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WEATHER: Fair and colder; fresh west winds changing to southwest. EASTERN N. Y. STATE: Fair and colder in southern portions; colder and snow flurries in north.

NAZIS SEIZE THIRD SHIP, SPUR WAR CRISIS; SPAIN DEFIES THREATS, WILL DEFEND SELF

Map Strike in 69 Auto Plants

TO TAKE ACTION IF G.M. REFUSES THE DEMANDS

C.I.O. Leader Pledges Backing in Fight on General Motors

FLINT, Mich., Jan. 3.—More than 300 leaders and active workers of the United Automobile Workers of America in locals of most of General Motors' 69 plants, in a conference at Pengeley Building here today, adopted seven demands to be presented to the corporation as a basis for nationwide collective bargaining.

STRATEGY BOARD NAMED

A board of strategy with power to call a general strike was created. Upon it are Brophy and Glen McCabe, president of the Federation of Flat Glass Workers, another C.I.O. affiliate now conducting a strike of 14,500 glass workers.

LAYOFF ANNOUNCED

As the workers met in this city, William S. Knudsen, executive vice-president of General Motors, announced from the general office at Detroit that G.M.C. will be forced to close down plants employing 135,000 workers by next Saturday because of the dwindling supply of materials.

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Gulf Seamen Win Pay Rise On Tankers

Vote to Return on All Tankers—Cargo Ships Still on Strike

HOUSTON, Tex., Jan. 3.—One phase of the marine strike on the Gulf Coast ended tonight when seamen voted to return to work aboard all oil tankers.

Simpson Arrives -- Greeted by Seamen

American Seaman Imprisoned by Hitler's Agents Returns on S.S. Roosevelt, Refusing to Work As Scab on Trip from Hamburg

(See interview with Lawrence Simpson on Page 4)

(By United Press)

Lawrence B. Simpson, Seattle sailor, arrived third class yesterday aboard the S. S. President Roosevelt from Germany where he had spent nearly 18 months in prison for distributing Communist literature.

Flint Busmen Parley to Settle 3-Week Strike

FLINT, Mich., Jan. 3.—This city of 150,000, the scene of two strikes in General Motors plants and of a crucial meeting of United Automobile Workers executives, is tied up by a bus drivers' strike.

McGrady Confers With Perkins on Maritime Strike

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3 (UP).—Assistant Secretary of Labor Edward P. McGrady returned to the Capital today from California where he sought to mediate the maritime strike, still confident that a solution of the controversy can be found.

Hungry Kansas Farmers Assemble In Topeka to Demand Food, Jobs

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 3.—Nearly 300 farm families in the surrounding county here are starving! Some of them a part of the 10,000 farmers who were cut off of WPA in the recent project slashes, they assembled in this city all last week demanding that they, their children and their live-stock be fed.

ALLIANCE SET FOR WPA PARALY ON SATURDAY

Will March to Garden for Meeting Against Project Layoffs

Encouraged by the United States Conference of Mayors' report on inadequacy of WPA appropriations, the Workers Alliance of New York yesterday pushed preparations for the Jan. 9 demonstration and the Jan. 15 march to Washington to protest layoffs and to demand expansion of WPA.

PAINTERS CALL WPA PROTEST

Ask 100,000 in Building Trades to Join Drive Against Job Loss

More than 100,000 skilled laborers affiliated with the 19 A. F. of L. unions in the Building Trades Council of Greater New York have been called upon to join in a city-wide campaign against layoffs of their fellow mechanics on WPA.

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After Fascist Bombing



Though fascist Gen. Franco and his mercenaries try to cloak their attack upon the Spanish people under a lying crusade for religion, rebel soldiers bombard places of worship, as shown in this photo of a ruined church in Madrid.

Spain's Envoy Speaks At Garden Tonight

Four Ambulances to Be Presented to de los Rios —Trade Unions Expect to Pack Meeting —British Writer to Speak

Every worker who wants to protect his trade union, every progressive, every liberal, every one who knows the danger of the bloody fascist scourge spreading throughout the world from Rome and Berlin and Burgos—should be at Madison Square Garden tonight!

3 VETERANS FROM SPAIN ARRIVE HERE

Spanish Delegates Were Received by Cardenas in Mexico City

A boy, 23, and a girl, 24, and a youthful woman of 40—three seasoned troopers of the Spanish People's Army who lived through a hundred lifetimes in the stirring July days when the fascist revolt was smashed in Catalonia—reached New York yesterday on their way back to Barcelona.

Mexico Will Continue Sending Arms to Spain

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 3.—The Mexican government will export war materials of its own manufacture to the Spanish government, but not materials made in the United States, according to a note reported to have been handed the U. S. ambassador here today.

Refuses to Release Contraband Cargo

Foreign Minister Announces Spain Will Defend Its Shipping—Coastal Guns Are Moved Into Bilbao to Protect the City

EUROPEAN SITUATION

- 1. Nazi cruiser Koenigsberg captures two more Spanish ships and served ultimatum on the Government in Valencia that it would continue seizures unless the fascist war cargo on the Palos were surrendered.
2. Spanish Government rejected ultimatum, refused to surrender the Palos cargo and refused to deal with Nazi captain.
3. Foreign Minister Julio del Vayo at Valencia announced Spain would defend shipping by force against Nazis. Plane patrol and long range guns established on Biscayan coast.
4. British Government protests to Franco against shelling of British ship. Ship escaped.
5. Spanish Ambassador at Paris charged attacks on Spanish ships were act of war and prepared to bring case before League of Nations and Hague Court with demand for sanctions against Germany.
6. Italian army contingent of 6,000 wearing Italian uniforms proceeding from Cadiz to Seville.
7. Unexplained migration of Spanish aristocrats from Seville to Gibraltar with rumors of impending uprising against fascists.
8. Wanton shelling by fascists of Sunday strollers in Madrid killed a man, a woman and a child. Madrid front unchanged.
9. Workers' section of Malaga bombed in air raid, with many killed and much destruction of dwelling houses.
10. Loyalists capture more ground at Caspe and Villaverde.
11. Spanish Ambassador to Mexico on way to Washington.
12. British-Italian "gentlemen's agreement" signed and published.

By Burdette Bolton (United Press Staff Correspondent)

VALENCIA, Spain, Jan. 3.—The Spanish government tonight rejected an ultimatum from the commander of the German cruiser, Koenigsberg, to surrender the seized cargo of the steamer Palos.

Foreign Minister Julio Alvarez del Vayo publicly warned that if the German vessel undertook further reprisals—as it threatened—the government would fight back to the limit of its strength.

The Government Press Department in a formal communique said it had "examined the situation and declined to accept the proposals of the German Admiral owing to the wide disparity between the exercise of legitimate rights and the realization of an act of aggression and war."

ANOTHER SHIP SEIZED

"Neither will the government reply directly to the Admiral, not only because of the improper form in which his message was sent, but also because of the tone, which is only suitable to the treatment reserved for colonies."

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Britain Hits Ship Seizure; Italy Sends More Troops

HENDAYE, Franco-Spanish Frontier, Jan. 3.—The British government tonight directed its ambassador to Spain, Sir Henry G. Chilton, to protest to the Spanish fascists against an attack on the British merchant ship, Black Hill.

The protest, it was understood, will be sent directly to General Francisco Franco.

While the protest was being prepared the German Official News Agency (DNB) in Berlin and the Black Hill's owners in Newcastle, England, denied earlier reports that the ship had been halted by the German cruiser Koenigsberg.

The Black Hill was fired upon by a Spanish fascist trawler in the Bay of Biscay as it was proceeding from Bayonne to Santander to load ore.

Italy Sends 6,300 More to Spain GIBRALTAR, Jan. 3 (UP).—A large influx of Italian troops into Spain was reported from reliable sources today.

Bare Italian Fascist Terror on Mallorca BARCELONA, Spain, Jan. 3.—The government news agency here stated in a recent issue that it had a telegram from unimpeachable sources giving conditions of horrible cruelty and terror in Palma de Mallorca, in the Balearic Islands. This region is occupied by Italian regular troops, aiding the Spanish fascists. The telegram stated, in part:

"Without fear of denial and for the information of all civilized people, you can state that until the 16th of November, 3,250 people have been murdered by the Fascists in Palma de Mallorca. "Bodies found on the roads have their eyes torn out, or other mutilations made by sabres. "Six thousand workers are in jail today in danger of their lives. "Hunger and terror stalk in Mallorca, by order of Count Rossi." (Count Rossi is the assumed name of the Italian fascist leader in the Balearic Islands.)

COLUMN LEFT!

Neither Living Nor Dead General Motors Is Sore Who's Destroying Business?

By Harrison George

A scientist, Dr. Stanley, whose research is subsidized by Rockefeller, gets a \$1,000 prize and lots of glory for discovering protein molecules in diseased tobacco...

We resent this. Not only because we need that \$1,000 more than he, but because we discovered things neither alive nor dead long before he did.

Stanley got that dough, moreover, for a couple of wild guesses, which may or may not turn out. He guesses, first, that animal molecules, which he admits knowing nothing about, might, just might, act like the plant molecules he does know about...

But, shucks, we beat that long ago!

Take the U. S. Constitution, for example. The First Amendment, about free speech, press and assembly. Is it living, dead, or both? The Second Amendment, which states that, as a guarantee of freedom—the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed—that Amendment must be living with the rest, yet it is as dead as ten thousand state laws (the Sullivan Act for one) and city ordinances can make it.

Getting around to that something new that evolution surprises us with, why, the Constitution in the hands of the Supreme Court does that better than any Rockefeller scientist's guesses.

The Nine Old Skinfinks who let the other Amendments we mention die on their feet, take the very one (the Fourth), supposed to insure life, liberty and property, and give us something no Founding Father imagined of any protein molecule can duplicate.

From that Amendment, the Supreme Court pull such tricks as decisions that child labor is swell, low wages for women a great idea, taxes on the rich a crime and laws to correct all this "unconstitutions."

"COLLECTIVE bargaining," says Mr. Knudsen of General Motors, "cannot be justified if one party, having seized the plant, holds a gun at the other party's head."

Right-o, Mr. Knudsen. So the auto workers refuse to allow you to be that "one party" who, having seized the plant, would hold the gun of gangsters and professional scabs to their heads and declare that there wasn't any strike at all and so why bargain collectively or any other way.

"Such strikers," Mr. Knudsen adds about the sit-downers, "are clearly trespassers and violators of the law of the land."

Tut, tut, Mr. Knudsen. How are you going to turn out autos, how have you been turning out autos, except by having these "trespassers" in the precise spots where they are—each at his factory bench?

Have they become "violators of the law of the land" solely because they want certain things from you before they put their power to labor to production effort? If so, then a refusal to sell labor at the price offered by the purchaser is the supposed "offense"—not trespassing.

But, in the law, the Constitution, it is written that—"involuntary servitude, except as punishment for crime, whereof the party shall have been duly convicted"—is prohibited.

You may be mad as a wet hen, Mr. Knudsen, but you better think up something better than what you have so far.

WHEN the seamen went on strike, the ship-owners wailed—indeed, they set all walls—that the strikers were set on "destroying trade."

"Look!" they cried. "The reds are behind all this. They want to destroy all business, paralyze trade and thus create disorder. Nice gentlemen like our Mr. Orange and Mr. Ryan would never, never do such a thing. They, heaven bless 'em, want tradesmen to trade, business men to do business, and ships to sail loaded over the wide waters."

F.D.R. DRAFTS EMBARGO ON WAR GOODS

Amendment Will Block Spain from Buying Supplies Here

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—The last week of negotiations between the President and the leaders in House and Senate to draft emergency and permanent embargo plans has begun.

Chairman Key Pittman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and Sam D. Reynolds of the House Foreign Affairs Committee have final conferences with President Roosevelt scheduled within the next few days.

They are all agreed on rushing through Congress an amendment to the present temporary neutrality act, which will make it possible to deprive the legal Loyalist government of Spain of its right to buy supplies here.

AFTER THAT, the White House, according to best available reports, will ask for a new law providing for:

1. Strict embargo on arms, munitions and actual implements of war to belligerent nations, and to factions engaged in civil war whenever, in the President's discretion, there is danger of the U. S. becoming involved.

(Some of those opposing discretionary power of the President point out that this destroys neutrality, and would give the President, in case a revolt broke out against the Fascist Batista of Cuba, for instance, the right to supply arms to Batista to maintain this hireling of American sugar companies in power.)

2. Discretionary authority for the President to restrict all commerce with belligerents to "normal" levels, or if he believes necessary to preserve neutrality, ban American vessels from transporting to nations at war specific commodities that might be used for war purposes, such as food, cotton, oil, steel and copper.

3. Strict prohibition against loans for war purposes.

4. Strict ban against Americans working on ships of belligerents.

5. A Senate bill, introduced by Gerald P. Nye, E. N. D. and Arthur H. Vandenberg, R., Mich., plans to fight against allowing the President "discretionary power."

McReynolds in a statement today upheld the proposed "discretionary" provision as a means of checking "attacks by a well supplied country on one poorly supplied, but which might be supplied by the U. S."

Spanish Press Not Aware Of Plan to Stop Planes

MADRID, Jan. 3.—The Spanish press, which was informed of the action of the U. S. State Department in permitting the sale of nearly \$3,000,000 worth of airplanes to the Spanish government but not yet aware of the Washington administration's schemes to stop the shipment, are full of expressions of gratitude to the American people.

Spanish papers point out that recognition of the fact that the Spanish government is the only belligerent in the popularly elected democratic government of Spain, and has a right to buy supplies wherever it wishes—was long overdue.

But the Spanish press with expressions of the utmost friendliness to Washington (pathetic under the circumstances) hails the "bold act" of the American government as "justice at last."

Most touching of all was the letter to Claude G. Bowers, American Ambassador, from all Madrid's house committees (groups formed in every residence to warn of Fascist bombing raids on civilians). The letter, showing that the citizens were still under the impression that Washington was recognizing their government's rights, read:

"We undersigned, who are defending democracy, liberty, culture and justice on our blood-spattered soil and who are suffering the horrors of war... would like you, as the representative of the United States, to send an effusive salute to your country for the recognition and aid of the plight of the Spanish people and expressing all gratitude from the people of Spain."

THEY GET REPORTS ON NEW SOVIET PROGRESS



Tremendous new gains have been reported by Soviet industry. Shown above at the recent historic Eighth (Special) Congress of Soviets are Budenny, Stalin, Molotov, Voroshilov, and Litvinov voting for the final text of the new Soviet Constitution.

Unrest Grows In Franco's Fascist Army

Aristocrats Flee from Seville to Gibraltar—Fearing Action

GIBRALTAR, Jan. 3 (UP)—Possibility that some serious trouble is impending in Seville was seen here today in the arrival from that rebel-controlled city of a large number of Spanish aristocrats apparently very anxious to leave their country.

The influx started after midnight and was continuing today. Arrivals, carrying mattresses and blankets like any poor war refugees, included the Marquesses of Merito, Puebla de Paraga, Campoplano and Delvino and the Duke and Duchess of Almazan.

Fears were expressed by the aristocrats over possibility of some outbreak in Seville when their departure becomes known there.

GIBRALTAR, Jan. 3.—The Duke of Almazan and several others of the Spanish aristocrats arriving here today sought to head off any report of danger to the Fascists in Seville by announcing that they came "only to buy cigars and champagne."

REGULARS NOT FIGHTING

Indications that trouble is brewing in Spain, the army of General Franco have been increasing for some time.

It has been observed by many foreign correspondents and military experts that the Fascist high command has struck each of its blows with foreign troops—the professional Foreign Legion and the Moors, Italians and Nazi Germans.

Nine-tenths of the regular Spanish army was attached by order of its officers to the Fascist forces, but the old regular army has been used only as garrisons—it has not been trusted in the front lines.

UNREST IN LEGION

To this picture must be added disillusion and consequent defeatism of the Fascist Foreign Legion (as distinct from the Italian and German troops acting under their own command).

This foreign legion, made up of Spanish criminals and the scum of Europe has been very heavily battered, especially in the siege of Madrid. Hugh Slater, Madrid Correspondent of International Press Correspondence reported that the Edgar Andre battalion of the government's International Brigade occupied part of a house in which Moors and the Fascist foreign legion held the other part.

SOVIET SHIP BACK

Soviet Industries Top Production Quotas

Reports of Commissariats Show Unprecedented Gain in All Branches of Heavy and Light Industries—Overfulfillment of Plans Is Recorded

MOSCOW, Jan. 3.—Topping a long list of other recently announced victories on the economic front came the report of four leading People's Commissariats today that they surpassed scheduled production in 1936, and did it ahead of time.

The report of these four, which hold key positions in the economic structure of the Soviet Union, was made officially to Vyacheslav M. Molotov, chairman of the Council of People's Commissars, and to Joseph Stalin, General Secretary of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union.

The People's Commissariats reporting this victory are: Heavy Industry, under Grigori K. Orjonikidze; Railroads, under Lazar M. Kaganovich; Food Industry, under Anastas I. Mikoyan; Light Industry, under Isidor E. Lyubimov.

INCREASES SHOWN

At the same time, announcement was made that the local industry of the Russian Soviet Federated Socialist Republic, the largest of the eleven republics making up the Soviet Union, had completely fulfilled its plan for the year.

The value of the products of Heavy Industry during the first eleven months of 1936 amounted to \$1,413,000,000 rubles (one ruble is 20 cents American). Twenty-six per cent increase in production last year over the preceding year had been planned for heavy industry. But the first eleven months of 1936 showed a 34.1 per cent increase over the same period of 1935.

FOOD INDUSTRY

Passenger traffic during the year was 52,000,000,000 passenger miles, which is 109 per cent of the yearly plan and 112 per cent compared with the previous year. The number of passengers carried during the year was 990,800,000. As far as passenger traffic goes, the Second Five Year plan is already fulfilled.

Light industry, which means manufactured food products, canned or packed foods, baked bread, etc., or vegetables transported to the cities) production leaped 29.6 per cent over that of the year before.

Mexicans Oppose Allowing Trotsky Refuge in Country

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 3.—The Mexican Popular Front, the Society of Friends of the U. S. R., the Communist Party of Mexico and many trade unions are recorded by the Press Department of the Workers University here as protesting the arrival of Leon Trotsky.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Tokio Schools Train Youth For War Roles

Upper Class Students Only Instructed For Air Force

TOKIO, Jan. 3.—A 14-year-old school boy was shot in the abdomen here recently by accident. But the incident served to call attention to the militarization of the youth, part of the Japanese system of army training.

The Imperial University here and several other schools have combined forces to build an air club and the ruling class youth will train themselves as pilots and bombers to assist the army.

PREDICTS FASCIST COUP

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3 Trainmen Die in Crash Near Montreal

Blinding Snow Held Cause of Accident to Freight

MONTREAL, Jan. 3 (UP)—Canadian National Railway officials opened an inquiry today into a crash late last night which killed three trainmen and injured several passengers.

A passenger train bound from Sherbrooke to Montreal ploughed into the rear of a standing freight train in a blinding snow storm at Strossville, Quebec.

The dead are W. H. Carvell, engineer of the passenger train, J. E. Brady, conductor of the freight, and F. Cheny, brakeman of the freight.

African Labor Aids Spain

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa, Jan. 3 (FP)—Solidarity with the government in Spain is shown by formation of the Friends of the Spanish Republic to which the South African Trades Union Council has sent two official representatives.

Vargas Plots Coup For Fascist Rule

Isobel Walker Soule Reveals Brutalities of Child Labor, Suppression of Liberties Under Dictator Who Imprisoned Luis Prestes

They've got a swell Constitution in Brazil—but it's suspended.

Some fine scientists are at work in Brazil—but they don't dare open their mouths about their mouths about the ravages of disease on children of slave-wage workers.

They have elections in Brazil—but one is scheduled in January, 1938, for the Presidency—but Dictator Getulio Vargas has kept the country under martial law nearly the whole time he's been in office.

Newspapers are printed in Brazil, and foreign correspondents are allowed to work—but there is a military censor in every office.

It is in that South American country, ruled by political terrorism, that Luis Carlos Prestes, popular hero of the Brazilian people, is in prison, ill, and uncommunicado.

PRESTES' BABY STOLEN

"And only the mass protests of people in those countries where there are still vestiges of Democratic liberty can save Prestes and hundreds of other political prisoners, most of them liberals, now in the Vargas dungeons," Isobel Walker Soule, American journalist, recently returned from Brazil, told the Daily Worker yesterday.

Mrs. Soule, who went to Brazil commissioned by the Joint Committee for Defense of the Brazilian People, is taking a leading part in the campaign to free Prestes. She has been making speeches over the radio, addressing various organizations, writing articles urging mass support for the Free Prestes movement.

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WAGES LOW

"A natural corollary of the entire set-up in Brazil is the maintenance of a lot of cheap labor," Mrs. Soule added, "something which of course directly affects American labor. Wages run from 14 to 46 cents a day."

FROM BRYAN TO STALIN

covers a world period that saw the dawn of a workers' society, a turn from the past to the working out of the future. It is the title of a forthcoming book by a beloved American labor leader.

THE TRAGEDY OF CHILD LABOR

By Harry Raymond

Earl Browder surveys a troubled world in an article specially written for the

CELEBRATE THE 13th ANNIVERSARY OF THE DAILY WORKER CONCERT and MEETING FRIDAY, JANUARY 8th - 8:15 P.M. OLYMPIA ARENA, Broad & Bainbridge Sts. JOSEPH FREEMAN, Main Speaker

3 Children Burn to Death in Tenement

Death-Trap Housing Conditions Exposed by C.P. Leader at Hearings—Negroes Suffer Most in Structures Unfit for Habitation

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 3.—Tragic confirmation of the Communist Party's charges that thousands live in unsafe houses came Saturday in the statement of Coroner Charles Hersh that the three children who burned to death in a New Year's Eve blazed lived in a fire trap. The three children—Dolores Kessler, three years old; her brother, Frederick, four, and Theresa Gallagher, 14—died in a fire at 4931 Portico Street. Today, Fred Whitman, a WPA worker, was burned to death in his home in Lower Merion township.

Carl Reeve, district educational director of the Communist Party, appeared at two public hearings, conducted by Mayor Wilson's investigating committee and a group of state legislators, after seven members of Negro families were killed when two hand-box houses in the slums collapsed.

HOUSES 100 YEARS OLD
"Vandalism" of the tenants was blamed by the Real Estate Board as the cause of the collapse.

Reeve characterized this charge as a slander on the Negro people, and, pointing out that the houses involved were more than 100 years old, charged that the real cause was the death-trap quality of the structures and the dangerous slum conditions permitted by the city.

The real estate men who packed the hearing did not use the word "Negro," but everybody knew that Negro tenants were involved in their accusations that the houses collapsed because tenants had ripped parts off the building.

Reeve raised the question of the notorious discrimination against Negroes, demanding it cease and calling for real enforcement of equal rights.

Legislators received Reeve's statement with interest, asking many questions relating to the Communist Party proposal, which urged an immediate slum-clearance program.

\$50,000,000 ASKED
An appropriation of \$50,000,000, to be provided by Federal and local funds, was the first point in the Communist Party's suggested program to build new houses and repair liveable dwellings for persons now forced to occupy condemned structures.

The Party called for endorsement of the Scott Housing Bill which provides a 10-year federal housing program to erect 10 million low-rental dwellings.

The bill has been approved by the American Federation of Labor.

Increase of rent allowances for relief clients and WPA workers, endorsement of the Workers Alliance demands for a \$1,250,000,000 deficiency relief appropriation, suspension of all evictions and sheriff-sales in the State, and end to discrimination against Negroes, were among other points on the Party's program.

Emergency exists in Philadelphia, the Party statement read by Reeve, said in part. "Thousands are crowded into dilapidated slums. We call attention to the statement of the noted English housing expert, Dr. Margaret Miller, who stated, after a nationwide survey, 'Philadelphia is the site of the worst slums in the country.'"

NEGROES HIT WORST
"The City-Wide Housing Committee as long as a year ago reported publicly that while there were 50,000 unoccupied buildings in the city, at the same time there are 31,471 structures which are considered unfit for use, and are overcrowded with occupants. More than 47,000 structures do not have proper heating facilities.

"More than 23,000 do not have proper lighting facilities. Nearly 34,000 do not have an indoor water vault, and 12,500 dwellings do not even have a privy vault and occupants must use their neighbors' privies.

"These conditions fall most heavily upon the Negro people, who are charged high rents, crowded together and segregated in disgraceful slum conditions. More than 26,000 families have doubled up and are sharing family accommodations. It is necessary for the City Administration and the State legislature to halt immediately these disgraceful conditions, an open scandal in the eyes of the world, and endangering the lives of thousands and condemning the Negro people of this town to live like animals."

Jobless Trial Set
VANCOUVER, B. C., Canada, Jan. 3 (FP).—Fred Grange and Harry Molland, sentenced to two years in the penitentiary Nov. 13 on charges of rioting, have been released on bail bonds of \$2,000 each, and their appeal will be held Jan. 16. They were among 200 persons who demanded relief. Defense is being carried on by the Single Unemployed Protective Assn., in conjunction with the Youth Defense Committee and the Canadian Labor Defense League. Twenty-five thousand signatures demanding the release of the two men have been collected.

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HELP WANTED
ROUTE CARRIER: deliver Daily and Sunday Worker to homes; must reside vicinity Grand Concourse, Bronx. Apply before 1 P.M., Room 201, 50 E. 13th Street.

1 ROOM IDLE
One of the two rooms stands idle because the county can only hire one teacher for the area. Fifty or sixty of you are crowded into one class, although you range in ages and grades. The teacher, consequently, has to teach six different grades at one time.

There are no blackboards and you share a book with three or four other students. In one Arkansas county a law prohibits a teacher from promoting you unless you buy a full set of schoolbooks—a wasteful stunt originated by the publishers. You can't afford books, so you remain in one grade two or even three years.

DO NOT HAVE SHOES
You are one of 110,000 Negro children enrolled in Arkansas' schools, but the state admits only half of you to attend classes because you don't have shoes or warm clothes, and your mother has no lunch to make before you begin the long two or three-mile trek to school.

Thirty-two per cent of the total Negro enrollment is in the first

PICKETS HIT EVICTIONS

Tenants picketed the Central Savings Bank, 14th St. and Fourth Ave., Saturday, in protest against mass evictions. They demanded full compliance with the new multiple dwelling laws.



City Council of Kenosha Hits WPA Layoffs

Sharp Protest to Hopkins Unanimously Passed
KENOSHA, Wis., Jan. 3.—The Common Council of Kenosha at its last regular meeting unanimously adopted a sharply worded resolution protesting the dismissal of 335 WPA workers in Kenosha.

The resolution was directed to Harry Hopkins and H. W. Torkelson, Wisconsin WPA director. The Trades and Labor Council of Kenosha, together with the Workers Alliance and the Common Laborers Union is sponsoring a mass meeting Monday in Moose Hall for all WPA workers to plan organization of all WPA projects, to fight lay-offs and to secure higher wages.

The resolution adopted by the City Council states that there are over "thirteen thousand persons dependent of relief or the income from WPA employment in Kenosha County" or approximately 20 per cent of the total population.

Deny Hearing
SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 3 (FP).—The California Supreme Court has denied rehearing of a test case involving the constitutionality of the unemployment reserves act, tied up with the national social security law.

Win Union Hiring
PORT ARTHUR, Ont., Jan. 3 (FP).—An agreement between the Port Arthur milk drivers' local and the Thunder Bay Cooperative Dairy has been signed after weeks of negotiation. The agreement, to be in effect until April 30, 1937, calls for the employment of all men through the union and for an 8-hour day.

Arkansas Schools Worst In Country, Says Official
By Rex Pitkin
Shamelessly, brazenly, the Arkansas Commissioner of Education admits that the school system of the state is the worst in the country. . . . "Arkansas," he blandly declares, "ranked last, or nearly last, in a number of the most important factors" in education. There is no hope, he says, "no particular encouragement for the future. . . . In fact, there is a definite backward trend." He turns his back and locks the door. The semi-feudal plantation barons, who do not know yet that slavery is abolished, slip the key into their collective pocket. For them the problem is settled.

But suppose you are the 12-year-old son of a Negro sharecropper in the Arkansas delta or in the Ozark hill country. Suppose each Spring, Summer and Fall you worked side by side with your father and mother, sisters and brothers on the rich, fenced soil close by the Mississippi or on the rocky, unproductive clay further West.

TEACHERS SUFFER
Your Negro teachers are as much exploited as your sharecropper fathers. Some of your instructors receive only \$25 a month, and some of your schools are open only three months a year—the three months when there is no work for you in the cotton fields.

In four years the per capita cost for each student, Negro and white, dropped as follows: \$43.55, \$34.07, \$23.21 and \$21.79. The national average was more than four times the last figure, the average expenditure for each student nationally being \$97.57.

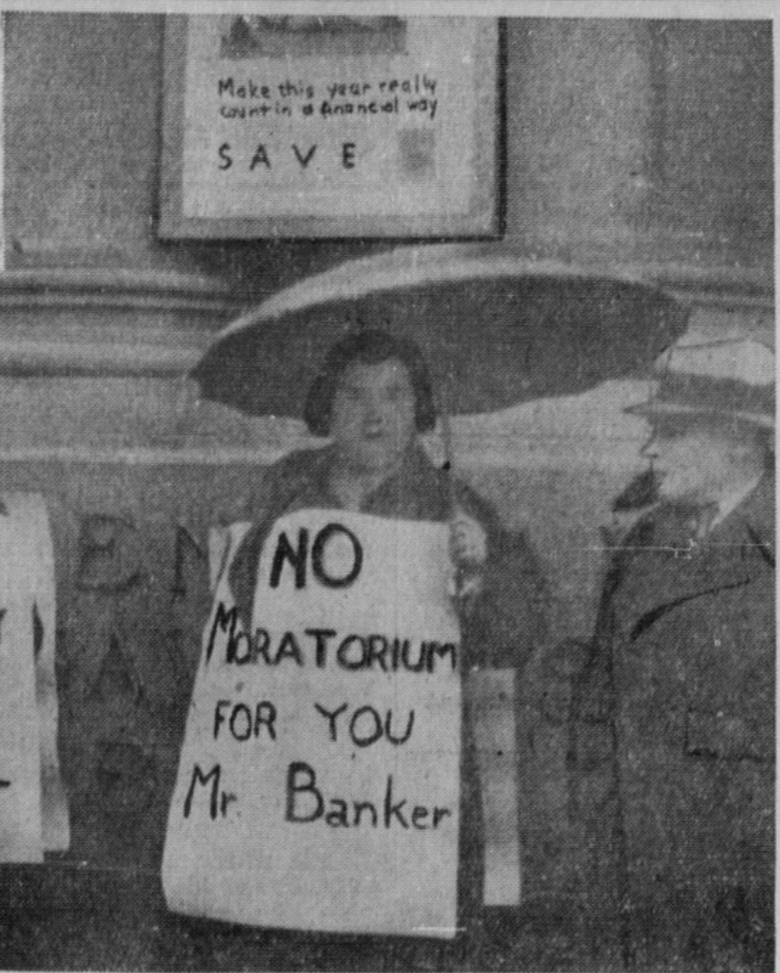
School teachers' salaries, Negro and white, including the relatively high salaries of principals, dropped in four years from \$730 to \$480, while the national average was \$1,417, a remarkably low figure.

60-DAY YEAR
In one school district the Negro school year was only 60 days long. Seventy-seven per cent of all Negro teachers have no college training and only 3.5 per cent are college graduates. Such is the tragic plight of Negro school teachers who are fast learning that the one way to a decent standard of living is through organization into the American Federation of Teachers.

JOIN UNION
"I know now what to do," a Negro teacher told me, "I saw how my brothers were helped through joining the Southern Tenant Farmers' Union."

And parents, sickened by the unspeakable conditions of the educational system, know that they must throw the Democratic leaders—spokesmen for the planter interests—out of office. They are beginning to realize that only their own party, a party of workers and farmers, will lift the educational standard to the level of the Northern states.

The Southern Tenant Farmers' Union last year endorsed the Farmer-Labor Party. The Arkansas Communists are constantly devoting their time to explaining how the people can shatter the nefarious poll tax law and build their own political party.



Rent Strike Hits Bar On Jewish Tenants

"No Jews Wanted."
The landlady of 3029 Cruger Ave., Bronx, didn't hang out a sign, but she did everything else she could think of to harass her Jewish tenants and attempt to force them to move. Tenants' children were called names, rents were raised, repairs left unattended.

When the Tenants Protective League stepped in, she bluntly told them Jews are not wanted in her house. Dispossess notices had already been served.

A rent strike was organized when the landlady wouldn't listen to reason. Collective action won. Yesterday, the League announced a complete victory—withdrawal of the dispossess proceedings, a signed agreement guaranteeing no rent raises, making of necessary repairs and payment of the strike expenses.

The League has called on all tenants in the Bronx who have trouble of the same kind, or are otherwise abused by landlords, to communicate with the League office, 2545 Wallace Avenue.

Churches Hit Planned Cut Of Relief Funds

Say Cut in Funds Means Slash of 800,000 from WPA Rolls
Calling the attention of churchmen to "the crisis in work relief," the Council for Social Action of the Congregational and Christian Churches of America, in a special bulletin sent today to associates of the Council by the director, Hubert C. Herring, protested the threatened cut in work relief appropriations.

The Council stated that the Administration's proposal that Congress appropriate only \$500,000,000 for the WPA program was \$250,000,000 less than the Conference of Mayors believed to be necessary to carry the work relief load to the end of the fiscal year, and that it would mean a cut of about 800,000 workers over the next six months period.

Answering the charge that these WPA cuts are justified by the fact that coercion is needed to turn "relievers" back into private industry, the Council declared that with WPA payments averaging only \$50 a month, few American workers would reject desirable private employment. "As industry provides jobs, the unemployed will leave work relief to accept them, without the coercion of further cuts."

The Council fears that the projected cuts in work relief rolls will turn thousands of unemployed workers back on other forms of relief which are over-loaded already or grossly inadequate. Direct relief, which amounts to \$24 a month per family, it considers to be an utterly inadequate living standard.

"The desire to balance the budget is laudable," the Council concludes. "But to economize at the cost of human suffering is intolerable, especially at a time when industrial profits are soaring. During the month of November, \$883,000,000 were paid out in dividends, an all-time high record. This should suggest a better way to balance the budget—by increased revenues from income taxes—a method which does not involve physical suffering. If further economies are necessary, let them come from the projected billion dollar war expenditure, not from relief."

"It is imperative that the Government fulfill the President's election promise that it will provide useful work for the needy unemployed."

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MONTREAL, Que., Jan. 3 (FP).—The second recent strike in Dominion Textile plants took place at St. Gregoire, textile town east of Quebec City, demanding a 15 per cent increase in wages. The plant was shut down, affecting 1,800 workers. A strike was recently won at Sherbrooke, Quebec.

Indian Socialist Freed
LONDON, Jan. 3 (FP).—M. N. Roy, well-known Indian Socialist, sentenced to prison in 1931 for alleged connection with the Cawnpore conspiracy in 1924, has served his full term and is free again.

GENERAL SUPPLY
Mourns the death of
SOL FRIEDMAN
Funeral will take place from his home, 56 East 98th Street, at 3 p. m., Monday.

Lumberjacks Vote Minnesota Sitdown

Oil Workers Close 8 Plants in Demand for a Union Contract Covering Oklahoma Oil Fields—Union Reports 200 Out

GREEN, Minn., Jan. 3.—Minnesota timber workers voted overwhelmingly for a sit-down strike to begin tomorrow morning. Nearly all camps in which 10,000 lumberjacks are now employed, voted for the strike.

The workers presented ten demands to the companies through Local 2776 of the Timber Workers Union which has its headquarters in Duluth. The main demand is four dollars for an eight-hour day.

OIL WORKERS OUT
BARTLESVILLE, Okla., Jan. 3.—The sit-down wave has reached the oil industry, as another CIO affiliate, the International Oil Field, Gas Well and Refinery Workers' Association, issued orders for a shutdown of plants in the Seminole fields and Tallant near here.

A sitdown of 200 has thus far closed eight plants. The workers are demanding a contract. The shutdown took effect when a union organizing committee visited the plants and gave the strike signal.

300 Starving Indians Trapped in Storm, Eating Horses
GALLUP, N. M., Jan. 2.—Three hundred Navajo Indians are starving for starvation near Zuni Mountain by eating half-finished horses, a weary, famished band of fifty men, women and children told officials in Zuni after a sixty mile trek from the mountain through a blizzard.

A truck load of food and hospital supplies faces at least two days of constant battling against huge snow drifts in order to reach the Navajos. Five years ago, more than 1,000 nut pickers were trapped in a snow storm in the same general area around Ramah and Inscription Rock.

To Hear Cops' Appeal
TAMPA, Fla., Jan. 3 (FP).—The Florida Supreme Court will hear the appeal of five cops who were sentenced to four years imprisonment for kidnaping Eugene F. Poulton, Joseph Shoemaker, and Dr. Samuel Rogers on Jan. 28, 1936. Despite the fact that Shoemaker died, and that all four are under indictment for murder, the former Tampa cops have been at liberty under \$10,000 bond.

CONTACT CONGRESSMEN
Meanwhile the 76 Workers' Alliance locals in California are working on a two-months' program calculated to build up support for the demands to be presented in Washington and to prepare for the national conference for which California will send a delegation to Washington on Feb. 15.

Committees from locals are asking congressmen to favor passage of a deficiency appropriation of \$1,250,000 to carry the WPA over to July 1 with a broadened program, and to aid in rescinding the order depriving workers of the right to pay for days lost due to no fault of their own, and for support of demand of 20 per cent general increase in pay.

6,000 NEW MEMBERS
Increased activities of the California Alliance since its convention July 20, Noral said, have brought 6,000 members during that time.

The increases announced in San Francisco are in Noral's opinion a part of the fruits of this activity, as well as an advance effort of the WPA to deaden the impact of the events of Jan. 8. The only workers in the labor category not getting the new 75-cent per hour rate are those assigned to light duty because of inability to perform heavy work. They will be raised to 60 cents, however, and the monthly ten per cent increase will be generally effective.

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MILITIA MOVES FORWARD IN VILLAVERDE

Sunday in Madrid Is Marked by Bombing from Artillery

MADRID, Jan. 3.—Advances by the Loyalist forces in two sectors and further wanton and brutal shelling and bombing of civilians by the Fascists marked another Sunday in Spain.

The Fascist radio general, Quiepo de Llano, who is also nominally in command of the rebels and German and Italian troops in Southern Spain admitted in his broadcast today that the Loyalists had moved forward in the Villaverde region.

Loyalists have captured the Fascist advance posts in the Caspe sector, a war office communiqué said today. It related that Government planes drove off rebel planes that tried to bomb Loyalist positions there.

Details of the bombing of Malaga, on the southern coast by nine trimotored, imported, Fascist planes, late Saturday night, arrived today. The Fascists concentrated their fire on the crowded "old town" where they wrought sickening slaughter among the unarmed civilian population and wrecked whole blocks of the city.

3 VETERANS FROM SPAIN

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when they set aside their modest reluctance to speak of their own experiences, you begin to hear machine guns crackling, the whistle and whine and roar of deadly artillery fire, the crash of exploding dynamite, the thunder of air-bombs blasting stone structures to dust, and the anguished cries of the wounded.

They'll be in New York only a start while before embarking to Spain. They are "in transit" from Mexico, where they spent two months touring the country to thank the Mexican government and the Mexican people for the generous aid given to these three veterans in their fight against the Fascists. All members of Popular Front groups, they were commissioned by the militia command of Barcelona to make the trip to Mexico. While here they want to contact labor unions and other sympathetic groups and individuals, to find out what Americans are thinking and doing about the struggle in Spain.

They are in their thirties, three veterans in flesh of their flesh and blood of their blood. Juan and Lena belong to the Unified Socialist Youth and to the United Youth Front of Spain.

CAPTURE GODED

Senora Mercader speaks first. They have to remind her that the three children are also in the militia—her two sons, Ramon, 24, Pablo, 19, and her daughter, Montserrat, 21.

"On July 18, the alarm of the Fascist revolt was sounded," she begins, "and we all came out on the streets. I was in the detachment that first took military headquarters. Then we won the arsenal and established control over it. At the main garrison we surrounded the quarters of General Goded, who was one of the big guns of the Fascist uprising. He refused to give up to the people, announcing he would surrender only to the Civil Guard. We called the Civil Guard, but they refused to arrest him because they feared the people would take Goded from them and they would get hurt, too.

"At last, Commander Perez Farras—who by the way had been condemned to death for his part in the 1934 rebellion—and I escorted Goded to the offices of the Generalstaff, the government offices. I then put him in front of the microphone, and he announced over a big network that the revolt in Barcelona had failed.

Juan speaks rapidly, his words shoot out in rapid succession.

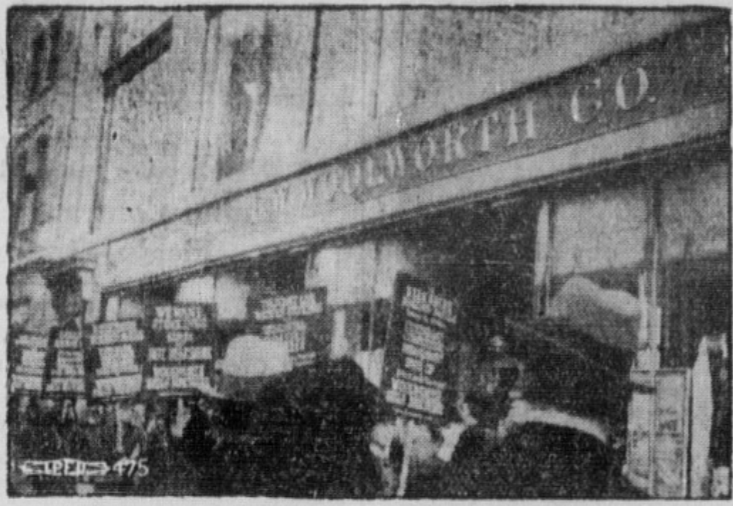
"We had been in session all night at party headquarters. First we marched to police headquarters when we heard the Fascists had started their fireworks. Then we captured the artillery unit, at Fort San Andres.

"Our first pitched battle after we left Barcelona was near the Padre Claret monastery. Some soldiers, some peasants who had been fooled into siding with the Fascists, and many Fascists were paraded in a building. They were well armed, with modern machine guns that kept us away. Our only chance, since we had no heavy artillery with us, was to set the place afire. One of the workers rushed to the central doorway with some benzine, but the machine-guns got him before he could do anything.

"Then two girls—what brave comrades—volunteered to turn the trick. They got into an open automobile, filled their buckets with benzine, and rode toward the building, hurling bombs as they went. They died in the charge, but the building caught fire and the Fascists fled.

"There are so many acts of heroism. I don't know which to pick out. Imagine—of the 4,000 in our column, only 600 were armed! The rest carried shovels, rakes, farm implements, knives. Two or three little towns were captured by a vanguard of 250 who went ahead of the column on their own volition. In Alcubuerres we found 11 bodies of young people, burned alive by the Fascists because they wouldn't fight with them and because they knew that the youth of Spain is against the Fascists.

Picket 5 and 10



(Federated Pictures)

Members of the League of Women Shoppers picket a 5-and-10 cent store on Fifth Avenue, which persists in selling scab-made hosiery from the struck Berkshire Knitting Mills. In Wyomissing, Reading suburb, strikers have been subjected to mass arrests and beatings.

Nazis Seize 3rd Ship; Spain Rejects Note

Foreign Minister Announces Spain Will Defend Its Shipping—Coastal Guns Are Moved Into Bilbao to Protect the City

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other Spanish ship, the Marta Junquera at noon off Caboajo.

[The Marta Junquera is the third ship seized by the Nazi cruiser. The first was the Soton, which immediately escaped. The second was the Aragon, captured yesterday and still held.]

Foreign Minister Julio Alvarez del Vayo tonight said the Spanish Loyalist government would retaliate if attacked by Germany.

READY FOR DEFENSE

Addressing a congress of Socialist youth, he said:

"We are firmly resolved that whatever may happen we will not agree to any threat of aggression by the German fleet. If it occurs, we will reply immediately with all the means at our disposal.

"To this effect, all necessary orders have been given to utilize all means of defense against whatever new aggression may arise from the sea.

"Spain, which is sacrificing everything for the cause of peace, has full authority to express and conduct itself this way. Responsibility for what may occur will certainly not be ours."

Bilbao Sets Up Guns For Defense

BIARRITZ, France, Jan. 3 (UP).—The Bilbao (Loyalist) Provincial Government in Spain today announced that it was installing long-range coast defense guns at the entrance to the port and was preparing for "any eventuality."

The first fire tests will be held early tomorrow. Fishing craft have been warned not to approach within 15 miles of the coast between Bilbao and Santona.

The Nazi cruiser Koenigsberg is operating off the Basque coast, where it seized the Spanish ship Soton last week.

Text of Nazi Note Is Revealed

PARIS, Jan. 3.—The Spanish Ambassador here, Luis Araquistain, today made public the text of the ultimatum sent by the captain of the Nazi warship Koenigsberg to the Spanish Government. It reads:

Hungry Kansas Farmers Meet In Topeka to Demand Aid

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demands that ask for immediate grocery orders, work projects that will provide work for them and their teams, feed for their stock and long term loans.

WIRE ROOSEVELT

The copy of their second telegram to the President, sent after a previous wire had resulted in Milo Perkins simply referring them to local agencies:

"We the farmers of Shawnee County and adjoining counties in mass meeting today, demand immediate relief. Our children and live stock are suffering for food. We must have relief at once. Yesterday your representatives at Topeka referred us back to you. We gave you our support and we remember your Philadelphia address. We cannot survive on promises. A storm is reported headed this way. We are in distress and are awaiting your reply.

ALBERT B. O'DONNELL, Chairman of the Committee.

Having no funds, the farmers sent this telegram collect and a copy of it was sent to Harry Hopkins. Hopkins refused to pay for the wire when it arrived at his office and returned it to the farmers who were forced to take a collection of precious nickles and pennies to pay the charge.

Senator Arthur Capper, speaking in Washington last week after being visited by the farmers in Topeka, declared that "despite the promise that Resettlement would make provision for them, nothing has been done for them and their families are now on the verge of starvation."

BIGGEST MEN CHOSEN

Since the old days of the farmer's Non-Partisan League, such militancy as displayed by the farmers meeting here has not been duplicated. At their meetings they select committees made up of the "biggest men" working on the theory that if they are provoked into direct action by starvation, such men will be the most effective as leaders. Lyle Arnel, Shawnee county poor commissioner, has been so impressed by

"To the Government of the Spanish Republic:

"The German admiral in Spanish waters is willing, following return of the passenger and rest of the cargo seized aboard the Palos to return the seized ship (Aragon) and suspend new measures of reprisals. A reply by cable to the Koenigsberg is expected."

Ambassador Araquistain said: "I am confident the Non-Intervention Committee in London will know how to act, but Spain is unable to put her case before it as she is not a member. However, Spain can have recourse to the League of Nations and the Hague Court.

"The German action infringes Articles Ten, Eleven and Fifteen of the League Covenant. The action deserves the application of sanctions and other measures by the League to protect one of its members which acted in accordance with international law as well as its national rights.

"It is too early to predict what the Government will do, but it certainly will use every means in its power to defend itself diplomatically as well as with the armed forces at its disposal.

"It is evident that if Germany continues to take unjustified reprisals against Spanish vessels that other nations will have to seriously consider the situation because Germany now is acting openly and not clandestinely as heretofore."

Soviet Press Hits Lie on Concessions

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Jan. 3.—The Soviet press today indignantly refutes as false a statement being spread by the British Exchange Telegraph Agency, that the exclusive right to lead in Murcia and Ciudad Real, Spain, were given to the U. S. S. R. in return for military supplies to Spain.

The statement that the Soviet government has received any kind of concessions in Spain is an evil invention, says the Soviet press, and points out that the U.S.S.R. considers it on principle improper to get any special rights or privileges for itself in Spain.

PAINTERS CALL WPA PROTEST

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ready had adopted a three-point program calling for a halt of WPA layoffs, readjustment and increase of present WPA salaries and additional WPA jobs for unemployed painters and other building trades workers. He said this program had been endorsed by a number of the other building trades unions and that all are expected to join in the campaign inaugurated by the painters' union.

Tentative plans for the WPA campaign include mass picketing demonstrations at WPA headquarters and in front of many building projects in New York and the sending of mass delegations to WPA authorities in Washington.

LAUGH AT SHERIFF

Sheriff Wolcott was given a grand ha-ha today when he came before the huge Fisher Number 1 plant to appeal to the sit-downers to vacate voluntarily. The injunction provides that there should be no interference "in any manner with the ingress and egress of any employee to and from the plant"; no interference with delivery of materials; no picketing or loitering

Waterfront Communist Section Answers Arson Attack

In answer to an arson attack which destroyed the waterfront headquarters of the Communist Party last Saturday night, located at 229 Tenth Avenue, the Manhattan and Brooklyn Waterfront Sections of the Communist Party issued the following statement yesterday:

At a meeting of I.L.A. delegates called by Jos. P. Ryan, in the Cavanaugh Restaurant on 23rd St. during the last week of December, Ryan told the delegates: "You will have to fight for your jobs now." He was referring to the failure to date of his campaign to force the seamen back to work for the shipowners.

WHAT DID YOU MEAN BY "FIGHT," MR. RYAN?

In the past week a number of CRIMINAL ACTS including HOOLIGANISM, FELONIOUS ASSAULT, ARSON, BURGLARY and SABOTAGE have been committed against the strikers... the "CATHOLIC WORKER" and the COMMUNIST PARTY, IS THAT WHAT YOU MEANT, MR. RYAN?

STABBINGS AND ASSAULTS ON STRIKERS

On New Year's Day and for a few days before, individual strikers were beaten and stabbed. One group of thugs told a victim, "This is a present from Jos. Ryan for you." A "SHAPE-UP" salesman was badly beaten on Pier 84. IS THAT WHAT RYAN MEANT?

SABOTAGE

Vandals damaged a strike launch with fire axes on New Year's Day. IS THIS WHAT RYAN MEANT?

HOOLIGANISM AGAINST CATHOLICS

The strike aid headquarters of the "CATHOLIC WORKER," co-religionists of Jos. P. Ryan, was the scene of a cowardly night attack when thugs threw a brick through the window. IS THIS WHAT RYAN MEANT?

BURGLARY AND ARSON

Thieves sneaked into the Waterfront Section Headquarters of the Communist Party at 229 10th Avenue and stole a mimeograph. A more desperate attack was made on New Year's Eve when thugs set fire to the building and almost succeeded in making it a flaming tomb for some men asleep in it. IS THIS WHAT RYAN MEANT? On Jan. 2 the headquarters was again fired by thugs.

SOMEBODY IS DESPERATE

The publication of the "CATHOLIC WORKER" is not Communist. It has been approved by a number of Bishops and other church dignitaries. Its publishers are helping the seamen. But these hooligans attack them that attack the Communists. Somebody is desperate because of the UNITY shown in helping the seamen.

RYAN IS SLIPPING!

Joseph P. Ryan IS SHIPOWNERS AGENT No. 1 in the ranks of Labor. Victory for the seamen is a blow at his machine. I.L.A. Locals on the East Coast in the past weeks have elected men opposed to Ryan's policies. RYAN IS ON THE WAY OUT!

These hooligans attack the COMMUNIST PARTY because it is effectively rallying aid for the striking seamen. Because the Communist members of the maritime unions are among the outstanding fighters for rank and file control of the unions.

Now we see that the shipowners and their agents who LIE about the Communist Party being "criminal" and "alien" are really the guilty ones. They use the "foreign" methods of the fascists of Europe. They direct the activity that results in these criminal acts taking place.

THESE CRIMINAL TERRORISTS CANNOT STOP OUR ACTIVITY! DON'T LET IT HAPPEN HERE

These attacks on strikers, Catholics and Communists are a miniature example of fascism or vigilantism. These un-American thugs act like Hitler's hooligans. They attack to try and smash the seamen's unions and all organizations that help the seamen. This is living proof that IT CAN HAPPEN HERE unless we unite and act to prevent it. THE COMMUNIST PARTY greets the UNITY shown in this strike. Why not learn from these experiences the need of permanent UNITY of all Labor and Labor's friends to fight the many-faced battle against the fascists and the shipowners?

THEIR DESPERATION IS A SIGN OF WEAKNESS

THE COMMUNIST PARTY extends New Year's Greetings to the seamen. You don't have to make any resolutions. You have shown your resolve on the picket lines for the past two months!

ON GUARD

We are sure you will answer these attacks on your strike and friends. However, we urge all maritime workers to take necessary precautions to defeat any further attacks. Throw mass guards around your pickets, halls, and leaders. Mass vigilance will drive the rats to cover!

JOIN THE COMMUNIST PARTY

The COMMUNIST PARTY is the victim of attacks because its interests are the same as the workers. The enemies of Labor are trying to destroy the unions and all organizations helpful to Labor. Terror cannot drive us out of the fight. It cannot stop the organized struggle of the maritime workers for a better and happier standard of living. A 100 per cent American standard without any fascist trimmings!

To further the effectiveness of your fight join the COMMUNIST PARTY!

Waterfront Sections, Communist Party, U.S.A. 230 7th Ave. (Manhattan) 4513 5th Ave. (Brooklyn)

AUTO CHIEFS MAP STRIKE IN 69 SHOPS

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that supply parts. Knudsen revealed that in anticipation of the tie-up General Motors cancelled all orders for steel, rubber, tools and other types of supplies.

The present payroll of the company, Knudsen said, embraces 235,000 production workers and 40,000 clerical employees.

ST. LOUIS ACTION

The next plants to shutdown before the union's sweep, it was indicated today, will be the St. Louis Chevrolet plant, where the workers are demanding reinstatement of hundreds who have been victimized here. In addition the Fisher and Chevrolet plants at Atlanta Ga., Kansas City, Mo., and Cincinnati, Ohio, are closed by strikes. Two other plants closed by strikes are Fisher Body of Cleveland and the Guide Lamp plant at Anderson, Ind. The total employed in the struck plants is 26,000. With the assembly lines already down the Buick and Chevrolet plants are expected to shut down in a day or two.

Change Townsend Policy

CHICAGO, Jan. 3 (UP).—A change in the administrative policy of the Townsend national recovery plan whereby national headquarters here will accept no more donations, contributions or quotas from its members or sectional clubs, was announced today by Dr. Francis Townsend, founder of the organization.

5 Die in Ship Blast

CHARLEVOIX, Mich., Jan. 3 (UP).—Coast Guardsmen apparently had abandoned hope today of finding the bodies of three members of a crew of five killed Friday night in a gasoline explosion which destroyed a mail boat and set fire to an abandoned tanker.

Hit Copeland Bill



Samuel M. Blinken (left), labor attorney, being interviewed by Daily Worker staff member, John Meldon, on his return from the Capitol where he submitted a protest memorandum on behalf of 20,000 seamen against the Copeland Bill.

Simpson Bares Nazi Torture of Prisoners

Left Germany with Threat from Hitler's Stooges in U. S. Hanging Over Him—Says S.S. Roosevelt, Scabbed-Manned Vessel, Was a Ghost Ship

By John Meldon

A little over a week ago, Herr Wegener, the chief director of the Bremen penitentiary in Germany, issued a gruff order to one of his subordinates.

"Bring that American seaman Simpson to me."

The order flashed through one steel-barred cell room to another, past brown uniformed Nazi guards, to the keeper in charge of Simpson's cell. A huge iron key unlocked the young seaman's door, and another gruff command ordered him to accompany the cell keeper. In a few moments, Simpson was standing before Herr Wegener, the sadistic director of one of Hitler's hell holes.

NEVER LOST FAITH

Without looking up at the young American, the director said slowly: "We are about to release you. Our leader has seen fit to sign a pardon for you."

Simpson stood quietly listening, thrilled at the news, but not at all surprised.

"I never lost faith in the working class. I knew that the International Labor Defense, the National Committee for Political Prisoners in America," he said later on arriving here, "would never stop their struggle to win my release."

"We are turning you over to the American consul," Herr Director continued, "and you will leave the country at once aboard the Roosevelt."

ON "PAROLE"

Herr Director then filled out an orange colored card and handed it to Simpson. On it was written: Certificate of Discharge—Penitentiary Bremen-Oslebshausen. The seaman, Lawrence Simpson, born April 12, 1902, in Chicago, is today turned over to the American consulate for the purpose of deportation to America. Time served: 510 days, 16 hours, 25 minutes. Last domicile: On steamship Manhattan, American.

Money due at time of discharge: Wages—\$31 1.02.

He is on parole until Dec. 20, 1941, for 585 days, 7 hours, 35 minutes still to be served. Signed, Chief Director Wegener.

As he handed to the famous political prisoner his release, the jailer continued:

"It won't be healthy for you to go back to your native country."

THREAT FROM NAZIS HERE

For the first time during the interview with Herr Wegener, the young prisoner spoke:

"Why not?" he asked.

"Read this letter we have received from some of your countrymen."

He handed a letter across the desk, and while Simpson read it, he continued:

"We just received it. Although they are living in your country, they hate all Reds and Jews, just as we do."

Simpson read the letter. It carried cynically anti-Semitic signatures—Moses Cohen—and was dated from New York. Addressed to Simpson it said:

NOT INTIMIDATED

"We have learned that you are about to be released—you dirty—! We hope they chop your head off and feed it to the hogs, if it don't stink too much. We will take care of you when you get back here."

Simpson tossed the letter back on Herr Wegener's desk, contemptuously.

"I haven't been terrorized here in the land of Nazi dungeons, and I won't be intimidated by a letter sent me by your Nazis in America."

That's how Lawrence Simpson received the tidings of his freedom after spending a year and a half in German prisons—prisons which literally drip with blood and echo days and nights with the screams and moans of the flower of the German working class.

He left Germany with a threat hanging over his head—a blunt threat that Hitler's stooges in this country would attempt to take his life.

AID GERMAN WORKERS

Two year ago, Lawrence Simpson was unknown, except to a few of his shipmates who sailed the high seas with him. They knew him then as a quiet, blond, blue-eyed chap, who was slow to conversation, but car-

ALLIANCE SET FOR WPA RALLY ON SATURDAY

Will March to Garden for Meeting Against Project Layoffs

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meeting in Madison Square Garden to get under way by 2:30 P. M.

It will be learned definitely today if Mayor LaGuardia, president of the United States Conference of Mayors, and Sidney Hillman, president of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, accept the invitation to address the Garden gathering. Alliance leaders stressed importance of the financial drive. A minimum of \$10,000 is needed for expenses of the demonstration, and an appeal has been sent to sympathetic organizations and individuals. A large part of the financing is to be taken care of by the Trade Union Sponsoring Committee, which is working with the Alliance on preparations for the demonstration Saturday and for the march to Washington. Many trade unions have already pledged large contingents for Saturday's parade.

500,000 MORE NEED JOBS

The Conference of Mayors' report, submitted to President Roosevelt, bears out the main contention of the Workers' Freedom Committee: need of more funds for WPA. It points out that the number of those eligible to and receiving WPA work now "cannot be expected to be decreased."

At least 500,000 more persons, in addition to the 2,200,000 now on the rolls, "ought and should be employed this Winter and Spring," the report states.

The report stresses the fact that employment in private industry has not kept up with the slashes in WPA and that funds now available "are sufficient to carry the WPA program only through the present month."

The mayors went on record against federal appropriations for direct relief, reaffirming the Conference stand that "work and not the dole, is the American way of providing aid to able-bodied persons."

RELIEF ROLLS GROW

"The reports from the cities are unanimous that the WPA projects which can be continued in operation or undertaken during the next six months represent useful and needed work of great public benefit to the nation," the Conference continued.

The "paradox" of increasing employment and yet constantly growing relief rolls is shown in reports from cities. Replies from 100 mayors constitute the basis for the Conference report to the President.

that crew. They weren't seamen. They were a bunch of school kids, and professional scabs. I asked one of them how things were in New York.

"He told me things were tough. I asked him what he meant by 'tough' and he said there was a strike on. So I asked him why he was working. His answer was that he was a scab picked up off the Hamburg beach. He said 'us scabs are running the ship'."

Simpson quickly told the "fink" that he was not a scab and he immediately reported to the captain and told the latter that he wouldn't work with a scab crew. After some argument with the captain, he was given a third-class state room.

A GHOST SHIP

"They treated me swell, and with respect, after that," Simpson said.

"That ship was like a ghost. Not a single passenger on board except myself. I knew then that my American shipmates had tied things up."

When he arrived here yesterday morning, Simpson was given a tumultuous greeting at the dock. Braving a driving rain, hundreds of striking seamen and others cheered him as he walked off the boat. Seamen carried him on their shoulders through the rain to strike headquarters, at 164 Eleventh Avenue. As soon as he got inside the premises, he had a request to make.

GETS PICKET CARD

"Sign me up and make me out a picket card."

In a flash, a picket dispatcher handed a strike card and Simpson proudly displayed it to the surrounding strikers.

"My number's now 12259," he told his buddies. "It used to be Case Number: 8 F, 106/36 g, in Hitler's prisons."

Among those who greeted Simpson's arrival here was Gifford Cochran, head of the National Committee for the Defense of Political Prisoners, which conducted a world-wide campaign, along with the International Labor Defense to win Simpson's freedom. Simpson grinned recognition when he shook hands with Cochran, remembering the latter's visit to his cell in Bremen some months ago.

RALLY WEDNESDAY

Another on hand to meet the famous ex-political prisoner was Anna Damon, leader of the International Labor Defense, which carried the Simpson case to every corner of the world.

Simpson will relate his experiences to the workers of New York Wednesday night at a huge mass rally called jointly by the I.L.D., the National Committee for the Defense of Political Prisoners, and the Joint Maritime Strike Council.

The rally will be held at the St. Nicholas Arena, beginning at 8 P. M. Among the speakers will be Simpson, Joseph Curran, strike leader, Anna Damon, Gifford Cochran, Ferdinand Smith, strike leader, Congressman Vito Marcantonio, and Andrew Newhoff, state secretary of the I.L.D.

CHILDREN DIE FROM USE OF COLD REMEDY

Consumers Union Issues Report on Peril of Mineral Oils

A common type of cold remedy used specifically for children may be causing the deaths of thousands of children.

This charge is made in a report on mineral-oil nose-drops in the current issue of "Consumers Union Reports," monthly publication of the Consumers Union of United States, which has its headquarters in New York City. The report cites medical evidence that in numerous cases mineral oil dropped into the noses of children for their colds is drawn back into the lungs, where it collects and causes pneumonia.

Despite the fact that the danger of mineral-oil nose-drops has been known to medical authorities for more than ten years, the report points out, many brands of nose-drops containing mineral oil are being sold as "safe for children."

FACTS LONG KNOWN

The estimate of thousands of deaths from mineral-oil drops is based upon the startling records of a comparatively few doctors who have looked for oil in the lungs following deaths from pneumonia.

"The fact that a handful of doctors found many such cases can mean only that in the entire population there must be thousands," is the conclusion.

As far back as 1925, the report states, the menace of lipid (or oil) pneumonia was discovered. Dr. Harvey F. Garrison reviewed its fatal record in a paper published in April, 1935 by the "Southern Medical Journal." Many new cases have been reported since the appearance of Dr. Garrison's paper.

Dr. Garrison listed four cases of lipid pneumonia reported by one doctor, six cases reported by another, and 25 cases reported by a third. A few of these cases were diagnosed before death, he said; and a large percentage was of children under six months.

ADULTS IN DANGER
Even adults are not safe from the danger of lipid pneumonia when these cold treatments are used, the report warns, and then adds:

"Nose drops have not even the justification that they will prevent or cure colds. In the great majority of cases they will not even give relief. A sensation of relief may be obtained when ephedrin or menthol is dissolved in oil, but the relief is temporary and is often followed by more severe congestion. In many cases the injudicious use of nose drops has caused spread of an infection into the sinuses."

The report also warns parents that "fats and oils administered by mouth can be equally damaging. Cod-liver oil or mineral oil forced into the child's mouth against his will and causing choking or vomiting can get into the lungs. Even milk-fat can be responsible. But in these cases it is the ignorance or carelessness of a doctor who fails to warn her against these forced feedings, that must be blamed."

MEDICAL JOURNAL QUOTED
"Ordinarily," the report states, "when a child dies at home of pneumonia there is no autopsy. It is known that pneumonia caused the death and no effort is made to determine what caused the pneumonia. Only a comparatively few doctors, aware of the danger of oil in the lungs, have looked for cases of oil pneumonia. They have found them—usually after death."

The following is quoted in the report from Dr. Garrison's paper in the "Southern Medical Journal":
"It has been conclusively shown that small amounts of oils administered by mouth and in the nasopharynx may be aspirated into the trachea, ultimately reach the alveoli, and produce a lipid pneumonia."
"In 1925 Laughlin reported four cases in which he found large quantities of oil in the lungs. Three of his cases were in very young children."
"Pinkerton in 1927 reported six cases. He found mineral oil alone in two cases, milk fat in one, egg yolk in one, mineral oil and cod liver oil in two, and cod liver oil alone in another."

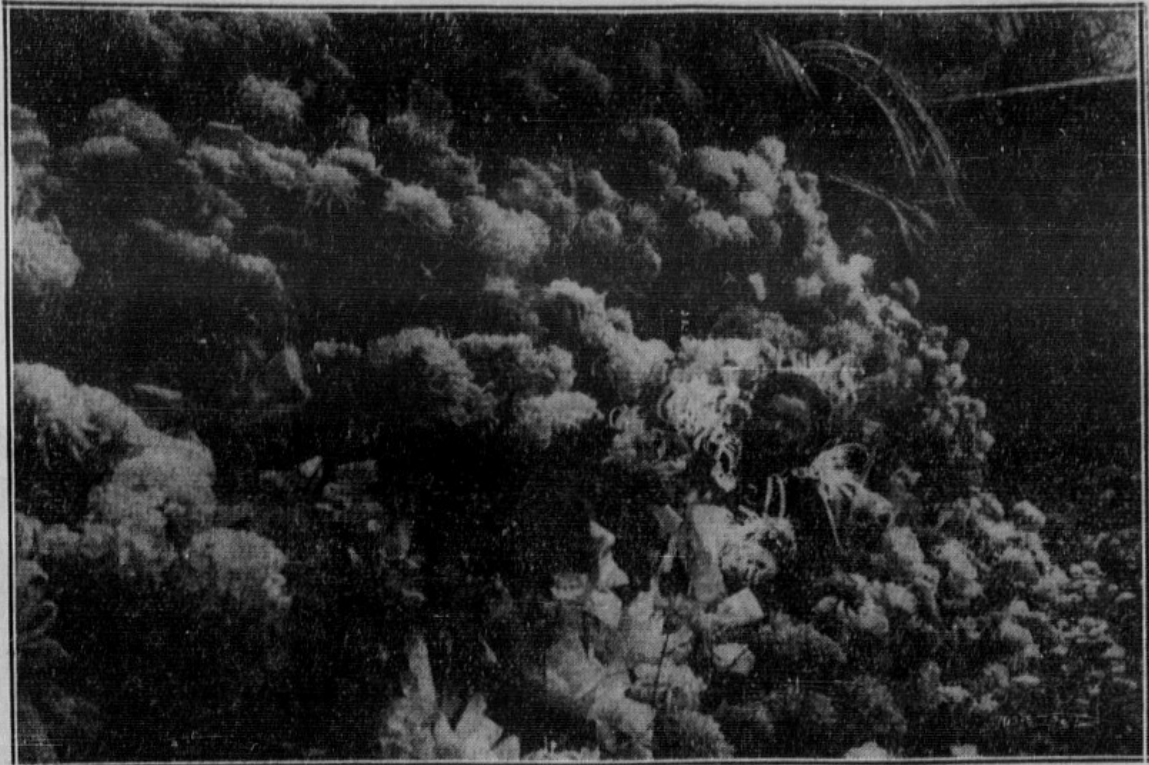
CASES INVESTIGATED
"He concluded that the pathological picture depended upon the length of time the oil had been in the lungs."
"In the cases reported only a very few have been diagnosed before death. Rabinovitch and Lederer reported six typical cases, all found at autopsy."
"In the 25 cases reported from the Harriet Lane Home by Goodwin, in August this year, only three were recognized clinically before death. Twelve of these children were under six months of age, six between two and five years, and the oldest seven years of age. Various oils were responsible for the condition."

"In four of the cases at the Harriet Lane Home, in which the amount of pulmonary involvement was the greatest, a definite history of the installation of liquid petroleum in the nose, or its ingestion, was obtained."

They Have to Be
WASHINGTON, Jan. 3 (UP).—College students who wait on tables and fire furnaces are about the thriftiest class in the world, Mrs. William A. Becker, president general of the Daughters of the American Revolution said tonight.

The D.A.R., she said, loaned \$47,700 to students last year and \$44,900 has been repaid.

WINTER SCENE IN MOSCOW



Believe it or not, this is a mid-winter scene in the Soviet capital, where the mercury sinks far, far below the freezing point. It is one of many busy flower shops, where daily shipments come in from the warm Crimea and Caucasus. Just before the 19th anniversary celebrations on Nov. 6-8, for example, 500,000 chrysanthemums, cyclamens, primroses, carnations, sweet-williams and other blossoms were shipped by express train and plane to be bought up by gay crowds.

Supreme Court to Weigh Labor Bills

Session Today Expected to Decide on Rehearing of Minimum Wage Law and to Consider Social Insurance and Prison Labor Acts

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3 (UP).—The Supreme Court will reconvene tomorrow after a holiday recess for a session likely to be historic in its definition of the scope of governmental power in the field of labor legislation and social security. Observing the elaborate procedure which requires, first, a decision on the admission of a test case to its docket, the court is expected to announce tomorrow whether it will:

1. Rehear the New York State unemployment insurance law case. The court upheld this statute, a unit in the vast federal social security program, by a tie vote early this term.
2. Consider an attack on the Federal 3 per cent payroll tax levied to raise funds for unemployment insurance payments through the States.

OTHER CASES
In addition to deciding what to do about putting these important tests on the docket, the court may render final decision on the following cases which have been argued.

1. The Washington State minimum wage law for women, constitutionality of which is at stake because a \$12-a-week chambermaid in a Wenatchee Hotel sued to collect the difference between her wage and the \$14.50 minimum set in accordance with the law.

2. The Ashurst-Summers prison labor act, providing federal control over interstate shipment of prison-made goods.

3. A case involving that part of the Silver Purchase Act of 1934 which fixed a retroactive tax of 50 per cent on silver profits.

The illness of Justice Harlan Fiske Stone was what made possible a tie vote when the New York unemployment insurance law originally came up. Because New York State's highest court had upheld the law the Supreme Court split left it standing. But despite the belief of court observers that Stone, in view of his liberal record, would vote to uphold the law, the manufacturer who brought the original test asked for a rehearing before a nine-man court so that it may be given a final test.

The federal government, not a party to the suit, also favored final disposition of the case through this procedure.

Stone is not expected back on the bench before February. For that reason it is possible the court may postpone action until then. Already it has agreed to delay hearing argument in cases involving the Wagner labor disputes act—most important single piece of New Deal legislation—until Stone can participate.

SOCIAL ACT UP
Presumably, however, there is nothing to delay action in the attack of George F. Davis, stockholder in the Boston & Maine Railroad, on the unemployment insurance levy. The tax took effect Jan. 1.

Davis sought an injunction to restrain the railroad from paying it. He lost in the Federal District Court in Boston and appealed to the Circuit Court of Appeals. There the case now stands. The Supreme Court may decide to let it run the gamut of ordinary appeal or may lift it out of the Circuit Court for a more speedy decision.

The Washington State minimum wage law for women appeared foredoomed on the basis of the Supreme Court's ruling last Spring in the New York minimum wage case. But in arguing the case W. A. Toner, Washington's assistant attorney general, contended that the Washington law should be considered on its own merits and its constitutionality upheld.

Save Disabled Ship
Coast Guard headquarters announced yesterday that the trawler Billow was being towed to Boston by the cutter Gen. Greene after the boat had signalled for help.

The Billow, carrying a crew of 18, developed a leaky boiler some 70 miles southeast by east of Boston Light vessel.

Pope Worse, Physician Stays at His Bedside
VATICAN CITY, Jan. 3 (UP).—Pope Pius' illness entered an extremely painful stage today, it was learned from a reliable source.

Pains in the left leg, described by this source as "atrocious," agitated the Pontiff all afternoon, it was said.

As a result, the Pope's personal physician, Prof. Armani Milani, remained at his bedside until 3 P.M.

RADIO UNION ASKS HEARING ON SIGNAL TEST

Opposes Auto-Alarm Devices Citing Loss of Life at Sea

The American Radio Telegraphists Association yesterday made public a petition to the Federal Communications Commission which, if properly considered, would bring before the public an automatic device, the purpose of which it is to intercept distress signals from ships at sea.

The petition called upon the Commission to make public tests which are now being conducted on auto-alarm devices, and to hold a public hearing on the devices and tests whereby interested parties in the government, business, consumers and labor may appear and express their views on the alarm and tests.

The petition also pointed out that a manufacturing company whose alarm is now being tested by the Commission is turning out the devices although they cannot be used in lieu of competent radio officers until approved by the Commission, and that the failure of auto-alarm devices to function properly had caused the loss of everyone aboard several vessels which carried them.

In commenting on the petition and their reasons for sending it to the Commission, Hoyt S. Haddock, President of the American Radio Telegraphists Association stated that: "Certain steamship and radio companies are backing the device with a view to using it aboard vessels to intercept S O S calls in place of qualified radio officers. We do not know whether or not the devices being tested by the Commission will meet this requisite."

"We do, however, know that if they do they will be the first in the world to approach even closely the function for which they are intended. It is our belief that the public in general should be thoroughly familiar with any device upon which their lives would depend in time of distress, especially since it has been shown in the past that the auto-alarm has not been perfected and that its use has caused the loss of lives at sea.

"If the auto-alarms being tested can successfully take the place of competent radio officers, our organization will recognize it as a great technical advancement, although we must at the same time regret its replacing workers from a sociological viewpoint."

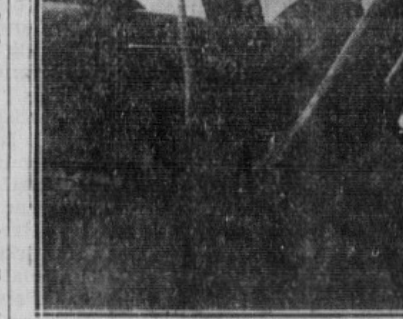
Quits Housing Job
WASHINGTON, Jan. 3 (UP).—Martin J. Rees, Jr., of Ocala, Fla., tonight resigned as counsel and executive assistant to the director of the large scale housing division of the Housing Administration.

He will join the legal staff of the International Paper and Power Co., of New York, but will remain for an indefinite period here as consultant to the director of the large scale housing unit.

Iowa Writers Union Leads Fight Against Firing of WPA Writer
DES MOINES, Jan. 3.—An intensive campaign for the reinstatement of William Pillin, young writer fired from the WPA, for union activities, is being organized here by Local 28 of the Writers Union of Iowa following investigation of Pillin's case.

Pillin, who was employed as a special writer, was dismissed because of his organization efforts in the union and in the Workers Alliance.

ACE OF MONGOLIA



The Mongolian People's Republic, the remote central Asian land, through which Japanese war lords may strike at the Soviet Union, is building up its air force. Commander Jamba, in command of the aviation brigade, is shown in the cockpit of his plane.

BAR UNION TENANTS FROM FARM PROJECT

New Orleans Director Refuses to Deal with Families

NEW ORLEANS, La., Jan. 3.—Mercer Evans, Labor Relations director of the Resettlement Administration, announced that none of the union tenants on the St. Landry Farm near Opelousas would be taken on the Tenant-Security project there.

Evans stated further that unless the tenants secured other farms themselves they would not receive loans for teams, tools, seed, fertilizer, and so forth. He qualified this by saying loans "may be given" depending upon "the applicants' record for reliability and successful farming."

W. S. Ferry, District Family Selector, has flatly refused to interview any of the seven families already moved from St. Landry Farm. The Parish Resettlement Supervisor, Louis Fontenot, refuses to deal with any of the ten tenant families on the Farm in securing other places.

The Louisiana Farmers' Union is charging that 18 families are being thrown off the land and that Resettlement is attempting to dodge responsibility for this inhuman act. Although it is the custom in this section to make the next year's arrangements in July and August, none of the tenants was officially notified to move until the first week in December. It will be impossible for them to find other farms at this late date, except with the most "ornery" landlords, the type which refuses pasture for cattle, limits garden space and cheats the tenants when the final accounts for the year are settled.

The Farmers' Union also charges that as long as Tom Briley, the anti-union stool pigeon promised a farm on the Tenant-Security project, remains on St. Landry Farm the Resettlement officials are discriminating against the union farmers.

In merely stating that the St. Landry tenants "may be given" loans under certain conditions, Resettlement has dodged the issue completely and unless concrete steps are taken to prevent eviction, suffering and privation such as faced the evicted Arkansas sharecroppers last year may be the fate of the Louisiana tenants.

The Louisiana Farmers' Union will continue the defense of the St. Landry Farm tenants until Resettlement corrects the gross injustices that are being done. In addition, the union has called upon organized labor and public opinion to voice their protest against government indifference to human suffering.

Committee to Meet in Dallas Today
DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 3 (UP).—President Roosevelt's Farm Tenancy Committee meets here Monday in the first of five public hearings to gather information from the "Grass Roots" in an effort to improve conditions for tenants.

Dr. Will W. Alexander, acting director of the Resettlement Administration, has asked sharecroppers, tenants, landowners and agricultural leaders to present their views and grievances in writing. Out of these he hopes will come a program for elevation of an impoverished people.

The committee will consider: Difficulties facing tenants who wish to become land owners. Methods to assist tenants in acquiring farms.

Tenant compensation for soil improvements and penalties for soil depletion. Cooperative farming. Easier amortization of loans to tenants and cooperatives. Legislation for improved contracts between owners and tenants.

Similar meetings will be held at Montgomery, Ala.; Indianapolis; Lincoln, Neb., and San Francisco.

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Negro Youth Theatre to Offer New Play on Sharecropper

60 People in Cast of Conrad Seiler's Work on Labor Problems

(Daily Worker Harlem Bureau)
A new labor play entitled "Sweet Land," based on the sharecropper and tenant farmer situation in the South, will be presented by the Federal Negro Youth Theatre at the Lafayette Playhouse, 2227 Seventh Ave., beginning Jan. 19. Conrad Seiler is the author.

Finishing touches are being put on the new production in daily rehearsals at the Negro Youth Theatre, 1 East 104th Street. The cast includes some sixty odd actors, with approximately fifty Negro youths. The leading role is played by Doe Doe Green, formerly "Gabriel" in the stage production "Green Pastures."

The play is designed to portray the growing sympathy among Negroes with the "Black and White United Front," "mass action," organized labor, and collective bargaining. The adult Negro Federal Theatre project at the Lafayette Theatre recently presented "Turpentine."

Venzella Jones, prominent Negro actress who starred in the role of "Bess" in the Broadway success "Porgy," is directing the production. Miss Jones is the only woman supervisor and director of a Federal Theatre project unit in the country. For a number of years she directed her own stock company known as the "New Negro Art Theatre."

Playing opposite Green is Frauline Lord, who appeared as "Goldie" in Abraham's Bosom, while Alvin Childress, who has acted in "Othello" and other productions, plays the part of "Sam Tucker."

Advance publicity from the Negro Youth Theatre characterize "Sweet Land" as follows:

"The WPA Federal Theatre Project has not presented a production that could receive greater appreciation for those militant groups on the 'vanguard' fighting for social and economic justice for the masses."

Among those in the cast are: Wiley Farrell, James McLaughlin, Gordon Hamilton, Dorothy Jones, Wm. Cumberbatch, Laura Phauls, Mary Davenport, Mary Barnes, Leroy Jenkins, Hugo Ford, James Williams, Cherokee Thornton, Louis Smith, Fannie Peale, Thelma Queen and Rosebud Washington, the younger sister of the famous stage and screen Washington sisters, Isobel and Fred.

Also Jesse Austin, J. Brogsdale, Ernest Clark, John Taylor Browne, Willie Cross, Emma Collins, Eugenia Laurence, Orville D'Angillar, Lavert Finney, Oliver Carter, Clifford Davis, Albert Norris, Lester Palmer, Mabel Hart, director of dancers; Carol Smith, Rita Christiani, Omega McLean, Libby Robinson, Alberta Martin, Carmen Walker, Betty Saxon, Mary McNeal, Elsie Faison, Beacie Nowlin, Ida House, Ruth Moore, Emma Lance, Samuel Smyrl, Tillman Pittman, Virgil Van Cleave, Lulu Aggard, Ora Alexander, C. Thomas, James Wright and Ruby Harris.

Unions Back Parley Against War, Fascism

Midwest Conference Is Scheduled for Jan. 9 in Chicago

(Daily Worker Midwest Bureau)
CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 3.—A great trade union response is reported to the American League Against War and Fascism's Midwest Conference, scheduled for Jan. 9, in Chicago. Unions from as far away as Pittsburgh and Kansas City have sent in credentials for delegates to the anti-war meeting. Interest is especially active among steel workers' lodges in the Chicago-Calumet area, but A. P. of L. unions among the various crafts are also well represented.

The labor organizations will unite with church groups, peace societies, fraternal and language organizations, political and cultural groups, to discuss and plan active defense measures against war and fascism.

Among the unions so far signifying their intention to send delegates are the Springfield Federation of Labor, Springfield, Ill.; the Davenport, Iowa, Farmer - Labor Federation; the Kenosha, Wis., Federal Trade and Labor Council; the Bakers Joint Board of Chicago, Ill., and strong delegations from Detroit, Pittsburgh and Kansas City. Strong delegations will also represent the southern Illinois miners.

The convention will be opened with a mass meeting in Orchestra Hall, Friday, Jan. 8, at 8 P.M. The speakers at this mass meeting will be Dr. Harry F. Ward, National Chairman of the American League Against War and Fascism; Bishop Edgar Blake, Methodist Episcopal Bishop of Detroit; Mrs. Victor L. Berger of Milwaukee, and Van A. Bittner, regional director of the Steel Workers Organizing Committee.

The conference itself will be held in Forrester's Hall, 1016 No. Dearborn St., Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 9 and 10.



FANNIE PEELE, charming young actress, has been cast for the new Negro Youth Theatre play, "Sweet Land." Miss Peale, a former teacher of English and dramatics, will play the role of Jimella, organizer of sharecroppers.

Chicago Rivet Workers Sign Up With Machinists

(Daily Worker Midwest Bureau)
CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 3.—Three meetings called by machinists unions officials lined up more than 90 per cent of the workers in the Chicago Rivet Company, and brought "propositions" from the management, to evade union recognition. The propositions fell flat when the union considered them.

The company was much surprised at the speed of organization. It believed it had a "loyal" or non-union crew, with company union leanings. They were taken aback at the union demands for overtime pay and a weekly payday. Everybody in the plant joined the union except the girls.

The machinists voted on Monday to force recognition. The company immediately countered with proposals to recognize the union if only the machinists were organized, but the men stood pat for the "semi-industrial" form that would keep everybody in the plant in the same union.

Final negotiations are expected to start today.

Lake Seamen Fight Scabbing By Officialdom

(Daily Worker Midwest Bureau)
CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 3.—Feeling is rising among Lake seamen, members of the ISU, against the scabbering carried on by their officials against their union brothers on the East coast. A small group of Lake men have been trying since the beginning of the scabbering practice, to get a meeting in the headquarters of the Lake District, Chicago, to put a stop to it by a vote of the members.

So far they have failed, because most of the men were out on sand boats and passenger vessels. Now that the season is over, they hope to be able to get enough men to a meeting to warn things up for the scabbers. Only two Lake ports, they say, are allowing this scabby practice to go on, Cleveland and Chicago. In Chicago the scabby work is done by a certain Frank Johnson, with Secretary Goshorn's approval. In Cleveland, it is done by the Agent, Sullivan and Oscar Carlson, discredited secretary of the Atlantic Coast Firemen's Union.

To Install Officers
The Suit Case, Bag and Portfolio Makers Union will hold its installation meeting Tuesday at 6:30 P.M. at Irving Plaza, Irving Place and 15th Street, when all newly elected officers and executive board will be inducted into office.

New Cabinet Posts
LIMA, Peru, Jan. 3 (UP).—The government today issued decrees creating the office of Director of the Budget within the Ministry of Finance and providing for the appointment of two attorneys general of the republic.

WELCOME and HEAR
Lawrence B. SIMPSON
AMERICAN SEAMAN (member Seaman's Union of the Pacific) Returning Home to the United States from 18 months in a Nazi prison

Other Speakers: JOSEPH CURRAN and FERDINAND SMITH, Members of the Joint Maritime Strike Council; ANNA DAMON, Acting National Secretary I.L.D.; GIFFORD COCHRAN, Secretary National Committee for the Defense of Political Prisoners; Congressman VITO MARCANTONIO, Chairman, ANDREW R. NEWHOFF, N. Y. State Secretary I.L.D.

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Hitler's Answer: Open War on Spain

• Finding the wholesale shipment of Nazi troops to Spain too slow a method to help the Fascist General Franco, Hitler has ordered his warships to resort to virtual acts of war against the government of Spain. The German fascist attack on Spanish, French and British freighters is part of a concerted plan to help the desperate General Franco by creating "incidents" of an international nature to precipitate a world crisis, and, if the Fascists think it necessary, a world war. Hitler has always been known to answer diplomatic notes by war deeds. His naval action against Spain can be considered a preface, as it were, to Hitler's reply to the request that Germany cease from invading Spain with its troops. Thus we have Hitler's answer: He will not only continue to send troops to Spain but will intensify his invasion by a naval assault.

In this situation, any action by the American government that tends to limit the rights of the legitimate Spanish government to purchase arms in this country to protect itself against fascism can only encourage Hitler in his fiendish efforts to plunge the whole world into war. Hitler's threats in Spain are not isolated from his war pact with Japan. In short, if Hitler intends to precipitate war around Spain, his allies, the Japanese military-fascist clique, will do their share in the Far East; and this country will immediately be involved.

President Roosevelt has previously issued thinly disguised warnings to the fascist war-inciters. But all these past warnings would be worth nothing if in this critical moment Hitler should get the encouragement he wanted from hostile American acts to the democratic Spanish Republic. The latest and most terrible threats of the Nazi aggressors demand sterner action from the countries which wish peace. But above all the liberty-loving and war-hating people everywhere should now be alarmed about the fact that the peace of the world is at the mercy of the fascist madmen.

Only the strongest pressure on their governments to call Hitler to a halt, as well as by their own independent action in supporting Spain in her fight against fascism, can this most perilous crisis of the Spanish Civil War be overcome.

A Showdown Nears In Auto Industry

• Events in the automobile industry are rapidly moving to a showdown. To the demand of the United Automobile Workers for collective bargaining, the Morgan-duPont General Motors Corp. has replied with: 1. A sweeping injunction barring all picketing and providing for the ejection by force of "stay-in" strikers in GM plants in Flint, Mich. 2. A threat to lock out 135,000 workers. In other words, General Motors' reply to its workers seeking peaceful collective bargaining is a threat of VIOLENCE and STARVATION. At the same time the company is trying to create sentiment against the strikers among workers in other industries by announcing that orders have been sent to accessory, steel, rubber and machinery manufacturers to stop shipments until further notice. This is a move to offset the splendid solidarity between the auto and flat glass workers and the active assistance being given their struggles by the Committee for Industrial Organization.

Undeterred by the GM threats, 300 union representatives from ten cities met in Flint yesterday and formulated a program of demands, including union recognition, reinstatement of all workers discriminated against for union activity, a new minimum wage rate, a 30-hour, 5-day week, abolition of piece work, proper seniority regulations, and slowing down of the speed-up. Possibilities for real advances by the GM

workers were never so favorable as now. The 1937 production season is at its height, and any shutdown of General Motors will mean a tremendous loss of business to its chief competitors, Ford and Chrysler. Unlike the situation in March, 1934, when Bill Green and his reactionary craft union stooges frittered away the strike movement in the auto industry, today the workers are led by rank and file officials and are solidly backed by the C.I.O.

Effective action now will make General Motors come down off its high horse. And a victory in this stronghold of the Open Shop will pave the way for gains by the workers in other auto plants, and will immeasurably strengthen unionism in the steel and other mass production industries.

Answer WPA Cuts on Jan. 9 and Jan. 15

• The campaign of Big Business to steal the elections goes on apace. It is a conspiracy of a discredited minority to nullify the mandate of the overwhelming majority of the American people. Victory, of course, would forgive all. But even with the Nazi and Italian aid thus far, victory is as far away from the Spanish fascist grandees as it ever was. Now hunger is beginning to grip the territories of Spanish fascism. The most that Hitler and Mussolini can do is to share the starvation they have brought on their own people with their Spanish buccaneer allies. As a result, the rats are beginning to desert the ship. The latest United Press cable from Gibraltar, the British Mediterranean war base, declares that the Spanish aristocrats are fleeing from Seville in a breakneck hurry. This is interpreted by the British commentator, friendly to Franco, as signifying some oncoming catastrophe for the fascists.

And to add greater uncertainty to the situation for the growingly harassed reactionary rebels, Mussolini signs an accord with Great Britain. True, here is no guarantee that Mussolini will not increase his aid to Spanish fascism, but the treaty limits Italian fascist assistance to Spain to joint Anglo-Italian interests in the Mediterranean as against joint Rome-Berlin objectives. But speaking of British interests, the pro-fascist pack in London is in full cry along with Hitler that everything must be done to insure a Franco victory in Spain. J. L. Garvin, editor of The Sunday Observer, on the occasion of the Anglo-Italian agreement pleads with Baldwin not to desert the Spanish fascists. "There will be a national Spain or no Spain," threatens Garvin in the language of Hitler's warships. "British sentimentalists of pinkish persuasion—and British conservatives, ye gods!—who refuse to see that there is no other than a practical choice are dupes and catspaws of international communism."

This general alarm of the fascists within Spain, as well as in Italy and Germany, and in Britain is responded to by Hitler through desperate acts in order to force Britain's hand definitely against the legitimate Spanish government at the risk of imminent war. The attack on the Spanish freighter Soton is not an isolated or individual act to retaliate for the Palos incident. It is part of a concerted plan. This can be seen in the fact that the Soton attack was followed (1) by the Nazi warship Graf Spee forcing the Spanish freighter Aragon into a rebel port; that is to say, the Nazi navy acted openly as part of the rebel forces. (2) The Nazi fleet near Bilbao fired on a British freighter, though its Union Jack was in full sight. Later the British vessel was boarded and searched by the Nazis. (3) General Franco's fleet near Gibraltar, at the same time, firing on a French freighter.

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Stop the Terror On the Waterfront

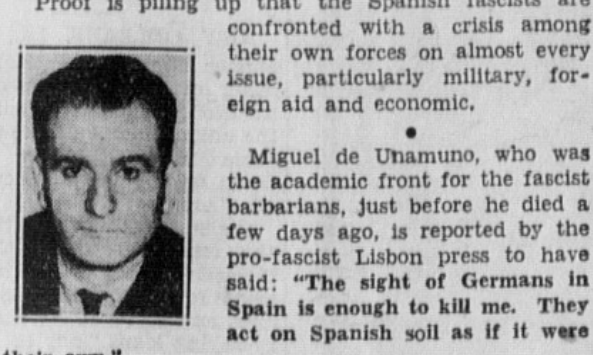
• Mayor LaGuardia must act to end the organized violence and terror that have been unloosed against the seamen's strike. After more than two months of unsuccessful efforts to break the strike, the shipowners and their No. 1 agent, Joseph P. Ryan, president of the International Longshoremen's Association, have now resorted to desperate measures. Slugging and stabbing of pickets, burglary, sabotage and arson—these are the weapons which the shipowners and Ryan's henchmen have turned on the strikers and on labor organizations supporting them. The burning for the second time within three days of the waterfront headquarters of the Communist Party, 229 Tenth Avenue, is the latest in a series of such outrages. A "crude act of arson" was the way Chief Marshal Thomas P. Brophy characterized it after a personal investigation of the fire. The throwing of a brick through the window of the headquarters of the paper, The Catholic Worker, shows that this terror campaign is directed against any and all who support the seamen's strike and seek to further the unity of all maritime workers. Ryan, faced with revolt in his own organization, is translating into grim action his statement to a recent meeting of his henchmen: "You will have to fight for your jobs now."

Not only have the police failed to curb this gangster rule, but they have connived with it and have themselves participated in attacks on pickets. It is time for the Mayor to act. The Ryan-shipowner gang are a public menace. Their methods are those of the worst enemies of the labor movement and of democracy. Mayor LaGuardia must halt their criminal activities and end once and for all police collaboration with strike-breakers and thugs.

World Front

By HARRY GANNES

• General Franco's desperation and panic have been transmitted in a more virulent form to his chief backer, Adolf Hitler. The piracy of the Nazi warships is evidence of the belief in Berlin fascist circles that not only is it no longer possible for General Franco to win without wholesale troop importations but the Spanish fascists have little chance now short of a world war. Proof is piling up that the Spanish fascists are confronted with a crisis among their own forces on almost every issue, particularly military, foreign aid and economic.



Miguel de Unamuno, who was the academic front for the fascist barbarians, just before he died a few days ago, is reported by the pro-fascist Lisbon press to have said: "The sight of Germans in Spain is enough to kill me. They act on Spanish soil as if it were their own." Unamuno was not telling half the story. Those Basque Catholics who supported Franco are as worried over Nazi aid as are the Carlists and many misled Spaniards who actually believed General Franco in the beginning. Victory, of course, would forgive all. But even with the Nazi and Italian aid thus far, victory is as far away from the Spanish fascist grandees as it ever was. Now hunger is beginning to grip the territories of Spanish fascism. The most that Hitler and Mussolini can do is to share the starvation they have brought on their own people with their Spanish buccaneer allies.

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Fascism vs. Socialism: Hunger vs. Plenty

• Harold Denny's dispatch in the N. Y. Times of Jan. 2, proves again the difference between the living conditions in the Soviet Union, the land of Socialism, and in the fascist countries. The average wage in the Soviet Union during the past year has increased 22 per cent over 1935, Denny writes. That this increase is in real wages is made clear by other figures in Denny's dispatch. For example, the amount of food by weight consumed by the average worker's family was 14 per cent higher in the past year than in 1935; the per capita consumption of meat increased 45 per cent, milk consumption increased 22 per cent, fruit 11, eggs 134 and sugar 137 per cent. The Soviet worker is also availing himself of the tremendous supplies of new clothing which the Soviet factories are turning out. The per capita increase in the purchase of clothing was 13 per cent, that of textiles 81 per cent. The total output of industry as a whole increased by the astounding amount of 30 per cent—all of it according to schedule.

Neither the increasing prosperity in the Soviet Union nor the mounting starvation in the Fascist countries is an accident—both conditions are the inevitable, logical outcome of the difference between the world outlook and the practice of the two systems. Fascism means war, barbarism, starvation; Socialism once more proves that it means peace, freedom and prosperity.

SITDOWN

by Ellis



Unmasking the Fascist Agents

By M. Ercoli
(From an article in the November Communist International)

The growing prestige of the land of socialism, which is pursuing a bold and consistent policy in defense of peace, is rousing uneasiness and fierce hatred among the fascists. And once again it is the Trotskyists who provide the "arguments" for discrediting the peace policy of the Soviet Union. The mutual assistance pacts concluded by the Soviet Union with certain states which are not at the moment interested in the outbreak of war are described by the Trotskyist forces as "war alliances," which "force" German National Socialism to increase its armaments in self-defense. It is the same brazen lie by the aid of which the butchers of the German people are trying to obstruct every attempt to consolidate peace and mask their policy of war provocation.

Not long ago the representatives of tens of millions of people met in Brussels to demonstrate their firm determination to struggle for peace against the criminal aggressors, and to organize the masses for this struggle. The war parade in Nuremberg proved that the worst aggressor, stigmatized by the Brussels congress, is none other than Hitler Germany. And here again the counter-revolutionary Trotskyists join their howls to the campaign of the fascists.

In what do the fascists see the greatest menace to their domination and to their plans? They see it in united action by the working class. It is when the working class was split that fascism was able to triumph. Every success of working class unity is a defeat for fascism. But here again the Trotskyist bandits come to their aid. The struggle for unity, write the Trotskyist sheets, is "a superstition," a "dangerous illusion," it is "sheer folly and a crime."

As soon as the first successes were achieved in bringing about the United Front in France, the Trotskyist counter-revolutionaries set themselves the task of using every kind of provocation in order to disrupt the United Front—the United Front thanks to which the French proletariat drove back the fascist offensive of 1934-35, won its victory at the polls in 1936, and increased its forces ten-fold in the amalgamated trade unions, and obtained great economic gains in June, 1936, by direct action.

In his "proclamations" Trotsky fulminates against every working class organization which dares to carry out a policy of unity. He orders the Independent Labor Party to break off relations with the Communists, and threatens it with bell, book and candle because it acts otherwise. He declares the policy of working class unity to be a policy "dictated exclusively by the interests of Soviet diplomacy," and the Communist International to be "an instrument of Russian foreign policy." Thus it was that Trotsky provided Hitler and Goebbels with one of the slogans for the Nuremberg congress. In what do the fascists see the greatest danger to their domination and their plans? In the fact that the working class, by bringing about unity in its ranks wrests from their influence the mass of the petty bourgeoisie in town and country. Counter-revolutionary Trotskyism lends its aid to fascism by declaring that the People's Front is "a renunciation of the class struggle," "collaboration with the imperialist bourgeoisie."

ing the parties of the republic lower and middle class from the working class, and driving the petty bourgeoisie into the arms of reaction and fascism. The reactionary Social-Democratic leaders ask us for proofs. Are not these proofs, furnished by the Trotskyists themselves by their daily counter-revolutionary agitation, sufficient? But that, say the defenders of the terrorist bandits, does not yet prove that the Trotskyists organize murderous attacks against the Soviet government and its leaders. No, gentlemen. All this counter-revolutionary policy has one single edge which is aimed at the heart and head of the world revolutionary movement, at Communism, at the U. S. S. R., at the Bolshevik Party and its leaders. Terrorist attacks are a component part of the counter-revolutionary practical activities of fascism and Trotskyism.

The only perspective on which Trotsky is counting at the present time is that of the defeat of the Soviet Union. As far back as 1925, Trotsky came forward with his famous "Clemenceau" thesis. Just as Clemenceau was called to power during the imperialist war, when France was threatened with defeat, so Trotsky is to arrive at his goal when the enemy is at the gates of Moscow.

A few months ago Trotsky, writing in the same strain, said: "The victory of the European coalition over Napoleon did not bring about the destruction of capitalist development in France, but accelerated it in the rest of Europe." We are here confronted with a modernized fascist version of the theory of "permanent revolution," according to which, even if the fascists attack the Soviet Union and succeed in defeating it, that will not impede, but accelerate progress in "the rest of Europe." Do you need any further proofs, Messieurs Social-Democrats, that those whom the sword of proletarian justice has struck down were deadly enemies of the working class?

It is with the same shameless effrontery with which Trotsky admits that his aims are identical with those of the fascists in the question of war against the U. S. S. R., that he calls for terrorist acts. The slogan "Stalin must be put out of the way" was publicly launched in the Trotskyist press. The defense of terrorism as a form of struggle against the Soviet government runs like a red thread through the writings of Trotsky; terrorism is justified as a "progressive factor."

But these proofs are not enough for the reactionary leaders of Social-Democracy. There are people in existence who want to appeal against the verdict of the Supreme Court to some "commission" or other, on which the Trotskyists themselves would be invited to sit. Trotsky, the arch-assassin, declares that he is quite willing to be tried by a bourgeois court in Norway. If he wishes to add anything to what his accomplices and his followers have admitted, it is not to the judges of the King of Norway that he should address himself. Let him present himself to the Soviet Court. When Dimitroff was falsely accused at the Leipzig trial of having organized terrorist acts in his own country, Bulgaria, he immediately demanded without the slightest hesitation, to be deported to Bulgaria as soon as the Leipzig trial was finished, in order to stand trial there, laying down as the sole condition that the trial be public. The mere fact that Trotsky has not dared to appear before the only court which is competent and has the authority to judge the crimes committed by him is proof of his guilt.

on the one hand, and the Trotskyist counter-revolutionaries, on the other, is established in the capitalist countries. Is it not true that it was a wretch who was connected at one and the same time with the police and with the Trotskyist groups in Paris who had planned to kill our Comrade Marcel Cachin and was only prevented from doing so by accidental circumstances? Is it not true that an exposed provocateur, connected with the Trotskyist groups, who killed our Comrade Camille Montarari, one of the best fighters of the vanguard of the Italian proletariat? Is it not true that the principal witness for the prosecution against Dimitroff placed by the fascist police at the disposal of the State prosecutor in Leipzig, one Karwane, had been expelled from the Party for being a member of a Zinoviev group, subsequently passing over to Trotskyism? Maria Reese, who was expelled from the Communist Party of Germany for defending Trotsky's defeatist views on the subject of German fascism, became one of the leaders of the German Trotskyists and, during the Saar plebiscite, made a Hitlerite speech over the radio with the approval of the German Trotskyist press.

Nils Hyg, one of the leaders of Trotskyist wing of the Klibbon Party in Sweden, drew on the funds of Ivar Krueger who financed fascist organizations as well. The publisher of a Trotskyist paper appearing legally in Budapest, where Communist propaganda is prosecuted as high treason, is Weisshaus, a renegade, a Trotskyist, who in 1926 organized an attack on the life of Comrade Rakosi, when the latter was working illegally in the country. Ruth Fischer, liaison agent between Trotsky and the terrorist sent by him to the Soviet Union, is the closest collaborator of Do-riot, leader of a fascist "party" which is linked up with the reactionary chiefs of the Paris police.

In Poland it is the police who publish Trotskyist pamphlets and try to circulate them among the workers. In Italy Trotsky's autobiography, which is a model of slander against the Bolshevik Party, is recommended by the police for the prison libraries.

In France, when the police seek to find a pretext to attack the demonstrations of the People's Front, they always find Trotsky's provocateurs to play their game. The line of the Trotskyists in France, which is not only to smash the United Front and the People's Front, but to drive small groups of workers and declassed elements to undertake terrorist adventurist "armed action"—this line completely corresponds to the plans of the fascists and the police. In Spain, crushed by the powerful development of the People's Front, the remnants of the Trotskyist sect furnish agents provocateurs who, together with the fascists, organize attempts on the lives of the Communist and Republican leaders.

That connections exist between the police and the Trotskyists is an irrefutable fact. The reactionary journalist de Kerillis has stated in the Echo de Paris that the French police possess proofs of close connections between the activity of the Trotskyists and the Gestapo. M. de Kerillis is doubtless well-informed on this subject. The Moscow trial will not be, as the fascists and reactionary Social-Democrats had fondly hoped, the occasion for a weakening of the bonds between the Communist and Social-Democratic workers. Through it we shall strengthen these bonds, tear off the mask from the agents of fascism, and march forward to fulfill the historic task which lies before us, namely, the achievement of unity of the working class and the People's Front in the struggle against fascism, and for peace.

COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE POLICE AND THE TROTSKYIST BANDITS

It was on the basis of identity of aims that the Trotskyist bandits arrived at collaboration with the Gestapo. But it is on the same basis that collaboration, reciprocal exchange of service between the police,

She Chose Death On the New Year

Because She Knew No Other Way Out, Jane Schuck and Her Four Little Ones Are Dead and Gone But the System Lingers on

By Beth McHenry

Oscar Wilde said each man kills the thing he loves—and it was that which Mrs. Jane Schuck did Saturday morning when she committed suicide and took her three small children with her. They found her on the floor of the kitchen with her three-year-old boy in her arms and both of her other babies under the bed in the other room and all four were dead.

The detectives thought Jane Schuck was a woman of forty-five because she looked that old, lying dead on the kitchen floor of her little flat at 520 East 77th Street. They found out later that she was only 32 and had been married less than ten years. But you get to looking old on a small income, having a lot of worries and wanting to give your kids the things they need.

The Kids Can't Play in the Court

The Schuck apartment is a dark one, facing the inner court of a building near the East River. There's a big sign downstairs that tells the children not to play in the courtyard, so most of the children are out in the street on that block dodging cars just slightly and with their thin shod feet dipping in and out of puddles.

All of the people in that courtyard Saturday were looking up at the lighted windows of the Schuck apartment. It was nighttime and the deaths were discovered soon after midnight, but all day police cars and ambulances came whistling up the street and the news got around.

None of the neighbors knew the Schuck family, but they all said over and over what a terrible, terrible thing. One old woman dressed in black stopped me on the stairway and wanted to know what had really happened. She was deaf and had missed the courtyard accident.

"Poor woman," she said, and shook her head. "Poor woman must have had terrible troubles."

Like a Wax Doll in a Blanket

The five-year-old boy was still in the apartment. He looked like a blond wax doll, wrapped in a blanket. His blue eyes were a little bit open and his cheeks looked as if they had been painted red. He and his eight-year-old sister were found under the bed as though they were trying to get away from the gas that smelled so bad.

The Schuck family had only moved into 520 East 77th Street a week or so ago and everyone said the mother was very quiet and the children well behaved. The father works in a linoleum factory and makes very little money. There never has been much left over when the rent got paid and the family was trying to get away from the gas that smelled so bad.

They say Jane Schuck has lately been trying to help along the family income peddling rubber aprons from door to door. Friday she had New Year's for the children. Perhaps it helped her to have their last day a happy one. But it's certain that the New Year looked blacker than anyone will ever know to this poor woman who could think of only one thing to do.

After cooking soup for an invalid, see that it is thoroughly chilled so that all the fat will congeal and can be removed in its entirety. Besides detracting from the palatability of the soup, beads of fat make it difficult to digest.

BOOK NOTES

By MARY MACK

GET WISE, ORGANIZE! By Dave Doran, with an introduction by William V. Foster, price c cents. Published by the National Committee of the Young Communist League, New York.

Knock, knock. Who's there? Fairless. Fairless who? Fairless wages and more hours! That's what the "young steel workers who know how to read the box scores are passing around," says Dave Doran in *Get Wise, Organize*, which is just off the press.

Fairless, you know or you would know if you read the great and timely pamphlet—is of the greatest United States Steel Corporation. In *Get Wise, Organize*, Dave Doran tells you the story of Johnny. His inauguration day at school, where the principal made a "mournful speech" about a "future of sacrifice"—high sounding phrases which when boiled down meant little hope for a job. And his labor in one of the steel plants "where the speed up in the mill kept him on his toes continuously. At quitting time he could hardly drag himself home. Going out with his pals or taking the girl friend out, after a stretch at the mill, was no easy job."

The Johnnies at the mill worked at \$3.70 per day. But Girdler of Republic Steel received a personal salary of \$135,000 for 1935 and "received of Jones and Laughlin a reward of \$125 an hour." This 24-page pamphlet, written for the young steel workers and for youth of all industries tells the secret of organization and explains the conflict of ideas between the craft unions and the industrial unions. At the end of the little booklet is a message from the Young Communist League to Johnny and the tens of thousands of young steel workers.

William Z. Foster, leader of the great 1919 steel strike, wrote the introduction to *Get Wise, Organize*. All in all, it is a pamphlet which belongs in every young worker's library.

LIFE WITH A PURPOSE. By Joe C. Clark, price 2 cents. Published by the National Committee of the Young Communist League, New York.

In *Life With a Purpose*, Joe C. Clark points another way out for the youth of this country besides that of waiting for dead men's shoes. There are 20,000,000 young Americans between the ages of 16 and 24. Five hundred thousand are jobless, but taking part time courses at school. Three hundred thousand have become like birds, wandering along the highways of America. Four million are in school, ready to be graduated into a labor market that's pretty full already.

Your Health

By the Medical Advisory Board: Adah Alberti, Another Quack

M. H., ST. PAUL, Minnesota, writes: "I am thinking of using Adah Alberti's preparations together with the rest of the cure of tuberculosis. What do you think of these products?"

ADAH ALBERTI generally advertises under the name of Mrs. Adah Alberti. She was first heard of in 1929 when she was located in the W. W. Wellman Building, Los Angeles, and later in Hollywood. She sometimes advertises as the Alberty Food Laboratories. There is no record to indicate that she is an authority on any scientific subject, although she calls herself a "noted dietologist."

In 1930, she was to stage a baby contest in Philadelphia and advertised that she would pay \$100 if Alberty's Food failed to do as represented for babies. Two years later in 1932 she was advertising that President Harding's sisters found that Alberty's Food did wonders for babies.

The United States Government within two years has prosecuted the Alberty concern for selling not less than ten of its nostrums under false and fraudulent claims. These include Alberty's Calcein, Alberty's Laxative, Alberty's Spleen and Iron Tablets, Alberty's German Herb Lax-Tonic, Alberty's Organic Phosphate Pellets, Instant Alberty's Food, Alberty's Food. One of Alberty's products, besides Alberty's Hemoglobin Tonic and Alberty's Anti-Diabetic Vegetable Compound, is a so-called "reducer" known as "Cheno Restorer Tablets, with which is sold 'Cheno Herb Tea.' The 'Tea' is supposed to contain bladder-wrack, used for years in quick 'cure' cures without any scientific basis for its use. In fact, in Ireland, bladder-wrack is fed to pigs to fatten them!

A Texas physician in March 1934 reported that a patient became markedly anemic (poor or lessened blood) after taking the Cheno combination. Alberty is engaged in a racket similar to the various "health foundations" about which many of our readers ask us. They all use high-sounding language and pseudo-scientific verbiage to delude the public.

The treatment of tuberculosis is purely a medical and surgical problem. (See July 1935, September 1935 and October 1935 issues of HEALTH and HYGIENE.) It should, therefore, be undertaken only under the guidance and supervision of a reputable physician or clinic. Such quacks as Adah Alberty with her preparations only succeed in taking money from patients who should use all the resources to regain their health under the care just mentioned. Unfortunately, there is at present no way to put such quacks out of business. As a preparation is suppressed by the government under one name, it is frequently re-marketed under another name. This is, of course, another good reason not to use any preparation not prescribed by reputable physicians or clinics. Reputable physicians, among other things, do not advertise.

"AND NOW GOODBYE" IN REHEARSAL
John Golden's second production of the season, "And Now Goodbye," starring Philip Merivale and Marguerite Churchill, went into rehearsal Monday. The play is scheduled to open at the Plymouth Theatre, Boston, on Jan. 18. Reginald Bach is directing the play and Raymond Sovey is doing the settings. Mr. Golden has another play up his sleeve, "North Star," by Austin Strong, which he plans to produce after the holidays. The play will probably be the first to occupy the John Golden Theatre, formerly the Masque, where the producer is now making his headquarters.

RECEIVE PRINT OF BLACK LEGION FILM
A finished print of "Black Legion," Warner Bros. melodrama exposing the evils of secret, terroristic groups, is expected some time this week at the Warner home offices in New York. Cutting and editing of the picture was completed on the Coast just before the Christmas holiday. Humphrey Bogart, Dick Foran and Ann Sheridan, young Texas girl discovered earlier this year by Warners, have the leading roles in the production.

Scenic Artists See Shows
The Union of Scenic Artists, Local 829, passed a resolution to devote \$50 of their treasury every month, with which to buy twenty-five tickets for their members to see the shows they have worked on. Employment and the living standard of the scenic artists is so low that they do not get a chance to see the plays which they have helped produce. The union has undertaken to remedy this, and twelve union members, chosen by lot, and their wives will get a chance every month to see their work and a show at the same time.

Hi-Lites on the Air Lanes
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NEWS OF STAGE AND SCREEN

Soviet Stage In 20th Year

Plan Greatest of All Festivals In September

MOSCOW, Jan. 3. — Now that sufficient time has passed since the Fourth Soviet Theatre Festival to permit foreign guests to return to their homes and make their reports in the international press, Soviet theatrical leaders have been able to assemble their criticisms and to utilize them in making plans for the even greater celebration planned for 1937. The coming year will be the twentieth anniversary of the October revolution, and the Soviet Union intends that this Fifth Theatre Festival should fully portray the two decades of progress in Soviet art.

The unanimity of praise for the recent festival, while gratifying to Soviet officials, is given less attention than comments on specific features. The general attitude is well summed up in the words of Pierre Scise, the French dramatic critic. "For me," he said, "it is now a fixed axiom that the Soviet Union is to be considered a country where the theatrical art has been reborn in all its brilliance and magnificence."

Theatre Of People's Art

Of the features singled out for special tributes, the Theatre of People's Art and the development of national theatres were outstanding. A. van der Vies, the Dutch producer, said of the former: "I was joyously stirred not only by the performance of individual numbers. . . but by the very existence of such a theatre. The diversity. . . astounds an unaccustomed audience. . . something far greater than anything hitherto known in the history of folk art."

Equally interesting was the reception given by eminent foreign critics to the new national theatres of the Georgian and Ukrainian Socialist Republics. "The play by the Georgian Theatres is the glory of the festival," said Arthur Berzins, Director of the State Opera of Latvia. "Despite the fact that it is still a young national theatre, its actors play in highly cultivated and plastic manner and with perfect artistry."

A similar tribute was paid to the presentation of the Shevchenko Dramatic Theatre of the Ukraine by Emil Vuillemoz, who called it "an excellent play charged with dramatic tension sustained in realistic style and done with great taste."

These two examples of the unique Soviet theatrical organization will be given even more emphasis in the next Festival—to begin, according to established tradition, on Sept. 1 and last till Sept. 10. One evening will be dedicated to the people's theatre alone—with all the principal nationalities of the Soviet Union represented. And there will be not one but two Festival Tours—the first comprising ten days in Moscow, the second featuring trips to Leningrad, Kharkov, Kiev, Rostov and the principal national theatres. Each of these tours will be available separately or in combination.

Naturally the much praised diversity of Moscow's attractions will be maintained and enhanced—all forms of adult drama, from Meyerhold's daring productions of controversial themes to the more classical plays; children's presentations; opera; and a full evening showing the progress of Soviet ballet dancers.

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His answer to the first question is "No." To the second he replies: "Courage, initiative and talent."

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Scenic Artists See Shows
The Union of Scenic Artists, Local 829, passed a resolution to devote \$50 of their treasury every month, with which to buy twenty-five tickets for their members to see the shows they have worked on. Employment and the living standard of the scenic artists is so low that they do not get a chance to see the plays which they have helped produce. The union has undertaken to remedy this, and twelve union members, chosen by lot, and their wives will get a chance every month to see their work and a show at the same time.

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Othello and Iago And Those Women

Max Gordon Mixes Shakespeare and a Cynical Comedy For His Mid-Season Pair of Offerings to Broadway's Taste

Those harder playgoers of another generation who reveled in the Shakespearean histrionics of Booth and Barrett will again see two luminaries of the Broadway stage—and screen—co-starring in the Bard of Avon's famous "Othello," which comes to the New Amsterdam Theatre for a limited engagement commencing Wednesday evening. These would be Walter Huston and Brian Aherne. Max Gordon is the sponsor. Robert Edmond Jones not only staged the play, but also designed the settings and created the artistic lighting effects.

Unlike the average production readied for Broadway, "Othello" was two years in the making. As a matter of record, Huston took time off from his duties in "Dodsworth" to play the name role in a presentation of the classic, under Robert Edmond Jones' direction, in Central City, Colorado, two summers ago. The intervening time has been spent by the two of them clarifying the script and action so it emerges a better "Othello," from a standpoint of production and lighting, than hitherto achieved.

Brian Aherne joined the cast, as Iago, less than four weeks ago, though he had studied the role with a view to appearing with Walter Huston for the past six months. Contracts for a movie appearance, with Merle Oberon in "Beloved Enemy," precluded his participation in the road run of the play.

Bathtub Scene

A fortuitous circumstance brought Betty Lawford from the Klieg lights of the Hollywood film factories to the much publicized bathtub scene in Max Gordon's production of Clare Boothe's comedy success, "The Women," current at the Ethel Barrymore Theatre. Engaged importantly in picture work for the last two years, the young actress had just completed a film when Producer Gordon's wire arrived inviting her to join the cast of "The Women." Free to leave the California hills behind her for a chance once again to play in the living theatre, Miss Lawford forthwith packed bag and baggage and flew on to New York where she was introduced to both her role and the now celebrated bathtub incident which has captured the curiosity of Broadway playgoers to an exciting degree.

The daughter of the veteran actor, Ernest Lawford, she comes to the stage quite naturally. Her father took her to the theatre for the first time at the age of four and she has been going to shows virtually ever since. She made her professional debut in the Players' Club revival of "Henry IV" and followed this appearance in another revival, "Julius Caesar," sponsored by the same group. Following her role in "The Lady Lies," she went to Hollywood for a series of pictures.

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PITT'S PANTHERS SEEM TO BE TOPS

By Ted Benson

THERE doesn't seem to be much question left as to what is the best college football team in the country, if such a mythical champion is necessary. Dr. Jock Sutherland's Pitt Panthers, based on their performance in Pasadena the other day, seem to have the honor pretty well sewed up, leaving to the Dukes of Duke the honor of having once taken the measure of the champions.

Throwing that game out of the window, the Pitt outfit seems to have done everything that can be expected of a championship aggregation including tightening up in the clutches, a real mark of class.

The comparative ease with which Dr. Jock's juveniles leaped all over the highly touted Washington eleven rehabilitates Eastern football in the minds of a good many Easterners anyway.

For some years it has been the custom of men from the wild and woolly to sneer at the efete football played in the vicinity of the Atlantic Ocean. A few years back Columbia weakened the myth, now Pitt has killed it, for which we are grateful.

A Good Hater Comes Through

EVERAL days ago I suggested that it might be an idea if some of the customers came through with their pet hates in the sporting world. Don Cherrin was the first one in with a couple of swell hates plus ten votes for Benson—therefore you have his hates. He lists them as his objects of virulent rancor and here they are:

COACH OSSIE SOLEM AND FRESHMAN COACH BILL BOELTER of Iowa University—because of their chauvinistic attitude toward the great Negro fullback, Oze Simmons. Their overt discrimination toward, and abuse of, Simmons will not be soon forgotten.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF HOWARD UNIVERSITY—because they refused to meet the minimum requirements of their football team. They neglected to provide adequate food, proper training quarters, team physician, etc. It was therefore no great wonder that the team rebelled and went on strike.

FORDHAM AND MANHATTAN COLLEGES—because of puerile refusal to grant press passes to the Daily Worker staff. (How am I doing, Ted?) (Ed. Note: You are doing swell, kid.)

Who Said Basketball Was Sissy?

THE court game has had a reputation for speed and rhythm that has been unequalled. Now it adds to interest by becoming a game which rivals hockey as being a cause for riots.

Anyone who has watched basketball consistently knows that the constant body contact has always caused individual battles on the court. But few realize how often these things flare up into general melees with all the players and subs and many of the partisan spectators joining merrily in the fray.

Saturday's night game between City College and St. John's developed into such a situation.

When City College beat St. John's by a score of 39 to 21, rage and disappointment plus sharp body play brought on a row that brought down the house.

I suppose, as a sports writer, it is my duty to deplore such departures from pure sportsmanship, but in order to be perfectly honest about it, I must admit I like it.

I do not think there is much fun in a general riot and I think that the thing should be stopped before it gets anywhere near that point.

It seems to me, however, a great compliment to the game itself, when the participants will throw a clean punch for the honor of alma mammy.

This statement will bring many squawks and, I suppose, I am wrong as usual. But I made a New Year's resolution to tell the truth at least once a day and that's my contribution.

Besides, I have a hunch that customers like it, too.

Ecuador in Play-Offs After Downing Knights

Championship for the first half of the season in the Manhattan Soccer League went to the hard shooting Ecuador, foremost South American booting aggregation in the city, with a well earned 2-0 victory over the strong Bronx Knights at Betsy Head Park, yesterday.

Ecuador's first goal came after twenty minutes of even battling, when the ball rolled over the goal line in a scrimmage in front of the Knights' sanctum. The South Americans sewed up the game with another marker midway in the second half. The Bronx forward line, noted for its scoring punch, was never in evidence, while the defense did the best it could against the speedy Ecuador forwards.

The victory gave the South Americans the right for a play-off with the winner of the second half, for the championship of the league, next spring.

Stars Glimmer

HOUSTON, Tex., Jan. 3 (UP).—The Chicago Bears, of the National Professional Football League, runners up to the Green Bay Packers for Western Division honors, defeated a team of all stars, 10 to 7, here today. Score by quarters: BEARS 0 3 7 0—10 ALL-STARS 0 0 0 7—7

WHAT'S ON

RATES: 15 words, 5c Monday to Saturday; \$1.00 Sunday; 5 cents per additional word. DEADLINE: Weekdays, 12 noon. Sunday deadline, Friday 12 Noon. Payment must be made in advance or notice does not appear.

Tonight

ATTENTION! Former members, present members, musicians, music lovers. Attend open meeting. Chamber music program 8:30 P.M. Adm. Free. American Music Alliance, 114 W. 54th St.

Coming

WHAT IS Happening in China, a symposium by Harry Gannes, Dr. J. H. Lin and R. A. Howell of "China Today," Friday, Jan. 8th, 8 P.M., Irving Plaza Hall, Irving Pl and 15th St. Tickets 25c at all Workers Book Shops, 35c at door. Ausp.: Peoples Forum.

Park Avenue and Hipp Rock to Grunts Tonight

Almost three tons of first class wrestling beef will be trotted out this evening at the rival Hippodrome and 71st Regiment Armory rings to satisfy the appetite of the fans of the growling and moaning industry.

UGH!

The Sixth Avenue Opera House proceedings are fittingly headlined by Chio Marm, unlike his famous namesake, doesn't know a thing about an "allegro or pizzicato" but is a bone crusher of note, and Dave Levin, who left his father's butchery in Jamaica to toss the big boys around. These gentle souls are listed for what is generally known as a match to a finish, which may mean that either may wind up on some scribe's typewriter before the evening is over.

Two manhandlers, weighing in the neighborhood of 300 pounds each, Man Mountain Jacobs and Ivan Podubny, are down for thirty minutes of their playful antics in the semi-final.

G-R-R-R!

Fun at the Park Avenue drill shed will be greatly enlivened when the inventor of the flying tackle, Gus Sonnenberg, bumps into Dan O'Mahoney, the inventor of the Irish whip, for the chief riot until finish. "Kangaroo" Abe Coleman and "Bullneck" Hans Kampfer are among the others who will contribute their muscles and mooring for the edification of the cash customers.

Registration Notices

WORKERS SCHOOL Winter Term Registration now going on. Many new courses offered. For descriptive catalogue, write to the School Office, 38 E. 12th St. DOWNTOWN Music School registration for Winter Term. Daily 11 A.M.-1 P.M. 3-8:30 P.M. Saturday 10 A.M.-5 P.M. Bulletin available, 12th St. REGISTRATION going on at Brownsville Workers School, 105 Thattford Ave., courses in Marxism-Leninism, etc. Evenings 7-10 P.M. Fee \$1.50 per course. WELCOME and hear Lawrence Simpson, St. Nicholas Palace, 68 W. 66th St. See large ad for speakers. Wednesday, Jan. 6, 8 p.m. Sub. 25c and 40c. ANNE LOUISE STRONG—BANQUET on her return to U.S. after 20 years of distinguished effort in behalf of closer understanding between peoples of U.S.S.R. and U.S. At Manhattan Opera House on Wednesday, Jan. 13, 7 p.m. Speakers and guests of honor include Pearl S. Buck, Ethelwyn Guiler, Pymon, Hindus, Joseph Freeman, Carl Von Doren, Mr. and Mrs. Errem Zimballist, Albert Rhys Williams, Mary Van Kleeck, Corliss Lamont. Reservations, \$2.00 per plate. Admission to balcony, 50 cents. Tickets on sale at Soviet Russia Today, 824 Broadway.

All-Stars Beat Baltimore 11 In Upset

Rain Disrupts Schedule of American League

Rainy weather throughout the eastern part of the country played havoc with the plans of soccerdom and only one of the six inter-league matches which were arranged to promote closer contact among the professionals and amateurs, was held.

The only game to defy the weather god brought plenty of glory to the simon-pures, when the Baltimore F. C., one of the leading members of the American Soccer League went down to defeat before an ambitious All-Star Maryland eleven at O'Donnell Park, Baltimore. The final score was 2-1 in favor of the All-Stars who gave a fine account of themselves in checking the highly touted "murderers row" of the pros which boasts of such goal getting aces as Ernst, sensational center forward, and Patschke and Schwanke, clever wing men.

The victory of the state eleven over the Baltimore Club speaks well of the development of amateur soccer in Maryland, and will stimulate a lot of interest in future games of this kind.

Norwegians, Danish Tie

Trailing by one goal at the interval, the Danish F. C. rallied in the second half to gain a 1-1 tie with the league leading Norwegian Turners in their Met. League game at Bayridge Oval, yesterday. The Norwegians had much the better of the playing in the first half, going into the lead after fifteen minutes on a well placed shot by Olsen. The Turners continued to force the play but could not add to their score. The Danish showed good advancement after ends were changed, raining shot after shot at the Norwegian goal.

P.S.A.L.'s Back in Action

Gave Good Account of Themselves in Games with Jersey Quintets—Utrecht in Hockey Lead

The P.S.A.L. court battle resumes action this Friday, after a holiday interim of ten days. Textile takes on Stuyvesant in what promises to be a closely-fought encounter. Franklin should have it over Haeren when the two teams meet. The Bronx division has an interesting prospect in Evander Childs tilt with Monroe. Both parties are tied for second place and the result of the game may determine the contender for the borough crown against Clinton, whose preeminence is generally acknowledged. Morris meets Washington in the division's other game.

Y-6 Team Too Big In I.W.O. Game

The IWO basketball tourney continued merrily on its way when Y6 administered a severe drubbing to Y195 of East Bronx at the Stuyvesant High gym yesterday's dreary morn to the tune of 29 to 2.

The yawning gap in the score can by no means be considered a criterion of Y195's court prowess, however. The teams were obviously mismatched, with the average age of the East Side quintet three years higher than that of its Bronx rival.

The advantages of height and experience made themselves felt in the score. Having the edge and more than that, from the beginning, Y6 steam-rolled to victory over its hapless opponents. Nevertheless the youthful hoopers fought valiantly to the end. When they saw they couldn't break through their foe's zone defense, with admirable generalship they reversed their strategy and resorted to long shots from the field. To Bugs Bogrow went the honor of sinking his team's lone basket.

Fred Kitty's suave playing earned 15 points for his team. This marks X6's second tourney victory in as many starts. Last week the East Siders routed Y56.

New Utrecht garnered first place honors in hockey by upsetting Brooklyn Tech 1-0 last Saturday. A goal by Nilo Gemahl in the second period gave the Bousonhurat set a record of four wins out of six tries, the other two being ties. Boys drubbed Textile, and Jamaica was loosed from its hold on first place, which it had been sharing up to now with New Utrecht, when it went down before Manual Training 3-1.

On the Ice

The Atlantic City Seagulls scored their fifth consecutive victory of the season yesterday, defeating the New York Rovers 5 to 3 in an Eastern Amateur League hockey game.

LITTLE LEFTY



Little School Goes Big Time



Solem's Ouster Seen as Victory For Progressives

The announcement that Coach Ossie Solem of Iowa had left the mid-west school for Syracuse was interpreted as a victory for the progressive forces of the University.

Solem subjected the Negro ace of the team, Oze Simmons, to a barrage of abuse during the football season in a display of unwarranted discrimination. He made it so tough for Simmons that the All-American backfield star quit the team in mid-season as a protest.

When asked by a united student body to return to action, Simmons did so and finished the season in his usual efficient way.

Coach Solem's discriminatory attitude was repudiated by the football team when they elected Homer Harris, a Negro end, as captain of the 1937 team.

His resignation is another evidence of the growing progressiveness of the student bodies of the Western universities.

TO FACE PERRY



Ellsworth Vines, left, pro tennis champ of the world, is ready for his test with the new pro-Fred Perry of England—in Madison Garden Wednesday night. Bill Tilden II, right, the old war-horse of the net game, will be seen in the doubles.

L.I.U. in Grim Comeback

Blackbirds' Games with Davis-Elkins and Duquesne Feature Busy Week

The busy collegiate basketball season goes into full speed ahead this week with a set of interesting games involving some inter-sectional competition.

The chastened Blackbirds of L.I.U. have a chance to show that the Stanford defeat was just one of those things. They meet a rugged team from Davis-Elkins tomorrow night at the Hipp, and play Duquesne champs of the high class Western Pennsylvania district, at the Garden Saturday night.

In tomorrow night's prelim, the best looking Manhattan team in that school's history, takes on the fast and scrappy gang from St. Francis of Brooklyn. It should be a good game, with the size and aggressive power of the Jaspers turning the trick.

On the Saturday night Garden card is a game between N.Y.U. and Ohio State. This should be a humdinger. There are lots of interesting angles to consider. For instance, it wasn't so long ago that the mid-westerns' football team took the Violets by the dainty score of 60 to 0, but the basketball team has a mission of vengeance to perform.

They might do it at that. In their two defeats by Georgetown and Manhattan, Coach Cann's lads showed all kinds of possibilities. Their chief fault so far is lack of co-ordination on defense. Their failure to switch properly and cover up has been fatal. The attack is starting to click, with Carnevale and Boardman improving game to game, and Jerry Tarlow repidly gaining stature as a driving and intelligent floor man.

Milly Schulman and Irv Terjeson are as good as they were last year, and that was very good.

Kenny Norton is back in the starting lineup for L.I.U. for tomorrow night's game. Coach Bee has decided that he needs his experience for the clash with the tough West Virginia Conference champions. The red-headed senior hasn't Torgoff's shot, but he's a better feeder and more reliable in the pinches.

If the Blackbirds get past the Southerners, they'll need to have plenty left for the Duquesne game Saturday. The Dukes, led by their 6 foot 8 center, Kweller, put on a great show, as anyone who saw last year's game can testify. L.I.U. won that hectic battle by one point when Marius Russo slipped one in as the final whistle blew.

Adding to the week's court festivities, C.C.N.Y. puts its pinwheel passing on exhibition in the mid-west for the first time, meeting Western Reserve in Chicago on Saturday.

Don Seeded First
CORAL GABLES, Fla., Jan. 3 (UP).—Donald Budge of Los Angeles, No. 1 amateur tennis player of the nation, heads the list of seeded stars competing in the Miami-Baltimore championships which get underway tomorrow.

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ILGWU Leader All for Sports

Zimmerman Sees Labor Sports Unity as Aid in Fight on Fascism—Suggests Inviting Soviet Teams to Tour U. S.

By Mike Kantor
"One of the latest and most significant signs that labor sports is growing rapidly is the request we have just received from the Automobile Workers Union on information regarding the organization and development of a labor sports league among their workers," said Charles Zimmerman, manager of Local 22 of the I. L. G. W. U., yesterday.

"Letters and wires have been coming in from all over the country from labor organizations and sympathetic bodies desirous of knowing more about trade union athletics. This is proof enough that the labor sport campaign is reaching workers throughout the United States. It is growing very fast not only in the I. L. G. W. U. but in other unions. "The dominance by companies over the sports life of their workers, particularly in the basic industry areas, is fast disappearing as the workers take a hand in the building of their own recreational life," Zimmerman added.

Red Sparks Beat Shamrocks
Surprise with Sparking Victory Over Irish
Playing their best game of the year, the Red Sparks I. W. O. soccerites scored twice in each half to gain an important 4-1 victory over the New York Shamrocks in the premier division of the Metropolitan District League, at Commercial Field, yesterday.

"Piuka" Kilgman, veteran booting ace, opened the scoring for the I. W. O. after ten minutes of playing with a hard drive from ten yards out, but Johnson brought the Shamrocks up to level a few moments later, when he placed one in the upper right corner, out of the reach of Friedman. Red Sparks goalie, Greenstein tallied shortly before the interval to put the Red Sparks in front.
The I. W. O. booters continued to dominate the game after the interval, and Kilgman and Greenstein added one goal apiece to bring the total to four.

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Surprise with Sparking Victory Over Irish
Playing their best game of the year, the Red Sparks I. W. O. soccerites scored twice in each half to gain an important 4-1 victory over the New York Shamrocks in the premier division of the Metropolitan District League, at Commercial Field, yesterday.

AIDING SPAIN
The militant leader of the largest local in the I.L.G.W.U. was busy with a hundred and one details—all concerned with shipments of coats, dresses, shoes and other clothing apparel, to Spain. For the past few weeks he has been following the labor sport campaign with intense interest and he was ready almost at once to launch into a long discussion on the organization and developments in this important trade union problem.

MORE DRIVE NEEDED
Zimmerman, however, emphasized that this was not enough. He felt that the sport growth with the labor movement had gotten a fine start but needed a great deal more attention than it had been getting. He said that the task for labor now is to draw in other unions in this campaign and build an independent labor sports federation.

FIREWORKS TONIGHT
Fistic activities of the week will be started off with a bang, when George Zengara, hard-hitting Greek lightweight meets Jimmy McLeod, promising Tacoma youngster in the main event, listed for eight rounds at the St. Nicholas Arena, tonight.

TO FACE PERRY
The Washington lad jumped into prominence last Monday, when he took a last minute assignment to box the selfsame Zengara, taking the place of Lew Feldman who was down with the flu, and put up one of the finest exhibitions seen around here in a long time to earn a draw with the rugged Greek, Zengara previously had chalked up 22 straight victories, the majority of them via the slumberland route, and was a strong favorite to stop the unknown youngster from the lumber region. But Jimmy surprised the wisecracks by matching his foe in every department, displaying some clever boxing as well as some neat punching.

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