. The principle I state and mean to stand upon is:-that the entire ownership of Ireland. moral and material, up to the sun and down to the centre is vested of right in the people of Ireland?

James Fintan Lalor.

Antoibrioe Jaoolac

Edited by Jim Larkin.

SATURDAY, JANUARY, 24, 1925.

Is greater than defeat can know-

a cause like ours:

Who is it speaks of defeat?

I tell you

It is the power of powers As surely as the earth rolls round,

As surely as the glorious sun Brings the great world moon wave.

Must our Cause be won!

PRICE TWOPENCE

### **ELECTION CRIES**

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The long-winded exponents of Free Stateism are on the stump again. Every day and in every way they are getting worse and worse, and the wind that blows is of Hillingsgate, in the family tradition, promises to excel his Most Excellent uncle's efforts of the past; and, behind, the Hlythes, Hogans and MeNeills step to the tune-of the Pied Piper of Merrion Street. Cosgrave has returned to Dublin in time to show he is not, politically, a corpse. His return on the kood ship. Republic '! is testimony to his

corpse. His return on the good ship, "Republic" is testimony to his political faith and a reply to his traducers. His visit to Nice (where the Casinos are) has had, we infer from the daily press, a marked effect, and the Italian people are breathing easiet, that one, who could show Mussolini how to do it better, has found, it his pleasure to leave fair Italia,

easie; that one, who could show Mussolini how to do it better, has found it his pleasure to leave fair Italia without doing it.

Yet, it is not to be presumed that he return of the President will deflect the course of events. There is a possibility that the faction of Cumann an nGaedheal, as yet unassimilated with Ascendancyism, may call on Mac Cosgair to stem the rising tide of disaster; but what, in that event, is course will be is yet to be seen.

At the moment, the big guns of Prec Stateism are booming. On the Western front (last Sunday) Mr. Offliggins turned on a barrage of Prec's and a stream of prophecy sufficient to convince the legions of "mugs" that the world of Irish democracy is safe for ever. It was noticeable that no mention was made of the Shannion scheme; perhaps the topic has been talked out; but it would seem as if the coming bye-elections will be fought in terms of beet root and promises of agricultural expansion.

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After all, elections in rural parts must be conducted in a rural spirit, and so Mr. Hogan, whose business it is to make agriculture at least as great as his colleagues have made their departing out rosy prospects to landless and landed men.

It is now almost two years since the last shot was fired, and it is worth while examining the record of the Government since. Election promises are cheap and are intended to cover a multitude of omissions; therefore, to get matters economic in proper perspective we must examine the legislative Acts passed by the Government.

Apart from the last Public Safety

Apart from the last Public Safety Apart from the last Public Safety Act, which passed into law subsequent to the cease fire of two years ago, and was definitely intended to hamstring political opponents and ereate a situation in which agitators of all schools, labour and otherwise, would find themselves at a disadvantage, the record of the Government, wherever it has touched on social or industrial problems has been to the disadvantage of the the Government, wherever it has touched on social or industrial problems has been to the disadvanatge of the mass of the people who are the workers. At a later date these matters will be gone into more fully, but, for the present purposes, the ease of the Dublin Municipal workers will suffice. The Commissioners appointed by the Government to take over control of the city were put there to reduce wages in the Municipal service, and to ensure the working of certain Acts having that end in view. The Act under which the Commissioners, were appointed was passed with a view to bringing public bodies smartly to heef and controlling their finances in cases where they should run counter to Government policy. Under the British Local Government Acts the public always had redress against representatives who misspent public moneys, but it was not found necessary, to that end, to deprive them of the advantages of democratic representation. Under the beneficent rule of the Gaelo Britons we have advanced so far that nothing short of a complete reversal of democratic principle and procedure.

## LENIN DEAD!

A year ago he passed—the great master, the mind that shook the world, destroyed an empire and gave hope and inspiration to the common people of the earth.

When the peoples of the earth—rulers and slaves—had lost all sense of proportion; when the Statesmen—so-called—of the great capitalist countries and empires wailed "Civilization is dead. There is no hope for humanity. Society is reverting to barbarism," this man Lenin, the servant of the common people and the mind force of the century, stepped out/from obscurity and in a voice that reverberated over the known earth, spoke, and the children of men stood in fear and trembling; and again he spoke and they gathered—the harrassed and defeated ones—and they felt strengthened, inspired and aided by his presence and guided by his will to do, and the knowledge of the centuries focussed in the brain of this man Lenin; inspired by his message—a logical, human, commonsense message—they, the disheartened, beslaved, ignorant, selfish ones, cast off their foolishness and bent themselves to the task.

Within a moon's journey they, the common people within the sound of his voice, children of the same country; they who had submitted because of their helplessness—bound as they were in the chains of ignorance, selfishness and superstition—awoke, cast aside their rulers and oppressors, seized their broad acres, their properties, asserted their rights, made good their claim to control of the earth and the fulness thereof; their right to enjoy that which they created and produced; asserted the will to power and took control of their own lives, land and destiny out of the power of the idle, vicious, blood-guilty, brutal and inhuman creatures masquerading as a government in Russia, presided over by a half imbecile and degenerate called the Czar, and directed by the most cruel, licentious and corrupt group of licensed murderers the world had ever been cursed with.

The mind, the pen, the voice of Lenin—the master mind of the twentieth century; a man humble and willing to serve, who had been hounded down by all the governments of Europe for a generation; a man who had to hide by day and work by night; a man whom all the secret police and agents provocateur and their paymasters had chased from country to country, from hiding place—aided and assisted by his comrade and wife and the few faithful ones calling themselves the Social Democratic Labour Party (Bolshevik Section). The capitalist governments of the world and the paid defamers and licensed liars may spit out their venom, may continue to lie and malign and even caricature the Bolsheviki and their leaders and their teacher, Lenin—but "he who laughs last laughs best." And to one who has been privileged to look on the face of the dead Lenin, with that intriguing smile which conveys so much, one understands. He laughs last, Lenin laughed away a corrupt despotism in an hour—a despotism that had endured for nearly four centuries. Leninism will laugh the capitalist system out of face and into oblivion.

Because of Lenin the common people must come into their own. Ignorance, selfishness and cowardice may delay them in their march to liberty and life, but they are on the march and must arrive, for the ideas of Lenin are the need of all men and women.

Not in the man Lenin was power, but in the mind of Lenin was focussed the accumulated knowledge of the centuries. The need and the hour called for the man! The need and the hour calls for men of the same type as Lenin—thinkers and doers. It calls for you. There are evil persons, evil forces, evil combinations who have and who are interfering with the lives and liberties of men in this country and in all the countries within the British Empire. There is only one way to put a stop to the evil courses of these evil-minded creatures—Lenin's way! Remove all bigotry prejudice from your mind. Read and study his life and struggle and his accomplishments in life—and go thou and do likewise.



Lenin walking in the garden at Jurki, where he was convalescent after a serious illness.

will meet the case of an outraged Government. In this matter we would point out to our readers that if the Free State Government were merely concerned with purity of administra-Free State Government were increy concerned with purity of administration it would have been found sufficient where public bodies were found 
neglecting or exceeding their duties, to 
have embodied in and Act, a clause, 
whereby the Government could order 
are election of new representatives. 
The policy of the Free State Government all along has been to hold the 
pulsasses of the people and their representatives in the hollow of the 
Governmental hand, in the interest of 
BRG BUSINESS. That is to say, that 
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property of the Messes, Goods, Barrys, 
Gouldings, Jamesons, Guitanesses, the 
Masonie-Brotherhood, the Chambers of 
Commerce, and, our, foreign, and 
capitalistically-minded banks, It is a 
pleasing prospect, for the workers, 
verily.

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The fact, that it is so, will not be blazoned forth in Prec State election speeches and literature. These things are not for the hustings, It will have been noticed, in the daily Precs of this

specenes and interature. These things are not for the fustings. It will have been noticed, in the daily Press of this week that it is the intention of the Government to accept the advice and direction of the Chambers of Commerce in future before putting forward new financial legislation. No mention of seeking the opinion of the workers. No, No!

These are the facts of the case, and the workers, should take from the leart. When they hear Free State electioneers talking about the destruction, etc., that has been done in the country by certain objoicious people, left them ask themselves who it was that handed over control of the country to the Freemason gang. Let then ask themselves who it was brought back British officers—some of them Black and Tans—to run the Free State Acmy. Let them ask themselves who agreed to pledge the Customs and Existe in exchange for British gains and munitions. Let them ask wherit was got rid of, and is still getting rid of, the life-four servants of public bodies and putting under-paid and inefficient excelders in their place, thereby compelling the forfeit of pensions legally and morally due to these old public servants.

Surgery has, so far, discovered only one treatment for advanced eancer. "Cut it out." In the present political staytom in the Free State there is but one hope: it is, that the people are at last awakening to the desperateness of their position. To cure the disease

one nope; it is, that the people are a last awakening to the desperateness of their position. To cure the disease that belouls public life in the Free State, there is but one remody; "Cut the Cancer out."

#### HARDIMAN, McKENNA KEAVY GET FIRED AND

Having done the dirty work for their masters. Hardinag, "MK-rum a and Kenry of No. 3 Branish of the LT. & G.W.U. have been given the gate. For the past five months the Dublin Branches of the 'O.18U.' have been living on subsidies from 55 Branel Square. In other words, income is nil and the east of their unkeeps is being Morne out of reserve.

In addition to these dismissals a further batch of elerks have been fired at Head Office. As the banner at Liberty Hall used to say—when the 61B.U. Beforee League "used to was".

The same Old Flag.

The same Old Flag.

The same Old Flag.

The same Old Ideals.

The O.B.U. keeps marching on.

Looks like it.

We have also been reliably informed that Rolbins has been put on half time. That should give him more time for visiting police barracks. Our travelling gorrespondent came on bina a short while ago entering the same at Coolock. Ole Bill's weakness for the police is strong in his Heutenants, and the "O.B.U. keeps marching on "under police protection. What with happen the O.B.U. when Merrion Street gets on the run we hardly date think on.

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THE "GOD SAVE THE KING" IRISH LABOUR PARTY.

The "Irish Labour Party" is seeking to retrieve its fortunes; the methods are Johnsonian. It has been said that

For ways that are dark And for tricks that are vain

The heathen Chinee is peculiar; but he is not so much so as those who

work unostentationsly from Lower Abbey Street.

One of the conditions attaching to 

The Irish Labour Party ordinarily stands apart from the aspirations of average humanity, and only admits recognition thereof where it is beyond recognition thereof where it is beyond doubt that they have the weight of popular opinion behind them. They call it "the Will of the People." To-day, the country may be Free State; to-morrow, Republican. Nextweek, being a free nation, it may choose the straight path of Empire. It is all the same: "The way the wind blows, we go." To out of date people, the process is known as "tacking"; or more "ulgarly. "turning your cont." But in orthodox labour circles it is "the will of the people."

There are times, however, when even the most orthodox of Labour parties must take a chance on opposing the

must take a chance on opposing the growth of popular opinion. It becomes a necessity when parties have com-mitted an error of judgment and find matted an error of judgment and mut the return path strewn with thorns. Lower Abbey Street is in a dilemma and it is of some years growth. Time was when the country thought it was Republican, even, as later, it, thought it was Free State. The variable majority without fixed principles, that majority without fixed principles, that gave definite colour to the majority view in each case were, and are, broadly speaking, the invertebrates of the nation, But, such though they be, they controlled and control the destinies they controlled and control the destinies of the country. At present the variable quantity, is considering its attitude politically, and the portents indicate a definite reaction against the rulers that be. Lower Abbey Street is alarmed. In the days before the Truce, the Irish Labour Party kept clear of the zone of hostilities, and in the assumed role of "Labour nen." found they had no use for oaths of allegiance, particularly Republican. That was in the days when British was on the wain the days when British was on the variable. Birkenhead said. "England was being saved the gest in men and money in-

or, in other words, when the Free State was doing England's fighting for her was doing Engrand's rightling for nor-the Frish Labour Party, Jel by English-man Johnson, swallowed an oath of allegiance fo his Britannic Majesty— and called it? the will of the people." This is the situation from which its now being found difficult to seape reconcelled.

now being found difficult to escape gracefully.

The unjority of the T.D.'s attached to the Johnsonian Labour Parly are members of the LT. & G.W.U., and the present parlous state of the latter or-ganisation readers it a weak and un-sustaining reed in the moment of crisis. It is desired by the wise chiefs to associate with the LT. & G.W.U. in the possible coming 'debacle other Trade Unious, and, behold!—out of Winelaxern Street cometh one, to whom testimonials are not anathema, and, with him another, to whom test-inopials are anathema, and arm in arm monials are anathema, and arm in arm they go to Abbey Street and all is forgiven, and the lion lies down with the lamb, and the Englishman kills the fatted calf.

Still another has been found to join forces with the Johnsonian group and it is thought that by putting these two forward as candidates in the forth-retreat may be considerably slowed.

retreat may be considerably slowed down.

The man in the street has not the opportunity of knowing what goes on behind the scenes, and, certainly he has no conception of the game at present being worked by the Irish Labour Party. To begin with it may be said, in the words of the war mongers (slightly changed), 'O nee an Englishman, always an Englishman, '—The Anglo-Saxon who rules in Lower Abbey Street, unlike our esteemed President, did not leave his native land merely for the good of his health. Neither did he come here for the good of ours. The 'Rule Britannia' gentleman, who, after the murder of the men of 1916' stated at the Irish Trades Union Congress that he was be-Trades Union Congress that he was behind England and France in their fight for "Civilisation, Christanity, and Small Nationalities," is with us still; not so vociferous perhaps, but the

and Small Nationalities," is with us sail: not so vociferous perhaps, but the same in every other way.

One cannot blame an Englishman, if he honestly thinks imperially, for taking an oath of allegiance to the expensive figurehead," in Buckingham palace. Mr. Johnson may consider himself entitled to the luxury. As an Englishman, it is his own business and we do not complain. But we do think it material to point out, that when 'the will of the people' was declaredly Republican and candidates for election to Dail Eireann were obliged to swear allegiance to that body and to the Republic. Mr. Johnson' modestly and to the repeating the patriots who now, like himself, have shed their modesty and to day grace the Dail, the Senate and the other places where "God-Save-the-Kingers" foregather. This is all by

self, have shed their modesty and to-day grace the Dail, the Senate and the other places where "God-Save-the Kingers" foregather. This is all by way of introduction.

The fortheoming byc-elections mean more to the "Irish Labour Party" than an attempt to cover the retreat from the present position of loyalty to King and Empire. As said before, there is an exeuse for Johnsa: and let us add now, for his compatriot. Mortished: Britons never shall be slaves. The more important issue in the elections, though it will not appear up official "Labour" propaganda, is the elections, though it will not appear up official "Labour" propaganda, is the elections, though it will not appear up official "Labour" propaganda, is the elections though it will not appear up official "Labour" propaganda, is the elections though it will not appear up official "Labour" propaganda, is the elections that a not a serve the first habour Party recognising the necessity for retreat, to save the (Labour) Party's reputation (f), no effort will be spared to uphold "our hard-won freedom" and the Free State of which it is the expression.

It may be asked why, in the circumstances, more important candidates than Thomas Lawlor, Esq., and Denis

It may be asked why, in the circumstances, more important candidates than Thomas Lawlor, Esq., and Denis Cullen, Esq., should not be found to champion "Labour" interests, Ignorant people, are asking why the Lion of the Fold of Judah, ex-Alderton, William O'Brien, for wet Selection. William O'Brien, is not forth-ng. Is it modesty?—— No. sir

man William O'Brien, is not forthcoming. Is it modesty'— No, sir;

Strategy.

Mr. O'Higgins, Mr. Blythe, Mr.
Boin MeNeill and associates have had
anxious moments since the defeat of
their candidate at the last by-e-election.

In South City. It is thought that a
dummy candidate in each of the city
constituencies will draw away sufficient
disgruntled votes from the Sim Fein
Bayly to send the latter's candidates,
about their business. Of course, no
one would ever think of putting the
matter as badly as that. It yeads
better this way: "Dear A chara, the
moment has arrivel for all good men
to vally to the all-so the party. Our
capitalist Free State antagonists must
not be allowed to gef away with, it.
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So when honest electors see Mr. Testimonial Lawlor standing on a barre at a street corner, or clsewhere, pouring his soul into the atmosphere, they will know that the only thing that will save the workers employed by the will save the workers employed by the Dublin Corporation from dismissals and more dismissals will be his election to the Dubl. Likewise, if they feel out the current price of the loaf they will know that Doughboy Cullen and another oath of allegiance is the price they will have to pay for being

allowed to live.

Many things have yet to be written of the coming bye-elections: Of these, anon.

### Two Labour Skates

The circular we-reprint below has been hauded to us by some members of the Municipal Employees. Trades Union with a request for publication. We are more than glad to be in a position allowing as all must who have followed the course of events in Irish Labour during the years now past, that every charge made against. Thomas Lawlor, is true in fact and substance. We would have been only too pleased every charge made against. Thomas Lawlor, is true in fact and substance. We would have been only too pleased to have been the first to expose this man Lawlor, by means of facts and documents in our possession, but heisitated to do so, believing that such a step should have first been taken by members of that Union, the funds of which Lawlor has now turned to his own use. But a number of the members of that Union have awakened to their duty and this letter, addressed to their fellow-members, allows its, who have not the prior right, to make our statement and charges against this man Lawlor.

Tommy Lawlor, at one peried of his career, was an honest, and upright man, but that period was of short duration and the environment he then moved in was exceptional. Since those days he has gradually descended step by step-into the morass. For years he has gradually descended step by step-into the morass. For years he has gradually descended step by step-into the morass. For years he has gradually descended step by step-into the morass. For years he has gradually descended step by step-into the morass. For years he has gradually descended step by step-into the morass, For years he has gradually descended step by step-into the morass, For years he has gradually descended step by step-into the morass, for years he has gradually descended step by step-into the morass, for years he has gradually descender step in the past descended and the descended and the such as a s

attached large expenses accounts, and smoking concerts organised for mutual admiration.

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m 1919, this weakness of his for testimonials was used by William O'Brien as a lever by which he attempted to expel Lawlor from 'fte Dublin Trades Council. We will publish the full report of that trail of strength between O'Brien and Lawlor Now Lawlor in our uext issue. Now Lawlor, who was spuried and spat upon by O'Brien, Foran and their clique of stoolpidgeons, ventures within their presence and, profuse-with apologies and thankfulness, goes down upon his knees and lieks their boots, and receives as, a reward—a nomination; a nomination made by the "Labour Party" with the sole idea of splitting the vote as in our next issue. the sole idea of splitting the vote as far as possible and strengthening the chances of the Government Party. This is the first, instalment of our public examination of this "gentleman of testimonials." and we can assure Thomas Lawlor that anything be eyer

Thomas Lawlor that anything he ever said\_auted, wrote, or thought which will be helpful to our examination, will be used; and when we are finished. There is another-self-styled 'labour' candidate in the field. Denis Cullen is the lamb for the slaughter This Cullen—a baker—when a boy in Artane Industrial Schools, volunteered Arrane industrial sendous, confineered to come out and work as a seab in Downess' Bakery during a seab in Downess' Bakery during a Baker's Strike many years 420, but not 'too many for it to be forgotten. And Cullen will partner Lawlor in the centre of the limitight in future issues.

## Irish Municipal Employees' Trade Union.

Pillow Members.

Pellow Members.
We draw the attention of the members of the Irish Municipal Employees' Union to the gross dereliction of duty of your paid official Secretary. Thomas Lawlor, and other officials of your union, in their panthy to the organised conspiracy between the Government, as such, and the Commissioners, appointed by the said Government, Dr. O'Duver. Mr. Seamus Murnby and Mr. Hernon, who have usurped, the functions of the elected representatives of the citizens of Dublin.

The scheme to reduce wages and determine the conditions of employment in the Corporation service is as follows: Work that should be done in the ordinary way and charged against

necessary work is, in every case, that the money allocated for the purpose has been exhausted. But the Commissioners, in their Leuerous and sympathetic spirit, have prevailed upon the Government to advance money to carry on these several services, of course, under "relief schemes." These moneys have been advanced conditionally that the men cupleyed under these grants shall not be paid more than £2 10s, per week and that a proportion of ex-service men shall be employed.

portion of exservices men shall be employed.

This is one of the most astute and cunning schemes to force the reduction of wages that has ever been initiated for any public body. To some extent this scheme has succeeded, due to the disloyalty and apathy of the Lawlors and Tynaus, who are the tools of William O'Brien and the Dublin-Workers' Council. Your Secretary, Lawlors was ostracised and expelled from the Trades Council by O'Brien and his elique, now in the Workers' Council.

Johnson, O'Brien and the other

and his clique, now in the Workers' Council.

Johnson. O'Brien and the other suppliers of seab labour are putting up Lawlor as a stalking horse. Lawlor and his group come before you to-day to take '£500, or more, from your limited funds to act the lobby-bov and do the dirty work of the united forces of the Government and the alleged Trish Labour Party. The monkey is to-pull the nuts out of the fire, and you, poor workmen, misled and betrayed, are to provide the nuts out of your hard-carned money. Apart from the illegality, of taking money from your funds for political purposes, money that should be used to prevent reductions in wages and the dismissal of men in the Corporation service, this man in the Corporation service, this man Lawlor ought to be ashamed to appear in public after the exposure of his lack of capacity in the late Municipal

Members of the Irish Municipal Employees Union, Awake! Arise! Clean out now, once and for all, the Augean stabl

stables.
VIGILANCE COMMITTEE.
Irish Municipal Employees
Union.

#### SOCIETY AND OTHER NOTES.

The manager of the Metropole Cinema, we hear, has supplied all members of the Employers' Federation, the Chamber of Commerce and the Kotary Club with Free Tickets to see that famous picture—"The Ten Commandments."

Among those who also received a ticket in this manner was ex-Alderdian William O'Brien. He eagerly availed of the privilege and watched with great interest the many ways in which the different commandments were broken.

Ond of our readers, hearing we were looking for talent for our big concert in the Queen's, sends us in the name of that bird of song "Jailer" Redmond. He informs us that "Jailer "practices with great assiduity every Sunday, night in a club bearing the name of Comrades of the Great War. His fayourite song, we are led to believe, is." My Irish Home In Mayo." We would greatly welcome "Jailer's." Presence at our concert, now that he has so much spare time, owing to the system of werking he and his "side-kick," Paddy Nolan, have adopted.

Driver Burke, who sent his son in to

Driver Burke, who send his son in to scab in Pim's, has undergone a reduction of £1 per week in his wages. This affecting on a per week in his wages. I his affecting him very much he has turned for consola-tion to his friends in Jacob's, and in return for the consolation supplied he has advised them as get into the Worker's Thion as soon as possible. The old ship is on a lee shore and the rocks are in sight," is his considered opinion.

Hello!

How is everybody? You remember we told you in our last talk we had decided to give up the responsibility of keeping you in touch with things that matter begause the responsibility was too heavy to carry. We shut down and shut up. Now we are conscripted and told to carry, on, whether we will or won't. Some people thinks there is a need for the "Worker and, your humble servant's labours are appreciated, and they have undertaken to do their share and to persuade others worthy of the task to assume part of the responsibility, and all have agreed to help in every way and every day in making the "Worker" worthy of the Irish Working class.

### IN THE U.S.A.

(From Our Correspondent.)

De Mortuis Nil. etc.

After ruling the American Trade Union After ruling the American Trade Union movement in a Cardike manner for forty one years, Samuel Gompers, born in London of Jewish parents, has passed out of the picture, and as a sort of reward for his services he sleeps in the next\*grave to the audit-millionaire, Andrew Carmegie, Across the plot rests Archibald, many years head of the Standard Off, who, like Carmegie, amassed millions because Gompers was the leader "who never called a strike?" Even death could not take old Gompers laway from those he served in life.

His end was hastened by a journey to

served in life.

His end was hastened by a journey to Mexico City, undertaken at the bidding of Wall Street, in an effort to restrain the convention of Latin American workers from following the Star that blazes over Russia and many Eastern.

In the early pre-war period he throttled In the early pre-war period he throttled those in the labour ranks who, with Connolly, Larkin, Liebnicht, Lenin and the assassinated French socialist leader—Jaures—wanted a convention in Switzer-land to arrange a mass strike of workers in all European lands to stop the pending bostilities and awert the wholesale slaughter of millions of the working class.

slaughter or mannerclass.

Three years later he aided the American munition trusts and bankers in working up the Jingo war spirit here, and bespoke the support of organised labour for America's entry into a war for "democracy."

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"democracy."

Obedient to his paymasters, he later on refused all demands of the workers to affliate with Russian unions or to even repain with the 2nd Amsterdam International. His last major service to Capitalism, which he served so faithfully, was to use all his efforts and prestige to prevent the Amsterdam International linking up with Russian unions, but even a Gompers could not keep the tide from risine.

rising.

His body was borne from the Mexican His body was borne from the Mexican border in the manner of a dead Emperor. The military and government assisted in the display to this Judas, who was closely related to many Irish Senators by the same degree in Freemasoury. Gompers set the ideal of class collabora-tion as the function of unioning and the

Gempers set the ideal of class collaboration as the function of unionism, and the
policy of union leaders. In many countries
this Gomperism has taken root and the
machine of the American Federation of
Labour has been copied or cretted to
the end of stifling rank and file opinionand cutrenching the few governing
officials in office and in power.

In most of the affiliated American
unions Gompers has left a reactionary
leader of his own type in power, flanked
by an executive committee and job
holders, who, for the continuance of the
sinceure, will fight every effort of the
rank and file to assume control of union
policy or funds.

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policy or funds.

It is but a matter of time now until the example of the Left Wing of Irish labour is copied here, and the whole American labour movement cleansed from top to bottom.

Irish workers should study the efforts of Gomperism. Have the workers of any country advanced who followed the advice-

country advanced who followed the advice of leaders who urged them to bend their backs to the masters, and to the upbuilding of the institutions of the masters—such as the Seamad. Just as the "Independent" is praising some of the Irish "Labour Leaders," so are the American and Wall Street sheets filling pages with praises and sobs for Gompers, already canonised as "Saint

Martin H. Glynn.

Another good thing followed Gompers next day, and ex-Governor Glynn's passing is of interest to everyone processing. "Republican" principles in fessing. Ireland.

Lloyd George was the first to cable condolences to the widow, mentioning Martin's great services for Anglo-Irish

Glynn was the first one who started the

Glynn was the first one who started the conversations "that eventuated in the Truce." He brought Dr. Clancy, the Australian archibishop, along as his aide. Those of our "Regulatioan" friends who have outgrown the emotional stages and who like to dig down for governing principles, could ask who authorised an Australian prelate and a Yankee politician on holiday in London to call at Downing Street and speak for various younger members of the Irish working and farming class then on the hillside conducting a guerilla war, that was straining the resources, financial and military, of the Empire?

If these "guinnen" desired negotiations would they not have elected some

one of their number, and not a judge and bishop whose names they had never heard and whose intelligence they had never tested.

never tested.
Who later authorised the Dublin holds
of the Republic to-walk like he ly into
the spider's parlour in London after
Glynn had seen the spider? Did they as
much as consult Breen or other leaders
of the "gunners" or rank and file? Or
was in the waste before the spider. of the "gunmer" or rank and file? Or was in that usual bourgeoisie assurption of all prerogatives that caused them to take the fatal entangling step which later resulted in the spilling of some of the best Irish blood and the creating of a capitalist. "Sith?" that all other seeks [Section 1]. Irish blood and the creating of a capitalist "State" that all other such States will now defend to 'the last ditch, on the principle that "an injury to one is an injury to all," irrespective of a majority Republican vote?" Irish history, national and economic, shows clearly that whenever the rank and file stand aside and let the leaders, usually the "educated" type who climb into control much like the will cover a re-

mestand astue and set the leaders, usually the "educated" type who climb into control much like flies will coyer a pot of jam on a tenement table, do the settling or the thinking, they, the rank and file, lose out.

In this case an American politician and an Australian bishop stroyed into the

an Australian bishop stepped into the bearna baogha, and it would seem the official Republican heads sanctioned their presumptiousness, and what a ghastly

To those who did the fighting the next step should be clear. Get into the Workers' Republic movement, where the lavender scent of a Fitzgerald and the Oxford blas

scent of a Fitzgerald and the Oxford blas of an Esmonde, or the pose of an O'Higgins would be taken as a danger sign, not as a golden key to the highest offices of trust and responsibility.

The Russian workers found that real leaders had to be part and parcel of their own class—class-conscions, with the result that these workers of the soiled hands and bent shoulders now rule one-sixth of the earth's surface and bid fair to rule more of it before very long.

And while these Russian workers are overturning the world we can see close over the soiled by the soiled hands and the surface and the soiled hands and bent shoulders now rule one-sixth of the earth's surface and bid fair to rule more of it before very long.

And while these Russian workers are overturning the world we can see close up the "ceducated" Esmondes and Fitzgeralds and O'Higginese mouthing the same phrases and playing the same acts, enacted on the stages of all the capitalist. States "that have functioned since the thing called "constitutional government" was invented. And our "Republican" friends under a De Dannan-like spell mean to strut across this same stage with a constitutional Republic and, to mouth similar phrases and play the same gaine, and when their curtain goes up they will tell us—the hungry houseless workers and wage "slaves—that we at last have "freedom." These leaders should go to Russia and see what the working class Russia and see what the working class of the world regard as freedom, and the form of State that will yet cover the of State that will yet cover the world

Getting back to the pre-Glynn period of history, it can be stressed that the half-naked Riffs and other tribes of Northern Africa continued their guerilla Normen Airia continued their guernia war until mighty Spain had to give in, and until the British Foreign Minister had to hurry to Paris and Rome to conclude a defensive alliance of great powers in an effort to subdue these dusky "gumen" from defeating other robbers in their hories." "gunmen" from their house.

Boston University.

Mussoli University.

A report of professors at Boston University, who submitted three hundred of their "brightest first-year women." The betwee twenty years, to an intelligence test, "should serve to cure any of the University to be brightest of Terini wealthe Novice Islands to the bright working class who may look hungrily to be brightest of Terini wealthe Novice Islands.

Irish working class who may look hungrily at the buildings of Trinity and the National and imagine they are losing a lot in life by being on the outside of the wall.

The test revealed that ninety-nine per cent had not the intelligence requisite for the sale of a half-dozen "Evening Buffs" or, "Tellies" on a Dublin street after "8 p.m.

For 'instance, Obregon, the retired

after '8 p.m'.
For 'instance, Obregon, the retired
President of Mexico, figured on several
examination papers as "a college in
Washington." Hugo Stinnes as "a
famous cinema comedian," Eamonn 'be
Valera as "a Mexican bandit," Pins XI,
as "an ancient king." Not one of the
three hundred daughters of the kings of
American figures countle, inswer the three hundred daughters of the kings of American finance could answer the question; "Who was Mme. Curie?" Goethals, who supervised the building of the Panama Canal, was, according to the majority of answers, "a bandit who led a, tribe over Europe before the full of the Roman Empire, and/s so on. Yet in a few years many of these will graduate as doctors or professors or editorial writers. If precedent be followed any of, the richer ones who profess sympathy for Ireland pay, like Dolfony, be elected to the leadership of the Irish movement here, or be cutrusted with important negotiations affecting the lives of the Irish working class.

the factories and farms, who are now being trained to carry on the work of the Soviets, as factory managers, agricul-turists, teachers, electrical experts, engineers, etc. The chief difficulty was the old teaching and professional state whose minds and training had been bent

whose minds and training had been bent to the ways of the Czar and capitalism. These had to be taken in groups into trades union halls where the workers taught them the A.B.C. of economics, of history, and of government. But this difficulty has since been overcome and intelligent workers from the trades now occupy the chairs once held by the old atrophied professors, with the startling result that Russia is marching ahead rapidly, endangering all the empires of capitalism and leading the oppressed races and workers of the earth to a new dawn.

Hail! The Empress!

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The wife of Duke Cyril, who claims he is next in line to Czar Nicholas who is down a well in Ekatesinberg, Russia, has been on two weeks visit to the U.S.A. American society women received her as the Czarina and Cabinet Ministers' wives pulled all wires possible to get her an official recognition. But Washington diplomats were in a quandary. If they received, her the Bolshies' daily papers at home would say to the masses: "Look America wants the Czar back—Join the Red Army." Consequently, for fear of strengthening the grip of those brutes in strengthening the grip of those brutes in Red Army." Consequently, for fear of strengthening the grip of those brutes in Moscow, it was reductoral. strengthening the grip of those brutes in Moscow, it was reluctantly decided to withhold an official reception, although the female is a cousin of Queen Mary of the Commonwealth of Nations and Saog Stats and, like the pigeons, inbred with many other royal houses of Europe, Cow it has been revealed that the advertising staffs of the Waldorf Hotels and the French shipping line, for advertising purposes, prevailed upon the "Empress" to make an American tour at their expense and invitation.

We pass the idea on to the Shelbourne and to the Kevin who wegt when Lady Aberdeen had to go. Use Toyalty in your publicity. Copy American methods.

The Far East.

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Dr. Sun Yat Sen, the Bolshevist President of South China, with the aid of Russian diplomats is rapidly requanising China, and portion of North China has voluntarily annexed or attached itself to Russia and set up a Soviet form of lovernment.

Three thousand buildings in the heart of the business section of Canton were a total loss following the outburst of the workers as a result of eleven of their number being killed by the shopkeepers and business men who formed into a Fascisti, to keep back Bolshevism. In an interview with Press representatives General Wu Tot-cheng, commander of the Cantonese forces, says that, they gave the Merchant Volunteers every opportunity of laying down their amount of the control of the Cantonese forces, says that, they gave the Merchant Volunteers every opportunity of laying down their amount of the course but to force them.

"It was necessary," he declared, "for our troops to burn down the barricades. The dignity of the republic was at staken we had to take the measures we did. "China is too near to Russia, bordered yit on three sides, to permit of any

China is too near to Russia, bordered by it on three sides, to permit of any Mussolini experiments.

Japan.

The latest moves in the war game between America and Japan is the ordering of big naval maneuvres in the Pacific next summer, close to the Japanese Islands. Three hundred million dollars have a summer close to the Japanese Islands. Islands. Three hundred million dollars have also been appropriated for new American naval ships. Japan then moved to order more air-craft and submarines. Already stories of ill-treatment of Armenian missionaries and business men in Japan have been cabled over and printed.

soon as the "Independent" and "Irish Times" carry large captioned stories about both Protestant and Catholic stories about both Protestant and Catholic Missionaries being Killed in Japan, and nuns ill-treated, it can be inferred that Wall Street has all the steel and munitions required and that the declaration of war against these "non-Christian" Japa's imminent. 'It will, however, take the American steel mills some months to turn out the steel already ordered, so don't expect to read of murders of missionaries until late next summer. If America vins Christianity will be

If America wins Christianity wigain vindicated against the barbs

Long live Capitalism and Down with

#### IMPROVEMENTS.

sympathy for Ireland may, like Doblom, be elected to the leadership of the Irish movement here, or be entrusted with important negotiations affecting the lives of the Irish working class overed the same want of brain matter in the heads of the offspring of the idle rich and emptied then out of the Chiversities, replacing them with boys and girls from

IMPORTANT CONFERENCE

TO PROMOTE INTERNATIONAL TRADE. UNION UNITY

TO ALL TRADE INIONISTS.

Dear Comrades.

The National Minority Movement has The National Minority Movement has at all times worked cancelessly, to bring about the unification of the Trade Union Movement, nationally and internationally. The reflection of our work was seen in the artifude taken up by the British Trades Lenton. Congress delegation at the Conference of the Amsterdam International held in July, and in the endorsement of the Unity Negotiations made unanimously by the Hull Trades Union Congress.

Another Stop Forward.

Now another step has been made. The visit of the British delegation to the Sixth All-Russian Congress has re-sulted in the formation of an Anglo-Russian Trade Union Unity Committee. accession Trade Union Unity Committee. We welcome this decision as the first practical move made by the British and Russian Trade Unions to bring about the unification of the world's Trade Unionists. But we know that such advance cannot merely be brought about from the top. The mass of the workers must be mobilised in this country especially, not only to support the action of the British Delegation, but to make it possible to extend the whole sphere of the fight for international unity.

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whole sphere of the fight for inter-national unity.

No serious-minded worker can be inactive in such a fight as this. Never did the full burden of capitalism fall-so harshly upon the world's workers as now—low wages, high prices, in-creasing unemployment, intensified creasing unemployment, intensified workshop, exploitation, the constant fear of victimisation, the appalling bad housing conditions. Now with the ascendancy of a Conservative Government in Bagland, we see the new comonic offensive on the Trade-Unions being prepared. As a result of the application of the Dawes Plan to Germany, that country has been turned into a slave colony of cheap labour for the Allied Imperialists and Pfunaciers. It is not only a crime against the Germany the ground of the properties of the the Amer imperatusts and Financiers. He is not only a crime against the German working class, but against all the workers. The low standard of life of the German workers is to be the weapon used in every country to bring down the standard of all the workers.

Great Strikes

All over Europe great strikes have been taking place. In Poland, Ger-many and Austria masses of workers have been forced to strike against have been forced to strike against wage attacks and to try and defend their working hours. Already, as a result of the Dawes Plan, the 8-hour day has been lost in many European countries. In Germany itself a 10-hour, and 12-hour working day is the general situation.

The danger of new wars presses ever closer. The recent events in China and Egypt show clearly to the most back-ward workers how far the Imperialists will go, citibe in search of new spheres of exploitation of to defend those they already hold

A Common Fight.

Comrades! It is clear that our fight is a common fight. The old local and is a common right. The ord local and mational methods are no longer effec-tive means of defence or sattack. The Trade Unionists of the whole world minst be brought jogether in a single Trade Union International so that a Trade Union International so that a common class struggle, can be made against Capitalism. Our ordinary standards can now only be defended by International Trade Union action.

At present our ranks are divided. Some Unions are organised in the Ansterdam International; others are in the R.LLU. But there are vast

the R.L.U. But there are vast masses of workers, particularly those of the British Empire, who are not affiliated to either International.

All Together.

All must be brought together.

No petty differences and jealousies must be allowed to stand in the way. The workers of the world must learn to understand their common problems; No petry differences and jealouses must be allowed to stand in the way. The workers of the world must learn to understand their common problems; establish closer organic connections; exchange frequent delegations of workers to have a first-hand knowledge of each other's conditions and difficulties. The National Minority Movement is therefore convening a Conference to

further this objective. The Gonference will be held in the Battersea Town Hall, S.W. 11, on Sunday, January 25th, 1925, commencing at 11 a.m. Comrade A. J. Cook, Secretary of the Miners' Federation of Great Britain will preside

the Miners' Federation of Great Britain, will preside. Representatives from the French, German, Czecho-Slovakian, and the Russian Unions, and from the Amster-dam International and the R.E.L.U.; have been invited to attend. In addition, we are going to invite some of the returning British delegation to take this amountmit of giving their take this opportunity of giving their

impressions,
Harry Pollitt will give a report on
the Sixth All-Russian Trades, Union Congress, and a resolution on Inter-national Trade Union Unity will be submitted, and the best ways and means of advancing the fight for Unity will be discussed. We hope to make this conference the

We hope to make this conterence the most important gathering of workers ever held, and the representative character of the conference will also be unique in our Mavement. Comrades! See that your Branch. District Committee and Trades Council

District Committee and Trades Commissis represented.

Delegates' Credential Cards will be sent on payment of a delegation fee of 1/5. Branches are invited to send not less than two delegates.

Let our slogan be:-Fight for International Trade Union Unity.

and the convening of

A World Conference of Trade Unions and bring the Workers of the World under a Single Fighting Leadership.

Yours fraternally, TOM MANN. . Hon. President. HARRY POLLITT. General Secretary.

FACTS FOR EMIGRANTS.

William Burns, member of the L.W.W., urged a man to join the L.W.W. He was found guilty of interfering with interstate commerce. A Next week he will go to the penitentiary.

the penitentiary.

On the San Francisco docks there are eight men to a hold. They must load and unload 26,000 cases of canned pin-apples every hour. They are paid 16 per day. The work is not regular. It is a favoured worker who can work eight months out of the year.

The Department of Labour of the United States Government reports children as iow as five as working nights. Their hands have been burned and disfigured because of acid being employed in the industry they work in. We refer to the cap is well being the property. This all sounds startling, but it is given to you on the word of the United States Government.

A man who starves a mule in America

A man who starves a mule in America is sent to the county jail. An employer who starves his employees goes free. A mule has more protection than a working-man in America.

#### QUANTITY. -

There's a shortage of houses And a shortage of health, But a surplus of loafers With a surplus of wealth.

There's a shortage of wages And a shortage of work, With a surplus of workless And a surplus of murk, workless workless

There's a shortage of everything . The workers do need,
But a surplus of everything
For the classes of greed.

And the shortage and surplus Till the working-class rules Should be surplus of fighters And shortage of fools.

By . L. A. MOTLER (" The International ")

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### THE NEED FOR THE "IRISH WORKER"

The following article is written by one of our American readers, Irish by birth, but now resident in the U.S.A. It portravs by means of an apt simile the work and position occupied by our paper in the life of this country, and should impress upon all, the vital need for such a paper as the "Irish Worker"—Fd. I.W.)

Once upon a time there was a jungle, a place of danger and death, of excepting and crawling, of ambuscade and treachery and blood. Old Sabre-Footh strode round the water hole, kashing his tail in fury. Reverberations of his great voice rolled fearfully up cliffs, from whose high-holded safety two-legged creatures pelted him with stones and bombarded him with huge rocks.

two-legged creatures pelted him with stones and bombarded him with luge rocks.

Sometimes, when there were many, the two-legs crept down and battled that terror of the jungle with sharp sticks and burning brands. And sometimes, peering through sleep-robbed eyes and matted locks, frenzied with delight at all that blood-spilling and skull-crushing encircused below, the chattering females above-would so far forget themselves as as to fling down missiles upon both combatants.

"That ancient jungle and old Sabre-Tooth himself, are still here. The dangers, the creeping and crawling, the ambuscades, the treacheries and the blood—all here. Too-day old Sabre-Tooth sorr lass become the-boiler-throated bellowing of "extras." Eye-crashing, headlines, curding details, fearsome predictions, end-of-the-universe congeries, fest)-rending blood, blood—all here; all served up nicely, delivered promptly at, Jyour door each morning. It does not natter who you are or what you are, there is something in the bill of fare that will please you all. For has not society been stripped naked to give you all the scandal, gossip, crime, etc., that it is possible to give. There is more on the bill of fare. There are storehouses full of the results of the researches of the Peeping Toms, euphoniously described as reporters or journalists. These Peeping Toms swarm through the inght, itliute helds of houses to spy upon the naked souls of the dwellers and cat chem in self-forgetting postures of mirth or agony. None know better than they how to insinuate a foot into some timidly opened doorway, to plan off a fire-badge as exembed of invasive authority, or to

or agony. None know better than they how to insinuate a foot into some timidly opened doorway, to plan off a fire-badge as a symbol of invasive authority, or to sneak a photograph when backs are turned in some trouble-broken household. Unlike the ungallant spy of Coventry, social retribution does not touch these Peeping Toms. On the contrary, they are honoured for their impudence, honoured and—paid. For the dominant virtue in the ranks of these Peeping Toms is how much you can "get" on those the paper opposes.

much you care get on those the paper opposes.

If these Peeping Toms cannot wheedle, bribe or browbeat "facts" from others, they can, like industrious spiders, "spin "for themselves. And spin they do. They are always spinning and weaving briskly stretching the lines of their web far out, doubling back, crossing over, gathering in, fastening innumerable dubious intersections with a question or a hint, fabricating a webbed similitude of truth quite sufficient for readers who are never doubting or analytical. analytical.

aplication, innuendo, veiled surmise Implication, innuendo, veide surmise, the fatally suspended interrogation, mor-ptilless often than any truth—they had been taught through years of sordid experience how to use these perversa and cowardly weapons of modernity with a finesse that always just escapes courts of law, yet equalled in ultimate deadliness the poisoned daggers and Isharp rapiers of Italian braves at the best period of the Remaissance

Remnaissance.
Indeed, far deadlier their pens than the swords of assassins. Unlike those suguinary Latins of the Rennaissance who wounded or slew the body, these corrupt men strike out at the soul—and reach it too. If they do not kill, cripple or suppress at the first stroke, then there are more strikes, later, at some forgetful, some unguarded moment the stroke gets because the stroke of th

The Press does more to ruin and degrade the human soul than any other institution that a foul system has created. The Press cannot be bought, for there is no price cannot be bought, for there's is no price-high enough—not that the Press is without a price. The whole Capitalist press must be smashed. It can only be smashed through organisation; through men and women with a-belief, a faith and a hope in their class, sufficiently strong enough for them to do and dare and to be always doing and always daring.

doing and always daring.

The "Irish Worker" should be the mouthpiece of the working-class of Ireland. mouthpiece of the working-class of Ireland. No labour paper can exist without a soul, and no labour paper that is soulless can succeed. No paper that is the mouthpiece of officials and is used to mask their wrongdoings can be called a labour paper. When labour papers become such organs they degenerate as the "Voice of Labour" has degenerated. The hands of its editor's become foul and dirty with continual searching in the cesspools and the garbage

### RECOGNISE A GOOD DEED

On Monday, 5th of this month, when the series of gales which were then raging were as the height of their furry, a cyclist who was riding on his machine through the primises of the Middland Railway at the Spencer Dock, North Wall, lost control of his machine and was blown into the dock. Jim Young, of 17 Holles Strbat, who was nearby, rushed to the docked and after a hard struggle brought the



drowning man and his machine out of the water and had him conveyed to his

Me publish a photograph of Jim Young, who retired as Middle-Weight Champion of Ireland some years ago. He is a well-known and staunch member of the Union, and his saving of the unfortunate man is worthy of recognition, and this recognition would be quickly given had Jim Young been other than a working man. However, we will see that recognition is forthcoming and this article will be forwarded to the proper authorities with a demand for suitable 'recognition of this man's feat in saving human life. and his saving of the unfortunate man is

### JOY COMETH IN THE MORNING EDDY COMES!

To all ye who stand in the darkness, who are unemployed, who are living on the verge of starvation, who are sick and ill at ease. To all ye who lie in English prisons and to your relatives who suffer because of their imprisonment. To all those who are victims of the present cursed system and the present cursed and corrupt creatures who manipulate the cursed system. To all who suffer and are oppressed who have tidings of great joy. Deliverance cometh. George Wettins—now George Windsor—delest son is coming—and the flowers that bloom in the spring, tra la, have nothing on this kiddo—the dancing flash, the lad with the perpetual smile. When he rides horseback the bands are ordered to play "Horsey, the production of the property of the production of the productio

All ye valiant and loyal ones, unemployed, hungry, homeless, soulless, endure only a few more months: light will illumine your darkness. Eddy comes.

will illumine your darkness. Eddy comes. Eddy comes ' Eddy only charges the poor ignorant Mutts some '1300,000 per year. 'Smile on them and at them! But who begridges '2300,000 per year for Eddy's smile? 'What a bloody lot of cods we are in this country,' as they say at the Abber.

#### WORKERS' UNION OF IRELAND.

Meetings for nominations for repre-sentatives to Committees—Sectional, Branch and National Offices—are now in progress. Every member must interest himself or herself in these elections. Get wise to yourself. The success of our organisation depends on the intelligent activities of the units comprising the organisation.

activities of the units comprising the organisation.

The Workers' Union of Ireland has a brave task before k. Ask the Government—they know. Ask the Employers' Federation—they know. Ask the Transport Union grafters—they know. Ask the employers' scabs—they know. Ask Spain and Vennard—they know

cans for foul abuse to fling at men whose shoes they are unworthy to unlatch.

Readers of the "Irish Worker," no matter who they are and what they are, should make the paper their mouthpiece by writing in letters telling of their woes and complaints. As a prerequisite to sound organisation the need must express itself. The need can be expressed through the columns of the "Irish Worker." Use it, spread it and make it what it was in 1913—the fighting organ of a fighting working class in Ireland.

### ALLEN'S—BILLPOSTERS TOE THE LINE LAID DOWN BY THEIR MASTERS.

Being a member of the Employers Federation holds out certain attractions for individual employers, but of late this membership has come to mean more than a niere matter of paying the sub-scription and attending meetings. Membership of the Federation in these days of strife means that if an employer bas a difference with the Workers' Union has a difference with the Workers' Union he must, at all costs to himself, fight the has a difference with the Worker's Cinton he must, at all costs to himself, light the issue out and make no offer of settlement. Such has been the position into which employers are now forced when they find themselves at variance with this Union. The first example of this policy of "gach for all" was the Marino Strike. Kenny, the contractor, was quite willing to settle the displaye, but the Building Employers' Federation had taken the matter in hands and refused to even acknowledge that a dispute was on, never mind settle a dispute. However, they legrnt the error of their ways, but apparently the lesson was not driven home with sufficient emphasis, because they are now following the same line of action in the dispute between the Workers' Union and Messrs. David Alfen & Sons, Billposters.

in the dispute between the Worker's Union and Messrs. David Allen x Sons, Billposters.

The history of this dispute is worthy of repetition. Early in November the manager of the Tivoli, Mister Jones, dispensed with a member of his staff, although he was even then carrying on with even more than a limited staff. When apyroached by officials of this Union with a courteous request to discuss the position, Mr. Jones refused to see them and ordered them off the premises. The members of the Union working in the Tivoli then walked out. Previous to the dispute in the Tivoli a difference of opinion had arisen between the Union and Messrs. Allen, Billposters. A settlement was arrived at and it was garged that the employers of Messrs. Allen would not be asked to post up the bills of either the Tivoli Theatre—for "the Corinthian Chema. This agreement was adhered to for some five weeks, during which the dispute at the Tivoli Continued uninterrupted. Then a week before Christmas. Allens, taking advantage of uninterrupted. Then a week before Christmas, Allens, taking advantage of the season, informed their workers that either the Tivoli bills must be posted up or the alternative of instant dismissal be accepted, regardless of the fact that a week's notice was required on either side. The men refused to obey the order and were locked out.

In the interval Messrs, Allen, we admit, have admired the control of the c

and were locked out.

In the interval Messrs. Allen, we admit, have approached us on two different occasions with an offer to settle the dispute on one condition, namely, to post up the Tivoli bills. They were forced to insist upon this condition which debars a settlement. They admitted they are not free segents; the monopolists who control the Theatre and Cinema industry have threatened to withdraw their advertising unless Allens include such a condition in any agreement arrived at.

The Tivoli Theatre is carrying on with the help of a group of scabs; this includes the artistes—The Dixie Minstrels. The Transport Union, of course, has supplied the scabs to replace the staff who walked out.

The Dixie Minstrels, who are appearing each night, have thought that they can successfully flout the workers of this town. They will yet learn to the differ. We are going to spread the tale of their doings during the last few weeks throughout the British Isles, and the tale will not reflect to the credit of either their public or private reputation. As to their future visits to this town, when the time arrives for such a visit we believe the Dixie Troupe will seek pastures new. Scabbery is a masty word and scabs are masty things, and our fair town would and will be fairer when it is totally devoid of either of these strange growths-forcign and native scabs.

From top to toe, from head to foot Our polities are cotten; And those we pay are bribed to boot, While justice is forgotten;

For every one that gets a chance
To serve the State is stealing.
And honest men must pay again
For scoundrels' double-dealing.

No; we did not write it about the Free State; we cut it out of Murphy's "Rag," which published the verse for some purpose not yet discovered by our private detective.

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### PRICE TWOPENCE.

Who is it speaks of defeat

know It is the power of powers

i tell you a cause like olivs; e greater than defeat cau

As surely as the earth rolls

As smely as the glockets sun

Brings the great world moon wave

Must our Cause be won!

### THE BOUNDARY COMMISSION.

Whether it is that the spiritual election times begets activities in other directions our readers can judge anythour, the "of and on "Boundary Commission have come together again. The proceedings have residued the selection of the distant date," and "a "of far distant date," and "it a for far distant date," and with that done, the hustless have all gone home again, Sir James Craig' has declared the intention of the Government of Northern Ireland in yield, "not an inch," and latest information to hand is to the effect that progress towards settlement of the problem is of a like dimension.

In the early days of the present

blem is of a like dimension.

In the early days of the present Government, Commissions were a morpopular means of exhausting the leisure of legislators than they are now. The Byandeasting energity, the last of these, put the seal of unpopularity on them as a form of entergines. there is a form of entertainment and profit to legislators, and so, as the only remaining source, of novelty in the direction, we have to rely solely on Mr. Justice Feetham and his colleagues.

Justice Feetham and his colleagues.
Perhaps in the interest of MerricoStreet it is as well the Boundary Comission should not proceed fasted.
If we were to find, as a result of their
deliberations, that the "territorial integrity, Clister" could not be impaired, a further degree of unpopularity. a further degree of unpopularity might descend on the saviours of their

#### FISH MARKET STRIKE

### Solidarity Winning Out.

The men on strike in the Dublin Fish Markets, are still out, and the Fish Markets are still out, and the crews of the steam trawlers continue to walk the streets. The Munster and Leinster Bank continues to press for a reduction in the wages of the fishermen. The Bank directors are salely others concerned are more than anxious

for a syttlement.

Although pepeated efforts have been made to break the solidarity of the market men, not one has gone back or, his comrades. They have voted frequently on the question of accepting the salemasters' terms, but every ballot has unanimously turned down the terms and resulted in the continuancy of the strike. The men, individually and collectively have made a big fight, and success, though long-delayed, will and must eventually arrive for a settlement.

### AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH."

The fashion being set by the Britist Press in its continuous and systematics attacks on Soviet Russia is a daily feature of pro-British organs in Ireland. The worst offender is the Mirphy paper, the "Irish Independent". Notwithstanding the violent expression of the "Independent's" piety and the seageen whiteness so to speak) of its incorruptibility, our readers may expect a change-about, or, at any rate, a modification of the point of view shortly. The reason is that Britain is beginning to discover a few things, and amongst them that Nippon has been carrying on agostations behind her back with Russia

negotiations behind her back with Russia

negotiations belind her back with Russia and has concluded a trade agreement which will give her am advantage in Eastern waters that cannot be regarded favourably in Downing Street.

It will be a natural development of the new situation to it d a stamped Moscowards of European and American financies, and that at queen, The first in the fight should be the U.S.A., whose feelings towards Japen and all that she stunds towards Japen and all that she stunds to your support of the Comment of the Champion of "Christianity, Civilization and Small Najionalitis," and, soon, we will hear as little and Small Najionalitis," and, soon, we will hear as little and Small Najionalitis, and, soon, we will hear as little and Small Najionalitis, and, soon, we will be a second of the champion of "Christianity, Civilization and Small Najionalitis," and, soon, we will hear as little. will hear as little viks" as of 7.4. the papers used \_\_\_\_\_rm us, "will cheat you yet." When that happens watch the mangeuvies of the "Irish Independent."

### Mussolini and Freemasonry.

We are given to understand by 'Dublin's Daily Dreadful'' that Signor Mussolini is a scholar and a gentleman, and worthy the support of the nation. The (supposedly) fervid Catholicity of the eastor-oil apostle is the justification for the enthusiasm. To those of of short memory the outrages consitted by the Fascist in Italy will not occur when reading Murphisti propaganda in favour of the Italian Cosgrave.

The situation in Italy since Mussolini, who was not travelling fast enough for the Masonic sect, decided to fight that the Masonic sect, decided to fight that organisation as the easiest way out of his difficulties, is worth considering. As our readers may know, Masonry occupies the same position in Italian as in 15th political life. It is the octupits, grip on the economic life of the country and its stuckers are drawing the life blood of the people.

It will have been noticed that the Murphy organ is peculiarly sensitive in dealing with Massonry in Ireland. Invariably it points out that the Continental brand is radically different from the sanctified edition that practises in this country. How the "Inde-Invariably It poins out that practice in this country. How the 'Independent' knows this we do not pretend to be aware, for Masonry is a secret, outh-hound organization and its acts are not for the public. Within the past week, a restatement of the elaim of the Craft to the good will of the people has been made, but Murphy does not state the reason why. If the editor of the "Independent" or its owners can satisfactorily explain why they champion this anti-Irish and anti-secial organization, the reading public will be better prepared for the spiritual Vesavius due to come into action in Carlisle Building with the coming Lenten Pastorals.

The real conflict of parties in Italy, as elsewhere, may be summarised in the words "Capital v. Labour." Mussolinism is capitalism; so is Masonry. Unfortunately for Masonry, there are Paseists who are anti-Masonie and in the Italian internal economy they weigh more with Mussolini than the gentlemen of the Square and Compass. In foreign polities (foreign) Masonry is the obstaele to the free play of Mussolini policy and in this field England is the chief aggressor. There is, therefore, a reason, apart from the fact that Mussolini cannet afford to lacate Italian Masonry, why the Italian premier should make things as inconvenient as possible for Masons of Italian origin. The pinch may loosen the grip of foreign Masonie influences. To all who do not know it, we add that the whole is greater than its part, and Masonry, as a whole, has no use for the nosition of political servitude in which the Italian branch of the Order flady into the late world war, through the machinations of British Masonry Mussolinism does not hold out any prospect of a return to pre-war status for the Order; hence the antagonism of the British press and Government. The real conflict of parties in Italy,

But there is always hope for the dis possessed, if they happen to know the proper grip. Should there be any danger of a social upheaval in Italy in danger of a social upheaval in Italy in which the prospects of success for the workers should be good, there will be at once a union of hearts between Mussolinists, Masonry, and upholders of Lor an' Order-generally; and the Champions of Civilisation, Christianity, and Swall Nationalities shall march forward together to victory—Moles-worth Street licking its lips in intelli-gent anticipation. gent anticipation.

Which will prove to all citizens that "Continental and Irish Freemasonry have nothing in common."

## The National Minority Conference.

The National Minority Conference of the British Trade Union Movement, convened in Battersea Town Hall, London, at 11 o'clock, Sunday, January 25th, 1925. Tom Mann, Engineers, presided in the enforced absence of Comrade A. J. Cook, Secretary, Miners' Federation of Great Britain. The Secretary of the Conference announced that there were in attendance 630 delegates representing every Union in Great Britâin, twenty-eight Trades Councils and some twenty Co-operative Guilds, Fraterial delegates representing the R.I.L.U., the Red International of Eabour Unions—with some 10,000,000 members—Germany, France, Checko-Slovakia, Italy, America, United, States, India, and Ireland. Comrade Cooke's presidential address was read in his absence United States, India and Ireland. Comrade Cooke's presidential address was read in his absence by Tom Mann, and Mann supplemented Cook's inspiring address in his own inimitable way? after which the Conference settled down to serious work. Before entering on the business on agenda. Tom Mann, reminding the delegates we were meeting on the first anniversary of Comrade Lenin's death—January 25th—suggested that delegates stand in silence for two minutes in commemoration of the life, work and death of our dead comrade—the master mind of Europe. It was a soul-stirring sight to see the sturdy, dour lads from the mines of Scotland, England and Wales and the pick of the intelligent militant working class, representatives of all the basic industries of Great Britain, by the international mutual working pay silent homage to the dead Russian worker. Lenin, the now recognised world-leader, even in death, of the conscious working class movement. After the silence the music of the Russian Hymn of Mourning, inspiring in its tragic remembrance of the sacrifices made on the after of Human Liberty and its challenge to the present system of capitalist society. We repeat an inspiring and significant and its challenge to the present system of capitalist society. We scene. Out of sacrifice and death comes life, love and liberty

The Secretary, Comrade Pollitt, announced that the British Fascisti had gained entrance to the hall by a subterfuge early in the morning and had poured some chemical fluid on the floors and passage which caused the irritating odour discernable. It would pass away in a short time. B.F's. would learn something before long.

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The resolution on Labour Unity which was discussed at some length was carried; also resolution advising all union men and women to get into the Co-operative movement and take control of what should be the commisariat of the organised labour movement. An emergency resolution moved by a Railway Delegate—Euuber—and seconded by an official of the N.U.R., condemning Stephen Walsh, M.P., late Minister for War in the MacDonald Cabinet, for his action in allowing Stephen Walsh, M.P., late Minister for War in the MacDonald Cabinet, for his action in allowing a scheme to be introduced for the enrolment of railway workers in a Strike Breaking Militia under a scheme called the Supplementary Railway Reserves Act, was welcomed and carried with acclamation. Addresses were delivered by Fraternal Delegates from Checko-Slovakia, President Confederation Du Travail, on behalf of French Workers and as Representative of the R.I.L.U. A young Indo worker and student delivered a most moving address on behalf of his fellow countrymen. Harrassed and enslaved by the industrial oligarchy which exploits the millions of the Indian working class, enforced slavery, no trade unions allowed to function, any criticism of working conditions is sedition and the bayonets of the British wage slaves enrolled in the English Army of occupation enforces the power of the British capitalist class. Among those who go to make up the British Army in India are creatures like O'Dwyer, the Irishman, and thousands of Irish lads, sons of peasants and industrial workers. What a sad commentary on our race. Not content with being slaves under the British Empire, we volunteer to act as hired assassins in India and other parts of the

and industrial workers. What a sad commentary on our race. Not content with being slaves under the British Empire, we volunteer to act as hired assassins in India and other parts of the British Empire to keep other struggling peoples in subjection.

It was good to see the reception our young Indo comrade got. His resolution condemning British rulers in India and demanding that England should get out of India was carried unanimously. Our German comrade, a fighting chiel, was enthusiastically received. His logical and pugnacious address, cheered to the echo. One of the most helpful and inspiring things about the Conference was the intelligent speeches made by the many women comrades. They breathed sincerity, ference was the intelligent speeches made by the many women comrades. They breathed sincerity, knowledge and determination, so different from the gathering of delegates we are blessed with in this country of the Free! Every delegate who spoke from platform or the body of the hall knew the subject, knew why they were there, knew the purpose of the Conference and knew where they were going and what the objective was; knew the difficulties confronting them, and they had determined, out of their experiences, to see to it that a way would be found to consolidate the forces of Labour for working class emancipation. It was a real throbbing, class-conscious, proletarian Conference. No leaders—comrades all. No talk about class collaboration, no talk about compromise, no place seeking, ambitious, corrupt, political hirelings using the movement for their own advancement, but workers from field, factory, mine and workshop determined to be free, out for the obliteration of the corrupt, brutal, selfish capitalist system.

Your Editor, meeting many old comrades in the flesh for the first time for a long number of years, was given greeting. Our fellow delegate, Patrick Murray, sat awed in silence by the scene new to him.

The Conference renews old ties with comrades of the fighting period. Assurances were given that they can be depended on to assist us to the limit. Congratulations expressed for the magnificent labours of the past few months. A pledge of solidarity. The Conference was an inspiring one, Our slogan for the future—All Power to the Workers!

### AUSTRALIAN DOCKERS RETURN TO WORK.

Beaten by Compulsory Arbitration.

The Australian Seamens' strike has come to an end, according to the latest reports. The Federal Arbitration Court gave judgment in the dispute, but the Seamens' Union refused to abide by the decision. As arbitration is compulsory and all decisions must be Walsh General Seer accepted. Tom was in deficient accep-tary of the Union, was jailed and the Union threatened with de-registration for their refusal which would involve

seizure of the funds and the dispersal of the members. Being faced with such a result the Union members ac-cepted the decision of the Court and returned to work.

returned to work.

This ending of such a fight will only the Abstralian Seamen and Dockers made is more than unfortunate, especially when it is remembered that the such had won the strike some weeks, back owing to the Federal Government agreeing to abolish the Sydney Free Labour Bureau—the cause of the strike. But though the Federal Government, had thus settled the strike, the Government of New South Wales considered it should go on and dissolving the Bureau they again reformed it under another name and insisted upon the ex-servicemen getting first preference at all work, their

action thus re-opening the strike, which resulted as described above. This ending of a great fight will only

This ending of a great fight will only inceuse the workers of Australia against Cumpulsory Arbitration, which is of great use to permanent Union officials, preventing, as it does, all strikes and only leaving them the job of arguing for or against a particular danse. Some effort has been directed towards introducing this system in Ireland, but so far nothing definite has occurred. Probably the effort will be renewed with greater intensity during the coming year, and it is in preparation for such a fight that all Irish-Workers should read with interest the reports of the "ustralian strike, which ended so disastrously through the ended so disastrously through the application of the Arbitration Laws by the Australian Government.

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### In the International

Lenia and his contribution to the cause of the proletarian revolution occupies the attention of the leading papers of the working class of all countries during these January days. Wherever opportunity offers, great demonstrations have been and are being made.

being made.

Naturally, in Soviet Russia the greatest tributes have been paid to the memory of Lenin.

The practicality of the revolution is shown in the form of tribute, e.g., since the 9th January the life and importance of Lenin is being taught in the schedules and in the Youth and Pjoneer organisations.

From the 9th to 25th January the Lenin Week will be celebrated in the Party organisations by meetings, demonstrations and lectures.

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The Central Committee, in view of
the Aurgent desire of masses of nonparty workers to enter the Party, has
decided to open the door of the Party
to workers during the Lenin Week.

Delegations from Moscow factories and from sections of the Red Army will visit the Lenin Mausoleum. The and from sections of the Red Army will visit the Lenin' Mausoleum. The Museum of the Revolution and the Lenin Museum will be open during the Lenin Week to workers, peasants and members of the Red Army. The Clinemas are preparing Lenin films. The State publishers are sissuing 250 books and pamphlets, totalling al-together 25 million printed pages.

As in Russia, so in Germany, France, Scandinavia, the Balkan States, the Baltic States, legally or illegally, great demonstrations have been held. In Great Britain, monster meetings have been held in the great industrial towns of England. Scotland and South Wafes.

At all of these demonstrations the

At all of these demonstrations the significant note was one of hope and complete confidence in the final victory of the working classes.

In Dublin on Thursday, 29th inst., the Irish working class will pay and bear tribute to the memory of the great proletarian leader. Lemuin, alone among the statesmen of Europe, has made a solution of the "National" question possible.

Self-determination from the point of

Self-determination from the point of Set-determination from the point of the most complete separation of colonial, semi-colonial and subject peoples was his slogan, and in his own country. Soviet Russia, people of one hundred different nationalities live and work together in the building up of the Workers' Republic.

# The History of Tommy Lawlor

Why the Workers Council was Formed OLE BILL'S SLOGAN "DRIVE LAWLOR OUT."

In our last issue we promise to republish the report of the proceedings in the Dublin Trades Council when William OBrienrand his clique attempted to have Thomas Lawlor expelled from the Council, they charging him with having accepted testimonials of a monetary nature. Below our readers will find the report. Although Fora and Farren were the chief spoksmen against Lawlor. O'Brien was the netson responsible for report. Attnough roran and rarren were the chief spokasmen against Lawlor, O'Brien was the person responsible for the attempt to oust Lawlor from the Labour Movement. This is \( \end{array}\) Brien's usual role—the puller of strings, and the puppets dance—for talk.

#### Delegate From Two Unions.

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As a sidelight upon O'Brien's intrigues
in the Labour Movement in those years
one little item of information may be
gleaned from the official minutes of the
Council for that year. O'Brien appears
in the minutes as a delegate from the
Irish Union of Tailors and Tailoresses to
the Council, and as such was elected to
the Executive Committee of the Council.
But when we look in the printed proof. the Executive Committee of the Council.
But when we look up the printed report
of the Transport Union for the same year,
1919, we find that William O'Brien
appears as General Treasurer; and when
we go further and have recourse to the
report of the Trades' Union Congress
for 1916 we find William O'Brien listed as a delegate from the Transport Union. Tis an achievement to be a member of two unions, but to be an official of two unions requires some brains. Now to the report.

### Extract from the Minutes of the Dublin Trades' Council for May 19th, 1919, E. O'Carroll in the Chair.

The Secretary (Tom Farren) said he had an important matter to bring before the enting which had been fully discussed by the Executive who had decided that the matter be dealt with in the form of a The report stated that Mr. T. Foran,

The report stated that Mr. T. Foran, President of the Transport Union, had been informed by the Labour smembers of the Poor Law Board, and asked to call attention to the fact that Mr. Thomas Lawlor had received a testimonial from the employees of the Poor Law Board. The matter was referred to Mr. Lawlor who stated that last January Mr. Foran, had shown him a circular purporfing to get up "a testimonial to him and that he (Mr. Lawlor) said he knew nothing about it. Furthermore, it appeared that the testimonial was not made to Mr. Lawlor, but to Mrs. Lawlor, and took the form of money. On that account the Executive deemed it advisable for Mr. Lawlor resign his position as Poor Law

Executive deemed it advisable for Mr. Lawlor to resign his position as Poor Law Guardian and his membership on the Richmond Asylum Board.

The Chairman said that the decision of the Executive had been come to after very careful consideration. He thought that all delegates would be aware of the resolution on the minutes of the Council passed in December, 1917, which set forth that no Labour member of public boards was to accept any recognition of his services.

was to accept any recognition of his services.

Mr. T. Lawlor.—Might I ask, Mr. Chairman, will you put the marter before the delegates fairly and squarely. (Interruptions from the body of the hall). I do not want you to be putting the circular up your cuff.

The Chairman.—I want to assure you, Mr. Lawlor, that it is the intention of the Executive to keep back nothing.

Mr. Collins.—The Executive in my opinion should, have brought down a report of the Executive minutes. Why is there'a separate report coming down? If Mr. Lawlor is guilty why is not that down?

### Thomas Stands on Honour and Principle.

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Mr. Lawlor said he wanted to be perfectly frank with the delegates. It was well known in that Council that he had been opposed to testimonials. He was at all times against testimonials and he had done his best to get that one also stopped. It was stated, that the matter of the testimonial was merely a rumour. That was so, as Mr. Foran had shown him the circular last January at a meeting of the South Jublin Board of Guardians when he asked him if he (Mr. Lawlor), five south of the South Jublin Board of Guardians when he asked him if he (Mr. Lawlor), five said "Go and get one for yourself" I stand on honour and principle and of course I can well understand Mr. Foran speaking of honoir and principle, the man who left his rifle standing by the wall in Liberty Hall while the other men went out to fight.

At this remark there was an outburst of electing from the visitors at the back of the hall.

stating that if quietude was not maintained he would clear the hall.

Drive Him Out.

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Mr. Lawlor (heatedly). I consider I an entitled to take into consideration the honour and principly of another, man when he questions mine. I must refer to the devilish efforts being made to put me out of the Labour Movement in Dublin. I have done as much as any other man. Take the Beard of Guardians.

The Chairman asked Mr. Lawlor to confine himself to the subject under discussion.

Mr. Lawlor went on to point out that Mr. Lawlor went on to point out that a messenger was sent from the Executive to ask him would he resign. If his resignation meant the interest of the Labour Movement he would be only too willing to resign. He asked the messenger if this charge was to hang over his head for all time, and the messenger said, he did not think so. It was all easily explained as there were some men, on the Executive who were doing all they could to drive him only of the movement. The question was not one of principle. It was "Drive Lawlor out." If, there was honesty in the Council and in the Executive he submitted that when Mr. Foran pro-Drive Lawfor out. It there was honesty in the Council and in the Executive he submitted that when Mr. Foran produced the circular in the Union in January Ke-had also a right to produce it at the Council Meeting at that time. But no, it was not produced, because there was no honour left in the men who were running this subferfuge. He also went on to point out that he was elected to a vacancy in the Corporation Workmen's Union and the men who were endeavouring to drive him out of the movement were afraid that he might in the future be run at an election. That Lawfor was becoming too strong. How were they to get shut of him. They suddenly remembered the document they had forgotten since January. The Council was now asked to pass sentence of death on him. But they were the jury in what was a devilishly vindictive effort.

### Compliments Pass When .

As to honour and principle, he had nothing to learn from those who made out such a report, as he was confident he had always done his best for his own class. He has got his testimonial from that Council, and if kicks were such, then he had always and at all times received the kirks.

the kicks.

Mr. Joe Farrell.—I am in agreement with the Executive report. If you do not look for testimonials you will not get them.

The Secretary (Tom Farren).—There is no use introducing heat into this discussion. It was not a question of Tommy Lawlor. Mr. Lawlor.—It is.

### The Stainless One Speaketh

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The Secretary (Tom Farren).—The circular inviting subscriptions to Lawlor was sent broadcast to the employees of Public Boards, including seven or eight publicans. We in the Labour Movement have always been claiming for purity in public affairs. (H) said, that the report was adopted unantimosity by the Executive and Mr. Lawlor was now trying to make it appear that it was an affair trumped up, to drive him out of public life. When he wanted to get into public life there were very lew, who went to the trouble he (the speaker) did to put him there.

#### He Knew.

He Knew.

What killed the old Labour Movement in Dublin was that any one who got elected went round looking for testimonials. Mr. Lawlor said he never received the testimonial, but that Mrs. Lawlor did. Evertheless, the money was subscribed for Mr. Lawlor. He referred to an emissary being sent to fis home (interruptions). There was no desire to kill Mr. Lawlor in the Labour Movement. The foliciers of the Council offered to see Mr. Lawlor and discover whether he would take the step. Mr. Lawlor and discover whether he would take the step.
Mr. Lawlor —Why secret diplomacy in the Trades' Council?

Ole Bill Objects to Visitors As Usual.

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Mr. William O'Brien.—I move that the
visitors be requested to withdraw.
(A voice from the back-1s the Trades'
Council democratic or not? [loud
applause). Another voice, directed to
Mr. O'Brien.—It's just like the Mansion
House meeting when you said you'd
answer questions at the end and you never
did.)

When order had been restored, it bein y the wail in Liberty Hall while the other len went out to fight.

At this remark there was an outburst of eheering from the visitors at the back if the hall.

The Chairman appealed for order, Heating Engineers).—Instead of warning the large of warning the large of warning the state of warning the content of the content

the visitors you should be a little-stricter with the delegates who are losing their

tempers.

The Chairman —If a man loses his tempers have an I be responsible for him?

Mr. Lawlor rose again and said that he had been asked to take such steps as would prevent the affair becoming a spandal, and if he had done that the Council would not have been fromb?

scandal, and if he had done that the Council would not have been froubled with the debate. He had no animosity sgain anyone, but he believed that the Executive would regret the whole business. A delegate said he considered the Executive were right to take their stand behind the 1917 resolution.

### The Modern St. Patrick and the

Serpent.

He was not going to allow the Labour Movement to be disgraced by the testimonials and the gang who ran the South Dubbin Union. He asked Mr. Lawlor if he knew anything about the circular and he (Mr. Lawlor) teplied not and that he would take steps to stop the testimonial. The next thing he heard was that members of the Transport Union were asked to contribute to it. The men who subscribed to it were mostly anti-labour men, and some publicans, and he who subscribed to it were mostly anti-labour men, and some publicans, and the felt it his duty to bring the matter befor-the Council. He had no malice against Mr. Lawlor.

Mr. Lawlor.

Mr. Jawlor.

Vou have it for sixteen years and I can prove it.

Mr. Forán said that unless the Execu-tive were to swallow its own words and allow its own members to take testimonials it should be stopped.

### The Honour of the Labour Movement-Price £7,500.

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The honour and principle of the Labour Movement was more to him than all the Lawlors and Forans who were in Dublin. He did not care anything about the gallery. It had been specially provided there that night. It had often been done before. The man who takes a testimonial while in the Labour Movement would have no place in the Labour Movement, and he, for one, would do his best to keep it clean.

### When It's a Friend-Hush! When It's

an Undesirable—Speak the Truth.

Mr. W. J. Murphy.—The peculiarity
of this case is that it is always the man
who differs from the others who is singled who differs from the others who is singled out. Whenever the questions of testimonials arose it was always brought up by those men who differed from those alleged to have received the testinonial, and if it-wasn't a testimonial it would be sure to be some other business. The testimonial business originated in the Council and I only hope. Mr. Chairman, that on some future auspicious accasion I may have the pleasure of seeing yog getting a testimonial. He wen't on to say that on one occasion Mr. Porari got a testimonial.

Mr. Foran.—Never, Str.

### The Truth At Last.

Mr. Murphy.—The point is this—that it is quite plain and I want every delegate here to understand it, that this thing must stop. There are groups of men out against each other and these are killing the Labour Movement. I tell you that the rank and file of the Trades' Union Movement will wreat the 

tions).
Some further remarks, when a vote was taken by a show of hands. The voting for the adoption of the report calling on Mr. Hawlor to resign from the Dublin Union and Asylum Board was 20—against as

### How The Workers' Council Originated.

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Such is the story of O'Brien's attempt to cast Tommy Lawlor out of public life.
O'Brien failed in this attempt and some weeks later he and his clique resigned from the Trades' Council and formed the bogus Workers' Council. Lawlor continued a member of the Trades Council, But Tynan, President of the Municipal Workers' Council, who is a tool of O'Brien's, transferred the Union to the Workers' Council and, soon Tommy was affiliated to the Council which was formed on the pretext that Tommy took a testimonial.

#### Daniel In The Lion's Den.

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In this attempt to deservy Lawlor's public career O'Brien dragged Lawlor's private character through the muck and slime of petty trades' union intrigues, and even though Lawlor won on the vote he lost morally, and now Tommy, who stands on honour and principle, is wearing the knees out of his trousers and the front off his waistcoat crawling like the worm he is to O'Brien who did everything in his power to blast Lawlor's character, publicly and privately.

### 'Tis Worthy Company, My Brethren.

But at last Tommy has found his true level. His present company is worthy

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### IN THE U.S.A.

(From Our Correspondent.)

#### New Year's Day. An Bliadhain Nuadh.

In spite of gunboats, cruisers and destroyers and the sacred thing called iestroy is and the sacred thing called Awy samughers enabled rich Americans o celebrate the passing of the old year. the sodien poor followed the example of heir betters, but had to be content with spins, urpentine and shellac. Several LAW the result of these libations:

The vistence of a homeless army walking the streets on zero nights and the seizors of a vacant church by some of their number, caused the Commissioner of Charities, whose salary is the same as Tim's, to state there were empty beds at the Municipal Lodging House. The men replied that the regulations only permitted homeless New Yorkers to use in five times per month, and the out-oftown distillation on the second of the permitted homeless new Yorkers to use the second of the secon walkin shelter would be arrested as vagrants and imprise and. Next, morning they were taken to the City Morgues and to Harts Island and had to do a half day's work without payment for the doss and a light breakfast, with the result 'that the Minicipal Doss House is again like an Irisk, thinn, having an army of paid officials but full of vacant beds.

To-day's papers carry the following despatch which could not be made

Detroit, Dec. 30.—"A dog's life." DETROIT, Dec. 30.—"A dog's life 'akasson a new meaning with the opening here to-day of the luxurious new Police Department dog pound, which has ten formatories for common dogs, 188 private cages for blooded dogs, a hospital hot air, ventifation and running water "in all rooms."

Capitalism, whether here or in the great Capitalism, whether here or in the great Catholic Archibishopric of Dublin, is more concerned over the proper care and housing of its borses and dogs than of the poor, made in the image and likeness of God. A hors is protected by the law in Dublin and cannot be thrown out on the streets to status. The prior are being existed for to starve. The poor are being evicted for non-payment of rent and there is no law non-payment of rent and there is no law to protect them, like the horse.

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18"New York, to be out of work and without the price of a lodging is, by the newer solice regulations, a crime and carries, amounts imprisonment as penalty.

Why were we not all born horses and dogs so that laws and kind hearted old ladies would care for us till death and then the limit in the protections over us in

little grave-stones over us in cemetery. Stm. put in the little gravestonics over us in some private pets' cemetery. Still, builde-cas le Dia, there is a "Potter's Field "outside all the cities of capitalism, and in Dublin there is the "Pit." in Glasuevin. We can starve and struggle along as usual, happy in the thoughts that capitalism will at last provide a grave

#### Rill's Photo.

If the "Saorstat "is to live over the If the "Saorstat is to live over the spring time, that dangerous period of all infantils sicknesses, somebody of the Fordiga Affairs Department should be impeached, or better still, beheaded, for a deadly low inflicted at the prestige dignity and stability of the "State."

dugnty and stability of the "State."
Reproduction of photographs is a fine art with American Sunday papers, which expend many thousands of dollars each week in their photogravure sections.
Sunday last in all cities the Sunday editions carried a photo—"President Coggrave and wife arriving in a Paris railway station."
This photograph will. undoubtedly

ilway station.
This photograph will, undoubtedly, illify all Sunday's "hot air" efforts convince Wall Street bankers that an "internal loan" would be a safe invest-ment. It will also mean that the "gesture magnificent" at Geneva over the registra-tion of the Treaty will likewise dissipate

magnificent "at Geneva over the registration of the Treaty will likewise dissipate
into more "hot air."

If a Wall Street banker looks out of
his inner office he cân observe his telephone
girls, typists, book-keepers and his charwomen briskly rushing to their dutylead in imitation furs, imitation persistant fabricated silks. The male element
are attired like so many editions of the
Prince of Wales. When he studied last
Sunday's paper he saw the damagning
photograph and his reactions can be easily
understood. His first expression would be
"Huh! Dooks like a small, struggling
shopkeeper in difficulties." She looks as
if she had the greater worry. Mentallyhe registers that all the printed matter
received from the Free State "Ambassador" with alluring trade-statistics is not
worth the deaks space and he mcCanfelly
drops it in the waste-paper basket. Jurning
over to study the Greek Government loan
offering at 10 per, cent.

Any quay worker in Dublin would have
advised the Cabinet to first rig out the
"President" with a shiny topper, frock-

all chances of help from Wall, Stregt.—
We feel sure that many Senators, or
at least their wives, and the important
element in the State which he insultingly
termed "antique furniture," will support
our protest against Bill posing without
due preparation, and will endorse our
demand for impeachment of the Minister
responsible for lack of proper stage
settings. The photo is important. It has
been released in the world's capitals and
the principal cities of America while
negotiations for a foreign loan were in
progress.

Bankers may be forgiven for concluding that the Saorstat has Moscow tendencies and take the plebeian family group picture as their proof. Cosgrave and his Cabinet should have realised that the international bankers have a standardised type of rules and they naturally expect pictures of their puppets to conform to type.

The French workers' paper printed under Bill's photo—"Vultus est index animus"—the face is an indication of brains

the brains.

History may be record that so simple a thing as a photograph delivered a death blow to a great and noble Saorstat, to establish which Emmet, Tone, Pearse, Connolly and many hundreds of the Irish working class died.

A Real Statesman,

Tish workers might contrast the arrival of Cosgrave in Paris, where a couple of railway, porters pushing trunks merely turned to give him a curious look, with the arrival of Krassin, the Russian workers ambassador, the same week. No orders were given, but in every foundary, factory and workshop the workers, as if swayed by a studen impulse a stopped work at eleven of clock and moved towards the railway station. The train puffed in and an improvised flag, a small red handkerchief tied to a stick on one of the rods by the driver, who realized his train was making an epochal journey, was noticed causing a cheer and a shout was noticed causing a cheer and a shout that was heard far over the Seine. It was that was heard far over the Seifie. I twas stilled suddenly as Krassin and a few workingmen stepped out. All felt as if-electrified and another thunderous out-burst relieved the tension as Krassin and his aides walked to a waiting taxi. One hundred thousand had formed in proceshundred thousand had formed in procession before the first few streets had been traversed. As it—this marching army of the proletariat—gathered recruits at every step. We authorities rushed the cavality to the boulevard, cutting the procession in four sections, turning them into the side streets. They same the side streets. They sang Red Flag" and also the mationale," and the scarlet emblem

into the side streets. They sang the "Red Flag" and also, the "Internationale," and the scarlet emblem fluttered up in all parts of the marching line as if-by magic.

The rich, the petit bourgeoissic came out on their balcomies and jeered and spit down on the marching workers below "Cannaille," they hissed.

A 'Cabinet meeting was hurriedly summoned that afternoon as-a fear had come into the hearts of the-few with ohold the mightly French labour giant in chains that are now rusting and weak in their links. Had the giant, realised his power and was he marching on to the enslavement of them, the few masters who were the street of the side of the si nt of them, the few masters who were ment of them, the few masters who were such a very small minority compared to the vast army of the working class? They decided to take no chances. Military were ordered to entrain into Paris. That night the men's leaders, trades union officials and communists were arrested in the panic and thrown into jail until Paris felt enough troops had arrived, then they were released.

The Paris workers do not forgive or orget. They will bide their time, making The Paris workers do not forgive or forget. They will bide their time, making proper preparations, because they remember past mistakes when in the closing days of the Commune their weak Parliamentary leaders betrayed them and they were mowed down mercilessly by cannos and machine guns on the heights of Belleville. Fifteen thousand men, women and children were mowed down before the blood lust of the master class was satiated, and before they thought the workers had been tamed enough to again put en their chains.

But the French worker, the Irish worker, the German, Chinese and English worker remembers that unparallelled slaughter of helpless fellow-workers in Cotton.

coat, spats, etc. His good lady could a Paris suburb, and they all, Irish, have been advised to don the latest of the latest of the latest of the latest of the record with high-heeled, openwork shoes and full length fur coat with modish har, also a permanent wave.

Two clean-cut military officers should have accompanied them, also a couple of a completion of the thousands of our brothers and accompanied with money bride case.

Two clean-cut military officers should a tooth for a rooth until that slaughter have accompanied them, also a couple of sceretaries with snappy brief cases. A sisters be repaid to the uttermost. A maid-in-waiting should have been at Mes. Bill's side holding a little dogge property to the camera. The Irish colony in Paris might have been organised to present a bouquet and a cead mile to the "President" jitst as the camera cheked. Such a photo broadcasted through the world's press would have meant success in floating a foreign loan. The press of the pursuit of a four the world's press would have meant success in floating a foreign loan. The press of the pursuit of a four the world of the pursuit of a four the world of the pursuit of a four the world commencing with "B" that many Senators, or a famous Field-Marshai, of an amount of five figures once kept in a On this side millions have but one burning desire in life—pursui; of a four letter word commencing with. B that means a famous Field-Marshai, of an amount of five figures once kept in a

sale:
Libraries are congested with waiting lines demanding dictionaries. In New York the reader must sign a requisition that he needs the dictionary for proper purposes. In Wall Street offices notices are displayed, forbidding the employees to follow the craze during work hours. In the cheaper estimates the same properties of the control of the cont to follow the craze during work hours. In the cheaper eating houses or restau-rants it is at times impossible to get a vacant chair or table until some word is found. Piblishers are reaping a harvest on sales of dictionaries and newer kinds of anthologies. Two train wrecks in Western States have been blamed on the freemer and appropriate the third of the freemer and particles. fireman and engineer studying a dictionary in the cab.

in the cab.

An enterprising taxi firm is repainting their taxis with shall black and white squares with letters. The new fashion in women's footwear decrees the crossword square effect cut in the vamp and these will be seen in Dublin mext Horse Show Week at latest. Watch for them.

Our Editor will be pleased to learn Our Editor Will be pleased to learn of the newer atmosphere of comradeship that reigns in his late official residence—Sing Sing. Warders and prisoners, the Governor and the Chaplain are now one big happy family, all motivated by the same desire and ambition, all sharing in the common pursuit of elusive wards, and no one seeking to escape over the wealf wall

in the common pursuit of escape over the wall.

A few years ago the millions were dispedwith "The Adventures of Mutt and Jeff." whose later entry into Irish journalism was one of the intellectual services performed for us by the editor of the "Independent." Earlier we had the national heroes "Mick McQuaid and Terry. Geraghly, "whose adventures, so affected the national psychology that instead of following up the agrarian war to its logical end—nationalization of the land and erection of a Worker's and Peasant's Republic—this earlier generation, hulled by "Mick McQuaid", permitted the transfer of the fight to the "Floor of the House of Commons, where the Kedmonds, Dillons, Tim Healys and William O'Brien battled with "the hated Saxon foe" and endorsed or introduced land laws forcing our own people to recognise the seizure of their lands and means of life by the Cromwellian adventurers, and to pay rent and annuities to the descendants of these robbers for the use of the soil of Ireland—our common heritage. Our "Saorstat" is collecting some overdue 'rents for this Cromwellian, brood, and our coming "Republican" Government will doubtless recognise the title of the robbers to the soil of Ireland and will continue" (Republican" Government will doubtless recognise the title of the robbers to force the continuance of the payment of this tribute by the common people of Ireland to those who seized our lands.

Recently the more subtle "Better Ole-roces of Bairnsfather amused the English heroes of Bairnsfather amused the English

this tribute by the common people of Ireland to those who scized our lands. Recently the more subtle "Better Ole" heroes of Bairnsfather amused the English herd as they flockgd into the trenches or sought "a better ole." The American "Mutts" were awakened out of enjoyment of their newspaper heroes to find they had been conscripted to wage a holy war for "democracy," and it was years later before their sluggish brains recorded that their conscription and America's entry into the World War was deliberately-planned to enable the House of Morgan and its, Wall Street, satellites to get back billions of dollars advanced to England and the Allies. Doped, once more they may awaken from their cross-word puzzling to find themselves on transports sailing again like the Crusaders of old to force Christianity on the wilful heathen Japanese, or to re-establish "civilization" in Russia. Its effects on labour has been stimulation in the printing and book binding trades, but also the dismissal of several hundreds in the factories making records gramophones and victrolas—the other form of opiate furnished to slaves so they would not feel their fetters, or in a monant of intelligence glimpse the freedom already grasped by our brothers in Russia.

### Mulvaney-The Boy from Deansgrange

In " The Vice of Labour " for Jan

Deansgrang The Editor, Jan. 27th, 1925. ... Trish Worker."

Dear Sir

17th, were certain statements about me which I would like to deal with. The writer accuses me of interrapting an organising meeting which Tom Kenregaining medy held at Deansgrange some welve years ago. This meeting was held in connection with the local elections and connection with the local elections and not for organising. The speaker referred to a strike in the sandpils-agamst a reduction in wages from 18/-to 15/-, and in which the men returned-in twos and threes and accepted the cut; and during his speech! I shouted that 15/- was enough for anyone who would work for it. I was employed as a earter in the pits and was paid 18/-, and the strike, which lasted two days, did not affect me. I think I had as good a right to intervint the speaker days, and hol affect her. I think it had as good a right to interrupt the speaker as Secretary Mulvaney had to interrupt the Kavanagh meeting during the last General Elections. Mulvaney, who first feneral Elections. Mulvaney, who first deserted Bill O'Brien and crawled to Jim Larkin asking for help, and when-Jim Larkin agreed to speak at a meeting in Dennegrance, Mulvaney turns again and crawls back to Cibion.

O'Brien.

"The Vice " also mentions my entrance fee of 10/-" I left this country in 1916 to work in England and returned in 1919. I immediately joined the Transport Union voluntarily and paid 2/6 entrance fee, and kept my card clear until I again was forced to go to England, where I worked on the railways and was a member of the Railway Workers' Union until Xmas, 1922. Nine months previous to coming to England, where I worked on the, railways and was a member of the Railway Workers' Union until Xmas, 1922. Nine months previous to coming the work of the Railway Workers' Union until Xmas, 1922. Nine months previous to coming the work of the Worker's work of the Worker's the Committee. He did, and they fixed it at 10/-, and Mulvaney remarked that only for him it would be more as the committee wanted me to jay off the argents, although I was joining as a new member, and if I had been joining as an old member, where would the entrance fee come in.

I paid the 10/- an April, 1922, and came home at Xmas, 1922, and from that date until May, 1924, when I transferred—to the W.I.J., I had always a clear card.

I was a member of the Committee in the Transport Union for eighteen worths and never had a charge brought against me. But at a General Meeting in May, 1924, it was discovered that Mulvaney had paid no contribution for here years, yet remarked a member and official. Many men could be members if that was allowed them.

To end this letter I would ask bully and workers had a short that a short

members if that was allowed them.

To end this letter I would ask
Mulvaney does he forget that a short
year ago, he seconded a motion, proposed by Gurra Byrne, that the men
accept £2 per week, although the men
had decided at a special meeting that
they would not work for less than the
Union rate—1/4 per hour.
Young faithfully.

Yours faithfully. TIOMAS KELLY DUBLIN UNEMPLOYED.

Dear Sir,—Will you allow me a small space in your paper to draw the attention of the above Council to the fact that the time is well overduce for a General Meeting of the a Chemployed, in whose faame money is being collected for the past six months. It is only fair to the unemployed that they should be acquainted as to how this money is being expended, in view of the fact that the Council has now transformed the Unemployed Hall in Deverill Place into a Green-Grocery Store with the funds collected to relieve distress among the anothing to fear or be ashamed of they will have the council has nothing to fear or be ashamed of they will a general meeting without further Dear Sir,-Will you allow me a small nothing to fear or be assaured or they win call a general meeting without further delay and give the unemployed an accurate statement of accounts and pro-duce a balance sheet and give a satis-factory account of their stewardship for the past six months. Yours faithfully,

R. LENNON.

110 Parnell Street. 27/1/25.

The only progress which is really effective depends, not upon the bounty of Nature, but upon the energy of man.

—Buckle.

### NOTICES

WORKERS UNION OF IRELAND

"Head Office: Unity Hall Marlboro St.

#### MOTOR SECTION.

A special meeting of all members of the Motor Section will be held in Unity Hall on Sunday, February 8th, 1925, at 12 o'clock noon, sharp.

BUSINESS:-

Nominations for:

(a) General Executive Committee.

(b) General Officers (General President, General Secretary,

and General Treasurer).
Union Trustees.
No. 1 Branch. Committee
Section Committee.

#### WORKERS UNION OF IRELAND

Head Office: Unity Hall, Marlboro' St.,

#### COAL SECTION.

A special meeting of the Coal Committee and Shop Stewards of the Coal Section will be held in Unity Hall on Wednesday, next, 4th February:

on Wednesday, next, 4,11 1 e. 3,27,1925, at 8 p.m.

Business of an important nature will be transacted.

M. J. SUTTON. Acting Sec., No. 1 Branch

WORKERS' UNION OF IRELAND Head Office: Unity Hall, Marlboro' St.

### FORK BUTCHERS SECTION.

A special meeting of all Pork Butchers will be held in Unity Hall on Wednesday next, February 4th, 1925, at 7.30 p.m. sharp.

BUSINESS:-

Nominations for:

(a) General Executive Committee. (a) General Officers (General President, General President, General Secretary, and General Treasurer).

(c) Union Trustees.
(d) No. 1 Branch Committee.
(e) Section Committee.

WORKERS' UNION OF IRELAND Head Office: Unity Hall, Marlboro' St.,

#### CARTERS' SECTION.

NOTICE

In future the Section Committee will meet on Tuesday night.

By Order, SECTION COMMITTEE.

WORKERS' UNION OF IRELAND

Head Office: Unity Hall, Marlboro' St.,

#### MOTOR DRIVERS (Mineral Water Section).

A special meeting of all Motor Drivers employed by Mineral Water Manufacturers will be held in Unity Hall on Sunday, February 1st, 1925, at 12 o'clock noon, sharp.

Business of the utmost importance.

### WORKERS' UNION OF IRELAND Head Office: Unity Hall, Marlboro' St.,

A special meeting of all Shop Stewards will be held in Unity Hall, on Wednesday next, 4th February, 1925, at 8 p.m. sharp Business of the utmost importance. A full attendance of shop stewards is requested. M. J. SUTTON.

Acting Sec., No. 1 Branch.

#### CROSS-CHANNEL DOCKERS.

A Special Meeting of Cross-Channel Dockers will be held in Unity Hall on Sunday, February the 1st, at 1 p.m.

BUSINESS:- \*\*

Nominations for:

(a) General Executive Committee.
(b) General Officers (General President, General Secretary, and General Treasurer).

(c) Union Trustees.
 (d) No. 1 Branch Committee Representatives.
 (e) Delegates.

By Order, M. J. SUTTON, Secretary, Pro Tem. No. 1 Branch.

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### lack London

HIS PILGRIMAGE THROUGH LIFE.

By Arstin Liwis.

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Eight years have gone since Jack London died. I was in a train between Baltinors and New York when I read the news. Strangely enough, in sinte of his comparative youths he was only about forty—his death did not appear to be promature. It seemed to put the imaked on something which had already happened. One feels about Jack London's death somewhat as about Lenits, that although it brought a cessation, it, at the same time, accentificated the work accomplished.

Yet, of all things, fleath is the hardest to associate with Jack London. I knew him first when he was twenty-three, full of vitality and power, with great physical strength and with the peculiar grace of the athlete. Deep chested, broad shouldered, powerful and patient, he had the most winning and lovely (smile of anybody I have ever seen. The turn of his head, in thought or in triumph, was one of the most charming gestures possible to man. It seems rather-strange to be thinking about these fitings, but they are the first that occur to me, as I consent to the request of the editor for an artice. Gone must conjure the dead back in the imagination, at least, before one can write of them. One must clothe the imagined picture with the qualities con in life. So, as I roll back the years, I see Jack London, brave and confident, proud and strong, full of all sorts of adventurous generosities for his fellow men. Then the vears went by and Jack London became different.

One might write much about his writing and particularly about those first short stories full of a promise never really fulfilled, because, before it had a chance of fulfillment the bourgeois society had him safely by the neck and was beating that proud head against the wall of mammon till the pride went out of it and he began to his ptellocal than they both seduced and, traduced him;

It may be said of the bourgeois that

and he began to hisp the shibboleths of his violators.

It may be said of the bourgeois that they, both seduced and traduced him; for, even when they had him tight and the stream of tasteless dribble oozed from his mouth under their pressure, they still gmembered his earlier uterances. Jack London the well-paid fictionist was also to them Jack London the unspeakable socialist. There was about his socialism he same debomnair quality that there was about his personality. In those earlier days he rode ahead of the army, singing his song of Roland and galloping into the fay. Magnificent it was, stuely, but not was a gallant assurance, and a certain self-conjous quitxotism which sent him in tweets and soft shirt into the lecture roofs of the Eastera Universities, with jejune and undisciplined talk about revolution. It was marvellously youthful, as he was; marvellously on his horizon. It was revolt, not revolution, that inflamed his earlier dreams and formed the basis of his socialistic thinking. Something was going to happen; something was sure to occur; it might be that the proletarian forces would march to victory; then when the depression was on, it might be what the bourgeois would throttle the life out of the sproletarian revolt and the Iron Heel beat out the brains of the prostrate working class. His proletarian, to the he was accustoomed—the men of the forecastle and the deep-sein sheries; the proletaria of the mining camps—but not of the corporation of the contrary, of the

His protestrata, at the oeguning, was the protestrata to which he was accussomed—the men of the forecastle and the deep-sea fisheries; the protestrata of the mining camps—but not of the corporation mining camps—on the outrary, of the mining camps—on the contrary, of the mining camps—on the cartier Alaskan enterprises. Again, it was the tramp-protestrata of the platins and the roads, the beggars and tramps, the castals and the outcasts of the Coxey Army of 1834 so difficent in-many ways from the highest contrast of the Coxey Army of 1834 so difficent in-many ways from the highest correct of the Coxey Army of 1834 so difficent in-many ways from the highest correct of the Coxey Army of 1834 so difficent in-many ways from the highest correct of the Coxey Army of 1834 so difficent in-many ways from the highest correct of the contrast of the contrast of the contrast was composed of those card-less and individualistic adventurers of the later pioneer period, who were not subjected to the machine process: who faced the elements; who went on vorges in old-fashioned wind-lajiminers or small steampers; who suffered unspeakable hardships and took ingelutable risks; who led a life of turbulent violence and found in strong drink an anolyte for the physical-anguish inseparably associated with, their lot.

Such a proletariar, composed of such materials, undisciplined by the machine process and differentiated from the rest of the community by-tis neumatic his early the community by-tis neumatic high and freedom from the restraction of such and semi-industralished process and differentiated from the rest of the community by-tis neumatic high and semi-industralished process and differentiated from the rest of the community by-tis neumatic high and semi-industralished process and differentiated from the rest of the community by-tis neumatic high and semi-industralished process and the process and differentiated from the rest of the community by-tis neumatic high and semi-industralished process and the process and the process and t

encounters, as flack London so well described in his "Walley of the Moon. It was a probetariat which, on its philosophic side, but itself readily to a sort of popularised Nietzschism." This is result seen in the tirst attempts at philosophisms of the carlier LWW, to whom the glorification of force, as such, came naturally.

glorinication of force as such came-naturally.

And, as admatter of fact. Nicrosch Lad a protonoid cheet upon Jack Lordon.

I remember well that a certain Eastern rode-sor, who was a visitor to the Raskin Lidb, talked, about the famous German whose books were then beginning to oppara in English and were exerting the Intelli-gentia. Jack, with that series to currosity of his, took hold of the books, read them, thougher about them, talk about them and the wonderful. Sea, Wolf was the result a drama of Nietzschism, in terries of the sea-going productarfat which Jack London know, well.

proletariat which Jack London knew, so well.

But there was one adventure which left permanent marks upon him and from flet perfect of which he never recovered. That adventure was his visit to England and his stay in the East End, with the crushed population that he described so well in Athe "People of the Abys." He was not much more dam a boy when he wrote that book, Power, sympathy and observation are all there, As a study of the Jast End of the time it is superb and places him very high as a descriptive writer of actualities. It is a piece of journalism that drove the British bourgeoise into fury. But its effects upon himself were interacticable. He came back depressed. There to had found masses of the preletariat so such in misery, that they failed to grasp the fact of their own misery; so sodden, that nothing could move them; so essentially stuped, that they were responsive to no intellectual simulus; and so shameless, that the chaep-exciment of a coronation, that of Edward VII., was more important to them than any effort towards their own redemption. He contrasted these people with the proletariat of the Pacific Coast. It dawned on him that the proletarian of the Pacific Coast. It dawned on him that the proletarian of the Pacific Coast. It dawned on him that the proletarian chterprise forsook him. Having no desire to bourgeois success and having lost faith in a revolting proletariat; he washrownon his own resources, intellectually and socially, and the tragedy began to unroll. That tragedy needs no claboration. Its essence fies in the bald statement that Jack London became a magazine celebrity. Jack London was a member of the Socialist Party, Jack Endondon head and magazine celebrity. Jack London was a member of the had any active party and interest, which afterwards destroyed its suefulness and integrity, became manifest, he turned against it. Theneforward, as far as he had any active party and interest which are the propagation in the fight, But there was one adventure which

which afterwards destroyed its usefulness and integrity, became manifest, he turned against it. Theneeforward, as far as he had any active participation in the fight, he was with the Left revolt and watched the proper called "Revolt," which led the break against the politicians and intriguers with sympathy and interest. But hoff before the fight had reached an acute stage he had ceased to care, except very superficially. He had other interests, How he would have felt had he seen the new revolt and watched the Third International slowly beating its way into power, it is hard to say. It is very doubtful, however, if it would have footbrul, however, if it would have international slowly beating its way into power, it is hard to say. It is very doubtful, however, if it would have produced any reaction in the mind of the breeder of prize cattle in the Valley of the Moon.

#### HISTORY OF TOMMY LAWLOR

(Continued from col. 5, page 2)

of him and he of them. O'Brien who rose to power by refusing widows their money with which to bury their dead with the proper respect, due to the dead; Foran who retained \$2,500 in a safe from the women and children who starved his money illegally for years; Johnson who promised "the last man and the last penny to, uphold the fabric of the State" that took workingmen out of their beds and shot them like beasts in ditches and dark places. Mortished who, whilst a paid official of-Dublin Castle, took money from the White Cross for doling out help to the ment and women who trod the narrow and bitter path for this lind. They are an entinent and worthy body of lonest men and we think that the members of, the Municipal Workers. Union will feel proud of their Secretary, and of the circles in which he noves.

### ECONOMIC LAW RULES. .

The starying man may be free to the law of the land, but he is not free by the economic law that you must have something to sell if you want to live. If you have no goods to sell, you must sell yourself—that is, your labour power, and if you cannot find a buyer for it you are doomed.

It is appears first to have a maintain not and then to practice suitle -- Aristotle.

### Simply Frightful

THE LETTERS OF OLE BILL (No. 4).

Deer Kumrades.

I is not what they calls a high liver though i helds my own when it comes to partakin of the good, things pruvided. I must say it emoys a good dinner and feels all to the holy and ity when the behalf to the holy and ity when the behalf with the highest for the list right is ship thing; for the list right is the aftermatis ship thing; and it is the aftermatis ship thing; and it is ship thing and it is ship thing; and it is ship thing and it is ship thing; and it is ship thing and it is ship thing; and it is ship thing and it is ship thing; and it is ship thing and it is called tempurity psycho-paralysis and miss is must be another viktim to the jay of livin and the Chrismas seeson the myself and see 2 to it would pass away, so I smiles to myself and see 2 to it would pass away, so I smiles to myself and see 2 to the livin and the Chrismas seeson to live and it is only if and see 2 to it is a ship to myself with all the time the noise good livin and the Chrismas seeson. I did the blooys about.

I did not mind not bein able to get up from the chair, but all the time the noise good livin and the milk the procession or whotever it was stopped outside the half doore and tatted down in see most of the seed of the attent of words of the last of

so when the pures-sion or whotever it was stopped ourside the hall doore and started showthin is set to myself "thiss is a grave matter." Before i could draw a breth there was a fearful noise of kickin at the hall doore and a brik came throo the windo. Then the doore' was broke in and i felt a rush of air and with it came a showd of peeple and they marched right round the room- and oat in the other doore. First there was a hundred polizemen all wavin the battons and showtin, and every one that passed me gave me a welt on the head, yellin 'strike on here." After the first half duzzen blows i felt my head abowt five times its size and with every blow it got bigger. By the time the polizemen was, minished i wos in a grad state of egsitement and deepression, for, as you will understand i wos not irra condition to hit back and i noo i would bare the marks ove the konflict to my dyin day. After the polizemen marched a krowd oy dokkers and karters and uther peeple and they woo shown feroshious and singin well-and blow in the started feroshious and singin in display the started petrol tins in their hands. Behind them came a krown ow more fellows and they wos all singerin and singin 'it aim't goin to rame no more.' In a minnit or two the whole room wos packed to sutvocaction and the fellers with the petrol tins skweezed there way throo the krush and tied the tins to the legs of the chair. Then one of the men that karried the tins seed, "remove the prizoner to an unknown desstination," and there was a feefful explosion and there was a fe

charged the with "mizapplying, unlawfully charged the with andiss aforetawn varyous sums, to wit, the property ov the Transport Union." In my long and varied kareer." see he, "i hav nevver met a worse case. The spazomer at the Bar," see he, "has nisspent nine pounds sterling. He has," see he, "shad a mortality claim too a person while a teath ov a permy remained due on the card." Well, i nevver herd due on the card." Well, i nevver herd due on the card. "Well, i nevver herd stay thing life, the growt flat went yound the court at that. I looked at the joory men and "the horror I saw in their faces wes the worst i ever saw. "Who is that man of the joory," Jasked the Judge. "Judsa, "see he. "Who is the man had of the joory," Jasked the Judge. "Judsa, "see he. "Who is the man seed that "Jasked him." Shylock "see the judge. I was terribul. I was afraid to ask any means guestions. I know then i was doomed the id-don't reinsember havin paid money to Juny ybody that we

Workers Union of Ireland

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not entittled too it. Well, deer kumrades, they then called a witness and he swore ipad him, then called a witness and he swore ipad him, the mortality klaim. I couldn't stand the strain amy longer and i jumped to my feet and shouted. Mercy! judge, let me say a wurd in my defense." Go on "sex the judge. "Sir" i sex. and gentlemen ov the joory. If i padd-that slaim! iddi in an homest misstake, but as my terribul fate depends on the leegal fakts ov the kase! wish to pleed that as one farthing is the smalllest koin of the Relm there is no useh sum as a tenth ov a permy and the prosekution is therefore horre-de-combat. Well, the joory snarled at that and i saw i wos in a bad way. "Before i sums up" sex the judge, 'hav' you anny witnessess to call as to yoor karachter?" I looked round the court and my voice wos broke with emotion and i sex. "Is Tom Foran there—Is Tom Johnson there—has i amy frends in coort?" For a minnit there wos silence and then i saw a disturbanse in the coort and who kums forrward but the two ov them—my too loil frends. They both gets up in the box in their turn and swears i would never pay amything that wos not dew leegally, and they shuk me by the hand. "Well," sex the judge. "that kloses the kase for the defense and a will now sam up to the joory." He wos kive hours summin up and all the time i wos torn with susspense, "that kloses the kase for the defense and is will now sam up to the joory." He wos kive hours summin up and all the time i wos torn with susspense, "The summar and and a will now sam up to the joory." He wos kive hours summin up and all the time i wos torn with susspense, "The sum of the cheef foreman handed a slip ov payper to, the judge." Prizonner at the bar "sex he, "you hav been fownd gilty by a joory of human beeings, with a strong rekommendation to mercy on alkount ov your charackter. It is the sentence of the coort," sex he, "that you be taken from hence to the place where you will go and your liead be deckapitated, from your body until you be dyad. In token ov mercy,"

found myself sittin on the floor in my

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s found myself sittin on the floor in my librery where i had fallen off the chair, and the fire was blinkin at me- Oh! kumrades, it was an awful dreem.

As long as I live i will never so asleep after my Chrismas dinner agen and i will make up my mind in footure to be more stricter about pay in mortantry benefits.

Yours faightfully,

Yours faightfully, OLE BILL.

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