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SHALL LABOUR PARTY CUT WAGES?

The miners have been starving for three months in their great struggle against the concerted attempt of the coal-owner to rence wages.

All Communists, Socialists and Labourists ring mite in applauding the miners for their heroic

oies, The attack on the miners, we, and they, all ked agree, is not an isolated blow; it is part of a reneral concerted movement-something that all sections of the working-class, from he most moderate to the extreme, must stand ht: together to resist. Even the honest bourgeois lose reformists agree with that, and send donations the fund for the miners' children.

labourists, Socialists, Communists, helping Employers to cut wages.

But yet we find one section of Labourists, Socialists, Communists, which has gone over to the employers' side, and is helping them in their attack on the worker's wage, on the working-class standard of living.

That is an extraordinary statement to make, but, unfortunately, it is a true one.

The Labourists, Socialists, and Communists, who are taking part in the great attack of the employing classes upon the workers' livelihood are the elected Labour, Socialist, and Communist members of local governing bodies which have assented to reductions in the wages paid by those bodies to workers in all sorts of industries and to the reductions in the scale of relief given to the poor people who come before the Boards of Guardians.

Let us consider a case in point.

On the Poplar Board of Guardians there are 18 Labour, 2 Liberal, 1 Independent, and 3 onservative members.

The Labour Party has therefore a great ajority on the Board, and amongst the Labour embers, at least two are members of the Comunist Party of Great Britain: A. A. Watts, member of the Communist Party Executive, and Edgar Lansbury, son of the Editor of the Daily Herald.

On June 22nd, at a Board Meeting of the oplar Guardians, a report was presented from the sub-committee, signed by Comrade A. A. Watts, the Chairman, recommending that relief to the poor (with the exception of widows and aged persons) be reduced by 10 per cent.

This recommendation was agreed to without word of opposition.

Labour and Communist Guardians reduce Wages.

The General Purposes Committee, of which Mr. A. R. Adams, Independent,* is Chairman, further reported :-

Your Committee find that a further reduction of 1d. per hour is due in the wages of labourers employed in the building trades from the 1st July. We therefore recommend that the following reductions be made:-

POPLAR Institution. - J. Harnwell, Painter's Labourer, from £4 4s. 4d. to £4 0s 8d. per week ; E. Gunn, Bricklayer's Labourer, from £4 4s. 4d. to £4 Os. 8d. per week; J. Priest, Labourer, from £4 4s. 4d. to £4 Os. 8d. per week.

SCHOOLS .- T. Harre, Painter's Labourer, from £3 14s. 5d. to £3 10s. 9d. per week; E. Gill, Painter's Labourer, from



"PULL TOGETHER." "MY GOD! WHAT A NATION OF HEROES WE

£3 14s. 5d. to £3 10s. 9d. per week; W. Bradley, Painter's Labourer, from £3 14s. 5d. to £3 10s. 9d. per week.

LANGLEY HOUSE .- C. Harper, General Assistant, from £4 4s. 4d. to £4 0s. 8d. per week.

NORTH STREET OFFICES .- J. Hill, Labourer, from £4 4s. 4d. to £4 0s. 8d. per week.

This recommendation also was approved without opposition from any quarter.

Wages of Woman Sewing Machinists Reduced. Further reductions followed quickly, with

general bored murmurs of assent. That the wages of F. Carey and A. Shepherd, Machinists, be reduced to 43s. per week, i.e., 48 hours at 103d. per hour, that

being the present rate of wages fixed by the Dressmaking and Women's Light Clothing Board.

Bakers' Wages Reduced.

Your Committee have considered a letter of the Amalgamated Union of Operative Bakers forwarding a revised scale of wages for the bakery trades dependent on the index figure of the cost of living, which came into operation on the 1st Saturday in April. The cost of living index figure for the 1st May was 128, and until the index figure falls below 120, the wages payable are as follows :-

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	Less than	4 and less
	4	than 6
	employed.	employed.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
oreman-per week	3 18 0	4 2 0
econd Hands-per week	3 12 0	3 16 0

We have instructed the master to reduce the wages of the following officers on Saturday next, the 18th inst., accordingly, viz.:

Less than 4 employed.

£ s. d. W. Batchelor, foreman baker T. Wiley, assistant baker ... 3 12

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4 to 6 employed.

W. Batchelor, foreman baker T. Wiley, assistant baker ... 4.3 0 3 16 0

Then followed the recommendation:-

"1. That our action be approved and confirmed, and that the wages of the above-mentioned officers be further reduced by 2/6 per week each for every fall of 10 points in the cost of living index figures below 120.

"2. That wages of all temporary employees be reduced in accordance with the foregoing scale."

"I am not Opposing the Reduction," says Edgar Lansbury.

Comrade Edgar Lansbury rose slowly to his feet, perhaps he remembered the Daily Herald headlines.

"I'm not opposing the reduction," he asid. We've already agreed to it, but I don't like us pledging ourselves to do it in the future. There's a movement going on all over the country to stop these reductions of wages down to the pre-war, it may go below the pre-war level. That movement may get stronger. We oughtn't to bind ourselves in advance."

Comrade Lansbury should guard against laying himself open to the imputation that he is content to wait to act in support of that movement till it strong enough to act for itself.

Mr. Boddely, the crusted Tory, ingratiatingly remarked that these reductions in wages were in accordance with the agreements made with the Trade Unions.

Councillor Charlie Sumner, Chairman of the Board and a burly Trade Unionist and Labour man, long admired in Poplar for his genial classconsciousness, interposed blandly:

"Yes, but d'you see, the baking trade has always been a terribly sweated trade, and it isn't to say that we should join in, just because everyone else is coming down on them."

But in spite of these words, Councillor Sumner did not oppose the present decrease.

It was agreed, with the complete assent of the Liberals and the Tories, that Comrade Lansbury's suggestion, to leave the future to take care of itself, resting content with the present wages cut in respect of these particular men, and waiting till the cost of living fell to cut at them again. This was effected by deleting the passage following "confirmed." On Comrade Edgar Lansbury's motion it was further agreed to insert the words "in the bakehouse" after the words 'temporary employees," so that if any other kind of temporary employees were to have their wages reduced, the Board would hear of it. This, of course, was locking the stable door after the horse was stolen for the

* As the Poplar Labour Party has an absolute majority, why does it allow an Independent to monopolise one of the Chairmanships?

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Guardians, at that meeting, to say nothing of be able to sleep in a "common lodging house." others, had reduced the wages of painter's He appeared before the Guardians and asked relabourers, bricklayer's labourers, labourers, lief to enable him to survive till he could get general assistants and machinists, as well as work. those of bakers.

whose wages the Board decided to reduce to house would ask for relief. £2 3s. a week, the rate is that fixed by the In the past of long ago, the Poplar Labour living has fallen.

the Daily Herald, now that it finds itself in a majority, reducing the wages of Board of Guardian employees in sweated trades.

One may have some sympathy with the struggling private employer without much capital, who reduces the wages of his employees in these hard times, because all his big competitors are doing it, and he cannot keep out of the Bankruptcy Court unless he follows their example. Such a man is a victim of the capitalist system. We want to abolish him as an employer, but we know he cannot stand against the

Stand By Your Principles or Resign!

The case of the elected members of a public body is an entirely different one. These are not poor employers with little capital, struggling with overwhelming odds to make ends meet and to hold their own with their competitors. They are public representatives who have been elected to vindicate and to put into practice definite principles.

It is their duty to act in accordance with those principles, or to resign their seats and their

It is neither logical nor honest to declaim on platforms against wages cuts and then to proceed to cut down wages when one finds oneself in the employer's shoes, as a member of a local governing body.

To those Trade Unionist members of local Boards and Councils who protest that in some cases for instance, that of the bakers, the Trade Union has agreed to a reduction in the rates, and that they, as Labour Representatives, did not pledge themselves to do more than advocate Trade Union rates for Municipal employees; we reply that such a defence is both cynical and narrow. Even the private employer, who is a crusted Tory or Liberal, is sometimes found to pay more than the Trade Union rate to efficient workers; he finds it advantageous to do so. The Trade Unions have only agreed to the reductions in wages because they have been forced to. They would have resisted if they could. Surely it is for the Trade Union representatives on the public bodies to fight to maintain the standard even though the Unions may have been forced to recede from it?

As to the Out-relief, there can be no pretence that this is a question of adherence to a Trade Union standard.

As to the Wages Board rates; these are admittedly lower than the workers would tolerate where there has been a colourable contention low a level to speed up Labour Guardians! that the workers were too weak to fight for their own interests. When Wages Boards were under discussion, the opponents of the scheme contended that the minimum rates fixed by the Boards would tend to become the maximum. Evidently the Poplar Board of Guardians is content that this should be so.

The root of the trouble appears to be that the Labour Representatives regard the public bedies as business concerns of which they have been given the stewardship, to administer efficiently and economically.

Hence we find the following case occuring in Poplar:

Refusing Reliet to the Workless.

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A man who, through unemployment, had failed to pay the rent of his lodgings and was

Some Labour members argued that it would The defence for these reductions of wages is be unwise to relieve him, as he was living in a that the Trade Unions have agreed to such re- 'common lodging house," because, if anything ductions. In the case of the women machinists, were given to him, all the people in the lodging-

Trade Board, because the trade is a sweated Party used to tell the unemployed to refuse to trade. The Daily Herald was protesting starve, to demand relief; and if this were rethe other day, against Trade Board rates 'eing fused, to instist on being received into the Workreduced, on the ground that Trade Boards only house-admission to which the Guardians cannot fix wages in sweated industries and that it is legally refuse to destitute people. The less than human to reduce the wages paid in Poplar Labour Party, headed by George sweated trades on the ground that the cost of Lansbury, used to argue that these tactics were the sovereign specific for forcing the Government Yet here we find the Party of the Editor of to find work for the unemployed. But yet when a man from "a common lodging house" came up for relief, here was Comrade Joe Banks, Comrade Lansbury's election agent, arguing that this man must not have relief, in case others should also come. The worst of it is that the argument of Comrade Banks' had a great influence on his colleagues, for when the votes as to whether the man should be relieved were even, Comrade Banks, as Chairman, gave his casting vote against granting relief.

The Poplar Guardians in thus denying their principles and abandoning their old policy, are doubtless doing what they believe to be right; they are considering the RATEPAYERS, and they are looking to the fact that when the rates go up, the landlords raise the rates.

Abandoning the Unemployed.

But if it is the view of the Poplar Labour Party (and these remarks may be applied also to other Labour Parties), that its duty is rather to keep down the RATES than to force the Government to find work for the unemployed and help the miners to prevent the reduction of wages, then the Labour Party has become just like the other parties, and there is no longer a reason for its existence. In making this statement, we have no desire to be uncomradely or abusive; our desire is to induce the Labour Party to consider where it is going. We put it to the Labour Party, that its change of policy is a very serious one, and that its present policy is leading it down the inclined plane which leads to making itself responsible for maintaining the machinery of Capitalism as a paying concern.

Betraying the Miners. Especially we want to urge the Labour Party and the Trade Unionists to remember that the miners, whose strike they approve, the engineers, whose ballot is going heavily against accepting the employers' demands for a decrease, are fighting to maintain the wages standard. To cut down wages all around them and leave them as the one isolated pinnacle that holds out, is to assist in their defeat.

As to 'he general question of reducing wages and Out Relief, have our good Labour Guardians forgotten, like their Tory and Liberal colleagues. that popular story, so many of them repeated on platforms: "It will never be the same again!" Do they now think that the pre-war standard of working-class living was so excellent that one's whole duty is fulfilled if one maintains it?

But after all, whilst the recalling of war-time if they were efficiently organised. Wages pledges is a useful whip with which to beat Boards have only been set up in those trades Lloyd George, we should not need to fall to so

The Labour Party was brought into existence to fight the intolerable pre-war standard. The Labour Party has been made out of the misery and disgust with which enlightened people have revolted against the pre-war level.

Communists Defying the Third International.

So much for the Labour Guardians; but what of the Communists?

The Communists have a definite Revolutionary propaganda to follow. The Second Congress of the Third International adopted a Thesis which represents the policy of the Communist Party on this question. This Thesis states that :-

'Parliamentarism cannot be a form of proletarian government during the transition period between the dictatorship of the bourgeoisie and that of the

turned out, managed to beg or borrow enough to of the most important apparatuses of the State

machinery of the bourgeoisie, cannot be won over by the proletariat any more than can the bourg

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"The task of the proletariat consists abolishing the whole machinery of the bo geoisie . . . and all the Parliamentary institutions with it . . .

"Consequently Communism repudiates parliam tarism as the form of the future; it renounces the same as a form of the class dictatorship of the letariat; it repudiates the possibility of winning Parliaments; its aim is to destroy parliamentarism

"The same relates to the communal institutions of the bourgeoisie . . are part of the same apparatus of the State machinery of the bourgeoisie, which must b destroyed by the revolutionary proletariat ar replaced by local Soviets of Workers'

"Therefore, it is only possible to speak of utilising the bourgeois State organisations with the object of destroying them.

"The Communist Party enters such institutions, not for the purpose of organisati work, but in order to abolish the whole bor geois machinery and the Parliament itself fro

"This work within Parliaments, which con- Deluded Workers. sists chiefly in making revolutionary propaganda from the Parliamentary tribune, t denunciation of enemies, the ideological uniting of the masses, etc., must be fully subordinated to the objects and tasks of the mass struggle outside the Parliament.

"The following conditions are indispen-

'1. The absence of all 'autonomy' for the Parliamentary† Communist groups and their unconditional subordination the central committee of the Party. "2. Constant control and direction by the

Party Executive Committee. "3. The adaptation of Parliamentary demonstrations to those going on out-

The adaptation of the demonstration by Communists on the local governing bodies to those going on outside would at present include refusal to reduce wages and Poor Law relief, sin the principle demonstration which the workers are making outside just now is the resistance the miners and others to the employers' attack A

"4. Revolutionary attitude in the Parliament : i.e., the absence of "principled" fear of overstepping th limits of Parliamentary regulations.

In the case of the local bodies, this would mean that there should be no fear of causing the bankruptcy of the local bodies, or of coming conflict with the regulations of the Local Gov- general is a lawful or illegal one at the given ernment Board, the County Councils, or t laws made by Parliament.

" 5. The execution of part of the work outside Parliament, especially in connection with mass demonstrations the Communist Members of Parlia-

That means that the Communist Members should arouse the masses to demonstrate outside and if posible inside Parliament, and the local Boards and Councils. Comrades Watts, Lansbury and the rest should be leading mob of v employed workers to storm the Board meetings. not cutting down relief and refusing relief people in lodging houses!

The following is important:—

"7. Immediate remand or exclusion fro the Party of any member of the Parliamentary † group who violates, in his Party might obtain re-elections. Parliamentary work, any of the order of the Party."

"Watch Your Leaders!"

This means that the Communist Party should look into the work of the Party's elected members, direct them, and bring them to book for failure to carry out the policy of the Party.

Every branch of the Party should watch t work of its elected representatives and discuss Continued on bottom page 3.

* Local governing bodies. † Remember this applies also to members of local

THE MINERS' DECISION.

ciple rather than make a compromise which be to their immediate advantage.

It is a notable fact that the heaviest vote against otance of the owners' terms came from those unsuccessful in inducing the workers to sue their own commercialistic tendencies. What the Pool Means.

e question of the pool is, we know, a technical to some extent-but the issues raised are far se sound Christianity, though we are far from sure, to fight for their fulfilment. at any rate it is not good business."

ere are even deluded workers who view the ers' action with disfavour. They have failed alise the solidarity of Labour, and in many ases we fear that they are themselves under the ence of capitalistic ideas. It has been truly y Conrad Noel that a democratic duke is much preferred to a plutocratic dustman-and the nat a man is a worker does not necessarily that his mental outlook is even moderately stic. In some districts the unemployed have hostility towards miners' bands working for ef funds-as though unemployment were some vel phenomenon unknown in times of industrial

Promises coming Home to Roost.

he familiar with the comments of the governing Peace Treaty. They must be willing to endure sooner the better. seek agreements with the other legislators, but an agitator of the Party, detailed into the enemy's camp in order to carry out the orders

the Communist Party of Great Britain doing Are its branches doing this? structions to Elected Representatives.

A special annex to the Thesis on Parliamentgives explicit instructions to the

unist elected person and Party Executive nittes, from which we draw these striking

ons of the Parliamentary† factions must be sholly in the hands of the Central Committee noment. . . . The Central Committee of ne Party must have its permanent representative in the Parliamentary† faction, with the right of veto. On all important political questions, the Parliamentary† faction shall ask or preliminary instructions from the Central mmittee of the Party.

At each forthcoming important debate of Communists in Parliament, the Central mmittee shall be entitled and bound to appoint or reject the orator of the faction, to demand that he submit previously the Theses of is peech, or the text, for confirmation by the Central Committee, etc. Each candidate enered in the list of the Communists must sign a paper to the effect that, at the first, request of the Central Committee of the Party, he shall e bound to give up his mandate, so that the

> In countries where reformist, semi-rehists, or simply career-seeking elements have anaged to penetrate into the Parliamentary† tion of the Communists (as this has already appened in several places), the Central Comnittees of the Communist Parties are bound to dically weed out the personnel of the factions, n the principle that it is better for the cause If the working class to have a small but truly mmunist faction, than a numerous one withut a regular Communist line of conduct.

Each Communist member must remember that he is not a 'legislator,' who is bound to

On Friday our miner Comrades gave the lie direct classes on the situation. The ultra-reactionary ele- hardships in order to maintain the reputation of of much pleasure to the reactionaries.

They hope that the pressure of want will cause a the not so susceptible to the desire for gain as the from the react: onary standpoint, are composed of er supposed—the governing classes have been "good, sensible men": they are not like the "bad revolutionaries" of S. Wales who want to rob the owners of their hard-earned royalties. The privileged classes do not like the workers' claim to equal social status with themselves, they regard it as an impertinence that a mere miner or factory-hand e important than any question of organisation. should expect to be regarded otherwise than as a he yery conception of a pool is, as Frank Hodges profit-making machine or as fodder for their cannon. ted out, an attempt to modify natural conditions They forget how they fooled the soldiers, many of a closer compliance with humanistic ideals. them miners, with vain and empty promises of a new We can quite understand the dislike of the orthodox England-"a land fit for heroes to live in "-while momists for this kind of procedure-with them they were making handsome profits out of the business is business" with a capital B: spiritual national necessity. Those promises have, like the ethical considerations take second place-if at proverbial chicken, come hom to roost, and the I. As the Mining Association puts it: "It may socially-conscious section of the workers is determined

£16,000,000 for London Landlords.

One hears a good deal about the claims of the community "to consideration, What is the "community"?—the nation minus the workers, we presume. Upholders of the present system are opposed to the socialisation of industry and urge the necessity of laissez-faire-until some crisis like the present occurs, when it becomes convenient to talk glibly about the "public" interest. What do they care about the interests of the public? Is it to the "public" interest, for example, that a gratuity of £16,000,000 per annum should be presented to the ground landlords of London?

"The Trade Depression Stunt."

Then there is the "trade depression" stunt. Of course, the workers are to blame for this, too-

by every workman, peasant, washerwoman and

shepherd; so that the Party might publish his

"The Communist members must make use

Centre, and other opponetns of Communism,

there should only be one or two of them in the

Parliament, † should, by their whole conduct,

challenge Capitalism, and never forget that only

who not in words only, but in deeds, are the

mortal enemy of the bourgeois order and its

Section 11 of the conditions for joining 'he

ternational, shall be bound to re-inspect the

personnel of their Parliamentary + factions,

remove all unreliable elements therefrom, sub-

ordinate such factions, not verbally only, but

munist to submit his work to the interests of

Therefore it clear that, both in principle and

according to the spirit and letter of the Party

constitution, the action of the Communist Party

members of the Poplar Board of Guardians should

be made the subject of disciplinary action by the

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in reality, to the Central Committee of

real revolutionary propaganda.

Communist International further stipulates:-

such are worthy of the name of Communists-

social-patriotic flunkeys."

By D. E. MULLINS

the oft-repeated accusation of selfishness and ments frankly desire to see the defeat of the Miners' our rulers for "statesmanship." What a consolaerialism raised against them by the capitalistic Federation, the other Unions to be beaten in turn. tion it must be to a miner working only three d bourgeois classes. They have preferred to face The fact that a small section of the miners, driven shifts per week to know that some German comrade possibilities of distress and want in defence of perhaps by powerty and not sufficiently imbued with is working overtime without payment for his parti-Socialist ideals to be prepared to suffer for them, cular benefit. Mr. Lloyd George stated his intention have expressed a desire to return to work is a source of searching Germany's pocket till he got the last farthing-surely it is not for us to complain if ours are searched in the bargain-all for the edifiance of the owners terms of the owners the stand to gain most by so stampede back to work, which will lead to the have sufficient magnanimity to surrender their They have shown the exploiters that they disruption of the Federation, The Somerset branches, "claims" to profits—more particularly now that there are none to surrender. This is indeed unexpected generosity-if a similar attitude had been adopted during the period of the War we could have understood it! Great alacrity is shown in asking the workers to share the burden of depression-we have somehow failed to notice a similar anxiety that they should share in prosperity.

If National Industry were ruined.

No, Comrades, we must not be led away by the subtle arguments of our Pres and our politicians. We must educate ourselves to analyse and detect the fallacies in the orthodox theories of social and political policy-not only for our own benefit, but also for the benefit of those who are not sufficiently revolutionary to do so. What is it to us if the national industry be ruined? Capitalistic industry has never yet meant anything but degradation both to worker and employer, and if our friends the miners are willing to face starvation in an attempt to substitute for such a rotten system a new social order, founded on Sacrifice and Brotherhood, then it is our duty to support them to the best of our ability. It is quite evident that we have hard times and an uphill fight before us-we must summon up courage to meet them, strong in the realisation that our efforts will not be in vain, and that even defeat in pursuit of an ideal is more honourable than the "success" of the seeker of gain. So long as the capitalists can side-track Labour on to material questions of wages, etc. they will not be so very - bitter in opposition, since those aims are similar

The real nature of the struggle is apparent to they alone had any share in the making of the social revolution we may expect a fight-and the

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When the elections are over, the organisathe most remote villages of the country . . . of the Communist Party . . the party in of the Parliamentary tribune to denounce, not only the bourgeoisie and its hangers-on, but also for the denunciation of the social-patriots, reformists, the half-and-half politicians of the and for the propagation of the ideas of the Third International.

Communist Party.

SOCIAL INTERCOURSE.

Mrs. Sidney Webb arranges to polish the Labour

Leaders and their Wives. of the Party there. The Communist member Mrs . Sidney Webb writes to the "Daily Herald" is answerable, not to the dispersed mass of his to explain that a "Half-Circle Club" was established constituents, but to his own Communist in November for the wives of Labour Members of Parliament and local bodies, Labour candidates' wives, 'and women who are themselves engaged in public work connected with the Labour Movement." Quite "The Communist members must speak in an exclusive affair, you see. Not by any means a Parliament in such a way as to be understood

gathering to the vulgar mob! Its purpose is to promote friendly intercourse between its members, and to provide opportunities for social meetings of members of the Labour Party, speeches on sheets of paper and spread them in whether men or women. "But," adds Mrs. Webb, "there promises to be an even wider usefulness for

the Half-Circle Club. "The Labour Party has already attained the position of constituting in Parliament 'His Majesty's Opposition'; and it may any day become 'His Majesty's Government.' It is accordingly necessary for the leading members of the Party to make the acquaintance of, and to be accessible to, the public representatives of other sections with whom they will have to be in official relations—we may instance the representatives in London of the Dominion Governments, the diplomatic representatives of other nations, "The Communist delegates, even though the leaders of the various religious denominations, the prominent educationists and workers in literature, science and art, and last, but not least, the permanent officials of Government Departments and municipal administrations. The Half-Circle Club hopes to be able to arrange opportunities for social intercouse with such of the above as may be desirous of meeting the members of the Labour Larty.

"Eventually, the Half-Circle Club may be of use in working out the manners and ways of social intercourse, adapted by their simplicity and sincerity; economy and equality, for society in a great city under the influence of a Government of the workers "Parties desirous of joining the Third In- by hand and by brain."

Change the tone, Mrs. Webb; at present it sounds a bit too much like playing the old game of snobbery and jobbery, and social wire pulling in the old way. Even if the Labour Party will run "His Majesty's Government" much as its predecessors run it, it is a mistake for the adherents of the Labour Party to Party, and demand from each proletarian Com- say so !

> You ought to have asked Mr. Henderson's permission and Mr. Robert Williams' advice before you sent that letter to the press?

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INKPIN SENTENCED.

At the time of going to Press, with space for the bare announcement only, the news arrived that Com. Inkpin, against whom there were eight countsthree under E.P.A. and five under D.O.R.A.-has been sentenced, at the Mansion House, to six months' hard labour in each of three cases under D.O.R.A. relating to the "Thesis of the Communist International," "The Communist International, No. 1," and "The German Spartacists."

Three months' hard labour in each of two cases under E.P.A., relating to "The Communist International, No. 13," and "The Communist Review,

The other cases were dismissed. The sentences to run concurrently, the total term of imprisonment extending to one period of six

Costs were granted to the Crown for £50.

The National Labour Press was fined £200-£50 in respect of each of four pamphlets, and ordered to pay 40 guineas costs.

Rose, the Manager of the Press, was fined £30-£10 in respect of each of three pamphlets.

Com. Inklin was removed in custody to Pentonvi'le. An appeal, we hear, will be made.

MINERS BETRAYED BY LABOUR BUREAUCRACY.

The miners voted bravely, magnificently, to endure until their terms were won. Their Executive has re-opened negotiations and

has provisionally accepted terms which are substantially those rejected by the great ballot vote of a few days ago.

Lloyd George, seeing, as he believed, the miners tottering to defeat, grew truculent; he would not say whether the £10,000,000 subsidy the miners scorned when first it was offered will be forthcoming if the workers now cave in. He put forward difficulties and suggested further conditions, showing hinself, as usual, an ungenerous conqueror.

Why has the Miners' Executive this stampeded the miners' cause to a tame capitulation immediately after the magnificent ballot vote?

rank and file?

Both to a certain extent, but observe that the only vote touching on the strike on which the rank and file had any opportunity to instruct their delegates, however linied, was the vote for the Executive.

That vote placed Frank Hodges, the Miners' National Secretary, at the head of the poll, and turned off the Executive Robert Williams, the one-time favourite of the direct actionists and Reds of the Trade Union World.

The defeat of Robert Williams is undoubtedly due to his failure to satisfy the movement that he was doing what he could as Secretary of the Transport Workers' Federation to line up the power of the Triple Alliance in support of the miners. The expulsion of Robert Williams from the Communist Party has brought to a head the feeling, long growing in the Left Wing of the Labour Movement, that sion." Williams is a very noisy windbag, never ready for

The financial support given to the miners by the movement is relatively not great, but this is a time of great financial difficulty for the Labour Movement. It is not in cash that the workers can best one. help each other when a serious fight with the Capitalist is going forward, but in unity of action. The Labour Party Conference recorded no vote for action to help the miners; the slow machinery of the Party and of the Unions attached to it, made it inevitable that such a question could only be dealt with by way of an emergency resolution, that is to say, on the initiative of the delegates present, or on the initiative of the Executive of

As usual a Sub-Committee has been formed "to offer its assistance to the miners, if the miners thought the Sub-Committee could help in anyway.' Is this how comrades should fight together in

Standing Orders Committee. Such initiative was not

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the throcs of a great crisis when many are starving?

The replies from the Union Executives asked to meet the miners are reported by the Daily Herald Transport Workers: "The matter is one for the

Trade Union Congress." Do these cold-blooded men in office expect the miners to starve until September?

Engineers: "We are balloting on our own attack." A strong reason for solidarity in action one would

Agricultural Workers: "We are prepared to come and hear what you have to say." Have they no brains to think: no imagination to realise, since they are still undecided?

Cotton Workers: "We cannot come on Saturday because of our negotiations and ballot, but could Later it was announced that the Cotton Unions had

caved in and accepted a reduced wage.

The M.F.G.B. Executive has caved in; the speec's of Frank Hodges at the Labour Party Conference foreshadowed surrender. What will the Miners' Delegate Conference, which must be summened, do now?

What will the men in the pits do? We repeat our assertion of last week that the Miners' Lock-out of 1921 will introduce a new era into British Trade Unionism.

THE LESSON OF THE BRIGHTON CONFERENCE.

The Communist Party, the Labour Party and

the "Daily Herald." The Brighton Conference of the Labour Party has viadicated the judgment of the Left Wing Communists and throws a light on the British situation, which, we hope, may be seen and appreciated by the Conference of the Third International now sitting in

Last year the situation was blurred. We had George Lansbury coming back from Moscow appealing to the Labour Party to join the Third International, and trying to cover with reformed whitewash the Red of Communism.

And we had Moscow Comrades of the Third International offering substantial support in hard cash to the Daily Herald.

We had the Third International Conference, urged on by Comrades Zinoviev and Lenin, insisting that the Bri ish Communist Party must join the Labour nice Apache." Party, and we had Robert Williams a member of the Communist Party Executive.

Now all is changed; the Lansbury faction has receded further from Moscow. Our Labour Party proves quite determined to refuse the affiliation of the Communist Party and Robert Williams, now ejected from the Communist Party Executive, is telling the Labour Conference that he is "not averse from admitting the Communist Party to affiliation, provided it realises the obligations of Party dis-

Oh, that phrase, "Party discipline," what a multitude of betrayals and back-sliding it has been used to cover! May it never be used by any of our fellow Communists as a means of damping down Communist

We have the Dai'y Herald abruptly departing from its habitual hymns of vague fraternity to put forth in a leading article of June 24th a statement Because the Labour Movement, as a whole, has sharply and keenly concise, which effectively s'ows failed to support the miners in the lock-out. Who that the Third International need to look no more is responsible for the failure—the leaders or the for sympathy to the Daily Herald. Here is that

"THE COMMUNIST PARTY

"The debate on the proposed admission of the Communist Party to the Labour Party having been interrupted by the moving and carrying of the previous question,* we presume the matter is left somewhat in the air and will in some form be raised

"We would offer upon it only the following observation. The Communist Party is a party, with failed to settle their accounts, in spite of repeated a constitution of its own, and does not admit thaybody who will not accept that constitution. Exactly in the same way, the Labour Party has a constitution, and does not admit anybody who will not accept it. If the Communist Party is prepared to accept the constitution of the Labour Party, we trust it will he admitted. Li it is not so prepared, we suppose is will naturally withdraw its application for admis-

That article effectively shuts the Labour Party's door against the Communist Party. The Dally Herald knows, the Third International knows, we all know that the Communist Party cannot accept the addresses. programme of the Labour Party, which is a reformist

* The voting meant: accepting affiliation, 224,000;

GOING TO RUSSIA.

Isadora in the green room, exalted, triumphant, bathed in perspiration that dropped like rain from every lock of her henna-tinted hair. motley throng of admirers swept upon her. Members of the actor fraternity, people with handles to their names, people merely persistent. brought her their albums to sign, and pressed upon her notice their short-frocked little girls.

There was a chorus of regret and and remonstrance: "Don't go: what shall we do witho you? There is nothing there only barbarian

She answered impetuously: "It is the only plan worth going to. Shall I take you with me?" "I was there last summer."

The yellow-faced Russian prince, cousin to t late Czar, gazed at her with his strange. smile, and his eyes that look away from the far corners. He said: "They are barbarous; th have imprisoned all my family."

"I arrived in Petrograd, for the first time. four o'clock in the morning. There was a gr procession of people marching with bowed head 'What is it?' I asked. 'What are they doing?

"I was told: 'It is the funeral of the people who were shot down before the Czar's palace. Their bodies are buried during the night, so that the may not be seen. People are hungry in Russia. The Prince objected: "There is no food; won't like it there!"

"People were always hungry in Russia," 9 said. "Your family has starved and murden

"It is the PEOPLE who matter; not the fortunate few. We, the artists, and you, aristocrats, we are all rotters; it is the people who matter—the workers and the women who bri the children into the world."

scarf of many colours. She moved with a slow sinuous motion her lovely form, and stepped time with her firm bare feet.

"One could do it better," she said, " with

"She is right to go to Russia," said a girl fro her school. "That is the land for artists. how will she stand it? She's fifty per cent. artist and fifty per cent. woman. She's used to

"She'll get it." "Oh, yes, in food. They'll give what the have to the artists. But the accessories, can they

"She can get her hair shampooed and drie with an electric fan-all that sort of thing?" "Oh, but that's not fair; they can't do it for

She was a Communist, too, then; this girl from the Isadora school.

They make it as fair as they can, with a view to one's social usefulness. Things have to be done gradually; it's a transition stage.

IMPORTANT.

agents who have regularly received the "Workers'

Amongst these there are some who have not paid a penny all the time the Editor was in gaol. We believe that persons acting thus are shamefully exploiting the Workers' Press, produced as it is, the cost of so many sacrifices. If they do not po

fashion, other organisations. Reluctantly, but as a measure of self-defence and in the interests of the Movement generally, we sha publish, after this final notice, their names and

us, it is quite possible that they exploit, in simile

THINGS WE WANT TO KNOW.

Why the Daily Herald allows its columns t used to advertise the reactionary. Anti-Social Moderate, even though the Moderate Party d

What prominent Officials of the Labour Party are members of the Moderate Party. Ask Secretary of your Union whether he belongs to

DREADNOUGHT DEVELOPMENT FUND Mrs. F. £1, Miss E. Gullard £1 1s., Mrs. Brimley 10s., J. J. Munns 3s. 6d., R. Scott 2s., Mr. Ma 2s., Mr. Robert Lees 1s., Dr. Herman Gorter 23

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"Why did you come back?" "I had things to do here. Oh, this place hopeless; there's no hope for England!"

She answered:

She danced a South American tango, with her hat and her cigarette, her robe of flame and her

I write this a'l-true take that you, dear children. and played at being grown-ups. you have once dethroned them.

the sun never ceased to shine or the earth they were short before her next visit. give her fruits, nuts and grains as usual. Gods and Goddesses are taken captive, and slaves to the rich under this brutish flag.

Fireflame, Ria and Aqua.

erald to dark olive.

e loves the Sungod Fireflame so dearly that she

could exist. Mortals may only behold him without working as the ryots did. cted on earth in the looking-glasses of Terra. Ria is invisible to mortal sight, but sustains us

the last breath. Aqua takes fantastic and beautiful shapes, and even active, seldom sleeping or resting, constantly iging, one hour a mass of misty draperies, at ther the calm bosom of a lake.

e is seen to rest on the highest peaks in the of snow, and anon will come rushing down in Iver stream. Sometimes she is a milk white prancing on the sands, she will show herself a beautiful arch called a rainbow, which is as big the sky, but she shoots no dangerous arrows, and all the colours ever seen on earth or in sky are

hed in that bow. Before the Empirates went over the sea to rule he Dianians, so valuable were the ryots, the cultiors of the soil, and their families considered, they were not called upon to fight even to ect their own land; moreover, even the hostile refrained from harming them, and allowed the ots to go on peacefully cultivating their rice and , well knowing that unless there was bread even soldiers could not fight; these men were freeers of the land they tilled. Terra being free this time, bestowed her blessings upon the kindly and shaded under her green draperies of the * India.

by Clara Gilbert Cole There is a lovely country called Diani,* brass pots and looms, in which they and in this country hundreds of summers learnt how to weave the beautiful muslin ago the ryots or cultivators of the land that is to this day called Diani muslin. were much happier than they are to-day, These people are easily pleased, happy

To-day they are the most wretched of wants. under a banner which ought to carved toys, fans, beads and brooches. have for its symbol, the skull and cross but these mostly adorned the rich; still

Instead of the workers living to be More than 200 years ago, a medicine 60 or 70 years of age in the Dianian man came over the sea from the brutish Empire, they now usually die of starva- Empire, and he had the good fortune for tion at the age of 25, and if you look at himself, but the bad fortune for the the photographs in our museums, you Dianians, to cure the daughter of a

notice how many of these poor half-fed labourers . banyan tree, at eventide, he sat and gossiped about Dianian emperor. The emperor was so grateful as if their bones were bursting through their the day's work whilst his pretty dusky children that he gave him the privilege of free Commerce made miniature tools like father's and mother's, throughout all his dominions, and promised to allow

ATRUE TALE FOR YOUTH and AGE

our "Hopes of the Future," may know why this Aqua was a very precious Goddess in this hot returned to his own country and told of his fortune and make it impossible to happen again, or lest and thirsty country, and when she came down in and of his adventures. should forget and put the Empirates in power her silver rain during the three months' monsochs, or stormtimes, then the ryots caught her showers which then set sail for Diani. short life of 25 years seems strange con- in ducts or long troughs and stored it up in case

As Fireflame was powerful in Diani, and his breath it is only made possible because the vital or life- hot and scorchy, they needed Aqua greatly, but houses, and was guarded by a few native soldiers. e names of the four Gods and Goddesses are to his thirsty wife in pure cooling showers.

Eireflame is the lover of Terra, and Aqua is the raiment, and from her wonderful lap may be gathered experts in warfare they soon got rid of the governof Ria. Terra is dressed in rich brown, pineapples, pears, bananas, plums and a hundred ment of the native princes in Galben. amed with varied shades of green, from bright other kinds of delicious fruits, berries, roots and

She carries a lap full of good things, and her The people were told by a set of greedy men Empirates across the sea had to call them to order, yn dress has huge secret pockets that are very that the Gods and Goddesses would like immense and crammed with mysterious and unexpected stone temples built, and full of gratitude the innocent treachery. its, and these pockets have never yet been people believing them worked and sweated all day in order to built these temples and palaces.

The temples are very, very lovely, but they did is never so happy as when he smiles and shines not please or benefit the Gods or Goddesses, and for the poor, in fact they considered themselves upon her. Fireflame dresses in pure gold, his hair the men who ordered them to be built did not There are a few "Comrades" and a few news- quivers and radiates in a broad circle of golden intend them to be used by Terra, Fireflame, Aqua

Dreadnought" for the past months, and who have So bright, so beautiful is he that only his sweet- They were built to glorify the few powerful rich, eart Terra can look him in the face without being and in order that, as priests and priestesses of these but robbed of his light, neither rich nor temples, they could obtain the gifts of Terra free.

> One of these temples took 20,000 workmen 17 years to make; all that labour was spent so that a handful of men might live a lazy life of luxury whilst millions were overworked.

The temples you read about in the Arabian Nights are real, and can be seen in Diami. The ryots worked hard and willingly in Terra's gardens, they broke up the soil, and Fireflame

In return for this work they were able to gather the fruits and grains, and to find shelter in huts made from her trees and rushes. Out of the solid rocks were hewn and carved

beautiful and enormious temples for the kings. These temples had terrances, columns and domes, faced with white marble, inlaid with precious stones and coloured marbles, and to complete these pictures

ornamental lakes mirrored their splendour. Though the ryots made the palaces, they only lived in simple huts or small houses, which were also made by themselves. All the furniture they had was a rush mat, a pellow made of rags, a brass pot or two, and a husking machine for the

In spite of this poverty a fine education was handed down from father and mother to son and daughter by word of mouth . They learnt poems that had stood the test of

though even in those times they were by nature, and so simple in their habits oppressed as all peasants have been in that a very small number of hours

all the people who are being tortured. In spare moments, for pleasure, they bones, for the men who fly it are pirates so long as the ryot had enough to on the sea of life's highway, and we satsify his simple needs, he did not

would have sufficed to supply their own

the same to all the Empirates. The medicine man

Ships were built, and a piratical company formed Soon after their arrival the pirates built three storehouses on the coast.

The first at Drasma was formed of six fishermen's Fireflame is also kind, he draws Aqua in her grey The Empirates soon grew wealthy and strong, they misty draperies out of the sea and sends her back kept creeping further inland and building more ships and warehouses till at last they openly started Terra then rises refreshed, puts on her brightest an offensive war on the Dianians, and as they were

> The piratical company ruled, or, I should say, misruled this people so diabolically that even the and bring them back to be tried for corruption and One pirate named Vilee grumbled because he was

> these pirates had one law for the rich and another above the laws they made. Instead of being punished he was let off because he was a famous, or, as I should call him, an infamous soldier, for all his battles were battles of

accused like a common sheepstealer, for, you see,

This pirate was not only allowed to go free, but was patted on the back, and a sword set with diamonds was presented to him.

oppression and conquest.

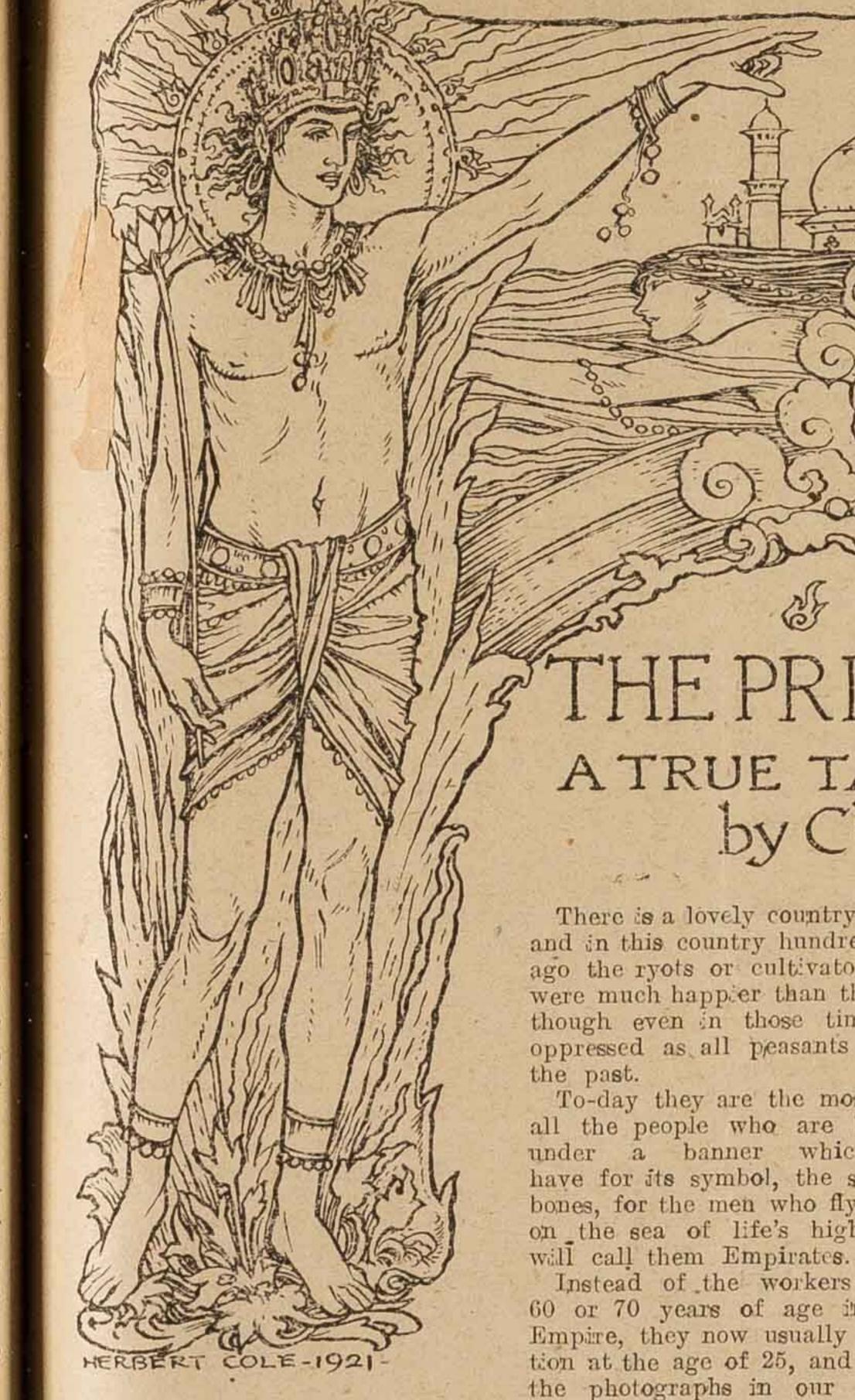
There was another mock trial of a man named Hasten Warrings, he was charged with having sold his troops to crush free peoples and obtaining money by starving and torturing people, but £76,000 was spent to defend him with such good result to this thief that instead of being imprisoned he was granted a pension of £4,000 a year for 28 years, and £50,000 was lent to him for 18 years without interest. After this a Governor-General of Galben named

Cornlord Walkis was appointed. Up till now the ryots were owners of the land they cultivated, and only paid taxes to the king. This arch pirate Governor with one stroke of his cruel pen turned the Dianian tax-collectors into landlords, and the true owners, the ryots who had owned the land for hundreds of years, he turned into tenants-at-will of the tax-collectors.

Thus was the fairy Goddess Terra taken captive by men who never worked her will.

This was one of the grestest calamnities that ever befel a harmless and contented race, for till this hour she had been free to the worker.

The Zimindars or tax-collectors grew rich and lazy, and lived useless and wicked lives; to collect the rent they appointed other men who in turn became time, how to make tools, husking machines, spades, nich and employed others.





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Distribution of Furniture.

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League of Nations.

A "House of Inventors."

Summer Home for Actors.

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pass in silence. That is, of course, not at all

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atres, where they can pass their vacation.

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lance with the ethics of British journalism."

Fost was guilty of publishing false reports,

ments which had been forged. Those papers

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the "Morning Post" as Usual.

and a half times as great as in the same

of last year. Up to the present 30 million

creased rent was not paid the now miserable ryot was turned out. He seldom went to law, as the case was always decided against him, and he had no say, he will not have to live in one. money to pay legal expenses, also his crops were neglected of he went to court, as the court was pirates, and dolled out at their whim. often a long way off.

If by a wonderful chance he did win his case the longer time in the rich districts than in the poor vengeance of the Zimmdar made his life unbearable. parts where the workers live. As the ryot was unable to read or write, he put his mark to documents he did not understand, and stroyed, so they are entirely at the mercy of the so was duped.

The rents were raised to such an extent that his would be quite good if the water supply was shared simple home was constantly broken up, his crops equally. brass pot, sleeping mat, and worst of all his plough walk to their work, they have built fine railways, and spade, though this the law distinctly forbade. but, alas! can never afford to ride on them. Having to carry so many rich men on his already overdurdened back made the ryot desperate, and in the morning, and as the water is not turned ton, during one year 20,000 people sought refuge from no bath, no drink can be had before starting out. brutish injustice in the jungles, and this was in a

year of splendid harvests. lived; if a rvot complained he was imprisoned, men were paid to swear falsely against him, often he was beaten, no one took his side, and if a friend tried to do so, he also suffered.

all over the world, that they became richer and go to live in Diani. more powerful than other nations.

the millions of starving and discontented ryots in Diani, and resolved to make capital out of the very misery they, the pirates, had created.

Thousands of the poor ryots were forced to leave our miners to work for 71d. a day. the land and to seek work in the towns, where they were employed building factories and working in them, receiving for this hard work but three farthings an hour, and working twelve hours a day.

This the pirates did for two seasons, the first was because the cotton and other raw materials grew in Diani, and it saved the expense of shipping to the waist, called a loin cloth, and another piece to manufacture them on the spot, but the chief reason for building factories in Diani was because these wealthy robbers got cheaper labour.

Then the Empirates said to their slaves at home, factories, but now they also have to make one "See, we can get these things at a much lower rost in Diani, so you must work for less money or we will get all our goods from Diani, and you will have no work."

Thus the cunning Empirates cut down their own or take away the pains of hunger. workers' wages.

Terra cried aloud for her ryots, but they were unable to release her, or take from her bounteous lap, or pockets, without the Zimindar and brutish Empire grabbing the lion's share.

The symbol of the pirates is a roaring lion, which goes about seeking all it may devour.

The pirates being short of soldiers forced the ryots to become their soldiers and to cross the sea and fight a people who had never harmed them, a people they had never seen.

Before this time, the ryot was, as I told you, excused from fighting even to defend his own land, but under this change of masters, if the ryots refused to fight, their homes and villages were burnt, and

the men were taken by force. The Dianians were even robbed of the healthgiving Goddess Ria, for twelve hours every day were spent in factories that were badly built, with no sanitation and windows that are never opened. Here the workers eat their food smothered in

fluff and dust amongst the machines in a temperature almost unbearable. When a whole family live, sleep, eat and cook in one room ten feet by twelve, there is little space

for Ria or Fireflame, but there are not even enough rooms ten by twelve to suffice for all, so the latest Governor of Baybom suggests putting up 50,000 more of these ten by twelve atrocities; needless to

Aqua's refreshing showers are now owned by the The key is turned and the pipes opened for a

The ancient waterworks of the Dianians are depirates in this matter, though the present system

cut by the landlord, and his home stripped of his The workers have often four or five miles to

To work in the factories they must be up at four

The worker in Diani is always hungry, for his wages only average 5d. a day, and after paying his So long as the brutish Empire got the taxes from rent for ten by twelve, he can only afford one the Zimindar it never asked or cared how the ryot meal a day, which generally consists of rice and

If anyone tells you that the Dianians do not need as much for or as decent a house or clothes in Diani as in other countries, do not believe them, About 50 years after this time, the Empirates the rich Dianians and the pirates who live there found by making their slaves at home work in big have four meals a day, plenty of suitable clothes, factories, supplying machinery and engines to people and they demand more money, not less, when they

The miners in Diani work twelve hours a day, The pirates then turned their evil attention to and only receive 71d. and less for a day's labour. Badly paid as our slaves are they get more than 71d. an hour, but when the pirates get enough Diamian coal to supply us they will try to force

> These slaves cannot afford furniture out of 5d. or 71d. a day, and as they are only paid once a month are forced to borrow money, for which they pay dearly in interest; the unfortunate beings are always in debt, and constantly worried by the momey-lender Their clothing consists of a piece of muslin round

protect the head from the extreme heat. The women used to be able to afford a skirt. apron and bodice before they were driven into the

piece of material do for their only garment. To hear the dear, dusky babies cry in vain for milk worries the loving mothers, so they mix flour with the water, but it does not feed the little ones

The four Gods and Goddesses so necessary to life is cheap. all workers were born free, and they sigh, and sigh, when they see the state of the ryots, for they know that if Terra, Fireflame, Aqua and Ria were free there would be plenty for all.

hand, brain and muscle failed to do the hard tasks It was devouring and oppressing other nations at that were set on 5d. a day, so a worker screwed



insulted, he and his comrades were locked out and robbed of even one meal a day.

There are a few rich Dianians who are sorry see the terrible plight of their countrymen, the try to help them, but the pirates will not allow these men even to state the case for the workers During a recent strike the first thing the pirate did was to deprive the starving men and the families of even the miserable supply of water the usually granted.

Whilst the men were locked out the pirates p men to throw stones and to say the workers had

This was done in order to have an excuse f shooting the poor, naked and famished workers.

Once when the workers gathered together merely to talk about their troubles, a big bully of a pirate took his crew along and shot down 500 of the unhappy toilers

A thousand were left wounded, and when diabolical man's ammunition gave out, he ran away refusing all aid to the wounded, and leaving then with streaming wounds.

Without his guns he was afraid of men, women and children who had no weapons. For this horrible act Empirates collected £30,00 as a reward, in just the same way as they rewarde

If you go to South Kensington Museum (and strongly advise you to do so), you will see the exquisitely lovely houses, paintings, caskets, en broideries, carpets and models of the palaces and temples made before the Empirates misruled Dian but in these days the Dianians make ugly things all alike, just for the pirates to make profit out of. not for the people to use and enjoy.

In the olden times, things were more often mad for the mere pleasure of the making, and were useful and beautiful because the people loved the

I know you will say they did not live in the palaces they made, or use the choicest things. That is true, life has never been fair for workers, but life under the Empirates has been made much more ugly and wretched, for there is no joy in the work in the factories; there the dull longing of the people is to get finished.

In South Kensington Museum you may judge ! priceless are the treasures we get from Diani the expensive building in which they are housed, the cases which contain them and the care bestowed upon them show they are better housed than the men and women who made them.

Dianian art is cherished, but Dianian life i

When at the Museum look at the bazaar market where you can see the Dianians at work, weaving carpets, driving the oxen, a woman walking and carrying her baby on her back, and firewood A little time ago owing to the terrible conditions on her head, whilst servants of the landlord ride on an elephant.

You will see the poor Dianian being arrested the man in blue for some small theft, his empty stomach was the cause, you may be sure. Even the monkeys on the roof are better and are having a good time.

They have evidently been down and stolen t fruit without getting arrested, and are enjoying themselves.

Friends, big and little, lack of space stops from telling you much I could have wished, b now the secret is out, your quick brains have long since guessed that we are the pirates who have taken Fireflame, Terra, Aqua and Ria prisoners an made the ryots miserable. When you grow up you will have power to set free these Gods and Goddesses. Will you do this glorious thing and make three hundred million people happy? What a noble task, and how the ryots would love

CLARA GILBERT COLE.

world. It is the headquarters of the World in full working order .

more terrible for the enemy, namely-

itical enlightenment is the impetus to the Army. The Red Army men are very cultured, they have a great respect for knowledge. That y has saved Petrograd from Judenitch and Moscow in Denikin. It is flexible and very enduring. Red Army is the mailed fist of the Workers'

following address:-

SOVRUSSIA.

"Here on the Red Place, on this modest platform sit the representatives of the working men and women of Europe, America, Asia, Africa, and Australia. There is no land in the whole world that has not sent its representative here, its battle tried leader of the revolutionary proletariat. To-day, swear the Russian workers and peasants, in the presence of the world. If we are forced to continue the struggle winning of the sympathies and the close understandfor the liberation of the workers we will shrink from ing of the great mass of the proletariats of all no step and pledge our lives upon the mighty watch- lands, their belief and full conscious support. Long live the Communist International!

The Red Soldiers and workers thanked Trotzki to which all hindrance and difficulty was offered that with a storm of applause.

After the speech of Trotzki Couturier declared in the name of the French Communist Party that the Morning Post will have an opportunity to French Communists and the revolutionary youth of France were ready for battle and waited impatiently for the reckoning with capitalism. In the name of the German Communists Schneider said: "If the Red Army of the Russian Soviet Republic has understood how to defeat the enemies of the workers on Russian ground so will the army of workers of all lands also understand how to settle the bourgeois

In the name of the Italian Revolutionary Youth without it! I have always done my best for it. Catagnano, in an enthusiastic speech, said that the I have got myself into hotwater with the I.L.P. ers and foreign delegations. 2,921 houses were Italians were ready when necessary to shed the last They are going to expel me because I persist in drop of their blood for the defence of the world re- selling it in their Club and at their public meetings, volution. Glinski, the representative of the Polish They have sent a notice asking me to resign. In Communist Party declared that the Polish workers have refused, and claimed a special meeting to were only waiting for the moment to come when they decide my case." Many thanks for donation and could reach their hands in brother hood to the Russian brave support. Mescow. In the next few days the distribution proletariat. The representative of the English Communist Party said that the Communists in England would work with all their energy, so that it would be possible to hold the next Congress in England.

e Commissariat for Health is furnishing holiday nomes in the country for the players of the Moscow Speeches were also given by the representatives of the women of the East, the secretary of the Central to comply with this request in the near future. Council of Red Trade Unions, representatives of the Dr. Sadler must, however, know that the task he has Parties from Spain, Persia, Czecko-Slovakia and the German Young Communists. After the speeches a ddressed a note to the British Minister for Affairs, in which he points out that the huge procession of workers took place.

d support of the Russian fugitives by the In the evening great ceremonies took place in e of Nations can only be regarded as a. honour of the heroes of labour at which the delegates itarian undertaking so long as it is not sup- were present. In the public places of Moscow ed by former counter-revolutionary formations kino performances took place, in which the pictures who have not lost their character, and who still of the review which had taken place in the morning wantonly wasted, Dianian art is dear, but Dianian stand under their former leaders. Any support for were shown. In the course of the evening "Rosta such formations would in Russian opinion stand Moscow" issued its information in the public squares ery much in contradiction to the conditions of the and streets by means of sound increasing telephones ement which has been entered into by Russia so that the reports were heard by crowds number-

> Numerous mass meetings took place at which the In Moscow a special house has been placed at the delegates spoke in every tongue known. A festive of inventors. Besides this laboratories and crowd filled the streets till late in the night. The delegates from the Orient in their native dress gave a very bright tone to the whole picture.

The review of the Red Soldiers in honour of the The members of the Lettish delegation to the ing ceremonies of the Third Congress of the Congress held a memorial gathering in honour of munist International was attended by all dele- the Communists who had been shot by the hirelings L.S. (Peckham).—Thanks for cutting. We had gates to the Congress, the representatives of all of capitalism. Numerous speeches were given by parties and trade union organisations. Also the the representatives of Lettland, Russia, Germany, esentatives of the foreign missions in Moscow Finnland and Poland.

In consideration of the importance of the Congress the Moscow papers have issued enlarged editions. "Pravda" says: "About 1,000 delegates have come from all zones to the International Coluwere present. After the parade Trotzki gave the gress in Red Moscow. Soviet Russia is the destination of hundreds and thousands of proletarian pilgrims who following the example of Soviet Russia have sworn henceforth to conduct war against capitalism and exploitation. That should spur on the victorious Russian proletariat to great efforts in order to create in its social existence a pattern of

"Gudok," the organ of the transport workers, their brothers from abroad, to defend the red banner says: "This holiday is the most significant victory of international brotherhood against the bourgeoisie of of the Russian proletariat for it proclaims the word. Long live the brotherhood of the workers! From the land of the Hindus to Italy, from the English to the Tartars all lands are represented. they should not find the way to Red Moscow, for they declare themselves in harmony with the great Revolution. The number of participants in the Congress shows that we have captured the mass of workers in many lands who have lost their trust in their untrustworthy leaders, and who are ready to follow our example."

CORRESPONDENCE.

A. D. Moore (Norwich) writes: "I hope the 'Dreadnought' will pull through. We cannot do

Dr. Sadler (Putney) asks for a series of articles on the Path to a new Social Order and the Laws of that Order," with explanations as to "how to meet opposition and crime, and how to organise workers without re-enslaving them." We shall do our best set is a super-human one, and that the new Social Order will be achieved only by patient and long experiment and experience.

Mr. E. Marsh (Portsmouth) sends a photograph of the Local Socialist Sunday School grouped round a coach based on the simile taken from Bellamy's the coach. The children of the school represented "Looking Backward," that a coach is like present day society. A skull and cross bones is painted in "surplus labour," some of them carried boot laces for sale like some poor folk in real life.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

F.B. (Clerkenwell).—Yes, Malatesta is still in prison in Milan. He is entitled to receive letters. Yes; the Unione Sindacale Italiana is a federation of Trades Unionists and local Branches of Trade Unions of Syndicalist and Anarchist views, and had adhered to the Comintern.

already seen that "Punch" had a skit on Com. Pankhurst singing the "Red Flag."

FROM MOSCOW.

ning rooms are equipped for them.

The Third Congress of the Comintern.

nearly seven years with unparallelled pluck revolutionary readiness for further exploits the crimes. in workers and peasants fought on 19 fronts, ding their labour government—the government orkers and Peasants' Soviets from enemy attack. s watchword was echoed at the front, and was ormed into another more suitable to the front Grasp your rifle closely, and keep a book in

rals, coal in the Donetz Basin-that all Russian Workers' World Revolution.

olution. Soviet Russia is a country where the The Russian trade unions have given their best. Soviet Russia is a Red country where victory has attionary pulse is throbbing after an unheard blood to the army when we were hard pressed. been won not only by the Russian workers and of victory of the young republic over the reactionary Now, after the liquidation of the Red fronts they peasants, but by those of the whole world. Hence mies, egged on by the imperialist governments of strengthen and ameliorate the conditions of labour comes the spirit carrying with it the ruin of the untries. After a military shake up, a new on lines totally different from those adopted by those old hateful system, and the change in the old being called forth on entirely new Communist of capitalist countries. Russian trade unions do not condition of human existence which, like the heavy strike. They have now become fighting columns to chains of capitalism, still fetter the workers—the combat chaos-the heritage of the Russian bour- true masters of the earth. geoisie and Tsarism and a consequence of their

Labour enthusiasm is at a high pitch in the country. We have many labour heroes. The order 'the Red Labour Banner' takes the place of the military order of the all-Russian Central Executive Committee of Soviets. The heroes are universally honoured and respected, though most of them, modest men as they are, regard such distinctions as a relic of the past. Besides marks of distinction the most industrious workers and peasants receive provisions for their work and that of their comrades.

It would be difficult to reward the Russian workers and peasants-it is too difficult a task to determine which of them are better, for, in the course of the three years of fighting life, they have all become heroes and saints, each has many exploits to his credit, exploits which are performed constantly and after victory is won, our armies back from unobstrusively in constant labour. Their best reward were transformed into Labour Armies for their labour and the many sacrifices would be a strength. They continue to gain victories general support given to them by the workers of all labour fronts: they get ore and minerals in countries—their rebellion and triumph, i.e., the

s, in the peat and oil industries; they build to build up a labour State, and in this their great s, repair the fleet, stock food supplies, work undertaking they count on the brotherly help of to release them. he various factories and works, restoring some each and all the workers of the world.

The blood of the Russian Soviet toilers, which is like a sacred ointment to the soil of Russia, and the terrible age-long sufferings of the workers of Moscow is the capital of the workers of the that declined during the civil war, putting others the whole world bind us all into a solid whole at the front where Labour fights Capital.

The sun of victory is rising in the East-let us prepare to receive it. Let us help our brothers who have risen against capital-the workers of Soviet Russia in their proletarian exploit.

Your help and participation in the universal Revolutionary movement, your struggle against your own bourgeoisie and the emancipation of your own local constitution; all this will be a welcome and a powerful help to the Russian giant—the preletariat in his struggle with world capital.

The cause of the Russian Comrades is YOUR In mutual help lies the final triumph of the

Workers of the World, unite! Moscow, April 20th, 1921.

(Specially contributed to the "Workers' Dreadnought.")

12 MONTHS' FOR GUY ALDRED.

The sentence of twelve months' imprisonment upon t; they work on the Volga, in the Siberian The present task of the Russian Trade Unions is given a large number of prisoners to the Communist cause. What are Glasgow's Comrades going to do

We hope the Scotts will lead us !

THE IRISH DEMONSTRATION IN LONDON.

A strange scene. The flags of the Sinn Fein, at war with the British Empire, brightly decking the Nelson column. A London crowd cheering the Irish Republican colours. A weary group of the unemployed who walked to Brighton; the Sinn Fein standard attached to their banner of proletarian Walk." So Rebels of every colour flock together.

The police were not present in force, but wherever here and there. The members of the Royal Irish tisement for "the metal of their pasture," whereevr been theirs, the cause of the oppressed. Constabulary in their tight-fitting dark green uniform, they had come from. who are now always to be seen in the Strand, were also in evidence. Detectives in plain clothes honeycombed the crowd, some of them obviously fresh from Ireland.

St. Martin's Church at the corner of Trafalgar Square was packed with lads of all sizes in the uniform of the British Navy singing a hymn with a tune familiar at Labour meetings. Soon they poured out of the church to "The March of the Men of Harlech," and were re-enforced by a long line of Lane from somewhere, and across to St. James' some gentleman to come down to them." . . .

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Park, drowning the Irish speeches on the plinth in the din of loud brass bands. The crowd cheered with their eager people who think they accomplish the flag of the Irish Republic; the Union Jack was something, and their tired people who go to (h) born past by the boys with never a cheer.

Who sent the lads to make this counter demonstration? Were they spare-time scouts or boys from training ships?

In St. James' Park the boys were drawn up in ming a fierce war march, piping some gay Red, with its motto, "Our Leaders Talk Whilst We the square behind the Horse Guards', a thin, very music, set-off for the far East End, followed thin, fringe of bystanders stood watching. Perhaps shabby people, the women carrying babies, the poor they were wondering whence had been gathered so down-trodden workers. one turned one saw policemen: two at this corner, many pale little ricketty fellows, so many dwarfish two at that, and groups of three leisurely strolling and pigeon-breasted. Theirs was a poor adver-

> A small group of swells foregathered close to the Horse Guards' entrance; funny red-faced old men with spats and grey top hats, plain middle-aged women with costly fashionable clothes. By the unwritten law of snobbery the policemen knew them and shepherded away from them all the members of the public not belonging to the Upper Ten who dared to venture near.

The lads stood on in a long, still silence, waiting. Cook is popular, the South Wales Comrades are others, who streamed on and on down St. Martin's as a patient bystander told his infant son, "for vigorous; it was wisest not to imprison him this

The Irish meeting went on as the meetings do: meetings protesting that meetings are useless.

The roar of the cheering that ended the meeting was heard far down the Strand. The little Irish bands, uniformed in threadbare working garments, blowing the doleful "Wearing of the Green," drum-

After the banners of many causes the workers have marched over these stones, but always one cause has

LET OFF.

At Pontypridd on June 17th Comrade A. J. Cook, Miner's Agent and member of the South Wales Miners' Executive, was brought up under the E.P.A., but the stipendiary magistrate let him go free.

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UMEMPLOYED MARCH to BRIGHTON

The leaders of the Labour Party, anxious to convince the electorate of their ability to govern a decrepit economic system and busily engaged in the task of assimilating all the methods of political trickery, have so far failed to give any adequate consideration to the matter of the unemployed.

Moving in an atmosphere of deceit, living in conditions of middle-class comfort, they are divorced from the daily struggle of the masses for bare subsistence. To them "unemployment" is a "problem"; to the masses it is a fearful reality, pushing them from the factories to the bread lines, bringing starvation, prostitution, crime, despair and death. The Labour leaders are well content to deal with this matter when a Labour Government is in power; so they have promised us. But the masses want to deal with the matter now. It is action we want, not words; bread, not soft soap.

Unemployment cannot be abolished within the capitalist system. To abolish unemployment we must abolish capitalism, and this means the Social Revolution. There lies the cause of the apathy of the of its socialistic objective. As the teachings of the Communists spread gradually through all sections of the workers and the apathy of the Labour Party becomes more apparent, discontent with its policy will increase, and the call from the masses for revolutionary leadership will become more insistent. It was to disturb the tranquil frame of mind in which as in a trance the Labour leaders move and to voice the demand of the unemployed for action that the London District Council of Unemployed organised a march of one hundred and fifty members from London to the Labour Party Conference at Brighton.

Fearful rumours preceded the marchers through the little quiet villages and towns of Surrey and Sussex, whose streets had never echoed before to the tread of a hundred and fifty rebels flying the Red Banner and singing songs of proletariam revolt. It was rumoured at Red Hill that we were coming to loot the shops, and although this rumour was soon dispelled, yet there must have been many timil souls who were glad to see our backs.

The majority of the men being ex-service men-for whom Lloyd George has made England a fit habitation, as promised—the marching was excellent, and the men were in fine spirit throughout. The discipline was not rigid, and the leaders-members of the London District Council-had no trouble in maintaining order. Only in one case was drastic action necessary, when two men were sent back to London for misbehaviour, an action thoroughly endorsed by all the men.

We put up the first night at Ruskin House, Croydon, which was fairly comfortable, and the following evening the authorities kindly put at our disposal a house unfit for human habitation. Protests led to one of the local churches being placed at our disposal, but this was too cold for many of the marchers to sleep in, and all night I heard them moving restlessly about or tossing about on the hard floor endeavouring to keep warm. One comrade proved that a pulpit could be of some use by sleeping in it. At Brighton the Salvation Army Citadel was placed at our disposal.

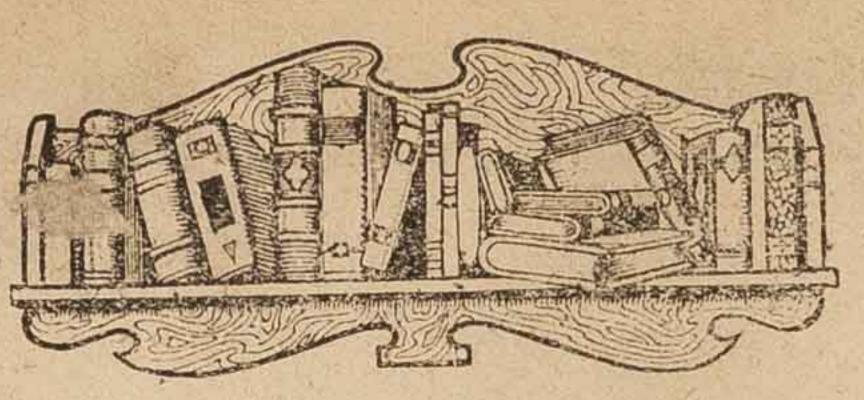
I should hesitate to state that those places—apart from Ruskin House-were placed at our disposal from motives of kindness and charity alone. The marchers were not going to sleep ouside at any cost, and if the police or anyone else were not going to provide lodgings then the marchers would be under the painful necessity of taking it.

On the boundaries of Surrey and Sussex the contingent stopped for a resti outside "Ye Jolliffe Arms," and naturally some elbow bending soon took place.

Suddenly I heard a clear voice singing "Annie Laurie," and noticed a woman at the door of the inn. She was shabbily dressed and her face was pale and then; and as she sang she gazed unxiously at the men in the bar, hoping they would be generous. A little girl hung on to her skirts contentedly eating a piece of cake. A thoughtless youngster laughed, and a bystander turned on him fiercely. "What in hell are you laughing at," he creed. "She's a woman, and you know her alternative. This is serious." "This is capitalism, mate," one man murmured to his friend. "It's a bloody shame," said another. They listened for a while in stilence, then one of them stood up. "We're down and out, mates," he cried, "but it's a damn shame that a woman should have to sing for a living ouside a pub. Let's have a collection and put in a penny each." This was done, and in a short while we had left behind us "Ye Jolliffe Arms" with its opulent owner, it's tipsters, and the woman still singing outside it's door. - Oh, Merry Rural England!

So we came to the Labour Party Conference, where the representatives of the London Council delivered its message. Crudely, perhaps, but with proletarian vigour and straightforwardness they flayed the Labour Party, exposing its vacillating policy, its opportunism and its trickery, and issued an appeal for leadership towards Revolution.

The Labour Larty, no doubt, will ignore the appeal, but will do so at its own peril. The greater part of these representatives of the unemployed are class -conscious; they have studied capitalism and the Labour fakir. They know the remedy for unemployment-the abolition of capitalism, and they are organising for this end. If they can obtain the assistance of the Labour Party, well and good; if not, then so much worse for the Labour Party. M. LOPES.



OUR BOOKSHELF.

BOOKS RECEIVED.

The Philosophy of Marx. By Harry Waton, The Marx Institute, New York.

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED.

Juventud Mundial. Organ of Mexican Young Communists, Apartado, 5031 Mexico, D.F.

The Workers' Council. An organ of the III. International, published by the International Education Association, 80 East 11th Street, New York.

Labour Party, which fears the Revolution in spite The Freeman. 116, West 13th Street, New York. (A weekly review of high literary standing.)

The Free Oxford. An Independent Socialist Review of Politics and Literature. Six issues per annum. University Socialist Federation, 36, Eccleston Square, S.W. 1.

BEVIN, MEYNELL, "DAILY HERALD" AND THE HORNS OF A DILEMMA.

To the Editor of the "Workers' Dreadnought." Dear Comrade, -In fairness to the Daily Herald, as well as to myselff. I must correct the interpretation which your contributor "J.A." puts on a

recent article of mine in "The Communist." When I make "revelations," I hope I am good enough journalist to display them as such.

Your correspondent is in error in finding any "revelation" of dishonesty on the part of the Daily Herald in my allusion to the fact that Ernest Bevin arranged for payment to be made at advertisement rates for the reports of his speeches at the Dockers' Inquiry.

The Daily Herald, in printing the reports at a length, unwarranted by their news interest, published on each day of the Inquiry a prominent notice of the fact that the space was paid for.

In other words, it sold advertisement space to a very enterprising advertiser; and it made no secret of it. There is nothing here against the Daily, Herald; and my point was confined exclusively to the mentality of the advertiser.

Yours fraternally,

FRANCES MEYNELL.

Dear Comrade,—I am obliged by you communicating to me the letter of Com. Francis Meynell.

There is no denying that Com. F. Meynell is a good journalist: an excellent one if judged by the looseness of his assertions.

I will review the facts and allow readers to judge: In the article, "My Friend Bevin," Com. Meynell said: "Was I not one of the people who propagated his (Bevin's) title of Dockers' K.C., which won him not only fame, but many a presentation, piece of furniture and cheque? Did I not sub-edit in the Daily Herald the long reports of his speeches, for which he paid at advertisement rates?'

In the letter to the "Workers' Dreadnought" Comrade Meynell no longer says: "For which HE paid," but writes: "Ernest Bevin arranged for payment to be made at advertisement rates for the report of HIS speeches at the Dockers' Inquiry."

To my uncultivated mind to "pay for" and "to arrange for payment" is not the same thing.

Turning to the files of the Daily Herald, however, I find in the issue of February 4th, 1920 (the day following the opening of the case for the Dockers at the inquiry held at the Royal Courts of Justice), that the first two columns on the front page were devoted to Bevin's speech; "a slashing indictment of the industry," "the extraordinary performance of Ernest Bevin as the Dockers' K.C."

There is no printed indication that these two columns, fully devoted to Bevin, were paid at advertisement rates.

They either were, and our query of last week stands; or they were not, and then what Comrade Meynell says is inexact.

On page 6 of the same issue we find a full report of the proceedings with names of the members of the Court of Inquiry, etc., and also a paragraph in black type stating:-

"This page has been taken by the National Transport Workers' Federation for the purpose of putting before the whole Labour Movement a fuller report of yesterday's momentous proceedings than would otherwise be possible."

We have it, then, on the authority of the Dally Herald that page 6, which is distinct from the two columns devoted to Bevin, was paid-and that page only-by the National Transport Workers' Federation.

If the Federation paid, Bevin did not, for one has yet to learn that he has the full control of the funds of the Federation.

Even Com. Meynell, however "good enough a ournalist" he may be, cannot have it both ways. A suggestion might present itself: Bevin "arranged" for payment of that page, and got from Com. Meynell a free puff on page one. This would be an unpleasant explanation, and I do not put it forward as the true one. Probably the Daily Herald will set dubious minds at rest by a perfectly frank declaration of the facts.

On the report of the second sitting (Dally Herald. Feb. 6th, 1920), again the two first columns of page one are wholly devoted to Bevin, K.C., and there is no indication that they are either "paid for," "arranged for payment," or "taken." Page 6 of the same issue states, as before, in black type, "This page has been taken by the National Transport Workers' Federation for the purpose, etc."

Therefore, if that statement is correct, and Meynell's also is correct, the two columns of page bne. wholly devoted to Bevin, have also been paid, without any printed indication to that effect.

My query of last week remains, and I now extend it both to Mr. Lansbury and Mr. Bevin.

On the issue for February 21st, 1920, we find, on page one, that the "Dockers' K.C., grown to the importance of a two columns double heading, crossexamines Prof. Bowley. There is here no indication of payment.

The regrettable fact still remains, as brought out by Comrade Meynell, that if one can afford to pay for space in the Daily Herald, one can obtain reports " not warranted by their news interest" in "Labour's only Daily," and if the Dockers' K.C.'s articles were paid for, one can also have reputationmaking puffs in accordance with one's purse.

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