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## AS FOR ETHIOPIA GROWS AS WAR NEARS

### RANK AND FILE WIN SMASHING VICTORY IN SILK UNION POLL

All Candidates Elected in Paterson—Love-stoneites Beaten

PATERSON, N. J., July 21.—The Rank and File slate won a 100 per cent victory Saturday in the elections to the Executive Board of the Plain Goods Department, American Federation of Silk Workers, Paterson district.

This decisive victory marked the final repudiation by Paterson silk workers of the Eli Keller-Lovestoneite "Progressive" group which was defeated by the Rank and File group in the election six months ago and which tried to stake a come-back this time. At the same time it showed how the Rank and File executive board members, many of whom ran for reelection, have won the confidence of the workers through their leadership in more than 100 successful strikes.

After the election, one of the most prominent "Progressive" candidates who did not make the grade, declared:

"I am through with our group. The people don't want us. This election shows it. We have spent more money on publicity than in any previous election and concocted all kinds of schemes. We can't fight any more."

Out of fifteen places on the executive board, the Rank and File group ran only 12 candidates, to give all opinions within the union a chance to be represented on the new board. All twelve of the Rank and File slate were elected, and received the highest vote of the entire field. Alex Thillman led the slate with 448 votes.

The "Progressive" group ran eleven candidates. Three were elected, and only by virtue of the fact that the Rank and File group deliberately left the way clear for their election. The three were Harry Shum, Elmer Hamm, and Jacob Besser, who polled respectively 158, 147, and 145 votes. Some independent candidates trailed behind with as low as 24 votes.

In addition to the three members of the "Progressive" group listed above, the new executive board will consist of the following twelve members of the Rank and File group, practically all of whom received more than 400 votes: A. Thillman, Appel, Bertinsky, Cannova, Eardly, S. Thillman, Storgilla, Sochon, Sosanie, Swales, Houlahan and Van Vlienderen.

### Speed Fight for Krumbein, Says Ben Gold

By BEN GOLD  
Our beloved Comrade Charles Krumbein, the devoted leader of the working class, must be unconditionally released from jail at once. The jailing of Comrade Krumbein is an additional example of the criminal conspiracies committed by the capitalist class and their courts against the militant, courageous, consistent and tireless fighters and leaders of the oppressed and exploited masses.

The plunderer, cheater and exploiter, Insull, was honorably discharged by the capitalist courts. He is a free citizen. His robbery and plunder was legalized by the capitalist courts. The lawyer Kresel, the hired brain of the Bank of the United States, who robbed thousands of workers, was honorably discharged by the courts. So are hundreds of bankers who rob the workers of their deposits. The government officials of California who are responsible for the frame-up of Tom Mooney, who is rotting in jail for the past 18 years and free and honored citizens. The murderer of Sacco and Vanzetti, Governor Fuller, is a respectable free citizen. The conspirators who cooked up the frame-up against the Scottsboro boys, the lynchers of the Negro workers, those who murdered the textile strikers, the mine, strikers, the murderers of Morris Langer, all of them are free, honorable citizens. The former Police Commissioner, Grover Whalen, who was exposed as a fabricator of documents against

### Nazis Prepare Treason Trials For Clergymen

Justice Ministry Says Axe and Prison Will Be Used Against Foes

BERLIN, July 21.—Nazi spies and officials today sat in Catholic and Protestant churches, prepared to arrest on charges of high treason all clergymen who showed themselves opposed to the rising terror wave of the Hitler dictatorship.

Applied to Jews and Christians, war veterans in the Stahlhelm and youth organizations, a decree issued by the Ministry of Justice promised the concentration camp and the axe for those who opened their mouths today against Nazism.

Julius Streicher, publisher of the degenerate anti-Semitic publication, Der Stuermer, today took upon himself the leadership of the campaign to drive all Jews from Berlin into ghettos.

Although reports were spread about that Hitler himself was not in the country, the unprecedented drive to crush Communists and all other anti-fascists, and with them the desperate insecurity of the Nazi regime, continues without let-down. Stahlhelm units were dissolved yesterday in Thuringia and Silesia.

Today, reliable rumors held that "veterans" organizations would be abolished at Schleswig and Mecklenburg. It is expected that the nationwide dissolution of the Stahlhelm will be forthcoming in the near future.

### Troops Kill Nine

LAHORE, India, July 21.—Nine Muslims were killed here when British troops fired into an unarmed crowd of Mohammedians who were attempting to prevent their mosque from being rased. After twenty-four hours of fierce resistance against their attackers, two thousand Mohammedians remained before the Shohidgana mosque, hoping to save their temple by using Mahatma Gandhi's passive resistance tactics.

### Camden Boss Threat Defied

CAMDEN, N. J., July 21.—With the company announcing that the yard would resume operations Tuesday morning, the Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers has countered with an order that "nobody should go into the yard of the New York Shipbuilding Corporation from now until a union settlement is reached."

The announcement by the company on opening the plant followed its fourth successive failure to put across a poll on whether the men wanted to go back at the company's terms.

### Eat Garbage; 8 Ill

FRESNO, Calif., July 21.—Eight children were taken to the hospital here after eating stale pies taken from garbage cans at a local market, it was learned today.

When questioned the children declared that they often dug into refuse heaps in order to find old bread or other discarded food that they could eat.

### Three Members of Congress Demand Freedom for Herndon

With three members of Congress adding their voices to the protest against the twenty-year chain-gang sentence given to Angelo Herndon in Georgia; with a number of influential national organizations adding their names to the list of those sponsoring the drive for two million signatures to a petition for Herndon's freedom, and with new facts constantly coming to light about the horrors and brutalities of the chain-gang, the campaign for the liberation of Herndon took on new momentum during the last few days.

### SOCIALIST YOUTH SILENT ON UNITY BID

Refer Y.C.L. Proposals to Resolutions Committee

(Special to the Daily Worker)  
PITTSBURGH, July 21.—At the first session of the national convention of the Young People's Socialist League, Danics, national secretary, delivered a report in which he said that there were 4,000 members and 250 circles in 34 States. He called for more activities in industry and the colleges, but made no mention of the united front.

A Toronto delegation of six, representing the Cooperative Commonwealth Youth Movement, headed by Cotterill, made an urgent appeal for immediate united action of all working class youth organizations in all struggles facing the youth.

(Daily Worker Pittsburgh Bureau)  
PITTSBURGH, Pa., July 21.—The National Convention of the Young People's Socialist League got under way here yesterday with approximately 200 delegates assembled, the first day's session marking refusal to allow a delegation from the Young Communist League to attend the convention as fraternal delegates or to speak from the floor on proposals of the Y.C.L. for establishing a united front.

The Y.C.L. delegation, comprised of Max Weiss, Dave Doran, Al Martin (all three members of the National Executive Committee of the Y.C.L.), Jack Lindsay and Caroline Hart called at the convention hall early today and presented a letter from the Y.C.L., which appealed to the convention to establish united front action with the Young Communists.

Referred to Resolutions Committee  
The delegation was told that the letter would be referred to the resolutions committee of the convention.

The Y.C.L. committee called again at the time set, and after waiting for the better part of an hour, were ushered into the presence of seven

### Hosiery Strike Motion Beaten

PHILADELPHIA, July 21.—The Emil Rieve leadership of the American Federation of Hosiery Workers directed the defeat of a motion for a general strike on Sept. 1 for the 30 hour week at Friday's session of the union's national convention.

In acting to prevent a walk-out, Rieve, who is a member of the Socialist Party, was merely repeating his betrayal, along with Francis J. Gorman, vice-president of the Industrial Textile Workers, of the general textile strike of last September.

In spite of the high-powered attack by the leadership against a general strike, when the motion was finally put to a vote, after a nine-hour debate, more than one-third of the delegates still demanded the walk-out.

When the convention opened at the beginning of the week, Rieve fought bitterly against a 30-hour week at the wages now paid for 40 hours work. But with more than one-third of the delegates fighting for a general strike for this demand, and with still others calling for district strikes, Rieve has been forced to change his tune.

He understands now that the rank and file is out for the 30-hour week. Instead of openly fighting it, therefore, he is expected to try to turn the fight into ineffective channels when the question comes up at Monday's session as to what action the union will take instead of a general strike.

insurrection" law on which he was indicted.  
From Dr. Mary F. Waring, president of the National Association of Colored Women, came a letter pleading the support of her organization to the fight for Herndon's liberation. "Herndon is a pioneer in the struggle for the establishment of the rights of Colored American citizens," Dr. Waring wrote. "I heartily endorse all efforts for his defense. We represent more than 30,000 women."  
The Denver branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has arranged a mass meeting for Herndon, to take place July 29, in the Peoples Presbyterian Church at 23rd and Washington Streets. The same organization is arranging a public dinner for Herndon on July 26, at the local Negro Y. M. C. A.

### Soviet Aviator Ready For Hop to California

Pilot Levanovsky Awaits Favorable Weather for Flight from Moscow to United States—To Fly Over Pole in Single Motor Plane

SEATTLE, Wash., July 21.—Route of the projected 6,000-mile non-stop flight of Pilot S. Levanovsky from Moscow to San Francisco, via the North Pole, was mapped today by representatives of the Soviet Union and the United States.

N. A. Sokoloff and A. A. Vartanian, vice-president and chief engineer of the Soviet Amtorg Trading Corporation, arrived to confer with officials of the United States Army Signal Corps Alaska Telegraph System.

Sokoloff said Levanovsky would start his flight within a few days if weather conditions are favorable. His route will follow the 126th meridian, across the North Pole, South over Banks Island, Port Simpson, Y. T., Vancouver, B. C., and Seattle.

The Russian ace, who aided in the rescue of the scientist, Dr. Otto Schmidt and his party from Bering Sea ice floes in 1933, will fly a single engine monoplane, carrying scientific instruments. If successful, his flight will break the world non-stop plane record of 5,687 miles, set by Codos and Rossi in flying from New York to Syria in 1933.

### Beal's Lies Hit in Letters To Hearst

Ward, Van Kleeck, Baldwin Write Joint Letter —Thomas Plays Solo

Dr. Harry F. Ward, chairman of the American League Against War and Fascism, Mary van Kleeck, director of Industrial Studies of the Russell Sage Foundation, Roger Baldwin, director of the American Civil Liberties Union, and Norman Thomas, Socialist Party leader, have sent letters to the editor-in-chief of the Hearst newspapers, replying to the open letter to them by Fred Beal, published in connection with his lying anti-Soviet articles now running in the Hearst press.

In their replies they expose the pretensions of Beal and strongly condemn his attacks on the Soviet Union. A fifth person to whom Beal's open letter was addressed, Dr. John Dewey, of Columbia University, is out of the country and could not be reached.

Thomas Issues Separate Letter  
Dr. Ward, Miss van Kleeck and Baldwin signed a joint letter to the Hearst press, while Thomas issued a separate letter. The two letters follow:  
July 18, 1935.

Editor-in-Chief Hearst Newspapers  
210 South Street  
New York City.  
Sir:  
Beginning in your issue of July 8th you have published a series of articles by Fred E. Beal on the Soviet Union, which were introduced by an open letter by Beal to the undersigned, among others, calling upon us to speak out against the "iniquitous and reactionary Stalinist dictatorship in Soviet Russia" to which he alleges we have "blinded ourselves."

Beal's Challenge Insincere  
Mr. Beal's challenge to us in his open letter is naive and insincere. There is all the difference in the world between the dictatorship of Soviet Russia and Fascist dictatorships. Governments are not to be judged by the forms of control which they adopt, but by the economic purposes of the system they serve. Fascist countries are all dedicated to the preservation of an economic system under which

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### Land Speculation Drive Is Scored By People's Lobby

WASHINGTON, July 21.—People's Lobby has issued a statement condemning the Roosevelt administration's shady connections with land speculators. The statement points to the nomination of Peter Grimm of New York, Rockefeller agent and realty advisor to Roosevelt's close friend, Vincent Astor, as Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, as "the latest scandal in the administration's betrayal of the American people to land speculators."

The statement mentions among other recent examples of collusion between the administration and land speculators "payment of \$3.50 a square foot to Vincent Astor for land for housing the poor in New York when \$1 would be a high price, and similar projects; payment of up to \$20 an acre for inferior farm land for subsistence homesteads to ensure permanent poverty; the A. A. and processing taxes on farm products paid by consumers, which have been worth at least \$5,000,000 to speculators in farm lands."

### Veterans Boo Down Reactionary Heads At Paris Meeting

PARIS, July 21. Twenty-six demonstrators of the thousands who massed Friday to protest against the wage-cut levied on all civil service employees were still held today. The Laval government was even more alarmed, however, at the results of a mass meeting of war veterans yesterday than at the consequences of the government employees' protest. When the war veterans met in a hall on the left bank of the Seine reactionary leaders made attempts to address them. One after another they were shouted down and the protesting ex-soldiers ended their meeting by singing the International.

At a Cabinet meeting yesterday the government made every effort to minimize the strength of the civil service employees' demonstration, pretending to lay the protest meeting which crowded the Place d'Opera to a few "aliens." An announcement of the Cabinet, however, threatened punishment for those of the 1,500 arrested who were employed by the government.

### STEEL UNITY NEGOTIATIONS UNDER WAY

Tight Very 'Amicable' —A.A. Unification Seen As Certain

By Tom Keenan  
(Daily Worker Pittsburgh Bureau)

PITTSBURGH, Pa., July 21.—Entering the international office of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers, the unity committee of five representing "expelled" lodges of the union was received "very amicably" by President Tighe and the executive board, and a conference followed in which the basis for re-unification of the A. A. was discussed at some length by both sides.

All of the executive board except Ben L. Davis, "Journal" editor, were present.

Tighe Speaks For Unity  
Questioned as to the attitude of international officers toward the unity committee, some of the latter said Tighe's opening remarks stressed the importance of healing the breach between the two "families" within the union; that the A. A. president even declared the necessity of "presenting a united front" for the steel workers against labor-hating steel employers, and that unity must be accomplished if successful organizing work is to be conducted.

Today the unity committee, Clarence Irwin, L. A. Morris, Joseph Clair, William Spang, and Albert Altair, officially pronounced as "definitely under way" the "negotiations between ourselves and the international executive board to establish unity in the Amalgamated Association."

Tighe Renigs  
From scant comment evinced regarding yesterday's conference it was evident that the former autocratic and domineering manager

### Omaha Carmen Urge Action

(Special to the Daily Worker)  
OMAHA, Neb., July 21.—The rank and file committee of the street car workers is indicating its open dissatisfaction with the latest attempts of certain groups within the Central Labor Union to choke off the rising militancy of the strikers.

Frightened by the huge demonstration of strikers and sympathizers which has again stopped all street car service, this reactionary group has forced the Central Labor Union to refuse its endorsement to a rank and file conference being called to support the strikers. It has demanded that no "outside organization" be allowed to participate in the strike.

C. P. Asks Unity  
An appeal for united action in support of the street-car men's strike was sent by the Nebraska District of the Communist Party to the state conference of the Socialist Party, held at Lincoln on July 12.

The appeal, which was signed by William Reynolds, district organizer of the Communist Party, declared that the C. P. was ready to enter into negotiations to work out a common program of action. In addition to the carmen's strike, the Communist Party letter suggested united action for the repeal of the state anti-picketing and criminal syndicalism laws, for a united labor ticket, for the defense of Mother Bloor and the other victims of the Loup City frame-up, and for the building of a broad movement against war and fascism.

### Sham Inquiry of Lynching Begun by Florida Governor

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla., July 21.—A fake investigation into the lynching last Friday of Rubin Stacey, 37-year-old Negro, has been set in motion by Governor Dave Sholtz.

In his order for the investigation, Governor Sholtz duplicated the sham indignation he had expressed in connection with the brutal torture and lynching October 26, 1934, of Claude Neal. The "investigation" ordered by the Governor at that time petered out within a few weeks.

Stacey was handed over by six Broward County officers, headed by Deputy Sheriff Virgil Wright, to a masked band of lynchers last Friday. He had been arrested earlier that day on a charge of slaying a white woman with a pen-knife. He was being taken to the Dade

### 500,000 YOUTH DRILL UNDER DUCE'S ORDERS; ANTI-WAR ACTIONS RISE

Italian and Colored People in U.S. Back Negro Nation

Declaration of Italian Envoy Termed an 'Ultimatum'

ROME, July 21.—It was admitted here in all authoritative quarters that the tense situation over Mussolini's plans for war against Ethiopia was brought nearer to the breaking point than ever before in the eventual and rapid development of the situation around East Africa.

This universal belief here was based on two very recent events. First, there was Italy's blunt rejection of the right of the League of Nations even to discuss the Italo-Ethiopian situation. Second, the sharp verbal, provocative "protest" delivered to the Ethiopian government at Addis Ababa by the Italian minister yesterday, was considered by some as an "ultimatum" and so characterized in the Italian press.

Insist League Unauthorized  
So far as the League of Nations Council meeting is concerned, the semi-official Giornale d'Italia declared:

"Regarding Italy and Ethiopia, the only thing definite is that the League today is unauthorized to intervene in accordance with the Avenol Communiqué."

This referred to Secretary of the League Avenol's announcement that the League session's would be called July 29, to discuss the Italo-Ethiopian impasse.

Today 500,000 youth, under orders of the Fascist government, took part in military drills throughout Italy. Fascist Italy was one huge war preparedness parade ground today.

The Italian minister to Addis Ababa, speaking to the Ethiopian government, declared that Emperor Haile Selassie's speech before the Ethiopian parliament pledging a fight to the death to preserve Ethiopia's independence as "insulting to Premier Mussolini."

Ignores Fascist Provocations  
The Fascist minister, however, said nothing about the provocative and insulting threats of war appearing repeatedly in the Fascist press, and the open calls for "revenge" made by Mussolini.

Replying to Mussolini's claim to the right of invasion as a "civilizer" against alleged slave traffic in Ethiopia, Ethiopian government spokesmen pointed out the reforms in the slave traffic made in the province of Jimma, Ethiopia. This was one time a slave stronghold where the Sultan, financed by Mussolini, fought to keep the slave traffic intact. The Ethiopian government informed Mussolini's protesting minister that the former Sultan is now in prison for having participated in the slave traffic with money he received from the Italian Fascist government, and at their encouragement.

### Rolland Pens Warm Letter To Stalin

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)  
MOSCOW, July 21.—On the eve of his departure from the Soviet Union today the famous French writer, Romain Rolland, penned a letter of warm farewell to Joseph Stalin, general secretary of the Communist Party of the U.S.S.R.

"I take your hand," Rolland wrote, "and through you the innumerable hands of the great people to whom I feel fraternally bound."  
Regretting that his tour of the U.S.S.R. was shortened by ill health, Rolland tells of the result of his visit.

"I have come into contact with a mighty people which is conducting an unceasing struggle against tremendous obstacles in creating a new world by heroic and orderly effort under the leadership of the Communist Party. I was delighted at its healthy might, its joys of life and its enthusiasm despite privations and difficulties, which are gradually being overcome.

"I leave with a genuine conviction of what I felt ever before, my coming—that the only genuine progress of the world is indissolubly connected with the fate of the U.S.S.R., that the U.S.S.R. is the shining center of the proletarian internationalism to which all mankind must and will come, that the duty of the masses in all countries is to defend it against all enemies threatening its progress."  
"You know, dear comrade," Rolland concludes in his letter to Stalin, "that I have never departed from this duty and never will depart from it as long as I live."

## White and Negro Workers—Build the United Front for the Defense of Ethiopia—Demonstrate Aug. 1

Progressives In Ohio AFL Poll Big Vote Precedent Is Set by the Secret Ballot in Cleveland

By SANDOR VOROS (Daily Worker Ohio Bureau) CLEVELAND, O., July 21.—Progressive candidates, headed by Trent Longo, who received 131 votes as candidate for president, polled a record vote in the Cleveland Federation of Labor elections Wednesday night.

Five hundred and ninety-six voters were present in the election conducted with secret ballot, setting a precedent in the Cleveland Federation of Labor.

This was the first bona fide election in almost a quarter of a century in the history of the Cleveland Federation of Labor, where the leadership was usually elected on petitions circulated among the delegates or by resolutions with a viva voce vote.

Progressive Strength Grows The manner in which the elections were conducted, the use of the secret ballot and the possibility for each candidate to place a watcher on the polls was in itself the result of the strength of the progressive candidates for president.

Out of the three candidates for President Albert Dalton polled 267 votes, James McWeeney 131, and Trent Longo, progressive, 131. Thomas Lenehan, former president of the Federation, received 208 votes, against Dan Moley, present incumbent, who polled 261.

Berth Sutherland, present vice-president, received 543 votes against Wyndham Mortimer, progressive, who polled 181. Bernard McGroarty, progressive candidate for trustees, received 200 votes, the highest among the progressive candidates.

Run-off Election Aug. 7 Since none of the candidates for president received the required majority, a run-off election will be held on August 7 between Albert Dalton, business agent of the Building Trades Council, and James P. McWeeney, A. F. of L. organizer, president of the Metal Trades Council.

Hearings on Jim-Crow Practices to Be Sought

Committee Charges Top Leaders of A. F. of L. Are Responsible for Discrimination Against Negroes in Unions Throughout Country

By Marguerite Young (Daily Worker Washington Bureau) WASHINGTON, July 21.—Regional hearings, in six cities, on discriminations against Negro workers within the American Federation of Labor brotherhoods will be sought at the March 6 meeting of the Executive Council.

The Council's approval of hearings at which Negro members may tell their own story will be asked by a special A. F. of L. committee which last week heard ten or more Negro leaders pour out bitter testimony on anti-Negro practices.

Regional Johnnie Urban League representative, asserted that the leadership of the A. F. of L. has "winked at" discrimination for 50 years.

Listing many different kinds of discriminations, ranging from constitutional color bars to deliberate action by leaders to "break up" a Negro and white tobacco workers' discussion group which was formed to unite members of Jim-Crow locals.

The committee was named by President William Green late last June, about eight months after the last A. F. of L. convention directed him to do it.

A resolution by A. Phillip Randolph, president of the Brotherhood of Railway Sleeping Car Porters, was adopted by the San Francisco convention after the machine leadership had first attempted to squelch and then restrict the scope of the declaration.

Agreed on Hearings The committee agreed that regional hearings are imperative if even a semi-complete picture is to be taken. It intends to send Green for approval and finances. Green passed the buck to the Executive Council.

St. Louis Labor Plans Action Against War

Committee Calls Parley Today to Prepare Aug. 1 Meeting

ST. LOUIS, Mo., July 21.—Preparations for a demonstration against war and fascism on August 1 are going forward here. A provisional committee of workers from shops and organizations are in charge of the arrangements.

For about two weeks the meaning and importance of August 1 have been brought home to hundreds of workers through their organizations and unions.

On July 16 a conference of members of the Communist Party and representatives of mass organizations was held and plans laid for the mobilization for the demonstration, the holding of further conferences and meetings to rally the masses against war and fascism on August 1st.

To Picket Consulate The City Central Committee of the American Workers' Union at its meeting on July 13 endorsed the demonstration and instructed all A. W. U. branches in St. Louis to send delegates to the conference tomorrow.

On July 20th there will be picketing before the Italian consulate, protesting against the ruthless and unscrupulous attack by Italian fascism upon Ethiopia and on July 30 workers will picket the German consulate, protesting against the Hitler terror demanding the immediate release of Thaelmann.

Youths Scoring Cotton Pickers CCC Edict Held In Kansas City In Alabama

KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 21.—Four persons arrested last Thursday when police broke up a picket line of the youth section of the American League Against War and Fascism are being held incommunicado at police headquarters.

Telling Blow Dealt Nazis In Milwaukee

German Federation Bans Swastika—Ousts the Nazi Leader

MILWAUKEE, July 21.—An attempt by Milwaukee Nazis to have the Nazi flag raised here on German Day, July 26, was defeated decisively by a referendum of the German societies. The referendum, forced by the Nazis, proved to be a veritable boomerang when, by a vote of 27 to 14 with six organizations remaining "neutral," Hitler's flag was banned from the German Day celebration.

The meeting was thrown into an uproar when it developed that the Nazi member of the committee in charge of the count had compiled a list of the voting organizations in defiance of the decision of the delegates to "throw the right, Thaelman is a former refusal of the Nazis to turn the list in to the chairman.

Revolutionist Killed HALLÉ.—Another murder of a revolutionary worker is now known to have been added to Nazi bestiality. Karl Janicke of Schönebeck was executed following a "special verdict" in the case of an old provocation clash set off by Nazis.

Italians Protest Duce's War Plans CLEVELAND, Ohio, July 21.—Close to 1,000 Italian workers in three mass meetings held in the first half of the week entered vigorous protests against the imperialist aggression of the fascist Italian government.

Issue Propaganda Material The importance of the Aug. 1 demonstration is being brought to the Cleveland masses through the issuance of tens of thousands of propaganda material, including: Twenty-five thousand general leaflets.

Move for Unity In Steel Union (Continued from Page 1) which has characterized Tighe and Company's attitude to rank and file lodges heretofore, has almost entirely disappeared. In short, the mass pressure of steel workers for organization and the determined fight against Tighe's ruinous policy.

International officers made no direct immediate answer to proposals advanced by the committee, requesting that they be prepared in writing, submitted to the board for consideration, and another conference called at which a decision could be reached regarding them.

TERRORE IN NAZI GERMANY

Protest Terror PRAGUE, July 21.—In a number of Prague factories resolutions have been adopted against the terror in Germany. Particularly was vehement protest directed against the murders of Felix Schuller and the leader of the German miners, Fritz Huesmann.

Storm Troopers Arrested DINKLAKEN.—Following the arrest of 37 Storm Troopers here, others were seized and fruitfully lectured on the charges of Communist activity. These torture "examinations" lasted for days from three o'clock in the afternoon to nine o'clock in the evening.

Three Are Murdered BERLIN.—Three Communists carrying illegal literature into Nazi Germany fell victim on July 5 to a vicious trap set by customs guards at the Bohemian border and were shot, according to dispatches printed in the Berlin paper Nachtausgabe.

Heavy Prison Terms FRANKFURT.—The High Court at Kassel has just sentenced a number of workers who had purchased Communist literature in this city to heavy prison terms. The thirty-four year old Johann Schreiber and his wife were sentenced to three years and nine months in prison.

Rumanian Terror BUCHAREST.—Fascists in Rumania have launched a new attack upon every form of liberalism or anti-fascism in the country. The fascists have attempted to consolidate themselves by the designation of officers and districts and are directing their main fire against the leadership of the anti-fascist movement in Rumania, especially against Professor Constantinescu-Jassy.

Support Grows For Ethiopia On Unity Proposal (Continued from Page 1) and to the Italian consul in Boston.

Baltimore Organizes Defense BALTIMORE, Md., July 21.—In a call endorsed by Negro and Italian organizations of this city, all Baltimore groups interested in the struggle to defend Ethiopia against fascist aggression are asked to send delegates to a conference on July 27 at the Afro-American Assembly Hall, Druid Hill and N. Eutaw.

Y.P.S.L. Is Silent On Unity Proposal (Continued from Page 1) Y.P.S.L. delegates, representing evidently the resolutions committee.

Connecticut C.P. to Double 'Daily' Sales

Sets Task in Drive for 50,000 New Readers of Paper

By decision of the District Plenum of the Communist Party, the Connecticut District is now set to double its circulation of the Daily Worker by Nov. 7th, anniversary of the Russian proletarian revolution of 1917.

Election Slate In Waterbury Named by C.P. WATERBURY, Conn., July 21.—The Communist Party, the first party to enter the race for the coming city elections, has announced its slate of candidates. The announcement has been made with the understanding that the slate will be withdrawn in the event that a genuine labor party is launched and that full support will be given, instead, to the labor party.

Gold Urges Speed In Krumbein Drive (Continued from Page 1) the Soviet Union is free. Hearst, and his fascist outfit, his hired reporter who is a known swindler, faker, thief, is protected by the capitalist class.

USSR Internal Loan Goes Over the Top (By Cable to the Daily Worker) MOSCOW, July 21.—The loan to aid financing of the third year of the Second Five-Year Plan, issued by the Soviet government at the beginning of May for the sum of 3,500,000,000 rubles, is now greatly oversubscribed, it was announced today.

Three Dead, Many Hurt In Aberdeen Hotel Blaze ABERDEEN, Wash., July 21 (U.P.).—Three men are known dead, one is in critical condition and three others are suffering severe burns from a fire today which destroyed the wooden Delmonico Hotel.

Swedish Socialists Back Meat Destruction STOCKHOLM, Sweden, July 21.—The government at its last meeting decided to allot another 1,500,000 crowns out of government funds for the export of pork as well as "for the destruction" of meat. Commenting on this decision, the Socialist government organ "Social-Demokraten" says that the "whole affair is but a trifle" and that "meat prices will sink again in August."

Letters to Hearst Score Beal's Lies

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the rich remain rich and the poor hopelessly poor. For these governments do not tolerate any organization by which the workers who produce and consume goods may advance their interests.

Sympathy With Soviet Union Sympathy with the economic objective of building up a socialist society is our fundamental attitude toward the Soviet Union. It is a task of colossal difficulty offering a thousand opportunities for criticism. The Communists themselves do not hesitate to criticize their own mistakes. But we will not be party to playing into the hands of reactionaries who would destroy the whole Soviet system by criticizing its mistakes or weaknesses.

Ill, Jobless, Denied Aid, Worker Commits Suicide TOLEDO, Ohio, July 21.—Out of work and in ill health, Howard L. Myers, 36, took his life last night in his home by shooting himself in the temple. Mr. Myers had been unemployed for some time, and this coupled with consistent rebuffs by relief officials were the causes of his death.



# HOME LIFE

By Ann Barton

EVERY concession given the working class brings to our attention very clearly that the basic solution to workers' problems must be an organized society—such as will only come into existence when the working class comes into power.

Take for instance those same recreation centers for children that I spoke of a few days ago. The fact that there is work relief is due to the tremendous struggle of the unemployed. The fact that recreation centers for children, manned by relief workers, paid by city and Federal funds, are opened, is also a result of that struggle. Yet unemployment and child welfare will never be solved under capitalism, where the bourgeoisie attempts to solve these problems by spending as little of its funds as possible.

I KNEW some of the recreation workers. I have seen the workings of some of the recreation centers. And as valiantly as the individual relief workers may strive to do their job, yet stronger and more vital forces are against them. Some months ago I saw a letter submitted by a worker in one of these centers. It ran somewhat as follows: "I have more than fifty children in the group and of varied ages. I don't suppose that on the average there is one square meal a day among them. You can therefore imagine for yourself what a group they are. The kids in the chorus have the thinnest, gauntest, most hollow-eyed faces I have ever seen and I have lived on the East Side all my life. Keeping the concentration of these kids for more than five minutes at a time has indeed been a problem..."

THEN there was the case of the violin teacher in one of the centers. The administration decided that there should be culture for the common folk. The relief workers at the center were notified that a violin teacher was to be added to the staff. It was a center where the children had to be given hot lunches, and where the children were reprimanded time after time again (since it was strictly against the rules) for taking the bread they got to other children, or mothers, or grown up brothers at home.

These children, almost all children of the unemployed, were asked how many would like violin lessons? One hundred and forty out of the one hundred and fifty raised their hands, and a hum of joyous excitement swept the room. The young man who led the assembly next asked: "How many of you have violins?" There was instant silence and every hand fell.

But the possibilities for health and culture for the mass of the children under an organized workers' society are seen on every hand in the Soviet Union.

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# From Factory, Mine, Farm and Office

## Alabama Sharecroppers Slave for \$13 a Month

By a Sharecropper Correspondent  
HOPE HULL, Ala.—There is a comrade here who works for a landlord at \$13 a month, doing dairy work in addition to field work. During the day he works on the field; in the evening after he gets through on the field, he has to milk the cows.

Other workers here must work for 30 cents a day from dawn to sunset. We don't have much to eat, except potatoes, hominy and black coffee.

The boss tried to drive the workers, but our comrade told the boss to stop speeding them up. The workers respect our comrade.

The sharecroppers read the Negro Liberator and the Southern Worker. We know we have to organize and fight for our rights. Life is hard for us. We know we will starve anyway if we don't fight, so we might as well die fighting for a great cause.

The sharecroppers here know that it is the Communist Party which is responsible for the wonderful fight to save the innocent Scottsboro boys. We also know that Angelo Herndon is a Communist and we are proud of him. A spirit like Angelo Herndon's cannot be killed. The Negroes of the whole South are looking to the Communist Party for leadership to win their liberation from Jim-Crowism and lynching.

We know that only Communism will give us the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

The Negro sharecropper should not be afraid to unite with his Communist white fellow-worker. White Communists ain't like the white politicians who make us promises during election-time and later forget all about us. No sir, Communists fight for the workers all year around. We are with you always. Keep up the good work. We are too poor to send you any help, but we do all we can to build the movement.

## The Ruling Classes by Redfield



Your father hasn't been the same since the strike committee visited him this morning.

## Paterson, N. J., Jobless Fight Against Sales Tax

By a Worker Correspondent  
PATERSON, N. J.—The unemployed of Paterson are waiting to see what will happen to them next. We have been thrown out of work. We have been evicted from our homes. We have been on the relief rolls of the E.R.A. and have been refused clothing and other necessities. We have worked for 5 and 10 cents an hour. For a food check we have been forced to put in from 40 to 200 hours for the E.R.A. We have been cut off from food checks to food orders. And now our Governor, Mr. H. G. Hoffman, and other state officials ask us to pay a sales tax to help carry the relief burden.

The sales tax is supposed to be a 2 per cent. It is for the people who are well off. But for unemployed and part time workers and the relief workers, the sales tax is from 2 to 6 and 8 per cent on the dollar.

We have to buy in small lots at a time as we haven't the money to buy large quantities of the things that we need.

The Paterson Unemployed Association is putting up an organized fight against the sales tax and for its repeal. The Dyer's Local 1733 of the U.T.W. and the Silk Workers Federation and the United Action Committee of Paterson are all putting up an organized fight. We tell our Governor Mr. H. G. Hoffman and the state officials to tax the corporations and the individuals with incomes of \$5,000 or over, who are in a better position to pay a tax.

All the unemployed and relief and part time workers who are interested in fighting for the repeal of the sales tax, and for better conditions for the unemployed, relief and part time workers are welcome to come to the meetings of the Unemployed Association at 66 Washington Street at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday of each week.

# YOUR HEALTH

Medical Advisory Board

Because of the volume of letters printed by this department, we can print only those that are of general interest. All letters are answered directly and are held confidential.

**Pain in Base of Spine**  
M. R. of Maywood, Ill., writes:—"For the past two years I have been suffering with soreness of the very base of my spine. This pain occurs only while sitting. Recently, however, when assuming a sitting position, it seems as if the bone is being pushed out of place. The doctor here attributes it to an after effect of child-birth, and advises giving shots."

"I would appreciate your opinion as to what you think this might be, and as to the advisability of these shots."

The condition you describe is undoubtedly one affecting the coccyx, the lower end of your spine. The condition is not uncommon and produces pain particularly when sitting. In many cases of this nature a fall, particularly a fall backwards. In some, the condition may follow child-birth.

An X-ray of your spine is essential. If the X-ray shows a turning and arigulation of the coccyx, the only treatment that can cure it is an operative procedure. If the X-rays are negative, the best treatment is diathermy to the part of the spine. "Shots" are of no value.

We would, therefore, urge you to go to an orthopedic surgeon in your town or to a hospital to be carefully examined and have X-rays taken.

## Buffalo Labor Hits Metropolitan Life Legion's Attacks

By a Worker Correspondent  
BUFFALO, N. Y.—The American Legion has demanded that the Common Council of the City of Buffalo prohibit "agitators of Communist doctrines" from speaking in the various public monument areas in the downtown section of the city, "except duly accredited Veterans' organizations on patriotic or civic holidays."

The leaders of the American Legion seek to ban "agitators of Communist doctrines" for no other reason than that Communism points the way out of the miserable conditions into which the working class has been forced by the employing class and their government. Because the Communist gives real leadership to the masses in their struggle for higher wages and better conditions. Because the Communist leads the struggle against fascism and war, which means increased wealth for the ruling class and increased misery for the masses.

The attempt to ban "Communist doctrines" from the various public monument areas in the downtown section is a further attack on the civil rights of the entire working class of Buffalo. It is the first step in the new drive to force the workers of Buffalo to accept the new wage standard of \$19 to \$24 per month set by Roosevelt, and to force down their throat the Wagner Bill which prohibits strikes.

The workers of Buffalo have declared their intention to fight against any attempt to deny them the use of such areas to hold their meetings. They are flooding the Common Council, the mayor and the Board of Supervisors with protest resolutions, against the resolution submitted by the leaders of the American Legion. All organizations throughout the country should send in protest resolutions to the mayor, Common Council and Board of Supervisors, City Hall, Buffalo, N. Y.

## Metropolitan Life Drives Employees

By a Worker Correspondent  
NEW YORK CITY.—I would like to use the columns of your valuable paper (the only means there is) for expressing my feelings regarding the speed-up system used by the world's largest insurance corporation—the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company of 1 Madison Avenue, New York City.

We are all acquainted with the industrial speed-up system, but when it is a big corporation like this, which hitherto made a boast of treating its employees decently and humanely, it is beyond reason. I am referring to what is going on at the Commissary Department of this insurance company (and for that matter, all other departments).

This company makes a boast of studying its employees' health and there is a medical department ostensibly for this purpose. But there have been numerous cases of sickness caused by the terrific speed-up. The Commissary Department has the highest sick-rate of any department. They make no effort to put on extra help when persons quit or are discharged. As a result, as time goes on, the speed-up becomes more intense.

The Commissary Department is presided over by one "Speed-up" Walsh who is making a reputation with his directors, ably assisted by Antonette Del Monte, whose activity in the election scandals are still remembered. Antonette's relatives are still doing time for this.

Some organizers should get together and acquaint the public how this "humane" company conducts its business at the expense of broken down widows and middle-aged married women. In more prosperous times, the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company used to recruit its help from charitable institutions and met immigrants at the boat, because nobody else would work for them.

Some of these same people now are threatened with dismissal after giving their best years to the company.

Insurance companies only create illusions in the minds of the workers that they can save money each year, be protected and then in 10, 15 or 20 years become rich through receiving back from the insurance company a large sum of money. The truth of the matter is that very few workers are able to continue paying high premiums for 10, 15 or 20 years with the result that in a few years they are forced to drop their insurance, losing part if not all the money they paid in. This is especially true of the Negro workers.

The fraternal organizations to which Negro workers can belong is very limited. Most fraternal organizations (white) will not accept Negro membership. Some provide for jim-crow lodges with higher rates.

The I.W.O. with its program of working-class unity as against jim-crowism, segregation and discrimination is therefore the ideal organization for the Negro masses. The mutual-aid benefits of the I.W.O. sick benefits, tuberculosis benefits, insurance and funeral and cemetery affords the Negro worker a measure of security at the lowest possible rates—the same rates as for white workers.

The growth of the I.W.O. amongst the masses of Negro workers through the building of the American section will help to unify the working-class, as against the efforts of the bosses to pit black workers against white workers. Such unity will strengthen the fight of the working-class for higher wages; for unemployment insurance etc. Such unity will strengthen the fight for Negro rights, against lynchings.

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The time is now ripe for mass recruitment of Negro workers into the I.W.O. One of the best instruments for reaching the Negro workers, for cementing the bond between black and white is the Negro Liberator. The distribution of the Negro Liberator by the membership of the I.W.O. will bring the message of the I.W.O. to the masses of Negroes. It will talk for those of our members who cannot express themselves so well in English. It will serve as the organizer of the Negro and white workers.

## How a Steel Worker Builds I.W.O. In Steel Mill Is Told by Bedacht

By MAX BEDACHT

A fine example of the part that the membership of language branches of the International Workers Order can play in the building of the American section is the work of Comrade X in Homestead, Pa. Comrade X works in an important steel mill. In spite of the fact that he talks very little English, he manages to discuss with the Negro and white workers in the mill the I.W.O., its benefits and working class character. As a result, we now have an English branch of Negro and white workers in Homestead.

Such work can be duplicated by our membership throughout the country. Our appeal to the Negro workers to join our proletarian fraternal Order will meet with a ready response. It will meet with a ready response because the Negro workers, more than any others need the benefits of a fraternal society. Jobs most hazardous to the health of a worker are given to the Negroes and the wages paid are the lowest. Low wages and segregation forces the Negroes to live in overcrowded, broken down shacks and houses, in the most unsanitary surroundings.

Most insurance companies deny admittance to Negroes. Those that take them in, have higher rates for Negroes than for white workers. The Metropolitan Life Insurance Company was only recently exposed as trying to set up special barriers in order to exclude Negroes from joining.

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## Penn. R.R. Men Fight Speed-Up

By a Railroad Worker  
We, the Dining Car Employees of the Penn R.R. who are trying to improve our conditions through Local 370, American Federation of Labor, are being met with opposition from both the company and its yes men. Lemus and his bunch, through his company union the Brotherhood of Dining Car Employees.

No later than a few days ago Mr. Finnegan, the superintendent of the dining car department, made a wonderful gesture of friendship to the workers by giving all swingmen the regular 240 hours a month. But at the same time furloughing all workers who are in the service no longer than 18 months. This is just another of those famous Pennsy speed-up schemes, giving no lay-overs to those swingmen and at the same time removing all stationary pantries. Even at present they are outlining another scheme of removing all men up to the three years.

This kind of exploitation can only be stopped by putting up a united front in the yards. This means joining Local 370 and getting your fellow workers to join and attend the meetings.

## Railroad Workers Suffer Layoffs

By a Worker Correspondent  
PORT JERVIS, N. Y.—The conditions on the Erie R.R. here in Port Jervis, N. Y., are going from bad to worse. About a month and a half ago, 18 men were laid off. In the middle of June 8 more were taken off, and it was said that the last 8 were laid off only for the rest of the month. Here it is the middle of July and they are all walking the streets.

Yet all the men who are still working had to take two additional days off, so the workers here are beginning to think. Some are talking of starting a unity group, so evidently the Erie R.R. has put on the straw that broke the camel's back.

It took a lot to wake us up, but today we see where we are headed, so that it is up to us, the remaining workers here, to get together and stop the company from bringing in more speed up.

The only way for us here in Port Jervis to work is through our unions for better conditions of the R.R. workers. So wake up, R.R. workers, and get together!

## Veteran Refused Aid by Home Relief Bureau

By a Worker Correspondent  
NEW YORK CITY.—My case has just been suspended off the relief rolls as I have been found guilty of the "heinous crime" of possessing at one time fifty dollars which I failed to account for to the satisfaction of the Emergency Home Relief Bureau.

I failed to mention this money as my landlady threatened me with eviction for payment of \$25. I also needed new clothes, as the old clothes I wore made it impossible for me to secure employment. I did not have any underwear or shoes.

This will explain how the \$50 were spent: \$25 rent, \$8 suit, \$5 shoes, \$7 food, \$1 shirt, \$1 underwear, \$1.50 laundry, 50 cents socks, making a total of \$48 with \$2 left.

Inasmuch as I am a veteran, I requested aid of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. They told me that the relief refused to help me as a punishment for not having told the truth.

Advise me as to what action I should take, as I am destitute.

This is the gratitude shown a veteran for the sacrifices he has made. This is how much Roosevelt's promise that "no veteran will starve" is worth.

## E. R. A. Worker Asks Vacation With Pay

By an E.R.A. Correspondent  
NEW YORK.—Everyone who works for a living looks forward to a vacation, not to spend money so much as to rest from the strain of a year's work.

About 30,000 people attached to Emergency Relief projects (designated Administrative) are enjoying three weeks' vacation with full pay, while over 100,000 professional, white collar and other workers are denied vacations. Many of those on Administrative projects were transferred from work relief and immediately received an increase in salary and an assignment to a vacation.

Among the 100,000 or more that will not receive vacations, many have been working for from 18 months to two years without a day off. To these workers there is accumulating one day a month as credit against absence on account of illness, many have 15 to 20 days to their credit. Why not grant vacations against this accumulation of days that may never be used, especially in view of the fact that "administrative" workers do not lose time when absent through illness.

## 1,000 Relief Workers Fired in Terre Haute

By a Worker Correspondent  
TERRE HAUTE, Ind.—About 1,000 relief workers were fired in Vigo County Saturday, July 13th with no information as to when they would be rehired. The largest portion of these workers were working on project No. 84-B14-11 or the Wabash river levee.

This we believe is the start of a general break of the F.E.R.A. program to make room for the new Works Project Administration. But before these fired workers are eligible to be put back to work they must register with the service bureau. This requires a letter or a call from the bureau before the workers can register and very few of them have received the required letter so far.

# Renegades in the Socialist Party and the Franco-Soviet Pact

By T. REPARD

If proof were needed of the function which the renegades from Communism fulfill in respect to the Soviet Union, the united front and the struggle against fascism, evidence enough to gild the lily is afforded.

**Renegades Are "Experts" in Anti-Soviet Attack**

For two months now, the Socialist Call, organ of the "Militants" in the Socialist Party, has been laying down a barrage of slander and hatred against the Soviet Union and the Communist International on the occasion of the Franco-Soviet Pact. The chief, almost the exclusive, experts in this "gas" attack have been Ben Gilow and Herbert Zam, two of those who found their way back into the most unscrupulous reformism by way of the Lovestonettes whose sparkling luminaries they were not so long ago. Zam is the foreign expert of the Call by virtue of a signed weekly column rivalled in prominence only by Norman Thomas' column. Both adorn the Editorial Board of the paper.

**Herbert Zam Leads in "Gas" Attack**

Zam reached a screaming crescendo in this anti-Soviet crusade in his latest column of July 13. It is headed "Communo-Chauvinism." The very first sentence sets the tenor of the piece: "The Communist International and all its individual sections are being rapidly pushed toward social-chauvinism, or more correctly speaking, toward communo-chauvinism, by the present foreign policy of the Soviet Union." Then follow two columns of "analysis" in support of this opening shot.

Zam makes two main points and a few minor ones. Let us examine them one by one.

1. "When the Soviet Union signed the Kellogg Pact, the revolutionists did not have to fall in love with it. It was a gesture for peace by the Soviet Union. The Franco-Soviet Alliance is a gesture for war. It is active not passive. And it requires more than mere words to carry out—it requires armies: not Red Armies, but bourgeois armies, commanded by militarists and chauvinists. As the New York Communist Freiheit declares: 'What would be the use of a military alliance unless France is strong militarily?' A military alliance therefore requires that those who support it shall work to maintain the necessary military strength to make it effective. This is what the Communists have done..."

**Distorts Facts**

Right at the outset, this argument falls into a miserable trap. As though peace can be separated from war! Not only are the facts distorted but there is a fundamental offense against the very ABC of revolutionary theory in the notion that an active step is, by virtue of that alone, criminal whereas a passive step may be applauded. Otherwise, why the emphasis on: "It is active not passive?"

Furthermore, we "did not have to fall in love" with the French imperialists in order to use them for our ends. On the contrary, a smashing defeat for a German Fascist aggressor against the Soviet Union in which French imperialism is played against German imperialism would mean a terrible weakening of world capitalism as a whole, and especially of French capitalism because of its enormous investments even in Germany. This is far from love.

**Franco-Soviet Pact is Peace Instrument**

But Zam is not altogether mistaken in his feeling that the Franco-Soviet Pact differs from the Kellogg Pact. True! The former is an active instrument for peace. By means of the pact, the Soviet Union is enabled to break up the tanned capitalist front. By making use of the antagonisms within world capitalism, the Soviet Union has split the brigands into two opposing camps. This makes it the more unlikely that either side will fire the first shot. It is a united capitalism, which holds the main danger. In the fact that the Franco-Soviet Pact is active, not passive lies its usefulness. Passive means have been exhausted.

**Hitler Arming Against Soviet Union**

Furthermore, it must not be forgotten that the Franco-Soviet Pact is directed against no nation except as a nation directs it against itself. The pact is not a closed, bilateral alliance. Germany could enter it tomorrow. The fact that it chooses not to do so is proof that Hitler is hurrying on to attack against the Soviet Union and prefers not to put even a paper obstacle in the way

of one imperialist cannot be used against another, why then did France sign this pact which Hitler so abhors?

**"Travesty Upon History"**

After quoting Thorez to the effect that "it would be monstrous to consider as imperialist the camp in which the land of socialism, the land of the working class, finds itself," Zam goes on to his second point.

2. "What is monstrous from a revolutionary point of view is Thorez's statement. Even if France, England and the United States are in one camp with the S. U., they still remain imperialists; they make war for imperialist motives; they will settle the war in an imperialist manner. . . . After the Bolshevik revolution in November, 1917, the Soviet Union found itself in the same camp with France, England and Japan. Did Lenin declare that due to the Soviet Union it was no longer an imperialist war? On the contrary, Lenin and the Bolsheviks had no illusions about the 'democratic' allies, and hastened to pull out of their camp. . . . The policy of Stalin-Thorez is a direct descendant of Kerensky and a direct repudiation of Lenin."

**Bolsheviks Always Oppose Imperialism**

After the October Revolution, the Bolsheviks were equally opposed to both imperialist camps because there was nothing to choose between them. As events proved, both the Triple Entente and the Quadruple Alliance considered the Bolsheviks worse than defeat. But world capitalism has in the meantime grown weaker and more desperate. Fascism has come to power in two of the leading European nations of Europe. And, above all, the robber treaty of Versailles, after setting the stage for fascism has been swept out.

**Making Use of Antagonisms Is Main Question**

Today imperialist France temporarily finds it necessary to conclude a pact with the same socialist Fatherland which she did not even deign to recognize for almost a decade. Zam is worried too much about motives: "they (meaning France, etc.) make war for imperialist motives." But there are motives and motives. Motives do not operate in a vacuum. The concrete form which the same motives will take depends upon the objective situation plus a definite historical development.

For that reason, it is possible to

play the imperialist motives of France against the imperialist motives of Germany. France finds herself in a spot where she has nothing to gain from war and wants peace. In fact, Zam himself testifies to the fact that France today is hostile to Germany in the sentence: "A fascist France would be equally hostile to Germany, perhaps even more so." Apart from the further questions which a fascist France raises, and which are not our concern now, this means that the same motive, given a different situation may have very different results. Are we to take advantage of the antagonisms within world capitalism, or not? This, and this alone, is the main question.

Why is it that Zam is chosen to write this counter-revolutionary rot, week in, week out? After all, he is a new acquisition in the Socialist Party. Why did he find a place for himself so easily and so speedily?

**Zam Is Anti-Communist Specialist**

The answer lies in his specialty. Zam is the anti-Communist specialist. But not just an ordinary specialist. He brings his own contribution to the job, something all of them cannot do due to lack of training, if not of skill. His contribution has once and for all been classified as "redder than the rose." Hitler attacked the Franco-Soviet Pact because he claimed that it was directed against fascism in Germany. But Zam is no Hitler. He walls about it in a column which is headed, if you remember: "Communo-Chauvinism."

The Greeks should have had a word for him, too.

**Patent Medicines**

A. J. G., Philadelphia, Pa.—The testimonials for garlic tablets given in the pamphlet from the Thomas Martindale Company read like those for Lydia Pinkham's Compound and other quack nostrums. Workers should not take their medical advice from advertising literature of any kind. If you believe that your physical condition is below what it should be, the best thing you can do is to have a thorough physical examination by a physician who is interested in maintaining your health and not in making money out of your illnesses.

**More Daily Worker Sellers are Needed. Every Communist Party unit should assign members to sell the Daily Worker!**

# NEW YORK WORKERS RALLY ON AUGUST 3! Against Imperialist War; For the Defense of the Soviet Union! Support Ethiopia!

# Fatherland

By Karl Billinger

## CHAPTER VII

"WELL," the Schieber said, "one thing I've got to admit. You people are faster workers than the SPG. Their bureaucrats had to sweat like galley slaves before they got to the top. But if your friend is a Nazi group-leader you can get your three stars for the asking."

"While the old fighters can stand guard at thirty marks a month," another prisoner added.

"Well," said the Schieber, "the government can't get everything done at once. First, they've got to expropriate the Jewish department stores and lease them to the small shopkeepers. Then comes the turn of the corporations and trusts. How far have you got with them?"

"Oh, Tietz is selling newspapers now in Potsdamer Platz," a prisoner said. "Tietz is a wealthy and prominent owner of a department store."

A shout of laughter, in which the three guards joined.

"Go ahead and laugh," one of the guards said. "This is just a starter."

"Sh!" said the Schieber. "Haven't you read that there's to be no talk of a sequel? No second revolution?"

"That's all right—we don't need a revolution like Russia's or the kind you want to start," a guard said. "You've got to admit that there was less blood shed in our revolution than in any other."

"We'll be able to tell whether that was a revolution when we see what you do with the power. Damned little, so far."

"TWENTY MILLION people lost their lives in the Russian revolution," a guard said. "What for? Do you really believe the workers there are living in clover? You've been in power there for fifteen years and the people haven't enough to eat."

"A cousin of mine in the building trade went to Russia to work. He and sixty others made a contract in Berlin to have part of their pay turned over to their families in Germany. They were promised a piece to live and God knows what else. But when they got to Russia there weren't any rooms. First the company paid for them at a hotel—that cost more than what their wages came to. Then they had to live in barracks. The food rationed, and the unrationed food's so expensive that a worker can't buy it. And the Russian workers grumbled because the Germans got more on their cards than they did. You can hardly blame them for that."

"Then, six months later, the company told them they couldn't go on paying in valuta. If they didn't want to work for rubles, they could go back. My cousin came back with twelve others. They all quit the Communist trade union. Do you call that Communism or Socialism or any chance?"

"Didn't he have anything else to tell?" said the Schieber. "How about unemployment in Russia? Whom do the factories belong to? And why aren't there enough rooms? Didn't he see anything of the cities that are being completely rebuilt, or the millions of peasants who are being turned into industrial workers?"

"That may be," the guard admitted. "But we can't have anything like that here. We've got too much industrial activity as it is. That's why we've got unemployment. Our problem is to transplant the city people back to the land. With all their staving, the Russians will be in fifteen years just where we are today. And then the whole merry-go-round starts going the other way again."

"WE HAVEN'T got too much industry," said the Schieber. "We've got far too little. There's too much of it only for private profit. In the Soviet Union every factory that's built means more wealth for the workers and peasants. But for every new factory that's built here, two old ones are closed down and the workers dismissed. The capitalists can't get rid of their junk because the people are too poor to buy it. Have you changed that state of affairs?"

"It's being changed, you can bet your boots on that," the guard said. "The capitalists know perfectly well that there's a new spirit abroad and that they can't go on doing as they please. Hitler'll see that justice is done to the people."

"Justice!" said the Schieber. "Look at it! Ninety-five per cent of the prisoners in camp are people who've been struggling for a better existence. They wanted justice for themselves and their children. They were fed up with living at the mercy of the masters. Your justice consists of locking them up and treating them worse than criminals."

"Your papers say that all the foreign news stories about the mistreatment of prisoners, are atrocious lies. Yet you see what goes on here under your very eyes. What about Heisten, whom they beat to death? What about Heisten, who died in the First Aid Station? Keller hanged himself in the coop; the guards literally tore that fellow from Hamburg to bits. I don't have to go through the whole list for you. And the government knows it and tolerates it, but hasn't the courage to admit it."

"Is that your justice? Is that the moral renaissance of the German people? Don't you realize that all this is bound to be avenged some day?"

The Schieber had spoken in such dreadful earnest that the trooper's face twitched with emotion.

"Yes," he burst out, "but what would you have done to us? At least we have let you live. You'd have killed us all."

"We don't have to kill any workers," said the Schieber. "They belong to us. We've got the courage to acknowledge our revolutionary code before the whole world. In our concentration camps the parasites'll learn to work—the fine gentlemen who grew fat on our labor. We won't abuse them, but neither will we conceal the fact that we'll shoot them if they work against us. As long as you're in power, the prisons'll be filled with revolutionary workers. You'll take care not to do away with the concentration camps. You can't serve two masters, and because you serve the capitalists you're bound to persecute the workers."

The Schieber took out his watch. "Well, time to work."

(To Be Continued)

## LITTLE LEFTY

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# The Paris World Congress of Writers

By OAKLEY JOHNSON

THE World Congress of Writers which met in Paris, June 29-30 was without doubt one of the most impressive gatherings of intellectuals yet seen anywhere. Some two hundred delegates representing 38 nations gathered in the beautiful Palace of Mutualité in Paris "for the defense of culture."

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in his main address, "None but the enemies of Communism can believe it to be animated by a desire to inaugurate an excessive uniformity. What we expect of it, and what is beginning to disclose itself in the U.S.S.R.—after a period of strenuous conflicts and transient

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speech, ignored the main question in order to propound Trotskyist opinions. That fascism was an imminent danger was doubly emphasized, not only by the accounts—as by E. M. Forster, for example—of a growing tendency to repression in

Union from these great writers.

For United Defense

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fication of the 'leader' by respect for great masters; their non-commissioned officers, by shock brigades; their blind alley, by the path of revolution."

High Technical and Ideological Level

For the most part the speeches



Some of the world-famous writers who were delegates to the Writers Congress held in Paris in June. From left to right (above): Waldo Frank, Ilya Ehrenburg, Henri Barbusse and P. Nizan. (Below): Heinrich Mann, Andre Gide and Michael Gold.

# Magnificent Vista of Negro Freedom and Advancement Outlined in First of Popular Soviet America Series

THE NEGROES IN A SOVIET AMERICA, by James W. Ford and James S. Allen. In a Soviet America Series, No. 1. Workers Library Publishers, 5 cents.

Reviewed by CYRIL BRIGGS

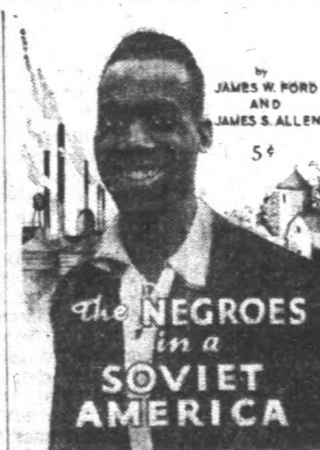
WE WELCOME the appearance of this series of pamphlets, with their popularization of the slogan of Soviet Power. Soviet Power, which means full power to the toiling majority of the population, includes not only the proletariat but its allies, hence in the United States the Negro people.

These pamphlets are not written in the utopian spirit of Edward Bellamy's "Looking Backward," but from a realistic, practical standpoint in the spirit of scientific Communism. Marxism-Leninism does not believe in blue prints of the future, but on the basis of the Marxist-Leninist analysis of capitalist society and the eighteen years of the victorious proletarian dictatorship in the Soviet Union, we

can speak today in visible terms of Soviet Power. The magnificent vista, sketched in the present pamphlet, of Negro freedom and advancement in a Soviet America is not a utopian dream, but is based on realities. The path to its achievement is pointed by the experience of the formerly oppressed nationalities in the territories now known as the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics. Under Soviet rule, Russia was a prison house for numerous nationalities, just as the South is today for the Negro nation. The October Revolution ushered in full national freedom for these peoples.

It not only abolished unemployment and the harassing insecurity which dogs workers in the capitalist countries; it abolished national oppression as well. The October Revolution opened up a new epoch for the world working class and the oppressed peoples. It showed the revolutionary way out of capitalist misery, exploitation and national oppression.

Life and Death Struggle for Negro People The fight for Soviet Power concerns all sections of the toiling population: the workers, the impoverished farmers, the Negro people, the professionals, small business men, etc., who are suffering from capitalism and have everything to gain under socialism. To the Negro people particularly that fight has the import of a life and death struggle. The bitter experiences of oppressed nationalities and minority groups at the hands of the fascist murderers in Germany, Poland, etc., emblazon a grim warning to the Negro people. They must be in the forefront of the struggle against fascism if they do not want to live in the fascist hell that the Ku Kluxers, the White Crusaders, the Father Coughlins, and the Huey Longs are preparing for them.



ready center their attacks on the Negro people and, significantly, on their allies, the revolutionary white workers of the South. In Germany and Austria, fascism engages in venomous anti-Negro campaigns, branding the appearance of Negro artists, branding the Negro people as "brutish" and "inferior," sterilizing Negro adults and children living in Germany, while fascist Italy cynically and openly undertakes the suppression of the last remaining independent Negro country on the African continent, Ethiopia.

In this pamphlet is raised in its full scope the question of Soviet Power, the question of the unification of all forces of the working class, and of all toilers and the oppressed Negro people. The fundamental differences between capitalism and socialism are clearly pointed out. Capitalism, which is based on private ownership of the social means of production, cannot exist without exploitation of the workers white and black, and the plundering and oppression of the Negro and colonial peoples. Socialism abolishes exploitation of man by man, and therewith the necessity for suppressing the majority of the population and for oppressing any nationality or race. To exist, capitalism needs must split and divide its victims. Socialism, on the other hand, can be won only through the unification

of all sections of the toiling population and the oppressed nationalities. Smash State Power of Exploiters Soviet Power does not mean an exchange of one set of exploiters for another set as when, for instance, the Democrats succeed the Republicans in power. Nor does it mean the liberation of workers in a white skin and the continued exploitation of workers in a black skin. The oppressed classes seize the capitalist state edifice, not to subject it to mild reforms, but to shatter to bits the exploitive capitalist power, to smash the state power of the exploiters, sweeping it out with all its rubbish of race hatred and prejudice and national animosities. Its sinister class policy of "divide and rule." This is clearly brought out in the pamphlet.

The history of the struggles of the Negro people, and their betrayals at the hands of the small top layer of upper-class Negroes, whose class interests coincide with the segregation policies of the white rulers, is traced from the stormy period of the Civil War to the cotton plough-under program and official sanction of Jim-crow oppression through the differential wages of the N. E. A. codes. The conclusion that capitalism has hindered the economic and social progress of the Negro people is supported by an indisputable array of facts.

is pointed out. The backwardness inherited from capitalism with its denial of opportunity to the Negro masses, must be wiped out. This can only be done by adopting the policy of the Soviet Union of affording relatively greater opportunities for advance and progress for the formerly oppressed nationalities than for members of the former oppressing nationality.

## Performance of Odets' 'Waiting for Lefty' in Cambridge Tonight

BOSTON.—The New Theatre Players of Boston will present Clifford Odets' drama of the taxi strike, "Waiting for Lefty" tonight at Brattle Hall, Cambridge, Mass. A previous performance of "Waiting for Lefty" at Brattle Hall early in the spring, sponsored by the N.S.L. chapter of Harvard University, was a sell-out and gave an excellent indication of the permanency and appeal of the "group" in Boston.

Tonight's performance is to be given with the cooperation and unofficial sanction of the faculty and student body of the Harvard Summer School. Under the direction of a member of the faculty of Harvard University, Boston and Cambridge members of the American League Against War and Fascism have posted display cards, distributed leaflets, and sold tickets for tonight's performance.

# Questions and Answers

This department appears daily on the feature page. All questions should be addressed to "Questions and Answers," c/o Daily Worker, 30 East 15th Street, New York City.

## The Twilight of the A. A. A.

Question: What was behind the recent decision of the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals declaring the A. A. A. processing tax unconstitutional?—H. H. Answer: The ruling by the Circuit Court in Boston indicates that the A. A. A. will soon suffer the fate of the N. R. A. and will be abolished. Like the N. R. A. the agricultural act had done its job for the capitalists. It had kept the farmers in line while the job of ruining the poor and tenant farmer was pushed by the government and the banks and insurance companies.

Recently, however, textile manufacturers and other processors have increasingly raised the demand for the elimination of the processing tax, since it stood in their way of making larger profits on a small volume of production. Furthermore the illusions created among the farmers by the A. A. A. were beginning to wear thin and it was necessary to use more open methods of attack upon the poor and middle farmers.

The A. A. A. had benefited the rich farmers who had been given the overwhelming majority of benefit payments. When a poor or tenant farmer managed to lay his hand on a benefit payment, it was soon taken away by the landlords, banks and other creditors. The subsidies to the rich farmers and banks was taken out of the mouths of the workers and their families who were forced to pay higher prices for food and bore the full burden of the processing tax.

The twilight of the A. A. A. was foreshadowed by the Supreme Court's decision in May declaring the Franer-Lemke Mortgage Act unconstitutional. The nine old men on the Supreme Court gave this signal for a fiercer onslaught on the masses of the poor middle farmers. The capitalists thought that the time was now ripe to launch a more open attack against the farm masses. The new court decision will intensify the offensive of the capitalists.

To demand the retention of the A. A. A. will not help the great majority of farmers. It was the A. A. A. which drove hundreds of share croppers and tenant farmers off the land. It was the A. A. A. which reduced the markets of the poor and middle farmers by lowering the purchasing power of the workers through a large increase in food prices.

Not the A. A. A., but united actions in behalf of the living standards of the farming masses is the need of the day. These united actions must have as their goal the enactment of the Farmers Emergency Relief Bill (H. R. 3471), the only measure which will really help the farmers. Workers and farmers must unite in a fighting mass labor party and forge an instrument that will defeat the present offensive of the capitalists against their standards of living.

## Social Drama Book Service Offered by Theatre League

The Repertory Department of the New Theatre League announces a new service known as the Social Drama Book Service. This new department will fill the needs of all acting groups for plays other than those published by the Repertory Department itself.

The books of all publishers dealing with the theatre, the dance and the film will be available through this service and special discounts are offered to members of New Theatre League. All organizations and individuals are invited to avail themselves of this service.

The Social Drama Book Service should prove of tremendous drama importance, since it will serve to further broaden the widest united front in the struggle against war and fascism. While classics of the theatre will be available the Social Drama Book Service will act as a clearing house only for books of definite social content. A special feature will be the technical department which will offer books on playwriting, scenery, lighting and costuming.

Trade unions, cultural organizations, social clubs and political organizations are urged to make the fullest use of the Social Drama Book Service. Address 114 West 14th Street, New York City.

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# Fred Beal, Hearst Tool, Gets No Backing from Liberals

### BUT NORMAN THOMAS PLAYS INTO FASCIST PUBLISHER'S HANDS BY UTILIZING OCCASION TO ATTACK THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT'S ACTIONS AGAINST KIROFF SLAYERS

FRED E. BEAL, the snake who dances to the flute of Fuehrer Hearst, will find cold comfort in the letters of Dr. Harry F. Ward, Mary van Kleeck, Roger Baldwin and Norman Thomas\* to the Hearst press, published elsewhere in this issue.

The Daily Worker welcomes the joint letter of Dr. Ward, Miss van Kleeck and Mr. Baldwin. The letter of Norman Thomas, though slapping at Beal's rat service to Hearst, uses the occasion as an opportunity of spreading some of the "Old Guard" slanders against the Soviet Union.

"I have repeatedly," he writes, "in the proper time and place—which latter is not in the Hearst press—commented on certain mistakes and failures in Russia and upon certain dangers, inherent in the 'Stalinist dictatorship.' For instance, my comment on lessons

which I thought the workers should draw from the assassination of Kiroff and the governmental terror which followed, got considerable publicity."

"Considerable publicity" is right. Publicity precisely in those circles which hate the Soviet Union and use such statements in their attempts to incite war against the Workers' Republic. Let us remember that it was immediately after the Kiroff assassination—a brutal act of terror carried through by the degenerate scum of the old Trotsky-Zinoviev opposition, working with white guards and foreign imperialism—and immediately after the stern measures taken by the Soviet government to clean out the counter-revolutionary nests, that Hearst began to vent the full force of his fascist hatred against the Soviet Union.

When Norman Thomas repeats these slanders in

a letter in which he attempts to refute the Hearst-Beal lies, he merely plays into their hands.

Elsewhere in his letter Thomas spikes Beal's pretensions to sincerity, declaring "he has permitted the publication of his articles in newspapers which long ago sacrificed any regard for truth and justice."

Thomas here evidently refers to the Hearst press. BUT WHAT ABOUT THE SOCIALIST JEWISH DAILY FORWARD, IN WHICH BEAL'S ARTICLES FIRST APPEARED?

Why does not Norman Thomas mention the anti-Soviet alliance between Abe Cahan, editor of the Forward, and the fascist, Hearst?

And is it not a fact that at the recent meeting of the National Executive Committee of the Socialist

Party, Thomas voted for a point which, while it permits the worst enemies of the Soviet Union, allies of fascists and white guards, to be members of the Socialist Party, excludes from membership those who declare that the American workers will have to use the same methods as the workers of Russia in achieving freedom?

The Beal articles, part of the Hearst-Hitler war drive against the Soviet Union, call for vigilance on the part of all true friends of the U.S.S.R. and the strengthening of activities to defend from attack the Land of Socialism and Peace.

Let the American masses give their answer to the slimy Beals and their fascist masters by rallying in every city on August 1 (in New York and some other cities on August 3) in the greatest anti-war demonstrations this country has seen.

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### Old Tricks

AGAIN the relief officials raise the cry of "save the crops" as a smokescreen behind which to throw thousands of workers and their families off relief. This time in the Middle West.

A similar trick was tried in the New Jersey berry fields. Thousands of workers were removed from relief roles to force them to work there for a few cents a day.

The sales tax was forced through in Illinois and before that in Colorado by cutting off relief and then announcing that it would not be resumed unless the tax was passed.

Harry L. Hopkins is an old hand at such tricks and will no doubt use them many times in an effort to force through relief reductions and the establishment of the Roosevelt coolie wage of \$19-\$94 a month on work relief projects.

These sharp attacks on the unemployed call for immediate action; the organization of every relief project; the unification of all unemployed organizations, together with organized employed workers, to fight for union wages on relief projects; a renewed drive to force the passage of the Workers Unemployment and Social Insurance Bill, H.R. 2827.

### Luigi the Black Shirt

LUIGI PIRANDELLO, noted Italian playwright and Nobel Prize winner, who arrived here Saturday ostensibly in order to write film scripts in Hollywood, comes as the press agent of Mussolini's war of plunder against the Ethiopian people.

He made this abundantly clear, despite his statement: "You can't mix art and politics."

With Romolo Angelone, commercial attache of the Italian Embassy, calling the cues, Pirandello issued a prepared statement, which he had ready for reporters as soon as the ship docked, shamelessly repeating all the hypocritical cant about "civilizing" Ethiopia and "abolishing" slavery. Ignoring the frequent desertions from the Italian army and the serious unrest among workers and peasants, reported even by the capitalist press, Pirandello lyingly declared that "the Italian people are following their Duce with absolute unanimity."

Pirandello concluded by flinging an insult into the faces of the American people when he compared the American Civil War, which abolished Negro chattel slavery, with Mussolini's war, which aims to enslave the only independent Negro nation in the world.

This fascist emissary was greeted in the name of Mayor LaGuardia by Mussolini's man on the Board of Education, Dr. Alberto C. Bonaschi, who is a Fusian appointee and by George J. Ryan, president of the Board, who recently returned from Italy singing the praises of the fascist murder regime.

Pirandello ought to be given greetings of a different kind from the League of American Writers, the Writers Union, the John Reed Clubs and the Workers Film and Photo League. Let this representative of castor-oil "culture" know that he's not going to get away with this mixing of art and the fascist politics of war and oppression.

### The Boy Scout Jamboree

NEXT month about 30,000 Boy Scouts will be in Washington for their Jamboree to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Boy Scout organization.

Although led by militarists, by agents of the capitalist class, these youngsters are the sons of toiling America. They come in the main from the homes of workers, farmers and struggling lower middle class people. To win these children for the working class, to counteract the poison of jingoism to which these lads are subjected, is the solemn duty of all class-conscious workers.

The New Pioneer, a magazine for working class children, is putting out a special issue for this Jamboree in 100,000 copies. Distribution of this issue will have a great effect in counteracting and exposing, at least partially, the war mobilization character of the Jamboree. But the support of all workers' mass organizations and all Party units is absolutely essential for this.

The Daily Worker urges all organizations to order bundles of the Jamboree number of the New Pioneer. They are sold at 4 cents a copy in quantity. Orders should be placed with the New Pioneer, Box 28, Station D, New York City.

### A Wide Gap

THERE was a wide gap between the words and actions of Socialist and A. F. of L. leaders at the Negro Labor Conference in Harlem last Saturday.

These people declared their opposition to the jim-crow policies of the A. F. of L. bureaucracy, but at the same time barred from the conference the most active fighters for the unity of the workers, Negro and white. They called for unity of the labor movement, but backed the red-baiting campaign of President Green and Matthew Woll for expulsion of Communist workers from the ranks of the A. F. of L.

The most glaring example of this gap between words and actions was offered by A. Phillip Randolph, president of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters. In a ringing speech, Mr. Randolph called for defense of the Ethiopian people, freedom of Angelo Herndon and the Scottsboro Boys, and for vigorous resistance to war and fascism. Yet, Mr. Randolph was chairman of the Resolutions Committee, which by unanimous decision killed in the committee the resolutions proposed by rank and file delegates on these very issues, offering instead a tame substitute to refer the questions to the incoming hand-picked Executive Committee.

This is clearly no way to fight discrimination and lynching. Only by forging the iron unity of all sections of the working class, white and black, and its allies, the Negro people, poor farmers, professionals, etc., can the fight against jim-crow oppression be waged effectively and the Negro workers organized into the trade unions.

### Paterson Silk Election

TO THE members of the Plain Goods Department of the American Federation of Silk Workers, Paterson district—congratulations!

You have re-elected your militant rank and file executive board. You have again rejected the clique headed by the Lovestoneite, Eli Keller.

With this action you have demonstrated to the workers of the entire industry your confidence in the policy of the rank and file executive board which has led you, during the past six months, in more than 100 successful strikes to maintain and improve conditions.

The election of the rank and file slate, which includes some well-known Communists, should prove a powerful help toward winning the many struggles in which you are now involved.

It should spur the workers throughout the union to prepare actively for the general silk strike.

### Party Life

By CENTRAL ORGANIZATION DEPARTMENT

#### Work Among Negro Jobless Struggle For Negro Rights A Pledge to Comrade Browder

AMONG the Negro workers unemployment is greater than among white workers. There has been a great increase in unemployment among the Negroes. Our 1,387,000 families of unemployed have increased since Roosevelt is in office. What happened throughout the country found its repercussions in Harlem. Harlem is not only a New York but a national concentration point. Our Unemployment Council in Harlem has many shortcomings. One reason for that is that the comrades in Harlem do not realize that the Unemployment Council is not only an economic organization but also an organization for the struggle for Negro rights. For this reason our Section is going to have a special conference for unemployment work.

On the question of the Home Relief Bureaus. Last year under the leadership of the Unemployment Councils and the Party we forced the city government to open up five new home relief bureaus. But the workers do not know about this. We have not been able to convince the workers that they themselves have been the ones who won these victories. We have succeeded in removing a number of chauvinist officials. Through Comrade Ford's statements at the hearings we have forced Deutsch and Knauth to take notice of our demands. By bringing forward the unemployment movement as part of the movement for Negro rights we have made the Unemployment Councils part of the whole united front movement. In this way we have drawn in the Tenants League which issued 10,000 leaflets in its own name for July 13th. Our dues sales have increased to 1,000 during the past month.

Our Party has been able to move thousands and thousands of workers. But there is such a gap between the number of workers we have been able to move and the number of workers in the organization. This is due to the lack of education in the councils and in the units. What we do is link up political issues with the needs of the workers in the Unemployment Councils. We present the fight for Herndon as the fight for relief, because we tell the workers that Herndon was thrown in jail for leading a demonstration of unemployed demanding relief.

NOW as to women. I can count the women here at this conference on my hands. In Harlem we have been able to bring a number of women forward as leaders. It is true throughout the Party and the council that women are not brought forward and in the report that was given here, women were hardly mentioned.

Now I have a few proposals: 1) That the Negro Liberator be distributed to all the councils. 2) Each unit is to establish a block committee and the unit bureau is to give guidance to this local. 3) Better relationship between the Unemployment Councils and the Congressional District Committees for H.R. 2827. It was due to the struggles of the Italian workers in our Section that Marcontonio was forced to endorse the bill.

BONITA WILLIAMS.

WHILE we are rather late in taking any action on Comrade Browder's appeal for 50,000 new readers by August 1st, it is not entirely our fault, since we are in the process of reorganization and have had no base from which to build until just recently, but nevertheless we are now under way and wish to submit at this time our pledge to Comrade Browder and a resolution by Section of District 21 (Kansas City):

"Whereas, Section 4 of District 21 has not, in the past few months made any effort to increase the sale of our paper, the Daily Worker, and

"Whereas, the Comrades realize the importance of the Daily Worker as our most valuable instrument for reaching the broad masses, and

"Be it resolved, that Section 4 of District 21 will do everything in its power to increase the sale of the Daily Worker from the present figure of 50 to 300 per week as our part of the drive for 50,000 new readers by August 1st."

SECTION 4, DIST. 21.

### RELIEF—A LA LAGUARDIA

by Burck



### Letters From Our Readers

#### Resents Comparison Between Biro-Bidjan and Alaska

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Comrade Editor: I wish to call attention to the following from an editorial in the "Bnai B'rith" magazine, "Amid the encircling gloom, good news comes from Biro-Bidjan which a year ago was made an autonomous Jewish region by the Soviet Government. Biro-Bidjan flourishes by the strength and zeal of young Jews who have gone there to endure the hardships of pioneers in order to make a good and free life for their children. The Biro-Bidjan adventure is comparable to the emigration of devastated Western farmers of our own country to the fertile region of Alaska."

Biro-Bidjan compared with the subsistence homesteads of Alaska! The devastated farmers in Alaska, eking out a miserable existence and burdened with debt, were driven there by the whip of ruthless capitalism. The writer does not mention their disillusionment when they got there, and he places them in the same category as the Jewish workers in Biro-Bidjan, who are economically secure and working out their own salvation (as the writer puts it) in a collective State. The writer was careful to avoid reference to the Communist Party or the Soviet system. No, the whole achievement was credited to individual, young Jews, not workers who had the "zeal" of the despairing and driven Western farmers, forced against their will to the bleak regions of Alaska.

To mention the truth about Biro-Bidjan and why it is flourishing would expose the entire rottenness and hypocrisy of the Jewish Bourgeoisie and its expression, Zionism, which is trying to mislead Jewish workers from the revolutionary path.

PHILLIP POLLACK.

#### Finds 'Fatherland' Inspiring; Suggests Further Serials

Maywood, Ill.

Comrade Editor: I appreciate very much the story Fatherland by Karl Billinger. I

think the Daily Worker should always print stories like that. It gives inspiration to workers that are not so well acquainted with the class struggle. The Declaration of Rights of the American youth and all the news about their Congress was very good too.

J. S.

#### 'Not Un-American To Fight For Better Conditions'

Astoria, Oregon.

Comrade Editor: The July 4th issue of the Daily certainly was good. The only part that was not good, was that we did not get enough of them.

I have used this kind of material in fighting against reactionary Legionnaires and fakers.

I would like to suggest that a bulletin be printed on both sides using material from this issue. "Revolution is never un-American"—it would be of great help to fight against this idea that we Communists are un-American when we fight for better living conditions.

In school I was taught to live a better standard of life, to eat good foods, keep clean and be of value to society. In 1928, I could not find work and had to live in the dumps. This was too much for me, so I joined the Communists to fight for what America should be to do away with starvation, unemployment and wage-cutting—a Soviet America.

E. P.

#### Finds March to City Hall Splendid, But Too Silent

New York, N. Y.

Comrade Editor: The march to City Hall Saturday was a wonderful turnout and the applause from the sidewalks made

us aware how ready many people are for mass action. The only fault was the usual one of not enough bands.

Once before when we picketed City Hall it was too silent, almost gloomy, until the Y. C. L. came up with a band, which though small, had a very good effect. To march with bands instills a feeling of triumph into the marchers and the spectators.

Wouldn't it be possible for Unions to start bands of their own and in that way we would always have plenty of music? A MARCHER.

#### Calls for Workers Control Of Macy Mutual Aid Ass'n

New York, N. Y.

Comrade Editor: Last week a stockman on my floor in Macy's injured his spine and went up to the hospital for an examination. An X-ray was taken and the doctor told him that he could return to work if he wanted to. The injured worker went back to work only to faint a few hours later.

This brought home with full force the social, as well as economic necessity for a union. Here I realized for the first time the full meaning of the campaign of the Macy Local of the Office Workers' Union for "workers control" of the Macy Mutual Aid Association. The Macy Local pointed out that the hospital as it now stands is responsible only to Percy Straus. I can see now that it should be responsible to us, for it is our health that is at stake and not Percy Straus's. MACY EMPLOYEE.

#### Wants Campaign Against The Washington Herald

Washington, D. C.

Comrade Editor: I wish that you would answer the Washington Herald through your columns. The lies and propaganda it is putting out for the people to read is endangering Soviet Russia.

I hope you will take steps to answer these slanders, for they must be answered. H. C.

### World Front

BY HARRY GANNES

#### Return of Two Monarchies Greece and Austria Nazis Busy in Athens

EUROPEAN capitalism, fearing the aggravated instability brought on by fascism, is ready to erupt in a royal rash in two places.

Attempts to restore Archduke Otto to the Hapsburg throne in Austria are quite prominently played up by the capitalist press, as well as the repercussions caused in Rumania and Czechoslovakia.

Now the efforts to hurry ex-King George III back to the Greek throne, however, are not so carefully explained. After the Venizelos armed uprising, the national elections recently held showed a powerful mass drift to the left. The Communist Party, despite all suppression and terror, gained more votes than the outright monarchist Metaxas party.

At that time, the government provided for a plebiscite to permit the people the pretense of voting for the return of the monarchy.

WHY do the dominant capitalists in these states, such as Austria and Greece, where the state power (despite its fascist form) is so weak, so ardently desire the return of the degenerate and historically obsolete monarchies?

The various fascist cliques, which are more fragmented in these countries, always on the verge of the bloodiest internal battles threatening them all, crave at least a monarchist facade which they believe offers stability. They have in mind the British royal mask to the capitalist state. It need not be added, of course, that restoration of the monarchy will have an effect opposite to that which its advocates hope for. In Austria it will intensify the danger of war, and has already led, in its first stage, to the attempted assassination of Schuschnigg.

NOW in Greece the Tsaldaris and Kondylis cliques, though united against Venizelos, and agreed on general principles of the return of the monarchy, differ as to methods. Kondylis, ex-Minister of War, wants immediate return, without a plebiscite. Tsaldaris fears this seals the death of the monarchy at its very birth. Having promised the masses a plebiscite, the game would be too crudely given away if the king were rushed in without the promised formality.

BEHIND all this activity, besides the aggravated economic crisis, the rising signs of mass struggles such as strikes and peasant uprisings, one can see the fine Venetian hand of the Anglo-Nazi camarilla.

The Anglo-Nazi naval treaty has had its echo in Greece. There is the proposal to fortify the Aegean Islands. These could be used as offensive war bases in the Balkans and against Turkey and the Soviet Union.

The Nazis and the Hoare-Baldwin cabinet both offer to assist the Tsaldaris government to fortify Chios and Mytilene. Such forts could bombard the Anatolian coast of Turkey. And Nazi-British air bases here could also raise havoc with the Dardanelles, gateway to the Sea of Marmora, the Black Sea—and the Soviet coast on the Black Sea.

WHEN the anti-Soviet Anglo-Nazi naval treaty was announced to the world, the Turkish government began the task of fortifying the Dardanelles. This clearly is of a defensive nature, to guard the main point of entry to its territory. The Greek reply (through London and Berlin) was an offensive military threat.

Recently a group of Nazi propagandists landed in Athens. Among them were the Nazi journalist Baude, head of the foreign affairs department, Baron von Wessenhoff, expert on Balkan questions, and Balmes one of the press directors of the Nazi party.

It was learned that these gentlemen repeated, under more favorable conditions, Herr Goering's offer of military aid up to 12,000,000 drachmas, to the Greek government. Delegations of the German armament industry are making repeated trips to Greece. There is no doubt that some agreements have already been made.

Hence what the Nazis detest in the way of royalty in Austria they crave in Greece, for it is an expression of the epitome of their desire for anti-Soviet unity with British imperialism.

### Lincoln and Webster on Labor

"Labor is prior to and independent of capital. Capital is only the fruit of labor, could never have existed if labor had not first existed. Labor is the superior of capital, and deserves much the higher consideration."—ABRAHAM LINCOLN

"The freest government cannot long endure when the tendency of the law is to create a rapid accumulation of property in the hands of a few, and to render the masses poor and dependent."—DANIEL WEBSTER.