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ORGANIZATIONS RALLY FOR MAY 1 DEMONSTRATION

A Warning to Every Worker!

WORKERS, you who celebrate May Day, who strike and demonstrate on May Day as a day of challenge to and struggle against capitalism, be warned against the vile deceit and demagoguery of those who call themselves "socialists!"

Last May Day, in New York City, there were two demonstrations in Union Square. One was a great and enthusiastic working class demonstration, led by the Communist Party; a demonstration that the anti-Soviet Police Commissioner, Grover (Forgery) Whalen, admitted was "the largest Red demonstration in recent years."

The other demonstration, weak in numbers and spiritless, was against the workers against the Communists, a fascist demonstration under the auspices of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. At this fascist meeting, Matthew Woll and Congressman Fish who later headed the infamous Fish Committee, spoke, openly advocating fascist terror against the workers who later filled Union Square in a singing, marching flood.

The capitalists were alarmed. The tens of thousands of workers following the banners of the Communist Party and cheering for the Soviet Union, hissing and booing the names of the fascist leaders, Fish and Woll, made them think. They did not want that to happen again. Since it was hard to get any workers to support such stinking anti-working class leaders as Fish, Woll and the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the capitalists needed somebody who might attract the workers away from the "Reds."

The capitalists found a tool for this purpose in the so-called "socialist" party, which is one of those particular sections of the fascist movement that operates in the name of "labor" among the workers and are therefore known as "social fascists."

Last May Day, the "socialist" party held no street demonstration. But this year, in an effort to serve capitalism, to prevent the workers from following the Communists and demonstrating against the fascists, the social fascist "socialists" are calling the workers to a demonstration on May Day at Union Square. They are favored by the capitalist police, who revoked the permit to the Square first given to the United Front May Day Conference for a specified hour and gave it to the social fascist "socialists," who are to follow the fascist Veterans of Foreign Wars in possession of the Square—in hope that the workers would be confused, attend the "socialist" meeting of the social fascists, and not gather with the Communists and other revolutionary workers who are compelled to meet at Madison Square at noon and not march into Union Square until four o'clock.

Workers, this is a small sample of social fascism, which among the workers pretends to be "opposed to fascism" but in practice helps it; which in words pretends to be "opposed to capitalism," but in practice supports it. These social fascist "socialist" demagogues will no doubt talk against the fascists on May Day. But they will only talk. They will also talk about how the workers should demonstrate on May Day. They will pretend to be "different" from Fish and Woll.

But, workers, the fascist Matthew Woll is a dear ally of theirs against the Soviet Union. He spoke at the banquet called to honor such a "socialist" leader as Abe Cahan, editor of the "socialist" daily "Forward." And the fascist Congressman Fish openly compliments the social fascist "socialist" party. As well he might, because it is a foe of the Soviet Union and an enemy of the Communist Party, the only reliable leadership the workers have in their struggles against wage cuts, for unemployment insurance and capitalist rule.

The social fascist "socialists," part of the Second "socialist" International, pretends now to be in favor of workers demonstrating on May Day, in the streets. Last May Day they saw no necessity for it in New York. The year before, in Berlin, the "socialist" who was head of the Berlin police forbid May Day demonstration of workers and shot to death 30 workers among the tens of thousands who defied the "socialist" order against May Day demonstration!

The New York "socialists" pretend to believe in May Day demonstrations—this year. But this year in Spain, the "socialist" party is part of the capitalist government which has prohibited May Day demonstrations because they fear the workers will feel themselves strong enough to march forward from the popular revolution which overthrew the monarchy to a really socialist revolution which may overthrow capitalism.

The social fascist "socialists" thus, clearly, are concerned first with saving capitalism, just as are the fascists. Only they do it in the name of "labor" and by keeping workers deceived by their demagoguery. Just as Phillip Scheidemann, leader of the "socialists" of Germany, admits, in his autobiography, that the German "socialist" party in 1918, when the German workers were entering a revolutionary general strike, took over the leadership of the strike in order to "prevent a revolution!"

Workers, it is for the very same reason that the social fascist "socialists" in New York are entering the May Day demonstrations! They want to get a following among the workers in order to betray the workers to capitalism, to keep the workers from demonstrating against capitalism with the Communist Party on May Day, and keep the workers from fighting under Communist leadership against wage cuts, for defense of the Soviet Union, for the seven-hour day without pay cuts, for unemployment insurance, against lynching and fascist terror and the establishment of a Workers' and Farmers' Government in the United States!

Workers, beware of the social fascist "socialists"! Out on the streets May Day, under the banner of the United Front May Day Conference, to demonstrate against capitalism and its fascist and social-fascist supporters!

BOSS COURT HELPS FRAME 14

Trial of Three Put Off to Thursday

NEW YORK.—Before a court packed with workers, the International Labor Defense yesterday led the defense to stop the railroad to jail of three white workers who participated in the Harlem parade Saturday, which demanded the release of the nine Negro boys framed up by an Alabama boss court which sentenced eight to burn in the electric chair on July 10.

The I.L.D. successfully demanded the reduction of the enormous bail set for the three defendants, Demetrios Poulos, John Tseronis and Philip Spector, and had the bail reduced from \$1,500 each to \$500.

The trial was held in the 151st St. and Amsterdam Avenue court. The I.L.D. exposed the brutal attacks by the police on workers demonstrating against the Scottsboro court lynch verdict. When the court stated that the policeman supposed to have been injured by the defendants could not appear because of his "injuries," the I.L.D. attorney produced a photograph run in one of the Sunday papers showing this same cop standing up after the demonstration in perfect health.

The case was put off until Thursday, the court rejecting the demand of the I.L.D. for an immediate trial.

Red Vote, 89 Out of Total 300 In Hancock

HANCOCK, Mich., April 28.—In the municipal elections held here in April, the Communist candidates received 89 out of about 300 votes, doubling the Communist vote of the previous election. Hancock is in the copper and iron territory of upper Michigan.

RACKETEERING A MAJOR INDUSTRY IN CHICAGO

Mr. Macey, president of the Chicago Employers Association, boasted the other day that out of 89 various rackets, 36 have been eradicated in 4 years. While Mr. Macey fails to speak about consolidation and trustification in this major industry, as a reason of his "achievement," at the same time he admits that these rackets cost 136 million dollars a year to Chicago.

Boss Court Help Frame 14 Workers

Twelve of the 14 defendants were given suspended sentences with a long lecture by the judge against the Unemployed Councils which he said were striking at the very roots of capitalist law and order.

Two of the leaders, Columbus Zann, a Negro worker, and August Barthian, a white worker, were singled out for sentences of 3 days in jail.

FIGHT TO FREE 9 CONTINUES; BOSS PAPER MAKES ATTACK ON RIGHTS OF NEGRO MASSES

Scottsboro Paper Calls Demand for Colored Jurors—"Arrogant"—Openly Threatens to Carry Thru Massacre of 9 Innocent Children

Ku Klux Klan in Attack on I L D—Bosses Increase Pressure on Parents of Boys in Frantic Attempt to Eliminate I L D from Defense

(By Telegraph to Daily Worker)

As the International Labor Defense continues to expose the murderous frame-up against these boys, the workers' defense organization becomes more obnoxious to southern landlords and capitalists who are exerting every effort to eliminate the I. L. D. from the defense.

The attacks on the I. L. D. are increasing, both from the boss press, Ku Klux Klan elements and from misguided and weak-kneed elements in the colored Ministers Alliance of Chattanooga.

Ku Klux Klan Gets Busy

The Chattanooga Ku Klux Klan has threatened to drive the I. L. D. out of town. Ku Klux business men with their offices in the same building as the I. L. D. are using pressure on the owners of the building to evict the I. L. D. Klan elements throughout Chattanooga and the entire South are threatening a reign of terror against the I. L. D. and the militant white and Negro workers who have rallied to the defense of the nine innocent victims of the Scottsboro court lynch verdict.

Boss Press In Vicious Attacks

The latest issue of the Jackson County Sentinel, published in Scottsboro, Ala., contains the following viciously inciting editorial: "The plot thickens. We have no editorial this week on the 'Negro Trial' matter. We just couldn't do one without getting mad as hell. And why? We refer you to the statement by the New York Defenders (by this is meant the International Labor Defense—Editor Daily Worker) appearing in the Chattanooga Times and the Sentinel today. Its arrogance is most astounding. It smacks of trouble. It is the most dangerous movement launched in the South in many years. It brands Jackson County citizenry little short of being cold-blooded murderers. After we forget 'the rope' to pick up 'the Code' for the safety and benefit of the Negroes we are told that we must have Negro jurors or a jury trying the blacks if they are to get 'their rights.' A Negro juror in Jackson County would be a curiosity—and some curiosities are embalmable, you know."

Workers Must Answer On May Day

This editorial is typical of the bloodthirsty attitude of the southern landlords and capitalists who view any interference with their savage oppression and terror against the Negro people as "arrogant" and "admirable," and who are coming out in open threats to carry through the burning of these nine innocent colored children and to murder, as well, all who come to their defense, and any Negro worker who should dare

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MRS. PATTERSON SPEAKS IN BRONX

Will Also Be Present At Brooklyn Meet

NEW YORK.—Council No. 11 of the Bronx Cooperative House will have a lecture on "The Importance of May First," by Richard B. Moore, and as an added attraction Mrs. Janie Patterson, the mother of one of the nine boys railroaded to the electric chair in the Scottsboro, Alabama case, will be present. The lecture will be held in the Auditorium of the Cooperative houses, on Wednesday evening, April 29th, at 8:30 p. m.

Council 20 will have a lecture on the importance of May First, at 962 Sutter Avenue, Brooklyn, Wednesday evening, April 29th, at 8:30 p. m., with Tillie Littinsky.

Councils 7, 16, 20, and 21 will have a protest meeting on Thursday evening, April 30th, at 8:30 p. m. at 105 Thatford Avenue, Brooklyn, to voice their protest against the legal lynching of the nine Negro boys in Scottsboro, Alabama. All Brooklyn comrades are urged to attend this important meeting. Mrs. Janie Patterson, the mother of one of the sentenced boys will be present, besides other good speakers.

Kansas City Business Men Try to Start Raid On Militant Workers

KANSAS CITY, April 28.—A resolution urging Federal, State and local officials to "investigate" Communist operations in Kansas City was passed last week by the Ernestine Schuman Heink chapter of the Disabled American Veterans of the World War. The resolution declares that "operations of agents of the Communists here are dangerous."

It is clear that this fascist resolution was inspired by reactionary business elements who control the chapter and who are led by Dr. Ernst Cavanaugh.

The local reactionaries are alarmed at the growing activity of the Communist Party. TUUL, LSNR among the factory workers, the unemployed workers and the Negro workers.

GIVE YOUR ANSWER TO HOOVER'S PROGRAM OF HUNGER, WAGE CUTS AND PERSECUTION!

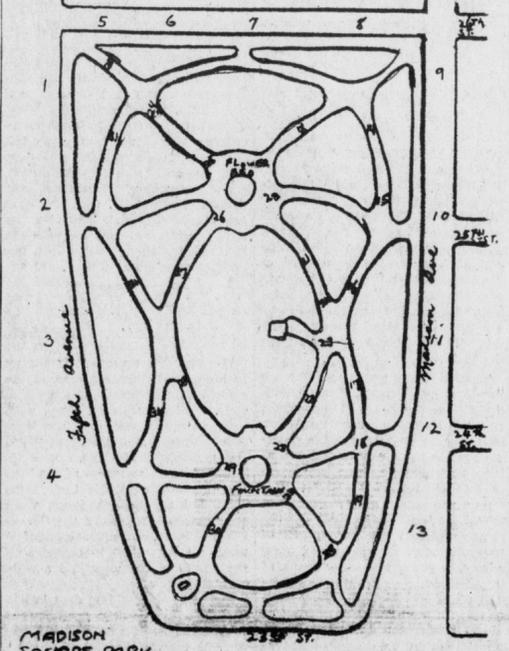
Cleveland Workers To March From All Parts Of City On May Day In Huge Demonstration

CLEVELAND, Ohio.—Combination of the May Day plans with the start to the state-wide Hunger March on Columbus, will make possible one of the biggest working-class demonstrations that Cleveland has ever seen. Final plans have now been drawn up by a United Front Conference representing 60 local workers' organizations. They call for marches from all parts of the city on the morning of May 1, leading to a mass demonstration on the Public Square at 12 noon. At 1 p. m. the big May Day parade will start eastward on St. Clair Avenue, ending in a mass send-off for Cleveland's 75 hunger march delegates at East 55th and St. Clair.

Workers will start marching on the Public Square early in the morning from the remoter sections, stopping at different points for meetings to rally more marchers. Following are the rallying points from Finnish

Needle Industrial Union Calls All to Madison Square at 12:30

DIRECTIONS FOR LOCATION OF ORGANIZATIONS AT MADISON SQUARE ON MAY FIRST



Find the name of your organization or industry and the corresponding number. Next turn to the map. Locate your number on the map. The place where the number of your organization appears, is the corner where your organization will gather. For instance: the number of textile workers is 10. The number 10 on the map is placed on the corner of 25th Street and Madison Avenue. That is the corner, therefore, where the textile workers will gather.

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N. J. DEFENSE CONFERENCE, MAY 10

NEWARK, N. J., April 27.—The New Jersey sub-district of the International Labor Defense has issued a call for Defense Conference to be held Sunday, May 10, at 10 a. m. at 90 Ferry St., this city.

The call points out the rapid development of the boss terror against the working class, 4,600 militant workers imprisoned during 1930 for their working class activities, 43 Negro and white workers lynched during the same year, and 12 already this year, hundreds of frame-ups of militant workers, five silk workers facing death in New Jersey, nine Negro youths sentenced to the electric chair in Alabama on a murderous frame-up charge. Thousands being deported.

All organizations are urged to elect delegates and otherwise support the defense conference.

Tacoma Workers Out May 1

TACOMA, Wash.—A leaflet distributed in thousands of copies to the workers here calls on them to join in the May Day demonstration to be held at 12 noon at 15th and Commerce Sts. A special attack is made on deportations. "Charity tastes bitter in the mouths of the workers," says the leaflet, "when they are herded from the breadlines to the immigration station at Seattle."

Rockford Workers To Hold Outdoor Meet, Parade and Indoor Mass Meet

They will proceed south on E. 55th to Broadway, and then out on Broadway to the city limits.

Unemployed and employed will accompany them through the different working-class sections to cheer them on their way.

In the evening, indoor demonstrations will be held, with musical programs and prominent speakers, in the following halls: Ukrainian Labor Temple, 1031 Auburn Ave.; Hungarian Workers Home, 11123 Buckeye Rd.; Youth Center, 16810 Holmes Ave.; Collinwood; and at Spira's Hall, 3804 Scovill Ave. (3rd floor, side entrance.)

Parade Tonight Starts At 6:15 From 64 West 22nd St., Will Mobilize Masses of Central Manhattan For Demonstration On Friday

"Do Not Work On May First" Call of Militant Union to Organized and Unorganized

Mass Meetings and Leaflets Rally Masses to Fight Against Starvation; May First Demands Are for Unemployment Insurance, Relief

NEW YORK.—The Food Workers Industrial Union has declared a one day general strike on May First, and will participate in a body in the Madison Square demonstration and the march on Union Square. The union calls a membership meeting tonight at 8 p. m. in Manhattan Lyceum, 66 East Fourth St., to make all plans for the demonstration.

NEW YORK.—A special meeting of all men's clothing workers is called by the Tailor's Rank and File Committee tonight at 7 p. m. at 83 East 10th Street, to prepare for the May Day demonstration.

NEW YORK.—All out on Madison Square at 12:30 May First! All workers, employed and unemployed, men, women and children, colored and white, will mobilize at the call of the May First United Front Committee, and with banners, slogans and speakers will demonstrate against starvation and for unemployment relief, against war on the Soviet Union, against imperialist war, against the long work day and against wage cuts, against evictions and the rest of the miseries of the capitalist system.

The demonstrators will march in solid ranks from Madison Square to Union Square.

Tonight a parade through the central Manhattan district will start at 6:15 p. m. at 64 West 22nd Street, and mobilize all the workers for the May Day demonstration at Madison Sq. Friday.

All workers' organizations are holding open air mass meetings all this week to prepare for the demonstration May 1. Tens of thousands of leaflets are being distributed. One after another the militant unions and militant locals of the reactionary unions call the workers in their trades and industries to rally to the May First demonstration.

Needle Union Call. "Do not work on May First," is the call of the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union to all workers, organized, unorganized, or misorganized into company unions. The N.T.W.I.U. calls them to pour out in masses on May 1 in one united powerful demonstration against unemployment, and against hunger that is facing 10,000,000 workers in this country.

The call of the union points out that where organization in the industrial union is weakest, wage cuts are worst, and that the dressmakers' strikes of New York and Philadelphia are the only cases of militant leadership against the series of wage cuts that have crushed the whole working population in the industry. These strikes checked the wage cuts which the A. F. of L. unions and the Amalgamated are not only not fighting, but actually promoting. The N.T.W.I.U. adds to the slogans of May First, "Demonstrate against company unionism!"

Against Deportations. It calls particular attention to the campaign to deport foreign born workers and the attacks today by the capitalists and their henchmen, the continuous propaganda, against the Negro workers.

Demonstrate May First for the defense of the Soviet Union and against imperialist war!

Brighton Beach United Front Comm. Pushes May 1 Plans

NEW YORK.—A May Day united front conference has been organized in Brighton Beach, with delegates from eight working class organizations.

Preparatory work for the May Day demonstrations is being carried out. Leaflets calling upon the workers to Down Tools and Demonstrate on May Day have been issued. Meetings are being held to help in the mobilization of the workers.

BIG PROGRAM FOR MAY DAY NIGHT

After Demonstration in Square

NEW YORK.—At the May Day mass meeting in the Bronx Coliseum on Friday, 7:30 p. m. following the big demonstration from Madison Sq. Park the New York workers will have for the first time the opportunity to see a mass play in the style of the Russian "Blue Blouses"—the pantomime "Unite and Fight."

Members of the Workers' Laboratory Theatre, the German Prolet-Bühne, the W. I. R. Baud, the Unemployed Council and of other workers' organizations participate in the play. The "Prolet-Bühne," the German Agitprop-Troupe, the first and only Workers' Theatre group in America practicing methods of the "Blue Blouses," is the author of the play and is also in charge of the direction.

All workers who did not have the time to come to the first rehearsals, have still a chance to participate in this most interesting performance, when they come to the last rehearsal on Thursday, April 30, 8:30 p. m. sharp, at the W. I. R., 131 West 28th Street.

Scottsboro Case Draws Readers

From Kansas City, Mo., comes a request to increase the bundle order.

"A Negro fellow-worker, with whom we made contacts through our protest meetings on the Scottsboro case, is selling every day from 40 to 50 Dailies in the Negro sections. PLEASE INCREASE OUR BUNDLE IMMEDIATELY, AS THE NEGRO WORKERS ARE TAKING TO THE PAPER AND WE DON'T WANT TO DISAPPOINT THEM."

Here's a splendid opportunity to reach the Negro masses with our revolutionary press, and to convince them that the leader in their struggles for Negro rights and against lynchings is the Daily Worker. Order extra bundles and strengthen the campaign to save from the claws of capitalist justice the nine Scottsboro defendants! (Sixty thousand circulation reports on page 3.)

ALL OUT MAY 1 TO MADISON SQ. & 23RD ST. 12:30 PARADE TO UNION SQ.!

Hunger Drives Workers and Farmers To Take Own Lives

May Day Mass Demonstrations Must Answer Starvation Epidemic of Capitalism; Detroit Baby Dies of Hunger

With May Day approaching, dozens of workers faced with starvation are committing suicide. Unable to face the fight individually any longer these workers take their lives rather than die of hunger. May Day will be a huge mass rally against this deliberate murder by capitalism of these workers; a fight against hunger, starvation and wage cuts.

TAG DAYS MAY 11, 12 FOR "PIONEER"

25,000 Circulation Is the Goal

The New children's magazine the "Pioneer" is now off the press, with a fifteen thousand circulation for the first issue. Not only does it contain stories of vital interest to all workers and farmers' children, but it can and must be used as the organizer for a broad mass children's movement.

Therefore, the National Bureau of the Young Pioneers of America, with the approval of the Central Committee of the Communist Party, has set aside May 10 and 11 as a National Tag Day for the benefit of the new magazine.

All districts will organize tag days. Adults are asked to assist and send down their children. Young workers' children must pitch in and raise enough funds to make a twenty-five thousand circulation possible for the second issue.

Comrades! The second issue will be 100 per cent better and more interesting than the first. Help us to develop the "Pioneer" into a mass organ for workers and farmers' children. Help us organize a broad children's movement.

Down Town Club Ball Saturday, 151 Clinton

NEW YORK.—The Down Town Workers Club, which has just carried through a campaign for funds for the Daily Worker and the Freiheit, as well as other working class activities, is giving a ball Saturday at 8 p. m. at 151 Clinton St. A union band will play and amusements are arranged.

YOUNGSTOWN STEEL LAY-OFFS

SOUTH CHICAGO, Ill.—Lay-offs in Youngstown Steel continue. 1800 to 2000 were laid off in a week and a 10 per cent wage cut has been announced to take effect next month.

What's On—

WEDNESDAY
Eugene V. Debs Branch, I. L. D. meets at the Workers' Children's School, Cooperative House, 2789 Bronx Park East, at 8:30 p. m.

Furniture Workers' Indus. League will hold a May Day Mobilization Meeting at 7:30 p. m. at the T.U.U.L. Headquarters, 18 W. 21st St.

Councils 11 and 22 (C.W.C.W.) will meet at 2709 Bronx Park East at 8 p. m. to hear a lecture on "The Fight Against Lynchings, Deportations, and Boss Terror" by Moore.

Barbers and Hairdressers' Industrial Union meets at 50 East 15th Street at 8 p. m. All barbers and hairdressers are urged to be present.

Executive Comm. W. E. S. I. meets at 5 p. m. at 19th Street, East Side Workers Club. Will hold a mass meeting at 196 East Broadway for May Day. All welcome.

Joe Hill Branch, I. L. D. meets at 6:30 p. m. at 132 E. 26 Street.

Mass Indoor Meeting, at the Bronx Workers Club at 1472 Boston Road, on the "Importance of May Day."

THURSDAY
Rehearsal May First Play, at 8:30 p. m. at 360 East 81st Street.

Workers Ex-Servicemen's League meets at 125th Street and Madison Avenue (Pythian Hall) at 8 p. m. in conjunction with an outdoor meeting at 125th Street and Fifth Avenue. All vets are urged to attend.

An Open Air Meeting, in preparation for May Day will be held by the Downtown Workers Club at Clinton and East Broadway.

May Day Eve Ball and Rally, given by the Downtown Unemployed Council at the Workers Lab Theatre, 21 W. 28th St. at 8 p. m. Admission 25 cents. At door, 35 cents.

Esperantists Greet American Workers, on May First. The New York Workers' Esperantists Group has arranged a discussion on May Day for 8 p. m. at 239 E. 81st St. Greetings from all over the world will be read.

International Workers Order, special meeting of English Branch 588 at 8:30 p. m. for the purpose of electing delegates to the National Convention. Verne Smith will talk on "Significance of May Day." All members are expected to attend.

W.I.U. Rehearsal, at 8:30 p. m. at 151 W. 28th St. All invited.

Plumbers and Pipefitters T.U.U.L. will hold a special mobilization meeting for May Day at 8 p. m. at 16 W. come and show us, bring a shopmate 21st Street. Every member must with him.

FRIDAY
East Side Workers Club. We assemble at our clubrooms at 10:30 a. m. to march to Madison Sq.

The following is the gleanings of a few days' reports of suicides of jobless workers:

DETROIT, Mich.—Because his home home was being broken up as the result of unemployment, Edward Ramshaw, 45 years old, shot his wife and then killed himself.

Walter Stusic, 41, drank poison when his wife was forced to work in a stamping factory at starvation wages after he looked for work without results. Stusic had three children and he could not bear to see them go hungry.

William Broedell, 31 years old, ended his life by shooting. He had not been able to find a job and was ill.

After vainly battling against unemployment alone, Charles V. Parker, 63, jumped off the fourth floor of the Dryden Hotel and crashed to his death on the pavement below. He left a note saying he could not stand the prospect of dying of hunger.

BATTLE CREEK, Mich.—Facing the loss of his heavily mortgaged farm, Myron H. Lillibrand, 56-year-old farmer of Calhoun County, killed his 10-year-old son Richard and took his own life. He left a note explaining the killing of his son saying, "taking Richard with me because he is too young to face the world's hardships." He did not want his son to die of hunger.

A news dispatch from Detroit tells of Mrs. Ellen Rae whose baby died because she could not feed it. The Detroit Daily says, "They had been subsisting on city welfare funds for six months." Thousands of other workers face the same fate because they are "subsisting on city welfare funds."

Force Job Agency to Return Fee of Gyped Worker

NEW YORK.—The Down Town branch of the Lower Manhattan Unemployed Council got back \$9 for a worker named Bromowitz from the Stern Employment Agency, 194 East Fourth St.

The worker paid \$ for a job and \$5 for fare, then was kept waiting indefinitely. He finally appealed to the Unemployed Council, which sent a committee and got back the \$9.

The Down Town branch receives reports of increasing starvation and more evictions in the territory in which its canvassing is concentrated. There are also reports of at least four evictions taking place on Suffolk St. in the next few days. There is great necessity for more organizational work on the Lower East Side—territorial branches, tenants' leagues, house committees, block committees. This work must be carried out immediately, and for this purpose a United Front Conference has been called in the name of the Lower Manhattan Unemployed Council for May 10, at Manhattan Lyceum, 66 E. Fourth St., at 10 a. m. sharp. Each workers' organization below 59th St. is invited to send two delegates to this conference.

The Down Town branch is giving a May Day Eve Ball and Rally at the Workers' Laboratory Theatre, 131 W. 28th St., April 30, at 8 p. m., to raise funds for organization.

Banquet On May 3 for Soviet-Bound Workers

A farewell supper will be given to a group of workers under the auspices of the Workers International Relief, May 3, 1931, Sunday, at the Hungarian Workers' Home, 37-16th Avenue, Newark, N. J., at 7 p. m.

These workers are going to the Soviet Union for the purpose of helping in the Five Year Plan.

Admission one dollar. A fine supper will be served, good music and plenty of dancing. Do not fail to come to this farewell banquet where you will spend a very enjoyable evening.

Police and Thief In Combine; Workers Out An Overcoat On Deal

NEW YORK.—Further evidence of petty graft as well as big graft in the police department appeared when cops at the Lawrence Ave. police station refused to arrest a "cash clothes" man named Turner, who claims to be a brother of the Turned Construction Corporation brothers.

Turner was caught right in the act by an apartment house doorman, stealing overcoats from his apartment and the lodgings of the colored "superintendent" (janitor) of the building. Some of the coats were recovered, but one is still missing. The police showed a guilty knowledge of what was stolen, promised the return of all the property, refused to arrest without a warrant, which the clerk refused to issue. They also insulted the workers whose coats were taken. The thief when caught tried to bring in a little race prejudice by saying he had "bought the coat from a Negro."

It looks like a 50-50 proposition with the police.

ENGLISH SPEAKING BR. International Workers Order

VERNE SMITH, Speaker
"SIGNIFICANCE OF MAY FIRST"
Thursday Evening at 8:30
130 EAST 14TH STREET
ADMISSION FREE AND WELCOME

THE ADVENTURES OF BILL WORKER

—Wake Up—

By RYAN WALKER



NEGRO MINISTERS EXPOSE SELVES

Try Block Struggle on Legal Lynching

NEW YORK.—When William L. Patterson, speaking for the League of Struggle for Negro Rights requested the Baptist Ministers Conference of New York and vicinity, a conference composed of 100 churches and representing more than 40,000 communicants, to pledge the support of their organization to the struggle to save the nine innocent Negro boys railroaded to the electric chair by the Scottsboro, Ala., boss court, he met with determined resistance from the holy brethren.

These reverend gentlemen, who are linked up locally and nationally with the vicious Tammany Hall machine and the equally vicious Republican Party are not concerned with a struggle against lynch law and mob violence that will bring the Negro masses into revolutionary activity. Protests which do not have the effect of mobilizing the Negro masses for the struggle against the boss system of unemployment, starvation and mass misery, lynching and other forms of terror are satisfactory to these gowned tools of big business. They have no intention, however, of doing other than sabotage any determined effort to mobilize the Negro masses for revolutionary struggle against their oppressors.

It was only the determined support of the rank and file members of the conference which forced the "leadership" to endorse a protest telegram to Governor Miller of Alabama. And at that they tried to take the teeth out of the protest, insisting on striking out all reference to the courts of the southern landlords and capitalists. Forged by the rank and file they sent the following protest:

"The Baptist Ministers Conference of New York and vicinity composed of 100 churches and approximately 40,000 communicants unqualifiedly condemn the action of the court in the trial of the nine Negro boys at Scottsboro, Alabama. They demand an immediate new trial in an atmosphere free from the influence of mob violence and lynch terror."

Banquet On May 3 for Soviet-Bound Workers

A farewell supper will be given to a group of workers under the auspices of the Workers International Relief, May 3, 1931, Sunday, at the Hungarian Workers' Home, 37-16th Avenue, Newark, N. J., at 7 p. m.

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S: C. "Reformatory" for Negro Boys Death Trap; Prison Is Worse

COLUMBIA, S. C., April 27.—State investigators report that the state prison of South Carolina is a death trap. They say the Oplumibus, Ohio, prison, in which hundreds of convicts were burned to death last year, was "fire-proof" in comparison with the South Carolina institution.

The Negro boys' reformatory, near Columbia, especially, does not have any means of saving lives if a fire should break out and everybody in it would probably be ashes in a few minutes after a fire started.

Ask for Volunteers for May 1 Pageant

The May First pageant is a mass performance embodying some of the current issues facing the working class. It deals with speed-up, wage cuts, unemployment and the tasks of organizing the masses of employed and unemployed workers.

The German comrades of the Proletarian are supplying their technical and artistic experience, while the Workers Laboratory Theatre of the Workers International Relief is making every effort to organize all the phases of the work into a well-executed spectacle.

There are only a few days left to May First. More volunteers are needed in order to accomplish the above task. A grand rehearsal of all participants, including the WIR Brass Band, will take place Monday, April 27, at 8:30 at 131 West 28th St. A final rehearsal will take place on Thursday evening. The place for the latter rehearsal will be announced later.

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Worker Athletes in Uniform On May Day

NEW YORK.—The Eastern District Labor Sports Union has issued a call to all of its affiliated organizations and all worker sportsmen to down tools on May Day and demonstrate in their athletic uniforms, together with all the working class organizations, on Madison Square, 12:30 p. m. All athletes will meet on May Day, 11:30 a. m., at the headquarters of the Workers International Relief, 131 W. 28th Street, first floor and will march in uniform to Madison Square.

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In a time when such conditions exist as children's breadlines in the richest city in the world, the Workers International Relief scores as the "worst type of hypocrisy." President Hoover's pronouncement that May First shall be "Child Health Day."

"When child misery is greater than ever before," the WIR stated, "The Workers International Relief calls upon workers to expose the attempts of the bosses to gloss over this aspect of capitalist's inability to take care of its 'heritage,' the children."

As solidarity with the unemployed, the Workers International Relief will concentrate this year on lessening to some extent this child misery, by taking the children of unemployed parents, free of charge, and giving a two weeks vacation, with wholesome food and fresh air, and a working

Need Vehicles for May Day

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All Along Route of Ohio Marchers Delegations Join

Tramp In From All Sides On Capital City; Cleveland, Youngstown Demonstrations On May 1 Are Send Off for Delegates

Details of March Following are the latest details of arrangements made for the hunger march in different cities. In Cleveland the march will start at 1 p. m. from the Public Square, following the May Day demonstrations which begin there at 12 noon. The 75 jobless delegates, elected by the Unemployed Councils and other workers' organizations throughout the city, will be accompanied by the May Day demonstrators along St. Clair Ave. as far as 55th St., where a send-off demonstration will be held. Following that, the marchers will proceed south on East 55th to Broadway and then to city limits along Broadway. More jobless delegates will join the march at Bedford and Northfield where the first stopover will be made. At Akron where the marchers will stop over for the night on May 2 a mass reception will be held in Perkins Square. Twenty-five Akron and Barberton delegates will join the march the next morning and sympathizers will accompany the marchers to the city limits. In Youngstown, the march will start after the May Day demonstration on the square. The 50 unemployed delegates, drawn from Warren, East Liverpool, Niles, Struthers and Campbell as well as Youngstown will be joined by five more at Salem where their first stopover will be made, and by another five at Alliance, on May 2. Twenty delegates drawn from Canton, Uhrichsville, Dover and New Philadelphia will join the march in Canton. There will thus be 183 hunger marchers in all when the lines of march merge in Massillon on May 3. Here Harvey ("Cooney") Shrock will reopen his Five Food Kitchens for one day to feed the marchers, and he will also give them the welcome address. Massillon city authorities will provide shelter for the marchers in the city auditorium. Five more unemployed delegates will join the march from

Massillon. At Wooster which the marchers will reach on May 4, the city fair grounds will be used to shelter the delegates and for indoor meetings. At Ashland the city authorities are providing both food and shelter for the marchers when they reach there May 5. Five more marchers will join up at Ashland, 10 more at Mansfield (several of whom will be from Shelby and Crestline) and five at Gallon (including representatives from Bucyrus). At Gallon, Mayor Hartman, Bishop Brown and other citizens are making arrangements to feed and lodge the marchers on May 7. Toledo Start May 4 From Toledo, 25 hunger marchers will start off on May 4, stopping at Bowling Green the same evening. Here the city council has granted the use of the city park buildings for shelter but has refused to provide food. Three jobless delegates will join the march at Bowling Green; two at Findlay, May 5; two at Carey, May 6; two at Upper Sandusky, May 7. The Toledo line of march will merge with that from Cleveland and Youngstown on May 8 at Marion. Here the fair grounds will be used for shelter. Ten more delegates (drawn also from Lima and Kanton) will join the march at Marion, and three more at Delaware which the hunger march will reach on May 9, being greeted by a mass demonstration on the City Square. The number of marchers on this route will have reached 255 by the time they reach Columbus on May 10. In addition there will be the 30 jobless delegates who will leave Cincinnati on May 5, augmented by 5 from Middletown, 20 from Dayton, 5 from Springfield and three from London, making a total of 68 from this direction. There will also be 50 jobless miners from which the marchers starting on May 3 at Bridgeport will reach Columbus on May 10.

3 NMU DISTRICT CONVENTIONS To Organize the Metal Miners

PITTSBURGH, Pa., April 24.—The Metal Mining District of the National Miners Union will hold its convention on May 10. The coal miners of Ohio District will hold their convention on May 17, and the Pennsylvania District on May 23-24. The Illinois and the Anthracite Districts will hold their conventions in the near future. These conventions are to prepare the union for the struggle against misery and starvation prevailing throughout the industry. They will be the starting points of struggle against the betrayals of the Howat as well as of the Lewis type. These conventions will establish definite district leadership, which will be developed later on a sectional basis. The conventions will generally strengthen the union. Extensive preparations are being carried out in all the three districts. In the Metal Mining District, two full-time organizers are working for the convention, including many active rank and file members. In Ohio extensive preparations also are being made. In the Pennsylvania District, Sectional Conferences are being held. Some 50 mass meetings and as many organizational meetings will be held prior to the conventions. All the locals will hold special meetings to discuss the problems confronting the union. United-front meetings will be held wherever possible in order to elect delegates. Tens of thousands of leaflets will be printed and distributed. Unemployed councils are being organized and will be represented at the conventions.

SALLY ENSIGN BEATS UP COOK

Send Jobless to Rustle Furniture for "Army" NEW YORK.—Joe MacPiercen, cook at the Salvation Army "Social Service Department" was brutally beaten up by "Ensign" R. E. Baggs, the district commander-in-chief of the department. Failing to answer orders promptly enough, Baggs struck the cook to the floor, carried him to the basement, from which cries for help could be heard. Witnesses state that two employees of the Salles held him while the "Ensign" rained blows on him with a black-jack and a stick. They say he was then kicked under a table and left lying among the garbage. The cook was later treated in Bellevue Hospital for a broken collar-bone and other injuries of the head and body. It is also declared by other witnesses that the "Ensign" sought out his victim afterwards and offered him a bribe to say nothing. The "Social Service" department of the Salles is a place where jobless, if they are lucky, can get a place to sleep, oatmeal and coffee in the morning (without sugar) and a few slices of stale and at times mouldy bread. They get rotten vegetable soup and a tiny hamburger with rotten onions on it at noon and the same at night. The officials then line the men up and make them wait for bed tickets. Sneering remarks like this are common from the officials to the jobless: "If you would get that chey of tobacco out of your mouth and clean up you could hear better." "Don't go in that door, only gentlemen are allowed through there." In return for the poor fare and flop the jobless must work every other day handling furniture for the Salvation Army. There are lice in many of the beds on the seventh floor.

Stone Shoe Workers Put in 70 Hours and Take Work Home

NEW YORK.—Congressman Ham Fish, who lies about forced labor in the Soviet Union, should take a trip to the Stone Shoe Co. of 71 Fifth Ave., New York. There, under the threat "If you don't like it—there is plenty knocking at the door to take your place," workers are slaving long hours day and night for prices that are arbitrarily forced upon them and that put to shame and disgrace all the bunk about "the high level of wages." After getting through with a 12 hour day's work, the workers go home with additional bundles of work to be finished with the assistance of wife and children until the small hours of the next day. Discrimination against individual workers knows no limits. Tampering with slips turned in by workers for piece work is a daily occurrence. Any attempt on the part of workers to call attention to this is promptly settled by telling the worker that he is "dangerous," and therefore has no place in the shop; "This is not a union shop." At the end of an endless week of terrific speed-up, about 70 hours, the workers receive pay envelopes with wages all the way from \$25 per week down to \$10.

Steve Katovis I L D Branch Continues to Set Example; 10 Join

NEW YORK.—Steve Katovis branch of the International Labor Defense continues to set other branches a good example which they are all too slow in following. Last night the branch held an open air meeting at Seventh St. and Ave. B. Wednesday night it will hold one at 10th St. and Second Ave. The next night there will be one at 14th St. and University. All these meetings are mobilizations for May First, and rally defense for the 9 Negro boys at Scottsboro, and for the five workers at Paterson. Speakers are from the branch and the Young Defenders. Last week at these open air meetings, 10 workers signed to join the I. L. D.; 25 pamphlets and 48 Labor Defenders were sold, and distributions made of other Labor Defenders, leaflets, and of the Daily Worker.

Philadelphia Hunger Marchers Ready to Start for Harrisburg



Part of great crowd of 4,000 which met early in the forenoon, May 17, with the 105 hunger marchers from Philadelphia, ready for the long parade to the state capitol to demand unemployment insurance. A still larger delegation marched from the western end of the state and joined them at Harrisburg.

NEW UPRISING IN INDO-CHINA

Troops Arrest 50, Who Face Execution The latest report shows that no amount of terror can crush the revolutionary, nationalist movement. Clashes were reported between "Communists" and troops in the province of Hainan. Many were killed. Fifty revolutionists were arrested by the French soldiers and now face the death penalty.

More Fake-Ads to Fool Jobless

NEW YORK.—Another case of fake ads appeared in the Bronx. Thirty-five boys answered an advertisement for a boy in a barber shop at \$8 a week, at 1471 Wilkins Ave. The ad was in the American. There is no barber shop there. The proprietor of the nearest called the police to drive the boys away. The police told them that the unemployed council puts these fake ads in the paper.

55,000 WORKERS OUT IN NORWAY

Fight Against Wage Slashes OSLO, Norway.—As already reported, 43,000 workers of various industries and trades were locked out on the 10th of April. Together with the 12,000 striking paper-workers, there are thus 55,000 workers out. On the day of the lock-out the transport workers of a number of towns went out on sympathy strikes. The printers are also threatening with sympathy strikes. In most of the provincial towns the bourgeois press is no longer appearing as a result of printers' strikes. In the industrial town of Sarpsborg the locked-out workers demonstrated in front of the printing works of the two local bourgeois dailies and demanded that they be closed down during the struggle. The printing employers were compelled to agree, as otherwise the strikers would have gone on strike altogether.

RED MOVEMENT GROWS IN HANKOW

The revolutionary movement in China is growing in the leading cities such as Shanghai, Hankow, Wu-chang, etc. A cable report to the New York Times, by Hallett Abend, correspondent in Shanghai tells of the "fears of a Communist uprising and attempt to seize the Wu-chang cities." Martial law has been declared in Hankow and Chiang Kai-shek troops are being rushed there. Imperialist gunboats, also, are being sent there to aid the Nationalist

HOD CARRIERS STRIKE

GREENWICH, Conn., April 21.—Laborers and hod carriers are on strike here against the lowering of wages below the scale agreed on last year. Three hundred came out yesterday, demanding that the \$6.50 a day for laborers and \$9 for hod carriers be maintained. The employers were just paying less, quietly and without announcement.

murderers hold on to power against a mass uprising of the Hankow workers. The Chiang Kai-shek government has offered a reward of \$24,000 for the capture of Ho Chung, Communist leader, dead or alive. This is not the first time that the Nationalist government has made such offers, but without results.

Negro and White Workers Interest in Scottsboro Frame-Up Promises Increase in 'Daily' Circulation

Tables for last week show a total circulation of 31,992 which, when special orders of 640 are deducted, leaves a solid circulation of 31,352. Tables for this week show a total circulation of 31,329, and with special orders of 50 deducted, a solid circulation of 31,279. Special orders of 640 plus a drop of 500 in Luzerne, Pa., order after the coal strike brings the total drop to 1,140, so that a decrease of only 670 shown in this week's tables the gain in circulation is 470. (Of these special orders, 325 should have been taken off a week ago.)

Summary By Districts table with columns for District, Sub April 18, Stand April 18, Total April 18, and Increase. Lists districts like Boston, N. Y., Phila., Buffalo, etc.

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Summary By Cities table with columns for City, Sub April 18, Stand April 18, Total April 18, and Increase. Lists cities like Boston, Newark, Elizabeth, N. Y. City, etc.

Use Dailies for Scottsboro Campaign. Added circulation of the Daily Worker is seen in the near future arising from the campaign it is conducting to free the nine Scottsboro, Ala., Negro youths from electrocution. Indication of stimulated sales is revealed in Kansas City where a Negro worker who never sold the Dailies before, disposed of 50 copies the first day he went out. With mass protest meetings being arranged throughout the country, and the need for the widest possible popularization of one of the most broken frame-up cases, the necessity for Daily Worker mass circulation of the Daily Worker is imperative. Tables for the next few weeks will reflect these increases, and will result in new recruits among Negro and white workers for selling the Daily Worker.

Highest Gain in Detroit. The highest gain for the week is in Dist. 7, Detroit, principally due to putting on the district page for the first time. This is quite an achievement for Detroit which has been one of the latest to join the string of district pages. Next comes Dist. 13, Calif., with an increase of 145, aided largely by an addition of 117 in San Francisco. Dist. 8, Chicago, goes up 81, a slight improvement over last week's boost of 27. The biggest drop of 604 is shown in Dist. 3, Phila., due to 500 coming off special orders to Luzerne from the mine strike, and a decrease of 100 in Chester. New gains of 200 in Philadelphia and 80 in Trenton do not yet show in these tables. Dist. 1, Boston, drops 201, taking off last week's special orders of 204. Dist. 5, Pittsburgh, takes off 114, also due to temporary orders being dropped. Dist. 4, Buffalo, took off 63 from drops in Rochester and Buffalo. Dist. 12, Seattle, drops 61, resulting from a decrease in the Portland bundle. Some Hints on Building a Route. Saly Dick, one of the N. Y. Red Builders best sellers, gives a few points on building a permanent route. "Map out your territory, distribute back numbers of the Daily Worker marked 'sample copy' to every family in your district. Place as many copies as possible into the hands of the prospective customers, mentioning that it's a working class paper." Have a cheery, friendly tone. In case no one is at home, push the sample copy under the door or behind the knob. Do not clutter up hallways with sample copies and do not put them in mail boxes. Two comrades should distribute 5,000 copies in three days, after which they are ready to solicit for subscriptions. The section and units should give as much assistance as possible with volunteers for house-to-house canvassing. In greeting the prospect, remind him of the sample copy you left, asking what he thought about it. A good time to call on workers is during rainy weather, also evenings and Sunday mornings when they are apt to be home. Be sure to place the paper where the customer wants it. Make friends with the work-

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Poverty Stalks In Carolina Lumber Town

By LOUIS HINES. Due to a considerable drop in traffic, the Atlantic Coast Line was compelled to take off several trains from its lines in South Carolina. To reach the little town of Manning from Sumter, I was obliged to avail myself of the invitation of a kindly installment man makes his daily rounds in the farms and villages between the two towns. The paver road at the outskirts of Sumter is lined on both sides with dark old shabby looking wooden houses standing above the level, inhabited by Negroes, and some, I am informed, poor whites. Emaciated, poorly dressed children are seen running around their "homes," and looking at strangers with appealing eyes. About two or three miles from the city the road was in the hands of repairmen, mostly Negro workers. "What do they get for their work?" I asked my companion. "Oh," he replied, "between \$1.25 and \$1.50. Others get \$1.75. Then, how do they do it?" I asked again, remarking that most of the workers have small children and they spend at least from \$1.50 to \$2.00 a week for milk. "The installment man laughed. "Why," he said, "I do not believe one child in a hundred gets milk around here; that is, among these colored and poor whites. They grow rice in the little plots around the houses and out of the rice they make all kinds of soups; sometimes they season it with canned milk. Rice is their chief dish and they live on it." A few miles further lies a small town called Alcolu, where one of the largest lumber mills is located, employing several hundred men. Approaching the mill, I was painfully surprised to see several white boys going to school barefoot in a nasty cold morning. "Don't be surprised, friend," remarked the driver, "their fathers can't afford to buy them shoes, they work twelve hours a day and they hardly make more than \$1.50 a day on the average." And while I observed the barefoot boys shivering from cold my attention was attracted to a large black sign on the wall in the entrance in the mill-office, reading: "My spirit rejoices in the holy Jesus, my Saviour."

MANY LENINGRAD PLANTS CARRY OUT 5-YEAR PLAN IN TWO AND ONE-HALF YEARS; CELEBRATE ACHIEVEMENTS

Electric Industry Makes Remarkable Showing; Workers Cut Cost of Production, Improve Product, Advance Socialist Uppbuilding LENINGRAD.—The labor enthusiasm of the workers of the "Svetlana" electrical works in Leningrad has succeeded in carrying out the 5-Year Plan for the factory in two and a half years. According to the plan the works were to have a production to the value of 71,044,000 roubles by the fifth year of the plan, but this year the production totalled 71,585,000 roubles. The productive costs were reduced by 43.5 per cent, whereas the Five Year Plan provided for a reduction of 32.8 per cent only. The quality of production has also been improved in accordance with the plan. The Leningrad acetylene welding works "Elektrik" has also joined the ranks of those factories and works which have carried out the Five-Year Plan in two years and six months. By April 1931 the works had exceeded the production figures of the last year of the 5-year plan by 20 per cent and had lowered the costs of production by 15 per cent. The "Elektrik" is the largest factory in the world for the production of oxo-acetylene welding machinery and has ultra-modern equipment. Next year the works will be enlarged and will have a total annual production of 55 million roubles. Seven Thousand workers of the Leningrad telephone works Krassnaya Sarya (formerly Erikson) celebrated the carrying out of the Five Year Plan in their factory in two and a half years. The plan provided for an annual production to the value of 32 million roubles in 1933, but this year the annual production will be about 45 million roubles in value. The costs of production have been reduced threefold the percentage laid down in the plan. The factory has now begun to produce telephone automatic apparatuses and other equipment never before produced in the Soviet Union.

FIGHT TO FREE 9 CONTINUING

Boss Paper in Attack On Negroes (CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) serve on the jury of workers demanded by the I. L. D. and the American working class as part of the demands for a new trial for these youths. White and Negro workers, in the South and throughout the country must answer these threats of the bosses with renewed determination to save these innocent boys, with intensified activities to smash this murderous frame-up, with gigantic demonstrations on May First.

SPRING BRINGS WAGE-CUTS, LAY OFFS IN STEEL

Steel Plants Fight Unions, Deport Foreign-Born Baltimore, Md. Every steel baron here is trying to increase his profits by installing new technical developments, and driving the workers on a murderous speed-up system. In many departments the wages have been cut to almost 60 per cent. The tin mill workers had a 4 to 5 per cent cut the last time. The almighty hand of Charlie Schwab reached the other departments by cutting from 1 1/2 to 2 per cent from the wages of the sheet mill workers, and cutting just as much from openers, who were making \$10-\$15 every two weeks. Murderous Speed Up Spring is back, and because of this murderous speed-up system, the workers are not showing up steadily to work, and the bosses are going after young boys, who have more blood to give. Lay-offs are going on in every department but the Tin mill, where they are now installing the hand-rollers on the shears where 80 workers will be thrown out soon. After this the shears will be forced to do the work alone, slaving from 12-15 hours a day. Bad Steel In the Sheet mill department, where they are working 5-6 days a week because of some order, many are working 8 hours a day, burning their faces and chest on the saw mills, and getting pay of four hours only due to the bad steel, of which 50 per cent is scrapped. They are working on the piece-work system. Every pay day all piece-work workers must wait in the line, not knowing how much their pay will be. After looking at their pay of less than \$25 for two weeks, they have angry faces, and wear against the steel bosses. The Negroes receive the smallest pay. Fire Negroes. Not having a chance to learn a trade, the Negroes have been fired and replaced by whites. Being many of them live in Sparrows point in company camps, they have to show up every day. If there is any chance to work, they do; if not, they have to go back. The workers tried last summer to fight these conditions, but because they had no organization, they were defeated. The bosses were better organized, but after the struggle they reorganized their forces even better. They put in better small slave drivers and many stool pigeons. Even this was not enough, so they got Mr. Dock to arrest workers for deportation. Foreign born workers have been arrested at the Tin Mill department because two months ago they were preparing to go on strike. Steel workers, fight these attacks by joining the Metal Workers Industrial League. Show your solidarity by demonstrating May 1 at City Hall Plaza. F. S.

Wage Cuts, Lay-Offs at Union Pacific

The Union Pacific has fired single track workers and replaced them with married men at reduced wages to "aid" the unemployment situation. They fired married women and gave their jobs to single women. A series of lay-offs and wage-cuts is going on at the Union Pacific Albia shops. Eighteen boiler-makers have been fired and wages of those working have been slashed, both directly and by making them do the work of those laid off.

Ministers Helping Boss.

Yesterday, some preachers in the Chattanooga Ministers Alliance continuing their treacherous alliance with the southern boss lynchers went to Mrs. Williams, mother of 14-year old Eugene Williams, one of the boys sentenced to burn, and tried to get her to renounce the I. L. D. But no threats could shake Mrs. Williams. She says: "I guess they just thought I was the weakest one but I told them to get right out of my house. They said they were afraid to go near the Pattersons or Wrights."

Arrest Marine Worker.

As a direct result of the Scottsboro legal lynching, freight trains all over the South which before the "trial" were loaded with Negro workers looking for jobs now have only whites riding on them. It has just been reported to the Southern district of the I. L. D. here that Harold Harvey, an organizer of the Marine Workers Industrial Union was taken off a freight train at Cleveland, Tenn., while on his way to New York an dis being railroaded to the chain gang.

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NEGRO PRESS AND NEGRO BOYS FACING DEATH

By ROBERT MINOR.

WE have just read an article dated April 23 in the Pittsburgh Courier, on the Scottsboro case of the nine Negro working class boys framed up and railroaded to the electric chair, slated to die on July 10th.

We are glad to see the Pittsburgh Courier give prominent and sympathetic publicity to this horrible crime against the Negro people and the working class. Nearly all of the Negro newspapers prior to this time have been jammed full, as usual, with silly prattle about divorce cases and sensational crimes and other meaningless stuff, while these deserted boys were facing death in Alabama. Of those papers which mentioned the Scottsboro tragedy, nearly every one printed accounts obscurely in the back pages, written in the terms of the boss class, without a word of defense for the victims of the court house lynching. We are glad to see a change for the better. A united front of all forces that can possibly be used to mobilize the masses in defense of these boys is necessary to save their lives. We hope that the so-called Negro newspapers will, at least for a few weeks, drop their silly capitalist-class chatter about divorces and night-club scandals and lend a hand to save the lives of these Negro working class boys.

It is necessary, however, to call attention to a dangerous tendency shown in the Pittsburgh Courier article of its latest issue.

The Courier vaguely hints that the National Association for Advancement of Colored People can be expected to take part in this case "at the proper time" in the effort to check "what is termed" (as they express it in quotation marks) a legal lynching.

We beg to ask the gentlemen of the Pittsburgh Courier when in the hell is the "proper time" to join in defense of boys who are condemned to die on July 10th? Would perhaps July 11th be the "proper time"?

Furthermore, the whole story in the Pittsburgh Courier is written in terms as though the paper were in doubt about the character of this hideous frame-up and intended murder of the nine children of our class. In the story, for instance, is a sub-head which reads "Railroaded to the chair": Why does the Pittsburgh Courier so lovingly incline to faith in Alabama ruling class justice to Negroes as to put quotation marks around the word "railroaded" and a question mark after it—when in its own article it says that the boys were jammed through a court procedure without a shadow of real defense and condemned to death at the rate of two a day for four days, with no time or opportunity of any kind to prepare a defense? Why does the Pittsburgh Courier refer mysteriously to "prominent ministers" who also are supposed perhaps possibly maybe at a "proper time" to raise their voices to save the lives of these boys? Does it mean, perhaps, that after a mass movement gets under way and it becomes relatively safe to say "me too" that then these reverend gentlemen will find the courage to come into this affair?

Certainly anyone, minister or otherwise, who may be willing to lend a hand sincerely to fight to save these boys will be more than welcomed by those who are already in the fight. It is not necessary for them to agree with others engaged in this defense, except in one thing: willingness to fight to save the lives of these boys. There are already many different groups now engaged in this united front—including some southern Negro ministers whom it has not been possible for the lynchers to frighten away with the cry that they are associating with rough Communist working men. As for the anonymous ministers, who the Courier says, haven't come in yet, but will perhaps come in at some "proper time" (to be hoped, before July 11th), their assistance, too, would be welcomed, though we hope they will not be allowed to bring into the leadership of the fight that timidity which conceals even their names up to the present time.

And what of the N. A. A. C. P. and the "proper time"?

We have looked at the latest press service bulletin of the National Association for Advancement of the Colored People in vain to find any admission from them that it is the "proper time" even to let the public know that these boys are in desperate need of rescue from death. With the date of April 17th (after the Daily Worker has been calling for weeks for the defense of these boys) we find in the N.A.A.C.P. press service much quoted praise of their organization by reactionary capitalist newspapers, much talk of a rich lady who made it possible for Negro pastors to join the NAACP by putting up the money for their dues, and much talk about how a lot of capitalist judges in Ohio, already well-known for their framing up and savage sentences against working class strikers, black and white, have condescended to join the NAACP. But in all of the five long and closely written pages of their publicity, we find not one word of call to the masses to defend these boys, framed up by the capitalist judges of Alabama.

We Communists, black and white, are working men. We are not so "refined" as to dress this

frame-up in quotation marks and timid question marks, and we are not so patient about the "proper time" to defend our boys from murder. We are not supported by white millionaires with "benevolent" attitudes toward Negroes and are not sensitive, therefore, to the refined reticence about denouncing a ruling class murder as murder.

The writer of the "Courier" article, while honestly admitting that the Communist Party is fighting to save these boys, and while commending our Party for it, nevertheless expresses the fear that we are "doing more to confuse the situation than any other source." Of course this fear is only the usual reaction of conventional people unable to throw off their blind faith in the ruling class courts of law, even in the presence of the most ghastly crimes of these ruling class courts. So deeply ingrained is the superstitious respect for the paraphernalia of capitalist class government, that at times this superstitious respect so completely overcomes the minds of those who are subject to it that they will kiss the rope that hangs their brothers, if only the rope is blessed by a ruling class judge. The writer of the "Courier" evidently believes in the fetishes and conventional lies about the "justice" of our white-supremacy capitalism based on the "peculiar institution" of peonage and lynching. Just so, 75 years ago, millions still believed in the "sacred" government of the southern slave oligarchy and the "peculiar institution" of chattel slavery, on which it was based, and could not imagine that it was soon to be overthrown. And, just so, 200 years ago, millions of European peasants still believed in the sacredness of the feudal state and the mystic purity of the feudal lords who held them in serfdom; and these millions believed then that such institutions were permanent and that to question their sacredness was "confusing."

We suggest to the editors of the Negro newspapers that eight of these nine boys are sentenced to die on July 10th, and the "white supremacy" ruling class of Alabama will not hesitate to carry through the murder. We need a united front of all—not a timid united front, not a united front with quotation marks and question marks—but a determined united front of all who are willing to fight to compel the bloody beast of "White Supremacy" to release these innocent young victims of their greed. We urge all editors of Negro newspapers to join with us uncompromisingly in this fight, with mass proportions, may be able to save these boys and a hundred more victims of lynchings to come.

But words will not save them. Only the actions of hundreds of thousands in a mass movement of protest can save them. Such a movement will reach its first high point four days from now—on May First. The Workers International Labor Day, the occasion this year of struggle against unemployment, wage cuts, speed-up, imperialist war and race oppression of the Negroes—has this year placed the saving of the nine Negro boys at Scottsboro in the center of its program.

The masses of the Negro workers will be, to a considerable extent, drawn into this demonstration which is the most effective means of giving a big impetus toward rescue of the boys. Will the Negro intellectuals also join? Or are they still surrounded by quotation and question marks?

The Negro masses will learn much about "leaders" in this fight to rescue our working class Negro boys of Scottsboro.

But the main thing is to set in motion a mass movement to save their lives.

Stop the legal lynching of the nine Negro working class boys!

These boys are innocent; demand their immediate release!

Demand a new trial before a jury composed of workers, at least half to be Negroes, to expose this frame-up!

Equal rights of Negroes in all courts!

The national guard is a tool of the land owners and capitalists; create an armed volunteer guard of Negro and white workers to defend the prisoners against these lynchers!

Landlords are inciting the starving white tenant-farmers and share-croppers to lynch Negroes; the landlords and capitalist and not the Negroes, are starving the tenant-farmers, both white and black!

Demand immediate cash relief for starving farmers and unemployed workers—Negroes and whites equally!

Down with peonage, Jim-Crowism and persecution of the Negro people! For full equality!

For a fighting alliance of the oppressed Negro people and the oppressed white workers and tenant farmers!

Demand the confiscation of the land from the landlords for the Negro and white tenants and croppers!

Negroes can never get "justice" in the courts of the white capitalists and landlords!

Demand the right of self-determination for the Negro people—the right of a Negro state in the black belt!

Stop the lynching of nine Negro working class boys!

Death to lynchers!

places, promenades and circus grounds. This must be stopped.

How to Take Part in May Day Demonstrations. Begin right by attending the preliminary meeting of your organization (Trade Union, Unemployed Branch, League of Struggle for Negro Rights, etc.) so that you can get full instructions, and can take part as a member of your organization, instead of just as an individual.

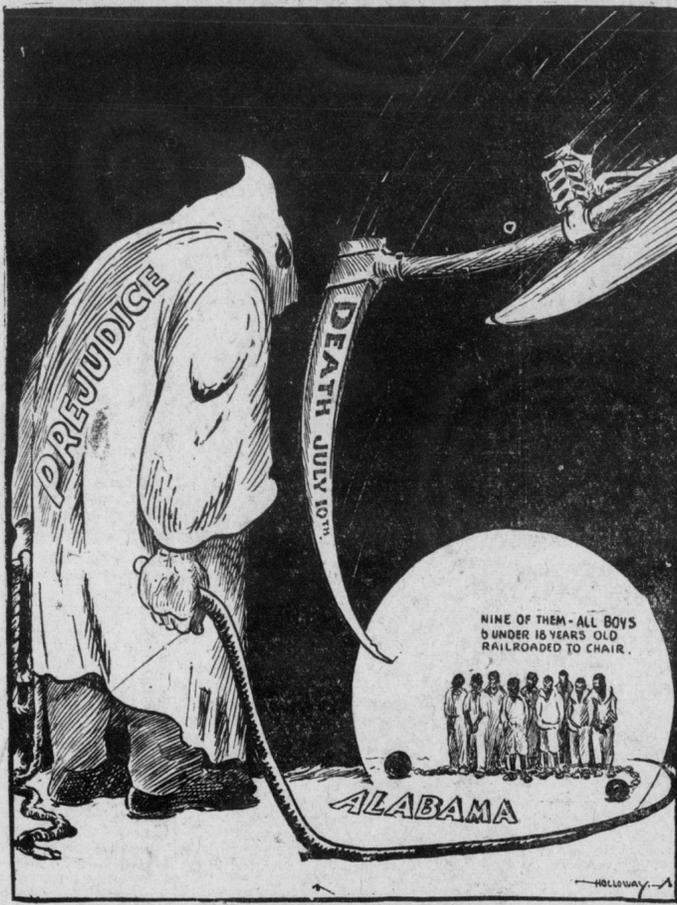
In the parade, keep in line and follow the lead of the Captain of your Section. Don't argue over instructions, but carry them out. Be an influence for discipline and silence any disturbers who may be next to you.

In the demonstration, do not walk around from place to place, observe absolute silence during the speeches. Take part in the singing, and cheering with revolutionary energy, enthusiasm and order.

At indoor meetings, do not walk around the hall, form social groups, or disturb the unity of the meeting in any other way. Do not leave your seat until the meeting is adjourned. Don't

THE PENDULUM SWINGS DOWNWARD!

By Holloway



(From the Pittsburgh Courier of April 25th)

Packing House Workers Demonstrate May First!

MAY DAY 1931 witnesses the conditions of the Packing House workers rapidly growing worse. Thousands of them are now walking the streets without jobs. Additional thousands are working part time not knowing when they will be thrown out on the streets. Those workers employed know that the speed up is worse today than ever before. They speak up their wages have been cut through firing and re-hiring. The company union is continuously telling them that they must produce more and more and that the costs of production must be reduced.

PACKING HOUSE WORKERS! MAY DAY is a day when the working class of America and all over the world demonstrates its solidarity and determination for struggle for better conditions. Just as in 1886 when the American workers first came out on May 1st on the strike for the eight-hour day, must you now organize to better your conditions.

The Packing House workers have a historic background of struggle. In 1917 and again in 1922 they came out on strike for better conditions and the eight-hour day. They were successful in their strike in 1917 as they were organized then under militant leadership that led them in their struggles against the companies. In 1917 after putting up a brilliant struggle they were defeated by the betrayers in the A. F. of L. who had organized them on narrow craft lines.

After all these struggles of the workers in this industry conditions are today just as bad as in 1917 and 1922, if not worse. You must organize into industrial unions under fighting leadership in order to gain better conditions. Such a union is the Packing House section of the Food and Packing House Workers Industrial Union. This organization is built on rank and file control through the setting up of shop committees controlled directly by the workers in the shop. Such a shop committee is not like the shop committee that the company has forced you to accept, where only weak elements are allowed to remain on the Plant Conference Board or some similar organization. It is not the same as the Shop Committee in the plant which is headed by the superintendent and assistant superintendent, who give the orders of the company to the board to carry out, whether it be a lay off or wage cut or speeding up the machinery to increase production. The shop committees set up by the rank and file in the shops takes up the grievances of the workers and fights for adjustments of these grievances. It is not the same as when a worker on the Plant Conference Board objects to a wage cut and gets fired. The Shop committee is the organization in the plant that carries out the decisions of the rest of the workers in the plant in making demands on the company for improved conditions, i.e. shorter hours, increased wages, improved sanitary conditions, preventing the foremen from being abusive, regular working hours and many other grievances.

Just as the workers organized in 1917 and 1922 must you organize now. You should come to the demonstration in your city on May 1st with the determination to organize and struggle for better conditions. All Packing House Workers make May Day a beginning of new organization in your industry for struggles until you win your demands.

talk while the meeting is going on, and don't let your neighbors talk. Don't sell anything during the time of the speeches. Don't sell buttons, literature, or anything else unless authorized by the committee in charge.

Communists Must Set Example. Tens of thousands of non-Party workers will be present at the demonstration. The Party members, Y.C.L. members, Pioneers and revolutionary workers must be the steel rod in the maintenance of revolutionary self-discipline. They must impress the new non-Party proletarians with disciplinary order and revolutionary spirit of our demonstrations.

The political unity, organizational compactness, revolutionary enthusiasm, proletarian discipline and fighting militancy must characterize all Communist demonstrations.

Work and Our "Communist"

By SAM DON.

PLANNED work means better prepared work plus a clearer understanding of the tasks and objectives of the Party. Whenever a discussion on the various plans of work arises, it becomes clear that the "WHY" of the various activities outlined, is insolubly connected with the "HOW" of carrying out the plan of work. In fact the "why" which explains the reasons for the various activities is the key to the understanding of the "how." The failure to link both most intimately, explains why many of the plans of work, in spite of their elaborate details and superficial system, fail in the main objective of the plan—namely—mobilization for specific mass activities.

The ideological preparation and understanding is a prerequisite for the proper planning and organization of our work. The COMMUNIST is an indispensable weapon in the correct planning of our work.

In many instances we note that in practice, they have either completely "forgotten" or failed to digest the 12 Plenum resolutions. The main emphasis at the Plenum was on the question of partial demands and the organizational methods and forms in our activities in the shops and amongst the unemployed. The COMMUNIST carried a number of articles explaining and popularizing the decisions of the 12 Plenum—Comrade Browder's report which appeared in the January issue, the various articles of Comrades Foster and Stachel on trade union problems and questions of strike strategy, etc. When we reflect on the various mistakes committed in our practical activities we cannot but come to the conclusion that had our comrades been reading the various articles (for that matter, read more carefully and studied the Plenum resolutions) less mistakes would have been committed. The May issue of the COMMUNIST will carry an article by Comrade Stachel on the lessons of the recent Lawrence strike. The entire Party must study these experiences, so that we will understand much better how to prepare and lead strike struggles. Yet we might expect that not only will there be a repetition of exactly the same mistakes committed in Lawrence, but in some situations even "improve" on the mistakes made in Lawrence. Hasn't it happened time and again!

Not only mistakes were committed in Lawrence. There were also definite positive points. Yet in other districts we might enter strike situations with the comrades having the feeling that they had no experience whatsoever. And only after the strike comrades will begin to compare their mistakes with the ones made in Lawrence and draft resolutions of self-criticism. (Here one is reminded of a Polish proverb: "The Pole gets wise after the harm is done.") Would not a reading and a discussion of an article on the Lawrence strike prevent, or at least decrease the number of mistakes in a similar situation? If the article will be studied and the lessons taken to heart it certainly would.

If we take for instance our struggle for Negro rights. The complaint is being made that the membership is not clear on it. We all speak of the need of intensifying our ideological campaign in this respect. And right at this point one is more than tempted to ask "How many have read the various articles which appeared in the COMMUNIST on the Negro question?" The answer would not sound so encouraging.

Take the question of articles in the COMMUNIST dealing with the question. We wish to call the attention of the comrades to Comrade Browder's article in the April issue on the above mentioned problem. The article deals with the methods of fighting demagogues. How important and decisive it is in our struggle to win the masses can be seen from the following sentence from Comrade Browder's article. "The working class, and its vanguard, the Communist Party, have made less progress in fighting demagogues than in fighting the police club." May we ask how many comrades have read the article? Perhaps after some sad experience, after having made some mistakes the problem will be discovered. Would not a bit of advance reading help? Shall we remind ourselves of the article only after some mistakes are committed?

The various right and left mistakes committed are due to lack of understanding how in practice

to carry out the line of the C. I. The reprinted Pravda editorial which appears in the April issue is of such importance that everyone must read it without fail.

We repeat a countless number of times that "Theory is a guide to action." But when action comes, we quite frequently, forget of the existence or fail to use this experienced and reliable guide. The Party has already reached a stage in its development, where no one will with pride point to his contempt of theory. But in practice this contempt of theory, to say the least, suffers from relapses. At best it is altogether too often "forgotten" or ignored.

The majority of the articles in the COMMUNIST, as we already mentioned above, are of a nature indispensable for the solution of our immediate problems. There are also a number of articles which tend to give a deeper theoretical-political understanding of our tasks. Such articles should prove beneficial in the training of functionaries.

Planned work means well prepared work. Reading is for many of us dry because we don't see in the articles lessons of accumulated experience. Such an attitude reflects lack of seriousness in our attempt in the solution of the various problems growing out of the mass activities of the Party.

The lack of criticism on the part of the comrades with regards to the COMMUNIST reflects the lack of interest in the COMMUNIST. The present campaign to increase the circulation of the COMMUNIST must be approached from the viewpoint of developing a weapon which will improve our mass activities.

PARTY LIFE

Conducted by the Organization Department of the Central Committee, Communist Party, U.S.A.

Migratory Workers Want to Organize

COMRADES: Revolutionary Greetings. Would like to be informed through Party Life column in the Daily Worker as to whether or not it would be possible for all migratory workers to be carried as unassigned to any unit.

It is known that many agricultural workers, thousands and tens of thousands travel to all parts of the U. S. during harvest season, could perhaps be useful as organizers for the United Farmers' League and Agricultural Workers Industrial Union.

Having worked in the fruit belt (Ho-Jack) country of up-state New York, between Rochester and Niagara Falls, for the past four years, it sure needs some attending to! The conditions there last summer and fall were wicked, especially in the canning factories. Young girls and old women had to work twelve and fourteen hours a day during cherry season at Sodus, N. Y., and other points. At the Chas. F. Burns canning plant in Alton, N. Y., I saw girls fainting right on the job from the terrific speed-up while doing a man's work.

This summer there should be some help given to these oppressed workers. I believe the migratory workers would be of great value in organizing them. In regards to the grain belt in the middle west, it must be remembered that the I.W.W.'s in their hey-day succeeded in organizing the majority of the workers. I suggest the Party, without adopting the I.W.W. program, adopt some of its tactics in regards to organizing workers into a real workers' organization.

Migratory Workers can belong to the Communist Party as members-at-large in their District or Section. We agree with the comrade writing this letter that they can be of splendid service in organizing agricultural workers and he is earnestly requested to send in his name and address where he can be reached to District Office, Communist Party, P. O. Box 569, Buffalo, N. Y., and also to the Central Office, C. P. U. S. A., P. O. Box 87, Station D, New York City, so that we can send him further information on how to proceed.

Red Sparks
By JORGE

Rumanian Romance

"Dear Jorge:—The Friends of the Soviet Union held a meeting tonight (April 24) and Mike Gold gave a report of his trip to the U. S. S. R. It brought so many workers that by 8:15 the police closed the doors. In another fifteen minutes several hundred had gathered outside and hundreds more must have been on the way, for it was only 8:30.

"The police allowed a comrade to enter to talk over the situation with the committee in charge. Assistance was offered the committee in charge to go out and hire another hall in the neighborhood, or to hold a street meeting at the nearest corner.

"After a consultation between the chairman and the secretary, it was decided to do neither. The chairman went out and told the eager crowd to "Go home, home, home," and wait until another meeting will be arranged in the future. The audience was assured that the chairman's own mother would have no chance of admittance.

"It seems that somebody thinks that the Soviet Union is profoundly unpopular, expects nobody to come to F. S. U. meetings, and is rather annoyed and completely upset when workers insist on coming to hear about their Fatherland where socialism is being built. With full justice, the comrade said: "We must be ready to come with emergencies—and not tell people to go home and wait for our next call."

The comrade, who signs herself "Fannie J.", is correct. Some day the workers will be demanding we lead them in revolution, and some bright leader will protest: "You can't revolt yet, 'cause we forgot to get red flags!"

Who Beheads Whom?

Incidentally, in the N. Y. Times of April 22, a report of Rear Admiral Smith, commander of U. S. naval forces in Central America, contained the following lines, concerning the seals on documents found on the dead body of Pedro Blandon, a lieutenant in Sandino's army who was murdered by one of those "harmless and peaceful civilians" over who Hoover sheds tears:

"Two of them (the documents) bear a rough seal showing a hand cutting the head from a prostrate dead marine."

This lie has been repeated by Hoover and much has been made of it. After the marines have been killing—yes, and beheading!—Nicaraguan workers and peasants for 19 years, we wouldn't blame the Nicaraguans for retaliating in kind.

But it happens that we have seen the official seal of Sandino, and the Rear Admiral is a liar when he says it shows a "bandit cutting the head from a prostrate dead marine." It shows the picture of "Liberty" (Just like the Statue of Liberty) prostrate to the ground, with the symbolic figure of Mars, in a Roman helmet and with drawn sword—representative of Yankee imperialism—with his foot on the neck of the prostrate figure of "Liberty"—naturally the liberty of Nicaragua.

So, as we said, the Rear Admiral is an outrageous liar, as rear admirals usually are. You already know what Hoover is.

How Not to Treat Audiences

Did you notice that all the boss papers are a-flutter with racy stories about the Rumanian monarchy? Sounds like Hollywood and Mayor Walker, black and orange colored pajamas.

First Queen Marie was given the air, and King Carol brought back from Paris red-haired "morganatic wife," which is a fancy name for concubine, Mme. Lupescu, and compelled to live with his own wife, Helen (but not the one whose face wrecked a thousand ships).

Now the triangle is getting dizzy again. Mme. Lupescu has moved her bichloride tablets to Bucharest, and Helen finds the palace door locked, with her on the outside; while Mme. Lupescu is cutting up with the King's cabinet—and so.

All of which don't mean anything without you understand that Carol is the darling boy of Wall Street bankers, who incidentally are interested in Rumanian oil fields, while the U. S. government is O.K.-ing these bankers' loans to Rumanian in alliance with French imperialism, to arm it for war against the Soviet Union. Hence Carol must be humored, in his taste for red-haired ladies, so long as he carries out imperialist policy for a war base against the Soviet, which everybody that has heard Fish knows is awfully immoral.

War Propaganda

One of the million instances is that found in the tabloid N. Y. sheet, "The Daily News" of April 23, where on page 4, we find:

"Today our best known presidents are Washington, Lincoln and Wilson—all war presidents. Today young Russia is arming to the teeth. Russia has proved jealous of America. We have what they want. And Russia and America in flesh and blood and pocketbook are the only two countries in the world fit to fight... It means that our next president will make plenty of history."

Russia "wants what we have"? Ridiculous! They don't want capitalism, nor unemployment, or wage cuts, nor lynchings, nor Jimmy Walkers, nor jazz! And when the "next president" or the present one, either, tries to force these "blessings" on Soviet Russia, there will be only one country in the world "fit to fight" after the fight is over—and that country will not be the U. S. A!

Turn out on May Day and tell 'em why!

Who Wants Weather, Anyhow?

"Sandino Seizes City, Razes U. S. Weather Bureau"—said a headline last Friday.

That's just like those "bandits"! No respect for anything, even the weather! Now the marines will have to worry along without any weather while shooting Nicaraguans under the name of "withdrawing of the Marines."

Congressman Fish has proven that the Anti-Imperialist League deliberately sent an anti-quake to Sandino, causing no end of trouble to the marines in Managua, occupying the attention of the marines and spoiling their aim, while Sandino's men were marching against the weather. The case is clear, even if the weather is mixed!

Proletarian Self Discipline On May Day

Revolutionary Discipline and Militancy Must Characterize All Communist Demonstrations.

ON the eve of our May Day demonstrations it becomes necessary to sound a note of warning and to issue some elementary directives on proletarian discipline and revolutionary conduct at political demonstrations.

At times, some of our demonstrations have been marked by a disgraceful display of petty-bourgeois indifference, chattering, promenading and hooliganism.

The overwhelming majority of workers attending our demonstrations pay close attention to the speakers and seriously participate in the demonstration. A small part of the audience and among them some irresponsible Party members insist on expressing their complete disregard for the meeting by deliberately violating all the basic principles of proletarian discipline.

When the police or fascists destroy our demonstrations by violence we are not surprised. But very often our own comrades attempt to disrupt the unity and effectiveness of our demonstrations by turning them into social gathering