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Mussolini Spars for Time in League Palavers

Green Backs Lefkowitz & Co. In Splitting Teachers Local

Aim to Revoke National Charter as Revenge for Defeat at Convention; Progressives Must Rally Resistance Now

NEW YORK, Sept. 5.—A startling new development confronted the Teachers Union of New York, Local 5 of the American Federation of Teachers with the announcement by Henry Linnville, President, and Abraham Lefkowitz, Legislative Representative, of their intention to turn in their resignations at a meeting of the Executive Committee. All of the other officers of the local, elected last spring by a small majority, would follow suit, it was announced.

This splitting move comes as the aftermath of the stunning defeat of the Lefkowitz-Linnville forces at the recently concluded national convention of the American Federation of Teachers.

Local Press Rages at Mini Defense Comm.

Vigilante Chief Arrested in Degenerate Assault

SACRAMENTO, Cal.—While vigilante terror against workers seeking to organize unions has far from vanished—as the recent Santa Rosa tar-and-feather outrage shows—one source of reactionary violence has been dealt a severe blow.

The California Cavaliers, a band of patriots and plug-uglies who were a significant factor in the success of the Sacramento criminal syndicalism frame-up early this year, has receded from the public eye momentarily.

The reason is that the latest exploit of its flag-waving, labor-hating chieftain has caused a revulsion of feeling against the organization among many small middle class elements previously terrorized or deluded by it.

There is needed no better evidence of the mental and moral level of those who intervened in the Sacramento trial to terrorize jurors into convicting men they believed innocent, than is given by the following item in a recent issue of the Sacramento Union, itself an announced enemy of the criminal syndicalism defense movement organized by the National Sacramento Appeal Committee:

A Patriot's Lighter Moods
"Accused of molesting a young woman on a lonely street and then striking an arresting officer, Ulrich L. Trussell, 33, SERA executive here and president of the California Cavaliers, statewide anti-Communist organization, was jailed early yesterday. . . . According to official police records, Trussell parked his sedan at 34th and V streets at 1:30 A.M. and attempted to force his attentions upon his passenger, Miss Despo Vlassis, 2822 S St. Kicking and gouging, Miss Vlassis escaped and ran down the street, screaming."

Trussell was finally pinched and brought to the emergency hospital where some specialists wanted to take a look at him. There, according to the Union, "he used foul and profane language in the presence of Mrs. Trainer (the nurse) and Dr. O'Brien."

Trussell was immediately freed on \$200 bail. Despite efforts to conceal the source, the belief gained credence in courthouse corridors that the money was furnished by a vice-president of the Bank of America, a leader in the Associated Farmers, Inc., boss strike-breaking organization which inspired the Cavaliers to hold military drill in the streets during the criminal syndicalism trial in order to scare the jurors.

The local press is shrieking with rage over the fact that the Socialist Party, Workers Party, Non-Partisan Labor Defense, I.W.W. and other organizations have joined together to fight for the Sacramento criminal syndicalism appeal. A recent full-column editorial in the Union denounces Mini for wanting to read radical literature in jail. Another Union article declares as follows:

"Norman Mini, former West Point cadet, convicted here early this year with seven others of criminal syndicalism, has become the cause celebre of another labor fight similar to that carried on in behalf of Tom Mooney. A de-

Publish Pamphlet on Sacramento Case

NEW YORK CITY.—"Union-Smashing in Sacramento—The Truth About the Criminal Syndicalism Trial," a 36-page pamphlet selling for 2 cents, has just been published by the National Sacramento Appeal Committee. This thoroughgoing analysis of the origins, course and results of the trial is simultaneously an absorbing, dramatic story of the class struggle in California and of the role of capitalist courts in that struggle.

The pamphlet is written by Herbert Solow, well-known journalist who spent four months in California last winter directing the Sacramento work of the Non-Partisan Labor Defense. Solow is now secretary of the National Sacramento Appeal Committee.

Copies of the pamphlet, which contains prefaces by Sam S. White of the San Francisco I.L.L.G.W.U. and Travers Clemens, well-known author, may be obtained from the N.S.A.C., Room 707, 41 Union Square, N.Y.C. The committee has announced that bundle orders may be had at reduced rates.

Rubber Workers Indignant Over Detroit Auto Deal

AKRON, Ohio.—Warned by the treachery of William Green, A. F. of L. president, at the auto workers convention where he offered his reactionary tools into the hands of the rubber workers prepared this week for a sharp struggle to prevent the A. F. of L. bureaucracy from pulling the same trick at the coming convention to form an international rubber workers union.

In fact, some of the Akron delegates and also out-of-town workers are so incensed that there is a serious possibility that the unions will be split and the delegates walk out of the convention if Green tries a "Detroit Deal" here.

Fairly good results came from efforts of progressives to co-ordinate their work with out-of-town delegates in a common anti-A. F. of L. bloc, and considerable strength is expected from this bloc.

Talk has already gone around among the rubberworkers that "if they put Chubberty or some other stooge in office like they put Dillon in at Detroit, we'll walk out with 90 percent of the delegates."

However, progressives are urging all delegates to rally around a fight within the regular convention and not let the independent international union idea gain headway for it will weaken the strength of the bloc in its fight against Green who will be here to try to play the same role he did in Detroit.

CANNON LECTURE SERIES

Beginning with Sept. 22, comrade James P. Cannon, editor of the NEW MILITANT, will give a series of lectures "On the Road to The Fourth International" at Irving Plaza, Irving Place and 15th Street. The lectures will be given on consecutive Sundays.

Eight young men and women, organizers of the exploited agricultural workers of California, have been railroaded to the prison cells of San Quentin and Tehachapi for terms up to fourteen years. In the terrorist, anti-labor atmosphere built up by the California bosses after the San Francisco general strike, a hand-picked middle-class jury convicted these eight under the notorious Criminal Syndicalism law. Despite workers' sole "crime"—these the legal terminology of this instrument of capitalist reaction—is that they courageously organized farm workers and led them in successful struggles for higher wages.

The Sacramento prisoners will be but the forerunners of a host of labor victims to this law, unless the Sacramento convictions are reversed under the pressure of the labor movement.

Organized labor everywhere has

Spartacus Continues Struggle Begun 15 Years Ago on I. Y. D.

International Youth Day Embodies Traditions of Anti-Militarism; Revolutionary Youth of Today Fight under Same Banner

By SAM GORDON
N. Y. District Educational Director, S.Y.L.

Twenty years since that great day in 1915, and the SPARTACUS YOUTH LEAGUE again celebrated International Youth Day.

But I.Y.D. is not just another holiday to us. In some respects, it is THE holiday of our organization and the tolling youth because it is the concentrated expression of a big part of what we stand for and fight for.

I. Y. D. began as a resurgent movement. It woke to life wide strata of young people demoralized by the crime and tragedy of 1914. It became a powerful insurgent movement. The force it stirred up did not rest until, with other help and hands, they built the Young Communist International.

Treachery Everywhere
We wait today from moment to moment knowing that war is crowding close to us. Back in 1915 it was already raging on a world scale. Betrayed by the leaders in whom they had placed trust, young factory hands, students and field workers stumbled and were driven into the trenches. Typical of the general disaster to the youth movement, Robert Danneburg of Austria, secretary of the International Bureau of Young Socialists, turned social-patriot and howled in the hyena chorus with the rest. The revolutionary movement ran to low ebb.

"Already influenced by the activity of the International Left, preparations were made for the holding of an international conference of the youth. This conference was held in Berne, Switzerland on April 4, 1915. It established the International Union of Socialist Youth. There were present 13 delegates from nine countries. It marked a turning point in the development of the youth movement.

"The Berne Conference, which was the forerunner of the Young Communist International, decided on the convening of a day of demonstration against militarism on an international scale. There was born International Youth Day, which has been celebrated now for twenty years by the Communist youth of the world. The conference decided on Oct. 3, 1915 as the first International Youth Day. The call was sent out to all countries and to all youth organizations calling upon them to demonstrate against the war and against militarism. During those years these anti-war demonstrations assumed tremendous proportions. In many countries they represented the only voice against the war, drawing in thousands upon thousands of adult workers. Since 1915, every year witnessed a world-wide demonstration against war and militarism. These demonstrations grew larger and larger as the years passed. The slogans of Berne became watchwords of the revolutionary youth."

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The Answer of October
The program of the conference gave a partial answer to the question: what should we young revolutionaries do?

The Sacramento Case A Statement by the National Committee of the Workers Party

denounced the criminal syndicalism laws as a union-smashing device. The Sacramento convictions, revealing the stark anti-union character of these laws, are a most important opportunity to rally the labor movement against the criminal syndicalism laws.

Had our comrade, Norman Mini, not smashed the conspiracy of silence and sabotage with which the Communist Party and the I.L.L.D. enveloped the case, he and the other prisoners would have been condemned to oblivion. On the eve of the trial the Workers Party called upon the Non-Partisan Labor Defense to provide a real defense for the Sacramento defendants. In the short period which remained, the Non-Partisan Labor Defense, with the support of the Workers Party, the Socialist Party and other organizations was able to make a national issue of Sacramento, to hail out Communist Party members who were being deliberately kept in jail as a punishment for

Spartacus Plans Int'l Youth Day

"Plans for International Youth Day have been completed," is the report of Bill Streeter, district organizer of the S.Y.L. "Realizing its paramount significance we intend to make it an occasion where the principles of revolutionary internationalism, of revolutionary struggle against war are reiterated."

The district office of the Youth League announces that its plans include rally meets in all parts of the city. A torch light parade, planned for Saturday night, Sept. 7, will start out from 420 E. 19th Street at 7 P.M., march down Ave. A to 7th and Ave. A; after a short meeting, to 10th St. and 2nd Ave., for a final mass rally.

Max Shachtman, Jane Ogden, Bill Streeter and others will address a mass indoor meet at Irving Plaza Hall, 15th St. and Irving Place, Sunday night at 8:30. The program for the meeting includes a presentation of "Lighting Red," the Newton Dance Group, and other items. Spartacans and their friends should keep these evenings free. Don't forget the dates.

Green Extols Capitalism on Labor Day

Lauds Hunger Regime; Silents on Falling Wages

By JACK WILSON
CANTON, Ohio, Sept. 1.—After a string ensemble softly played "I Love You," William Green, reactionary president of the A. F. of L., surrounded by a chamber of commerce president, some state politicians, two priests and a coterie of conservative trade-unionists, preached the philosophy of class-cooperation at a dinner given here in his behalf—and then went into a veritable frenzy to whip up another "red scare."

His after-dinner speech and the dinner itself would have been the envy of a rotarian or any other bourgeois club. But this was but a prelude to and an indication of what workers, waiting throughout the country to hear what he would say, would actually get.

Green spoke before an audience of not over 2,500 workers, a sign of his rapidly declining prestige and an ominous warning of how he will fare in the future with the workers.

Coming fresh from Detroit where he had treacherously foisted an ultra-reactionary leadership on the new auto workers' international union, Green still dared to shed crocodile tears over "our democratic rights for which we must fight." He meant his right to continue betrayals of labor, as for example, at the coming rubber workers' convention.

Green told the workers, whose standard of living has been falling to an even more miserable rate than before the Roosevelt administration, that "the nation is emerging from a long-continued period of distressing and painful economic experience," and also that "the economic horizon is becoming brighter."

Horns and Wings
Making a "fine" distinction between "decent employers" and "ruthless, irresponsible employers," Green pledged himself to help the "decent employers" against the competition of the latter in the hope they might toss him a few bread crumbs, so to speak.

Despite the rubber strike betrayal, the Chevrolet strike compromise, the failure of the A. F. of L. to try seriously to organize basic industries on industrial lines; the clubbing down of WPA wages by the Roosevelt administration; the increased misery for the unemployed; despite these and hundreds of other glaring facts that speak eloquently of the failure of the A. F. of L. top leadership, Green bragged of "substantial progress" made by him and his cohorts.

He had nothing but praise for the so-called "Federal Security Act," whose provisions are meaningless to aid the unemployed in obtaining even an existence. Outside of saying "Congress and the administration made a grave mistake" when they failed to accept and apply the prevailing wage

Litvinov Talk Veils Powers Bandit Deals

Shies away from Internal Regime of Fascist Italy

With Italy sparring for time and the League of Nations sessions contributing greatly in the shadow-play of appealing to "public opinion," the final dress rehearsals are being completed before Il Duce marches his fascist hordes into the kingdom of Ethiopia.

The recent session of the League was convened primarily at the behest of British and French imperialism to make one more effort at a "peaceful" rather than military partition of Ethiopia.

The positions of England and France had been made clear before. England desiring "peace" for fear of its African colonies. France ready to back Italy so long as some guarantee could be given it of the status quo remaining undisturbed in Europe.

The "surprise" of the first day's session in Geneva was met the Italian delegate's demonstrative departure, nor even the plain spoken words of the Ethiopian representative, Jeze, but rather the speech of Maxim Litvinov, the first spoken words of the representative of the Stalin bureaucracy to the League of Imperialist Bandits. ". . . I am bound to declare, with regret," declared Litvinov, "with regret (!) my inability to agree with the attitude which the representatives of Italy wish to adopt."

Diplomacy for Whom?
Diplomatic language you say, but whose diplomacy? The diplomacy of imperialism or that of the proletarian state?

Again: "I have to make a statement upon a question which does not directly affect the interests of my country but which may have the gravest consequences for the whole of international life (!), for the fate of the League of Nations (how touching!) and consequently, sooner or later for our own country."

First things first as they say. Since when has the fate of the Soviet state been linked up with the fate of the Thieves Kitchen of Geneva? It is nothing but a slander to the masses of Soviet Russia to link their fate with that of black reaction.

And still more: "I am certain that there is no one here who feels in sympathy with the internal regime of Ethiopia as described in the documents submitted to us."

What about the internal regime of Italy about which Jeze had at least a few words to say? Yes, "comrade" Litvinov, how about the internal regime of castor oil Italy! "Investia" has something to say about that. In an editorial on September 6 it declares: "In its estimate of the Italo-Abyssinian conflict Soviet public opinion (read Soviet bureaucracy) does not consider Italy's internal regime." No, not Italy's internal regime, that might offend a "friendly" nation, but let us by all means judge backward Ethiopia's internal regime. What a disgusting spectacle. Rather had Litvinov not spoken at all than have once again dirtied the names Soviet and Communism.

How Long Now?
Concluding the Italo-Ethiopian item on the agenda a committee of five was appointed to sift the matter once more and again try to find a "peaceful" solution. Italy did not object too strenuously to such a committee. Reports from East Africa have it that the rainy season is unduly prolonged this year.

French pressure must have counted considerably, too, in finally determining Italy's delegates to abstain on the proposal for a committee of five. It is likely that Laval, in private conversation, had insisted that the continued backing of Mussolini might prove embarrassing at home if Italy were intent to break them and there.

It is also quite likely that France will suggest that Italy be granted economic control over Ethiopia, with the right to establish what will amount to virtually a military protectorate.

But the traffic through the Suez Canal is dotted with boatloads of troops from which the flags of Italian fascism fly ominously in the breeze.

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