

Copeland Pushing Bills for Federal Control of Unions

N. Y. Senator Furthers Fascist Laws Under Anti-Racketeering

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—Under the guise of anti-racketeering legislation, Senator Royal S. Copeland of New York, co-operating with the Hearst publications, is introducing bills designed to further the fascist measures of the government and control over the trade unions.

Senator Copeland's announcement today that he has prepared so-called anti-racketeering legislation is timed to fit in with Hearst's campaign in the New York Journal exposing instances of racketeering in New York trade unions.

Picking out such instances of racketeering that suits his purpose, Hearst has made a pretense at a sensational exposure of union racketeering.

Some time ago, the Anti-Racketeering Committee, led and organized by rank and file opposition members of the A. F. of L., began a real exposure and fight against racketeering in order to drive the racketeers and strike-breaking bureaucrats from the leadership of the trade unions.

Hearst, to further his policy of pressing for more fascist control of the trade unions, saw the opportunity of utilizing some of this material for his own ends.

Working with his tool in the Senate, Royal S. Copeland, he engineered the exposure in the New York Journal, while the senator prepared the "proper" legislation.

Without in the least going to the roots of this racketeering and showing how it leads up to the highest officials of the American Federation of Labor, the New York Journal has been able to make use of evidence of graft and racketeering obtained from union members to further its drive for more stringent fascist laws against the trade unions.

Points to 150 Rackets. Senator Copeland declares his bills will include provisions to meet the poultry racket, the "kick-back," dock and shipping and other similar rackets.

He declares that there are 150 such rackets in New York City alone. The bill is designed to hit the trade unions in the largest cities.

Under the pretense of fighting against racketeering, Hearst and Senator Copeland are taking the most open fascist steps against the trade unions as fighting organizations of the workers. Leaving the bureaucracy in these unions, who are responsible for the racketeering and strike-breaking intact, Hearst, Copeland and other bosses hope, through this subterfuge, deliver a powerful blow to the workers' organizations.

The exposure of racketeering, which in reality exists far beyond the limited and doctored manner in which the Hearst sheet has portrayed it, was deliberately planned by the New York Journal not to hit racketeering. Its aim was at this time, in the period of the N.R.A. attacks against the workers, to further the fascist blows on the workers' organizations and weaken their power of struggle.

Above all, the Hearst press actually strives to protect the real racketeers in the highest offices of the American Federation of Labor, and closely associated now with the National Labor Board, and other N.R.A. strike-breaking bureaus.

Workers Lose Jobs As La Guardia's "Economy Plan" Gets Under Way

NEW YORK.—Mayor Fiorello La Guardia's economy plans mean starvation for the employees of the five plants of the Brooklyn Ash Removal Company, who were fired when the city took possession of the plants.

The taking over of the plants were conducted with the greatest secrecy. At midnight, in order to forestall any action by the workers to protect their jobs, a police squad of a sergeant and five uniformed men were dispatched to each of the five plants where the workers were put out and disbanded.

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Unemployed Council Urges Funds Rushed For Feb. 3 Convention

NEW YORK.—The National Committee of the Unemployed Councils calls on all workers' organizations to take up the question of special donations, collections, tea days and affairs and house parties for the financing of the National Convention Against Unemployment to take place in Washington, D. C., on Feb. 3, 4 and 5.

The time is short, the National Committee points out, and an intensive financial campaign is necessary if the expenses of housing and feeding the delegates are to be raised.

Rush funds to the National Committee, Unemployed Councils, 80 E. 11th St., Room 437, New York, N. Y.

Only 9,000 Got Jobs from C.W.A. Secret Report Discloses

Daily Worker Reveals Confidential Figures

NEW YORK.—Two hundred and eight thousand unemployed workers have been registered for C.W.A. jobs and only 9,000 have been given work relief, it was disclosed in a recent meeting of a committee of the Welfare Council.

The report of Fritz Kaufman, a C.W.A. official, to the Welfare Committee revealed this information.

The official minutes of this committee of the Welfare state of Kaufman's speech, "Ending last Saturday, Dec. 16, 208,000 people had been registered in Greater New York."

The report is here made public for the first time.

1,800 CWA Workers Win Back Pay After Protest, in Queens

Still Two Weeks Coming; Were Shifted to the Red Cross

NEW YORK.—The demonstration of 1,800 Queens C.W.A. workers last Saturday in a demand for their back pay won them a week's pay this Monday. These workers still have two weeks pay coming to them.

On Saturday, with their pay already three weeks behind, the C.W.A. workers demanded payment. They were finally sent to the Red Cross and given food. They work in the city parks near Flushing.

Packing-House Men Win 10 Pc. Increase

100% Industrial Union Organization Follows

SOUTH ST. PAUL, Minn.—Under the leadership of the Packinghouse Workers Industrial Union, the workers in the United Packing Co. plant were granted a 10 per cent increase in wages last week.

A petition containing the names of every worker in the plant was presented to the management, demanding the increase. When the time limit set by the workers for the reply expired, the management announced that the increase was granted.

This victory has caused the A. F. of L. members in the plant to decide to join the Industrial Union, which has the plant nearly 100 per cent organized.

Armour Strike Leaders Trial Jan. 10

SOUTH ST. PAUL, Minn.—The trial of the Armour strike leaders, Morris Karson, Wm. Schneiderman and Norman Hurwitz, will be held on Jan. 10, in Judge Shepley's court.

The first trial of the arrested strike leaders was held last month and ended in a jury deadlock.

Thousands of Grads Fail to Get Work

NEW YORK.—Thousands of college graduates are jobless. It is disclosed in a report of the American College Personnel Service. The survey of this organization, including only those who have applied from 54 colleges for jobs, show 21,974 graduates in these 54 schools who have no work.

Those listed by the 54 schools, who have sought assistance, include 12,420 teachers, 2,345 engineers, and 767 graduates in "business administration."

Roosevelt Extends 15 P. C. Pay Slash for U. S. Employees

Had Just Asked for Partial Return of Pay Cut

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—Following quickly on his request to Congress that the 15 per cent wage cut handed to the Federal employees be partly restored, Roosevelt signed an executive order today extending the wage cut another six months to July 1.

The cut affects thousands of Federal employees and slices about \$95,000,000 from their payroll in order to meet part of the \$742,000,000 that the government pays every year to the bondholders.

Philadelphia Taxi Strike Ends; Many Denied Their Jobs

AFL Leaders and NRA Labor Board Helped in Betrayal

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 9.—Only 400 of the striking taxi drivers of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Co. will be taken back immediately by the company under the terms of the agreement just reached between the leaders of the strike and the company.

The other 500 face discriminatory action. The company declared it will take back "100 a week," with the right to refuse work altogether to those found guilty of "acts of violence during the strike."

The strike was ordered broken originally by the National Labor Board. The company was "ordered" to take all the workers back without discrimination. While the company wanted the strike broken, it refused to take the men back.

A general transportation strike was called of all truckers in the city in support of the taxi drivers' strike. After three days this strike was broken by the A. F. of L. leaders with the support of the Socialist officials.

Lawyer Tells Ford Men to Quit Fight

NRA Won't Act, He Says; Strikers Are Worn Out

HACKENSACK, N. J., Jan. 9.—Striking Ford workers of the Edgewater plant were told yesterday by their attorney that their situation was hopeless before the N. R. A. and that they had better quit striking.

Attorney J. Glen Anderson went to Washington to argue for reinstatement of the Ford strikers, but he said he could get no action whatever.

After meeting secretly with the strikers he declared that the strike was called off because the men "were weary and tired of struggling."

Throughout the A. F. of L. officials worked with the National Labor Board to betray the men. They were told that Ford would be made to "comply" with the N. R. A. decisions on "collective bargaining."

Instead, Ford was allowed to hire scabs and blacklist the strikers.

Help The Fight For The Workers Unemployment Insurance Bill.—See "Peace Earth," Jan. 11, Thursday evening. Tickets at Unemployed Council, 29 E. 20th St.

"Daily" to Publish Dimitroff's Courtroom Speech

COMMUNIST INTERNATIONAL RESOLUTION ON CRISIS IN 10-PAGE 'DAILY' THIS SATURDAY

"Bulgarian fascists are savages and barbarians. What fascists are not?"

This is the manner in which George Dimitroff in his dynamic, defiant speech before the Nazi court in Leipzig countered the attacks in the Hitler press which had called the Bulgarian people and Dimitroff "barbarians."

Dimitroff's speech, interrupted by frothing remarks from the fascist presiding judge, Buenger, will be published in full in the 10-page Daily Worker this Saturday, Jan. 13.

Besides Dimitroff's speech, which will take up one full page of the issue, the world important resolution adopted by the 13th Plenum of the Executive Committee of the Communist International in Moscow will be published in this Saturday's "Daily."

This resolution, entitled, "Fascism, the Danger of War and the Tasks of the Communist Parties," will state the position of the Communist International on the present stage of the world crisis of capitalism.

When the Verdict Was Given



Ernst Torgler in the Leipzig Court as the Nazis were forced by world demonstrations and protests to declare him and his three comrades, George Dimitroff, Blagoi Popoff and Vassil Taneff not guilty of setting fire to the Reichstag. Marinus Van der Lubbe, incendiary and Nazi tool, is in the rear of the picture.

German Refugee Speaks For Dimitroff, Torgler At Mass Meet Tonight

Central Opera House to Be Scene of Demonstration

NEW YORK.—Hans Baer, a refugee from Hitler's fascist bands, will speak tonight at the Central Opera House, 67th St. and Third Ave., at a mass demonstration for the freedom of Ernst Torgler, George Dimitroff, Blagoi Popoff and Basil Taneff, four Reichstag fire defendants.

Among the others who will address the meeting together with Baer will be F. Elmer Brown of the Big Six Local of the Typographical Union, A. J. Muste of the Conference for Progressive Labor Action and Robert Minor, of the Central Committee of the Communist Party.

Negro "Lynches" to Speak. Extending the hand of support to the German masses struggling against fascism, will be Norman Thibodeaux, a young Negro who recently escaped lynching at the hands of a Southern mob.

Reichstag Defendants in Great Peril. "Tonight's demonstration is of the greatest importance in the fight to save the lives of Dimitroff and his comrades," stated Pauline Rogers, secretary of the New York Committee to Aid the Victims of German Fascism, the organization under whose auspices the meeting is taking place.

"We must warn all workers," she continued, "against any illusions about the 'not guilty' verdict. The demonstration is of the greatest importance in the fight to save the lives of Dimitroff and his comrades," stated Pauline Rogers, secretary of the New York Committee to Aid the Victims of German Fascism, the organization under whose auspices the meeting is taking place.

Starving Widow Found With Newly Born Baby and 3 Young Children

NEW YORK.—A starving and emaciated mother, Sophie Cooper, was found by police huddled under the blankets with her newly born baby, in her home at 141 Troutman Street, Brooklyn. Her husband had died four months ago.

The police entered the cold and dreary apartment, heated by a kerosene lamp, he found Mrs. Cooper almost unconscious. The other children, Joseph, 5 years old, Anna, 7, and Edward, 19 months old, were all lying in a bed under makeshift covers. There was no food in the house. The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children claimed the children.

NAZIS STERILIZE 2 MORE WORKERS. DESSAU, Jan. 9.—The Nazi court ordered sterilization today for two more German workers, Friedrich Kozlitz, 55, and Paul Riegel, 50. Charged with "statutory offenses," the two workers were also sentenced to three to five years in jail.

SONORA GROUP BATTLES POLICE. HERMOSILLO, Sonora, Jan. 9.—A battle between police and alleged conspirators plotting the assassination of Gen. Rodolfo Elias Calles of this Mexican state occurred near here today. Ten men were arrested and may face firing squads. Pedro Salazar, alleged leader of the group, escaped.

Expect No End to Crisis by 1937, R.F.C. Reveals

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—Despite the official optimism of Roosevelt that the crisis will be over by 1935, the R. F. C. today gave official intimation that it does not expect any let-up in the downward plunge of the crisis until at least 1937, by requesting the extension of its loaning powers until that time.

The R. F. C. also asks Congress for another billion dollars of capital to permit it to continue its enormous subsidies to banks, trust companies, railroads, etc.

If the funds asked by Roosevelt in his latest "emergency" budget are granted by Congress, the total of subsidies and direct loans to Wall Street monopolies granted by the R. F. C. will reach the staggering sum of \$6,000,000,000 in the space of three years.

Of these huge loans and subsidies over one billion has gone directly to bankrupt banks, while another \$860,000,000 has gone for the purchase of bank preferred stock to protect the capital of the stockholders from the effects of the crisis.

Jesse Jones, present chairman of the R. F. C. chosen by Roosevelt, recently obtained a \$60,000,000 loan for his own bank in Oklahoma. Charles E. Dawes, while Vice-President, obtained a \$20,000,000 loan for his Chicago bank, most of which is now in default.

What Did They Think of It? At least 200,000 workers read the 28-page Tenth Anniversary Edition of the Daily Worker. For many thousands it was their first contact with the central organ of the Communist Party and the movement the paper represents.

What do these new readers of the Daily Worker think of our paper? We want to hear from the thousands of workers who distributed the Anniversary issue. What did the steel workers and coal miners say? What did the Negro sharecroppers of the South and the farmers of the Mid-West think of the special edition?

Write us! Have the workers you have reached with the Anniversary Edition write! It will enable us to take a step forward in building a better mass organ for the American workers and farmers.

U.S. Airmail Files Burned to Hide Graft

Federal "Clean Up" to Increase Efficiency of War Machine

By MARGUERITE YOUNG (Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D.C., Jan. 9.—How former Postmaster General Walter F. Brown ordered the burning of official records of government airmail deals and how an aviation company operator was forced by the Post Office department to merge with another bigger company because he was trying to "carry airmail too cheap," was disclosed today in the official proceedings of a Senate committee.

Coming at a time when the Roosevelt regime is intensifying government war subsidies, especially for military aviation, this sensational graft exposure, involving high officials connected with the Hoover and Roosevelt regime, uncovers the extreme corrupt methods used to speed war preparations.

The present Senate revelations, intended to give the impression of a "clean up" by the Roosevelt government, are in reality part of the feverish drive of Roosevelt to increase the efficiency of the war aviation industry.

Hoover, Jr., Involved. The testimony also brought out that Herbert Hoover, Jr., son of the former President, represented a big aviation corporation in Washington at a time when that company was being merged in connection with a justification of the entire industry, which resulted in a division of the whole domestic field between three mammoth holding groups.

Witnesses before a committee headed by Senator Black of Alabama, Democrat, in short, were put through a catechism of corruption in government and in the aviation business.

Starvation Code. It was all the more enlightening in view of the fact that aviation is a highly organized war industry which specializes in patriotism, low wages, staggered shifts and the open shop. The aeronautical chamber of

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Holmes, Wise Send New Ruegg Protest to Chiang Kai Shek

Demand Safe Release of Tortured Union Leaders

NEW YORK.—John Haynes Holmes, pastor of the Community Church of this city, Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, Jewish leader, Horace Gregory, writer, and Malcolm Cowley, editor of the New Republic, have joined in sending a cablegram to Chiang Kai Shek, demanding the release of Paul and Gertrude Ruegg, leaders of the Pan-Pacific Trade Union Secretariat, imprisoned and tortured by the Kwantung regime for their activity in behalf of Chinese labor, the press in the metropolitan area has been informed.

Paul and Gertrude Ruegg have been in Chinese dungeons for over a year and a half, and are now engaged in a hunger strike in protest against their brutal treatment. Gertrude Ruegg is severely ill as a result of the lack of food and harsh prison regime.

The text of the cable follows: Chiang Kai Shek, Nanking, China. We make emphatic request improvement prison care Rueggs and special medical attention Mrs. Ruegg. Also urge immediate safe release of both.

(Signed) John Haynes Holmes, Malcolm Cowley, Horace Gregory, Rabbi Stephen S. Wise.

Request for Loaning Power Until Then Seen as Admission

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U.S. Airmail \$500,000,000 More To Be Granted Navy In Huge U.S. War Moves

Funds for War to Come from Public Works Fund

ROOSEVELT AGREES Army Also to Get New Generals

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—Continuing the unprecedented preparations for war that have marked the Roosevelt government from the beginning, a bill authorizing the expenditure of another \$500,000,000 for the construction of the most modern type of Naval destroyers was presented in Congress yesterday by Representative Fred A. Britten, Republican of Illinois.

Huge Naval Machine. These funds will come in all probability from the Public Works Fund, which is being used to provide the Navy with two additional cruisers, two destroyer leaders, twelve destroyers and six submarines; in 1936, one plane carrier, twelve destroyers, six submarines, and then twelve destroyers and six submarines.

"The six cruisers to be authorized will cost approximately \$15,000,000 each; the five destroyer leaders will cost \$4,500,000 each; the six destroyers will cost \$3,800,000 each; the one airplane carrier at a cost of \$20,210,000, and the twenty-nine submarines will cost \$3,900,000 each. Thus the total expenditure running over a construction period of approximately seven years will be \$473,200,000.

These added millions will be in addition to the \$600,000,000, which has already been spent for the Navy in the last six months through regular budget and "public works" appropriations.

Secretary Ickes, director of the P.W.A., has just allocated \$7,500,000 for the building of 100 bombing planes from "public works" funds.

Roosevelt Approves. That this proposal for new Navy Naval War preparations, as the full support of the Roosevelt government was indicated by the statement of Carl Vinson, Democratic chairman of the House Naval Committee, who declared that the Administration is prepared to take all the necessary steps to put the plan into effect.

"The measure," said Representative Britten, "is not in conflict with the announced naval policy of the Roosevelt Administration to maintain a navy in sufficient strength to support the national policies and commerce and organize the navy for operation in either or both oceans so that expansion into any will be necessary in the event of war."

In addition to these feverish preparations for war on the part of the Roosevelt Administration, the Army today proposed to increase the number of full Generals in its proposals to Congress as part of its current war plans under the National Defense Act. These changes are a result of the efficiency measures taken in the Army last year, when many administrative changes were made to gear up the fighting efficiency of the whole military machine.

The Army has also been receiving huge grants from the P.W.A. for "public works," \$50,000,000 having gone for the building of army cantonments, forts, barracks, etc.

U. S. Supreme Court Gives Crisis Legal Recognition Finally

Upholds Right of State to Protect Mortgages

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—A decision handed down today by the United States Supreme Court warned mortgage holders that they must be willing to accept a moratorium on mortgage collections at the present time if the entire debt is to be finally collected.

Warning the Home Building and Loan Association of Minnesota, which sought to declare the Minnesota law permitting two-year suspension of mortgages, that it is wiser to relax collections at present in order not to upset the whole economic structure the Supreme Court declared:

"It cannot be construed that the constitutional prohibition should be construed as to prevent limited and temporary interpositions with respect to the enforcement of contracts if made necessary by a great public calamity such as fire flood or earth quake. . . . It is designed for the best interest of society."

The decision of the Supreme Court thus gives rather belated recognition to the existence of the crisis, approving the active intervention of the Federal power to protect mortgage investments and urges that the whole capitalist structure will be endangered if too hasty foreclosing of mortgages is undertaken.

"The decision is in the interest of present and future mortgage debt structure through temporary suspension of payments.

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Mass Protests Stay of Execution for Willie Peterson

I.L.D. Pushing Fight to Save 9 Negroes Named for Mass Execution

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Jan. 9.—Stay of execution and a "hearing" before Gov. B. M. Miller, for Willie Peterson, framed-up Negro coal miner and tubercular war vet, has been announced following renewed demands of the International Labor Defense and the launching of a mass protest campaign against this legal lynching.

This partial victory was obtained after Mrs. Henrietta Peterson, the innocent Negro's wife, had asked the I.L.D. to make renewed efforts to save Peterson's life by mass pressure, although the legal handling of the case has been tied up by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Rescued Negro Hails Workers' Solidarity

NEW YORK.—"I never knew that this solidarity between whites and blacks existed anywhere on earth," declared James W. Halliburton, the white Negro youth who was rescued by white lynchers in Louisiana but rescued by white workers, in commenting yesterday on the International Labor Defense.

"I never dreamed that there was an organization like the I. L. D., he declared, "that is the greatest work in the whole world. Before the lynching from which I escaped I had never heard of the I. L. D. and I never knew that this solidarity between whites and blacks existed anywhere on earth."

Luggage Workers Map Plans for Organizing in Eastern States

NEWARK, N. J.—Plans to organize the Sultana Bag and Portfolio workers were worked out at a two-day conference at the Newark Labor Lyceum Dec. 29-30, in which executive boards of the locals of New York, Newark and Philadelphia participated.

Defy Injunction At Drug Store Strike

NEW YORK.—Despite an injunction against the striking employees of the Lindemann Drug Co., 153 Livingston St., the picketing of the drug store by the Pharmacists Union, which is conducting the strike, is continuing.

Paving Cutters Local Asks National Union to Aid Daily Worker

BOSTON, Mass.—Following a discussion on the Daily Worker, the Clark Island Branch of the Paving Cutters Union, affiliated to the A. F. of L., passed a motion proposing that the national union of the paving cutters contribute from its treasury \$150 to help the Daily Worker install its new press.

Burned Airmail Files to Conceal Graft, Quiz Shows

Commerce recently submitted an N. R. A. code proposing a minimum wage of \$15, and 40 cents an hour, with six days a week on staggered shifts in one package.

Shoe Workers Strike Against Wage Cut

NEW YORK.—Refusing to accept a 25 per cent wage cut, 140 workers of the Kirshik and Beckman stitchdown shop came out on strike Monday.

300 Shoe Workers on Strike for 25 Weeks

NEW YORK.—After the recent maneuvers of the N. R. A. against the militant shoe strikers, workers in several shops remained out on strike, convinced they could gain no benefits through the N. R. A.

Taxi Workers See Mayor Today to Demand That Promises Be Kept

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—A delegation of taxi drivers, led by the Taxi Workers' Union, will go to City Hall this morning at 11 o'clock to confront Mayor LaGuardia with the promises he made to the 70,000 hackmen of New York City in the last election campaign.

Furniture Union Calls Strike in A. F. L. Shop After Officials Refuse

NEW YORK.—When A. F. of L. workers came to the offices of the Furniture Workers' Industrial Union and asked for guidance in calling a strike against the furniture store, the union officials refused.

Protests Slow Up Alabama Plan for Mass Murder of 9

I.L.D. Forces Miller to Grant Hearing for 8 Negro Workers

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Jan. 9.—Flooded by telegrams of protest against Alabama's legal lynch plan planned for nine condemned Negroes on Feb. 9, Gov. B. M. Miller, Wednesday set clemency hearings for eight of the nine.

Urges Protests to Gov. Miller

Protest meetings against the execution of these nine and for the freedom of Willie Peterson and the nine Scottsboro boys are being held throughout the South, the I.L.D. announced.

Shoe Workers Strike

The Brooklyn meeting, under the chairmanship of Fred Biedenpapp, leader of the New York shoe workers, will hear Robert Minor, member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party.

Memorial in Chicago Sunday

CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—The Communist Party and many revolutionary organizations are working towards a huge mobilization at the Lenin Memorial here Sunday, Jan. 21, in the Coliseum.

Earl Browder Is Main Speaker At Manhattan Lenin Memorial

NEW YORK.—Earl Browder, General Secretary of the Communist Party, U.S.A., will be the main speaker at the central Lenin Memorial mass meeting on Saturday evening, Jan. 20, at St. Nicholas Arena, 67 West 66th St. at 8 p.m.

Tri-Borough Meetings in N. Y.; Stachel to Speak in Milwaukee; Chicago, Seattle Announce Meets

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Jan. 8.—A conference attended by representatives of many working class organizations in this city on "three evening days" here Jan. 5 prepared for a large Lenin Memorial meeting Sunday, Jan. 21 at 2:30 p.m. in the Balm Frei Hall, 12th St. and North Ave.

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Tri-Borough Meetings in N. Y.; Stachel to Speak in Milwaukee; Chicago, Seattle Announce Meets

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Jan. 8.—A conference attended by representatives of many working class organizations in this city on "three evening days" here Jan. 5 prepared for a large Lenin Memorial meeting Sunday, Jan. 21 at 2:30 p.m. in the Balm Frei Hall, 12th St. and North Ave.

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Building Maintenance Workers Meet

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SPORTS SI GERSON Ballet De Burp

"CURLEY, you'll lose a lot of customers for this!" was the leitmotif in the musical accompaniment to Monsieur Jacques' "Ballet De Burp" at the Garden the other night. Raucous the voice undoubtedly was as it floated down from the dimness of the rafters amid the cheers peculiar to inhabitants of the Bronx.

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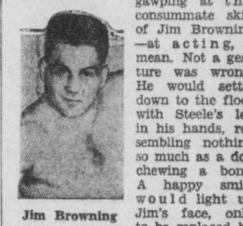
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They would finally get out of one knot, thank gawd, only to fall into another somewhat similar embrace. The hand clapping in the galleries grew more regular. The Brown delegation began to make itself known in its own way. Curley tidgeted.

Like everything else, it finally ended, the boys maneuvering their way over to a corner near a cafeteria. Steele graciously on hands and knees while Browning applied the airplane scissors. Once, twice and out.

The above-mentioned five-minute demonstration against Curley, Joe Humphreys, the announcer, and Browning followed. I wished them and there that militant workers could have been there to hear the booting. That was booting that was booting. None of that timid bleating stuff. This was the full-throated roar of the Fan Who Got Gyped. Swell!

But the good spouse showed only passing interest in the opener, the Garibaldi-Christie affair. Once we detected a sneer on her countenance as she watched Christie pounce the Italian up, bump him on the floor and then leap on him. "Lousy," she muttered when Christie wriggled out of a headlock that seemed obligingly loose.

Jagat Singh's orange turban fascinated the lady for a few minutes, but even that paled after a while. She lost all interest in the proceedings during the Kamper-Roebuck squabble and snored right through the main bout. That's what kind of a match it was.

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NEW YORK.—Ten teams officially opened the New York workers' basketball season last week at the organization meeting of the 1934 season of the Labor Sports Union Basketball League. The sole fee of the season is \$2.

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"Recovery" Measures In Budget Mask War Aid, Profit Guarantee

Roosevelt Budget Has Billions for Wall Street Monopolies; Organizes the Country for War Building

By MILTON HOWARD

THE WORD of Roosevelt will soon become a proverb—for shiftness of meaning. When millions of jobless demand relief and Unemployment Insurance to protect them against the starvation and suffering which the capitalist crisis has brought them, Roosevelt takes on a very sad, noble expression, and replies that much as he feels for their needs, the government cannot "afford" to establish the "dole" that it has no money, that it must "balance the budget."

And then he announces in his new "recovery" budget message that the government will raise \$10,000,000,000 not for unemployment insurance, but for the gearing up of industry for profits, for war!

But in the very message in which he announced this (all wrapped up in talk of "humanity"), Roosevelt promised the toiling masses that the workers and impoverished farmers, that the load of national debt, they would have to carry would not exceed \$31,000,000,000 by 1935, the most mountainous load of debt the population has ever had to carry.

And the very next day, Roosevelt casually informed the workers that they would have to carry another four billion to "finance" (guaranteed) the mortgages held by Wall Street bankers and investors, bringing the total government debt to \$35,000,000,000!

The same ruling class trickery characterizes the whole Roosevelt \$10,000,000,000 budget.

Four Billion War Debt

Within the next 12 months Roosevelt says he needs \$6,000,000,000 for his "emergency" program, and \$4,000,000,000 to pay off the owners of Liberty bonds, government securities, etc.

The \$4,000,000,000 Liberty bond loan was war loan, and the \$4,000,000,000 to be wrung from the people to pay the bondholders is just an example of the way the capitalists use the government to make the masses pay for the expenses of imperialist war.

First, War Street uses a ghastly harvest of profits from the mass murder of war, and then it uses its government as a collecting agent to make the workers and impoverished farmers pay the expenses of the war in which they and their sons were slaughtered! Such is one of the functions of the Roosevelt budget!

Yesterday we saw that the "ordinary" budget for next year amounting to \$3,549,000,000, contains about 98 per cent pure plunder and swindle in the interests of the Wall Street bankers, investors, big landlords, and the military machine.

In the ordinary budget for 1934 Roosevelt will spend \$2,000,000,000 for "river and harbor work"—that means military war preparations!

Then the 1934 budget provides for the spending of \$11,000,000,000 for the Army and Navy directly (exclusive of indirect appropriations through the Public Works Fund)—more preparations for war!

And the A. A. A. will get \$514,000,000 to help the big farm landlords get high prices on their crops by destroying part of the crop, and driving the small farmer into pauperism through acreage reduction.

And the annual payments to the bankers of their bond and loan interest will rise next year by \$80,000,000 to reach the staggering total of \$842,000,000—collected in taxes by Roosevelt and sent right straight into the pockets of the Wall Street "money" changers, about whom Roosevelt says so many things.

Public Works War Building

NOW for the big "emergency" budget, Roosevelt wants \$7,523,000,000 in the next six months for his "recovery" budget.

The first item is \$1,227,000,000 for "public works." This "public works" program of Roosevelt has been, in actuality, the greatest war building program on record in this country during peace time.

50,000 have been given jobs through the P. W. A. war building. The next item in the "emergency" budget is C. C. C. camps—\$342,000,000. Even the Secretary of War has admitted that these camps are part of the Army training ground for the coming war. Thousands of jobless youth are herded into these isolated camps under the military command of Army officers, in the name of "relief to the jobless youth."

R. F. C. Billions For Wall St.

Then we come to the most staggering appropriation of all in the next year "emergency" budget of Roosevelt—the \$3,970,000,000 to be handed out to the R. F. C. This will make the total expenditures of the R. F. C. since its birth last year to about \$6,000,000,000!

A leading Wall Street paper warned yesterday how Roosevelt was going to spend the six billion he wants for the next six months, and it hit upon the answer—the R. F. C. Is there a worker in America who has not been following the endless stream of money that has been poured into the R. F. C. into the banks, railroads, trust companies, mortgage companies, etc.?

The R. F. C., ballyhooed as an instrument for "recovery," it is now clear is the agency whereby the Wall Street clique of finance capital is funneling the billions of dollars into the hands of the holders of the crisis, to guarantee its profits and investments. And Roosevelt wants to give it another four billion within the next fiscal year! For what?

For loans to bankrupt banks—\$1,350,000,000 already handed out.

For direct subsidies to stockholders of bankrupt and weakened banks—through purchases of preferred stock—\$823,000,000 already authorized, and another billion on the way! For huge loans to railroads, almost a billion dollars so that they can spend the fixed charges of interest payments to bondholders! For mortgage holders who cannot collect on their mortgages, and who desire to exchange their worthless mortgages for guaranteed U. S. Government bonds!

Four billion through the R. F. C. to protect profits of investors! Four billion more to guarantee the farm and home loan mortgages, through guaranteed U. S. Government bonds!

Here is the capitalist plundering reality behind the Roosevelt "emergency" budget building and subsidies to Wall Street monopoly! To make the masses carry the load of the crisis! To shift the losses of monopoly capital on to the backs of the workers and impoverished farmers through government "loans" to be paid for by writing crushing taxes from the masses by driving down the working class portion of the total national income through wage slashes and the inflationary price scissors!

The Roosevelt budget is part and parcel of the major drive of the Roosevelt government—to get the Wall Street capitalists out of the crisis through protection of profits and imperialist war! The loans to the railroads for "equipment" for the maintenance of bankrupt industry, the rapid improvement of the harbors and bridges, the military training in the C. C. C. camps, the military construction of the P. W. A. and C. W. A., the tightening of the grip of Wall Street monopoly on agriculture through the A. A. A. are the tireless zeal to shield the profits of the Wall Street monopolies, and the "gigantic war building program" are part of the Roosevelt organization for coming imperialist war.

They are part and parcel of the whole New Deal-N. R. A. program for the beating down of the masses and the aggressive expansion for markets.

Try to Frame Two Los Angeles Fur Strikers

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 4 (by mail).—Harry Cohen and Bob Goldstein, fur workers on strike at Rifkin's Fur Shop, 719 So. Los Angeles St., have answered to a warrant charging them with assault with a deadly weapon on Katzman, the one scab in the shop. Cohen is out on a \$1,000 bail.

These two workers have been framed because of their activity in the strike and as union functionaries. Goldstein was threatened by the boss after he had exposed the latter at a meeting of the Warsaw Verein.

Cohen was arrested by Phelps of the "red squad." Rifkin and Sons has been the scene of several strikes this season. After signing an agreement with the union, the boss attempted to maintain an open shop. The present strike has lasted five weeks and is at the point of victory.

The present frame-up attempt is not the first on the part of Rifkin. Two weeks ago, six of the leading union members were arrested on a charge of loitering.

The strikers have announced that there isn't a bit of truth to the charges against Goldstein and Cohen. They are answering the frame-up of the "socialist" boss with better picket lines and urge Los Angeles workers to help them by coming to the Superior Court on Jan. 15, when the two arrested workers go on trial.

Still Many Shortcomings

While recognizing these achievements, the Polburo points out that there must be taken only as an indication of the correctness of the general line of the Buro, a line which

Jailers Steal Gifts Mailed by Workers To Scottsboro Nine

I. L. D. Urges Members To Send Protests Against Thefts

NEW YORK.—Charges that dozens of packages of comforts for Roy Wright and Eugene Williams, the two youngest Scottsboro boys, have been stolen by prison authorities, and dozens of letters withheld from them, were made today by William L. Patterson, National Secretary of the International Labor Defense.

These charges were made in a statement today and in a wire to the authorities of Jefferson County Jail, Birmingham, Alabama, where seven of the boys are held, demanding delivery to the Scottsboro boys of mail sent them, and restitution for all packages sent them and not received. They were made on the basis of information received by the I. L. D. in a letter from the two boys, stating that they have received none of the Christmas packages sent them, and received no letters or greetings during the recent holiday season.

I. L. D. Branches Adopt Boys

The Scottsboro boys have been "adopted" by nearly fifty branches of the International Labor Defense, all over the country, and most of these sent holiday packages and greetings to the boys, Patterson said. Efforts which have been made by I. L. D. representatives in Birmingham to see the boys have failed, Patterson said, because prison authorities refused them permission to visit them, although in the county jail official visiting hours are frequent.

A nation-wide call to I. L. D. members and sympathizers to write immediately and wire protests against the theft of comforts from the Scottsboro boys by prison authorities, and demands that they be given all mail addressed to them, has been sent out by the national office of the organization.

Yale Suspender Co. to Cut Wages, Cheat Workers of Pay With NRA Sanction

NEW YORK.—How the owners of the Yale Suspender and Belt Co. intend to cut wages and cheat some workers out of the minimum pay in the N. R. A. code with the sanction of the N. R. A. is revealed in a confidential letter from the company to its trade association, the Men's Garment, Suspender and Belt Manufacturers Co. The letter was brought to the Daily Worker yesterday.

Under the temporary code, writes the company, the boys in the shop were getting \$16 a week. Now under the permanent code, we are permitted to pay \$14 if we have occasion to do so." This forecasts a wage cut of \$2 a week for the workers.

The main object of the letter, however, is to get a ruling from the code authority which will enable the owner to avoid classifying the boys who cut initiation leather as cutters under the code. Now the boys earn \$16 a week. If classified as cutters they will have to be paid more. "Until such time as we get a ruling from the code authority as to how they are to be paid, they will not be classified as cutters."

The letter serves as instructions to the trade association to obtain the ruling desired by the company, which will rob many workers of more wages by the trick of changing their classification.

The company urges that its name should not be mentioned when the ruling is obtained.

MATTHEWS SPEAKS IN BOSTON

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Jobless Councils Demand Senator Indorse Insurance

Washington Workers Demand Bone Act On Bill

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 9.—The Pierce County Unemployed Council has presented the main outlines of the Workers Unemployment and Social Insurance Bill to Senator Homer T. Bone, Junior Senator from the State of Washington, asking him to support the bill in Congress.

The Workers Unemployment and Social Insurance Bill, sponsored by the Unemployed Councils, has been endorsed by 1,200 locals of the A. F. of L. as well as a few city councils, two of them in the State of Washington, a letter to Senator Bone states.

"The City Council of Tacoma has sent a resolution to Congress memorializing them to pass a bill of that nature to relieve unemployment. There are several unemployment bills pending. All of them in some way or another place most of the burden on the workers, or have a limited time for drawing relief. We know that unemployment is a permanent condition and that there must be a continuous flow of relief in one form or another."

In a letter to the secretary of the council, Senator Bone declares that he will study the various bills and that his desire would be "to support the one that would seem most likely to give the maximum of help."

The Unemployed Councils have also asked their Congressmen to support the bill.

Herbert Benjamin, national organizer of the unemployed councils, who is in Washington this week in connection with the National Convention Against Unemployment, will be held on February 3, 4 and 5, will call on Senator Bone and other members of Congress, to urge them to present the bill in Congress.

The National Convention Against Unemployment will formulate ways and means of pushing the campaign for the Workers Unemployment and Social Insurance Bill.

Start Drive to Free 6 Transient Workers

OMAHA, Neb., Jan. 8.—The International Labor Defense has announced that a mass protest campaign to force the release of the six transient workers sentenced to 90 days in jail, after they protested the bad living conditions in the U. S. Shelter at 22nd and Hickory Sts. They had been elected by the 200 men in the shelter to carry their protest to Manager Woodgate of the Shelter.

4. The Press, the daily papers and the periodicals of the Federation require the special attention of the Buro. Here a decisive line must be adopted which leads toward transforming the entire press into popular mass political papers. Without weakening, but on the contrary, strengthening the press as the agitation, propaganda and organizer of the movement (the Federation and the Party) a real popular mass language must be developed, special features introduced, more photographs and illustrations used, etc.

The narrow sectarianism of the press, expressed in the inner-Party approach to questions, must be quickly overcome. To accomplish these changes a workers' advisory committee must be set up and around which the editors and encouraged to critically examine the contents and the approach to problems presented in each issue. Workers' and farmers' correspondence must be increased in all of the papers. All tendencies to liquidate one of the daily papers, either the Tyomies or the Eetepain, must be combated and defeated as contrary to the line of the Political Buro.

Overcome Factional Tendencies

5. The Political Buro particularly stresses the necessity of overcoming all group and factional tendencies and the establishment throughout the Federation of a truly collective leadership. Despite considerable progress in overcoming past differences and in unifying the leadership, there still remain certain remnants of the past which must be decisively combated. These tendencies still reflect efforts to speculate on non-existent differences in the Buro, to undermine the authority of Comrade Johnson and the Finnish Buro, etc. An example of these tendencies is the conduct of Comrade Leo Mattson,

In the News

The Sea-Serpent Again

VICTORIA, B. C.—Capitalist newspapers are reporting the sea-serpent has been sighted around these parts and has become catch-headed. Previously the monster had been reported in the Loch Ness near Glasgow, England. The stories have now added humps to the serpent to given the interest.

More Arrests for Wessel's Death

BERLIN, Jan. 8.—A Jewish painter named Epstein, 26 years of age, and a chauffeur, Peter Stoll, aged 31, have been arrested by the Nazis for alleged complicity in the death of Horst Wessel, murder-gang leader glorified by the Nazis.

Millionaires Tit-For-Tat

LOS ANGELES.—Fay Webb in suing her husband Rudy Valle, the millionaire song boy, disclosed his intimacies to three women while married to her. In exchange, Rudy threatens "sensational disclosures" against Fay, if she doesn't drop the separate maintenance action.

N. J. Hotel Strikers Face Injunction Threat as Strike Remains Strong

LAKEWOOD, N. J., Jan. 8.—While they succeeded in settling a number of hotels as a result of their general strike called New Year's Eve, many of the resort hotel workers here continue on strike. Police have been active in molesting the workers and arresting active strikers.

The latest to be arrested is Ben Kay, who is working in a settled shop. Kay is being held on the complaint of a scab cook who claims that she was threatened by Kay.

Unable to break the strike up to the present the bosses are preparing the grounds for an injunction against the Resort Hotel Workers Union, which is leading the strike. In one shop they attempted to force the workers to sign a statement admitting that they were coerced into striking. This maneuver was rejected by the workers.

The strikers have won the sympathy of the residents and a large percentage of the vacationists. Relief is being supplied by the farmers so generously that the strikers stand, "These meals are much better than the slop we get in the hotels."

The strikers are determined to carry the strike through to complete victory and are rallying behind their union to smash any attempts at injunction terror.

Yesterday 150 workers listened to Jay Rubin, National Secretary of the Food Workers' Industrial Union, who explained the difference between the various unions in the food industry. He dwelt on the corruption in Local 1 in New York and the impotence of the Amalgamated Food Workers.

Comrades Warned Against Factional Remnants Still Evident

who, in several meetings of the Tyomies editorial board attempted to discredit the Buro Secretary, Comrade Johnson, deliberately distorting the line of Comrade Johnson on the need for popularizing the press, bringing in artificial non-political issues as a basis for attack, etc., repeating these methods again in the November 30th District Fraction Buro meeting. Such impermissible actions hamper the unification of the leadership and the carrying through of the line of the Open Letter. At the same time other comrades have undertaken to undermine the confidence of the membership in other members of the Finnish Buro.

Buro Warns Against Factionalism

The Political Buro sharply warns Comrade Mattson and all other comrades against the continuance of such practices. The Finnish Buro as a whole has no political differences with the Political Buro; its line is the line of the Open Letter. Comrade Johnson, the Buro Secretary, as well as the Buro as a whole, have the full confidence of the Political Buro. They are entitled to the support of every Finnish worker. Therefore the Political Buro insists that the authority of the Finnish Buro be recognized, that all unprincipled factional tendencies be immediately liquidated, that the whole fraction be unified behind the Buro leadership, and that every Finnish worker, therefore, be strengthened. On this basis, with a relentless fight against right opportunism as the main danger and against "left" sectarianism, the turn to mass work as demanded by the Open Letter can be quickly realized.

POLITICAL BURO, C.P.U.S.A.

A. F. L. Carpenters Form Independent Union in Seattle

Decision Made When Officials Threatened Expulsions

NEW YORK.—After officials of the A. F. of L. Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners had tried to smash their union, grab the funds and expel all militants, the membership of carpenters Local 1335 voted to form an independent union with a democratic rank and file leadership.

Before forming the union the members voted all available funds to the payment of their union hall for the next three years and to back pay due militant officers of the union, who had up to that time been functioning without pay.

More than a year ago, the officials of the United Brotherhood had but reluctantly revoked the charter of Local 1335, the largest carpenters' local in the state, and ordered all members to join Local 131, while at the same time compelling them to surrender their funds to the bureaucrats. The fake leaders of labor instrumental in disorganizing the local were Maurer of Indianapolis, who gets a salary of \$18,000 yearly, Flynn, State organizer and Johnson, Wolf and Bennett, racketeers who control Local 131. There has not been a vote taken in Local 131 in three years. All officers are appointed.

The membership of Local 1335 was on its guard against the officials and refused to surrender its funds. Led by a militant group, the local hesitated taking a chance on a decision of the capitalist courts. Instead, they decided on forming the independent union.

The new union has launched an organization drive and is larger now than previously. At a mass meeting recently, Roy Brown, secretary of the Trade Union Unity League, spoke on the program of the T.U.U.L. Brown's speech was enthusiastically received by the members.

It was decided that the local remain independent until it had been able to build a strong Building Workers' Industrial Union and then it would consider affiliation with the T.U.U.L.

Strong sentiment exists among the workers here for building rank and file unions.

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Women's Auxiliaries In Coal Fields Are Powerful Strike Aids

To Put Demand for Their Organization at Intern'l Convention of UMWA in Indianapolis

By TONY MINERICH ARTICLE II

PITTSBURGH, Pa.—In preparation for the International Convention of the United Mine Workers, many local unions adopted resolutions on organizing womens auxiliaries. The rank and file miners state that many strikes will take place this year, point out the fighting qualities of the mining women, and call for the organization of auxiliaries in every mining town.

In Fayette, Green and Washington County, Pennsylvania, where the women have organized auxiliaries, the women are sending a large delegation to the convention to fight to be seated. A real fight is expected on this question.

In the olden days of the U.M.W.A., there were several women organizers. The best known were Mother Jones, Mother Bloor and Fanny Sellins. All three were fighting organizers. Fanny Sellins was murdered by coal company gunmen during the time of the great steel strike. Mother Jones died a martyr's death in the age of 100. Just before she died she said she did not want any covards to touch her casket. This was said against the Lewis machine. Mother Jones was fooled by members of the Lewis machine like John H. Walker.

Mother Bloor, the other great woman among the miners, is known all over the country as a leader of the workers and farmers, and as one of the outstanding leaders of the Communist Party. The miners know of the great work of these woman organizers, and of the fighting of the operators and the Lewis thugs.

Just as the rank and file of the miners know of the value in having the women organized into auxiliaries, so do the Lewis henchmen know that the women are fighters against the operators, their government and labor fakery. Because of this the labor misleaders do everything to discourage the women and break up their organization.

A Woman's Place

Besides breaking up the auxiliaries, the Lewis hirelings spread false ideas among the miners. They say: "A woman's place is in the home," say these bureaucrats. "A woman's job is to cook and take care of the babies." "I don't want my wife fighting for me, I'll fight for the wife and kids," add these people. Every woman hears these arguments put forward by the Lewis followers in the local unions.

The miners know differently. In the 1927 miners' strike many women's auxiliaries were organized. The first one was organized in Renton, Pa. Later these spread to Harmarville, Ketchikan, Barre, Mt. Pleasant and other places in the Allegheny Valley of Pa. They then spread into other districts.

While U.M.W.A. organizers—under pressure of the rank and file—started to organize these auxiliaries, once they were organized they at once took up the fight against the Lewis machine. The women were very honest and knew what Lewis was

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Political Committee Approves Finnish Buro's Work

Improvement in Mass Work Urged; Press to Be Popularized

On the basis of the report of Comrade Hans Johnson, secretary of the Finnish Buro, and the discussion of the other Buro members, the Political Buro makes the following decisions:

1. To approve the report of Comrade Johnson and the general line of the discussion as indicating progress in the work of the Finnish Federation.

2. The Polburo considers the line of the Finnish Buro as in harmony with the line of the Open Letter adopted by the Extraordinary Party Conference. The Polburo marks as progress in the carrying out of that line the deepening of the turn toward mass work linked up with the everyday struggles of the American workers and poor farmers, the participation in strike struggles both in industry and the countryside, an improvement in the application of the united front tactics both in approaching unorganized workers and farmers and those under the influence of the social fascist leaders and organizations indicating a clarification of this question since the October District Convention, the organizational gains of the Federation (12 new work-groups, 21 youth clubs, 5 women's clubs), the response of the Federation to the Daily Worker's \$40,000 drive, the sending of more than a hundred delegates to the American Congress Against War, the participation of the Finnish Clubs in the drive to aid the victims of German fascism, etc.

Still Many Shortcomings

While recognizing these achievements, the Polburo points out that there must be taken only as an indication of the correctness of the general line of the Buro, a line which

must be carried through with still more energy and determination to accomplish the decisive turn to mass work as demanded by the Open Letter.

3. Many shortcomings in the work of the Finnish Buro remain. Chief among these the Polburo notes:

a) The decisive need of further consolidating a real collective leadership in the Buro and the Federation on the basis of the Open Letter, the fullest development of a serious Bolshevik self-criticism, and the most determined, united struggle against all opportunist tendencies, both right as the main danger and "left," and against all remnants of unprincipled factional tendencies;

b) The serious training and promotion of new cadres;

c) The development of serious recruiting activities must be undertaken with special membership drives for the Federation in the various Districts planned in connection with the extension of the mass activities;

d) A determined effort must be made to set up opposition groups in the mass organizations under the control of the social fascists and the renegade Halonen;

4. The Press, the daily papers and the periodicals of the Federation require the special attention of the Buro. Here a decisive line must be adopted which leads toward transforming the entire press into popular mass political papers. Without weakening, but on the contrary, strengthening the press as the agitation, propaganda and organizer of the movement (the Federation and the Party) a real popular mass language must be developed, special features introduced, more photographs and illustrations used, etc.

The narrow sectarianism of the press, expressed in the inner-Party approach to questions, must be quickly overcome. To accomplish these changes a workers' advisory committee must be set up and around which the editors and encouraged to critically examine the contents and the approach to problems presented in each issue. Workers' and farmers' correspondence must be increased in all of the papers. All tendencies to liquidate one of the daily papers, either the Tyomies or the Eetepain, must be combated and defeated as contrary to the line of the Political Buro.

Overcome Factional Tendencies

5. The Political Buro particularly stresses the necessity of overcoming all group and factional tendencies and the establishment throughout the Federation of a truly collective leadership. Despite considerable progress in overcoming past differences and in unifying the leadership, there still remain certain remnants of the past which must be decisively combated. These tendencies still reflect efforts to speculate on non-existent differences in the Buro, to undermine the authority of Comrade Johnson and the Finnish Buro, etc. An example of these tendencies is the conduct of Comrade Leo Mattson,

10th Anniversary Daily Worker

PHILADELPHIA—On Feb. 2 at 8 p. m. at L. D. Hall, 107 Hamilton Ave., program arranged.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—On Jan. 10 at Franklin Hall, 1202 U. St., 8 p. m. Dancing from 9 to 12 o'clock. 25c.

DISTRICT 5
HILL SECTION, Pittsburgh—Jan. 19, 8 p. m. at L. D. Hall, 107 Hamilton Ave. N.W. Interesting program. Adm. 10c.

DISTRICT 7
GRAND RAPIDS, Mich.—On Jan. 10 at 8 p. m. at L. D. Hall, 107 Hamilton Ave. N.W. Interesting program. Adm. 10c.

DISTRICT 8
CHICAGO—On Jan. 14, 8 p. m. at 1303 N. Hardy Ave. Amusing of Sect. 5. Special offer for two months sub for Daily Worker with 25c ticket.

DISTRICT 10
ABERDEEN, Wash.—On Jan. 10 at 8 p. m. at Workers Hall, 713 E. First St., at 8 p. m. Good program. Adm. 10c in advance, 15c at door.

DISTRICT 16
NORFOLK, Va.—On Jan. 14 at 8 p. m. at Garden City Club, 1000 E. Main St. Adm. 10c. Good program. M. H. Howard, Editor, Daily Worker will be main speaker.

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WHAT A WORLD!

By Michael Gold



Death to Lynchers

THE day is coming when the white fiends who lynch Negroes will be tried and executed for murder by workers' juries made up of white and colored proletarians. Speed the great day! The horror grows in America, and is no longer endurable. The Federal government would intervene if bankers or landlords were being lynched, but it ignores the fate of innocent Negro farmers and workers.

We must do something about it. We are doing something, but it is not enough. Under the leadership of the Communist Party, mass conferences to fight lynching are being held in every section of this blood-stained country. But where are all these white-collared liberals and Socialists and the National Association for the Advancement of the Colored People and similar organizations? Are Dr. Dubois and Mr. Walter White and the others too proud to unite with the workers to fight this horrible thing? Are they too busy with their tea parties and social climbing to hear the bitter cry of their brothers? Are they too polite to stir up the people against this horror? And where are all the humanitarian white liberals, the supporters of the N.R.A. "revolution"?

Have they no sense of guilt? The white man who is silent when a Negro is lynched participates in the deed. He ought to hide his head in shame until he has done his utmost in protest.

The Rape of Truth

TWO recent lynch cases in the South cast a burning light of exposure on the true facts of this American horror.

Both were in the so-called rape category. In one case in Louisiana a Negro boy was lynched, another hung, but saved in time. The real rapist confessed; and he was found to be a white man, the stepfather of the murdered girl.

The other case, in Maryland, ended when the 16-year-old girl who had accused two Negro boys broke down and confessed she had not been harmed, but had invented the whole story as an excuse to account for her being out late one night.

Imagine it! This little, giddy flapper of Belair, Md., had been traipsing about nights for some reason or other. Her family probably became angry and suspicious, and must have threatened her when she came back from her excursions late one night. And she invented a story, as have so many other Southern flappers for similar reasons. She even picked out two Negro boys as her kidnappers. They were arrested, and might have been lynched, had not the girl been trapped in her lie.

But how many other cases have taken place where the lie was not uncovered in time, and some poor boy fed the flames of a mob of white lunatics?

The story of Norman Thibodeau, who was hung up in a similar situation, but saved in time by two white workers who defended him from the mob and cleared his name, was told in the Daily Worker recently. Thibodeau, risen like Lazarus from the dead, was in danger even after he had been released and fled to New Orleans. The white boss-class knew he was innocent, yet they wanted his blood. He turned to the International Labor Defense, the one true friend of the Negro people in this country, and he was sent to New York. Here he is lecturing on his experiences; the life that was saved by a miracle he has devoted to the cause of his brothers.

This strong, fearless, intelligent boy has passed through a life-time of education in a few weeks. He has entered the great Working Class Army that fights against lynching and its poisonous mother, Capitalism. Thus in blood and suffering and death does America teach its thousands of white and black proletarian stepchildren. There is no justice for the poor, and the only way to build a land of justice and race freedom is to work for Communism.

First to Rouse the World

LET it never be forgotten that it was the Communist Party that first had the daring in this country to defend one of these so-called rape cases in the South. The Dubois liberals tried to shush-shush such cases, making feeble legal pleas occasionally, or writing polite articles in small magazines. But the Communists took the Scottsboro frame-up case and blazoned it forth to the wide world. Today, in every nation under the sun, millions of workers and farmers know that in America Negro boys are framed-up ruthlessly and lynched for such lies. America is on trial before the world. America is hated for this crime by millions of the world's toilers. America cannot do these things with an easy conscience any longer. The Communist Party has shattered the submissive quiet with which the Negro misleaders accepted the whole rape-myth.

A white-collar Negro, a doctor who was probably a follower of Dr. Dubois, turned over Thibodeau to the New Orleans police after the boy's mother had confided the story to him, thinking she could trust one of her own race.

This kind of thing will happen again, but the millions of Negro workers will know how to despise such betrayers. The Negro masses are turning, like Thibodeau, to such organizations as the International Labor Defense.

Jewish Ritual Blood Trial

FOR many years the southern whites have been inflamed by this myth of Negro rape. It never had the slightest foundation in fact, of course. It paralleled the historic charge made against the Jews in Europe, that at Passover the Jews had a custom of killing a Christian child and using its blood at the Passover ceremonial. Only two years before the World War there actually was held a trial of a Jew for this crime. This was in Czarist Russia. The anti-semites spread such lies about the Jews for many of the same reasons that the white boss-class spreads them against the Negroes here.

In Russia the peasants starved in great famines. They would become rebellious, and sometimes riot and burn down the mansions of the rich landowners who taxed them and stole from them. And at such times, the landlord government would send out groups of police spies and provocateurs. The priests would also be used. All these people would go among the peasants and tell them that not the landowners or the Czar was to blame for their suffering, but the Jews. And massacres of the Jews would begin under the leadership of the church and the government.

But after the Bolshevik Revolution many of these spies and race-lynchers were turned up and executed. Today there is not a spark of race prejudice against anyone in the Soviet Union; all the races are full social and economic equality.

In America today the bosses try to blame the suffering of the white workers on the Negro. They say the Negro takes away the jobs of the whites; and they use the rape lie as a further means of inflaming the whites, just as the Czar did with the peasants.

But the lie is breaking down, and many white workers in the South have begun to realize that unless they join with the Negro in sharecroppers unions and trade unions to fight against low wages and unemployment, they cannot free themselves.

Lynching of the Negro is a weapon used by the white bosses to keep themselves in power. If it threatened their rule they would stop it in a minute. But they think it helps them, and that is why one finds in all these cases that the "mobs" are the so-called respectable whites, the small town bankers, lawyers, sheriffs.

But let them beware. They cannot fool the white workers and farmers much longer. The Russian landlords trained the peasants in lynching, and one day the peasants lynched those who had taught them a lesson in horror.

The World of the Theatre

25 Organizations Meet to Plan Improved Program for Workers School in Harlem

By HAROLD EDGAR
Gorky at the Artef

WE should be very grateful for the opportunity given us by the Artef (The Jewish Workers Theatre) to see Maxim Gorky's latest play, "Yegor Bulichev and Others." It is something that no one person interested in the revolutionary cultural movement should miss. For despite reservations that might be made, it is the most stimulating play that this season has brought forth on any stage.

In fact, this play might be taken as an object lesson to every one in the theatre. Critics can learn from it that a play may be meagre as a literary text and still be highly significant as well as moving on the stage, that characters may be simply and almost schematically drawn and still be suggestive and rich in their effect on an audience. Playwrights can learn how an ideologically correct play may be written without the use of stock slogans, without situations that remind one of the radical classroom. Even conservatives, who are generally mystified by the idea that a character may be presented from a Marxian viewpoint and at the same time satisfy the demands of objectivity, can see in this play proof that this seeming contradiction does not exist.

Of course, audiences who go to see "Bulichev" need not, and probably will not, concern themselves with anything but the actual drama itself, with all its savage humor and strange force. Yet we pause to emphasize these general considerations because so much of our talk about revolutionary plays is abstract, based on rule-of-thumb notions rather than on concrete examples. "Bulichev" at the Artef permits us to see a good revolutionary play in the flesh! It permits us to compare a dramatic reality with our dramatic theories, it permits us to study a worthy model.

There is something of a miracle in the make-up of this play. For what could be simpler than the story of a merchant who is dying of a cancer, and the conspiracy of various people of this household to assure themselves of his fortune. Bulichev wants to live, and though he knows he is condemned to die, he seeks some spark of hope or solace from priests, socialists and charlatans of all kinds. The corruption of his family—part of which he himself is responsible for—and the impending revolution (the period is 1916-17) lead him to see in a dim but inescapable way how both these facts, the social upheaval outside and the domestic debacle inside, are interrelated and leave him no possibility of salvation. Bulichev is an individual and yet the unmistakable symbol of his class. He is shown as a man of passion, endowed with rude intelligence, slowly aware of his own weakness and a certain kind of hypocrisy. In other words, he is drawn sympathetically, yet without a touch of sentimentality, for he is the emblem of that bourgeoisie which is blind, despite all its power, spiritually helpless despite all its pride.

How has Gorky succeeded in making such a limited plot gripping and big? By the strength of his conviction, by a real knowledge of his characters, and by an extraordinary instinct for theatrical symbolism. It is this latter quality, the ability to translate an idea into a simple, striking, meaningful dramatic image, that is the source of this play's unusual vitality. One example will suffice: the second act curtain in which a town sacker who calls himself "Gabriel" offers to play the trombone to cure Bulichev's sickness. Bulichev asks him to say whether he is a fool or a scoundrel. "Gabriel" replies that he is no fool, but that many people ask to be fooled. The sick man pays 25 roubles for his answer, and "Gabriel" goes on to remark, "Still, it helps," and encouraged by Bulichev, he proceeds to blow his trombone. We have rarely seen a more arresting symbol of the bourgeois artist whose art is supposed to heal all ailments, but who knows if he is honest that his "playing" is only a forlorn trumpeting of a false cure!

Inherent in the essential theatrical merit of this play are its great acting possibilities. Its original Moscow production last year took place at the Vachtangov Theatre, and now we learn that other important theatres (including the Moscow Art) are preparing to present it in altogether different styles. But whether it is played better or worse, its situations have so much vividness that they almost seem to act for the actors. Thus the Artef company, whose actors possess great sincerity and unusual confidence and energy are able, despite difficulties, to sustain their performances throughout.

By all means go to see their production, which is given at the Heckscher Theatre, Fifth Ave. and 104th St., on Saturday and Sunday nights.

Even the bare figures showing the development of armaments demonstrate, in almost graphic manner, at what headlong speed the imperialist powers are at present heading towards war.

—Twelfth Plenum of Executive Committee of Communist International.

NEW YORK.—The Harlem Workers School, at 200 W. 135th St., held its first organizational conference Sunday afternoon at the I.W.O. Hall, 415 Lenox Ave. Over 25 organizations of Harlem and Bronx representing over 500 people attended the conference and assisted in preparing a program for the improvement of the present work of the school.

Among many of the organizations represented were the International Labor Defense, the League of Struggle for Negro Rights, the International Workers Order, the Communist Party, the Young Communist League, the Italian Workers Clubs, the Spanish Workers Clubs, the Esperanto Club, and many others.

Mrs. Williams J. Burroughs, director of the Harlem Workers School, made the principle report in which she described the progress of the school. She stressed that the majority of the students were workers of basic industries in New York, and that the school assisted these workers in their activities in their trade unions, fraternal and social organizations, as well as educating them politically. She also discussed how the school served not only the Negro workers of Harlem and vicinity, but the workers of the various nationalities residing in Harlem, such as the Finnish, Jewish, Irish, as well as Spanish and native white Americans. Last term over 120 students attended the school registering for over 140 classes.

Abraham Markoff, director of the Downtown Workers School, spoke on the purpose and importance of workers' education in New York, and the achievements of the Workers Schools throughout the country. "The Workers Schools are the largest of their kind in the country," he said, "and are fulfilling an important task in the working class movement. It is impossible for workers effectively to

carry on struggles against the capitalist oppression unless they are properly educated in revolutionary theory. Hence the importance of the Workers School."

The delegates present participated in the general discussion following the principal reports, which offered proposals for popularization and development of the Harlem Workers School. Every organization represented is sending students to the school, as well as pledging financial and moral support to the school. The delegates also voiced their intentions to do all they could as individuals to spread the news of the school and help build it into a large and permanent institution serving the needs of thousands of workers in Harlem.

Special scholarship rates are offered to organizations sending students to the school. Several new courses have been added to the curriculum for the winter term, including Public Speaking, Spanish, Labor Journalism, Political Economy, Russian, and current Negro Problems, taught by James Ford.

The conference ended after it had elected a committee of 12, composing an advisory council to school. The winter term of the school is to begin Jan. 15, and all persons interested in the school must act immediately. Office open daily from 3 to 10 p.m.

Olgin to Lecture
NEW YORK.—Maurice J. Olgin, editor of the Morning Freiheit, will lecture on "The Lessons of the Russian Revolution for the American Negro Workers," at the Harlem Workers School Forum, 200 W. 135th St., Room 216-A, on Sunday, Jan. 14, at 3:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to participate in the general question and answer discussion following the lecture. Admission is free.

Concert This Friday at New School to Aid Nazi Terror Victims
NEW YORK.—Under the auspices of the New York Committee to Aid Victims of German Fascism, Lilla Kalman, violinist, and Sylvia Sapira, pianist, will perform a program of eighth century music at the New School for Social Research, 63 West 12th St., Friday evening at 8:30. Net proceeds will be sent to the Home for Exiled German Children in Paris, through the international committee, which is maintaining a number of such homes in Europe for child victims of the Hitler terror.

The program, devoted entirely to eighteenth century music, will open with the rarely heard Corelli Sonata in E minor. There will be two other sonatas for piano and violin, the Bach E major and the Mozart F major. In addition, the co-operation of the young Miss Kalman playing the Bach Partita in E major and Miss Sapira performing two Bach preludes and fugues and two sonatas of Domenico Scarlatti.

Tickets may be obtained at the University Place Bookshop or from Jerome Klein, 109 Perry St.

Young Writers to Give Concert and Dance on Saturday
NEW YORK.—A concert and dance will be given by the Youth Writers Union, an organization of young writers ranging in age from 13 to 17, on Saturday, Jan. 13, at the Mt. Eden Workers Center, 288 E. 174th St., Bronx. The affair is for the benefit of the Union's publication, "The Youth Pen." The concert will begin at 8 p.m.

Chicago Theatre Groups to Present Lenin Pageant
CHICAGO.—Six Workers Theatre groups, with the co-operation of the Unemployed Council and the Workers Ex-Servicemen's League, are rehearsing a Lenin Memorial Pageant to take place Jan. 21 at the Coliseum celebration here. The pageant was written collectively by several members of the groups and shows in symbolic form the meaning of Leninism for the American working class in their struggles.

NEW CLEVELAND BOOK SHOP
Cleveland has opened its new book store in the Workers Culture Center, main floor, at 1522 Broadway. The Workers School occupies the whole second floor of the same building.



Soviet Russia Today

By GRANVILLE HICKS

Three important events give the January issue of Soviet Russia Today historical significance: the recognition of the U.S.S.R., the tenth anniversary of Lenin's death, and the approaching convention of the Friends of the Soviet Union. Each of the events is given due attention in this issue: Corliss Lamont writes on recognition, there is an article on Trotsky, and there is an extract from a speech by Raymond Robins; two articles appear on Lenin; plans for the convention are presented. In addition there are two excellent articles by American workers in Russia, and there is the usual number of fine pictures.

Lamont's article is particularly interesting because he brings out the fact that recognition has by no means silenced the enemies of the Soviet Union. This fact is also emphasized by Herbert Goldring in his appeal for a successful convention of the F.S.U. and by A. Heller in his notes on the war menace. It would indeed be a pity if the American workers permitted themselves to be deceived by recognition, and Soviet Russia Today is quite right in stressing the continued danger of intervention.

That is why the convention of the F.S.U. on Jan. 26, 27 and 28, in New York City, is so very important. As Jack Stachel says in his appeal to trade unionists to support the convention, this is the time for workers to learn about the Soviet Union and to put themselves unhesitatingly on record in defense of the U.S.S.R. "The very existence of the Soviet Union," he points out, "helps the workers of this country in their fight for higher wages, for unemployment insurance, against another imperialist world slaughter." Workers who are beginning to realize this will find in the F.S.U. the best instrument for helping their fellows to learn the truth about Russia.

In general, though people who have been studying the Soviet Union for years sometimes forget it, Russia is still news to millions of Americans. Today, more than ever, Russia is vital and important news. Soviet Russia Today, though there is always room for improvement, is the best thing to put into the hands of those who are curious about the U.S.S.R. It ought to be reaching hundreds of thousands of American workers.

Workers' Reference Bulletin
CHICAGO.—A wealth of material for organizers and propagandists is contained in the January issue of the Workers Reference Bulletin, published by the Chicago Labor Research Association.

The first of a series of articles on the Chicago Stockyards is in the nature of a historical article on the labor-hating, slave-driving founders of the Yards, Philip D. Armour and Gustavus F. Swift. This material will later be published in pamphlet form.

A similar series of articles, also to be put in pamphlet shape later, begins in this issue, dealing with the subject of the unemployed Chicago worker. An excellent expose on the Silver Shirts completes the feature articles. Also useful are the tables of Economic Indices. They cover the economic situation nationally and locally. Indices are given on production, employment and payrolls, cost of living, etc.

The Bulletin is only 5 cents a single copy, 65 cents a year postpaid. Subscriptions may be sent to the Chicago Labor Research Association, 2822 S. Michigan Ave. It is also sold at workers bookstores and at the Chicago Workers School.

Don to Teach Class in Imperialism; Begins at Workers School Tonight
NEW YORK.—The course in Imperialism to be given by Sam Don opens tonight at the Workers' School, 33rd St., at 8:40 p.m.

This course will take up the development of capitalism into its last stage, imperialism, the general crisis of capitalism, the struggle of the colonies. It will deal specifically with the post-war developments, the establishment of the proletarian dictatorship in the Soviet Union, and the struggle of the two worlds. Special attention will be paid to the development of American imperialism.

There is still room for a few more students in this class, and those who have the prerequisites will be permitted to register today before the first session.

Portland, Me.
PARTY GIVEN BY I.L.D. on Jan. 11 at Workers Center, 25 Union St.

Philadelphia
MALCOLM COWLEY will lecture at the John Reed Club on Jan. 12 at 8:30 p.m. at Labor Institute, Locust St. on "America's Mental Revolution."

By QUIRT

2,000 Witness First Workers Dance League Group Recital

By JEAN BOLAN

AS THE audiences of the bourgeois dance dwindle constantly, so do the number of those attending revolutionary dance recitals grow correspondingly.

The Workers Dance League gave a recital at City College auditorium last Sunday evening for the benefit of the Daily Worker, and the hall, which seats 2,000, was packed solid with every available inch of standing room filled.

Half a dozen different dance groups—the New Dance Group, the Rebel Dancers of Newark, the Theatre Union Dance Group, the Red Dancers, the New Duncan Dance Group. This fact alone is a revolutionary achievement—groups, masses, recreating in dance the struggles and hopes of the workers.

To one who has been a devotee of the art of dance and followed the bourgeois concerts, the Sunday recital presents a contrast as wide as that between the Soviet Union and the rest of the capitalist world. No soloist here, alone on a vast stage, filling the space to "Bachante" or a "Monotonous" instead of healthy groups of people danced to a "Workers' Dance Song," an "Anti-War Cycle." Impressions of a Soviet Factory.

THE New Duncan Dancers met with the greatest applause. The delighted audience called for encore after encore of "Impressions of a Soviet Factory." The audience was applauding the great Isadora Duncan, Isadora whom to have seen once is to remember always, Isadora who, while in the love of life, broke from the confines of the Victorian ballet and created a new freedom of movement, an unrestrained "joie de vivre." But Isadora rose on the tide of a flourishing period of capitalism, a period when breaking with tradition was the order of the day. Isadora went to the Soviet Union, the country of the successful proletarian revolution, and transferred the spirit of her dance to the joy of victorious workers. This was what the audience applauded in the dance "Impressions of a Soviet Factory," Sunday night.

But the lightness of the Duncan movements, though they lend them-

selves easily to the sweet sadness of a Chopin waltz or a Schubert serenade, do not yield to the hardness of workers caught in the throes of crisis. The "In Memoriam" in honor of the New Duncan Dancers was a sickly portrayal of workers rising from grief over the loss of a comrade to go forth into the raging struggle. The Duncan technique lacks the virility co-ordinate with such a subject. The Duncan Dancers will have to add something to the teachings of the great Isadora. We are living in a time of great strife, a period of war and revolution. They must add to Isadora's new freedom, the energy that belongs to workers waging the greatest battle of all time.

THE Theatre Union Group in their "Anti-War Cycle" had this new strength. Using the quick, sharp, angular movements of Martha Graham, they gave an impression of action, of power. Martha Graham's technique is eminently fitted for working class motifs. It is unfortunate that Martha Graham herself misuses them for religious ideas, serving the needs of the decadent bourgeoisie. But the Theatre Union Group has mastered Martha Graham's interpretation of the new Age and has transplanted it to the progressive use of a revolutionary class.

WE HAVE chosen these two groups as the main note for the one is trying to express an already victorious working class, the other, a rising working class. The other group in the recital fell into the second category and it is impossible in the space of this short review to discuss each one separately. The clever satirical number "Charity" of the New Dance Group, which we have seen several times, has an added improvement in the increase in number of revolting workers at the end of the dance. "Southern Holiday" of the Red Dance Group is a powerful and stirring number. The "War Trilogy" of the Rebel Dancers deserves commendation.

The Workers Dance League is a valuable addition to the cultural front of revolutionary activity. We should like to see more recitals by this organization.

Stage and Screen

New Soviet Talkie "Enemies of Progress" Opens Today at the Acme Theatre

"Enemies of Progress," the first Soviet talkie to come from the U. S. S. R. for some time, will have its first American showing today at the Acme Theatre. The picture is based on the story "The Last Ataman" by Nikolai Beresnyov, who also directed the production. The film was made by Rosfilm of Leningrad and is released here by Amkino.

"Enemies of Progress" tells a dramatic story of Ataman Annenkov, a descendant of the Decembrists, an officer of the Czar's forces in the East at the outbreak of the Revolution. Against a background of the stormy days of the Revolution in the deep heart of Asia, the film portrays the downfall of Ataman Annenkov, the last tsarist general on Soviet territory, and the stirring of the new life in the limitless expanses of the vast steppes of Asiatic Siberia. It is the story of the heroic fight of the Red Army and the Red partisans and the thousands of Siberian peasants who joined in countless bands to harass Annenkov's troops on every side.

The picture also gives a colorful view of life in the Orient, its Chinese theatres, its weird music, its dramatic art in most ancient form—a thousand years old—authentic, untouched by the passage of time.

The cast is headed by Livanov, brilliant artist of the Moscow Art Theatre, who plays Ataman Annenkov; Gardin, who will be remembered for his fine work as the old worker in "Shame" and Yudin. The film has a special music score composed by Astradantsy. The picture has complete English titles.

The Jefferson Theatre beginning today will present Paul Muni in "The World Changes" and "Golden Harvest" with Richard Arlen, Chester Morris and Genevieve Tobin.

Thursday
LECTURE on "Race Prejudice and the Class Struggle" by Anna Krasser, at 4046 W. Broadway, near 171st St. Audiences Women's Council 8.

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AMKINO'S New Soviet Talking Picture
ENEMIES OF PROGRESS

BASED ON THE STORY "THE LAST ATAMAN" WITH LIVANOV ART THEATRE PRODUCED IN SOVIET RUSSIA-CHINA. ENGLISH TITLES

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THE THEATRE GUILD presents EUGENE O'NEILL'S COMEDY "AH, WILDERNESS!" with GEORGE M. COHAN

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ALVIN Henry Miller's New Play "DAYS WITHOUT END" with EUGENE O'NEILL'S New Play "HENRY MILLER'S" New Play

ZIEGFELD FOLLIES with FANNIE BRICE, Regret MARSHALL, Jane FROMAN, Patricia BOWMAN, WINTER GARDEN, E-way and 50th. Eves. 8:30 Matines Wednesdays and Saturdays 2:30

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Social Insurance in Congress

WITH CONGRESS now in session, there is a great deal of talk of introducing bills termed "unemployment insurance" bills into Congress. But all these bills proposed by the "New Deal" politicians and the social fascists have one aim—to sidetrack real unemployment insurance—to stifle the mass demand of the unemployed for security with an empty gesture.

There is now a widespread demand of the workers for jobs. The C.W.A., as well as the P.W.A., has failed to fulfill the rosy promises of millions of jobs made by Roosevelt. The indignation of the workers at the failure to give jobs or relief is growing.

It is just at this time when the demand of the workers for jobs is more insistent, when the collapse of Roosevelt's "re-employment" schemes is becoming apparent to masses of workers, that the campaign for the Workers Unemployment Insurance Bill must be intensified.

The fake bills are now being brought forward to stifle the workers' demands. Senator Wagner, right hand man of Roosevelt, and crafty servant of finance capital, is "undecided" whether to introduce in Congress his previous bill, which is not an unemployment insurance measure at all, but which merely exempts employers' insurance funds, and state funds, from taxation, or whether to make a new gesture and propose "compulsory reserves" under the codes.

"Compulsory reserves" means the same proposal as before—"insurance" only for those who have been recently employed, a system whereby the funds are wielded over the heads of the workers, who will be threatened with loss of jobs and loss of insurance if they organize to fight bad conditions. These proposals place the funds for "insurance" in the hands of the employers, and force workers to pay a part of the fund.

The American Association for Social Security has written Congressmen, recommending their proposed bill on the grounds that it will cost \$70,000,000 less to the United States than the present relief paid out by the government. In other words, their bill cuts off immediate relief and gives even less than is given now in the name of "insurance."

The American Federation of Labor executive council will propose a similar bill at its meeting on Jan. 18. The workers must not let real unemployment insurance be wrested from their grasp. The present session of Congress must act on the Workers Unemployment Insurance Bill.

THE WORKERS Unemployment Insurance Bill, unlike all other proposals, provides that "unemployment insurance shall not be less than \$10 weekly for adult workers, \$3 for each dependent, to all workers wholly unemployed through no fault of their own, for the entire period of unemployment."

The Workers Unemployment Bill calls for no discrimination against any unemployed worker. The fake proposals now making their appearance call for the funds to be in the hands of the employers. The Workers Unemployment Insurance Bill alone states, "the unemployment insurance fund shall be administered and controlled by the workers through unemployment insurance commissions composed of rank and file members of workers organizations."

The funds are to be "raised by the government from funds now set aside for war preparations, and by taxation upon incomes over \$5,000 a year." Those who are sick, old or disabled are to receive full insurance. Part time workers are to receive the difference between their wages and the insurance. Strikers shall be entitled to insurance.

None of the bills now proposed by the politicians and social-fascists contain these features which protect the workers from discrimination, and which force the rich and the government to bear the full burdens of the funds.

The central demand of the National Convention Against Unemployment on Feb. 3, 4, and 5 in Washington D. C., will be the demand on Congress for the enactment of the Workers Unemployment Insurance Bill.

Greater mass pressure, a more intensive campaign for this convention, and for the Workers Bill, will win unemployment insurance for the masses of unemployed workers.

Expose the fake "insurance" schemes!
 Demand the passage of the Workers Unemployment Insurance Bill!

Support the National Convention Against Unemployment in Washington February 3rd!

Araki's Agent in Europe

JAPAN'S military dictators are not leaving a stone unturned in their avid preparations for war against the Soviet Union.

Not all of the preparations are as spectacular as the building of a military railway in Manchuria to the very border of the Soviet Union near Blagoveshchensk.

While all of Manchuria is being turned into a battlefield for war against the workers' fatherland, Japanese imperialism is doing all it can to start the conflagration simultaneously in the West.

For some time now in the greatest secrecy Major Akio Doi, of the Japanese Army, has been in Finland seeking to work out a war alliance for a simultaneous attack on the Soviet Union. What encouragement he has given remains a diplomatic secret.

From Finland Major Akio Doi and his military staff go to Poland. That these countries have a non-aggression pact with the Soviet Union, Minister of War Araki and all his military attaches well know.

BUT they also know that while these peace victories of the U.S.S.R. have their value in lessening the danger of war, that if the forces of war are increased with the possibility of victorious attack, the basic contradiction of world capitalism and the world of socialism will be the decisive factor.

The most important incident, however, which this news brings out, is the incessant, the far flung preparations for attack on the Soviet Union being made by Japanese imperialism.

On all fronts, the Japanese are increasing their armed forces. They are attempting to drive through Chahar to Inner Mongolia and attack on the U. S. S. R. from this point. They are building a railway for attack on the Amur River. They are increasing their provocations all along the Chinese Eastern Rail-

way. Their navy is being groomed for a sea attack. Just recently by accident we learned of a huge naval mobilization in Kyoto.

The Western military mission has added significance because it shows that Japanese imperialism is counting on the support of the Western capitalist powers, and that it has reason to believe it can gain this support for an attack against the victorious proletarian revolution.

The facts of Japanese preparations for war against the Soviet Union we give here are only those which have been revealed in the full light of day. How thorough, how many diverse ramifications it really has, how far it has developed towards the stage of actual attack is difficult to estimate.

The danger of war against the Soviet Union is extremely great.

No worker should be lulled into passivity by the torrent of peace talk we hear in the United States today. The danger of new imperialist war is greater than ever, and the danger especially of war against the Soviet Union is paramount.

Defend the Soviet Union!

Hearst and Racketeering

EVERY worker, rightly incensed against labor racketeers, will correctly ask: "What is behind the sudden zeal of Mr. Randolph Hearst in his purported exposure of racketeering?"

During the past week Hearst's New York Journal has been carrying carefully worked out stories of racketeering in the trade unions, instances of graft, of the "kick-back," of how contractors, working with trade union leaders, force the workers to pay for jobs, and how wages are slashed.

Has this vicious, anti-working class millionaire newspaper owner suddenly become interested in the "purity" of the trade unions?

This gentleman has a well-designed method in his apparent madness.

Yesterday, Mr. Hearst's lackey in the Senate, Royal S. Copeland, also evinced sudden activity to coincide with the New York Journal's exposures.

The Senator declared he will soon introduce the severest legislation ostensibly against racketeering in the trade unions.

Fierce Fighting in Chaco; Revolt Plots in Peru, Chile, Mexico

UNDER the barrage of an attack against racketeering (which exists among the trade unions bureaucrats far beyond anything Mr. Hearst would ever dare expose and reaches to places Mr. Hearst would never touch), these gentlemen are preparing the most vicious fascist measures against workers' organizations ever attempted in the United States.

Under the screen of a drive against racketeering, Mr. Hearst and his flunkies, Senator Copeland, are opening the wedge for a vicious fascist assault on the rights of the workers in trade unions.

At the same time, representing powerful real estate interests, huge contractors, Mr. Hearst is directing his fury against the smaller fry in the contracting business, who have been chiseling away at the real big rackets of the top leaders in the building trades and their associates in the contracting outfits.

Exposure of racketeering during the crisis especially was begun and is now being carried on by the Anti-Racketeering Committee, organized by rank and file opposition members.

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MANY thought that perhaps legislation may hit the real racketeers.

But the capitalist government, with its N. R. A., its inflation, its drive to war, its National (strike-breaking) Labor Board, is strengthening by hook or crook, by every one of its moves, the government's fascist drive against the workers' organizations.

This is being done in order to hamper and cripple the ability of struggle of these organizations against the vicious drive to lower the workers' standard of living.

No effort will be made to touch the real racketeers, the ones way up on top, closely aligned with the government apparatus. These racketeering bureaucrats and strike breakers themselves are the most valuable allies for the fascist program of Mr. Hearst.

Mr. Hearst is not giving the facts on racketeering. He is digging down into the sensational details only in so far as they serve his vile purpose, his anti-working class fascist intent.

The real facts will be collected and presented to the workers by the Daily Worker in a special series of articles soon to appear.

These articles will show what Mr. Hearst hides—that the real racketeers are the present chief leaders of the American Federation of Labor, high up in the government apparatus, working with the N.R.A. against the workers and to smash their strike struggles for better living conditions.

AT THE same time, we must raise the greatest alarm among the workers on the danger that faces them. The wily Mr. Hearst knows that the rank and file in the A. F. of L. hate the racketeers with all their hearts. He knows further that many have illusions about the role of the government. He is trying to utilize both in his crafty means of pressing fascist laws which ultimately will hit not the racketeers but the rank and file workers and their trade unions.

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AT THE same time, the fight must be carried on relentlessly against the perverted use which Mr. Hearst is making of the racketeering evidence to pursue his vicious fascist purposes.

From the capitalist governments the workers can expect no aid in the fight against racketeers. The high sounding anti-racketeering laws will protect the real racketeers and contain fascist teeth against the workers.

On both fronts, the workers must fight energetically, arousing the greatest vigilance among all workers. In this struggle the Communists have the duty of leading.

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Above all, the anti-racketeering activity must be speeded up among the rank and file, connecting it with the daily struggles of the workers against the bureaucrats and strikebreakers, against the whole fascist measures of the N.R.A., for rank and file action in the trade unions to protect their rights.

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19th Route Army Is Defeated; Nanking Men Near Foochow

Fukien Regime Leader in Dicker With Nanking on Proffered Bribe

SHANGHAI, Jan. 9.—Nanking troops are reported within 25 miles of Foochow, Fukien Province seaport and seat of the Fukien secessionist regime. The city, defended by the 19th Route Army, was put under martial law today. Thousands of the population are in flight.

General Tsai Ting-ki, commander of the 19th Route Army and one of the leaders of the Fukien regime, is reported dicker with the Nanking government, which he denounced as a "murderous, tyrannical instrument for the betrayal of China only a short while ago. It is whispered in high official circles here that positions in the Nanking government will be found for Gen. Tsai, Eugene Chen and other secessionist leaders. The condition to be imposed is that they disavow their denunciation of the Kuomintang party and its Nanking government and re-organize the anti-Communist offensive in Fukien Province. Little difficulty is expected in securing their disavowal and renewed "loyalty" to Nanking so long as the bribes are made sufficiently attractive.

Meantime, Canton and Kwangsi Province warlords, alarmed at the Nanking southward advance, have called an emergency political and military conference at Canton and the Generals' Civil War may be intensified within the next few days.

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BALANCING THE BUDGET!

—By Burch



Foreign News Briefs

U. S. Pushes Wall St. Claims In Mexico

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 9.—Negotiations between the U. S. and Mexican governments for payment of \$500,000,000 in claims by U. S. interests against Mexico reached a critical stage today with U. S. Ambassador Joseph Daniels rejecting Mexican proposals for a small lump sum payment over a period of years.

Faulty Brakes Kill 6 in Italy

ROME, Jan. 9.—Six laborers were killed and seven seriously injured when a motor lorry, transporting 30 laborers, fell into a ravine due to faulty brakes.

Indian Strikers Battle Scabs, Police

BOMBAY, India, Jan. 9.—British police fired 17 volleys into 600 textile strikers picketing the Sassoon Mills yesterday. Strikers battled police and scabs for over an hour. Twenty persons were injured, including five policemen.

Increase Nazi Propaganda Abroad

BERLIN, Jan. 9.—The Nazi government took steps to increase its fascist propaganda in foreign countries by ordering all Hitlerites traveling abroad to lecture on the "wonderful results" of the murder regime.

Confiscate Property of Clara Zetkin's Son

POTS DAM, Jan. 9.—The home of Dr. Konstantin Zetkin, son of the late Clara Zetkin, Communist member of the Reichstag, were confiscated by the Prussian police today.

Roosevelt Receives First Soviet Ambassador to U. S.

Soviet Peace Aims Stressed in Exchange of Greetings at White House as Troyanovsky Presents Credentials

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—Presenting his credentials to President Roosevelt yesterday, Alexander Troyanovsky, first Soviet Ambassador to the United States, expressed the warmest greetings to the American people and made a ringing plea for world peace, reiterating the determination of the Soviet Union "to continue most consistently and unwaveringly that policy of peace of which it has given ample proof on every occasion since its establishment."

"Troyanovsky's communication to the President follows:

"I have the honor to present to you the letters which accredit me as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the Government of the United States of America. At the same time I have the honor and pleasure to transmit to you on behalf of the President of the Central Executive Committee of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and on behalf of the government and the people of my country the warmest personal greetings and the sincerest expression of friendship and the best wishes for the happiness and prosperity of your great country.

Soviet Recognition of World Significance

"In a world that has gone through the intense post-war period, a period of concentrated historical events, in a world so much in need of real peace and good-will among nations,

in a world that has substantial reasons for disappointment with the seemingly endless and so far fruitless talks about peace and disarmament, the very fact of the cooperation and friendship between two such great and powerful nations as the United States of America and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics must inevitably be of great historical significance and of direct, far-reaching moment in the cause of world peace.

"It is my government's and my own sincerest desire and intention to do everything possible for the realization of the wish expressed by you, that the relations now established between our peoples may forever remain normal and friendly, and that our nations henceforth may cooperate for their mutual benefit and for the preservation of the peace of the world.

Seeks Cooperation of U. S.

"There is among the people of my country a most natural feeling of sympathy, respect and admiration for your great country which they associate with high technical and scientific progress and which they regard as an immense creative force. The cooperation, therefore, of the 125,000,000 people of your country with the 170,000,000 of our own vast country must necessarily be a boon to the general progress of humanity.

"I therefore trust, Mr. President, that the new era of normal and friendly relations between our peoples

will contribute fundamentally to the development of the widest cooperation in the most varied fields of human endeavor, but first and foremost to the cause of the peace of the world.

Soviet Determined on Firm Peace Policy

"On behalf of the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics let me assure you that it is determined to continue most consistently and unwaveringly that policy of peace of which it has given ample proof on every occasion since its establishment.

"On entering upon my mission here, I shall consider it my highest task to do everything in my power toward the creation of the closest bonds of cooperation and friendship between our two nations."

In his response, President Roosevelt paid tribute to the peace policy of the Soviet Union and declared that a foundation has now been laid for the development of friendly relations between the two countries.

The Violent Church Struggle in Fascist Germany

Nazis Retreat to Keep Masses Bound to Church

By JAN JANSEN
 ZURICH, Switzerland.—A violent struggle is proceeding on the church front in Germany. Hardly five months have passed since the "united" German evangelical church was patiently botched together under the leadership of the national-socialist district parson, Mueller, and already the whole house of cards threatens to collapse.

It is quite clear that the leaders of the opposition against the policy of the fascist jack-boot in the church are not by any means opponents of fascism on principle. There are many national socialists among the three thousand oppositional persons. One of the most prominent of the leaders of the opposition, the Bonn theologian, Karl Barth, declares, referring to Hitler:

"In the contemporary political movement we have an impressive figure of a leader who has proved himself to be a leader by the capacity to conquer political power and to use it."

Fear Weakening of Church Influence

The struggle is therefore not being conducted in terms of fascism and anti-fascism. Barth and the other leaders of the oppositional persons regard the thorough-going fascist methods of Mueller as a danger. They fear that his methods may result in a weakening of the mass influence of the German evangelical church. They are not so short-sighted and dull as Mueller, Hosenfelder, and their friends who, in their narrow-mindedness, have given the so-called "German Christians" the name of "the storm detachments of Jesus Christ."

The question is, how much political opposition is concealed behind the religious opposition? In how far are the German nationalists, a capitalist party, involved in this opposition? There is no doubt that very close connections exist between the conservative leaders of the since dissolved German nationalist front and the equally conservative bureaucrats of the old Protestant church. Hugenberg and the East Elbian Junkers regard the growing difficulties of Hitler as a result of the church struggle as a lever to improve their own political position. However, it

would be wrong to reduce the evangelical church struggle to a political opposition of the German nationalists cloaked in a religious form.

Seek to Control Ferment of Protestant Masses

There are 40,000,000 Protestants in Germany and about 18,000 Protestant parsons ministering to them. When today about one-quarter of these persons openly mutinies against the German Christians this does not only mean that in fact still more persons are with them, but that, and this fact is still much more important, a deep ferment has begun amongst those Protestants who earn their living by labor. The oppositional persons are seeking to control this ferment and direct it exclusively in the line of religious resistance, for there exists the danger that this ferment may break through the religious framework and unite with the disappointment at the empty promises of the fascist rulers of the "Third Reich" into an anti-fascist class-struggle.

Jesus Converted Into An Aryan Hero

The German Christians, or at least their radical wing, believe that they have found the way to a "renaissance of the Protestant church" by the Germanization of the Christian religion. Jesus Christ, according to the Christian religion, a passive, pious sufferer and savior, and in addition a Jew, is being made "Nordic." He is being made into a warrior hero and, naturally, an "Aryan" in order that he may find favor in the eyes of the members of the fascist storm detachments.

The cry "Back to Wotan!" is no more than the logical application and development on the religious field of the state of mind which expresses itself on the political field in the "heroization" of imperialist ornaments and in the brutal slaughter of revolutionary workers.

However, the doctrines of Christianity as laid down in the Old and the New Testaments make it difficult to provide any theological basis for a new Wotan Christianity. And this explains the campaign being conducted against the Old Testament.

This and other facts show how quickly and how far the "Kulturkampf" ("cultural struggle" the name given to the historical struggle between the church and Bismarck and now used for the religious struggle in Germany.—Ed.) has intensified in Germany. Obviously the German

Christians, and that is to say, in fact, the national socialists, are already in retreat before the attacks of the opposition. The retreat is unparalleled in kind and threatens to develop into a panic.

Nazi Bishop Forced to Retreat

What is the reason for this retreat and for the successes of the opposition? The national socialists are beginning to realize that the "Kulturkampf," the "military conquest" of the Protestant church, will not achieve their aim, and that they have underestimated the power of their religious opponents. The miserable collapse of the offensive begun so valiantly by the "Nordic heroes" under the command of the military parson Mueller has since convinced even Dr. Goebbels that it would be a very stupid thing to alienate a natural ally, and that at a time when the struggle against Communism makes a concentration of all the counter-revolutionary forces necessary.

The contradictions are still extremely intense. However, it would be an error to reckon absolutely with a split in the evangelical church, or to assume that the evangelical church will break up as the result of the present internal struggles.

Nazis and Church Have Too Much in Common to Split Permanently

In the interests not only of the church, but also of the German capitalist class, the attitude of the Protestant church towards the national socialist government will once again become "independent" and "neutral." And the reason for this is that only a church which is apparently independent can conceal the reactionary and exploiting character of its functions from the working masses. The clever members of the general staff of the German Christians had overlooked that point in their struggle to make Jesus Christ "Nordic."

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Dying capitalism needs neither freedom of conscience nor scientific progress, but it does need fascist cultural barbarism, the stifling of every independent intellectual movement on the part of the masses.

Catholic Church a Powerful Weapon For Fascism

However, for this purpose the Catholic church is much better suited than the Protestant church, and this explains the steady growth of its international significance. The Protestant church cannot make its apparatus fascist. Even after the defeat of the German Christians ("National Bishop" will continue to exercise his functions,

Danger of Consolidation of Church Threatens Working Class

and, probably, will be a national socialist. The Protestant church will participate in the propaganda for a fascist cultural policy, but it cannot reverse historical development to the tune of four centuries and accomplish a renaissance as a strong people's church with great influence over the masses.

Historical development has placed other questions on the agenda, questions which are setting the working masses in movement. The final struggle between the bourgeoisie and the proletariat is drawing larger and larger circles of Protestant and Catholic workers and peasants into the front of the daily class struggle.

Church Struggle Contains Certain Dangers For Revolutionary Movement

The church struggle in Germany contains various elements of danger for the revolutionary working class movement, and they must be recognized in time and countered effectively. One of these is a certain danger of the consolidation of the religious fanaticism which has been deliberately fanned by the religious authorities in the struggle against the German Christians. This might become a barrier to the advancing proletarian class struggle. The second is the danger that the illusion might be strengthened—both amongst the Catholic and Protestant workers—that the struggle of the leaders of the churches against the German Christians is an anti-fascist struggle. This danger is enhanced by the fact that the reformists have adopted this opinion. A further danger is the typical reformist illusion that the "rowing inner difficulties produced by the 'Kulturkampf' must lead to the inevitable collapse of the church.

This danger is enhanced by the collapse of its own accord leads to passivity, to the isolation of the proletarian free-thinkers from the millions of Protestant and Catholic workers and peasants.

The "Kulturkampf" has assisted in bringing broad masses of Catholic and Protestant workers and peasants into the movement. Let us see to it that they march into the camp of the fighters for socialist freedom!

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