

## THOUSANDS GREET GASTONIA WOMEN DEFENDANTS

### MASS ARRESTS OF SOVIET WORKERS ON CHINESE EASTERN R.W. LATEST NANKING ATTEMPT TO ANNOY USSR

Two Hundred Thrown Into Chinese Jails on Charge of Planning General Strike  
Report Nanking Troops Attack Soviet Border Patrol; 2 Chinese Killed

HARBIN, Manchuria, Aug. 12.—Today's events in the imperialist drive against the Soviet Union by way of the Chinese Eastern Railroad were featured by the arrest of 200 Soviet workers employed by the railway and the proclamation of martial law along the line.

The Soviet citizens are held in jail, charged with planning to start a general strike of workers on the railroad.

Nanking authorities assert that the proclamation of martial law is the answer to the derailment of a freight train west of this city recently and that acts of sabotage have been frequent on the line.

It is pointed out, however, that the derailment is the result of the general disorganization of the railroad which followed its taking over by the Chinese authorities.

Report Chinese Attack.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 12.—Unconfirmed reports from a Japanese news agency today state that two Chinese soldiers have been killed and many wounded and secretly conveyed to hospitals following a border clash between Chinese and Red Army patrols. The engagement is said to have taken place in the neighborhood of Manchuli.

It is believed that if the report is correct the engagement resembled the recent attack by white guards on a Red Army detachment near Tcherniavsk, where two Red soldiers were killed.

TOKIO, Japan, Aug. 12.—Foreign Minister Kijuro Shidehara is today reported to be offering to "mediate" the Japanese seizure of the Chinese Eastern Railroad. The Japanese have special interests in Manchuria, notably the Manchurian Southern Railroad, and the move is regarded as another phase of the imperialist attempt to take over the Chinese Eastern under the guise of "mediation."

### PARIS WORKERS FIGHT FASCISTS

Police Withhold All Details of Battle

PARIS, Aug. 12.—Following three struggles between workers and Communists against men who are described as government-hired fascists or "greens," heavy detachments of police were standing guard over the Paris catacombs today.

Details of the fighting, which took place in the pitch darkness of the catacombs at the point where subway construction is going on, are not yet available and the authorities refuse all information. There is an unconfirmed report, however, that the struggle began between Communist workers and fascists whom the government attempted to put on the job.

Three fierce clashes, in which revolvers, picks and shovels served as weapons, took place during the day. Many of the workers and their opponents are reported to have been wounded and the police are holding an unknown number for the outbreak. No official information is being given out.

The first outbreak occurred on the construction job and continued until the police attack drove the workers along the catacombs.

A half hour later a second disturbance broke out and the police, who were now stationed in the vicinity in large numbers, poured into the subway excavation and spread through the catacombs shooting and beating the Communist workers.

The third attack was begun by a fascist, who fired point blank with his revolver at a worker who was creeping through the catacomb, apparently to escape.

Again the police attacked and made many arrests.

### MOTORCYCLIST KILLED

SOUTH AMBOY, N. J., Aug. 12.—Howard Krause, 22, of Brooklyn, was thrown 100 feet to his death today when his motorcycle skidded as he crossed the viaduct over the Pennsylvania track near here.

### WAVE OF ARRESTS AND TERROR SWEEPS LAND

HUNDREDS of Communists and other workers were arrested and thrown into jail in the United States during the August First demonstrations against imperialist war and for the defense of the Soviet Union. In spite of this the demonstrations, for the most part, were held in defiance of the police.

One fact of tremendous significance for the working class of America emerges from the August First demonstrations—the one force that leads a militant struggle for the right to demonstrate in the streets is the Communist Party. This fact is known to hundreds of thousands of workers and goads the capitalist government, its police and its courts to new excesses against every attempt of the workers to strengthen our fighting organizations.

Since August First there have been wholesale arrests. On Sunday the T. U. E. L. hall in Kansas City was raided because a conference was held to select delegates to the Cleveland conference for Trade Union Unity. In Ashley, Pennsylvania, the T. U. E. L. meeting was raided and the leaders of the miners in that region thrown in jail. In Minneapolis, hoodlums from the Citizens' Military Training Camp attacked and disrupted a Communist meeting. Every day sees arrests of workers in New York for holding street meetings. In California many workers are charged with criminal syndicalism and face long prison sentences because they organized revolutionary demonstrations. Every day workers are shot by police, murderously assaulted by thugs of the bosses and the right wing.

These desperate attacks are made because the employers fear the growing militancy of the working class. They fear the rising prestige of the Communist Party, they fear the convening of the Trade Union Unity conference at Cleveland on the 31st of this month, because they know there will be created a coordinating center for the new militant unions, the factory committees and the left elements in the old unions. At such a time of sharpening class struggle it is essential that the Daily Worker continue to exist in order that workers may know what is happening in the United States and the world over and in order that they may be able to benefit from the guidance of such a revolutionary publication.

But at this time, when the Daily is needed more than ever, we can truthfully state that we do not know from day to day whether we will be able to avoid suspension. This serious situation is not only a great danger to the whole working class but it makes it doubly difficult to raise the standard of the Daily so that it can actually reflect and furnish a lead in the struggles of the workers.

Every revolutionary worker, every reader of our paper, every sympathizer should rush funds at once to the Daily Worker, 26 Union Square, to aid us in this trying period.

### Reveal I. L. G. W. Made Secret Agreement on Minimum Scale

Shop Chairmen Meet Tomorrow; Jail 8 Boston Pickets; Governor Names Strikebreakers

A "supplementary agreement" by which cloak bosses can regularly pay workers far below the scale, and made by the Schlesinger gang in the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, has just been discovered.

From authoritative sources it is learned that by the simple device of informing the bosses' association, an employer can make an arrangement with a worker by which the so-called scale is given the air.

Further Exposés. Frankly, when a worker comes to the Schlesinger "union" with the complaint that wages below the minimum scale are paid in a certain shop, this complaint is first relayed to the office of the association. Here the records are examined; if it is found that the boss of the shop complained of reported the "special arrangement" at the time it was made, then, according to the supplementary agreement, nothing further is done.

The revelation of the "supplementary agreement" has tended to (Continued on Page Five)

### 4 Are Killed, 4 Hurt In Train-Auto Crash

FRANKFORT, Ind., Aug. 12.—Four persons were killed and four others injured, perhaps fatally, when a Nickel Plate passenger train struck a touring car at a crossing near here today. The victims were said to have been members of the same family. View of the tracks where the accident occurred is obscured by a house alongside of the tracks.

### COMPROMISE LATHERS STRIKE.

PHILADELPHIA (By Mail).—Four hundred union lathers struck here for an increase in wages, but officials compromised the strike.

### TRAIN SNOWBOUND.

SANTIAGO, Chile, Aug. 12.—A trans-Andean passenger train which had been snowbound in the mountains near Los Andes for three days was released today, a message from Los Andes said and was expected to arrive at Santiago tonight.

### LABOUR PARTY LEADS TEXTILE STRIKE SELLOUT

MacDonald and Bosses Perfect Plans to Smash Walkout

Strikers Stand Firm  
Gastonia Workers Hail British Strike

GASTONIA, N. C., Aug. 12.—Hailing the determined fight of 500,000 British textile strikers against the mill owners and the treacherous strikebreaking policies of the MacDonald Labor Party government, the southern textile workers today sent them the following greetings:

"The Southern textile workers under the leadership of the National Textile Workers Union, in their struggle against the attempt to elect 13 of our members who defended themselves from the bosses' armed attack and who are fighting to better their conditions, send greetings to the rank and file textile workers who have voted down the leaders attempt to put over a wage reduction and defeat the strike.

"The textile workers," they write continues, "must intensify their fight against the combined forces of the textile bosses, their MacDonald Government, and the reformist leadership who betrayed the workers in the general strike."

MANCHESTER, England, Aug. 12.—The labor party government neared its object of smashing the walkout of 500,000 textile workers when, after a secret conference between Premier Ramsay MacDonald, Sir Horace Wilson, permanent secretary to the ministry of labor, and a number of leading mill owners at Edinburgh, it was made known that an endeavor would be made to open the mills "pending arbitration." Meanwhile a private understanding (Continued on Page Five)

### SAXON WORKERS HAIL GASTONIA

Send Protest to U. S. Embassy

A message of class solidarity for the brave textile strikers of Gastonia and a copy of a resolution protesting the murder frame-up in Gastonia has been received from the East Saxon, Germany, Anti-War Committee Conference, which was held recently in Dresden, by the National Office of the International Labor Defense.

The conference, which had for its chief purpose the preparation for International Red Day on August 1, was attended by 125 delegates from large factories and mass organizations in East Saxony. The letter, forwarded thru the German Rote Hilfe (I.L.D.) and which accompanied the greetings and a copy of (Continued on Page Two)

### LATHER SLUGGED IN JOB STAMPEDE

Scabs Hired by Union Chief for Cash

One worker was slugged when police were called out to disperse a crowd of 200 lathers who yesterday morning answered a call for a job at the contracting firm of Kaufman and Levine, 68th St. and 19th Ave., Brooklyn. The worker, Meyer Bagelman, was taken home after he was treated by a doctor.

Only 10 men were actually required on the job, but so great is the unemployment among the lathers that they flocked to the place in answer to the request for workers.

This event comes on the heels of the revelations made at the last meeting of the lathers that one of the high officials of the union, Willie Cohen, had received checks amounting to thousands from members' bosses—members of the bosses' association. Several of these checks, made out by Holzman, Schwartz and other bosses, and bearing the endorsement of Cohen, were put in evidence at the meeting.

These two events have completely aroused the membership and have put the men in a fighting mood.

### SEAMEN ELECTED FOR CONFERENCE

Unity Meeting in Cleveland to be Held August 31

Chester Seamen Elect  
Miners Preparing for Cleveland Meet

BALTIMORE, Md., Aug. 12.—Ten delegates, including two Negro marine workers, were elected to attend the Atlantic Coast Conference at the Baltimore local conference of the Marine Workers League held here on Saturday.

The Atlantic Coast Conference will be held on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 17 and 18 at the International Seamen's Club, 28 South St., New York.

Delegates to the Trade Union Unity Convention will be elected at the New York conference. Seamen will thus take an active part in the formation of the new militant trade union center which will be organized in Cleveland, Aug. 31-Sept. 2.

CHESTER, Pa., Aug. 12.—Delegates to the Atlantic Coast Conference to be held at the International Seamen's Club, 28 South St., New York, next Saturday and Sunday will be selected by the Chester branch of the Marine Workers League at a meeting tomorrow night at the Progressive Workers Center, 120 West Third St.

Organization Needed. "Today the mass of the seamen are unorganized," the call for the Chester conference says, "and as a result conditions are becoming more miserable every day. The International Seamen's Union, with its ob- (Continued on Page Two)

### SECOND T. U. E. L. MEET AUGUST 20

Many Delegates to Big Conference

Thousands of organized and unorganized workers in New York, New Jersey and vicinity will be represented at the Second Metropolitan Area Conference to be held next Tuesday, Aug. 20, at Irving Plaza Hall, 15th St. and Irving Pl.

Delegates at the conference, which will, in turn, choose representatives to the Cleveland convention, will include food, building trades, needle trades, printing, metal and other workers. Workers from basic industries in New Jersey will be represented and take part in the program of the conference.

The conference will discuss the latest development in the labor movement in New York, New Jersey and throughout the country. It will be its task to mobilize broad masses for the struggle against imperialist war preparations, in defense of the Soviet Union, to defend the Gastonia frame-up victims, to organize the unorganized, to fight against the A. F. of L. bureaucracy and the Muste group of misleaders.

Workers are urged to organize shop committees and elect delegates to the conference. The basis of representation is as follows: From local ones—one delegate and one additional delegate for every 100 members; from shop committees in organized and unorganized shops—one delegate each; from Joint Boards—four delegates.

### Barbusse Tells of War, White Terror in "I Saw It Myself"

Daily Worker to Begin Publishing Remarkable Class War Document Soon

"I Saw It Myself." Such is the laconic title given by Henri Barbusse, world-famous French Communist writer, to the remarkable new book of class-war sketches based on his personal experiences and investigations. And "I saw it myself" will be the feeling of the readers of the Daily Worker when they finish reading these graphic sketches of war and

### SCHECHTER AND BUSH SPEAK FOR DEFENDANTS FACING ELECTROCUTION

Melvin and Delegation to Invade N. C. Federation Convention Today

To Contrast Militant Program of NTWU With UTW Collaboration, Betrayals

### OPEN UNION LOT CALL FOR MASS IN KINGS' MT. DEMONSTRATION

By LISTON M. OAK.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Aug. 12.—A delegation of Sophie Melvin, C. W. Saylor and Dewey Martin left here this morning for Raleigh, N. C., to attend the convention of the State Federation of Labor. They will demand support for the 23 Gastonia defendants and contrast the program of the National Textile Workers' Union with that of the reactionary United Textile Workers' leadership.

The delegation, representing the International Labor Defense and the National Textile Workers' Union, will tell the convention that the fundamental issues involved are the right of workers to organize, strike and defend themselves against attacks. The delegation representing the left wing union will challenge the leadership of the U. T. W., comparing their program of class collaboration and betrayal with the militant class struggle program of the N. T. W. U.

The convention was characterized at the N. T. W. U. headquarters as a rallying center in the ranks of the working class for the agents of the mill owners, to initiate a drive against the left wing unions and the Communists, and against the movement of revolt among the Southern textile workers. The delegation will expose the Muste Group, represented by Hoffman, as working in co-operation with the reactionary bureaucrats of the A. F. of L.

### MACDONALD GETS MORGAN ORDERS

J. P. Directs Fight on Britain at Hague

THE HAGUE, Aug. 12.—It was learned here today that Premier Ramsay MacDonald and Thomas W. Lamont, Morgan partner and American delegate to the Young Plan Conference, acted upon the suggestion of J. P. Morgan when they met in England and discussed the situation at the end of last week.

MacDonald conferred with Lamont, and the governor of the Bank of England, Montague Norman, last Saturday and gave as the subject of their conference the technical aspects of establishing the international reparations bank of the Young Plan. It is obvious now, however, that their conference covered a much wider field.

Meanwhile persistent rumors that J. P. Morgan had arrived here secretly and dined last night with the British treasury expert at the International Conference here, F. W. Leith Rose, continued to be emphatically denied. Nevertheless, it is certain that Morgan, who has until recently been shooting grouse in Scotland, has communicated privately to the Hague that it is his desire that two sub-committees be established to study separately deliv- (Continued on Page Five)

### 3 COMMUNISTS ON TRIAL AUGUST 19

"Arrest Shows Growth of Party in Harlem"

Trials of Harold Williams, Negro Director of the New York District of the Communist Party; Albert Weisbord and Albert Glosford was yesterday postponed till next Monday by Magistrate Flood, who heard charges of "blocking traffic" in connection with the arrest of the three at an election rally of the Party at 138th St. and Seventh Ave. Saturday night. They were held until Sunday mid-day before the New York District of the International Labor Defense was able to arrange bail at \$100 each. I. L. D. Lawyer Jacques Buitenkant will defend at (Continued on Page Five)

white terror which will soon begin their exclusive serial publication in the "Daily." These tales have on them the flesh of reality. Once read, they can never be forgotten. "I Saw It Myself" is divided into three parts: "The War," "The White Terror" and "The Rest." These sketches are fact, not fiction. All are based either on the authors own (Continued on Page Five)

# N. C. FEDERATION MEET OPENS IN RALEIGH TO-DAY

## "Shotgun Wedding" of Labor's Enemies

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secretary of the United States treasury, head of the aluminum trust whose largest plant is in North Carolina, is the dictator of the water power trust which has just announced, after clinching its control of all available power sites, an additional \$125,000,000 development that will turn dozens of square miles of countryside into an island sea and necessitate the destruction of a half-dozen towns.

**Boosts UTW**  
The Raleigh convention will be an industrialization convention in every sense of the word.  
Yesterday's Raleigh News and Observer says:

"The major topic of discussion at the convention is expected to be the move of the United Textile Workers, affiliated with the American Federation of Labor and opposed to the Communist National Textile Workers, to organize the textile workers of the South. Alfred Hoffman, organizer for the United, who is in charge of the strike in Marion, will be present, bringing with him a delegation of the striking unit there."

"At a recent meeting of the Piedmont Organizing Council, held in Raleigh, labor leaders from all over the State expressed the belief that the federation convention would be one of the most important held in years. They based their belief on the ground that the South now stands at the beginning of an unprecedented campaign toward organization."

**Conceal Real Issues**  
The Southern Journalists, as the above quotation shows, are rapidly developing the faculty of concealing real issues by the use of the formal factual method—a further proof that the Raleigh convention is an industrialization convention and that, in spite of the pride of craftsmanship still noticeable in many Southern journalists, they are now part of the propaganda machinery of the new Southern capitalist class.

Nothing could be more false than the statement in the above extract which says that "the major topic of discussion at the convention is expected to be the move of the United Textile Workers, affiliated to the American Federation of Labor . . . to organize the textile workers of the South." This statement is calculated to fool further the rank and file delegates who believe this to be the purpose of the convention, and to fool the masses of unorganized workers in the textile and other industries.

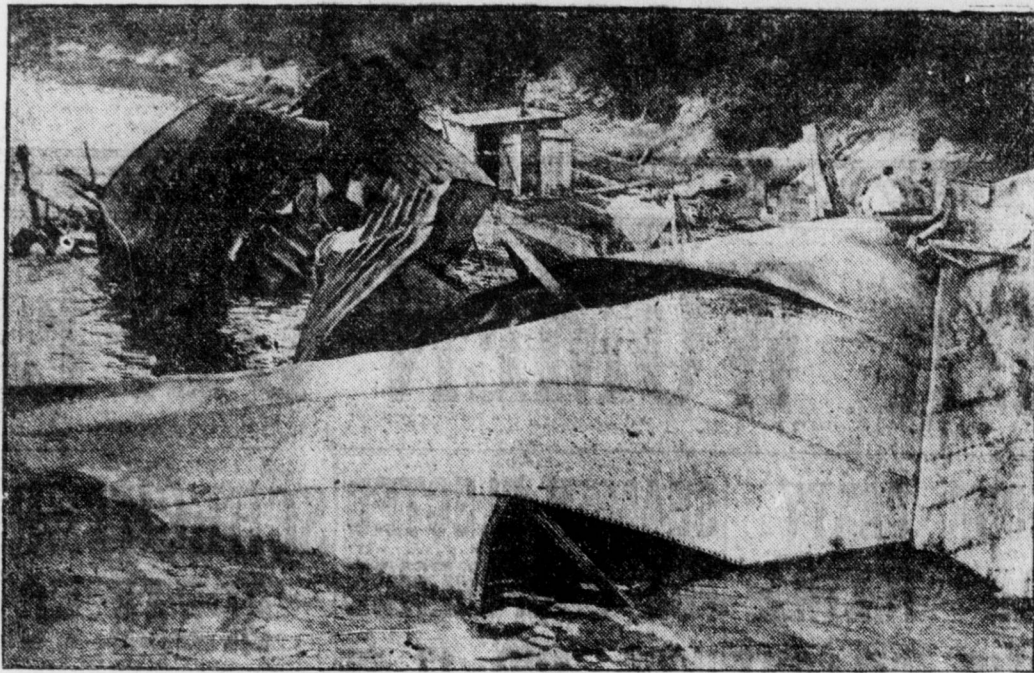
**Caucus With Authorities**  
The main topic of discussion in the corridors and lobby rooms of the Hall of the House of Representatives—where the convention is meeting—where McGraw, "the trusted personal representative" of President Green of the A. F. of L., will caucus with the state government officials and state federation leaders over bottles of "corn lickah" will be how to prevent the organization of the workers and how best to utilize Hoffman of the Muste group and the UTW for this purpose.

**Mellon's Blessing**  
The Raleigh convention is in the nature of a wedding—a marital union between the bureaucrats of the North and South. This union will have the blessing of Andrew Mellon and his class brothers—the capitalists of both North and South. It is, to carry the metaphor a little farther, in the nature of a "shotgun wedding"—a well known Southern institution. The bride, in this case the rather feeble Southern trade union bureaucracy, is facing a situation which is a scandal in the best bureaucratic circles. The working class which is supposed to shield from seduction and whose political purity it is supposed to guard, has left the old homestead under circumstances which bring tears of mingled sorrow and wrath from the eyes of its self appointed guardians.

**Industrialization**—that handsome young enemy of the conservatism among workers—has been meeting the labor movement at the mill gates—and in the homes of the workers. The Southern working class is pregnant with the urge for militant struggle against the very class it has been taught by the bureaucrats to revere as its benefactor—the capitalists, those holy givers of jobs whose preachers said that untiring industry—represented by the eleven and twelve hour day—and meekness, represented by the uncomplaining acceptance of an average wage of \$12 per week—entitled workers manifest—those cardinal virtues dinned into the ears of the toilers in a capitalist society, to the blessed privileges of roaming beyond the stars, wrapped in eternal bliss, contented and carefree—after they are dead.

**Bosses Use AFL**  
The strike struggle in Gaston county, led by the National Textile Workers Union, in the very heart of the cotton spinning industry of the South, the battle at the NTWU headquarters on the night of June 7 where the organizers and members defended themselves against a murderous attack by the mercenaries of the mill owners, the attempt to railroad 23 members and organizers of the NTWU to the electric chair, the mass support given these workers by their fellow workers of the entire

### Where Oil Barge Blast Killed Six Workers



Wreckage of a heavily loaded oil barge which exploded in the Ohio River near Kosmodale, Ky. Six workers were killed. "Official investigators" will clear the barge owners with a "cause unknown" verdict.

South, the militancy and determination with which the NTWU has continued and extended its organization campaign, the representative character of the Bessemer City textile workers conference, the splendid response to the call for the Charlotte conference and its program for a sweeping mass movement of organization and struggle for the 8-hour day, against the stretch-out system throughout the South—all these developments, occurring in the short space of six months, have convinced the capitalist class of the South that just as it learned about industrialization from its Northern kinsmen, so must it learn to use against the Southern proletariat industrialization has brought into being, the same weapons used by its class brothers-in-arms.

The use of traitors in the ranks of the enemy is a recognized military necessity. In all struggles traitors appear and are used—and no where more than in the class struggle. The class struggle has burst upon the new ruling class of the South suddenly and found it unprepared, with a speed intended to make up for its past carelessness. Southern capitalism, represented by the Southern trade union bureaucracy, has prepared in Raleigh a rousing welcome for the trusted traitors in the ranks of the American workers, traitors whose qualifications for the role they play have been vouched for by discriminating patrons—Andrew Mellon, for instance.

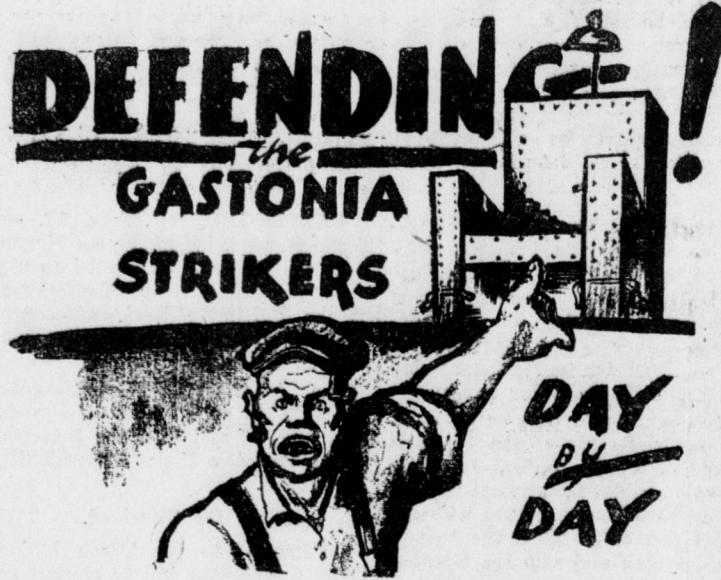
**All Set.**  
The wedding will take place. Formally it has already taken place. It needs only to be consummated. The feeble bride must be strengthened for the ordeal. Her spirits must be raised and her anemic form made beautiful for the bridegroom. So there will be wine, and trumpeters, and flowers at the wedding feast, and gay garments aplenty. There will also be rewards for the lesser servitors and promises of still greater rewards for those who will wear proudly the shameful livery of the new capitalism's lackeys.

**The marriage covenant?**  
It reads as follows:  
1. The convention is to be the rallying center for the mobilization of all agents of the textile mill owners—and their allies—in the ranks of the Southern working class. It is to initiate a movement, not for the organization of the textile workers but against their organization. The convention is to lay the basis for an intensive drive against the N. T. W. U. and the Communists which is to be the first step in a campaign designed to throttle the whole movement of the working class revolt in the South.

**Try Strengthen U. T. W.**  
2. The convention, in connection with the above main line, is making every effort to strengthen the U. T. W. in North Carolina, and consequently throughout the South, so that it can become a more effective weapon in the hands of the mill owners.  
3. The convention will attempt to organize an immediate offensive against the N. T. W. U., as the leader of the struggle in the stronghold of the cotton spinning industry, in connection with the coming trial for the murder of 13 members and organizers of the N. T. W. U., and in connection with the mass convention of textile workers from all over the South which is to meet October 12-13.

4. The convention is to endorse the closer working of the state federation officials with the executive council of the A. F. of L. and to agree that the state federation will hereafter follow closely the program and instructions of this agency of Wall Street in the labor movement.

**Muste Satellite.**  
5. The Muste group—His Mellon Majesty Green's loyal opposition—represented in the convention by Hoffman, is to refrain from open criticism of the "apathy" of the A. F. of L. leadership and to endorse the "management-cooperation" speed up system, denounce the Communists and the N. T. W. U. and thereby cleanse itself of any lingering suspicion that it has any hesitation about taking up an openly strike breaking role. (Capitalists are cautious folk. Why they should have any doubts about the trustworthiness of these most valuable recruits is hard to understand after the betrayals in Elizabethton and Ware Shoals. Perhaps they are suspicious, not of intentions, but of ability.)  
But the trumpeters will have to blow stentorian blasts. Perhaps



Manville-Jenckes at Pawtucket, R. I. to Hear Bush and Schechter.

Workers at Manville-Jenckes, of Pawtucket, R. I., the parent plant of the Loray mill in Gastonia, will hear tonight the story of the Gastonia terror against their fellows. The meeting will be held in Pulaski Hall, at 218 Mill St., at 8 o'clock. It is arranged jointly by the International Labor Defense, the Workers International Relief and the National Textile Workers' Union.

The defendants, Amy Schechter and Vera Bush, spoke last night in Washington, where they were cheered to the skies by the masses of workers that attended.

Other meetings, with Schechter, Bush and Melvin speaking, will be: Sunday, Aug. 11, in the National Textile Workers' Union Hall in New Bedford, and on "Liberty Lot," Fall River; Monday night, New York, at Central Opera House; Tuesday, Russian Literary Hall, 287 Erving Ave., Lawrence, Mass.; with Fred Beal's father also as a speaker; Wednesday, Aug. 14, there will be a meeting at A. C. A. Hall, 1755 Westminster St., Providence, R. I., and at the Union Hall, 205 Paterson St., Paterson, N. J. Thursday, Aug. 15, they will speak at Workers' Home, 25 Dayton Ave., Passaic, N. J., and at Allentown, Pa.

### Wilkes-Barre Workers to Hold Gastonia Picnic Aug. 15.

The miners and other workers of Wilkes-Barre, that reactionary city in the heart of the anthracite region, will hold a festival Aug. 15, when the mines will be idle. Karl Reeve, editor of Labor Defender, and one of the Gastonia defendants will be the speakers.

### Workers Defy Socialist Ban in Reading.

The ban of the socialist mayor of Reading, Pa., will not halt the International Labor Defense and the Workers International Relief's appeal to the masses. Despite the police ban there, in which the socialists are aiding the bosses railroad 13 members of the National Textile Workers Union to the chair, a series of open-air meetings have been arranged by Lee Meldon, of the Philadelphia section of the I. L. D. and W. I. R. House to house collections will be held and 10,000 leaflets distributed today.

### Philadelphia Completes Arrangement for Mass Meeting.

Vera Bush and Amy Schechter will be greeted by thousands of Philadelphia workers at the Broad St. station, Aug. 16 at 7 p. m. and will be escorted to the Labor Institute at 810 Locust St. The Sacco-Vanzetti memorial meeting on behalf of the Gastonia defendants will be held in front of the City Hall, Aug. 22.

### I. L. D. Branches Growing in Far West, Mother Bloor Writes.

"At Bismarck, I stirred up the whole town, and at Mandau, a railroad town, I gave out many copies of the Labor Defender there, advertising the meeting to which a good number came," writes Mother Bloor from Montana. "The Defender is the best ally I have," she states. "Send a bundle to Butte, General Delivery, as well as to Seattle. If possible I shall go to see the Centralia boys while near them at Spokane." She reports that many new young workers are responding to her call.

cymbals will be needed to reinforce them, for outside of the wedding hall, there is gathered an army of mill workers whose growls and jeers, in a rumbling undertone, will reach the ears of the nervous bride.

**Demand Militant Union.**  
These workers have not read the full text of the wedding covenant but they have more than a suspicion that someone is trying to sell them into worse slavery than is their lot today. They will not allow themselves to be betrayed again as the U. T. W. leaders betrayed them in 1920-21. These workers demand a union controlled by workers, a union that will fight, that knows how to fight and that has proved itself in bitter struggle.

In Gaston county jail are 13 workers, organizers and members of the National Textile Workers Union, who are the living symbols of the demands of the textile workers and the kind of struggle needed to win them.

Fred Beal, Russell Knight, Clarence Miller, Louis McLaughlin and their nine fellow fighters will not

be at the Raleigh convention. But a delegation which speaks for them, for their union, for the struggle which they lead and will lead again, which speaks for the textile workers in the very fortress of the textile barons, will interrupt the wedding feast.

Dewey Martin, C. W. Saylor and Sophie Melvin will tell the delegates to the convention of the struggle in Gaston county and ask them to endorse a united front movement of all textile workers, regardless of union affiliation, for the 8-hour day, the abolition of the stretchout and the 100 per cent organization of the textile industry in a militant industrial union. Against the "industrial peace" policy—the peace of death for unionism—of the bureaucrats of the A. F. of L. and their still more dangerous allies of the Muste group, against "peace" at the expense of the textile workers, the N. T. W. U. delegation will draw the bright sword of the class struggle.

Traitors to their class in Raleigh will be confronted by fighters of the class they betray.

It will be an industrialization convention in every sense of the word.

# SEAMEN ELECTED FOR CONFERENCE HERE AUG. 17-18

## Miners Preparing for Cleveland Meet

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sole form of craft organization and its treacherous leadership (which openly connives with the ship owners), has lost the confidence of the seamen. The I. L. A. is much the same, and with its initiation fee of \$55 has only a section of the longshoremen under its control. Its leaders are equally as corrupt as the I. S. U. clique.

With a severe winter of industrial depression, unemployment and wage reductions ahead, the call concludes, the only way in which the marine workers can better their conditions is to back the new, militant industrial union on the basis for which will be laid at the East Coast Conference.

**Build — — — Union.**  
The seamen are urged to choose delegates from all ships, from all docks and from all harbor jobs. They are urged to call their fellow workers together and discuss their mutual problems, draw up resolutions, elect delegates, and come to the conference and see that their opinions are recorded.  
"Help build a new fighting union in the marine industry," the call concludes.

**JESSUP, Pa., Aug. 12.**—Despite the threats of police and henchmen of the Lewis machine, plans are proceeding for a meeting to be held here tomorrow night (Tuesday) at Church St. and Giobetti corner, with Anthony Minerich, of the National Miners Union as one of the speakers. This, as well as the meeting which was broken up in Ashley on Sunday, is one of a large number being held in the anthracite region in preparation for the Cleveland Trade Union Unity Convention.  
"The T. U. E. L. convention in Cleveland is of tremendous importance to the coal miners of the anthracite district," a call recently issued by the Miners' Section of the Trade Union Educational League says.

**Many Meetings.**  
Besides the meeting in Jessup, other meetings are being arranged in the following places: Simpson, Aug. 14; Old Forge, Aug. 17; Pittston, Aug. 18; Lattimer, Aug. 19; McAdoo, Aug. 20; Scranton, Aug. 21; Tamacaqua, Aug. 22; Minersville, Aug. 23; Port Carbon, Aug. 24.  
Speakers from the National Miners Union will also address the picnic at the International Labor Defense to be held in Inkerman on Thursday, Aug. 15.

### Morgan to Decide Reparation Question



J. P. Morgan is in Europe to personally supervise the "settlement" of the reparations question to see that the house of Morgan gets its spoils. Morgan is shown above, at right, in England.

# SAXON WORKERS HAIL GASTONIA

## Send Protest to U. S. Embassy

(Continued from Page One)  
The resolution sent to the United States general embassy in Berlin, states that the greetings were unanimously and enthusiastically decided upon at the conference. The I.L.D. has transferred the greetings to the National Textile Workers Union. The greetings state:

**Pledge Support**  
"The Conference of the Anti-War Committees of East Saxony, meeting July 28 at Dresden, expresses its heartfelt sympathy for the striking textile workers of Gastonia who are engaged in a bitter struggle with the officials of Manville-Jenckes.

"The Conference promises to do everything in its power to mobilize the working class of East Saxony and prevent a new legal murder of the jailed textile workers of Gastonia.

"Long live the struggle of the striking textile workers of Gastonia! "Long live the International Solidarity of the working classes!"

**Sent to Consulate**  
The following protest resolution was sent by the conference to the American embassy in Berlin:

"The Conference of the Anti-War Committees of East Saxony, meeting in Dresden on July 28, protests sharply against the legal plot against the 16 textile strikes of Gastonia, who are falsely charged with murder.

"The police attacked the workers' colony in Gastonia, during which the chief of police was killed. In spite of the fact that there was no evidence to be found against the textile workers, who have been engaged in

a long struggle, 16 strikers were arrested and were subjected to fearful torture in prison. Tear-gas bombs were thrown into the cells in order to subdue the prisoners!

"The officials of Manville-Jenckes want to break the textile strike with the help of their willing class-justice. "Sixteen innocent workers are to be tried for murder so that the profits of the textile barons shall not be reduced. Another legal murder such as the Sacco-Vanzetti case, must be prevented.

"This Conference protests against the plans of the American bourgeoisie to deliver these 16 workers to the electric chair. We demand of the American government and Gastonia officials that the inhuman torture be immediately stopped and that the workers be released."

### Swiss Atlantic Flyers, Lost 4 Days Turn Up in Portugal

**LISBON, Aug. 12.**—The three Swiss airmen who started from Paris on Thursday on the first part of their attempted trans-Atlantic flight to the United States. Arrived at the Alverga Airport, 16 miles north of here, early today.  
The fliers had been missing since they left Paris and had been sought in France, Spain and Portugal. For a while it was feared they had been lost in the Pyrenees Mountains.

The pilot, Kaeser, said he and his two companions would remain here for several days to tune up their plane for the flight across the Atlantic.

**METAL WORKERS GAIN.**  
**VANCOUVER, B. C. (By Mail).**—A wage increase of 50 cents a day was won by the sheet metal workers here, who are union men.

**WANT UNION WAGE.**  
**CALIFORNIA, Pa. (By Mail).**—Building workers here are on strike for union wages and conditions.

# PITTSBURGH TO HEAR GASTONIA CLASS VICTIMS

## Bush, Schechter There August 17

workers of Pittsburgh will voice their protest against the frame-up of the 23 textile strikers and their leaders of Gastonia in a protest meeting to be held Saturday, Aug. 17th, 7:00 P. M. at the Labor Lyceum, 35 Miller Street.

Vera Bush, one of the women charged with murder, when a group of bosses agents attacked the workers tent colony on June 7th will be the main speaker at the meeting. She has just been released on \$5000-bail till August 26th, when the trial will open. She has been a textile union organizer for many years, having participated actively in the strikes of the textile workers in Passaic and New Bedford.

Among the speakers will be Elbert Tetherow, Gastonia striker, Pat Devine, Pittsburgh organizer for the Communist Party, Pat H. Toohy, Secretary of the National Miners Union; a Negro speaker and others. Max Salzman, Pittsburgh District Secretary of the International Labor Defense will be chairman of the meeting.

All labor and sympathetic organizations are invited to send delegations to the meeting, which will be the largest labor protest meeting held in Pittsburgh in recent years.

The workers of Pittsburgh will add their voices to those of the workers in other parts of the country, in saying, "Defend the right of the workers to defend themselves," "The bosses shall not repeat the murder of Sacco and Vanzetti," "Defend the Gastonia strikers and their leaders," "Support the struggles of the Southern textile workers." The meeting is being held under the auspices of the International Labor Defense, the Workers International Relief and a committee of labor organizations.

Further information about the meeting can be gotten from Max Salzman at Room 410, 119 Federal St., N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa.

### Several Believed Dead In Texas Train Wreck

**DALLAS, Texas, Aug. 12.**—The first reports of the wreck of the Texas and Pacific Railroad's Sunshine Special, which crashed into a motor truck at a grade crossing near here tonight, said that part of the train had been hurled from the tracks and that several persons had been killed or injured.

Everybody is going to the

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# Carnival

The First Election Campaign Rally Will Take Place. Weinstone, Wicks, Engdahl, Olgin, Gold, Bidenkapp, Rebecca Grecht, Rose Wortis and Others Will Speak.

**PLEASANT BAY PARK**

## Sunday, Aug. 18

FROM NOON TILL DAWN

Entertainment—Sports  
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Let's Go! Admission 35c only We'll All Be There!

BASEBALL GAME BETWEEN PARTY AND LEAGUE SOCCER, Etc., Etc.

Fifth Avenue Buses will take you from 177th subway station direct to the park



# A Rotten Job Is Dirt Shoveling on the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Track; Men Are Cheated at Camp

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
I was walking up the Bowery in New York City when I came to an employment agency named Kane's Agency. Kane was looking for men to ship up on the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad. I had never worked in

New Haven before, so I went to Kane's. We were to be shipped out to Rye, New York. We were told to report at the Grand Station at 10 a. m., and at 10.30 were sent to the Kane camp up at Rye. We got there at 12.30 and were each given a nosebag and told to work.

The work was hard. It consisted of sifting rock from the dirt from between the rails on the New Haven Railroad tracks. We had to shove 10 hours a day, and were paid the beggarly rate of 40 cents an hour. We worked from 7 a. m. to noon, then got a half hour for lunch, and then worked to 5.30

p. m. The work was grueling in the hot sun for 10 hours. We lived at the Kane camp. The Kane agency took a fee of \$2 from each of the men it shipped up on the Rye job. (This was reduced from our pay.) There were about 150 men at the camp when I was there. We were

forced to pay 35 cents a meal, or \$1.05 a day for the poor grub we got. For the hard work we did, the grub was terrible; there was nothing to hold a man up. This was one of the reasons the average man worked there only a week, besides the rotten pay. There were 40 men in a house,

who had to sleep in old army cots, one cot over another; the place was sure unsanitary. There was a booze joint half a mile or so away from Kane's camp, always wide open. My experience at these railroad camps is that there's always a booze camp nearby, often owned by the camp owner. This is to get

the men befuddled and keep them from thinking about their rotten condition. Altho you are working up in Rye, you don't get paid off there when you quit. Oh no! You have to come back to New York, and they pay you off at 133rd St. and Wilkins Avenue.

A rotten road to work for, the New Haven.  
—RED PANTHER.

ENGINEERS STRIKE.  
EAST BARNETT, Vt. (By Mail).—Engineers on the Connecticut River development here are on strike for better conditions.

# Duco Sprayers in Briggs Body Plant Have the Most Horrible Conditions Possible

## WOMEN AS WELL AS MEN SUFFER IN PAINT SPRAY

### Deadly Poison Snuffs Workers' Lives

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
DETROIT, (By Mail).—Many men and women are employed under the most unhealthful conditions in the automobile industry. The most horrible of conditions can be found in the duco-sprayers' booths in the Briggs Mack Avenue Plant. In this department mostly Negroes are employed. There is a continuous fog of paint throughout the day, which these men are forced to inhale. Not only is this condition undermining the workers' health, but it involves a constant fire hazard. It was just such conditions that resulted years ago when a score of workers' lives were snuffed out and many more were permanently injured. The only ventilation comes from the elevator shaft.

**Profiteering on Workers.**  
Respirators of the very cheapest kind, hard rubber, costing 35 cents retail, is furnished by the company. In spite of the fact that the company gets them cheaper because of buying them in large quantities the workers are charged \$1.50 in case of theft or loss. These respirators are wholly inadequate to protect the workers from the vapor of the spray gun.

**Girls Also Suffer From Vapor.**  
A number of women and girls work at the end of these booths—tape papering. Much of the vapor passes on to them, and they have no protection at all from the fumes. The girls work as long as the men, from ten to eleven hours, on both day and night shifts. In the winter time, they suffer from the cold even more than the men. It can be plainly seen that many of the girls are under the required age. A large number of women are employed in the press department. They handle heavy sheet iron just as the men and are equally as greasy and dusty. This condition is true of all Briggs plants and is continually getting worse.

**Sanding Hardest**  
Sanding is the hardest job in the plant and pays about 55 cents an hour. Duco sprayers earn about 70 cents an hour. When production was increased recently from 350 bodies to 500 bodies, no change in the workers' pay took place. The entire shop suffers from the "speed-up." Department strikes occur frequently. Only proper organization can connect up these many little struggles and make them successful in warding off the frequent attempts of the Briggs officials to lower the wages and worsen the conditions of the workers. The time has come for all Briggs workers, men and women, white and colored, to join the Auto Workers Union and fight!

**EXPLOITERS PROSPER.**  
PHILADELPHIA, Pa. (By Mail).—The Bayuk Bros. Cigar Co., largest in the world, which exploits hundreds of Negro girl workers paying them less than \$12 a week for an 84 hour week, reports net profits of \$420,702 for three months ended June 30.

**BUILDING STRIKE.**  
ALLENTOWN, Pa. (By Mail).—Building workers on the high school building struck here because non-union iron workers were being employed.

## MINER ASSAILING LIES

### Fowler of U. M. W. Slanders Militants

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
WHEELING, W. VA. (By Mail).—I beg leave to reply to the untruthful Mr. David Fowler regarding his actions in commenting upon the militant miners' meeting held August 1 in Bohemian hall, Bellaire, Ohio. These miners were gathered together to make the best of a deplorable situation in which they had been left by the said Fowler and his dirty clique, which includes the entire United Mine Workers officials as well as Fowler.  
The U. M. W. left the miners of this country at the mercy of the bosses by their wholesale betrayal and then the complete sell out of the miners.  
They betrayed the same miners whom Fowler attacks. I, as one speaking from actual facts denounce the article printed in the Wheeling newspaper. I am not out for arguments; I am out for results which I know can not be accomplished by such a non-progressive organization as the U. M. W. After 30 years of experience I fail to see any militant effort these misleaders ever made in

## Another Worker Correspondence Page for Gastonia in Few Days



In a few days the Gastonia strikers and mill workers in other Gastonia towns will have another worker correspondence page, in which interesting letters from strikers will feature. Above a new view of part of the tent colony, against which the mill bosses and the Gastonia Gazette, which they control, are waging a campaign of slander. The bosses' lies about the WIR will be refuted in the workers' letters.

## Slave Day Nearly Kills a Girl in the 5 and 10

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
Now is vacation time. Hundreds of thousands of high school girls have been let out of school. The very first place the workers' children go to seek employment is five and ten cent stores? Why?  
Because the five and ten cent store makes no requirements of those working in the stores.  
If a girl looks a little older than a kid (that is by putting on high heels or lipstick, etc.) she is taken on and no proof asked of her age.  
**15-16 Year-Old Slaves**  
In the store in which I work there are girls of 15 and 16 years of age. The boss—a manager, knows it, but he also knows that he can exploit the young workers a million times more and thus get more profit for F. W. Woolworth's.  
The wages are \$12 for a regular week for 51 hours a week. For Saturday and part time work 20 cents an hour is paid.  
On Saturday the girls must put in an 11 hour day, from 9 a. m. to 10 p. m. (Not counting the extra time and the overtime we have to come in the morning).  
**Not a Raise in 5 Years**  
A girl in this store has been working for 10 years and hasn't received a raise in five years. Now she gets the maximum for a salesgirl, \$16 a week.  
A vacation? After you work here a year you get a week with pay and one week without pay.  
**Hot as a Furnace**  
The conditions for a worker in the store are terrible. In the winter time we freeze and in the summer time we sweat. We're sweating now and it's hot as a furnace. No fans, no drinks, (try and get a drink, first we must get permission, then we must go down to the cellar and drink rotten warm water). Then we go upstairs again and are yelled at because we stayed too long downstairs getting a drink.

**Sanitary Conditions**  
The toilets are very unsanitary. The girls have to clean the floor with disinfectants. If this is not done the toilets become terrible.  
The girls' room for eating their lunches is next to the toilets. This room is in the cellar, over-run with flies. We have to eat in these hot rooms because we cannot afford on \$12 a week to eat outside.  
**Spy System**  
There is a spy system against the girls. If we try to reason with the floorwalker he calls over the manager who fires us.  
At the end of the day of slavery in Woolworth's five and ten a girl can hardly think straight.  
—WOOLWORTH SLAVE.

## Symphony Orchestra Musicians Win in Los Angeles, Cal., Strike

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 12.—"Symphonies Under the Stars," said to be America's most famous music festival, came to an end quickly on July 30. Musicians of the Hollywood Orchestra—100 strong—went on strike, protested against a \$3.50 a day, electrician (really a gardener). The musicians won, and a union electrician is on the job now.  
In order to break the strike, solo artists were hired. It did not work in this case. In some quarters, striking film actors have been blamed for the stand of the musicians. The strike of Equity, a organization composed of stars and "near stars" in the motion picture industry, is still going strong. Equity officials succeeded in stopping "shooting" of scenes in Pasadena the other day.  
**ON WAY TO SLAVERY.**  
ASUNCION, Paraguay (By Mail).—Over 5000 unemployed workers from Austria and Hungary are being sent in groups of 100 each to slavery on Paraguayan plantations. They are victims of employment sharks at Haiti and then by American and British concerns here.

I suppose many people see chairs behind the counters. These chairs are ornaments for customers to see but not for us to use.  
We are continually working because at a five and ten cent store it is terribly busy at all times.  
When we have a let down on sales we must fill up the counter, order new supplies, and stick them in the closets under the counter and clean the counters.  
**Can Never Rest**  
Never are we allowed to rest. When another girl goes to lunch we have to take care of her counter and our own besides.  
These conditions are true not only of the stores I work in but of every store that Woolworth has in the U. S. We girls in the New York stores must organize and demand:  
1. \$20 a week.  
2. 40-hour week—no Saturday.  
3. Rest periods.  
4. Good sanitary conditions (sanitary toilets, and clean lunch rooms).  
We have a national task because every little city and town in the U. S. has its five and ten cent store with terrific exploitation of the girls working in them.

**Marin Not Trusted by the Toilers**  
We continue the series of letters from a Porto Rican worker now in New York. He continues to tell of the tricks of Luis Munos Marin, one of the Porto Rican labor misleaders who have come to New York to fool the Porto Rican workers here.  
Now Mr. Marin has turned a pink "liberal," a disciple of Mencken and a constant contributor to Villard's labor-baiting Nation.  
Mr. Marin's vacillating ways brand him as a first rate opportunist and a betrayer of labor, which is the reason why the workers of Porto Rico do not trust him.  
Now Luis has arrived in New York, contracted by the league to write five editorials for their weekly organ, "El Nuevo Mundo," one to appear each week, for five consecutive weeks. The first four articles that emanated from the keen and gracious pen of our beloved hero, dealt mostly with the physiological, ideological and psychological characteristics of the two most outstanding figures in the political life of Porto Rico, A. R. Barcelo, the "honorable" president of our Porto Rican senate and president of the near-bankrupt "holy" alliance, and Senator Santiago Iglesias, leader of the minority group in the senate and president of the "yellow socialist-constitutional party."  
In other words, it was a character reading of two of Wall Street's accredited agents in Porto Rico.  
In those articles, Mr. Marin tried to explain that both Iglesias and Barcelo were just like two playful brothers, good fellows, good citizens, good "dollar" patriots that had embraced the cause of Porto Rico (meaning Wall St.) with their heart and soul.  
But the "catch" was to be found in the last editorial when Senor Marin makes a heart-to-heart appeal to the Porto Rican people of Harlem and their so-called "representative" organizations to come together, think together, act together and organize into a solid unit that they may use and exercise their collective influence upon these men, these "gentlemen," (these hypocrites, these grovelling servants of American imperialism) that they in turn should get together, stick together and fight for the same patriotic principles that have always served them, individually, as their guide.  
In the above, "dollar principles" one should substitute, "patriotic principles."  
But can you imagine two of Morgan's lickspittles not sticking together, especially should they be up to a question between the capitalist class and the working class?  
When in New York City or Washington, D. C., on official or unofficial business, it is a favorite pastime for these imperialist satellites to hobnob together most amicably in the best of hotels and restaurants.  
Antonio R. Barcelo and Santiago Iglesias are both lackeys of Wall St. and, naturally, they eat from the same imperialist plate. But Mr. Marin's well versed and well paid articles were only a prelude for a pre-arranged, partly editorial that followed.  
(To be continued.)

**LICKSPITTLE OF WALL ST. HERE**  
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**Union Head Was Mill Boss.**  
The hosiery workers in Philadelphia are facing the biggest struggle in their history. The past president of the union received \$12,000 a year, yet while head of the union was himself a mill owner.  
The officials of the hosiery workers union have and still are urging cooperation with their real masters—the mill bosses.  
Yet today in every mill the workers have received wage slashes, increased speedup, and lockouts, because their officials made them follow the policy of cooperation with the bosses.  
**Defy the Injunction!**  
The hosiery workers must defy injunctions, must mass picket. The Communist Party is for the workers against the bosses, and the Daily Worker, the paper which fights for the interest of the workers will expose the tools of the capitalist mill owners, Hosiery workers of America, send a delegate to the Trade Union Educational Convention in Cleveland on August 31. Fight to save your union from the attacks of the bosses who betray you.  
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No Support for the Workers from Them  
(By a Worker Correspondent)  
PHILADELPHIA, (By Mail).—The hosiery mill owners, the friends of the leaders of the Full Fashioned Hosiery Workers Union, are waging a terrific campaign to break up the union and cut wages.  
The misleaders of the union have always advised the workers to cooperate with the bosses and have here in Philadelphia sanctioned the Mitten-Mahon sellout and have been ever willing tools of the bosses.  
**Wages Cut, Injunctions, Lockouts.**  
Today the hosiery workers in Philadelphia are faced with lockouts, wage cuts, injunctions, etc. At the Mammoth Hosiery Mill all the men are locked out. Women, cheaper slaves of the bosses are in their places. An injunction against the strikers prohibits picketing; the scabs, recruited from the lowest type of women stand at the windows with their fingers at their noses telling the strikers to go to hell.  
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## THE TURCOMEN ACADEMIC THEATRE

THE TURCOMEN ACADEMIC THEATRE was founded in 1921. Here for the first time women appeared on the Turkish stage, where formerly female roles had been played only by male actors.  
The theatre finds most of its repertoire among the classics, original or in translation. This demands high technical qualifications and methods of decoration that are new for the Turkish theatre. Works by Shakespeare, Schiller, Moliere, Gogol, and contemporary playwrights such as Lunacharsky and Maxim Gorky have been given.  
There are of course very few original plays. In the first place Azerbaijan drama is developing but slowly and in the second place, it is difficult to get the old playwrights into new lines of thought. The chief aspirations of the Academic Theatre are therefore aimed at assisting the growth of all aspects of Turk repertoire, answering to the demand of the present-day, and at finding works of modern foreign dramatists which shall be at once ideologically suitable and of artistic value.  
Among original plays should be mentioned: "The Bride of the Flames," "Shades of the Past," "Idine," "Sheikh Seman," "Geyave," "Oilyar," and "Gadjay Kara." The theatre aims at the cultural service of the public and a gradual advance from old-fashioned traditions, as has been done by the Moscow and Leningrad academic theatres.  
The production of "Hamlet" in the oriental manner and that of "Gorky's "Lower Depths" have been so far the most noteworthy performances.  
"Hold Everything" will be given for the 360th time tonight at the Broadhurst Theatre. This musical show has been hereabout since October 10.

**OTIS SKINNER TO RETURN IN NEW QUINTERO PLAY**  
GILBERT MILLER'S contemplated productions for the season include at least two companies of "Journey's End." One will tour Canada, and finally make its way to the Pacific Coast. The Chicago company will open in Fort Wayne, Indiana, on September 6, and then will come to Chicago, at the Adelphi Theatre, September 9. The company currently at Henry Miller's Theatre is expected to remain the entire season.  
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Irene Bordoni will make a trans-continental tour in "Paris," assisted by Louise Closser Hays and Irving Aaronson's Commanders.  
Of the new productions, the first to come to New York will be "By Candle Light," adapted from the German of Siegfried Geyer by P. C. Wodehouse, with Gertrude Lawrence and Leslie Howard as the leading players. It will open in Philadelphia in September, prior to the opening at the Empire Theatre, September 30.  
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# L. G. W. HAS A SECRET PACT ON MINIMUM SCALE

## Shop Chairmen to Meet Wednesday Night

(Continued from Page One) further disillusion those workers who for the time were deluded by the loud talk of "victories" following the fake cloak stoppage recently.

**Emply Boasts.** At that time the company union chiefs shouted that they were waging a campaign for higher wages, unemployment insurance and a new sweatshop conditions. There is now no doubt that sweatshop conditions in the shops are being legalized in the same fashion as the abrogation of the so-called minimum scale. It is now an open secret that there is an understanding that whenever a boss succeeds in persuading the workers to agree to a piece work arrangement—in those shops the "union" will not interfere.

**Shop Chairmen's Meet Wednesday.** The regular monthly Shop Delegates' Conference of the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union will be held Wednesday at 7:30 in Irving Plaza Hall, 15th St. and Irving Place. Problems of vital importance to the union will be taken up at this meeting.

Following out the arrangement made between the cloak manufacturers and its company union at the conclusion of the fake stoppage recently, Tammany Governor Roosevelt yesterday announced the appointment of the three individuals whose official function is declared to be "the elimination of substandard production conditions in the industry." These are George W. Alger, corporation lawyer; Mrs. Casper Whitney, member of the board of directors of the Women's City Club, fashionable ladies outfit; Dr. S. S. Goldwater, consultant in hospital construction and commissioner of health in the administration of John Murray Mitchell, republican politician.

These three, together with the \$25,000-a-year "imperial chairman," Raymond V. Ingersoll, a representative of the bosses and the L.G.W., will form the Governor's Commission. They will constitute the official strikebreaking agency of the bosses and its company union.

(Special to the Daily Worker.) **Jail Boston Pickets** BOSTON, Mass., Aug. 12.—Eight pickets were today arrested in front of the Blue Hill Dress Co., 336 Blue Hill Ave., where the workers struck last week following the discharge of a member.

# MOVIE WORKERS CHARGE THEIEVERY

## Tell Court President "Diverted" \$30,000

Charges that over \$30,000 was "diverted" by Sam Kaplan, president of the Moving Picture Machine Operators' Union of Greater New York, Local 306, were made by two members of the organization, Joseph Ruddleck and Alexander Polin, who yesterday obtained an injunction restraining that official from taking away their membership in the union and their jobs.

The injunction was granted by Justice Byrne in Queens County court on the ground that the constitution and by-laws of their union violate their "constitutional rights as citizens."

In their court action, Ruddleck and Polin assert that the president of the union, Kaplan, last November, fined a member of the union, Abe Perlmutter, \$100 for revealing that Kaplan had been voted a "gift" of \$20,000 in cash for his services, in excess of his salary; that while he received only \$150 a month salary as chief organizer, he now receives \$50,000 a year, largely which he voted himself; that he owns a \$250,000 manufacturing business in which he does not employ union men and that in 1927 Kaplan placed on the payroll two strong-arm men, George Williams and Edward Lawler, at salaries of \$60 a week each, and whose duties are "to beat up members of the union who attempt to exercise their constitutional rights."

## Open Air Meetings

Pier 14 at 12 noon, speakers, Guss and Perilly; Pier 36 at 12 noon, speakers, S. Maurer and Pasternak; 32nd St. and Amsterdam Ave. at 8 p. m., speakers, E. Borg, C. Lamb and F. Hoff; 42nd St. and 13th Ave. at Brooklyn at 8 p. m., speakers, W. Burke and A. Schalk; Myrtle and Prince at 8 p. m., speakers, J. Williams, F. Mahol, L. Sisselman, Hargel and Lewinman; Ave. Laundry at 5:30 p. m., speaker, S. Harper.

# Workers Slaved, Risked Lives to Build This



The new bridge over Lake Champlain, between the Green Mountains of Vermont and the Adirondacks of New York. Workers slaved at starvation wages, and their lives were imperiled by the lack of safety devices; deaths of workers are usually concealed in such construction work.

# HOLD NUMEROUS TEXTILE MEETS

## Delegation Will Visit Raleigh Convention

(Continued from Page One) and 13 which will initiate a general struggle for better conditions.

**Rout Disruptors.** When stool-pigeons of the bosses threw rotten eggs at the speakers, much indignation was created among the workers who chased them off the lot. The disruptors were forced to seek refuge in the surrounding woods from the anger of the workers and the meeting continued without further disturbance. Many workers from Dillon and the Park Yarn mills joined the union after the meeting adjourned.

Meetings held over the week-end at the Workers International Relief colony in Bessemer City, Rex, Dallas, Gastonia, Arlington, etc., indicate very clearly a growing spirit of militancy and mood for struggle. All these meetings were exceedingly well attended, and visitors from mills in surrounding counties came to hear the "speaking" as they are called here.

Textile workers, of the ten colony especially, were greatly incensed by the false stories and editorials decrying the "misery" and "starvation" at the tent colony. The following telegram was sent to the Raleigh News and the Charlotte Observer today:

"You carried a news story that strikers in the tent colony are sick, ragged and hungry, and reiterate these charges in an editorial. The defense counsel inspected the colony and found that the story was pure fabrication. Strikers are healthy, happy and well-fed by the Workers International Relief. The story was deliberate propaganda to poison the minds of the public against our fellow-workers and the union. We challenge the newspapers to investigate and demand that the truth be printed in the Daily Worker."

It is agreed that the campaign started by the Gastonia Gazette and now continued by the Charlotte Observer, the News and other Southern papers, and which even penetrates to the Northern press, is intended to create such prejudice that every prospective juror will be influenced.

**Charge Guilt.** In one paragraph editorials says that there will be a fair trial, and in the next it is taken for granted that the defendants are guilty.

In the Sunday issue of the News, the following paragraph appears: "The state has not made public the numerous facts which, interlinked, it purposes to make into an unbroken chain by which thirteen men will be sent to the electric chair." It goes on to state that the state will bring to light facts about the labor movement (meaning the Communist movement) "in order to ground its charges of conspiracy." The whole tone of the story is that undoubtedly the defendants are guilty and that the International Labor Defense and the union are only utilizing the case for the sake of Communist propaganda. This charge has been repeated in numerous editorials. Nell Battie Lewis, who has posed as a "friend" of the strikers, makes this false charge in Sunday's Raleigh News and Observer. The defendants have written a letter to her denouncing this attempt to discredit the I. L. D. and the defense counsel.

# "DAILY" TO PRINT BARBUSSE BOOK

(Continued from Page One) experiences or on information gathered from authoritative sources. Those who have read any of the works of this great proletarian writer—"Under Fire," "Light," "Chains," etc.—need no further recommendation. Those to whom the writing of Barbusse is unknown will become familiar for the first time with the work of the outstanding figure among the revolutionary writers of the world.

The securing of the exclusive American serial rights to "I Saw It Myself" requires the expenditure of a considerable sum. The Daily Worker feels, however, that this is a document which every worker should read. But "I Saw It Myself" can be published only if the readers of the "Daily" help us pay for the serial rights. Send in your contribution at once to 26 Union Sq.

# MacDonald Gets Orders

(Continued from Page One) cries in kind and the distribution of annuities.

Every indication is that he is guiding the fight against the British imperialists from afar, thru his lieutenants. French, Belgian and Italian delegates to the Conference today showed a tendency to accede to some of the British demands today by meeting a portion of the British claims out of the unassigned portion of the unconditional annuities, which totals 52,000,000 gold marks.

# WORKERS GREET SCHECHTER, BUSH

## Pledge to Fight to Defeat Chair

(Continued from Page One) cheers swelled the hall until the very building seemed to shake when the two women defendants stood before them.

"We are ready to pay the penalty for daring to strike and organize," said Vera Bush, "in case the working class protest and mass action does not stay the hand of the mill owners. We want our lives. We want to be free. We want to organize and fight for the workers as we have been doing. We don't want to die. But we call upon you to demand that not a single man be electrocuted; not a week, not a day in jail for any of us!"

Amy Schechter pointed out that the battle is not only for the defense of leading organizers, not only for the right to organize and defend themselves against attacks of the mill operators' thugs and the police, but it is a fight to determine whether revolutionary unions can exist in the United States. This, she said, the operators recognize, and that is why they are determined to stamp out militant unionism, even if it has to be drowned in blood.

Contrary to what is commonly believed, the workers of the South have a background of militant struggle, she said. In the mines and railroads as well as among textile workers. But strikes went to pieces, not through lack of militancy on the part of the workers, but because of lack of organization and in the case of textile workers, because of the black betrayals on the part of the United Textile Workers misleaders.

Schechter recounts the campaign from the first to break the organization at its inception, how first slander in the newspapers and in leaflets was spread against the union, the Workers International Defense, and their leadership. Then the terrorization of the "bossmen" as they are called here, who went from house to house making threats. The eviction from every hall secured and attack of the mill lackeys which destroyed the hall and the food supply of the relief organization.

The first attempt failed, as did the second and every later attempt. The militancy of the workers only increased, she said, and the strikers built their own hall. From the start, Schechter declared, open threats were made that the hall would not stand three days. But this time the workers were prepared to stand guard.

When it was obvious that a new strike situation had developed among the new workers who had come into the Loray mill, the millmen determined to do away with the union once and for all. There were constant threats of shooting. Almost every night drunken deputies came to the tent colony and threatened a massacre.

Three days before the shooting occurred, workers from mills for many miles around came to the colony because an attack was threatened for that night. Men from every department in the Loray mill had been armed. Because the strength of the strikers had been so great, the raid was postponed. Half of the men folk had gone to Bessemer City on the night the raid did occur. But those who were there were determined that the women and children would not be massacred, Schechter said, describing what happened that fatal night.

"When we were in the city jail," she said, "we were treated like dogs that first week. They held us incommunicado. Every night we could hear them beat the boys. They tortured us, with tear gas bombs. But

# PICNIC TO OPEN ELECTION DRIVE

## Candidates to Speak; Games, Dancing

The opening gun of the Communist Party's municipal election campaign will be fired this Sunday, Aug. 18, at Pleasant Bay Park, which is to be the scene of the Press Carnival arranged by the Daily Worker, and which 25,000 workers are expected to attend.

William W. Weinstein, candidate for mayor on the Communist ticket; Ben Gold, candidate for alderman, 29th A. D.; Rose Wortis, for state assembly from the 3rd A. D.; H. M. Wicks, candidate for president, board of aldermen; Rebecca Grecht for state assembly from the 5th A. D., and campaign manager of the Communist Party, and M. J. Olgin, for state assembly from the 4th A. D., will be among the speakers.

The carnival is to be a mass demonstration for the support of the Party in the forthcoming election and at the same time a demonstration for the support of the revolutionary press, the chief organ of which, the Daily, has been in a critical financial condition since June. In addition, there will be an athletic program, including baseball and soccer games; dancing and other entertainment. Tickets are only 35 cents apiece, so that no militant worker can plead poverty as an excuse for staying away. Fifth Ave. busses will take you to the 177th St. subway station direct to the park.

towards the end of the week, we felt a difference in their attitude. We hadn't seen any papers, but we knew something had happened. They didn't ride over us quite so roughly. Later we learned that workers in many parts of the country as well as in the South had demonstrated their protests. This made the difference. Our protests must swell, and become so great that they will be forced to release every man and woman of us!

"We want no splendid corpses! We need every organizer, we need them alive and free!" was Schechter's parting plea.

J. Louis Engdahl, secretary of the International Labor Defense, was chairman of the meeting. Wm. Z. Foster, representing the Communist Party, told what the Party has already done to free the strikers and declared that its efforts within the next weeks will be many times stronger. Jim Reid, president of the National Textile Workers Union; Alfred Wagenknecht, secretary of the Workers International Relief; Charles Alexander, a Negro representing the Young Communist League, and John Pobalsky for the Young Pioneers, all pledged the support of the organizations they represented.

**METAL WORKERS GAIN.** VANCOUVER, B. C. (By Mail).—A wage increase of 50 cents a day was won by the sheet metal workers here, who are union men.

# MEET TONIGHT TO PLAN RECEPTION FOR USSR FLIERS

## Gift of Tractors and Trucks Proposed

Hundreds of delegates representing trade unions, fraternal and cultural organizations, working women's councils and workers from the border countries of the U. S. S. R., as well as rank and file workers from the shops and factories, are expected to take part in the conference tonight in Irving Plaza Hall, 15th St. and Irving Pl., called by the Friends of the Soviet Union to prepare for the reception of the four Soviet fliers who are making a 12,500 mile flight from Moscow to New York in the monoplane Land of the Soviets.

The conference is the outgrowth of a preliminary meeting held Friday a week ago, attended by 75 delegates, at which a tentative reception committee was elected. As the Soviet airmen are bringing greetings and expressions of solidarity from the workers and peasants of the Soviet Republic to the workers and farmers of the United States, the F. S. U. indicates that the most suitable manner of expressing the interest of the American working class in the tremendous achievements of the U. S. S. R. in the building of socialism would be to present the Soviet working class, through the globe encircling aviators, with a number of trucks and tractors.

But in order that the workers of New York may adequately prepare for welcoming the fliers, the provisional reception committee points out that the broadest possible cooperation must be given to the conference tonight, as the arrival of the Land of the Soviets is only a month off and much has to be done toward organizing the proposed tractor campaign, building the Friends of the Soviet Union and laying out concrete measures for greeting the Soviet emissaries of good will.

# 3 COMMUNISTS ON TRIAL AUGUST 19

## PUSH COMMUNIST PROGRAM IN SHOP

## Party Units Meet to Launch Plans

(Continued from Page One) of the Party to decide which will be first to get enough signatures to put the Party on the ballot. Section One operates in the Sixth Assembly District, and the Harlem Section workers in the 17th A. D. Both have about two-thirds of the necessary signatures.

Both groups report enthusiastic response to the Party program from among hundreds of workers, who are anxious to get more of the Party literature. The campaign committee therefore urges members and sympathizers active in the signature drive to take copies of the Negro sections of Harlem and Daily Worker and other Party publications for distribution. Some 250,000 signatures are required for the city.

# Daily Worker Agents District Two

A special meeting of all the Section and Unit Daily Worker Agents will be held Thursday, August 15, at 26-28 Union Square, at 6:30 p. m. sharp. Daily Worker Agents who will fail to attend will be called to responsibility. Comrades are asked to come on time. Section Daily Worker Agents will be held responsible for the attendance of the Unit Daily Worker Agents.

# Communist Activities

- 1. Wednesday, August 14, all sections are to have section membership meetings. Attendance at these meetings is compulsory. There will be a CSC and DSC representative to speak on the next tasks in the Party campaign.
- 2. All section and unit industrial organizers are to meet Thursday, August 14, 8 p. m. sharp, at the Workers Center.
- 3. A meeting of all unit and section women worker organizers will be held Wednesday, August 14, at 8 p. m. sharp, at the Workers Center.
- 4. All speakers and unit agitprop directors are to attend the speakers' conference Thursday, August 14, 8 p. m. sharp, at the Workers Center.
- 5. Trade union work: During the week of August 12, Party assistance to the distribution of special issue of Labor Unity, Distribution of special leaflet of the TUEL. Party support to this distribution.
- 6. All Party comrades are to give special assistance and support to the meeting to welcome the 3 Gastonia prisoners released on bail, to be held August 12. This meeting will also be a protest meeting against the imprisonment of Harry Elmslan, our Pioneer comrade, who got six months' imprisonment.

- 7. Bath Beach Unit, C. Y. L. Tuesday, Aug. 13, at 19th and 4th Ave.; Thursday, Aug. 15, at Court and Carroll Sts., Brooklyn.
- 8. Morning Branch Wednesday. The Morning Branch meeting will hold an educational meeting Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock, 26 Union Sq.
- 9. Harlem Section 4. All members of Harlem Section 4 are instructed by the Section Bureau to report at 143 E. 103rd St. or 235 W. 124th St. for the Party signature drive. Stations will be open from 7 to 9.
- 10. Coney Island Executive. The executive committee of the Coney Island Unit meets tonight 8:30 p. m., at the nucleus headquarters.
- 11. Unit 3, Section 7. By instructions of the Section executive committee all members must appear one day during this week for collection of signatures. A strict check will be kept on the comrades.
- 12. Unit 15F, Section 2. There will be a special meeting this Thursday, 8:30 p. m., at the Workers Center, 6th floor, to discuss the thesis of the Morning Branch meeting. Wednesday meeting has been called off.
- 13. Unit 14, Section 2. A meeting will be held Thursday in the Workers Center, room 600.
- 14. Section 7, Attention! The section membership meeting has been called off. By decision of the section executive all units are to hold their regular meeting on Wednesday night.

# Fraternal Organizations

- 1. French Workers Center Opening. The French Workers Center, "Club d'Education Sociale," at 143 West 103rd St., will hold opening exercises Aug. 15, 8:30 p. m. Dancing, singing, speaking—admission free.
- 2. Note, Working Women's Councils. All Working Women's Councils are instructed to send 2 delegates to the conference to be held on Tuesday night, Aug. 13, at Irving Plaza, 15th St. and Irving Pl., at 7:30 p. m. for the purpose of organizing a delegation to receive the Soviet fliers who left the Soviet Union a few days ago and will end their world flight in New York. If your council does not meet in time to elect delegates, the organizer, secretary or any other active member is to represent the council. United Council of Working Women, Kate Gitlow, secretary.
- 3. Iron and Bronze Workers. A general membership meeting of the Architectural Iron, Bronze and Structural Workers' Union will be held on Tuesday, Aug. 13, at 8 p. m. sharp, at the R. Y. School, 7 E. 15th St., at 8 p. m. sharp.
- 4. Downtown I. L. D. The regular meeting of the Downtown Branch I. L. D. will be held Tuesday, Aug. 13, at the Workers Center.
- 5. U. C. W. W. Beach Party. Council 5 of the U. C. W. W. has arranged a beach party at Coney Island for this Saturday, Aug. 17. Working women, their husbands, children and friends are invited to meet at the council's club rooms, 2901 Mermaid Ave., Coney Island, at 1 in the afternoon for bathing. A social and educational program will follow, with supper in the evening. All proceeds go toward the defense of the Gastonia frame-up victims. Tickets 75 cents; children free.
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# LABOUR PARTY LEADS TEXTILE STRIKE SELLOUT

## Plans to Smash Strike in Lancashire Mills

(Continued from Page One) to sell out the strike has been reached by the reactionary officials of the textile unions and the heads of the reformist trade union congress.

The labor government, which, for the past three weeks, has been working in direct and indirect ways to break the strike and return the workers to the mill, on the owners' terms, is now maneuvering openly with the reactionary textile union leaders to effect its object.

Speaking of the villainous proposal to reopen the mills, one of the reactionary union officials is quoted as saying: "Otherwise it looks as if we were in for a long stoppage." In line with this suggestion and the efforts of the labor party betrayers, O. L. Tattersall, deputy chairman of the Lancashire Cotton Corporation, today hastened to approve the arbitration proposals.

Tattersall is also thorough-going in his place to shackle the textile workers with a class collaboration scheme for an "industrial council" in which the owners would have six members, the workers six members, while the owners would have the controlling voice thru an "independent chairman." Any disagreement among this body will be referred to a permanent court of arbitration to consist of such friends of the textile workers as a barrister, an accountant and an "independent chairman." The determination of the mass of rank and file textile strikers remains unshaken, however, in the face of the efforts of the labor party government and their reactionary leaders to break the walk-out.

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## Cruiser Building Continues With Aid of Labor Fakers

WHEN, just before August First, President Hoover and Premier Ramsey MacDonald announced that they would discontinue their cruiser programs, we said that these proclamations were only gestures, a part of the international pacifist offensive against the revolutionary preparations being made for strikes and demonstrations against imperialist war and for the defense of the Soviet Union.

It was certainly absurd to suppose that at a time when the imperialist bandits of the world, through their puppet Kuomintang government in China under Chiang Kai-shek, were openly inciting war against the Soviet Union, the two biggest imperialist powers would abandon war preparations.

That we were correct in our estimate is proved by a circular letter sent out by the Metal Trades Department of the American Federation of Labor describing an interview of James P. O'Connell, head of the department, and John P. Frey, former secretary of the Molders Union, with Hoover on the subject of the postponement of cruiser building. The circular says, in part:

"It was President Hoover's belief," says the circular, "that within the very near future it would be possible to know whether an agreement could be reached with Great Britain relative to naval construction. If an agreement was reached the United States government could proceed with a naval construction program for some time before actual parity of navies was established. If it proved impossible to reach such an agreement, then the probabilities were that this knowledge would be received in time to prevent any delay in the laying down of the keels in the three navy yards as originally planned."

In plain words, Hoover assures the labor lieutenants of American imperialism that there will be no delay in cruiser building.

All of which proves that Hoover, as president, still retains his lying powers so assiduously cultivated during the eight years he was secretary of commerce, using his department of statistical information for systematic falsification of facts in order to bolster up the illusion of "republican prosperity."

Just as his glorification of rationalization, his talk about the necessity of workers increasing production so that they could get more wages, resulted in swelling the ranks of the unemployed, lengthening hours and beating down wages, so his talk today about limitation of armaments and the blessings of peace to be brought about by the Hooverian era in America will result in a more intense arms competition and imperialist war if the ruling class for which he speaks has its way.

Furthermore, just as rationalization of industry, the fierce drive against labor in the United States, is a means of "consolidating," or, to use a familiar military term, "securing" the rear (meaning the industries of the country), in preparation for the day when imperialism will try to solve its contradictions, overcome its difficulties by war, so the alternating pacifist and jingoistic talk of today is another phase of the same war preparations.

And the entire bureaucracy of the American Federation of Labor is involved in this imperialist conspiracy as an unofficial part of the governmental machine.

An effective fight against the war danger involves at the same time an uncompromising, relentless struggle to win the masses of labor away from the poisonous influence of the Greens, the Wolls, the O'Connells and the Freys, who are actively engaged in aiding the preparations for the inevitable imperialist war. Today these enemies of labor follow a policy of delivering the workers bound and gagged to the employers through their class collaboration policies. Tomorrow they will help the government impose industrial conscription upon the workers, place them on rations and declare strikes to be treason, punishable by death before a firing squad. This is precisely where the policies of the reactionary officials of the Federation of Labor are leading.

The machinery for winning the masses away from this reactionary leadership will be tremendously strengthened at the Cleveland Conference for Trade Union Unity the last of this month, when a center will be set up to coordinate the activities of the militant unions, the factory committees and the left wing elements of the reactionary unions into a powerful fighting force.

## Fifty Million Dollar Food Trust

HOOPER'S federal farm board is functioning properly, if results are what it is after. Of course it is not doing the farmer any good. Instead it will do him a great deal of harm. But then only ill-informed workers or farmers will be disappointed, because no others will expect an agency of an imperialist government to relieve the wealth producers of the burdens imposed upon them by the capitalist system.

The first act of the farm board was to create a fund for consolidating into a small trust the various so-called farm cooperatives, which were mere capitalist marketing institutions organized by the grain and elevator trusts.

The second is the creation yesterday of a big trust, a \$50,000,000 food trust, which is supposed to embrace 60 of the fake cooperatives. Those great exponents of cooperation (of the capitalist against the workers and farmers) M. Julius H. Barnes, chairman of the board of the United States chamber of commerce and who was Hoover's right hand man during the world war as president of the United States food administration grain corporation, and William M. Jardine, secretary of agriculture under Coolidge, along with heads of the tobacco trust, the big dairy corporations, and big fruit growers associations are the backers of the venture.

The sponsors openly declare their first big job is to "apply business methods" to the marketing of the two billion dollar crop. In this they will have the full cooperation of the old established flour and elevator trusts. With the meat packers' trust monopolizing meat products and the new trust establishing monopoly control over marketing of grain, fruit, vegetables and tobacco, the working class in the cities and towns will have to pay monopoly prices while the farmers and fruit growers will have to take any price they are offered.

The increased profits derived from such "business methods" will go to pay dividends to the millionaire promoters, so the labors of Hoover's farm board have not been in vain—for the capitalists.

## WASHED IN THE BLOOD OF THE LAMB

By Fred Ellis.



Stanley Zaszinski, a striking gravedigger at the Calvary Cemetery, was shot and killed by scabs. The cemetery is maintained under the supervision of St. Patrick's Cathedral.

# Hillquit, Thomas, Berger, Maurer & Co. in Footsteps of Zoergiebel, Boncour & Co.

By JACK STACHEL.

THE socialist party of the United States has given further proof that it is a genuine party of the Second International. It has proven that it is up to date in the struggle against the workers of the United States. It has proven that it is as loyal to the imperialists of the United States as are the heroes of the Second International in the European countries, to the imperialists of their respective countries. It has proven that its hatred of the Soviet Union is no less ardent than is the hatred of the lackeys of imperialism of the European countries.

Of course Hillquit, Thomas, Berger, Maurer & Co. did not have the same opportunities to show to their masters what they can and would like to do. They did not have the opportunities afforded to Zoergiebel, to shoot down the workers as in the Berlin May Day. They did not have the opportunities of Paul Boncour, of Ramsay MacDonald and the other social fascists of the Second International. But they did not fail in the meager opportunities accorded to them by the bourgeoisie of the United States.

The Socialist Party was most active against the Communist Party and the Soviet Union during the preparations for International Red Day. It did not miss a single opportunity to attack and slander the Soviet Union. It did not overlook one possibility of attacking the Communist Party. Norman Thomas made the most vicious attacks against the Communist Party and the National Textile Workers Union precisely at the time when sixteen workers, members of the NTWU are facing electrocution for their leadership in the struggles in Gastonia.

Norman Thomas repeated the attacks made against the Gastonia fighters by the capitalists and their government. Not less treacherous was the attack of Thomas against the Young Pioneers who were attacked by the police in their demonstration against imperialist war made at the time of the sailing of the boy scouts to the international jamboree in England. Norman Thomas did not attack the police and their brutal acts, but attacked the Young Pioneers and utilized this event as an attack against the Communist Party and the Communist International. This is in line with the activity of the socialist party in the preparation for the coming imperialist war and for an attack against the Soviet Union. The Hillquits, the Thomases and the rest of the socialist crew are very busy in selling the Kellogg pact and the Young plan—instruments for the preparation of war—as evidence of the peaceful policy of the American imperialists.

Since this article was written two new events have happened:

- 1.—Victor Berger, chairman of the socialist party died.
- 2.—Berger's party committed another act of betrayal against the working class when

in Reading they gave good account of themselves to their masters, and exposed themselves no less to the workers.

In Milwaukee where the Socialists have been in control of the local government for many years the police made many arrests during the week of the Red Day preparations. Workers were arrested for merely distributing leaflets. On Red Day the Socialist police attacked the demonstration and arrested many workers, among them the sub-district organizer, Comrade Al Davis. The Socialists in Milwaukee showed that they know their business. Victor Berger and Mayor Hoan would not allow the republican Mellon mayor of Pittsburgh or the Tammany mayor of New York, Jimmie Walker, to outdo them. The national executive committee of the Socialist Party, we are sure, will adopt a special resolution on the good behavior of the Socialist administration in Milwaukee on Red Day, contrasting the efficient government of the Socialists to the "graft ridden" government of other municipalities. Only two weeks ago there appeared a lengthy article in the New Leader, depicting the virtues of the Mayor Hoan administration in Milwaukee, namely, the abolition of graft and giving a clean business administration to the taxpayers. In the next article the Socialist New Leader will be able to add to its achievement its attacks against the International Red Day demonstration.

In Reading, Pa., the Socialist administration of Mr. Maurer was equally as aggressive in refusing permission to the International Labor Defense to hold a tag day in support of the Gastonia strikers. The tag day was organized in spite of them. More and more the workers of Reading are beginning to realize the class character of the Socialist administration which came

into power on the issue of clean government and lower taxes to property owners.

In New York City the Socialists though less fortunate, nevertheless, could find ample opportunity to demonstrate that they are no worse than their "comrades" in Milwaukee and Reading. In the recent strikes of the food workers, the needle workers and a number of other struggles, the leaders of the Socialists were very active in pointing out to the police who were the Communists and the left wingers and who should be clubbed and arrested. Naturally the Socialists are not satisfied entirely with this arrangement. They would rather themselves be in control of the city government and murder workers than merely be the aid of Tammany Hall. But nevertheless, they have their opportunities here too.

Like the Zoergiebels, Mullers, MacDonalds, Boncours, the Hillquits, Thomases and Maurers who are today not merely social chauvinists, but merely social imperialists but have become social fascists. They have traveled far from 1914 to 1929. Today it is no longer a question how they will act in the imperialist war. Today they are helping to mobilize the masses for the coming imperialist war. Today they are openly acting as agents of the capitalists. Today they organize fascist attacks against the workers. Here and there they still cover their deeds with left phrases as in the case of the Thomases and Maurers who in common with Muste and others have recently formed the "Conference for Progressive Labor Action." But it is quite clear to large sections of the workers already that they are differing from the Green-Woll and company only on how to attack the workers and the Communist Party. Their role is to continue to fool the workers where the Greens can no longer do

it. Where McMahon's open treachery can no longer fool the textile workers the Hoffmans of Muste fame are sent in to betray the workers in Elizabethton, Tenn., and other centers where the workers show a desire for struggle.

The Communist Party is becoming the leader of ever larger sections of workers. There is hardly a struggle of the workers in which the Communist Party does not participate. The Communist Party is exposing the role of the reformists of all brands from Mathew Woll to Maurer, from Victor Berger to Norman Thomas, from Mayor Hoan to Muste. The Communist Party is able to prove to larger and larger sections of the American workers that in every struggle they face the combined attacks of the capitalists, the government and the social reformists. As the Greens, Wolls, Hillquits, Thomases expose themselves before the workers, the Communist Party increases its influence among the workers. The recent International Red Day demonstrations, the support that the Communist Party has been able to mobilize for the Gastonia defense, the successes gained in the organization of the masses of workers in the coming convention of the Trade Union Educational League in Cleveland, are all signs of the growing radicalization process of the American workers and also show the mass support that the Communist Party already has. The American workers already show undisputed symptoms of gigantic class battles developing very soon. In these battles the Communist Party will lead the masses of workers. The Socialist Party and the A. F. of L. leadership by its open treachery is facilitating this. They are helping the masses to realize in the Communist Party their leader. They are helping the masses to realize in the social reformists their class enemies.

The Hillquits, Thomases and Maurers are true to the Second International. They follow in the footsteps of the Zoergiebels, the MacDonalds and the Boncours. They are the heroes of international counter-revolution.

The Communist Party under the leadership of the Communist International is following in the footsteps of Marx and Lenin. The Communist Party of the U. S. is organizing the masses for struggle against capitalism and all its lackeys. The Communist Party is organizing the masses for the international proletarian revolution.

## Boston Reception for Amy Schechter Friday, August 16th

BOSTON, Aug. 12.—The International Labor Defense and W. I. R. is arranging a mass meeting at New International Hall, 42 Wenonah St., Roxbury, Mass., for Friday, Aug. 16th 8 p. m., when a reception and demonstration of solidarity with Amy Schechter, just released on bail after long imprisonment on framed-up charges of murder in Gastonia, will be held. She will give a first hand report on the heroic battle of the southern textile strikers. Other prominent speakers will address the meeting. Admission is free.

## Mercenaries Hired by French Imperialism



Frequent refusal by French troops to continue to slaughter thousands of Moroccans has caused the French imperialist government to recruit more foreign mercenaries for its Foreign Legion. Above, foreign-born officers of a Foreign Legion regiment in Morocco.

# CEMENT

By FEODOR GLADKOV

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HE turned away from Motia and began to fill his pipe. "Never mind, Motia, fire is not such a bad thing. When you know which way you're going, when one is sure of one's feet and eyes, you need not be too scared of burns, big or small. We're fighting and building a new life. All's going well, Motia, don't cry. We're going to build up everything, God damn it! In such a way that we ourselves will be astonished at our own work. The time will come..."

"Oh, Gleb, Gleb! You have destroyed your own home!" "What then? We'll build a new one, Motia. If the old home has been destroyed, it means that the old home wasn't much good. And how are you? When is the kid going to appear?"

She laughed with her eyes only; joy rushed into her face. "In a month, Gleb. You know, you're going to be the god-father—don't forget!"

"That's fine! That'll suit me all right, only there must be one condition: if I see a priest in your house I'll put him into a truck and send him down by the ropeway to the wood stores. I'll arrange the festival for you, Motia—we'll make the hooters bowl! And we'll make an honorable workman out of your little son."

Motia laughed happily; and Gleb, instead of returning to the house, walked down the path towards the factory.

## NORTH-EASTER.

THE end of October brought a number of unexpected events. On the night of the twenty-eighth, Shramm was arrested and sent at once to the District Center. The same night, a number of arrests were made among the technicians of the Economic Council and the factory management. On the thirtieth there was great excitement among the Party workers. Shidky was called to the District Bureau of the Central Committee; Badin was appointed Chairman of the District Economic Council. Shibus, Chairman of the Cheka, was sent to some distant part of Siberia.

These events had been expected for a long time; one had spoken about them in an undertone; there had been rumors and uneasiness. Everyone had expected these things, the days had been full of tense expectation. Nevertheless when the events happened they surprised by their suddenness and their reality.

Every morning at the usual hour Serge went to the Party Committee with his untidy portfolio, the bald patch shining on his head. He walked softly, stooping, his eyes continually questioning. Every day he carried out punctually and exactly the Party tasks upon which he was working at Agitprop and the Department of Political Education. He never missed a single session, even if his presence was not obligatory. He spoke to no one about the Party Cleansing and his exclusion, nor of his efforts to re-establish himself in the Party. It seemed that nothing was of importance to him except the work assigned to him. After he left the Party Cleansing Commission, the day they had communicated to him their decision on his exclusion, he had never returned there. He did not ask any of the Party functionaries to help him, he did not complain. Only his head with its red bald patch and long curls seemed larger and heavier than before; in his eyes burned, through red moisture, a fever of suffering.

HE received a laconic extract from the report of the Party Cleansing Commission which he read with the same attention as he gave to other documents.

## ITEM.

Ivagin, Serge Ivanovitch. Member of C.P.R. (B) since 1920. Party card No. .... Former Menshevik. Intellectual.

## DECISION.

Excluded as a typical intellectual and Menshevik, with demoralizing influence on Party.

Dasha brought him the extract. He was sitting in the Agitprop, working assiduously on the revision of a thesis on the question of Workers' Co-operatives, to be transmitted to the groups. Dasha looked at him closely and searchingly, frowning. For the first time she was wondering about Serge—why was he so calm and indifferent? Why was he silent? Was he thinking about something else?

"Comrade Ivagin, an appeal must be made at once. It's no good just saying 'To hell with them!' We must hit hard, immediately, and take the matter as high as possible."

He smiled at her with his moist eyes and took from his portfolio a sheet of paper covered with close writing.

"I have already appealed, Comrade Chumalova. Here is a copy of my appeal. I passed it on to Shidky. The Party Committee is interceding on my behalf."

"If you have any need of a testimonial, Comrade Ivagin, I will write you one in a moment. It's a scandalous abuse. You and Comrade Mekhova cannot be turned out of the Party."

"If you think a testimonial is necessary, Comrade Chumalova, will you write one and give it to Shidky?"

He rose from his chair, smiling shyly, and held out his hand to Dasha.

"And don't forget for a moment that I'm a Communist, a member of the Party, who must go on working without interruption."

"That's so, Comrade Ivagin; but you must act, stir yourself and not just sit in a chair."

"So far it has not been called for. If it is required, I shall get up and shall go everywhere necessary."

Dasha looked at him again attentively and again she frowned in wonderment. Then she smiled and quickly left the room.

DOLIA had recently been sent to a sanatorium. Since Dasha had established herself in Polia's room Serge had not called on her any more. Nor had she called on him or opened the door which communicated with his room. She had forgotten him; and his sleepless nights had vanished from the young woman's memory. He often heard her laugh and resonant voice interweaving with Dasha's. In his lonely room he shuffled up ad down in his heavy boots and was sad in his heart. Nevertheless he was happy to hear laughter once more in Polia's room.

Only one thing then was necessary: the Party and Party work. No personal life. What was his love, hidden in unseen depths? What were these problems and thoughts which tortured his mind? All were survivals of an accursed past. All came from his father, his youth, the romanticism of intellectuals. All this must be extirpated to the very root. These sick figments of the mind must be destroyed. There was only one thing—the Party; and everything to the last drop of his blood must be given to it. Whether he would be re-admitted or not made no difference; he, Serge Ivagin, as a personality did not exist. There was only the Party and he was an insignificant item in this great organism. But that day he was going through his old pain once more.

It was exceptionally quiet in Shidky's room and stuffy. Badin, Gleb, Dasha, Lukhava and Shibus were all assembled there. Serge was nervous at seeing them all there together and foresaw an explosion. All were business-like, serious and cold, and questions were decided without discussion. You could only hear Shidky's rasping voice, reading.

"Are there any objections to the plan? Then it's accepted. So the final plan for the celebration is as follows: in the morning the various contingents will assemble in their districts—"

Lukhava raised his hand and roughly interrupted Shidky.

"Stop! We know all that by heart. Get on!"

GLEB got up and held out his hand towards Shidky.

"Stop, Chumalov. The question has been thrashed out already. There's nothing more to speak about. Shut up!"

"What do you mean—shut up? I protest against the clause 'honoring of the heroes of labor.' This must be struck out. What heroes of labor? What great deeds have they done that they should be in the ranks of the heroes of labor? That should not be, dear Comrades! I'm not speaking just for myself. I beg leave to give you my standpoint regarding this—"

"Chumalov, there can be no reservations on this! What nonsense are you talking? Idiot!"

Shibus sat as usual, either dosing, resting, dreaming, or thinking of something else about which he would never tell anyone. Badin sat with his chest against the table, silent and heavy; push against him and he wouldn't move, strike him and he wouldn't feel. Dasha was smiling and her face was flushed. It was as though she desired to cry aloud, as though expectation made her tremble; as though she expected just one word which would cause an outburst.

His leather clothes creaking, Badin raised his head from his hands and with black, gloomy eyes gazed at Gleb. He leaned sideways from his chair and laid his hand upon Gleb's breast.

"What have you here?"

"With his finger he tapped the Order of the Red Flag."

"Well, that's—"

"Now then, please don't play the part of the austere Spartan. If for instance you were Serge Ivagin, a bashful intellectual, modesty would be comprehensible and real. But it doesn't suit you at all."

(To Be Continued)