

WORKERS ALLIANCE VOTES MERGER

Thomas Urges Unity of Labor In May 1 March

Must Be Real Demonstration of Socialists, Communists and Trade Unions, S. P. Leader Says —Philadelphia Old Guard Assailed

"We must have the maximum labor unity on May Day without regard to political differences," Norman Thomas, leading Left-Wing Socialist, declared yesterday. Referring to the United May Day Parade in this city, Thomas said that it must be especially impressive in view of the cuts in WPA. "It must be a real labor demonstration," he went on, "with Socialists, Communists and the trade unions."

Thomas pointed out that this would be the first United May Day Parade since the war. "It is silly to have two parades. If you have two parades you're likely to land in the same jail anyway."

Court Upholds Senate Right To Examine Hearst Lobbying

WASHINGTON, April 8. — The Senate Lobby Committee's right to examine telegrams of William Randolph Hearst, America's ace fascist, was upheld in District of Columbia Supreme Court today, but attorneys for the publisher promised to carry the battle to the United States Supreme Court if necessary.

Umansky Says Only Errors Deleted in USSR Censorship

(By United Press) The only press censorship involved in Soviet Russia is against errors, or untruths, Constantine Umansky, former chief of the foreign office press division in Moscow, said yesterday on his arrival aboard the liner Paris to take up new duties as counselor to the Soviet Embassy in Washington.

Gifford Has Tel. and Tel. Investigation Postponed

WASHINGTON, April 8 (UP). — Resumption of the Federal Communications Commission inquiry into affairs of the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. was postponed today from April 14 to April 20 at the request of President Walter S. Gifford.

Negro Beaten by Officer Is Held for Grand Jury

John McNeil, defenseless Negro worker who was beaten by Police Officer Charles Brown at the corner of 17th Street and Lenox Avenue, in Harlem, March 29, was held today for grand jury indictment after a hearing in the General Sessions felony court.

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Soviet Flays Attack on Pact

THREE GROUPS PICKET WPA FOR HOUSING

Workers Alliance Votes 129, 958 for Merger Against 21, 413

By Marguerite Young (Daily Worker Washington Bureau) (Special to the Daily Worker) WASHINGTON, April 8.—By an overwhelming majority, the Workers Alliance of America in convention here voted late today for merger with the National Unemployed Councils and the National Unemployed League.

Roper Drive Part of Plans For Anti-Labor Laws at Sea

Standard Says Whole Scheme Unfounded on Basis of Facts

A campaign by the government, to outlaw maritime unions, and frame leaders of the seamen on serious charges of mutiny, sabotage and murder, was exposed yesterday in a statement issued to the Daily Worker by William L. Standard, prominent attorney and authority on marine law, and one of the committee that investigated the Morro Castle disaster.

HARLEM ASKS MAYOR ACT ON REPORT

Petition Circulated to Force Commission Recommendations

Indignation against the shocking conditions revealed in the health and hospital report of Mayor La Guardia's Commission was being transformed into action by Harlem organizations and citizens, yesterday. A Harlem-wide petition campaign demanding that the Mayor act on the recommendations of the Commission has already begun.

Japanese Thrust at Compact With Outer Mongolia Bared

As Move to New Puppet State Barrios of People's Bloc Succeeds Zamora in Spain

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Mussolini Calls Powers Get For Slaughter

Tells Cabinet Wants Complete Annihilation of Ethiopia

LONDON, April 8.—As an Ethiopian communique telephoned to Addis Ababa from Quorum charged that Italian airplanes had sprayed the whole northern front with poison gas, Mussolini told his cabinet at an emergency meeting in Rome today that Ethiopia's defenders must be completely annihilated.

Mechanics Society Endorses Labor Party; Philadelphia Locals Open Way to Action

(Daily Worker Michigan Bureau) DETROIT, Mich., April 8.—At a meeting of its national executive board, held in Toledo over the week-end, the Mechanics Educational Society of America, independent union of tool and die makers, voted almost unanimously to support the formation of Farmer-Labor Parties.

Funeral Today For Sylvia Sheves

The funeral of Sylvia Sheves, for many years an active and devoted member of the Young Communist League, will be held today, Sylvia Sheves was fatally injured in an automobile accident Monday night.

Hoan Wins Milwaukee Re-Election

MILWAUKEE, Wis., April 8.—Socialist Mayor Daniel W. Hoan was re-elected yesterday in a close race with the reactionary Joseph Shimmers, candidate of the Law and Order League. Incomplete returns, however, showed that a number of Hoan's running-mates had gone down to defeat, including City Councilman Baskin.

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Hearst Howls for Destruction of Pacific Sailors' Union

Seamen Ask Investigation Of Murder Plot

Marine Firemen Demand State, Federal Inquiry Into Offers of Money

(Special to the Daily Worker)
SAN FRANCISCO, April 8.—The Marine Firemen's Union today placed before state and national governments a demand for full investigation of the ship owners' and union bureaucracy's plot to assassinate Earl King, secretary of the union, and other seamen's leaders here.

The West Coast exposure of an assassination plot by Ivan Hunter, sent here by the top officials of the Seamen's Union to break up the 7,000 strong Sailors Union of the Pacific, to the man selected to do the killing, is flung into a situation in which the Hearst papers are demanding the destruction of the whole rank and file controlled seamen's unions here.

While Hearst defended Hunter today and made the fullest use of the U. S. Commerce Department's wild charges that seamen committed "mutiny, sabotage and murder," the Firemen's Union secured from the District Attorney's office a promise to place the real murder plot before the grand jury.

Protest to Congress
The following telegram was sent yesterday to the La Follette Congressional Committee by the West Coast Firemen's Union:

"Your attention is called to the fact that a cold-blooded murder plot has been discovered wherein the executive officer of the International Seamen's Union of America, Ivan Hunter, has hired gunmen to kill the secretaries of the Pacific Coast Marine Firemen's Union and the Sailors Union of the Pacific, Earl King and Harry Lundberg.

"They also planned to kill the assistant secretaries of these organizations, A. M. Murphy, and Al W. Quifflinton.

"As your committee has been formed to conduct investigations into gangsterism and racketeering in the trade unions, we request you to conduct an open investigation into this disgraceful affair. The recent convention of the International Seamen's Union held at Washington, D. C., passed a resolution condemning gangsterism within the unions, evidently as a cover for this plot. An attempt is being made to whitewash this murder plot and we urge action on your part to prevent its success.—(Signed) Earl King, Secretary of Pacific Coast Marine Firemen, Oilers, Wipers and Water Tenders Association, A. M. Murphy, Assistant Secretary."

Perkins Gets Facts
At the same time, the same facts were laid before U. S. Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins, in a telegram from the intended victims of the assassination.

King, commenting on the plot to kill him, said today:
"The international officers of the International Seamen's Union have for a long time been attempting to break up our West Coast unions and Maritime Federation. The move made at the I. S. U. convention failed, owing to the progressive spirit of the men on the West Coast, who are standing solidly behind their unions and federation. When this move failed, Mr. Hunter came in person to the Pacific Coast to get up the Firemen's Union out of the Maritime Federation and cause general disruption in our unions.

"It is very significant that this murder plot occurs simultaneously with the serving of injunctions to end shipping seamen through union halls."

Replies to Hearst
In a press statement today, King replied to the Hearst charges, broadcast by the Hearst press that the accusation of a murder plot is merely a "frame-up" by the radicals:

"I got information from O'Neil (the man to whom Hunter offered the money to murder King) which I turned over to the police officers, and other than that I have had no contact with O'Neil. The police officers investigated the matter and advised me to file a complaint. They also advised me that I put the matter in the hands of the Grand Jury for further investigation. In going this, I am only availing myself of a wish to bring out the facts, if they can be brought out. I am protecting the democratic rights of the membership of the union to elect officers of their own choosing. I am protecting my own life and the lives of the other union officials who were threatened. I did not go to the police to get a complaint and do not have any of the lives of brother union members were also threatened.

"The result of their investigation was the arrest of Mr. Hunter. The police thought there was sufficient evidence to warrant the filing of a complaint and I was advised to do so, which I have done, particularly as the lives of brother union members were also threatened.

The International Longshoremen's Association and the Sailors' Union meetings last night passed motions calling on the Maritime Federation to apply the emergency convention ruling, that permits an eight-hour stoppage in case the injunction against seamen activity is lifted through the union halls is granted.

PATH OF DISASTROUS SOUTHERN TORNADO



The wide band of grey waving across the face of this map traces the path of the tornado which struck seven states in the worst storm since 1931. The storm claimed 422 lives and injured thousands.

Workers Alliance Votes Jobless Unity

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ment Councils speak before deciding how to vote.

Have Buried the Hatchet
Delegates Fenske of Fox River Valley, Wisconsin, also emphasized, "we have unity," he said, "both the Communists and the Socialists have made mistakes but we have buried the hatchet out there and we are building."

"I know one thing," pleaded Delegate Bernstein of Virginia, "we have unity. We are just asking the rest of you to help us further by establishing it all over the country. If we were not united, we who work in the South with the unemployed, with labor, would all be in prison or dead like Joe Shoemaker."

These are representative of the tenor of the unity discussion. While a number hinted at reservations and a few flatly opposed, the majority showed deep determination often already carried into action in united struggle.

The discussion was delayed today while the convention marshaled en masse to interview WPA officials to demand aid for the 200 stranded delegates. They filed four abreast past the White House, but were turned away without as much as a word from a sub-sub official. A policeman told them that everyone they asked for, from President Roosevelt down, was "fishing."

Rank and File for Merger
Speeches by representatives of the American Federation of Labor and of the Roosevelt Administration marked the second day's session. The major business, however, was the merger which went forward with many rank and file supporters speaking out in a fresh, enthusiastic manner that lifted the convention spirit to new heights.

Frank Morrison, Secretary of the A. F. of L., told the delegates of the trade union movements interest in solidarity with the unemployed. He recalled that President Green last April wrote State Federations of Labor urging them to cooperate. He said they were deeply interested in "bona fide" unemployed organization, "free from Communist influence."

David Lasser, W. A. A. Chairman, welcomed cooperation, saying he expected "closer and closer" relations. The convention received Morrison's address with enthusiasm, but there was a wave of sardonic laughter when he declared that the Roosevelt administration was "the first" to declare that no one should starve.

Floods Add New Menace In Storm Area

Death Toll Near 500 in Tornado—Homeless Live in Boxcars

GAINESVILLE, Ga., April 8.—Rising floods sent yellow torrents racing across six Southern states, covering hundreds of thousands of acres, and bringing a fresh menace to life and property. The flood has not yet reached Gainesville and Tupelo, the towns hardest hit by the tornado.

Final reckoning of the dead was expected to be close to 500. The toll in Monday's storm here was placed at 186. In Tupelo, Miss., 214 dead were counted.

A presidential order yesterday provided \$2,500,000 in federal funds for relief in the stricken area. This inadequate sum will be taken out of relief funds appropriated for W. P. A.

The damage in six states has already been estimated as more than \$75,000,000. In Gainesville alone, the loss is \$7,000,000, with practically the whole town homeless and destitute.

In Tupelo, 2,000 homeless were fed at soup kitchens and houses in box cars, tents and anything else available for shelter. National Guardsmen still ruled the city.

Townsend Plan Leaders Aim to Smash Inquiry Of Movement in Court

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Leaders of the Townsend old age pension movement prepared today to go to court within two weeks to block the Congressional investigation aimed at smashing the old-age pension movement.

Hoping to cut short the present House committee inquiry into income and activities of the Townsend organization leaders, the board of directors of Old-Age Revolving Pensions, Ltd., decided on the test.

Sheridan Downey, personal counsel of Dr. F. E. Townsend and Gomer Smith, vice-president of the Townsend organization, were instructed at a "harmony" meeting of the new board of directors of the movement in Baltimore to take any steps necessary to halt the inquiry.

Downey and Smith, after a series of conferences, announced they would file a test action within two weeks to challenge constitutionality of the investigation.

"Such would be the result of the seizure of Outer Mongolia by Japanese troops," Stalin Interview Cited
Stalin's statement in his interview with Roy W. Howard, that, in case of an attack on the Soviet Union, he would help Mongolia as it did in 1921, greeted with great enthusiasm in the U. S. S. R., the Mongolian People's Republic and by all friends of peace throughout the world.

"The broad masses of Chinese people also saw this statement as a new guarantee of the firm determination of the Soviet government to fight for peace and understand that this position of the Soviet government corresponds to the interests of China which is exhausted by a struggle against invaders and thereby deprived of the possibility to ensure the safety of the borders of the Mongolian People's Republic.

"It is quite evident that the Soviet government is thus acting in full conformity with all the obligations which it bears toward the Mongolian People's Republic in the interests of peace and self-defense without in the least violating the interests of the Chinese people.

What Seizure Would Mean
"What would seizure of Outer Mongolia mean for the U. S. S. R.?"
"We know from our experience in 1921 that White Guard gangs, under the leadership of General Baron Ungern, financed and guided by Japanese interventionists, seized Outer Mongolia. The White bandit Ungern seized Ulan Bator, fulfilling his master's orders, and united under his leadership numerous old White Guard gangs, which had been concerned on Mongolian territory, and from there organized attacks on the Balkai district of the Soviet Union, setting himself the task of cutting the Trans-Siberian Railway and separating Eastern Siberia and the Far East from the Soviet Union.

Guard Airline Stewardess In Hospital

Two Iron Workers On Way to Convention Killed in Crash

UNIONTOWN, Pa., April 8.—Miss Nellie Granger, airline stewardess and nurse of the accident that sent the giant air liner "Sun Racer" crashing into a mountainside, killing nine passengers and two pilots, was guarded in the local hospital by officials of the Transcontinental and Western Air, Inc., and was not permitted to talk to anyone except officials of the company.

Her own brother, a McKeesport newspaperman, had great difficulty in seeing her. The only official interview with the sole survivor in condition to describe the last moments in the plane's cabin before it crashed were had by several vice-presidents of the company.

The virtual imprisonment of Miss Granger took place as the cause of the accident were disputed by officials of the Department of Commerce and of the company. Three separate investigations are being conducted.

The plane crashed because a radio beam operated by the Department of Commerce was not functioning properly, company officials said. Department of Commerce spokesmen said that the radio beam was functioning perfectly.

Two of the passengers killed were workers on their way to an executive meeting of the International Brotherhood of Bridge, Structural and Ornamental Iron Workers in St. Louis, Mo., as delegates of Local 45, Jersey City. The dead workers are John J. O'Neill, thirty-two, and Frank Hardiman, twenty-seven.

House Committee Democrats Accept Corporate Tax

WASHINGTON, April 8. (UP)—House ways and means committee Democrats formulating a \$799,000,000 tax bill today accepted the major principles of President Roosevelt's corporate tax plan.

With relief and taxes the two chief obstacles to adjournment, the committee speeded action on the tax measure by tentatively agreeing to two minor revisions in the President's revenue program.

The eighteen Democratic members tentatively decided to give further tax aid to debtor corporations and not to discriminate in tax rates against foreign insurance companies.

Meanwhile the House started its job of drafting a \$1,500,000,000 work relief bill with Works Progress Administrator Harry L. Hopkins appearing at a secret session of the appropriations committee to urge acceptance of the President's program for work relief.

Miss Carr's 'Economy' Will Cause Starvation

Mass starvation, malnutrition and sickness are in store for New York workers as a result of the newly announced "economy" policy by Miss Charlotte Carr, Emergency Relief Bureau head, the Project Workers Union declared last night.

A statement by the union condemned the policy as one in conflict with the supposed duties of officials who are charged with taking care of public health and welfare.

Miss Carr made public yesterday figures showing that she had saved \$7,700,000 by curtailing personnel.

The same measures against the Nanking government in 'self-defense' unless it acts on orders.

Threats Against Chinese
"The official agency of the Manchukuo and Kwantung army staff, Kokusu, openly states that if Nanking remains inactive" this will be considered as proof of a "secret compact" between the U. S. S. R. and China. Thus direct threats are made against the Chinese government.

"This merely testifies to the utter shamelessness of the adventurist elements of the Japanese military clique who have completely lost their sense of reality and evidently imagine that when they bully the North Chinese hiring generals, they have at the same time the right and reason to bully the Chinese government and to act in its name or force their will upon it.

"We are also deeply convinced that only those Chinese politicians and generals who linked their fate to the Japanese military clique and will serve or are prepared to serve its plan of dismembering and enslaving China will have the boldness, along with the Japanese militarists, to oppose this Protocol. But the Chinese people demonstrating ever more clearly their determination to achieve national liberation, will call these people to account."

The Mutual Assistance Pact between the Soviet Union and the Mongolian People's Republic reads as follows:
"The Governments of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the Mongolian People's Republic, basing themselves on the consistently friendly relations which have existed between their countries since the territory of the Mongolian People's Republic was liberated in 1921 from White Guard detachments with the aid of the Red Army, have decided, in connection with the invasion of the territory of the U. S. S. R. by military forces, and guided by a desire to uphold the cause of

Workers Cable Grief At Heckert's Death

German Communist Leader's Body Lies in State; Funeral Tomorrow in Red Square; Was Known for Trade Union Work

The following telegram was sent yesterday to George Dimitroff, secretary, and William Pieck, member of the Secretariat of the Communist International, by Earl Browder, General Secretary, Communist Party, U. S. A.:

"The Communist Party of U. S. A. receives with deep sorrow the news of the death of the old and brave working class fighter and leader, Fritz Heckert. We will honor best the memory of this brave Communist leader by increasing our support for the heroic German Communist Party and for the liberation of Ernst Thaelmann.

"EARL BROWDER."

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)
MOSCOW, April 8.—As the body of Fritz Heckert, world-famous German Communist leader, lies in state in the great hall of the Moscow Conservatory with thousands of workers passing by in homage to the departed revolutionary leader, messages of sympathy from all over the

world kept coming in to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Germany over its great loss.

Cablegrams have been received from the Communist Parties of China, Italy, Austria and the United States. The funeral will be held in the Red Square.

The whole Soviet press reflects the great sympathy and concern of the workers of the Soviet Union with the death of Fritz Heckert, member of the Executive Committee of the Communist International and the Central Committee and Political Bureau of the German Communist Party. Heckert was always one of the closest co-workers of Ernst Thaelmann, leader of the German working class held prisoner by the Nazis for the last three years.

Pravda, organ of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, and other Soviet papers devote special articles to Heckert's heroic life.

Imprisoned Many Times

Heckert found himself in prison on political charges many times throughout his life, especially from the middle of 1918 until the November revolution in Germany. From the beginning he stood at the head of the Workers and Soldiers Soviets in Chemnitz and after that of the Saxony Soviet.

Heckert was elected as the first Communist deputy to the German Reichstag in 1920. At the Second Congress of the German Communist Party, he was elected to the Central Committee. He was a member of that Central Committee to the day of his death.

Heckert was also known by trade unionists throughout the world for his trade union work and his prominent position in the Red International of Labor Unions, on whose Executive Committee he was from its beginning. At the Sixth World Congress of the Communist International, Heckert was elected to the Executive Committee and Presidium.

Seven Policemen On Trial Monday In Tampa Murder

TAMPA, Fla., April 8 (UP)—Seven defendants, including former Chief of Police R. G. Tittsworth, were listed today by Prosecuting Attorney J. Rex Farrior, as the first to go to trial when the Tampa flood-murder cases are resumed Monday at Bartow.

Farrior reserved the right to drop two of the named defendants, if he wishes to, before the trial opens.

Garment Local Backs Drive For Roosevelt

The general executive board of Local 89, International Ladies Garment Workers Union, announced yesterday it had sent a telegram to Major George W. Berry, Coordinator for Industrial Cooperation and president of the Printing Pressmen's Union, endorsing the movement started by a number of labor officials to swing labor support behind the re-election of President Roosevelt.

The movement was recently launched in the form of an organization known as the Non-Partisan Labor League.

The telegram declared that "we stand ready to do our share in the organization of necessary political machinery for carrying out purposes of League in this area."

Luigi Antonini, first vice-president of the I. L. G. W. U. and general secretary-manager of Local 89, also issued a statement praising "the progressive policies of President Roosevelt." In an effort to play on the strong sentiment within his own union for independent political action, Antonini declared that the League "can be viewed as the nucleus of an official labor party which I believe will take its place among the political forces of the country before the national elections in 1940."

Antonini's action shows the direction in which the reactionary "Old Guard" group in the Socialist Party are travelling. Antonini is one of their stalwarts in the needle trades unions. During recent weeks he has published articles in the New Leader, "Old Guard" organ, sharply attacking the Communist Party.

The endorsement of Roosevelt is also in line with the secret flirtations with the LaGuardia Fusion administration on the part of the "Old Guard" and their trade union pals.

The last convention of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union went on record for a Labor Party and its delegates introduced a resolution to this effect at the last A. F. of L. convention. The action of the Local 89 executive board, taken without consulting the membership, is therefore in direct violation of the decision of the union's convention.

Roper's Action Part Of Anti-Labor Drive

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Soviet Union Flays Japanese Attack on Pact with Outer Mongolia

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"The Soviet government has remained loyal to its undertakings to assist the Mongolian people and to preserve the integrity and inviolability of its territory and its economic and cultural development.

"It is therefore quite natural that when in 1921, menaced by a new seizure of its territory, the President of the Council of Ministers of the Mongolian People's Republic, Gen. Namjiv Dorjiev, requested the Soviet government to help in the preservation of the Mongolian People's Republic in case of attack and confirmed the obligation of mutual aid in case of invasion by a third party.

Attacks Increase
"This was not a written agreement, but a verbal agreement. When the Japanese Manchurian troops began in 1935 the series of attacks on Mongolian territory, the Soviet government repeatedly called the attention of the Japanese government to its deep interest in the preservation of the inviolability of Outer Mongolia. The well-known attacks by the Japanese-Manchurian troops on Mongolian territory not only did not stop despite these repeated warnings, but adopted a more provocative character than ever before.

The Mongolian government considered itself compelled in January, 1936, to request through a government delegation sent to Moscow that the existing verbal agreement of mutual aid and assistance to the Mongolian People's Republic be expressed in writing.

Protocol Signed
"The Soviet government agreed to this request and a protocol was signed on March 15 at Ulan Bator. This protocol merely puts in writing the agreement of 1921, which in turn makes concrete and exact those obligations of mutual aid which arose in 1921 on the basis of a joint struggle against interventionists, represented at White Guard agents.

"Such would be the result of the seizure of Outer Mongolia by Japanese troops."
Stalin Interview Cited
Stalin's statement in his interview with Roy W. Howard, that, in case of an attack on the Soviet Union, he would help Mongolia as it did in 1921, greeted with great enthusiasm in the U. S. S. R., the Mongolian People's Republic and by all friends of peace throughout the world.

"The broad masses of Chinese people also saw this statement as a new guarantee of the firm determination of the Soviet government to fight for peace and understand that this position of the Soviet government corresponds to the interests of China which is exhausted by a struggle against invaders and thereby deprived of the possibility to ensure the safety of the borders of the Mongolian People's Republic.

"It is quite evident that the Soviet government is thus acting in full conformity with all the obligations which it bears toward the Mongolian People's Republic in the interests of peace and self-defense without in the least violating the interests of the Chinese people.

What Seizure Would Mean
"What would seizure of Outer Mongolia mean for the U. S. S. R.?"
"We know from our experience in 1921 that White Guard gangs, under the leadership of General Baron Ungern, financed and guided by Japanese interventionists, seized Outer Mongolia. The White bandit Ungern seized Ulan Bator, fulfilling his master's orders, and united under his leadership numerous old White Guard gangs, which had been concerned on Mongolian territory, and from there organized attacks on the Balkai district of the Soviet Union, setting himself the task of cutting the Trans-Siberian Railway and separating Eastern Siberia and the Far East from the Soviet Union.

The same measures against the Nanking government in 'self-defense' unless it acts on orders.

Threats Against Chinese
"The official agency of the Manchukuo and Kwantung army staff, Kokusu, openly states that if Nanking remains inactive" this will be considered as proof of a "secret compact" between the U. S. S. R. and China. Thus direct threats are made against the Chinese government.

"This merely testifies to the utter shamelessness of the adventurist elements of the Japanese military clique who have completely lost their sense of reality and evidently imagine that when they bully the North Chinese hiring generals, they have at the same time the right and reason to bully the Chinese government and to act in its name or force their will upon it.

"We are also deeply convinced that only those Chinese politicians and generals who linked their fate to the Japanese military clique and will serve or are prepared to serve its plan of dismembering and enslaving China will have the boldness, along with the Japanese militarists, to oppose this Protocol. But the Chinese people demonstrating ever more clearly their determination to achieve national liberation, will call these people to account."

Garment Local Backs Drive For Roosevelt

'Old Guard' Move Seen—Union Members Not Consulted

The general executive board of Local 89, International Ladies Garment Workers Union, announced yesterday it had sent a telegram to Major George W. Berry, Coordinator for Industrial Cooperation and president of the Printing Pressmen's Union, endorsing the movement started by a number of labor officials to swing labor support behind the re-election of President Roosevelt.

The movement was recently launched in the form of an organization known as the Non-Partisan Labor League.

The telegram declared that "we stand ready to do our share in the organization of necessary political machinery for carrying out purposes of League in this area."

Luigi Antonini, first vice-president of the I. L. G. W. U. and general secretary-manager of Local 89, also issued a statement praising "the progressive policies of President Roosevelt." In an effort to play on the strong sentiment within his own union for independent political action, Antonini declared that the League "can be viewed as the nucleus of an official labor party which I believe will take its place among the political forces of the country before the national elections in 1940."

Antonini's action shows the direction in which the reactionary "Old Guard" group in the Socialist Party are travelling. Antonini is one of their stalwarts in the needle trades unions. During recent weeks he has published articles in the New Leader, "Old Guard" organ, sharply attacking the Communist Party.

The endorsement of Roosevelt is also in line with the secret flirtations with the LaGuardia Fusion administration on the part of the "Old Guard" and their trade union pals.

The last convention of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union went on record for a Labor Party and its delegates introduced a resolution to this effect at the last A. F. of L. convention. The action of the Local 89 executive board, taken without consulting the membership, is therefore in direct violation of the decision of the union's convention.

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New Theatre Dance

Cab Calloway and his Cotton Club Orchestra will furnish the hot music for the New Theatre and People's Bookshops Spring Hop next Saturday night at St. Nicholas Palace, 69 West 66th Street. There will be a midnight floor show, including a new dance number—the hi de ho bo! That ought to make the music go round and around.

Anti-War Week to Mark U. S. Entry Into Conflict

Trade Unions And Students Endorse Drive

Memorial at Light to Open League Campaign Against War Danger

With war just around the corner in most parts of the world, the American League Against War and Fascism marks the United States' entry into the World War by declaring the week of April 6 to 13—Anti-War Week. Opening its activities with an Anti-War Memorial at the Monument of the Eternal Light at Madison Square Park this morning, the League will wind up the week's campaign with a large mass meeting against war at the Central Opera House at 8 o'clock Monday evening, April 13.

Some of the activities planned for the week include placard parades through the main avenues of the city; street speakers each night who will disclose the facts on how we are moving toward another war; and an American League membership drive.

All efforts will be directed toward the final event on Monday evening, at which Dr. Hansu Chan, editor of China Today; the Reverend Arcland D. Ball of New Jersey; John P. Davis, chairman of the National Negro Congress, and John Nelson, a veteran and vice-president of Bricklayers No. 34, will be speakers. Endorsed by Students—

James Wechsler, editor of the Student Advocate and officer of the American Student Union in endorsing this mass meeting called upon the students in New York to join forces in this concerted effort to stop war.

Bishop Francis J. McConnell, also endorsing this meeting, expressed the opinion that he was in full sympathy with its aims and purposes. In a statement issued by Harry A. Maurer, executive secretary of the New York Division of the American League Against War and Fascism, this morning, he said:

"In a situation as serious as that in Europe and the Far East today, those forces who want to fight and fight fascism must rally all their friends around them. We can stop war, but only by matching the strength of those forces which are leading us straight into another upheaval.

Trade Unions Co-operate
It is gratifying to women that the trade unions affiliated with the Trade Union Commission of the American League are co-operating to their fullest extent in putting over our anti-war drive. The working man is beginning to realize that wars are made by financial interests which use him as a tool. It is the working man who pays for wars while the purses of the Morgans swell.

"We ask every friend of peace to come and bring as many as he can to the Anti-War Mass Meeting at the Central Opera House on the evening of April 13."

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'EXHIBIT J'—ONE CAUSE OF INJUNCTION THREAT



This photograph of a motion picture operator's wife picketing the Oceana Theater in Brighton Beach is one of a series of "exhibits" presented in the injunction petition of the theater chain involved which comes up in court tomorrow. Three members of the Empire State Motion Picture Operators' Union have been discharged by the chain, and the Women's Auxiliary of that organization has manned the picket lines against the lay-offs. The injunction move has followed.

LaGuardia's Promises To Teachers Broken

Mayor Reminded of Pledge to Maintain Salaries at 1932 Levels in Letter from President of New York Union

Promises of 1933 came home to roost yesterday when the Teachers Union made public a letter to Mayor LaGuardia reminding him of his pledges to maintain salaries at 1932 levels.

The union sent the Mayor a copy of a letter written by him on Nov. 1, 1933, and addressed "to public school teachers" in which the definite pledge was made that, if elected, the Fusion candidates would fight to restore the 1932 pay schedules. Finances of the city government today make it possible to have teachers' salaries restored, the union contended in its communication to the Mayor.

Hendley Cites Promises
"To those who regard the rules of the political game as sacred," Charles T. Hendley, the union president, wrote, "it may seem like striking below the belt to present to a successful candidate his pre-election promises. But in this case, I think it is perfectly fair. For the financial condition of the city government is exceedingly more favorable than it was in 1933, when you said that you believed our pay should be restored to the 1932 level at the earliest possible moment and that a decently administered city can afford to pay decent wages to faithful public servants."

Promises made by LaGuardia in 1933 in his letter to the school teachers and of which he was reminded by the union were stated in his campaign document as follows: "Specifically, we believe that your pay should be restored to the 1932 level at the earliest possible moment."

Active in Albany
Recently large merchants' associations and other business organizations, including the Rockefeller-controlled Citizens Budget Commission, have been active in advancing at Albany the Baldwin-Hill bill, a measure designed to kill mandatory salary increases for teachers and other civil servants. The Mayor has not opposed the measure and indicated in his budget message last October his sympathy with the fundamental idea contained in the bill.

City Projects Council Protests War Funds While Relief Needs Exist

City Projects Council will participate in the anti-war meeting next Monday night with an address assailing use of money for war purposes which could be used for relief. Willis Morgan, council chairman, will represent that organization.

The meeting, under auspices of the American League Against War and Fascism, will take place at Central Opera House, Sixty-seventh Street and Third Avenue.

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Park Recreation Fee Bill Assailed By YCL in Letter

The state office of the Young Communist League made public yesterday a letter sent to Mayor LaGuardia, Park Commissioner Moses and the Board of Estimate, protesting against a proposed law setting up a system of fees for the use of outdoor swimming pools, bathhouses, golf and tennis courts, in the parks of New York City.

"It is inconceivable, and particularly unjust to levy a charge of twenty-five cents for adults and fifteen cents for children for the use of the two outdoor swimming pools in the parks of the City. We are also opposed to any measure which would penalize the use of the golf and tennis courts in the parks for which a charge already exists in the form of fees for license permits."

"As an alternative measure to finance the estimated cost of operation of \$1,700,000 we propose the restoration of the city inheritance tax, an increase in the stock transfer tax, a moratorium on the bankers principal and interest and an increase in the utilities and corporation taxes. In addition, we would like to point out that the receipts in New York City in 1936, according to Comptroller Frank Taylor were \$882,949,898. Under such conditions there is no necessity for the city economizing at the expense of the people of New York City."

6,000 WPA Workers Win Wage Increase

A. F. of L. Office Union Pressed Fight for Ratings—Officials Admit All Had Been Underpaid for Months

Mass pressure plus direct negotiations by an American Federation of Labor committee yesterday forced WPA Administrator V. F. Ridder to grant more than 6,000 white-collar workers a 17½ per cent wage increase.

Union Pushed Fight
The increase from a rate of \$71.50 to a rate of \$85 a month was granted, on petition of the Bookkeepers, Stenographers and Accountants Union. Actually, because of the hour-schedule and fiscal weekly bookkeeping the workers affected will receive between \$78 and \$79 monthly.

Admittedly underpaid for months, the office workers affected were given the pay increase less than 24 hours after a committee headed by George Meany, president of the New York State Federation of Labor, called on Daniel S. Ring, assistant administrator, who relayed the demands to Ridder. Other members of the committee were William Collins, N. Y. representative of the A. F. of L., James C. Quinn, secretary of the Central Trades and Labor Council; James V. Barry, secretary of the W.P.A. section of C. T. and

Paper Bag Strike Leads to Drive To Promote Union

One hundred and twenty-five young people, out on strike for three weeks at the Schorsch Paper Bag Co., 500 East 133rd Street, met yesterday afternoon at 401 East 138th Street to hear reports of a further organization drive on the part of Local 234, International Brotherhood of Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Mill Workers, as a result of their militant fight.

Even other paper bag concerns in the New York area are the objectives of the organizational drive, which is being conducted by Jacob Stephan, general representative of the international union.

A continuous picket line is being conducted at the six-story plant of the Schorsch Co., which is closed down tight as a result of the vigorous picketing.

The strikers are demanding a 13 and a half per cent increase in wages, union recognition, the 40-hour week, and an equalization of work. A conference with the employers last week ended in deadlock, as the company refused to grant any of the union demands.

Officers of the union, which is conducting the strike, include Sam Valentino, president; Anna Billick, secretary; and Joseph Ronelli, treasurer. The strike arose out of an increase in hours and a cut in pay, recently introduced at the Schorsch plant.

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Anti-Fascists Sponsor Five Queens Rallies

Meetings in Borough to Protest Deportation, Sedition Bills

The Queens Section of the American League Against War and Fascism will sponsor five meetings through the borough of Queens to protest against the various deportation, alien, and sedition bills now pending in Congress, on Wednesday night, April 15.

Representative Caroline Day, in response to an inquiry from the League has expressed her approval of the campaign against the Dillings-McCormack and Russell-Kramer Bills and similar legislation. Miss Day said in part:

"I agree with you that such legislation is contrary to our American ideals of government. Freedom of thought and speech are essential if we are to continue a free people. I have opposed these measures to the utmost of my power and expect to continue to do so."

Meetings will be held at Beth-El Temple (Assembly Room) 30-35 36th Street, Astoria, sponsored by the Astoria Branch, American League Against War and Fascism; 43-08 43rd Avenue, Sunnyside, sponsored by the Sunnyside Branch of the League; St. James Parish House, 51st Avenue and Broadway, Elmhurst, sponsored by the Woodside and Jackson Heights branches of the League; Temple Gates of Prayer Center, 143-51 Roosevelt Avenue, Flushing, sponsored by the Flushing Branch of the League. In Jamaica, the meeting will be in the Town Hall, Parsons Boulevard and Jamaica Avenue.

Yorkville Maps Fight For Relief Bureau

Representatives of twelve Yorkville organizations, at a meeting held last Friday night at the Lenox Hill Settlement House, decided to launch a campaign for the restoration of the Home Relief Bureau to Yorkville.

The organizations, participating in the meeting, included labor, fraternal, civic and church groups. Mrs. Manning, resident director of the Lenox Hill Settlement House, pledged the support of the Yorkville Civic Council, and the United Committee for Better St. Paul's.

Another meeting to consider the relief situation in Yorkville, and to map a campaign of action, was called for Friday night, at 331 East Seventieth Street.

CLASS FOR ADULTS IN THE SOVIET UNION



Recognition of the Soviet Union by the United States has led to increasing interest in the language by citizens of the U.S.S.R. Here's one class of adults learning to read and write in English—and they say that, compared to the intricate linguistics of their mother tongue, it's a snap!

Tilger Willing for Losses To Stop Sunnyside Evictions; Parkinson of Equitable Isn't

By S. W. Gerson

Wolves at bay show their teeth but utility magnates on the spot always trot out the widows and orphans who own the majority of their stock.

Large insurance companies have what is near as good—their "policyholders" almost anything up to rape and arson may be committed. The policyholders must be protected. But here is one policyholder who doesn't want "protection" from insurance executives at the cost of the eviction of small homeowners. He is Rudolph Tilger of 2310 Newkirk Avenue, Brooklyn, a policyholder in the Equitable Life Assurance Society, the president of which is Thomas I. Parkinson.

Willing to Take Losses Mr. Tilger is willing to take his losses along with Mr. Parkinson, who gets a mere \$100,000 annually in straight salary.

And is Parkinson's face red? Here's the tale:

Equitable, a billion and a half dollar concern, one of the "big ten" in the insurance game and controlled by Rockefeller interests, owns a lot of mortgages on small homes in Sunnyside, Long Island. Professional people, ordinary citizens of the middle class purchased their small homes there in the gay pre-depression days.

Came the morning after. Eviction Notices.

Positions were lost; salaries were cut. Interest on the mortgages couldn't be met; ditto principal. Tax burdens became intolerable. Result: Equitable Life came along with eviction notices.

But Sunnyside didn't take kindly to the legal writs of the Equitable

and the marshals from the Sheriff's office. A campaign was organized and a public clamor went up that was heard as far away as Washington.

It was at this juncture—after several evictions had already been carried through—that the Little "Liberal" (City Hall) decided to take some action. He put his Corporation Counsel's office into the picture.

Correspondence... phone calls... negotiations.

Mr. Gileeny Refuses It seemed that a certain Mr. Gileeny, stubborn Irishman that he is, refused to accept the proposal of the Equitable people to take his house at 4518 Middleburg Ave., Long Island City, from him and sign a lease at \$50 a month.

The Equitable proceeded again and the Corporation Counsel's went through the motions of arbitrating the issue. It was at that time that the Equitable trotted out the old reliable, tried and tested we-must-protect-our-policyholders gag. On Feb. 11, Mr. Parkinson wrote to the Mayor on the scheduled Gileeny foreclosure and eviction as follows:

"It is now the legal duty of the representative of the Equitable to administer the ownership of the property to the best interests of our policyholders. It is not within our discretion to further indulge Gileeny in the possession and enjoyment of these premises free of any cost."

(Gileeny had paid \$1,510 down in 1926).

The gag was old but it worked with the Mayor's Corporation Counsel, too. It seemed. On Feb. 27 Corporation Counsel Paul Windels advised Equitable Life that he did not feel justified in asking anything further for Mr. Gileeny.

Tilger Objects to Eviction But the matter didn't end there. Parkinson had his policyholders to reckon with. Tilger, for instance, read of the evictions in Sunnyside and, having an interest, wrote to Mr. Parkinson advising him that he was willing to share in the losses if the insurance firm would stop its eviction policy.

"I am ready," wrote Tilger to the Equitable, "to bear my share of the losses entailed by the company in extending a long term moratorium on mortgages and tax payments to the Sunnysiders."

"You may deduct it from this year's dividend on my \$1,000 policy, No. 38356.656."

Mr. Parkinson, to date, has not accepted the offer.

A Farmer-Labor Government would curb the profiteers, would fight the big corporations in order to sharply reduce the high cost of living. It would pass and enforce legislation for higher wages and shorter hours.

Harlem Youth Leader's Death Is Loss to YCL

Mass Communist League Is Memorial Plan for Sylvia Sheves

(Statement of Young Communist League) The Young Communist League and the entire working class movement has suffered a great loss by the death of our beloved comrade, Sylvia Sheves. Comrade Sheves was killed in an automobile accident Monday night.

For the past seven years Comrade Sylvia has been an active member and leader of the Young Communist League. Her life was a shining model of whole-hearted devotion and loyalty to the cause of the working class and the revolutionary youth movement. Her death has come as a stunning blow to all who have known her.

For the past year Comrade Sylvia had served as Organizational Secretary of the Harlem Section of the Young Communist League. Her self-sacrificing activity and capable leadership played a great part in the growth of the Harlem section, which is today the strongest YCL section in the country. Her death will be mourned by the masses of Harlem youth who knew her as a courageous fighter against the capitalist oppression of the Negro people of Harlem.

The memory of Comrade Sylvia shall always remain alive in the hearts of every Young Communist. The memory of her life and work shall remain an undying inspiration in the struggle of the young people for a better world.

In the face of this great tragedy and tremendous loss to our ranks we solemnly pledge to re-double our efforts to build the Young Communist League and the united revolutionary youth movement.

The greatest monument which we can erect in honor of Sylvia Sheves, sterling young Bolshevik, is a mass YCL in Harlem, uniting the masses of Negro and white youth in the struggle to which she devoted her life and work.

YOUNG COMMUNIST LEAGUE N. Y. STATE COMMITTEE

Writers' Union Sponsors Hearst Strike Party For Guild Tonight

The Writers Union is sponsoring a party for the New York Newspaper Guild to be held at 26 West 18th Street, tonight at 8 o'clock. Proceeds will go to the Wisconsin News strikers.

Guests of honor will be four Writers Union members who recently received Guggenheim awards: Kenneth Fearing, Albert Bein, Kenneth Patchin and Isidor Schneider.

Alfred Miller to Speak On Deportation Edict

Anti-Nazi Faces Deportation to Fascist Germany —Marcantonio to Explain Measure for Obtaining Rights of Asylum

Alfred Miller, anti-Nazi facing deportation to Germany, will speak at Webster Hall tomorrow night on the program sponsored by the American Committee for Protection of Foreign-Born.

A deportation play, "Haven of Refuge," will be presented the same evening for the first time. Guest speaker for the evening will be Representative Vito Marcantonio.

Alfred Miller has been imprisoned on Ellis Island for the past two months. The American Committee for Protection of Foreign-Born has appealed the Labor Department's order deporting him to Germany to the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals.

"Haven of Refuge" is the story of an Unemployment Council organizer who is framed by the Department of Labor because of his labor activities and held for deportation on the charge of being a "radical." The play was written by Mariquita Villard and Dwight C. Morgan and is being staged by the Theatre Players under the direction of S. J. Remush.

Marcantonio will speak on the right of asylum bill which he has introduced in the present session of Congress which would enable political and religious refugees from fascist countries to remain in the United States.

Tickets for Friday evening's presentation are twenty-five cents and can be bought at the Workers Bookshop and at the offices of the committee, Room 1409, 100 Fifth Avenue, New York. Admission at the door will be thirty-five cents.



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Disarming Of U. S. Nazis Is Endorsed

Thaelmann Birthday To Be Celebrated By German Clubs

Congressman Vito Marcantonio, William T. Andrews, Negro Assembliesman; Johannes Steel, foreign editor of the New York Post and Conrad Kaye, secretary-treasurer of the Meat Cutters Union, Local 665 and Edwin Berry Burgum, professor at New York University, as well as others have endorsed the petition campaign for the disarming of the Nazi bands in America, which the Federation of German Workers Clubs is sponsoring. It was announced by the Federation on the eve of its Third National Congress, which will take place on April 11 and 12.

In connection with the convention an elaborate affair is arranged, which will take place Saturday at the Yorkville Casino, 210 East Eighty-sixth Street, at 8 P. M.

The speakers will be Ben Gold of the Furriers Union and Dr. Kurt Rosenfeld, former Prussian Minister of Justice, who will deal with the increased activities of the Nazis in America and the need of organizing the German workers in this country against Fascism and War. At the same time this meeting will honor Ernst Thaelmann, imprisoned leader of the struggle against Nazism, who will celebrate his fiftieth birthday on April 18.

Tenant Farmers Union Organizer Speaks at Party

E. B. McKinney, organizer with Howard Kester of the Southern Tenant Farmers Union, spoke on the conditions of the Southern sharecroppers at a party tendered by the Progressive Southern Committee for People's Rights. A collection of fifty dollars, excluding future pledges, was made.

The Progressive Southern Committee is affiliated with the Progressive Southern Committee for People's Rights, with headquarters at Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Among its sponsors are T. S. Stripling, Thomas Wolfe, Lillian Hellman, and Walter Wilson, all noted authors. Other sponsors include William Pickets, of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and Lester Granger, of the National Urban League.

The committee appeals for funds in order to carry on its work. Advertisers, all contributions to Ralph Tafteller, 20 Irving Place, New York City.

Speakers Will Tell Brazil Conditions At Harlem Meeting

To inform the people of Harlem of conditions in Brazil, particularly the Negro population which makes up 40 per cent of the 43,000,000 inhabitants, and how the white terror has arrested the Negro leader Isaltino Vilela dos Santos, as well as Luis Carlos Prestes, a mass meeting will be held Friday night at 8 P. M. in the Park Palace, 110th Street and Fifth Avenue. Among the speakers will be James W. Ford; President Cantana of the Pro-Puerto Rico Committee; Jose Santiago of the Communist Party of Lower Harlem; and Harrison George, father of the American youth, Victor Barron, who was recently murdered by the Brazilian police.

Instead of fighting the unions, a Farmer-Labor Government would attack and destroy the company unions.

Red Builder Spurns Hearst Bribe Offer

Hearst thugs have renewed their campaign attempting to intimidate Red Builders selling the Daily and Sunday Worker.

An offer of \$5 a night and commission if he would sell the Daily Mirror and a warning that he would be beaten up if he continued selling the Daily Worker, were brought to Max Friedman, at his Seventh Avenue and Christopher Street stand again on Saturday.

He had previously been approached by a man who gave him a card of "Harry Gill" of the F. W. Waddell and Company, Inc., Investment Securities. Another card was given him Saturday of the Hearst Enterprises, Inc., represented by "H. H. Gill" of the "security" department. Both firms, strangely enough, have the same telephone number.

"I wouldn't handle their dirty paper on any terms," Red Builder Friedman declared.

BUSINESS DIRECTORY

MANHATTAN section of the Business Directory listing various services like Amplifiers to Rent or Sale, Army-Navy Stores, Clothing, Dentists, Jewelers, etc.

Brooklyn section of the Business Directory listing services like Auto School, Baby Carriages, Children's Wear, etc.

Bronx section of the Business Directory listing services like Appetizers, Beauty Salons, Cafeteria, etc.

AMUSEMENTS

BITTER STREAM advertisement for a play at the Civic Repertory Theatre.

"CHILDREN'S REVOLUTION" advertisement for a drama of childhood in revolt.

CO-RESPONDENT UNKNOWN advertisement for a play.

Soviet News advertisement for a play.

The Children's Hour advertisement for a play.

"Dubrovsky" advertisement for a play.

EASTER REVIEW advertisement for a play.

WASHINGTON IRVING H. S. advertisement for a play.

WORKERS' SCHOOL REGISTRATION advertisement for a school.

SHIP ARRIVALS

Table listing ship arrivals from various ports including Bremen, Havre, and London.

WHAT'S ON

Thursdays: PICTURE OF SIAM! Lecture by Siamese Consul and collaborator at 168 W. 23rd St. ... EASTER REVIEW—Arts, Lillian Shapiro, Rudolph Pappas, Mordecai Bauman at Webster Hall, Saturday, April 11, 8 P.M.

WORKERS' SCHOOL REGISTRATION advertisement for a school.

Auto Profits Rose 136% In Past Year

Shipping Shows 389% Gain, Bank Report for 1935 Shows

Small Farmers Vote to Form Labor Party

VINELAND, N. J., April 8.—Two hundred workers and small farmers voted unanimously...

Mine Worker Killed

KIRKLAND LAKE, Ont., April 8.—Struck on the head by a heavy piece of loose rock while at work underground...

WHAT'S ON

- Philadelphia, Pa. William Browder speaks on "Which Way for the Middle Class?"
Chicago, Ill. Spring festival and dance celebration.
Boston, Mass. Contemporary Dance Group of Boston presents New Dance League recital.

Klan on Parade in Orlando, Fla.

SEEKS TO INTIMIDATE TRIAL WITNESSES



Ford High Wage Myth Blasted in Pay Figures

Union's Agitation for Bonus Forces Statement from William J. Cameron Exposing Frequent Layoffs and Speedup in Production

By George Morris (Daily Worker Michigan Bureau) DETROIT, Mich., April 8.—More than a month of agitation for a bonus within the Ford plant has finally forced a reply from the company...

While to the average listener Cameron's figures may have sounded impressive, an analysis showed that they were rather an admission of low wages while officials of the Ford local charged some of Cameron's assertions to be downright falsehoods.

PHILADELPHIA TOMORROW NITE ONLY, Friday, April 10 8:30 - Tickets 50c & 35c New Theatre League Presents: In An Evening Of The Season's Best Plays! Also, Stage Arts EXHIBIT

Mine Contract Is Extended For One Month

Operators' Demand for 27 Per Cut Refused in Negotiations

After a month of futile negotiations, the joint conference of anthracite operators and the United Mine Workers of America agreed to continue the present wage contract, which expired April 1, in full force another month.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Painting a picture of widespread destitution in the United States, Senator Rush D. Holt (D., W. Va.) in a radio address last night exposed the inadequacy of the WPA program...

WPA Pay Rate Too Low to Give Needed Relief

WASHINGTON, April 8.—With a background of judicial trickery and intrigue seldom equalled in the history of U. S. courts, the case involving the constitutionality of prohibiting the interstate shipment of convict-made goods comes before the bar.

IWO Will Picket Italian Consulate Saturday Morning

The City Central Committee of the International Workers Order of New York has organized two events of great importance to take place Saturday.

Oath Bill Repeal Is Voted Down In Massachusetts

BOSTON, April 8.—Ignoring the recommendation of its own conservative committee on education, the Massachusetts House of Representatives turned down a bill to repeal the State Teachers' Loyalty Oath law.

Riff-Raff Showing Stopped By Group In Minneapolis

The anti-labor film Riff-Raff scheduled for the Glenwood Show, a Northside neighborhood theatre, for April 5 and 6 was stopped by quick united action on the part of the people of the neighborhood.

Only a Farmer-Labor Party gives any hope of checking and defeating the Republican-Liberty League threat against our liberties.

HEROINE OF THE AIR



Nellie H. Granger (above) despite severe injuries, crawled from the wrecked TWA airliner that crashed at Uniontown, Pa., Tuesday, struggled over snow-covered trails, and summoned aid for the injured.

French Communists Open Election Drive

PARIS, April 8.—Opening guns of the Communist election campaign were fired here yesterday when 84,000 workers attended a giant meeting at the great Buffalo Stadium.

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Judicial Trickery Flagrant In Prison-made Goods Cases

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Sweeping Cuts In Relief Rates Planned in Canada

OTTAWA, Ont., April 8.—Premier King gave notice in the House of Commons last week that a new relief cut is in the offing.

Income Taxes Higher In New York This Year

WASHINGTON, April 8 (UP).—Taxpayers in New York state paid approximately twenty-five per cent more income taxes during the first nine months of the 1935 fiscal year than during the same period of the previous year.

Cincinnati Labor Party Action Urged

Killing of Referendum on City Proportional Representation Asked

CINCINNATI, April 8.—Cincinnati voters have been urged by the Communist Party to vote against adopting a referendum to abolish the present system of Proportional Representation.

972 Killed In Canadian Industries

TORONTO, Ont., April 8.—A battalion of industrial and agricultural workers marched into the valley of death last year. Figures released by the department of labor show that 972 workmen's lives were taken in the factories, mines and fields of this country during the year 1935.

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Taxi Drivers on Relief

TORONTO, Ont., April 8.—Fifty per cent of Toronto's taxi drivers are on relief, it is charged by G. Rutledge, delegate of the men's union to the Trades Council. Wages run as low as \$2 per week in the summer.

Calendar for April 1936 showing Thursday the 9th. Includes a handwritten note: 'Send in my Contribution to the May Day Honor Roll'. Below is a form for 'MEMORANDA' with fields for Name, Address, and City.

Berry Gives Capitalists Assurances

Coordinator Asserts Only 12,500,000 Are Unemployed

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Industrial Co-ordinator Berry, recently appointed by President Roosevelt in his report to the recent session of the Council for Industrial Progress made it clear to the capitalists of America that the government means them no harm.

Berry, in the course of an impassioned plea for industry to find jobs for the unemployed, the numbers of which he set at 12,500,000, attacked the industrial capitalists who share places on the Council to overlook a certain temporary invasion of their fields by public works.

"Although the development of Government enterprise seemed unavoidable during the business depression, when 'the banks and industries and railroads and insurance companies have sought the aid of the strong arm of the Government,' Major Berry declared that the Government has no desire to compete with private industry in normal times goes without saying, adding:

"I am positive that the President intends that the Government shall withdraw from those fields when normal conditions approach and when the great mass of our unemployed citizens are again engaged in private business."

The report from the Council for Industrial Progress which Berry submitted to Roosevelt, called for long-term credits for little business men—the loans to be handled by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

U.S. Control Of Railmen's Aid Urged

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Transfer to the federal government of the administration of railroad unemployment compensation was recommended yesterday by Joseph B. Eastman, President Roosevelt's Transportation Co-ordinator. At present, what compensation there is, comes under State jurisdiction.

Eastman made it clear that the plan would entail no costs to the railroads other than their regular payments to the social security board, and that maximum payments in any one year will be \$300.

The maximum payment for any one week would be \$37.50.

It is not clear whether the proposed lay-off of 200,000 railroad workers under mergers ordered recently by Eastman would entitle these men to any of the federal compensation. It is significant, however, that Eastman's proposed date for the application of the compensation rule is July 1, 1936, before which time, it is proposed to put through the merger and have the 200,000 out of the industry.

Pelley Angers Washington Town By New Leaflet

BREMERTON, Wash., April 8.—William Dudley Pelley, commander-in-chief of the fascist Silver Shirts, roused the people of Bremerton against him by his latest leaflet, in which he said the American Federation of Labor was "Jew-Communist led." The leaflet advocated that all industrial controversies be settled by our President Pelley and our captains of industry.

What irked most residents of the little town of Bremerton, hitherto somewhat friendly to Pelley's "Bremerton Christian Party," was the following:

"Reorganize... the church under the banner of the Christian Party led by our Savior, Pelley, who was himself, reputedly, born of a Virgin Mother."

Bremerton Labor Temple doors are now closed to the Christian Party, and the Bremerton Sun assailed Pelley in a four column front page editorial, entitled: "Heaping Insult on Intelligent Citizens."

Palm Beach Attorney Paid Ritter \$4,500

WASHINGTON, April 8 (UP).—A. L. Rankin, Palm Beach attorney, testified yesterday before the Senate that the \$4,500 he gave to Federal Judge Halded L. Ritter, \$2,500 on Christmas eve, 1930, and \$2,000 in April, 1931—represented payment of an "honest debt."

The House of Representatives, which voted to impeach the Florida jurist for "high crimes and misdemeanors," charged Ritter accepted the money "unlawfully" after permitting Rankin a \$75,000 retainer.

Representative Sam Hobbs, Democrat, Ala., one of the three House managers acting as prosecution attorneys, sought to show that fee-splitting was involved in the Whitehall Building and Operating Company receivership case brought before Ritter in the fall of 1929.

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AT RAIL BILL HEARINGS



President L. A. Downs of the Illinois Central Railroad (left) and C. R. Gray of the Union Pacific were interested spectators at Washington hearings on the Wheeler-Crosser bill to restrict reduction of employment on American railroads. Rail brotherhood members fear widespread layoffs if proposed consolidation plans go through.

White Guards Exposed In Alaska Company Union

Prince Conspired with Discredited Union Official to Defeat Juneau Strike Led by Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers Union for More Pay

JUNEAU, Alaska, April 8.—An exiled Russian Prince, aided by a batch of white guard officers, a pair of known German army men and a discredited union official have been exposed as the organizers of the Juneau mines company union. In the Labor Department investigation of a strike at the mines the creation of the company union to blur labor trouble and keep wages at a low level was brought out in testimony.

Local 203, Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, are conducting the strike. The first meetings of the company union were held in the house of a Russian Prince. Witnesses spoke of "The Prince" until counsel for the company got nervous and demanded that he be called by his name.

The contractors were anxious to break the real union, because it was urging a limit be set on profits and bonuses.

A. E. Kearnes, Commissioner of Education of Alaska, testified that he was also Commander of the American Legion, and that Neil Heard, then one of the officers of the real union, threatened a strike when "lobbying in the legislature

Tenant Farmers Being Fought With Terror, Mine Union Finds

(Union News Service) WASHINGTON, April 8.—A ruthless campaign of evictions and terror is being directed against Arkansas sharecroppers and tenant farmers who seek to better their miserable lot through organization, reports William J. Sneed, international representative of the United Mine Workers.

Sneed was sent to Arkansas by President John L. Lewis to investigate conditions, at the request of the Southern Tenant Farmers' Union.

In his report to Lewis, Sneed tells of many families thrown out of sharecroppers' shacks and forced to live in tents and abandoned churches.

"The Holland and Johnson plantation evicted one white and five colored families who have since been housed in church buildings, all of them Negro churches, merely shacks," Sneed reports. "All of those evicted were denied relief as well as WPA work."

Sleeping on Roadside

"Many of these families, including the women and children, slept by the roadside in the months of January and February in the snow and cold."

The U. M. W. representative tells how attempts are made to break the tenants' union by terror, instancing a meeting of 50 in a country church near Earle, which was broken up by deputy sheriffs with shotguns. "Deputies returned to the meet-

Wharton Balks At Joining Steel Industry Drive

In Letter to Green Gives Notice Craft Division Will Be Pushed

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 8.—Refusing to participate in any general drive for the organization of the steel industry, and declaring that the International Association of Machinists will seek to enroll members from among steel workers on a craft basis, Arthur Wharton, president of the I. A. of M., bitterly attacked the Committee for Industrial Organization in a letter sent to President William Green of the American Federation of Labor, this week.

"Until such time as the American Federation of Labor is in a position to undertake an organizing campaign that will have the support of all affiliated organizations, we are not willing to pledge financial support or assign representatives to undertake organization of the steel industry through joint co-operative action," Wharton declared in his letter.

"In the meantime," he continued, "we shall continue our efforts to organize not only the men eligible to our organization, employed in the steel industry, but in all other industries, and at the same time express our willingness and devout hope that unity of action can be developed within the American Federation of Labor which will permit a concentrated, united, joint organizing campaign not only in the steel industry but in various other important large industries."

"We are unable to bring ourselves to believe," Wharton wrote, "that an organizing campaign can be instituted so long as we have in our midst a group of organizations of which John L. Lewis is chairman and Charles P. Howard, secretary, self-designated as the committee for industrial organization, who decline to respect the laws of the American Federation of Labor, the decisions of the American Federation of Labor, the rights and jurisdiction of the various unions, and in a manner show by their actions that they are of a disposition to co-operate with the existing international organizations unless such organizations surrender to minority dictation and autocratic disposition of the self-appointed group of men who know comparatively little of the problems they are undertaking to solve when they disregard the very fundamentals essential to self-government."

At the same time the official magazine of the I. A. M., the Machinists' Journal, launched an attack on the C. I. O., saying, "The C. I. O. may be big loads in their own puddle and their croaks may be music to their own ears. But in the labor movement as a whole, they are insignificant and their croaks are harsh and annoying—that's all."

The Wharton blast, observers here point out, is the serving of notice by the old line craft union leaders that they will persist in a campaign of seeking to divide the workers in the steel industry, no matter what the injurious results of such a policy may be.

Jersey Labor In Clashes At Hearings

TRENTON, N. J., April 8.—An open hearing was held on progressive and labor bills in the New Jersey Assembly on Monday, as trade union representatives clashed with spokesmen for Chambers of Commerce and Manufacturers Associations.

The bills under discussion would provide penalties for the violation of the law to prohibit night work for women, would restrict the hours of drug clerks to 54 per week, would provide for a maximum work week for women of 54 hours, and would make the union label compulsory on all printing done for the State of New Jersey.

Speaking in opposition to the bill were representatives of a number of Chambers of Commerce, and spokesmen for large industrial concerns, who were permitted considerably more time than the advocates of the proposed legislation.

Organizations which appeared in support of the bill include the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, the Y.W.C.A., the Communist Party, and the League of Women Voters.

Youth to Launch New National Paper

Statement of the National Committee of the Young Communist League

A united youth league before the end of 1936! This goal has been enthusiastically accepted by young people throughout the country. But it is clear that a united organization of American youth, which will fight against fascism and war and for Socialism, will not come of itself. We can already note progress in the direction of building this united league and the reconstruction of the Young Communist League. Many clubs and organizations have signified their desire to participate in and become part of a united league.

With so little time at our disposal in the race against the forces of reaction and war, the National Committee of the Young Communist League has accepted the proposal to launch the publication, together with other youth organizations, of a united youth paper which would supplant the Young Worker. The establishment of a new united paper is necessary to

unify the forces of all those organizations which desire the building of a united youth league. That is why it is necessary to build this paper as a non-party organ. That is why we have decided to co-operate with all organizations willing to build a united youth league in the launching of a united paper. This paper will be a forum for the expression of various points of view, but it will serve the class interests of the working class youth and will educate the youth in the struggle against war and fascism and for a Socialist society.

Even before the formation of the united youth league, this paper will bring together and solidify the ranks of those who are building the united youth league. Building the united paper will enable us to gauge the progress of the work toward the establishment of the united league.

The wholehearted support of the youth section of the International Workers' Order, of the youth in various language organizations, neighborhood clubs and the like, has been secured by this paper. Furthermore, all such large organizations will be able to have separate editions of the paper.

Edition of 300,000

What better date can be secured for the issuance of this new paper than united youth day, May 30. That is a day of unity of youth, unity for peace and the demands of the oppressed young generation. If the united paper is to be an effective weapon in the fight for the establishment of the united youth league, the time for its appearance must be before this united youth day.

Three hundred thousand copies of this first issue of the paper will go out to every corner of the United States.

We have called it a "paper," but it would be more correct to say magazine, because it will appear in

YOUR HEALTH

— By —
Medical Advisory Board

Why Tonics Are Prescribed
L. L. Brooklyn, New York, writes: "A friend of mine suffers from a nervous stomach and is also extremely underweight. The doctor he went to advised him to take the tonic 'Hypophosphites,' the circular of which I am enclosing, and I would greatly appreciate your opinion on the subject."

AS WE have repeatedly pointed out in our column, "tonics" in general are of little—in fact, usually of no-value. They are a hang-over from the medical era of the "elixir of life," indiscriminate blood-letting and hot cupping. "Hypophosphites" once had a vogue and unfortunately are still used by the more "old-fashioned" physicians. Because of the expense involved and the general disregard by public health officials of the necessity of post-graduate medical education for the average American physician, the majority of physicians in the U. S. A. have no effective method of keeping up with recent medical advances. In the U. S. S. R., state subsidized post-graduate education with adequate salary for the physician while studying is compulsory; this assures the patient up-to-date treatment, and meets one of the most cherished desires of physicians all over the world.

To get back to the contents of Hypophosphites, "potash, soda and lime are valuable elements existing in our bodies"—but we get plenty in our food. "Iron" is good for anemia, but have you anemia? And if you have, all you need is iron without the other elements. "Quinine" is good for malaria—but you haven't malaria. "Strychnine" may "pep you up" a bit, but it will cure nothing, and especially will it not cure "nervousness." In fact, it will increase "nervousness."

So this tonic, and tonics in general, are useless. The doctor prescribed it because it was being used when he graduated from medical school. The capitalist State has failed to continue his education. The proletarian State, because of its sincere and profound interest in all workers and professionals, does give him the latter training.

When American physicians become more conscious of their need of solidarity and their class interests, they will place high among their demands post-graduate education and the workers will back them up.

Sinus Infection
A. E. Auburn, Maine, writes: "What are the 'don'ts' in sinus infection? A friend of mine gets severe pain over the left eye. He went to a doctor who told him he had sinus trouble. What should he do?"

WE SUGGEST that you obtain the February issue of Health and Hygiene, which contains a detailed article on Sinus Trouble. A copy of this issue will be sent you on receipt of 15 cents.

A frontal sinus infection of long standing will not be helped much by self-treatment. Under ordinary circumstances, if a sinus becomes infected, healing will result because of the fact that certain hair cells of the lining of the sinus mechanically sweep the pus toward the sinus opening into the nasal chamber. When the sinus is chronically infected, however, the hair cells are paralyzed and do not function. In addition, the opening of the sinus becomes closed by the swelling which accompanies the infection. The sinus pain that results is caused by the pressure which the accumulated pus exerts on the sinus walls.

Proper procedure in your friend's case would be to have an X-ray taken of his sinuses to determine the extent of the involvement. Then, depending upon what the X-ray and local findings are, either local medical treatment or operation should be instituted. The local treatment should be done by a doctor who should use medication that shrinks the nasal lining, mechanical suction to drain the discharge in the nose, followed by the application of mild silver salts. This falling, operation should be undertaken with a view of removing the obstruction which is preventing drainage of the sinus.

There are no special "don'ts" in the care of the sinus except that smoking and irritation of the nose is forbidden. General hygienic care is important. Generally speaking, the widely advertised commercial preparations are valueless. In your friend's case, an ephedrine compound prepared by any standard drug house, such as Lilly or Squibb, should be sprayed into the nostril about every two hours if there is pain, otherwise about every four hours.

The Ruling Claws



"I can swear I met him at Pearl Bergoff's Detective Agency."

TUNING IN

- WEAF—660 Kc. WOR—710 Kc. WJZ—760 Kc. WABC—860 Kc. WEVD—1300 Kc.
- 12:00-WEAF—Ragtime Boys, Songs
 - WOR—Stephanie D., Soprano
 - WJZ—Simpson Boys—Sketch
 - WABC—Voice of Experience
 - 12:15-WEAF—Honeyboy and Sassafras
 - WOR—Theater Club—Bidder
 - WJZ—Johnston, Ensemble
 - WABC—Royal Orchestra, Jerry Cooper, Baritone
 - 12:30-WEAF—News, Farm and Home Hour
 - WOR—Lillian Lane—Sketch
 - WJZ—Theater Club—Bidder
 - WABC—Royal Orchestra, Jerry Cooper, Baritone
 - 12:45-WEAF—News, Market Reports
 - WOR—Theater Club—Bidder
 - WJZ—Johnston, Ensemble
 - WABC—Three Keys, Songs
 - 1:00-WEAF—News, Market Reports
 - WOR—Theater Club—Bidder
 - WJZ—Johnston, Ensemble
 - WABC—Royal Orchestra, Jerry Cooper, Baritone
 - 1:15-WEAF—News, Market Reports
 - WOR—Theater Club—Bidder
 - WJZ—Johnston, Ensemble
 - WABC—Royal Orchestra, Jerry Cooper, Baritone
 - 1:30-WEAF—News, Market Reports
 - WOR—Theater Club—Bidder
 - WJZ—Johnston, Ensemble
 - WABC—Royal Orchestra, Jerry Cooper, Baritone
 - 1:45-WEAF—News, Market Reports
 - WOR—Theater Club—Bidder
 - WJZ—Johnston, Ensemble
 - WABC—Royal Orchestra, Jerry Cooper, Baritone
 - 2:00-WEAF—News, Market Reports
 - WOR—Theater Club—Bidder
 - WJZ—Johnston, Ensemble
 - WABC—Royal Orchestra, Jerry Cooper, Baritone
 - 2:15-WEAF—News, Market Reports
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 - WOR—Theater Club—Bidder
 - WJZ—Johnston, Ensemble
 - WABC—Royal Orchestra, Jerry Cooper, Baritone
 - 3:00-WEAF—News, Market Reports
 - WOR—Theater Club—Bidder
 - WJZ—Johnston, Ensemble
 - WABC—Royal Orchestra, Jerry Cooper, Baritone

WOMEN OF 1936

— By —
Ann Rivington

I WAS skimming through the New York World-Telegram last Friday when my eye fell on the following paragraph in Eleanor Roosevelt's syndicate "My Day."

"I had a small luncheon in honor of the wife of the President of Brazil, who is staying in Washington at the present time. She is most anxious to see what we are doing for children in this country, and will, I hope, visit the bureau of home economics and the children's bureau while here, and perhaps some of the hospitals, day nurseries and settlement houses in New York."

What bitter hypocrisy is this? I read it again, hardly believing. So Mrs. Vargas is "most anxious to see what we are doing for children?"

MY THOUGHTS went back to the Brazil mass meeting held in Irving Plaza only a week before. I remembered that "whole families are forced to live on 25 cents a day." I remembered "the chief article of diet is crayfish." Children? Welfare? No doubt Mrs. Vargas is anxious to learn how to give children a full life on a diet of crayfish.

And then I remembered other things. Seventeen thousand political prisoners, men and women who dared to struggle against these conditions. Torture. Murder. The face of Harrison George as he stood on the platform saying, "They killed my boy." The attempt of the American ambassador to whitewash the police murderers, calling that American boy, Victor Barron, a suicide. The letter from Joseph Brodsky that was read, telling how an autopsy showed the marks of unspeakable torture on Victor Barron's body. Telling how Mrs. Berger, a woman political prisoner, was likewise tortured. How she was dragged about by the hair, her breasts with cigarette butts, how her breasts were pinched, how she was burned and denied water, then given some salt codfish to eat, and still no water.

All this and a thousand times more of unspeakable shame has been done by the Wall Street-owned Vargas government, in an attempt to squeeze yet more money, in blood and starvation, from the working population of Brazil.

AND now Mrs. Vargas wants to find what is being done for children in this country? I have a few suggestions. She should go to those factories where children of the poor exhaust their bodies making toys for children of the rich. She should go to the maternity ward of Harlem Hospital; to the cotton fields of the South. She should take a look at the children of agricultural workers in California, watch the children at play in the streets of New York's Lower East Side, note the joy on the faces of children who seek for food on garbage dumps, consider the lives of the homeless children on freight cars in flop houses and transient camps. She must not neglect what it may be possible to learn from that Supervisor of the Poor in Vermont who, when marble strikers' wives complained their children had no milk to drink, was ready with the answer, "Let them drink water."

If Mrs. Vargas seeks diligently enough, she may even be able to get some pointers on children's welfare.

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Harrisburg Printers Win Strike for Union Shop

(A. F. of L. News Service) HARRISBURG, Pa., April 8.—About 100 striking union printers and pressmen went back to their jobs on the Telegraph Press here when the management returned to the union shop under a two-year agreement negotiated by Secretary of Property and Supplies Arthur E. Colegrove acting on orders from Governor Earle.

The management decided to try the "open shop" game on March 9 by locking out its union employees and cutting the wage scale for both printers and pressmen from 95 cents to 85 cents an hour. The state was directly interested because the company does the bulk of the Commonwealth's printing.

The two unions called a strike after the lockout. They charged that Brigadier General E. J. Stockpole, Jr., president of the company and commanding officer of the 52nd Cavalry Brigade, Pennsylvania National Guard, was falling to live up to the terms of the old contract which provided automatic extension for a period not to exceed 30 days for negotiation of a new agreement.

A Farmer-Labor Government would see that every unemployed worker in the United States would get adequate relief or a job. It would respond to the call of the masses for genuine social insurance. It would listen to the cry of the hundreds of thousands of old people in the Townsend and other movements for real old age pension.

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A Letter to Mike Gold

THIS letter, by an unemployed Negro, has been awarded the third prize by Mike Gold in his letter contest. The questions asked in the contest were republished in Monday's Daily Worker.

DEAR Comrade Gold:

In reply to your questionnaire, I wish to submit the following:

My favorite books are H. G. Wells' "Outline of History" and a book titled "Cement" by a Soviet author whose name I have forgotten.

I like Wells' history because it reads easily, his style is not tiresome nor heavy; and it does reveal the economic and cultural evolutions of mankind. Of course I don't mean to imply that it is a Marxist analysis. "Cement," to me, is a "standout," perhaps because it is the first full-length proletarian novel that I read. It shows the grim determination of the men and women of the Revolution to carry on. It is raw, fierce, and human, and there is no attempt to smooth the edges of the raw, fierce struggles that Russia underwent at that time.

I prefer that all my reading be based on realities. One does not expect romance in "reports" or analytical documents. But in novels and stories a bit of romance adds piquancy. It is an elemental urge and cannot be ignored. After all, realities mean life; all life struggles to continue life, continuance is expressed in germination and birth, and that is romance.

I have no preference as to sort of story, just so it is fast moving, with the chief characters in jarring contact with man, beast or nature.

I BORROW books from libraries and friends. Since 1933 I cannot afford to buy full-length books. Right here, I wish to stress the feasibility of unit agitprops and educational directors in mass organizations raffing our books at five or ten cents per chance.

I can spend only \$1.50 a month for literature (excepting newspapers). Restricted to books that would be 75 cents a cover. But since one must buy the "Communist," "Party Organizer," and current pamphlets, I have only 75 cents remaining for one book per month.

I doubt if an active functionary has time to profitably read more than one full-length novel per month, in addition to the required organizational literature, which needs thought and study. It could be done, but at the expense of other recreation; and many of the comrades are already too "bookish" and somber.

For pleasure I prefer poetry. I think it is the best medium for punching home an idea, because it is rhythmic, and swings along, like marching men. For study I like reports of our leaders; notably the Dimitroff and Browder reports on the Seventh World Congress. Also Stalin's report and analysis of the Stakhanovite movement.

And Comrade Gold, I like your writings, because it has the swing of poetry, and in that poetry you report the struggles and upsurge of the toilers. I have kept many of them for their objectivity and sheer beauty.

A GREAT story about a Stakhanovite toiling to perfect his tools and technique, organizing his fellows against obstructionists and natural forces could be written. Triumph, pageantry, and romance could be written into such a story.

Other interests? Although I am too old to play football, I still love it. The thrill of the low, hard tackle; the off-tackle smash, with its body contacts; the joy of receiving a punter pass and finally the goal line drive or defense; all these go to make up the greatest sport of all.

My second interest is my monstrous, great dane. He is really a great dog.

My third interest besides the revolutionary movement cannot be indulged in because it is too expensive. Years ago my father had many acres in the West Indies. We had fine horses, and though this is all past me now, I love to remember the many hours I spent astride a big, black stallion. So if it ever becomes possible I'll go riding again on a big, black stallion with white stockings. Why black? Well, because he glistles like polished jade, and the white stockings, while relieving the solid color, gives an illusion of speed greater than actual. Finally, a stallion, because he has speed, strength, temper, and is a constant challenge to his rider.

I am unemployed just now. I was trained as a chemist, but after leaving school could not find employment. My nationality (Negro) was a bar, keeping me from the laboratories of industry. So I drifted into the trucking game, and have learned to like it. In Soviet America I would most of all want to apply myself to transportation (highway). Sorry to weary you with such a long letter, but I'm inside the five-page limit. Here's hoping for that Soviet America.

Comradely,
VINCENT LEONARDS.

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LITTLE LEFTY

Big Time!

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Steinmetz, Friend of U. S. S. R.

'Wizard' Was First U. S. Scientist to Greet the Revolution

By Carl Raymond

IT WAS in those turbulent years immediately after the War. The wave of discontent which had swept the peoples of all lands made the rulers fear lest the workers follow the example of the October Revolution. In America, the progressive forces were driven underground and liberal opinion was suppressed.

In Schenectady, N. Y., an insignificant, hunch-backed little man who hobbled around because his left leg was too long and who strangely resembled a hob-goblin just popped out of the forest, sat down at a table in the Spring of 1921 and wrote to the great leader of the Russian Revolution:

Dear Mr. Lenin:

I am taking the opportunity of the return of Mr. Lussoff to Russia to express to you my admiration of the great work which is directed to the building up of Socialism and economic reconstruction—the work which Russia carries on under such hard conditions. I wish you full success and express full confidence that you will succeed. And really the great undertaking started by Russia must end in success, for we cannot permit that we shall be defeated.

I shall be glad, if I am able, according to my best abilities to assist Russia in the technical sphere and particularly in the matter of electrification in a practical way and with advice.

Yours truly,
CHARLES STEINMETZ.

CHARLES PROTEUS STEINMETZ, though physically deformed from birth, had long since made a reputation for himself as one of the scientific geniuses of the twentieth century. He was known throughout the length and breadth of the world as a "Wizard of Schenectady." As chief engineer of the General Electric Laboratories, he was one of the pioneers who made possible the electrification of the world.

Steinmetz not only surpassed his contemporaries in the field of electricity, but he also realized that a better social order was necessary if mankind was to make proper use of the achievements of science. Charles Steinmetz was a Socialist.

STEINMETZ was born in Breslau, Germany, on April 9, 1855. He graduated secondary school with the highest honors in his class and

MOVIES

Film of Soviet Children
CHILDREN OF THE REVOLUTION, directed by Masludov, produced by Ukrainfilm Studios, presented by Amkino at Acme Theatre.

By J. N.

MILLIONS of workmen and their families the world over have gazed over the stories of the Soviet youth—the Soviet children—the Komsomols and the Pioneers. The commercial press some time ago ran long stories of farm youth who brought their own relatives to proletarian justice—kulak fathers who did counter-revolutionary deeds were denounced and denounced by their sons and daughters. The Children of the Future dissociated themselves from the Fragments of the Past.

These children—the inheritors of Today and the builders of tomorrow—are the subject of the interesting film—Children of the Revolution now playing at the Acme, on Fourteenth Street.

Though it is no Road to Life, it is marked by surprisingly good acting by the cast of Soviet kids. Totally devoid of self-consciousness, these masters of art at the age of 10 to 15 years go through the scenario like the veterans who have been chosen Peoples' Artists. The little Vasilinkas and Stepanas, the Mishkas and the Galkas turn in as fine a job as the adults, the Yashuks and Klmas. They are flesh and blood children—no Hollywood concoctions consisting nine-tenths of saccharine and one-tenth of tears.

The scene takes place in the countryside where the Red Army has left in the care of villagers a set of fine cavalry horses. One evil remnant of the old—Stupa—carries on his saboteur's activities, impressing his unhappy son into the work. The children, with the aid of a Red Partisan ferret out the enemy to their State—and, but see for yourself.

The story packs plenty of thrills. It is chock-full of fine shots, and the acting, as in most of the Soviet films, has Hollywood beat a thousand miles. It is well worth your while.

the highest grades achieved by any one in his school.

At the University of Breslau he achieved fame as the most brilliant mathematics student. Here he was introduced to Socialism, and, quick to realize the necessity of a new society and to transfer his beliefs into action, he joined the German Social-Democratic Party when it was an underground organization in the era of Bismarck's fanatical policies of "blood and iron."

Steinmetz became editor of the Social-Democratic organ of Breslau, "The People's Voice," after its editors were imprisoned by Bismarck's police. He directed this paper until it was suppressed. He was also elected chairman of the Socialist Society of Breslau.

It was not long, however, before the police were on the trail of the brilliant young student at the university, and finally when Steinmetz received word one night that he would be arrested the next day, he fled from Germany. After a short stay in Switzerland, he migrated to the United States.

IN America, Steinmetz was able to get a job in an electrical factory in Yonkers, and his superior intelligence soon made him the outstanding worker. His factory was finally bought by General Electric and Steinmetz became a worker for the giant corporation.

It was mainly through Steinmetz's efforts and experiments that street lighting was made possible, that transmission of currents over long distances electrified a great part of the United States, and that subway riding was made safe, for Steinmetz discovered how to prevent transmission of electricity through concrete. Railroad electrification was another problem which Steinmetz solved.

Through all his success, Steinmetz did not lose sight of the fact that there were many people in the world less fortunate than he. He remained a member of the American Socialist Party to his death.

He said in a preface to a book he wrote on economics and politics, that modern society had given him everything he wanted. "I have been successful professionally in engineering and have every reason to be personally satisfied. The only criticism I can make is that I would far more enjoy my advantages if I knew that everybody else could enjoy the same."

Steinmetz never became a scientific Socialist. He was to a large extent influenced by his environment and put forward a scheme of collectivization of the world through



CHARLES PROTEUS STEINMETZ

corporations, a scheme which never materialized.

NEVERTHELESS, Steinmetz was quick to realize the significance of the Russian Revolution for the great masses of the people. Despite all the atrocious stories and the attacks on the Bolsheviks, Steinmetz expressed his faith in the actions of the Russians. And when he heard that Lenin was contemplating electrification of Russia, he quickly offered his services to the Russian people.

When the Kuzbas Basin for the production of coal was established in the Soviet Union in 1922, Steinmetz subscribed to the project and was made a member of the American Advisory Committee. In accepting membership to this committee, he wrote,

"I am very much interested in Kuzbas and hope much from it. Everybody taking interest in the project knows or should know that it is the creation of a better world

in which he is taking part, but that he goes out into a field where he must expect hardships and disappointments, where he must organize and create."

In answering Steinmetz's offer to help Russia, Lenin sent a photograph of himself. Below the picture was a note in his own hand. Lenin thanked Steinmetz for his sympathy and regretted that the lack of relations between the United States and Russia prevented the Soviet Union from taking advantage of Steinmetz's offer. It was a great consolation, wrote Lenin, to know that at least one great scientist in the capitalist country had confidence in the development of the USSR.

Steinmetz hung the picture on the wall of his laboratory and proudly exhibited it to whoever visited him. Despite much opposition to his Socialist faith, Lenin's picture remained in the laboratory as a proud possession of the great wizard until his death in 1924.

FACTS TO KNOW

Poor Mr. Morgan!

THE power of the Morgan and Rockefeller interests, the two largest financial groupings in the United States, is evidenced by the total assets of the corporations in which they are interested. The Morgan domain, in which Rockefeller has no visible part, represented at least 48.4 billion dollars of corporation assets as of Jan. 1, 1932. The Rockefeller sphere in which the Morgan interests had no apparent part represented at least 15.3 billion dollars of corporation assets as of the same date. Both groups were represented in corporations having an additional 29.6 billion dollars of assets, about two-thirds of them under Morgan dominance. These are the careful findings of Anna Rochester, of Labor Research Association, in her important new book *Rulers of America*, just issued by International Publishers.

The total labor income of the United States, according to figures of the U. S. Department of Commerce, amounted to 31.5 billion dollars, or only one-third as much as the 93.3 billions of dollars of corporate assets controlled by the Morgan and Rockefeller groups.

Famine—Made in America

A RECENT study of national food consumption undertaken by the U. S. Department of Agriculture revealed that, even in times of so-called prosperity, the people of the United States were getting each year nearly 100 billion pounds of foodstuffs less than their real needs. Amounts of each staple food that would be required if each family in the United States had an adequate yearly diet were estimated, and these figures were then compared with the pounds of food actually produced in 1929, the peak year of Hoover's "prosperity." It was found that there was a lack or deficiency of about 13 billion quarts of milk, one and one-third billion pounds of tomatoes and citrus fruits, more than 12 billion pounds of fruits and green vegetables, two billion pounds of meat, and more than 15 billion eggs. As a nation, we were then drinking only half as much milk as the Department of Agriculture considers necessary for a proper diet!

Despite the chronic undernourishment of the American people indicated by these figures, production of foodstuffs has undergone a considerable decline since 1929. According to the Bureau of the

Census of the U. S. Department of Commerce, the value of all food products produced in the United States decreased from \$11,606,368,000 in 1929 to \$6,604,036,000 in 1933—a decline of 43 per cent. Consumption of food (as indicated in the Dept. of Commerce figures of total retail food turnover) declined from \$10,837,421 in 1929 to \$6,793,010 in 1933—a decline of 38 per cent.

Forming America's Food Habits

THE price of butter in the United States has increased from a yearly average of 27.3 cents per pound in 1933 to 31 cents in 1934, and rose to 37.9 cents by March, 1935, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U. S. Dept. of Labor. At the same time the price of oleomargarine—an inferior type of butter substitute lacking the essential butter vitamins which protect against disease—dropped somewhat, declining from 8.7 cents per pound in 1933 to 8.3 cents in 1934.

As a result of the steady upward trend in butter prices, and the comparatively steady price level for oleomargarine, increasingly larger sections of the population have given up the use of butter and transferred to the less healthful oleomargarine. Figures of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics of the U. S. Department of Agriculture show that the sale of butter (in five markets: New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Boston and San Francisco) decreased from 32.6 million pounds in January, 1934, to 48.3 million pounds in January, 1935—a decline of over 7 per cent. Sales of oleomargarine, however, have jumped from 16 million pounds in January, 1934, to 33 million pounds in the same month of 1935.

Who Pays the Sales Tax?

IT HAS been estimated that, if the sales tax is established at the rate of 2 per cent, it takes fully \$5.48 a year from the \$1,000 income of the worker.

In the case of the million-dollar income, however, a 2 per cent sales tax takes only 16 cents per \$1,000, or less than 3 per cent of the amount taken out of the worker's \$1,000. According to an estimate by *Business Week*, the burden of a sales tax that includes food is 60 times heavier on each dollar of the workers' wages than on each dollar of the multi-millionaire's income. (Source: "High Cost of Living," by Martha Thomas.)

THEATRE

Newspaper Play

POWER OF THE PRESS, By Richard Rohman. Presented by the New Theatre League at the Civic Repertory Theatre, Sunday evening, April 5.

By S. W. G.

FUNNY thing about the show last Sunday night, Dick Rohman's "Power of the Press."

The crowd, apparently equally divided between members and officers of the needle trades unions in town and Newspaper Guildsmen, was equally split in its attitude on the production.

Laughs, loud and lusty, came from the needle trades contingent; they enjoyed themselves. From the gentlemen of the press and their lady friends, restraint; they were critical. And perhaps that in itself is critique sufficient of "Power of the Press." The needle tradesmen, tickled at seeing the traditional roistering five-star-final-stop-press-I-got-the-story-of-the-year-reporter debunked, humanized and, yes, even unionized, enjoyed themselves quite thoroughly.

Perhaps there was a bit of the patronizing in the amusement of the dressmakers and furriers. Their white collar brothers and sisters, over whom they'd mourned and strained these many moons, were finally turning out all right, learning to toddle on sturdy little union legs and to prattle cute little things like "strike," "wage cut," and "son-of-a-bitchin' boss."

But there was a deeper satisfaction to them. New allies were springing up in places where they had expected to find—and had found in the past—only the indifferent—or hostile. Thus the crudities of the play, more or less obvious to the newsmen, were unimportant to the workers.

THE two scenes presented at the ancient Civic Repertory the other night dealt with the development of strike sentiment on a newspaper during and after a number of reporters have been fired for Guild activity.

There are the usual pros and cons, the rabbits vs. the fighting unionists. Strike is finally voted in an unequal, semi-historical atmosphere reminiscent of the Broadway conception of what a union meeting looks like. But, make no mistake about it, "Power of the Press" has a message, a vital one—the maturing of the newspaper workers. Racked by the crisis, thousands of them uprooted, their illusions shattered by the remorseless pressure of irresistible social forces, the men and women of the city room have begun to strike out for themselves for security and human dignity. This was Rohman's theme.

It deserves better and more careful treatment than it got. The New York workers will respond to a play on the newspaperman's coming of age. Rohman has to improve "Power of the Press" or re-write it and give us the fine, sharply-pointed, subtle dramatic vehicle the theme demands.

C.C.C. Play in Chicago

THE YOUNG GO FIRST, a play by Peter Martin and George Scudder. The Chicago Repertory Group. Foresters Theatre, April 4, 11 and 12.

By LOUISE HAMBURGER

THE Chicago Repertory Group scored a hit on Saturday night with their first performance of "The Young Go First" at Foresters Theatre, 1016 North Dearborn Street. It was a shorter version of the full-length play written by Peter Martin and George Scudder, presented in New York by the Theatre of Action last year. Charles DeShelm, director of the Chicago Repertory Group, is responsible for the adaptation. Instead of three acts, the one-acter flows on for an hour, so well done that one gets a sense of cumulative power. The set, designed by Peter Frye, formerly with the Theatre of Action, is a masterpiece of economy. Using a half-size stage, he has brought forth the contrast between military severity and outdoor freedom with fine suggestiveness.

While there are no geniuses uncovered among the actors, the group playing is excellent, and the work in character development is a definite step forward for the Chicago Repertory Group since its work in "Waiting for Lefty" and the musical review form. The direction is well-integrated, deft in mechanical coordination, and brilliant in its handling of the group on a small stage. With the exception of the "Lempy" incident, the play is brisk, snappy entertainment.

The play was accompanied on the program by a short musical review "The Innocent Bystander" in which a number of current topics were satirized with less skill than the Chicago Repertory Group usually shows in dealing with these short forms.

This program will be repeated on April 11th and 12th at Foresters Theatre, 1016 North Dearborn Street, Chicago.

Questions and Answers

Many more questions are received by this department than can be answered in the column. Many have recently been answered here or in articles in the Daily Worker. Questioners are asked to enclose self-addressed, stamped envelope for a direct reply. Address all questions to Questions and Answers, care of Daily Worker.

Question: Will you please reprint the list of the boycotts controlled by Hearst so that the boycott against them can be strengthened?—J. S.

Answer: The following is a list of Hearst newspapers:

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- Detroit Times
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 - International News Photos
 - International News Service
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NEW YORK WORKERS SCHOOL

Among the courses offered for the Spring Term are:

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Introduction to American Politics is a survey of the contemporary political scene in its setting of capitalist crisis and class struggle. The searchlight of Marxist-Leninist analysis will be thrown on the present political developments in the United States. The emergence of movements such as the Townsend Plan and the Epic Plan and the crystallization of sentiment for the building of a Farmer Labor Party and the role of the Communist Party in the struggle for the unity of the masses against capitalism and reaction will be discussed.

Social and Political Geography aims to develop an understanding of the role played by geographical facts and factors in the development of modern imperialism. It will trace the beginnings of world history through the modern epoch and show the manner in which geography has influenced its development.

This is the last week for registration. Classes begin Monday. Registration hours are from 10:00 A. M. till 9:00 P. M. daily, from 10:00 A. M. till 4 P. M. on Saturday at 35 East 12th Street, Room 301.

CHICAGO WORKERS SCHOOL

There are only a few days left for registration for the Spring Term. Former students and friends of the School are invited to visit the new attractive headquarters of the School at 330 South Wells St., Suite 610. Some of the courses offered are: Elements in Political Education, Revolutionary Traditions in American History, Current Events, Problems and Tasks facing the A. F. L., etc.

DETROIT WORKERS SCHOOL

A special eight-week discussion class in Marxism and its practical application to the vital problems of today will begin today, at 1208 Randolph Street. A special registration drive is being conducted in order to enroll as many active trade unionists and auto workers as possible with the aim of utilizing this class to develop a stronger leadership in the Detroit labor movement.

Dress Local 89 Heads, in Backing F.D.R., Spurn Will of Members

'NON-PARTISAN LEAGUE' USED AS RUSE TO STEM GROWING MOVEMENT FOR FARMER-LABOR PARTY

THE action of the officials of Dressmakers Local 89 of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union in endorsing President Roosevelt for re-election raises questions of the greatest significance for the entire labor movement.

Any average rank and file worker might be disposed to express surprise that the executive board of a union takes such an important step without consulting the membership.

His surprise would be even greater were he to learn that the International Ladies' Garment Workers Union, to which Local 89 is affiliated, is officially on record for a Labor Party and its delegates voted for the Labor Party resolution at the last A. F. of L. convention. The action of the officials of Local 89 is therefore in direct violation of the will of the membership.

The surprise of this average rank and file worker would undoubtedly mount even higher on learning that Luigi Antonini, first vice-president of the I.L.G.W.U. and general secretary of Local 89, who also issued a personal

statement backing Roosevelt, regards himself as a Socialist and is closely associated with the right-wing "Old Guard" group in the Socialist Party.

On this point, however, there is no reason for surprise. The Communist Party has repeatedly pointed out that the reactionary "Old Guard," while sabotaging the Farmer-Labor Party and bitterly opposing any united action with the Communists, are secretly collaborating with the New Deal and Fusion.

The action of the leaders of Local 89 is the first response to the attempt of certain labor officials to head off the growing movement for a Farmer-Labor Party and corral labor into the New Deal stockade through the organization of a so-called Non-Partisan Labor League.

And to trick the tens of thousands of trade unionists who are active in movements for independent political action, they have painted on the gate leading to the New Deal stockade the words: "Labor Party—1940."

Thus Mr. Antonini states that the new League "can be viewed as the nucleus of an official labor party."

In other words, the road to the Labor Party

lies through support of Roosevelt nationally, of Lehman in New York State, and of LaGuardia in New York City. All with the blessing of the "Old Guard"—and James A. Farley.

Antonini in his statement speaks of "the progressive policies of President Roosevelt"—but he doesn't mention any of them. Is it because facts speak so loudly to the contrary?

Roosevelt's strikebreaking record in the steel, auto and textile industries—to mention only three experiences—tells the bitter truth which the Antoninis do not even dare to discuss.

As for the needle trades workers, their gains under the NRA were won not through Roosevelt's generosity, but through their own organized strength and strike action. This is admitted by the semi-official Brookings Institution in its book on the NRA.

The action of the officials of Local 89 and of John L. Lewis, Sidney Hillman and the others who have launched the Non-Partisan Labor League, weakens the struggle against reaction and strikes a blow at the move-

ment for industrial unionism and the fight for labor's rights on every field.

Should they be successful in delivering the labor vote to Roosevelt, it will relieve Roosevelt of a pressure from the left and cause him to retreat even faster before the attacks of the ultra-reactionaries of the Republican-Liberty League-Hearst combination.

The rank and file of Local 89 and the entire I.L.G.W.U. should protest this high-handed attempt of their officials to steer them into the New Deal camp despite their expressed wishes to the contrary.

Let the rank and file of organized labor throughout the country speak and act by throwing all energies into the movement for a Farmer-Labor Party, locally and on a state and national scale. Progressive trade unionists who participate in conferences or units of the Non-Partisan Labor League should go down the line for a Farmer-Labor Party and for support of the resolution adopted by the convention of the Minnesota Farmer-Labor Party, looking toward national action in 1936.

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Two Big Victories

TWO big victories against reaction—the election of Mrs. Mary Zuk, People's League candidate, to the Hamtramck (Mich.) City Council; and the re-election of Mayor Hoan, Socialist, of Milwaukee.

The Hamtramck People's League will be part of the Wayne County (Detroit) Farmer-Labor Party when it is organized on April 19. With the election of Mrs. Zuk behind it, the Detroit Farmer-Labor Party can invade the citadel of Henry Ford with high confidence.

Hoan, in Milwaukee, did not put on the fighting campaign that Mrs. Zuk did. On the contrary, he conducted a red-baiting drive which equalled that of his rival, Shinnors, of the Law and Order League. He pussyfooted on the vital issues affecting the welfare of the people. He expelled that fighting Socialist, Mrs. Victor Berger, from his campaign committee because she favored a united front.

Hoan's conduct would undoubtedly have split the ranks of the labor and progressive voters. But thanks to the Communist Party and the progressive forces, this was prevented. The strike-breaking Shinnors was kept out of office.

Hoan's election should be a convincing lesson that real united action must prevail in Milwaukee and elsewhere. The proponents of the United Front should now undertake a still more serious drive to win the Socialist Party as a whole and the trade unions for united action to win their demands.

The Seamen's Fight

ARREST of Ivan Hunter, representative of the International Seamen's Union, on charges of hiring assassins at \$500 each to kill elected leaders of the subordinate sections of the I.S.U., calls renewed attention to the fight for progressive policies within that organization.

The leaders who are the alleged objects of Hunter's attack have been partially responsible for foiling Hunter's efforts, undertaken on orders of the international office of the union, to smash up the 7,000-strong Sailors Union of the Pacific, and to whip the 6,000 members of the Firemen's and Cooks' and Stewards' unions of the West coast into line.

With packed conventions, expulsions and court injunctions, the officials of the I.S.U. have attempted to break up the unity of the West Coast workers, which has won decided gains for them. These reactionary officials have allied themselves in effect with the shipbuilding interests and the government in the effort to smash the progressive forces on the West Coast.

Seamen and longshoremen on the East Coast and the Gulf can see the moral of this situation. The quicker they unite with their fellow-workers of the Pacific on the basis of their progressive program and for unity, the sooner will they be able to wage a winning fight against the anti-union shipbuilding interests, and establish an effective and democratic union.

A Dangerous Statement

IN the official journal of the United Mine Workers of America, under date of March 15, we read an astounding statement. Referring to the injunction of the United Electric Coal Co. (for which U.M.W.A. members work) against the Progressive Miners of America, and rejoicing in the action of the Supreme Court in upholding this decree, the journal says:

"It will be recalled that the Progressives rioted and committed many acts of violence resulting in destruction of property. The Circuit Court of Appeals said in its decision there was no doubt but that the company had been damaged to the extent of \$250,000. It is possible, therefore, that the Progressive organization and its membership will be required to pay this huge sum in damages. If the organization itself is unable to settle, then the homes and property of all individual members of the Progressive Miners will be liable for the money, which is not a very good prospect for Progressive members."

We warn the United Mine Workers officials against such a dangerous attitude. It will hamper the possibilities of much-needed unity in the Illinois coal fields, injuring the United Mine Workers. Such encouragement to the courts to attack the rank and file of the workers, under "Danbury Hatters" decisions, can furnish a weapon against the entire labor movement, including the U.M.W.A. itself.

No matter what the provocation, this editorial is a blot on the official attitude of the U.M.W.A.

Well, Mr. Mayor?

WHAT will Mayor LaGuardia DO? That's the problem now—what will he do about the horrible conditions in the Harlem Hospital?

He suppressed the report of his own commission on the conditions of the hospital. Of the suppression there is not the shadow of a doubt. According to the statement of Dr. Charles H. Roberts, Negro doctor on the commission, the report was submitted last December—and not last week, as the Mayor would have people believe.

Realizing the political dynamite in the report, the Mayor immediately bestirred himself into a little activity. Some few changes were made.

But nothing sweeping has been done. The Harlem Hospital is still the city's butcher shop. It is still among the most overcrowded and with the highest death rate.

It still reflects with deadly accuracy the miserable conditions under which the Negro people of Harlem must live—and die.

What will Mayor LaGuardia DO?

It Did Happen Here

THE Theatre Union has contributed one of the most powerful and gripping plays of the labor theatre in "Bitter Stream," which is now playing at the Civic Repertory Theatre.

For American audiences this dramatic story of peasants under the scourge of Mussolini might be called, "It Did Happen There." But not only there. E. B. McKinney of the Southern Tenant Farmers Union, when he saw it, said:

"I came to see a play about farmers in Italy. It is that. But to me it is also a play about tenant farmers in Arkansas."

It seems it had too much truth, passion and power for the comfortable gentlemen of the commercial press. But workers will love it for that very power, passion and truth.

This is a play for every trade unionist, every white collar worker, every professional, for every foe of fascism to see.

Party Life

By CENTRAL ORGANIZATION DEPARTMENT

Training School Student Urges More Attention to Developing Cadres

THE importance and true meaning of the slogan, "cadres decide everything," has been deeply impressed upon our minds in the light of the rapidity with which events are taking place. Each day presents new developments and new tasks which our Party cannot meet completely due to lack of trained forces. In every field of our work—trade union, unemployed, mass organizations, Negro—from every Section, comes the cry for necessary, trained forces. We are not able to utilize all of the opportunities to the best advantage by our lack of forces. In short, our mass work suffers.

Well aware of this fact, our District is conducting a Training School. We are now attending this school. We opened with a class of 16 which has been reduced to 14, 13 men, only one woman (a sad reflection on our work among women). There are in the class three Negroes, six trade unionists, three YCLERS and comrades from unemployed and mass organizations. The average age is 25. All in all, we have a good composition of students.

Although we are of varied political development, education, background and experience, we have been able to form a body working together collectively with a true spirit of Socialist competition. Our study of the principles of Marxism-Leninism has profoundly stirred us and we now more fully appreciate the necessity of its application to our daily activity. By collective and Bolshevik self-criticism, we are overcoming some of our political shortcomings and individual weaknesses. Our discussions are lively with active participation by all. Progress is visibly being made.

TWO WEEKS of training has already made us realize the great importance of political theory.

"Without revolutionary theory, there can be no revolutionary practice." Therefore, we feel that those Sections that have neglected to send comrades to the school should be criticized for their underestimation of its political importance. These very Sections that are always crying for new forces do not seem to take the opportunity to get them when they are given to them. What do these sections have to say for themselves now?

We students feel that the training we are receiving will aid us greatly when we return to practical work in our Sections. We pledge to utilize the principles we are learning to the best advantage to the Party; for the building of the Farmer-Labor party and for rallying the masses under the banner of Marx, Lenin and Stalin.

Students of Training School, Philadelphia.

NOTE:—We would like to receive more reports as to what the Districts are doing in connection with Party education, especially the measures taken with regard to the education of new members. In this connection, it would be well for every member to read and study the two articles on developing Party cadres in the March issue of the "Communist International."

RECRUITING drive results in the Pittsburgh District:

Section, Organizer	Recruited 2/15 3/1
Powers, McKeesport	20 19 20
Karpa, Baden	20 11
Carethers, Pittsburgh	20 22
A. Evanoff, Johnstown	20 11 12
Chandler, N. Kensington	20 3 4
Total Pledged	130
Recruited	70

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JUST ANOTHER "BIG FISH" STORY

by Phil Bard



NEWS ITEM: Roosevelt returns from two-week fishing trip.

World Front

By HARRY GANNES

"Good Neighbor," Batista Ley de Fuga Ethiopian War

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S "good neighbor," Col. Fulgencio Batista, pet Caribbean gunman of the National City and Chase National Banks, has dusted off Machado's favorite method of execution, ley de fuga—law of flight.

At least four supporters of "Young Cuba," an anti-imperialist organization, were foully murdered at Guanabacoa Tuesday, a few hours after they were "arrested."

Batista is looked upon as the most desirable army commander in Cuba by President Roosevelt's State Department. When Sumner Welles was in Cuba plotting counter-revolution, the Daily Worker printed a sensational confidential letter that Welles had written to a friend in New York. In that document Sumner Welles declared that American interests were backing Batista. If only he could get complete control of the situation. At that time, Roosevelt supported Sumner Welles's policy.

Now Batista has control of the real ruling force in Cuba, the army.

THE quadruple murder reveals some important factors. Constitutive government is supposed to be working in Cuba now. The elections went through as Wall Street ordered. President Jose Barnet was put into office. But still the anti-imperialist movement gains strength and continues to rally the masses against Cuba's scourge, American capitalist domination of its life and liberty. These murders prove the anti-imperialist struggle has not been terrorized into submission. They emphasize the fact that the American bankers have ordered another Machado, in an effort to crush the growing unity of the Cuban people against their new oppressors.

Bloody Machado was particularly fond of the ley de fuga. It saves time. With news from Cuba controlled by correspondents who know their jobs are at the mercy of the American banks, the facts have very little chance of getting out of the island until long after the event. The American reader is told prisoners tried to escape. They were shot while fleeing. Actually the prisoners are either told to run for their lives, or are mercilessly shot down in the police station and their bodies are dumped out on the road or on the doorstep of their homes.

Victor Allan Barron, having been tortured to death in Brazil, couldn't be accused of "trying to escape." So he "committed suicide!"

The new wave of murders and the application of the ley de fuga is meeting a rising people's front of all anti-imperialist forces. Our task is to show our Cuban brothers that they have vigilant allies in the land of Wall Street.

WHAT actually is happening in Ethiopia is difficult to estimate. Only the broadest generalizations can be made. For example, a person anxious to report the truth of events from Addis Ababa, would find it impossible due to lack of means of communication with the front. Most of the news in the American capitalist press comes from Italian sources in Asmara, Eritrea, Italian colony, or directly from that imperialist source, the Rome War Office.

The latest message from Emperor Haile Selassie declared that the Ethiopian people will fight to the end. Bitterness is expressed against the League of Nations for promising much and doing nothing. At first, British imperialism favored sanctions. France held off, thanks to Laval. Only the Soviet Union followed a consistent policy of fighting for complete, immediate and collective sanctions.

The Italians claim great gains and the virtual annihilation of the main forces of Ethiopia in the North. Important advances they have made, especially by way of the back door in the Gondar, Lake Tana region, which was supposed to have been sealed by the British. Now they are heading for the only railroad, from both north and south, hoping to reach it before the heavy rainy season sets in. They may reach their objective. But it will be over their heads.

Letters From Our Readers

Help Borden Co. Workers Save Their Union

Astoria, L. I.
Editor, Daily Worker:
I wonder if your readers are aware of the fine opportunity we all have right now to do something directly to help the cause of unionism. I refer to the situation of the Borden milk drivers.

The company refuses to renew its contract with the union and a strike is imminent. We all know what that would mean. Hundreds of people who have been taking Borden's milk, learning of the situation, have notified the company to stop deliveries until the management signs an agreement with the drivers' union—and with the A. F. of L. union, not any company union.

Could you not get this word out to your readers and urge them to spread the idea as widely as they can? Here is a chance for us to help the workers save their union and avoid a strike.

I was told yesterday by an inspector sent by the company to find out why we had discontinued service that the management is getting alarmed over the flood of cancellations coming in.

Asks 'Daily' to Provide Facts on Minimum Wage Law

New York, N. Y.
Editor, Daily Worker:
Pending the outcome of the appeal to the Supreme Court on the legality of the Minimum Wage Law, I hope your editorial columns will continue to keep the facts of the case before your readers. We cannot allow a piece of forward-looking legislation designed to protect the underprivileged from being junked by a group of selfish, rotten capitalists. We are weak-spined suckers if we do.

Mrs. Pinchot's Campaign on the Picket Line

Philadelphia, Pa.
Editor, Daily Worker:
Mrs. Gifford Pinchot, wife of former Governor Pinchot of Pennsylvania, running for Congress for the Fifth Congressional District, held a meeting in the neighborhood of the S. L. Allen Company plant (farm implements and flexible flier sleds), taking the attention of the strikers from their picket line while she expounded her interest in their struggles.

The workers haven't forgotten Mrs. Pinchot's endorsement of 15 cent meals. If, as she claims, she believes in labor having decent wages, why did she, together with Mrs. Roosevelt and Mrs. Perkins, pretend to enjoy a 15 cent meal and broadcast in the press that workers could live on such standards? The workers can readily see through her trick to draw them from their own party, a labor party, and keep them tied to the two capitalist parties, Republican and Democrat.

Quoting a striker, one of those who heard Mrs. Pinchot, "These politicians aren't fooling us like they used to. We've had a bitter struggle against the bosses and their terror these past few years with the most promising politician in the White House this country had ever known and he's turned out head man in the political ring for the capitalist parties. These other ones are just cheap imitations, so we're not voting for false promises. We're going to vote the labor ticket and put our own men in next election, and quit electing these political self-seekers who betray us repeatedly in our struggles with the capitalists."

S. L. ALLEN CO. STRIKER.

AMERICANISM

"Americanism, as we understand it, means to appropriate for our country all the best achievements of the human mind in all lands. Just as the men who wrote the Declaration of Independence had been nurtured upon the French Encyclopedists and the British classical political economists, so the men who will write our modern declaration of independence of a dying capitalist system must feed themselves upon the teachings of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin, the modern representatives of human progress."—EARL BROWDER in his book, "What Is Communism?" Price fifty cents.