

BRITISH LABOR PARTY LEADERS TO VISIT U. S.

Henderson, MacDonald and Wheatley Coming

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fraternal address, and of his having secured permission to reply, whereupon his remarks were "apparently approved" by the delegates.
Trade unionists who have recently visited England believe that the British labor leaders look upon the beginning of a new administration in the A. F. of L. as the most appropriate time for the offering of better understanding between the two labor organizations. They do not expect to accomplish more than the removal of misconceptions as to why labor in Europe, and especially in Britain, is driving toward the conquest of political power along with industrial power.

AS WE SEE IT

By T. J. O'FLAHERTY.

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ing to prove that there was an alliance between the Communists and the monarchists against the republicans. This was a deliberate lie. In fact, the Communists expressed their willingness to withdraw their candidate in the final runoff, provided the socialists put their standard bearer in the field. The socialists, however, united behind the reactionary catholic, Marx, so there was nothing left for the Communists to do but to raise the working class banner with Thaelmann.

HINDENBURG was elected, the the U. S. capitalist class would be equally well pleased with Marx. Hindenburg, however, fills the bill nicely. Now what happens? Hindenburg was elected by the socialist press as the monarchist and Kaiserist. But a few days ago the premiers of the various states in the German confederation met to pay their respects to Von Hindenburg, and who was the spokesman? None other than the socialist Otto Braun, premier of Prussia! And Braun delivered a pretty speech pledging the loyalty of all Germany to the notorious military butcher.

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EXP. KAPLAN, COMMUNIST, IN C. L. U. AT LOS

Reactionary War on the Militants Is Renewed

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primary elections, which took place Tuesday, May 12th. I would like to express one particular phase of this election campaign, and that phase concerns a man who was elected as an addressee for the school board.

"It is sometimes possible that a defeat may be actually a victory, if one consider the facts in the case, just as it is possible for an apparent victory to be in reality a defeat. Such a defeated victory was in my opinion, the defeat of Emanuel Levine, Communist candidate for school board. Despite the limited means at the command of his committee, and his blacklisting by the 'official' labor movement, Mr. Levine received over 25,000 votes; the votes of workers.

"Mr. Levine made a fight both against nationalism and against religion, he opposed the teaching of these in the public schools. His program was one of Communism: the industries for the workers. His immediate demands were: The school for education and not for profit, to be run by the teachers and not by those behind the school board.

Tells of Levine's Expulsion
The same Emanuel Levine was some months ago expelled from the Office Employees' Union, at the behest of the officers of this council, because of his Communist activities. It has been clearly demonstrated in this election, that the workers are for Levine, that they are radical where this council is ultra-conservative. I am personally elated and happy at the success for a success it is—of Emanuel Levine. The Workers' (Communist) Party seem to be making wonderful progress, even the this labor body balks it at every step."

Directly Kaplan had finished the fight started, Anna Petersen, one of Horn's coes in the machine, rose and piped forth:

"Mr. Chairman, are we here to listen to Communism? or are we here to talk on trade unionism? I protest against this delegate speaking continually on Communism."

President Buzel, another headman of Horn, immediately suggested that the chair is open to receive a motion dealing with the delegate. The great Brother Horn himself then addressed the life and death question to Kaplan:

"Are you a member of the Communist or Worker's Party?"

Proud of his Communism
Kaplan, without hesitation replied: "Yes I am a member of the Workers' (Communist) Party, and very proud of it too. It is the only party I would ever be a member of."

From then on everything ran to order. There was no shouting whatever. Brother Horn himself then addressed the assembly, stating that he had been a member of the union for 35 years, was not a Communist, but was opposed to an expelled Kaplan because of his affiliation.

The arguments for expulsion, led by Brother Horn, were all the old tags used against Communism, coupled with an attack on Kaplan's attitude towards the Peoples Bank. It was made to appear as though Kaplan wanted to destroy the bank, and practically all the delegates of the council own stock in the bank, they were intimidated to vote for expulsion. Expresident Haas was almost comical when he delivered his motion of "going back to Russia, to your Moscow Soviets, we don't want you here, and leave our country to us. We are satisfied with our constitution, and we never want to change it."

It is apparent, judging by previous cases, that Brother Kaplan will be expelled at the forthcoming meeting of the Office Employees' Union from his local, and trade unionism in Los Angeles, will against be saved from the Moscow Reds.

The vote for expulsion was 53 to 6. Many delegates who were actually against expulsion were forced to vote in favor of Kaplan, and remained in the council. The council is infested and controlled by officials of all very unions, and with jobs and money in the hands of the Communist, against the reactionaries.

Martial Law Continues in Lisbon
LISBON, Portugal, May 17.—Maj. Ferreira Amaral, commander of the "safety state police," was severely wounded in a street fight here. Martial law still prevails.

Get a sub—make another Communist!

THE LORD'S OPEN SHOP DRIVE LASTED JUST AN HOUR: THIS IS UNITY!

(Special to The Daily Worker)
LONDON, May 17.—For an hour Friday afternoon work at the Shell House, where Lord Rothermere's newspapers, the Daily Mail, the Evening News and the Weekly Dispatch, are published, was held by a strike of 1,500 workers, all the clerical, mechanical and publishing staffs of the organization.

The dispute arose over the threatened dismissal of a news clerk and the employment of two non-union clerks. The management acceded to the employees' demands.

SLIMY EDITOR BLUFFS FAKERS INTO SILENCE

Threatens Exposure of Shady Deals

By STEPHEN, Worker Correspondent
PITTSBURGH, Pa.—At several intervals during the last few weeks the honest trade unionists of Pittsburgh thought they were going to be treated to an exposure of the activities of some of their corrupt officials. But no sooner had the fire started when some of those involved turned on the water hose with the result that the flames were subdued.

Defended Seattle the Spy
On several occasions Arthur Ireland, editor of the Labor Free Press, a fake labor sheet, came in for severe lashing by the members of the Pittsburgh Central Labor Union. The criticism was directed first at certain articles that he printed during the Seattle trial, and then at which exposed Seattle as a spy.

But the climax was reached when Ireland attacked the Building Trades Council for the manner in which they were gathering advertising for their year book. He was called before the Central Labor Union to explain and at the time it looked as if the body would withdraw its endorsement from the Labor Free Press.

Arthur Ireland appeared before the council like a strutting cock defying the whole gang. He declared arrogantly that if he would be asked to retract any statements he would publish all that was said, which would do more damage than the stories so far appearing.

Fakers Have a Change of Heart
Then the cry went up that such exposure was not good for the labor movement. The movement they referred to is officialdom, because so rank and file was even mentioned. Finally a motion was made to take the endorsement away from the Labor Free Press, but by a clever parliamentary move the motion was declared out of order.

Altho he admitted that his paper was indebted to Lew McGrew, labor hustler and publisher of the notorious and Labor World, and that the Free Press is being printed in Lew McGrew's plant, all Arthur has to do now is order to keep the endorsement of the C. L. U. to see the executive board before he writes up any of the fakers.

Talk it up—your shopmate will subscribe!

Cal Takes Part in League of Nations But Not Formally

GENEVA, May 17.—Theodore E. Burton, American representative to the league of nations conference on the control of armaments, and secretary of the American delegation, announced today that the position that the United States government is anxious to sign the convention, entrance to the league of nations will not be tolerated.

Burton is trying to have the convention amended so that "Collegiate" "friendly" cooperation with the league will not be formally accepted as his formal participation in the league.

As it stands, the agreement proposed that the league council shall enact the army parity convention. The league of nations is controlled by the world's powers, who use it as an instrument to keep the weaker nations in subjection.

Red-baiting Sleuth Burns to Protect Bankers' Property

A contract has been signed between the American Bankers' Association and the B'nai B'rith national detective agency, regarding for three years the services of the agency and the bank's interest in "protecting" them against robbery.

William J. Burns, who was involved in the Teapot Dome, and other government scandals, was forced out of office as head of the department of justice, when he was exposed as a scoundrel in the attorney general's office under the regime of Harry Daugherty. Burns took an active part in raising on radio organizations during the war hysteria.

Soviet Transport and Railway Workers Give Aid to the Red Airfleet

By J. LOUIS ENGDHAL

TODAY, the air fleets of the Union of Soviet Republics are reinforced by the addition of the "Dzerjinsky Escadrille" of 31 airplanes, bought with the popular subscriptions of the railway and transport workers of the workers' republic. Nowhere else in the world do workers present the government under which they live with airplanes. There could only take place in the Soviet Union, where the workers have a prime interest in the defense of their victory over czarism.

Felix E. Dzerjinsky, after whom this new air squadron is named, is now the head of the supreme economic council of the workers' republics, one of Russia's oldest revolutionaries, veteran of many struggles for the Russian working class, before and since the czarism fell.

More recently he has been among those leading the mighty drive for the reconstruction of industry through the Soviet Union, and the fact that the workers in the transportation industry have bestowed such high honor upon him, shows in what high esteem he is held by the Russian masses.

The "Dzerjinsky Escadrille" will be heard from again; just as the Russian railway and transport workers are being heard from regularly as they build and run what in time will become the most effective and efficient transportation system of the world. Altho the Soviet Union lost a considerable stretch of railway line, by the separation of the border states, nevertheless, today's railway mileage is greater than it was in the czarist days before the war. The ships of the Soviet Union now carry the red flag of the workers' republics into every port of the world. It is the workers who are making this development possible, that realize they must defend the progress they are making against world capitalism. Therefore they provide for the red army, the red fleet and the red airfleets.

The workers of Russia are not pacifists. They expect nothing from capitalism except war to the hilt. They fought for and won their victory over their own industrial overlords, high financiers and great landlords. They have established a strong rear guard for the world social revolution. They expect the workers of other lands to join them in the struggle for world victory.

One of the striking evidences of the world outlook of those railway and transport workers, who made the "Dzerjinsky Escadrille" possible, is the fact that two of those 31 planes were named "Leningrad" and "Warsaw," in memory of the Polish white guard government, on the day they were to be exchanged for a Polish priest held prisoner in Soviet Russia. Thus this crime committed against workers' rule will rise to torment western European capitalism, as the Russian workers intend it should.

It is only when the workers have won and consolidated their world victory that they will be able to say that the war to end all wars has ended; that all nations may now live in peace.

American jingoes cry for great air fleets to support American imperialism plant its dollar standards over the world; to bring the world under its profiteers' oppression. Russian workers provide an airfleet for their proletarian dictatorship to help liberate world labor from this capitalist oppression.

Let America's workers get that difference.

OPEN SHOP DRIVE LOCKS OUT 2,000 UNION PAINTERS

Boston Bosses to Try Open War on Union

(Special to The Daily Worker)
BOSTON, May 17.—Acting on a decision reached at a meeting yesterday, the Painting and Decorating Employers' Association of this city formally withdrew all the offers made to the painters' district council and started work on an open shop basis.

Twenty-two firms announced that they were preparing to man their jobs with new help, giving union and non-union men the same treatment. A maximum wage of \$11.00 an hour was offered for experienced painters. Negotiations between the union and the association were in progress for a week, the men demanding a wage of \$12.50 an hour. About 2,000 painters declared a strike some time ago to enforce their demands.

Bittner Wins in the Capitalist Court But Union Loses a Local

WHEELING, W. Va., May 17.—United Mine Workers in the federal district court here, won their second fight today, in their court fight to unionize the coal fields of the Panhandle district.

Judge W. E. Baker handed down an opinion in the case brought by the West Virginia-Pittsburgh Coal company, in which a score of officials and members of the miners' organization were cited for contempt, finding for the miners.

However, the spiritless leadership of Van Bittner in the department of justice, was forced out of office as head of the department of justice, when he was exposed as a scoundrel in the attorney general's office under the regime of Harry Daugherty. Burns took an active part in raising on radio organizations during the war hysteria.

WAR AND LEADS GERMANY DISINTEGRATION

Internal Dissension Over Dawes Plan

(Special to The Daily Worker)
BERLIN, Germany, May 17.—The monarchist leadership of Field Marshal von Hindenburg is already faced with vexing problems, both internally and relative to the foreign countries, which might at any time bring about a crisis.

The monarchists, who claim the sacred right to exploit the German working class, demand that the French troops evacuate the Cologne bridgehead. In his latest speech, made at Cologne, Chancellor Hitler declared the occupation by the French is a violation of the Versailles treaty, and lamented the fact that France has given no reasons for continuing the occupation.

Luther, who said he spoke for Hindenburg, also expressed impatience at the delay of France and England in agreeing to act on the proposal of a "security pact," by which Germany would be asked to extend the eastern frontier of Germany at Poland's expense.

Dawes Plan Swallows R. N.'s
The German railway owners have already protested against the Hindenburg against the Dawes plan. Dr. Stieker, and general director, Oeser, of the German railway system, have pointed out to Hindenburg that the Wall Street Dawes plan imposed wall impossible payments on the German railroads. The alternative being that the railways directly by the international bankers. Hindenburg replied he didn't know what he could do about it.

Hindenburg's pay has been raised by the Reichstag to \$48,000 a year, a boost of \$18,000. He gets his lodging free in the presidential mansion.

Socialists Friendly to War Lord
Internally Hindenburg also has his vexations. He has had little trouble with the socialists, however. Otto Braun, candidate of the socialists in the presidential election, now premier of Prussia, warmly congratulated Hindenburg on his election. Hindenburg was a great friend of the dead socialist president, Ebert, who on his part, greatly admired the war lord. The extreme monarchists have been the main enemies of the socialists. They point out that even the "they" know that the socialists are hypocrites, for the praise of the socialist, Ebert. They point out that even the "they" know that the socialists are hypocrites, for the praise of the socialist, Ebert.

Communists Gain Support
Including parliamentarians, scholars, professors and others, have issued a signed protest against the sentence passed recently on district Communist leaders in the German "cheka trial" framed by the Leipzig supreme court. The protest declares that Ludenow, Hitler and his associates are "enemies of the people" and "enemies of the German people" and that the sentence is a disgraceful judgment has been displayed against the Communists.

The Communist Party remains the only group in Germany which consistently fights against the Dawes plan, for the raising of the standard of living of the German workers and the overthrow of the exploiting system by the workers.

Russian Workers Demand Release of Bulgarian Reds

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and starved in the Bulgarian prisons. Delegations of peasants' and workers' organizations called at the British, French and Italian missions and urged that these countries protest against the proposed punishment of the Bulgarian workers.

An editorial in the Pravda, according to news dispatches states "Bulgaria Europe, with a smile on its face indulges this horrible act. While these executions are occurring in Bulgaria, the peasants are listening to what we have to tell them. We tell them in the class war there can be no mercy. The workers will come to the aid of the peasants and the representatives of the bourgeois will be in the hands of the workers. Therefore, remember today's lesson from Sofia—no mercy."

"We know that these Communists in Bulgaria will perish with the belief in their hearts that they will rise a victorious revolutionary army. We swear we shall avenge them. The workers will settle accounts with their hangers-on."

Conference for Child Welfare Advised to Go Deeper Into Problem

NEW YORK, May 17.—Speeches on the need of a home for every child in the country were made at the opening meeting of the national welfare convention with representatives of the various state welfare agencies.

FLAMES OF CHAINED SLAVES IN Y.

Boast of "Open Shop" and Low Wages

By ETHEL LOWELL.

(Published from Staff Correspondent)

NEW YORK, May 17.—(FP)—That foreign city New York is having a remarkable demonstration of the pure Anglo-Saxon ku klux klan spirit of the industrial south in the Southern Exposition held in Grand Central Palace. In exhibits after exhibits the manufacturers, railroad, real estate and other boosters of the south brag about the nearly 100 per cent American population. And, lo and behold, the low wages.

In the Georgia Railway & Power Co. booklet, the industry is boasted that the "Georgia law is permitted 60 hours work per week in cotton mills. Women as well as men, and youths of 14 or over, may work at night." And later: "One authority states that within his recollection no proposed measure, aimed against manufacturers, ever has been given serious consideration in the state"—referring to labor laws.

South Pays Low Wages.

The low wages paid are advertised to induce northern workers to come southward: "Machine, \$24.60; electrician, \$25; engineers, \$15; firemen, \$10; spinners, \$12.15; boarders, \$11.80; janitors, \$12.50; crane men, \$12.50; drivers, \$12.50; fishers, \$12.50; laborers, \$9.30; millers, \$12.50; looper, \$15; laborer, \$15."

Lowest wages in cotton mills are quoted from the Georgia Commerce and Labor Department and show that the lowest under 14% per week, 14% to 16, 16 to 18, 18 to 20, 20 to 22, 22 to 24, 24 to 26, 26 to 28, 28 to 30, 30 to 32, 32 to 34, 34 to 36, 36 to 38, 38 to 40, 40 to 42, 42 to 44, 44 to 46, 46 to 48, 48 to 50, 50 to 52, 52 to 54, 54 to 56, 56 to 58, 58 to 60, 60 to 62, 62 to 64, 64 to 66, 66 to 68, 68 to 70, 70 to 72, 72 to 74, 74 to 76, 76 to 78, 78 to 80, 80 to 82, 82 to 84, 84 to 86, 86 to 88, 88 to 90, 90 to 92, 92 to 94, 94 to 96, 96 to 98, 98 to 100, 100 to 102, 102 to 104, 104 to 106, 106 to 108, 108 to 110, 110 to 112, 112 to 114, 114 to 116, 116 to 118, 118 to 120, 120 to 122, 122 to 124, 124 to 126, 126 to 128, 128 to 130, 130 to 132, 132 to 134, 134 to 136, 136 to 138, 138 to 140, 140 to 142, 142 to 144, 144 to 146, 146 to 148, 148 to 150, 150 to 152, 152 to 154, 154 to 156, 156 to 158, 158 to 160, 160 to 162, 162 to 164, 164 to 166, 166 to 168, 168 to 170, 170 to 172, 172 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LABOR EDITOR WHO HIT REDS FORCED TO QUIT

Article Against Crouch Angered Ex-Soldiers

(Special to The Daily Worker)
WARREN, Ohio, May 15.—Delegates to the United Labor Congress in Youngstown were notified by the editor of the Labor Record, official organ of the labor unions in Mahoning Township, that he had resigned as editor and his resignation was in the hands of the board of directors.

A "Financial Failure."
The editor, Harry Dechard, said that the paper was now a financial failure and that unless immediate assistance was given by the unions it would continue to lose money.

A special session of the labor congress will be held on May 25, when the delegates from the unions will decide whether to support further publication, to suspend, or to elect a new manager and editor.

On April 30, the Labor Record published a leading editorial attacking the enemies of labor for jailing soldiers and sailors and for jailing the Hawaiian Communists. It also carried a constructive policy of labor journalism seeking to educate and organize the steel workers.

French Debt Talk Is Smoke.
WASHINGTON, May 17.—State department advisers from Paris said that there was no French security for payment of the war debt to the American treasury, either now or in the future. Callahan has been accused of a substantial kick. Conversations have amounted to a suggestion by the French—that they are not ready to pay America the four billion dollars that the French owe.

International Prospects and Bolshevization

By G. ZINOVIEV

Fundamental Tasks of Communist Tactics.

The Tactical Problems of Our Times Are Practically a Question of Dates and Ways and Means in Connection With World Revolution.

Comrades, we know that Marxism and especially Leninism, which is the Marxism of our times, has given us the theory of world revolution. This theory has been sufficiently elaborated and can serve as a guide for the entire work of the Communist International. But there are two problems, the solution of which is not contained in the theory itself, for by their very nature these problems can only be solved on the basis of historical experience.

These problems at present form the center of all Communist work. Firstly, it is a question of the tempo of the proletarian revolution, and the rapidity of its development generally, of its date. Secondly, it is a question of line of march, of its political geography.

Comrades, it seems to me that these two decisive questions sum up the tactical problems of the recent past, of the present day and probably of the near future.

As to the tempo, the terms of the development of the proletarian revolution have experienced a "surprise" Comintern, but also of the First International and of the entire work of such people as Marx and Lenin show us how difficult it was to arrive at any mistakes in this respect. On the strength of the experience which we already possess we have realized how wrong it was to make great "surprises" even to many Marxists that a social revolution had taken place just in Russia. There were very few people who believed in such a possibility even among the supporters of the left wing of the international labor movement. After the victory of the Russian revolution we all agreed that

"IRREGULAR PROCEEDINGS" AND "UNFAIR HEARING" IN DEPORTATION CASES, DEFENSE COUNCIL SHOWS

The Labor Defense Council wishes to call to the attention of all workers and all others concerned with the decision of the United States Supreme Court in the case of Nicholas Unger and Herman Horman of Minneapolis, against whom deportation proceedings for membership in the Communist Party were started a few years ago.

The department of labor, Immigration Bureau, has ordered these two workers deported and the United States district court, to which the case was appealed, upheld the decision.

The higher court—the circuit court of appeals—reversed the decision recently.

This court states that these two residents were entitled to due process of law and fair hearing, which the court claimed they had not at the previous hearings. The circuit court pointed out that there had been unauthorized and illegal introduction of "confidential" reports, that the proceedings had been irregular and the hearing unfair, and that there was a violation of the principles of due process of law and a fair hearing.

The government seems to be no longer deporting workers for membership in the Communist Party, but also such militant and radical workers as constantly and deliberately opposed the "powers" of the government in the name of technical offense to charge them with, such as, likely to become a public charge, improper visas, "illegal entry" and so on.

A new remains to be seen whether the immigration officials will proceed in a new attempt to deport these two Minneapolis trade unionists, Unger and Horman. The new director of the Immigration Bureau is a member of the Machineists' Union and a union official in the Twin City labor movement.

The Labor Defense Council calls upon all workers and workers' organizations to support the cases of deportation of these two workers. The Council is now engaged in a fight against the deportation menace. For this campaign funds are being raised. The new director of the Labor Defense Council is 15 South Lincoln St., Chicago, Ill.

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Philadelphia to Enjoy Open Air at May 30th Picnic

(Special to The Daily Worker.)

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. May 16.—Philadelphia Communists and sympathizers will have their first opportunity to enjoy the open air and the woods and the spacious grounds of the Ben Franklin Park at the first Workers Party picnic held by the City Center Committee on Saturday, May 30, from 10 a. m. until midnight.

After six months' intensive indoor party activity this picnic will be a great treat to the active party members and it goes without saying that the Young Workers League will be there in full force to share the fun as they always share the work and the responsibility of the party.

Games and sports of all kinds are being arranged by the committee to assure everybody a good time as well as good refreshments. The committee wishes to solemnly assure the members that the picnic is for all comrades and sympathizers provided they partake liberally of the refreshments that can be had at the lunch counter.

It will not be necessary to bring any food. The committee will bring fresh refreshments every hour. The directions are very simple. Take car No. 50 on 5th St. and you will find it. It will be filled with members of the party and the Y.W.L. and they will tell you where to get off, but in case you are busy reading the paper, you can get off at 5th St. Monthly just tell the conductor to let you off at Cottler street and follow the crowd "Three blocks west, everything else is the same."

All arguments will be stored at home on May 30, between 10 in the morning and midnight. We are sure that you will not miss a good time with the Communists at a picnic if you ever attended one.

You will get most valuable information if you stop at the party headquarters at 521 York Ave. At this time we may state that the Freshet Chorus will be at the picnic. If you know of any other groups, please let us know. This means some real good singing. Better clip this article so that you don't forget the date and place.

"Negro World" Prints Communist Statement on Garvey's Arrest

(Special to The Daily Worker)

NEW YORK, May 17.—The great interest taken by the Negro workers in the struggles of the Workers (Communist) Party in their behalf is again reflected in the articles in the DAILY WORKER and the Workers Party in the Negro World, official organ of the Universal Negro College and the Negro Workers' movement, "back to Africa" movement.

The Negro World prints in full the manifesto of the central executive committee of the Workers Party which calls for a united front of all Negro and white workers to fight for the rights of the Negro people. The statement points out that Garvey at the New York convention of his association, trucked to the Ku Klux Klan, and that the "back to Africa" movement is a policy of retreat and will not emancipate the American Negroes who have made the United States their home.

The statement, however, demands the release from Atlanta penitentiary of Garvey, who, the statement declares, was imprisoned for no other reason than an attack on Negro working class organizations which must be protected.

Alexander Chramov Will Speak on Savinkov Next Tuesday Night

(Special to The Daily Worker)

A new cable in the press states that Boris Savinkov, formerly of the socialist-revolutionary party and lately of the counter-revolutionary white guard armies of the world imperialism, had committed suicide in Moscow. Who was Savinkov? Why was he tried by the workers' and peasants' government?

Corrade Chramov, the general organizer of the Russian section of the Workers Party will speak in Chicago on this interesting subject Tuesday, May 18, at 1907 W. 12th St. His mission is to show the workers and the Russian language are welcome.

Painters Accept Compromise.
WASHINGTON, May 17.—By a vote of 320 to 292, the members of the local painters and paperhangers' union voted to accept a two-year contract for a daily wage of \$9.50 at the hands of the master painters' association. This compromise of the demand that their \$9 wage be raised to \$10 was urged by John R. Colpoys, federal mediator, and E. J. Gallagher, international organizer, after five and a half weeks of strike affecting 400 men. The operative builders' association, which organized a "diehard" opposition to any increase in building wages in the District of Columbia for this year, asserted that it still considers the building jobs in the District, and that none of these will give employment to men at the compromise scale.

DUTCH BRANCH OF WORKERS PARTY CALLS ON HOLLANDERS TO JOIN

(Special to The Daily Worker)

DETROIT, Mich. May 17.—The Dutch-Flemish branch of the Workers (Communist) Party, Detroit section, has issued the following appeal to the Dutch workers of the United States:

"It is a deplorable fact that the class conscious elements amongst the Dutch immigrant workers of America possess no form of organization, no form of literary expression whatsoever.

"No semblance of class-organization or affiliation exists amongst the tens of thousands of Hollanders in Chicago, nor in the various Dutch centers in the state of Michigan, nor in other big cities of America, with the sole exception of Detroit.

World War Threatens.

"And this in spite of the fact that many of us were active and efficient fighters in the class war in the old land. How many of us were enthused and inspired by the sacrificing and tireless efforts in behalf of the working class by such men and women as Domela Nieuwenhuis, Roland Holst and others.

"And yet upon our arrival in this United States we seemed to have lost all about our own past; we too became mesmerized with the fatal morgan of comparative security of existence, while at this very moment the economic problem has become so acute that capitalism the world over is again pondering the necessity of deciding the issue with the sword—with terrible war.

Class Lines Tighten.

"Many of us have hidden ourselves behind the formula that the American workers were too ignorant, that they got all about our own past; we too became mesmerized with the fatal morgan of comparative security of existence, while at this very moment the economic problem has become so acute that capitalism the world over is again pondering the necessity of deciding the issue with the sword—with terrible war.

Foreign-Born Roused.

"All over the United States the foreign-born workers are aroused. They have started upon a campaign of education and agitation amongst their nationals not only against the gap laws that are being enforced against the foreign-born workers, but also against the imminent danger of another world war—a war that has as its chief object the crushing of proletarian humankind.

"Only the Dutch workers, to their eternal disgrace, are practically non-existent in America as far as effective organization work and propaganda are concerned.

Rebels of Holland?

"Remember that the peril of storm and stress upon which we are about to embark, will leave its mark not only on our own countrymen but upon the native-born workers as well.

"The time to start propaganda work amongst our nationals is now. Let the Dutch members of the Workers Party in the centers mentioned above take the initiative."

The Dutch-Flemish Branch of the Workers Party, Detroit, Mich.

Illinois Miners Run Russian Art Film

Even the miners of Livingston, Ill., are tightly squeezed in their fight against unemployment and the attacks of the capitalist bourgeoisie. They find time to enjoy the enjoyment of the best of proletarian art in entertainment that they can get. So a picture that is a labor paper called "The United Front" called "Russia," together with a roaring comedy and two newswar features, will be shown at the Eagle Theatre on May 24.

The picture "Polkhuska," made by the Moscow Art Theater in Russia during the famine period; the comedy "Soldier Ivan's March" made of laughs and chuckles, while the news reels show the Paterson strike and Lanskansky demonstration in front of the Polish consular in Chicago.

Workers' Aid Meets in N. Y.
NEW YORK, May 17.—The next conference of the International Workers' Aid will take place on Wednesday, May 18, at 2 p. m., at 103 East 14th St., Room 32.

All branches should see to it that their delegates are present. This is very important, since there are several very important matters to take up.

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NEW YORK DAILY WORKER BUILDERS TO HEAR MORITZ J. LOEB ON MAY 26

M. J. Loeb, manager of the DAILY WORKER, will address the Builders of the DAILY WORKER in New York at the party headquarters, 108 East 14th street, next Tuesday evening, May 26, at 7:30.



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STREET FIGHTS BRYAN WHEN HE TALKS NONSENSE

Refuses to Answer Any Questions; Is Boomed

(Special to The Daily Worker)

PROVIDENCE, R. I., May 17.—William Jennings Bryan, who thru the years has filled his purse to overflowing by depositing lost causes—delivered a tirade at the University of the state at Brown University after preaching a sermon against death and faith in a better life after death. He had advocated making it compulsory for public school children to read the Bible every day and delivered a tirade against the theory of evolution.

Bryan, to his misfortune, signified his willingness to answer questions when he had concluded his tirade. Bryan, who was anxious to make the statement that the bible was true, "from cover to cover," including the pillar of salt tale, and the story of the fall of the leaves. Then a student, William G. Chase, asked an embarrassing question, which showed decided skepticism with regard to a man whose name was so often in the papers as a liar, even if said man had flat feet.

Bryan stammered, and could not answer. "What you do not believe in the bible," Bryan asked, holding out his hand, palms up, in apparent astonishment.

"No, I don't," answered Chase, unabashed.

"My boy," said Bryan, "I am sorry for you and ashamed of you." But Chase's question remained unanswered.

The second question laid Bryan low and completed his rout.

George L. Cassidy, another student, took a long breath and asked, "Isn't it possible that there may be a philosophy gained by evolutionary thinking, which presents a worship and reverence for future generations as an ideal and looks toward the development of heaven upon earth thru the use of science, and is not this ideal a fine and worthy one, capable of producing a not less noble standard of morality?"

Bryan's answer was as flippant as the rest of his speech. "Ladies and gentlemen," he answered, "I've done a long way to address you students of Brown University, but I shall certainly have to retire before this magnificent bubbling fountain of wisdom on my right."

He then left the stage, amid the applause and boos of almost the entire audience. There was no applause.

Seamen Hurt in Fire.
WASHINGTON, May 17.—A number of seamen were injured in an explosion and fire aboard the Italian steamer Adige at Hampton Roads, according to a report to the navy department.

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Lee and the Left Wing

From the company union known as the "B. and O. plan" on one railroad system, established after the railway strikers in 1922, when the morale of the workers was at a low point, the class peace policy of the trade union officialdom has extended to Canadian government railways and a number of roads on this side of the line.

Now comes William Lee, head of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, with the proposal to hold a conference of railway managers and railway union officials to launch a "no strike" movement in the entire industry. With characteristic energy the imperialists are evidently initiating upon results from their agents in the trade unions.

This movement is planned on a stupendous scale. It would include 2,000,000 workers in the most important key industry and introduce the company union system on a national basis. The ability to organize and strike is the test of a labor union. To surrender the right to strike and substitute class co-operation for the class struggle, no matter how vague its conception may be, is to take the heart, blood and bowel out of the labor unions. This is the purpose of the plan.

It would be only a half explanation to say that the railroad capitalists are behind this scheme because they are concerned only over demands for higher wages and the power of the unions to enforce them. American capitalism can afford to do this. It would pay the higher wages to the railway brotherhoods than to other groups of workers. Its quarrels with them are of a minor nature and, with their reactionary leadership, quite easily adjusted.

But railway transport systems are of vital importance in war and war comes closer as the rivalry between America, Japan and Great Britain becomes more intense. If the railway unions can be hamstrung by company unions a great burden will have been lifted from the minds of the war mongers.

Upon the whole labor movement the plan would have a demoralizing effect.

It is doubtful if Lee will have much luck in securing the endorsement of other labor officials. Not but that they are in accord with a general tenor of the scheme, but in a manner of putting over on the union membership is a little too raw. The few are conservative even in their conservatism.

The trend of thought of labor officialdom is in the direction of class peace and acceptance of subsidies from imperialism, but the "B. and O. plan" seems to them to offer a better method of betraying the masses for the time being.

There is this much to be said for Lee, however. He has shown the logical conclusion of a class peace policy and given the left wing in the labor movement a concrete illustration on which to base their arguments against all attempts to lead the unions into the camp of the enemy for surrender instead of struggle.

Elhu Root says that the prohibition law is a setback to temperance and that control of the mind by law is dangerous. The liquor drought such as it is, seems to have created a general demand for freedom from legal interference on the part of the thirty portion of our ruling class, but we have not heard of any more on their part to repeal the criminal syndicalism laws.

Another Job for the Strikebreaking President

One strike made Calvin Coolidge so famous that he rode into the White House on the crest of a popularity wave. There is a possibility that another opportunity to show his efficiency as a strikebreaker will be presented to him, if the anthracite miners are forced to strike when their agreement with the operators terminates on August 30.

News dispatches from Washington advise us that the president is keeping a watchful eye on the anthracite region. We are informed that Coolidge will take active measures to break the miners' strike, should a stoppage take place and that he will take steps to "insure a continuation of work" in the hard coal fields.

This is not surprising. The bosses did not elect him president for his ability to make nice after-dinner speeches or to turn out neatly polished phrases. They needed a good efficient and willing strikebreaker and they got him.

In the meantime the operators are speeding up coal production in the anthracite region, so that they will have a sufficient supply ahead to tide them over until Coolidge succeeds in breaking the strike if it takes place.

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Lessons of the Danish General Strike

The mighty role that the transport workers can fill in the world-wide struggle between exploiters and workers is shown clearly in the aid proffered the Danish workers, now engaged in a general strike, by the Norwegian transport workers and which may be followed by similar action in Sweden, Germany, Holland and Finland.

According to dispatches, the Norwegian sailors and dockworkers have agreed to handle no Danish shipping until the demands of the Danish workers are met and there are good prospects of the boycott extending to all the ports in the countries mentioned above.

Transport is to capitalism what the heart, veins and arteries are to the human body. It cannot live if the circulation system is clogged. Just as the average human being abuses this vital part of the anatomy, so are the transport workers abused by the bosses and among the lowest paid hardest worked and consequently, most militant sections of the working class.

Their weakness lies in the division of their forces by national and sectional lines—a weakness that the transport workers of the Red International of Labor Unions realized long ago and which they set out to overcome. The first step was an effort to unify all transport unions around a common program of minimum demands, the second was their active support of the drive for world trade union unity.

With the example of the need for international solidarity furnished by the Danish strike, and the evidence of a real belief in its necessity shown by the Norwegian, Swedish, Finnish, German and Dutch transport workers, the Marine Transport Workers of the I.W.W., as the most militant group in the American industry, should now take the lead in the United States among transport workers in support of the movement for world trade union unity, in which the British and Russian unions have taken the lead internationally.

The Rifian War

All the glamor with which imperialism covers, or tries to cover, its wars on colonial peoples is to be seen in the inspired dispatches relating the exploits of the French armies in northern Africa.

Not much is said about the conscript troops, but plenty of space is given to the officers—a slight scratch is enough to make one of them a hero. The sister of Nicholas Longworth, husband of Alice Roosevelt, is the wife of General Chabrun, whose headquarters are in Fez, and this gives the French a domestic flavor for the dollar aristocracy that it would otherwise lack.

But the Rifians who drove the Spanish oppressors out of their country, are not submitting, with the humility that barbarians are supposed to evince in the presence of apostles of christian civilization, to the demand that they live within boundaries defined by the European imperialists. They are putting up a sturdy struggle and all thru the colonial regions held in bondage by the French—and British possessions as well—there is evidence of strong support for their efforts toward liberation. 100,000 French troops, equipped with the most modern instruments of warfare, have not been able even to rescue all the beleaguered outposts of French imperialism.

France cannot afford to be driven out of northern Africa. She needs a military base opposite the Gibraltar coast and a line of similar bases along the southern coast of the Mediterranean to offset British control of the sea route to French colonies in the Far East and to bulwark her control of western African colonies.

Northern Africa is another Balkan section. Here also the imperialist rivals clash and it is no wonder that, as in 1911-12, when France and England double-crossed Germany in the Moroccan affair, the eyes of every foreign office are on the developments in the bloody struggle taking place there now.

War cannot be isolated these days. There is the factor of the growing discontent of the colonial peoples coupled with the sympathy and support from the liberation movements manifested by the working class of the imperialist nations which makes these adventuresome conquests by the ruling class a weakness rather than a strength to their control.

What better evidence that imperialism drives its devotees to suicide than the fact that confronted with a financial crisis at home the French rulers are forced, by their colonial policy to engage in an expensive and unpopular war which strains their badly damaged credit and encourages revolt at home?

The French Communist Party has not been slow in bringing these matters to the attention of the masses and the proof of the disastrous consequences to the stability of French capitalism will not be long forthcoming in the form of new oppressions visited upon the most advanced section of the French working class.

William Jennings Bryan should qualify for admittance into the monkey section of the nearest zoo after his brush with the students at Brown University, Rhode Island. The students made the old fraud look like a chimpanzee.

The ancient Hebrew who walked on the Black Sea may not have felt too bad lots of people are beginning to think William Jennings Bryan has a flat head.

"Scabdy" Bill Lee may not get a united front conference between the railworkers and their masters, but he will get a lot of publicity.

Zinoviev Reports to the Russian Communist Party

MOSCOW, April 25.—(By Mail)—At today's evening session Comrade Zinoviev delivered a report on the results of the enlarged executive session of the Communist International. Pointing out that the plenum had the character of a congress, Zinoviev declared that the resolution adopted by the plenum were extremely important for the Russian Communist Party, not only as a section of the Comintern, but as a party that rules a great country.

The plenum established the relation of the Comintern to the retarded development of the revolution, and the partial stabilization of capitalism. This fact has been caught up by the Second International, and was misinterpreted to mean that the execution of the Comintern had announced the complete stabilization of capitalism. Certain events that have taken place since the enlarged executive session of the Comintern, however, are examples of economic stabilization. The French ministerial crisis was a case in point; it was the result of the financial crisis.

The impending danger of an invasion in France suddenly threatened a repetition of the 1918 crisis experienced by Germany in 1918. The crisis was overcome by a banking scheme which covered the deficit of four milliards.

However, there remains a deficit of 20 milliards. These characteristics of the French stabilization are particularly significant, because France is a victor country. The situation in Bulgaria is characteristic of the political stabilization.

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Eighty victims were brought to a hospital where it was said they probably would recover. Two other workers were sent to their homes in a serious condition.

The fire was believed to have started during timbering operations. Three acres of coal land had been burned this afternoon and the fire was still raging.

Many miles perished when mine workers were forced to abandon rescue work because of the great danger to themselves.

Children hurrying to the scene on hearing reports that the men were trapped.

LOSE HOPE OF RESCUE FOR MINER ENTOMBED WEEK IN BUTTE MINE

BUTTE, Mont., May 17.—All hope of saving alive Gus Boldt, Butte miner, entombed by a fall of ground in the 200 foot level of the West Colusa mine last Monday, was abandoned today by rescue workers. Since the rescue was continued