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VOTE COMMUNIST NOVEMBER FOURTH! FIGHT FOR IMMEDIATE UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF!

CELEBRATE 13th Anniversary Don't Starve—Fight!

By Gropper HUSA, HOLMES

ARE SENTENCED

JUDGE SENTENCED GIRLS TO 90 DAYS FOR DEFENDING THEIR CAMP

Only the united protest of the workers, organized under the International Labor Defense, has stayed the jailing of Mabel Husa and Aileen Holmes, who were convicted and sentenced to three months' prison. The two girl camp leaders of the Children's Camp at Van Etten, New York, were arrested last summer, when the Ku Klux Klan raided the camp, burned much of the camp property and carried off some of the children with their leaders.

The two young leaders are now out on bail, as their case is being appealed. They were convicted of "desecrating the United States flag." All militant organizations are asked to rally to their support by calling protest meetings and in stressing the case in the election campaign.

Unemployment Drives Woman to Suicide

Desperate men and women workers in New York are jumping from fifteen and twenty story buildings to their death. Gas filled rooms with the corpses of whole families are reported from many cities. Starvation and death in the richest country in the world. Yet the Detroit chamber of commerce has issued posters which read: "Business is good; keep it good. Nothing can get ahead of U. S." In many cities "Buy Now" campaigns are being launched. Buy now—with what?

Six hundred girls and women workers applied for a single clerk's job at twelve dollars a week in Gimbel's department store in New York City, and four hundred answered a Sears Roebuck advertisement for \$10 a week.

Of one thousand families applying to three Boston charity societies for help, five hundred and fifty-seven gave unemployed and underemployment as the cause of dependency.

The Denver Young Women's Christian Association received four hundred and fifty applications from women who wanted to work. They found that 45.5 per cent of this number were women whose husbands could not find any work, or did not earn enough to keep the family.



ANNIVERSARY

WORKERS ALL OVER THE WORLD WILL CELEBRATE THE RUSSIAN REVOLUTION

In thousands of large cities, smaller cities, towns, and villages, in the north, south, east, and west, workers will come in masses to celebrate the 13th Anniversary of the only Workers and Peasants State—the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics—which was known as Russia in the days when the Czar was ruler. This year's celebration will register the great achievements made in the second year of the Five Year Plan, which will turn the Soviet Union from a most backward agricultural country into a highly developed industrial one.

The largest celebration will be held in New York City at the Bronx Coliseum, East 177th Street, on Friday, November 7th at 7 P. M. Large celebrations will also be held in Chicago, Philadelphia, Detroit, Kansas City, Buffalo, Boston, Baltimore, Birmingham, Charlotte, Pittsburgh, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Seattle, Denver, Salt Lake City, Cleveland, Wilkes-Barre, Scranton, New Haven, Bridgeport, Stamford, Hartford, Newark, Springfield, Oklahoma City, Omaha, and hundreds of additional meetings.

Alice Yonik, C. P.
Candidate Sec'y
State of Mich.

Sends a message to the "Working Woman."

"The terrible, inhuman speed up in the automobile factories, the lowering of wages; the shortening of working hours, 'capitalist style,' to two or three hours a day so that even those who work are starving; the depression caused by mass unemployment, the breaking up of homes caused by the economic crisis; the starvation of workers' children that is lowering their vitality to a degree that will cause hundreds of deaths; the lynching of Negro workers; the brutal beating and shooting of working class fighters, all this is fast teaching the workers to turn to the party of their class, the Communist Party.

Working women! The Communist Party spells death to the capitalist system which is responsible for the misery and exploitation of the workers. The Communist Party fights for Unemployment Insurance Bill which assures every unemployed worker of \$25 a week."

Negro, White Working Women Fight Against Lynching, Vote for Your Class—Vote Communist!

On Tuesday, November 4th, you will be called upon to cast your votes for one of the political parties. As women, working in shops and homes, you must choose between the Democratic, Republican and Socialist Parties—parties of the bosses—and the Communist Party, the only Party of the Working Class.

A vote for the Republican, Democratic and Socialist Parties is a vote for:

1. Unemployment
2. Wage Cuts
3. Evictions
4. Speed-Up
5. Long Hours
6. Child Labor

—A vote for capitalism, which means the rule of the bosses.

A vote for the Communist Party is a vote for:

1. Immediate unemployment relief and unemployment insurance
2. Higher wages
3. No evictions; Free rent for unemployed
4. 7-Hour Day; 5-Day Week
5. Equal pay for equal work
6. Maternity Insurance

—A vote for Communism, which means the rule of the workers

Working Women! Come to the polls on November 4th! Demonstrate your readiness to fight against capitalism. Show by your vote that you understand your class interests. VOTE FOR THE PARTY OF YOUR CLASS! VOTE COMMUNIST!

CELEBRATE 13th ANNIVERSARY SOVIET UNION NOV. 7th



MRS. HOOVER'S HOME MAKING IS HOME BREAKING FOR WORKERS

By HARRY RAYMOND
(Prisoner No. 52349, Member of the Imprisoned Unemployed Delegation)

Recently Mrs. Herbert Hoover appeared before the annual convention of the Girl Scouts of America, and amid considerable waving of flags, accompanied by strains of "My Country 'Tis of Thee," spoke at great lengths on things American and capitalistic.

She extolled our "good democratic" government which lets millions of jobless workers starve and forcefully urged young Americans to be loyal to the "nice" exploiting gentlemen down on Wall St. She spoke of the last war to "save" democracy, of her part in it, and advised the Girl Scouts to fall in line for the next wholesale slaughter that the "nice" Wall Street men are so feverishly preparing. She then branched out into what she called the "home making phase." She said she held the dish-washing housewife not a bit less courageous than the big game hunter.

But at the same time Mrs. Hoover was speaking of "home making" and dishwashing, the press wires all over America were red hot with stories of home break-

Salomon, Dizenzo and Frechi (commonly known as the "Three bartenders") and were given a \$25 fine each with the alternative of serving 5 days in jail.

These women, being working women out of jobs and without money were forced to go to jail.

This is the kind of a home that the capitalist United States government, led by Mrs. Hoover's husband, is offering to the millions of American working women. Jail.

Socialist Party Jails, Kills Workers

The Hoover government, faced with over 8 million jobless and starving workers has come out definitely against unemployment insurance. The American Federation of Labor has agreed with Hoover. The Socialist Party like the "Labor" party of England, which is now shooting down and jailing the Indian workers, is a third capitalist party, which joins hands with the Republican and Democratic parties in their brutal attacks on the workers. While the socialist party talks about unemployment, the Communist Party leads the fight for unemployment insurance.

The Communist Party, the only

Life in Prison for Militant Workers

Bosses Prepare Legal Lynching Spirit in Atlanta

The southern mill owners' court in Atlanta, Georgia, is moving to railroad to the electric chair the two Negro workers, Herbert Newton and Henry Storey. This is part of the campaign to kill all the six militant workers involved in this battle against the boss class in the South.

Newton and Storey were separated in the trial from the rest of the defendants, because it is easier for the bosses' court to convict Negro workers. Their case will be called at any time now, the lawyer warns. When the prosecutor brought the worker defendants into court last April he stated to the court: "Your honor, we ask the death penalty in these capital cases." The workers' "crime" was holding a meeting of white and Negro workers together!

All labor organizations must rally to the defense of these six Atlanta defendants. Save them from the electric chair! Two young women workers are among the six—Anna Burlak and Mary Dalton.

WOMEN FORCED TO SLEEP IN THE STREETS OF CHICAGO

The C. P. Leads the Fight Against Starvation

(By a Worker Correspondent)

CHICAGO, Ill.—It is 4 o'clock in the morning at Union Park. The stars have already disappeared and the wind is blowing very hard. On the hard benches people move about slowly. They are men, ten fifteen, twenty men. There sits one man without an overcoat. He is holding his arms about a woman. Both are covered up with newspapers. They seem to be the age of about forty years. Their clothes are worn, shoes torn. Husband and wife, without food or shelter.

Further on the way, up Clark Street, leaning against a building, an old woman, half asleep, tells me:

"For five nights I have been sleeping in the streets. I used to do housework, but now I have been out of a job and can not find any work anywhere. They tell me I am too old. I haven't enough strength to work."

Every morning I meet an old woman who awaits the getting out of

the garbage at one of the restaurants. She goes through the garbage pails in search of soup bones. She says to me:

"I have two children. My husband is in the hospital. We have no money to pay rent and next Monday we will be cast out into the street."

In many alleys I see people asleep, in sitting, standing positions, and some lying down, singly and huddled together in groups, to keep warm. Many pass nights riding in subways.

This is the situation not only in Chicago but throughout the big country, where eight million are unemployed, and daily thousands of these are thrown out on the streets and left without a roof over their heads.

"We workers have the power to change these conditions. We must join in masses the Communist Party and the revolutionary unions of the Trade Union Unity League which carry on a fight against wage cuts, evictions, for unemployment insurance of \$25 a week for all unemployed workers.

Women Workers! Fight against evictions. Fight for Unemployment Insurance. On November 4 VOTE COMMUNIST!

IN SEARCH FOR A MASTER

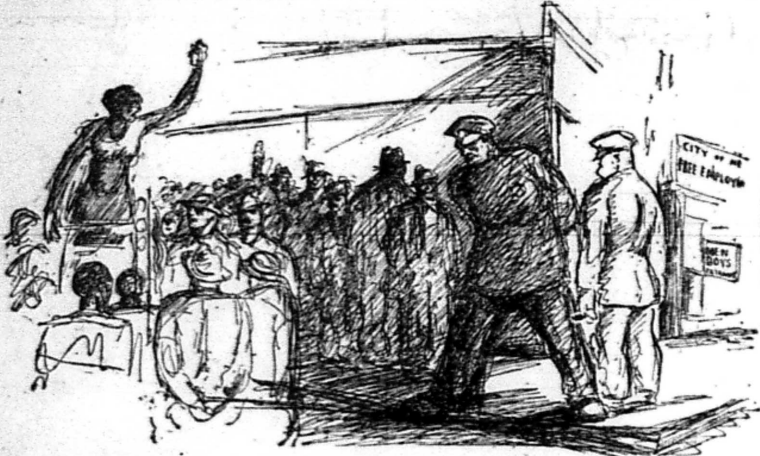
By a Worker Correspondent

I have been looking for a master for over six months but find it next to impossible to get a job. I have visited all work places in Oakland and always get the same answer: "no help wanted." I am a food worker but like thousands of others in the canning industry who are out of work, find that there is no market for labor power. Finally I was interviewed by a straw boss. He promised to try me out.

The next mornig I tried them out, and found that young girls 12-13-14 were canning fruit at my table altho California is supposed to have a law against child labor, but the bosses' greed stops at nothing. Being an experienced canner, I made 75c for 7 hours work, but the young grils made 30-40 and 50c for 7 hours besides being bawled out and frightened by a mean old forelady. Next day the fruit was better and I worked so much the harder and made 90c for 6 hours work, but got cheated 30c on the punch which means one had to wash the fruit, pick out all the bad pieces and fill 1 doz 2 pound cans for which you got two and a half cents. I was not the only one so cheated. I called the head forewoman and the superintendent. He tried to quiet me down by offering me the thirty cents. But I said: "You greedy hogs; it's not enough when you are working young children for 30c a day, you got to cheat them." I demand the right to work here and not be cheated."

Of course, this means I am without a master again, but what's the difference? I would starve on the job anyway. The girls are quitting every day. I have since joined the Food Workers group of the Trade Union Unity League. I now realize that by quitting we will not better our conditions. We must stay on the job and organize the workers into the Food Workers Union of the TUUL.

Yours for Organization and Action,



ing. Millions of housewives, it appears, have quit washing dishes because they are unable to buy food with which to dirty the dishes.

Not only are millions of housewives and women workers in "prosperous" America forced to go with little or no food, but they are compelled to clothe their starving bodies in rags. Many women workers in desperation, are forced to steal.

The New York Times carried a story recently about 74 young working women between the ages of 17 and 22 who were arrested in one day in New York City for thefts from stores.

These young women were dragged before the court of special sessions. They were given the usual two minute trials before judges

party of the workingclass, is the leader of all the struggles of the workingclass. It fights for the 7 hour day, the 5 day week; for equal pay for equal work and against all evictions of the unemployed.

Communist Party Fights for the Workers

The Communist Party fights for the overthrow of the home breaking capitalist system of the Hoovers, the Morgans and the Wall Street bankers. The Communist Party fights for a government run by the workers.

Women workers! Don't starve—fight for immediate unemployment insurance! Fight for a Workers and Farmers Government.

VOTE COMMUNIST!

NOT CHARITY BUT WORK OR WAGES

Unemployed Workers Can't Live on Bosses' Promises; Demand \$25 a Week

With farm labor down to a dollar a day and industrial workers unable to feed their families on the small wages they get, Hoover now proposes to divide the wages of the employed workers with the unemployed workers, so that all can starve. Billions in dividends for the corporations, millions in graft for the capitalist politicians. Yet in the face of all these profits the burden of the crisis is to be saddled onto the workers.

Mayor Walker of New York City, when he saw the thousands of unemployed workers surrounding city hall, remarked: "When will the ice cream be served." This well-fed politician will some day be served with a goodly portion of the wrath of the working class. He is busy trying to fake the unemployed workers by shouting for old clothes, sheds to sleep in, donations of food. And mind you, all this fake charity will be distributed through his police department, which cracks the skulls of the unemployed workers when they demand bread.

Murphy, mayor of Detroit, is also busy trying to keep back the fight of employed and unemployed workers for the \$25 a week which the Communist Party Unemployment Insurance Bill provides for all unemployed workers. Give them a flop (a bed) and a plate of beans, this is how he hopes to take the fight out of the workers.

The Communist Party has placed

the fight of the unemployed workers upon the order of the day of the entire nation. All workers, men and women, must now think clearly, not allow themselves to be fooled, must continue energetically the fight for the Workers Unemployment Insurance bill.

Do not allow Morrow, agent of Wall Street, who the other day handed you a fancy dish of "patience and courage is needed in these times," to bamboozle you. Patience and courage will not fill hungry stomachs. Do not allow Schwab, the steel magtate, to blind you with his promise of "even better times are coming." And the women in the millions of working class homes are not magicians, and therefore can not cook meals out of faker Green's promise of statistics or out of the investigation Hoover's committee of experts intend to undertake.

Working women, workers' wives, join the fight for \$25 a week for all unemployed workers, which the Communist Social Insurance Bill demands. Do not allow yourselves to be bunked by the ranting and illusive promises of the bosses and their paid servants in political jobs. Organize unemployed councils. Create an immense mass movement of unemployed and employed workers, against those who rob us and those who protect this robbery.

With solid ranks we must march forward, fighting for our demands.

THE COMMUNIST PARTY Fights for the Working Womens' Demands VOTE COMMUNIST!

SEVENTH ANNIVERSARY of the UNITED COUNCIL OF WORKING CLASS WOMEN to be celebrated with a CONCERT and other Attractions Friday Evening, November 21st, 1930 at 8 P. M. at MANHATTAN LYCEUM 66 E. 4th Street, New York Admission 50c. in advance 75c. at the door



Write to the Working Woman

Write and tell us what is going on in your factory, or shop. Is your boss cutting your wages? Do you have to work long hours? Are you fined for Do they drive you, and make you speed-up? Do you have to work overtime, without extra pay? Write and tell the Working Woman about it.

Join the National Textile Union

(By a Worker Correspondent)

I have worked in lots of mills where the conditions were very bad in all of them, but the worst was Hoskins. We went to work at 6:30 a. m. and got one hour for dinner and worked till 5:30 p. m. They used big baskets to measure the bobbins in and it took one hour working hard to spool a box. Some of the girls made ten dollars a week but they went to work at six o'clock and went back at dinner about 12:30, so you see it could not be much worse for a working woman.

After such a hard day's work, I had to walk over two miles home. I had to attend to my children, make supper, and by the time I was through, I could hardly walk, but next day I had to go to slave again, and how long are we going to stand it?

We must organize in the National Textile Workers Union and stand by our rights or we will soon be starved to death.

—A WORKING WOMAN
IN HOSKIN MILL.
Charlotte, N. C.

An Unemployed Mother Writes—

To the Editor of
The Working Woman:

It is about time we married women and mothers did something! My husband is a chauffeur and he can do tinsmithing and metal work besides, but he can not find work nowhere. They offered him a job in a tinsmith cellar for fifty hours a week — ten dollars! Now, how can a married man with two children work for that money?

I have gone to the agencies every day and have left my babies locked up in the house, but I can not get a job in any restaurant or hotel, even though I beg them every day.

I say we mothers and all women should take our babies and march down to City Hall, and absolutely not go away from there until they give us enough money to pay the rent and buy food for our children and ourselves.

We should all go together with our baby carriages and not let our children go hungry to school every day, but take them along too.

We women must fight together with our men. Let them dare to do something to us, the rotten millionaire grafters and politician fakers!

—MRS. LOUISE ROFFIN.

Editor's Note: The working women and wives of workers should fight for unemployment insurance. Support the unemployment bill of the Communist Party. Vote Communist on Nov. 4.

FIGHT LAYOFFS - JOIN REVOLUTIONARY UNIONS

Bosses fire older workers, hire young ones at lower wages.
Old and young unite in common struggle against bosses.

(By a Worker Correspondent)

The other day riding home on the street car I overheard a very interesting conversation between three girls on their way home from work.

Two of them had evidently been laid off and the third one had been retained by the boss, and they were talking about the lay off.

One said: "I do not understand why I was laid off. I always came to work on time and I always worked hard and never wasted any time talking."

The other answered: "Well, personally, I don't believe in working too hard for anybody. I usually take my time whenever I can. You

can see that ... matter whether you work hard or not, if they do not need you, you are laid off anyway.

Then the one that was "fortunate" enough to be kept, said: "It's funny that I wasn't laid off. There are other girls that have worked there longer than I, but I guess the reason they are keeping me is because I can work much faster than most of the older girls."

Just then the car reached Forty-seventh Street and she had to get off. The girls remaining in the car said: "Gee, isn't she lucky not to be laid off?"

Yes, she is "lucky" to get a chance to slave for the bosses to make up for the two that were

laid off. She will have to work "much faster," or she will find that other newer girls will be able to work "much faster" than she.

Only when workers organize into real working class organizations like the Trade Union Unity League and its affiliated industrial unions and leagues, will the workers be able to fight against lay offs and speed up in the shops and factories. Unemployed workers should join the Councils of Unemployed and carry on a struggle against unemployment and misery which the capitalist system is forcing upon the working class. Only thru the united struggle of employed and unemployed will the workers gain better conditions.



Working women crowd N. Y. employment agencies—looking for jobs—only to be turned away.

A Call From The Wife of a Miner Speed-up In Sothern Mill

I am very anxious to call on every working woman and man to vote the Communist ticket this November Election. Why? Because the miners' and farmers' wives are simply on starvation; children have to stop school on account of lack of shoes and clothes. What in the h... is it all about; so many clothes in the world for people and here me and my little children nearly naked and have not sufficient food for our bodies? Why is the world aroused? Is that enough to rouse you, comrade? It has aroused me, months ago.

Vote for the working class candidates and not the boss class any longer. I am willing to work and can't get it. What's wrong? The boss class is dragging us lower and lower and will do so still if we don't stop them, so get your heads together and VOTE COMMUNIST.

Yours,
MINERS' WIFE, Eldorado, Ill.

(By a Worker Correspondent)

I've worked in a lot of mills. I spool or run silk winders, and I know what work is and we don't get the worth of our labor nowhere we work. For the last work I did was in Atco, Georgia, a Goodyear plant. I worked at night and spooled. I worked from six in the evening to six a. m. I only got fifteen minutes to eat ... twelve o'clock. I got twelve cents a box for yarn for 129 bobbins, and I made from fourteen to fifteen dollars a week. I did not leave my work, only when it was necessary.

I was so tired in the morning, I could hardly eat my breakfast and the rest of the spoolers' wages was from nine to twelve, thirteen dollars a week. Remember, I worked real hard; I mean work, too, not play.

Laundry Workers Must Organize

The girls who fold on the mangles are always in a rush. They stand folding sheets, table cloths, towels and aprons. If they don't hurry and finish with the sheets, the boss runs other things on top of them.

The boss bribes some of the girls by raising them a dollar more. Some are working hard for \$8.80 a week (folding), some of the girls have been working here for six months for \$8.80, and some girls who recently came in this factory get \$9.30 a week.

Girls, do you understand what the boss is doing? He is keeping us apart in order that we should not organize.

Girls aren't you tired of working under such conditions in this Independent Towel Supply Co.? Organize into our shop committee and help so that we can get better wages and shorter hours.

We will talk it over with you.

For the Communist Ticket!
For Bread and Work!
For Equal Pay for Equal Work!

An Incident in My Shop

By ESTHER CHERNOFF

One morning I came in to my work in the shop when the rest of the workers were already at their benches, they were so preoccupied that they did not even notice what is going on about them. And no wonder—we are working piece work; this means, rushing from early morning till late at night—not out of pleasure but out of necessity.

I set down to work and turned my head to one of my neighbors who was deeply engrossed in her work. I was terrified at the sight. A Negro boy working in the shop was stretched on the floor fainting. I inquired whether a doctor had been called but nobody answered. The boy was lying in a unconscious condition for about 2 hours until the ambulance came. The doctor declared that he needs rest and he must have medical aid. He was placed on a folding bed in the wash room.

A few hours later he was taken home by one of the workers.

After that incident he wasn't taken back to work. The bosses must have strong, powerful workers and this one has proved unequal to the task.

Yes, the workers need strength but they must use it not for the benefit of the bosses but to win better conditions for themselves as the workers of the Soviet Union have done.

LET US WORKERS OF AMERICA RALLY AROUND THE COMMUNIST PARTY WHICH IS FIGHTING FOR A SOVIET AMERICAN.

Pacific Tel. and Tel. Co. Operators Must Also Be Salesmen

(A story by a telephone operator of the P.T. & T. in San Francisco)

"Our jobs are not easy. We get almost no pay the first three weeks, and are speeded-up on the boards something terrible. At the end of the day, we are nervous and tired, and need rest and recreation. But a spectre haunts us. Not long ago, we received an instruction that by Christmas, each girl must bring in five orders for extension phones; if not, she would be fired. Imagine! After working 8 hours at break-neck speed, we are forced to sell a very unpopular article (who wants an extension phone?) just so we can keep our jobs.

One of the girls brought in 11 new phone subscribers in three months, and the generous Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company gave her a luncheon! She felt very honored. Fellow workers in the P. T. & T.! Wake up! "Luncheon's" are not what we want! We must organize and fight against the exploitation of the P.T.&T.!"

VOTE COMMUNIST

AGITATE IN THE SHOPS!

Join the Communist Party of U.S.A.

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Hail Thirteen Years of Soviet Rule!

The thirteenth anniversary of the victorious Revolution of the Soviet Union takes place at a time of a deep economic crisis throughout the capitalist world. The conditions of the workers in all capitalist countries are becoming worse daily. Starvation, unemployment, evictions, lynching and injunctions are the miserable lot of the American working class in this bosses' country of great wealth.

The army of 8,000,000 unemployed workers is swelling as winter approaches. Women and children are the greatest sufferers. Suicides, deaths due to lack of food and to exposure, jail, is the price the working class pays.

In face of all this misery, the U. S. government and its State and City administrations—Republican, Democratic, Socialist—are throwing the burden of unemployment on the workers. President Hoover, President Green of the American Federation of Labor, Norman Thomas, candidate of the Socialist Party, Walker, Tammany mayor, Murphy, Mayor of Detroit, Independent Republican—all try to fool the workers by their talk of relief. They propose the "Stagger Plan" which means that the employed workers have to share their starvation wages with the unemployed workers. These fake measures aim to hold back the militancy of the workers, to prevent them from struggle under the leadership of the revolutionary Trade Union Unity League and the Communist Party.

While the conditions of the workers in all capitalist countries are becoming worse, the life of the workers in the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics is steadily improving.

The U.S.S.R. is now entering the victorious third year of its 5-year plan. The revolutionary determination and enthusiasm of its working class under the leadership of the Communist Party hastens the building of Socialism in the U. S. S. R. and will complete the 5-year industrialization plan in 4 years.

The working and peasant women in the U. S. S. R. are taking a most active part in the life of the country and are contributing their share towards Socialist construction. Everywhere these workers who were so backward under Czarist rule are stepping forward as a great industrial and political factor. A free and equal comrade-worker under Soviet rule.

It is only under Socialism that women can be free. The working women in the U. S. inspired by the great achievements in the Soviet Union, must follow the lead of their fellow workers in the Soviet Union, must struggle, organize, fight against the bosses and their government for the final overthrow of the capitalist system and establishment of a Workers' and Farmers' government in the U. S.

**LONG LIVE THE SOVIET UNION! HAIL THE 5-YEAR PLAN!
DEFEND THE SOVIET UNION AGAINST ALL OF ITS IMPERIALIST ENEMIES!**

**SUPPORT THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BILL—
VOTE COMMUNIST!**

WOMEN IN THE NEEDLE TRADES

MUST VOTE AS THEY STRIKE!

(By a Dressmaker)

The working women in the needle trades have been amongst the most militant fighters against the bosses and their agents. From the early days of the left wing movement the girls have given their support to the left wing and have been the backbone of every struggle all the time.

In the course of our struggles we have learned that our enemies are not only the bosses, but also their allies — the state officials, the police, the judges, and the socialist company union officials.

As needle trades workers we don't have to hesitate much in giving our answer. The role played by the socialists in our struggles was just as dastardly as that of the democrats and republicans. We can see little difference between them.

Schlesinger, who is now running on the socialist ticket; Dubinsky, another socialist, organized the scabs and sent hired thugs from the underworld to break our strikes. Hillquit prepared injunctions against us and gave the line to the other socialist leaders of how to frame up and imprison the needle trades workers who were fighting for better conditions. The yellow Forward helped these socialists to plan out their conspiracies, and Norman Thomas gave

his blessing to all these black misdeeds of his fellow traitors.

How can we working women in the needle trades who have been the victims of all these vicious attacks, forget about the crimes of the socialist party against us on election day?

Should our experience with the republican, democratic and socialist parties discourage us from taking part in politics? No, by no means! Only we must learn to take part in workers' politics. Our experiences in the past years of bitter struggle have taught us that there is a political Party that has stood by us at all times, that championed our cause in its press, that mobilized its members to assist us in our strikes, that exposed and fought the traitors, the company unions. That party is the Communist.

Every working woman in the needle trades who is sacrificing and building the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union must also give her support to and vote for the Communist Party which has stood by us and is helping us fight our battles for better conditions. The Communist Party is proving to be the champion not only of the needle trades workers, but of all other workers as well. It is the only Party that

WOMEN WORKERS C. P. CANDIDATES

Among the two hundred and fifty candidates already nominated by the Communist Party for congressional, state and other offices in the present election campaign, twenty-six are women workers. These twenty-six women candi-



Rose Wortis

dates are active leaders in struggles of the working class.

We can here give the records of only a few of these Communist women candidates, but their activities and their statements on Why Vote Communist are typical of the other twenty women workers up for election and of the other Communist candidates for other offices.

ROSE WORTIS, candidate for state congress in twelfth election district of New York City, is Director of Women's Work in the New York district. She is a leader in the Trade Union Unity League and was formerly Secretary of the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union.

She states: "Only the Communist Party provides the workers with a program of struggle against wage cuts, long hours and unemployment — only the Communist Party presents a program of relief and insurance of the jobless workers, and fights for working women's demands."

MARIA CORREIA, New Bedford, is candidate on Communist ticket for Lieutenant Governor of Massachusetts. She was a leader in the great New Bedford strike of 1928 and has been active as a support the only party of their

fighter for the textile workers of this important industrial center.

She writes: "As a candidate, I say, 'Down with capitalism! Up with Communism! Vote Communist in the coming elections!'"

ELSIE YONICK, Detroit, candidate, writes to the Working Woman:

"The working women of Detroit must not be fooled by the fake promises of the bosses' candidates. Only by voting Communist will we vote for better conditions for the workers in Detroit and elsewhere. Fight for the Workers Unemployment Insurance Bill. Vote Communist!"

EVA HOFFMAN, Boston, is candidate on the Communist ticket for state treasurer in Massachusetts. In a message to the Working Woman she says:

"Women workers and the wives of the working class do not depend on the fake promises made by the socialist party, which pretends to



Eva Hoffman

represent the interests of the working class. Women workers must class — the Communist Party, which pays special attention to the extreme exploitation and needs of women workers."

SOPHIE MAZEIKA, Cleveland, Communist candidate for county



Marie Correia

coroner, is a working class leader in this middle western industrial center. She declares:

"It is every working woman's duty not only to vote and agitate for the Communist Party ticket, but also to join the left wing unions under the leadership of the Trade Union Unity League. The Communist Party is the only party which fights for the working class and gives it correct leadership."

HARRIET SILVERMAN, of New York, Communist candidate for the state congress in the 14th election district of New York City, has been making an election campaign tour in New York state. Speaking for the Communist program, she declares:

"We Communists do not hesitate to declare that we fight for a Workers and Farmers Government to make exploitation impossible. We call upon the women workers in shops of the United States, on farms, in homes, to join us in the struggle for this aim."

WOMEN WORKERS! VOTE COMMUNIST!

FARMERS WILL VOTE COMMUNIST

By WLLA REEVE BLOOR

Here in the farmland, as we go from farm to farm and talk to the oppressed women, we find that the more class conscious ones look to the Communist Party to lead them out of the wilderness. Dozens of these women have said to me "We expect to lose our home this winter; We cannot pay taxes and interest; There will be no food for our children, what shall we do?" One candidate of the capitalist parties was asked: "What shall we do to save our children from starvation this winter?" He answered, "The county farm will take care of you." This is the answer of the capitalist politicians to the starving farmers and their families.

It's time for the people who are starving to take the situation in their own hands and organize marches of unemployed men, their families, evicted farmers and their families to the "County Farm" in every county. It would be a mighty march resounding throughout the entire country to demand real relief at the expense of the bosses. The next thing to do is to organize our march to the ballot box in every precinct, every district.

Working Women! Go to the polls to roll up a mighty protest against the system of capitalism, that destroys our homes, sacrifices our children and enslaves our boys, our girls—our entire working class. Vote Communist on Election Day this year, November 4th!



German Working Women helped roll up over 4,500,000 Communist vote.

has proven not only in words, but in deeds, that it is fighting in the interests of the unemployed, and has proposed the Unemployment Insurance Bill which means real relief for all the unemployed workers.

Women Workers! You strike for your class. You must also vote for your class. Vote as you strike — for the only Party of the working class, the Communist Party.

For Unemployment Insurance Paid Out of the War Funds and Administered by the Workers and Jobless! Vote Communist Against the Lynch Terror—Against the Injunctions.

Fight Against Imperialist War!—Defend the Soviet Union!

Part Played by Women in the Soviet Government

By MYRA PAGE

Recently I was talking with an American girl who had just returned from the Congress of Red International Labor Unions, which was held recently in the Soviet Union. Her face lit up as she exclaimed:

"What a full and free life the working women have there! No woman anywhere else have anything to compare with it. You have to be there to realize all it means." She leaned forward, "How can I ever describe it to my shop mates so they will see it as clearly as I did?"

Yes, I agreed with her. After one has been there and has seen and heard for herself, and shared in the new life, no words seem vital enough to describe the living reality. Nevertheless, we do the best we can to convey our experiences to those who have not as yet had a chance to go across, for we know how eager all are to hear about the first workers' republic.

A delegation of American working women is to go to the Soviet Union this spring. What great experiences and what a warm welcome await them there!

There is much to tell, but the brief space of this article restricts us to the description of some one aspect. Since we are now in the midst of an election campaign, probably the most interesting aspect to the readers of the Working Woman would be the role of women in the Soviet government—a government which extends over one-sixth of the world's surface, or an area larger than the United States and western Europe put together, with a population of one hundred and fifty million, and more than a hundred different nationalities.

New Opportunities for Women Workers

In every branch of the government and industrial life, as well as in the central committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, there are women holding responsible positions. Elsewhere on this page you see the picture of Saknoveskaya, member of the general staff of the Red Army.

Women workers play their part in governing the Soviet Union mainly through their activities, along with men, in the city and village soviets, and the higher soviet bodies, such as county and provincial soviets, and the highest body, the All-Union Congress of Soviets.

Under the czar, working people had no share in the government, any more than they have here, now, in the United States. But in old Russia, there was not even

any pretense about it. As for women, they were especially ignored and scorned. There was a proverb which expressed it: "A chicken is only a chicken, and a woman is only a woman."

"However, when the workers and peasants threw off their oppressors and set up their own government, they changed all this—just as we shall do here.

The Soviet was the new form of government which they set up. A Soviet, which means council, is composed of men and women who are elected by their fellow workers to represent them. Voting takes place not only on a geographical basis as here, but on an occupational basis. For instance, rail workers of a certain region will hold a meeting and elect their representatives, the local soviet; textile, medical, steel and educational workers will likewise elect theirs. These local soviets elect the higher bodies. In this way, all who labor are represented by men and women from among themselves, who know their problems and wishes first hand.

Also, in this way, representa-

tives are made directly responsible to those they represent. Only those who try to live off the labor of others are prohibited from voting or holding office, but since there are only a small number of these left in the Soviet Union now, almost all of the population—about ninety-eight per cent—is represented in the government.

The First Genuine Democracy

For the first time in the history of the world a genuine democratic form of government has been established, a democracy of the toiling masses.

In order to better realize what this means, picture to yourself the Pittsburgh steel workers and their wives holding shop meetings and electing delegates to the city council of Pittsburgh, and this council of working people governing that great steel center. Then imagine the cotton mill women and men workers of Greenville, S. C. doing the same, and also the miners, farmers, clothing, medical and chemical workers, journalists, and sailors doing the same.

Picture county and state soviets

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Clara Zetkin

Comrade Krupskaya



Krupskaya Greets International Women Workers' Conference

Comrade Krupskaya, who is ill and unable to attend the conference, sent the following greeting:

WARM FRATERNAL GREETINGS TO THE WOMEN WORKERS' FIRST INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE!

At the present moment, when the Fascists are trying their level best to take advantage of the political backwardness of the women workers, in order to dope them still more, do everything in their power to stir up national hatred, the Women Workers' International Conference is of exclusive significance. It has to map out the road how to carry on the work at the enterprises, to link up closely the economic struggle with political, to strengthen among the wide strata of the working masses the feeling of international solidarity of the working class, how to rouse and strengthen the consciousness of the class interests and tasks confronting the working class of the whole world, among the most backward strata of the women workers.

The Conference should help the women workers become real active fighters.

Accept, comrades, my best wishes for the success of the labors of the Conference.

KRUPSKAYA.



Comrade Saknoveskaya, member of General staff of the Red Army, U. S. S. R.



A collector of funds for the Intl. Red Aid in Mongolia

THE WOMAN IN THE SOVIET UNION

By MEILACH EPSTEIN

Her name is Vera. I met her in Gornoe Solnze (Mountain Sun) a sanitarium in Southern Crimea.

Vera comes from the Socialist Soviet Republic of Tajikistan situated on the extreme end of the Soviet Union, bordering on Afghanistan.

Two years ago, she was still wearing the coarse veil that Mohammedan women require to put on when leaving the house.

Vera, like many other women of the Soviet East, passed through many bitter struggles, to cast off this symbol of slavish submission which is the lot of the Oriental woman.

Finally she won the battle. With the casting of the veil, there came a new life. The wall that shut out active life from the women of the Orient, lay battered. Vera seizes upon this new life with its ardent activities. She's now an active member of the Communist Party, a leader among the toiling women of her race, a vice-chairman of the Soviet in Stalinabad (Stalin the Liberator), capital of Tadjistan.

The two years saw a complete transformation in her life. Vera developed. She's now a self-reliant woman, yet modest and comradely. You would hardly detect in her those traits much associated with Oriental women. Only her olive skin face, her thick black hair and her almond eyes show her origin.

In the same sanitarium there was another young woman. Natasha, a textile worker from Ivanovo-Voznesensk, a big textile center. Natasha's father was a peasant who left his meager field to seek a livelihood in the city.

Natasha had grown in a workers' environment. She had been through the fire of the revolution and had been steeled in the civil war. The great revolution released her creative powers. Natasha is now the organizer of women's work in the big factory where thousands of women are working. She is also

a member of the bureau of the Party organization, of the factory committee, besides functioning in other fields.

There were quite a few other women in Gornoe Solnze. They came from all parts of the Soviet Union. They were all on the same footing as the men, living a full life in proletarian activities.

The new woman in the Soviet Union does not need to fight for equality. The principle of equal work and equal pay has been an organic part of Soviet life from the very beginning, not only in factory and office, the Soviet woman shares fully and usually with the man the great work of building Socialism.

It is a common occurrence to meet women who are red directors of factories, heads of higher institutions of learning or even militia chiefs.

The most profound change is beginning to take place in the village. When the Communist Party and the Government started the great program of collectivizing the peasant farms, the kulaks (rich peasants) offered wild resistance. The kulaks and the priests worked chiefly among the peasant women.

Now, at the end of one year of collectivization the peasant woman already begins to see the great improvement in her life.

With the planned and organized collective field work, came a planned and organized feed station, communal kitchen, nursery, etc.

The Soviet woman enters the 14th year of the great Socialist revolution with the resolute spirit, enthusiasm and determination to fulfil the Five Year Plan in four years.

Under the leadership of the Communist Party the working masses, men and women, are struggling heroically and successfully for the complete realization of socialism in the Soviet Union.



Harbor Drift A Sovkino Production

Russia looks upon moving pictures as a powerful weapon of working class culture. All of her productions are characterized by the seriousness and sincerity of its social message, and timeliness and reality in its artistic background.

will you rise from your misery. Only then will you face the victorious future of working class justice."

And it offers this teaching in the form of a story of a hopeless attempt of a worker to escape the difficulties of his class. The story is remarkable in itself. Its characters are not ladies of leisure in Fifth Avenue tearooms, or handsome gentlemen with Rolls Royces and Chinese valets.

Let every worker see this picture! Let him know that when he is caught in the inevitable trap of capitalism, he can not become free by hurling himself blindly against a stone wall!

Valentine V. Konin.



Chairman of a Soviet, and member of Executive court of a collective farm.

A TRIP THROUGH THE SOVIET UNION

By ANNA CORNBLEATH Delegate 5th R.I.L.U. Congress

The delegates attending the first world congress of the Red International of Labor Unions, were invited by the All-Russian Central Soviet Trade Unions to take trips through the USSR and see for themselves the actual conditions of the workers in the Soviet Union and how they carry out the Five Year Plan.

At every station we came, we found hundreds of workers with their red banners and bands of music to greet us. In one of the cities we arrived at 5 a. m. but the workers were there waiting for us.

After being fed, we would be taken to see their factories. How proud these workers are to have been able to build up such huge plants (with 14,000 workers and in some places 23,000 workers on the job). Their chief complaint is that they are short of skilled labor. In every factory we found what they call "praktikants" who are being trained to carry on the work. These "praktikants" are boys and girls of 18 years of age who work 4 hours a day and go to school 4 hours where they get the technical training in the particular work they are trying to learn.

The factory committee, elected from the workers of the particular plant invite us to the office and give all information requested, such as hours, wages, cost of production, etc. Then we go into the factory and have a meeting with the workers, bring them greetings from the workers of various countries; they answer and finish up with the slogan that they will complete the Five Year Plan in four years, and they request that the delegates of the Profintern (Red International of Labor Unions) should go back and organize the workers and fight against the capitalist attack on the Soviet Union.

After the general meeting, we are taken through the various departments of the plant and stop to talk to the workers, ask them questions about their conditions. They smile and tell us how they are having socialist competition between each department. Each department has a Black Board which shows the percentage of the plan carried out by the department.

Then they take us through the dining room, library, reading room, meeting room, etc., etc. Practically every factory issues its own paper, with stories written by the workers from that factory. In

What the Pioneers Do in the Five-Year Plan

It was a clear day. The city of Kharkov is alive. The hour is 6 a. m. The workers are leaving their homes to work in the factories. They are not tired looking. Their faces have a hopeful expression as they walk towards the big tractor factory. Another day of work... a step nearer the Five Year Plan! A stride closer to the Building of Socialism.

Young workers on their way to work are reading the press and heatedly discussing the problems of the Soviet Union. The doors of the factory open. The machines start moving. They seem to deliver a message to the workers as they move. "The five year plan in four" is the power by which they produce. The lips of the workers answer: "We must catch up and beat capitalism!" The whole Soviet Union, its youth, women, and children, are working steadily, forcefully, towards one aim and that is the Building of Socialism.

It is 11 a. m. Mitja and Vanya are on their way to a Pioneer meet-

Lenin's Children

By MARTHA

the last meeting of the Pioneers. At that meeting every comrade was assigned to certain work. Today, we are going to check up and see if every comrade did his Pioneer duty. We have a big job in front of us. We, workers' children, must help our Government in building up Socialism and the Five Year Plan. This is what we must discuss today. How can we help in the Five Year Plan? What comrade wants the floor?"

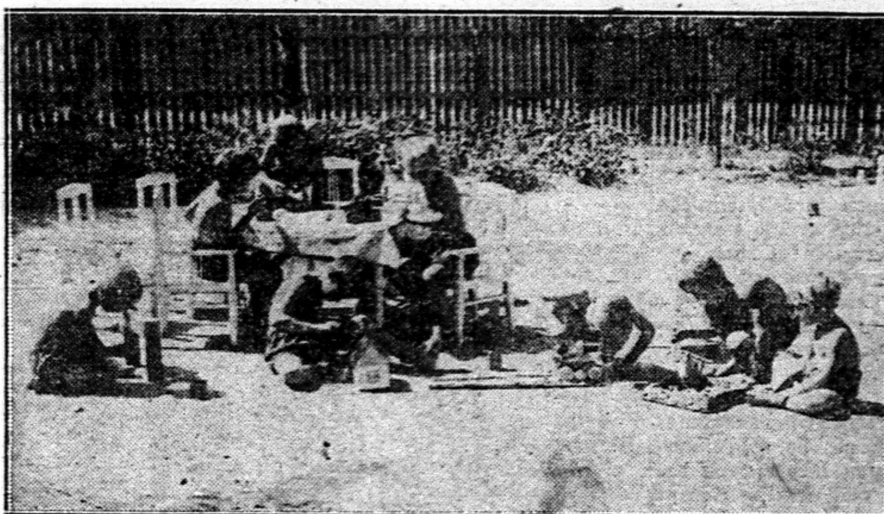
There is silence. No one wants to speak. Suddenly one Pioneer calls out, "Say Vanya, don't talk to yourself. We all want to hear. What's on your mind?"

Vanya rises, blushing, and says: "Pioneers, I want to read to you today, the socialist competition that I drew up with my father and mother." He reads slowly.

"My father promises to go to work every day, not to drink, and join the shock brigade in the factory. My mother promises to keep the house clean and to become an active Communist. I promise to

fore the Young Pioneers. He knows that the Pioneers do not like to see a worker who is not helping in the Five Year Plan. The Pioneers are quiet. They feel that something important is going to happen. They all lean forward. The worker speaks: "Little comrades, I come to your meeting and ask that my name be stricken off the list of deserters. I realize that I am harming the Soviet Union and the work of my factory. I have been drinking for years. Under the czarist rule, I used to drink often to help me forget the bad conditions of myself and family. But under the workers' Government, workers should not drink. I must rid myself of this bad habit. The Pioneers who are attached to the Hammer and Sickle factory have helped me to see my mistake. I suggest that you take my name off the list."

He sits down. The chairman and Pioneers look thoughtfully from one to the other. A motion is made that his name should be taken off. It is carried. Then one Pioneer rises: "This is good work



Children of Women Workers in the Soviet Union cared for while mothers are at work.

ing. Some burning questions must be solved at this meeting. They are in an awful hurry. They discuss the work of their group as they go along. First they walk swiftly towards the meeting, and then they start to run fast, hardly waiting until they get there. They enter the meeting room. Pioneers are already gathered, playing, writing, waiting for the Pioneer meeting to get started.

Sonya, the Pioneer leader, enters the room. She is a "Komsomol" (Young Communist League member). She is greeted enthusiastically by the Pioneers. The Pioneers like her because she helps them, shows them the way, and takes part in all their work. The meeting comes to order. Mitja is the chairman. Her cheeks grow red as she opens the meeting. Her black eyes become darker as she says: "Well, let's get started. This meeting must be disciplined!"

In a few moments all is quiet. Mitja speaks. Her voice is clear and everyone listens carefully.

"Comrades, it is four weeks since

these shop papers (edited by the workers of that factory) they discuss their shortcomings in carrying out the plan of work assigned to them. They have constructive criticism so that mistakes committed by any of the individuals should not be repeated.

In the evening, the trade unions arranged a meeting in the home of the unions called "Palace of Labor" and certainly it's a palace. The workers are listening eagerly to the reports of the delegation about the conditions of the workers in the capitalist countries. They are ready to support the proletariat of the world in their attempts to overthrow the rotten capitalist system.

go to school daily, do my homework and to teach my mother how to read and write."

He sits down. All Pioneers cheer and applaud. "Hurrah for Vanya! Vanya is a real Pioneer! Don't forget to come to school tomorrow! Have you an alarm clock in your house?" Vanya's declaration is accepted by all of the Pioneers. He does not mind their teasing.

Another Pioneer asks for the floor. "Comrades, last week our Pioneer group that is attached to the Hammer and Sickle factory discovered that some workers got drunk and stayed away from work. We visited their homes and then we went to the factory and put their names on the bulletin board. We wrote in big letters: "Shame on the deserters!"

"Now, one of the workers came to the meeting with me. He has something to say to the comrades. Let him speak." A worker of 37 rises. He feels embarrassed be-

that the comrades are doing in the Hammer and Sickle factory.

"I now propose that we hold a demonstration in front of the factory against drinking. Let us go there tomorrow during dinner time." All comrades accept this enthusiastically. Vany rises:

"Comrade Pioneers, I think this comrade who spoke here today, should speak at our demonstration and—" He can speak no longer. The loud response of the Pioneers to this suggestion drowns out his voice. The worker is happy again. He feels that now he is "one of them" again. He leaves the meeting of the Pioneers murmuring: "They are the hope of the Soviet Union! The little devils!"

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We Must Vote for Our Party

By FRED A TIMIANSKY

The bosses and their politicians talk about unemployment, but it is mere talk intended to mislead the workers. They are well fed and unable to understand the conditions of the hungry workers. The army of unemployed is increasing daily. Workers are suffering in dire need.

The wife of the unemployed worker lives a life of agony. Her home is empty, cold, and nothing to feed the children. The cold winter is approaching with little promise of relief. Her husband leaves early every morning and returns without a ray of hope. The working class housewife suffers in

silence. What can she do? Her husband is nervous and in despair. The situation in our homes grows worse from day to day. She dreads the beginning of the month, when rent has to be paid. Anything of value has been pawned, but the politicians in charge of the city fill their pockets with millions of graft and pay no attention to the great suffering of the unemployed.

We, the working women, realize who the capitalist politicians are, and whom they represent. We workers, men and women alike, must unite the ranks, give our support and cast our votes under the emblem of the Hammer and Sickle for the candidates of the Communist Party.

Revolutionary Greetings to the Soviet Union on the Occasion of the THIRTEENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE U.S.S.R. November Seventh, Nineteen-Thirty

We send Revolutionary Greetings to the peasants and workers of the Soviet Union upon the 13th Anniversary of the revolution, and the success of the Five Year Plan in the building up of Socialism in the U. S. S. R. Today, the world over, toiling masses are marching in revolutionary offensive against the bosses and their governments. In the United States, important tasks lie before us. We must organize the unemployed workers for unemployment insurance. We must organize the millions of unorganized workers into the revolutionary unions to strike and fight against wage-cuts. We must fight under the Red Banner of the Communist Party to defeat the imperialist war preparations against the Soviet Union. We, the working women and wives of workers, in solidarity with all workers, pledge to intensify our activities, to win large masses of toiling women into the ranks of the revolutionary proletariat. This is our message to the workers in the ranks of the revolutionary proletariat. This is our message to the workers in the Soviet Union upon this historic occasion.

Revolutionary Greetings of Solidarity
Hail the Five-Year Plan!
Workers of Morris Brenn
119 West 24th St., New York

Lithuanian Working Women's Alliance, Branch 66
Los Angeles, Cal.
B. Busch J. Marcus
J. Savis B. Peculienė
O. Levaniene M. Sireikiene
J. Baksis

Greetings to the Soviet Union
Finnish Working Women's Club
Ilwaco, Wash.

Success to the Five-Year Plan
From a Group of Workers of
Brookston, Minn.
Ellen Hill Maisjaosto
Jack A. Huhti Martha Alanen

Long Live the Soviet Union!
Workers from New York Mills,
Minnesota
Sander Marie and
Porkkonen Nick Latvola
Lima Vaipionyina Emilio Lind
Rudolph Hayn Jack Valniomya
Eino Frankie James Keter
Fred Wapioja Hazel Kawonen
Erkki Niemela A. N. Koskela
Effer Perme A. I. Faine
Hatri Kukkonen Matt Watoaner
Elise Kikhanen Rex Backman
Wm. Haataja Matt Niva
Jacob John Widell
Kolchmainen Chas. Maki
Otto Wallin

LITHUANIAN WORKING WOMEN'S ALLIANCE
GROUP 28
BALTIMORE, MD.

Finnish Working Women's Club
Taft, Oregon

Greetings from Workers of
Irvin River, Wis.
Ida Nikula Minean Motor Co.
Ellen Maki Falum Givetyway
Agda Panula O. K. Halela
Emilia Winttari John Hendrickson
Ethusen Matt Leppala
Emilia Kivith Paul Kanarawen
Vielos Mofkka H. J. Fitzpatrick
Henry Hill Ada Lepisto
Ida Kamerrain

We Greet the U. S. S. R.
Br. 29 Lithuanian Working
Women's Alliance of America

Revolutionary Greetings
Scotia Working Woman's Club
Scotia, N. Y.

RUSSIAN WOMEN'S PROGRESSIVE CLUB
Hamtramck, Mich.

Hail the Five-Year Plan!
Workers of Los Angeles, Cal.
Goodman Linn
Milder N. Royal

Lithuanian Working Women's Alliance of America
Branch No. 2, Worcester, Mass.
CHAS. KISELIS
Racine, Wis.

Finnish Working Women's Club
Portland, Oregon
Milka Kalpalnen Tilda Korhonen
Fannie Trakson Katri Saarinen
Hilma Nikkinen Oscar Lammi
Ruth Nikkinen Hilmo Tosanan
Alga A. Laine Amanda Wesa
Henry J. Routtie John Torkko
Lizzie Hamlin Nels Latvala
Tyyne Lewis Lila Saari
Maria Routtie A. W. Peterson

FINNISH WORKING WOMEN'S CLUB
Kelso-Longview, Wash.
Oregon-Washington Working Women's Federation

Lithuanian Working Women's Alliance, Branch 12
Waterbury, Conn.
Lithuanian Working Women's Alliance, Branch 111
East New York, N. Y.
Lithuanian Working Women's Alliance, Branch 64
Great Neck, N. Y.
Finnish Women's Club
District Illinois
Finnish Women's Section
Virginia, Minn.
Walter Park
Mrs. A. Wvallet
Mrs. J. Kujala
Revolutionary Greetings from a Comrade

Revolutionary Greetings from Finnish Working Women's Club
Duluth, Minn.
H. Helin Helen Ahonen
Mrs. A. Suamela Eva Niemi
Ed Prikkeus Minnie Karlin
Matt Remula Lilina Koski
Elizabeth Hilberg T. Kraki
Eino Hisvonen Lempi Heino
A. Malinen Mrs. R. McCubbin
Lillian Mattila Myrtle An Paoll
Mary Kevioja Mrs. P. Virta
Lillian Rivers Mary Ojala
R. Anki Kaisa Rasanen
J. Haikka Alice Murry
Lina Kimisisto Elli Miller
Dr. Ida M. Jurva A. Kytola
M. Ketola

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ets built up on this plan, and then a national Soviet, composed of representatives of all different occupational groups. This will yet come to pass in the United States, and when it does, we will have established a government similar to the one the Russian workers and peasants have already built up.

HAIL THE BUILDING OF SOCIALISM IN USSR!
Workers of M. Sobelman
Dre. Shop
347 West 36th Street
New York
Greetings of Solidarity from Workers of Frederick, S. D.
Ben Pesio John Bay
Emil Nina Sulo Rauma
Art Bay Oscar Luttio
Jack Harju Herman Kirkman
Eino Forsty Ellina Foresty
Andy Bay Julia Niva
Toivo Raumo Mamie Bay
Revolutionary Greetings!
United Councils of Working Class Women
New York
Greetings from Owen, Wis.
Ihego Sandohans H. Malen
S. Warjanen Harvey Wilkaman
Kalle Frumaki Teive Kerpela
Gertrude Leine Isaac Jekinson
Matti Gyusti Wilma Iiaki
Elis Guannirem John Nekula
H. Seine Suri Anderson
Greetings from Comrades of Lakewood, Minn.
Evi. Into and V. Riihinen and
K. A. Suvanto Family
Beck Family Jean Graham
Ida Roski Paul Womuale
Henry S. Pederson Joe Pollin
Martilla and Ailie Johnson
Family Tyyne Kangas
Irma Martin Victor Sola
Selma Kantola Sylvia Waris
and Family Mae Matiskein
David and Ellen Rautio
Tyne Helno W. Soini
Sakari E. W. Bjorkland
Kankaonpai Hilja Pesonen
Leo Mattson Henny Trast
H. E. Rydell

WOMEN'S TRADE UNION LEAGUE CONFERENCE HELPS BOSSES

The defunct Women's Trade Union League, instrument of the A. F. of L. for the organization of working women in this country, has once more met in its annual Pink Tea Party Conference at the Mt. Ivy Holiday's School, at a safe distance from women workers with their troublesome problems of wage-cuts, unemployment and starvation.

The League, under the leadership of the yellow socialist Rose Schneiderman, gathered to listen to the learned discourses of bourgeois college professors and philosophy about unemployment.

The 7th Annual Conference shows clearly the degeneration of the League and its betrayal of the struggles of the working women for better conditions.

Miss Perkins of the New York State Labor Department, in her speech at the conference carefully avoided any reference to the unemployment situation with which she is so familiar. Speaking of the conditions in the canneries she urged cooperation with the employers as the only means of improving conditions of the workers.

"We must take the employers into our confidence," counselled Miss Perkins. "The chief reason for child labor," further said the lady, "is due to the fact that parents lie about the age of their children and thus mislead the well-meaning employers." These remarks called forth great enthusiasm from Rose Schneiderman who told the conference how hard the League was trying to keep Miss Perkins in office and what wonderful work she was doing for the "working girls."

More than 10 million working women and millions of housewives are slaving under the most un-

bearable conditions, working 50-60 and 70 hours a week, night work, in dirty unsanitary sweat shops, under a terrific speed-up system, wage cuts. The report of the N. Y. State Labor Department shows that 45% of the women in industry earn about \$10 a week for a 10-12 hours day and 35% earn \$14.

This conference, just as the convention of the A. F. of L., must convince the working women that the only solution of their problems lies with the militant trade union movement, under the leadership of the Trade Union Unity League.

Working women are beginning to realize that the Trade Union Unity League has a fighting program which aims to bring real improvements to the working women—the 7 hour day, 5 day week, equal pay for equal work, no night work, maternity insurance, unemployment relief, etc.

Every struggle of the working women for better conditions in recent years has been inspired and led by the revolutionary trade unions. The working women of the organized trade unions must get together with the working women of the unorganized shops and factories, form united front committees of struggle under the leadership of the Trade Union Unity League—the organization that unites all workers, men and women, in a struggle for better conditions, for unemployment insurance, and all other demands of the working class.

Revolutionary Greetings
Rose Spector Bessie Hoffman
Jenny Cheskie Mary Jansen
Edith Nurmberg

Women Workers Presidents of Soviets
Working women have been actively engaged in the life of the Soviets from the very beginning, and every year finds fresh thousands being drawn into political life, serving as delegates to the local soviets, working on committees, going as representatives to the district and national soviet congresses.

Of course, up to the present, women as a group have been less active than the men in political matters. The special handicaps under which women toilers have labored, such as greater illiteracy, and the double burdens of housework and care of children, as well as toil in the factory or field, have been severe. Nevertheless, Lenin and the Communist Party have been determined to remove these obstacles and to arouse the women to greater activity.

How well this task is being accomplished is revealed by these facts: In 1927 there were something less than two hundred thousand women serving as delegates to the soviets. In 1930 there are more than three hundred thousand women delegates, and another three hundred thousand are active on committees appointed by the soviets to carry through its community work.

In Leningrad alone there are 1,469 working women serving in the soviet, or city council. More than eight hundred soviets have women presidents. Even in the republics of the far east, where for hundreds of years women have had to live behind the veil, they are overcoming these old traditions and taking their place in soviet life. This often involves big sacrifice on their part, but once

awakened, the women let nothing stop their onward march. In the Communist Party, which is composed of the most devoted and able workers and peasants, and is the directing and motivating power in the government, there are over one quarter of a million of women alone.

In the work of the soviets, women have been especially interested and active in the work relating to the welfare of the coming generation, in social measures which will free working women and peasant women from the burdens of house work. The development of housing, community kitchens, day nurseries, free medical and health clinics, the building of socialist towns, and the extension and improvement of the schools are some of the activities which women have been pushing. Also, they have sponsored such legislation as that which insures a woman two months' vacation with pay before and after child birth, as well as free medical attention and a layette for the child.

In addition, women soviet members have participated in all the other governmental work to meet the cultural needs and raise the standard of living of the toiling millions of the population.

BUILD THE WORKING WOMAN

NEWS IN BRIEF

Besides the conflicts between British and American Imperialism in South America, the following war moves take place on the European continent.

Germany invited Britain, Italy and the U. S. to act as official observers to her autumn war maneuvers. France feels "insulted" because she as well as Poland and Belgium were left out.

Not to be outdone in the "insulting" game France is busy on two fronts with war maneuvers. 50,000 French troops were laid in a sham invasion of Germany in Lorraine on the edge of the Saar basin. 55,000 French troops mobilized in the Maurienne Alps on the Italian frontier "defending" France against Italy.

Fascist imperialist Italy is also keen on "insulting" neighboring imperialist nations. Having just finished war maneuvers near the French border 20,000 troops including Fascist militia are massed watchfully waiting for any eventualities.

On top of all this the League of Nations is drafting a resolution which looks forward to taxing all member countries with the purpose of supplying finances and war materials to the League of Nations. This resolution has only one meaning that is that the weaker nations surrounding the Soviet Union are to be financed for an attack on the Soviet Union.

In the United States the working men and women must roll up a tremendous Communist vote on November 5th—election day. A huge Communist vote will make possible an effective struggle against unemployment, wage-cuts, speed-up, and for immediate relief set forth in demands of the Workers Unemployment Insurance Bill.

INTERNATIONAL STRUGGLE

GREAT SOVIET EASTERN FLIGHT

Three Soviet airplanes have completed a remarkable flight. They flew from Moscow to Kabul, the capital of Afghanistan, via Angora and Teheran, covering over 6,000 miles in two weeks; and recently they arrived back in Moscow, being enthusiastically greeted.

A Soviet scientific expedition is visiting South Africa for the collection of plants necessary for the production of raw material for Soviet industry.

19 COMMUNISTS SENTENCED

The trial of 22 Hungarian Communists by the Budapest Law Courts, has ended in the sentencing of the chief accused, Stefan Sebes, to three years' and two months' hard labor. Two others, Kemes and Rosza, were sentenced to three years, twelve others to terms between two years, two months and four years, four to between eight days and two months and three were acquitted.

RED VOTES DOUBLED

PRAGUE — In the shop council elections in the Vitkovitz iron foundry, the second largest industrial undertaking in Czechoslovakia, the revolutionary list received 3,505 votes, as against 1,638 at the last elections. The Czech Social-Democrats have lost 15 per cent of their votes and two seats. The Fascists also lost a seat.—Inprecorr.



HOW TO LIVE TODAY

By DR. A. LONE

This will be a series of practical articles, especially written for our paper, on how the intelligent, enlightened, class conscious working woman and her family, particularly her children, should live in these pre-revolutionary days, so as to be as healthy, as free from all distracting and weakening superstitions and as ready to fight for the liberation of her class, as it is possible today.

The working woman and the wife of the working man are not only industrial toilers, but women are as well. They have their natural functions to perform; they must follow their inborn instincts.

In addition to such functions as breathing, blood circulation, digestion, work of the nervous system, thinking, locomotion, elimination, woman also has child bearing and nursing in her life program. Indifferently whether she fulfills the latter duties or not, the organs created for their purpose distinguish her existence thoroughly from that of her mate and make it possible for her to suffer from more diseases than he is heir to.

Therefore, in order to be safe, she needs even more protection than the male worker. Does she get it?

In Soviet Russia the woman worker has not only been officially elevated to a social and economic equality with her masculine partner, but her special feminine needs, conditions and problems have been considered with great care and with much respect for her personality as a mother or potential mother.

If she is sufficiently enlightened and demands methods for the limitation of her offspring, they are given to her.

Pregnancy, at its very beginning, is not considered so sacred as to ruin the life and the plans of a young family and, wherever good and reasonable grounds are offered, it is interrupted in a healthy, harmless, scientific, frank, clean, legal manner. What a difference from the hypocritical, so-called moral, sense to interfere, in the capitalist countries, where everybody knows that illegal operations, secretly done by all kinds of money grabbing quacks, or by the desperate mother herself, under incorrect and often dangerous circumstances, are being performed in all families, frequently with horrible results!

If the child is desired, the mother

is taken care of during the most critical period of her pregnancy, during her child birth and a reasonable length of time afterward. The child itself is under the shielding wings of expert nurses and educators while the mother must work.

In this country, on the contrary, where the masters brag so much about liberty, all that is done is to give the workers, whether men or women, the right and the freedom to worry, to suffer, to die. Who cares about the socially disinherited?

Therefore, it is necessary that working women should become enlightened and educated as to their needs, and organize powerfully in order not only to improve their condition immediately, but also, and together with the working men, to overthrow this system built upon lies, injustice, robbery, inhumanity and cruelty.

Her first weapon must be solidarity — solidarity with others who have the same interests. Her second weapon should be enlightenment, clearness. She must tear the age-old cobweb of ignorance and misinformation that surrounds her and that has been fostered upon her, not only by ancient, hereditary, blind forces from a dark and remote past, but also by a well-planned, cunning schooling in her own childhood.

Education, the right kind, the one that teaches her to see her proletarian interests, means a shaking off of her chains and opening her eyes.

One of the first things the modern working woman must see is that her body does not belong to her enemy, the capitalist interests. She must reclaim it and make it her own. She has to create a new, proletarian morality, and follow it in spite of all church or bourgeois literature, and preaching.

It is in the light of these general principles that I wish to treat in the subsequent issues the subject of how to live today.

Editor's Note: Articles by Dr. A. Lone will appear regularly in the Working Woman. All women workers, wives of workers, are invited to write and discuss their problems pertaining to hygiene and health, in connection with the general problems of the working class, which Dr. A. Lone will enlighten them on.

With The Drive!

The drive of The Working Woman for 1000 new subscribers, a \$2,000 fund, and 25 women workers' correspondence circles, has been extended through December. This gives the districts which have been asleep a chance to wake up and hustle the drive into action.

Many Districts Behind in Quotas Given

Frankly we have not reached our quota which is a very modest one and which the class conscious working women of America should have exceeded. In the next issue of The Working Woman we will give a report of just what each district has done in the drive. This gives the comrades in the Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Minneapolis, and other districts, time to get to work and prove they are not undestimating an important section of the working class—the women workers. It gives them an opportunity to prove with results that they can reach and draw every class conscious woman of the working class into organized struggle.

One comrade in Chicago, Hilja Frilund, secured 31 subscribers for The Working Woman. She wrote saying that the woman workers responded quickly to the call of The Working Woman, and that most of the subscriptions were secured in one day.

Many individual comrades, among them Ellen Heino, Impi Wesman, Elsie English, have sent in from 10 to 20 subscriptions, and have told us that everywhere the woman workers express the opinion that The Working Woman must be built because it has become a necessary instrument in the class struggle and the organization of the working class.

Our paper reaches the working woman in the shops, factories,

mills, the housewives of the native and foreign born workers, the farmers wives. We must be on the job and reach additional thousands of these categories of women workers.

New York District Leads in Drive

The New York district is leading in the drive. The comrades in New York are on the job getting subscriptions and money. New York is also the first district to organize a Women Workers' Correspondence Circle. On Saturday, November 22, at 1 p. m., the first meeting of the Women Workers' Correspondence Circle is being held.

Other districts should communicate with the editorial staff of The Working Woman, set a date for the first meeting of their Women Workers' Correspondence Circle, and invite one of the editorial staff to be present.

Where Is Your Support

Don't forget our tasks in this drive.

- 1,000 subscribers.
- Collections—use your list—We need a \$2,000 fund.
- 25 Women Workers' Correspondence Circles.
- Sell The Working Woman at all meetings of unions, fraternal organizations, sympathetic workers' organizations.
- Sell The Working Woman in front of factories where many women are employed.
- Secure advertisements for The Working Woman.
- Hold an affair.

If you have any good suggestions as to how to build our paper and boost the drive, let us know and we will spread them around.

We depend on the reader of The Working Woman, and all Communist Party members to build our paper.

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