

Current Events

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U. S. JOINS BLOC TO MAKE WAR ON CHINA

UNION OF ROBBER NATIONS MENACE TO SOVIET UNION

Pravda, Ivestia Point to Guilt of England

See Raid on Embassy as Effort to Stampede

SHANGHAI, April 8.—The British Supreme Court here has sentenced three Indians to eighteen months of hard labor and deportation on charges of disseminating propaganda among the British troops.

PARIS, April 8.—The United States Great Britain, France, Japan and Italy will send a joint note to the Nationalist government protesting against the Nanking "outrages", according to the French foreign office. Because the imperialist powers have recognized only the Peking "government", a copy will also be sent to Peking.

Those in touch with the situation believe that Great Britain has definitely aligned the United States in making war on the Chinese Nationalist movement and the Soviet Union.

Soviet Union Cautious. MOSCOW, April 8.—The Soviet Union government is proceeding with due caution and does not intend to be provoked into precipitate action by the raids on the Soviet legation in Peking, according to statements today by the official press.

Charges are openly made by Pravda, official newspaper, that the raids in Peking were instigated by the British, and similar charges are made by Ivestia, another official newspaper.

Try To Provoke Russia. "This is a crime that borders on madness," said Ivestia, "a conspiracy that is nothing more than a desperate effort to provoke Russia to take a step that would untie the hands of the foreign powers for open intervention in China, but the Soviet Union has given several examples of having stronger nerves than those who try to provoke panic. It is useless to protest to Chang Tso Lin. This representative of reaction is unable or unready to be held responsible for his own acts. However we announce our protest against those who inspired 'hang to this crime."

Seek Instigators. "Public opinion in the Soviet Union won't forgive this raid. We reserve to ourselves the right to repeat this protest again when we establish the real address to which the protest may be sent. We won't fall for this provocation. When we get the complete (Continued on Page Three)

Americans Smuggle Opium Into China; Escape Punishment

LONDON, April 8.—A former United States District Attorney, Leonard Husar, and other prominent Americans in Shanghai are involved in an opium smuggling scandal, and exert influence powerful enough to throttle action in congress, according to the Manchester Guardian of March 20. Husar has been indicted on the charge that he destroyed evidence.

About a year ago an American citizen, by the name of Woodward, was charged in the Consular court at Bushire, Persia, with smuggling opium from Persia into China. He was found guilty and gave bond that in the future he would desist from opium traffic.

Destroys Evidence. Woodward returned to Shanghai, and shortly afterwards the Consulate at Bushire was closed. The papers relating to the Woodward case went to Shanghai.

Leonard Husar, then American District Attorney, requested authority to look over the papers, which were given him and for which he gave a receipt.

When, some months ago, Husar's term expired, it was discovered that the Woodward case papers were missing. Meanwhile information has been filed against Husar in the Shanghai court, and he is said to be at liberty on \$15,000 bail.

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Labor Rallies to Save Sacco and Vanzetti

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ENGLAND



Smash the War Plot Hatched by Wall Street Government!

Wall Street government is driving this country to war. It is lying to the American masses. In Washington it denies joint action with other imperialist nations in China.

In China its diplomats, admirals and generals are acting jointly with the enemies of the Chinese liberation movement and the Soviet Union.

Wall Street government is following the classic method of imperialism—it is talking peace and making war.

Its policy is a WAR POLICY.

Its acts speak louder than its words.

The bombardment of Nanking in conjunction with Great Britain, now shown by such cables as that to the New York Nation to have been an act of murderous and unprovoked barbarism, the raids on the Soviet embassies in Peking and Tientsin, plotted and inspired at a joint meeting held in the American headquarters, the besieging of the Soviet consulate in Shanghai by the murderous offshoots of Kolchak's and Semenov's counter-revolutionary bandit bands acting under allied imperialist auspices, the continual dispatch of American troops to China, the fact that the navy is being placed on a war basis, the joint occupation of Shanghai, Tientsin, Peking, joint action of American and British troops in the Hongkong area, the bloodthirsty tone of the American imperialist press—all this spells but one word—WAR.

Only fools can come to any other conclusion. It is because Wall Street and its government believes that the American masses are fools that it has as yet taken no drastic measures at home to suppress protest against its bloody plan in the Far East.

Let us be clear as to the issues involved.

American imperialism, jointly with other powers, is making war upon the Chinese workers and peasants who are fighting to free themselves from imperialist oppression, militarism and a semi-feudal system which grind them into the mud. It is ready to make peace with Chinese capitalists but it turns its guns upon the trade union and peasant organizations.

Great Britain has organized the fascist governments of Italy, Poland, Hungary, Rumania, etc., against the Soviet Union. In the Far East another front of imperialism has been set up.

Peking, Shanghai, Tientsin, Hongkong are other cities that are occupied by imperialist troops acting jointly. War fleets of the imperialist powers patrol the Chinese coast and the rivers far into the interior of China.

Kellogg and Coolidge lie when they say there is no joint action with Great Britain and the other powers.

American workers and farmers must either call a halt on the murderous conspiracy hatched in the interest of this band of world robbers or find themselves chained as in 1917 to the gory chariot of the god of war.

Let Wall Street and its war mongers know that they cannot make murderers of the American masses.

Rally to the defense of the workers and peasants of China and the Soviet Union.

Smash the war plot of Wall Street and its government.

Join with the rest of the world's working class in a mighty protest which will make itself heard in the capital of every imperialist nation.

Hands Off China!

Hands Off the Soviet Union!

Withdraw all armed forces from China!

Build the United Front of the working masses against the war front of imperialism's murder bands!

DEMAND GROWS THAT KELLOGG LEAVE THE GOV'T

Mexican Scandal Breaks Over Administration

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Secretary of State Kellogg and his underlings in the State Department are stunned by revelations relating to the intrigue of this government in Mexico. It is now clear that the Calles government in Mexico is familiar with some of the secret documents relating to preparations for military invasion of this country in Mexico.

Just how the documents came into Calles' possession is a mystery, but when the record of the Harding-Coolidge regime is recalled it is not at all surprising. From the day it came into power in 1921 its record has been one long sordid story of graft and corruption. Doherty, Deby, Fall, young Roosevelt and the other luminaries of the early days of "revelry," have been replaced by those who have learned caution from their predecessors' experience, but no one here doubts that the same old game is being played. It is not unlikely that some of the oil interests in Mexico revealed the military plans and secrets of this country toward Mexico, with which they are familiar, in order to terrorize the Calles government into ignoring its own land laws.

Now that the conspiracies of the state department are known to the Mexican government, Kellogg and his staff are trying to evade the just denunciation that is their due by charging that some of the more damning documents that reveal the imperialist policy of the United States are forgeries.

It appears, from the information at hand, that the state department is hard put to get out of the fix they find themselves in because Calles, instead of yielding to their bluff, called it and exposed them.

A number of congressmen and senators still here, when they speak of the matter at all, express the opinion that there is nothing further for Kellogg to do but resign before the storm breaks over his head and sweeps him from the state department, to take his place with the other oily statesman who have gone into the discard because their game was up.

Fur Worker Win 40 Hour Week NORTH BERGEN, N. J., April 8.—The forty hour week was won by fifty members of the Fur Workers' Union here after a two day strike. They are employed by the Alaska Chemical

FROM SUPREME COURT OF CAPITAL TO SUPREME COURT OF THE MASSES

Appeal for Unity, Solidarity in Fight for Lives of Sacco and Vanzetti

Statement Issued by James P. Cannon, Secretary International Labor Defense

CHICAGO, April 8.—The International Labor Defense, thru its secretary, James P. Cannon, has issued a statement on the Sacco-Vanzetti state supreme court decision, pointing out that no one but a fool would expect other action from the courts of the textile barons of Massachusetts, and appealing from that judgment to the judgment of the masses of the workers. The statement says:

"The black robed judges of the Supreme Court of Massachusetts have pronounced the doom of Sacco and Vanzetti. Evidence of frameup and conspiracy was piled high enough for the whole world to see, but the judges would not look at it. The New England hourbons want the blood of innocent men. This was decided from the first, only fools expected otherwise. Only fools put faith in the courts of the enemy.

"It is all planned and decided. Some day soon the two Italian workers will be taken into the Dedham Courtroom, where they were falsely convicted of murder six years ago this summer, and there sentenced by Judge Webster Thayer of the Superior Court to die in the electric chair at Charlestown for the crime of rebellion against the capitalists.

"They will take them from their cells and strap them securely in the chair, they will turn on the switch with the hope that when the deadly electric current burns and sears the warm flesh of the two rebel workmen, there will also be consumed within those flames the cause they symbolize.

"So they have decreed, and so they hope. But the game is not over, there is another power yet to be considered. There is a higher court than that of the solemn robes who decreed the death of Sacco and Vanzetti. The laboring masses of America and the world have faith in Sacco and Vanzetti. It is time now to appeal finally to the masses. It is time for the workers to say their word.

"Such slender legal resources as yet remain must be utilized. This goes without saying, but the real hope for Sacco and Vanzetti must now be placed in the protest movement of the workers. Only the united protest movement of the workers can save Sacco and Vanzetti from the hands of the executioners.

"The defense of Sacco and Vanzetti is an issue of the class struggle. They are not criminals but the symbols and standard bearers of the millions (Continued on Page Two)

MINERS ASSEMBLE FORCES TO STOP LATEST SCABBING

Avesta Coal Company in Open Shop Attempt

PITTSBURGH, Pa., April 8.—Progressives in the United Mine Workers of America are now calling upon the rest of the miners in that union to rally their forces immediately and rush more organizers and active unionists into the non-union territory, to offset the attack made on them by the Vesta Coal Co., which has just gone non-union.

Steel Tributary. The Vesta Coal Company supplies the Jones and Laughlin Steel Corporation with bituminous coal. Joseph Edwards, general superintendent, in making his announcement, estimated that 3,000 would be affected, that number normally is employed in the Vesta mines.

Earlier in the bituminous suspension, the Pittsburgh Terminal Coal Corporation, one of the largest in western Pennsylvania announced it would operate with non-union miners after signing with the union for years. (By Worker Correspondent). Demonstrate For Union. AVELLA, Pa., April 8.—Rain and continued threatening weather could not prevent the mass demonstration arranged by the local unions of the U. M. W. of A. to celebrate the establishment of the eight-hour day for the miners, and to unveil a monument to the memory of the five members of the U. M. W. of A. that were (Continued on Page Two)

"AS ONE UNIONIST TO ANOTHER" WOLL ACTED AS SPY, TRIAL SHOWS

A. F. of L. "Investigators" Tried to Bully Fur Leaders Into Police Bribe Admissions

"We never gave any money to the police, and we never told Matthew Woll, or anyone else, that we gave money to the police. Ever since the fifth week of our strike the reactionary leaders of the International Fur Workers' Union and the American Federation of Labor had been plotting to frame up the Joint Board leaders whom the workers elected and support.

Frame-Up To Get Leadership.

"They thought if they charged us with graft they could railroad us to jail. This report, with its statements about bribery of the police, was made by Woll, McGrady and the others to injure us and help them to steal the leadership of the union."

This was the testimony of Isadore Shapiro, chairman of the New York Joint Board of the Furriers' Union and head of the Law Committee during last year's strike, who appeared yesterday before Magistrate Joseph E. Corrigan in the Criminal Courts building to answer questions concerning the alleged bribery of the police which was charged in the report of the A. F. of L. investigating committee.

Samuel Mencher, chairman of the Strike Picket Committee, another witness, also denied that he had told the investigating committee he was responsible for bribing policemen, and declared: "They made that all up because they had failed in getting the strike

French Die-Hards Try To Prosecute Doriot For Aid to Chinese

PARIS, April 8.—Fearing a revolt in Indo-China, French reactionaries are urging the criminal prosecution of Jacques Doriot, Communist member of the Chamber of Deputies.

An attempt will be made to prosecute Doriot before his return from China. It is alleged that Doriot has encouraged a sympathetic revolt in French Indo-China.

TELL YOUR AGENT

If your insurance agent is one of those glib-tongued fellows who leaves you exhausted but unconvinced, ask him to read THE DAILY WORKER Insurance Exposé. Begins Monday, April 11th, and daily thereafter.

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