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REPUBLICAN MACHINE BACKS DAUGHERTY

DOCKER RANK AND FILE TO REJECT PACT

Port Strikers Rebel at Official Compromise

(Special to The Daily Worker)

LONDON, Feb. 22.—Dockers' delegates who met here today to ratify the agreement ending the nation-wide strike that has paralyzed British ports adjourned today without deciding one way or the other.

They all meet again Monday. Meanwhile the strike continues.

The men's leaders and employers reached a settlement yesterday, but the delegates have to agree before the strike can be called off.

Between now and Monday the delegates will return to their home districts and put their terms before the members.

The latter are reported generally determined to insist upon obtaining the full two shilling increase immediately. The employers offered a shilling raise now and another next year.

The meeting yesterday showed that the rank and file of the strikers are in open revolt against their leaders and the compromise offer of a shilling raise now and another after a period to be settled by further negotiation.

Strikers Suspicious.

The rank and file delegates take the position that the present offer is for the purpose of getting them back to work and demoralizing the strike after they have demonstrated their power to tie up transportation completely.

The demand that the employers be required to furnish the men with a full week's work or pay the equivalent has not been agreed to by the stevedoring companies but has been referred to a commission to be appointed by the minister of labor.

Union members from London and the northern ports are strongly against any compromise whatever as their employers have signified their willingness to pay the two-shilling increase. The absolute tie-up and the feeling that the Labor Party government can interfere for the employers only at risk of losing its whole left wing labor support gives the dockers greater confidence in the strength of their position.

Government Makeshifts.

If the settlement is rejected by strikers, and this is regarded by those who attended the conference here as a foregone conclusion, the government will institute a permit system for the unloading and transportation of food. No food will be taken from warehouses except on permits that are ratified by the strike committees of the union. The cold storage warehouse owners have already agreed to this proposal. Prices will also be fixed by the government.

The employes of the cold storage houses in London and Liverpool struck yesterday, further increasing the difficulty of food deliveries. In Liverpool they returned to work after receiving an increase of 7½ shillings per week.

More Labor Trouble.

The entire labor situation is becoming more delicate as more agreements expire. The miners federation will meet the operators on March 6 and has called a delegate conference for March 12 to consider the offers made by the operators. It is agreed in all quarters here that unless the operators grant handsome concessions a strike will be called.

Winding Up the War.

PARIS, Feb. 22.—Austrian minister Eichhoff has returned to France the keys of the City of Lyons, seized by an Austrian army in 1815. The purpose of the affair is to demonstrate Austria's gratitude for financial assistance accorded her by the league of nations with France's permission.

Slayer Near Collapse.

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., Feb. 22.—Frank McDowell, 20 year old slayer, was near collapse today following confessions to the murders of his parents and his two sisters to atone for a "sin" of his own.

DAUGHERTY'S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

The Sword for Workers; Whitewash for Rich.

KIWANIANS SEE TWO CULTURES' SHARP CONTRAST

Army Instructor Insults Parsee Student

Delivering a Washington birthday speech before the Kiwanis club, at the Hotel Sherman, Colonel McCloskey, chief of staff of the sixth army corps area, exhibited several copies of The DAILY WORKER as examples of the subversive "pacifist and bolshevist" propaganda spread in the United States.

Speaks On "Patriotism."

The colonel spoke on "Practical Patriotism," and according to him this could only be exemplified by loud and insistent demands for the biggest and best army and navy in the world.

Following the meeting of which Captain Hopkins was chairman, Maneck K. Anklesaria, an Indian student at Northwestern, and formerly one of Mahatma Gandhi's active assistants, approached Colonel McCloskey and expressed a difference of opinion, announcing himself as opposed to militarism. Western culture was shown in its finest flower immediately. Captain Hopkins, in the best swashbuckler manner, declared that "you shall not have the honor of shaking hands with Colonel McCloskey." He denounced everyone from Lenin down to Jane Addams and told Anklesaria that he was not a citizen of this country and would never become one "because I shall send your name to the British Embassy and they will take care of you."

Anklesaria is a soft-spoken young Parsee, who participated in the great non-cooperation movement under the leadership of Gandhi which shook British rule in India to its foundations, and which culminated in Gandhi's arrest and sentence to six years' imprisonment.

His Pacifism Strained.

Anklesaria carries a scar under his chin caused by a British policeman's baton and according to his description of the incident his pacifist beliefs were strained almost to the breaking point. He is specializing in journalism at Northwestern and intends to start a national Indian newspaper on his return to his native land.

Get unity thru the Labor Party!

WALL STREET BOOKIES LAY EVEN MONEY ON SMITH AND McADOO

(Special to The Daily Worker)

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—The odds are even in Wall Street on the chances of ex-Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo and Governor Al Smith of New York, receiving the Democratic presidential nomination.

W. Darnell, betting commissioner, reported that wagers offered are 3 to 1 on both the candidates. They also report that even money is being bet on Coolidge being reelected to the presidency.

PLUTES GO KLAN LEADER'S BAIL ON LARCENY CHARGE

Young's Trial Set for May Term

(Special to The Daily Worker)

MARION, Ill., Feb. 22.—Glenn Young, leader of Ku Klux Klan liquor raids and unofficial dictator of Herrin in the battle's there Feb. 9 and 10, returned today to "Bloody Williamson" county and was placed under arrest.

Twenty prominent Marion business men gave bond of $20,000 on ten charges of larceny and assault against him in connection with the activities of the Klan liquor raids that brought state troops here.

Young's case was set for the May term of court.

Cornwall Is Urged.

The American Farm Bureau Federation today endorsed its president, Ellsworth B. Cornwall, Burlington, Vt., for membership on the federal trade commission.

Kiss Cost Him His Job.

KANSAS CITY, Kans., Feb. 22.—"A kiss in the dark" today cost the resignation of E. E. Damon, instructor in printing at the Kansas City, Kans., high school.

Haessler In Waukegan Sunday.

WAUKEGAN, Ill., Feb. 22.—Carl Haessler speaks on "The Stimulus In Radicalism" before the Workers Party Open Forum tomorrow at 2:30 p. m. at Workers Hall, 517 Helmholz ave.

TRIBUNE STORY OF DELAYED STRIKE BRANDED FALSE

Ladies' Garment Workers Ready for Action

The settled policy of the capitalist press to take liberties with the labor movement and falsify news with the obvious intention of injuring the workers in their efforts to secure better conditions was again demonstrated yesterday when the Chicago Tribune published a yarn to the effect that the threatened strike of the International Ladies' Garment Workers in Chicago was postponed for a week.

The DAILY WORKER was informed authoritatively by leaders of the union that all necessary steps had been taken to set the strike machinery in motion when the word to quit was given in the shops, but that the date for the strike, altho set, was kept secret for tactical reasons.

The DAILY WORKER reporter, after seeing the fable in the Tribune, immediately got in touch with the local office of the Ladies' Garment Workers and was informed by Manager M. Rappaport, of the Joint Board, that there was no truth whatever in the Tribune yarn, "but that nothing better can be expected from the capitalist press."

There is no let up on strike preparations according to information given to the DAILY WORKER. Halls are engaged for meetings, leaflets are ready for distribution, chairmen are appointed, but the date of the strike is known only to the strike leaders and the rumor appearing in the capitalist press that the strike will be called on such and such a date are only guesses. Of course, if they keep guessing long enough they may hit it right sometime.

The DAILY WORKER, however, is concerned with helping the union to make a success of the strike and not with competing with Old Moore's Almanac in prophecy or mind reading.

Some Movie Publicity.

HOLLYWOOD, Calif., Feb. 22.—Wholesome pictures with clean advertising is the 1924 program of Hollywood producers.

Modern stories, with as few characters as possible and told in six or seven reels is the present producing vogue.

Work Daily for "The Daily!"

Adams, G. O. P. Head, Says Its Absurd to Fire Oily Attorney

(Special to The Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—The Republican National Committee thru its chairman today came to the defense of Attorney-General Daugherty, whose resignation Senators Lodge and Pepper, administration leaders, and Senator Wheeler, Montana democrat, are seeking because of his connection with the oil scandal.

John T. Adams, chairman of the committee, in announcing that he would issue tonight a statement defending Daugherty, said:

"It is absurd to talk of dismissing a man who has not had a full hearing and an opportunity to defend himself."

Feel Whole G. O. P. Attacked

Adams was urged to issue the statement by George B. Lockwood, secretary of the National Committee, who in a recent editorial in the National Republican, a party paper, said the attacks on Daugherty were unfair and unjust.

Rallying of the party organization's spokesmen to Daugherty's support caused a great stir among politicians today for two reasons:

1.—Because it aligned Adams, as committee head, in opposition to Pepper and Lodge, two of the party's most influential senators.

2.—Because Daugherty in his letter to Pepper yesterday said the attacks were not directed at him alone but at the whole republican administration. Adams, it was pointed out, apparently agrees with Daugherty in this view of the matter.

Strolls Into Senate Chamber.

Attorney General Daugherty, who is at word points with senators who are trying to oust him, strolled into the Senate Chamber shortly after the session opened today.

Sitting alone on a couch in the rear, he listened to the reading of Washington's farewell address by Senator Willis, Ohio, a friend.

"I promised a month ago to come up today to hear the reading," Daugherty explained. "I am not going to talk to anybody, see anybody or confer with anybody. I just came up for the reading of the address."

Wheeler Stares at Him.

Senator Wheeler, Montana, democrat, who bitterly denounced Daugherty in a speech and is author of a resolution to investigate the Justice Department, passed in front of the attorney general. They stared at each other but there was no sign of recognition.

Senator Elkins, West Virginia, who speculated in Teapot Dome stocks, came up after a bit and sat down with Daugherty, who is charged by Wheeler with oil stock speculations. They smiled and talked.

Office Issues Statement.

After Daugherty had left the capital, where he went to listen to the

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IT'S TOUGH JOB OUSTING DAUGHERTY

LaFollette and Wheeler Join Forces for Monday's Fight

(Special to The Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Senator LaFollette today took command of the Senate effort to oust Attorney General Daugherty from the cabinet.

At the same time, the belief grew in administration circles that if President Coolidge does not yield this week to the Senate's pressure on him to dismiss Daugherty, the President will stand by his attorney general until Daugherty has had a full hearing before the Senate committee.

LaFollette's first step was to arrange with Republican leaders for adoption on Monday of the Wheeler resolution to investigate Daugherty and for appointment of a committee to conduct the investigation.

Wheeler Writes to Pepper.

Senator Wheeler, Montana, author of the resolution and the others leading the investigation scoffed at the defi the attorney general issued yesterday in a letter to Senator Pepper, Pennsylvania. In that letter Daugherty said he would carry his case to the country in a speaking tour. LaFollette believes Daugherty will "not have much time for campaigning when the senate investigation gets under way the middle of next week."

Wheeler will present the report of the New York investigator who, he stated yesterday, discovered that Daugherty had speculated in oil stocks. The substance of this report has already been given President Coolidge.

The investigating committee will be headed by Senator Brookhart, Iowa, republican. Brookhart is chief aide to LaFollette.

Daugherty Pleads for Time.

When Daugherty was urged last Sunday by Senator Borah to resign at a conference in the White House with President Coolidge, he is reported to have taken the attitude that he desires to obtain the opinions of his colleagues in the cabinet. However, so far as is known, he never has consulted with the other cabinet members and the investigation was not discussed at the cabinet meeting last Tuesday.

Daugherty has made no statement concerning Senator Wheeler's charge that he speculated in oil stocks. Beyond his formal reply to Wheeler's charges and his letter to Pepper yesterday, he has said nothing.

In the Pepper letter, which was a reply to a note from Pepper urging Daugherty to resign because he was on the wrong side of the issue in the public mind, the attorney general said if he quit it would be a confession of baseless charges.

AIR PILOT GAINS NEW ALTITUDE

MacReady Climbs 41,000 Feet In Two Hours

(Special to The Daily Worker)

DAYTON, O., Feb. 22.—Lieutenant J. A. MacReady, army air pilot, today broke the world's altitude record by climbing 41,000 feet. His time was 2 hours and 3 minutes.

The previous record was 36,745 feet, set by Lecointe, French flyer, on October 30, 1923.

MacReady's record was unofficial, but the flight was held under the regulations of the Federated Aeronautic Internationale, with Orville Wright as chief observer.

In Spiral Climb.

MacReady used his famous Lepere plane for the flight, which started at 9:27 a. m.

When only nine seconds from the ground, the veteran pilot swung the nose of his ship upwards and started his spiral climb.

The weather was ideal for the test.

MacReady was dressed in a costume which left no part of his body exposed. He was covered from head to foot with a feather lined quilted flying suit, his regulation uniform, a heavy suit of woolen underwear and fur lined moccasins.

The big plane was equipped with special oxygen tanks and other special equipment to supply the pilot with life-giving air. He did not use the oxygen tank until 20,000 feet above earth.

Terribly Cold.

"I cannot tell how cold it was," MacReady said. "My thermometer broke with the mercury registering about 60 degrees below zero. It may have been much colder, for the instrument went to smash before I reached the height of my flight."

Engine Gave Trouble.

The small gathering that witnessed the start was increased to more than a thousand after the flyer had been in the air an hour.

"My engine started to giving me a little trouble, or I would still have been going upward," Macready said as soon as he could free himself to speak.

If the unofficial figure of 41,000 feet is unchanged after official calibration, MacReady will have attained his goal.

The bureau of standards in Washington will make the decision.

Victims of War Lords May Be Freed as Sop to the Jingoes

LEAVENWORTH, Kans., Feb. 22.—War department investigators today began hearing the stories of 177 men serving sentences in the federal prison here for war time offenses.

Major James Stanfield and Major Frank R. Ross, who are conducting the inquiry to determine if sentences passed on the men are too severe, said each of the prisoners sentenced for violation of regulations said that recommendations for leniency will be made in cases of men who may have been unjustly punished.

The investigation is expected to take a week.

Gives Excuse for Shooting.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Feb. 22.—Her husband started beating her two weeks after they were married last July and kept it up ever since, knocking her down and kicking her last night.

That was the explanation Mrs. Billie Wolcott, 31, gave to police today for shooting to death her husband, Frank B. Wolcott, 40.

THIRST FOR OIL NOT ALLAYED BY TEAPOT SCANDAL

(Special to The Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—The Teapot Dome scandal has not hurt the demand for government oil leases.

Figures made public at the interior department today showed that the demand for government oil leases increased in January. There was 437 applications for oil and gas leases that month and 299 in December.

Permits were issued in 435 cases, 223 applications were rejected and 45 permits were cancelled.

Mexico Expelling Correspondent of Tribune--Worst Lying Paper

(Special to The Daily Worker)

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 22.—President Obregon today approved application of Article XXXIII of the Mexican constitution against John Frederick Wright, correspondent of the Chicago Tribune for sending out alleged false information.

An official bulletin issued by the secretary of the interior refers to Wright as an enemy of Mexico.

It is understood from the bulletin that the correspondent is to be expelled from the country.

Today's Installment of "A WEEK" Appears in the Magazine Section

SINCLAIR MAY NOT APPEAR AS WITNESS

Also Refuse to Give Fall Chance at Immunity

(Special to The Daily Worker)

THEY CHANGE THEIR MINDS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—The senate Teapot Dome probers today decided to issue subpoenas at once for Harry F. Sinclair, lessee of Teapot Dome.

The decision was reached at a conference between Senator Lenroot, Wisconsin, chairman of the committee, and Senator Walsh, Montana, chief investigator for the committee, who returned to Washington today from a brief vacation.

IT OUGHT TO BE TAKEN.

Before the conference it was intimated Sinclair might not be permitted to testify, on advice of the President's special counsel, Atlee Pomerene, and Owen J. Roberts. Walsh and Lenroot said, however, that they agreed Sinclair's testimony ought to be taken.

"We will have Sinclair on the stand within a week," said Walsh.

A subpoena will be served on Sinclair in New York today calling for his appearance early next week when the committee resumes public hearings. He will be questioned regarding stock transactions in Sinclair oil and a reported $1,000,000 "slush fund" raised by oil interests for use in Washington.

DOCUMENTS NOT MISSING.

Committee members said they had not been advised about reports that Sinclair would decline to testify as did Albert B. Fall, former interior secretary, who leased Teapot Dome to Sinclair.

Senator Walsh today denied published reports that important documents bearing on the oil case prosecutions are missing. He said the committee had the original or a photostatic copy of every document that has figured in the investigation.

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EARLIER IN THE DAY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Harry F. Sinclair, lessee of Teapot Dome, may be excused from testifying before the Senate committee on advice of the President's special counsel in the oil leasing cases.

The Sinclair is tentatively scheduled to appear Monday. Senator Lenroot, chairman of the committee, said no subpoena has been issued for him. Lenroot has talked with Sinclair by telephone, but declined to say what arrangement was made with him.

Atlee Pomerene and Owen J. Roberts, the special counsel, are understood to have suggested it might be better not to permit Sinclair to testify. They advised the committee to excuse Albert B. Fall, former interior secretary, so he could not claim immunity in court.

Return to Washington of Senator Walsh, Montana, chief investigator of the committee, is expected to remove a lid of secrecy which has covered the committee's plans since he left Washington.

Senator Walsh returned today from his brief vacation in North Carolina and immediately went into conference with chairman Lenroot and other members of the committee.

It is expected that one of the first witnesses to be heard when public hearings are resumed Monday will be the New York investigator who reported on stock transactions by attorney general Daugherty. This investigator has other evidence also.

E. B. McLean, owner of the Washington Post, is under subpoena to tell more about the $100,000 Fall got from him and later returned. Mr. Lean also is to be asked whether he knew of a $1,000,000 "slush fund" reported to have been raised by oil interests for use in Washington.

Sinclair Loses Italian Leases.

ROME, Feb. 22.—Harry F. Sinclair loses, for the time being at least, the Italian oil leases he sought here.

The Teapot Dome scandal found an echo in the Italian press, a strong section of which attacked Signor Corbino, minister of national economy for granting Sinclair's company a monopoly to drill for oil in all Italian possessions.

Signor Corbino accordingly decided not to sign the convention and to submit the matter to the personal consideration of Premier Mussolini, who is inclined to favor the Italian oil interests.

Report Wheeler Resolution.

The audit and control committee today decided to report favorably the Wheeler resolution calling for investigation of the administration of the Department of Justice.

Because of prior agreement by the Senate not to transact any business today, the resolution will be formally reported tomorrow and acted upon Monday.

Kate O'Hare to Speak.

Mrs. Kate Richards O'Hare will deliver an address on Crime in the lecture room of the Lindlar Senatorium, 525 S. Ashland Blvd. at 7:30 Saturday evening, February 23. Admission free.

MABEL COREY, STEEL KING'S DARLING, MAY BE BOURBON'S BRIDE

PARIS, Feb. 22.—"I admire Mrs. Corey greatly, but I appreciate my freedom, at least for the present," said Don Luis Ferdinand, bourbon prince and cousin of King Alfonso of Spain, referring to rumors that he is engaged to marry Mrs. Mabel Gilman Corey of New York.

Friends say the romance between the divorced wife of the former United States Steel head and the youthful prince has been ripening for 15 years, since they first met when Mrs. Corey came here on her honeymoon. That was but 19 in those days. He has paid discreet court to the former actress ever since, friends say, usually while dancing in Chic restaurants.

THE REPUBLICAN MACHINE BACKS OILY DAUGHERTY

Refuses to Desert the Attorney General

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reading of Washington's farewell address in the Senate, the following statement was given out at his office in the Department of Justice:

"The attorney general went to the Capitol today to hear Senator Willis, of his own state, read George Washington's farewell address. He had suggested, when it was some time ago, that Senator Willis was to read Washington's address, that he would come up and hear him.

"The attorney general occupied a seat in the Senate Chamber. He discussed nothing pertaining to the matter which constituted the basis of his letter to Senator Pepper which was published this morning. Immediately after Senator Willis has completed the reading of the Washington address, Mr. Daugherty left the Senate Chamber, shaking hands with Senator Fess on the way out and at once departed from the Capitol without discussing any subject with anybody."

It was understood at the Department of Justice that the attorney general will remain at his hotel apartment the remainder of the day.

Wallace May Quit: Disagrees with Cal on Farmers' Relief

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Secretary of Agriculture Wallace today offered confirmation of rumors of reports that he was about to resign from the cabinet as a result of differences with President Coolidge over the administration's farm relief program. Wallace's only comment on the report was this statement:

"I have not resigned."

The reports grew out of a split which developed during the recent conference here of northwest bankers and farmers' representatives on relief measures for wheat farmers and for banks affected by depression in the wheat growing states.

President Coolidge endorsed the Norbeck-Burtness bill providing for a fund of $50,000,000 to lend to farmers to enable them to diversify crops. Wallace and some of the northwestern farmers thought he should also have approved the Norris-Sinclair bill creating an export corporation to dispose of surplus farm products abroad. His failure to do so caused a "rump convention" of supporters of the Norris-Sinclair bill in which Wallace joined.

Philadelphia W. P. Holding Important Meeting Monday

(Special to The Daily Worker)

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 22.—A general membership meeting of the Workers Party is called for Monday evening, Feb. 25, at the local headquarters, 521 York avenue, near Fifth and Spring Garden Sts.

The district executive committee held an important meeting at which plans for extensive work were outlined. It is absolutely essential that every member of the party of Local Philadelphia shall attend this meeting and hear the interesting report of the new district organizer.

Lecture On Russian Schools.

DETROIT, Mich., Feb. 22.—Prof. P. Tutyshkin, of the Medico-Pedagogical Institute of Moscow, will lecture Sunday at 8 p. m. in McCollister Hall, Forest at Cass avenues, on Russia's Educational System under the following general heads:

Mother and Child in Soviet Russia; New Horizons in Education; The Problem of the Rejuvenation of Mankind; The Problem of Religion; The Problem of the Family and Marriage; The Problem of the Eugenic School; New Problems of Psychology Applied to Education.

Swabeck Talks In Milwaukee.

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 22.—Arne Swabeck will address the Open Forum of the Milwaukee branch of the Workers Party at 8 p. m. on Sunday on the subject "What is the Workers Party?" Discussion follows. The forum is held at Miller Hall, State & Avery sts. This is the last Open Forum meeting of the season.

Poincare Saved by Narrow Margin in French Senate Vote

(Special to The Daily Worker)

PARIS, Feb. 22.—By a bare majority of 16 votes, Premier Poincare has cleared the last dangerous hurdle which threatened to bring down his government. The cabinet is safe for the time being.

There was tense excitement in the senate chamber when the vote on electoral laws was carefully verified before being announced. Poincare was palpably nervous. He had staked the life of his cabinet on the issue that the senate must not change the electoral law as voted by the chamber of deputies.

The senate had been inclined to vote certain changes following a report of its committee. The Premier had said he would resign if the laws were not passed as they stood. By a vote of 150 to 134, the laws were passed.

What saved Poincare was the fact that the senate did not want to precipitate a cabinet crisis at the present time, with the reparations situation at a delicate stage and renewed downfall of the franc threatened.

The vote leaves Poincare with free hands to push his financing projects and proceed with the reparations question after the experts report.

Texas Booze Agent Slain; Was Too Hot on Officials' Trail

GLENROSE, Texas, Feb. 22.—Richard Watson, prohibition enforcement officer and a star witness in the prosecution of 88 alleged liquor law violators here, was shot to death from ambush early today. Five men are held in jail in connection with the killing.

Watson had just returned from Cleburne where he had testified in the trial of E. L. Roark, former prosecutor of Somervell county.

The liquor cases were the most sensational in Texas, high officials, including a former sheriff, being accused of accepting bribes. Watson was the chief witness against the sheriff and others.

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The body of an unidentified man, his head crushed, was found on a lonely road near Chicago today. George Buckmeyer, former policeman. Police said they believed the victim was a victim of beer runners. Apparently the body had been thrown from an automobile.

Portable Schools Must Go, Declares Chicago Council

With election time only a little way off the committee on schools of the city council of Chicago has decided to go on record as being against the use of portable schools. The board of education should also practice more economy and then they could build more schools by spending less money, say the aldermen.

"During the campaign we told the people every child should have a seat in a school house," said one alderman, with his eye on re-election. "We have not kept our promises. We have done nothing."

Alderman Lyle called the portable buildings being erected by the board of education "unsanitary makeshifts."

T. J. Bowler, alderman from the 41st Ward, was very much worried because the board of education had said that he requested that portables be erected in his district.

50 Cents a Vote, Is All Politicians Will Pay in Kansas City

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 22.—Price of votes in Kansas City has been cut 50 per cent, political workers charged today following registration for the city elections in April.

Police arrested a score of men who they charged with registering more than once under different names. Confessions of four of those arrested were made public. They said they had been paid 50 cents to register under assumed names and give fake addresses in "workers' hotels."

In former years the price paid by the underworld for fake registrations was $1, police said.

Poisonous Gas from Defective Furnace Causes Two Deaths

Carbon monoxide gas from a defective furnace, not ptomaine poisoning, caused the death of William I. Howland, 77, retired Chicago tea importer, and Mrs. Herta Orne, his son-in-law, a postmortem examination today revealed.

Howland's wife and daughter, Virginia, found unconscious in another part of the Howland home, will recover, physicians said. Both were suffering from the effects of gas poisoning.

The bodies were found by Howland's son, William, Jr., on returning from a party. All four were stricken following the evening meal.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22—Twenty persons were injured slightly today when a westbound Long Island passenger train ran into an open switch into a standing freight train near Huntington, Long Island.

Still Improving.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Senator Frank L. Greene, Vermont, near death for several days, is slightly improved, it was announced today.

NEBRASKA C.P.P.A. WORKS TO HALT F.-L. P. TENDENCY

Dirt Farmers Are for May 30

(Special to The Daily Worker)

GRAND ISLAND, Neb. Feb. 22.—The small conference here of farmers and railway workers is a reflection of the political chaos that obtains in a state where Charlie Bryan, the governor and other democrats are filing in the coming primaries on both the democrat and progressive party tickets.

The state secretary of the Conference for Progressive Political Action and some of the railway union delegates are here to capture the meeting in the hope that they can hold a balance of power in the two old parties. They want to put it on record for a program of endorsing of candidates on the old party tickets.

The dirt farmers here are hostile to this attempt to steal a conference that was not called by the progressive party officially but by many individuals active in its ranks.

These delegates are heading now or in the immediate future for a farmer-labor party and participation in the May 30th conference.

This is understood by the C. P. P. A. crowd and it is making them all the more active in attempting to prevent the logical development of the Nebraska movement.

Germany Must Pay Millions in Awards for Lusitania Claims

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Germany today faced a bill of $841,000 as part of the cost of sinking the Lusitania during the war.

In making the awards in 57 cases in the Lusitania group, Judge Edwin B. Parker, umpire of the German-American mixed claims commission, denied 40 claims.

The cases came to Judge Parker as a result of disagreement between Charles P. Anderson, American commissioner, and Wilhelm Kisselbach, the German commissioner. His decision followed the decision in the Lusitania cases handed down in November, 1923, when nearly $25,000,000 was awarded to 278 claimants.

You're Greater Man Than I Am, Says Calvin to Dempsey

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—President Coolidge today conceded the nation-wide popularity to Jack Dempsey, heavyweight champion.

Meeting Dempsey at the White House offices, by special arrangement, the president said he was pleased to greet a man probably more widely known than himself.

The president added that Dempsey had been before the public longer.

Told by his secretary, C. Bascom Slemp, that Dempsey could knock a man out with a two-inch punch, the president remarked that was two inches more than he cared to experience.

Magnus Urges Prof. William Schaeper for Trade Commission

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Candidates for the vacancy on the Federal Trade Commission, which President Coolidge must fill as result of his withdrawal of the nomination of George B. Christian, secretary to the late President Harding were being suggested today.

Senator Magnus Johnson, Minnesota, asked the Presidents to appoint Professor William Schaefer, formerly of the University of Minnesota.

Albert J. Berns, advertising man of Chicago, also was indorsed in messages received at the White House.

Snow Avalanche Buries Trolley Plow and Automobile

STROUDSBURG, Pa., Feb. 22.—An enormous avalanche of snow entirely buried a trolley snow plow, its two occupants and an automobile with Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Baird, of New York, while the automobile was following the plow along the road between Delaware Water Gap and Portland, according to word received here today.

A road gang saw the slide cover the trolley and machine and rushed to the rescue. Mr. and Mrs. Baird were nearly suffocated.

Dusky Namesakes of Country's Father Celebrate Birthday

HOUSTON, Tex., Feb. 22.—Twenty-one Houstonians today celebrated the anniversary of the birth of George Washington with more than patriotic pride.

They are all namesakes of the illustrious father of our country altho all of them have the complexion and ancestry of Booker T. Their occupations run all the way from laborer thru boilermaker and bricklayer to porter on a train.

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Mellon Hammered by Farmer-Labor Man in Congress

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Representative Wefald, Farmer-Labor, of Minnesota, denouncing the Mellon tax plan during the house debate, said that only 131 taxpayers in Minnesota were rich enough to benefit more by Mellon's scheme than by the high surtax plan of the Democrats. Of the 124,501 income tax payers in his state in 1921, 124,370 would gain more by the Garner schedule of rates.

"Who is Secretary Mellon?" asked Wefald. "He is the man who fixes the rate of interest to be paid on government securities, of which there are outstanding $21,500,000,000. The law has given him the right to do this. By fixing the interest rate on the bonds he crushing burden of interest-bearing securities upon the backs of the American people. Interest is tax. He has the power to increase the tax load on the poor. If interest is placed one-half of 1% higher than it ought to be, that increases the interest load thruout the land more than $500,000,000.

"Mr. Mellon sits on the federal reserve board. They fix the discount rate and regulate credit.

"It is natural that one of the richest men in the world, having been placed in such a position of political and economic power, will try to conquer the one world that is yet left to be conquered . . . to lighten the load of the rich. That is what the Mellon bill intends to do, and nothing else."

Farrell, Pa., Police Loot W. P. Hall in Lawless Raid

(Special to The Daily Worker)

NEW YORK.—Charging that the raid on Workers Party headquarters by the police of Farrell, Pa., is part of the attempt to "stop organization among the steel workers," the American Civil Liberties union announced its intention of backing the fight to recover the property confiscated by the police. The confiscated property included $176 worth of literature.

"This raid," Harry F. Ward, chairman, Civil Liberties union, declared, "is further evidence of the pressure brought to bear on local officials by the federal department of justice at the dictation of employers and other interests in West Pennsylvania to stop organization among the steel workers."

Longworth Hopes to Jockey Surtax Below 44 Per Cent

(Special to The Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Negotiations on a new compromise were in progress today between House republicans and progressives in a final effort to revise the House action and defeat the Garner income tax plan in the new revenue bill.

Republican Leader Longworth has offered to accept a cut in normal income tax rates from three per cent to two per cent on incomes less than $4,000, if the progressives will accept the six per cent rate on incomes above that amount, as proposed in the Mellon plan. The maximum surtax rates would be fixed at 37½ per cent under the proposed compromise. The Garner plan as adopted fixes maximum surtaxes at 44 per cent.

Longworth conceded that the plan must win at least ten additional votes to put it over.

Bosses Attempt to Clean Up Laundry Drivers' Union

After locking out the laundry drivers, the laundry bosses in Brownsville, N. Y., are doing everything possible to force the laundry drivers to give up their fight for the right to form a union. The bosses are lowering the price for laundering, but the housewives, the wives of workers, are in sympathy with the laundry drivers, and are refusing to send their wash to the scab laundries. The bosses are having a hard time finding scabs, as the laundry drivers are noted for their fighting spirit, and no "gorilla" can frighten them in the fight they are making against bosses and scabs.

One Figure Sometimes Causes a Good Deal of Needless Trouble

The DAILY WORKER carried a news item on February 15 giving Painters Local No. 631 credit for the donation of $430 to the relief of the German workers. Now it happens that no such local exists but the last figure in the local's number should be "7" instead of "1." The credit belongs to Local No. 637.

Russian Workers in Thousands to Join Communist Party

(Special to The Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Feb. 19.—The drive for 100,000 new members of the Communist party has been responded to by applications from 150,000 workers and peasants. A campaign for 1,000,000 new members all to be recruited from the ranks of the workers and peasants may be undertaken.

PHILA. WORKERS MOVE TO RESTORE OUSTED MEMBERS

Call on Garment Officials to Stop Disruption

(Special to The Daily Worker)

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Feb. 22.—Resolutions calling on the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union officials to reinstate without conditions the expelled members were passed here today at a conference of labor organizations presided over by Chairman Neistein of the Joint Board of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers. Sixty delegates representing twenty-eight unions and fraternal organizations were present.

A resolution was also passed calling upon Brothers Hirschberg and Birch, president and secretary respectively of the Central Labor Union and State Organizer Golden to act as a committee to help bring about the reinstatement of the expelled members.

The controversy in the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union affects the entire labor movement in Philadelphia and is leading it into a serious crisis.

An executive committee was elected to continue work of conference and carry on propaganda for reinstatement and the collection of funds.

Business As Usual.

SEATTLE, Feb. 22.—Failure to read Presidents Coolidge's latest statement that the country is in a prosperous condition may have been partly responsible for the death of W. C. Nogler here. Anyway Nogler got discouraged.

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ASHLEIGH AGAIN DEPORTED; NOW FROM GERMANY

'Socialist' President Did Honors This Time

LONDON—(By mail)—Charles Ashleigh, who will be remembered by many American workers as the I. W. W. writer and speaker who served two and a half years in Leavenworth, and was subsequently deported, has arrived in London. He was deported by the German government from Berlin. I went to interview Ashleigh for the DAILY WORKER.

"Why did they deport you?" I asked.

"Because they did not relish having the truth written about Germany, I suppose," said Ashleigh. "I was living in Berlin, gathering material on the German situation, with the intention of compiling a series of articles for the working class press in America and Britain. I was in Germany ever since the abandonment of passive resistance in the Ruhr—I came there from Russia—and saw the swift growth of the capitalist dictatorship in Germany; and the intensification of the suffering and hunger of the workers. I had already begun to write some stuff about it, and I suppose they read it somewhere, and so swooped down on me."

It Was Quick Work.

"How did they treat you there?" I asked.

"Not particularly well. You see, they suddenly descended upon me, when I was with some friends, and packed us all into a motor truck. We were then driven, under guard, thru the daylit streets, to jail. It was an open truck, and we were in full view of the passers-by. It quite reminded me of the old Wobblie days, and made me homesick for the States!

"I was kept in jail five days—alone in a cell. They fed me a slice of black bread in the morning and another at night. For dinner I got a bowl of liquid ironically called soup by my captors. I was provided with no soap or comb, and had, of course, no change of clothing. So, when I got out, after the five days, I rather looked as if I had just made the trip from Denver to Frisco on the 'blind,' without a stop!

"They gave me a few days in which to make my preparations for leaving, and then I came to England, via Holland."

"You are used to being deported, aren't you?" I enquired.

"I ought to be!" said Comrade Ashleigh, with a laugh. "This is my third deportation. In February, 1922, I was deported from the United States. Then, in September, 1922, the authorities expelled me from India, whither I had gone to write about the native problems. And now from Germany. But I expect to go back to Germany pretty soon."

"But won't the government prevent you?" I asked.

"Not when I go back," said Ashleigh. "It will welcome me. Because it will then be the workers' Soviet Government of Germany!"

"And when are you coming back to the States?" I asked.

"Ah," said Ashleigh, "that will probably take a bit longer!"

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Jurors Trying Union Upholsterers Forbidden To Read Daily Worker; Labor Paper Had Romano's Goat

The DAILY WORKER has become a part of the impressive setting surrounding the important trial of the five workers now going on before Judge Hosea Wells, in the Cook County Criminal Court, as a result of the "conspiracy" charges hurled at the Upholsterers' Union by the bosses.

The jurors must not read the DAILY WORKER, for fear that they might become prejudiced on the side of the workers. The dignified court has so ordered them. The court had not previously considered that the jurors might read the yellow press of the bosses, and become prejudiced on their side.

It all happened at the end of the noon recess Thursday when the judge asked the defendants and the lawyers in the case to come to the bar and express any objections they might have to his permitting the jury to go to their homes until the case again came into court Monday.

Labor Paper Alarms Romano.

Assistant State's Attorney Michael Romano the chief prosecutor, certainly had some fears, if not objections, to register.

"I call upon your honor," began Romano, pulling a copy of The DAILY WORKER from his pocket, "to instruct the jurors not to read The DAILY WORKER during this trial. I do not know who is responsible for this paper, or what papers the jurors may read, but I feel that the jurors ought to be warned against reading The DAILY WORKER while they are serving in this trial."

"May I see your copy of The DAILY WORKER?" asked the court, and the prosecutor handed his copy to the judge, who perused it carefully.

Nelson Attacks Tribune.

Attorney Oscar Nelson urged for the defendants that the jury be instructed not to read the Chicago Tribune.

"I will instruct the jury to refrain from reading all papers till they come to this court again Monday morning," said the judge.

The bailiff was instructed to call the jury and the next witness and the case continued on its regular course.

Poor Scab—Couldn't Work.

Earl Harris, one of the state's witnesses, testified that he had been stopped from working by union men who objected to working with scab upholsterers. He said later that he had discussed the matter in the office of Dudley Taylor with Taylor. When asked if he knew what connection Taylor had with the case of the men on trial Harris said none that he knew of only Taylor was in charge of the case as he understood it.

Louise Bernhart, a carpet sewer, said that for 17 years she had worked for Marshall Field and Company and at the end of that time she was earning $12 a week. Then she joined the union about a year ago and is today earning $30 a week. She said that she had not been interfered with when she attempted to work during the strike.

Bosses Tale of Woe.

Stephan A. Mollato, the owner of a building at Catulpa avenue and Broadway, testified that while the building was in the course of construction union painters had refused to work on the job unless non-union upholsterers left and that McKenna, who is on trial charged with conspiring with the other defendants to ruin the business of the boss upholsterers, had asked the painters to return to work with the non-union upholsterers.

John Glyn, Harry Harvey, and Harry Achinkian, all testified that they had seen stickers which asked union building employes to ask upholstery workers to show their union cards. They all admitted under cross-examination that they had been to the office of Dudley Taylor and told him all about it.

E. A. Cummings, a carpet layer, testified that he had been brought here as the result of seeing an ad in a Denver paper asking for non-union carpet layers. He secured a job thru Bronson, he said. On one occasion he was prevented from working on a job by the refusal of union men to work with him as long as he did not have a union card and was guarded by two deputy sheriffs.

During the questioning of William Boelter by Romano the judge found it necessary to stop him from asking leading questions of the witness.

The history and philosophy of boycotts and boycotting is something that a jury charged with trying labor men indicted for conspiracy to boycott should know nothing about, according to Romano, who became angry with Defense Attorney Oscar Nelson who was cross-examining James Mulcahey.

Nelson asked Mulcahey if he knew what the defendants were charged with. He said that he did not. He was asked if he knew what a boycott was. He said that he did not. He was asked if he had ever heard of the famous English landlord in Ireland named Captain Boycott who treated his tenants so cruelly that they refused to speak to or work for him. He said that he had not. Romano jumped to his feet and asked Nelson if he wished to discuss the history of Captain Boycott any further with the witness. Nelson said that his examination had closed and Romano asked the witness if he had ever heard of Captain Kidd. He said that he had not.

Several of the state's witnesses admitted under questioning by the defense lawyers that they had been active in the early part of the upholsterers' strike and that they had done picket duty. They all said that they had not been indicted for their part in attempts to make the strike successful.

Rudolph and William Boelter who had been at the meeting immediately preceding the strike where the report of the wage scale committee was read said they did not know if they had or had not heard the report and did not know if they had voted to accept the report.

All the state's witnesses admitted that before they were given jobs by the employers' association they were asked if they intended to continue their membership in the union and were given jobs only after they said they did not.

Romano indicated that he did not consider the case he had made against the five unionists on trial a very good one when he asked one of the defense attorneys if he intended to put up a defense.

Embroidery Workers New York to Open Organizing Drive

(Special to The Daily Worker)

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—On Thursday, Feb. 28, there will be a mass meeting of embroidery workers in the Forward Hall, New York, as the first step in a big organization campaign which the Amalgamated Knit Goods Workers' Union has decided upon in order to organize the embroidery workers.

The conditions in the non-union shops where embroidery workers are employed have become unbearable, as the unorganized embroidery workers are working 50 hours a week, while their wages have been cut 50 per cent. The workers are living on a hunger-wage. They have appealed to the executive board of the embroidery union to take up the matter of organizing the non-union shops, and the campaign which is planned is in response to these appeals on the part of the unorganized.

Galli-Curci Makes Last Appearance in Chicago, Sunday

Galli-Curci's' last appearance in Chicago for the next two years will be Sunday evening, Feb. 24, at the Auditorium theatre, where she will give her farewell performances to the city in which she has scored such a success.

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Sluggers Attack Gold, Radical Worker

(Special to The Daily Worker)

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—At a meeting of Finishers' Local 15 of the Fur Workers' Union held recently in Manhattan Lyceum, New York, the workers present expressed their bitter indignation against the officers of the union who tried to whitewash the latest case of slugging. A few weeks ago the officials of Local 15 published a white-washing statement in the "Forward" and the "Fur Worker" concerning the murderous attack made by sluggers on B. Gold, a member of this local. Gold was beaten and stabbed by the sluggers. This is just another case of slugging in the Fur Workers' Union where Kaufman, the president of the union, has been making pogroms on radical members of the union.

This has been going on for a long time, and yet the criminal policy is allowed to continue. The gangsters in control of the Fur Workers' Union disregard the protests of the masses of fur workers and they are going right ahead in their assaults on those who show any kind of opposition to their terrorist rule.

The indignation at the meeting of Local 15 was so much the greater in view of the fact that those who signed the statement in the press were not present when the attack was made upon Gold.

When the chairman saw that the membership was in no peaceful mood, and when the indignation of those present grew to high tension, he declared the meeting adjourned, to save the officials from the ire of the workers.

German Fascisti Prohibit Workers' Relief Mass Meeting

The conference of the German section of the International Workers Aid that was to be held publicly in the city hall of Berlin, Germany, Jan. 27, was prohibited by the military authorities.

Frau Mathilde Wurm, Socialist member of the Reichstag, and one of the leaders of the relief work, took the matter up with the District Army Commander who finally agreed to allow the regular delegates to meet in the Berlin office of the International Workers Aid, but kept the ban on the public meeting.

Willi Munzenberg reported substantial progress in feeding hungry working class children and stated that contributions were coming in from England, France, America and other countries.

Frau Dr. Schumann who was a delegate to the conference of the International Workers Aid in England which was recently held, reported that 25 official representatives of the Labor Party took part in the conference. A resolution protesting against the police interference was adopted.

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DINNER PAIL EPICS

By BILL LLOYD

THERE seems to be a lotta news about the oil in Sinclair's cruse. It yusta be in Teapot Dome, before A. Fall improved his home and took an aim at the main chance by stocking up his cattle ranch. We've surely got, it seems to me, a awful dose of normalcy.

There's Denby, he has quit his post, well browned and scorched by senate's roast. And McAdoo, who took a fee that otta paid, it seems to me, for all the old and modern law that the supreme court ever saw, finds he is richer but much sadder, and hurries to kick down the ladder by which he climbed, and bolts away, but absent-mind'ly kept the pay. He's sorry for Doheny's sin but don't disgorge Doheny's tin.

There must be money in oil deals, especially when a feller steals what's in the ground for naval use, while Fall and Denby make excuse. There must be money in the pot when oil kings hand out such a lot. The Denver and Chicago Posts were lined up with the other hosts who didn't let their right hand know how full the left one wuz of dough. Of course they tell the guys what's dense it didn't buy their influence. It is a thing we've oftun told, that editors aint boug'ht with gold.

If I'd been justis of the piece, I might of got in on the lease. Like Creel, I am a writing guy, and yet somehow they passed me by.

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JEWISH WORKERS HOLD BAZAAR FOR RUSSIAN ORPHANS

Half Million Orphans Left in Russia

A bazaar and exhibition for the orphan institutions of Soviet Russia will be held at the Ashland Auditorium on the dates of March 20, 21, 22, and 23, 1924. It will be held under the auspices of the Jewish Workers Relief Committee.

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Our Railroad Empire

In the welter of political recriminations and charges now burdening the governmental structure of the country there is coming to the surface a great contest against powerful Western railroad interests that should receive the undivided attention of the workers and farmers of the country.

The Departments of Agriculture and Interior are challenging the right of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company to acquire approximately three million acres of Government land in Idaho, Montana, and Washington, claimed by the rail magnates under the provisions of the land grants made by Congress in 1864 and 1870. The demand of the company is further strengthened by a decision of the Supreme Court in 1921 that "the Government could not reserve as against the railway company any of the land" within certain specified limits. Much of the land in dispute is heavily forested and the Government has spent vast sums in protecting and administering it.

These lands were given away to the "builders of the continent" to help them construct railways. The Northern Pacific has received more than 136 million dollars from the sale of these lands, tho the cost of the road's construction has not exceeded seventy million dollars to date. Besides, the railroad has failed to build 1,507 miles of its line within the time specified by the grant. Thus, if the Government were really anxious to enforce its own law the granted lands would be subject to immediate forfeiture.

But let no one have any misgivings as to what the Government will do. The belated attempts of Wallace and Work to save this vast tract of land from the railway kings is in all likelihood an eleventh hour political gesture to help the Administration "make up its record" for the coming election campaign and counteract some of the oil stench.

The story of the development of American railways is a story of the government's giving away tremendous areas of land to the railroad capitalists. The free land gifts, thru Federal and Texas grants, total 312,000 square miles—an area in excess of the six New England States, the five Northern Atlantic States, the three Southern Atlantic States, and the District of Columbia. The land given away to the railway corporations by the Government is 100,000 square miles in excess of the area of Germany or France before the war.

Today, these gigantic empires of land are part of the investment of the railroad capitalists. Today, the workers have to pay the capitalists high tribute in low wages, huge dividends, intolerable working conditions in order to guarantee these captains of transportation a "fair" rate of profit. Today the farmers must pay exorbitant freight rates to save the capitalists from losses on their heavily inflated investments, a large portion of which is this very land belonging to the masses of the country and given away for nothing to the railway barons.

And today the Government of the United States is putting at the disposal of these capitalists who have looted the country as no other employers have in the history of the nation all its military, judicial, and financial power to guarantee fabulous profits to the rail corporations and to perpetuate unbearable freight rates for the farmers and open-shop conditions for the workers.

Revealed in the light of these facts the suit of the Departments of Agriculture and Interior against the Northern Pacific does not bring much hope to the working masses.

Church and Court

The church is one of the bulwarks of capitalist society. Another is the judiciary. Both are looked on with contempt by the class conscious elements among the workingclass, with suspicion mingled with awe by a still larger section and with awe mixed with terror by the great majority of the workers.

The confidence which the church and the courts once enjoyed among the workers is being constantly shaken by incidents in which both are shown up as hollow mockeries of religion and justice.

The church is ostensibly established and supported for the purpose of maintaining the spiritual atmosphere at the proper degree of temperature in order to render the people eligible for entry into the celestial kingdom when they depart from this mundane sphere.

The courts cloak themselves in the robes of respectability, claim they are above temptation and hold the scales of justice evenly, for rich and poor, clerical and lay.

As to the church and its piety. During the past decade clergymen have supplied the yellow press with the snappiest copy. These soldiers of the Lord have added hundreds of thousands of copies to the circulation of the salacious journals that specialize in news with a sex flavor. It has not yet developed that they were urged on in their amorous adventures by circulation managers with a touch of originality, but certain it is that those gentlemen whose business it is to secure new readers have slept easier of nights thanks to the gay activities of the servants of Jehovah.

The case of a local clergyman with a wealthy congregation was one of the most enticing tid bits of scandal arising out of the sex relationship that the good citizens of this country had the pleasure of reading for many a day. The good preacher bears a saintly look. He also has a wife. So had a certain Mr. Leland. Mrs. Leland had Godly thoughts so she sallied forth to one of the Deity's lieutenants for consolation.

And this is where the party began to get rough if we are to believe the testimony of Mrs. Leland given in court before Judge Foell. She was definite about the history of the case, the details of which were given as much space in the capitalist press as the testimony of Edwin Doheny of Teapot Dome fame. The man of God was at least as human as any man could be and perhaps more so than many. Mr. Leland was justifiably angry when he heard of it and sued for divorce.

And here is where it resembled the oil inquiry in Washington. As soon as the first stone was cast at Dr. Case, the alleged culprit, outraged husbands began to appear with bricks which were hurled with vigor at the holy man. It looked like a clear case against him. There were plenty of bricks.

Yet, the judge, instead of granting the injured husband a divorce, got quite angry and threw the case out of court, exonerated Dr. Case, and declared that Mrs. Leland was suffering from delusions, or words to that effect.

The Chicago Tribune, organ of militant imperialism, congratulated Judge Foell on the decision. The reputation of the preacher could not survive an adverse decision and clergymen are too valuable to the capitalist system to allow half a dozen illicit love affairs to impair their usefulness. In this instance—and it is only one of many—the court and the church put up a united front against the common enemy. Capitalist courts and capitalist churches, both live on the system. They must hang together or hang separately.

The Roosevelt Name

Frantic efforts are being made by the Elder Statesmen of the Republican Party to salvage the name of Roosevelt from the wreckage of the present administration.

Old "Teddy" had a taking way with him. Perhaps no more ignorant mountebank ever appeared on the stage of American political life and succeeded in attaining the highest office in the power of the bourgeoisie to give, than Theodore Roosevelt, unless it might be the present president incumbent by the Grace of God and poisoned shell fish.

While Theodore Roosevelt was a dyed-in-the-wool faker and reactionary, but by the clever use of buncombe and the personality of a bartender he was able to fool a considerable portion of the American workingclass and that vague element known as the "people," that he was a progressive. He had even the bosses scared for a little while but not for long. He was their useful and willing tool.

Roosevelt is dead but his progressive reputation lives after him. The master class cleverly nourish it. Besides leaving a reputation as an asset to the Republican Party he also left a few sons, who appear just now to be more of a liability. On account of the name they have been taken care of by the G. O. P. Teddy's namesake, young Theodore was planted in the navy department as Assistant Secretary. He was groomed for a higher position and kept primed for use in the event of some great emergency.

But tho chance was kind to young Theodore nature was cruel. He is not gifted with brain or brawn and did not even have the sagacity to keep his skirts clear of the oil that has squirted its evil way over the White House and ruined several reputations, already rather shady it is true. Roosevelt had he been a chip of the old block could jump out of the Teapot, grind his teeth, wave his club and go after the evil doers like one of his jungle ancestors, scouting around for his breakfast.

Alas, instead of the Terrible Teddy, there comes forth from the pen of the political cartoonist the picture of a puny weakling, marching toward the cabinet exit in the protecting shadow of the towering and burly grafter Harry M. Daugherty.

It can be truthfully said that Theodore Roosevelt, Jr. had a bright future before him in the Republican party but he sold his birthright for a paltry oil can.

If the attempt of the British dockers' union officials to end the strike can be taken as evidence it appears that the motto of officialdom is: The more successful a strike the more reason we should compromise on demands. As in this country, the membership is having more trouble with their officers than with the employers.

It is an interesting commodity conflict that is presented by the spectacle of Lodge, senator for the textile interests, and Pepper, senator for the steel interests, demanding the resignation of Daugherty, attorney-general for the oil interests.

Why doesn't Attorney-General Daugherty get out an injunction restraining the senate from taking his job away from him?

A chilling wind from Wyoming has blighted the young Roosevelt boom for governor of New York.

CANDLING THE C. P. P. A.

By WILLIAM F. DUNNE

THE round of investigation halts for the week-end and as the dust settles and quiet impends it is possible to estimate the casualties suffered and the terrain lost or gained by the fire of charges, counter-charges, accusations and denials that the press reports to a palpitating public.

Outside the immediate zone of the struggle, a non-combatant within every meaning of the term, the Conference for Progressive Political Action has suffered vicariously but severely. Its spiritual leader, Wm. G. McAdoo, venturing into the combat area, received the fire of both forces and retired in great disorder, blood and oil dripping from a thousand wounds.

Gathered in St. Louis, to rally the faithful to the McAdoo standard, the Conference for Progressive Political Action found the name of its leader on the casualty list. Prepared to serve under no other banner, it met, mourned and went home after calling another meeting for Cleveland for lack of something better to do.

In the meantime, careful nursing had restored McAdoo to activity if not to health.

Hope Revives.

The more obvious oiliness of others whose love for lucre had brought them to the edge of the Teapot and into which they slipped, gave encouragement to the McAdoo clan. Perhaps the chieftain was not so badly wounded after all.

The spark of hope, almost extinguished, began to glow again in the breast of the Conference for Progressive Political Action. To what unkind critics referred to as the McAdoo candling conference in the Great Northern Hotel, came the still downcast but more hopeful spokesmen of the railway unions.

The candling completed, it was discovered that the McAdoo albuminous content was somewhat addled by oil; undeterred by this discovery leaders of the Conference for Progressive Political Action present made a few quick comparisons and announced that addled or not McAdoo was not addled to the extent that other candidates were.

It was a noble decision and tears were in the McAdoo voice as he referred to their loyalty in accepting the "command" to serve, delivered by leaders of organized workers, rallying to an open and avowed supporter of the blackest labor-hating interests in America.

McAdoo Messiahs.

What term is too approbrious to characterize labor officials like B. M. Jewell, head of the railway employes department of the A. F. of L., Ryan, head of the Railway Carmen, Franklin, head of the Boilermakers Union, Manion, head of the Railway Telegraphers, Sheppard of the Railway Conductors, Fljozdal of the Maintenance of Way Brotherhood, Fitzgerald of the Railway Clerks, Healy of the Firemen and Oilers, Wharton of the International Association of Machinists and others who sign a resolution expressing confidence in McAdoo with the full knowledge gained from his own statement that he was employed by Doheny to foment a war against the workers and peasants of Mexico, so that his paymasters could seize the Mexican oil lands?

What of Wm. Johnson, head of the Machinists Union, who issues an apology because some newspapers quoted him as saying that McAdoo was unavailable as a candidate because of his oil connections?

What of this whole crew of labor officials who control the Conference for Progressive Political Action in the interest of the parties of American capitalism and who, when their chosen candidate in the democrat party is found to be on the payroll of oil companies in a particularly vile capacity, apologise for his actions, stall for time and finally end by endorsing him on behalf of the organized workers.

Some Illusions Shattered.

It has been said by persons more charitable than discerning that these labor officials were honest in their convictions; that in good time, when the opportunity presented itself, they would lead their followers into a political party independent of the capitalist parties; that they moved slowly because they felt the weight of great responsibilities. It was even said that these labor officials would themselves launch a great mass party of the workers and farmers of America.

They have been the petted darlings of American liberalism; the intelligentsia who hang about the fringe of labor movement and write their collected impressions have been greatly impressed of late with the new spirit that animates labor union officialdom.

The Chicago conference which renovated McAdoo gives the lie to all these statements.

The officialdom of the Conference for Progressive Political Action has been shown to belong to the right wing of the democrat party; its officialdom has announced to the world that its policy is the Gompers policy of getting something for labor officials in the shape of appointments to fat jobs while the rank and file fights injunctions issued and wars declared by the successful candidates whom their officials fawn upon.

The endorsement of McAdoo has shown the Conference for Progressive Political Action to be part and parcel of the Gompers machine, its progressivism to be a sham and its inner infamy to exceed anything hinted at by the most bitter critic of the American Federation of Labor.

Previous Servitude.

We say here and now that the crimes perpetrated upon the American workers during the world war by the Wilson administration of which labor union officialdom was a part were of such an atrocious character, their connivance in the gigantic looting schemes so flagrant, their betrayal of the active unionists in co-operation with the department of justice so infamous, that they dare not, unless confronted by a greater danger, desert the parties of the employers.

The Conference for Progressive Political Action since the McAdoo endorsement stands convicted before the American workers and farmers as an agency for sabotaging the farmer-labor party movement; an organization dominated by officials whose stomachs are so strong that the crudest of crude oil does not act as a purge; an organization whose mission is to confuse, demoralize and finally sell out to the lords of oil, steel, coal, transportation and credit, the men and women who pay their salaries.

The Conference for Progressive Political Action waits now for payment for its treason. It hopes that one or the other or perhaps both of the capitalist parties will incorporate planks in their platforms or nominate candidates that can be held up as concessions to labor.

They join with the employers and bankers in slandering the organizers of a farmer-labor party and in whitewashing the spokesmen of American capitalism at whose names the American people spit.

What Must Be Done.

There is one thing that may force these capitalist party politicians in the labor movement to acknowledge their attempts at betrayal and discontinue their efforts to sabotage the formation of a mass party of workers and farmers. If the May 30 Farmer-Labor convention in St. Paul is a great demonstration of the disgust with and distrust of the parties of American capitalism on the part of great sections of the workers and farmers the Cleveland meeting of the Conference for Progressive Political Action may be swung into the movement.

Only mass pressure can accomplish this.

For the organization of a great mass convention on May 30 that will launch a great party of workers and farmers every nerve must be strained by those who understand that the time for such a movement is here and is prevented only by the treason of ignorant and corrupt officials.

The Conference for Progressive Political Action must not be allowed to consummate its open and obvious plans for wrecking the May 30 convention and making the Cleveland conference a ratification meeting for McAdoo or some other representative of oil, steel, transportation and banking.

Original Director Uses His Hat as Well as His Head

By ALFRED V. FRANKENSTEIN.

Musical education of the finest sort is contained in the programs of the children's concerts of the Chicago Symphony orchestra, one of which was played on the afternoon of February 21, at Orchestra Hall. For these concerts a screen is erected in back of the orchestra, and pictures of the composers and notated excerpt of the music to be played are projected onto it. Mr. Stock acts as teacher and musical director and general factotum, saying a few words before the performance of each number, and making the children sing the musical phrases on the screen before them.

The concert last Thursday opened with the stirring rythym of Chopin's "Military Polonaise." Following this was the light-hearted and jovial overture to "The Magic Flute," by Mozart.

To acquaint the children with the more serious forms of orchestra music, Mr. Stock has been playing at each concert of past months one movement of Beethoven's fifth symphony. By February the joyous and triumphant last movement had been reached. Stock then threw on the screen the theme of the very first bars of the symphony and asked his audience if they recognized it. Immediately there chorused from all over the house the words "I lost my hat." The explanation is that, in order to enable the children to remember certain themes, the director frequently gives them a profoundly foolish verbal text with which to sing it. And with these texts they probably never will forget the phrases to which they are set.

Then came a bit of jingoism, when the orchestra played and the audience sang "Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean." One cannot help but think that "A better world's in birth" is a better line for children to sing than "The Army and Navy forever."

Two lighter works of modern composers, Grainger and Sowerby, followed, "Molly on the Shore" and "The Irish Washerwoman," and the concert closed with the tarentella from Rubinstein's suite, "The Costume Ball."

For the next children's concert, which will be played on March 6, and repeated on March 20, at Orchestra Hall, an all Saint-Saens program is announced. The French composer's "Carnival of Animals," a suite in fourteen movements, descriptive of all sorts of beasts from pianists and fossils to elephants and royal lions, will be played, and the march from his Algerian suite, and the tone poem "The Spinning Wheel of Omphale."

A thousand new members wanted for the "I-want-to-make-THE DAILY WORKER-grow" club. Write for DAILY WORKER grow" club.

FORGET THOSE DEBTS

By SCOTT NEARING
(Federated Press Staff Writer.)

Many an American farmer and worker worries about his debts. He cannot pay them. He cannot shake them off. They dog his steps and drive him mad. Is there no way out?

Yes, there is one perfectly simple way—the Russian way of 1917; the German way of 1923. He can forget them!

"Another matter of great significance is the disposition of Germany's debts," writes Nicholas Roosevelt in the Annalist for Feb. 4, 1924. "There appears to be no doubt that all government, state and municipal debts have been wiped out, thus leaving Germany free from bonded indebtedness. The small sums required to restore the nation's finances will, therefore, be the only debt charges on the government besides the reparations.

"There is obviously a great advantage for the Germans. There is also little doubt that the majority of private debts have been wiped out. . . . Debts, mortgages and loans of all kinds have been wiped off the slate, so that German corporations and individuals, like the German government, will be able to start work with a clean slate."

"This is obviously a great advantage for the Germans." And for the Americans?

What are debts, but the means whereby the owner of property is able to live, without work, on the labor of some fellow man?

In this respect, government bonds do not differ in any way from private mortgages. The bondholder draws his interest and lives on the fat of the land. The farmers and workers produce and pay.

Germany seems to be starting over again. The debts are forgotten. A new leaf is turned. Will it take another world war to teach equal wisdom to the people of the United States?

Workers Blown to Bits by Locomotive; Investigation Begun

MOROCCO, Ind., Feb. 22.—An investigation of the explosion of a locomotive on the Chicago & Eastern Illinois railroad near here yesterday, which cost two lives, was started today by Silverton Breed, a government inspector.

Frank Baker, of Hammond, engineer, and Jesse Meyer of Danville, Ill., fireman, were killed by the explosion. Their bodies were blown to bits.

"The workers' state is the organized struggle for civilization and culture."—Trotsky.

Work Daily for "The Daily!"

World Language Movement Injured by "Ido," He Says

To the DAILY WORKER:—The article in Tuesday's number of the DAILY WORKER, entitled "To Provide the World's Workers with Common Tongue," needs a little correction. In the first place there has as yet been no working class congress of Ido. The Ido congress at Cassel last August rallied all Idists, workers and capitalists, and numbered only 160 delegates. True enough, there were special sittings of the so-called Communist Ido Federation, but there were only 35 or 40 persons present, and many of them call themselves anarchists in their own country. The Communist Ido Federation exists mainly on paper.

The article ignores the fact that in the same city of Cassel was also held an exclusive workers' congress of Esperanto with 252 delegates present. This was the third official congress of the Proletarian Esperanto Association, called "Sennacieca Asocio Tutmonda" (Nationless World Association), having three thousand members and publishing the monthly 20-page magazine, "Sennacieca Revuo," with a circulation of 8,000. The Ido workers cannot show half as much.

In the second place, the statement that the Ido Federation does not work for any special system of language but only for the idea in general is false on the face of it. For the Idists are for their own language.

It is evident that we can have only one international language. Now we have at least half a dozen different schemes. How will the average worker know the difference? No, these rival schemes have no right at all to exist, unless they can prove two things: First, they must prove that a perfection of Esperanto is necessary; second, they must prove that Ido (or some other scheme) is such a perfected language, more perfect than Esperanto. The first will be impossible to prove in face of the great amount of literature we possess in Esperanto, of all kinds, even scientific, philosophical and poetry. The second will also be impossible to prove, for the same reason. The proof of the pudding is in the eating, there is no use of discussion.

KARL FRODING, Rockford, Ill.

Hungry German Workers Break Thru the Police

BERLIN, Feb. 22.—In a mass demonstration of unemployed in Halle-Merserburg recently the crowd succeeded in breaking thru the line of police who were thrown into the greatest confusion. With the cry of "Shoot us down! We are hungry!" the masses advanced against the police.

Protect the Foreign Born!

AS WE SEE IT

By T. J. O'FLAHERTY.

Doubts are expressed in England that the Prince of Wales will ever ascend the British throne. If the lad keeps on descending from his horse at the present rate it is only a question of time until he meets with an accident. Aside from that Miss Minnie Pallister, who was the election agent to Ramsay MacDonald in Aberavon in the recent general election, declares that the improbability of the Prince's filling his father's chair was not due to any hostile sentiment against him so much as to the fact that the country is growing up and sloughing off the old institutions, including the monarchy.

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In the meantime Ramsay MacDonald dines with the king and queen to prove to the satisfaction of the royal family that yellow socialism does not eat its soup with a knife or wipe its nose with the tail of its coat. British yellow socialism is quite respectable. It believes in evolution. Perhaps King George may join the British Labor Party and turn over the palace to the labor ministers for use during week ends.

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Japan is learning fast. Just as Harry M. Daugherty is getting ready to put on his hat and coat and go back to his wigwam the Daugherties of the Mikado's realm have discovered a Communist plot to overthrow the Empire. The "plotters" are a group of college professors. Perhaps a little more radical than Nicholas Murray Butler. The Japanese sleuths discovered that the young lad who made an attempt on the life of the Crown Prince was the dupe of those professors. They have not yet been accused of being responsible. No doubt that will be developed during the trial. As William J. Burns would say, "startling disclosures will be made, revealing underground plots, financed by——" That was a real underground plot. The plot was "nipped in the bud." Almost word for word the description given by the "Great Defective" of his squelching of several attempts to topple the White House before the republican administration had a chance to sell it out. They are learning in Japan. We may look forward to a Teapot Dome scandal in Nippon.

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McAdoo will be held to a strict availability by his friends, general opinion to the contrary. Some of them still call him McAdoo, others McAdid and still others McAdone. Among the latter is Otto Branstetter, former secretary of the treasury in the bankrupt socialist party. This was his comment on McAdoo's connections with Doheny: "There seems to have been nothing illegal in McAdoo's service to the Doheny interests, but there is a question of the propriety of a former cabinet officer, after leaving his post accepting employment with such interests and then asking to be nominated for President." Well said, Otto! Just like a yellow socialist. There is nothing illegal in selling one's ability to bribe the Mexican government to violate the constitution in behalf of American oil interests! It seems the big blunder that McAdoo was guilty of is, that he did not make a donation of part of the Doheny dough to the socialist party.

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Labor fakers are the same all the world over. When General Hell-and Damnation Dawes, head of the Central Trust of Chicago, went to Germany to investigate the practicability of making a loan to the capitalists of that country he called into his presence Peter Grassman, vice-president of the German Federation of Trade Unions. He talked with the labor leader over the German workers attitude toward the eight-hour day. When the inquiry was over Dawes gave Grassman a hearty handshake. We wonder if anything stuck to the labor faker's mitt!

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Grassman told Dawes that there was no chance for Communism in Germany as the rank and file rejected Sovietism. He believed that the existing vestiges of radicalism in Germany would disappear with the improvement of social conditions. How sweet this language must have sounded to the ears of the head of the Minute Men of the Constitution, the famous open-shop organization! Now, this man Grassman is of that political tribe known as socialist in Germany. Is it any wonder that the working class of Europe are losing faith in those traitors and are turning to the Communists for leadership? Grassman prefers the capitalist system that has brought the German workers to the brink of starvation, to Communism, because under the former he can sell the workers to the capitalists.

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The Russian Soviet Republic is adopting new tactics, observes the Chicago Tribune in an editorial. The statement was elicited by the signing of the Italo-Russian treaty in Moscow under the watchful eye of a camera. The Russian Communists are charged with using the occasion for propaganda purposes. Well, what of it? The Tribune periodically publishes fifteen-year-old pictures of riots under new date lines and new titles showing that a revolution has broken out in Moscow and that the Red Army is shooting up the Kremlin. Why not tolerate a little truth once in a while, worthy organ of capitalism?

Discuss New Economic Policy.

W. H. Kingery, an engineer connected with the Kuzbas Colony for over a year, has just returned from Russia. He will speak on the "Practical Results of the New Economic Policy of Soviet Russia," at the Workers Party Open Forum Sunday Feb. 24, at 8 p. m., in the Capitol Bldg., 159 N. State St. (17th floor).

For Recognition of Soviet Russia!