

The Collapse of the Garvey Movement

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The collapse of the Garvey Movement affords further proof of the readiness of the Negro masses for really militant struggle for Negro rights and against the imperialist slave drivers.

Behind Garvey's announcement of his intention to cash in on all available properties under his control in Jamaica, British West Indies, and depart for London is nothing less than a repudiation by the Negro masses of the treacherous Garvey policies of support for the imperialist oppressors of the Negro masses and betrayal of the Negro Liberation Struggle under cover of struggle-phrases.

The Garvey misleaders, facing the loss of their easy graft, might conceivably have composed their differences in the selfish battle for control of the finances of the organiza-

MOCK TRIAL IN CHICAGO, MAR. 14

Boss-Gangster City Council in Docks

CHICAGO, March 12.—The biggest Chicago Red Entertainment in a long time will take place this Saturday evening at the Ashland Auditorium.

Four of the best proletarian choruses will compete in revolutionary songs for the prize—a beautiful red banner. These singing societies, Lithuanian, Hungarian, Ukrainian, and Freiheit, are known to the workers in Chicago for their accomplishments in revolutionary songs and music. In addition to this there will be a splendid play, "The Mock Trial of the City Council in Session," in which the racketeer gangster rule of the republican and democratic agents of the bosses will be exposed. While Insull supports fascist Thompson, Julius Rosenwald, has just returned from a pleasure trip from the Hawaiian Islands in order to see to it that the workers in his Sears Roebuck Co. are exploited to the limit. He shouts that Cermak must be elected or else the city will go to ruin.

In this mock trial Phil Frankfeld, one of the Communist Aldermanic candidates in the Feb. 24th elections and Chicago secretary of the T. U. U. L., will present the statement which he gave to the capitalist city council a few months ago when he was ejected from the city council by the notorious "red squad." Frankfeld will present clearly the program of the Communist Party in the present city elections.

This great entertainment and mass election rally must be supported by thousands of workers in Chicago who will pack the Ashland Auditorium, Ashland and Van Buren St., Saturday, March 14, at 8 p. m.

tion, in order to maintain their control over the membership, were it not for the steadily worsening situation in which the Negro workers, in company with all other workers, find themselves today as the result of the economic crisis and the policy of the bosses and their government to shift to the shoulders of the working class the full burdens of the crisis.

Treated by the bosses with even more brutal disregard than others of the 10,000,000 workers thrown on the streets of America to starve, victims of a vicious lynch terror which seeks to utterly crush their spirit and prevent any resistance on their part to the intensifying exploitation in the urban centers, North and South, and their increasing enslavement in the rural South as peons and share croppers, and, above all, to prevent united struggle together with the white workers, the Negro workers, with the foreign born, are today bearing the brunt of the boss offensive against the working class—an offensive which deliberately uses the plight of the unemployed millions to worsen the conditions of the working class through lay-offs, wage-cuts, firing and re-hiring at lower wages, speed-up, etc.

In this situation, the Negro masses have become thoroughly disgusted with the reformist leadership of the Garvey misleaders, have come to realize that the real purpose of these traitors is to utilize the discontent of the Negro masses for the building of capitalist enterprises controlled by themselves as part of the general movement of the Negro bourgeoisie to force the white bourgeoisie to concede them a larger share in the exploitation of the Negro masses. With large numbers of members constantly dropping out, disgustedly turning away from the Garvey leadership, with dues payments falling off tremendously, with the campaigns for money meeting with little response, Garvey finally concluded that the game was not worth the candle. Therefore his decision to cash in on the properties in Jamaica of the Universal Negro Improvement Association of 1929, as well as his own considerable properties, and to depart for London, where he can enjoy the fruits of his robbery of the Negro people, far removed from the anger of the betrayed masses.

This decision by Garvey, together with the suspending of the "Black Man," the Jamaica mouthpiece of the organization, is an open admission that Garveyism, repudiated by the masses, is in collapse. That the lesser chiefs of the movement, who though quite as willing to establish huge private fortunes on their betrayal of the Negro masses have not been as successful in this respect as Marcus Garvey—that these will try to revivify the dead movement, or to grab off sections of it before it completely disintegrates, is certain. This phase of the situation, together with the duty devolving upon the Party out of this situation to win these militant masses for the revolutionary movement will be dealt with in another article.

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