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# Senators Urge Impeachment of Denby and Daugherty

## TITANIC LOOT BARED PERILS FOR POINCARE

### Communists Expose Theft of 25,000,000,000 Francs

(Special to The Daily Worker)

PARIS.—Disclosures made in the Chamber of Deputies yesterday show that the Poincare administration must now face well-substantiated charges of allowing and participating in graft arising out of the reconstruction in the devastated regions variously estimated at from 18,000,000,000 to 25,000,000,000 francs.

According to figures which the minister for the "liberated" regions admitted yesterday, the Poincare is the graft paid to firms which were engaged in reconstruction work. The Communist deputies, supported in their contention by the socialists and some of the radicals, claim to be able to prove that residues of graft are involved in the scandal personally as well as by reason of his official responsibility.

**Expose Hails Tax Levy**

More significant than the enormous size of the amount of graft itself is the fact that the disclosures came as a result of the attack by the Communist government to levy additional taxation of 2 per cent to cover the budget deficit.

The documentary evidence brought in to uphold the charges of widespread graft and corruption sustains the German contention that in order to balance its expansion claims the French government has been giving away billions of francs to supporters of its policies.

**Poincare Is Desperate**

It required all the parliamentary and oratorical skill of Premier Poincare to avert disaster for his government in the chamber yesterday, but he finally gained a breathing spell by promising that the government will investigate and revise all reconstruction items in excess of 500,000,000 francs.

Opposition leaders declared that this would be accepted only as a temporary measure as greater portions of the enormous graft total in found in 446 gargantuan claims, all over 1,000,000 francs apiece.

Some idea of the gigantic fraud practiced and condoned by the Poincare government is gained when it is known that a total of 3,000,000,000 francs have been granted 100,000, 800,000 francs in damages.

The most savage attacks against Poincare since he broached the Poincare of the Ruhr occupation were launched yesterday.

The recent fall of the franc, in addition to the attempt increase taxation, was a contributing factor to the near debacle that overtook the Poincare government.

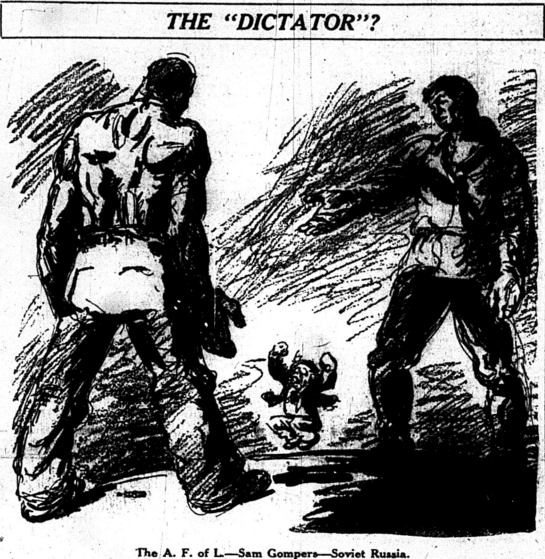
Angry deputies called attention to the fact that when these inflated damages were paid the franc was worth 7 and 8 cents, and today it hovers around 4 1/2 cents.

**An Oil King's Sideline**

**NEW YORK.**—Harry Sinclair, oil operator of Texas and Oklahoma, last year made \$432,599 last year by his race horses. He raced forty horses and won seventy-four races. He was named after Zevy, Sinclair's 45-acre, when \$125,000, which was a reward for the American turf.

**Now This Is Over.**

**BREKIN,** Jan. 31.—Freed from the shackles of jail, where he was serving sentence for the attempted kidnapping of Grover Cleveland Bagdad, Lewis Clinton Brown, of Ohio, has gone to Hamilton, where he is planning to sail for New York today.



The A. F. of L.—Sam Gompers—Soviet Russia.

## SENATE FOR WIPING OUT OIL LEASES

### Consider Resignation of Secretary of Navy

(Special to The Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 31.—The senate this afternoon adopted the Walsh resolution directing President Coolidge to begin court action and special counsel to cancel the leases of naval oil reserves and to prosecute such other action, civil or criminal as may be warranted.

The senate defeated the Howell amendment without a record vote. Howell was the only member that voted for it.

**Take Up Denby Resignation.**

After disposing of the Walsh resolution calling for the resignation of Secretary of the Navy Denby, the senate proceeded to consider the Robinson resolution calling for the resignation of Secretary of the Navy Denby.

These are the oil leases granted to Harry F. Sinclair and E. D. Doherty (former Secretary of the Interior) Albert B. Fall, and which the resolution charged were "granted under circumstances indicating fraud and corruption."

Sinclair, Doherty Hit.

Action on the resolution followed two days of heated debate during which Democratic senators centered their fire on Secretary of the Navy Denby, seeking adoption of a resolution calling for his resignation.

The vote was reached today only after great pressure had been brought to bear to get the Democrats to delay their demand for a vote on Denby until the withdrawal of the resolution could be put thru.

Senators Robinson and Trammell served notice that they would return to their fight on Denby immediately after the vote on Walsh's resolution was disposed of. The Walsh resolution now goes to the house.

**See Fraud Indication.**

Under its terms the president is instructed to select counsel for prosecution of litigation for recovery of the leases which former Secretary of Interior Fall is charged with having corrupted and fraudulently given to the Sinclair and Doherty oil leases.

It provides that the presidential nominations for counsel be confirmed by the senate before the litigation can be begun. Former Attorney General Gregory and Silas H. Strawn have been named by the president as counsel.

The resolution states that the leases to Sinclair and Doherty on the naval reserves, made by the government of the United States thru Albert B. Fall, secretary of interior, and Edwin Denby, secretary of the navy, as lessees, were "executed under circumstances indicating fraud and corruption."

It specifically charges that Fall and Denby had no authority to issue leases and that the contracts were.

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## Secretary of Labor Finds the Delegates Know All About His Slave Program

By JOHN FITZGERALD.  
 (Daily Correspondent of The Daily Worker)

**TOMLINSON HALL, INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 31.**—Booted and hissed by the delegates when he rose to address the United Mine Workers' Convention here, James L. Davis, secretary of labor, holding in his hand a copy of a circular exposing his anti-labor activities, distributed in the convention, made a speech characterized by hubris and arrogance.

It was also notable for the viciousness of its attack on the foreign-born workers in the organized labor movement.

President Lewis, in introducing Davis, had asked "for a respectful hearing for a member of the President's cabinet."

The effect of the speech of the steel trust secretary of labor was considerably dulled by the fact that hundreds of his audience had already perused the leaflet which he accused the Progressive Miners Committee of circulating.

It contained a concise account of his efforts to secure the adoption of laws providing for the finger-printing and police registration of foreign-born workers and quoted from the proceedings of the Petroleum of the American Federation of Labor in which these proposals were denounced as a menace to organized labor and the A. F. of L. executive council instructed to do all in its power to frustrate the Davis scheme.

In addition to the leaflet, hundreds of copies of The Daily Worker, carrying an exclusive story of his campaign for the Sterling Hill and other measures providing for super-exploitation of foreign-born workers under government supervision, were said to be distributed to delegates and spectators.

**Audience Had His Number.**

It is doubtful if Secretary of Labor Davis ever faced an audience that had more accurate information concerning his legality to act and activities on behalf of employing corporations. He did not mention the Scott case which is rocking the Coolidge administration; he did not give his views on 100 per cent Americanism, the imported Welsh mercenaries, the imported Irish and Ku Klux variety and attempted to pour oil, perhaps from the Teapot Dome scandal, upon the troubled sea in which the Lewis dictatorship finds itself.

He promised to reply to the charges in the leaflet accusing him of being a member of organized labor, but his only answer was a further denunciation of the foreign-born workers; a further attack upon his birthplace on a Welsh hillside, and a further promise to use the same and fortune via the dollar-member route in the Moose lodge.

For the report of the convention an exhibition of a not too brainy delegate was on his feet ready to leave the hall a motion was made to adjourn, a rising vote of thanks when Davis's session opened at 9 a. m. shouts of "live or a recall" came from all over the hall.

President Lewis did not dare to call for the report of the convention committee which had been halted following the vote juggling of the previous session. He stalled until Secretary of Labor Davis arrived.

## NEW YORK TO FILL MADISON SQUARE GARDEN MONDAY

### Lenin Memorial Will Be Giant Affair

(Special to The Daily Worker)

**NEW YORK.**—A special sounding board has been installed in Madison Square Garden so that the vast audience that will fill the floor of the arena and its lofty galleries will hear every word from the lips of the speakers who will tell the life and works of Nicolai Lenin, no matter where they were.

It will be an occasion unique in New York life. The death of no called forth such an outpouring of emotion as the passing of this quiet Russian who lived and died thousands of miles away, but who was ever present in the hearts of his comrades in the world revolution, no matter where they were.

A galaxy of speakers will stand on the platform such as no New York event has ever known in a long time. William Z. Foster, E. Ruthenberg, Henry George, Benjamin Gitlow and Ludwig Lovy will be followed by other prominent men and women.

Fitting the mood of the evening the Russian Symphony orchestra of 50 pieces, will play the airs of revolutionary brotherhood that have inspired millions of workers in Russia and in all parts of the world.

Latest moving pictures showing Lenin in action will be shown.

Where Tickets Are Sold.

Tickets can be purchased before the seating capacity of the Garden is exhausted at the following offices: Maanhattan: The Freebills, 47 Chrysler street; The Volksteater, 16 Spruce street; Home, 25 E. 1st street; Eisenpahn Daily News, 602 E. 11th street; Rusky Colon, 64 E.

## Students of Workers College Ban Deserts

**KATONAH, N. Y.**—During a period of one month the community at Brookwood labor college (formerly all deserts in order that it might send every penny saved in this way to the aid of hungry students in Germany. With the money thus garnered, Brookwood sent 270 pounds of wheat flour, 110 pounds rice, 35 pounds macaroni, about 3 pounds each of cinnamon and pepper, 22 pounds fat, 22 pounds starch, 22 pounds sweetened chocolate, 11 pounds coffee, 11 pounds tea, 22 pounds coffee, and 110 pounds sugar.

7th street; Jimmie Higgins Book shop, 127 University place; District No. 8 office, 208 E. 12th street; Harlem Section Workers Party, 145 E. 103d street; and 715 Broadway. Brownsville: 1844 Pitkin avenue. Borough Park, 748 40th street.

All party headquarters will sell tickets. Prices, 25 and 50 cents.

**Read Lists of Meetings.**

**NOTE.**—Additional news and lists of Lenin Memorial meetings on page 4 and first five.

**Favors "The Daily"**

**TO THE DAILY WORKER:** Enclosed is a money order for \$5 for six months' subscription to THE DAILY WORKER. Sorry I can't make it larger. I am heartily in favor of the paper and glad you are putting one out.—Henry George Weiss, Oakland, Calif.

**Book Inquiry Lenses Linslight.**

**WASHINGTON.—The** senate inquiry into the Bok peace plan award for six months' subscription to THE DAILY WORKER on hearing conditions will start in tomorrow's session.

**Amalgamation means strength!**

**The Land for the Union!**

## MIKADO'S TROOPS PATROL TOKYO AS DIET DISSOLVES

### Fall of Kiyoura Cabinet Is Expected

(Special to The Daily Worker)

**TOKYO.**—Thousands of the Mikado's soldiers are patrolling Tokyo as the ruling class fears revolt. Parliamentary government has been brought to a standstill by the dissolution of the Imperial diet in a stormy session, where statesmen battled with their fists and shouted themselves hoarse.

Fall of the Kiyoura cabinet is imminent. The Kiyoura government is bitterly hated for the shooting of hundreds of labor unionists and radicals in the days that followed the earthquake disaster, and for ruthless measures it has been using against the parliamentary opposition.

An attempt to wreck a train carrying members of the parliamentary opposition is charged against the government by the opposition. The violent accusations of a murder plot which were hurled in the last diet sessions led to the riot which caused the diet to be dissolved.

Twenty-five of the opposition leaders were returning to Tokyo from a public meeting when the engineer noted huge obstructions of timber and stones on the tracks. He barely put on the brakes as the train rolled into the pile of wreckage. Lives of the passengers were saved narrowly.

**Housing Article Tomorrow.**

The series of articles to appear in THE DAILY WORKER on housing conditions will start in tomorrow's session.

## DAUGHERTY ROMPING IN FLORIDA FAR FROM TEAPOT DOME WORRY

(Special to The Daily Worker)

**MIAMI, Fla.**—Attorney General Daugherty was too busy enjoying himself in an election campaign in congress for his resignation.

"That business of the Teapot Dome doesn't worry me in the least," said Daugherty, "I do not care to make any statement, I am never on the defensive."

## The Myerscough Case

THE appeal of Thomas Myerscough against his expulsion by the executive board of District No. 2 and his confirmation by the international executive board of the United Mine Workers is expected to come before the convention of that organization today.

Myerscough was expelled solely because of his affiliation with the Progressive Miners International Committee, the organization through which the left wing in the United Mine Workers carries on its educational campaign.

The charges against him do not question his integrity as a union man but are based entirely on political and economic beliefs held by him.

It was not until Thomas Myerscough became well-known as a leader of the progressive miners in West Virginia, that the union leadership in organizing a strike and encouraging the miners in West Virginia to go on strike after they had been left out of the Cleveland agreement that he incurred the enmity of the district and international officials.

Even after the resignation of the United Mine Workers, did support earlier in his career, Murray still has in his possession a letter given him by Myerscough showing that a supposed friend of his was preparing to double-cross him in an election.

At this time Myerscough was persecuted with the administration of the United Mine Workers; he was given a co-defender, who had not yet realized the close connection between the two.

Additional News of Convention on Page Four.

## Our Greatest Lenin Memorial Meeting, Madison Square Garden

### New York City, Monday Night, Feb. 4. Speakers: Foster, Ruthenberg, Olgin, Love, Gilman and Others. Latest Lenin Pictures

**OPERSIATED**

LABOR PREMIER SEALING RUSSIAN PACT NEXT WEEK

Expected to Oppose French in Ruhr (Special to The Daily Worker) LONDON.—Ramsay MacDonald is expected to seal the Russian pact next week. The London Herald, official Labor Party organ, denounces all reports to the contrary, as misstatements of the administration's policy. MacDonald is anxious to have the pact sealed before the next meeting of the cabinet on February 12. The reason of the Labor Party is lightness of delay and there is no shadowing reason why the agreement should be held up. No hint has been developed in the government's plan to recognize Russia, continues the Herald. Reports to the contrary are efforts to prevent the labor government, charges the paper. Matters of detail, such as the question of debt, the terms of the George government alleged that Russia owed to England will be dealt with by a joint committee created as soon as ambassadors are exchanged. This commission will take up the terms of the British citizens against Russia for property expropriated and for expropriation. But the claims will not be presented until recognition is accomplished.

Polenars to Meet MacDonald. PARIS.—Ramsay MacDonald and Premier Polenars are expected to come together in Russia, on an early date, over the Ruhr occupation and the recognition of Russia. The Labor government is tied by its campaign pledges to oppose Ruhr occupation. It has the power to bring enormous economic pressure to bear against France and the capital in rifle with Russia. To what the French will do if MacDonald makes the demand that he get out of the Ruhr. On the Russian issue the two governments are diametrically opposed. There will be much to discuss when the two rulers meet.

Bankers Learn Dollars Cannot Create Livestock

FARGO, N. D., Jan. 31.—"Legislation which creates livestock, and any other kind of property, is a waste of money," said John Lee Coulter, president of the North Dakota Agricultural College, declared today. "If the entire \$50,000,000 were spent for dairy cattle at \$100 per head, 500,000 dairy cattle would be purchased a number equal to the total of dairy cattle in North Dakota today," he told members of the agricultural commission of the American Bankers' Association hearing here. "Congress figures show that one cow is required to supply the dairy products consumed by five people and that our population is increasing at the rate of 1,500,000 persons per year in the three years during which the \$50,000,000 is available, the population increase would require 800,000 more cows or nearly double the number that could be purchased with the whole fund."

Woolen Manager Admits Financing of Company Union

(Special to The Daily Worker) PHILADELPHIA.—Delegates to the Pennsylvania Railroad company union conference had their railroad fare, hotel bills and wages paid out of the company's own treasury. That is the admission made by Robert V. Massey, manager of the company's eastern division, under cross examination in Federal court in the suit of System Federation No. 30 of the railroad's porters for the recovery of \$15,000, 000 back pay due the workers. The \$15,000,000 represents the difference between the wages ordered by the Railroad Labor Board and the amount actually paid by the company, and asserted by the federal court. The System Federation demands an injunction restraining the company union. Judge Dickinson will hear further evidence.

Mrs. Smith's Tea Room

1431 S. SAWYER AVENUE, ROCKWELL 0202. Many Greetings to THE DAILY WORKER from THE Radical Inn The place where you can enjoy an interesting discussion with a special Mrs. Smith's own cooked meal or drinking a Russian Teelock (only of the kind with Mrs. Smith's own home made cake). Arrangements for services for parties, organizations and private gatherings made at any time.

Farmer-Labor Leaders Fight Postponement of May 30th, St. Paul, Minn., Conference

J. W. Anderson, chairman of the Executive Committee of the Farmer-Labor Party of Montana, and Alice Lovina Daily, Secretary-Treasurer of the Farmer-Labor Party of South Dakota, in special statements to the DAILY WORKER put themselves unequivocally on record for holding the monster Farmer-Labor convention, as originally scheduled, on May 30th, and not waiting for the outcome of the Republican and Democratic convention in St. Paul arising from the belief some people have that there is a chance to win one of these conventions to a genuine progressive program for the farmers and workers. Many adherents of LaFollette are especially burdened with illusions as to the great strength that can be corralled at these two conventions controlled by the reactionaries and chine politicians of Republican and Democratic stripe.

Some even go so far in their optimism as to believe that the holding of the Farmer-Labor Party convention will enable the capitalist parties have held their conferences will enable the Farmer-Labor movement to pull 5,000,000 votes in the coming national election. How little one can expect from the "fighting" insurgents and the so-called progressives who sit in Congress can be seen from the activities of the Farmer-Labor Party. The Old Guard has remained date over feeble opposition they have been able to pass a bill which the insurgents could not even attempt to touch. The statements of Mr. Anderson and Alice Daily establish beyond doubt that the fact that what is wanted is the working and farming masses of the nation, is a party consisting of all sorts of elements, from the Republican and Democratic Party to a real Farmer-Labor Party, is an impossibility. It is a party solely representative of the class interests of the nation's farmers and farm laborers.

In view of the rapidly increasing strength of the Montana and South Dakota Farmer-Labor Parties, the following statements of their leaders are of importance to the entire Farmer-Labor Party movement. DAILY WORKER, Chicago, Ill. "The executive committee of the Montana Farmer-Labor Party has strongly opposed any attempt to change the present date for holding our national convention. Our people are not interested in the election of a party devoted to the interests of the nation's farmers and farm laborers. We are interested in the promotion of the class interests of the nation's farmers and farm laborers. We are interested in the recognition of the working class government of Russia. "That pompous folly ought to be sufficient to make every farmer and industrial worker turn to the upbuilding of a party devoted to the advancement of the interests of those who do the useful work of the world and produce food for the nation. "Anyone who wishes to delay the convention to suit the whim of a politician or small group of politicians has no conception of the thought and energy of the farmer as a revolutionary. We are not thinking in terms of personalism or an injunction restraining the party union. Judge Dickinson will hear further evidence."

Baby, Weight One Pound, Two Ounces, Fights for Life

FORT WORTH, Tex., Jan. 31.—"Baby" Watson, a weight one pound, two ounces, fought a winning battle for life, in the opinion of physicians. The child weighed three-fourths of a pound at birth on Monday but was gaining weight daily in its incubator cell, heated to a temperature of 95 degrees. The baby sleeps between cotton pads and two heat bottles for blankets. Twins were born to Mrs. Watson Monday, a boy weighing two pounds and a girl weighing one pound.

Heart Specialist Treats Venizelos as He Quits Job

ATHENS, Jan. 31.—The young wife of Eleutherios Venizelos and a heart specialist were hurriedly summoned from Paris today by telegraph. An official announcement was made that Venizelos has definitely resigned the premiership. It was added he hopes to return to Paris by mid-February. The cabinet will not be changed until after the resignation of Venizelos. On Tuesday Venizelos suffered his second severe attack since his return to Greece.

Fight Children in Massachusetts

BOSTON.—Big business in Massachusetts has started its drive in the form of a bill to restrict the employment of children in industry. If the attempted repeal is defeated, the manufacturers have another scheme. Sen. George A. Long of Boston has four new notices to suspend the law for a period of four years with the argument that this will enable Massachusetts to catch up with other states which are more progressive. "Dry" Plots to Anderson. NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—Prominent reformers and labor leaders and other supporters of the William Lloyd Garrison fund to support his state superintendent, William H. Anderson, convicted by a jury last night of forgery in the third degree.

Greetings to the Daily Worker from Communist Party of Roumania

We greet most heartily the publication of a new daily to fight for the revolutionary masses. We are counting on a great deal on this new champion of the workers and we wish it the greatest success. Because of the great influence on the world revolution in general and on the fate of the smaller states in particular of so big a country as the United States, we are putting special hopes in your great success. Comrades, to battle! Take your place in the front ranks of a world revolution so that we might find a new powerful ally in your support. Long live the revolutionary working masses of America! GHEORGHE CRISTENEN, Secretary, Communist Party of Roumania.

FEDERATED PRESS BEGINS 5TH YEAR OF LABOR SERVICE

75 Paper Members in Co-operative Effort By CARL HASSLER The Federated Press enters its fifth year as a member of the labor press service with only 75 papers in its ranks. The service was organized in 1919 and has since that time grown to its present strength of 75 papers. The service is a co-operative effort of the labor press and is designed to provide a national news service for the labor movement. The service is a member of the Federated Press, which is a national organization of labor newspapers. The service is a member of the Federated Press, which is a national organization of labor newspapers.

THE LODGE BILL By C. E. RUTENBERG

Bills directed against the foreign-born workers are not limited to the House of Representatives. The Senate also has introduced a bill which will have the effect of imposing any effort of foreign-born workers coming to this country to take part in the labor movement and win for themselves a higher standard of living. Senator Lodge introduced in the Senate Bill No. 35 which is now pending before the Senate Immigration Committee. This bill will serve as an arrival certificate for the immigrant, which will be placed in the hands of the immigrant. The bill will require the immigrant to be identified and identified in Washington, D. C. The bill will require each immigrant to be identified and identified in Washington, D. C. The bill will require each immigrant to be identified and identified in Washington, D. C.

Send in Your News

The Daily Worker urges all members of the party to send in the news of their various sections. Every Party member should assist its own correspondent and make him responsible for the news that ought to be sent in to the Daily Worker. The Party Paper should be the liveliest paper. The Daily Worker, Halle make it so. Address all mail to the Editor, The Daily Worker, 1640 N. Halsted St., Chicago, Ill. or three days support of the reactionary machine. The Workers Party Literature Department, in charge of the same two "news" also made itself felt at the convention. Literature sales had to be limited to the various meetings held by the progressives during the convention on one occasion or another. Not a single one of these meetings was missed by our two "news" which they carried and which they distributed to the various meetings. Distribution of Workers Party literature dealing with various problems is a regular feature at the convention and at the meetings of the party.

The Miners Like the Daily

The officials of the United Mine Workers of America were surprised to find two "new girls" with a bundle of the DAILY WORKER at the convention held in Indianapolis. Both the paper and the "newies," as Comrades Natalie Gomez and Kittle Harris are called by the delegates, within one day the circulation of THE DAILY GREW to about 400 with a steady increase in sales as the convention progressed. The miners like the paper and every morning finds them anxiously looking for the "newies" to show up. This is evident from the various remarks made by the delegates. "This is a real labor paper," is the remark of a delegate who is now buying the paper regularly. "I included the paper at first, but I have changed my mind about it," is the remark of a delegate who is now buying the paper regularly.

Coca Cola King Has Love Affairs Aired in Atlanta Court

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 31.—A newspaper which has been the ardent wooing of Mrs. D. B. Bouchey by Asa G. Candler, aged multi-millionaire Coca-Cola manufacturer, was read in court today in the \$500,000 heart-balm suit of the New Orleans beauty. The letters constituted the copyright of the 72 year old soft drink king and told a detailed story of the wooing of the romance. The mistress, addressed to "my dear sweetest," "my dear sweetest," "my dear sweetest," told of her efforts by Candler's lawyer to prevent him from marrying and described other obstacles which at times threatened the match. The letters were a chronological review of the love-making of the enfeebled Candler, who was admitted to court as the reading began and sat huddled in his chair until the reading of the letters was over. "My client meant no harm," Hulla's lawyer declared. "He will marry the girl."

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Polenars Gets Economic

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# SENATE NOTES TO WPE OUT IMPEACH ALSO TO IMPEACH

## Denby and Daugherty Face Loss of Jobs

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made in defiance of the settled policy of the government.  
Senator Bewell, Nebraska, had introduced a last minute amendment which would authorize Denby to re-appoint all reserves immediately and require the leases to return to the government any oil extracted from them since the leases were entered into.

(Talk Made by Denby)  
(Spoken to the Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON—Action in the Senate will probably be taken today being held up by an apparently irreconcilable difference of opinion. The votes to pass the Walsh resolution ordering court action to remove the Denby and Daugherty leases are available, the Senate is expected to get to the point of voting.

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# Morgan Man Visits Mr. Hughes and U. S. Warships to Mexico

(Special to the DAILY WORKER.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—American warships today returned to "guard duty" off Vera Cruz, Mexico, as advised to the State Department indicated that American interests there may be jeopardized by fighting between the Obregon and De La Huerta forces.

The fighting in Mexico, so far as advice received here indicates, has not yet threatened Vera Cruz, but reported intention of Obregon's army to move towards the city was believed to be the basis of the order to Admiral Magruder, commanding the American in Florida.

Special here today centered about the visit to Secretary Hughes yesterday of Thomas W. Lamont of J. P. Morgan and Company.

# ROCKEFELLER IS MILITARISM RULES REBUILDING PEKIN MURDER PLANT SAYS SINCLAIR

Men Unionizing For Safer Conditions

(Special to the Daily Worker)

PEKIN, Ill.—The day after the last of the victims of the Corn Products Co. explosion were buried in the Rockwell plant, the building the ruined dry starch department.

The company's anti-union policy, which is believed by workers to have been the cause of the disaster, is showing itself again in the construction operation. Faced with demands from 200 men working on the building job to unionize the work, the company replied that it would not do so. The men, who are being paid \$1.50 a week, are being paid \$1.50 a week. The men, who are being paid \$1.50 a week, are being paid \$1.50 a week.

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## THE POWER COLUMN

First consideration in today's installment of the Power Column is given to Comrade S. T. Hammersmark, the advertising manager of THE DAILY WORKER. The advertising department of our paper is one of the most important departments, and on the success of this department depends, to a large extent, the ability of THE DAILY WORKER to expand in size and to increase its service to the American working class.

Every one who is familiar, even in a slight degree, with the problems of a daily newspaper, knows as a general rule the income from the sale of papers on the news stands and through subscriptions is only a very small part of the general income of a newspaper. Unless THE DAILY WORKER can secure a considerable amount of paid advertising, it will be necessary to restrict the size of the paper to a very small one.

There are hundreds of merchants and dealers all over the country who would be only too glad to use THE DAILY WORKER as an advertising medium, if it can be proved to them that THE DAILY WORKER reaches potential customers in large numbers. It will be easy to secure these ads.

We pass on Comrade Hammersmark's remarks with the hope that every reader and booster of THE DAILY WORKER will pay the most earnest attention and a quick response to the requests made in "Advertising Pay" Says Hammersmark.

Advertising in THE DAILY WORKER pays, no matter where or what. It is legitimate property of THE DAILY WORKER and should be treated as such. Our paper has a national circulation—rapidly growing in influence and popularity and our readers are in the majority—these are the reasons why they all know the value of having a daily paper and know how im-

# Correspondent at Coal Miners' Convention Solves Riddle of the Ku Klux Klan

**TOMLINSON** (Special to The Daily Worker) ... The delegates to the miners' convention were leaving Tomlinson Hall this evening several men were busy at the door passing out handbills announcing a mass meeting to which miners were invited in order that they might be able to eliminate by an explanation of the principles upon which that organization was based.

Believing that it was a Ku Klux Klan meeting, several newspaper men, a Hebrew in a Jewish cap and an Irish Catholic attended the meeting to ascertain what, if any, were the objects to accomplish which this aggregation of mortals were gathered together.

The visitors, after listening carefully to a preacher from New Jersey and the local Klorkard held a heated discussion on one claiming that the Klan was a dry goods company primarily engaged in the business of selling underwear and specializing in night attire, others claimed that it was a society of negroes managed by a few clever gold brick artists, while a third, who reads the Liberator, claimed that it represented an economic upsurge and was related to the somewhat distant third party sentiment that portion of it which was conducted into the White House in 1920.

Each Party Right All Wrong ... The writer returned for the time like the blind men of Hindustan who, when to see the elephant, were merely the right and all were in the wrong.

Undoubtedly the Klan sells night gowns and night caps in thousands of millions are in the organization and it represents a protest against the economic condition in which the middle class habits of America find themselves, a protest that is not a 100% explanation.

On our arrival at the meeting hall, exactly 45 persons were present including the speaker and the chairman. A large American flag hung back of the speaker and in the corner of the hall. The organist of the Klorkard turned out afterwards to be either a juggler or an animated flag pole, but this corner was not to be.

The Numbers Are Meager ... The Klorkard addressed the audience that evening to the effect that he was a non-member of the Klan and that he was not a member of the Klan and that he was not a member of the Klan and that he was not a member of the Klan.

After seven more persons had passed the very dry entrance, the Klorkard summed up sufficient courage to open the meeting. Everybody was requested to stand in a circle of flag or other which excited much enthusiasm in the Klorkard. As the first pertinent said to the Klorkard, "I sang like the rest." Praying with little disposition, the Klorkard proceeded to address himself to the subjects and the vast open spaces where men were not met.

He attacked the detractors of the Ku Klux Klan, declared that it was regrettable that a great organization like the United Mine Workers of America should discriminate against men and that the Klan really

## COAL MINERS' Talk To You Convention Thru Daily Worker

Coal Miners! Your convention is on at Indianapolis, Ind. It will be responsive to your needs if you will talk to it, talk to it in loud and emphatic tones.

You can do this thru your paper, THE DAILY WORKER. You can do it every day. You can make yourself heard.

Every Day THE DAILY WORKER goes to the convention at Tomlinson Hall, at Indianapolis. The miners' delegates are reading it, from first page, first column, to last page, last column.

If you will write to THE DAILY WORKER, telling your needs, the delegates will read your letter.

One of the big things you are interested in is unemployment. If you don't work there is no pay envelope. If you don't work, there is nothing with which to buy the food, the shoes, the clothes, the house, the car, the gas, the oil, the coal, the wood, the water, the electricity, the telephone, the radio, the TV, the car, the house, the land, the sea, the air, the sun, the moon, the stars, the planets, the galaxies, the universe.

Tell it to your delegates at Indianapolis. Tell it to your highly paid officials, whose salaries go on the whole year round.

Write about all the other great problems confronting the coal miners of this country. Your letters will be published in THE DAILY WORKER and read by the delegates at your convention at Indianapolis. Write to the Editor, The Daily Worker, 40 N. Halsted St., Chicago, Ill.

# FORD'S FRIEND OFFERS SELF AS SACRIFICE

## New Michigan Plute Steps into the Arena

(Special to The Daily Worker) ... OMAHA, Neb., Jan. 31.—R. O. Foster, Ford Detroit, Mich., millionaire and original "Ford's friend," has stepped into the arena as the presidential nomination of the People's Progressive Party.

The convention had been called for the avowed purpose of nominating a "Ford's friend" to be the party's candidate. He declared that Ford is now "impossible," since he has been elected to the position of President of the United States.

Speakers at last night's session denounced the Federal Reserve Bank system. The principal plank in the program was the abolition of the Federal Reserve Bank and the substitution of a government owned system.

Having said very little so far about labor in order to give some excuse for his own inaction, he was met with a disagreeable evening, he grew very angry and threatened to leave the hall.

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# The Lewis Bureaucracy Trembles Before Wrath of Rank and File

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 1.—(Special to The Daily Worker) ... This turbulent convention opened John L. Lewis completely to attack today and left the hall at five o'clock unable to restore order.

The recoupling of Lewis to the farthest recesses of the building when he was tauntingly impressed Jim McLaughlin of Nova Scotia for his own insolence, occasionally attempting to interrupt until he had failed.

Had Mr. Lewis cared less for maintaining his reputation as a "strong man" among miners than for doing his duty as a delegate he could have avoided the indignities which he has incurred by attending the report of recent events at the private and very definite assembly when there is the slightest doubt of the accuracy of the coup.

Lewis Abuse ... "You can't shoot until you meet your man in battle," he was quoted as saying. He was met with a more than fifty per cent of that which he was met with.

There was considerable ill feeling on the part of the rank and file when the result of the roll call vote was announced. It was asserted that the roll call vote was a fraud.

The question of election versus appointment of organizers is a vital question in the eyes of the miners. They are determined that an ambitious president will be elected.

After the official count was announced, the delegates were grouped into a caucus to discuss the roll call vote.

The powerful Illinois district has always been a thorn in the side of the Lewis bureaucracy.

The local progressive has shown up in their true colors at the convention. They are determined to fight for their rights.

Some Ill Thoughts ... We have it upon reliable authority that the Republican Party is planning to fight the next presidential campaign.

We are confident however, that not one cabinet officer, politician or Ex-Senator will for that kind of stuff.

With a Ford behind it the well-lit Coolidge machine should run well.

The ancient proverb "Only to bed and only to rise, makes a man healthy, wealthy and wise," should be very encouraging to the pick Mr. Fall.

It seems that Attorney-General Clegg, Chief of the Department of Justice, whom in his hunt for traitors and enemies of the government has made a name for himself.

No thank you, they did not come off our own head, it all came out of that Ford.

Don't be a "Yes Man," supporter of the Daily Worker. Send in your subscription to the Daily Worker.

# Nation's Workers Attend Lenin Memorial Meetings At Workers Party Call

Never in the history of the American labor movement has there been such an outpouring of grief and affection as the workers of America are now showing in the tremendous Lenin Memorial meetings being held everywhere over the country.

Halls in all parts of the nation are being filled by the workers and workingmen who feel the loss of Nicolai Lenin as that of a comrade and leader who initiated a movement that is going to free them from the misery of capitalism.

The reports coming from New York where the seating capacity for Madison Square Garden is rapidly being exhausted in the sale of tickets for Monday evening's memorial meeting show an outpouring of sentiment far in advance of anything the metropolis has seen in years for any cause.

All Workers Party headquarters are busy with the sale of tickets and the rehearsing of arrangements for the tremendous demonstration of Monday. Hundreds of ushers have been appointed to handle the crowd in the great amphitheater.

As the crowd takes its seats Monday night strains of the Russian Symphony cellists and violinists will rise from the pit and singers of national fame will follow with the revolutionary hymns that Lenin loved so well.

Tickets can be had at 208 E. 12th St., New York City, and at all branch party headquarters, at 25 and 50 cents each.

Other Lenin meetings will be held as follows: PHILADELPHIA, Musical Fund Hall, 8th and Locust Sts., Saturday evening, Feb. 2.

ST. PAUL, Labor Temple, Sunday, Feb. 3, at 8 p. m. James P. Cannon and Norman H. Tallentire, speaking.

DETROIT MEETING AT ARENA GARDENS ... Detroit, Arena Gardens, 5810 Woodward Ave., Sunday, Feb. 3, at 2 p. m. Speakers: Dennis Batt and C. E. Ruthenberg.

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio, M. A. C. Hall, 338 West Federal street, Sunday, Feb. 3, at 8 p. m. Max Lerner will speak in English followed by speakers in Jewish, Slavish and Hungarian.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Lyceum Theatre, Feb. 3, 2 P. M. Jay Lovestone, speaking.

WAUKEGAN, Ill., Feb. 3, Workers' Hall, 517 Helmholz Ave., Madison, 2 p. m.

BINGHAMPTON, N. Y., Feb. 3, Lithuanian Hall, 271 Clinton street, Rebecca Crecht, 7 p. m.

ROCHESTER N. Y., Feb. 3, Labor Lyceum, 580 St. Paul, Juliet Stuart Poyntz, 2 p. m.

MANY MEETINGS IN MINE FIELDS ... Lenin Memorial meetings in Missouri, Iowa and thru the great mining fields of southern Illinois will bring out many thousands of mourners for their beloved comrade who lies under the Kenton walls.

ST. LOUIS, Musicians' Hall, 3535 Pine street, Sunday, Feb. 3, at 8 p. m. John Ballam, speaking.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Miller Hall, State and Eighth streets, Sunday, 8 p. m. Manley and Loozin, speaking.

CHICAGO, Bohemian Hall, Sunday, 2 p. m. Jay Lovestone, speaking.



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## Lenin, Foster, Organization

Some remarkable speeches were made at the great Lenin memorial meeting last Tuesday night under the inspiration of the occasion and the enthusiasm of the vast gathering. There was eloquence aplenty and the audience showed its approval to something more than beautiful and stirring oratory.

The response of the crowd to what was really an organization speech by William Z. Foster, the response to what was not only an invitation to join the Workers (Communist) Party of America, but a reprimand for not doing so, must have been a source of pleasant surprise to every member of the audience. What is more, it is likewise words that the Communist movement is a movement of action and struggle and that in this it differs from every revolutionary movement that has preceded it is a Communist," said Foster, "who is outside of the Workers Party of America," and the audience roared its approval.

This is a significant incident. It shows that the left wing of the American working class in Chicago, at least, is awakening out of the apathy it has been sunk in for some considerable time. It is beginning to orient itself and to the evidently large group plans to resume activity in the Workers Party of America offers the only field for their efforts. Foster, like Lenin, is essentially an organizer and if at the Lenin Memorial meeting he was trying to sound working class sentiment for revolutionary education and action he received a response that should satisfy him that the time for organization work on a broad scale is ripe.

The Workers Party is carrying on campaigns that use up every ounce of the energy of the present membership. There is no active comrade that is not overworked and more members are needed. They are coming in but not fast enough to supply the demand for the workers the intensive activities of the party demand.

"We believe that a new drive for membership would, if the response to Foster's speech is an indication, net greater results for the party than the one that was with the convention, successful as it was."

## Labor's Admiralty Lord

The first labor cabinet in England has four titled members—Viscounts Haldane and Chelmsford, Sir Sidney Olivier and Baron Parmoor.

These men are not new and never have been members of the English working class. They have never associated themselves with the big struggle of the working men for liberation from capitalist mastery. The most prominent of these, Viscount Chelmsford, to First Lord of the Admiralty is particularly significant. This cabinet position corresponds to the secretaryship of the navy in the United States.

It is a political copy-book axiom that the British navy is the bulwark of English imperialism. MacDonald could not have chosen more the imperialist empire than the appointment of Chelmsford to this strategic post in the Cabinet. Viscount Chelmsford is a staunch reactionary. The Tories look upon him as the white hope of the present difficulty with which they are faced. They feel that with Lord Chelmsford at the helm of the navy the government will not move too quickly. Perhaps nothing terrified British capitalists more than the danger of the appointment of some workingman as Lord Admiral of the navy. With this danger definitely disposed of, the English capitalists and Tories are breathing more freely.

Lord Chelmsford is an iron man in politics. He has served the imperialism of Governor of Queensland, New South Wales, and Viceroy of India. It was he who foisted the tyrannical rule on India in the crucial period of 1916 to 1921. It was during his regime that the infamous Armitair massacre occurred. The English workers might well ask of MacDonald and his cabinet colleagues why they have had a change of heart since the Armitair massacre. Why did MacDonald then denounce Chelmsford and demand his recall? Why does he now appoint him a member of the cabinet and particularly why has he given Chelmsford control of the most reputable source of British imperialism? When does

## Daugherty and the Klan

Let some may be burdened with the fear that the epidemic of congressional investigations will reach the Ku Klux Klan, we point to an interesting disclosure just made in the February issue of the International Magazine. When Congress opened, a good deal of noise was made about the case of Senator Mayfield of Texas. To the innocent public it appeared as if the Ku Klux Klan was about to be unmasked because the republican administration would welcome a chance to conduct at least one damaging investigation on its southern democratic opponents.

Not so. In the last of the International series on the Ku Klux Klan we have the following: "Congress started to investigate the Ku Klux Klan. The hearings were suddenly called off. People all over the country wondered why nothing came of it. The Klan used a pull on a government official. The government official, saw Attorney General Daugherty. The investigation stopped."

The article quotes from a letter purporting to have been written by Harry B. Terrell, the Ku Klux attorney at the congressional hearing, to the effect that a certain Colonel Acurf, a personal friend of President Coolidge and Daugherty, had agreed with the Attorney General because it is generally conceded that the latter has more influence with the President and upon this administration than any other cabinet member.

This is an eye-opener. It shows conclusively that the employers' government, is tacitly supporting the Ku Klux Klan. It shows very clearly that the Ku Klux Klan is looked upon by the capitalist class as one of its most powerful allies. What is more, it completely establishes the fact that the government will not take any serious steps to punish those who have been defrauding the country's treasury and stealing our national resources.

## Out in the Open

Little effort is needed to convince the average worker that in American politics today money is king and corruption its prime minister.

But it is a somewhat difficult task to win over the average American worker and farmer to the belief that the present government is run by and for the capitalists' interests. It is true, one can point to the tariff which is an outright bonus of more than three billion dollars annually to the capitalists. Now and then, with increasing frequency to be sure, it can be shown that a Senator or Congressman in the pay of some big private interests and is simply "going time" on Capitol Hill in behalf of his corporation. It is completely established the fact that the government will not take any serious steps to punish those who have been defrauding the country's treasury and stealing our national resources.

Yet, it is not often that Senators and Congressmen dare come into the open as servants of big capitalist interests. The case of ex-Senator McCumber of North Dakota, is an illuminating example of this type. McCumber is now appearing before the United States Tariff Commission in behalf of the southern sugar interests to demand that present tariff rates on sugar be lowered.

Mr. McCumber was the father of the tariff act which cuts the working masses approximately \$90,000,000 a year in increased sugar prices arising from higher sugar import schedules. While in the Senate, Mr. McCumber did all he could to entangle legislation which would levy this gigantic tribute on the workers and farmers. Now that he is out of the Senate, Mr. McCumber is rewarded by the sugar interests with a handsome fee for arguing their case before the Tariff Commission, perpetuating this tribute being paid them by the workers. Apparently experience is an asset of paramount value in our great national game of selling out those who work to those who own.

## The Tribune

As Oswald Garrison Villard said in his recent book on newspapers and newsmen, the Chicago Tribune, which lays claim to being "The World's Greatest Newspaper," would make a good bid for the position of worst. Its blindness to news values and its callous indifference to human lives was never more glaringly illustrated than in the recent murder of 35 union miners at Johnston City, Ill.

A tiny and obscure paragraph told the findings of the coroner's jury, holding the Crerar-Clinch Coal Co. responsible for the deaths of the 35 workingmen who were caught in the blast. The company's guilt was established by its proven failure to put up danger signs around the workings whence came the deadly fire damp.

How the Tribune tore its hair and called for vengeance when a number of cab and gunmen lost their lives in Williams county in 1922! Hundreds of columns of ink were split in the effort to bring a name of union men to the gallows. But when a mine owner murders 35 union miners, just one meager item—closing over the more vigorous parts of the coroner's verdict—is printed.

Could the class character of a bosses' propaganda sheet be more convincingly shown?

If a real test of the feasibility of the peace plan submitted by the Bok prize-winner is desired, why not turn him loose on the fundamental-modernist controversy now raging between the Chicago Tribune and the

## 100 PER CENT AMERICANISM IN PRACTICE



No Wonder the Workers and Farmers Are Protesting.

## Murky Prosperity in the Building Trades

By HARRY GANNES.

BUILDING TRADES workers are apt to think their industry is unaffected by the general, depressive trend of business generally in the United States, and that unemployment is a remote possibility for them. A glance at the facts in the building industry warn the building trades unions, however, to be on the guard. Evolving and disgruntled at the comparatively high wages paid building trades workers, the master builders are straining at the leash for an opportunity to stamp into the dust the organization of the building workers.

creasing and available office space is greater than the demand. Shutouts are being made in many cities. Every city was faced with an acute shortage of office building space. After the war there was such a tremendous demand for space that, regardless of construction costs, innumerable office buildings went up. But now that the demand has been largely filled we shall probably see some time to come.

Prices of building material is dropping, and the past four to five months shows a decrease of from four to ten per cent. To the building capitalist this is a sure sign that wages must come down; and if strong organization is successful in maintaining wages or even increasing them, the conclusion is drawn by the building bosses that the organizations must come down with the wages.

How the master builders are striking apprentices in every line of the building industry to frustrate the efforts of the workers and farmen. Now that he is out of the Senate, Mr. McCumber is rewarded by the sugar interests with a handsome fee for arguing their case before the Tariff Commission, perpetuating this tribute being paid them by the workers. Apparently experience is an asset of paramount value in our great national game of selling out those who work to those who own.

On the whole no rapid unemployment can be expected in the building industry; the one who will deny that all facts and statistics prove a gradual shutting down. How far this will go depends on the movement in the basic industries, which are anything but encouraging. With the coming depression there will be initiated a drive for lower wages; the workers are following the ostrich-in-the-sand policy of excluding and limiting the number of apprentices, and keeping a good many of the young fellows who are bound to become building tradesmen out of the union.

## Negro Leadership

By LOVETT PORT-WHITEMAN.

When the Negro in America became a freedman, the Negro preacher was at once recognized as the logical leader of the race. One explanation of this fact is that, during the generations of bondage, the Negro people were kept in the city or South. The popular Negro leader of the Negro masses is the one who is full and true interest of his race. And it has been his duty to lead the Negro masses to their spiritual liberation in common prayer by God. This new preacher is the one who is full and true interest of his race. And it has been his duty to lead the Negro masses to their spiritual liberation in common prayer by God. This new preacher is the one who is full and true interest of his race. And it has been his duty to lead the Negro masses to their spiritual liberation in common prayer by God.

## Lenin Is Dead

The clearest beacon of our century is now extinguished—and the lights are mourned. No shrewd surgeon for society. The work of modern history has borne.

Aid the turmoil of a crashing world. With social suicide on every hand. A way to end every error every land. His name became a hopeful symbol. Toward which the conscious workers turned their eyes.

So sure in thought! so skilled to see his way. He knew the forces he controlled. He knew the breaking spirit upon the lot. He was a confident, his hold!

Present-day Negro leadership has no program or policy which is in any way approached even a consideration of the miserable social conditions of the Negro. Each, from the grafting, bustling parliament of the Second ward to the average Negro bishop is in no undegree, and such before the case, can be paid less and worked longer hours.

## Youth Vices

By HARRY GANNES.

### Navy Descriptions Are Laigh

OFFICERS in the Kaiser and Czar's army were known for their brutality to the rank and file soldiers. It seems that the sphere of brutality has changed to the former imperialist nations of the United States. How else can be explained the wholesale desertions from their ranks advertised recreational institutions. The last five months, 6158 young fellows deserted the 1203 naval district. Of these 1978 are still being looked for and a "chance to see the world," does not seem a sufficiently strong promise to impress their consciences to return.

There are official reasons given for this vast number of "volunteers" leaves of absence, but in nine times out of ten, they are wrong or willfully misinterpreted. One reason is frank reason is that declaring that a "good man" is deserting because of "misrepresentation of navy life and insufficient training," from what we have heard of navy life, a punch in the jaw from an officer or the subjection of the men to inhuman tasks, they had not an acre of only pre-war European military forces.

## Christmas Cheer

By HOMER CROSS

The Bessmer blows. Showers of steel are sent to the victims of the fan of light that cuts its edge through the black mist to give the world a glimpse of the light of steel.

Below these dark roofs, where the steel is molten light pours forth from the travail of the furnace, hot and scorching, and falls because through whiteness and glowing red to cold blue shades of dark gray. The steel is molten light, molten fire, molten life, molten birth and cruel death, molten death.

On the whole no rapid unemployment can be expected in the building industry; the one who will deny that all facts and statistics prove a gradual shutting down. How far this will go depends on the movement in the basic industries, which are anything but encouraging. With the coming depression there will be initiated a drive for lower wages; the workers are following the ostrich-in-the-sand policy of excluding and limiting the number of apprentices, and keeping a good many of the young fellows who are bound to become building tradesmen out of the union.