

TERROR SILENCE - VICTIM

"Labor" Minister Calls on U. S. to Give Aid to Capitalist Europe

CALIFORNIA F. L. DECLARES FOR FOSTER-GITLOW

Repudiate LaFollette; Will War on Klan

(Special to the Daily Worker)

SAN FRANCISCO, July 14.—The Farmer-Labor Party of California repudiated the endorsement of LaFollette at a special meeting of the state committee Sunday and decided to get behind the campaign for William Z. Foster and Ben Gitlow, Workers Party nominees.

Supporters of George Kidwell, were checkmated at the committee meeting. Kidwell, original F. L. candidate, seized the first opportunity after the Cleveland convention announcements to declare himself for LaFollette and throw overboard the national Farmer-Labor nominees but the committee repudiated his action.

Kidwell supporters were also defeated in an attempt to resurrect the old Chicago Farmer-Labor Party of the United States, which recently received a mortal wound at the hands of John Fitzgerald.

An energetic fight for the revolutionary candidates will be made up and down the state. Speakers will invade the reaction ruled communities in southern California and will spread the message thru the towns strung along the San Joaquin and Sacramento valleys. Campaign literature will follow up the appeals of the speakers. The campaign will be fought on an uncompromising revolutionary basis. It will carry the sheer message of the class struggle that can only end when the working class has supplanted its exploiters.

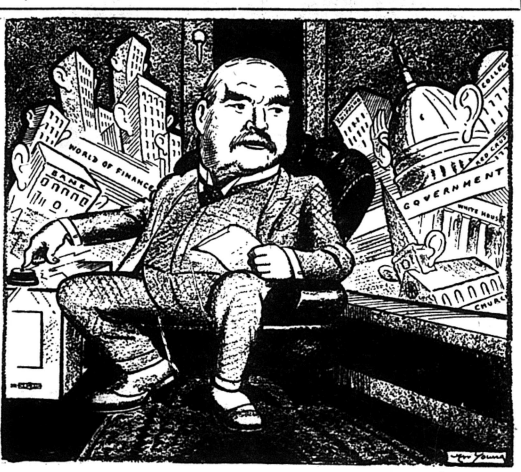
For Class War Prisoners.
A force against the persecutions under the criminal syndicalism laws will be made by the forces directing the proletarian campaign. These persecutions, which have been almost entirely directed against the Industrial Workers of the World, but which have also hit militant A. F. of L. leaders, will be mercilessly assailed. This connection will be based between the persecutors and the shipping trust, lumber trust, big power concerns, such as the Edison company, and dominant agricultural interests.

Tom Mooney, Warren K. Billings, Ford, and all the other class war prisoners not included in the syndicalism laws will be fought for as ardently as the others. Governor Rich, an ardent hypocritical attitude toward these men will furnish abundant campaign fuel.

Confusion in Old Parties.
The declaration for Foster and Gitlow has already aroused responses which indicate the possibilities of the campaign. The revolutionary drive will be assisted by the demoralization that now exists in the old parties. The ram Johnson's fight against Coolidge for the White House has emphasized a disunity already existing in the California G. O. P. The Jackson party has been weakened by the McAdoo feud. The Madison has been demoralized by the state democratic party at Madison Square Garden. Many of its followers are disgusted at his subsequent support of John W. Davis, the Morgan lawyer.

Drive on Farist Klan.
Needless to say, the Ku Klux Klan will be attacked with vigor. This Klan organization, which has been largely in the democratic party, has been running to extreme excess in the last few months, and is the recent violence in San Pedro is just a sample.
LaFollette's failure to declare against the Klan has aroused the anger of many workers, and is an important count in the indictment of his candidacy as non-working class movement.

DEMOCRACY'S EMPEROR



Morgan presses the button and all capitalist institutions bow to him. (See page 6 for article on "Who Is Morgan?")

ST. LOUIS BANK CRASH

(Special to the Daily Worker)
ST. LOUIS, July 14.—The Republican National Bank, here with total resources of more than \$4,000,000 closed its doors today.

This action was decided upon by the board of directors, according to a statement issued by J. A. Lewis, president of the bank. It amounts to a voluntary liquidation it was said.

MINNESOTA FARMER-LABOR CANDIDATES WILL RECEIVE SUPPORT OF WORKERS PARTY

The Workers Party has issued the following statement pledging its support to the Farmer-Labor candidates in the coming Minnesota election:

The nomination of William Z. Foster and Benjamin Gitlow by the Workers Party as its presidential ticket does not carry with the nomination of a state ticket in Minnesota against the Farmer-Labor Party. The Workers Party nominated its candidates in the Farmer-Labor primaries, pledging itself to support the candidates selected in those primaries and it will call upon all the voters in Minnesota who support the Workers Party to fulfill that pledge.

The Workers Party, will, however, place presidential elections on the ballot in Minnesota in support of the candidacy of Foster and Gitlow.

The candidacy of Robert M. LaFollette as an "Independent progressive" is a grave menace to all state Farmer-Labor parties. It represents an effort to build up a movement of small business men, independent bankers, etc., against the class movement of the producers—the industrial workers and farmers.

The LaFollette platform, which was jammed down the throat of the Conference for Progressive Political Action at Cleveland, is a backward-looking platform. In place of calling upon the industrial workers and farmers to use their political power to make the great trusts serve their interests, there is a platform of economic evolution and a representation of higher organization of production. The only way to meet the fact that they are now instruments of the privileged class for exploitation of the worker and farmer is to liquidate the trusts and the banks.

AMBASSADOR OF U. S. TALKS FOR MORGAN'S RULE

But Owen D. Young Will Pull the Wires

(Special to the Daily Worker)

LONDON, July 14.—John Robert Clynes, Lord Privy Seal and a leader in the House of Commons, representing the British Labor Party government at the annual convention of the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World made a dramatic plea for America's entry into the League of Nations.

The speech of the labor leader was but one of many similar exhortations from British capitalists, but Mr. Clynes invitation was the most daring request yet made by an official of the British government for the entry of the United States into "European entanglements."

Mr. Clynes was particularly anxious to have the United States represented at the allied conference, which is scheduled to meet here in a few days.

America's absence from this conference would render its decisions null and void as the only excuse it has for meeting is to find ways and means to raise money, and Morgan's good man, Charles D. Young, has the dough.

Owen D. Young, who represented the House of Morgan at the democratic convention, is here to act in the capacity of an unofficial observer at the allied conference. It is rumored he will report to Premier J. Ramsay MacDonald on Morgan's success in putting his men across on both ticks.

It was reported that Young would present the United States' attitude as being opposed to cancellation of international debts, but willing to let her debtor nations defer funding arrangements.

Prince Saxe-Coburg.
The Prince of Wales spoke to the advertising convention. He declared advertising was a combination of art and science, which was rather different from the price, unless he was sober.

Ambassador Kellogg, who followed the prince, declared the allied conference would solve the greatest economic problem in the history of the world. Which indicates that the United States is entangled in entanglements up to the gills and that George Washington is a dead prophet.

Coolidge made a great hit with the convention when a telegram was read certifying a Coolidge gem that set blooded a report of a social democratic lackey's efforts to defend the interests of British against French capitalism as could be delivered by Stanley Baldwin, MacDonald's Tory predecessor. The interests of the workers (Continued on page 8)

CLOTHING INDUSTRY GETS NEW WAGE SLASH UNDER CAMOUFLAGE

A. C. W. Members Find That Readjustment Means Cut

By EARL R. BROWDER.

The workers in the men's clothing industry of Chicago are suddenly waking up to find that they have gone thru a period of "deflation" without having known that it was coming. They say that what amounts to a wage cut of 10 per cent to 20 per cent has been put across through the men's clothing industry in this market.

Ordinarily such a slashing cut as this would produce a great struggle. The history of the past ten years has not been one of cowardly retreat and timid accommodation of any old conditions that the employers wish. Rather it has led the workers to think that they have at least some little word about their wages and working standards. Now, then, does it come that this wage cut could have been put across without a fight?

It is hard to get all the facts in the case. A very systematic and methodical camouflage has been set up around the reduction of standards. Most of this camouflage, however, seems to have come from the union, the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, rather than from the bosses.

In fact, the workers in the industry, when approached about the problem, said that the union itself has been putting the cut into effect thru the union machinery.

The Trades Union Educational League members are carrying on a systematic investigation of the complaints arising through the Chicago market, and gathering all the information possible, that it can tell its members what has been going on. Every worker who has information of wage cuts being put thru under the guise of "readjustment" and thus regarding work should get in touch with the T. U. E. L. members.

The T. U. E. L. does not agree that "responsibility" in the industry means that the union should be responsible for wage cuts. It believes, rather, that the responsibility of the union is to fight against wage cuts.

BELIEVE LIPS OF BRANDED PRIEST SEALED BY FEAR

Savage Kluxers Guard in Michigan

(Special to the Daily Worker)

BATTLE CREEK, Mich., July 14.—Was Royen Oren C. Van Loon, branded victim of the Ku Klux Klan, whose initials were found seared on his naked back, terrorized into keeping silence about the 11 mysterious days that elapsed since he disappeared from his pastorate in Berkley until he was found on the streets of Battle Creek?

This question is being asked here following the Van Loon episode, to under medical tests designed to discover the nature of the drugs that may have been used to make his mind a blank for the period of his absence.

Taken From Hospital.
Shortly before the tests were about to be given the apparently dazed man, his wife announced that she was taking him away in an automobile. Despite protests the couple started on their way, presumably to his home in Berkley, near Detroit.

That horror brooded over the man who had been so cruelly punished for his pulp criticism of the Klan was evident to the watchers by his hospital bed, before he left the institution.

"Don't let him hurt him!" he would murmur in his sleep, and mumbled, frightened words escaped him "about those men."

His limbs contracted and his face twitched in pain, with furrows of agony deepening his forehead.

Admits His Terror.
The theory that Roy Van Loon knows more than he is willing to tell was intensified when it was learned (Continued on next page.)

MUSSOLINI PROVED MURDERER OF MATTEOTTI BY DOCUMENTS PUBLISHED BY 'IL LAVORATORE'

"You must get this man out of the way for me!"

So Premier Benito Mussolini spoke to the head of his spy department, Cesare Rossi, who now sits in jail for his connection with the kidnapping and murder of the socialist deputy, Giacomo Matteotti. Rossi formerly managed the press bureau of the department of the interior, but the work of this bureau of spy out all anti-fascist elements and kept particularly to keep tabs on all persons of power who opposed fascist rule, says Antonio Presti, editor of "Il Lavoratore."

Presti has succeeded in obtaining the rare pamphlet written by Matteotti and published at the beginning of this year which gives full information about the financial scandals of the Italian fascist government. Presti is now publishing this data in "Il Lavoratore," Communist daily.

Matteotti knew Finance.
On the parliamentary committee of finance and was a real student of economics and finance, according to Presti. He had prepared this pamphlet as an answer to the stupid minister of finance, De Stefani, who had promised a decrease of expenditures for Italy but instead had given the unfortunate a tremendous increase of financial burdens—a great, unexplained deficit in the treasury.

Only seventeen fascist decrees of law were passed last year by the Corti del Conti, the highest court (similar to the United States Supreme Court) of Italy, which is appointed by the king. Five hundred decrees, or appropriation of the fascist-controlled parliament were rejected by the court. It was this data which Matteotti published in his pamphlet and which was the whole pamphlet that brought him (Continued on page 3.)

Defeated Still Throat.
MEXICO CITY, July 14.—Mexico's new president, General Plutarco Calles, has taken office on Dec. 31, 1924, for a four year term, has arrived here in the midst of the preparations for the election of a national plebiscite to prove that General Azules was the election.

PARIS PAPER PRINTS SAME PROOF OF BEN'S GUILT AS DAILY WORKER

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PARIS, July 14.—Jean Pictet in the liberal paper "L'Ouvreur" has published a sensational story of how Mussolini himself ordered the murder of Giacomo Matteotti, Socialist deputy of Italy. Pictet based his statement on the written word of Aldo Finzi, former under-secretary of the interior, who wrote his assertion just after the crime when he contemplated committing suicide to avoid being involved in the disclosure of graft and violence in which he was involved.

Pictet says that one of the seven copies Finzi made of his document is in the hands of the court in charge of the Matteotti case, for which Finzi is now held in prison. Finzi declared in his statement, which was to be read after his arrest, that Mussolini told Cesare Rossi, former head of the interior department's press bureau of spy system, that he should make Matteotti disappear.

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RIVERVIEW, AUGUST 10th

Remember "Riverview, August 10th." That is the place and date of the Workers Party Press Picnic this year. Riverview Park is at the intersection of Western and Belmont Avenues. Tickets are 50c, admitting the holder to the Workers Party Press Picnic and also giving reduced rates on many of the Riverview rides.

All other Party and League affairs are off for that day. Sympathetic organizations are requested also to keep this date open for aid to the Party Press Picnic, Sunday, August 10th.

