addressed by a nationalist or fascist deputy and his followers caused a riot when the Communist tried to speak. When the crowd was leaving the hall the fascists attacked the Communists, using revolvers. The latter, having secured arms, returned and a regular street battle took place.

The chief of police was routed out of his bed and when he arrived on the scene of battle, he ordered the police to fire on the Communists.

## Governor Smith Dumps Ricca Teachers' Salary Bill in Waste Basket

ALBANY, N. Y., April 24.—Governor Smith vetoed the Ricca teachers' salary bill. The New York teachers have put up a hard battle to get an increase in their salary to correspond with the present cost of living. They have been fought viciously by the United Real Estate Owners' association of New York and Mayor Hylan who has lined up with the real estate men against the teachers.

They placed their hopes on Governor Smith. They sent petitions to the governor signed by teachers, by parents and by all those who believed the teachers should get their raise. They went in a body of over 1,000 to Albany to personally convince the governor of the justness of their claim.

But Stewart Brown, president of the real estate owners, confidently boasted that their efforts were all in vain. He is quoted as saying on one occasion that one word from him to the governor would veto the bill. The governor did veto the bill.

## French Government Wins Confidence Vote in Chamber of Deputies

PARIS, April 24.—The government under the newly appointed premier, Paul Painleve, won a vote of confidence in the chamber of deputies this afternoon, 330 to 204.

A resolution to have the address which Herriot, new president of the chamber, delivered yesterday, posted on all public buildings, was carried by a vote of 318. The minority would not vote.

Stronger Guard on Mexican Border. WASHINGTON, D. C., April 24.—President Coolidge took steps to enact a more careful guard for American imperialism on the Mexican border. Representatives of the departments of state, justice, labor and the treasury have been called into a joint conference to take means of strengthening the guard at the border.

Railroad Negro to Prison. An insane Negro who was a patient in the Cook County hospital, was sentenced to thirty years in prison in Chief Justice Hopkins' court for an alleged attack on a woman patient. The jury deliberated only fifteen minutes. The evidence brot out that the Negro, William Smith, had not been normal for some time. There was no shot of sending the Negro to an insane hospital, however, and he was railroaded to prison with scant consideration.

'Hunt for "Baby-Farm" HAGERSTOWN, Md., April 24.—Authorities today were investigating the possible existence of a "baby farm" near here following the finding of the body of a murdered day-old girl baby. The infant, its throat cut, had been tossed into a vacant lot in a burial salk. It was the fifth slain child found here since March.

Truck Holds Its Own. NORWOOD, Mass., April 24.—Two unidentified men were killed and their companion, Joseph King of Newton, was seriously injured today when their automobile crashed into the rear end of a motor truck driven by Wilfred Mahen. The truck driver escaped unhurt.

Urge Long Water Route. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 24.—U. S. Senator Charles Dineen of Chicago, addressing a joint session of the Illinois state legislature today, expressed firm belief that a water transportation route from the St. Lawrence river to the seas and the Great Lakes to the Gulf of Mexico, soon would be a reality.

Report Rebels Take Ceiba. MANAGUA, Nicaragua, April 24.—La Ceiba has been reported captured by Honduran revolutionists.

# FEAR MEMBERS MAY REJECT BARBER AWARD

## Officials Suppress All Opposition

At the last meeting of Local 548 of the Barbers' Union in Chicago, the members were dumfounded at the high-handed methods of their officials. The officials showed they would stop at nothing to put thru their policies. Robert's Rules of Order, the international constitution and fair play were shamelessly disregarded and the union officers enforced their rule with an iron hand.

The vice-chairman of the meeting, after raising a point of order against an amendment, upon meeting an appeal from the decision of the chair, absolutely refused to put the question of sustaining the chair to a vote of the members. And he was the one who had made the point of order! He would allow no one else the floor. And why was he so frightened at the amendment?

**Fear Membership May Rule.**

The amendment simply proposed that the agreement on wages and hours be left up to the rank and file, which was to be called in to a meeting for the ratification or rejection of the award handed down by the arbitrator. The officials evidently thought that was a terrible thing, so they suppressed ruthlessly the strong support given the amendment by the rank and file members present.

Throughout the dispute for better conditions the left wing members of the Progressive Barbers' Group in the union have repeatedly pointed out that arbitration always works for the bosses and against the workers. The bosses now say they are satisfied with the award. The militant rank and file demand that the membership shall have the final say as to accepting or rejecting conditions under which they, and not the officials, shall work. The members shall continue to demand this right until they get it.

**Invited to Meetings.**

The aim of the Progressive Barbers' Group is to educate the workers in the craft and show them how to win their struggles. The group is giving a series of lectures at a time and place to be announced later in the DAILY WORKER. Every interested barber should write to I. Eltington, 1223 N. Artesian avenue, for information as to coming meetings and lectures.

# "Polikushka" and Other Russian Movies Shown in Pittsburgh Tonight

At the North Side Carnegie Music Hall at Pittsburgh will be the scene of another working class movie triumph when the famous Moscow Art Theater film, "Polikushka," is shown there Saturday, April 26. With it goes a Russian slapstick comedy, "The Miracle of Soldier Ivan," in which a Russian Charley Chaplin makes use of religious superstition to get out of the army and back into his sweetheart's ample arms.

"Lenin Memorial," showing high lights in the life and death of our great working class leader, will fill out the program, since the censors unexpectedly passed it.

Other showings of the same program include:

- MacDonald, Pa.—Orpheum Theater, April 25.
- Bentleyville, Pa.—May 1.
- Daisytown, Pa.—May 2.
- New Kensington—May 6, Columbus Theater.

Arrangements are being made in Clighton, Pa., for the showing of "The Beauty and the Bolshevik" in the near future.

# T. U. E. L. General Meet Wed., April 29, 8 P. M.

The regular meeting of the Chicago Trade Union Educational League general group will be held Wednesday, April 29, at 8 p. m., at North West Hall, corner North and Western Aves. An interesting series of reports on the progress of the militants in the Chicago trade union movement will be given. All militant and progressive trade unionists are invited to attend this important meeting.

**Eat and Dance in Cleveland.**

CLEVELAND, April 24.—A dance and a supper will be given by the Young Workers League, May 2, at 6 o'clock at 5607 St. Claire Ave. The admission will be ten cents.

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# Farrington Tool Not Union Member

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and started to argue about a motion passed in the local union, trying to make out that the local was "defying the organization." The committee protested that they were not there to discuss the action of the local but to carry out its orders in the particular case of investigation of Walker.

"Now, you shut up," said Nesbitt. "You can't talk to me in my office the way you do in your local union. It is up to me to give these facts out if I want to. I can if I want to, and if I don't want to, I don't have to."

Nesbitt then told Mike Volkitts, one of the committee, "You fellows be careful or we will get you."

Another committee member, Joseph Angelo, then told Nesbitt: "When we go to make our report to the membership and I tell them that you refused to give us the facts in this case after coming here to see you, that will not look very good, will it?"

**Threatens to Revoke Charter.**

Nesbitt grew angrier than ever and said: "Go back and tell your membership that if they do not pay their tax before the 25th of the month they will be put on the delinquent list and the charter revoked."

Angelo replied: "Isn't it a fact that our local union is in good standing?" And to Nesbitt's reply that it was, Angelo added: "Why don't you let us see the records so we can get at the facts?"

**A Stall.**

Nesbitt refused, although the committee presented their credentials, and stalled them off by saying that if they would get the local to write him a letter he would answer it.

The information the committee sought was additional to that upon which they based their decision

on Walker, that decision being founded upon independent evidence clearly shown in the records of the financial secretary of the local union.

From the local secretary it was found that Walker did not pay dues for either October, November or December, and thus became delinquent on December 31. According to the international constitution he is required to carry out its provisions given in Article 14, Section 2, as follows:

**What Jackey Must Do.**

"Any member becoming three months in arrears for dues and assessments, unless exonerated from the payment of same, shall forfeit his membership and can be reinstated only by paying an initiation fee and such other penalties as may be imposed by the district in which application for membership is made."

Walker, it appears from local union records, tried to sneak back when a Farrington job appointment was being conspired, by paying his back dues during January and attempting by this illegal method to re-establish his membership.

**Cites Farrington's Words as Precedent.**

The local committee, in taking the stand that no back door reinstatement could be had by Walker, cites Farrington's own words in relation to Duncan McDonald, when Farrington said "True, after McDonald's delinquency was exposed, or when he was caught with the goods on him, he paid up the long overdue assessment, but he was too late then."

Miners, in mock extenuation of "Jackey's" failure to pay dues, remark: "Well, how can you expect Jackey to pay dues from the coal he never dug? And then the wife had to invest in a new washtub last winter, and this drained the family exchequer."

# AS WE SEE IT

By T. J. O'FLAHERTY.

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appeared in a recent issue of the Chicago Fur Worker, which is published by Chicago Fur Workers' Union Local No. 45.

**THE** Chicago Fur Worker says that the workers: "should become thoroughly acquainted with their own class problems as such and the new ways that have been opened in the world for the true welfare of mankind." The writer goes on to say that the study of Marx is essential, as this study would supply them with the key for a proper understanding of the relations between capital and labor.

**THE** writer takes a slam at the American labor leaders who have no sympathy with working class education that stresses the class struggle. "Working class education shall begin first, last and always with Marx, if it shall ever get somewhere." Quite true, but it should not finish with Marx. The study of Marx should be followed by the study of Lenin and Leninism, the Marxism of the final stage of capitalism. The Chicago Fur Worker deserves an approving slap on the back for its words on workers' education. It may consider it slapped.

**MORE** news from Bulgaria and more correctly about Bulgaria. The DAILY WORKER correspondent in London thinks it quite possible that Zankov may draw a sharp blade across the royal throats of King Boris, or hit him in the region of his pituitary gland with a sledge. We are not losing any sleep over the king's fate, but every worker should be concerned over the fate of the Bulgarian workers and peasants. The capitalists are standing solidly behind the murder regime and have allowed Zankov to raise 7,000 more troops. Thousands of workers and peasants are being butchered, yet there is not a squeak of protest from the capitalist press.

**JOSIAH WEDGWOOD**, labor member of the British parliament declared that Communists are outside the law in Bulgaria. The secret service had a list of Communists and the military authorities took over this list and arrested all who could be found. Over six thousand were taken into custody in Sofia alone inside of a few days and of this number 250 have been executed, said Wedgwood. The prisoners were taken out in lorry loads and murdered outside the city. Before they were executed the prisoners were tortured, bastonati (beating of the feet with sticks) being resorted to. This is what Wedgwood reports. He was in Sofia when the explosion took place. He is a moderate laborite and cannot be accused of being predisposed in favor of the Communists.

**THE** eyes of the workers and peasants of the whole world are today turned on Bulgaria. The reactionary labor leaders who dominate the unions in Central Europe could halt the hands of the Zankov murderers within twenty-four hours if they only had the will. As it is, they are in hearty sympathy with the policy of execution and assassination which has made the present Bulgarian regime a thing of horror. Only the section of the labor movement under the influence and leadership of the Communist International is taking steps to put an end to the bloody reign of the Zankov man killers.

# DU PONT MONEY BEHIND DOPE IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## Delaware Teachers Fired Unless They Read Bible

(Special to The Daily Worker)

WILMINGTON, Del., April 24.—At a Methodist Episcopal church conference attended by 240 ministers of the state, Pierre S. DuPont, of the powder trust, was the principal speaker. The ministers praised DuPont and obsequiously alluded to his millions of dollars.

DuPont showed that he and the DuPont Powder company's money are behind the new law which recently passed the state legislature making virtual slaves out of the teachers and forcing the school children of Delaware to undergo religious instruction.

**Law Compels Doping.**

The law compels the reading of at least five verses of the bible each day in the public schools. For the first failure to comply with this law the teacher is fined \$25. For the second "offense" the teacher's certificate is revoked, and she is dismissed. Many of the teachers have objected to this forcible doping of the students.

The legislature has passed a law compelling teachers to read the bible in the schools," DuPont told the teachers. "It would be better that she would become so imbued that she would want to read it."

The conference of the ministers and the speech of DuPont is but one of a series of maneuvers of the DuPonts to crush all attempts of the workers to act for themselves.

**Provide New Armory.**

The senate a few days ago passed a bill which had already been passed by the house, appropriating \$250,000 from the state treasury for the building of an armory in Wilmington.

The state college at Newark, near here, has been turned into a virtual war training camp, the students being forced to engage in sham battles and extensive war drills and maneuvers for the benefit of officers visiting from the war department at Washington.

**Express Slips Into Local**

Passengers on two loop bound elevated trains received severe joltings today when a Jackson Park express crashed into the rear of a local train at the Fullerton Ave station. The motorman of the express said the tracks had been made slippery by rain and he was unable to stop his train. The accident tied up express tracks for half an hour.

**High Court Turns Down Murderer**

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 24.—Unless Governor Small revives further Russell Scott, under sentence to hang for the murder of Joseph Maurer, he must pay the supreme penalty following the expiration of his present reprieve on July 17. The supreme court today denied his petition for a writ of error and supersedeas.

**Industrial Accidents Claim Many**

ALBANY, N. Y.—One hundred and forty-three workers died from industrial accidents in New York state in March, a report of the state department of labor shows. Twenty-nine of these are accounted for by construction work. Six died from industrial poisoning.

# INDIANA CITY BACKS ACTION AGAINST KLUXER

## Accused of Murderous Attack on Girl

INDIANAPOLIS, April 24.—The city of Indianapolis gave support today to the prosecution of David S. Stephenson, former grand dragon of the Indiana ku klux klan, on charges of first degree murder in connection with the death of Miss Madge Oberholzer, who swallowed poison after an alleged criminal attack.

Members of the city council, headed by Council President Ben H. Thompson, announced their intention of drafting an ordinance appropriating \$500 from the municipal treasury to aid in the prosecution of Stephenson and his co-defendants, Earl Gentry and Earl Klenck.

**To Pass Ordinance.**

Thompson called on the city attorney for an opinion as to the legality of such ordinance, but expressed the belief that the proposed ordinance would be valid. The statute permitting the council to appropriate money for rewards in capturing criminals can be extended to justify the Stephenson prosecution fund in his opinion, Thompson said.

If the city attorney pronounces the proposed ordinance legal, it will be drawn up by John L. Hogue, city comptroller, and submitted to the council at its meeting Monday night.

Attorneys for both sides were silent on what effect the verdict of the coroner, that "Madge Oberholzer died from mercury poisoning," might have on the state's case against Stephenson, also formerly recognized as one of Indiana's dominant politicians.

**Fight Over Ball.**

However, the murder indictments admit the direct cause of Miss Oberholzer's death was bichloride of mercury, but they charge Stephenson and his cohorts with the responsibility for her suicidal attempt, which resulted in the girl's death a month ago.

A spirited court proceeding was anticipated in the hearing Monday on the former klan organizer's petition to be admitted to bail. The defense will be forced to bring out much of its evidence in averring that the charges are sufficient to justify refusal of bail.

Stephenson, Klenck and Gentry have been in jail since their arrest Monday.

# Dawes Plan and Union Bureaucrats Kill 8-Hour Law in Europe

WASHINGTON, April 24.—(FP)—In the first issue of the International Metal Workers' Federation Bulletin to be published since the war—a copy reaching the metal trades department of the American Federation of Labor from I. M. F. headquarters in Berne—the denial of the eight-hour day by German, Polish and other national groups of metal manufacturers in Europe is described.

Actual working time in the German metal industry has been increased to from 51 to 57 hours per week. Nominal working time is 51 hours. In January, 1925, full time employment was reported for 94.38 per cent of the 2,074,000 workers in the industry.

Reports to the federation from Poland showed that Polish employers use the excuse that German competition forces them to disregard the eight-hour rule.

Trade union leaders, fearing the effect of a struggle at this time, have agreed, for the second time, to a "voluntary" suspension of the eight-hour limit for six months. This surrender was hastened by the closing of many plants and the reduction of hours in most of the remainder.

# Worker Killed by Open Shop Firm's Criminal Neglect

(Special to The Daily Worker)

MISHAWAKA, Ind., April 24.—Edward Joyal, a pipe layer on a sewer laying job, was crushed to death here when nine feet of clay gave way and buried him. The case was the result of such carelessness on the part of the contractor, who would not afford the safeguarding of a few boards to hold the ditch sides, that even the coroner is denouncing the contractor for "inexcusable negligence." Joyal leaves nine children and a widow.

Whitcomb & Keller, the contractors, are an open shop firm, and the workers have no hope that they will pay either civilly or criminally for their negligence.

# Metal Trades Group Meets Saturday Eve.

The regular monthly meeting of the Metal Trades Group of the T. U. E. L. will be held Saturday, April 25th, at 722 Blue Island avenue. Meeting is called for 7:30 p. m.

The result of the elections in the machinists' locals will be reported and also other reports will be made. This meeting promises to be very interesting and all left wing metal trades workers should be present.

# The Workers Party in Action

## DISTRIBUTE GREAT QUANTITIES OF LITERATURE TO CALL WORKERS OF CHICAGO TO BIG MAY DAY MEETING

Temple Hall, W. Van Buren St. and Marshfield Ave., has been chosen for the monster May Day gathering of workers to be held in Chicago Friday evening, May 1, at 8 p. m. This meeting which will include an entertainment and concert, will be held under the auspices of the Chicago May Day committee and will be participated in by many labor organizations in Chicago.

The committee reports the distribution of from 35,000 to 40,000 May Day leaflets. Every comrade in every branch in the city of Chicago has been mobilized in the house to house literature distribution campaign prior to the meeting and posters advertising the meeting are on display in all the working class districts. To assure every worker knowing about the meeting, Martin Abern, district organizer, informs us that noonday meetings will be held on May 1, in front of the largest plants and factories in Chicago at which leaflets will be distributed and the workers will be invited to participate in the revolutionary workers' holiday.

**Big List of Speakers.**

The meeting promises to be the biggest and most inspiring May Day gathering ever held in Chicago. Such nationally known and prominent speakers as Comrades C. E. Ruthenberg and James P. Cannon are on the list of speakers. There will also be a speaker for the Negro workers, Comrade E. L. Doty, who will tell us about the Negro Labor Congress. Martin Abern, district organizer of Chicago will tell about the work in Chicago, and Max Shachtman, editor of the Young Worker will review the big achievements in the youth movement during the year. Our very active, very lively and very aggressive little comrades known as the Juniors inform us that "They are Ready" to show all the older comrades a good time in addition to reporting on their activities for the year.

# WHOOPEE! THE FIRST PICNIC IS IN SIGHT

## T. U. E. L. Joyfest at Altenheim, May 30

The regular annual picnic of the Trade Union Educational League of Chicago is to be held on Decoration Day, May 30th, at Altenheim grove, and all T. U. E. L. groups and Workers Party organizations are requested to observe the date and to act at once in throwing all possible assistance to this picnic in order that it be a big success.

This is the first big picnic of the 1925 season, and everyone is expected to turn out with bells on to enjoy themselves with the militant unionists and left wingers. All workers are invited, regardless of race, color or previous condition of servitude.

Altenheim grove is one of the nicest groves in the Chicago suburbs, reached without transfer on the Forest Park "L" or by Madison street car with one change to the suburban line.

# Hot Dogs and Good Union Orchestra at Tomorrow's Dance

There's a tough bunch of hard hitting Communists billed for the entertainment and springtime dance to be staged at Workers' Lyceum tomorrow, Sunday evening. But they're going to put over their wallop to music, and union music at that, says Master of Ceremonies Paul Simonson.

There will be excellent waltzes, fox trots, one steps and all on an excellent floor. Refreshments provided include hot dog, cold pop and chicken on the hoof. Get there early and stay late. Take the California avenue surface car to Hirsch boulevard, or the north bound Oakley boulevard bus right to the door at 2733 Hirsch Blvd.

# Important Meeting of Jewish Y.W.L. Members This Afternoon at 4

Every Jewish speaking member of the Y. W. L. local Chicago (no matter whether he is a member of the auxiliary branches or not) must without fail attend a very important meeting on Saturday, April 25, 4 p. m. at the Freiheit Hall, 3118 W. Roosevelt Rd., 2nd floor. If you understand Jewish, be there. Jewish local "Propcom" Y. W. L.—J. Weiss, Sec'y.

# Wicks Main Speaker at Educational Meet in Wilmington, Del.

WILMINGTON, Del., April 24.—An educational meeting of the Workers (Communist) Party, local Wilmington, was held here, with H. M. Wicks as the principal speaker. Comrade Wicks traced the rise of the Communist movement from the time when Karl Marx wrote the Communist manifesto, to the Russian revolution, and the establishment to the Communist International.

He also showed how the socialists have betrayed the workers.

**Diplomats Extend Condolences**

MOSCOW, March 21.—(By Mail)—All the foreign diplomatic representatives at Moscow have officially expressed condolences to the Soviet government at the death of Narimanoff, president of the central executive committee of the Soviet Republic of Trans-Caucasia.

Does your friend subscribe to the DAILY WORKER? Ask him!

# NEW YORK WILL CELEBRATE MAY FIRST HOLIDAY

## Communists Plan Many Demonstrations

NEW YORK, N. Y., April 24.—In addition to many outdoor rallies the Workers Party and the Young Workers League have arranged two large indoor mass meetings to be held in the evening of May Day. The first at Central Opera House, 67th St. and Third Ave. and the other at Grand Millers Hall, at Grand and Havenmeyer streets, Brooklyn.

Comrade William Z. Foster, chairman of the Workers Party, will speak at both meetings. The other speakers will be M. J. Oigin, W. W. Weinstein, L. Lore, J. Stachel, with C. Krumbach, chairman for the New York meeting, while in the Brooklyn meeting the speakers will be in addition to Foster, S. Epstein, I. Amter, J. S. Poynts, L. Pruselka, Herbert Zam for the Y. W. L. with S. Nessin as chairman.

In a four-page leaflet that will be distributed to about 200,000 workers of this city the Workers Party and the Young Workers League call upon the workers of the entire country to lay down their tools on May 1 and join with the rest of the militant workers to celebrate the first of May thru mass demonstrations throughout the city.

The strengthening of reaction, the wage cut, open shop drives and the persecution of the workers of this country generally must be met with a united resistance on the part of the workers against the system of capitalist oppression.

The Workers Party and the Young Workers League call upon the workers of this city to strike on May the First. To come to the tens of outdoor rallies that will be arranged for that day and demonstrate against wage cuts, against open shop drives, against imperialism and war, against the Dawes plan, against all the repressive measures and persecution of the workers, whether they be native, Negro or foreign-born. For recognition of soviet Russia, for the unity of the world trade union movement, for a labor party, for a workers' and farmers' government. It calls upon the most militant sections of the working class to support and join the Workers Party and the Young Workers League.

Follow workers, down with your tools on the First of May. Out into the streets to demonstrate. Attend the meetings in the Central Opera House and Grand Millers Hall. All meetings held by the Workers Party and the Young Workers League are affiliated with the United Front May Day Conference representing tens of thousands of worker in this city.

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The Struggle in Bulgaria

The capitalist press dispatches from Bulgaria have lost their exultant tone. The sturdy resistance of the workers and peasants to the murder gangs of the Zankov government has aroused the admiration even of their enemies.

The Zankov government has been allowed by the allied commission to add 7,000 troops to its army to aid in crushing the revolution and as this was over the protests of Roumania, Jugo-Slavia and Greece it appears that the Bulgarian revolt is of a mass character, contrary to the inspired dispatches that at first laid all the blame on a little band of terrorists.

Three labor members of the British house of commons, who were in Sofia at the time of the bomb explosion, have made a vigorous protest against the support of the Zankov government and denounced it as a bloody clique to which the workers and peasants owe no allegiance.

British labor has a way of popping up these days in unexpected places and its utterances become more and more of a menace to the imperialist plans of the rulers. These three members of parliament are a long way from being revolutionists, but the way to aid the workers and peasants of Bulgaria is the way they have suggested—action by workers in the countries whose governments support the Zankov murder regime.

When reformists like these British members of parliament protest war on revolutionists led by Communists, it is evidence that the imperialists are overplaying their hand.

From the Balkan corridor the European revolution may come; even the capitalist press admits it and the rulers seem now to be confronted with the choice of either precipitating great mass outbreaks by continued support of Zankov or of allowing Bulgaria to set up a workers' and peasants' government that will be the nucleus of a Balkan federation hostile to European capitalism and friendly to Soviet Russia.

The route to Asia, the pathway of European imperialism, may be closed again as it was closed in the fifteenth century to the merchant class of Europe.

Get a member for the Workers Party and a new subscription for the DAILY WORKER.

The Dawes Plan at Home

The dilemma of the capitalists of the allied countries which "won the war," in collecting reparations in goods from Germany by extracting the last drop of blood from German workers under the Dawes plan, without at the same time ruining their own markets and putting their own productive machinery into cold storage, is beginning to have a definite effect upon the lives of American workers.

The president of the Bethlehem Steel company, Eugene G. Grace, in the company's bulletin addresses a message to the steel workers, telling them how the inflow of goods produced by cheap labor in foreign lands makes it necessary for American business, and—of course—American labor, to "use every method to keep down the cost of production."

"There is no doubt but that economy thru the elimination of waste is becoming increasingly important. We must obtain the same refinement in the use of time and materials as we have in the use of machines. To meet the inflow of lower-priced goods from overseas and the keen competition which is developing at home, American business will be obliged to use every method at its disposal to keep down the cost of production."

Mr. Grace in his message goes on to say how peculiarly fortunate it is, that in this struggle between great combines of capital, each trying to cut costs lower than the Dawes slave plan can, the Bethlehem Steel corporation can count upon the "economy and co-operation obtained as a result of the company's plan which gives the employees, thru their committee, representation in the operation of plants."

The Communists have always pointed out that such company unions are for the benefit of the company, and are conflicting to the interests of the workers. Some of the trade union officials pretend to oppose the company unions, but their devotion to class collaboration will either force them to surrender to the company union or to turn the existing unions into organizations for class collaboration undistinguishable from company unions.

Pressure from both classes is increasing swiftly with the contradictions involved in international capitalism, and the labor bureaucracy is therefore seen to be busily engaged in making company unions out of what the rank and file looks to as organs of struggle.

Communist Campaign in Minneapolis

Dan Stevens, Communist, for years one of the most active union men in the Twin Cities, at one time or another having held every responsible post within the gift of the labor movement and now president of Painters' Union 186, is a candidate for mayor of Minneapolis.

He is running on the Communist platform after the efforts of the local party organization to form a united front with the reformists on immediate demands had been sabotaged by the reactionary labor element which, in the last year and a half, has become one of the most out and out boss-ridden groups in the American labor movement.

Minneapolis is an important industrial center and the Communist candidate will have the opportunity of putting the party program before thousands of workers.

The Communists have already won a large following in Minneapolis and St. Paul by their work in the trade unions where they and they alone have kept the reactionaries from disrupting it and turning the fragments over to the employers' association.

The issues in the Minneapolis election are clear-cut. It is a question of the workers' candidate against the capitalists and their tools in and out of the labor movement. The campaign will be carried on in the factories, the unions and on the streets and will result in great gains for the Communist Party in Minneapolis—the largest city between Chicago and the Pacific coast.

The Barbers' Agreement

The officialdom of the local barbers' union is trying to force an arbitration agreement on the membership. If the committee of the union and the master barbers cannot agree a third party is to be called in.

The rank and file barbers should remember the deal handed out by State's Attorney Crowe to the coal teamsters and helpers when he was the third man in an agreement of this kind last winter. The teamsters demanded a raise of \$1.25 and the abolition of the provision that forced them to unload the coal and carry it wherever the purchaser wanted it, in addition to driving their wagons and trucks. Crowe gave them a sixty cent raise and told them to go to hell with the rest of their demands. His word was final.

The real issue for the barbers is a shorter work day. The proposed agreement gives a nominal raise of \$4 per week, but it is no raise at all because most of the barbers are already getting the scale called for in the new agreement. Nothing is said about shorter hours.

International President Shaughnessy and Secretary-Treasurer Fischer are in Chicago, supposedly to take up the union insurance plan, but in reality to help the local officials put over the fake agreement.

The machine element has been making threats of violence against the progressives as part of the plan to prevent any opposition developing at the meeting to be held in Ashland Auditorium Sunday, where Shaughnessy and Fischer will speak.

Whatever is worth having is worth fighting for and the progressives should put their program before Sunday's meeting at all costs. They may be defeated, but they will have shown the membership the difference between a militant program and one of surrender to the bosses.

The Russian Delegation's Record

When the British capitalist press insinuated that the Russian trade union delegation was not working class in makeup the London Daily Herald made a reply that will become historic. Never has the British trade union movement entered into negotiations with a delegation whose record of working class origin, struggle, suffering and sacrifice, compares with that of the Russian delegation.

Not one of the Russian union delegates but began work at an early age, not one of them but spent many years of their lives in the prisons of the czar for revolutionary activity, not one of them but has been in the labor and revolutionary movement all their lives.

None of them has ever accepted a \$150,000 bribe from a biscuit manufacturer, none of them have ever connived at the bombing of Hindu peasants and workers, none of them has ever attended a royal function or been dined by the nobility, but all of them bear the scars of the battles of their class in which they have taken a leading part.

It was because they were workers and not fakers that the British capitalist press attacked them. British labor has answered and more than one British labor faker with middle-class leanings has been forced to blush.

The Los Angeles Elections

The Communists in Los Angeles, a city of a million population, the largest on the Pacific coast and the stronghold of California reaction, like their comrades in Minneapolis, have entered the municipal campaign in earnest.

The news from there is of big meetings, organization of, and demands by the unemployed on the city government, an intensive campaign in the unions, agitation against the open shop.

Our party also has a candidate in the school elections and has issued a splendid statement on education.

These activities indicate a steady and healthy party growth and grasp of the issues on which the masses can be reached.

The Los Angeles Times, prize labor-hating sheet, will now have something more to worry about.

Every day get a "sub" for the DAILY WORKER and a member for the Workers Party.

Communists Active in Los Angeles Election

RANK AND FILE MUST SUPPORT PARTY OF LABOR

Communist Statement to Trade Unionists Says

(Special to The Daily Worker.)

LOS ANGELES, April 24.—The election statement of the Workers (Communist) Party of Los Angeles to the members of organized labor follows:

Once again the members of the trade union movement are called upon by the labor leaders of this city to support candidates for political office.

It is well known that the political policy of "rewarding your so-called friends and punishing your enemies" is a policy of attaching the labor movement to the kite of capitalist politicians who are primarily the representatives of the employing class.

Horn and Cryer in Deal.

The Central Labor Council dominated by the Horn-Buzzell machine, Horn being secretary and Buzzell president of the Central Labor Council, have endorsed Mayor Cryer for re-election. It must be remembered that Cryer appointed Horn to the Civil Service Commission. Horn owes Cryer a political debt, not only for being appointed on the Civil Service Commission, but also because Mayor Cryer's administration, thru his police department, aided John Horn in fighting the progressives in the Los Angeles trade union movement.

Horn Ally of Police.

John Horn and his satellites made an alliance with the police who raided a business meeting of the Trade Union Educational League, an organization whose purpose is to strengthen and unite the labor movement. They arrested some thirty-nine members of organized labor and confiscated all papers, letters and documents, copies of which were turned over to Horn's supporters. The names of those arrested were also turned over to the above named group who immediately started a campaign of expelling a number of those arrested from the Central Labor Council, Metal Trade's Council and carpenters' unions, thereby disrupting and weakening the trade union movement.

Political Trading Revealed.

The issue is clear. Horn and his agents united with Mayor Cryer's police force to eliminate their political opponents in the trade union movement. John Horn is repaying Cryer by betraying organized labor.

The object of supporting capitalist politicians by these so-called labor officials is to receive political jobs and patronage for themselves and their friends.

The rank and file have nothing to gain by supporting Mayor Cryer or any other representatives of the employing class.

Not all of the officials are supporting Cryer. Some officials and particularly E. E. Lampton, secretary of the District Council of Carpenters have endorsed Judge Bledsoe who is a confirmed reactionary. Open-shop-injunction Judge Bledsoe is well known to the workers as an avowed enemy of labor. Any official that will support Bledsoe has more gall than good judgment.

The present labor leaders are consistent in one thing and that is their treachery to the rank and file. They betray the workers on the economic field during strikes by expulsions of progressive members from the trade unions and by fighting the amalgamation of craft unions into industrial unions. On the political field they do likewise by supporting the fifty-seven varieties of capitalist politicians.

Voted For Labor Party.

It is a well known fact that in the last municipal election, held two years ago, the rank and file of organized labor voted to establish a labor party, which was formed at a convention held in the Labor Temple. In spite of the fact that the trade union officials, at a joint executive board meeting which called the convention, agreed to abide by the decision of the convention, they knifed the labor party right after it was formed by endorsing at that time candidates who were supported by the Los Angeles Times.

Only Party of Labor.

It is the duty of the rank and file of organized labor to support the only party of labor, the Workers (Communist) Party and the candidates running in the present municipal election who are endorsed by the Workers (Communist) Party.

The following candidates are en-

Communists Fight for the Schools

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unions of teachers be permitted, that students' and teachers' committees be given control of the schools, that military training be abolished, and race segregation wiped out.

Open air meetings are being held, and thousands of leaflets have been distributed.

The Communist program, indorsed by Levin, follows:

Education for service—Not for profit!

Let the teachers run the schools!

Program of Emanuel Levin, working class candidate for member of board of education in the May municipal elections, 1935, endorsed by the Workers (Communist) Party.

Since the existing school system is one of the institutions used to perpetuate the capitalist system, I, the working class candidate demand that:

Our school system be changed to train and fit the child and youth to be citizens in a society based upon production for use and not for profit; in a society in which the means of production and distribution and natural resources are in the hands of the workers and farmers.

The working class has no voice or influence in shaping the educational policies of our school system. The existing educational system antagonizes the school children against organized labor.

The text books used, the military training and so called "Patriotic Observances" are no more than means to mold the child into an instrument for the interest of the capitalists as against the interests of the working class. This was seen in the world war and in every strike for better conditions in which the workers have been engaged.

The teachers are deprived of their rights to express their views on social and political problems out of fear of losing their positions.

The working class districts are the last in which school improvements are made or new school buildings erected, while the wealthy residential sections are given first consideration.

Buildings are constructed and improvements are made under open shop conditions.

The purchase of school equipment and building construction are controlled by those who are financially interested in the contracts either directly or indirectly.

To realize the benefits the workers should derive from the schools and colleges I propose the following:

Education.

(a) That history text-books used at present in our public schools be thoroughly revised and only such text-books that conform with the established scientific and historical facts be used.

(b) That service to society along the lines of arts and sciences be emphasized as the accomplishment to be sought by our future citizens rather than personal gain and the chase for profits.

(c) Keep religious training and influence out of the schools.

(d) No working class publication should be barred from our school libraries.

(e) Strict enforcement of compulsory school attendance laws.

Essential Prerequisites for Teachers.

Courses in working class history and kindred social sciences should be prerequisites for all teachers.

Teachers' Rights.

Teachers must be permitted to organize in labor unions. No teacher should be expelled for holding beliefs inimical to the present capitalistic system.

Administration.

Management of schools should be vested in committees elected by teachers with representation from the students in the high schools.

Building Construction and Maintenance.

(a) That strictly union labor be employed in all construction of new schools as well as on repairs and maintenance in existing school buildings.

(b) That only union made school equipment and supplies be purchased.

Military Training.

Military training should be abolished as it fosters militarism which is an instrument in the hands of the capitalists to crush the workers in their struggles for emancipation.

Race Segregation.

No segregation or discrimination because of color, race or creed.

The candidate running on the above platform knows that the ruling class will not permit the realization of his demands under the present system of society and therefore pledges himself when elected to work for the establishment of a Communist society.

(Signed) EMANUEL LEVIN, Candidate for Board of Education, Los Angeles, Cal.

COMMUNISTS WAR ON OPEN SHOP IN LOS ANGELES

Non-Union Wages Paid in San Pedro Harbor

By J. STEVENSON (Special to The Daily Worker.)

LOS ANGELES, April 24.—"The open shop must go." This is the opening slogan on the program of Comrade Ed. Harris, the Workers (Communist) Party candidate for councilman in the municipal campaign in progress at San Pedro.

The Harbor district of Los Angeles—San Pedro—is beginning once again to come to life. When the petty bourgeois elements are congratulating themselves that at least these peaky Com-moon-ists have been stamped out, lo and behold, up they come, fresher than ever!

Open Shop Holds Sway

We are hard at work, holding open air meetings, distributing literature, and taking every possible advantage of the respite (so far) from police interference, to reach the workers of this city with the message of Communism.

Since the strike on the waterfront two years ago, the longshore organizations have been losing ground. The I. L. A. has dwindled in membership and is but a skeleton of its former self.

The I. W. W. is non-existent as an organized force and the open shop holds sway; some of the crafts have a semblance of union conditions, particularly in the building trades and also amongst the culinary workers, but this advantage is overcome by the state of disorganization at the vital point, on the waterfront.

Non-Union Wages

The scale of wages paid to mechanics who are municipal employees, is lower than the union rate, yet this is tolerated we suppose under the argument of not putting too heavy a burden on the taxpayers! The oil companies and the shippers are in the same category, less wages and non-recognition of the unions.

Doheny the Scab

It is significant that Mr. Doheny of Teapot Dome renown is having his palatial steam yacht "The Casiana" overhauled by the Los Angeles Shipbuilding corporation, one of the scabiest, lowest paying, labor hating outfits on the Pacific Coast.

These few facts go to show that we have some work ahead, and we feel in good condition for getting in some licks before we are many moons older, hence our slogan "The open shop must go."

Negro Workers Are Drawn Into Campaign of the Communists

(Special to The Daily Worker.)

LOS ANGELES, April 24.—The Workers Party in Los Angeles is swinging into action in the municipal election campaign for May 15. Every available means is being used to get the message of the Communist program over to the workers and to the organized labor movement in this city. Street meetings are held every Tuesday and Saturday nights at Brooklyn and Soto to get behind the candidacy and program of the Workers Party for the city board of education, in the person of Emmanuel Levin, city organizer of the party.

Last Saturday night an enthusiastic parade ended up in a big meeting at this corner, where Comrade Levin told the assembled crowd of the fight that the Communists are waging to organize the exploited workers against the capitalist rule.

The Young Workers' League is actively supporting the campaign with speakers of their own and with Communist literature on the political issues confronting the working class.

Tuesday night, April 21, another street meeting was held at First and Cummings, addressed by Comrades Gorman and Bush, and this meeting was marked by the presence of a delegated body from a Negro workers' organization in the city. Plans are being made to hold other street meetings in the section of the city where large numbers of Negroes live, in an effort to draw the Negro workers to our program and to the struggle against race discrimination especially.

The party is holding open air meetings at Fourth and Beacon streets, at 8 p. m., April 5, 7, 30 and May 2 and 4. These meetings are held in San Pedro, where the Workers Party candidate for District 15 is running. This is a real proletarian district, and to combat the influence of the ku kluxers there, the party is making every effort to reach the workers of San Pedro Harbor.

Saturday night, the Young Workers' League held a street meeting at Fourth and Beacon, San Pedro Harbor, with their own speakers covering the political issues of the campaign. By this ceaseless activity we are getting real contact with the workers.

65,000 Jobless in Los Angeles

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which the bankers pay to the city 2 per cent interest. The bankers, on the other hand, re-loan this tremendous sum to private individuals at 7 per cent interest in this manner deriving a tremendous profit on city funds for their private gains.

Brother Murphy suggested that this immense sum be withdrawn from the banks and used for public improvements, thus relieving the unemployment situation. To this suggestion Mr. Mushet, chairman of the finance committee of the city council, replied that this money cannot be used, as that fund was secured thru city bonds, that the city council has no funds at its disposal for the relief of the unemployed.

Sidney Bush, another member of the committee, representing the representatives of capitalism of Los Angeles, that the problem of unemployment must not be considered a temporary condition. Unemployment is the result of capitalist exploitation of the working class, the wages system. As long as we will have this system, we will have unemployment. This fact the committee representing the city council must realize. The unemployed are those very workers who have helped to produce and create all wealth. And because they produced much and received little for their labor is the reason why these workers are now in distress. Therefore, the unemployed demand that the city provide them with work, at union scale of wages and under union conditions. The workers want no charity, they are able bodied men and women and want work.

Mr. Mushet, the spokesman for the

finance committee replied that the city council has already done a little towards the unemployed situation, and that the money appropriated, (\$5,000) was used in employing those out of work. These were paid union wages.

This statement was repudiated by Brother Murphy who showed that the workers were supposed to receive union wages but when pay day came they found that after paying for transportation and other incidentals the workers, the few of them who were employed, had 25 cents left for four hours work.

Goes Under Adversement

Comrade Queen Silver, warned the capitalist representatives that the unemployed will grow so desperate that they will take things into their own hands when they will find out that the city council refuses to do anything for them. When that time comes, there is no telling what will happen.

The final reply that the committee of the unemployed received was that the council will take the unemployment problem under serious advisement. Mr. Mushet ending the hearing by stating that "Poverty always was, and I suppose always will be with us."

Sixty-five thousand unemployed in the city of Los Angeles. Yet the capitalist thru the chamber of commerce is spending hundreds of thousands of dollars in advertisements all over the country for more workers to come to "sunny California," where the "open shoppers" rule supreme, where jobs are scarce, wages low and the hours long. California is a paradise for the "open shoppers" but, a hell for workers.

KLAN ORGANIZER WHO DESERTED FAMILY OF 5 JAILED FOR ABDUCTION

JOHNSTOWN, N. Y., April 24.

Hugh Knowles, ku klux klan organizer of Northville, will be brought here to stand trial for abduction. Knowles was arrested in Buffalo, after a search lasting ten days, during which he had been missing.

With him in the Buffalo rooming house, when arrested, was Cora Reynolds, 15 year old daughter of a neighbor, who fled with the klan organizer. Knowles has a wife and four children, whom he left without support in order to take the girl to Buffalo.

Talk it up—your shopmate will subscribe!

400 Clothing Workers Strike in Boston

BOSTON, Mass., April 24.—Four hundred clothing workers have been called on strike by the Amalgamated Clothing Workers' Union from the Trimount Clothing Co. shops because the company, say union representatives, violated the agreement.