workers.

Ruhr, of course.

denounce Soviet Russia, while

Coday is a workers' republic.

Bolsheviks to their senses.

stupidity-William J. Burns, de-

m the Soviet government to its

agents in this country in his files in

Washington, urging the destruction

within" policy in the A. F. of L.,

be said that he warned against this

peril five years ago and conditions

together, but we are going to be with

Sam Gompers and I do not sleep

mpers strong" in the latter's fight

Here is an open admission from

today prove that he was right.

ment. Thus spoke Burns.

of the mines during the late strike. Referring to the "boring from

Hundreds of thousands of

he German capitalists and the French army of occupation, have

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German workers in the Ruhr Valley, driven to desperation by the German capitalists and the German capitalists and the

struck work and have already taken possession of severa Worship God and Work towns. According to newspaper Like Hell Is Gary's reports, communists are using their influence to keep order. Advice to Slaves prevent looting and intemper-

(Special to the Voice of Labor.) The German government, NEW YORK-Declaring that the which stood idly by while the twelve hour day in the steel mills is French army invaded its terri- a public necessity Elbert H. Gary, tory, is now rushing troops into Chairman of the United States Steel the Ruhr to shoot down the Corporation in an address before the American Iron and Steel Institute The usual fantastic stories of dashed fue hopes of those who ex-"a revolution, directed from Mos- pected that the steel slaves would cow." are circulated by the capitalist press. Radek is reported by a reduction in hours without the necessity of unionizing in order to do livered a fiery speech and 'dis- so. "It cannot be so," declared Gary. appeared—on his way to the steel barons.

The Judge mixed his speech on The conditions of the German business with neat little religious obworkers are getting worse and servations. His emotions must be worse. The German socialists strong as he was compelled to turn over the reading of his lecture to the German capitalists, taking his friend Charlie Schwab while he advantage of the chaotic condi- pulled off a fainting fit in an antetion of the German currency. room. He recovered shortly aftermass boundless wealth. The wards.

only solution of the problem that Religion was the cure for all social confronts the German workers ills, he declared. And what is religion, he asked. Nothing but "Simple, plain, business sense." And thus religion brazenly and openly plays the harlot to business. The noted sleuth-noted for his

Gary is for religion because it livered himself in Atlantic City repays. "Gentlemen," he said, "it is cently of a typical load of nonsense in accordance with our instincts and and tommyrot. Speaking before the judgement as foquently proclaimed Kiwanis Club, he declared that if to say that it pays a nation or an Congress passes two these new before individual to follow a Christian

of the country and bring the parlor, Messers Harding and Gompers were disappointed when they were inform-No doubt he has reference to the ed that Gary decided against estahills now in the congressional blishing the eight hour day in his mills. Gompers threatens to spill The buffoon claimed that he had the some hot coffee on the Judge the original copy of a communication next time they dine tgether at a Ci-

CAUGHT WITH THE GOODS



The FAT BOY looks rather sick but we believe the severe looking gentleman behind him committee appointed by Gary to will forgive him. He is Bill's boss and knows William is a fai thful servant. As for the hick on the bench, he represents the "public," whatever that is,

Some of the reasons given by the (Continued on page Two.)

By EARL R. BROWDER.

Labor wants a political party of its | that a few thousand more organizaagainst progress in the labor move- own. The truth of this statement has tions would be lined up for a Labor. been decisively shown in the past few Party. months, especially since the referenthe chief labor baiter that he is work- dum went forth from the Trade Union ing hand in glove with the president Educational League. The response has been an overwhelming 'Yes' to the resolution: "That we endorse the formation of a Labor Party by the whole A United States general will lead trade union movement, to be based for example, is one from Oklahoma: military commission to free the upon direct representation from the captives held for ransom by some local unions, and to include as af-

composed of officers of the military working-class political parties." forces of the various countries hav- Last month we reported the scope ing diplomatic relations with China, the referendum ballots were taking. It is quite likely that a campaign for Since that time every mail adds secupation of China by an interna-tional army will soon be urged by the capitalist press. China is good plun- League vote extend over 40 states and ier and we should think there is now 47 International Unions. In the thousendid justification for the robbers ands of locals in which the issue has et busy. Did not the bandits lay been raised, we have been informed of on the sacred person of an less than a dozen which failed to ap-

American millionaire? If the plunder- prove of a Labor Party. ers can agree on a division of the The opposition comes generally spoils we should soon see a little bit from officials. It has been effective in but one way—that of suppressing the issue and withholding the ballot. The following letter is typical of many which we have received. We omit

will wait from now cn.' Let me

know if you received the ballot, for

Another atrocity will be perpetrated names of individuals and unions: on the public on Memorial Day. And In regard to the referendum you to think that such a useful addition sent this Local, will say that the to the equipment of modern society secretary did not read it, and as as the radio is responsible for it! you had sent me one at the same We are informed that Harding's time I took it up at the next meet-Memorial Day speech will be broad-tasted to all parts of the country. ing. We had quite time, but after all the discussion not a soul voted against it. Before it was put to a vote, the secretary said: 'I have orders from that no resolution should be read if it does The date of expiration of not bear the endorsement of the A. F. of L. One of the members replied: 'If we wait for Gompers we

> we want to check up on our of-If every local union had a few militants to "check up on" the officials,

(Associate Editor Labor Herald)

Accompanying hundreds of the ballots have been letters, many of great interest. They voice the rank and file: Brief, and sometimes illegible. they express Organized Labor better than all the official journals. Here,

I herewith enclose the resolution adopted by Local Mainten ance of Way, at our regular meeting today. We long for the time when Organized Labor will control

From a Central body in West Virginia, near the scene of the bitter struggle of the miners, comes this:

I have been instructed to con vey to you that the trade union men in this valley are practically unanimous in favor of a Labor Party; (Continued on page Two.)

A New Feature. The Voice of Labor will in-

troduce another innovation next week in the form of a FEATURE PAGE. This will not be a hodge podge of nonsense fit only for the mentally undeveloped, but a page of original humor, original short stories, poems, pictures, etc. A comic operetta by Michael Gold and J. Ramirez, which attracted a great crowd when presented on the stage here in Chicago recently, will appear serially, beginning next week in the Voice of Labor. Those who had not the pleasure of seeing the proletarian comedy acted will enjoy reading it.

This is a good time to begin enjoying life by subscrib-ing to the Voice of Labor. Remember the One Dollar for Eight Months offer still holds

Trade Unions Want a Labor Party La Follette Declares War On Railroads; Nurses Presidential Boom

William Jennings Bryan Bitter Foe of Darwinian Monkeys, Throws His Hat in Ring: La Follette Jumps on Hat with Both Feet.

By THOMAS O'FLAHERTY,

say in arguing against reform American politicians who want to that the tiger will fight as bitterly to ride to the White House on the crest defend the tips of his whiskers as he of middle class and working class diswould his heart's blood and that the American capitalist class would put business regime. up as strong a resistance against the most paltry reform as they would Senator La Follette, Governor Blaine against the overthrow of the system of Wisconsin, Frazier of North Daitself. The barrage of eloquence and keta and Shipstead of Minnesota. denunciation directed against the Congressmen Cooper, Wisconsin; first conference of the newly organized National Conference on Valuation of American Railroads, which held a two day session in Chicago on the 25th and 26th of May, by the representatives of heavy industry would lead a visitor from Mars to believe that what was taking place in Chicago was not a conference of manicured and polished gentlemen on whose shoulders the inequalities of capitalism rested like a feather but a convention of determined revolutionists who felt the time was ripe to put an end to capitalism with all its work and pomps.

The business leaders of Chicago attacked the parley and hurled the names of Lenin and Trotsky at the respectable heads of Senator La Follette and the "great Reformer", William Jennings Bryan. This was an instdious attempt declared John M. Glenn, Secretary of the Manufacturers' Association of Illinois and the press agent of big business, "to deprive property owners of their hold-

This attack had the same effect on the seasoned senator as a pail of water would have on a duck's back. The "common people" are recovering from their war fever and are being worked up to a point where Wall Street baiting will become the fav-

An American Socialist used to orite outdoor sport of the ambitious content with the present brazen big

The conference was attended by Huddleston, Alabama; Logan, South Carolina; Nelson, Wisconsin and Reid and King, Illinois.

The following "labor leaders' graced the conference with their pre-(Continued on page Five.)

Who Is Who in Chicago? Do you know who owns this crooked, dirty and wealthy city? Do you know particularly who owns the wagons from which you "hang" to and from your daily labors? Of course you don't. Well, ignorance will not be considered an excuse from now on. You may know that the workers

do not own this city but that

is about as far as get.

J. Ramirez, in the second of a series of eye-opening articles on the City of Chicago will tell you who owns the street and elevated railways, how much money was invested in them, and other interesting tidbits. Each week until further notice the Voice of Labor will publish a special article on this vitally interesting topic. Come along with your sub. Don't depend on the newsstand. Get your friends to subscribe.

Stirring Call to the Producers of the United States Issued by the Workers Party of America to Rally Forces for Labor Party.

The workers-the producers-of this country stand before a great decision.

Shall the industrial workers and farmers unite their forces? Shall they form one great political organization of industrial workers and formers to fight the political battles of these producers?

Shall a Labor Party be formed to carry on the struggle in the political arena to secure for the industrial workers and farmers more of what they produce through their labor-a higher standard of life, not only in the necessities of |

life, food, clothing and homes to live great capitalist organizations which in, but the opportunity for better own the industries. It is also a strugeducation, for recreation, for enjoyment of all the good things of life. The Farmer-Labor Party of the

United States has called a great convention of labor to be held on July power. 3rd. To this convention it has invited all trade unions, all organizations of farmers, all labor political groups to send delegates in order to UNITE IN ONE POLITICAL PARTY OF INDUSTRIAL WORKERS AND FARMERS THE FORCES OF LABOR IN THE UNITED STATES.

The Workers and the Goverment, Political parties exist to advance the interests of the groups they represent. Every struggle between economic groups becomes a political struggle. The power of the government is used by the group in power to strengthen its position and the competing group endeavors to wrest the governmental power from it.

The struggle of the industrial worker for better wages and working conditions is not only a struggle against the employers in the form of the

gle against the Government for the capitalists have unchallenged control of the government whether the Republican or Democratic Party is h

What happened when the coal mi ers went on strike to maintain their wages and to protect their organizations against the open shoppers? The Government stepped in. The Government in control of the employers and serving the capitalist employers tried through Government con sions, injunctions, courts and soldier to make the miners accept the terms of the bosses.

What happened when the railroad shopmen tried to prevent a reduction in their standard of living. They found that they had to fight the Railway Labor Board appointed by Government. They found a herty injunction issued by a court of that Government taking from them all rights of free speech, free press freedom of assemblage and the right (Continued on page Two.)

The Building Industry in Chicago

By ARNE SWABECK

(This is the first of a series of articles to appear in the Voice of Labor

on the principal industries in Chicago,-Ed.) Nearly two years ago the so-called wages and working conditions. Yet "Citizens Committe" to enforce the of the entry of organized capital as Landis' award was organized. This it clearly indicates the sinister aspect marked the first sign of a complete a powerful contending factor; and the combination of the forces of capital setbacks already suffered by the against the workers in the Chicago building trades unions in the form of building industry. The conflicts over division within their ranks should be wages and working conditions were a warning portent of the dangers removed from the small realm of facing them in the future. These orwarfare between the individual trades ganized capitalists are interested onand the not too well organized contractors. The bankers and owners of a large industry, who invest in The conditions of the past, where

negotiating factor, they declared for the "open shop" as a prelude to their

Purchasing Power Lower Than In 1913. With the popular slogan "reduce

was launched against the prevailing standard of wages and working conprices of material, although this has principle called the "open shop." been on the continual upgrade, and from 1913 to March 1923, according to the Monthly Labor. Review, (published by the U. S. Department of of living, are today lower than 1913 ing conditions. Composed as it is of 65 to 75 cent an hour. Today the rest assured that it will never di tistics has increased 70 per cent, and heading the international building at the peak of high prices, in June trades unions. It will be recalled how 1920, reached 117 per cent,

The Worst Is Yet To Come.

So far this onslaught has only skirmish; the building boom temporarily halted the advance against

ly in finding new ways and means of more effectively fleecing the workers. buildings, now assumed power to dic- building trades workers, by organizthe conditions to the workers. In ing their skill, were able to main-order to eliminate the unions as a tain a favored position of wages, and working conditions, compared to workers in other industries, the capintended complete annihilation of un- italists intend to bring to an end. To do this they are not only taking advantage of the introduction of new materials, labor saving devices, together with the constantly enlarging size of construction jobs, more giganthe cost of building in order to bring tic factories and power plants, which down high rents," an intense fight greatly eliminates skill and makes the old methods of organizing ineffective; but also by using the tremendous ditions. Naturally the "Citizen's power thus concentrated in their Committee" had no thought of at- hands to drive the wedge further intempting to apply this slogan to the to the unions by establishing the

Labor Fakers Assist Boses From its very formation the "Citizens' Committee" declared as its object the enforcement of the Landis' Labor) increased 98 per cent. Real award. This award has now expired wages, on the other hand, that is the and yet the committee assumes sunominal wages compared to the cost thority to regulate wages and workin the Chicago building industry. In 175 so-called leading "citizens", no-1913 skilled mechanics were paid from torious scab shop advocates, we may scale ranges from \$1.10 to \$1.25 an solve as long as it sees an opportunity hour, an increase of from 66 to 69 per to continually weaken, and perhaps cent. However, during the same ultimately smash the unions. It even period, the cost of living, all com- enjoys the full support of practically modities, according to the same sta- all the lackeys of capitalism who are 16 of these international presidents last year and with but one dissenting voice came to Chicago, and advised the local unions to abide by the Lanreached the stage of a preliminary dis award. Today the greatest lackey of them all, John H. Donlin, Presid

LOOK AT DATE ON LABEL

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of the American Federation of Labor. Chinese bandits. The commission is filiated organizations all existing

Stanley Baldwin is **Elected Premier of** Great Britain

LONDON .- Stanley Baldwin, appointed British premier to succeed Bonar Law., resigned, stands out among the conservative party leaders as of more than ordinary ability in the opinion of J. T. Walton Newbold, is any confusion on the subject. Communist member of partiament and the best informed man in the house of commons on financial and business

"to a family of Midland and South fail to endorse certain phraseology." and the workers of other countries Wales from and steel masters, who If he holds that view of the unimport- who are fighting for that control. have made a huge fortune in the industry, but who have sold their busi- the I. W. W. when it refuses to join ness to a syndicate of bankers, he- the International because of "certain longing to the same group a inter- phraseology?" national, credit houses as stands behind Krapp, the German ironmaster. The Baldwins are now sleeping part- about phraseology. And it is not true, ners in the concern, drawing a regular income from bonds and similar holdings when they have not transhave joined the ranks of the rentier go through the same processes as come members of the class from which are recruited the men particolarly versed in the arts of govern- the Red! International answered,

"Mr. Boldwin was formerly a direct tor of the family stee! works and of the largest railway company in the

One of the biggest flies in the new **Dritish** premier's ointment is the Irish question. This nightmare will us." centiaue to bother John Bull's slum-bers until a real settlement is made. We can only see one solution and that can only come through a victory of the British workers over their masters and the establishment of Soviet Republics in England and Ire-

The Voice of Labor advocates ology" unless it means also an objecamalgamation, a Labor Party tion to the revolutionary struggle. ad a Workers' Government.

The I. W. W. and the International Worship God and Work

By JAMES P. CANNON.

(Continued from last week.)

Latchem's Foot Sliped.

ance of phrases, how can he defend

But it happens that the Red Inter-

International Not Concerned with

And the Red International showed

by its compromise with the syndical-

ists, in dissolving the organic connec

tion with the Communist Internatio-

Phrases,

gress of the Red International at Mos-What is Soviet Russia anyway? It cow. The Syndicalists of France were a part of the world labor move- there along with the communist trade reach Gary's conclusion that the ment which has been on a five-year unionists of Germany. The repres-strike against the whole capitalist entatives of the rebel workers in all such good propaganda that we pubworld. That is all. The capitalists countries met there on common understand it well enough, and never ground to work out special programs makes it quite clear that the workers court of Dane county. cease their fight against it. It is for the various countries in harmony in the mills do not want the twelve only amongst the workers that there with the broad general program of the International. Only a small percentage of the delegates were from Latchem fell into a trap of his own Russia, and never at any time was making when he condemns the Red there a sign of conflicting interests International as a "sectarian group between the Russian workers who "Baldwin belongs," says Newbold, which excludes workers because they have gained control of the industry

One Great Purpose.

The whole Congress was dominated by one question only: "What is the best way to unite the workers nationnational is also not so particular ally and internationally for the revolutionary struggle?" Out of that as he charges, that its "reasoning and a revolution in all countries, which of experiences, friendly controversy or not in the large majority of cases contentions center around the idea of ferred their holdings entirely. They is to happen in the same manner and and mutual concessions, the militant twelve hour day men devote less time (unearned income) class. They have the Russian Revolution." When this nal Labor Union body more closely working less hours is perhaps quessame complaint was made by the Re- united and better equipped for the tionable. struggle than ever before. volutionary Syndicalists of France.

Around the red banner unfurled "What we want to know is this: Are at that Congress already millions of you prepared to take up the struggle workers have organized themselves; believes. The workmen as a rule, for the proletarian revolution? If the revolutionary wing of Europe's so, we will not quarrel with you so labor movement. Here in America much as to the method of making the the rebel minority in the A. F. of L. revolution. All the workers who real- most of the Independent Unions have ly want to fight the capitalist system acknowledge the Red International will find it possible to get along with as their guiding star?

I. W. W. Stands Apart.

nal, that it is most concerned with the world's workers and separating be injured physically, mentally or "getting the revolutionary workers to- themselves more and more from the morally." But there are other congether," and that it does not exclude revolutionary workers of other organizations. those who object to "certain phrase-

But the present policy of the I I was present at the Second Con- revolutionary policy. If there is a ested in large production," the report considerable body of men in the I. W. W. who agree with Latchem that in- production is necessary to bring about ternational solidification of forces is a restoration to stability, progress, One of the most important problems prosperity, and large production at confronting the International Working Class today," they already stand entire world is dependent upon at the where we can meet them on common present time more than ever before." ground in brotherly discussion. Then, ment with us. When the I. W. W. idea of independent political action labor, that very action will inevitably increase in cost, by Labor through a labor party. The lead it to the Red International, for "But it would be impossible under industrial workers and farmers. They the unity of militant labor is the mair the existing conditions to obtain a

Like Hell Is Gary's Advice to His Slaves

lish them free of charge, Mr. Gary hour day.

They like long hours and short pay and if the former was shortened and the latter lengthened they would be so surprised that they might go crazy. So you see that in the interests of public sanity, if for no other reason, Gary was doing the best he knew how. You will have no doubt about this after you read the following excerpts from his report:

"Whatever will be said against the twelve hour day in the steel industry. investigation has convinced this committee that the same has not of itself been an injury to the employes phys-Congress, as a result of comparison ically, mentally or morally. Whether workers emerged with an Internatio- to their families than the employes

"Because the steel industry is largely a continuous process, there must be three eight hour shifts or two twelve hour shifts, the committee prefer the longer shift because it means more pay. And there is less physical work, as a total per day, and less fatigue from the work of a twelve hour day in the steel industry than pertains to the large majority of eight hour men."

The committee asserts that no con-Only the I. W. W., once the rebel cern connected with the iron and vanguard, once the proud defender of steel industry would "urge or willinginternationalism, stands aside; re- ly permit employés to exert themjecting this great mass movement of selves to a point where they would siderations of importance "not involving moral or social features."

At present the United States and W. W. will not stand. It is not a all other nations are especially intercontinues. The largest reasonable low cost, for sale at fair prices the

The committee found that "if the if they will face the facts squarely twelve hour day should be abandoned and accept the logical implications of at present it would increase the cost that statement, they will soon find it of production on the average 15 per possible to come to a working agree- cent. If labor were sufficiently plentiful to permit the change it gets to the point where it is willing would be necessary to add to the selto join in a united front of radical ling prices certainly as much as the

present necessities of the purchasing ing scarcity of help forbids it.

Judge Describes Burns' Third Degree Detroit Labor Protests

such good propaganda that we pub- related to a legislative committee hore rushed away to Waupun." by O. A. Stolen, judge of the superior

> was called, should be arrested, "Dog- tentiary. skin" was a workingman. Judge Stolen testifies that, "The

State Journal took up a collection and The operative got Johnson to the jail professions. This means that the back quickly, saying 'for God's sake, ers. They always do the fighting. Johnson, don't show yourself!' Later the cook for the jail informed Johnson that he would have to get his own supper as he (the cook) could not stay res that Europe needs useful work and see such a dreadful sight. When for war's surplus of women. Unless Johnson asked what he meant, the they have something to do to keep cook said 'the lynching.' Later a their minds occupied they will raise crowd shouted threats outside the the dickens with the marriage sysjail. All this was at the instigation tem, he believes. Virtuous husband of the Burns man. After four days will have a terrible time trying to of this Johnson confessed to the crime protect themselves against their merely because they told him that if wiles.

anocent man had been kept in jail for to Waupun where he would be safe. ten years as a result of a confession In the presence of an under sheriff, extracted from him by the terrorizing the jailer and Judge Donovan he was methods of a Burns detective was sentenced to life improsinment and

a new trial, cleared, and restored to Ten years ago 11-year-old Annie freedom. Because of his confession, Lemberger was murdered. No clue he was unable to collect compensation to the murderer could be found. About provided for false imprisonment. A four days after the crime had been bill has been introduced in the ascommitted, somebody suggested, ac- sembly providing for the appropriat of the Criminal Syndicalist Law has cording to Judge Stolen, that "Dog- tion of \$5,000 to compensate him for been found guilty. skin" Johnson, as John A. Johnson his ten years spent in the state peni-

To fight the locust plague in hired a Burns operative, who instead Phillipine Islands Gov. Gen. Wood of examining the evidence, went to has drafted all able bodied men to work to secure a confession from combat the pests. He has exempted Johnson. He did so by terrorization ... doctors, lawyers and other privileged window b, a ruse and then pulled him locusts will be fought by the work-

A visiting Scotch professor decla-

MADISON.—The story of how an he did so that he would be removed Conviction of Ruthenberg: Demands Gag Repeal

The following resolution was passed by the Detroit Federation of Labor on May 16.

The Detroit Federation of Labor has learned with surprise that C. E. Ruthenberg one of those arrested at Bridgeman charged with violation

Despite the protest of the Detroit Federation of Labor and of the Michigan Federation of Labor the prosecutions in Berrien County continue with the assistant attorney general of the state in charge, alded by a whole crew of Burn's detectives. The act to repeal this infamous law, introduced by Labor's representative Bartlett was not even reported out of the committee, and now the legislature is adjourned.

The Detroit Federation of Labor once more protests the continuance of the prosecution and the flagrant disregard of desires in the matter of public law and instructs its Busi ness Representatives to send conies of this resolution to the officials, having jurisdiction and to the press.

The resolution was adopted by unanimous vote of the delegates.

LONGSHOREMEN FOR

AMALGAMATION.

BOSTON.-Sentiment favoring a malgamation of the 30-old marine unions swept the International Longconvention here. The vote in support of the resolution was unanimou

Birthdays of the Political Prisoners

Birthdays in June of political pris-, invites friends and sympathizers to oners confined in . American prisons send birthday cards and letters to are announced by the Workers' Na- these political prisoners. Money is shoremen's Assn., meeting in annual tional Prison Comfort Club, 2923 Chestnut St., Milwaukee, Wis., as follows:

At Leavenworth, Kansas, Box 7 June 4, Bert Lorton, Reg. No. 13132 June 9, Robert Connellan, No. 13563; June 15, J. Tori, No. 13583; June 16, Don Sheridan, No. 13140; June 22, Archer Sinclair, No. 13141; June 29, Christ Luber, No. 13574.

At San Quentin Penitentiary, San Quentin, Calif. June 25, George Ryan, No. 35567

At Repress, Calif. Folsom Prison June 16, Herman O. Fuhr, No. 9266. At Massachusetts State Prison, Charleston, Mass. June 11, Bartholo-

mew Van Zetti. At Bineridge State Farm, Hobby, Texas. June 29, Pedro Paroles. Cora Meyer, National Secretary,

public. There are not now under the two shift practice at the furnaces mough men to meet the demand for iron and steel."

So you see, when business is sufprogram of the Red International for sufficient number of men to operate fering from depression there is no America, and the progress already the plants on a three shift basis up enough profit to justify the eight made in that direction is due to its to capacity which would supply the hour day and when business is rush-

advisable for gifts.

The Leagues' Labor Party Referendum

(Cont. from page One.)

did not wish to provide in the reso- has been forthcoming. The educatiolution for the inclusion of "all exist-nal aspect is not neglected, as is shown ing working-class parties."

action. As a sample of the manner leaflets sufficient to send one to each in which the League, Referendum local union. But positive action to stimulated this process, we quote a begin organizational work is being letter from Local No. 81, of the La- rapidly started.

our recommendation.

for bringing all other political parties' reports are just beginning to come of the workers into an inclusive La- in. New activity is to be seen also bor Party.

of the League leaflet, "A political body, Party for Lavor," to place in the mem- But the center of interest in the bers' hands before voting. The at- movement for a Labor Party has sh' San Francisco, who write:

are voting for.

rom Ohio is a note which says:

busy worrying about beer.

that the time is here and passed, Several central labor bodies have upon the question of a Labor Party.

g working-class parties."

by the Ogden Trades and Labor AsAfter discussing, the next step is sembly ordering copies of the League

nings was that made in Toledo. On It has been unanimously April 5th, 150 delegates from 39 adopted and was forwarded as a unions and political groups gathered recommendation to the Joint Board, to form the Worker's Political Con-We have received information that gress. On April 17th this had grown it has been adopted by the Jaint to 245 delegates representing 49 or-Board and is now in the hands of ganizations. The Labor Party of Los the locals for approval. Also it was Angeles, formed by 161 delegates from decided to send a communication 47 organizations, got away to a flying to the General Executive Board of start. On March 25th, a few days afthe International urging them to ter its formation, the plan was enparticipate in the July 3rd Confer- dorsed by the Convention of the State ence called by the Farmer-Labor Building Trades Council of Califor-Party and act along the lines of nia, which sent out a resolution to every affiliated union in the State. In cities where the Karmer-Labor On April 4th the Central Labor Coun-Party is established, the interest is cil of Contra Costa County, California. the referendum was not so strong be- endorsed the League referendum and cause the unions already feel that a immediately a convention to launch a beginning has been made. Many re- local Party was called. In a large solutions, however, were received from number of other cities, local confersuch centers, emphasizing the new ences have been called, upon which

in the ranks of the previously-organ-

titude of these unions is well stated ed away from the League Referen by the letter from the Machinists of All supporters of a political party to the Labor now have their attention fixed Kindly send by return mail 200 on July 3rd, when a Convention has copies of the leaflet, as the Lodge been called in Chicago by the Farmerhas deferred action on the Refer- Labor Party, to which has been inendum until they can be put in the vited the Workers Party, the Socialist hands of the membership so they Party, all International Unions, State

Manifesto of the Workers Party Workers and Farmers of the United

SURELY NO WORKER WHO THINKS CAN ANY LONGER BE IN DOUBT ABOUT THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE PRESENT GOV-ERNMENT OF THE UNITED TATES EXISTS. IT IS A STRIKE. AND WORKING CONDITIONS TO GIVE THEM AND TO USE INJUNCTIONS, COURTS AND EVEN SOLDIERS TO COMPEL THE WORKERS TO ACCEPT

The Farmer and the Government, The government under control of the capitalists is just as definitely

the enemy of the farmers. The capitalists rob the industrial workers through, paying them low wages and compelling them to work under bad working conditions.

The capitalists rob the former through exerbatant freight charges, through heavy charges for storing and marketing goods, paying them low prices for what they produce and charging robber prices for what they

The capitalist bankers rob the farmers through mortgages, through the lease which they must have in order to get through the bad part of one

Again it is the capitalist controlled government which is the greatest weapon of the capitalists in taking from the farmers what they produce. The government fixes freight rates in the interest of the railroads Through laws passed by Congress it gives the railroads great subsidies. such as the 6% guarantee of earnings when the railroads were returned to private swnership. Through farm credit laws and similar banking measures the government aids the capitalist bankers in robbing the

Workers in the factory and mine and workers on the land alike suffer through the exploitation of the capialiste exploitation in which they are assisted and which is upheld by the

Labor divided.

In the face of these conditions the forces of Labor are divided. Some workers and farmers have supported the Republican Party, and some the Democratic Party, to find that both parties served the capitalists, Other groups of workers and farmers have en divided into small, ineffective PARTY! tabor political groups.

Labor has had no United Political Front-no organization uniting inlustrial workers and farmers in one olid, powerful, political organiza-Hon to meet the parties of the capialists and fight for the political in erests of Labor.

In every great capitalist country of the world the workers and farmers have learned to unite in a political party of their own. These parties carry on the struggle against the attacks of the capitalists and to win more of what they produce for both millions of workers have endorsed the are fighting to establish, in place of the rule of the capitalists, the rule of Labor through a Workers' Gov-

THE TIME HAS COME TO UNITE LABOR'S FORCES IN A LABOR PARTY IN THE UNITED STATES

The experiences of the industrial workers and farmers have taught millions of these workers and farmers that they must unite politically in a class party of labor, if their organizations are not to be crushed and their standard of living forced down.

As a result of these experiences there has grown up a great demand for the organization of a labor party. Trade unions representing nearly two millions of workers including the-United Mine Workers of America, the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, many of the railroad unions are for

the labor party. Just recently the Bennsylvania Federation of Labor, the West Virginia Federation of Labor, the California Building Trades Council, and the Buffalo Central Labor Council have endorsed the formation of a

labor party, The convention called by the Farmer-Labor Party for July 3rd présents the opportunity to realize the demand of these millions of workers for the formation of the Labor

Every trade union, every farmers organization, every political organization of labor, every fraternal and benefit organization made up of workers and farmers should send delegates to the July 3rd Convention.

Labor Must Unite Politically,

The workers and farmers must challenge the rule of the great capitalists of Wall Street and make of the Government an instrument to insure their well-being and higher standard of life rather than an instrument to help the Wall Street fortunes for themselves.

FORWARD TO THE LABOR

LABOR AND THE WORKERS' RE-PUBLIC IN THE UNITED STATES Central Executive Committee

FORWARD TO THE RULE OF

WORKERS PARTY OF AMERICA C. E. RUTHENBERG Executive Secretary.

HAVE YOU READ THE NEWS?

WORLD WAR

England is ready to break trade relations with Russia and has sent ships to support her

At Lusanne a member of the Fascisti murdered Vorovsky, the Soviet representative.

The Swiss-government expels Ahrens, attaché to the Soviet delegation.

In America some reactionary forces pass resolutions condemning Russia and others forbid the urging of trade relations with and recognition of Soviet Russia.

HOW WILL THE AMERICAN FARMERS AND WORKERS AN-SWER THIS CRY FOR WAR?

RECONSTRUCTION The Friends of Soviet Russia justly asks in face of these developments-Which shall we send to Russia

CANNONS OR TRACTORS?

We propose to send twenty tractors as our immediate answer. With these tractors we want to send a living message That is why we are offering a

FREE TRIP TO RUSSIA

in connection with this drive. We want this living message to go frem the farmers and workers of America as a symbol of faith in the ideals for which the Russian people are being persecuted by the international organized capitalist bloc.

GIVE! GIVE ONE DOLLAR

and as many times One Dollar as you possible can. Help the Russians NOW so that they may be prepared for possible emergencies.

It is not enough to give. Enter the contest. Get your

organization to nominate a candidate and work for his election S ign One of the Blanks Below. Do It Now! Don't Wait!

THE ONE DOLLAR ARMY FRIENDS OF SOVIET RUSSIA, 201 W. 13th St. NEW YORK CITY.

I want to help buy tractors to help the agricultural reconstruction of Russia and serve as a symbol of faith in the ideals for which the Russian people have given their all. Enclosed find \$

NAME ____ ADDRESS ... (V. of L. 25-5-28.)

THE ONE DOLLAR ARMY

FRIENDS OF SOVIET RUSSIA, 201 W. 13th St. NEW YORK CITY.

I want to enter the contest for a free trip to Russia, to belp buy tractors and serve as a living message to the workers and farmers of Russia. Send me collection blanks.

NAME ADDRESS _ REFERENCE (V. of L. 25-5-23.)

speaking on April 16 before the Conthe few opposed only question as to vention for the Hatter's Union, came whether we are ready. God knows out squarely for a Labor Party.

and the sooner something is done taken up the issue and called upon the better. More power to youe their local unions afiliated to vote Of all the unions voting, only one This is being done in Salt Lake City wished to change the resolution pro- and Ogden, while in West Virginia a posed. That one was the Bakery central labor union is circularizing Wagon Drivers of San Francisco, who the entire State. Wherever the cenwere in favor of a Labor Party but tral bodies have taken hold, action

dies' Garment Workers Union, of Chi- One of the most energetic begin-

Many unions, after discussing the ized sections of the Farmer-Labor resolution in one meeting, postponed Party. The great Pennsylvania Fedeaction until the following meeting in ration adopted the Labor Party resoorder to send out a special call for all lution in May, almost unanimously; members to be present. Most of these it was followed a few days later by also ordered from 100 to 500 copies the Buffalo, New York, central labor

will better understand what they Federations, city central bodies, localunions and farm organizations. This Accompanying a unanimous "Yes" call for a Convention, which was mailed to the local unions on May 15. An A. Fr of L organizer was marks the passage of the movement present and objected to the vote, for a shited front of Labor against He said he was for a Labor Party | the capitalist parties, from the stage but wanted the A. F. of L. to take of propaganda to the stage of action. the vote, and not a bunch of wild- Every true supporter of indepen cats.' He was told that Gompers dent political action by the working had waited too long, and is too class will go to work with energy to swing his organization to participa-

As interesting as the voices from tion in this convention. Militant dele the rank and file, is the fact that gates to Chicago for July 3rd, will many officials in the labor movement, exert every effort toward knitting tolong trusted licutenants of Compers. gother the present divided groups into are feeling the new current stirring some form of a class Party of Labor, the air of the trade unions. Thus J. with a program and form of organi-P. Holland, President of the New zation that will bring about the vital-York State Federation of Labor, for ly necessary solidarity and lead the years a cog in Compers machine. workers forward to new achievements.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ISSUES MAY DAY MANIFESTO

Workers' Party Press Service,

William J. Burns is again very busy with propaganda. As he has very little prospect of success with the workers if he issues statements and manifestoes in the name of the Department of Justice, he has chosen a better-sounding name. He has simply stolen the honest revolutionary name of the Central Executive Committee of the Communist Party of America. We have just received the complete text of a May First Manifesto with the signature "Central Executive Committee of the Communist Party union official had taken money to al-We declare that this manifesto is a humbug and falsification. As is generally known, the Communist Party was

dissolved on April 7, 1923, and of course, the Central Executive Committee of the Communist Party also ceased to exist. Only imposters can besmirch, today, the good old revolutionary name of the Co munist Party, thru such expropriations, This Ivay Day manifesto is no work of ordinary impostors, but is the fabrication of the most powerful underground organization in this country-the Department of Justice.

To show that this manifesto nothing but a police statement, we reprint the most attractive part; today Millions of Workers in all parts of the World are appealing to you Workers in America, to join forces with them to begin to prepare yourselves so that, when the opportune time arrives you will be in a position to wage Civil War against the common enemy, the Capitalist Class.

"America. A country without

"America. A country that is ruled by a small handful of capitalist die

"America. A country where work ers are sent to prison for their polit ical opinions, others are framed, sent to jail, to the penitentiary, to the llows, electric chair, lynched, or tood up against a wall and shot.

"America. Where organized labor firu its mis-leadership is Deaf, Dumb and Blind to the actual conditions urrounding them.

"America. The most highly derelioped capitalist country in the world rorkers thro Force of Arms take control of the Government, confiscate the Mines, Mills, Factories, Railroads, ip lines etc., and have all means of production and distribution operated in the interest and distribution operated in the interest of the Workers, by the Workers and For The Workers. Then and not until then can we say that this is the Land Of The Free.

WORKERS OF AMERICA! PREPARE! PREPARE! PREPARE!

"LONG LIVE-THE RUSSIAN RE

"LONG LIVE THE WORLD RE-

"LONG LIVE THE COMMUNIST PART YOF AMERICA.

Issued by the Central EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE COMMUNIST PARTY OF AMERICA."

The reason why the Department o Justice has issued this manifesto is made apparent in the May I issue of the N. Y. Times:-

"Following the mailing of anonym ous circulars by the Central Executive Committee of the Communist Party of America, an 'underground' organization, the police have made preparations to safeguard public officials, prominent citizens and public buildings and churches."

The police wished to make prepara tions, and as a pretext they manufactured an "underground" manifesto. One need only analyze a little the language of the manifesto, and one would immediately recognize the oratorical delivery of the Department of Justice.

Not a Communist, but only a Department of Justice agent could, in Harding Frees Grafters the political situation in America today, speak of the imminence of Civil War and "force of arms." The hysterical cry, "Prepare! Prepare!" is not the phraseology of American Communists, but the cry of fear of detective phantasy, Communists are not all professors of literature, but even the simplest Communist knows that the word Communist is spelled with double m. But the Department of Justice is in a state of war not only against the truth, but also against English spelling.

The enest phrase of the manifesto shows best of all the phantasy of the detective. It reads: "The workers are sent to jail, to the penitentiary, to the gallows, electric chair, lynched or stood up against a wall and shot." Our opinion of American Democracy is not any too good. It is true that workers are sent to the penitentiary and jail, and are lynched. But for us, the truth is more than enough It is not true that the present classstruggle in America workers are being sent to the gallows, the electric chair, or stood up against a wall and with hatred for the brutality of American capitalists. But the phantasy of the detective gallops swiftly. He sees gallows and electric chairs and firing-squads, because he wishes the

capitalists. Central Executive Committee, Workers Party of America. C. E. RUTHENBERG Executive Secretary.

workers be treated in this way by the

Illinois Miners' Official Denies Charge of Graft, **Lester Mine Operation**

By McALISTER COLEMAN. (Fed. Press Staff Correspondent.) SPRINGFIELD, Ill.-State Senator

Sneed, president, Subdistrict 10, Illinois Mine Workers' Union, appearing before the Herrin legislative investigation committee here denied that any low W. J. Lester, the coal operator, to run a scab strip mine.

Rep. Mike Igoe of Chicago asked Senator Sneed if he had heard rumors that Lester had paid money to be allowed to operate and had received some of it back after the riot. The representative dragged in the name The proletarian guards have bee of Judge Dewitt T. Hartwell, who created to offset the Bavarian white presided over the Herrin trials, saying that rumor said that Hartwell had | The editor thinks they are the work acted as go-between. Sneed pointed of Moscow. They drill like good Gerout that it would be ridiculous for mans. Lester to pay for permission to strip coal as the international union had already granted such permission. He said he had heard before the Herrin rioting that Judge Hartwell had stock in Lester's company, but the judge! had assured him there was nothing in

The committee, after hearing Gov ernor Small's testimony, will start to work on its report. There will be a minority report, as the committee is divided on political lines, the Brundage-Small controversy playing a hig part in the split.

Keeps Workers in Jail

WASHINGTON .-- President Harding has commuted the sertence of are Paul and Fred Welf of Quincy, dustries in the same wage category. Ill. Attorney General Daugherty was recovered from his illness to recommend, not commutation, but full pardons for them.

serve one year and one day; the other two years. The president cut their sentences in half.

Fifty-two men are still in prison the end the current year. n Leavenworth for exercising their constitutional right of free speech.

Proletarian Guards Drilling Under Workers Government

DRESDEN, Germany .- Proletarian life on the benevolent neutrality of socialist) government for a long time. country.



THE POOR FISH SAYS:

money, but they need a lot. It takes dough to keep track of Indian guides.

guards and to nip Saxon fascism.

Real Wages in Russia

MOSCOW .- Real wages of Russian Reports by the statistical departments, draw the consulate, the only one reof the trade unions show that between August and December of last year real territory, would injure American busiwages advanced 100 per cent in textile ness interests in the far east. But industries, 39 per cent in clothing, 173 what do even American business in per cent in the metal industry and in terests matter so long as the Hughes shoes 76 per cent.

In tobacco and the food industries in the other industries for these two the fact that up to this period they

The real wage now paid in the metal industry is 75 per cent that of prewar days, in the printing trades 77 per cent, in textiles 65 per cent, and in tobacco 114 or 14 per cent above the prewar scale. At this rate of advance the prewar real wages will

Fascisti Not Strong Enough to Worry A.F. of L. Fossils

WASHINGTON .- The A. F. of L. does not think the present activities guards are drilling in Saxony with of the fascisti in this country importhe sanction of the Social-Democratic tant enough to take cognizance of; government, which depends for its therefore, the executive council did cept the Northwestern Pacific. the Communist deputies in the legis- Labor Union of New York asking an lature. The political editor of the investigation of the American branch Neueste Nachrichten, a bourgeoise of Mussolini's labor baiting move-

THE SKIM GAME

Bewhiskered Secretary Takes Another Crack at Soviet Republic

By MILDRED MORRIS (Fed. Press Staff Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON .- Secretary State Hughes again is spreading anti-Russian propaganda to furnish an excuse for closing up the American consulate at Vladivostok and to make an alibi that will stop the clamor of protests from American business interests in the far east which will be seriously handicapped by his action. Gary Steel Slaves in In statements to the newspapers he

makes it appear that confiscation of American property by the Russian government is largely responsible for severing the last of America's official ies with Russia and that demand for new credentials from the Vladivostok consul was issued by Moscow to trick the United States into recognition.

The fact is-this comes from official willing to have the Vladivostok consulate continue if Russia had waived the question of credentials. It was industrial workers continue to rise, called to his attention that to withpresenting America left on Russian mind remains securely embalmed?

The American consul at Vladivostok the increases during the last six as well as other foreign consuls were months of 1922 were not as great as operating under credentials issued by the old czarist government. The fact had already felt the revival due to that Russia's demand did not single the NEP. The great increase in the out our consul but included all formetal workers' wages is explained by eign consuls answers Hughes' prepa ganda that the soviet government was two men convicted of war frauds. They had lagged behind those in other in seeking to take advantage of the guileless United States and trick it nto recognition.

> The state department, even under Hughes, does not require recognition of a country to keep consuls there. This is shown in the case of Mexico.

A state department official pointed out that Russia did not ask for rebe passed by most industries before ciprocal relations with the .United States when it demanded new credentials for the Vladivostok consult.

Japan has met Russia's requirements for the sake of Japanese trade

DEMAND ANTI-LABOR LAW SACRAMENTO .- The state assem-

bly has passed a bill asking congress to pass legislation making tailroad and other nation wide strikes illegal. The measure is aimed at the shopmens' strike, which is still in force on all California railroads ex-

ANOTHER INJUNCTION

SAN FRANSISCO .-- Another tempaper, says that the workers are ment. The American fascisti have striking Ladies Garment Workers do not want more hours, we want it, swinging leftward and that Saxony prevented free assemblage in Buffalo, from picketing has been issued by more money." Then they vere offered will not have a proper (that is, non- Waterbury, and other sections of the Judge Murasky. The strike, now in another "sop," a half holiday or Jits third month, is still going strong. Saturday, but when Saturday came

Our Readers Forum

(The Voice of Labor welcomes ontributions from its readers on topics affecting the interests of the workers. Letters should not be longer than three hundred words. Name and address of writer must accompany contribution as a guarantee of good faith, else communication will not be published. The writer may use nom-de-plume.

The Voice of L 's not responsible for views pressed in this column,-Ed.

Need of Unionism

Hammond, Ind. Editor Voice of Labor :-

has been involved in first one battle and then another for several years. At present many members are still OUR government. I informed he sources-liughes would have been locked out by the Indiana Harbor that I did not care if he belie Belt R. R., but that undying spirit that the moon was made of gree which makes for progress in the labor cheese but that I was concerned will

> At the last meeting on May 16, a resolution was endorsed condemning the tools of the steel trust for their lawless action in arresting the trade unionists who spoke in Gary, Ind., on the night of May day. The resolution also demands that the case against those men be dismissed. This local is also sending a delegate to the convention, called by the Farmer Labor Party to take place in Chicago on July 3, 1923.

Judge Gary's 11 per cent increase did not make millionaires out of the steel slaves. Here is what happened: First the capitalist dailies ran big headlines on the front pages heralding the news of Judge Gary's most liberal increase of 11 per cent to the slaves of the steel trust.

Next, the slaves read it, then they get together in the shops in little groups and talked about the big joke, for joke it was. In some shops and mills in this region wages were raised 5 per cent, but in most plants they were raised even less or not at all. I have been asked the question, Are

the workers satisfied with their increase, or how do they feel about it? therefore I will cite one case as an illustration. In one particular shop in East Chicago, employing about an average number of men, when a notice was posted announcing an in- able to devote more time to the work crease of 5 per cent, the workers ex- of securing subs for the Voice of pressed so much dissatisfaction with Labor as I believe it is the best we such a meagre increase that the have ever had. I have been in the bosses at once set about to find some- movement over fifteen years and have thing in the way of a "sop" to hand them, so the number of hours were and go. Some of them deserved to increased from 9 hours to 10 hours. go; others had to go be They were told that the extra hour of funds, but I sincerely hope that would increase the pay considerably, will not be the fate of the Voice of porary injunction preventing the to which the workers answered, "We Labor. I will to my best to prevent they were told to work al! day.

Then came another "sop," the hours We Must Help to were increased 12 hours a day, with time and one-half after 10 hours. A few of the workers flatly refused to work 12 hours, some have quit the job, but the most of them are working Editor Voice of Labors and wondering what will happen

tion. If there was an amalgamated sixty workers in Centerville, Iowa, organization covering the whole metal He hired a car for them, tagged them working industry, these slaves would like sheep and took them along, flock to it by the thousands, but we where to I do not know. Last week must point out to them the fact that he took sixty out of Mystic. the only way to realize the amal- Their condition must not be as ros; gamation of craft unions into indus- as affomised, two of those who went trial unions, is for such workers to in the first batch having returned and join the craft unions and carry on they tell me that they were taken to the fight for amalgamation until they do that, they will continue as ten hun at a stretch for 37 cents : they are, now getting from 35e per hour, with a boss for every three a hour to about 70c and as the vast who stood near by them sho majority are unskilled laborers they "hurry up you-" are in the 35c per hour class, with the 5 per cent increase and the 12 the 5 per cent increase and the 12 those workers who never set a hour day. No, they are not satisfied thought to the class struggle of make but only unorganized and powerless. Yours in comradeship,

-H. W. Garner.

Reactionary Labor Leaders Menace to Solidarity

Chicago, Ill.

Editor Voice of Labor:

Why many workers do not join the labor unions is due to many causes, son, I can not help but reflect upon principally disgust with the alleged the dire consequences which might leaders who are in reality labor- have befallen me, had I been discover lieutenants of capitalism, betrayers, ed with a copy of the Voice of Labor. grafters and fakers.

A conversation I had last summer with a union delegate on a Lake I was imprisoned in the Second Pre-Steamer indicates the type of "un-cinct Station House here. A man in ion men" some of them are. This cell four (who was charged with com same delegate had denounced a fire- mitting rape), upon learning that I man to the Company for being a was a Red, bellowed at me, "If felmember of the I.W. W. thus bringing lers like you don't like dis country about his dismissal from the Com- why don't yuh get de hell out?" pany and blacklisted by the Lake am, etc., Carriers Association.

Coming off watch I found that genusual greetings he asked me if I was a member of his union as he handed me a pamphlet which wound up with "Live a decent life as other people do, get married and support a family." I informed him that I was a member of the Atlantic Coast Union. Inquiring if I had paid up my dues ! replied in the affirmative but advised him that the lack of organization among the lake seamen which he referred to, was due to the feeling of distrust which the workers had of the crooked and lazy leaders and because the latter were opposed to amalga mation and solidarity which every in telligent worker believed in.

This got under his hide so he ack ed in a gruff voice if I was a member Lincoln Lodge No. 209, L. A. of M., of the l. W. W. I replied that I net shows a progressive spirit. This local carried a wobbly card in my life. Turn somewhat eased him and he patrio, cally asserted that he believed movement is still alive and thriving his attitude toward labor solidarity and co-operation. I pointed out how the workers were now scabbing on each other due to their faulty metho of organization.

He resented what he considered the nanuation that his union scabbed and said they should not be blame for the doings of others.

I pointed out that we haul scale coal on the ships. Is that not helping the coal operators? At this time mark you the miners and the shopmen were on strike. Why not co operate with them? His reply was that we had nothing to do with the miners' and don't care for them

This last sentence pierced my heart like a dagger. This mental attitu is typical of that of the average A F. of L. official but they have changed since last summer. Amalgamation sentiment is spreading in spite of the officials.

Sincerely your, Al Hufnagel.

She Likes the "Voice" And Shows Appreciation

Cleveland, Ohio, May 13, 23.

Editor Voice of Labor: Enclosed please find one more sub I regret very much that I am not seen quite a number of papers come

> Yours in comradeship Anna Morgan

Wake Them Up

Mystic, Iowa.

A capitalist recruiting agent was here recently hunting for workers These workers have no organiza- with promises of good pay. He got

This is a good lesson for se any effort to emancipate thenselves from capitalism,

-Tony Stanfi.

Washington, D. C.

America for American

Editor, Voice of Labor:-

Since being arrested and charged with conspiracy for having such a publication as the Nation on my per-I think you may be inteersted in a

little incident that took place while

Edward J. Irvine

A RADICAL IRISH MONTHLY **PUBLISHED IN CHICAGO**

reach the Irish workers in America weekly for six months. The latter was with the kind of porpaganda that produces the maximum results with far made. produces the maximum results with the minimum expenditure of energy Irish never begin to fight until they and they have all been successful. are licked and if it can be said of This may sound queer, but it is never- any group it is true of the few comtheless true. Some people believe rades in Chicago who decided to bring that any revolutionary effort that forth a monthly magazine called "The does not present an impatient public Irish People," that will tell the Irish with a full fiedged revolution after workers in America some things they the five C'Clock whistle blows is a are not told by their hourgeois, suflat failure. They seem to think that perstitious press. It will tell them A the business of bringing about the about the labor movement, what Comdownfall of capitalism is subject to pers is doing and not doing, what Wil-the laws that govern the business of liam Z. Foster is doing and why he exchanging watches for pawn tickets. is doing it, why Ireland is not free If at the end of the year the pawn and how to free it, why the United broker is searer being broke than States Government does not like when he started, he is justified in con- Russia and did not recognize the sidering the advisability of adding Irish Republic, why they should not the profession of bootlegging to his support the Democrat and Republican tionist. Every time he opens his port a Labor Party, in fact, it will of course in coundenation of the ex- be read in other words in the Voice isting robber system and in favor of of Labor, The Worker, and the Labor the establishment of a Communist so- Herald. iety he makes progress and is there- The editor of the Irish People is

Other Attempts.

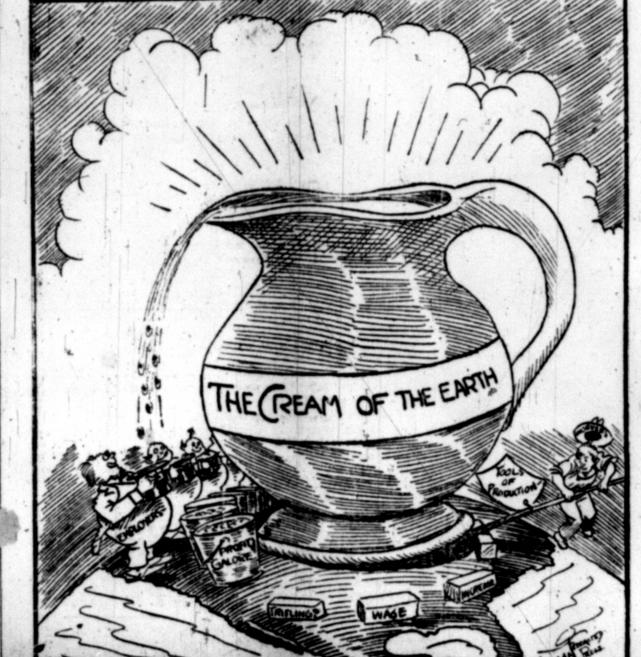
In 1908 James Connolly published a publishing address is 1615 A locialist paper called the Harp. It Street, Chicago, Ill. The subscription rendered good service. Harps are no is \$1.00 a year. Send in a sub. merican Labor League published the ment to their credit.

Many attempts have been made to Irish People and continued it is a

It has often been said that the ecomplishments. Not so the revolu- parties and why they should supnouth and says something-sensible tell them mostly everything that can

T. J. O'Flaherty. M. F. Scanlan, of the Amalgamated Street Carmen' If that is clear we shall proceed. Association is Business Manager

longer as popular as of yore so the Among the contributing editors are next effort to reach the Irish workers William F. Dunne, editor of the Butte thru the medium of a paper called the Bulletin, Michael T. Berry of the Irish Worker w. a made by Jim Lar- Amalgamated Shoe Workers, Donagh kin in 1917. after a few issues that Dwyer of the Amalgamated Clothing paper gave up the ghost but its spirit Workers and several others with long still lived until 1921 when the Irish terms of service in the laser move-



Amalgamation Picnic **Decoration Day in**

The Mg Amalgamation Pic-nic, to on Decoration Day next will provide one of the tings of the season, for the militant workers in the union labor

This great social event for the working class will be under the aupices of the Trade Union Educational League, and all the proceeds will be used for the benefit of the "Labor

As principal speaker for this oc-William Z. Foster will deliver Ws most interesting message with gard to the need for industrial or-, and the steps necessary to taken in order to attain power for e markers through amalgamation wide unionist should fail to hear

There will be other speakers, with tant topics of greatest interest pe will be athletic games, music, So that the occasion will be one for hearty enjoyment and reas well as for valuable and

A nice luncheon with beverages, nd cold will be available for throughout the day and evening. And the beautiful wooded grove will furnish ample accommodations for the comfortable gathering of all friends of the "Imbor Herald."

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OF THE FEDERATED PRESS

THE "JUNGLE" IS MODERATE **COMPARED TO ARMOUR PLANT**

Chernauskas Grove Filthy Conditions in Kansas City-Food Factory Exposed

Opton Sinclair's "Jungle," bleats: wage slaves. When he hires out, he "It's too dreadful to be true-therefore it can't be true." Wishing to find out for myself I ventured into the "Jungle," of the Armour Plant in Kansas City, Kansas, and the little to be "bought," he must pin on the shakes my doubts of Sinclair's accuracy. I am working in the oleo- giving his number and his place of margerine section. Wherever the floor is dry, it swarms with ants. and must wear this servitude badge Whenever pieces of oleo fall to the floor, they are picked up, casually scraped off by hand and thrown back under the constant surveillance of into the truck. The rule is inflexible that no oleo must be touchied by hand the cutter must wear rubber gloves, he wrappers must not bring their of these vermin but their attitude hands in contact with the oleo but must lay the waxed paper over the brick first and there are similar rules for every class of workers.

The hypocritical side of the case methods that speeds the work. The men shoveling buto the brick machine plant superintendent appears!

floors, vapor-filled rooms and great the knowledge to avoid. differences in temperature, most of og for other games and sports the workers have chronic colds and ited observation I gather the ment departments are as dirty or dirtier.

dwelt more on the humiliation a "free machinery."

The average bourgeois who reads citizen" suffers as one of Armour's stands with scores of others while the biring boss studies the "bargains" of the labor market. I know now how the chattel slave felt on the auction block. If he's lucky enough can see from my place of work modern substitute for the rivetted slave collar of old-a large metal tag work (to prevent him from straying constantly.

Most humiliating of all he works swarm of human jackals in special police uniform. I can't state definitely what is the nature of the duties in dealing with the workers is usually hostile and bullying. They are everywhere, always.

The work is not in itself hard bert wing to the diabolical ingenuity of that the foreman's efficiency is the 'speeding" every worker must to the wage-workers right now. And judged wholly by quantity of output, work at full tension all the time and He therefore whips his gang to the the pace will tire out the strongest. seing, and many other interesting utmost speed and tolerates any I've handled coal, concrete and structural iron in my time. None are light to handle and none tired me more drop their shovels and throw in the than my "light" job in Armour's prichunks by band; the cutters and vate hell. The charge against comwrappers handle the bricks, It al- munism that it "breaks up the home" ways amuses me to see the meticulous is particularly ludicrous in an Arobservance of the rules, when the mour plant. Most of the girls are married but owing to the ridiculously In every toilet are signs "requir- small pay of their husbands, they are ing" that all employees wash their compelled to toil too and the petted hands after using toilets. No soap is bourgeois women are horrified over furnished and the roller towels are the "ridiculous vanity of the workalways unetterably fifthy. Not one ing women, that makes them sacriman in twenty-five pays any atten- fice their health and leave the home tion to the rules and he generally to get pretty clothes." Not "pretty washes only before he eats! The most clothes," you private whores, but nauseating feature of the system is food for themselves and for the chilthe fact that owing to the flooded dren your barbarous laws deny them

> Hereafter, if any one asks me how workers are humiliated, bullied and ed in the "Jungle," he would have and cheaply replaced parts of the navy in fighting trim.

Not Many Radicals; Yet They May Overthrow Government

Thus Writes Beg. W. Hooper, Faithful Capitalist Servant on Rail Labor Board.

were not able or willing to bring the not be obstructed." roads to that maximum point of efthe war-at a guaranteed profit of the courts will be changed. course—that it gave them millions of . He quotes from the official organ dollars as a bonus after the war was of labor unions with the object of of new rolling stock and rails. If private ownership is so almighty ef- calls on the "conservative-progresit during war time? This question defense of democracy. He admits the inal? has often been asked but never

answered. Mr. Hooper is afraid of the threatened attempt on the part of progres. -by injunctions and jails, we supsive senators to take away some of pose. the nower from the Supreme Court. fossils endowed with superhuman wis- that the workers may become class sian propaganda from the Jewish

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for the benefit of the few, why all umphant force. It means that the vate owners during the great emer- must be broken down in order that gency, because the private owners the on rush of the frenzied mob may

Of course this government was so willing tools and lackeys of the capiappreciative of the reckless patriotic talists. We assure Mr. Hooper that abandon of the railroad magnates for as long as capitalism exists he does turning over their properties during not have to fear that the character of

> cope with this undesirable growth he error? "growth of modern industrialism has created inequalities and injustices," but believes that this can be remedied

We owe a debt of gratitude to the This capitalist orphan asylum has the New York Central Railroad for dis- the links. It looks like a good day power to declare null and void any tributing this kind of literature for the sport. law passed by congress. This is as among its employes. It will make it should be, says Mr. Hooper. Seven them think. The corporations fear to do. I must order some anti-Rusdom deven though some of them may conscions enough to join a labor party Daily Forward. They sell it pretty receive 'Carnegie', pensions) must and give the bosses a little lesson in cheap in large quantities. The New guard the constitution from represen- "class domination" from the other York Call does the translating free tatives who are not fitted to pass side of the social gulf. And they of charge and Gompers will give it udgment on the constitutionality of cannot stop this danger by issuing the blessing of the American Federabooklets chock full of insolent phrases

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Doings of Gharlie and Warren



WARREN-I just had tance call from J. P. CHARLIE-What did he want?

WARREN-He says the boys are having a caucus in a few days in New York to devise ways and means of putting the World Court across and planting a nucleus in the Democrat Party in order to win them over to the plan. We must have some kind of a League of Nations but the conservative elements in both our parties are afraid that such a proposition sounds too much like internationalsm. J. P. says both of us should attend in order to get instructions. The proposition of a United Front against labor will also come up.

CHARLIE Of course that is on sential . I never like to do anything without instructions. It is rathe disagreeble to write a nice flowery note and have to eat it because does not happen to meet with the approval of the big fellows.

WARREN What's the dope on Russia? I don't know what to make of this noise with John Bull. These English cousins of ours are pretty clever and George is none too reliable since we got prohibition here. What's their game?

CHARLIE-To be honest with you Gamalied. I don't know. Harvey does not know anything. It appears that he is befuddled by Haig and Buckingham Palace.

WARREN-Haig and Haig?

CHARLIE-As you please. Anyhow he stopped over at Wall Street before we are shall run industry under com- he came here. We only get the news In which all guests may participate, coughs, spit and sneeze over and into munism, I shall say, 'Go into a pack- second hand. We might hear all ing plant. Observe the way the about it at the caucus. Something must be in the air because John is speeded. In our plants the worker; getting the army ready and I see Had Upton Sinclair himself work will be men-not the most despised that Edwin is going ahead to put the

WARREN-We really should move the headquarters to New York. It is the centre of things. This place may be all right in the old days when the grincipal business of the government was keeping a look out for runaway slaves. Our underground connections are pretty good down there and if we were near J. P. we could visit him daily and get our instructions.

CHARLIE-That is true of cou but if we move to New York the labor Without holding a brief for the power exercised in connection with demagagues will have more circumgovernment ownership of callroads strikes comes in for rough handling stantial evidence than ever that we under capitalist rule might we ask from Mr. Hooper. He says: "It are merely a fig leaf to cover Wall the gentleman who so valiantly but means that the courts of our land Street's nakedness. That Workers tles for the continuation of the sys- most stand shackled and gagged in Party bonch are dinning it into the tem of robbery of the many and the presence of insolent and tri- ears of the workers that this government of ours does not really reprethe governments engaged in the late strongest safeguard of life, liberty sent the people but is merely the war took over the railways from pri- and property known to our republic executive committee of the capitalists. There is a certain tradition connected with this place that keeps the dumbbells where they belong. Old George Hooper wants the courts to con- did us a good turn by leaving us with ficiency which the crisis demanded? tinue to function as at present, the a fairly decent reputation. Of course it needed a little polishing, but it was not beyond repair. Yes, Washington has its advantages.

WARREN-Well, it looks Charlie as if we really brought the country back to normalcy.

CHARLIE-By the way Gamaliel over together with the addition of bil- proving to his masters how radical what the hell is "normalcy" anyhow? lions of increased value in the form the unions are growing. In order to Is it really word or a typographical

WARREN--PI be dammed if I ficient why was it necessary to scrap sives? in the country to rally to the know. But don't you think it's orig-

> CHARLIE It certainly is with rengeance. Please don't make any more such original contributions to the English language or we will have difficulty in understanding each other WARREN-What about a turn on

CHARLIE-Oh, I have some work

tion of Labor but he damands jobs

for some of his men. WARREN-Well, go abend, I am going to enjoy myself. These matters should not be taken too seriously. See what happened to Wilson.

CHARLIE-Writing notes is not entirely to blame for his trouble. (The two statesmen exchange winks and go their way.) (Continued next week).

Our readers want to know what the workers in your dis-trict are doing. Send the news to the Voice of Labor. We will gladly publish it.



whose type it ain't so hard to seek. Three years he's lived within his house, with his own lawfully wedded spouse. Three boys he has, all good and fine, he's working for a baseball cutting out these foolish laws.

His wife works, too, both night and day, without much clothes and with no pay. She cooks and scrubs and mends and bakes, makes clothes and puddings, pies and cakes. She tends the kids when they ain't well and rocks the baby for a spell. She starches curtains, dyes her clothes, and does more work than her man knows. She scrubs the kids behind the ears, and every day has deadly fears that it won't be so very long before a new kid comes along.

This poor, hard working, worn out soul needs some advice on birth control. Her selfish husband should be croup. took and given Margaret Sanger's

the galling yoke the ever present gal- out and operated!

I heard about a man last week, ling fear of a new kid each blessed

At Albany the solons froze when and spoke to them about the cause of

Said they; "We make the law you see; go home and dance kids on your Friday May 18th. knee. We are the lords of this old earth. The Lord arranged for much the speaker during his talk of pinety childbirth. The ship of state we have minutes gave evidence to the fact that in care. You shouldn't hesitate to the interest of the Workers of Amerbear as many kids as chance may ica in the struggles of the Workers send; go home to cook, scrub, and Republic is not abated. The clear mend. And in between your pregnant and logical explanation which Comdays, don't meddle with the state- rade Cannon gave of the workings of men's ways. Obey your husbands as the New Economic Policy was listenyou should; believe us, a big family's ed to with close attention throughout, good. Child bearing may not be our punctuated by bursts of applause, and forte; but making laws is some good approval as the speaker drew a picsport. Don't stir the legislature's ture of the steady and sure advance soup; go home and dose the kids for of the Proletarian state in the world,

I wonder, would the men be glad, if all the women should get mad, vote And yet our legislators say that of women into power and bring about anyone will rue the day who dares to the fateful hour, that all the men, betell the married folk how to escape fore they mated, should be stretched

Comical Syllism "Epics"

By JOE CARROLL.

With apologies to "Bill" Lloyd, I've read the trial of William Z., And know its whole darned history: I've seen the evidence there shown-And sure that stuff did make me groan! There was some books-and then some more, With documents of "Red" galore. There was the "propaganda sheet" And, say! That thing is hard to beat! It tells of news the "daily-lie" press Don't even know-or so you'd guess, But maybe there's another reason For that there intellectual treason? wouldn't put it past them goats-In fact, I'd bet a pair of shoats-That they don't never aim to tell A thing that has a truhtful smell. But when they take this "Communist"-And it's the first upon the list-I'll say, right there there's something doing! Wherefore, we hear this great rag-chewing: Says Mr. Smith, that foxy eel-The man that "Fate tried to conceal"-"Here is that radical publication That seeks to ruin our great nation! Just turn to pages two and three, And see what thereon you shall see! The Blight of Purity, it's named; How, could a worser thing be framed?" And so he goes, throughout the sheet-I tell you, fellows, it's a treat! When I pipe this bird's mighty bluff, I say, right there must be the stuff! It shows 'em up it does, for fair And drives the liar to his lair. But they just read the paper in, (With emphasis that is a sin!) To prove the Communist and "Red" Is simply bug-house in his head. And from the way the jury looked, I'd say that Mr. Smith got "hooked. They didn't fall for his side chatter. But only for the printed matter! And when the verdict had been read, It indicated what I've said. The jury couldn't see no reason To say this here stuff all was "treason;" In fact, they wanted for to read Themselves, the Communistic creed! But this the prosecution thought Was stuff that they should not be taught;

And that there jury remained tied! Nab Intellectuals

And so their ree-quest was denied-

By ART SHIELDS. (For the Federated Press.)

owed a day after the mass arrests of incite violence among the strikers.

400 peacefully striking sailors and For Free Speech Oaks and fifty police reserves. longshoremen by Chief of Police

Sinclair quietly climbed Liberty Hill, San Pedro, with his associates LOS ANGELES .- Four intellectu- and lit a candle. Then he read in als are awaiting trial June 15 after a low voice the free speech clause of spending a night in an inaccessible the constitution of the United States. Jail for taking part in a free speech. He was surrounded by an audience of test in San Pedro, the port of Los policemen and newspaper reporters. Angeles, where the water front strike The strikers were far away at the has tied up freight vessels of all des- foot of the hill and could not hear a criptions. The arrests of Upton word of what Sinclair was reading. Sinclair, Prince Hopkins, Hunter Nevertheless he and his group were Kimbrough and Hugh Hardyman fol- arrested, charged with conspiring to

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Our readers want to know

Twin Cities Hear **James Cannon Tell** Story of Soviet Russia

The visit of James P. Cannon, Na tional Chairman of the Workers Party of America to Minneapolis and Saint Paul brought of three of the best meetings that have been held in the Twin Cities for many morths; some wise New York women rose three hundred workers turning out in Saint Paul on Thursday May 17th and four hundred in Minneapolis on

The tense and close interest given as well as in internal affairs.

Workers Power Gaining.

Cannon made no attempt to gloss over or evade thesuffering and privation of the Russian masses during five years of Revolution, but explained clearly the fact that Russia after her period of travail is now emerging from the shadows and is on the road to still greater power and strength.

The listeners were eager to hear the details of the "N. E. P.," and after the conclusion of the lecture kept the speaker answering question after question in respect to the new development. The impression left by the speaker was one of the renewed hope and confidence in the final success of the Russian workers in their struggle with World Capitalism, and also instilled new enthusiasm into the local comrades who are carrying on the work of organization in the Twin Cities.

The lecture on the Third Internationale of Moscow at the Finnish Hall on Saturday night was also followed closely by an interested audience, seeking first-hand information as to the workings of the organization which at the present time is leading the world proletarians in their struggle against wage slavery.

The Workers Party organizations will undoubtedly benefit materially as they have already benefitted spiritually, as a result of the visit of their National Chairman to the Twin Cities, for on all hands the efforts of the speaker met with approval, and the meetings were voted a success by common consent.

War Vets in Jail; Branded as Criminals

NEW YORK.-William Hard, Washngton correspondent of the New York Globe, asserts that U. S. war veterans by thousands are in jails as criminals when in fact "in great percentages they are helpless victims of menta and physicical troubles caused by the war in which they fought for the country that jails them." The disclosure, Hard writes, was made at the national conference of social work by Dr. W. F. Lorenz, director, Wiscon-

sin psychiatric institute at Madison "Twenty thousand ex-service men," he quotes Dr. Lorenz as saying, "were in penal institutions in America during 1922, and large numbers of them were there because of the results of unemployment and because of the results of the physical injuries and mental afflictions which they incurred in the service itself.

Hard adds that Dr. Lorenz's assertions are borne out by an investigation by the federal veterans bureau in co-operation with the American VIX legion, the findings of which had been

Amalgamation Coming in Textile Industry

NEW YORK .- Consolidation of the unions in the textile industry is forecast in the current issue of Labor Age by Pres. Thomas McMahon, United Textile Workers of America, affiliated with the A. F. of L. "It is the desire of the U. T. W. to foster the closer affiliation of all the textile workers." he says. "We are doing everything we can toward that end. The American Federation of Full Fashioned Hosiery Knitters came to an agreemeat with us last year. This brought 18 local unions back into the fold."

The same desire for unity is exwhat the workers in your dis. pressed by John P. O'Connell, secretrict are doing, Send the news tary, American Federation of Textile

to the Voice of Labor. We will Operatives, one of the independent unions.

warded to the National Office and

party papers for general discussion.

Recommendations on Organizations.

erbolt at the compromiser. Bryan.

"I have never believed in compro-

mise" he shouted , "I do not believe

in accepting half a loaf when I can

get a whole loaf. But I do not be-

first place as to make them upattain-

able." That's just it Senator. You

will never favor the abolition of the

Then the dauntless foe of special

privilege sat down beside his rival

for public favor. This should kill a

Presidential ambition he mused-per-

haps. Bryan might have muttered

He denounced the railroads and prov-

ernor Ross of Wyoming followed him.

Next came Granville S. M.cFarland

of Boston, attorney for the Hearst

papers in that city. He declared that

it was useless to tinker with the rail-

roads. As long a they were in pri-

vate hands an honest valuation was

impossible. Government ownership

A representative of one of the larg-

est Farmer's organization in the

world was the next speaker. He is

national lecturer for the Farmers'

Co-operative and Educational Union.

His story of the conditions under

Iowa alone there are eight billions

of farm mortgages and seven billions

of bank loans to be paid out of crops

He said that labor is poorly paid

for its "share" in production but

those that are well organized man-

Governor Blaine spoke after Bryan.

capitalist system.

"Et tu Brutus."

was his solution.

New York City, N. Y.

Dear Comrades:

Workers Party Activities

NEWS OF DISTRICT 8

Dist. 8 are now preparing to elect this campaign, and all our members ielegates to the coming Labor Party are called upon to assist in this work. s, to which the Workers' Party with tribute the publicity material. Il others workers' political and omic organizations have been invited. Simultaneously an energetic C. No. 8 for the removal of our party affair. this issue to the attention of all wage response throughout the party. Even workers throughout the district, Dele- the Young Workers' League at their ning talk to party members on the gates are being elected by city con- national convention, held in Chicago, 4th Congress of the C. I. our members are in a position to C. E. C. that this removal be caried fully recognize the importance of into effect. There is no dought of the this first real step toward independent soundness of this proposal, not only political action by the workers and be- by its geographical advantage, but fertive manner.

It is not the intention to send will count more than the America. or of delegates, and will be the tor which decides the issue. Yet eties can easily be worked out.

ian Labor Council, the Robert Trades Council, and various cal unions and fraternal organizaions, which have not as yet come in, to co-operate in carrying on publicity To believe that as a basis upon hich such United Front can now be attained are the questions of the need of (1) Amalgamation of trade these measures as in Chicago. nione, (2) The formation of a National Federated Labor Party, (3) the with the International labor novement by recognition of class inm, (5) Protection of the rights of Party fund.

W. G. Lee of the Brotherhoo

nens' Union and Warren S. Stone of

Others present included William

Jenninge Bryan and Ex-Governor

Dunne of Illinois and the Honorable

The latter was the principal speak-

private. The public got its ears tick-

led at two open sessions. Hylan

arse and then hastened back to

La Follette was the leader of the

with well selected phrases hat pleas-

ed the speakers and hurt nobody.

ralloped the trusts until he got

This

Mayor Hylan of New York.

er at the first public session.

conference does not believe in

covenants openly arrived at."

the Engineers.

All City Central Committees in Funds are being collected to further onvention to be held in Chicago July both in the unions and by helping dis-

The vigorous appeal made by D. E. gn has been started to bring headquarters to Chicago is finding ns so as to make sure that all went on record recommending to the me posted on all developments ready political as well. Although important carry the message further in an political decisions are made in ac-

cord with objective conditions in the country as a whole, particular conarge delegation from our party; but ditions of immediate surroundings aly as far as possible establish a are always apt to have a large inect connection from all unità. fluence. This would be true of Chifter all, the singere intentions of all cago as well as New York. Yet concanizations participating in this ditions here are more typical of

The new Voice of Labor press comit is of importance that all organized mittee has worked out plans to make rades unions and political fractions this paper a more effective local ora adequately represented; and this gan. To this end a series of articles what our members must work for an Chicago industries will appear. The needs of a labor party and ng. The outstanding issues are: amalgamation of trade unions will be recognition by the workers of treated in a series of articles based sity of independent political on local conditions. The present deby the workers on a class basis; partment of short articles on the "open shops" and letters on union restion of a Federated Labor and shop conditions will be especially When this foundation has developed. Short novels will appear d, questions of programs and and our various international union magazines will receive proper atten-

The Chicago United Front Con- This is expected to result in ce, which was originally formed much more energetic support from the initiative of our party, has our membership, that they make the thown its sincerity in working for extension of the Voice of Labor their particular task. The press committee intends to visit unens of a progresislist Party, the Proletarian Party, sive character to ask them to subscribe to a Bundle order. To get commercial advertisements our women comrades are especially called upon to form clubs to get retail dealers to advertise. All comrades are also nd arrange a mass rally to promote called upon to extend the circulation his issue. It states in its appeal; of the Voice of Labor on Chicago newsstands. Of course our comrades throughout the district are expected to work just as energetic ally for

organized in Lake County, Ind. The Northwest English branch in Chicago the next ten days or 2 weeks. Phone rests. (4) Energetic combat of Fas- has contributed \$5.50 to the Labor State 5959 as to what evening you

ganized, foreign born as well as Party, Underground Radicalism, The native born, (6) Removal of all gov- Foreign Born Worker in America. ernmental obstacles, (7) The ultimate The Ffth Year of the Russian Revo- 3:30 P. M. at 166 W. Washington St., yet to be grown. establishment of a workers' govern- lution as well as the book The Gov- 6th floor. All W. P. branches and ernment Strikebreaker are on stock unions are invited to send delegates.

in the district office and can be had at the regular price announced by the national office.

CHICAGO WORKERS PARTY

The Cannon lecture on Russia for the Voice of Labor was well suported by W. P. members. Over one thousand new three months subs. or renewals will come in as a result of this To the C. E. C. of the W. P.

The following night comrade Cannon gave an inspiring and enlighte-

Wednesday night party members what it could cost to reproduce them in unions packed the hall at the today, and when he said he favored T. U. E. L. meeting and were stirred a compromise. The Senator saw a the League and the Herald and of the so he figuratively, produced his trusty Amalgamation and Labor Party stilleto and after the "Great movements.

Street meetings by the W. P. start- thrust his weapon up to the ed last Saturday ninght, four of five hilt in the Commoners's were held with a good sale of pam- itical vitals. Purring like a cat La phlets and papers.

The new pamphlets. For a Labor of adulation over the peerless one Party, Russia in 1923 (Cannon) and A broad smile of satisfaction over-'Underground Radicalism" (Pepper) spread the latter's countenance, but sell readily and are being pushed. it froze like an icicle when the Senawaited Lovestone's Government "shimmied" back and forth within the Strikebreaker-and now that it is speaker's enclosure hurled his thundhere-look out!

Next meeting of City Central Committee, Tuesday, June 5th at Workers' Lyceum.

Next meeting of Labor Defense Council, Saturday, June 2nd, 3:30 P. lieve in putting ideals so high in the M., at 166 W. Washington St., 6th

Coming Events:

May 30th, Decoration Day, T. U. E. L. Pienic at Chernauskas Grove. June 16th, City Convention, W. P. of America.

June 17th, Sunday, Pienic Jewish branches, and for L. D. C. at Chernauskas Grove.

June 24th, Sunday, United Workers Sunday Schools, picnic at Bergers ed they were a pack of grafters. Gov-

July 4th, Second Annual Picnic, Local Chicago, W. P. of A.

July 21st, Scandinavian Workers

July 29th, Annual Y. W. L. Pienie Aug. 19th, Annual National Defense Pienic August 26th, International Press

Picnic at Riveview Park. Chicago Readers, Help!

The L. D. C. needs your service Chicago Office of Labor Defense Two new Polish branches have been Council needs you to help mail out 30 or 40 thousand circulars within

age to get along fairly well while the unorganized workers and the farmers are left in the lurch. After showing the terrible condition of the farmers he wound up by asserting that the farmers were not anarchists or Bryan informed the audience that Bolsheviks; they were loyal to this

In spite of their patriotism how-

His speech was a damning indictment of the present system of society partners in wealth production, land,

The conference came to an end with by La Follette and his gang of bour-

La Follette is trying to capture chariot and ride into the White House for the problems that affect the work-While the "Colonel" was speaking ers today. A Federated Labor Party

By D. E. C. No. 8. Workers' Party. At the last meeting of District within our party, from an organizational standpoint, we find the fol-Executive Committee District 8, held lowing conditions, which greatly May 11, a committee, previously hamper the natural growth and efelected to work out plans for party fective co-ordinated functioning of organization work, made the followthe various party units. ing report, which was unanimously adopted with a motion that it be for-

request that it be published in all the higher units, except on occasional scriptions. Comrade McMillion says quiries have been promtly answered, visit by a comrade from the District that the special bundle, containing a step soliciting new read-story of the Ku Klux Klan, helped cristics also enjoy the blessings of a to put the tin hat on the hooded new readers, is still in force, and will address a mass meeting.

Need For Education.

After surveying, with the limited means at our disposal, the situation that he favored valuing the roads at understand the reasons for our poli-cies nor know how to apply them to battles. If all our readers followed the literature agent, comrade A. I their local situation. Thus the need the example of our comrades in West kiesh, and he had only 4 more po by Foster's report on the progress of weak spot in the "Colonel's" armour of educating our members, not only Virginia before long the Voice of theoretically but on immediate prac- Labor would have a circulation large tical problems as well. However, in enough to make it a real power. Let individual conmrades? many cases there is no one in the us get busy and bring in new read-Performer" sat down the Senator city who can take the initiative and ers. lead in this work.

Furthermore, about 85 per cent of our members belong to language Follette rose and smeared the butter branches and in many cities we have no English speaking members, which results in little contact being made with trade unionists and other Eng-Many comrades have anxiously ator shaking with emotion as he lish speaking progressive workers. Due to this our literature is not as widely distributed as it could be. Recommendations Made

In consideration of the above men- Washington Fears Lewis tioned facts we make the following

(1) That the C. E. C. select several party districts and assign speakerorganizers to same who are to be routed through the district by district organizer. (2) The organizer is to make

tours of the district. The first one lecturing on some live current topics and the second one for organization purposes. The first tour to be made in the shortest possible time and the second tour should have whatever time alloted to it as is necessary to do effective organization work. many places should be covered as possible. Size of possible attendance

should be no factor, as railroad fare would be a small item. On the first tour as many new contracts should be made as the time will permit, which are to be used on the second tour. The second tour is also to be used to strengthen the party units through general membership meet-

(3) After the organizers finish in one district they are to be exchanged with organizers from another district and the same process to be followed as in the first instance. Using four or more districts the comrades will which the farmers are suffering was know that in a period of a year or so pitiful. 40 per cent of the farms are an organizer is to make eight trips will come. Labor Defense Council, of avery toward in a back to their cities and consequently will

> Results Would Follow. We believe the above program will' eccomplish the following:

(a) Give the comrades in the lated as well as other cities a definite conception of being part of a unified national organization.

(b) Make new contacts that cannot be or are not made by local comrades, and follow these connections up. This would be quite effective due to different organizers seeing the same persons who would be impressed accordingly.

(c) Much propaganda would made amongst outsiders and our members would get some much needed education.

(d) Our literature would be much nore widely distributed. (e) The comrades would learn the

reasons for new policies and as a result would be more capable of putting (f) The organizers could advise of the present prosperity" was the

and guide the comrades as to how best to apply party policies in their cities. Conditions being different in of the Northside English Branch, He to know the situations to be able to unions who had dropped out were

(Concluded in next issue).

ENGLISH BRANCH MEETINGS OF WORKER'S PARTY.

Local Chicago.

North Side English-Meets Mondays at 2409 North Halsted St., scussion. Imperial Hall. The next meetink will be on June 4th.

and 4th Monday at 3322 Douglas Halsted St. Good speakers have been

South Side English-Meets first God that they have workingmen to this tremendous force to his political and third Thursday of each month cipate in the discussion that ensues. at 3201 S. Wabash Ave., Hall 2nd The speakers and their subject will This recognition of the fact that victoriously in the next presidential floor. The next meeting will be be announced prior to each meeting in

Mid-City English-Meets every first and third Wednesday of month he was interrupted by frequent bursts representing the interests of the at Emmet Memorial Hall, Taylor and by the workers. It serves the interof applause. Senator La Follette workers and working farmers is the Ogden. Next meeting will be on ests of the workers alone, and de-

Our Business Department

As we go to press a letter reached Numerous inquiries have been rethe office from Lawson McMillion, of ceived at the office of the Voice of the World War Veterans, of Rich- Labor, whether the drive for new mond, W. Va., enclosing payment for readers is over, or whether to con Many sections and branches now a special bundle of five hundred tinue to solicit new readers at the existing in more or less isolated local- copies of the Voice of Labor and rate of \$1.00 for 8 months, or \$2.00 ities have little or no contact with eighteen dollars worth of new sub- fr 16 months or not. All such in speaker coming on a flying trip to knights of the night shirt and was be up to June 15th. instrumental in lining up scores of Ukrania Br. No. 2, Workers Party members for the Vets. He assures Chicago, agreed to dispose of 50 e Due to these conditions a large per- us that subs will be pouring in from pies of the Voice of Labor weekly entage of our membership do not now on. The Voice is always at the to begin with. Two days after the

> As we finished reading McMillon's etter, two members of the Karl Marx branch of the Workers' Party came in and turned over some subs. The next to walk in on Monday morning was an Irish street car conductor, Worker. The Communist Review, The who said he read the Voice of Labor Labor Monthly, The Plebs, The Com ad. in The Irish People. Keep the adian Worker, Soviet Russia procession moving, comrades!

Long Leadership to Progressive Miners

WASHINGTON-Officials here are alarmed over the prospect of another that Ford's candidacy wo strike in the scoal fields of more flivver. It is also reported that & dangerous proportions than the last tor Borah has turned a deaf es one. John L. Lewis is here. He conferred with the coal commission and Forty Eight and is training with Le refused to comment on the reports Follette. None of our great refe that caused so much concern in gov- ers are willing to commit p ernment circles. The conference, it suicide. Though prepared to Is reported, had to do with the investigation carried on by the government among the miners' organizations and listed among the sacrifices they ar Mr. Lewis, who was in Europe, wanted to get the latest news on the conditions among the miners.

It is feared here that the miners' union is rapidly passing out of Mr. Lewis' control. This, of course, is tractors in New York was placed in denied by the mine chief's friends, but solitary confinement for violating the government officials take a serious prison rules. The warden actually view of the situation. Government caught him holding conversation with spies, working through the mine members of his family outside prison fields, have reported that during Mr. walls. Learn to be a grafter! Lewis' absence in Europe progressives have been elected to office in ers Party, Thomas O'Flaherty, editor

control of the next anthracite conven- eight and Joseph Zsack, Secretary of tion, which is scheduled to meet some the Needle Trades Section of the time before Aug. 29 to consider a new Trade Union Educational League are wage scale. It is expected that radi- notified to appear before the Immigrais will be elected in the two or three tion Departme Pennsylvania districts where elections ably to show reason why they will take place shortly. Friends of not be sent back to Ireland, E Mr. Lewis deny the rumor that his and Checko-Slevakia respectively leadership is endangered, but his open refusing to agree with Judge alliance with the bosses and his that the twelve hour day is treatment of Alexander Howat as to the happiness of his slaves well as his repudiation of the ac- steel industry and in the interest of cepted policies of the organization the general public. It is render his position very precarious that William J. Burns is pur among the progressive elements in sore on the Voice of Labor for the organization, which are constant- ing his new title of the "Great De ly increasing their hold on the rank fective" popular.

It can be stated without reservation that government officials would consider the dethronement of Lewis by the progressives a calamity. And If you belong to the former you in this case the government means should subscribe to the Volce of the coal operators.

Krumbein Discusses Union Tactics, at North Side Branch

"Tactics of the Unions in the Face

subject of a talk given by Charles Krumbein at the last open meeting the different places it is necessary stated that former members of the disgusted with the unions and that it would be a difficult task to get them to rejoin. "The unions need new inducements in order to get new members. They must organize themselves for the new onslaughts that the capitalists will make in the near future. As the majority of them are North West English-Meets sec- still pursuing the old tactics and if and fourth Tuesday of each they will not change their methods month at 2517 FFullerton Ave. The they will become a negliable factor next meeting will be held in June after the present period of prosperity." In all it was a very instructive talk and provoked quite a bit of di-

The branch will continue to have open meetings the third Monday of Douglas Park English-Meets 2nd each month at Imperial Hall, 2409 N. portance. So reserve this day to hear an interesting talk and partithis paper.

> The Voice of Labor is of, for and serves their support.

well. How about other branches an

Remember also that we have all the latest literature published by the Workers Party and other grow for sale, and that we accept so cations, like the Labor Herald. ial.The Liberator and others.

As We Go to Press

Ford being nominated for Por with the backing of William B Hearst. This would surely the siren call of the Commi "reasonable" sacrifice for the fal that is in them, martyrdom is prepared to suffer.

That Robert P. Brindell who is serving a term of imprisonment for grafting on the workers and the

That three members of the Work of the Voice of Labor, Norman Tall-They fear that radicals will have entire. District Organizer for District

> The Voice of Labor tolle you de there are two classes in Se working class and the capitalist days Labor.

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the class struggle who had spent champion of the right, etc. half their lives in jail. La Follette They must be valued not at what they his figure lend dignity to his appear-Whose sweat and blood was put into them? Was the money

LA FOLLETTE AND COMPANY **DECLARE WAR ON RAILROADS** which they hire labor power which of Railroad Trainmen, Timothy Healy lays the tracks, builds the of the Brotherbood of Firemen and stock and then operates it. Oflers; E. H. Fitzgerald of the Brothwas very little consideration shown

> the speakers. Bryan He arrived at the conference with the scalps of several mythical belt. After laying the ghost of evo-

conference. Smifing like an insuring to get ahead of the Senator. Reance agent he introduced the speakers formers are dangerous to each other. introduction by the Senator. While ald imagine from hearing the they were members of different parflattering introductions that the com- ties that did not mean anything.

The "Colonel" delivered an entertion with regard to the railroads, is a clever speaker and the curves of that was actually put into them. he is adorned with a nicely rounded Whose money was put into these stomach-it could not be termed "paunch" which serves as a rendev ous for his hands as they take their make money for them." that was loaned by the banks to the bearings preparatory to describing ad financiers the savings of the those curves which mean so much to o-called railroad builders? Very an orator. The writer also noticed kely not. It was the money of the how artistically the hands slipped inpeople who deposit their savings in to the trousers pockets or again emar four per cent and this money is hung from an elastic ribbon.

lays the tracks, builds the rolling he accepted the invitation to the con- Republic and sent their sons to de-

erhood of Railroad and Steamship the worker during the speechmaking. confidence in Senator La Pollette. He ever the poor farmers were fleeced Clerks, T. C. Cashen of the Switch- Once or twice he was referred to had been builting for reforms for de- by the railroads, the bankers and all apologetically by the most daring of cades. His hardest work was en- those who own the country and sent The star performer of the confer- was proud to say that many of the ence was "Colonel" William Jennings things he struggled for were at last Darwinian monkeys hanging at his ed scripture liberally. lution in the South he felt in good he never refused to accept a comprocondition for a tilt with the demon of mise when he got to the bargaining another closed meeting at which fur-Wall Street. This dragon has fur- point. The world made progress step ther plans were to be made.

nished the "Colonel" with a meal by step. Religion played an import- labor fakers were seen but not heard. ticket for many years. So he keeps ant part in politics. Its a poor head The general opinion here is that La advise and guide the comrades in his silver tongue polished and ready that cannot find itself in agreement Follette is nursing his presidential applying these policies.

ers go down on their knees and thank the aid of the labor fakers to hitch

took notes when the speaker declared need of the hour.

for use in case the La Follette enter- with the heart. He praised Hylan of boom and that the labor fakers are New York to lead some parade or prise may develop serious propor- New York and Dever of Chicago. He supplying the funds to nurse the tions. The "Colonel" should scotch declared that things are done only child along. The coming labor party any ambitions he may cherish of try- when "prominent" people convention is looked on with concern He admitted that all men are blass- geois reformers who hope to eliminate ed, and that there was a line drawn the inequalities in the present system through society but it was not a class by passing laws to curb the great line. No, some people were born de- monopolies. They would not kill the mocrats and others were born aristo- capitalist tiger but they would clip fortable looking functionaries who Both parties were full of good men crats. He favored the government is his claws. But trying to reform this 12th. railed at the railroads were veterans and the opposite. Bill Bryan was a suing a bulletin in which space would rotten system is about as efficacious be reserved for each political party as putting a mustard plaster on a and every faction in congress so that wooden leg. the public. Many people think the the growing discontent of labor and workingmen should go down on their the farmers with the two capitalist

ference because he believed in its fend the country in France. general object and because he had couraging pessimistic reformers. He the farmer's sons to war. realized. He favored government and yet his solution for this state of ownership of monopolies, and quot- things was "a fair deal to the three them into effect. While he never compromised in his speeches labor and capital.'

themselves with it. explained his uncompromising posi- taining speech. He always does. He they could get their point of view to knees and beg for a job. "Why," he prostitutes, the Democratic and Re- Blvd. National Institute. The next invited to talk on questions of imsaid with emotion, "don't the employ- publican parties and he hopes with meting will be June 11th."

> the workers create the wealth of the election. Thes men have no solution June 7. nation escaped unoticed.

Editorial Page of the Voice of Labor

Political Unity in Sight

It appears that at last there is definite promise that the workers of America are going to have their own political expression. In spite of the fulminations of the reactionaries in the trade union movement and the manouvering of the yellow socialist eaders the rank and file of the unions and several workingclass political groups have enthusiastically responded to the call sent out by the Farmer-Labor Party to participate in the convention which will be held on July 3rd at the Ashland Auditorium. Chicago, for the purpose of establishing a united political front in the United States.

According to reports issued from the office of the Secretary of the Farmer-Labor party the response has been encouraging. The Trade Union Educational League which sent out a referendum to thousands of local and international unions makes a similar optimistic report. The prospects indeed are bright and if all those who have seen the necessity for such a development work with the single object in view of establishing a party that will represent the interests of the toilers who work with hand and brain in the country as well as in the city, July 3rd will be a red letter day in the history of the American Labor movement.

It was only to be expected that the Socialist Party would spurn this proffer of political unity from the ranks of labor and follow its harlot path in company with the reactionary officialdom of the American Federation of Labor. Not with the progressive elements in the A. F. of L. does the discredited Socialist Party travel but with the friends of capital and the enemies of progress. The National Convention of the Socialist Party only followed the example set by the Chicago socialist functionaries when in the last municipal election in this city they ran a candidate for mayor while every sincere trade unionist in the city was hoping for a united front between the various workingclass groups. They tried to snatch political advantage, but they now have nothing to show for the "great campaign" but finan-cial and moral bankruptcy and the few members who have so promise Mr. Flood or any of his associates that the columns of International Unions and State Federations Louis and in New York. They want to do the transforming spread of public decency. gradually, hoping that the metamorphosis will thus escape public Mr. Flood winds up his letter, appropriately enough, by advisattention. This method of course would leave the S. P. burea- ing the Chicago Labor News that the following of this advice will crats-in control. They would not have to sail under the once induce merchants to advertise in its pages. This is the bait which revolutionary name of "Socialism" and even Samuel Gompers who is eagerly swallowed by the grafters who gather around such now flirts with the Socialist lady of easy political virtue would plums like a flock of buzzards would circle and scream over the not then hesitate to enter into closer relations, without being carcasses left on the field after some great battle soaks the earth obliged to take precautions to preserve his political health, meas- with human blood and covers it with the bodies of the slain. ures now necessary because of the bad reputation she earned in the capitalist camp before she lost her virtue.

A Disgrace to Labor

There are hundreds of alleged labor papers published in this untry that might as well be the house organs of banks and other capitalist institutions. In many cases they are actually subsidised by big business. . They are excessively patriotic and carry the blessing of Samuel Gompers and his reactionary representatives, who are about as well acquainted with knowledge as so many headhunters from Central Africa.

The main function of these sheets is to publish the piffle that comes from the Gompers' lie foundry in Washington, presided over by that poison pen hireling Chester Wright, formerly editor of the New York Call,-and to denounce the "reds," which means everybody to the left of Senator LaFollette.

One of these rags is published in Baltimore, Maryland. It is into being for a worthy cause and up strengthening their forces and graducalled the "Trade Unionist," but has not the sanction of the local Central Trade Council. In fact that body has denounced the sheet as an impostor in the labor movement, but Mr. Gompers, while better interests of all citizens, one out with his axe against working class papers that fight the work- that will stop the commission of in- these figures may be termed outside ers' battles, is as dumb as an Egyptian mummy in the case of the justice and feels that it has served figures, that is the same man may Baltimore paper. Recently this journalistic abortion carried a front page story on the arrest of the comrades in Pittsburgh, in which the anti-labor and pro-capitalistic bias of this editor was only equalled by the indications of fundamental ignorance, which the numerous grammatical errors in the article revealed.

Chicago is dishonored by another of these contemptible rags. A copy of the Chicago Labor News was brought to the office a few days ago by a reader of the Voice of Laber who discovered the hitherto unheard of journalistic excresence. It is likely that it is one of these hold up sheets that clubs business men over the head with a threat of blackmail unless said business men patronize it with advertising. These sheets have a very limited circulation. Even morons would not jeopardize the continued functioning of whatever gray matter remains in their top stories by attempting to wade through the columns of indecent twaddle that basses for journalism in these scabrags. About as cheerful as the prospectus of a firm of undertakers they go their way, living on the sweepings of the literary underworld, despised by decent workers and even loathed by the capitalists, on whom they fawn for

This local sinner against deceacy would not attract our attention but for a fascimile reproduction of a letter, written by Emmet T. Flood, general representative of the American Federation of Labor, which was published in its May 11 issue. The letter, obviously a covert attack on the official organ of the 'Chicago Federation of Labor, makes the suggestion that this alleged labor paper, the Chicago Labor News, will increase its circulation if it carries out the policies of the American Federation of Labor. Indeed! He indecently attacks "so-called labor papers" as being the mouthpieces of the "Soviet Russian grafters in America." If he refers to the Voice of Labor, we can tell the bloated labor faker them working with non union men of strengthening their forces is suicidal. trades workers unless they awaken and political nonentity, whose chief contribution to the American trades other than their own and many The present building boom is surely from their present lethargy and stand victorious. or movement has been his consumption of good food, paid of them actually signing up "open not going to last forever. That it is by the dues taken under false pretences from the American shop" agreements, for trades other indeed of a very temporary character inveterate enemy before it is too late. for the necessity of a complete amaiorkers, that we support Soviet Russia and will continue to supert it, and furthermore, if the mentally dead holders of fat sine among the workers has reached may pert. He says:

THE AMERICAN FASCISTI---DAWES "MINUTE MEN OF MONEY"

Drawn for Labor by John M. Bosc.



far stayed in the party are disgusted because of the shameless the Voice of Labor are open for the airing of any views they may methods used to collect a few thousand votes. They were the have on the question, and that we will tear off his political hide enemies of political unity then and they are now. What they and hang it in full public view where it can be seen by all who hope to do is to camouflage the Socialist Party wolf in the sheeps' are curious to learn the thickness of the covering, which renders akin of the American Labor Party. They have done that in St. a labor faker impervious to the advance of knowledge and the

The journalistic annex to the business of Gompers and Co. is as unsavory, if not more so, than any other department of his crooked game. The need for a clean fighting paper like the Voice of Labor should be apparent to every worker in the city of

The building industry in Chicago stating that fact sent to the national

(Continued from page 1.) ganization, in view of the "open shop" writes the Building construction Em- own international organization. ployers Association in part as follows: "The Citizens' Committee to enforce the Landis award was brought well and has been rewarded when injustices cease," Such are the beneinsists that organized workers shall engage in no sympathetic strikes for any cause whatsoever and work with ality imported strike breakers.

Increase Due to Temporary Boom. True the Citizens' Committee and the bosses have today consented to a restoration, in the main, of the pre-Landis scale of wages. This however is no gain to be counted to the unions. It is not a result of labors' the great demand for men, Meanwhile the enemy is sharpening his weapons to fight the workers so much more effectively when the boom ceases. The fact that some dissension has appeared among the ranks of the contractors and that some of the smaller ones have severed their connections this proportion applies to Chicago. with the Citizens' Committee, must also be attributed to the pressure of the boom. There is nothing in the world to prevent the committee from lining them up again when this pres-

While the Chicago building trades unions are becoming ever more di- tinue the present state of disunity vided among themselves; most of while the bosses are solidifying and than their own.

be judged by taking a glance at the of the Building Trades Department, steam fitters. Today they are workconscious of the violation of the con- ing-under the Landis' award and thus stitution and bylaws of his own or- compelled to work with unorganized and strike breaking plumbers and gas again that, in addition-to the organi- hand of first one of the old parties gious bodies with missionaries alreademand by the "Citizens' Committee" fitters scabbing upon part of their

While the Building Trades Council has completely coased to be the center of gravity, the bosses are busily to the present time has met with my ally undermining union conditions. approval. Every city should have a 41,560 men placed in the "open shop" Citizens' Committee to represent the trades to date, is the boast made by the Citizens' Committee. Although have been placed twice or several times on different jobs, yet it naturdictions given by a so-called labor ally leads to the question "What will leader to a Citizens- Committee which happen when conditions are so that the bosses can afford to let union men work with non union made material, walk the streets while scabs are em ployed? Although the Citizens' Committee has declared some of the trades non union men, who are often in re- "open shop" or outlaws, it will easily be seen that it is treating them all in the same manner as far as it has power to do so, and insists on having the "open shop" prevail in all trades, and there lies the real danger. To again reduce wages will be just a matter of routine when the slack season sets in and all non union men power; but simply a concession given and strike breakers have received sufdue to the present building boom and ficient training to take care of the most pressing jobs.

New Methods Required

Out of the 2,000,000 workers employed in the building industry throughout the country only about 847,000 are organized. To a great extent, at least we may be sure that Before these men are organized the unions can never hope to successfully establish union conditions; but to organize these men, requires up to date tactics of each union fighting or subwe are told by Roger Babson, the

Accept Invitation to F. L. P. Convention

By J. G. BROWN, National Secretary, Farmer-Labor Party.

try, it is true, to sense the feelings

farmer who works from year to year

These are the ones who should be

For a United Front. The coming convention will afford

others do not know.

The interest in the national con- | Rank and File Support Indispensable. ention of the Farmer-Labor Party, But the greatest response will come starting in Chicago, July 3rd, is pas- from the rank and file when the consing all expectations. Letters from vention call is received. This is imindividuals, organizations and papers portant, all important. Most convencome to the national office daily ask- tions are made up of those who do ing for further particulars and more not suffer physical discomfort. They

During the past week approximate- of their constituencies, and very likey 30,000 copies of the convention call ly they do this measurably well, but have been mailed out to local unions and central labor bodies. They have also gone to local farm organizations is so far as their addresses have been for a bare existence and sees his avaliable. No part of the country has usurious banker grow fat, and the been overlooked. Should it develop city worker who finds it hard to make finds meet while reading of the has been missed, a communication juicy dividends being distributed office at 166 West Washington-St., Chicago, will bring an invitation by

International Unions Accept. zations mentioned above to whom the and then the other. They have play- dy in Ecuador that they can "proconvention call has been sent, an in- ed mistress to both the republicans tect, vitation to send delegates to the con- and the democrats. They have revention was sent out about two weeks ceived the mistress' reward from ago to more than 300 state and na- whichever of these parties happened and a half internationals in convennizations. The response from these scorned, ignored, cast off. nvitations has exceeded the most opimistic hopes. Internationl unions, district labor organizations and state an opportunity by which the long supfarm bodies have accepted the invi- pressed indignation can become artitation and advised that they would culate. More than that-foolish dibe represented. Indeed, some have visions that have rendered them help-

already elected delgates. Invitations were sent to these orga- end. All can join hands in creating nizations thus early in order to per- an agency through which a solid mit the matter brought before con- front can be presented to the common ventions or meetings of the executives enemy in political campaigns of the of various groups. Press reports state future. that the powerful State Federation of The Farmer-Labor Party hails with Labor of Pennsylvania, with probably gladness the coming of the rank and an affiliated membership of over a file to the Chicago convention. It million, considered the matter and by feels their voices will be the decidan almost unanimous vote endorsed ing factor in the outcome of the gaththe movement and voted to partici- ering. It feels they will set their ship; which soon passes into D pate. Other large labor bodies have seals to a new declartion of inden- tottership; and when it has tott notified this office that the matter pendence on the nation's birthday in a while, the workers kick it over and would be considered in the near fu- 1923. The great Ashland Boulevard raise the Proletarian Dictatorsh ture and predicted favorable action. Auditorium has already been secured which is their rule through the soy One state organization of women has to accomodate the hundreds and jets, of what the Farmer-Labor Party is be welcome. All will be heard. trying to do: Bring about real unity of the wealth producers of the coun-

lived. It is not based on a firm foun- scale of wages for building mechandation. Many of these men now get- ics, and have all agreements expire methods. To continue the present ting an increase in their wages will at the same time. When once this be out of work before 1924 is ended." United Pront has been created the after. mitting individually, that is, to con- A United Front And Amalgamation. workers can meet power with power The situation is indeed fraught and that is what counts in the strug-

with danger to the Chicago building gle between capital and labor. It up on their hind legs and fight the But remember that nothing short of gamation of labors' forces based upon The extent to which the disunity prominent Wall Street economic ex- complete unified action will do. A the industry in which the workers are united fight to establish the closed occupied?

expressed its pleasure at receiving an thousands that will come from the invitation and hastened to accept. All farm and factory, If necessary, other seem to get the right understanding halls will also be engaged. All will . The advice and counsel of the lead- trial commonwealth, just as Christ ers in all movements is most used to be the head of the church, try on the political field; and a will-necessary and helpful, but the inspiingness to join hands to make the un- ration and the thrill of new resolves class is the neck which turns the head dertaking a success is being shown on can come alone from the rank and in any direction it pleases. "The present boom cannot be long union shop; to establish a uniform

must be fought till the workers are

The Party Caucus

At the convention of the labor-hat ing National Association of Manufacturers, Robert M. Dollar, ship owner and open shopper, is among the most

We suggest this bird as 1924 presidental candidate with the slogan: "Dollar for the dollar-and no political change'.'

Harding has placed E. F. Grable deposed "Grand President" of the Maintenance of Way Employ they do not bear the weight of the Labor Board at 10,000 per burdens as do the rank and file. The five years.

"Punish your frien

The papers report a great oil gushporation by which he is employed. er being drilled the other day in have a consciousness of outrage that Ecuador.

It is said the state department, to heard. They have a story to tell well avoid additional expense, has be It might be worth while to state worth hearing. They have held the extremely busy trying to find reli-

Socialists of the Second and secon tional farm, labor and political orga- to be in power. They have been tion at Hamburg, have adopted for a slogan: "Down with the Third International and Bolshevism."

> My, how that will make the Capitalists tremble!

In the window of the Moody bernacle a sign reads:

less in the past can be brought to an "Jesus Saves." What a convincing slogan for

THE NOVEL OF THE HOUR.

Dialectics.

First we have Capitalist Dictate

A Worker Explains The executive committee of the Soviets is the "Head" of the in but a free and enlightened working

> Chapter 3. The End.

A young miner marries a young needle worker under the red flag. They raise a family of husky commi sars. And everybody lives happy ever

A Tiala.

The Little Red YOWL at the convention said: "We may be "Baby Reds" as the Tribune calls us

but we pack a full grown wallop." The Baby Reds announce to the universe they are