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A Lesson From Spain

AMERICAN workers have a lesson to learn from the events in Spain, where the "socialist" party is participating in a capitalist government and is resorting to open fascism in an attempt to uphold capitalism, turning machine guns against the workers and using every possible deceit and brutality to prevent the revolutionary masses from making a victorious struggle for power.

However, in addition to these openly fascist counter-revolutionaries masked as "socialists," another crippling influence on the revolutionary forward drive of the masses is the traditional confusion of the so-called "syndicalists," whose approximate likeness in America is the Industrial Workers of the World (IWW). On last Thursday these syndicalist leaders gave an example of how they serve as counter-point accomplices to the treacherous "socialists."

Holding that as a matter "of principle" that "all" political parties are against the working class, rejecting the role of the Communist Party as the leader of revolution against capitalism, refusing to make an alliance with the impoverished peasantry against capitalism, and contending that the trade union alone can overthrow capitalism and maintain power for the workers afterwards in the sense of looking only to a narrow trade interest, the Spanish syndicalists repeated the criminal mistake that the Italian syndicalists committed in 1920.

On a smaller scale, the same "left" idiosyncrasy was used in the misleading of the metal workers of Saragossa, as was used in Italy during 1920, when the Italian syndicalist leaders rejected the lessons of the Bolshevik revolution in Russia and misled the Italian workers into a "seizure of factories" without organizing the entire revolutionary mass for the overthrow of capitalist government and the establishment of Soviets.

In Saragossa a small section of the workers were, under syndicalist direction, marched to a foundry and steel plant and urged into seizing the factory and ejecting the management, under the theory that they could take over the works and run it by themselves.

Now there is no objection on the part of Communists to workers taking over factories and running them, but when this is done the whole million-mass must be in motion in the same direction under the leadership which does not limit the movement to a mere occupation of the factories, but which goes on beyond that to the destruction of the capitalist government and its forces of repression, the establishment of a revolutionary government that can be nothing else in form than a Soviet and the seizure of the entire social power including the banks. It must arm the masses and disarm the capitalists and all their supporters.

Because none of these necessary conditions of revolutionary success were considered by the syndicalists of Saragossa, and the workers who seized the factories were compelled to withdraw at the approach of troops sent against them by the "socialists" in government power, it was a discouragement for further revolutionary efforts and an objective assistance to the fascist maneuvers of the "socialist" leaders, who used this event as an argument against any revolutionary action by the workers themselves, and who appear before the masses, deceitfully but plausibly, as the only "sensible" leadership which will—according to their demagogic promises—obtain socialism "gradually" and "step by step." Actually this promise is false and is made to choke the revolution, to betray the workers and maintain capitalist rule.

That this syndicalist theory not only serves to strengthen fascism, but that it itself turns to fascism and counter-revolution, is proven by the action of the IWW in the United States in their strike-breaking in the Illinois miners strike, in their attacks on the Unemployed Councils, and in a speech by their leader, James P. Thompson, in Seattle on May 24th where, in comment on the Soviet government, he laid the same basis for war against the Soviet as do the capitalists by prophesying Soviet "collapse" and a "taking of control" by the IWW.

Workers of America must learn from the lessons of Italy and of Spain that no one has a program "more revolutionary" than that of the Communist Party! Above all the victory of the Russian workers and the successes of the Soviet Union must clinch the proof that all who attack the Communists are enemies of the workers!

SEVERAL JOBLESS BURNED TO DEATH IN PIER 9 BLAZE

NEW YORK.—Pier No. 9, formerly owned by the Munson Line, was wrecked by fire yesterday. The rotten and dilapidated dock had been abandoned and was used by many unemployed and homeless workers as a place to sleep, especially since the Tammany Hall racketeers closed down the Municipal flop house at South Ferry. How many workers were burned to death or drowned at Old Slip has not yet been found out. Three of the homeless workers were forced by the fire to jump into the river and were saved. Directly under the hottest part of the blaze two workers, who were caught unaware, were seen clinging to the piles and were saved. They said there were others sleeping nearby, but the smoke was so thick from the fire that they could not see what happened to them. The three workers who were rescued and are now at the Broad St. Hospital are Alvarez Scheerer, 35 years old; Frank Sylvia, 21, and Eugene Nelson, 28. The Seamen's Church Institute,

which is located on the waterfront near the scene of the fire, collects thousands of dollars to shelter homeless seamen and waterfront workers. The homeless men, however, are forced to find shelter on the piers and in empty shacks. Money collected by the Institute for the unemployed finds its way into the pockets of the religious fakery who run the place. In order for an unemployed sailor or waterfront worker to get a bed in the Institute he must pay hard cash. The Marine Workers' Industrial Union and the Unemployed Council, which demanded yesterday that the Welfare Commissioner open up the flop house at South Ferry, threatened that the Seamen's Institute also give free beds to the unemployed seamen.

Deport 150 Chicago Foreign Born At One Swoop: Hit This!

CHICAGO, Ill.—Making the largest group to be deported from this city at one time, 150 workers were loaded into six prison-barracked cars to await the arrival of the special immigration train from Seattle, Wash., bearing its human cargo, and proceed with it to New York and Ellis Island.

2,000 N.Y. JOBLESS MARCH, DEMAND FOOD

Commissioner Taylor Flees, Deputy Passes the Buck Only

5,000 in Mass Meeting Decide to Hold City-Wide Demonstration

NEW YORK.—The march of 2,000 unemployed to the Welfare Department yesterday, which started from the Municipal Flaphouse at 25 Street and First Avenue yesterday and joined forces with the Downtown Branch at 7th Street and Avenue A, resulted in the jobless delegates gaining admission to the office of the Tammany Commissioner. But Commissioner Taylor, himself dodged the issue of 1,000,000 starving unemployed in New York. Instead his representative, Deputy Commissioner Dunne, first refused to hear the delegation's spokesman, Geo. Benton, on the ground "that he was born out of town." Instead the delegates put forward John Abt, who has worked in New York for 41 years and lived in New York for 51 years. In Dunne's opinion, the demands of the Unemployed have been carried out—"we have been giving the Unemployed three meals a day, and we found it wasn't necessary because the Unemployed were all put of town." The fact of the matter is that the non-day meal has been cut out entirely, and Dunne can't pass this bluff off. On the second demand of the Unemployed Councils for sleeping quarters to be provided every night with-

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SHOE WORKERS WIN VICTORY Led by S. L. W. I. U., Workers Resist Boss Drive

NEW YORK.—After a two weeks' struggle against the Antonoff Novelty Slipper Co., 71 Green St., New York, which was called by the Shoe and Leather Workers' Industrial Union after the bosses locked out the Shop Committee, the strike ended yesterday, June 1, with a victory for the workers and for the union. The bosses signed an agreement with the union, granting all the union conditions and wage adjustments to be worked out with the Shop Committee.

This strike is significant. It shows that under a proper leadership and with determination of purpose to stop the wage-slashing campaign, the workers can win. This strike will be a stimulant towards the organization drive conducted by the Shoe and Leather Workers' Industrial Union among the slipper workers for organization and betterment of the conditions in the slipper and stitch-down trade.

Slipper workers organize in the Shoe and Leather Workers' Industrial Union to fight against wage-cuts and long hours of work and for better working and living conditions. Join the Shoe and Leather Workers' Industrial Union. Come to the Union office, 16 W. 21st St. The office is open every day from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Cops Planned Slaughter in Youngstown, Reporter Says

Legionnaires Came Armed With Revolvers; Cops Slug Women and Children; Break Blackjacks On the Workers' Heads

BULLETIN. YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio, June 2.—The two workers who were shot at the demonstration on National Youth Day were operated on and are reported getting on fairly well. No one has been killed. On Thursday or Friday a mass open air protest demonstration will be held to expose the brutal and murderous attack of the steel boss police. A permit has been secured. The spirit of the workers here is excellent. The steel workers are behind the demonstrators who put up a splendid battle against the fascist Legion and steel capitalist police. Four of the arrested have been bailed out so far. Efforts are being made to bail out the others. The arrested workers were arraigned in court, but no details have been received as yet.

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio, June 2.—Latest reports of the two workers who were shot by the police in their murderous attack on the National Youth Day parade here on May 30th, state that one of them has died from his wounds. (The Daily Worker is making every effort to verify this report.—Ed.)

The attack of the police was deliberately planned, with the help of the Fascist American Legion at the order of the Mahoning Valley steel bosses, and with the full approval of Mayor Joseph L. Hefferman.

Tenant Attacked; Kills Landlord Rent Hog Threatened Worker

NEW YORK.—Antonio Copace, 66 years old of 167 Lexington Ave., the landlord of the tenement at 519 Second Avenue, was killed yesterday in a dispute over the rent after the landlord attacked the tenant Peter Romano, who told him that his wife was out trying to get the money. Fifty-two dollars was due on the rent for two months. The landlord refused to wait for the money not even until the tenant's wife returned and declared the Marshall was ready to evict the family. It was then that Romano fired a shot at the landlord and killed him.

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Birmingham Police Arrest So. Conference Delegates in Attack on Fight To Save Nine

CHATTANOOGA, June 2.—In their frantic attacks on the growing united movement of white and Negro workers in the fight to save the nine Scottsboro Negro boys facing the electric chair on a framed-up charge of rape, the Birmingham, Alabama, bosses had their police arrest an entire delegation from the "Black Belt" which was on its way to the All-Southern United Front Scottsboro Defense Conference held Sunday in Chattanooga.

The delegation, which included both white and Negro workers and the southern organizer of the Young Communist League, is held incommunicado in a Birmingham prison. The delegation was picked up on the charge of violating the curfew law of Birmingham which forbids Negro workers to be on the streets after 11 o'clock at night. In order to reach Chattanooga in time for the opening of the conference, the delegates had started out at four o'clock Sunday morning. The real motive behind the arrest is the fear of the bosses of the

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Send Funds Now! Insure "Series" Starting June 10

The lies of the capitalist press about forced labor in the Soviet Union must be met with the truth about forced labor under American imperialism. The Knickerbocker-Post Anti-Soviet Campaign must be exposed and the underlying motive for these vicious attacks explained.

The reasons for the vast unemployment in America and the actual shortage of labor in the Soviet Union must be analyzed. The fundamental differences between the Workers' and Peasants' Government of the U.S.S.R. and the autocracy of capitalism must be made clear to the masses.

Workers! To make possible the series of articles by Max Bedacht on the "Capitalist Crusade Against the Soviet Union" in which the above questions are clearly and decisively answered, you must FIRST make possible the continued appearance of the Daily Worker.

These articles are due to be published beginning Wednesday, June 10. From now on it is of the utmost importance to see that funds to insure publication of this vital series are sent in immediately. At this date it is a question whether the "Daily" will be able to survive until June 10. Do your share and more without a moment's delay.

GIMBEL BROS. HELPERS STRIKE OVER WAGE CUT

Horrible Conditions And Long Hours

NEW YORK.—Outrageous working conditions, endangering the health of the workers, plus a sudden wage cut that was put into effect one day before it was announced, caused a strike yesterday of furniture helpers at Gimbel Bros. Seventeenth Street warehouse.

Most of those on strike are what are called in this store, "contingent" helpers. They work when there is work, with no limit on the number of hours which may run up to 15 or even 18, with no pay whatever for overtime, loading furniture into delivery trucks and unloading it and carrying it into the houses where it is delivered. Regular helpers get \$21. The helpers now on strike were getting it, but after putting in a full shift Monday, were some of them, informed that hereafter they would get \$3 a day. That way they are lucky to make \$15 a week, and some have families to support. Sometimes a man goes days without work.

Yesterday the helpers protested to the boss, Kearns. The new superintendent, Allen, had ordered the cut. The boss told them "If you don't like it, you know what you can do." The company began right away trying to hire new men to replace the helpers. The spokesman of the helpers was threatened with arrest.

Will Spread Strike The strike is now on, with the helpers trying to call out others working for Gimbel Bros. They demand \$4 a day, no favoritism or discrimination as is now practiced, shorter hours, and other improvements.

The strikers tell of a list of abuses too many to find space in this issue of the Daily Worker. They are bitter over the policy of the new superintendent who fires the higher paid men and uses the lower paid "con-

1,400 MORE JOIN MINERS STRIKE; MARCH TODAY

Four More Mines Quit Work; Others Struck Today; Over 6,000 Pennsylvania Coal Diggers Out; Led by National Miner Union

Thousands of Women, Young Miners, Negroes In Front Ranks of Mass Picketing

General Strike Committee Will Hundreds of Delegates Expected at Meeting Will Issue Call for District Strike Today

PITTSBURGH, Pa., June 2.—Four more mines, employing 1400 miners were struck today, and the miners in an additional four mines are expected to join the struggle tomorrow. There were before the striking of these four mines today, already 5,500 miners in this region on strike, under the leadership of the National Miners' Union, and defying all the strikebreaking activities of the United Mine Workers' District President Fagan and his officials.

Tomorrow a mass march will take place on the Library mine of the Pittsburgh Coal Co., thus spreading the strike to the strongest company.

Militant Picketing. The mass picket lines are actively maintained at every mine. The pickets at Coverdale stopped four scabs and beat them up.

Thousands of women are actively participating in all strike activity. The young miners and Negro miners are in the forefront of the fight.

2000 WALK OUT IN LONGSHOREMEN'S STRIKE IN TEXAS

Marine Workers Industrial Union Leads

GALVESTON, Texas, June 2.—Over 2,000 longshoremen have gone out on strike here against wage-cuts and the strike is spreading under the leadership of the Marine Workers' Industrial Union. C. T. Davis, organizer of the union here, is active in pushing the strike.

Most of the strikers are Negro workers. A rank and file dock committee was elected to draw up demands of withdrawal of the wage-cut, an increase in wages and recognition of the dock committee.

Although the largest part of the strikers are Negro workers, when a mass meeting was called by the Marine Workers' Industrial Union, a large number of white workers came and joined in a unified struggle against wage-cuts.

Thirty have already joined the M. W. I. U., and others are joining in large numbers daily. The union has sent another organizer into the field to help spread the strike.

An attempt was made recently to cut the wages of shrimp fishermen 50 per cent. The M. W. I. U. carried on agitation among fishermen and as a result the militancy of the men forced the company to rescind the pay cut.

Sheriff in Paterson Jail Was Ready to Use Machine Guns

PATERSON, N. J.—That the Sheriff of the County Jail in Paterson was ready if necessary to use machine guns against the demonstration arranged in front of the jail the day the five textile workers were to have been released, is clear from reports that have come in to the Daily Worker.

Conditions in the jail were such, according to B. Lieb, one of the five militant textile workers framed for murder, who was interviewed by the Daily Worker that it was impossible for the prisoners to stand the noise, the overcrowding, the lack of electric light which made it impossible even to read, or snatch some sleep. "All the cell doors opened in to the center," said Lieb, "there were only 3 little electric bulbs that burned 24 hours, this on top of the fact that there was no ventilation, with sometimes as many as 40 prisoners crowded into the space made it impossible to stand the racket." "The toilets were in the cells." In addition to the noise of the plumbing which kept on all the time, the Night-keepers of the jail like to play cards, and kept up a continuous talking which disturbed all the prisoners.

"Books and magazines were forbidden." "Although we were political prisoners," said Lieb, "they kept us with criminals and treated us as such. We were constantly told we were in on a murder charge. The food was rotten. Twice a day there was black coffee and sugar. Beans, or soup with potatoes in their skins in the soup. You

couldn't touch the meat—it was cooked as it was including the butchers' stamp. No food was allowed the prisoners from the outside." The jail which is a very old one, keeps the prisoners so cooped up, and they are not even allowed into the yard, although there is one.

"The administration and the jailers were sore because the workers of Paterson paid so much attention to our case," said Lieb, "and especially because they demonstrated, that is why they kept some of us in 10 days longer. But we were glad to stay in because the workers showed such solidarity. One day there were at least 100 workers to see us." And on the day of the demonstration when Com. Endagah of the International Labor Defense came out to speak for our release, here were at least 500. "We heard the speeches inside and the applause and enthusiasm of the workers," said Lieb. "And the campaign to fight for the unconditional release of all the comrades who have been framed up by the bosses must go on harder than ever, so we can defeat the bosses and win a victory for the working class."

"The National Textile Workers' Union is calling a meeting on June 5th to celebrate the release of the Paterson 5 and to capitalize the issue to build the union. A delegation of strikers from Pawtucket, R. I. will also speak and Lieb as well as the other 4 released members. The meeting will be held at 205 Paterson St., Paterson, N. J., and all workers are urged to attend."

"SOCIALIST" JEWISH DAILY FORWARD HELPS RESTAURANT BOSSES IN WAGE CUT ON WAITERS

By HARRIET SILVERMAN
NEW YORK—On Thursday, May 21, the Central Trades and Labor Council of New York City held a meeting at which a delegate of the A. F. of L. Waiters Union reported the campaign began in March by the bosses association to force a 25 per cent wage cut on the workers.

On March 5 the Jewish Daily Forward carried the screaming headline: "Yiddish restaurant keepers have a meeting tonight at Mecca Temple to save their trade." Parading before the world as champions of the workers, every act of the Jewish Socialist Party members betrays them as enemies of the working class. "Thousands of Yiddish Restaurants are collapsing, driven to bankruptcy, they not only have no profits, but are actually losing money," declared the Forward.

Who is to blame? In the opinion of the Forward: "The tragic circumstances have developed in the last two years especially in the Jewish restaurants where the food is being served by waiters. The crisis has not hit the cafeterias, but the Jewish restaurants are employing waiters service. These restaurants are struggling very hard."

The Socialist Forward, agent of the bosses, continues still further: "All the Yiddish restaurant keepers are driven out of business by the chain stores through cheap labor, long hours and the difference in food. In the Jewish restaurants, the employees are treated better, they get higher wages, and work more human

hours" (emphasis ours.)

"All this results," according to Hilquit, Thomas, Muste & Company, "in the expense being higher for the restaurant owners and it is impossible to stand the competition of the cafeterias."

In this fashion the Forward gangsters prepared their "public" for the Mecca Temple meeting of the restaurant bosses. The meeting was covered by the Forward reporter who had orders to keep silent about the whole purpose of the meeting, which was to start the campaign to cut wages 25 per cent.

Instead, the socialist reporter's news was "Jewish restaurant keepers demand forbidding food counters in the Drug Stores." This was the main head in the Forward. Only in a sub-head was it mentioned: "They also spoke about cutting wages." But said the Forward: "That the restaurant owners need relief, there can be no doubt about it. Their hours are inhuman long (emphasis ours) — from dawn to late at night they must work in their business—mostly with their wives and children—they never have a free day or a free hour—for them there is no Sabbath, no Sunday, no holiday—it is a business that eats up their time, their family life and their social life." The Jewish Daily Forward gangsters who live on Riverside Drive and have tens of thousands of dollars in the bank, are plainly heart-broken over the restaurant bosses.

The Jewish Daily Forward reported said more: "At the meeting were many of the most prominent restaurateurs of New York. But the meeting looked to me like a Union meeting." "Your reporter has seen many Union meetings and he can state that this meeting was not a bit different than a Cloakmakers or Tailors Union. The same stories, the same troubles, the same speeches and it seems to me the same people." The Forward's reported knows well the company union officials of the I.L.G.W. and Amalgamated Clothing—Schlesinger, Hillman, Mathew Wolf and Company's representatives.

"The Waiters' Union delegate to the Central Trades & Labor Council, who made an appeal for support of the A. F. of L. officialdom against this campaign of wage slashing, is still very naive. He must have hoped something would be done by the fascist officials of the A. F. of L. We hope he has learned what all other workers must learn who are still misled and sold out by these fakers. Nothing can be gained by reporting issues of struggle to the den of thieves and Tammany Hall gangsters who rule over the Central Trades & Labor Council, or to any other group of A. F. of L. officials and their socialist henchmen. This worker also made an attempt to protest to the labor editor of the Forward, Schaefer, who, of course, paid no attention to the complaint.

A strike of the waiters is likely to break out at any time while the negotiations are now being conducted between the Waiters' Union and the bosses' association. The rank and file has forced the A. F. of L. officialdom thus far, but the usual result is likely to be the outcome. Against this possibility the Trade Union Unity League and the Food Workers' Industrial Union have issued a leaflet warning the workers to watch their betrayers and to fight militantly against the Forward-Bosses-Socialist Alliance to smash down the already lowered standards of the workers. The fight centers around defeating the restaurant owners' ultimatum to cut wages 25 a week and to win the workers into the ranks of the revolutionary Food Workers' Industrial Union.

THE ADVENTURES OF BILL WORKER



Murderous Attack By Hillman Thugs To Throw Out Girls Rank and File Clothing Workers Meet Today

NEW YORK—In spite of great efforts made by the Hillman machine, a story of savage thuggery by the Hillman boys in Local 161 (dapper makers) of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers has become known.

Local 161 sent a strong-arm committee to force girl lap makers in Local 54 (Lithuanian local) off the job. The girls were some of them fooled into quitting their jobs on the promise of getting other jobs by transferring to Local 161. Not getting work they went back to their old jobs.

Savage Attack.

On May 27, the gorillas of Local 161, led by the business agent of that local, came down, seized control of all exits in a Local 54 shop, where two of the girls were working, and ordered the shop chairman to send them down and put in two of the Hillman clique. He refused, and was knocked out with a lead pipe. A battle took place, and the workers in the shop drove out the thugs. One of them, leaving, picked up a hatchet and cut down one of the workers in the shop. At last accounts he was in a very serious condition in a hospital.

Attacked Again.

A committee of Local 54 members in the shop went to protest to Manager Blumberg. They were headed by the business agent of Local 54. When they came out of the manager's room they were pounced upon by the gorilla committee of Local 161, driven into another room in the same building and beaten up severely. A few were afterwards treated in the New York Hospital, near by.

"Keep It Secret."

"The committee of Local 54 then went to Hillman and Potofsky and these two told them to keep it all secret and the main office would investigate and meanwhile pay the doctor bills.

There is a rumor that the business agent of Local 161 has been arrested and put on \$10,000 bonds for the hatchet work and other assaults, and another rumor that he has run out of town. Probably both are correct, to the extent that the agent is trying to keep out of sight for a while.

Rank and File to Meet.

The rank and file clothing workers' unemployed, meet today at noon sharp, at 83 E. Tenth St., to discuss their action in the mass meeting called by the officials of the Amalgamated of Locals 2, 3 and 5 for right after work in Webster Hall. The Hillman gang want to get consent to lead a fake strike, ostensibly to "keep the bundles in New York," actually to put over fresh treacheries under that excuse which has already served to put over piece-work, etc.

Bundle Fakey.

A meeting Monday night of the New York joint board brought out Hillman's opposition to the 40-hour week and his proposal for a demand for 10 per cent raise against "part of the employers." It was brought out there that the Amalgamated officials have made and will continue to make contracts for work to be sent out of town, and they admit this among themselves, while putting out "keep the bundles in New York."

The rank and file at their meeting at noon today will make plans to turn the approaching fake stoppage into a real strike for better conditions.

POLICE RAID THE SPANISH CENTRE Fear Solidarity of the Negro and White

NEW YORK—Without warning the police raided the Spanish Center, 166 Madison Ave., Sunday, May 31, at 10 p. m.

An affair was in progress when the police suddenly broke in and terrorized the workers, many of whom were Negro workers. The police used the threepence excuse of asking for a permit for the dance.

The case will come up Friday, June 5, at Municipal Court with the I.L.D. defending the Spanish Center.

It is believed that an American Legion post that has a floor below the Spanish Center called the police when they saw that Negro workers were permitted to the affair.

In a statement issued today the Spanish Workers Centre pledges further struggle for solidarity between Negro and white workers, and to fight against police persecution.

2,000 NEW YORK JOBLESS MARCH DEMAND FOOD

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out discrimination against Negro or foreign born workers or those from out of town, Dunne, the spokesman for Tammany Hall said: "There never was any such thing as discrimination in New York City." But he was then informed the workers from out of town are only allowed one night, and the Negro workers especially are jammed crowded, and the foreign born have been registered there and held for deportation.

Laundries, dryers and soap are also denied. This Dunne shifted to the Department of Hospitals as its responsibility. And the demand for free medical attention, won the reply: "We have a doctor here all the time." The doctor examines 500 men in 6 minutes which gives one an idea of the quality of the medical service. The demand to abolish "forced labor," and pay the men for any work then are forced to do, was thrown out of the discussion by Dunne and dismissed as "bunk."

The final demand that the South Ferry Flophouse be opened, Dunne said was "unnecessary." When the delegation tried to prove he was a liar in every case, Dunne called the workers "agitators." John Lembe, one of the delegation, told the Commissioner the workers would get their food.

The excuses of the Commissioner were reported outside to a meeting of 5,000 workers who awaited the result of the interview. The Unemployed speakers: Middleton, Abels, Benton, O'Garra, Abt, Sullivan, and Sam Neesin, told the workers there was no excuse for this starvation and misery, and that the only way to get anything was to organize to fight for

Picture of Five Year Plan Shown Here For First Time in the U. S.

The bourgeois press of late have been full of accounts about the Five Year Plan and its victories on the socialist front.

The haughty attitude of the capitalist world towards the Five Year Plan has been changed to fear.

The ever deepening of the crisis in the capitalist world, the 30,000,000 unemployed, compel the entire world to speak of the Five Year Plan, and to watch closely the results already obtained.

With gnashing teeth, the capitalist world and its economists are forced to acknowledge the growing importance of the Soviet Union in the world.

The appearance of the stirring film "The Five-Year Plan" at the Central Theatre, showing for the first time in the U.S.A., through the eyes of the camera, the power and greatness of the Soviet Five-Year Plan, is, therefore, more than timely. This film, with its explanatory speech in English, leaves an unerasable impression.

The appearance of the "Five-Year Plan" on the screen will convince the doubters and reassure its friends in their belief in the power of the socialist construction.

Executive Committee Workers Ex-Servicemen's League Meets at 8 p. m. at 79 E. Tenth St. Important that every member E. C. attend.

"Significance of the Last Strike in the Needle Trades" Will be the subject of a lecture at the Co-operative Auditorium, 2700 Bronx Park East at 8 p. m.

Steve Katovits Branch I.L.D. Will hold an open-air meeting at 8 p. m. at Second Ave. and Tenth St.

New Pioneer Magazine Affair Friday, June 5, Run by J. Reed Club

The John Reed Club is putting on a lively affair for the benefit of the New Pioneer magazine, with Hap Jingles and colored slides by Gropper and Bard, a sketch on Scottsboro by the Workers Laboratory Theatre, W. I. R., Scott Red Daners, Pioneer Chorus, a skit by Otto Soglow, and other features.

A good time promised for all kids, from 6 to 60. Webster Hall, 119 E. 12th Street, Friday evening, at 8:30, June 5. Admission, children under sixteen, 10 cents; kids, 16 to 60, 50c.

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The Communist Party call to for delegates to the June 25 conference, declares:

"While carrying out its hunger and war program, the capitalist government has let loose a new wave of lynching and discrimination against Negroes. The persecution of the foreign born is becoming more brutal daily. The jails are filled with militant fighters against hunger and wage cuts. The attempt to legally lynch the 9 innocent Negro boys at Scottsboro, the murder frame up of the 5 textile strikers in Paterson, N. J. and the deportation of militant workers to their death in fascist countries is part of the terror campaign of the bosses to crush the resistance of the workers, Negro and white, to unemployment and starvation, wage cuts and speed up, bosses terror and plans to plunge us at any time into a new imperialist world slaughter."

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BOULDER DAM SLAVES TOIL UNDER VICIOUS SPEEDUP AND DANGER

Crowds of Unemployed Workers Camp Along River Bank in Search of Work Contractors Install No Safety Devices; Men in Constant Danger

(By a Worker Correspondent) LAS VEGAS, Nev.—Here are some facts on the preliminary work now going on at the Boulder Dam project.

There are about a thousand men at work on the railroad tunnel, the water pipe ditch and other preliminary work. The men are driven like slaves by the slave-driving foremen. Some get so disgusted that they quit and others just can't keep up the pace and are fired.

Hundreds of jobless workers keep coming to the damsite, while crowds of them are camping along the river, hoping for jobs. These men are being used by the foremen as a whip over the heads of the workers.

On some parts of the job men work with ropes around them and are in constant danger of being crushed by rolling boulders as are the men below. Very few safety measures are taken by the contractors.

Some of the contractors charge the men \$2 a day for board, which leaves them very little out of their pay.

Pacific Gas and Electric Cuts Wages, Fires Workers

(By a Worker Correspondent) OAKLAND, Cal.—Employees of the gigantic, rich and powerful Pacific Gas and Electric Co. have had their wages cut this month 15 to 20 per cent.

Consolidated earnings of the Pacific Gas and Electric Co. the first quarter of 1931 were \$5,763,296, equivalent to 60c a share on common stock. Because the earnings this year over the last were slightly below (\$68,000) this wage cut was put over, lowering standard of living for the workers.

Chi. Labor Fakers Hold Party for Meat Cutters

(By a Worker Correspondent) CHICAGO, Ill.—The meat cutters of Chicago will be treated to a big party. Whether they'll just be treated only by the company of the packing houses and the Meat Dealers Association and pay for the feed themselves, or whether the big boys stand the expenses, is not known just now.

New Haven Raises Taxes, Increases Water Rate; Winchester Arms Cuts Pay

New Haven, Conn. Fellow Workers: More "prosperity" from the 59 fat boys. The city government has raised the taxes on all the little shacks in the city four mills on the dollar.

Now the big shyks who run the water company are going to raise the water rates on all the unemployed in order to help them along. The Winchester Arms Co. gave all their employees another wage-cut yesterday from 5 to 10 per cent.

Tenn. Bosses Plan 500 CAL. YOUTH Legal Lynching IN NYD PARADE

White Farmer Being Enthused Sports Meet in Milwaukee, Wis. (Special to the Daily Worker)

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal.—Five hundred participated in National Youth Day in Fresno, Cal. Over three hundred, mostly youth, Mexican, Negro and American paraded through the streets. Hundreds more lined the sidewalks cheering the marchers.

The young workers were represented from the following cities: San Francisco, Los Angeles, Stockton, Sacramento, San Jose, Long Beach, Bakersfield and other cities.

Over seventy children took part in the celebration. The sports events were held Sunday and later a meeting was held jointly with the conference to repeal the criminal syndicalism law that was attended by four hundred workers.

1,500 At Milwaukee Sports Meet MILWAUKEE, Wis.—More than fifteen hundred young workers were present at the sports meeting Sunday which was very enthusiastic. The Waukegan and St. Louis contingents of young workers arrived late when their cars broke down.

Police tried to stop the speaker but were booted down by the crowd and they backed out.

defendant legally lynched as hung up by a mob, are busy curbing the hoodlums they have gathered together to assure the lynching of Smith.

COPS PLANNED SLAUGHTER IN YOUNGSTOWN

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE)

hospital among them 12 police. Two of the participants in the demonstration were shot, and one is believed to be dead as he had a severe abdominal wound.

The seriousness of the attack of the police and how they murderously planned the assault, while the mass of workers who saw it sympathized with the Communists is graphically told by Harold E. Newby, an eye witness, newspaperman who writes for the Youngstown Vindicator.

"As they (the young workers) started their march from the yard of the Youngstown Ice Co., five or six mounted officers, among whom was Traffic Chief Olson, charged the youths swinging clubs right and left. Some of the crowd filtered around the horses, only to be ruthlessly pushed aside by a small police car which was backed rapidly into them.

All action on the police's part was premeditated; they cannot claim that they were taken unawares. For the first time in Youngstown blood was shed on a large scale in the country-wide labor movement.

"The many unemployed who littered the Square (where the demonstration led to during the fight) seemed to see something hopeful in this outburst of the organized workers... The Communists, neither young nor old, were armed in any way whatsoever when the trouble began...

"Regular police and plain clothesmen who were stationed near rushed to the aid of the mounted police. By this time the police were shooting wildly, some shots going into the pavers, others into the crowd and some over their heads... Children were knocked down, women flew from the scene in terror, the officers pursuing them rapidly... The police charged again and again, slugging and shooting in an effort to disperse the crowd.

Peasant Demonstrations Every Day Occurrence in Spain; Demand Land Be Confiscated From Rich Owners

In Extremadura Peasants Began to Divide Up Land Among Themselves; "Republican" Police Stop Them; Gov't Protects Landlords

MADRID, Spain (Inprecorr).—There is a stirring amongst the Spanish peasants and landworkers. Peasant demonstrations are an every day occurrence, particularly in Andalusia where the land is in possession of rich estate owners for the most part. The peasants demand the confiscation of the land of the rich and its distribution amongst the poor.

In Extremadura the peasants began to divide up the land of the rich among themselves. However, the republican gendarmerie, which a few weeks ago was the monarchist gendarmerie, quickly interfered and restored the land to "its rightful owners."

Last week frequent peasant demonstrations took place in Granada, Seville, Malaga and Cordova in front of the municipal buildings and in front of the houses of the rich land-

and vice raiders (police who collect graft) began swinging blackjacks and maces into the crowd. Blood streamed from the faces of police but the officers worked on. Tear gas bombs sent up blinding streams in several spots.

"The clubbings of the police spread to other parts of the city on Central Street, and after the showing of a Soviet movie. Sholan and Aynon, leaders of the demonstration, were arrested and clubbed and seriously injured in jail. Over 70 arrests in all were made. Many were released on Sunday night. Monday the leaders and a few others were held for "inciting to riot."

Scottsboro Defense Conferences

June 4 Stamford, Conn., at 49 Pacific St. June 5 Springfield, Conn. Indianapolis, Ind.—At Odd Fellows Hall, 530 1/2 Indiana Ave., at 7:30 p. m.

June 6 Chester, Pa., at Lithuanian Hall, 4th and Upland Streets. New Brunswick, N. J.—At the Workers' Home, 11 Plum St., at 2:30 p. m.

June 7 Danbury, Conn., at 14 Ives St. Gary, Ind., at Croatian Hall, 23rd and Washington St., at 2 p. m.

June 8 Yonkers, N. Y.—At the Workers' Co-operative Center, 252 Warburton Ave., at 8 p. m. June 12 New Haven, Conn., at 36 Howe St.

June 13 San Antonio, Texas, at the Colored Laborers Hall, 315 Virginia Boulevard. New Britain, Conn.

June 14 Detroit, Mich.—At 1343 E. Ferry St. June 15 Bridgeport, Conn., at 57 Cannon St.

S. P. Shops Lay Off 250 More Workers Abandon Two Trains From Service

SACRAMENTO, Cal.—The Southern Pacific Railroad has laid off 250 men in the Southern Pacific shops here last week without telling them when to come back, if ever.

Two trains have also been abandoned by the S. P. lines June 1, thus adding more railroad men to the jobless army on the Pacific coast.

War Against the USSR, an expose of the Kniekerbocker-Post Anti-Soviet crusade is scheduled to start in "Daily" beginning June 10. Publication of these articles will depend upon the amassed support of readers and sympathizers of the Daily Worker.

N. Y. Red Builders Keenly Active Nearly twelve and a half dollars was collected during the week at a number of open air meetings sponsored by the Red Builders News Club of New York.

MORE ACTION FROM OTHER RED BUILDERS NEWS CLUBS IN DRIVE What has happened to the clubs at Oakland, Chester, Sacramento, Barberton, Galveston, Chicago, Portland, Jamestown, Akron? Have not heard a word since the campaign started.

LET'S HEAR FROM THE RED BUILDERS AND WORKERS CLUBS WITH ACCOUNTS OF MEETINGS FOR "DAILY" BENEFIT!

THREE-DAY RECEIPTS DROP; DISTRICTS MUST ACT AT ONCE!

The contributions in the campaign to save the Daily Worker took a dangerous drop over the week-end. For Saturday, Sunday and Monday only \$1,059.48 was received. This is an average of about \$350 a day, the lowest since the first days of the campaign.

Through an unfortunate error a number of contributions from District 8 (Chicago) were credited to District 6 (Cleveland) in Saturday's and Monday's issues. In Saturday's paper the contributions that were incorrectly credited were from Lithuanian Fraction, C. P. Polasek, I.L.D. and Women's Federation banquet, Nucleus 504, Mothers League, IWO John Reed Branch, John Kerr, J. Beeson, E. E. all from Chicago, and Oscar Summ, Danville, Ill.

The incorrectly credited contributions in Monday's paper were from Theo. Sitea, E. Chicago, and the John Reed Club of Chicago. All these contributions totaled \$211.60, which should be added to the totals of District 8 and subtracted from the figures for District 6.

Table with columns for District, Name, and Amount. Includes District 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50.

BIRMINGHAM COPS JAIL DELEGATES ON FAKE CHARGE

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) growing unity of Negro and white workers who under the leadership of the Communist Party are increasingly smashing the boss-erected barriers of race hatred and Jim Crowism and uniting for common struggle against the bosses' system of starvation and lynch terror.

Delegates Fined in Chattanooga. The four delegates arrested in Chattanooga after they came out of the conference hall were "tried" today and fined \$10 for "loitering and blocking traffic."

The southern boss lynchers in their attacks on the All Southern United Front Scottsboro Conference and the mass movement to save the nine boys were ably seconded by the leaders of the N. A. A. C. P. and those preachers in various southern cities under their influence.

The biggest campaign ever conducted by the N. A. A. C. P. leaders in the South was this treacherous campaign to disrupt the defense and strangle the growing mass movement for defense of the nine children.

In spite of the attacks of the bosses and their police agents and Negro tools, the All-Southern United Front Scottsboro Defense Conference was a tremendous success. Delegates from many southern cities defied the terror and made their way by hitch-hiking and other means to the conference to give their support and that of their organizations to the fight to smash the murderous frame-up against the nine innocent boys.

SAVE THE DAILY \$35,000 Save-The-Daily Worker Fund Enclosed find _____ dollars _____ cents We pledge to do all in our power to save our Daily by raising \$35,000 by July 1.

Apparatus in 'Save Daily' Campaign Not Functioning in Districts 5, 9, 12, 13, 19

District 7, Detroit, in cutting 500 off its bundle of 1500 disrupts what otherwise would have been a good week for the circulation of the Daily. "This request to cut bundle," writes S. C. District D. W. rep., "when we are in the midst of the Sustaining Fund Drive may seem unreasonable, but it is a decision of the District Bureau and will not mean a decrease in sales as the District has been receiving 500 more papers than actually sold. During the campaign for \$35,000 sample copies should be distributed in working class neighborhoods to help make contacts. The Daily should not be allowed to accumulate in District Offices as was the case with Detroit. The Detroit District D. W. Committee should pay close attention to this matter and endeavor to restore the bundle to its original figure.

Summary By Districts

Table with columns for District, Sub May, Bundle May, Total May, and Increase. Lists districts 1 through 20 and an Enarg. total.

Summary By Cities

Table with columns for City, Sub May, Bundle May, Total May, and Increase. Lists cities like Boston, Newark, Elizabeth, N. Y. City, Baltimore, Wash., D. C., Buffalo, Rochester, Pittsburgh, Akron, Canton, Toledo, Cleveland, Detroit, Grand Rapids, Milwaukee, St. Louis, Chicago, Minneapolis, St. Paul, Superior, Kansas City, Seattle, Portland, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Oakland, Sacramento, Fresno, Okla. City, Reading, Chester.

Circulation tables this week total decrease of 154. The net circulation this week after deducting temporary orders of 348 is 30,787. Philadelphia, Chicago, Denver and Kansas City had substantial increases. Outside of Detroit the only decreases were from Connecticut, California and Boston.

Temporary orders of 200 from Allentown and 20 from Kulpmont plus several smaller special orders including cut of 100 from Wilkes Barre and 30 from Seranton. Philadelphia high honors for the week with a gain of 168. Chicago is next with increase of 80 covered by gains of 145 from Chicago and 50 from Terre Haute less decrease of 40 from Indianapolis and cut of temporary order from Ziegler, Ill. Denver follows with increase of 82 on strength of temporary order of 30 from Salt Lake City. Kansas City is represented by an increase of 51 due to extra order of 50 from Houston, Texas.

Second to Detroit in losses for the week in Connecticut with cut of temporary order of 32. California is next with decrease of 25 caused by cuts from San Francisco and Oakland of 25 and 30 respectively, despite increase of 30 from Oakland.

Rush Orders for Important Series An important series of articles by Max Bedacht entitled "The Holy

Greetings to the First Congress of the Communist Party of Philippines

From the Communist Party of the United States of America.
TO the Communist Party of the Philippine Islands, Manila, P. I.—Fraternal revolutionary greetings to our new sister party of the Philippine Islands. In the name of the revolutionary proletariat of the United States of America, the Communist Party of the U. S. A. pledges its closest co-operation and active practical solidarity in our joint struggle against our common class enemies—imperialism and capitalism. We pledge most energetic mobilization of the working masses and uncompromising struggle for driving out American imperialism from the Philippines and for immediate, unconditional

and complete independence of the Philippine Islands. At the same time we urge the Communist Party of the Philippines to carry on ruthless struggle against its own national bourgeoisie, the capitalists and landlords who betray and sell out to American imperialism for a share in the profits of the exploitation of the Filipino workers and peasants.

Long live the new section of the Communist International—the Communist Party of the Philippine Islands! Long live the United revolutionary front of the toiling masses of the Philippines.

COMMUNIST PARTY OF THE U. S. A.

Solidarity for the Emancipation Struggle of the Filipino Proletariat

The following letter has been addressed to the Communist Party of the U. S. A. by the recently founded Communist Party of the Philippine Islands:

Dear Comrades:
In the name of the Communist Party of the Philippine Islands we are addressing to you this letter.
The C. P. P. I. has emerged after a long period of struggles. Through actual experiences we have come to the realization that to remain in collaboration with national bourgeoisie for the attainment of Philippine freedom is absolutely futile. The national bourgeoisie from the past up to the present have shown how insincere they are with respect to the Independence issue. They have always bargained and more than once betrayed the cause of Philippine freedom. They, through the Federal Party, have allied with the American-imperialists to permanently annex the Philippine Islands to the United States; they have organized the Nacionalista Party, waving the flag of "immediate, complete and absolute independence," but, after securing the unanimous support of the electorate, they cowardly gave up the struggle for independence and shamelessly sided with the worst enemy of Philippine freedom, the American imperialists. The Democratic Party was organized as successor to the defunct Federal Party and as an opposition party to the Nacionalista. But when the famous Wood-Nacionalista comedy was staged, this so-called opposition party followed the same Nacionalista tendency playing the role of real scab taking the post left vacant by Nacionalista Mayor in support of the enemy of Philippine autonomy. In fact, both Nacionalista and Democratic Parties are not for the freedom of the Philippines but for its permanent subjugation under the American imperialists. Thus the Philippine Proletariat have come to realize the hypocrisy and traitorous role played by the national bourgeoisie.

The reason for this friendly cooperation between the national bourgeoisie and American imperialists can be clearly seen by the recent policy of economic invasion of American capital inaugurated by former Governor Stimson and later fostered by Governor Davis in the P. I. Through this invasion, under the protection of the American army and navy and the local police and constabulary, they expect to extend and intensify to the limit the subjugation and exploitation of the toiling masses of P. I. The unavoidable immediate effect of this unlimited and combined exploitation of workers and peasants of the Philippines can be cited by concrete instances, i. e., the Cologan uprising in Tayug, Pangasinan, the general strike in Negros and Iloilo, the radicalization of the labour movement in Manila and surrounding provinces, the upsurge of the national independence movement and class consciousness of the masses in spite of brutal armed intervention against them. Because of these historical facts that mercilessly exposed the true colour of the national bourgeoisie and the aims of the American imperialists, the Philippine Proletariat have come to the realization of the need of a political party of their own in order to lead, independently from the bourgeoisie, the struggle for Philippine independence. Not only this, but it also aims to emancipate the Philippine toiling masses from feudal-capitalist-imperialist ruthless exploitation under whose fangs the workers and peasants live in misery and bondage.

We have also learned how the so-called Socialist or Second International retreated and betrayed the world revolutionary movement. Its support to imperialist nations to continue in the exploitation and oppression of their colonies, especially in the Orient, has strengthened our belief that

only the Communist International is the real only leader of the world struggles for national freedom of the oppressed peoples and class emancipation of the toiling masses. Thus, the C. P. P. I. was organized.

During the 13th Anniversary celebrations of the October Revolution held at the Plaza Moriones, Manila, P. I., attended by more than 6,000 workers and peasants, the C. P. P. I. was formally inaugurated. Its Platform was read before the enthusiastic masses and amidst encouraging shouts of "Long live the C. P. I. Long live Philippine freedom! Long live the U. S. S. R. Down with imperialism and capitalism! Down with the imperialist world war!" etc. From that date on the C. P. P. I. began formally its work as a unit of the Communist International.

The Communist principles are now pervading into the minds of the Philippine toiling masses, showing their enthusiastic acceptance through open adhesions and pledges expressed in crowded mass meetings of the Party. This evidence of popular enthusiasm was fully strengthened when the funeral demonstrations of the late Comrade Antonio D. Ora took place in which more than 30,000 workers participated. The national bourgeoisie frightened by this spectre of Communism are trying to crush our young revolutionary movement. In spite of the existence of an Organic Act, known as the Jones Law, recognizing the freedom of speech, of the press and assembly the puppets of imperialism and capitalism forbid our Party to continue holding mass meetings and demonstrations, even in private premises. They systematically persecute the leaders of the Communist movement, and through this ruthless persecution there are already 22 comrades arrested and charged for sedition. Besides this systematic persecution the national bourgeoisie banned the Katipunan ng mga Anakpawis sa Pilipinas (K.A.P. or Philippine Proletarian Labor Congress) from using the mails, its meetings are barred from public squares and places in Manila and provinces. They have altogether prohibited our delegates to go outside the Philippines and attend international congresses. They assaulted and jailed our Chinese comrades with the purpose in view to deport them and deliver them to the Chiang Kai-shek butchers in China. All these acts of terrorism, apparently, came directly under instruction of Secretary of War Hurley of U. S. A. and known official agent of Wall Street exploiters. We held already numerous mass meetings of protest against this White Terrorism. The C. P. P. I. is continuously organizing mass demonstrations and protests, and possibly mass strikes of protests, which, if it can be carried out effectively, will hasten the decisive struggles for national liberation of the Philippines.

In view of this grave situation we believe a close cooperation and concerted action between the C. P. U. S. A. and the C. P. P. I. is an urgent need of the hour. We demand from you to intensify the fight against American imperialism, to expose the treacherous tactics of the Filipino bourgeois leaders whose emissaries are sent from time to time to U. S., and to arouse effectively the sentiments of the American Proletariat in support of Philippine independence. Only through our effective cooperation, especially through our intensified work within the U. S. A. Army and Navy, without doubt, we shall come out victoriously in our struggles.

We earnestly believe that from now on our Comrades in the C. P. U. S. A. and in the P. I. will get more and more in close contact and will always stick together in the national liberation and world revolutionary movements.

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of P. I.

Don't Be Blinded!

By BURCK



QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Question—I am in search of ideas concerning Industrial Democracy, perhaps you could help me?—T, Los Angeles.

THE "Industrial Democracy" that you hear about does not mean that under such arrangements the workers really have anything to say about how industry is run. On the contrary "Industrial Democracy" is a scheme of the bosses for keeping the workers subjected to them, just as "democracy" in the government of the country is an arrangement for keeping the capitalists in power over the toilers. Only under a Workers' Government will the toilers be able to run industry. And only when organized in strong fighting unions, that fight against the bosses, instead of "co-operating" with them in some "industrial democracy" scheme which hamstring the workers, do they have anything to say about wages and conditions of labor in capitalist governed countries.

We refer you to *Company Unions*, and the *Americanization of Labor*, both by Robert W. Dunn, for a bunch of concrete facts about how industrial democracy works in practice.

Concerning the article which you sent, read the *Church and the Workers*, a 10 cent pamphlet by Bennet Stevens, which will tell you something about the way the church works for the capitalists against the workers.

Any of these references can be obtained from the Workers Library Publishers, Box 140, Station D, New York.

miners who are members of the Avella Unemployed Council immediately mobilized to go on the picket line of the Cedar Grove mine. Hunger marches to Washington, the county seat, are being organized to demand relief for the strikers and the unemployed miners alike.

As soon as the strike began this week the United Mine Workers of America immediately came out in its despicable scab role as a company union and an agent of the bosses. P. T. Fagan, president of the district UMWA, who is hated by the miners and whose union has at present not a single functioning local in the district immediately issued a statement aimed to confuse the miners and brazenly declaring that the UMWA was conducting the strike. The capitalist press of Pittsburgh in front page stories tried to confuse the miners by suppressing the fact that the strikes are being led by the NMU and giving long quotations from Fagan.

How the miners have so far reacted to the scabbing of the UMWA is shown in the fight which occurred in the first morning of the picket line in Cedar Grove. At the strike meeting the day before the miners had voted to go on strike with two exceptions—two lewis men of the UMWA voted against the strike. These stool-pigeons of the Carnegie Coal Co., whose three mines are now on strike, came to the picket line the next day and tried to break it up. Among other things they slugged an old woman, mother of one of the miners. The striking miners of the Cedar Grove mine made an appropriate answer to this strike breaking effort and the stool pigeons of the UMWA found themselves thrown in the creek at the end of the fight. The UMWA is now talking for organization in the same manner that the United Textile Workers did in the Gastonia strike. They are coming in and trying to break the ranks of the strikers with their confusing statements and their scab methods. They have announced a strike in the New Kensington section and one in Coverdale, but the organizers of the NMU are already in the field at these points and the UMWA will find it very dangerous to come into the mining fields of Western Pennsylvania with its strike breaking methods.

Along with the UMWA the coal bosses are mobilizing their other agents. They have announced that the state police are being held in readiness awaiting word from the governor of the coal bosses, Governor Pinchot, before swinging into action against the strikers. They have already begun to try to throw the workers out of their homes. Yesterday at Atlasburg, the first mine which came on strike, 18 miners received notice from the Carnegie Coal Co. that they will be thrown out of their houses by June 8.

The NMU is organizing for a mass struggle against evictions. The bosses of the Carnegie Coal Co. have already announced that they have "no intention" of reducing wages. The

Graft and Gangsters

By HARRY GANNES

Tammany Hall's Method of Grafting

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In previous articles the story of Chicago graft was taken up, showing the close alliance between Al Capone, other gangsters, and both the Republican and Democratic parties. The origin of gangsterism and graft in the United States was shown, and the wide use of gangsters by the capitalists for increasing their profits and against the workers in strikes taken up.

CHICAGO, with its graft, its murders, its bold links between the underworld and the upperworld of the exploiters is not an exception in American cities. The melodramatic trappings and outstanding figures, the raw and new methods, the circus election campaigns of Mayor Thompson, make Chicago the symbol of American capitalist city government. But it is not a special type nor is it fundamentally different from every industrial and commercial center in the United States. Chicago has its counterpart in a thousand smaller cities, in towns and villages.

New York, heart of American finance-capital, center of the banking world, has an older history of graft than Chicago. Graft has become more systematic and Tammany Hall, the strongest organization of the Democratic Party, is better organized and is "smoother" in its grafting methods.

On October 16, 1930, tens of thousands of unemployed workers, under the leadership of the Trade Union Unity League and the New York Unemployed Council, demonstrated in front of City Hall, New York, on the occasion of the meeting of the Board of Estimates. They came demanding unemployment relief.

In the Grafters' Headquarters, the Board of Estimates is in the hands of the Tammany grafters. They shell out millions of dollars in graft. The annual New York budget, which they control, reaches nearly one billion dollars. How much actually goes out in graft will never be known precisely, but it is closer to 50 per cent of the yearly budget than 25 per cent.

The Unemployed Council sent a delegation to the Board of Estimates to demand that the 800,000 unemployed be fed at the expense of the city capitalist administration that the grafting be stopped and that a substantial part of the budget go to the starving families of the workers.

There sat the rulers of the city of New York, "Jimmy" Walker, the Mayor, presiding. Sam Nesin, secretary of the Unemployed Council, put forward the demands of the jobless workers.

miners there struck against a reduction from 44c. to 40c. a ton. But they will not be satisfied to go back to work at the 44c. wage scale. They are demanding 52c. a ton, the right to have a checkweighman, pay for dead work, and recognition of the union. The Carnegie Coal Co. was afraid to post a written notice of the wage-cut, and instead sent around its fire bosses to notify the men orally of the wage-cut which was to take place June 1st. As soon as the men heard of the wage-cut, which is by no means the first in these mines, they did not wait for June 1st, but went on strike immediately. The following mines are on strike: Atlasburg, Cedar Grove, McDonald, Vesta No. 3. Other mines, such as the Duquesne, P and W, Francis Bertha, Bulger, Midlans, Gilmore, Buffalo, Langloth are already greatly affected by the strike and are expected to come out within the next few days. The strike is expected to spread to other sections of Western Penna.

In this strike a mass union must be welded together. The miners are now in this struggle beginning preparations for the bigger struggles to come. They do not see the perspective of strikes on a district-wide scale as something visionary. They are struggling to lay the basis through mass organization into the union and through this strike struggle for demands for district scale, checkweighmen, increases in wages and recognition of the union. Under the slogan "Every miner in Western Pennsylvania into the National Miners Union" and "every wage cut must be met by a strike," the National Miners Union is building a mass organization in Western Pennsylvania.

Sharp words passed back and forth, and Walker wanted to know whom Nesin represented. "I represent the unemployed of New York," replied Nesin in a clear firm voice, "and you represent the Tammany grafters, the judges who buy their jobs to evict unemployed and their families!" For this as well as for demanding unemployment relief, Nesin and the rest of the delegation were mercilessly beaten by dozens of police in front of Mayor Walker, at the order of Mayor Walker. In the hall stood the Reverend Norman Thomas, socialist, silently giving his tacit approval, as he later stated, because Nesin had no business calling Walker and the Tammany henchmen grafters. Norman Thomas of the socialist party has gone so far as to praise Mayor Walker's unemployment program—that is, the policy of blackjacks and breadlines for the jobless, jails and sluggers for their leaders.

"Jimmy Can't Be a Graftier." Heywood Brown, another leading light of the socialist party, their prize Congressional candidate in the 1930 elections, outspoken enemy of the Negro masses in the United States, defends Walker (which is defending the brains and the chief grafter of the New York Tammany grafting machine) with almost passionate fervor.

"I like Jimmy Walker," Brown announced to the world in his putrid column published daily in the New York World-Telegram. "To me his charm seems genuine. To me he is a kindly person. Reporters who cover City Hall assure me of their belief in his personal honesty. The evidence they submit is circumstantial but simple. 'Jimmy can't be a grafter,' they explain."

Go, Mr. Walker, and all your ilk, says Brown and the socialists, graft on with the blessing and defense of the leading lights in the socialist party. All defenders of capitalism will protect you.

Never before in the long history of graft in New York City had anybody dared to stand before the city grafters and tell them of their faces what they really are.

Months after Nesin branded Walker as a grafter, the capitalist papers began to buzz with stories about graft, about "investigation" of the Walker government. They did not have to wait, nor did they have to begin with Walker. Graft is built into the foundations of the New York City capitalist government; it will be rooted out only when the capitalist foundations go down with it. "Investigations" only give the grafters a respectable veneer.

It is not necessary to go back to the days of Tweed, Murphy, Crocker and Kelley, famous grafters of old, when the major portion of the city funds went out in graft. Those were the crude days. The modern grafters have learned better. The total graft in the six years from 1865 to 1871 was about \$200,000,000. Though it was considered huge in those days, it is a mere pittance to what goes into the pockets of the New York boss politicians every year now.

Into the Banks. Under the Walker-Smith regime in Tammany Hall, New York, graft reached not only into the whole political machine but right into the banks. When a sharp struggle developed in the Tammany organization between the Smith-Roosevelt faction and the Walker clique, cries for investigation of "city corruption" became so loud, inspired by the Smith-Roosevelt clique, with support of the Republican grafters, that in March, 1931, Mayor Walker was forced to leave for the Pacific Coast in a hurry.

Previously, the newspapers were publishing exposes of a new form of grafting devised by the New York Police Department. Not content with collecting graft on prostitution, they speeded up the process by framing up innocent girls and former prostitutes. Special stool-pigeons were hired for this purpose. Most notorious was "Chile" Acuna. Hundreds of thousands of dollars were wrung out of these girls on the threat of jail sentence on fake evidence.

The special attorney "investigating" this form of graft was Isadore J. Kresel, who had himself indulged in wholesale swindling in the Bank of the United States, which crashed in December of 1930.

Two of the girls who told about the frame-ups were murdered. Vivian Gordon, one who was closely connected with politicians and gangs,

Red Sparks
By JORGE

In Defense of Prize Winners

Readers will recall that the Pulitzer prize went to Mr. Knickerbocker for his first series of anti-Soviet stories, and to a Mr. Edmund Duffy for a cartoon (even pictorially a bum one) against the Soviet Union.

Behold, now, Oswald Garrison Villard, blossoming out in the Nation of June 3 with a protest against the way the N. Y. Post "headline writers" have misrepresented poor Mr. Knickerbocker. They have "done him dirt," says Villard. "If Mr. Knickerbocker was not outraged, he was entitled to be," affirms Villard. But evidently Knickerbocker is NOT outraged, or why is he silent? Why, indeed, does he launch a new series to be so shamefully treated by those dastardly "headline writers?"

You must learn the dark and dreadful truth? Mr. Knickerbocker is an example of "forced labor!" Yes sire, bob! He is rounded up by the Gaypavo of the N. Y. Post and deported to foreign lands, there to toil away like "Little Nellie Gray" who was sold down the River, under the brutal overseers of the N. Y. Post!

This sickening slobber over a journalistic prostitute would turn the stomach of a good healthy dog, particularly as it is accompanied in the Nation with another cartoon by none other than the prize winning anti-Soviet cartoonist, Edmund Duffy!

This cartoon also makes out that the "headline writers" are the rascals who are responsible. But Duffy anti-Soviet cartoon didn't need any headline writer to "misrepresent" him. It was just plain anti-Soviet.

Even the possibility of "forced labor" as in the case of the "outraged" Mr. Knickerbocker could not alibi Duffy. And his role as a prize winning press prostitute is even more cinched by the proof that he will draw for both sides, for or against the Soviet.

Meanwhile you chew this over, see if something can be done to "liberate" the victim of the N. Y. Post's "forced labor," Mr. Knickerbocker. He simply can't be standing for all the outrages of "headline writers" just for the money there is in it!

"Said the Spider to the Fly"

John L. Merrill, head of the All America Cables Corporation and likewise head of the Pan-American Society, speaking as the Yankee imperialist spider to the Latin American fly, orated thusly at the Foreign Trade Conference last Thursday:

"I am firmly convinced that the big majority of nations and peoples in this hemisphere which we call American, are awakening to the fact that we can trust each other."

Amsterdam

To a lot of people, Amsterdam is only the name of a city, just another "dam," so to speak. But to the working class movement the word "Amsterdam," also means the International Federation of Trade Unions, the same breed of cats as the A. F. of L. with a bit more "socialist" paint. The IFTU has its offices at Amsterdam.

Just now looking over the press publicity sheet of "Amsterdam" dated April 23, we notice some funny things. Under the heading of "General Information" it says: "Further Decline of Unemployment in the U. S. A." You never notice it here, did you? But that is a beginning.

The main article is entitled "Victory of Democratic Revolution in Spain," a little "previous." After speaking about the alliance of the "socialists" with the capitalist republicans, it says: "In the meantime Fate has decided: the monarchy has been overthrown by the ballooning vote!"

The monarchy did not yield, however, until the masses went onto the streets and Alfonso was persuaded that if he didn't vacate the masses might go to "extremes" and upset capitalism as well as the monarchy.

The "Amsterdam" International sent a wire to their Spanish section, saying in part: "May the new Government bring the working class all the social reforms which they need." And it complimented the "socialist" leader, Largo Caballero for being appointed by the capitalists to the post of Minister of Labor! "May it be granted to you to do all that will lead to the emancipation of the Spanish working class."

Events since that was written have shown: The "socialists" are suppressing strikes for "social reforms" such as wage increases. They are turning machine guns on the workers. They have allowed the monarchists to arm, and sheltered the Catholic church from the anger of the masses. Only last Friday they said that the government would not take action to separate church and state. They have "postponed" taking lands from the nobility and the robber church to give to peasants.

The Spanish "socialists" have taken Kerensky's advice, sent them from Paris, to "Beware of Bolshevism and agitators." They have arrested 24 Communist leaders for simply holding a meeting last week, yet are allowing the monarchists free rein to organize and arm.

That—dear reader, is what Amsterdam "social reforms" and "working class emancipation" means in practice. That is what "socialists" do!

CORRECTION.

The article entitled "How Not to Handle New Members," was by Dorothy Ross of Section I, New York.

sters, was strangled on a lonely highway two hundred feet from a police booth because she threatened to "talk." Another was poisoned in Bellevue Hospital, a city institution.

Not only were the police involved in the vice scandal but judges got their share. Judge Jean Norris was one who had her hands in this vice ring. She collected money from a bond fixing group as well as from the framing-up of prostitutes and other women.

Following the usual procedure in these cases, as in the Lingle murder in Chicago, the Buckley killing in Detroit, the New York police picked a gangster goat to throw into the headlines of the newspapers as the "real murderer." The case was too raw to leave "unsolved," so the police solve it by picking out a gunman by the name of Stein. "Confessions" were obtained from some of his pals—whom he undoubtedly double-crossed in another deal—and the real murderers whom the police know will never be embarrassed by appearing before a court.

(To be continued)

The Strike of the National Miners Union in West Pennsylvania

By CARL PRICE.

TWENTY-ONE hundred miners are now on strike in Western Pennsylvania under the leadership of the National Miners Union. Thirteen hundred in Washington County and eight hundred in the Vesta No. 8 mine near West Virginia. The strike bears out the statement of Comrade William Z. Foster at the Western Pennsylvania district convention of the National Miners Union held in Pittsburgh on May 23-24, that this powerful and successful convention marked a turning point in the life of NMU. The scores of thousands of miners of Western Pennsylvania, having reached the point of actual starvation, with their standard of living cut 75 per cent, have determined to go out on strike against the unbearable conditions. At the convention of the NMU, which represented 30,000 miners, one miner after another spoke of the numerous wage-cuts, unemployment, evictions, and starvation, and declared that under the banner of the National Miners Union they would go out of the convention and organize strike struggles against wage cuts and for better conditions.

The present strike shows the progress of the National Miners Union since the strike which occurred in Westmoreland County. In this strike there is a functioning section committee of the NMU with an organized section leadership, in some of the mines now on strike, as for example the Cedar Grove mine, there was a functioning local of the NMU which organized prep-

arations for the strike. Hundreds of workers have joined the National Miners Union in the last few days. Broad strike committees have been elected in each mine and joint meetings of the strike committees of all mines on strike are being held. The Section Committee of the NMU is conducting the day-to-day leadership of the strike.

The rapidity with which the miners are mobilizing to spread the strike is evidence that the NMU of Western Pennsylvania is now in the period of strike struggles on a larger scale against the wage-cuts and unemployment. At a meeting in Slovan, Pa., 800 miners came to the meeting, not only from the mines which are already on strike, but from a number of the surrounding mines which are still working. The meeting discussed not only organization into the NMU, the demands of the miners, the functioning of the strike committee and relief committee, but also the question of spreading the strike to other mines. A miner from the Langeloth mine spoke, stated that there were many miners from this mine present, and a meeting was called under the auspices of the NMU for the Langeloth mine the following day to discuss strike preparations and strike demands. That same was true of the Bulger and other mines of the section.

Another example of the growth of the National Miners Union is seen in the fact that in this strike there was united action of the employed and unemployed miners. One hundred