

"Lost Colony" -- The End of the 'Croppers Trail

WORKERS' FORUM

99 Families Live in Starvation and Squalor On "Squatters" Land In Missouri After Government Had Hounded Them Off Highways

By ROBERT L. BIRCHMAN
Nearly 500 ex-sharecroppers face starvation and death in a colony near Poplar Bluff, Missouri.

refuge on 93 acres of uncleared land good only for "squatting." After having been hounded along the highways by the police and local authorities for months they located at the "Lost Colony."

Not One Good Stove
There is not one good stove in the camp. The cooking is done in the open and such meals as there are, are eaten outdoors.

Forbidden to Fish
While the river is at the edge of the camp and woods all around it, the colonists are forbidden by the sheriff to hunt or fish.

of the remnants of the 1500 vassals of King Cotton and the cotton nobility who were evicted last January from their miserable shacks when they refused to accept a change in status to that of day laborers.

Cotton Kings Howl for Government To Cut Off Miserable Relief; Want To Force Croppers To Become Day-Laborers

more than ninety Negro children of grade school age and they manage the best they can. Several of the high school students in the camp are making attempts after their school hours to teach the children.

Education Among Croppers
The few white children in the camp must walk two miles to a junction to meet a school bus. No provision has been made for the

TROTSKY GIVES N. Y. TIMES WRITER A FEW POINTERS
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Your Moscow correspondent in a letter on the foreign policy of the Kremlin (New York Times, November 12) affirms that this policy is dictated by Marxist doctrine.

Kremlin Falsifications
"The leaders have not adopted," writes Mr. Gedye, "the theory of Leon Trotsky of 'permanent revolution' and the view that Socialism in one country is impossible."

sobriety" the exact Russian word used by Lenin, can be translated into English as "most able" but in no case as "most clever."

CAPITALISM HAS NO NEW FRONTIERS

Speaking in Boston, before the League of Women Voters, Elliot Janeway, Business Editor of "Time," said, "A tremendous catastrophe, similar to the Chicago fire or the Tokio earthquake, here in the United States would be an economic blessing, providing us with a frontier ready at hand and forcing us to go ahead and rebuild."

Defense Riddles FBI Frame-up Against Mpls. WPA Workers

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"charges violation of Section 28 of the Woodrum relief law. The government must not only prove that Section 28 was violated, but that the defendants CONSPIRED to violate it."

Workers Section of General Drivers Union Local 544, did not have a single member on the project. "Almost all the 25 defendants in the present trial are members of the Federal Workers Section."

PREPARE STRIKE IN NEW JERSEY CRUCIBLE STEEL

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workers found themselves in a permanent state of financial bankruptcy, for their weekly wage was insufficient to pay their daily living expenses.

Guns Instead of Vitamins For British Workers

Vitamins are important. They prevent rickets in children and scurvy in grown-ups. Fresh fruits are the cheapest way of getting those all-important vitamins.

RACE RIOT AGAINST AUTO UNION FIZZLES

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Chrysler strike, was organized by the scab outfit of Homer Martin. Martin's organization has been working hand in hand with the strikebreaking radio priest Coughlin and the fascist hireling of the corporation, Gerald K. Smith.

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A. Phillip Randolph Speaks in L. A.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 19.—A. Phillip Randolph, International President of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters (AFL), speaking at the Second Baptist Church today presented his program for the Negro people.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The extensive German pamphlet by H. David: The New World War and the International Labor Movement is on the press. It answers many questions and clarifies not a few problems that have arisen during the present crisis.

Lead Steel Struggles

The history of the Crucible Steel Workers has been one of militancy and sacrifice. Since the rise of the CIO, they have been frustrated in their fight for a genuine contract.

Newspaper Organizes Fight

The formation of the North Jersey Steel Workers Council composed of twenty lodges in northern New Jersey has been an important factor in maintaining the strength and militancy of the rank and file in the area.

Up to Leadership

A temporizing attitude on the part of the SWOC will weaken the rank and file before an intense company barrage of fake rumors. An immediate strike call will bring forth a militant display of solidarity and determination.

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Correspondents "Worked On"

I must say in general that nowhere are the foreign correspondents so persistently and successfully worked upon as in Moscow. In the past years we have observed how some American journalists systematically induced American public opinion into error by their articles upon the "most democratic constitution in the world," upon the Kremlin's profound sympathy for the democracies, upon the Kremlin's not less profound hatred for Hitler and so on.

Coyocan, D. F.

P. S. — Permit me to utilize this occasion for another correction. Several times I have encountered the allegation in your paper that Lenin characterized Trotsky as the "most clever member of the Central Committee." I am afraid that this translation—not only incorrect but tendentious—originated also from one of the too trustful Moscow correspondents. The word "clever" in this context has an ironical, a somewhat degrading connotation of which there is not a trace in the so-called Testament of Lenin. "Sami spo-

"THAT THEY MAY LIVE," A REAL ANTI-WAR MOVIE

Dear Comrade Editor, The other night a couple of us socialists went to see the French movie, "That They May Live," because we heard it was an anti-war picture like "Grand Illusion." We were not so hot about going as we know that real anti-war pictures are even scarcer than real anti-war fighters.

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