

LOSOVSKY POINTS OUT SOLIDARITY OF THE RULING CLASS IN GREAT BRITAIN

Editor's Note.—Just before the British general strike was called off, an important session of the Executive Committee of the Red International of Labor Unions was held in Moscow. The following cablegram, sent before the settlement, gives the attitude of the Executive Committee toward the great strike.

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MOSCOW, U. S. S. R., May 12 (via London).—At a session of the Executive Committee of the Red International of Labor Unions, A. Losovsky, in summing up the situation in England, pointed out the unshaken united front of the bourgeoisie which is fully conscious of the political importance of the struggle and openly recognize it.

Behind the formal government declarations about the defense of the constitution is hidden an elaborately worked out and detailed plan for defeating the British workers' movement. Meanwhile the leaders of the strike continue to emphasize its purely economic character.

The political horizons of the leaders of the great strike are not adequate to the giant development of events. An example of this inadequacy is manifested by the refusal to accept the help of foreign trade unions, as a consequence of the pressure of the right wing. This step is pregnant with grave consequences in the weakening of the General Trade Union Council's position toward the bourgeoisie and in impeding the unity of the strikers who are already astonished at such a decision.

The decision of the General Trade Union Council not to accept the help of foreign trade unions is satisfying to the bourgeoisie, which draws the conclusion of the strong influence of the General Council's right wing. Of course, the decision does not diminish the gigantic significance of the historical struggle, which must be supported further by all means.

The Executive Committee of the Red International of Trade Unions has decided to appeal to adhering organizations to continue the collection for the strikers, transferring such collections to England on the first request of the General Council of the British trade unions.

Collections in all possible forms are continuing most successfully in all of the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics. All of the working population is deeply interested in the development of the strike.

The captains of foreign steamers now in the port of Novorossiysk, forbidding the crews of these vessels to join in the demonstrations of the Russian dock workers, visit their clubs and threaten dismissal in case of disobedience. Nevertheless meetings of the crews of foreign steamers have taken place on land, adopting resolutions of solidarity with the British strikers.

NORWAY LAYS CLAIM TO LAND AT NORTH POLE

OSLO, May 12. — The North Pole is regarded as Norwegian territory, so far as the Norwegian government is concerned.

Advices that the Amundsen-Ellsworth dirigible Norge arrived over the North Pole and dropped the Norwegian, American and Italian flags, is considered here as being tantamount to establishing the Norwegian claim to this territory.

Police Declare Ward Is Blackmail Victim

NEW YORK, May 11.—The mysterious disappearance of Walter S. Ward, former head of the Ward Baking company and son of a multimillionaire, involves blackmail, detectives declared.

Working in collaboration with the authorities of New Jersey and Maryland, the New York officers believe that two men who have been intimating Ward since his acquittal on murder charges have either kidnapped or murdered him.

Strikers Released.

NEW YORK, May 12 — Samuel Mencher, chairman of the picket committee of the striking furriers, Mark Boerum and H. Fischler who last week were sentenced to 60 days in jail on a charge of disorderly conduct, were released today and freed from the charge against them. The case was heard before supreme court justice Charles L. Guy, and he was convinced of the union's contention that the whole case was a frame-up, and released the workers.

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