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Nicaragua Cannot Achieve Freedom by Submitting to United States

Encouraging reports are coming out of Nicaragua to the effect that many thousands of the forces successfully struggling against the government of the Wall Street puppet, Diaz, have refused to lay down their arms and will continue fighting.

Reports of wholesale disarmament appearing in the kept press are probably considerably exaggerated, but there is undoubtedly a large number that has disarmed under the threat of the Coolidge emissary, Stimson, to wage war against them with all the forces at his command.

Dr. Juan Sacasa, the liberal president, whom the United States is trying to destroy because he would not yield to the blandishments of Wall Street, announces that the liberals will have nothing to do with the Diaz government.

Sacasa goes on to express his admiration for the United States and is an ardent advocate of "real Pan-Americanism."

Sacasa, to justify his leadership of the Nicaraguan masses in their struggle against American imperialism, should emphasize the fact that the Pan-Americanism we hear so much about is only an imperialist snare in which to enmesh the southern republics.

To justify himself as a leader of the Nicaraguan rebels against Wall Street's government at Washington, Sacasa should not only refuse to sanction disarmament by the American marines, but he should utilize his present position to discredit the Pan-Americanism of the banking houses and try to rouse all the neighboring republics against the frightfulness of the imperialists who continuously make bandit raids upon the nations of Latin-America.

Furthermore, instead of giving up their arms, the liberal forces should keep them. If the invading hordes of the United States are too overwhelming they should resort to deception and conceal their arms they now have and get as many more as they can obtain to hold in readiness when Nicaragua and other nations suffering under the blight of Wall Street can rise and drive the invaders from their shores.

Tammany Defends Right to Steal Elections

Tammany Hall is in an uproar. Judge Olvany, office boy for Governor Al. Smith, Wall Street's and pope's candidate for the democratic party nomination for president, and the Tammany district leaders held a secret meeting the other night at which they endeavored to devise plans to defeat the introduction of voting machines and a reduction of the number of election districts.

No one should labor under the illusion that the introduction of voting machines and the reduction of the districts 25 per cent would guarantee correct returns on election day.

"Ten years hence the level of life in Russia will be far higher than it was before the war, and in the rest of Europe it will be lower than it was before the war," reluctantly asserts John Maynard Keynes, the bourgeois economist of England.

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Spargo's Journey from Socialism to Facism

By H. M. WICKS

GAIN the diminutive, warped, mendacious flunkey of imperialism and former ornament of the Socialist party, John Spargo, slimly creeps over the pages of the reptile press, leaving behind a trail of venom against the working class, the class that for years enabled him to exist and satisfy his exaggerated ego by strutting as a leader.

This time Spargo appears as the defender of that other apostate, Mussolini. In a laudatory article appearing in the Sunday book review section of the New York Times, this mountebank, under pretext of reviewing a book titled, "Italy and Facismo," by Luigi Sturzo, formerly a supporter but now an exile from the wrath of fascism, indulges in the most debasing praise of the blood-streaked monster, Mussolini, that has yet appeared in print in any language.

In praising Mussolini, Spargo endeavors to traduce Lenin. He says: "What Lenin represented in the leadership of the destructive forces that were unleashed in Europe, Mussolini became in the leadership of the conserving and constructive forces."

As opposed to his picture of Mussolini, Spargo, places Lenin, who, as the leader of the Bolshevik Party, rescued the workers and peasants of Russia from their age-long thralldom and brought hundreds of thousands, nay millions, of them into active audible political life and inaugurated a system of government that is a thousand times more democratic than the most democratic capitalist government on the face of the earth.

But to be reviled by a defender of and apologist for Mussolini is thereby to be honored. Lenin's name is written so large in the history of mankind that no Spargo can ever detract from it or add to it. Regardless of the oceans of ink that may be spilled in publishing the diatribes of Spargo and his ilk history will record the fact that Lenin was the leader of the forces that first broke through the rotten and decaying capitalist structure and unleashed the forces that will enable society to rise to new and immeasurable heights.

FROM socialism to facism, is the road travelled by Spargo. A road that has no retreat, the logical, inevitable goal of those who, like Spargo, started on the inclined plane of apostasy by first defaming the revolutionary elements of the working class and rapidly sank to the lowest depths of which human depravity can descend.

TO the Marxists of the United States, the defection of Spargo came as no surprise. Long before the first blast of the trumpets of the war that signalized his desertion to the camp of the imperialists this man displayed his dishonesty and his vicious ignorance.

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able parody of the worst elements of German social-democratic opportunism, Spargo would long ago have been kicked out of the party as a scoundrel and swindler fit only to sell himself to the people who now pay him for his services that he donated to them gratis while at the helm of the socialist forces.

His first outstanding crime was to write a book wherein, by a series of crude inventions, distortions and downright forgeries, he tried to prove the compatibility of socialism and religion. For this he was severely condemned by the Marxists of that day, including the present writer.

However, we in the United States were not alone in our denunciation of Spargo. It was not long before he wrote what purported to be a life of Marx. So low, so vile, so utterly unprincipled and fraudulent was this work that when it was translated into German the social-democratic party prohibited its circulation and Franz Mehring stalwart Marxist and brilliant revolutionist branded, the thing as a disgrace to the international (the pre-war second international) and an insult to the memory of Marx.

WORKERS SCHOOL DIRECTOR ANALYSES CHANGING AMERICAN WORKING CLASS; ROLE OF RIGHTS

The Workers School Open Forum closed the 1926-27 Sunday evening with a lecture by its director, Bertram D. Wolfe on "The Changing American Working Class." It was held at the school's headquarters, 108 East 14th Street.

Wolfe pointed out that the American working class is changing with American imperialism, taking over the privileged position held by Great Britain up to the time of the world war.

"The American working man," continued Wolfe, "is the most productive in the world. He produces as much as 2 to 7 workers of other countries.

Referring to Matthew Wolf, Wolfe pointed out that Wolf wants the of the workers being opposed to using them as organs of working class struggle. Therefore he is opposed to strikes and any sharp form for the working class struggle.

Wall Street Declares War Upon Labor

(Continued from Page One) are a signal that the working class must take decisive action in two directions—also supplementing each other:

- 1. In all strikes, lockouts and boycotts the decision in the Bedford Cut Stone Company case must be disregarded—there must be organized mass resistance to this new form of slavery. 2. Intensive agitation and organization work for a labor party must be started in all sections of the working class movement.

That a new drive on labor has been prepared and has been launched already against the coal miners, certain sections of the building trades, the garment trades, etc., there cannot be any doubt.

The two reactionary decisions of the Supreme Court coincide with the beginning of this new offensive. The decisions also coincide with the new developments in the imperialist policy of aggression in Nicaragua, Mexico, the Philippines, China and elsewhere.

Externally Wall Street government is pursuing a policy of forcible and underhanded conquest of colonial and semi-colonial peoples.

Internally, the policy of Wall Street government is aggression against the working class and its organizations.

The policies and methods which secured gains for the workers during the pre-imperialist epoch are obsolete and ineffective now.

The identity of interest of workers and employers—the theory upon which the unions have based their policy and tactics—is obviously a dangerous delusion.

The Supreme Court decisions are class decisions—decisions in favor of the capitalist class.

The "nonpartisan" political policy—"punishing enemies and rewarding friends" in the ranks of the two Wall Street parties—is bankrupt. Wall Street welcomes this sham struggle and its supreme court welds the shackles tighter on the limbs of labor.

The time has come to fight. If the present leadership of the American labor movement evades the struggle and its implications then a new leadership must be built.

Whoever, in the face of the declaration of war upon the American working class made by the two decisions of the Supreme Court, advocates a continuation of the old methods, whoever is against disregard of these decisions and against the organization of a mass party of labor, is an enemy of the working class and an apostle of surrender.

American workers must organize and fight!

DRAMA

ANNIE LAURIE

The producers of "Annie Laurie" have done it again. Under the wealth of scenic beauty they have covered the poverty of the picture.

The days of old Scotland when the clans fought each other to keep their cattle and property are pictured here. Justice emerges triumphant in the end. Of course it is not as simple as all that. There are many thrilling moments; there are rivers of blood, colorful battles, vigor, strength and just oodles of patriotic high fever.

The poor but honest mountaineer McDonalds finally defeat the clan Campbell, who represent wealth and corruption and have misused the order of the King. All is finally lovely for King, Country and Justice.

In a play of such sentimentality Lillian Gish, naive and sweet to distraction, is well cast.—A. Gus.

"MR. PIM PASSES BY"



Erskine Sanford gives a realistic and amusing performance in the role of Mr. Pim in the Theatre Guild revival of Milne's most delightful comedy at the Garrick theatre.

A late premiere announced for this week will take place tonight at Wallack's theatre where Clement Gligio will present his musical version of F. Marion Crawford's "The White Sister." Josie Jones and Eugene Scudder play important roles.

Chester Morris took over James Rennie's role in "Crime" at the Times Square Theatre last night. Frank M. Thomas will play the former Morris part.

Broadway Briefs

Butler Davenport, director of the Brannahl Playhouse, announces the production of two plays at his little theatre on Twenty-seventh Street and Lexington Avenue.

Aline Bernstein, the talented designer of costumes for the neighborhood Playhouse, will have an important role in the new "Grand Street Follies," which opens Thursday night at the Grand Street Theatre.

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PERTH AMBOY, May 16.—Albert Weisbord, leader of the Passaic textile strike and recent candidate for City Commissioner of Passaic on the Labor ticket will speak Thursday evening, May 19, 8 P. M., at Columbia Hall. With him there will be other speakers, including Juliet Stur-

more clever method is used, that of the trade union officials leading the raids.

"In 1919 it was the Communist Party that bore the brunt of the attack and today again it is the organization that is being fought. Why? Because as a result of the reorganization of the party it is able to penetrate into the basic unions especially into the United Mine Workers. Also it has been leading successful L's policy is to abandon strikes. When the official labor leaders want to limit unions to the skilled workers only, the Communists organize the unorganized workers."

Wolfe also referred to the divisions in the executive council of the A. F. of L., proving that Wolfe, Green and Nonan, represent three tendencies. —a right wing, center and left wing.

AMUSEMENTS

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