

THE COMMUNIST BATTLE

Enthusiasm Greeted Launching in Chicago of Foster-Gitlow Ticket by the Workers Party

RUTHENBERG AND FOSTER ELECTED TO COMINTERN

Dunne Represents U. S. Party in Moscow

(Special to the DAILY WORKER.)
MOSCOW, July 11.—The executive committee elected by the Communist International before the party congress adjourned consists of able revolutionary strategists.

The Russian representatives include such leaders of the Soviet government as Alexis I. Rykov, Gregory S. Zinoviev, Leo Kamenev, M. Stalin and Nikolai Bukharin. These men belong to the old Bolshevik guard which engineered the proletarian revolution.

The American representatives are Foster and C. E. Ruthenberg, chairman and secretary of the Workers Party with William F. Dunne as alternate. Dunne and Philip Aaronberg have been put in the Control Committee.

Dunne at C. I. Headquarters.
Dunne will officially represent the party at the Communist International headquarters during the coming year. Foster, Ruthenberg and Philip Aaronberg are the candidates for President of the United States, and Ruthenberg, party secretary, will remain in America. Dunne's experience in the trade union movement is expected to be of great use to the international movement. The trade union question has assumed tremendous importance in key countries which may fall into the hands of Russia by setting up workers' and farmers' governments in the near future.

In Germany, especially, the question of Communist policy in the trade unions has become most vital. There the Communist International is directing the workers to stay within yellow unions wherever it is possible in order that the radicals who must lead the revolution may not be divided from their fellows.

Only Revolutionary Forces.
The Communist International is going into the next year of struggle against the international capitalists with a confidence that comes from strength and from a knowledge of revolutionary tactics based on the party's experience in the last years. It is the one internationally revolutionary force, organized to overcome the common enemy.

War Vet Tries Suicide.
For the second time in two years Robert Williams, retired Canadian soldier today attempted to end his life by jumping into the Chicago River from the same spot on the Moscow Bridge and at almost the identical hour he jumped into the river two years ago. Bridge tenders Boyce and Kennedy, who saved Williams in 1922, saved him again today.

HUGHES' VACATION IN LONDON SEEN NOW AS POLITICAL MOVE

(Special to THE DAILY WORKER.)
WASHINGTON, July 11.—Secretary of State Hughes today cleared his desk in the state department preparatory to sailing tomorrow for London, where he will attend the meeting of the bar association in London.

Strictly speaking, Hughes is on a vacation, but diplomatic quarters here believe his European trip may prove of prime political importance, particularly because of the allied premier's conference on the Dawes plan for Germany and possibly because of Hughes' proposed visit to France, England, and America to hold one policy.

WALL STREET'S BAIT



(By The Federated Press.)
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Big Start for Communist Campaign

By KARL REEVE.
Cheers and enthusiasm greeted the announcement of C. E. Ruthenberg, executive secretary of the Workers Party, made at Wicker Park Hall, that the Communists would have their own presidential ticket in the fall elections.

The solidarity of the party membership behind William Z. Foster, candidate for president, and Benjamin Gitlow, for vice president, was again manifested by the shouts of enthusiasm which greeted the statement of Edgar Owens, Detroit district organizer, that:

"Our program and our standard bearers will make our task very easy. With such a program and such a ticket we will not have to explain that we are a Communist Party."

But when Charles Krumboltz, the chairman, made his collection appeal, the audience which packed the hall had a chance to demonstrate that their cheers for the Workers Party and for the newly nominated Communist candidates were genuine expressions of deep felt enthusiasm. Harry E. Greenwood of the Mid-City Branch started the stampede of donations by calling out, "I am a vacation, but diplomatic quarters here believe his European trip may prove of prime political importance, particularly because of the allied premier's conference on the Dawes plan for Germany and possibly because of Hughes' proposed visit to France, England, and America to hold one policy."

By THOMAS J. O'FLAHERTY.

The Workers Party has hurled the challenge of Communism in the teeth of American capitalism by nominating candidates in a presidential election. Its standard bearers are William Z. Foster, for president, and Benjamin Gitlow, for vice-president.

This was the announcement that set the large membership meeting that gathered in Wicker Park Hall wild with enthusiasm. There was nothing mechanical about the demonstration that started when C. E. Ruthenberg, secretary of the Workers Party, in a speech that was listened to with intense interest and silence by everybody in the hall, brought the audience to its feet, when he declared that the Workers Party, the party of Communism in the United States, had replied to the betrayal of the working class by the Conference for Progressive Political Action and the yellow socialists, by entering the political arena in the coming elections with its own candidates, to bring the Communist message home to the workers and exploited farmers of America.

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Record in Java Field Uncovered by Dutch

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Happy, The Fired for Reading Daily Worker

The DAILY WORKER has received a letter from Felix R. Belle, of Green Bay, Wis., who says he is "still very happy for getting the black slip" for reading the only working class daily newspaper in English in the United States, the DAILY WORKER. Belle writes:

"Dropping you follows a line to let you know that I other mass meetings, but were compelled to admit the secret concessions—uncovered and disclosed by the Trade Union Educational League—hulans—had really been granted to the jobbers."

THIS IS THE SPIRIT! HERE'S STARTING THE CAMPAIGN WITH PUNCH

July 11, 1924.
Workers Party of America, 1111 W. Washington Blvd., Chicago, Ill.
Dear Comrades—Included flag sheet for \$10 which we pledged last night at the opening of the Workers Party election campaign.

CHEER GARMENT MILITANTS FOR BARRING TREASON

Rank and File Furious at Leaders' Betrayal

(Special to the DAILY WORKER.)
NEW YORK, N. Y., July 11.—The strike of about 1,500 capmakers of the Wholesale Association members' shops may end this week. The strike of men's clothing workers is also near its end. And the so-called strike of nearly 60,000 cloakmakers was actually ended before it was called when Governor Smith's mediation committee, with the consent of the union officials, granted the cloak jobbers another concession, after which the agreement was accepted.

At a conference of capmakers' union officials with the Wholesale Cap Manufacturers' Association held yesterday, an understanding was reached. The bosses agreed to pay three per cent of the wages to an unemployment fund.

The demand that employers be not permitted to work without arbitration. The strikers and bosses are to meet tomorrow and decide on acceptance of the agreement.

Settlement with the men's clothing manufacturers up to this time have been signed by about eight per cent of the bosses, with the same agreements as signed by the Clothing Exchange Drop Label.

The last concession which union officials of the cloakmakers granted to the jobbers, permits the jobbers to buy ready-made garments in one of town shops not carrying the so-called sanitary labels. This opens channels for cloak jobbers to evade real union control.

BAD CONDITIONS ARE LAID BARE BY AUTO WORKER

The strike of cloakmakers called for reorganization purposes, and to compel the employers to agree to sign agreements as recommended by the Governor's commission.

U. S. E. Exposed Deal.
Members of the Trade Union Educational League, thru the DAILY WORKER and the Jewish Freiheit, disclosed the concessions to the cloak jobbers which union officials tried to hide from the rank and file. The union leaders resented the disclosure and attacked the Freiheit and the Trade Union Educational League at all mass meetings held yesterday.

RIVERVIEW, AUGUST 10th

Remember "Riverview, August 10th." That is the place and date of the Workers Party Press Picnic this year. Riverview Park is at the intersection of Western and Belmont Avenues. Tickets are 25c, admitting the holder to the Workers Party Press Picnic and also giving reduced rates on many of the Riverview rides.

NEW CENTRALIA WITNESSES SHOW LOGGERS' RIGHT TO SHOOT RAIDING LEGIONAIRES

(Special to The Daily Worker)
SEATTLE, July 11.—Agitation for the release of the eight Centralia loggers serving 25 to 40 years in Walla Walla penitentiary has taken on high speed this week with the uncovering of the most important evidence against the Legion raiders that has been based since the famous Montezano trial four years ago.

Three eye witnesses to the Armatist Day battle—all well known residents of Centralia—have broken the veil of silence woven in the days of terrorism that followed Armatist Day, 1919. Their affidavits which definitely establish that the raid on the I. W. W. hall was planned and advertised days in advance, show that the defending loggers did not fire a shot until the uniformed gangsters crashed in the door.

Destroy Prosecution's Case.
These affidavits, which destroy the last shreds of the prosecutor's case were obtained by the General Defense Committee of Chicago. Photostatic copies have been served on Governor Hart, the Lumber Trust tool who resist pardon appeals from labor on the ground that the imprisoned unionists were "murderers" and the evidence is being broadcasted thru the state among the workers and farmers.

Prosecutor C. D. Cunningham's conspiracy to suppress the facts of the shooting are again laid bare with the announcement of Mr. Cronin that he gave the facts to the prosecutor two days after the battle. He thought at first that Cunningham would put him on the stand, but the prosecutor took good care not to summon him.

Shatters Frame-up Evidence.
Important facts which the three wit-

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CELEBRATES AT SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

Barney Blane will speak at the Springfield (Ill.) Y. W. L. picnic, Sunday, July 20. There will be music, games, dancing and a variety of entertainment. In addition to this, the league orchestra will be present to furnish a variety of music. Many other surprises are in store for those coming.

which was adjacent to the I. W. W. hall on the north. Two other soldiers ran toward the doorway of the hall. The first of these was Lieutenant Warren Grinn, a lawyer, whom I knew well by sight, a man of large physique. The other soldier was of smaller build. Grinn kicked with one foot and then the other at the bottom of the hall door, and struck the upper part of the door with his elbow. The other soldier smashed a window at the right with his elbow. As soon as Grinn and the other man had broken in the door and the window respectively, numerous shots followed.

Shot in Doorway.
"I saw Grinn clutch at his stomach with his hand, and he staggered southward. I had a good view of his face as he came along. . . . and went down in a heap. The other soldier also was wounded and he also staggered southward, turned the same corner, and went down. Clyde DeWitte's affidavit is similar. All knew the Legion commander well by sight and are absolutely positive as to the facts which they now testify to.

Labor Halls News.
The new evidence is hailed by the central labor bodies of Seattle, Tacoma, Everett and the other cities which had members in the "Labor Jury" that acquitted the union loggers in their unjust verdict at the Montezano trial. It is hailed by the Farmer-Labor Party of Washington, which is pledged to the release of the class war prisoners and whose candidate, Joel Shomaker, is making this one of the points of attack in his campaign against the two Lumber Trust pairs.

It adds new exhilaration to the Industrial Workers of the World who have conducted two strikers for the Centralia prisoners and whose case is a conspiracy of the Washington bar and the association to disarm Attorney Elmer Smith, the militant lawyer who advised the wobblies that they had the legal right to defend themselves and who was arrested, but acquitted in the famous trial.

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BIG BUSINESS SCHOOL BOARD VOTES PLATOON

Teachers' Federation Sees "Goose-step"
The Chicago Teachers Federation is not surprised by the action of the school board of education in adopting the platoon system for Chicago schools. The teachers' organization has been expecting this move, altho it has fought the proposition relentlessly. They since Superintendent William McAndrew arrived from New York in January, he has been bitterly opposing the teachers organized in local councils and in the federation. He has made repeated efforts to kill the teachers' votes in the school administration, even tho that voice has been chiefly one of inquiry and suggestion. Hereafter and protest under his high handed rule.

Want McAndrew Outed.
The Chicago Teachers Federation led by Miss Margaret Haley, demanded McAndrew's resignation, but the board of education shelved the request somewhere and has shown its willfulness, with the exception of three members, of going along with McAndrew's "big business" administration of the school system.

Big Business Glad.
But all along the teachers federation hoped for little consideration from the board of business men and the superintendent. And now with the Chicago Tribune and other capitalist sheets braying about the advantages of the platoon system the teachers see what they expected happen.

The platoon system in theory is not so dangerous, according to some of the progressive teachers, but the practice is vicious, in spite of all McAndrew and his other advocates say. In spite of the letters of approval forced out of little children in Detroit, the system is adopted to the great regret of whatever progress regarding the bosses who control the school system as well as the industrial system and political government, choose to applaud.

Build Byekeeper Not Schools.
The number of schools which will be put on the platoon plan in the fall has not been announced by the board, but it is understood that rather a large number will be affected. One of the arguments used by the board for the new plan is that it makes for greater use of school equipment, which really means that the board can put

PACIFISTS HELP TO PAY FOR STATE'S VIOLENCE—DON'T HELP REVOLUTION

"The Pacifist must July number of 'The World Tomorrow', a radical religious monthly, distributed by the American Revolutionaries like John Mayne Holmes, Norman Thomas, Roger Baldwin, Amelia Earhart and Phillips Lovejoy explain just how far they would go before resorting. If at all, to either passive or individual violence, or under what circumstances resort to force is likely in America. "The record of aid by pacifists to revolutionary movements is as barren as the practical technique of pacifism," Baldwin declares. "Pacifists suffer in practice from their middle class origins, remoteness from the realities of conflict, frequently lack of enough social passion to give them inventive power, and their generally critical and uncompromising ethics. It is one of the curious contradictions of the average pacifist position that it abhors violence by revolution and yet stands ardently for the greater violence of the state, participating by the vote and investments in the processes which keep up armaments and governmental intrusions of compulsion."

of building new schools and start in its proposed downtown office building scraper among those of the business men and bankers who run the schools. James Mullerbach, J. Lewis Cook, had Mrs. Johanna Gregg of the board voted against the platoon schools. Mullerbach opposed the new plan as too great nervous strain on pupils, to the Leopold-Loeb case as an evidence of overstimulation. Hart Hansen, Julius Smietanka, William K. Feltz, Mrs. W. S. Hefferan, Edgar N. Greenwood and Charles M. McDowell voted for the platoon.

Mechanized Education.
Organized labor and the teachers' federation have opposed the platoon and junior high plans claiming that they standardized and mechanized education, took away initiative from the students, gave pupils and teachers no personal relations, and made the schools mills for turning out cheap, partly skilled labor into industry—into their own making plenty of good slaves for the big bosses to fatten themselves on.

Said in that Subscription Today.

NEW YORK! TAKE NOTICE!
NEW YORK, July 11.—The general school meeting called for July 11 has been postponed for July 23. Be sure to keep this corrected date in mind and be on hand to hear William Z. Foster and C. E. Rutenber explain the program of action for the party in this most interesting of times.

SIGMAN SCORED FOR SURRENDER TO EMPLOYERS

Desertion of 40-Hours Hit by Left Wing

The reorganization without called by officials of the International Ladies' Garment Workers in New York City pending the jobbers' ratification of Governor Smith's award does not disgrace President Morris Sigman's surrender to the employers," said Ben Gitlow, a militant trade unionist, in the DAILY WORKER yesterday. "Sigman refused to sanction a strike for the 40-hour week and the other basic union demands. Instead he turned the organization's interest over to a commission appointed by an old party politician. The old party politician made an award in favor of the employers. Even the jobbers finally awarded a willingness to accept this award. Sigman's order just call on the clockmakers to stay out until this acceptance takes the form of a definite contract."

Can't See Bosses' Books.
One of the points that union officials claim they have gained under the Smith award is a decision compelling contract shops to carry a minimum of 14 machines, thus hitting at the tiny shops which it was difficult for the union to control. Gitlow shows that this decision means little because the bosses are keeping the rules or not. The award merely vaguely says that they examine the books of employers and thus to find out whether the bosses are keeping the rules or not. The award merely vaguely says that under certain conditions the union might have the right to examine the books.

"The International Ladies' Garment Workers' officialdom did not want a genuine strike such as would have taken place had the union pitted its strength against the bosses in the first place, instead of letting Governor Smith settle the issues," said Gitlow.

Preferred to Surrender.
"A strike for the 40-hour week at this time would have been a big fight demanding military and solidarity. Such a strike would have forced the Sigman machine to turn to the left wing militants. The revolutionary members of the union would have led the battle on the picket line, and the prestige of the 'red-baiters' would have waned. Sigman preferred to surrender to the employers."

Woman Would Swim Channel.
FOLKESTONE, England, July 11.—Wearing a special suit of silk, linen and rubber, which weighs 15 pounds and is designed to exclude cold, Miss Zetta Hills plunged into the English channel at 6 a. m. today in an attempt to swim to France. A feat so woman has yet accomplished and but for men. Her mother and father accompanied Miss Hills in a motorboat.

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