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# AMERICAN LEGION IS CHARACTERIZED AS TOOL OF THE CAPITALISTS

# CHICAGO LABOR UNION PLANS TO OUST MEMBERS BELONGING TO LEGION

(By The Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, Jan. 5 .- More than 100 alleged radicals arrested in the New Year's raids by state and city authorities, today were arranged in criminal court, and a special grand jury began tackling the masses of evidence seized at headquarters and meeting places, or obtained in the past five months. Agents of the federal department of justice spent the day preparing evidence for submission tomorrow at the hearings of 224 red aliens held for deportation as a result of the new year's drive and the national crusade a day later.

Officers today still sought for alleged reds, for whom warrants were issued, but John T. Creighton, special assistant attorney general, said another concerted drive against dissentents will not be made until present cases are disposed of.

William D. Haywood, secretary of the Industrial Workers of the World, under sentence to a federal prison, and for whom state officers had searched since New Year's day, announced in a morning newspaper that he would surrender today. The federal officers said they did not want to arrest Haywood. States Attorney Hoyne, who directed his arrest, made no announcement of the charge against Haywood.

"Regardless of recent official statements to the contrary, I wish to say that there has been, is, and can be no connection between the communist party of World," Haywood said.

totally different," he said.

He said that the communist manifesto regarding overthrow or the federal government never had been included in I. W.

W. propaganda. atterney sought to invoke the new state | Orizaba, a city ten miles south of the syndicalist law against strikes, "and I volcano, state that several business understand he is working toward that blocks and churches near the center of

end, he will have to fight for his life." upon that the Chicago federation of labor yesterday adopted two resolutions against the federal raids. One asserted that the executive board suspected that the raids "were a part of a gigantic plot to destroy organized labor by the

employers", and the other that they

methods in Russia and terrorist tactics." E. N. Nockles, the secretary, charged that the raids were "financed by a slush fund supplied by the capitalists."

The socialist party atso issued a statement deploring the raids against radicals, and the local painters' union announced it was planning to oust all members who held membership in the Ameriean Legion, which was described as a "tool of the capitalistic system."

#### EARTHQUAKES SHAKE TEN **MEXICAN STATES**

Many Houses and Cities Business Blocks and Stores Demolished - Seismic Disturbance in Neighborhood of Vera Cruz.

By The Associated Press.)

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 5 .- Ten states were shaken by the carthquake which on Saturday night destroyed at least two villages and caused many deaths in the state of Vera Craz. These states were Mexico, Puebla, Vera Cruz, Oaxaca, Guerrero, Morelos, Jalisco, Tlaxcala, Hidalgo and Querretaro. They stretch from the isthmus of Tequantepec in a northwesterly direction, a distance of nearly 500 miles and from the Gulf of Mexico to the Pacific.

Reports received up to 11 o'clock last night indicated the centre of the seismic convulsion was in the neighborhood of Mount Orizaba, a volcano about 70 miles west of Vera Cruz on the line between the states of Vera Cruz and Puebla. It was in this neighborhood that the most America, and the communist labor party serious damage was done. Teocelo, a and the Industrial Workers of the village 35 miles northeast of the volcano. was virtually destroyed, and a similar "The communist parties are political fate befell Couztlan, a small bamlet in organizations. The I. W. W. is an in-that neighborhood. Wires were torn dustrial organization. Our methods are down by the violence of the tremor and only fragmentary reports reached this city, but it is stated there were many cas-

Many houses and churches in Jalapa, a city about 50 miles northwest of Vera Haywood also said that if the states | Cruz, were damaged, while reports from the town were cracked. In the suburbs In that connection, it was commented of Orizaba the shock was very severe. many persons being reported killed. The shock came during a performance at the theatre at Orizaba and panic-stricken people leaped from the balconies into the pit in their efforts to escape. Many were injured.

Fifteen shocks were experienced at "were repressions resembling Czaristic Cordoba, a city ten miles cast of Orizaba, where 11 were distinctly felt. First reports received here state that the tremor centered at Acambaro, a town near Teluca, about 25 miles southwest of Mexico City, but more recent advices state the shocks were not severe there.

While telegrams last night from the state of Vera Cruz, where the earthquake was more severe, stated that scores had perished, accurate estimates of the casualties cannot be made as yet.

## FEDERAL AUTHORITIES CONTINUE RAIDS AGAINST SOCIALISTS AND COMMUNISTS PARTIES

(By The Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5 .- Although nearly 5,000 persons have been arrested since the latest radical raid was started last Friday night, department of justice agents over the country still were seeking out today members of the communist and communist labor organizations, who thus far had escaped the general

Apparently New York and Chicago were the chief centers of activity. Several hundred warrants were yet to be served in the metropolis.

Nearly 3,000 of those arrested have been held for deportation proceedings and because of the congestion now at Ellis Island all of them cannot be concentrated there. At the bureau of immigra-- tion it was said that if army and navy branches at the island were removed, there would be ample room to concentrate all of the slien radicals who might be deported. Immigration officials would not discuss reports that they would ask the war department for use of either camps, Mills or Upton, New York, as a concentration camp. Congress had before it today the request of Attorney General Palmer that it take prompt action on a bill proposed by him several months ago and designated to enable the government to deal with citizens found to be engaged in radical activities. There is no federal law under which they can tens; in America.

be dealt with.

Hundreds of citizens were taken in the raids Friday and Saturday and these must be turned over to State authorities for trial.

CONTINUE RAIDS

ON COMMUNISTS NEW YORK, Jan. 5-Continuation of the raids on communists was expected here today.

About 600 warrants remained to be served. At least 58 local branches of the communist and communist labor parties which have not been raided are said to

be in existence in greater New York. A "red" conscription camp near here has been urged by local officials because of the overcrowded conditions at Ellis Island. It was said a request would soon be made to Secretary Baker that he designate either Camp Upton or Camp Merritt to house the prisoners.

INFLUENTIAL RUSSIAN

COMMUNIST IS ARRESTED. NEW YORK, Jan. 5-Gregory Weinstein, chief of staff for Ludwig C. A. K. Martens, self-styled ambassador to the United States of the Russian sovie republic, was arrested on a deportation warrant today by agents of the department of justice. Weinstein, according to department of justice, is the most influential Russian communist, next to MarARMSTRONG MILL MEN . **ENJOY PLEASANT BANQUET** 

the Armstrong Chain of Cotton Mills in Attendance at Fourth Annual Banquet.

Representatives of the Armstrong chain f mills in Gaston county and South Cardina, including officials, superintendents and overseers of the Clara, Dunn, Monarch, Armstrong, Seminole, Piedmont, Mutual, Victory and Winget mills of Gastonia and Dallas, and the Wymojo and Lockmore mills of Rock Hill and York, S. C., were the guests of Col. C. B. Armstrong Saturday night at an elegantly appointed banquet, served by Mr. A. A. Armstrong at the Armington Hotel. Precisely at 7 o'clock the guests were seafed in the capacious dining room and served with the following menu:

Oranges, queen olives, sweet mixed pickles, chicken soup, baked turkey and cranberry sauce, fried oysters, mashed white potatoes, English peas, steamed ice, chicken salad with mayonnaise, hot rolls, brick ice cream and nabiscoes, cof-

After all had partaken heartily of the many good things enumerated, cigars and eigarettes were passed and Col. Armstrong presided as toastmaster. Rev. G. R. Gillespie, assistant pastor of the First Presbyterian church, who asked God's blessing upon the repast, extended greetings for the New Year and on behalf of the superintendent and overseers of the Mutual Mill, presented Mr. C. C. Armstrong with a handsome fountain pen, as

token of their love and appreciation. Toasts were then responded to in three minute talks by Mr. J. R. McElwee, of the Wymojo; Mr. W. G. Gaston, of the Seminole; Mr. F. C. Woods, of the Lockmore; Mr. S. W. Smith, of the Seminole; Mr. Crenshaw, of the Wymojo; Mr. H. G. Winget, of the Victory; Mr. A. K. Winget, of the Gastonia office; Mr. Mac Jenkins, of the Victory and Winget; Mr. L. D. Gribble, of Dallas; Mr. W. Lee Smith, of the Mutual; Mr. N. B. Davis, of the Armstrong; Mr. W. S. Smith, of the Pledmont; Mr. W. B. Roddey, of the Gastonia office; Mr. W. E. Jackson, of the Kennedy farm; Mr. Harris, of the Park farm; Mr. P. P. Huffstetler, of the Dunn Mill and Mr. B. C. Davis, of the Mutual Mill.

Among many good thtings said by Col. Armstrong to his men, were, "Keep in good humor, watch your business, make better varn and more your than your competitors and colleagues. Keep sober, keep seasonable hours, go to church as regularly on Sunday as you do to work through the week, and when possible, and as often as possible, to Sunday school. Mix and mingle with good peple, you will find them at church. Re member that 90 per cent of the people are honest, don't be afraid to help oth-

The growth of the organization was evidenced by the increased attendance, 27 at the first banquet, 68 at the fourth, and every single one a home-grown product. Mr. W. F. Kineaid, who arrived on a late train from a business trip to southern Georgia, told of the vast differences in wages, working and living conditions of operatives, as prevailing in Gastonia and the territory visited, showing that Gastonia mills paid their superintendents and mill hands more than double the wages in all departments, and that no interest whatever was manifested in the welfare and well being of the mill working classes in the places visited.

Mr. G. G. Willis, of the Citizens Bank, complimented the organization on the working forces for the last Red Cross drive in the mills. A rising vote of thanks to the hotel management was cheerfully given and the happy company disbanded

at 11 p. m. Besides those mentioned, Mr. Ralph Armstrong, of Rock Hill, S. C., Messrs. C. C. Armstrong, Raleigh Armstrong, W. L. Wetzell and R. W. Stowe, of Gastonia, represented the office forces.

NEW SUPERINTENDENT FOR NEW VICTORY MILL

Mr. H. G. Winget, former superintendent of the Dunn Mill, in South Gastonia, assumed charge of the Victory mill January 1, and is already busy getting the machinery properly installed for the early beginning of operation. He reports that steam will soon be finding its way through the cold pipes and within a few days machinery will be in place.

VIRGINIA LEAGUE WILL LIKELY REFUSE N. C. APPLICATIONS.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Jan. 5-Directors of the Virginia League met here today to draft a playing schedule for the coming season and act on the applications of Wilson and Rocky Mount; N. C., for franchises. Officials of the local club said they believed the applications from North Carolina would be refused and that the organization would continue as a six club circuit.

TODD'S BAKERY

Sixty-Eight Representatives of R. Hope Brison and J. B. Pearson New Owners - W. E. Todd Retires After Seventeen Years in Bakery Busi-

> "For Todd's Sake Eat Bread," a slogan so long familiar to Gastonians, will continue to decorate the delivery wagons and advertisements of Todd's Steam Bakery, notwithstanding the fact that Mr. W. E. Todd, proprietor of the business for 17 years, retires from the firm today. By the terms of a deal just consummated the business was taken over this morning by R. Hope Brison and J. B. Pearson. The new owners, however, will continue to operate under the Todd name. J. B. Pearson, with the R. Hope Brison Ice & Coal Company, until that firm changed hands recently, is to be the active manager of the bakery. He began this morning the task of learning the mysteries of pie-cake and bread-mak-

From a small beginning 17 years ago W. E. Todd had built up a business with few equals in its line in the State. A year or two ago he moved into larger quarters and installed the latest type of bakery machinery, very greatly in reasing the capacity.

Mr. Todd has not yet decided what he will engage in.

### JITNEYS COLLIDE, TURN OVER; NONE INJURED

Several people had what was apparently a miraculous escape from death about 8 o'clock this morning when two jitneys ran together at the corner of West Franklin avenue and South York. As it was no one was injured, barring the discomfort of being badly shaken up, but all were considerably frightened. The cars turned over on their sides and were onsiderably damaged.

From the best infort ation obtainable it seems that the big Pinkney-Hanover jitney, which is a heavy closed car with glass windows all round, ran into a smaller jitney driven by John Grant. The Pinkney-Hanover jitney was driven by C. C. Bush, quite a young man, whose father is the owner of the car. Both turned over. In the big car were six or eight passengers, most of them ladles. Despite the shock and a large quantity of flying glass no one was burt,

PASTOR THREATENED WITH SERIOUS ILLNESS

The many friends of Rev. W. A. Hough in South Gastonia will regret to learn of his being confined to his bed with what at first threatened to develop pneumonia, he having contracted a severe cold during a twenty-five mile drive on Saturday. The pastor's sudden and unexpected illness necessitated the canceling of preaching services at the South Baptist church yesterday morning and evening. He was resting easier yesterday afternoon and his physician declared the danger of pneumonia had passed.

SERVICE FLAG LOWERED

AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH. One of the most impressive services ever held in the First Baptist church was that of Sunday night when the service flag of the church was lowered. Miss Mary Hildebrand, the retiring president of the B. Y. P. U. of the church, presided in a most gracious manner. The meeting opened with the singing of an anthem by the choir, after which Rev. W. C. Barrett offered a prayer of thanks for the return of our boys. This was followed by the roll call and introductory remarks by Mr. Denny. Mr. M. O. Thornburg then spoke briefly on "The B. Y. P. U. and Our Boys." This was followed by talks by Mr. J. D. Moore, "The Sunday School and Our Boys," and Prof. J. S. Wray, "The Church and Our Boys. 19

At the conclusion of these talks Miss Mabel Padgett, dressed as America, lowered the Service Flag into a large American Flag which was held by Mr. Everette Jones, representing the Army and Mr. Clyde McLean, representing the Navy. After the service flag had been folded into the American flag, Prof. J. S. Wray, also in uniform, presented the flag to Rev. W. C. Barrett, who, in behalf of the church, accepted it saying it would be placed with the records of the church, for safe-keeping.

The representatives of the stars on the service flag, together with all other men who had seen service, came to the front and with the singing of the Star Spangled Banner, a huge American flag was

Twas a service long to be remembered by all present, and the B. Y. P. U. of the church are to be commended, as they had entire charge of the service.

**CONGRESS CONVENES TODAY** FOR BUSY SESSION LASTING CONTINUOUSLY UNTIL FALL

(By The Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Jan, 5-Returning to work Monday after two weeks holiday, congress faced one of the busiest sessions in history and a staggering array of problems awaiting solution. In addition to innumerable domestic matters, some of which have a far-reaching effect on the industrial life of the country, there are international questions of far reaching import that must be settled, including the treaty of peace with Germany and

Adjournment was not expected before fall and the only break in the long session that members can look forward to is the brief recess that will be taken coineident with the holding of the national party conventions during the smmer. But despite the mass of work ahead there were indications that ample time would be found for partisan politics and no angle of the coming presidential election would be overlooked. Political speeches in record-breaking numbers were looked for,

Besides the treaties with Germany and with Austria, international problems to be considered include the proposed alliance with France, the Panama canal settlement with Colombia, treaties with Poland and possibly Turkey, and numerous measures dealing with the war changed conditions of American commercial and financial relations abroad.

Important domestic legislation awaitng action includes the railroad reorganizaton bill and the oil, coal, gas and phosphate land leasing bill, both of of Z. V. Johnson & Co. which now are in conference; army reorganization, shipping legislation, control of undesirable aliens and scores of of buildings used for offices having creother subjects. Many investigations also ated a shortage. The fire loss is said to have been arranged for both the senate and house. Among them will be inquiries into war expenditures, the Mexican situation, bolshevist activities, the coal situation, the federal trade commission and the Ford-Newberry election controversy.

This afternoon the senate planned to resume consideration of the sedition bill of Senator Sterling, republican, North | it really is.

Dakota, and to begin work on the house water power development measure. The house, before taking up various appropriation measures, expected to vote on the question of seating Victor Berger, Milwaukee socialist, who was ousted last session, but re-elected at a special election held recently. Leaders predicted a prompt rejection of the re-election certi-

## SUGAR CAN BE BOUGHT SEPARATE FROM OTHER GOODS

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5-The federal trade commission today held that the selling of sugar in combination with other goods to force purchasers to buy other things in order to obtain sugar, was an unfair method of competition and ordered the Cole-Conrad Company, of Chicago, to cease the practice. The Chicago case was one of many similar complaints which had been lodged with the commission, it was stated.

CAUSE OF DANVILLE FIRE YET UNDETERMINED.

(By The Associated Press.)

DANVILLE, VA., Jan. 5 .- Cause of the fire which Saturday night destroyed property in the business district valued at \$800,000, had not definitely been determined today, although it was said to have originated in the department store

Professional men were searching for quarters, the destruction have been covered by insurance.

Concerning the Venus of Milo.

It is said that the base of the Venns of Milo, with the name of the sculptor upon it, was destroyed for the purpose of deceiving a king of France into the belief that it was more ancient than

# 2,000 DELEGATES MEET TO DISCUSS THE COAL STRIKE

### FORM PHYSICAL STANDARDS AS GUIDE FOR DOCTORS

(By The Associated Press)

WASHINGTIN, Jan. 5-Formulation of physical standards as a guide for doctors in examining and determining the fitness of children in industry was the principal topic for discussion today by the permanent committee appointed last June as a result of the child welfare conference held by the Children's Bureau. department of labor. It is the purpose the convention and obtain from the of the committee, many of whom are experts in industrial hygiene, it was announced, to determine what constitutes normal development, sound health and on the miner's demands. physical fitness of boys and girls who have reached the age at which they may start work.

Minimum standards adopted by the 'a child shall not be allowed to go to work until he has had a physical examination by a public school physician, or commission. for that purpose by the agency charged ment for a child of his age, and has been narmal development for a child of his age and physicially fit for the work at tervals for examining all working children also were recommended.

Dr. T. M. Leggs, senior medical inspector of factories of Great Britain, was among those here for the meeting.

Superlative Good Thing.

It is a good thing to be rich, and a good thing to be strong, but it is a better thing to be beloved of many friends. —Euripides.

(By The Associated Press.)

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 5-More than 2,000 delegates, representing the 400,000 soft coal mniers of the United States. were assembled here today for the convention which is to discuss the settlement of the nation-wide strike, terminated on December 10 by a truce proposed by President Wilson, which gave the miners a 14 per cent advance in wages. Plans are also to be formulated for presenting to the commission of three men appointed by the President to consider all matters in dispute, and report within 60 days the final terms of settlement.

John P. White, one of the members of the president's commission, will attend miners direct attitude in the controversy before taking up with the scale commitee in Washington next week hearings

The miners are not satisfied with the 14 per cent advance, but are confident the commission, upon full investigation, will find they are entitled to more. They child welfare conference provided that bave gathered a mass of data, relative to the increased cost of living in mining districts, which will be presented to the

other medical officer especially appointed | The Columbus convention, it was pointed out by the officers is not called for with the enforcement of the law, and the purpose of ratifying or rejecting the has been found to be of normal develop- action of the officers in accepting the proposal of the president. President found to be of normal development of Lewis and members of the policy comthe law, and has been found to be of mittee take the position that not to have accepted would have meant defiance of the government. It is expected that the which he is to be employed.' Fixed in radical element in the convention may take exceptions to the actions of the officers, but they are said to constitute a

> small minority. Alleged discrimination on the part of operators in Alabama, Tennessee, eastern Kentucky, Colorado and parts of Illinois against union officials is expected to come before the convention. Secretary Green said the alleged discrimination had been brought to the attention of Attorney General Palmer.