

ANTI-MEXICAN PRESS FAKE EXPOSED

MILLOWNERS TO LAUNCH ATTACK ON PICKETING

Legislature to Forbid Mass Demonstrations

By H. M. WICKS

(Special to The Daily Worker)

PASSAIC, N. J., March 30.—The outstanding fact in the struggle of the Passaic textile workers against wage-outs and intolerable conditions is the passage by the state assembly at Trenton of a vicious bill against mass picketing that only awaits the signature of Gov. A. Harry Moore to become law. The bill, as originally introduced, was sponsored by the officials of the state federation of labor and was incorporated in the democratic party platform of last fall when Moore was elected.

On the face of it it is supposed to legalize picketing and take away the power of judges to issue injunction against picketing. But an amendment is carried with the bill which defines picketing as the peaceful action of strikers walking upon the public highway and pickets must be "at least ten paces apart." Not even two people dare walk together on a so-called picket line or they will be guilty of violation of the law. There is no doubt that the thing will be signed.

Thus we have another example of the efficacy of labor leaders supporting the old party programs and candidates. By adopting a law supposed to legalize picketing the legislature in reality outlaws the only picketing that can possibly prove effective in labor struggles.

Bosses Rejoice

The employers are jubilant over the part played by the legislative and are awaiting the signature of the governor in order to launch a furious assault on the picket lines of Passaic textile workers in an effort to beat the strikers into submission. It is pointed out by strike leaders that although such a law will seriously impair the picket lines, still the strikers can march ten paces apart and the life can be extended for miles which will result in an impressive demonstration.

The exultation of the employers is somewhat premature for the strikers are determined to carry on the struggle and will devise new methods of continuing the fight in spite of the special laws that may be placed on the statute books by a legislative and senate that is the servile instrument of the mill owners and signed by a governor that is a part of the leading group in Morgan's democratic party.

Fine Bread Wagon Drivers

As an aftermath of the rioting started by the police the other day and the arrest of the three truck drivers who were delivering bread for the strikers from the bakers' union in New York, the drivers were all fined for "speeding." Two of them were fined \$52 and costs, while the third one was fined \$47 and costs. These arrests were plain reprisals on the part of the police thugs in the service of the mill owners because the New York union had posters adorning the wagons which described some of the events of the textile strike.

Because Mrs. Mary Lozal called a

THE TWO CONTENTED PRESIDENTS



Pres. Coolidge (U. S. A.) and Pres. Green (A. F. of L.) are not worrying about the Passaic strike—or any other one.

A. B. SWALES OF BRITISH T. U. C. IN CAUCASUS

Pledges Unity in Speech to Workers

(International Press Correspondence.)

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R., March 30.—The vice-chairman of the general council of the British Trade Union Congress, A. B. Swales, who is at present in the North Caucasus for the purpose of convalescence, made a speech in a shop council's meeting in Platigorsk upon the establishment of international trade union unity in which he welcomed the unity action of the Russian unions and pointed to the growing influence of the Anglo-Russian unity committee.

"The English proletariat watched the development of the Soviet Union to socialism with great attention. It would always remain true to the slogan, 'Hands off Soviet Russia!'"

ARREST WORKER FOR PROTESTING AGAINST THE ANTI-ALIEN LAWS

CAMDEN, N. J., March 30.—Appeal is being made against the six months' jail sentence imposed on Rudolph Sosick for "loitering on the street." Sosick was distributing circulars attacking proposed anti-alien legislation. When he refused to speak after six hours' police grilling he was sentenced without trial or counsel. The International Labor Defense furnished \$500 bail and together with the American Civil Liberties Union has employed Attorney Walter Keown.

1,000 ITALIANS JEER FASCISTI AT HULL HOUSE

Form Branch of Anti

AUSTRIAN LABOR DELEGATION IN TRANSCAUCASIA

Impressed by Success of Armenian Republic

(International Press Correspondence.)

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R., March 3.—(By Mail)—The Austrian workers' delegation is at present in Transcaucasia. After staying several days in Tiflis, where it visited factories, and various institutions and conducted detailed discussions with members of the government, the delegation left for Eriwan, the capitol of the Armenian Soviet Republic. Here they visited villages, workers' colonies and trade union organizations.

Armenian Success

The social-democrat, Larsen, told press representatives that the delegation was very much impressed by the economic process of recovery proceeding in Armenia which had been

CROWD REFUSED RIGHT TO VOTE ON RECOGNITION

Vote Denied by Man- agement at Debate

(Special to The Daily Worker)

NEW YORK, March 30.—Several thousand workers booted the management of the Manhattan Opera House when its representative refused to allow a vote to be taken on Soviet recognition during the course of a debate on that subject between Scott Nearing and Robert J. O'Brien, of the National Security League.

The house went into an uproar when Capt. Paxton Hibben, the chairman of the debate announced that a vote on a resolution for recognition of Soviet Russia by the United States could not be taken because the management would not allow it. Hibben said after the meeting that "a little man with a big diamond in his tie," speaking for the management, which happens to be the Scottish Rite masons, had prohibited the vote.

"The little man with the big diamond pin in his tie" explained by saying that the management "does not allow anything derogatory to American institutions."

The Usual Stuff

Thruout the debate the audience audibly expressed its dissatisfaction, with the Security League views held by O'Brien. O'Brien's argument was a repetition of what has been said many times before about "Russian propaganda" and the "Soviets won't pay their obligation."

As a proof that economic recognition has already been extended to Russia, Nearing observed that Standard Oil had purchased 3,000,000 gallons of kerosene in Russia, the Ford interests were selling 10,000 tractors and the Chase National Bank was financing \$45,000,000 in cotton purchases.

"Back Russia"

"Has the time come for the working class to replace the capitalist class in control as the capitalist system replaced the feudal system? Is labor the next step after capitalism? Does society change? I answer yes to the three questions. It is up to the workers of the world to back Russia in every possible way," Nearing concluded his rebuttal with cheers from the crowd.

Ivy Lee Present

"Poison Ivy" Lee, Standard Oil publicity man, who has been carrying on a secret correspondence with financial and industrial magnates canvassing their views on recognition was at the meeting "because of his deep interest in the subject." This interest is likely provoked by Standard Oil's increasing business with the Soviet Union.

Nurses Go on Strike as Matron Fires Two for Bobbing Hair

WINNIPEG, Man., March 30.—The nurses at the Holy Cross hospital at Calgary, Alberta, packed up their trunks and left the institution when the matron of the hospital fired two of the nurses for bobbing their hair. When the other nurses heard of the

AKRON, O., LAUNCHES BIG DRIVE TO PROTECT FOREIGN-BORN LABOR

AKRON, Ohio — Intensive work for the strengthening of the local council for the protection of the foreign-born was given great impetus by the enthusiastic mass meeting held last Sunday at Music Hall addressed by J. Louis Engdahl, editor of The DAILY WORKER.

Resolutions protesting against this legislation were adopted unanimously. Copies will be sent to all the Ohio congressmen. Petitions were also put in circulation. Thousands of names will be collected and sent to Washington.

In addition to Engdahl, Elmer Bolch and Wendell Welke, several local speakers joined in attacking the bills introduced in congress by Aswell, McClintic, Johnson and other legislative agents of big business. Other mass meetings are planned during the campaign.

RIFFIAN CHIEF ONLY ASKS FOR, "NOBLE PEACE"

Abd-el-Krim Writes to the London Times

(Editor's Note.—The following letter from Abd-el-Krim, the leader of the Rif, who has been carrying on a heroic battle for the freedom of his country against overwhelming odds, appeared in the London Times a few days ago. It was originally dated Jan. 27. The great difficulties in the way of smuggling it past the Spanish lines prevented its being published until now.)

Fortunately, the translator preserved the oriental flavor of the document and it will be realized that it truly represents the aspirations of the Riffians. We are reprinting it entire, as the capitalist press has published only a small portion and left out some of the most significant paragraphs.)

The letter is as follows:

"To the Editor of The Times:
"Peace.

"We rejoice to communicate to you true information concerning the situation of our country, so that you can publish it in your progressive newspaper in order that the world may realize what exactly is the position of affairs.

"This is in the interests of truth, especially as there are rumors set abroad by the enemies of humanity and those hostile to peace, the lovers of war.

"We are relieved of responsibility and the whole world knows that we are prepared to make peace and to come to an understanding with our opponents. We only seek justice and search for tranquillity and that is all.

"It is nothing to us if our enemies for political purposes make false assertions. It has always been so since we began to defend our usurped rights, and we are always striving to obtain peace. We have exerted every effort in communicating to ob-

MAGDALENA BAY STORIES SHOWN TO BE BASELESS

Yarn of U. S. Imperial- ist Press Is False

By MANUEL GOMEZ, Sec'y.

All-America Anti-Imperialist League.

Setting the stamp of charlatanny on the entire imperialist campaign against Mexico, is the Magdalena Bay hoax, which is the latest thing that has been dished up to us by the recklessly unscrupulous newscasters of the kept press. Although every newspaper editor in America knew the story was untrue on the face of it, it was played up in sensational fashion, given eight-column streamer headlines in some cases, with accompanying maps to show the imminent menace of Mexican and Japanese collusion providing for possible Japanese military bases within a few hundred miles of the California border. Conclusive denials are now pouring in from all sides.

San Diego Source of Fake

The sole basis for the lurid news stories was a fake dispatch from San Diego, Calif., reporting that a concession for exploitation of 3,000,000 acres in Mexico had been granted to a Japanese syndicate. The land was said to be along the lower California coast, including 2,000,000 acres on the shores of Magdalena Bay and 1,000,000 acres in the neighborhood of Ensenada.

Washington has no official news of such a concession, and no reliable news of any kind.

Mexico City denies categorically that any concession has been given.

A cable from Tokio disclaims any knowledge of the reported land deal and hints that the whole affair smacked of anti-Japanese propaganda.

Judge Blasts Lies

And putting the final kibosh on the matter, comes the statement issued yesterday by Judge D. J. Haft of Kansas City, who owns, with John H. Henry of New York, the concessions in question, and who says he has no intention of disposing of his interests.

It is "the old oil." It is Mexican oil that is behind this steady outpouring of anti-Mexican stories. Fear of the United States has already caused Mexico to make serious compromises in the interpretation of her oil and land laws, but Wall Street is not satisfied with compromises. Wall Street must have everything that Mexico possesses. The anti-Mexican drive has not been halted. It is just getting its second breath.

Imperialists Seek War

American imperialism is busy in China as well as in Mexico. The clash of imperialist interests in China has its expression in the conflict between the United States government and Japan. War with Japan is coming sooner or later. The "yellow peril" must be constantly dangled before the eyes of the American workers.

The news story from San Diego thus kills two birds with one stone. It raises the Mexican issue and the Japanese issue at the same time. It is the most despicable kind of hoax "but," said the editor as he handed it back to the copy-reader, "it is a very, very good story."