



Bethlehem, Pa., Communist-Socialist United May Day Set

One S.P. Local Joins to Plan Boston March

240 Delegates Map Out Demonstration Plans in Philadelphia

(See Editorial on Last Page) BETHLEHEM, Pa., April 16.—Nineteen organizations, including the Socialist Party, the Communist Party, A. F. of L. unions, and the Unemployed Leagues...

S.F. Local Joins in Boston Boston, Mass., April 16.—Fifty-seven working class organizations, including the Socialist Party local from Somerville, are now mapping out their plans for one united May Day demonstration here.

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Noted Socialists, Liberals, Denounce Lang's Slanders

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Plenty of Food As I reported in the Day, there was plenty of food of all kinds in Soviet Russia in 1934, for everyone who had rubles to pay for it, and nowhere was there a shortage of bread.

Sabotage of Collectivization Undoubtedly there was a famine in the Ukraine, the north Caucasus and thereabouts, in the winter of 1932-33. Many people were victims of starvation, directly or indirectly.

ory today, agricultural production having made tremendous progress in the last two years.

Great Gains That agricultural conditions in Soviet Russia today are far superior to what they were before the revolution is clearly shown by Professor John E. Pomfret of Princeton University in his recent book, The Geographic Pattern of Mankind. His states:

"The pre-war portrait of agricultural prosperity was painted in too vivid colors. Each year ten million tons of grain were exported from the Ukraine. The failure of Soviet Russia to feed its population constituted in our minds a major indictment against the whole system. Now, however, we are beginning to realize that the Russian grain export was a 'fictitious' export. A vast peasant population was being exploited by a landlord class, with the consequence of the government. There was a great display of prosperity at the front door, while at the back large numbers of people were hovering on the verge of starvation.

Steel Workers Legion Seizes 601 in Gallup

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Steel Co. Brackenridge plant, and others. In the Beaver Valley gains are reported in the Jones and Laughlin plant, Allequippa; Crucible Steel, Midland; and lodges are being organized in Monaca, West Allequippa, and Ambridge.

Fight for Dimitroff David Levinson has long been active in labor cases and in defense of the civil rights of the working class. Probably his most famous work, a work that has endeared him in the hearts of workers throughout the world, was that in conjunction with the Reichstag Fire Trial in Germany. At that time, in 1933, Levinson and his wife were touring in Europe.

Thousands of unemployed will long remember Levinson's fight for their rights in the historic Hunger March on Washington in 1932. At that time he met in conference with the Speaker of the House, a group of Representatives and former Vice President Curtis, who have jurisdiction over the Capitol grounds, and won the right for the jobs to march.

Freedom of Thaelmann, Ossietzky, Mierendorf And All Anti-Fascists

(The 46th birthday of Ernst Thaelmann—April 16)

This is the third year that Ernst Thaelmann, leader of the German anti-fascists, will spend April 16, his birthday, in a dungeon of the Nazi executioner in the Berlin Prison. Over the entire world, wherever the toilers struggle and organize against fascism, this day, when Ernst Thaelmann reaches the age of 46 years, becomes a special day of struggle for his liberation and the liberation of all anti-fascists in the Nazi prisons.

The fight for his release and the release of all anti-fascists will be expressed in numerous forms today, his birthday. As last year, but today with greater strength, broad delegations of anti-fascist unity, composed of workers, intellectuals, the unemployed, the representatives of various revolutionary organizations will demonstrate at the German embassies to demand his freedom. A flood of protest tele-

Bankers Gloat Seamen to Act Over 'Pact' On Walkout

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ment reached follows the general line of approach used by President Roosevelt in the settlement of the automobile controversy last year. Formal recognition of the union was denied, it is pointed out, and more important, the majority rule and the other demands that have been sponsored by the A. F. of L. and the National Labor Relations Board were ignored.

The decision to postpone strike action at this time in the rubber industry will also weaken the effectiveness of the union, it is pointed out. When strikers are postponed the enthusiasm of the workers for a walkout cools immeasurably. Similarly the postponement of strike action in rubber renders the likelihood of industry-wide action in the automobile industry even more remote, it is felt.

In gloating over the settlement which William Green, president of the A. F. of L. called a "victory," the Journal of Commerce draws the conclusion that the A. F. of L. from now on will confine its organizing to isolated plants.

Pershing Incited Latest Violence GALLUP, N. M., April 16.—Incitement for the recent arrests and terror here came directly from General John J. Pershing, it is disclosed today. On the day before the recent wave of mass arrests, Pershing gave his personal endorsement of the legion's reign of terror against the Gallup miners and the unemployed. Passing through Gallup on his way from Tucson, Arizona, to his home in Lincoln, Nebraska, Pershing was unimpressed in his praise of the legionaires, who, armed with high-powered rifles, rode the neighboring territory, terrorizing the workers. "It's mighty fine work," Pershing said, "keep it up."

Lasser Silent Wallace Stages On Green 'Aid' 'Red Scare' Act

By Seymour Waldman (Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 16.—Secretary of Agriculture Wallace today repeated his 'Red Scare' Act, stated recently before the Senate Committee on Agriculture, in endorsing as "absolutely sound" the "objectives" of the Bankhead-Jones "Farmers' Home Act," before the House Committee on Agriculture.

The Bankhead Act, which was reported favorably today to the Senate by the Agricultural Committee, provides for a billion dollar bond issue supposedly for the purpose of making loans to aid "rural rehabilitation," to encourage "the ownership of farm homes" under a high salaried bureaucracy and to check the increase of tenancy in the U. S. It is being belittled by Roosevelt Administration supporters.

Under the heading, "Act To Curb Reds On Aid Projects," an A. P. dispatch in yesterday's Pittsburgh Post-Gazette quotes Green as saying: "Communist have been busy organizing committees on work relief projects, and we are willing to help keep them from growing."

Building Men Back Local 3

The Building Trades Council of New York City, Long Island and vicinity, in session at a closed meeting yesterday morning, reaffirmed its former position of full support to the 700 striking electricians, John K. Lapham, business agent of Local 3, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, announced last night.

While the union kept up its regular strike activities on the five unfinished sections of the city-owned Independent Subway, he said, the General Railway Signal Company, holding contracts for installation of signal and interlocking equipment on the job continued in its stubborn refusal to come to terms with the union or submit to a public hearing on the controversy.

A conference held yesterday by union representatives with Seymour Graubard, secretary to Aldermanic President Bernard S. Deutsch, brought no results except for his promise to transmit the proposals of the union to Deutsch.

War Letters Worry Envoy

WASHINGTON, April 16.—Sir Ronald Lindsay, British Ambassador to the United States, had made several hurried visits to Secretary of State Cordell Hull, the latter stated today, in order to prevent publishing of war-time correspondence between Allied war supply purchasing commissions and American bankers.

The objections of the British Ambassador, it was indicated, were based on the fear of disclosing what is already known to the American masses; that the United States entered on the side of the Allies purely to preserve the heavy investments placed with the French and British financiers by the bankers and industrialists here.

Socialist Leaders, Enmeshed in Factional, Fight United May Day

By PAUL NOVICK

The question of united May Day parades clearly evolves into a question whether the workers of the United States will be able to obtain immediate improvements in the quickest possible way.

The Socialist Party is torn asunder. It represents such a variety of "theoretical" and organizational forms that it would take much more space than could be devoted to its moment to portray them. There are, vaguely speaking right-wing Socialist states led by New York, Wisconsin, left-wing states led by Massachusetts, New Jersey. Each and every one of these states is busy combing its own factions. While New Jersey recently expelled the right-wingers of Hudson County (Jersey City, Union City), it merely followed New York state which had previously expelled a group of members of the Revolutionary Policy Committee in Buffalo. While the S. P. of Oregon State withdrew

Michigan Gag Bill Is Passed

By A. B. Magill (Daily Worker Michigan Bureau)

DETROIT, Mich., April 16.—The Michigan House of Representatives yesterday enacted into law the first of the anti-labor gag bills, the Baldridge law requiring all public school teachers to take the oath of allegiance. The bill has already passed the Senate and now awaits the signature of the Governor.

Only seven representatives had the courage to vote against the reactionary oath bill. One of them, Representative Philip J. Rahol, of Iron Mountain, a community where thousands of iron miners are existing on the starvation line, is quoted in today's Detroit Times, Hearst newspaper, as saying: "The day is coming when the workers of this country will awaken and overthrow the system. This nation is in the hands of a few money-grubbers. Washington was a revolutionist. This way is the American way. He was a Communist to England. "Our children should have the right to follow his example. They should be taught Communism so they will have the knowledge of all systems of government and can choose the method of rule they believe to be the best."

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