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CHURCHILL ASKS WAR ON BRITISH LABOR PARTY

SOVIET FOE TAKES STAND WITH TORIES

Charges Workers' Rule Will Bring Disaster

(Special to The Daily Worker)

LONDON—The split in the ranks of the Liberal party, caused by the inevitability of a Labor government, is best shown by statements of the leaders of the two wings.

Winston Churchill, aggressive foe of Soviet Rule in Russia, in definitely aligning himself and following with the Tories, said:

"The enthronement in office of a Socialist government will be a serious national misfortune, such as has usually befallen great states only on the morrow of defeat in war."

Lord Asquith, on the other hand, announces that "it is impossible for any member to withhold his support from the Labor Party's amendment to the King's address. (The no confidence motion.)

Churchill Bitter

Churchill's statement is taken to mean that from his section of the Liberal party, the Laborites, will encounter unrelenting opposition, not only to their amendment, but for their entire program after they are in office.

The foreign policy of the Labor party is the subject of much speculation on the part of all classes. This with the impending railway strike, divides public attention. The Labor party leaders are attempting to settle or postpone the strike, but there is as yet little proof that their efforts will be successful. Failure to avert the walkout of the railwaymen would mean that the Labor party would take office, while a national crisis of major importance was in existence.

J. H. Thomas, speaking for the Labor party on the question of its foreign policy, particularly as relating to France, said that his party desired to maintain friendly relations with the French government. "We have been asked how we are going to deal with France," said Thomas. "We do not desire a break with France nor do we desire any talk of war with France."

Russ Recognition Soon

J. R. Clynes has reiterated his previous statement that one of the first acts of the Labor government will be to recognize Soviet Russia and its immediate proposal following the organization of a government will occasion no surprise.

There is some consolation being derived by the Tories from the belief, that in the event of war with France, the Labor party could be depended upon to rally the workers for military service better than it could be done either by a Liberal or Tory government.

J. R. Clynes moved the Labor amendment to the King's speech. It was couched in simple terms and he followed it with a speech outlining the failures of the Baldwin government.

Indicts Baldwin Regime

He charged the Baldwin government with having antagonized Russia, France and America; of having failed to relieve the unemployment situation or to attempt to do so. He intimated that the Labor party would advocate a policy of "transfer of population" from one part of the empire to another, but carefully avoided mention of the word emigration.

The Labor party amendment was

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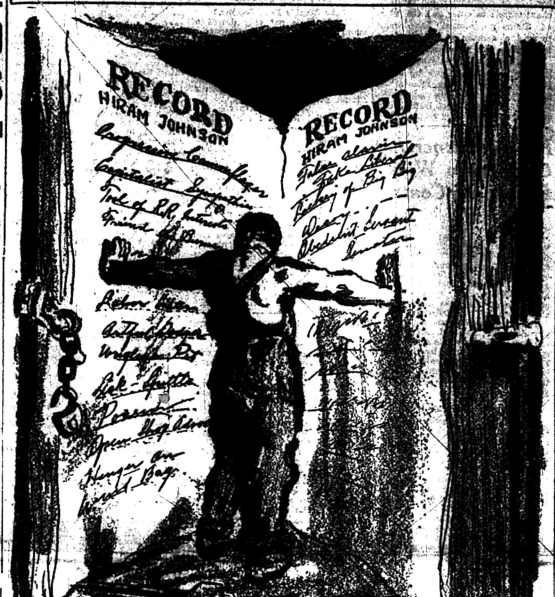

Labor Has Broken the Lock on Johnson's Record.

BIG STORM IN OILY TEAPOT STIRS SENATE

Probe Sends Grafter To Bed; Fall Gets Ill

(Special to The Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON.—The ugliest scandal in years lurks among the hidden facts about the teapot dome naval oil reserve lease.

There is no longer any doubt of this in the minds of Senator Walsh, and others who have been trying to break thru a wall of secrecy and misinformation given the Senate Committee about the leasing and other transactions which occurred about the same time.

But how to bring out fully the facts which constitute what many Senators declare to be "a national disgrace," is baffling the investigators who believe the American people, for their own future protection, are entitled to the whole truth, no matter who is hurt.

Will Erect Graft Barriers.

Walsh has enough to satisfy him that the strongest possible barriers must be erected to prevent anything like the teapot dome lease ever occurring again.

Walsh will try to accomplish two things:

1.—Break the teapot dome lease.

2.—Get legislation preventing future leases of naval oil reserves without the specific approval of Congress.

The Senate investigation has already provided adequate legal grounds to break the lease which Albert B. Fall, former Secretary of the Interior, gave to the Sinclair interests, Walsh said.

"First, there was no authority for the transfer by President Harding of the naval oil reserves to the Interior Department," said Walsh.

"Second, the Teapot Dome contract, provided the Government should build oil tanks in return for royalty oil. This called for an expenditure of money without congressional appropriations and was illegal."

The people involved in the oil leases are: Fall, Edward Denby, secretary of the navy; Theodore Roosevelt, assistant secretary of the navy; Harry Daugherty, attorney-general, Sinclair and Doheny.

Fall brought about the transfer of the oil lands from the navy to the interior department of which he was head. Then he leased them.

Denby Takes a Hand.

Edward Denby, secretary of the navy, recommended the transfer of the oil lands over the protest of the men in his department who were supposed to be in charge of the lands. Denby was one of the signers of the leases together with Fall.

Theodore Roosevelt raised no protest to the leasing of the oil lands. He was formerly a director of the Sinclair company and his brother Archie is an officer in the Sinclair company now.

Harry Daugherty is a personal friend of Sinclair. He held up the legal action which would have stopped the Standard Oil from pumping our navy oil which Fall used as an excuse for the leasing of the oil lands. Daugherty also approved, informally, the leases.

Harry Sinclair made Fall his attorney after Fall resigned as secretary of the interior.

Edward L. Doheny is one of the biggest oil operators in the world and he has extensive holdings in Mexico.

Shortly after Fall leased the oil lands he resigned and left Washington with $100,000, in cash in a suit case. He said that he wanted to attend to his private business.

The Suit Case Mystery.

Much is being made of the use of a suit case to haul around the money in. That, expert politicians point out, is the correct way to carry corrupt funds.

Now the whole matter is in the hands of God and the president. Will Coolidge demand some resignations? Or will he make Fall an ambassador to Mexico?

Doheny, who denied that he had added Fall to his staff, would not be sore if Fall was sent to Mexico. Doheny owns a lot of oil lands there. He could do with more.

Watch the "Daily Worker" for the first installment of "A Week," the great epic of the Russian revolution, by the brilliant young Russian writer.

TROTSKY MERELY ILL, NOT ARRESTED, SAYS REPLY OF MOSCOW

Conflicting reports as to the whereabouts of Leon Trotsky, Soviet War Minister, are the basis of the rumors of his arrest. Trotsky is in bad health and a two months' leave of absence has been granted him. Attempts of foreign correspondents to locate him have resulted in his being reported as being at his home near Moscow, in the Caucasus and at Juga in the Crimea.

Some of the rumors state that he has resigned all of his posts including that of war minister to which he has been succeeded by Leo Kamenev, his brother-in-law with General Budenny occupying the position of commander-in-chief of the Red Army.

The conflicting reports recall the dozens of demands for arrested Trotsky as the case might be.

Moscow officially brands the news of his arrest as a propagandist lie.

MAGNUS NOT VERY BASHFUL GIVING VIEWS

Bankers' Hisses Rile Farmer Senator of Minnesota

(By The Federated Press)

WASHINGTON. — Magnus Johnson, Farmer-Labor senator from Minnesota, assures The Federated Press that there is no possibility of any support for Coolidge among progressive forces in the Northwest in 1924. Senator Shipstead, Senator Frazier, of North Dakota, and Senator Brookhart, of Iowa, take the same position.

Magnus Johnson says that it did not require the hissing he received from the Pennsylvania bankers when he attacked the Mellon tax plan at their Philadelphia banquet, to make him feel that the standpatters are losing all popular sympathy.

"American farmers are in desperate need," he said, "and they are on the road to political and economic self-defense."

He wants to have the Esch-Cummins act repealed, the water squeezed out of railroad valuations in order that lower freight rates may be honestly and permanently established, and government ownership of railroads achieved through purchase of the roads at this honest valuation. Surtaxes on large incomes should be high, he argues, while no income tax should be paid by persons having only $3,500 income.

Hydro-electric power development, with super-power produced by steam plants at the mouth of the mines, he declares, should be publicly owned and administered. Ontario's public-ownership plan should be adopted in the United States. This would cut the cost of electric light, heat and power in half, and would add greatly to the comfort of people everywhere.

Wants Russ Recognition.

Johnson of Minnesota, stands with Borah for recognition of Russia, driving of the French from the Ruhr thru pressure for payment of their debt to the American people, and finally for cooperation with the Labor cabinet in Britain for restoring peace and trade in Europe and thruout the world.

As one of the first steps toward restoring foreign markets for American farm products, he urges the enactment of the Norris-Sinclair bill. Under this measure, farmers would get a fair price for their grain, and the government corporation would store or export the surplus according to world needs. Loans of grain to foreign nations would enable them the sooner to resume industrial production and so become able to buy our crops.

WAGE QUESTION BIG PROBLEM FOR THE MINERS

Committees Meeting in Indianapolis, Ind.

INDIANAPOLIS.—The committee on resolutions and the committee on constitutional revisions for the International Convention of the United Mine Workers of America met today with John L. Lewis, president of the miners, to start preliminary work for the convention, which meets here Jan. 22.

The resolutions committee has hundreds of petitions from local unions and individual miners to sift thru before the convention opens.

Resolutions and petitions dealing with the wage question will be turned over directly to the scales committee, which will begin its work in the middle of next week.

Senator Johnson Is Not Available To Our Reporter

Hiram Johnson rested in the sumptuous Drake Hotel last evening before attending the two mass meetings arranged for him in this city.

The Daily Worker was anxious to give Senator Johnson an opportunity to answer the questions put to him in Friday's issue, so a reporter was sent to interview him.

He called Mr. Johnson's room and was informed that the senator would be available in fifteen minutes. He was there on the dot, but was told Johnson would see newspapermen in half an hour.

"Who are you from?" came the query from the senator's room.

"I am from the Daily Worker, a working class paper," was the reply.

Half an hour later our reporter was back, but the only thing he got was this: "Sorry as the devil, old man, but Mr. Johnson is not seeing anybody today. I would suggest that you call tomorrow morning." So that's that.

Florida Home for Aged Carpenters.

LAKELAND, Fla.—Aged members of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners will have an opportunity to spend their remaining years among the orange groves of Florida. The national executive board of the union has purchased as a home for them 1,684 acres of land near here at a cost of $683,393.

BANGOR, Me.—Feb. 17 has been set as the date for the New England mass and delegate conference of the Lumber Workers Industrial union, No. 120, which will meet at the I. W. W. hall, Bangor.

RICH IN CANADA ALSO IN FAVOR OF TAX SLASH

Use Same Arguments as American Plutes

OTTAWA.—The Dominion government is getting lots of advice from the moneyed people these days to reduce the taxes on income. One of the arguments being used is that Canada cannot afford to have higher taxes on income than has the United States, otherwise capital will leave Canada for the United States.

This argument was used by Sir Edmund Walker, president, Canadian Bank of Commerce, one of the three largest banks in Canada. He referred to the tax on income as "the most burdensome of all the new war taxes," and asserted that heavy income taxes on the "few" was injuring the country by checking investment in industrial enterprise.

A similar plea has been put forward by Sir Joseph Flavelle, formerly a big figure in the packing industry. He admitted that there was a certain amount of justice that those who came thru the war and retained their holdings should pay on what they hold. "But," he added, "the gifts and initiative and qualifications to set enterprise in motion are centered in a comparatively small section of the people," and this "small section" should, he urged, be given real encouragement to go on.

Send in Your News

The Daily Worker urges all members of the party to send in the news of their various sections. Every Party Branch should appoint its own correspondent and make him responsible for the news that ought to be sent in to The Daily Worker. The Party Page should be the livest page in The Daily Worker. Help make it so.

Address all mail to the Editor, The Daily Worker, 1640 N. Halsted St., Chicago, Ill.

Open Shop Spouter Spoke in Museum; Was Handed Hat

MILWAUKEE.—Open shop propaganda in this city has over-reached its mark in at least one direction. One Frederick Monsen of California came here to speak last year under the auspices of the public museum.

The booked to lecture on science his theme was hundredpercentism. His attack upon socialism so pleased the reactionaries that he was slipped into the list of speakers again this year. On Jan. 6 he held forth on the menace of labor unions.

Now the public museum board, by unanimous vote, has served notice on lecturers appearing under museum auspices that they will be dropped from the public lecture course if they continue to inject political and economic propaganda into their lectures on science. Monsen has been the only offender in a long list of speakers.

Pressmen Get Increase.

VICTORIA, B. C.—Wage increases have been written into the new agreements signed between commercial and web pressmen and employers here. J. B. Boscoe, special organizer, Intl. Printing Pressmen and Assistants' union, has been in charge of the negotiations.

The Land for the Users!

CHALLENGE RIGHT OF DAVIS TO DEPORT WORKERS

Fight Is Carried to Highest Court

(By Defense News Service)

WASHINGTON.—Efforts to quash deportation warrants against five discharged political prisoners will be made before the United States Supreme Court next Tuesday by Attorney Walter Nelles, representing the General Defense Committee. All have served five year sentences imposed by Judge Landis in Chicago under the Espionage Law and each came originally from a different country: Pietro Nigro, Italy; John Avila, Portugal; William Moran, Australia; Joseph Oates, England and Herbert Mahler, Canada. The men have been out on $1,000 bonds each since the United States Circuit Court at Chicago sustained the deportation warrants.

Emphatic denial of the constitutionality of the act of congress giving the secretary of labor authority to issue deportation warrants at his own whim is made by the Defense Committee. And the Committee strenuously denies that conviction under the Espionage act for expression of opinion involved a crime of "moral turpitude."

The release of the last three political prisoners at Leavenworth detained after the rest, on deportation writs,—has just been effected on $2,500 bonds each. They are Jacob Tori, an Italian, and Harry Lloyd and Bert Lorton whom the department of labor seeks to deport to England. Their sentences were unconditionally commuted by President Coolidge and the Committee believes they can be completely discharged. Deportation cases are also pending against six other wartime political: Richard Brazier, England; Donald Sheridan, Scotland; Peter Green, Czecho-Slovakia; James Slovick, Russia; Vincent Santilli, Italy, and Joseph Graber, Poland.

Great Uproar in the Philippines; Cut Funds to Run Wood's Yacht

MANILA, P. I.—What is to become of military strategy in the Philippines? Who will plan the campaigns against the Moros? That is interesting people close to Governor General Wood. The Philippine senate and house has reached an agreement on the annual appropriation bill. The bill, as it now stands, makes no provision for the Governor-General's yacht and omits $5,000 a day expenses for military aids. The Governor-General is said to be sore as a boil about the cuts made in appropriations for his department.

Young Workers to Honor Memory of Karl Liebknecht

The Fifth Anniversary of the death of Karl Liebknecht will be the occasion for monster mass meetings throuit the country.

Speakers of international prominence all of them with a first hand experience of the conditions existing in Europe, are listed to speak at the mass demonstration which will be held by the young workers of Chicago on Sunday evening, Jan. 27, at Prudential Hall, North Ave. and Halsted St.

(An article on Liebknecht appears in the magazine section of this issue of The Daily Worker.

PRAGUE.—The German capitalist, Stinnes, is negotiating for the purchase of iron ore mines in Slovakia and German-Bohemia.

Gigantic Air Fleet to Stud Pacific; To Fight For U. S. Empire

WASHINGTON.—Bases for a gigantic air fleet to protect America against attack will dot the Pacific ocean when the twenty-year plan for the navy is completed, Admiral Gregory, chief of yards and docks, told the House Naval Committee.

Be Sure to Read the Review of "A Week" in Today's Magazine Section

BORAH PROBE TO FIGHT ATTACK ON CIVIL LIBERTIES

Idaho Senator to Hear About Pittsburgh

(Special to The Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON.—As soon as the senate ends its investigation of the Russian question it will be confronted with a demand for an investigation of the extent to which civil liberties are violated throuot the country.

Senator William E. Borah, of Idaho, has introduced a resolution aimed at putting a stop to the present orgy of the violation of constitutional rights by officers of the government. The bill provides that any officer of the United States government or any of its subdivisions found guilty of violating the civil rights or aiding in the violation of the constitutional rights shall be punished by a fine not exceeding $5,000 or imprisonment not exceeding ten years or both.

This bill is of particular importance now because of the continued outrages of the civil rights of the workers of Western Pennsylvania where the Labor Defense and Free Speech Council is engaged in a desperate struggle against the Steel and Coal Trust attempts to railroad Workers Party members to jail. Senator Borah is interested in getting to the bottom of the Pittsburgh-McKeesport situations, where Workers Party members have been arrested and are facing trial.

Monday, Jan. 21, Andrew T. McNamara, Pittsburgh District Council President of the International Association of Machinists and Chairman of the American Federation of Labor Section of the Labor Defense and Free Speech Council of Western Pennsylvania, Fred H. Merrick, one of the indicted workers, and District Organizer of the Workers Party in Pittsburgh, and Jay Lovestone, who was arrested along with Merrick, Robert W. Dunn, of the Civil Liberties Union, and others in the recent free speech fights in McKeesport will see Senator Borah and lay before him all the evidence of the gross violations of the rights of the workers in this state.

Senator Borah is preparing to force congressional action on the whole case.

Red Petrograd to Keep Open Port for Ships All Year

WASHINGTON.—According to the instructions sent out by the administration of Petrograd to the Soviet trade representatives abroad, it is intended that the approaching winter shall not interrupt the navigation of the port of Petrograd. It is intended to remove the ice-breaker, which will maintain a continuous passage.

In accordance with the winter campaign plan of the port of Petrograd, 15 steamships are now abroad, 15 loaded ships and 15 an equal number of the distributing

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Plan Conference on Toilers' Education at Katonah, N. Y.

KATONAH, N. Y.—Plans have been completed by the local committee in charge as the Brookwood labor college for the conference on workers' education here authorized by the last convention of the American Federation of Teachers.

The committee recommends that the conference be held Feb. 23-24, and that attendance be limited to delegates who are members of the American Federation of Teachers, or in a few cases to non-members who are known to have contributed to the building up of the technique of teaching in workers' education. The discussion is to be confined to the subject of the problems of teaching, including teaching in the night school type of classes, teaching in resident schools, including summer school, and correspondence courses.

Brookwood is planning to have a short training course for experienced teachers this summer. It hopes to have each year two or three teachers in residence for the eight months of the winter course. At present there is but one student at Brookwood studying to be a teacher.

SOVIET FOE FOR TORIES, AGAINST WORKERS' RULE

(Continued from Page 1)

seconded by Lord Asquith and his speech indicting the government is said to be one of the ablest ever delivered in the house of commons. It aroused prolonged cheers more than once and left no doubt of the support of the Labor Party by the majority of the Liberals.

Two sons of the king, the Prince of Wales and the Duke of York, sat in the gallery and listened to the arraignment of His Majesty's government.

Klan Foes Make New Drive to Put Quietus on Masks

(By The Federated Press)

NEW YORK.—Opponents of the K. Klux Klan are manifesting renewed activity. A report from Walla Walla describes how a Klan meeting was broken up at the point of revolvers.

Meanwhile the campaign, surreptitiously backed by the Klan, against the 2 W. W. members in the state of Washington has been abandoned, the prosecutor at Walla Walla rebuking the arresting officer.

More significant is the bill introduced into the New York state legislature by Julius S. Berg (Bronx) aimed at secret societies and particularly at the Klan. The bill proposes the appointment of a commission consisting of three senators, five assemblymen and five prominent public men, entrusted with an inquiry into the Klan and similar organizations "ascertaining what activities, if any, the state should take against them."

Within this state, said Berg, "a secret society is sowing the seeds of religious discord and bigotry. I believe this organization should be investigated and if current reports are true its activities should be stopped."

Berg's bill suggests a $5,000 appropriation for the expenses of the proposed commission.

LEWIS WIRERS FLYZIK HE'S ON CONVENTION RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

SEATTLE.—For the first time in 10 years the Roslyn-Cle Elum coal fields, employing 1500 miners, have ended a year's work without having a record a single fatal accident, says Martin J. Flyzik, District 10, U. M. W. A., reports. Flyzik, who has investigated the mines in that field, describes this record as safety in operation between the men, the union, the state inspector and the company management.

A strike vote at the Patrick mine has been rescinded as the result of an amicable settlement of differences between the men and the company, Flyzik reports.

A telegram to Flyzik from John L. Lewis, international president, places him on the resolutions committee of the United Mine Workers convention, which will start at Indianapolis Jan. 22.

Newton Gets Modest

CLEVELAND, O.—Newton D. Baker former Secretary of War under the Wilson administration, today denied dispatches from Florida that he would be a presidential candidate on the Democratic ticket.

FIREMEN PROMISE CHICAGO SOLONS DIZZY FEELING

Will Fight for $500 Pay Raise

Firemen who are petitioning the city council for a raise of $500 a year met an obstacle in the report of the city budget staff which recommends that no increase in wages be granted policemen and firemen.

D. J. Sullivan, Secretary of the Firemen's Association, said that unless council grants the increase asked, the Firemen's Association would put up such a campaign for it that the councilmen would be compelled to pay attention to their demands.

"Efficiency is all right, but we are asking this raise out of necessity. Living costs are going up. We must get the raise if our standard of living is not going to drop. The response we have gotten from the public whom we asked to sign our petitions for a raise shows that they are with us.

"We will put up a campaign that will make the politicians' heads swim if we are refused a raise," he said. "Last year we had enough councilmen lined up to assure us a raise. Just before a vote on the question certain councilmen who were supposed to be with us went out so that when the vote was taken our request for a raise was defeated.

"If that happens again we will start our campaign all over again and make the council realize we mean business."

Imperialists of Little Entente Fear Labor Rule

(Special to The Daily Worker)

BELGRADE.—The Little Entente conference here, attended by Jugoslavian, Czechoslovakian and Rumanian delegates was dominated by a discussion of the Russian question. Italy's recent approach to Moscow is leading the Jugoslavian government, the other great Adriatic power is exerting pressure towards the East. A Serbian plenipotentiary has been negotiating with a Russian spokesman in Berlin.

Besides the military treaty just concluded between Czechoslovakia and France, a political alliance, the terms of which are secret, is in force between these countries. It is known, however, that the primary purpose of all these agreements is to maintain the status quo territorially and politically among the new states. In view of the strong sentiment of labor and liberal quarters in favor of a revision of the peace treaties, the Franco-Czech commitments are generally branded as reactionary.

Propaganda from the little entente capitals is now directed towards showing "what we have done for the Party of the harmlessness of the existing treaties."

Livestock Ass'n In Omaha Meet Raps Esch, Cummin Law

OMAHA, Nebr.—The American National Livestock Association convention here last night adopted resolutions condemning the Armour Morris packing merger and asking the attorney general to invoke the anti-trust laws to prevent future mergers of packing houses. The packers control act was approved.

The resolutions also called for an inter-allied agreement on funding of debts owed the United States and payment of reparations.

Other resolutions declared charges for grazing on national forests should cover a reasonable cost of administration only, demanded repeal of section 15-A of the Esch-Cummins act, adjustment of freight rates for livestock by the Interstate Commerce Commission, and condemned the farm bloc in Congress.

Coolidge Orders Fleet to Tampico For Oil Interests

(Special to The Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON.—The defeat of a large force of the de la Huerta army by federal troops near El Carmen, between Esperanza and Tehuacan, is announced by the Mexican war office. The rebels lost 200 killed and wounded. Permission to move 5,000 troops thru Texas for use on the gulf has been refused by Governor Davidson.

Tampico is still blockaded by the de la Huerta forces, but it is reported that government batteries have driven their gunboats outside the harbor. It is still impossible for merchant vessels to enter and the United States government has decided to send a number of light cruisers to "relieve the situation."

It is believed that this action was hastened by the seizure by de la Huerta forces of the Panuco oil field, the rich field in which the Standard Oil and Royal Dutch Shell are large producers.

Public Ownership Conference Wants U.S. Power Control

WASHINGTON.—Fred Hewitt, editor of the Machinists' Journal, and Jas. F. Noonan, president of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, were among the speakers at the national conference on super-power held here, Jan. 18 and 17 by the Public Ownership League of America. Senator Norris of Nebraska and other progressives also took part in the discussion.

The conference endorsed a bill providing for national development and operation of a public super-power system, to be operated by a Federal Public Service Commission, and to cover power development reclamation, flood control and stream navigation.

McCarthy Will Speak Sunday

When Terence MacSwiney was dying in Brixton prison, England, in 1920, as a result of a hunger strike which he declared in his heroic fight against British Imperialism, the longshoremen of Boston, New York and other ports went on strike in an attempt to paralyze British shipping and thus force the British government to release MacSwiney.

This effort failed, owing to the sabotage of the Irish politicians, but that is a long story. Comrade MacCarthy, who has just arrived here from Butte, Montana, where he was associated with William J. Dunne on the Butte Bulletin, will speak tomorrow evening at 8 p. m. in Emmet Memorial Hall, corner Ogden Ave. and Taylor St. His subject will be "The Irish Question."

The meeting will be held under the auspices of the Irish Social and Educational Society. No admission will be charged.

Music, Song and Soft Drinks

Snappy music and good dancing not to mention pretty girl rebels will be the main attractions at the dance to be given tonight at Wicker Park Hall by the Food and Metal Trades group of the Trade Union Educational League. The dance is being given for the benefit of the left wing papers of the food and metal industries.

The entire staff of the DAILY WORKER has been invited to attend as guests of the T. U. E. L.—paying guests.

Join the Beggars

Tonight is the night of the Beggar's Ball. For fun and brilliance it will rival the Beggar's Opera which has made half the world laugh and the other half curse.

The Beggars Ball is being given by the Jewish Workers Relief at Ashland Auditorium tonight. Admission will be 50 cents.

The Jewish Workers Relief was one of the first organizations to come to the aid of the famine victims of Russia. All friends of Soviet Russia are asked to come to the Beggar's Ball and enjoy themselves.

The Party Caucus

"Shall we open the bedroom door to open?" That's Capital!

N. Y. Evening Post.

Yes, but it's just some of the wealthy workers are beginning to take interest.

Delegate McVey of the Chicago Federation of Labor reporting on the Portland convention told of the contention of colonials here for the lone delegates from central bodies who have only one vote. They call them "one hungers."

Ah, Brother McVey, that's quite understandable! They are so called because they are the "poor suckers who can do nothing but "cough up."

Make no appointments for February 16!

CURRENT FICTION.

(The Week's Best Smeller.)

"My heart is not only devoid of racial hate but full of compassion for my fellow man of every creed and color . . .

I would save America if I could for her own sake; I am infinitely happier to work for her salvation for the glory of God and the general human good."

Dr. W. H. Evans,
Imperial Wizard Ku Klux Klan.

In France the three Bertinelli brothers, circus clowns, have been decorated.

THE PARTY CAUCUS, avoiding controversy, makes only the simple statement:—three more clowns have been decorated.

Does He Mail You His Pay?

Shivers go cold, the bed's hardly slept in; his child doesn't know him; —he's almost a stranger to me.

"It's committee meeting, membership meeting, general meeting, meeting,—meeting.

Now I know why they call it the "movement"

RED'S WIFE.

You'll be glad we told you about February 16!

We have had another "labor war" in Chicago—with the usual list of dead and wounded.

Wish this element in control—we can't deny the A. F. of L. is a fighting organization.

Curiously these are the people who oppose the Workers Party claiming we advocate force and violence.

Well—we are sure they haven't won the Bok peace prize.

"Using His Head"—By Using His Feet.

The Prince of Wales is reported dancing in Parisian cafes. The young man is wise to keep his feet in training.

With Labor gaining in power in England one of these days good luck with his feet may save his neck.

SYMPATHETIC JIM.

You can't cheer up the few remaining kings in Europe by telling them it's leap year.

As the preacher says "Contribute for God's sake contribute."

That fighting DAILY WORKER reports "President L. Carey of the Chicago Board of Trade does not like blocs. They are the cause of most political evils in his opinion."

In our opinion "the cause of most political evils" is not the people in the various blocs—but the blocks of the various people.

For this failing we suggest a brain food. Be sure that each day for breakfast you have

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Fewer Jobs and Higher Prices

LONDON.—With unemployment increasing British labor is confronted by a steady rise in the cost of living. Official figures of the ministry of labor, which labor statisticians criticize as being too low, give the cost of living index for December as 77 per cent above July, 1914, compared with 75 per cent for the preceding month and 69 per cent for June and July.

The official Labor Gazette's report of the percentage of trade union members unemployed at the beginning of December was 10.5 per cent, which was the lowest since the beginning of April, 1921.

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(Special to The Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON.—Mrs. Magnus Johnson put her foot down today on any more milking contests for the senator from Minnesota, when word came from Maryland that Miss Mary Risteau, member of the Maryland House of delegates threw her hat in the ring and called on Johnson to milk or quit.

Johnson was on the point of accepting the challenge provided his antagonist agreed to furnish a cow that was not listed among the antique furniture of some Washington byre, when Mrs. Johnson who is more of a cow specialist than her husband raised the ban on the newest form of campaigning known in politics.

Mrs. Johnson had reasons of a personal nature for her attitude. It seems she does not mind a milking contest as such provided the Senator keeps his eyes on the pail. But she discovered that after his milking debate with Secretary Wallace that more of the cow's product went on Magnus' clothes than into the bucket. Hence the verboten sign over the Johnson desk.

Push Daily Worker In Pullman

The workers of the Pullman Car Shops are alive to the importance of not only spreading The Daily Worker widely, but also render some real financial assistance. A grand entertainment has been arranged by them for the benefit of Daily Worker, Sunday, Jan. 20, beginning at 3 p. m., at Stansick's Hall, 206 E. 115th St. J. Louis Engdahl, editor of the Daily Worker, will be the main speaker, with other speakers in various languages, and a program rich in entertainment features.

At 8 p. m., there will be a grand Masquerade Ball, and the admission for the whole entertainment is 40c.

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We want to know from the readers of The Daily Worker whether we shall publish Daily or Weekly installments of the already world-famous Russian novel, "A Week."

We want our readers to get the greatest possible enjoyment out of the reading of this tremendous piece of literature. Will this be secured thru the appearance of installments daily, or one installment each week in the Magazine Section.

We cannot make up our own mind in this matter. What do you say? Write your views to the Editor, The Daily Worker, 1640 N. Halsted St., Chicago, Illinois. Do it at once! We want to go ahead with the publication of this example of the new literature that is a direct result of the world-influencing Russian Revolution. How shall we do it?

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20 PER CENT CUT NON-UNION MINES IS NEW THREAT

War to the Knife to Crush Union

A 20 per cent cut in the wages of non-union miners in the Eastern Kentucky fields was announced today and brings into bolder relief the danger of non-union-competition and unemployment in the unionized fields of Indiana, Ohio and Illinois. More than 40,000 union miners are now jobless in Indiana and Illinois alone; in Illinois 85 mines were permanently closed yast year.

Spokesmen of the United Mine Workers look upon the cut as notice served upon the union by the coal operators association that a strike will be forced on the expiration of existing contracts the end of March and believe that the reduction was timed to coincide with the coming convention of the United Mine Workers of America, which opens in Indianapolis next Tuesday. With the expectation that it would have a strong influence upon the deliberations of the 1,500 delegates who will attend.

The ever keener competition between non-union and union mined coal, the extension of the non-union fields, their securing of markets normally supplied by unionised mines, the evidence of the war of attrition launched against the union by the coal operators association, will in the opinion of both officials and rank and file members of the United Mine Workers, be the most important question dealt with, barring the policy for April 1 by the Indianapolis convention.

EXHAUST SOUVENIR EDITION

Because of the tremendous number of new subscriptions, THE DAILY WORKER mailing department has up until now been unable to enter all the new names as promptly as desired. As a result some of the new subscribers have not received their paper on time. This condition has now been remedied and the business office claims that it can now absorb all the punishment in the way of subscriptions that the live wires of the country send in.

In answer to the many requests for the first souvenir issue of THE DAILY WORKER the business office wishes it to be announced that the supply has been exhausted. Some of the Workers Party city central committees have small supplies on hand and those who want to have this historic birthday issue are advised to get in touch with the Workers Party headquarters in their city.

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High Rents Great Burden of Growing Jobless Army; Negroes Lured Here Suffer

How bad is unemployment? Statistics say that Chicago is the center of unemployment in Illinois. Statistics don't tell the human story.

Trying to get the human story of a typical family that had suffered from unemployment, a reporter for The Daily Worker went down into the West-Side.

It was found that most of the unemployed struggle along for weeks, and even months, before they will bring themselves to ask charity, or help in other form.

The real first aid that is meeting the unemployment crisis is being done by people who have very little to help those who have less. "Working people help their relatives first, then their friends and neighbors. Without the help of friends and relatives we would have hundreds of people public charges. Rent is the greatest burden the unemployed have to meet. Without help from others many families would be homeless.

"Many families manage to meet unemployment by sending children who should be in school to work.

"I had a case beside this morning, where the father, a building laborer was out of work for two months. Before that he had been working only occasionally. The son was taken out of school and he got a job at the Western Electric plant. Until he got paid they were in need of help. Unless they got help he might lose his job because he was unable to work steadily."

"A growing boy can't work without enough to eat."

"Time and again we are appealed to for help to tide a family over till pay day when some one in the family has gotten a job following a period of unemployment."

"Just a little while ago there was a young woman in here asking for help. She had been the bread winner of the family. Her father was dead and she had managed to support her mother and two small children. She had been employed in a department store. During the Christmas rush she was not well and after the holidays, she was laid off because she had not been efficient when most needed. Her wages had been so small that she could save nothing. It was a wonder, in fact, how she had managed to provide for four people with them."

"Today she is unable to get work in a department store. She does not have the clothes necessary to make herself neat looking. She has been unable to get factory work so far."

"The colored people who have come to Chicago, from the south, are really pitiful. They are without friends or relatives on whom they can call for help. And usually they are the first to be laid off when a lay off is decided on. It is a shame and an outrage."

"Every cold snap makes the condition of the poor just that much worse. There is hardly a family where more than one person works that does not have one person out of work just now.

"In such families the wages of everybody are so low that they suffer, unless all the workers are employed. They and the families where there is one bread winner who is not working come here for coal at every cold snap."

KEARSTI MISSION MEMBER TO SPEAK AT MASS MEETING

Campaign for German Relief Gaining

Seventy delegates representing labor unions and other workers organizations attended a conference called by the Friends of Soviet Russia and Workers' Germany in the Workers Lyceum, on Thursday evening and voted to support the mass meeting which will be held in the Ashland Auditorium on January 27th for the recognition of Soviet Russia and aid to Workers' Germany.

Intense enthusiasm was created at this conference when a letter was read from the Friends of Soviet Russia stating that no money would be sent to Germany but that the money would be used here to purchase food for shipment over there. This removes all doubts created in the minds of the workers that the funds contributed to German relief would be used for propaganda or to support any particular group in that country.

In contrast to this action is the policy of the Gompers relief committee in sending funds to preserve the power of the counter revolutionary trade union bureaucracy and the bankers relief which goes to the Pasteur.

Among the unions represented were the following:

Local 637, Brotherhood of Painters and Paperhangers; Carpenters Local 1784; Painters Local 275; Metal Polishers Local 6; Machinists Local 830; Woodcarvers Chicago Branch and Machinists Local 397.

The local organization of the Friends of Soviet Russia and Workers' Germany is arranging a house to house canvas to begin on Feb. 24. Thousands of workers are expected to participate in this drive.

Each succeeding mail brings tales of misery from Germany not even surpassed during the dark days of the Russian famine.

The January 27th meeting promises to be the largest in the history of workingclass meetings in Chicago. Among the speakers already secured are Robert Morse Lovett, Max Sillinsky of the Journeymen Tailors Union of America and candidate for Secretary-Treasurer of that organization, Albert Johnson, member of the Hearst mission to Russia, Max Bedacht, editor of the Soviet Russia Pictorial and James P. Cannon, Chairman of the Workers Party of America.

With the campaign for German relief getting under way the receipts at the national office of the Friends of Soviet Russia are on the increase, running now between $250 and $350 a day. A large shipment of food for Germany is planned for next week. The purchasing of food is already under way.

Plans are being made to call conferences of different languages in order to more effectively carry on the work of bringing aid to the German workers. "The story of the suffering of the workers in Germany will be told in dozens of mass meetings all over the country", declared Rose Karsner, national secretary of F. S. R. and W. G.

Daily Worker Fastest Growing Daily in America

Militants All Over Country Campaigning for Subs.

While it may be that some of the militant workers are adding more subscribers to their roll than is THE DAILY WORKER, there is no other paper in the English language whose circulation is so rapid a rate. The business office has been swamped with new subscriptions for the past weeks. Moritz J. Loeb, business manager, says that at the present rate, THE DAILY WORKER will double its circulation every four weeks.

In every section of the United States and Canada, militant workers are busily adding to the list of DAILY WORKER readers. To recite the details of the activities of all of the loyal DAILY WORKER boosters would require a page of the paper every day. THE DAILY WORKER will, however, publish from time to time accounts of how some of the live wires are making their daily into a power.

Kenosha Organizes "Booster Club"

One of the most effective methods of boosting the circulation of the militant labor press has been devised by Mary Owens, district organizer of the Workers Party in Detroit. The Workers Party in Detroit has organized a "Boost Our Press Club" to carry on a drive to gain new readers for the militant press in general and for THE DAILY WORKER in particular.

Beginning Jan. 9, and winding up with a "Press Banquet and Ball" on January 16, the drive will be conducted with the concerted effort of every member of the Workers Party in Detroit. Prizes will be given to the individuals who secure the greatest number of subs and to the Workers Party branch which makes the best record. In connection with the DAILY WORKER at the present country subscription price of $6 per year the other militant papers of this city are being sold in combination at reduced rates. The Party in Detroit is using the commissions formerly paid to Branch DAILY WORKER agents to finance the drive.

How successful this method of work has been is indicated by the dozens of DAILY WORKER subs which come pouring in from Detroit every day.

Details of the Detroit plan can be secured from THE DAILY WORKER or from Edgar Owens, 2101 Gladys Ave., Detroit, Mich.

VIOLENCE UNDER SOCIAL ORDER OF PROFITEERS

Negroes Among Victims Under Bosses' Rule

1. Delaware. Ku Klux Klan opponents attacked Dr. J. W. Hawkins, Klan organizer, at a meeting he was addressing at West Chester, Pa., on Dec. 19, and chased him and his wife out of the town at the point of revolvers.

2. Oklahoma. Eight men are held in connection with the shooting of A. J. Berch, proprietor of a hotel at Marlow, and his Negro porter, Robt. Journegan, on Dec. 19. Marlow is one of the Oklahoma towns in which Negroes are not allowed to remain over night. When Berch disregarded the warning to dismiss the porter a mob went to the hotel threatening to lynch the Negro. Berch attempted to intercede and was killed.

3. Alabama. In order to avoid a lynching, the authorities at Tuscumbia have spirited away Sam Greenhill and Dave Dewberry, two negroes arrested in connection with the murder of a white man on Dec. 16th.

4. New York. According to a statement just issued by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People there were 26 lynchings in the United States during 1923 against 61 in 1922. The decline is laid to the agitation for a federal anti-lynching law and the northward migration of Negroes.

5. Washington. All of the I. W. W. literature, membership cards and other papers of 4 I. W. W.'s arrested at Walla Walla recently have been ordered returned by Prosecuting Attorney A. Collis who refused the arresting officer and declared that membership in the I. W. W. is legal.

6. Leavenworth, Kansas. Bert Lorton, an Englishman, Jacob Torie, an Italian and Harry Lloyd, born in India, three of the political prisoners recently released by President Coolidge were immediately rearrested and held for deportation. The men will make a legal fight to prevent deportation.

7. California. Patrick D. Ryan and Sam Peterson, I. W. W.'s arrested at Loyalton on Nov. 8 have been released and the criminal syndicalism charges against them have been dismissed.

8. Missouri. At the request of the Southern Manganese Steel Co., the Circuit Court of St. Louis County has granted a temporary anti-picketing injunction against the International Molders' Union. This company is one of the few which refused to renew the wage contract with the union.

9. Pennsylvania. Twenty Negroes arrested in a raid on a pool-room at Johnstown on Dec. 24 were fined $50 and ordered to leave the city by Mayor Joseph Cauffiel. "Go back south and don't show your face again above the Mason-Dixon line", the Mayor ordered in disposing of the cases.

Take It or Leave It

DETROIT, Mich.—Henry Ford's offer for Muscle Shoals still stands and no new proposal will be made, it was learned today.

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Youth Views

By HARRY GANNES

Liebknecht Day—Day of New Tasks.

International Liebknecht Day will soon be celebrated in this country. Karl Liebknecht and Rosa Luxemberg, leaders of the German Spartacists (Communists) were brutally murdered Jan. 15, 1919, by the Kaiser's officers, with the connivance of the German Socialist ministers. These same Social-Democrats have since betrayed the German workers in more ways than one.

All over the world, on Liebknecht Day, the enlightened working youth pay homage to the work of Karl Liebknecht in behalf of the young toilers. It is not a day for mourning; but rather it is a day of action, of setting new and more difficult tasks before the young.

In the United States, Liebknecht Day is celebrated under the auspices of the Young Workers League of America. The new tasks to be stressed is the widening and the intensifying of the "Hands off Workers' Germany" campaign and the gathering of funds for the relief of the starving German workers and their families. Then, too, the anti-military activities in this country receive a push on Liebknecht Day.

Shop Unit Contest On

Organization on the basis of shop units (also known as shop nuclei), is proving to be the direct road to a mass revolutionary organization of adult and youth in Germany. Of course, conditions play their very important part.

From England we get the news that a large number of shop units are being formed by the young British toilers in the steel mills, ship yards and coal mines.

At the fourth bureau session of the Young Communist International, held last summer, there arose a verbal contest as to which country was the more suitable for the immediate organization of shop units: the United States or Great Britain.

In practice Great Britain is winning. The Young Communist League there has by actual count more shop units than there exist in the United States. By no stretch of explanation can the members of the Young Workers League be said to be asleep, tho, the work of shop unit organization is progressing fast over a very wide territory. Our field being larger we will undoubtedly produce a bigger crop than the British. Y. C. L.—the we might need more time for cultivation.

Religionists Admit They're Bad Eggs

Anti-religious offensives take up a goodly share of the time of the Young Communist League of Russia. Seeped in superstition, the Russian peasant makes a difficult pupil, and the youth in Russia are the educators.

Religion is a problem that is not peculiar to the Russians. All revolutionary organizations must continually let down the cudgel, with a smart tap on the head of this ally of capitalism. Especially the youth should perform this function.

In speaking of religion it brings a smile to the face of "unbelievers," when they hear their religionist enemies admit (this is from "The Vineyard of the East," a paper for the devout), that "The Christian people do not live Christ-like lives. In fact their lives are no better than those of the Pagans and unbelievers, and, at times, sometimes even worse." Only, the cloak of religion is supposed to excuse their missteps.

THE PARTY AT WORK

Full Calendar In Chicago

Local Chicago, Workers Party, is filling in every date on the calendar with some sort of activity destined to reach the workers with the message of our Party. If more dates were available, more demonstrations and meetings would surely be held. These are some of the affairs arranged for the immediate future.

Sunday, Jan. 20, Liebknecht Day. Young Workers League and Workers Party, all Prudential Hall, North Ave. and Z. Foster, Max Bedacht, Robert Minor, John Edwards, Peter Herd, and A. Mirroff.

Sunday, Jan. 27, Mass Meeting and Demonstration for Recognition of Soviet Russia and Relief of Workers Germany, at Ashland Auditorium. Speakers: Prof. Morse Lovett, Max Silinsky, Albert Johnson, J. P. Cannon, and Max Bedacht.

Friday, Feb. 1, Mass Meeting for Freedom for the Philippines, at Shoenhofen Hall, Ashland and Milwaukee. Speakers: Pedro Guevara, President Commissioner of the Philippines to the United States, member of congress, organizer of the Seamens Union of the Philippines and leader of the first strike on the Philippine Islands. Other speakers: C. E. Ruthenberg and Jay Lovestone.

Friday, Feb. 8, Lecture by Prof. Scott Nearing at the Douglas Park Auditorium on the subject, "Reaction in America."

Saturday, Feb. 16, at the Ashland Auditorium, Second Annual Red Revue Masquerade Ball. Benefit Daily Worker and Labor Defense.

Every Sunday Evening Local Chicago is conducting an Open Forum at the Labor Building, 159 N. State St. Corinthian Hall Sunday, Jan. 20 James P. Cannon speaks on the subject "The Workers and the Communists." Sunday Jan. 27, J. Whiteman, writer and lecturer of the African Blood Brotherhood, speaks on the subject "The Racial Prejudice."

The Workers Party School. The first course of the Workers Party School is nearly completed. The remaining few lectures will be given by Max Bedacht, Earl Browder, Robert Minor and Martin Abern. The second course, which will deal with the history of the American labor movement, including the trade unions, labor political parties and economics is now in preparation. Branch Secretaries are empowered to make enrollments in their branches for this second course. Anyone enrolling now and paying the fee of $2.25 will receive the balance of the first course gratis. Our branches are also urged to request their members who attend the school to make regular reports to the branches of the subjects they have been studying. This school offers an opportunity that every Party member should take advantage of.

Some Branch Meetings

Following are the meeting places of Chicago English Branches:

South Side Branch, every first and third Thursday 8 P. M., at Community Center, 3201 S. Wabash Ave.

Irving Park Branch, every first and third Monday at 4021 N. Drake Ave. Monday, Jan. 21, lecture by Max Bedacht, subject, "The Present Situation in Germany."

Mid-City Branch, every first and third Wednesday, at Emmet Memorial Hall, Taylor and Ogden Ave.

Bridgeport Branch, every second and fourth Wednesday at 3600 S. Union Ave.

— Cicero Branch, meets on call at Italian Hall, 1402 S. 61st Ct.

North Side Branch, every first and third Monday, at Imperial Hall, 2409 N. Halsted St.

North West Side Branch, every second and fourth Tuesday at Workers Lyceum, 2732 Hirsch Boul. Tuesday Jan 22, discussion on Party Reorganization.

Douglas Park Branch, every first and third Monday, at 2733 Douglas Boul.

Englewood Branch, every fourth Monday, at Carpenters Hall, 6414 S. Halsted St.

Your Union Meeting

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THIRD SATURDAY, Jan. 19th, 1924

No.	Name of Local and Place of Meeting
21	Asphalt Paving, 249 E. 34th St.
11	Bakers, 112 W. Oak St. 1 p. m.
11	Blacksmiths, 180 W. Washington St.
180	Blacksmiths, 75th and Divers.
192	Coopers, 3257 Sheffield Ave.
1417	Court Reporters, 71 N LaSalle St., 1 p. m.
113	Engineers, Capitol Bldg., 2 p. m.
121	Engineers (Loc.), 6234 S. Princeton Ave., 7:30 p. m.
143	Engineers (Loc.), 15th and Wood Sts.
141	Engineers (Loc.), 428 W. 43rd St.
318	Firemen and Enginemen, 433 W. 43rd St.
461	Engineers, 311 S. Ashland Ave.
1	Bed Carriers, 550 S. Halsted St., 1 p. m.
1	Horse Shoers, 738 W. Madison St.
132	Machinists, 566A north and S. Chicago Ave.
134	Machinists, 113 S. Ashland Blvd.
184	Male, of Way, 3311 S. Central Park Ave.
649	Male. of Way, 624 and Cottage Grove Ave.
521	Male. of Way, 1311 W. Taylor St.
157	Railway Carmen, 1444 S. Ashland Ave.
1264	Railway Carmen, 2041 W. Chicago Ave.
438	Sheet Metal, Black Yards, 35th and Wood St.
730	Teamsters, 325 S. Ashland Blvd.
	Telegraphers (Com.), 512 S. Clark St., 3:30 p. m.

(Note—Unless otherwise stated all meetings are at 8 p. m.)

The Daily Worker for a month free to the first member of any local union sending in changes of date or place of meeting of locals listed here.

Please watch for your local and if not listed let us know, giving time and place of meeting so we can keep this daily announcement complete and up to date.

On Tuesday of every week we expect to print display announcements of local unions. Rates will be $1 an inch, 50c for half an inch card. Take this matter up in your next meeting. Your local should have a weekly display card as well as the regular announcement under date of meeting.

COMMUNIST CHILDREN'S COLUMN

HOW WE START TO ORGANIZE A CHILDREN'S GROUP

ARTICLE No. 3

Nothing in the world is easier than to attract children. Adults, boys and girls of the Young Workers League, go in a group to the place where children are found the streets in the evenings, in parks, public playgrounds, or at some such recreation. They watch the children for a while and gradually and tactfully join in their games, perhaps teaching them a new circle game or dance. Soon the children are attracted and approach to play in the game. After a time when the children are quite friendly "Shall we start a club?" is suggested. At first the children may be shy but eventually they agree. It is then that questions arise about other revolutionary song.

The [illegible] are asked to come again. We [illegible] have to do without [illegible] the children [illegible] when we can a [illegible] Workers Children's [illegible] Young Comrade [illegible] the children [illegible] are children [illegible] Would you like to come?

Or we may go into the working class parts of town to the trade union hall or that [illegible] or some other room or park or garden we meet these days. Let us talk to children come. The children after being their parents for permission to attend and they bring their friends and playmates. Children are naturally excellent agitators.

Of course there are cases where the parents refuse to permit the children to come. The mass of the adult working class is extremely petty bourgeois in its home life. These parents are made the subjects of especial attention of the Junior Leaders. Special parents evenings and conferences are organized or public celebrations, whatever will create a sweet bond between the adults and the children. Incidentally, by this means many a working class father or mother previously antagonistic or indifferent, is won to our cause. There are instances where the adults are receptive from the start. If the child is determined and energetic it opposes the will of reactionary or backward parents and attends the meetings, despite the prohibition of the parents. More sensitive children endure great inner conflicts and with these especially a great understanding and patience is need. The active measures which are used by our leaders depend upon whether the parents are merely backward workers or conscious reactionaries and social patriots.

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Military Efficiency

The superhuman efficiency of military and naval men and, of course, of the departments that supervise and direct their all-important activities in this imperialistic period is one of the favorite themes of the publicity agents of capitalism.

Recently, however, a succession of severe shocks has been sustained by the gullible ones who swallow this bunk. To persons of a gentle disposition who, like ourselves, suffer keenly by reason of such unfortunate occurrences, it seems that since seven of our colony-grabbing destroyers tried to climb the mountain ranges lying just east of the Pacific coast, not a day has passed that does not bring similar tidings.

Just at present one of our warships—the Tacoma—sent to southern waters to convey a message of light and hope to the natives of those parts who were growing restive under the exactions of American bankers—is aground. The shore, unbeknownst to the efficient commander, was too close to the water.

The Shenandoah, built for us by German mechanics and the pride of our air-fleet despite its Hunnish origin, also slipped its mooring recently and, if we are to believe Secretary of the Navy Denby, all because it was stabled hastily and some inexperienced cowhand tied it up with a bow-knot which the wind blew loose.

Numerous other examples of the efficiency of military and naval experts occur to us, but space is scarce. We have not the slightest doubt that nothing like the machine-like precision of our gallant defenders of profit, interest and rent has ever been seen by man, but a little more knowledge of common things like the weather and the inertia of matter would apparently reduce the casualty list.

Seriously, we venture to say that no more incompetent and conceited gang of parasites ever lived upon the underlying population than these same exponents of an efficiency that exists only in the minds of "drum and trumpet" historians—ancient and modern.

Is there any connection between the publication of the Bok peace plan and the midnight flight of the Shenandoah?

False Friends

The attempt made by the industrial magnates who met in Chicago recently under the auspices of the Illinois Manufacturers' Association to pass themselves off as friends of the farmers.

It was an obvious effort to throw a monkey wrench into the machinery that is now being developed with the object of bringing together politically the forces of the two great producing elements in American life, the working farmers and industrial workers. But the capitalists and financiers have so discredited themselves with the farmers that more than soft phrases or flattery are necessary to convince the exploited farmers that their interests and those of the mortgage sharps are identical.

Benjamin W. Marsh, Managing Director of the Farmers' National Council and a conservative, saw in the Chicago manufacturers' conference "an ill disguised effort to break up the farmer-labor combination." He goes on to say: "This is shown by the vicious attacks made by speakers upon labor and the farmer combination with labor. It will strengthen the farmer-labor combination as most of the spokesmen there for the farmer have been kicked out of farmer organizations. The resolutions and actions of the packed convention mean nothing. It is simply an alibi for the labor-baiters of the Illinois Manufacturers' Association."

The alleged farmers who represented themselves as friends of labor at the plute gathering are merely decoy ducks sent out to catch the unwary. They are false friends and the farmers will treat them as such. The growing spirit of solidarity between exploited farmer and industrial worker is causing the American ruling classes anxious moments and they frantically try to save the situation with bluff.

Mr. F. A. Pattison, of the Committee of Forty-eight, a political party in itself the now considerably reduced in number, sent a letter to Robert M. LaFollette, calling on the Wisconsin Senator to place himself at the head of a third party. Perhaps Mr. LaFollette is hard of hearing, but he has not replied, yet.

The Hibben Case

Because Captain Paxton Hibben, of the Officers' Reserve Corps, holds views not in harmony with the standpoint of capitalist class held by the Washington administration, an effort is made to expel him from the army as a dangerous person.

He is now undergoing trial before a military board and the charges against him is that he is in favor of recognizing the Russian Soviet Republic contrary to the policy of Charles Evans Hughes and the Department of Justice.

This attack on the freedom of expression of Captain Hibben for taking the side of the progressive forces in American public life is in striking contrast to the attitude of the government toward Admiral Sims, the Anglophile and jingo who committed this government in advance to war on the side of England and openly expressed his regard for reaction wherever. The Admiral was not even slapped on the wrist the his Pro-Imperial vaporings caused several storms of disapproval to beat against the White House doors.

But Hibben is guilty of a real crime in the eyes of the capitalist class whose faithful servant the Unified States government is. He has committed the unforgivable sin of sympathizing with the Russian workers and peasants who are trying to establish a real democracy on the ruins of Czarism. Had he spent his time glorifying Mussolini or some other capitalist dictator not court martial but high honors would be his portion. The trial of this officer only serves to emphasize our contention that this spurious democracy of ours is only a dictatorship in disguise. It depends on its armed forces to maintain itself and the least indication of liberalism among the army or navy causes the dictators to tremble with fear.

Unless LaFollette gets down to business pretty soon, Calvin Coolidge will have Magnus Johnson milked of all his radicalism, Senator Ladd consigned to the lumberyard and Senator Frazier completely at sea. At this rate it should not take Coolidge long to reduce his enemies to their native element.

Coal, Union and Non-Union

The growth in productive capacity of the non-union coal fields and the prospects of a strike in the bituminous coal industry beginning the first of April are intimately related.

There has been a well-planned campaign engaged in by the coal operators' association, backed by the steel trust, to increase production in those fields where the United Mine Workers of America are either entirely unorganized or have but little foothold.

The center of the efforts in this direction has been West Virginia and it is in this that is found the explanation of the bitter and bloody struggle waged in that state to exterminate the union. West Virginia coal fields are among the richest, if not the richest, in the nation. No mine started in West Virginia has ever failed nor has a mine ever failed to pay from the time the first ton was mined. In this fabulously rich coal belt, where thousands of acres of undeveloped coal lands, owned by individuals who never saw their property, is being conducted a program of expansion designed to flood the eastern and middle-western markets with coal produced so cheaply by underpaid labor that unionized fields cannot compete.

Agreements between the United Mine Workers of America and the coal operators have always taken into consideration certain special conditions in what is known as the "competitive field"—Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and part of Pennsylvania. The influx of nonunion coal is rapidly rendering these special conditions non-existent and the United Mine Workers of America have but two alternatives—to lower their wages approximately to the level of the competitive non-union districts like West Virginia which means surrender to the bosses; or to mobilize the full strength of the organization behind an organization campaign in West Virginia, Kentucky and other southern states.

The life of the coal miners organization depends upon the rapid unionization of these districts just as the success of the offensive of the coal operators depends upon the rapidity with which the output of non-union coal can be increased and unionized mines forced to close.

What fighting spirit and stamina is left in the United Mine Workers after the deliberate bounding of the left wing elements, the expulsion of Alex Howatt, the revocation of the charters of district after district that did not line up with the Lewis machine, the policy of collaboration with the blackest agencies of American capitalism, will be shown at the convention of the organization that meets next Tuesday in Indianapolis.

We do not believe that the United Mine Workers of America can stand two years more of the united front of officials and employers against those members of the union who want a clear-cut policy of organization, a class party to fight the battles of labor on the parliamentary field, protection of foreign-born workers and a general policy of amalgamation for the American labor movement of which they are part.

Samuel Insull, the Chicago traction magnate, can subsidize the local Civic Opera Company but he cannot afford to give the unfortunate victims of antiquar transportation, who pay seven cents to ride in his street cars, a little heat during the zero weather.

AS WE SEE IT

By F. J. O'FLAHERTY

The news of Lenin's illness, and the Russian Soviet Republic's 1920, with an army directed by the Allies, seeking to impose a new Czar on the country, keeps the spotlight on Poland, Slavia and Bulgaria. The information is supplied by the female paragon, who styles herself the widow Von Wrangel. The lady is in New York, getting a kick into the social swim of the good-for-nothing of class city's four hundred.

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Wrangel's army is not now actively engaged in overturning the workers' government. They are simply acting as scabs and helping to lower the wages of the workers of Yugo-Slavia and Bulgaria. They work for six dollars a month, live in huts built by themselves and are ready to be shipped anywhere at short notice. They have won the reputation of being excellent workmen, upon the Bosphorus. When the Bulgarian Fascisti overthrow the Peasant government of that country, Wrangel's troops were used against the peasants. They are ready for any kind, the dirty work, the dirtier the better.

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We are informed that when Mr. Asquith, the Liberal leader, finished his speech supporting the no confidence vote of the British Labor party, two English princess leaned over from their seats in the gallery and smiled at the thought of the king being surrounded by labor advisors. The king may not be overburdened with intelligence but the British ruling class whose puppet the king is, have no fear that the lackey Ramsay Mac Donald is going to give his Majesty any advice that would injure the safety of his realm.

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King Tut-ankh-Amen has a rival. Another king by the name of Ay-he made it snappy—appears to have made himself a tomb and now "Tut" is playing second fiddle to Ay. It is always thus. The public mind is fickle. So long as "Tut" was the only mummy in the valley, he had the front page but he is now pushed off the boards by his more easily pronounced competitor. King "Tut" was born in a place where there was nothing in the name, but vowels and consonants.

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Judges Landis, the $50,000 per year baseball jurist, friend of Samuel Gompers and enemy of human progress is wroth over the release of the war prisoners by President Coolidge. This judicial ignorsmus is fond of making threats of physical violence against any American citizen who is gifted with at least ordinary intelligence. Speaking to a gang of railroad officers he urged them to go to the polls and vote against all those aspirants to public office who showed even the slightest leaning toward common decency during the war. "Paste them one for me" was the final exhortation of Landis.

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In the early edition of the Jan. 18, issue of the Chicago Tribune, the Tea Pot scandal claimed the eight column headline. But in the meantime news of the latest amorous adventure of a clergyman hit the editor's eye and the love pirate's escapade crowded Daugherty, Fall and Company into a corner. To give the clergyman credit, they make good newspaper copy. They give women whose time hangs heavily on their hands an opportunity to live dangerously.

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What's the mater with the Riga correspondent of the Chicago Tribune? Trotsky has not killed himself, arrested Lenin, married a Bulgarian Princess, or made a trillion rubles on the Bourse, for over twenty-four hours. Perhaps the lips of Riga's principal liars are frozen by a below-zero wave.

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Another new record was established in the growth of democracy in Europe when King Albert of Belgium, on his way from the hunt, hopped on a street car and paid his fare. The only surprising thing about it is that he paid his fare. He generally "bums" his ride.

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The American Legion "patriot" who was obviously commissioned to violate the laws the German Republic in an endeavor to kidnap the wealthy draft evader, Grover Cleveland Bergdoll and drew a fifteen month prison sentence for his failure is now the object of tender solicitude from the American capitalist press and the idle matrons of Chicago's Gold Coast. It is significant that camparatively little interest was manifested in this thug's welfare until a few days ago. It is rumored that the cause of this sudden flurry of excitement is a threat on the part of Griffis to tell the whole truth of the episode which resulted in the killing of one man and the wounding of another. If Griffis were allowed to tell his story it is the general opinion that the names of several prominent American citizens would be mentioned. Hence the hurry to turn Griffis loose.

RIGHTS WON'T AT $100 PER, IN COPELAND LAW

Employers' Rights Not Infringed as Usual

(Special to The Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON.—If a bill presented by Senator Copeland becomes a federal law and is not vetoed by the Supreme Court, there will be a tax of $100 on every revolver produced or imported into the United States. This bill is presented with the idea of cutting down the gunman's death toll, which at present distinguishes our country as the most murderous on earth. Any child knows that such a law would do nothing of the kind, as increase in the price of the instruments of a profession must be made up by increased revenue and activity therein.

Nor will such a law put an end to the worst form of gun toting, the arming of private guards by manufacturers for the purpose of intimidating workers. The gunman is essential to the maintenance of the capitalist order, and the bosses' private armies will have their guns whether the tax is paid or evaded.

The effect and the real purpose of this law is by disarming the workers to make more secure the terrorists, official and unofficial, whose life function it is to turn gun muzzles against the workers. A maxim of class warfare is to disarm your opponents, do it legally and constitutionally if you can, but if as in this case you must forget the constitution—do it anyway. Senator Copeland writes a plain lesson of the kind that workers need to read—and understand.

Copeland would change the constitutional "Bill of Rights" to read "The right of the people to bear arms (in the interests of their employers) shall not be questioned—(otherwise it is verboten)."

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