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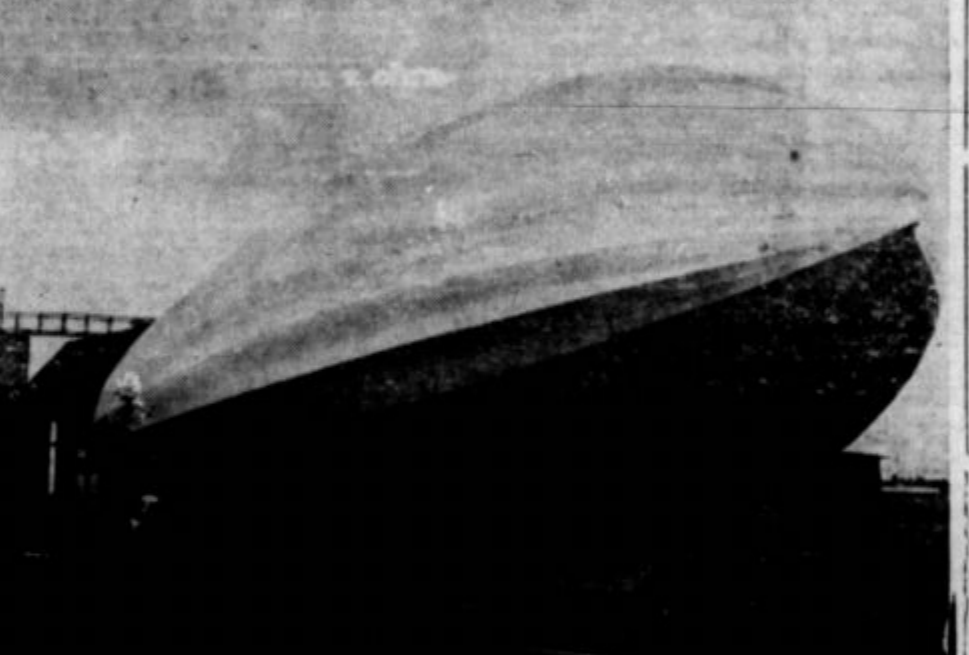
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NOVA ZEPPELINSKA LADJA



Na sliki je nova nemška zračna ladja zepelinskega modela, ki je nedavno plula na poskušni vojni nad Dunajem in drugimi mesti v Avstriji, nad Prago in ostalimi večjimi čeki mesti ter se vrnila v Friedrichshafen. Zrakoplov "Graf Zeppelin", sestarka ladja te, ki je plula nad Avstrijo in Češko, je napravil že mnogo uspešnih poletov preko oceanov in evropa okrog sveta, v drugi polovici julija pa je bil na ekspediciji na levernem ječaju. Tudi ta njegov polet je bil uspešen in znameniten, ki so bili na njemu, so zelo zadovoljni s novimi odkritji dozdej že ne določa raziskanih tajnosti polarnih krajev.

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Sodrugi in sodružice! Zdaj, ko so delavci sami spoznali, da so jih kapitalistični politiki republikanske in demokratske stranke varali, imate priliko, da agitirate za jačanje svoje stranke toliko uspešnejše. Ustanovite klube JSZ. povsod kjer jih še ni in pojačajte obstoječe.

Reports and Comments

Workers On Vacation

A meeting held August 15, by the English Division of branch No. 5 JSF in Johnstown was the most interesting I ever witnessed. John Lokar Jr., from Cleveland and comrade Jane Fradel of Latrobe were present and addressed the audience. Comrade Jane Fradel is a member of our branch and one of the most active in our circle. I don't want to be harsh, but only three members of the senior branch were present at our meeting commemorating the First Anniversary of our English Division. This indeed is not co-operation so to speak due from our senior members. How are these young folks to carry on with educational and propaganda work if they are not assisted by members of experience and who know our movement? It is said the younger generation lack the fighting spirit and interest for the Socialist movement, but whom can we blame for this if not the senior members themselves? If the parents would study the situation of this country and the parties that are in control and come to a conclusion that there is something wrong with those handling our government affairs and that a change is needed, they should teach and enlighten their children to think along the same channels. We will then be prepared and accomplish something. On the other hand, our fathers cannot shoulder the whole burden, but their sons and daughters must be willing to give every means of support. "Our Land Being Bright By Freedom's Holy Light" will not be realized until the people of this country remove the obstacles known as religious fanaticism and replace it with constructive principles; by men who actually know labor and the requirements of the people. When the people of this country will begin using their thinking power and not be guided by jokes, riddles and promises of Republican and Democrat politicians, crises such as the present depression will be averted. But as it is, is it any wonder that our nation is progressing so disastrously? The government is asked to aid the unemployed, but very little is being done. With the industrial depression millions of workers were favored with a vacation, while Hoover talks of his plans and better times that are coming. The workers can ask themselves, why a vacation when you didn't ask for it. The remedy out of these miseries is to organize ourselves in the Socialist movement. But Socialism is like castor oil. You don't realize its importance until you try. It is the only movement that will abolish the system that is responsible for conditions as they exist. Anton Turk, Johnstown, Pa.

A Workers' Theatre

Several dramatic groups in New York City—namely, the Young Circle League of the Workmens Circle, the Young Peoples' Socialist League, the Rand School, various groups of the Socialist Party and the Labor Unions, several Negro dramatic groups of Harlem, Brookwood Labor College—have banded together to form the Workers' Theatre in order to carry out a two-fold purpose. The first is to reach a workingclass audience that is unapproachable by the commercial theatre; and to impart to that audience a definite message of a class-conscious social ideal. The second is to produce plays with the aid of those young men and women who as amateurs are anxious to express their social philosophy in a true dramatic form. Toward this end we are in need of all sorts and types of labor plays. Will those people who possess or who know of such type of plays please communicate with me? We would also like to hear from other labor dramatic groups throughout the country. We hope, in due time, to be able to coordinate the work of these groups and to form a nationwide movement of Workers' Theatres. SAMUEL ROTHENBERG, Secretary, Workers' Theatre, 7 East 15th Street, New York City.

Anniversary Celebrated in Johnstown

I attended the meeting and First Anniversary August 15, of the English Division of branch No. 5 JSF in Johnstown. We had with us a few members of the senior branch and John Lokar Jr., from Cleveland, Ohio who gave an address. The meeting was very orderly followed by interesting discussions in which Anna P. Krasna, Joseph Culkar, John Lokar, Anton Turk and John Fradel participated. From their talks, many points were stressed which will be of good value for our young group. The rest of us had an enjoyable time listening. After the meeting a dance was given which lasted till the wee hours of the morning. Thus ended my visit with the young and old comrades in Johnstown. I wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. John Langerholc and all the members of the English Division for the fine time they have shown me during my week-end visit. I think that socialists in Pennsylvania should not give any support to Republican and Democrat candidates which are permitted to run on the Socialist ticket. Our comrades have worked hard to get an official standing for the Socialist Party in this state, and I firmly believe we should take advantage of this. Jane Fradel, Latrobe, Pa.

Harvest of Plans

It has been raining "plans" in the past few months in the United States—"five" and "ten" year plans, The Beard Plan, the Matthew Wolf Plan, the Stuart Chase Plan, the La Follette and the Wagner Plans—plans for control of mass production, plans for "industrial democratization", nearly all duplicating one another in most features, yet all attesting to the fact that there is something basically shaky in this "greatest and best of known worlds."

Attention Michigan Socialists

As assistant state secretary of the Socialist Party I would like to suggest some plan of action to the membership. The party is growing in many states outside of Michigan. There is much discontent both among the farmers and wage workers in this state. We must act. 1. Continue to have picnics during the extreme hot weather, open air meetings also if possible. 2. Join hands with other radical bodies in Detroit, outside of the Communist Party, and form an Unemployed Council. 3. In view of the fact that most of the active members of the Open Forum Committee last winter were Socialists, I would suggest that we run open meetings and lectures every Sunday evening all next winter in Detroit. 4. Rent an office or small hall in central locations for a headquarters the first of September in Detroit. If this is not done soon we will be wasting our time. 5. Hold meetings in the residential districts in members' homes during the winter to form contact with sympathizers. When we have money and a larger membership we can hold community meetings in the schools and halls. 6. Raise a fund to put in a full time State Secretary and organizers and attempt to reorganize the State. 7. Buy a bundle of New Leaders each week and sell them. Foreign language papers please copy, as we wish to reach all members in the state. JOHN PANZNER, 45 Goulson Ave. E., Hazel Park, Mich.

A "Liberal" Governer to the National Guard

Governor Pinchot threatens the starving miners of Western Pennsylvania that he will have them shot if they refuse to starve in a peaceful and law-abiding manner. No autocratic dictator could use more brutal language than this "liberal" with a public service complex. Here is what he said to officers of the Pennsylvania National Guard: "There are rumors flying on the possibility of disorder during the coming winter. If these rumors should be verified the cause will not be with Pennsylvanians, but with the agitators from other states. "We know already such agitators have been attempting to make trouble, but we do not believe they will succeed. However, if they succeed, I shall have no hesitancy calling out the Pennsylvania National Guard, providing of course, their services shall be required by the scope of the emergency. "We propose to handle our own affairs in a peaceful and orderly manner no matter who attempts to incite disorder among our people. This is our state and we Pennsylvanians propose to run it along the traditions of William Penn." It is natural that such language should excite the resentment of all the workers with an ounce of class-consciousness in their back-up. And yet-why should anybody be surprised when the governor of this or any other state talks like that? After all, Pinchot is only stating his determination to enforce the laws of this capitalistic nation. When his guardsmen open machine gun fire on hordes of men and women who have been driven to desperation and violence by starvation they will be doing their lawful duty.—Reading Labor Advocate.

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Panic Amidst Plenty

"It is difficult to put into words," writes W. G. Clugston to The Nation from Topeka, Kan., "a description of the disaster which has come to the American farmer with 25-cent wheat prices. It is difficult to describe what has been done to the farmer economically, and in hope, spirit and morale; it would be dire folly to try to predict what the farmer, in his despair and desperate straits, may try to do to the political and economic structure of the nation if conditions do not improve before he comes out of his dazed confusion and beings to fight for the existence of himself and his family."

"I don't want to appear radical, or an alarmist, but I am firmly convinced that there is today in the middle west a menace to the existing order which is becoming more threatening than anything that has been known since the founding of the republic. The producers who supply the food upon which the nation lives are facing worse than bankruptcy and the loss of their lands; many of them are actually facing a winter in which they will not be able to provide their families with food or fuel unless they are aided by the government or some form of charity. In the winter wheat producing areas the situation is more fraught with danger because it has come at a time when the farmers, with nature's aid, have produced more bounteous crops than ever before — because, as Gov. Woodring of Kansas has said, 'we are going through a panic in the midst of plenty'."

—The Milwaukee Leader.

THE ECONOMICS OF PROHIBITION

Economists are by no means unanimous on the economic effect of prohibition, but a recent study by Prof. Harry Miller of Brown University—who is no professional dry—seems to show that on the whole the lessened drinking in the working class of the earlier years of prohibition made for more, not less, prosperity. No economist who isn't a wet first and economist afterwards of will want—like Matt Woll—to duck the dole talks by modifying the Volstead Act to restore prosperity. If it will, why aren't England or Germany, both of them floating in beer, more prosperous?

In spite of the absurd claims for it, I repeat, I should support the modification of the Volstead Act. What I chiefly regret is the fact that the A. F. of L. leaders are so much more in earnest about this change than about supporting adequately certain strikes, or organizing workers, or making effective their demands for the five day week and a larger share of the national income.

I have been recently at Allentown, Pennsylvania, where an heroic textile strike has been going on since April. The workers are sorely divided by a Communist minority which seeks to rule or ruin and subordinates union to party strategy. The Communists would never have had their chance if the A. F. of L. had really been on the job of relief and leadership. This job is the A. F. of L.'s business ahead of modifying the Volstead Act.—Norman Thomas.

United States Steel

The ostentatious announcement that the United States Steel Corporation has made a cut in dividends and salaries looks to us like a smoke screen for a wage cut about to be made. We hope we are mistaken, but we shall be surprised if this action is not the excuse, the talking point and the prelude for a reduction of the wages of the approximately 200,000 employes, quietly and without ostentation. This, of course, would be a disaster.

The steel workers are not organized and are therefore not in good shape to fight a pay cut, but it does not necessarily follow that they will take a cut without a strike. We hope they won't. The company has an undivided surplus of nearly \$450,000,000, according to the reports. It evidently does not need to cut wages. There would be no possible excuse for cutting the wages of useful workers until after dividends, both common and preferred, none of which are earned by the recipients, are eliminated altogether, and a real cut made in the larger salaries.

—The Milwaukee Leader.

BRITISH RAILWAYMEN FOR NATIONALIZATION

By 70 votes to 6 the conference of the National Union of Railwaymen of England decided to press the government for an "early and favorable" reply to the joint request of the railway unions for the nationalization of all forms of transport.

SEARCHLIGHT

By DONALD J. LOTRICH

Canada is not suffering so severely from the depression as we are in our United States. Canada was never so highly developed and perfected industrially as were the States. The government has always been a good deal more liberal than our own and the laws are therefore respected to a greater extent. In the past week this columnist has had a chance to speak with a number of prominent Canadian men on general topics having taken a long trip to Montreal in the Province of Quebec. These men are all agreed upon the question of prohibition. They ridicule us for our shortsightedness and hypocrisy. Canada too, had prohibition. Then, a good handful of bootleggers profited from the experiment but they have done away with it and now the government controls all liquor and realizes large sums of money annually. The Provinces of Quebec and Ontario netted seven million dollars last year from liquor sales. They attribute 40% of the liquor sales to U. S. tourists and claim that they are building their hard roads with U. S. money.

You will be glad to learn that the annual SNPJ Federation picnic is successful in every respect. Many came from Detroit and other cities to greet their friends. The Detroit girls were victor over the Pioneer girls in a soft ball game. Nada ladies lost to Slavija and Delavec lodge was the strongest in a tug-of-war contest. Sava sang two songs delightfully. Frank Zaitz was the winner of the beautiful hand painting donated by Gregory Perushak and immediately turned it over to the Federation for future use. The day was ideal for a picnic and a goodly number were in attendance.

Just get ready to go with us to Waukegan, Ill. on Sunday Sept. 6, 1931, to the Yugoslav Workmans' Manifestation and Outing. The special car on the North Shore line will leave at 12:00 o'clock noon from the Adams and Wabash Station. Since Waukegan and Milwaukee will be strongly represented it is urgent that we Chicagoans fill our quota. The round trip fare will be \$1.20. We are told that wide interest has been aroused in and around Waukegan for the gathering. Several good speakers are slated to address the listeners.

One could write a whole lot on Ontario. Besides being a beautiful and fertile Province it is highly developed in government control of electricity and they pride themselves in being able to give more in return for the taxable dollar than any other State in the world. For \$2.50 per month the farmers have all the electricity they need to run machinery, and lighten their burdens, and make farming more pleasant. The government has also undertaken vast public projects to help the unemployed to jobs. And because the national life in Canada has never risen to our level they do not feel the changes as sharply. The people are very religious especially in Montreal, Quebec, and this religion had much to do to keep them in their lower standard.

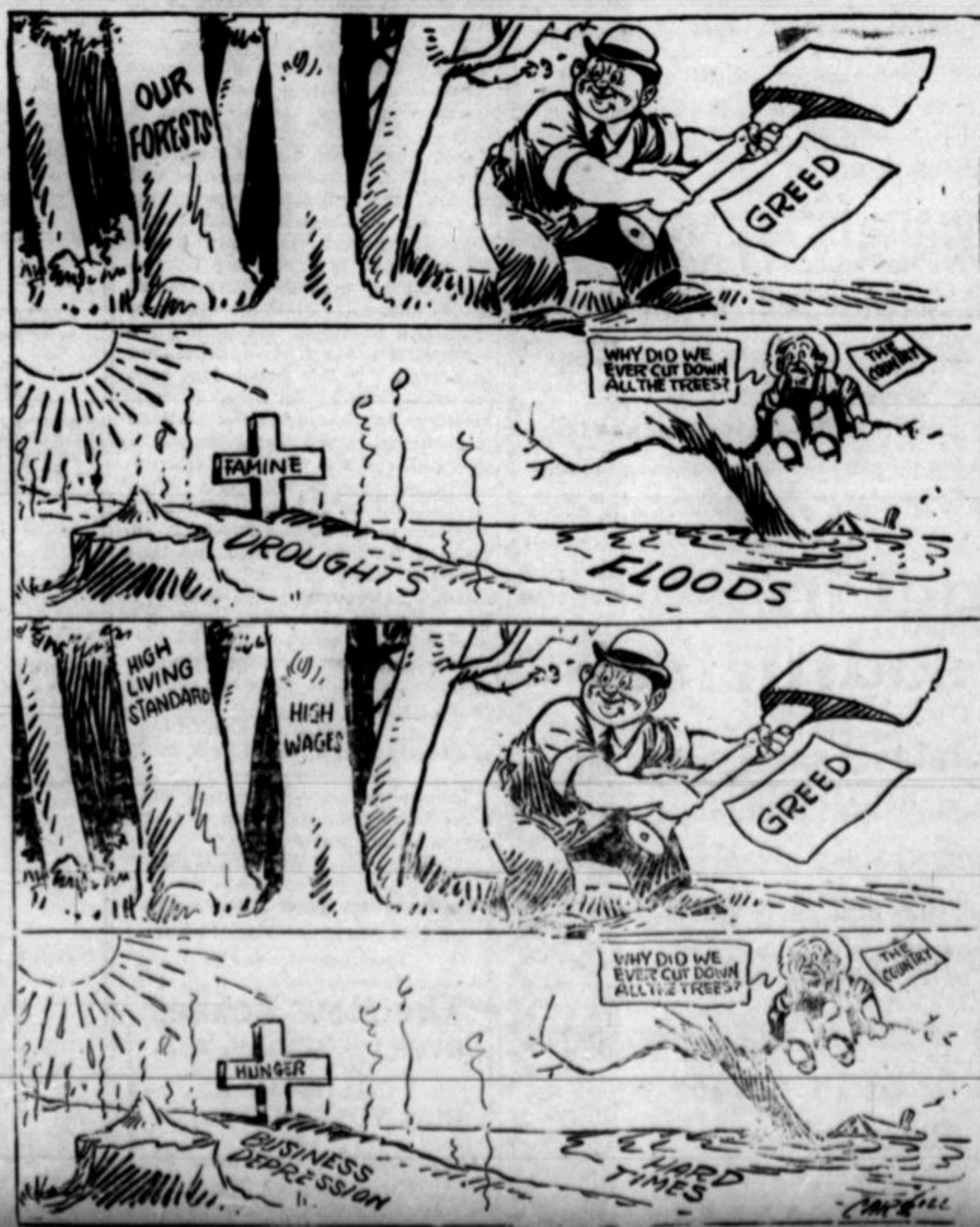
The Canadian National Railroad is government owned and is doing well despite many hazards. This railroad is made up of a lot of minor roads who either became or were on the verge of bankruptcy and the government floated bonds to take them over. Our own Grand Trunk system originally owned by British interests was taken over by the Canadian government when it became apparent that it would fail. And so the government is able to operate extensive railroad arteries where private interests have failed. What a challenge to

In the August 22nd issue of "Enakopravnost" in the Slovene editorial translation the editor comments on the issue of comrade Hillquit and the international oil case and our brief opinion in this column of a week ago. No one can deny that Morris Hillquit is not a brilliant and capable lawyer. Were he not that, surely he would not be given preference over thousands of other lawyers. I opined that Hillquit had a right to represent the oil interests even though he had the opposition in a confiscatory case. Hillquit has no benefits from the Socialist Party, outside of knowing

that it will please our readers to know that substantial gains have been made in Proletarec subscription lists during the first seven months of 1931. Renewed vigor on the part of our sub-chasers has made this possible. We urge others to take up the work of building up our movement thru our press.

Hillquit has since withdrawn from the case. So the matter is settled. "Enakopravnost" and its editor are trying to fool the people by telling them that I edit the English page of "Proletarec". I must tell them that to date I have only been a contributor and the honor of editor has not been bestowed upon me to my knowledge. That shows their inconsistency to facts. So far as the last paragraph is concerned Brother "Enakopravnost" had better start right at home, for, who has done more harm, damage and disrupted our nationals more than those who want to pin that charge on us?

EXPERIENCE DOESN'T HELP AT ALL



Our Doings Here and There

By JOHN RAK

Members of branch No. 1 JSF Chicago should not forget to attend the regular meeting Friday, August 28, at the lower SNPJ Hall. Among other important reports that will be made, the Socialist and Farmer-Labor Party will be discussed by comrades Anton Garden, Frank Alesh and Chas. Pogorelec. These comrades have a different viewpoint about Socialists being affiliated with the Farmer-Labor Party of Illinois. This promises an interesting discussion and we urge you all to be present and to invite your friends.

Appeals to aid the striking coal miners in Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia have been sent to the different labor and fraternal organizations by relief committees. The miners are on strike already for some time against wage reductions and the horrible conditions that

he is working for a cause and the coming generations. On the contrary, Hillquit has given a lot of his valuable time and much money and brilliant thought towards the building up of our movement. With all this it certainly isn't proper for the editor of "Enakopravnost" who at one time carried a red card and gave it up to work and back up a republican party boss (a party stained with graft, corruption and racketeering) to ask what right Hillquit has to say that he is a Socialist and leader of the party? We need not up no other defense for Hillquit for he has a record of steady service in the Socialist party unlike the man who has asked this question.

In Newburgh (Cleveland), Ohio, the comrades of branch No. 28 JSF will celebrate Sunday September 6, at the Workers Home. Their program for the day also includes singing by "Zarja" of branch No. 27 and "Cvet". Looks like another good time for the Newburgh comrades and friends.

exist in their industry. With the coming winter, funds must be raised to help these miners carrying on their demands. The arrangement committee for a joint picnic to be held Sunday September 6 at Waukegan by branches JSF and lodges affiliated with its Educational Bureau have decided that half of the net proceeds will be given for this cause.

To enjoy the pleasant afternoon and evening, an all-day program is prepared in which many interesting features will take place. Speakers, singing by "Naprej" of Milwaukee and "Sava" of Chicago, a baseball game, and dancing will be displayed. The comrades and friends from Milwaukee, Sheboygan and West Allis will be present in large number. Chicagoans will not be missing from the scene, as many of them plan to make this trip with the North Shore Lines and automobiles. It will be the first joint Yugoslav Labor manifestation in this district and we urge you all to be present Sunday September 6, at Mozina's Park, Waukegan.

Comrade Ivan Molek of branch No. 1 JSF and editor of Prosveta will lecture in Strabane, Pennsylvania, under the auspices of branch No. 118 JSF at the SNPJ Hall. His subject is "American Labor, Past and Present". Mr. Molek is an interesting speaker and we advise our comrades and friends to hear him.

Those reports from Boulder Dam do not look so good. They were to be expected, though, since the work is unfortunately being done under open shop conditions. Six western open shop concerns, it seems, have the contracts, which were let to the lowest bidders. It seems to be the idea to rush the work through as speedily as possible, without regard to the safety or the welfare of the workers. Some of the men, it is encouraging to note, have spunk enough to form some sort of an organization and go on strike.

The Boulder Dam project—which is to be given the name of Hoover dam—is a great engineering project, a very desirable piece of construction. It ought to be performed under the best possible conditions. It is a shame that the government, to save a few million dollars, should permit it to be done in the well-known open shop manner.

If our government were in the control of the right men—men who were more interested in the welfare of human beings than the welfare of dollars, and vested interests—it would have consulted with organized labor regarding the recruiting of men for the project. The work would have been done under union conditions, and the unions would have undertaken to furnish the men. The miserable reports now coming, of loss of life and inhuman conditions, could not then have existed.

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FRAGMENTS

Americanism: An inseparable union of states, having one God, one Constitution, and 48 different definitions of justice.

"Humph", exclaimed Chief Toadhopper, the last of the Comanches, after listening to the story of the little dog who chased the street car, and didn't know what to do with it when he got it, "and what did paleface do with this country?"—American Guardian.

Americanism: Sick people taking nothing because they are poor and ignorant; well people talking "health-builders" because they are advertised in the magazines.

Maybe the reason why the Russians are still paying cash is because they have no banks. —American Guardian.

Who ever would have thought that farmers would buy power-driven machines to run themselves off the farms?

One reason why sin no longer shocks people is because nobody can smell onions if everybody eats them.

We believe with William Liebknecht that Socialism without democracy is pseudo-Socialism and democracy without Socialism is pseudo-democracy.

WEST VIRGINIA

A New York detective has taken time off from running down gangsters and has been snooping around the head office of the League for Industrial Democracy. The New York commissioner of police had been requested to investigate the L. I. D. by the chief of police of Charleston, West Virginia, and no doubt the chief had been urged by the mine owners whose starving men the league has been helping.

Norman Thomas, executive director of the league, has addressed a letter to the New York city commissioner of police, about this bit of espionage. He told the commissioner why the West Virginia mine owners would like to see the league intimidated in its good work. Among other things he wrote, "Let the chief of police of Charleston drive out on the river road to Kelley's Creek. Beginning on one of the most beautiful residential streets in America he will end in a mining camp with some of the worst shacks in the world. Let him consult some of the so-called forces of law and order in the camps who have beaten up men and women. Let him talk to Mrs. Christ Devitta whose baby was born dead after a constable had kicked her. Then he will know that it did not take outside agitators to bring on a strike or to keep up a strike in the midst of starvation."

The espionage is resented by the league, as well it may be. Funny, isn't it, how, in a case of this kind, it is always the wrong side that is subjected to espionage?—Milwaukee Leader.

BOULDER DAM

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SEES HANDWRITING

"Some 15,000,000 of unemployed are being supported by their fellowmen, feeding on the financial and economic reserves of the industrial countries... Never was the incapacity of the economic leaders of the capitalist world so glaringly demonstrated as today... A capitalism which cannot feed the workers of the world has no right to exist. The guilt of the capitalist system lies in its alliance with the violent policies of imperialism and militarism... The ruling classes of the world today have as completely failed in political leadership as in economic."

Now what wild-eyed Socialist, Communist, or Bolshevick wrote this slanderous attack on capitalism. Easy there! 'Twas none of these. It's from the pen of Herr Hjalmar Schacht, financier, economist, and president of the German Reichsbank through the Young Plan negotiations. Contrary to his American colleagues and their talking delegates in Washington, Brer Schacht has sense enough to read the handwriting on the wall. As far as Europe is concerned capitalism is au gaspielit. The only question is, shall it be decently buried, or hauled on the dumps by scavenger revolution?—American Guardian.