

Fish and Negro Reformists in Move to Betray Struggle Against Lynching

Unite in Desperate Attempt to Divert Negro Masses From March 28 Demonstrations Against Deportations, Lynchings

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NEW YORK.—In an attempt once more to divert the Negro masses from militant struggle against lynching, unemployment and starvation, the Harlem Negro reformists of all stripes and degrees of treachery have united under the influence of fascist Fish to call a "religious and public meeting" for Sunday, March 29. This move is a deliberate attempt to divert the Negro masses of Harlem from participation in the March 28 demonstrations against deportations and lynching.

While the League of Struggle for Negro Rights, the International Labor Defense and the Council for Protection of the Foreign Born have called on the masses, Negro and white, native and foreign born, to solidify their ranks on March 28 in militant protest against lynching, deportations and other forms of boss terror, against starvation, evictions, lay-offs and

wage-cuts, the Harlem fakers are attempting to stem the rising revolt of the masses with a meeting "in honor of his Imperial Majesty Haile Selasse First, Emperor of Abyssinia and his son, the prince recently born." Huge leaflets are being distributed by the thousands in Harlem, promising the masses an "unfolding of national and international flags, prayer in seven languages, presenting of the bible in original manuscripts," and what have you.

That the misleaders and betrayers of the national struggle of the Negro masses fully realize that the masses are turning away from their treacherous leadership is shown by the large number of fakers who have joined in the present desperate move to maintain their influence.

For this large representation of traitors, the Fish is no doubt mainly responsible, being in deadly fear with the rest of the imperialist oppressors, of any move to unite the Negro and white masses against their common enemy.

The meeting is to be under the auspices of the Ethiopian Hebrew Congregation, the National Ministers Alliance, National Council of Ministers and Laymen, the Civic and Welfare Association, the Tiger Division of the U.N.I.A. (Garvey Movement), and the Cosmopolitan Baptist Church.

The list of speakers is headed by Fish, and includes Joseph A. Gavagan, Anthony Griffin, Thomas H. Cullen, J. Dalmus Steele, J. Finley Wilson, Ferdinand Q. Morton, Bishop Edward Johnson, Mrs. I. M. Blackstone, Rabbi W. A. Matthew, Rev. S.P.W. Drew, and General St. William W. Grant, the Garvey misleader who engineered the murder of Comrade Levy at a Harlem meeting of the Communist Party against lynching.

POSTPONE TRIAL OF 2 ORGANIZERS

Bosses Add to "Vag" Charges

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., March 24.—The trial of Mary Dalton, Harry Gordon and Elizabeth Lawson, originally set for March 19, has been continued until March 31. The postponement was obtained due to the absence from town on the 19th of the defense attorney, G. W. Chamberlee, Sr., employed by the International Labor Defense to defend the three leaders of the Chattanooga