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### SENATE TRUST GUILTY IN ALABAMA FLOGGING, SENATE BOARD TOLD

Police Official Says Steel Firm Bars Indictments in Gelders Case

GELDERS ON STAND

LaFollette Committee Is Told Road Mined to Blow Up Striking Miners

(Special to the Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 14.—The only reason that no indictments have been brought in Birmingham against the kidnapers of Joseph Gelders, Southern representative of the National Committee for Defense of Political Prisoners, is that "The Tennessee Coal and Iron Co. owns about fifteen-sixteenths of that country down there."

This was the testimony here today before the La Follette Senate Committee investigating violations of civil rights, of James W. McClung, special investigator of the Alabama State Police assigned to the Gelders case.

REFUTES T.C.I. TESTIMONY

Hearings on the Gelders case, in which T.C.I. officials, Gelders himself, and Jack Barton, Communist sentenced to 580 days on the chain gang under a Bessemer, Ala., ordinance since declared unconstitutional, appeared, opened the second hearings of the Senate Committee. The committee is attempting to obtain a new appropriation from the Senate with which to continue its work.

McClung's startling testimony followed upon sworn statements by the vice-president of the T.C.I., Karl Landegrebe, and assistant to President Ernest Lemay, to the effect that the company never under any circumstances concerned itself with the political or economic activities of its employees, and paid no attention to such matters whatsoever.

GELDERS TESTIFIES

Jack Barton on the stand in the morning session told the details of his various arrests, his treatment in prison, the brutal treatment of other prisoners, especially of Negroes, in Bessemer, a T.C.I. company town.

The company officials then sat back and listened to an amazing story of stark brutality. It came from the lips of Prof. Joseph Gelders, lean, rangy, soft-spoken. Former Assistant Professor of the Faculty of Alabama University, Gelders told of a visit to Bessemer on the night of Sept. 23, 1936.

Carrying papers on the Scottsboro and Barton cases to a meeting, Gelders testified that on leaving he knew he was being followed. He was struck from behind as he got off a bus by a man he identified as Walter J. Hanna, member of the Alabama National Guard.

ROBBED BY SLUGGERS

"I saw more persons and I ran," Gelders said. "I collided with a man named Dent Williams. He struck me, broke my nose and my glasses. They put me on the floorboard of an automobile and continued to beat me. I pretended to be unconscious.

"Williams began reading documents that had been taken from me. Every now and then one of them would kick me. They took

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Ford to Speak At I.W.O. Center For the 'Daily'

An array of outstanding talent will take part in the All-Negro Concert Night, at which James W. Ford, Communist Party candidate for Vice-President in the last election, will be the guest speaker, that has been arranged for this Saturday night at I. W. O. Center, 683 Allerton Avenue, the Bronx. The affair is being held for the benefit of the \$100,000 drive of the Daily and Sunday Worker under the auspices of the 6th A. D., Bronx, Communist Party.

James A. Lillard, tenor, formerly with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, will be heard in classical folk songs in Hebrew, Russian and English; Bertha Joseph will play classical compositions on the piano; Ethelbert Haynes, baritone, will render spirituals and classical songs; Ellen Gordon's Peter Pan Kiddies, the classical dance group that has won widespread popularity, will be another feature.

Following this entertainment program, which starts at 8:30 p. m., there will be dancing to a snappy orchestra.

### 'Would Say Anything to Keep Them From Killing Him', Green's Wife Says

Was Beaten So Badly in 48 Hours of Grilling He'd Confess Anything, She Says — Wife Was Threatened to Get Damaging Evidence

By Ben Davis, Jr. (Daily Worker Harlem Bureau)

BULLETIN

Responding to the lynch incitement of the press against the Negro porter, Major Green, twenty women screaming "lynch him," attacked the defendant last night as he was led from the Supreme Court to the County prison. Green pleaded "not guilty" to the charge of murdering Mary Harriet Case.

The campaign of lynch incitement has been led by the New York Evening Journal and the New York American, both owned by William Randolph Hearst. It has been followed by all other capitalist newspapers.

A flat denial of stories that her husband had "confessed" to her, was made last night by Mrs. Junita Green, wife of Major Green, Negro porter, indicted for the murder of Mary Harriet Robinson Case. During an interview at her home, 68 W. 118th Street, she described the reputed confession of her police-battered husband as "just plain fishy." Her story was interspersed with details of how her husband had been beaten so badly for 48 hours that she felt "he'd say anything to keep them from killing him."

KEEPS PLEDGE

Mrs. Green declared that while visiting her husband in jail yesterday, police officials threatened her with imprisonment and \$10,000 bail unless she would make the damaging admission that her husband had "confessed" to her.

Mrs. Green indignantly denied a story carried in the 7th Sports Edition of the New York World Telegram, that Major had confessed to her by saying "I did this" in the presence of police witnesses and Assistant District Attorney J. Irwin Shapiro of Queens. She said she saw her husband in jail yesterday.

INSISTED ON INNOCENCE

"Major told me he was absolutely innocent. He said he didn't have anything to do with it. The newspapers just print anything they want to—and a lot they keep out," she said heatedly. Green pleaded "not guilty" before Judge Charles S. Golden of the Supreme Court last night.

"Major said they had beaten him all night. He said they had even threatened to shoot him if he didn't confess. And he said all this right in the presence of the police, and they could have denied it if they wanted to. The newspapers didn't print that."

Mrs. Green explained that her husband had been "picked up by the feet and his body beaten against the prison walls."

Daily newspapers, led by Hearst's New York Evening Journal and New York American, were busy yesterday working up a lynch sentiment against the untried, unconvicted Negro porter. They carried "confessions," each coming from a different source.

The Journal, which appeared to have "inside drag" with the police department, paraded a confession which came from "a police official." The New York World-Telegram brought forward a confession which

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Reader--Let's Go Places--Debts Anchor Daily Worker

Reader! May we take you back of the scenes of the Daily Worker for a moment? We know that our readers and sympathizers are concerned not alone with the news, the stories, the features and editorials we write. They are concerned with the great struggles of the workers. They are vitally concerned with what makes the paper go, and how it can be made better, stronger, more effective in the struggle.

Just as we call on all our readers to participate in getting news and reports to us, and in circulating the paper as a weapon in the fight, we ask our readers to consider it part of their own business to consider the finances of our paper.

The growth and expansion of the Daily Worker just now is heavily anchored to a pile of debts. We should be stepping out more in the

auto strike fields; printing additional thousands of our papers to distribute to the men making labor history. But we can't do it as well as we would like to. The money is lacking.

We would like to become a better organizer of aid to Spain. Money for Spain is vitally important; and the Daily Worker is first to make the appeal. But if the Daily Worker is hampered by bill collectors, danger of slowing down, then it cannot do all it would like to do and is capable of doing in the great struggle to aid the struggle of Spanish democracy.

We know our readers have been observing every effort to improve and expand the Daily Worker and the Sunday Worker.

We hear from you on every little change. Our readers take a lively interest in every bit of our paper,

because you are the ones who are its living representatives to the entire working class.

And that is why now we know you will not consider this a general appeal. You will understand it as a call to each of you to jump in and do some necessary work for your paper.

Despite the fact that some good returns have already been recorded in our \$100,000 drive, the debts eat it up faster than we receive the money. We want to get out of that vicious circle. We want to get away from paying for the past activity, and get a little ahead so we can enforce the many plans we have for the future of the Daily Worker.

It is up to you, reader. Dig down in your pockets. Talk to us directly. Send your money in today. Let's get down to business and get the nickels, dimes and dollars to roll up the \$100,000!

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### Clinical Hospital Retaken From Foe

Fascists Checked in Attempt to Take Malaga During Attacks by Land, Sea and Air—American Ace Dies Fighting Franco

MADRID, Jan. 14.—The People's Army scored two important victories against the Spanish fascists yesterday: in University City sector of the Madrid front and near Malaga, seaport of the southern coast of Spain.

A large section of University City was recaptured from the Fascists, including the bitterly contested Clinico Hospital, the Administration Building, and high ground between University City and the Moncloa district, north of Madrid proper.

A government communique on the siege issued at dusk said: "Heavy fighting all day yesterday on the University City sector was designed to eliminate the rebel concentrations there. Government troops, acting on instructions from the High Command, constructed a mine within the Clinico Hospital. During this process they encountered a rebel mine which they subsequently blew up, inflicting severe losses.

CASUALTIES HEAVY "Government troops took, by assault, the Casa de Administration (Administration Building), Clinico Hospital and the crest of the southern extremity of Moncloa, inflicting 250 rebel casualties.

"Fighting in this sector continued this morning and, according to reports, was proceeding favorably early in the afternoon.

"On other sectors of the Madrid front, the tranquility is marred only by light rifle and machine-gun fire."

The Fascists have held University City for a couple of months. They seized it when Franco first swung his offensive northward after the repulse of his first attack on Madrid from the southwest.

SOUGHT ENTRY TO CITY University City is a great area of parks and woods on the north-west side of Madrid, and it extends like a blunt finger into the city, through the most aristocratic section: Barrio de Vallehermoso to the Calle Abascal.

In this open park there are certain big, solid buildings: the partially constructed \$20,000,000 university with its Administration Building, the main structure, the Clinico Hospital, which is also a medical school, and farther south, the Model Prison.

The Fascists calculated it would be easier to enter Madrid through this ground than through the crowded workers' quarters, where every house would be a fortress against them. But in University City they found the rejuvenated militia, and the International Brigade.

At heavy cost the Fascists occupied the Administration Building and the hospital, and tried in vain to capture the prison.

HOPED FOR ADVANCE They hung onto their gains because their positions in University City dominated a stretch of the Escorial Road, and because they may have hoped for a further advance there, into the city proper. There has been continuous fighting in University City.

As the beginning of a new campaign against Malaga, principal Loyalist port on the southern Spanish coast, the Fascists, com-

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If He Grows a Beard—They'll Be Delighted

LONDON, Jan. 14 (UP). — The weekly "News Review" reported today that it was "seriously suggested" in some quarters that King George VI. grow a beard like his father, George V.

If the King grew a beard, the publication asserted, his resemblance to his father would be even more marked and many of the older court authorities would be delighted.

"FRED LEQUER, "President, No. 2776."

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Bernard Hits 'Neutrality'

16 American Medical Corps Volunteers Sail For Spain Tomorrow

(Full text of Bernard's speech will appear in the Sunday Worker of Jan. 24.)

Blasting the mock neutrality law passed by Congress against democratic Spain, Congressman John T. Bernard, Farmer-Laborite of Minnesota, last night declared the embargo meant "the U. S. Government officially supports the fascists of Spain and of the world."

Bernard, the only representative who voted against the sham embargo in Congress, spoke at the Manhattan Opera House ballroom at a send-off for the first American ambulance and medical corps to Madrid.

Emergently attacking the menace of world fascism, the former Eveleville, Minn., mine union head warned the American people that their country is in danger from the "monster" of fascism if we do not assist those fighting against it.

ASSAILS EMBARGO He urged a foreign policy which "will try to preserve and protect the democratic" forms of government in other parts of the world.

Directly assailing the Congress-

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### GENERAL MOTORS BARS RECOGNITION OF UNION; MORE TROOPS IN FLINT

### Sirovich to Ask Delay of Fink Book

6 Month Delay in Copeland Bill Action Is to Be Asked in Congress—Curran Appeals for Truck to Bring Seamen to Capital

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 14.—Nation-wide pressure from maritime workers and other organizations today demonstrated its effect in Congress when Rep. William I. Sirovich, D., announced that he would introduce a resolution to suspend portions of the Copeland Bill, opposed by striking seamen.

Sirovich is a member of the House Marine Committee. His announcement came about following a conference with Joseph Curran, chairman of the Joint Marine Strike Committee, Ralph Emerson,

Curran Appeals For Trucks Joseph Curran, leader of the Atlantic-Gulf striking seamen, yesterday repeated the strikers' appeal for trucks and automobiles to assist in transporting the mass delegation of seamen from this city to Washington, D. C., over the week-end, where a mass demonstration will be held against the Copeland "Fink" Bill.

The seamen can be reached at strike headquarters, 164 Eleventh Avenue. The telephone number is WATKINS 9-7263.

leading the seamen's committee for amendment of the Copeland "Fink" Bill and others.

Sirovich's resolution will ask Congress to set aside features of the act, presumably those being fought by the seamen, for six months. The Copeland Bill became effective the day after Christmas.

Five thousand Italian troops took part in the attack on Estepona, it was reported tonight in Gibraltar.

French Government Asks Bar to Recruits PARIS, Jan. 14 (UP).—The government tonight asked Parliament for power to prevent recruits for the Spanish civil war from assembling on French territory or crossing the Franco-Spanish border.

This authority, requested by Foreign Minister Yvon Delbois, would last six months. It would not be used unless other European powers agree to stop sending volunteers to Spain.

Communists in the chamber denounced the measure when it was presented.

It was reported from Berlin that the crews of the two Spanish ships held by the Nazi navy had been sent ashore. The German government said they were landed in Loyalist ports. Confirmation from Spain was lacking tonight.

WEIRTON STEEL GANGSTERS Absent as Organizers Descend on Town

By Adam Lapin (Daily Worker Pittsburgh Bureau)

WEIRTON, W. Va., Jan. 14.—The hatchet gang was absent from the streets of Weirton today as the S.W.O.C. flying squadron swept into the largest unincorporated village in the United States.

Weirton Steel's 200 hired thugs and gangsters kept out of the way of the 40 members of the flying squadron who gave out 8,000 copies of Steel Labor, official S. W. O. C. publication.

A heavy rain was falling as the squadron went from street to street handing out copies of the paper.

Whole families gathered on the porches of the wooden, ramshackle houses that climb the steep hills that make up the town, stretched out their hands to take copies.

Workers gathered around outside the doors of the numerous saloons eagerly scanning the headlines.

Not an infrequent spectacle was

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Health Budget Slash Costs Many Lives

Unrefined Pneumonia Serum Complicates Recovery, Doctor Admits—Cut in Expenses Forces Its Use in City's Treatment of Poor

(See Editorial Page 6)

Slashes in the Health Department's budget request last October are costing New York citizens untold agonies in the current pneumonia wave, it was learned yesterday.

City hospitals are compelled to use an unrefined pneumonia serum which complicates recovery because of the city fathers' "economy" in health necessities, investigators found.

While both the refined and unrefined serums combat the disease, the unrefined, sometimes known as unconcentrated, tends to cause more serum sickness than the concentrated—and more expensive—type, it was officially admitted yesterday by Dr. John L. Rice, Commissioner of Health.

Among the symptoms of serum sickness, which often complicate recovery and cause patients great discomfort, are severe skin itching, severe joint pains with occasional swelling of the joints and even swelling of the lymph nodes, physicians told the Daily Worker.

Denying that the unconcentrated

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U.S. Conciliator Reports 'Progress' Made at Conference

FLINT IS TENSE

Auto Workers Demand Governor Not to Forget Campaign Promises

Tomorrow's Daily Worker will carry a special supplement for automobile workers.

By George Morris (Daily Worker Staff Correspondent)

DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 14.—A conference of United Auto Workers and General Motors representatives in the office of Governor Murphy at Lansing was reported as having made "progress" tonight following an all-day discussion. No details were released but it was understood that refusal of the corporation to grant full recognition to the United Auto Workers Union was still the main stumbling block.

It is also known that the union is demanding a written guarantee that if sit-down strikers are removed from the plants General Motors will not attempt to reopen them. The reported progress reached here via Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins at Washington, who spoke over the telephone with James F. Dewey, U. S. Conciliator, attending the conference.

900 MORE TROOPS ARRIVE During the very hours of the conference 900 more militiamen poured into Flint to join 1,400 already encamped there. Among these are parts of the Detroit National Guard, other divisions due to arrive in Flint include the 106th Cavalry.

The movement of troops brought a grim war atmosphere in Flint streets and contrasted sharply to much publicized peace prospects that are so prominent in the local press.

Flint authorities meanwhile continue to prepare the setting for a reign of terror which is to be let loose against strikers if a settlement is not reached. The number of wounded workers that police arrested as they were being released from the hospital there has reached 10 today. They are held incommunicado.

TO ARREST STRIKE LEADERS With 1,200 Joe Doe warrants in his hands, County Prosecutor Joseph R. Joseph announced that the first batch of warrants will be served on the outstanding leaders of the union there. Named are Robert Travis, directing organizer of the U.A.W. in Flint; Roy and Victor Reuther and Walter Towner, U.A.W. organizers; William Carney, C.I.O. representative; Henry Krause, editor of the United Automobile Worker; and B. J. Widick, editor of the United Rubber Worker.

Though serving of the warrants was held in abeyance on request of Governor Murphy, it is already evident that a major labor frame-up was being engineered by Genesee County authorities.

FLINT TENSE "As nightfall approached and the result of the parley at Lansing was believed near, the atmosphere in Flint became more tense. Police Chief James Willis ordered all leaves of absence for police cancelled and all off duty at 4 P.M. were ordered to return at 6 P.M.

Protest resolutions and telegrams poured into Flint and to Governor Murphy's office against the cowardly action of Flint police in arresting ten wounded strikers. Among those being held by police are William Lightcap, shot in the back, Charles Hammer, shot in right arm and back, Lawrence Hoskins, shot in right and left foot, Lee J. Non-

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Motormen and Guards On City Subway Vote On Union on Jan. 29

Motormen and conductors on the city-owned Independent subway system will vote Jan. 29 in a secret poll to determine union representatives for collective bargaining.

The secret ballot was ordered following a protest to Mayor La Guardia by the Transport Workers Lodge, an A. F. of L. affiliate. The election will be supervised by the Board of Transportation and an impartial committee headed by George Meany, president of the State Federation of Labor. With Meany will be representatives of the Typographical Union, the Printing Pressmen's Union, the Newspaper Guild and the Lawyers Guild.

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# Y. C. L. Offers Pageant on Lenin-Liebknecht-Luxemburg Tonight

### COLUMN LEFT!

Torquemada: 1937 Style  
Nothing to Sneeze At

By Harrison George

MRS. Mary Case was murdered. No doubt of it. And, if the police have the evidence they say they have, it would appear that their claim to "have the right man" might be correct.

But—please observe that they do not depend on the evidence—as the law requires that they do. Even though they assert it is "convincing." No, they insisted that he "confess."

Now, there are confessions and confessions. But the law in any civilized country quite properly denies the worth of confessions extorted under torture. So let us see what the N. Y. Times said about that on Thursday morning:

"The police . . . were still questioning him last night. The prisoners made no admissions of guilt. 'Not me,' he repeated, stubbornly, 'Not me.'"

Where was the careful and polite treatment, even the legally required warning: "Anything you say may be used against you." Such treatment is reserved only for wealthy prisoners, such as the Brigadier General recently arrested for murder in Tennessee. Such prisoners get all their rights, and more. But not a poor Negro worker! The Times continued:

"Detectives . . . announced . . . that they would have a special guard stand over him all night."

A "special guard"—for what? To prevent anyone disturbing his slumbers? Hell, no! To keep him awake? Tortured until half crazed from lack of rest. Doubtless with plenty of beatings, carefully administered anywhere but on the face, so reporters could not see such things. Tortured until he would confess anything to be allowed to sleep.

And that, it seems, is exactly what happened. He "confessed." And the N. Y. Post of yesterday shows under what condition. It says:

"After signing the confession . . . Green was taken, haggard and hollow-eyed after two days and two sleepless nights of intensive grilling, to Police Headquarters in Manhattan. Green collapsed on the cot and fell into such a sound sleep that he could not be aroused."

Torquemada relied on the bone-breaking rack. Cotton Mather on fire. The New York Police Department, on what it deems that it uses. The third degree. Torture under any name and in any clime, remains torture.

And what about a "fair trial"? Well, District Attorney Charles P. Sullivan promised to take care that Green would get nothing like that.

"I'll ask for a special blue ribbon jury, too," he said grimly, "for men who have no scruples against capital punishment. . . . Green may be guilty. But if police have no more evidence than they can extract with methods not only illegal but downright barbarous, the man in the street can be pardoned for thinking otherwise."

YOU might think, just to look around you and observe nobody using snuff, that snuff don't amount to anything in these United States. As usual, you're wrong. A lady, Mrs. Henrietta E. Garret, who died in Philadelphia in 1930, left a fortune of \$17,000,000 extracted from snuff. And \$17,000,000 is not to be sneezed at, even if snuff is.

So thought no less than 17,000 people, who from every one of America's 48 states and from 29 foreign lands, appeared to claim the \$17,000,000. It appeared that Henrietta had no pet cat and failed to leave \$16,999,999 to see that said pussy would be supported in the manner to which it had become accustomed.

Leaving the 17,000 relatives to quarrel over the \$17,000,000, let us meditate on the wonders of capitalism. So far as known, only ride lumberjacks of the Fur West, who—prohibited to smoke in timber—go about with a wad of "snoot" tucked under their lower lip; they and some ancient crones of the deep South, use snuff. But here is \$17,000,000 in coin, wrung from the down-trodden snuff-boxes of this country. It is enough to make Rexie Tugwell think twice about going into molasses.

Does Roosevelt take snuff? Maybe. Anyhow the present Congress sneezes when he wrinkles his nose in the direction of Spain. And at the entrance of the Senate Chamber, is a snuff box, put there in the good old days when the doctors prescribed snuff to "clear the head for debate."

Whether they took it or not, their heads signed to be utterly clear of any incumbrance when they voted to ban arms to the democratic government elected by the Spanish people. Their heads were clear. One might even say they were void. But they didn't debate. A little duPont-Hearst snuff, taken by Roosevelt, and "Yes," they sneezed—and voted "You see, snuff is a social question. It's not to be sneezed at."

### Anti-Nazis to March

A mass demonstration and parade to score four years of Hitler terror in Germany will be held by the United Anti-Nazi Council of Brownsville on Saturday, Jan. 23 at Pitkin and Stone Aves

## SPAIN'S YOUTH ENVOYS SPEAK IN WAUKEGAN

### Church and 9 Groups Collect \$350 at Rally in Indianapolis

WAUKEGAN, Ill., Jan. 14.—On a tour of the nation in an appeal for aid for Spanish democracy, four youthful Spaniards—official delegates from the government—will speak at a rally here Friday night at the Slovenic National Home, 10th and McAllister Aves.

Included in the group are Luis Simarro, 27-year-old militia commander; Maria Simarro, a war orphanage director; Josefina Ramirez, Red Cross nurse; and Eugenio Imaz, Catholic youth editor.

The group will proceed to Urbana, Ill., from here where they will speak to University of Illinois students.

### Indianapolis Groups Collect \$350

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 14.—Local church and Y.W.C.A. groups pledged their aid to democratic Spain after hearing four young government envoys at a rally of 500 persons here Tuesday night at the Second Presbyterian Church. A total of \$350 was collected for aid.

The four youth delegates who have been touring the nation to appeal to the American people in their country's behalf described the current Spanish situation at the meeting sponsored by the Indianapolis Youth Peace Council and the Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy.

Among the groups at the rally were the Third Christian Church, First Baptist Church, Second Presbyterian Church, and local Y.W.C.A. Industrial Clubs. Dr. James A. Crain, national director of the United Christian Missionaries Society of America, presided.

The delegation was greeted at a banquet at the local Y.W.C.A. before the meeting.

### Speak on Radio in Louisville

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 14.—After speaking over the radio at the University of Louisville here, four Spanish youth delegates touring the country were greeted by 300 at a rally in the Hotel Kentucky Monday night.

An appeal for aid for Spain netted \$200 to be used for food, medical supplies and clothing to be shipped to Spain.

On Tuesday afternoon the group spoke at the Negro Municipal College in Louisville.

### Boston Peace Groups Unite Behind Drive

### Plan Campaign Against Militarism—1,500 Attend Rally

BOSTON, Jan. 14.—Local peace groups here have united in a vigorous drive against militarism following a city-wide conference held by more than 200 delegates from youth organizations at Methodist Episcopal Church Tuesday night.

Among the groups which attended the conference called by the Emergency Peace Campaign and the New England Student Christian Movement were Christian Youth Building a New World, Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., League of Nations Association, Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, War Resisters' League, American Youth Congress, Young Communist League, American Student Union, Student Peace Commission.

Representatives set up a permanent committee following the round-table meetings. More than 1,500 attended a rally called by the group at Tremont Temple. Speakers included Dr. Sherwood Eddy, Dr. Maude A. Royden and Rabbi Phillip S. Bernstein.

### De Valera Enters Parley on Tariff With MacDonald

LONDON, Jan. 14 (UP).—It was understood today that a "new deal" on tariffs and other outstanding problems between England and the Irish Free State may result from conversations between President Eamon de Valera and Malcolm MacDonald, Dominions Secretary.

### Mersey Ship in Vera Cruz

VERA CRUZ, Mex., Jan. 14.—Arriving here from New York, the Spanish freighter Mar Cantabrico carrying a \$2,700,000 cargo of war supplies to Spain temporarily anchored here today near her sister ship Motomar. The boat will proceed to Spain soon.

## Soldiers of People's Army Learn Military Technique

By Michael Koltsov (Special to the Daily Worker)

The trenches form a long drawn out, winding line which cuts through parts of the town, where it turns into a line of barricades, fortified houses and streets and then leaves the precincts of the town. Then, for about seven miles it draws itself out in the form of an elongated horse shoe with the two ends touching the northern wall of mountains—Guadarrama, Somosierra.

The trenches themselves have now been built to last. They are 5 feet 8 inches to 6 feet inches deep and 4 to 6 feet wide. In most sections they have been built with parapets, with loop-holes for the guns and have well-protected nests of machine guns.

### Trench Lines Close

The fourth, third and second lines of the trenches are connected with the first by passages. These passages are 2 to 3 feet deep. The shallowness of these passages has led to many wounded but not because it was not deep enough, but because the soldiers did not like (or it seemed to them improper) to walk or crawl for long in a bent position. They walk upright in the corridors protected only up to the waist. And so they often fell victims to a well-aimed Moroccan bullet. I have seen many wounds—practically 70 per cent of all wounds recently are shots in the head or chest.

The fascists are quite close—650 or 500 feet and sometimes only 250 feet distant. It is easy to see how they move behind the advance lines. Motors and fires can be seen in the background. Sometimes in a quiet hour the songs and the howls of the Moors can be heard.

### Behavior Under Fire

The line of defense in front of Madrid is under fire. How do the warriors receive it?

Today it is a rainy and therefore a quiet day; no airplanes are to be seen. Ten o'clock in the morning. The soldiers try in their way to judge the frequency of the fire. In ten minutes the enemy sends five shots from guns (but only four of these five burst), four shots from mine throwers, 32 rounds from machine guns, 15 rounds of gunfire (from 4 or 5 guns) and finally shots from individual shooters, sometimes more sometimes less, altogether 280 shots in 10 minutes, of which about 1 1/2 minutes were completely quiet.

### Stand Heavy Fire

What kind of fire is the most effective?

In general the fighters before Madrid are accustomed to all manner of fire! They are used to it. They are not afraid of machine guns and regard artillery fire almost philosophically, but such a simple thing as a mine thrower still worries them somewhat. The mine thrower shoots from 650 feet, firing upwards. The mine falls almost straight on to the ground and if it makes a direct hit in the trenches, it results in many wounded.

The fire and bombs from airplanes were up till now the most terrible kind of fire. But from this point of view, too, there has been a great change in the psychology of the fighters. He has not only got to know all the possibilities of air warfare, but also all impossibilities. He no longer loses his head on the appearance of airplanes. He remains in his place, lies down and looks up. He knows now that only a direct hit of the bomb can kill him.

### Brave Air Attacks

None of the recent bombing attacks of the Junker planes have demoralized the Republican troops and brought about disorder. They also caused no great

### Use Mine Throwers

The Republicans are now eagerly shooting with mine throwers and hand-grenades. At first these "trench cannons" were little appreciated. But now they are used along the whole line of defense of Madrid.

The warrior of the Republican troops has now quite a different appearance. He is no longer a fantastically dressed partisan in a high hat with a peacock's feather or in a broad-rimmed Mexican hat with a Mauser on one side and an old Toledo dagger on the other.

The Winter, but particularly the serious course which the war has taken, has made the soldiers and the commanders pull themselves together. Even if they are not completely dressed in uniform, still they go about more or less similarly dressed: two-caped coat of cloth, leather or fur cap with ear pieces each as we wear sking (the Basques have stuck to their berets) and naturally a blanket. From this blanket the Spanish soldier never is divided. He takes it everywhere with him. This may seem comical to us, but one should not forget that an overcoat is hardly known.

The officers carry a cape which is practically the same thing, but it has an opened flap for the head with a buckle and long freely-hanging pointed ends. The warrior uses his blanket (Manta) in all conditions of life. He sleeps in it, stands guard in it, protects himself from rain with it, wraps his goods and his store of food in it. The blanket is spread out to lie on when shooting. The wounded and the dead are wrapped up their blankets or carried away covered in them.

### Men More Confident

Every people, indeed every man, has his own habits and customs. But the life of the soldier in the trenches makes nations equal. The soldier here, as everywhere else, feels himself much more confident in trenches and less certain in open field warfare. Here, similarly the role of the experienced commander is raised by leaps and bounds.

It is needless to speak of the role that the work of the political apparatus plays in the feelings of the soldier in the fight. In Madrid this work has shown very great results. But it is not yet as it should be. There are more political educational workers in the trenches than necessary. But there are still too few war commissars. Apart from that, the commander of the troops uses the commissar and the political representative very often to help to carry this or that demand through the different supply organizations so that they become isolated from the men.

plates hung on the whitewashed walls. Kitchen clocks were ticking. A pale black-eyed woman lay on the bed. Near her a child was wriggling. The man said to me: "It is the first son. We have named him Komsomol." Like the speaker at the banquet, he hesitated as he pronounced the difficult word. I looked the future.

held a meeting. There were no long speeches or poems now. The people stood in silence. They crushed their caps awkwardly in their hands. The women wept. An old man at the child. He was happily stretching his legs.

I have met you again, red ship Komsomol. Now you are not a ship but a tiny baby, a Spanish child, the hope of the country, which, covered with blood, is fighting for man said: "We will avenge the children of Madrid and the sick people of Cartagena and the seamen of the Komsomol. They were with us. I remember one called Volodia. He laughed. He said: "Horo. . . ."

The old man could not finish. Tears interrupted his words. Then I was taken into a little house. Old

### "We Will Avenge the Crew of the Komsomol"

(The following was written by Ilya Ehrenberg, famous Soviet writer who is now in Spain. His descriptions of the heroic defense of the Austrian people in 1934 against fascism will be remembered by readers of the American revolutionary press.—EDITOR.)

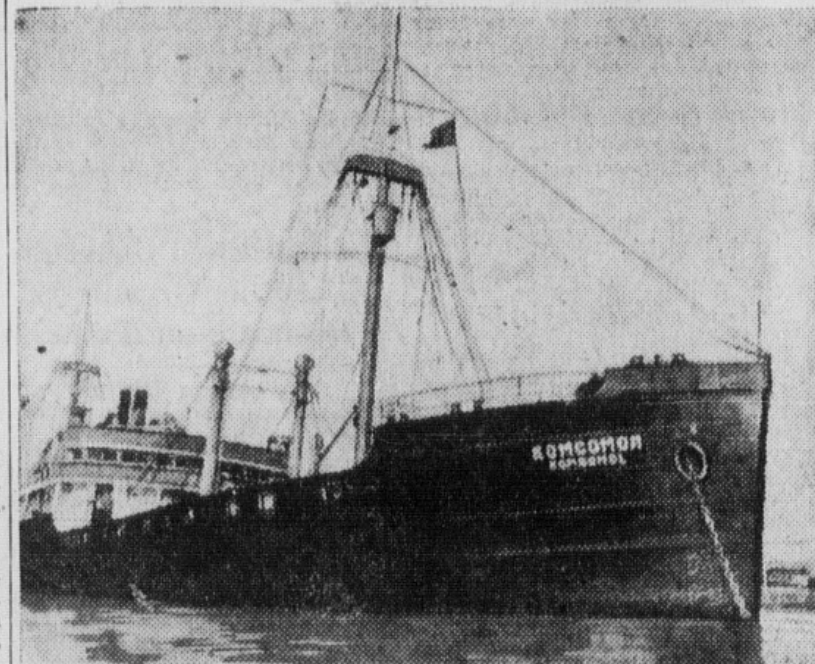
By Ilya Ehrenberg

They were in Culier, young and happy. They laughed as they looked at the orange groves. They spoke in Russian: "Horosho." The peasants of Culier did not understand what the word meant, but they gave the Russian seamen friendly taps on the shoulder. They held a banquet for them. They spoke of the brotherhood of peoples and the great heart of the distant country which had sent milk to the children of Madrid. The old peasant women urged them to eat. They invited the guests to partake of the local dish—rice with crabs, chicken and tomatoes.

A poet of Culier in great excitement read his verses: "Greetings to You, Red Ship Komsomol."

Then he spoke this mysterious and dear name.

The pirates of death, people with the skull and crossbones on their breasts, hirelings of two bandit empires, sank the Komsomol. The hearts of the Spanish people were fired with indignation. The peasants of Culier were the first to respond to the sinking of the ship. They



The Soviet vessel Komsomol (above), carrying a cargo of iron ore, was sunk en route to Spain in the early part of December. According to eye-witness accounts, the fascists, after having set fire to the Soviet ship, captured four of the crew attempting to escape the burning ship and executed them.

## BATES SPEAKS JAN. 20 IN EASTON, PA

### Famed British Writer to Plead for Aid to Spanish People

EASTON, Pa., Jan. 14.—Ralph Bates, famed English novelist, will speak at a rally for Spain here at Moose Hall on Wednesday, Jan. 20, under the auspices of the Provisional Committee of Easton, Philadelphia and vicinity to Aid Spanish Democracy.

The meeting is endorsed by several members of the Lafayette College faculty and the Central Labor Union.

IRVINGTON, N. J., Jan. 14.—A protest to organize a local committee to aid Spanish democracy will be held at Moose Hall, 43 Washington Ave., on Sunday, Jan. 17, at 2 P.M. The Rev. L. Hamilton Garner will preside.

ELIZABETH, N. J., Jan. 14.—A protest against the Congressional embargo on arms to democratic Spain was forwarded to President Roosevelt last night by the Elizabeth Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy. A wire praising Rep. Jon T. Beard's lone stand against neutrality was also sent.

A basketball game and dance will be held here on Friday, Feb. 19, at the Hungarian Home for the benefit of the Spanish government forces.

NEWARK, Jan. 14.—A conference of New Jersey progressive groups to organize a mass rally for technical aid for Spain has been called by a local committee here on Monday, Jan. 25, at 1085 Broad St.

On Feb. 5 Earl Browder, general secretary of the Communist Party, and Ralph Bates, noted British author, will address a rally at Laurel Garden in Newark.

## Chinese Leaders Spike Rumors of Civil Strife

SHANGHAI, Jan. 14.—Cutting across persistent rumors, evidently from a central source, that civil war impends in Shensi and Kansu provinces, came an official statement today that agreements with the commanders there were being negotiated.

General Yang Pu-cheng, military commander of Shensi province, was recently included in the pardon given General Chang Hsueh-liang for capturing Chiang Kai-shek at Sian-fu, capital of Shensi.

General Yu Hsueh-chung, military governor of Kansu province, is said to be participating in the present peace negotiations.

These were the two generals against which Nanking troops were to be launched, according to the insidious propaganda recently distributed here on a large scale and particularly impressed on foreign correspondents.

## Admiralty Fires 5 London Dockyard Workers; Ask Probe

LONDON, Jan. 14.—An investigation of the Admiralty's recent sudden discharge of five dockyard workers on charges said unofficially to be sabotage of espionage was ordered today by British unions.

The Daily Herald scored the "Lords of the Admiralty" for "issuing a public statement which was damning to the men without frankly stating charges or offering any evidence against them."

The Transport and General Workers' Union, the Shipwrights' Association and the Boilermakers' Union are all trying to find the real reasons—perhaps discrimination against union organizers—which was back of the discharge.

With numerous other officers concerned in the Brazilian people's struggle for liberty against the Getulio Vargas dictatorship, they have been held for nearly a year in prison, awaiting a trial which is only now taking place. The defendants are summoned before an illegal special tribunal which they refuse to recognize.

Many of the defendants were tortured, and as a result of their mistreatment, Captain Correa and Lieut. De Souza had to be taken to Gaffre-Ginle hospital here. There they eluded their guards and

## AIDS PRESTES



JAMES WATERMAN WISE

## WISE PLEADS FOR PRESTES OVER RADIO

### Journalist Warns Trade Unions Against Menace of Fascism

The cause of Luis Carlos Prestes and other Brazilian people's leaders cast in prison cells by the fascist government of Brazil must be made the cause of the American people, James Waterman Wise, associate editor of the People's Press, told a radio audience over Station WQXR last night.

Back from a recent trip to Brazil Wise described the heroic battle of Brazilian people against fascism. That fight he said was led by Prestes, who he said was "loved and trusted by the people as no other figure in Brazilian history."

Prestes is reverently called the "Knight of Hope" by the people, he added. "The government has not yet dared begin his trial."

"We cannot ignore the struggle of the Brazilian people to be free," he said. "Just as the American people cannot remain neutral as between the Hearst-endorsed armies of Franco and Moia on the one hand, and the broad masses of Spain led by Caballero and La Pasionaria on the other, so too we must make our own the cause of Prestes, of Chermont, of Brazil against Vargas, Hitler, and Mussolini."

Fascism in Brazil means "a breeding ground for fascism in the western world and a base for its further incursions into North and South America," Wise declared.

Wise described the nature of the Brazilian regime by President Vargas in his broadcast. "The most elementary civil liberties are a dead letter in this lovely land," he said.

"It is in regard to the workers, and to organized labor especially, that the fascist character of the present regime is most clearly exposed. In Brazil as elsewhere, their subjection their destruction is the first and last purpose of reaction."

### WARNS TRADE UNIONS

"Hence it is against the trade unions that the Vargas government turns its heaviest guns. Through revocation of charters, through dissolution of organizations, through imprisonment of leaders, every independent and militant union in Brazil has been broken."

"The Federal Ministry of Labor in 1931 compelled the trade unions to register members and to permit government inspectors to attend all meetings."

## Baldwin to Speak at Bronx Rally for Spain

A rally for Spanish democracy will be held by Upper Bronx workers at De Witt Clinton High School tonight under the auspices of the Van Cortlandt Committee to Aid to Spain.

Roger Baldwin, director of the American Civil Liberties Union, will be the main speaker.

dropped over the wall by hanging from a rope of bed sheets.

The "National Security Tribunal," Vargas' version of a drum head court martial, continues to take evidence from police agents and aristocrats, in the attempt to justify its expected indictments.

Among those who will be first indicted and then tried by the court are Luis Carlos Prestes, Brazilian people's leader and Communist, Rudolph Choldi, an Argentine citizen; Pedro Ernesto Baptista, former mayor of Rio de Janeiro and several others accused of participating in the 1935 revolt against Vargas and his fascist policies.

## PAGEANT TO SHOW FIGHT AGAINST WAR

### Dance to Follow Rally at St Nicholas—50 Dancers

Depicting the lives of three outstanding working class leaders—Lenin, Liebknecht, and Luxemburg—a spectacular pageant featuring a cast of 200 actors, singers and dancers will be presented tonight by the Young Communist League at a memorial meeting for the three.

The rally will be held at St. Nicholas Palace, 66th St. and Broadway. A dance will follow.

Tony Morton, executive secretary of the Harlem division of the Y. C. L., will be the only speaker at tonight's meeting at which the pageant directed by Theodore Korday will be the main feature. He will talk on the anti-war fight of Lenin, Liebknecht, and Luxemburg.

Norman Rosten, young writer for the New Masses, wrote the script for the pageant and a group of 50 actors from the Youth Theatre, a branch of the league, will lead the performance.

Fanya Chochem, well-known dancer, is directing a group of 50 dancers for the pageant. A choral group of more than 100 voices will be conducted by Harry Robins, assistant conductor of the New Singers.

John Little, executive secretary of the New York State organization, yesterday said: "It is my confident that the pageant will long be remembered by those who are present to witness the gala spectacle we will present."

Dancing featuring music by Elmer Snowden and his Park Place Band will follow the performance.

## USSR ADOPTS NEW BUDGET—100 BILLION

### Increases Are Mainly for Education and Defense

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Jan. 14.—The 1937 State budget of the Soviet Union was adopted unanimously today in a joint session of the Union Council and the Council of Nationalities, with G. I. Petrovsky serving as chairman.

The final speech was made by People's Commissar of Finance, Grigori F. Grinko, who pointed out that all who took part in the discussion agreed in the main with the proposed budget. He then took up the answers to questions raised and the proposals for amendments and the two councils together voted on these.

The budget as finally adopted was for 98,069,800,000 rubles income and 97,119,500,000 rubles expenditures, with an excess of income over expenditures of 950,000,000 rubles. (5 rubles equal \$1).

This was for the centralized State budget, but there are local incidentals which bring it close to the 100 billion mark.

Grinko ended his speech with a call for persistent work to carry out the budget according to plan, in this, the last year of the Second Five Year Plan and the Twentieth year of the Soviet government.

When Grinko sat down amidst great applause from the delegates, Petrovsky closed the meeting with a few remarks in which he stressed the gains made. He pointed out that the present budget is nearly 15 billion rubles more than the 1936 budget, and that the increase in expenditures was mainly in the realm of education and cultural construction, and the sphere of defense of the Soviet Union.

Petrovsky ended with the words: "We will work with Bolshevik perseverance for the fulfillment and over-fulfillment of the State budget, and for the further success of Socialist construction."

## Lille Steel Strike of 8,000 Is Arbitrated

PARIS, Jan. 14.—The strike of 8,000 steel workers at Lille was ended by arbitration, it was announced here yesterday. Paul Matier, Advocate General of the Court of Cassation (Court of Appeals) rendered the decision last Thursday, which was accepted by the workers.

However, Monday, the engineers and technicians refused to work because they had been left out of the agreement. Further arbitration resulted, and was accepted yesterday. France has a compulsory arbitration law.

BOSTON, MASS.

### LENIN Memorial Meeting

WEINSTONE, Black Legion Exposer—SLOVINSKY, Plaintiff THE TRIUMPH OF THE PROLETARIAT OF 150 VOICES

Jan. 17 - 3 P.M. - Sun. Symphony Hall BOSTON



# PRIAL OUSTS CIVIL SERVICE FORUM FOES

## Political Opponent Is Expelled After Charge of Forum 'Rigging'

Frank J. Prial, unsuccessful aspirant for the Democratic designation for the aldermanic presidency last Fall, is visiting reprisals upon his political foes in the Civil Service Forum, organization of municipal employes which he bosses, the Daily Worker learned yesterday.

Prial engineered the expulsion from the Forum of Charles A. Van Horn, president of Engineering Council 274, it was ascertained. Van Horn was a supporter of William F. Brunner, who defeated Prial in the primaries and was later elected president of the Board of Aldermen. Prial is publisher of The Chief, civil service weekly.

### CHARGE RIGGING

Charges of "rigging" and "frame-up" were hurled at Prial at the Forum meeting Wednesday night by Van Horn to no avail. He was tried and expelled on the ground that he had charged that the Forum lacked progressiveness and had compared it unfavorably with the A. F. of L. union of Emergency Relief Bureau employes.

Prial is reported to have conducted the prosecution of Van Horn and to have denied the latter's statement that the Forum had only 8,000 members. On the stand of The Chief appears the statement that the paper is the official organ of the Forum with 165,000 members. Prial offered no statement on the actual membership of the Forum.

### "IN POLITICS"

While failing to refute Van Horn's charges of "political control" of the Forum, Prial several hours after Van Horn's expulsion admitted it in a frank outburst.

"We have been charged with being a politically controlled organization," he said. "Not only our executive, Mr. Van Horn, says this, but over at the State Building they distribute a pamphlet saying how bad the Forum is and that it is politically controlled. And I think this same booklet they ask you to join the Communist Party. In other words, political control is not to their liking.

"They would have you in the Communist Party. Yes, everyone of us here is in politics and will continue to be in politics if we want to get anywhere. Let's not be ashamed of it."

### HORN BLOCKED UNITY

While civil service workers yesterday pointed out that the Van Horn expulsion was undoubtedly an example of Prial's iron-clad control over the Forum, little sympathy was shown for the ousted engineer. Van Horn's record, it was pointed out, was one of blocking genuine unity of civil service engineers by getting an A. F. of L. charter for a small group of his friends and actually barring the path of the Federation of Architects, Engineers and Chemists, the largest union in the field.

Discontent with Prial's machine policies and his blatant use of the Forum as a political stepping-stone has been rife among civil service employes for some time. Last May six councils of the Independent subway workers were expelled from the Forum after coming into conflict with Prial.

# Bethlehem Changes-- The Union Is in Town

## 2,000 Steel Workers Crowd Hall to Hear C.I.O. Speakers and Sign Up With A.A.—Collect \$143 to Aid Spanish People's Fight

BETHLEHEM, Pa., Jan. 14.—Bethlehem is changing color since the union came to town—changing fast to the side of the Amalgamated Association of Steel, Iron and Tin Workers, despite a vigorous drive against unionization launched by company officials. Confidence in their own organization, reputation of the company unions were voiced here at a meeting of 2,000 Bethlehem Steel Company workers who crowded into Hungarian Hall, while at least another 1,000 were turned away for lack of space.

The meeting was called by the Steel Workers Organizing Committee to report on developments in the unionization drive. Garfield Lewis, drive director, said 50 new members are joining daily, and that "at the rate the drive is going, it won't be long before the steel workers talk turkey to Charlie Schwab and Gene Grace."

During the meeting many young steel workers rushed to the platform to sign up and to get cards for their shop mates.

### AID SPANISH WORKERS

At the last meeting of worker-representatives with the company officials, the changed feeling was evident. The representatives told President Easton of the company union that his days of domination

## IWO Leaders Meet Jan. 16 To Map Plans By Steel Firm

### To Discuss Order's Role in Steel Drive, Auto Strike

After a year of unprecedented growth during which thousands of new members were recruited, the International Workers Order will hold an enlarged conference of the National Executive Committee, district leaders and field organizers Saturday, Jan. 16 to discuss plans for 1937.

Coming from all over the country the I.W.O. leaders will meet for two days with the main discussion around methods to assimilate the new members into the life of the organization. Along with this the conference will discuss how to integrate the life and activities of the I.W.O. into the life and activities of the labor movement. Special emphasis will be placed on cooperating in the steel drive, auto strike, the campaign of the C.I.O. and in the movement against war and fascism.

With this as the center the leaders will take up a series of organizational questions as proposed in a draft plan including educational work, youth and children work, Americanization of the I.W.O., leadership, Community Centers, recruiting and fraternal service.

The plan of work coming out of the conference will be designed along district lines with plans and tasks applying to each district and section of the I.O.W.

## Child Labor Flourishes in Westchester

Westchester County, New York, wealthiest county in the world, dotted with the estates of millionaires, is as brutal a child labor slave pen as the swamps and mill towns of the South, recently exposed in the Daily Worker by Harry Raymond.

In Westchester County a ten-year-old boy works 48 hours a week in a print shop for \$1—and that is his school vacation.

A twelve-year-old boy works all day, seven days a week for a grocery store for \$1.50 a week.

A nine-year-old boy distributing newspapers from a truck works a split shift, beginning at 4 A.M. and 2 P.M., six days a week, eight hours a day, and gets 50 cents a week.

A ten-year-old children's nurse works thirteen and a half hours a week, seven days a week, and draws \$1.75 a week.

These facts, and many others like them, were brought out in a report issued yesterday by the Westchester County League of Women Voters in co-operation with the New York Child Labor Committee, after a survey of historic and swanky White Plains, Westchester County.

## Cleveland C. P. Leader to Report On Party Plenum

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 14.—Carl Winter, secretary of the Cuyahoga County Committee of the Communist Party, today issued the following statement: "The Party calls upon all its members in Cuyahoga County to attend a special meeting Friday evening, Jan. 15, at 7:30 P.M. in South A Room of the Public Hall. Comrade John Williamson, State Secretary, will report on the Central Committee Plenum in New York from which he recently returned, as well as on important strike developments.

"It is important that every Party member attend and spread the word to bring other comrades. Admission by membership book only."

## FARM TENANT UNION OPENS CONVENTION

### 6 States Represented at Oklahoma Parley to Formulate Demands

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Jan. 14.—The third annual convention of the Southern Tenant Farmers Union opened today at Muskogee, Oklahoma for a three-day session.

The union, which has been endorsed by the American Federation of Labor, consists of sharecroppers, tenant farmers and day laborers, mostly in the cotton fields of the South. A large part of its activity has centered in Eastern Arkansas where it conducted a strike of cotton choppers last summer during which charges were made that sharecroppers were being forced to work at the point of the gun. The conviction of Paul D. Peacher, city marshal of Earle, Arkansas, on a Federal indictment accusing him of peonage, resulted.

SIX STATES REPRESENTED According to H. L. Mitchell, executive secretary of the union, delegates will be in attendance from Arkansas, Mississippi, Tennessee, Oklahoma, Missouri and Texas.

The convention program will include addresses by prominent labor leaders of the South, leading economists and Administration spokesmen who will discuss proposed methods of dealing with the problem of Farm Tenancy.

In a statement issued by Mr. Mitchell, announcing the convention, the Union declared: "We enter our third annual national convention with far greater strength than we dreamed we could achieve in the short space of three years of existence. In that period, we have won signal victories in behalf of one of the most exploited sections of American labor.

"Fair settlements have been gained for individual tenant farmers in many cases that have been brought to our attention. High prices have been paid in the areas where we are strongly organized. Efforts to convict union members on trumped-up charges have been blocked by our defense machinery.

"The Southern Tenant Farmers Union is responsible for having brought to the attention of the American people the fact that slavery still exists in some sections of the country, and we have already succeeded in bringing about the successful prosecution of Paul D. Peacher, city marshal of Earle, on charges of peonage.

TO MAP DEMANDS "Because of the activities of our organization, the nation has been awakened to the tragic prevalence of farm tenancy which has reached tremendous proportions. Due to our efforts, several State commissions have been appointed to investigate the subject and propose remedial legislation. A similar commission has been appointed by the President of the United States, which is holding hearings at the present time. Our organization has made it possible for the tenant farmers to voice their demands at last.

"The convention, which will be held in Muskogee, Oklahoma, Jan. 14 to 17, will reformulate the demands of the sharecroppers and farm workers of the United States who have been giving careful attention to the problem which so vitally affects their daily lives. When the delegates coming from such far-flung states as Arkansas, Mississippi, Tennessee, Oklahoma, Missouri and Texas, convene in Muskogee, they will make plans for building their organization further and for pressing a genuine program for the elimination of farm tenancy."

Rescue 2 Miners Trapped 24 Hours In Utah Mine

MONTELEO, Nev., Jan. 14 (UP).—Two miners entombed for 24 hours 300 feet underground in the isolated Delano mine 35 miles north of here were back in their homes today little the worse for their experience.

Rescue workers brought Jess Baker and a man named Harris out of the blocked shaft last night after digging through tons of rock and debris which had cut them off from the main shaft.

Constable Bill Hargrave and Justice of Peace Maine W. Johnson directed the rescue work. Baker and Harris could hear the workers and shouted directions from behind their barrier.

# A Progressive City Council, Seattle Federation's Goal

## Gunther and De Lacey Backed as Candidates in Coming Election

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 14.—The Washington Commonwealth Federation is out to make Seattle's city council, like its mayor, "the most progressive in America." Howard G. Costigan, WCF executive secretary set that keynote in his opening address to last Saturday's city assembly convention of the federation and the 188 registered delegates there (73 from organized labor) worked out a practical program to make the need a reality.

But three city offices are open in this spring's election—three councilmanic posts. Of the thirteen candidates already filed six came before the organization for endorsement. By unanimous standing vote the convention selected but two and will concentrate on these two men, Earl O. Gunther and Hugh DeLacey.

Gunther, former vice president of the Central Labor Council, is one of the outstanding labor leaders of the state. At present state safety director of the WPA, he is at the same time head of the Central Labor Council's committee cooperating with the Workers' Alliance to win more relief. Gunther is a vice president of the Washington Commonwealth Federation.

A SHARP FIGHT SEEN Hugh DeLacey is state secretary of the Federation of Teachers and an assistant professor at the University of Washington. At the last convention of the State Federation of Labor he headed the miscellaneous trades section.

DeLacey, Seattle-born and raised, worked his way through school as a building laborer, holding a card in that union for years. Both candidates seek public office for the first time.

As Hugh DeLacey declared in his speech of acceptance, "We are a symbol of growing unity between organized labor and the professional and white collar classes of this city for progressive action."

The WCF platform adopted centers around the issue of the city administration's attitude toward the rights of labor. Though the race is nominally non-partisan, it will narrow down to a drag-out fight over this issue between the two most powerful organizations in Seattle politics—the WCF and the reactionary Cincinnatus. Cincinnatus was defeated in the final last year by a narrow margin, and Councilman Lockwood, their best-known leader, has filed for re-election.

In addition, purchase of the private power company by City Light, modernization of the municipal railway system, a city testing bureau for drugs and foods, re-establishment of the city emergency hospital, low-cost housing projects, and city aid to the unemployed will be central issues. We are going to do two big things in this campaign. Costigan told the convention: "Make Seattle unsafe for non-union wages and take away the inalienable right of the unemployed to struggle to death."

C. P. WITHDRAWS CANDIDATES Following endorsement of Gunther and DeLacey, candidate Squires, himself a member of organized labor for 40 years, announced to the convention he would withdraw from the race. "I would consider myself a traitor were I to split the progressive vote in this campaign," he said.

The Communist Party has pledged full support to the type of campaign planned by the WCF and will enter no candidates in the municipal elections. Lower Walker field, running for the council last year, a Communist, rolled up the imposing total of 6,700 votes. He placed eighth in a field of eighteen candidates. Communist strength is expected to play a big part in the coming campaign.

A letter from M. Raport, district organizer and Al Bristol, King County secretary of the Communist Party was greeted by applause from the convention delegates. The communication stated in part: "Progressive forces face hard fight in this city election. . . . In order to prevent confusion, the Communist Party is not entering candidates in the coming city elections.

"We pledge our fullest support to the end that the progressives of this community continue the work of unification through the Washington Commonwealth Federation."

2 Children Perish In Syracuse Blaze

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Jan. 14 (UP).—Two children were burned to death today when fire destroyed an apartment house. The victims were Margaret, 12, and William, 9, children of William Spillane. Eleven other persons in the building fled to safety.

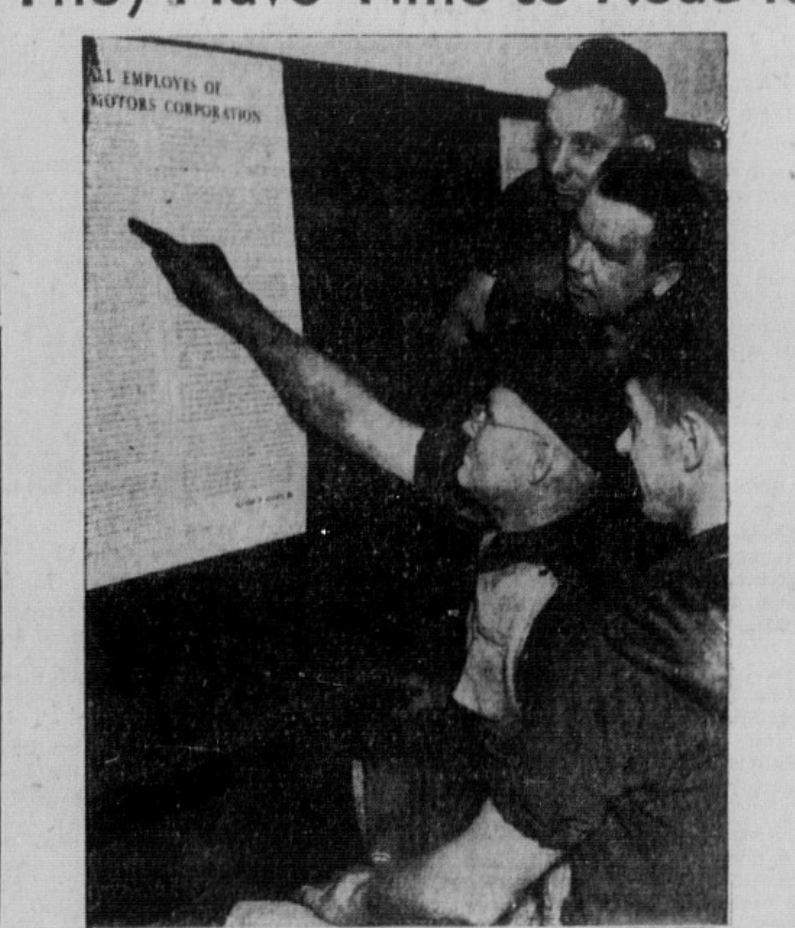
CLASSIFIED ROOMS FOR RENT VILLAGE 78 Jane St. Small front room; reasonable.

PERSONAL DEAR CARL, I am heartbroken, please let me hear from you at once. I still love you, always will. Marie.

HELP WANTED PARTY members going to U.S.E.R. want to buy electric sewing machine, victrola, hunting gun. Box 1092, c-o Daily Worker.

ROUTE carrier deliver Daily and Sunday Worker to home, must reside vicinity West Side, Manhattan. Apply before 1 P.M., Room 291, 50 E. 13th St.

# They Have Time to Read It



Sit-down strikers at the Buick Plant in Flint, Mich., read the by-now famous declaration of Alfred P. Sloan that General Motors will not recognize the United Automobile Workers. They probably were surprised to learn from Mr. Sloan that they were the victims of union "dictators." Having read that, they just went on striking against General Motors' dictatorship.

## Asks Harlem Speed Daily Worker Drive

### Henry Shepard, Secretary of Harlem Division of Communist Party, Addresses Appeal to Harlem People to Spur \$100,000 Drive

A ringing call to Harlem to send the Daily Worker and Sunday Worker drive for a \$100,000 fund over the top was issued yesterday by Henry Shepard, administrative secretary, Harlem Division of the Communist Party. Shepard appealed to the workers of Harlem to quicken the money raising in the drive and rush funds to the Daily Worker immediately, as one measure of support for the paper which fights "against Negro discrimination . . . and for a better life for the people of Harlem."

"The strengthening of the movement for independent political action cannot move forward as it should without the aid of the Daily Worker to give guidance and leadership.

"All of our friends in Harlem are urged to do their part by the Daily Worker. The Daily Worker has in the past, and will continue in the future to fight for a better life for the people of Harlem.

"Communists! Friends! Negroes! Whites! Everybody who desires real improvements in the life of the people of our community—Harlem. Jump to the defense of the Daily Worker!!!"

"I personally appeal to the many friends of mine to raise every penny possible through affairs, etc., and rush it to the Daily Worker immediately."

Spanish Democracy, and for peace The fight for civil rights, and against Negro discrimination cannot be adequately carried on without the Daily Worker.

Manhattan Amplifiers for Rent DANCE MUSIC furnished for parties and affairs. Swing bands. \$7 White, Schuyler 4-4449.

Army-Navy Stores A SQUARE DEAL, 121-3rd Ave., at 14th St. Leather coats. Suede Wind Breakers.

Chiropodist-Podiatrist HUDSON-105 Third Ave., cor. 12. Work cloth, Leather coats. Wind-breakers.

Clothing NEWMAN BROS. Men's & Young Men's Clothing, 84 Stanton St., nr. Orchard.

Dentists DR. C. WEISMAN, Surgeon Dentist, 1 Union Square, W. Suite 511. GR. 7-6296.

# BRANDS BISHOP AS FASCIST- QUILTS PULPIT

## Phoenix Pastor Says Fascists Strive to Control Church

PHOENIX, Arizona, Jan. 14.—In a scathing denunciation of Bishop Walter Mitchell of Phoenix for "fostering Fascism in Arizona," the Rev. Ernest Tutthill, pastor of Grace Episcopal Church, announced tonight his resignation effective July 1.

Immediate cause of the split in Episcopal ranks was said to be the imminent consecration by the Phoenix bishop of a new and rival Episcopal church in Tucson under the Rev. George W. Ferguson, recent arrival in Tucson from New York.

The Rev. Tutthill declared that his "leadership to guarantee academic freedom in higher education in Arizona" caused him to be "hated by the 'best people' who insist on helping to build a fascist state."

Continuing Mr. Tutthill said, "I have resigned because I cannot continue to work under Bishop Mitchell and keep my self respect as a disciple in the school of Jesus, the Carpenter of Nazareth.

"There are two forces in conflict in the Episcopal Church and all other churches—each working to gain control of the church. The first is the democratic religion of Jesus Christ; the second is Fascism. 'This is not theory, it is a fact. In my opinion, Bishop Mitchell is giving every possible aid and comfort to the forces that are working for the creation of Fascism. The condition is not peculiar to Tucson; it is simply a part of a general movement to hand over all of the churches to the people who advocate Fascist theories of religion and government."

## Ferry Crashes Mail Boat in N. Y. Harbor Fog

The municipal ferry-boat Tompkinsville, carrying 2,000 men and women from Staten Island to Manhattan, collided today with the government mail boat President in a dense fog which tied up traffic in New York harbor.

Passengers at the front of the ferry were badly shaken by the impact. Women screamed and there was a general surge toward the rear of the vessel but no one was reported injured seriously. The ferry moved into her slip and the passengers hurried off.

Damage to the boats was slight. The thick fog slowed small boat traffic from 10 to 15 minutes while three large transatlantic liners—the Paris, Rex and Bremen—anchored in the upper bay rather than risk the hazardous passage.

The freighter Sam Harris of the Lloyd Brasileiro Line ran aground opposite Fort Hamilton. The 6,700 ton ship was returning from South American ports when she ran onto the mud flats. The Captain of the Sam Harris said he could refloat his ship at high tide.

## Korean Leader Jailed

SHANGHAI, Jan. 14.—Miss Tsui Pu-liang, leading member of the Korean Independence Party was arrested by the Japanese police here recently.

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# Steel Trust Guilty In Alabama Flogging

### Special Alabama Police Investigator Says the Tennessee Coal and Iron Co. Blocked Indictments in Gelders Flogging

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my wallet and my watch. I had \$50. William said, 'This one's got lots of money.' "We drove for an hour. Someone said: 'What are they going to do with him?' Another answered: 'Kill him, guess, and throw him into the river.' They picked up another man. He drove the rest of the way. We drove to a lonely country road. Williams grabbed my heels and pulled me out. Hanna told me if I didn't leave town I'd be filled with lead.

### STRIPPED AND FLOGGED

"They pulled off my clothes, except my shorts and undershirt. Williams pulled out a heavy black leather strap with a curved handle. He began flogging me. I counted 15 strokes. Then I became unconscious."

Hanna and Williams declined to appear before the committee to testify. Gelders said he identified Williams and Hanna in a police lineup. The flogging was presented twice to Jefferson County Grand Jurors but no true bill was returned. Gelders said he believed Assistant Solicitor J. M. Long prejudiced the Grand Jury in the first instance by citing the fact that he was Jewish and had demanded a special prosecutor.

### ROADS MINED

He testified that he now was associated with the National Committee for Defense of Political Prison-

oners which is headed by Rockwell Kent, artist. Headquarters were set up in Birmingham in 1936 to combat a series of violations of civil rights in Southern states.

The committee has an affidavit from T. C. I. property were mined to combat a proposed march of striking miners. Gelders said it was reported in newspapers that the dynamite charge was set off before the march took place.

### TWO KILLED

Gelders introduced eight sworn affidavits by trade unionists and others, including a number of Communists, which told of specific violations, ending in murder in two cases, in the Birmingham region.

McClung's testimony capped the climax of today's hearings, which will be continued Friday. He detailed his work of running down the kidnapers of Gelders, the identification of two of them, Captain Walter J. Hanna and Lieutenant Dent Williams of the Alabama National Guard as two of the four kidnap-floggers, and the failure of the grand jury to indict either upon presentation of evidence which his 25 years as a State Investigator had convinced him was more than sufficient for bringing in of bills against them.

"Any decision against Captain Hanna, even a \$10 fine in Misdemeanor Court, might bring the whole T.C.I. down, with 35 million dollar budget, on anybody that made it," McClung said.

# 1,000 LEAVE FOR CAPITAL 70 ARRESTED IN DEWEY POLICY RAIDS

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over the country, converged for the demonstration.

Before leaving, the delegates held an organization meeting in Irving Plaza, where they were joined by more than 100 others who came here from various New England cities. Captains and squad leaders were elected, final instructions for the march were given, and committees were appointed to call on the various New York Congressmen in Washington.

The New York delegation represented a cross-section of trade unions in addition to the unemployed manual and white collar workers.

Many Negroes were in the delegation and a large number of women and a few children.

Sam Wiseman, fourth national vice-president of the Alliance was chairman of the meeting at Irving Plaza. Among other leading figures of the New York Alliance who headed the delegation were Brendan Sexton, chairman of the New York Alliance; Oscar Fuss, head of the White Collar division; Mike Davidow, organizational secretary; and Rebecca Widoff.

Angus Herndon and Merrill Wood, members of the national executive board of the Alliance, were with the delegation. Herndon was cheered when he entered the meeting hall.

Wiseman announced that the Washington parade will start about 9:30 A.M. today from the Labor Department building, 14th St. and Constitution Ave., marching to the White House, past the Chamber of Commerce, and to the Capitol. In the afternoon a mass meeting will take place at the Labor Department building and the special train will start back to New York about 6:30 P.M.

### ASK \$1,250,000,000

In the capital, the delegates will be assembled in State groups for a parade, during which the elaborate floats seen in last Saturday's demonstration in New York will be brought out again, some of them re-modeled to bring out needs of rural areas. All the State delegations are bringing their own banners. Alliance officials here said, promising that the march will be extremely colorful.

The line of march will include Pennsylvania Ave., and after the parade the various delegations will call on their respective Congressmen and urge them to vote for an appropriation of \$1,250,000,000, instead of the lower figure presented by President Roosevelt and the U. S. Conference of Mayors.

They will urge their congressmen to insist upon continuation and expansion of WPA, to fight for a 20 per cent wage increase for WPA workers, and for placing of the 1,500,000 home relief employables on WPA. The marchers will elect committees to call on the House and Senate appropriations committee to request that the Workers Alliance be permitted to present its demands and arguments at the hearings now being conducted.

### Alabama Judge Upholds Social Security Law

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Jan. 14 (UP).—Constitutionality of the Federal Social Security Act was upheld today by Federal Judge David J. Davis of the Northern Alabama District Court.

In an informal brief the judge denied the petition of Alabama firms seeking to enjoin the collecting of internal revenue from collecting the compensation insurance tax levied on employers under the act.

# 4 Children Die In Upstate Fire; Home Destroyed

OGDENSBURG, N. Y., Jan. 14 (UP).—Four children burned to death today when fire destroyed their home.

Adam Petrilli, their father, had gone to work before the fire broke out. His wife escaped with another child, whose condition is critical.

The dead: Violet, 15, Rita, 11, Jean, 7, and Martha, a younger child.

Fireman Charles Lavarnway was injured severely when he fell from a ladder. Origin of the fire was not determined.

# G. M. REFUSES RECOGNITION OF THE UNION

### Ternstedt and Cadillac Workers Demand No Strikebreaking

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tell, shot in head. All others received arm or leg wounds.

### GUARD STRENGTHENED

Strikers, too, prepared for the attack which appeared imminent if negotiations do not end the strike. Sit-downers in Fisher Body No. 1 and 2 strengthened the guard at entrances and picket patrols outside.

National Guardsmen at four encampments within Flint city limits also were held in readiness and all leaves were cancelled.

Will Gov. Murphy hold to his promise not to use the troops to out sit-down strikers? Will he protect the rights of the workers as he so often promised in his campaign speeches? These were uppermost questions in the minds of the people of Michigan today.

All that Gov. Murphy indicated thus far is that he will take drastic action if a settlement is not reached. Though there is a prevailing opinion among the strikers here and in Flint that Gov. Murphy will direct the troops to their aid, at meetings there are sending resolutions to Gov. Murphy warning him not to forget his campaign promises. Such a resolution was sent today from mass meetings of Ternstedt and Cadillac Fleetweek workers.

### STATE CONFERENCE SUNDAY

Cadillac workers entered the second week of their sit-down tonight—a new sit-down of 300 workers of the United Brass and Aluminum Co. was in progress today at Port Huron—more plants were reported closed at Saginaw and Tarrytown, N. Y.

In an interview today, William Knudsen, General Motors vice-president, said that 200,000 will be idle next week if the strike continues. In the interview Knudsen significantly indicated that at least four of the U.A.W. demands fall within the province of a general conference.

### LEWIS ASSAILS CRAFT CHIEFS STRIKEBREAKING

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—John L. Lewis, leader of the Committee for Industrial Organization, today took to task reactionary craft union leaders of the American Federation of Labor for their strike-breaking tactics in the automobile strike.

A sharply-worded statement in the United Mine Workers Journal had reference to leaders of four international unions, headed by John P. Frey, president of the Metal Trades Department, who ordered members of their union back to work in general Motors plants.

"The Central Labor Union of Cleveland in lapsed and approved the strike, as did several other central bodies and organizations," Lewis declared. "Yet, in spite of this fact, four craft unions of the American Federation of Labor started a scab movement to break the strike."

### To Close Down Two Tarrytown Plants

NORTH TARRYTOWN, N. Y., Jan. 14 (UP).—Officials tonight said the Fisher Body Co. plant and the Chevrolet Motor Co. plant, employing 4,000 men, would not reopen Monday after the usual week-end shutdown tomorrow because of shortage of materials caused by General Motors strikes in the mid-west.

### Discuss Intervention by Roosevelt

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14 (UP).—Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins disclosed today that she had discussed with President Roosevelt the possibility of presidential intervention in the automobile strike.

"It has been discussed many times," she said, "without being considered as actually imminent."

Miss Perkins has conferred with the chief executive several times on the critical strike situation. Yesterday afternoon she held a private conference with Mr. Roosevelt after he had seen Assistant Secretary Edward F. McGrady.

"The idea has never been talked over seriously enough to discuss what type of intervention or when or how," she said. "But it has been talked over."

### Danzig Nazis Sentence Socialist to Prison

DANZIG, Jan. 14.—Nazi authorities here sentenced the Socialist Party member, Bruno Lemke, to 14 months' imprisonment because he said what everyone thinks—that Nazi provocateurs planted firearms in the homes of Socialist Party leaders to frame them.

Karl Nolte, member of the National German Party, was sentenced to three years for "offending the Danzig Senate and spreading false news." He was arrested only last Tuesday, and the nature of the "offense" and the "news" was not stated in the press.

### Marriage Bill

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Jan. 14 (UP).—Supreme Court Justice Sydney A. Syme asserted today that Harrison, N. Y., a town of 10,000 inhabitants, is grinding out 3,000 marriages a year in what he called the Harrison marriage mill.

# ON THE SPOT



S. S. GOLDWATER

# HEALTH BUDGET SLASH COSTS MANY LIVES

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serum was ineffective, Dr. Rice conceded that the unrefined serum caused more serum sickness than the other type.

"It is incorrect to say that inferior serums have been given out for treatment of pneumonia," he said. "The effectiveness of serum in treatment of pneumonia depends upon the quantity of immune substance present and this has been inadequate in all of the serums issued."

"Although unconcentrated serum tends to cause more serum sickness than concentrated, the manifestations appear from seven to ten days after the serum has been given. Since an average of 30 per cent is lost in the process of concentration, a given amount of serum will serve to treat more patients if it is distributed without concentration."

Dr. S. S. Goldwater, Commissioner of Hospitals, issued a statement contradicting Dr. Rice and denying that unconcentrated serum was being used in city institutions.

There are so many cases now that the city would be unable to have enough to combat the pneumonia wave even if all the crude serum at its serum farm at Otisville, N. Y., were refined, it was learned. However, enough of certain types of serum are available at commercial drug companies which the city health and hospital departments could purchase—if they had the funds, which they haven't.

Health Department requests last October for \$100,000 for pneumonia typing stations and to make pneumonia serum available free or very inexpensive was cut down by the Bureau of the Budget to \$2,000—and approved by the Board of Estimate and Board of Aldermen.

Many pneumonia deaths are reported in the slum sections of the city because of inability to purchase serum, the Daily Worker declared yesterday. The number of deaths from this disease would be much smaller if the Health Department had received the funds to carry on its work, pneumonia specialists maintain.

The city allotted the Board of Health \$1,200,000 less than the department requested for 1937. The departmental request was \$5,837,664 but the city granted a total of \$4,695,917.

# WIFE DENIES CONFESSION OF GREEN TO HER

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came from "District Attorney Charles P. Sullivan of Queens."

Contradictions, unaccounted for, appeared throughout yesterday's stories of the prisoner's admission.

The seventh Sports edition of yesterday's New York World-Telegram carried a headline concerning a ridiculous gadget known as a lie detector. The heading read: "Lie Detector Gave Green a Clean Bill."

But the Blue Streak edition of the New York Post, reputed "liberal" publication, stated on Page 1 under the heading, "Lie Detector Helps Win Confession," that the lie detector was "recording 'Lie' every time he (Green) denied connection with the murder."

Topping it all off the early edition of the Jan. 15 New York American, carried a story on Page 3, that Green had been willing to sign away his life in a "confession" on promises of "a chicken dinner."

### Pope Gets Better—Meets Cardinal Pacelli

VATICAN CITY, Friday, Jan. 15 (UP).—Pope Pius XI showed continued improvement today. Pains in his afflicted legs were subsiding.

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### Maritime Strike Council Blasts Action of Marine Firemen's Officials

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### BERNARD HITS 'NEUTRALITY'

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sional embargo, Bernard told his listeners: "In effect this embargo says, 'We the Congress of the United States in the hope of preventing us from getting into a foreign entanglement will be neutral. We will boycott both the lawfully democratic elected government and the rebels. In other words, boycott both the police and the underworld.'"

### NOT PEOPLE'S WISH

"Those who make millions out of human misery and bloodshed decided long ago that real democracy shall not be tolerated on earth. What matters if Italy, Germany and Portugal are sending troops and munitions to crush the spirit of liberty in Spain, a friendly sister republic? Our money lords, the worshippers of the golden calf, those who know only one flag, the sign of the almighty dollar, are thoroughly satisfied.

### Hospital, Wounded Bombed by Fascists

VALENCIA, Jan. 14.—Sadistic Fascist bombing, without military objective, of refugees from Madrid and of hospitals was reported here today.

A train carrying 600 civilians evacuated from Madrid was bombed from the air and 40 were injured about 35 miles southeast of the city. An armored train ruzed the wounded to the town of Alcazar.

### American Ace Dies Fighting for Spain

MADRID, Jan. 14 (UP).—Sidney Holland, American flier, was posthumously promoted to Flight Second Lieutenant by the Naval Air Ministry today. He was killed while flying for the Loyalists in the northern front, near Vitoria.

### leave for Spain to write next month.

In the medical unit which will leave are the following: Surgeons: Dr. Edward Barsky of the Beth Israel Hospital; Dr. Eduardo Odio Perez of the French Hospital; Dr. Allan Sorrel of the New Rochelle Hospital; Dr. Philip Goldman of the Harlem Hospital; and Dr. Albert Byrne of Kentucky.

Nurses: Anna Taft of the Jewish Hospital Helen Freeman of the Jewish Hospital; Ray Harris, a private nurse; Lini Fuhr of the Hospital for Joint Diseases; Sally Kahn of the Social Hygiene Clinic; and Frederica Martin of the Jersey City Christ Hospital.

### Ambulance Drivers: Karl Rahmann and Pierre Queinac.

Pharmacists: Harry Wilkes of the Metropolitan Hospital. Laboratory Technician: Rose Freed. Interpreter-Clerk: Mildred Rackley of Taos, N. Mex.

### THE FIRST UNIT

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Fascists at first announced that they had occupied Estepona, though later their headquarters at Algeciras, across the bay from Gibraltar, was "unable to confirm the report."

### ATTACK ABORTIVE

The Spanish Government communique described the attack and attempt to land troops at Estepona as "abortive."

British military authorities at Gibraltar estimated that Fascist planes, including 16 German Junkers and 15 pursuit planes, must have dropped tons of bombs on Estepona or Malaga. The planes were in constant flight toward Estepona, and return to Los Barrios to reload with bombs.

About fifty Fascist wounded brought to La Linea, just outside the British territory, said losses among De Llano's forces were very heavy.

### ADMITS BLACKLIST

"By this very statement, Mr. Weaver admits that the book can be used as a blacklist.

"Section 4551, Paragraph A of the Revised Statutes of the United States provides that books 'shall be in such form as a Director of the Board of Marine Inspection and Navigation, with the approval of the Secretary of Commerce, shall determine.'"

"Mr. Weaver is the very person who shall determine the form. "Mr. Weaver knows the book is intended as a blacklist and he has said so. On June 20, 1936, in an interview which appeared in the Boston Globe, he stated:

"The new legislation to deal with this menace is the most far-reaching of its kind ever put through, and consists principally of the adoption of a continuous discharge book which will be virtually a service record and patterned somewhat after a passport."

### 'ROGUES GALLERY'

"The book also provides for photographs and fingerprints and makes what is virtually a 'rogues gallery' of American seamen. This requirement is not made of any other class of American workers.

"The striking seamen as evidence of good faith express their willingness to have the matter referred to a national referendum of seamen, to be conducted by the government, to determine whether or not the seamen are opposed to the provision of the Copeland Act. Enactment of the Act to be suspended until after the referendum is completed and amendments to the act to be submitted to Congress.

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Lehman's message Waters' Weighty People Need Own Social Program

By Si Gerson

THE New York Sun, arch-Tory of the New York press, is displeased with the recent message of Governor Lehman to the State Legislature...

Providing for dependent and crippled children, the halt and lame, is all very well, argues the journalistic Bourbon, but who is going to pay for it? Weeping profuse editorial tears, the Sun writes: "The State taxpayers would gladly pay for it if they could hope for some relief from the inroads made on their income by other forms of so-called social legislation..."

THE SUN'S GRIEF The grief for the tax-burdened power trust and investment banker sets the tone for the entire argument of the Sun. Slum clearance and erection of publicly-subsidized apartment dwellings for workers are also bad, continues the Sun, because "government cannot build as economically as private capital..."

And as for Governor Lehman's espousal of the child labor amendment—horror! Our very schools are threatened by it. Says the Sun, somewhat disingenuously: "The word 'labor,' in the opinion of many (many who?—S. W. G.) might be used to extend Federal control to the schools, where mental labor is used."

But it is the Governor's mild proposal to regulate strikebreaking and "detective agencies" that makes the Bourbon bull see a deep livid shade of crimson. Continues the Sun: "PITY THE OPEN-SHOPPERS"

"The Governor may delight the trade union bosses, legitimate and otherwise, with his denunciation of strikebreakers. He does not tell the employer what he should do when, as in the taxicab and waiter strikes, the police of the city used protection to life and property..."

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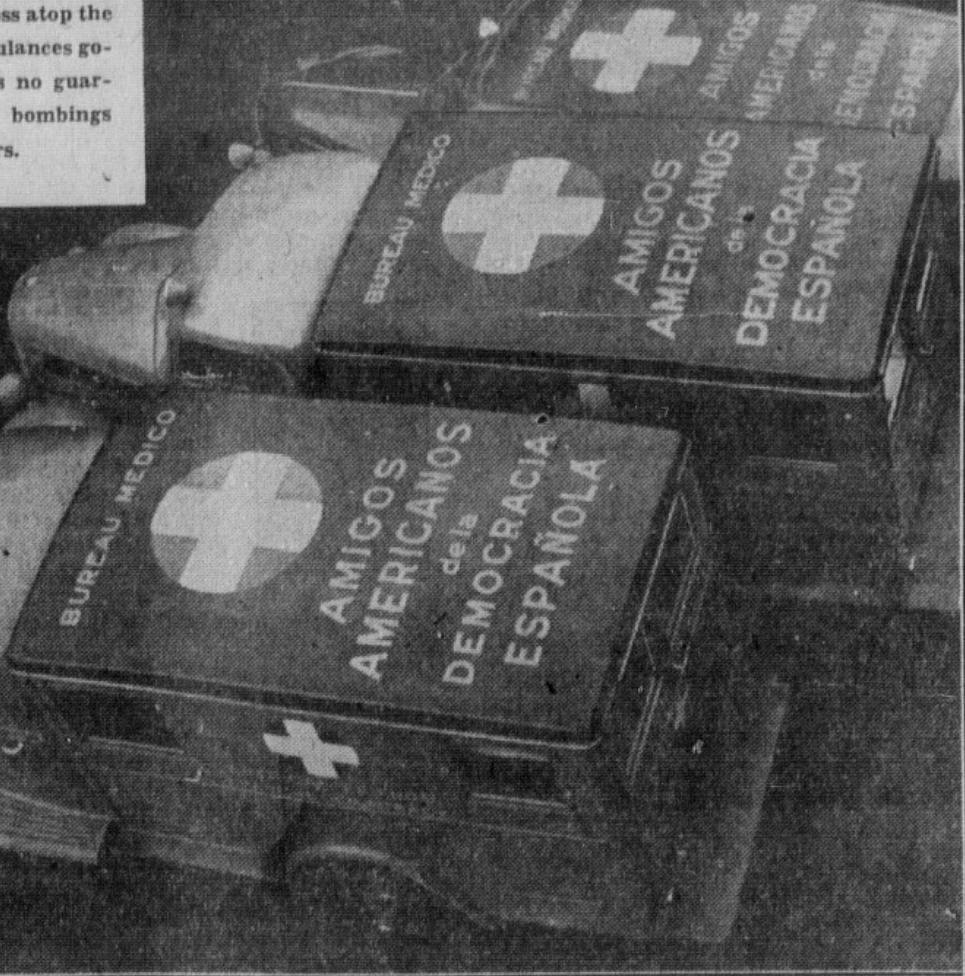
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With the Unions

United Neckwear Workers Wage Fight to Elect Progressive Slate in Elections on Jan. 19—Mosoff and Teichman Heading Slate

We take the whole of this column today with an important matter—the coming elections in the United Neckwear Makers Union, affiliated with the Amalgamated Clothing Workers.

The United Neckwear Workers, comprising the most progressive elements in the union are waging an energetic campaign to elect an administration that will eliminate the evils existing under the present administration.

The monthly issue of the "Champlain" organ of the United Neckwear Workers, carries the full slate backed by the progressives in the union. Heading the slate is Arthur Mosoff, candidate for Manager, and Marthe Teichman, running for the post of Secretary.

The remainder of the slate, in full, is as follows: JOINT BOARD: 4. Max Fruchter 15. Arthur Mosoff 27. Esther Edelman 41. Helen Reiff 21. Philip Glick 19. Max Rubenstein 12. Abe Herman 19. Hyman Schorr 13. Sophie Hitzig 20. Anna Schwartz 26. Alex Lipschitz 31. Anna Weissman 37. Nat Messer 52. Ellen Weinman

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Brooklyn Painters Must Oppose Decision Of District Council

Should Mobilize Members to Oppose Ruling to Maintain Territorial Divisions and Recall Delegates Who Opposed Executive Decision

By a Brooklyn Union Painter

In July, 1936, a sharp struggle took place between District Council 18, and Locals 645 and 971, of the Painters Union, over the issue of the division of jurisdictional territory. The struggle resulted in a court action, and appeals to the General Executive Board. Meanwhile, the membership was taxed by the District Council...

MEANING OF DECISION The decision of the General Executive Board would give power to an honest leadership of the District Council to go all over Brooklyn and enforce conditions on jobs and shops without being obstructed by the Business Agents in the territory.

PAINTERS LOSE BY DIVISION What are the evils of the present territorial divisions in Brooklyn? The membership in Brooklyn knows that for the past year organizational drives were carried on by the District Council and the locals.

ASK LEHMAN TO BACK AMERICAN YOUTH BILL Governor Lehman today considered his endorsement of the American Youth Bill following a visit yesterday by a delegation from the New York City Council of the American Youth Congress.

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First Lady Shocked On Visit to Jail WASHINGTON, Jan. 14 (UP).—Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt today visited the death house in the 61-year-old District of Columbia jail in which five men await electrocution. She called the jail over-crowded and "a danger to the community."

N. Y. State Gets Grant For Social Security Law A federal grant of \$358,511 to New York State for administration of the state unemployment insurance act was authorized yesterday by the Social Security Board.

Police Deny Communist Party Use of Loudspeaker in Harlem (Daily Worker Harlem Bureau) The Harlem police department and the drug store owners of the community joined hands yesterday to deny the use of a loudspeaker in Harlem for Communist Party purposes.

American Music League presents War & Anti-War MUSIC Compositions by Wagner, Liszt, Chopin, Moussorgsky, Eisler and many others

MORDECAI BAUMAN Baritone NOMAN CAYDEN Pianist MANHATTAN CHORUS Ellie Siegmester, Conductor Steinway Hall, 113 W. 57th St. SUBSCRIPTION 40c

NOTICE Camp Unities Hold MARCH 5th OPEN! TONIGHT at 8:30 ANNA LOUISE STRONG (Arrived Wednesday from Spain) First Brooklyn Lecture "IS IT WORLD WAR IN SPAIN?"

Chairman: Rev. H. R. Reissig ERASMUS HALL H. S. FLATBUSH AND CHURCH AVES. Adm. A.F.S.U. Admission 35c

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GALA Entertainment and Dance. Swing dance, a good time assured. Star O'Monroe, 138th St. and Willis Ave. Asupies: South Bronx Bar, AVE 5 P.M.

FRANK GREENSPON will lecture on the topic: "World Situation and the War Menace." 282 DeKalb Ave., Brooklyn. Asup. Williamsburg Workers' Club, 8:30 P.M.

SOCIAL BACKGROUND of Music and Literature. Course by Joseph Maguire. 83; individual lecture 30c. 8:30 P.M. Downtown Music School, 68 E. 12th St. Adm. 25c. 8:30 P.M.

FIGHT Deportation Concert and Dance at the Stuyvesant Casino, 140 Second Ave. Ferrero-Salitte Defense Conference. SHOW and Dancing. Allied Theatre, 113 W. 57th St. Adm. 35c. 8:30 P.M.

THE FAMOUS FRENCH Music classic "Fremont de Dura" (A Nohx La Libertie). AUSTRIAN RIVERSIDE Party. 785 Westchester Ave., Bronx. Lecture 8:30 P.M. Sunday, Jan. 17, 7 P.M.

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4 CCC Youth on Isle in Danger Of Rising River

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Emergency calls for help were sent to Dayton and the fire department and sheriff's office said they would dispatch men and boats immediately.

Two of the boys were said to have been stranded on the island late last night when caught by rapidly rising waters.

Two companions endeavored to rescue them today, but failed when their boat capsized.

Reports stated there was a small tree on the island which the youths might climb to escape the rising waters until rescuers could reach them.

Registration Notices SOCIAL Dance Group classes in waits, football, etc. For men and women. Beginners. Registration daily, 2-10 P. M. 94 Fifth Ave., near 14th St. Gramercy 5-2284. Adm. 25c. 8:30 P.M.

BROWNVILLE WORKERS SCHOOL, 165 Thatford Ave. Courses in Marxism, Leninism, etc. Registration every evening 7-10 P.M. Terms begin Monday, January 18. Fee \$1.50 per course.

CURRENT Events: A survey of the news of the week. With Milton Howard. Begins Saturday, Jan. 16, 2:30 P.M. at the Workers School, 35 E. 12th St. Tuition fee \$1.25 for all weeks.

WORKERS SCHOOL Winter Term Registration now closing. Many new courses offered. For descriptive catalogue, write to the School Office, 35 E. 12th St.

MANDOLIN VIRTUOSO Sol Geinberg will be the instructor of the beginners class of the Freinet Mandolin Orchestra, 108 E. 14th St. Class opens Friday, Jan. 15, at 8 P.M. Children from the age of 10 and adults to the age 30 should come. Number of applicants is limited.

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## Bring General Motors Before Bar of Congress

• Before the bar of the 75th Congress, this  
indictment has been presented:

The American People vs. General Motors  
Corporation.

Chairman John L. Lewis of the Com-  
mittee for Industrial Organization has an-  
nounced that a Senatorial investigation of  
the giant Morgan-duPont combine will be  
sought at once.

Such an investigation is more than over-  
due. Look at but a few of the facts in the  
indictment:

This criminal conspiracy has made the  
largest profits of any industrial enterprise  
in the world. It has used its great resources  
to impose serfdom and the speed-up on its  
employees.

It has resorted to the vilest of labor spy  
systems to intimidate its workers, and has  
filled its plants with machine guns and tear  
gas to oppose unionization. At Flint it made  
a shameful and murderous assault upon  
the strikers.

It has created and financed the pro-fas-  
cist American Liberty League, to fight the  
American people and to crush out their civil  
liberties. In the balliwicks which it controls,  
the murderous Black Legion has flourished,  
under the smiles of this corporation.

It has allied itself financially with fas-  
cist and reactionary forces throughout the  
world, in a traitorous conspiracy against  
democracy.

Does the 75th Congress intend to carry  
out the people's mandate of Nov. 3? Then,  
let it proceed immediately to this investi-  
gation—to bring out into the light of day  
the full and sinister details of this gigantic

## \$98,000 Saved—

### But 125 Die Daily

• How many lives is \$98,000 worth?

When Mayor LaGuardia's budget for  
1937 was being worked out, the Health De-  
partment asked for an appropriation of  
\$5,837,664. Included in this was \$100,000 for  
the production of pneumonia serums and  
other work to combat this disease.

What the Health Department actually  
got was an appropriation more than \$1,000-  
900 less than it had requested. And for the  
production of pneumonia serums—just  
\$2,000.

Today, with a pneumonia and flu epi-  
demic raging, the city is faced with an acute  
shortage of pneumonia serums. An investi-  
gation by the Daily Worker shows that 125  
persons a day are dying from pneumonia.  
Physicians estimate that at least half of  
these lives could be saved with proper serum  
treatment.

In other words, thousands of lives are  
being unnecessarily endangered—and this  
means chiefly the lives of the poor—many  
are being lost. All because Mayor LaGuardia  
and the Board of Estimate wanted to  
save \$98,000—a saving dictated by the in-  
famous bankers' agreement which the Mayor  
has refused to terminate.

The Daily Worker also revealed yester-  
day that 85 per cent of the pneumonia cases  
are not receiving hospitalization. Score an-  
other for "economy" at the people's expense.

The situation calls for emergency action.  
While the city cannot provide additional  
pneumonia serum from its own serum farm,  
since it requires a year and a half to make,  
it can obtain new supplies from commercial  
manufacturers.

The Municipal Assembly should appro-  
priate immediate funds to purchase serum  
for all pneumonia patients. Thousands of  
lives can be saved. The city must act.

## Brazil's Dictator

### Apes Hitler Methods

• Rio de Janeiro is today the scene of a  
"trail" based on Nazi "justice."

The virtual dictator, Getulio Vargas, has  
ordered a group of ex-army officers perse-  
cuted before a special court, known as the  
Security Tribunal.

But Vargas has in mind ultimately the  
trial and conviction of Luis Carlos Prestes,  
known in Brazil as the Knight of Hope, the  
man who has the love of the majority of  
the Brazilian people whom he has been lead-  
ing against imperialism.

The heroism of the first group of de-  
fendants was inspiring. They defied their  
tormentors, their military judges, their per-

secutor Vargas. Though tortured and beaten,  
they stood up, and with fists clenched  
shouted: "Long Live the Liberation Al-  
liance! Down with the Security Tribunal!"

Victims of American imperialism, as well  
as of its puppet, Getulio Vargas, the defend-  
ants in Rio, the leader of the Brazilian peo-  
ple, Luis Carlos Prestes, must receive the  
aid of all American liberty-loving people.

The demand must go out so that Vargas  
can hear it:

Prestes, and the other anti-imperialist  
defendants, should be freed!

Prestes and his co-defendants must get  
a fair and democratic trial before a civil  
tribunal and not the military executioners  
rump court set up by Vargas.

Prestes, and the other defendants, must  
be granted the right of choosing their own  
counsel. They must be guaranteed an ade-  
quate defense.

We in this country should flood the Bra-  
zilian Embassy in Washington with fervent  
protests against this mockery of justice and  
democracy in Brazil.

All anti-fascist organizations, all trade  
unions, anti-imperialist and youth groups,  
should send resolutions of protest imme-  
diately to the Brazilian government's envoy  
in Washington, demanding Prestes and his  
fellow-defendants get a fair trial.

## Is Kentucky More Progressive Than New York?

• Kentucky ratified the Federal Child  
Labor Amendment Wednesday.

Is the Empire State more backward than  
the Blue Grass State? Or can we expect the  
State Legislature to heed the mandate of  
the people this time?

## The Workers Alliance

### At the White House

• Franklin D. Roosevelt's Madison Square  
Garden speech will come back to haunt him  
today.

Three thousand representatives of the  
Workers Alliance of America appear this  
morning at the White House, to present their  
demands for adequate work relief.

There is no equivocation in what they  
want: \$1,250,000,000 for the WPA until  
July 1 of this year; a 20 per cent increase  
in WPA wages, with a minimum of \$40 a  
month for those earning less than that  
meager amount.

There is no equivocation in the presenta-  
tion of the Roosevelt relief proposals to the 75th  
Congress. Item by item, Roosevelt is mur-  
dering the pledges of his Madison Square  
Garden speech. Nowhere has he done this  
more definitely than in his cheap hide-and-  
seek game on relief.

But one thing stands out clearly: THAT  
THE ROOSEVELTIAN PROPOSAL, FIN-  
ALLY MADE, FOR \$650,000,000 FOR  
WPA, CONSTITUTES A CUT IN THE RE-  
LIEF APPROPRIATION. They provide for  
widespread slashing of the work relief rolls  
during the coming months. They constitute  
a double-cross of the WPA workers and of  
the unemployed as a whole.

In such a set-up, the Workers Alliance  
deserves the full support of the labor move-  
ment. Many progressive unions have joined  
in endorsing its demands, and in giving it  
full cooperation.

The demonstration at Washington to-  
day should be backed by resolutions, let-  
ters and wires to the White House and to  
members of the Congress—emphasizing  
that the Madison Square Garden pledges  
must be carried out, particularly in regard  
to those who are out of work through no  
fault of their own.

## Thomas' Blind Spot—

### The Assassin Trotzky

• Norman Thomas expresses his joy over  
the arrival of the assassin Trotzky so near  
to hand in Mexico City. So delirious seems  
to be Thomas' happiness over this event,  
that he seems to have lost, on the occasion,  
all critical faculties.

Having, therefore, swallowed all of the  
fantasies manufactured by Trotzky himself  
to excuse his collaboration with Hitler's  
agents, it was not a big step for Thomas to  
accept the detective story theories of "Time"  
magazine about Trotzky being a "Stalin  
stooge."

The more hair-brained the invention the  
more palatable it seems to Thomas in his  
defense of Trotzky.

The defensive capacity of Thomas to-  
wards Trotzkyites is so all-embracing that  
he not only wants to shield the chief as-  
sassin, but offers a blanket proposal to de-  
fend all and sundry in the future who may  
be tried in the U.S.S.R. for counter-revo-  
lutionary plotting with the Hitler-Trotzkyite  
agents.

Thomas fails to see that the main ob-  
jective of Trotzkyism is to creep into the  
pores of the labor movement for disruptive  
purposes.

Trotzky's first word on his arrival in  
Mexico was an attack worthy of Hitler—a  
vicious attack on the Soviet Union and one  
of the vilest slanders against the People's  
Front of Spain fighting Fascism.

Why didn't Norman Thomas at least dis-  
associate himself from Trotzky's counter-  
revolutionary anti-Soviet, anti-Spanish Peo-  
ple's Front assaults?

# World Front

By HARRY GANNES

• Both the United Press and Associated  
Press have seen fit, for some reason, to  
clamp down on the news of the revolution-  
ary Brazilian army officers defending  
themselves against the Nazi-like "trial" or-  
dered by Getulio Vargas in Rio de Janeiro.

Only one meagre item about this important Latin-  
American event has appeared in the United States  
press, and that in a special cable in the New York  
Times. Others do not seem privileged to dispatch  
news of this kind from Rio.

But it is clearly evident that the  
trial of the ex-officers is a prelude and test to prepare  
the persecution of the heroic leader of the  
Brazilian people, Luis Carlos Prestes.

Charged with participating in  
the November, 1935, uprising in the  
Northeast of Brazil (Pernam-  
buco and Natal, and later in Rio  
de Janeiro), the first group of de-  
fendants protested vehemently

against their drum-head trial before the Security  
Tribunal.

The Security Tribunal is a special creation of  
Vargas, dictator of Brazil, to insure the conviction of  
Prestes, something that never could be achieved  
through the civil courts.

The intrepid former army officers refused to go  
before the Hitler-style court. They had to be dragged  
there, virtually nude. Undaunted by torture and long  
imprisonment in a tropical dungeon, they stood up  
before their tormentors and shouted: "Hurrah for the  
Liberation Alliance (the Brazilian People's Front)!  
Down with the Security Tribunal!"

Getulio Vargas would never dare try the man he  
wants to get, Carlos Luis Prestes, first. He wants to  
test the rope, as it were, before he attempts to hang  
the Knight of Hope of the Brazilian people.

Previous efforts to try Prestes before the civil  
tribunals ended in complete failure, because his jailers  
feared to take him through the streets to the court-  
room.

Then Vargas got busy. He virtually amended the  
Brazilian constitution and its whole judiciary system  
just to get Prestes, and to lay the basis, thereafter, to  
try the thousands of anti-imperialists, rotting in the  
Brazilian prisons.

The Brazilian Law No. 244, passed Sept. 11, estab-  
lishing the Security Tribunal, is a monstrous act. It  
is an expression of the most brutal suppression and  
curtailing of all popular liberties. Based originally on  
Nazi "justice," it goes a step further. The tribunal is  
composed of two military men, generals or superior  
officers, and two civilian magistrates. Control of the  
judges is in the hands of Vargas, who can remove any  
one at will, if they do not satisfy his whim.

In establishing the tribunal, Vargas also had writ-  
ten into Brazilian law new "crimes" to fit what he  
considered to be the charge against Prestes. The  
tribunal, says its rules, "shall consider crimes against  
the external security of the Republic, against the  
military institutions, and crimes basically subversive of  
the social and political institutions."

The defendants have virtually no right of defense.  
In cross-examination, the accused have the right to  
ask only those questions they petition the court to ap-  
prove, and questions formulated by the judges.

If the judges want to hear the case without the  
defendants present in court, they are authorized to do  
so. In other words, if, even after this test trial,  
Vargas is still afraid to bring Prestes before even this  
kind of fascist tribunal, he is empowered to have  
Prestes tried in his absence. Prestes need not even  
know that he has been tried, but only convicted.

The Special Tribunal, furthermore, can control the  
publicity in Brazil concerning the trial.

Following the Nazi model, the Security Tribunal  
law establishes concentration camps. It says: "Five  
agricultural or penal colonies shall be conveniently  
located by the Executive Power."

All of the accused are subject to the death penalty,  
or a living death in the Brazilian jungle concentration  
camps.

While President Roosevelt and Hull were in Latin  
America—yes, even while they embraced bloody-  
handed Getulio Vargas—they spoke of "democracy"  
being the bulwark of peace.

"Democracy" as Vargas views it is seen in practice  
through the Security Tribunal which robs the op-  
ponents of this imperialist-puppet of every human  
right of self-defense and a hearing before a competent  
trial court.

Two days after Vargas began his prosecution  
scheme, aimed to get rid of Prestes, the Peruvian gov-  
ernment ordered a raid against the Apristas (Popular  
Revolutionary Alliance), and against Socialists and  
Communists in Lima.

If Vargas can get away with it in Brazil, reaction  
will sweep other Latin-American countries.

Despite the virtual censorship which Vargas has  
enforced by his terrorism against foreign corre-  
spondents, and by the collaboration of others, the  
American people must learn the truth about the Se-  
curity Tribunals and the persecution of Carlos Luis  
Prestes and his comrades.

# QUESTIONS and ANSWERS

Question: What do they mean by "Fink Book" in  
the maritime industry?—J. E. B.

Answer: A "Fink Book" is a kind of employers'  
passport system for seamen, invariably part of a black-  
list scheme.

The maritime worker is made to carry a book, in  
which there is information noted down by agents of  
his employer at the end of each voyage, by which the  
next employer can tell whether he has fought for his  
rights, tried to enforce the contract, kicked about grub,  
objected to overtime, or anything else the employer  
does not like.

The book was invented by non-union shipping  
companies on the West Coast, who made seamen hire  
through their offices and used such books to keep  
track of the men they liked or did not like. Without  
such a book, properly brought up to date, no job was  
given the seaman.

The new "continuous discharge books" provided for  
by the Copeland Act now in force do the same thing,  
under government supervision, that the old employers'  
fink books did. They are a little more clever, and  
government officials and employers alike have argued  
that because the characterization of the seaman is not  
actually written into the book, it is not a blacklist  
scheme. Seamen unanimously oppose the book be-  
cause they know that with its number, photograph  
and fingerprints, the employers can keep and circulate  
among themselves the information they wish to keep  
on record about the seaman's attitude, and refer to it  
when he shows up with the book.

# SHAKE, BROTHER!

by Ellis



NEWS ITEM: Mr. and Mrs. Hermann Goering are visiting the Mussolinis in Rome.

# Indiana Socialist Group Demands Ouster of Trotzkyite Splitters

A plea for the Socialist Party to  
take its place in the united front  
on the trade union front, for the  
Farmer-Labor Party, and against  
the rapidly mounting forces of re-  
action has been issued in the form  
of a "December Bulletin" by the  
Indiana Socialist Action Committee.

The Committee is made up of  
loyal members of the Socialist Party  
who want it to be a real factor in  
the struggles of the American  
people.

## CONDEMN TROTZKYITES

Not the least significant in the  
announcement of the committee is  
their decision that real work can-  
not be done without expelling the  
counter-revolutionary Trotzkyites,  
who have penetrated the Socialist  
Party and are ham-stringing it  
every time it tries to fulfill its  
proper function.

The committee points out that the  
Trotzkyites sabotage the united  
front, advocate splitting the Span-  
ish People's Front, are on the side  
of the Right Wing in the American  
Socialist Party and seek to capture  
it for the purposes of Trotzkyism  
and counter-revolution.

## TEXT OF BULLETIN

The Bulletin is as follows:  
"The events which have been oc-  
curring within the past few weeks  
in connection with the Socialist  
movement are alarming to every  
genuinely progressive and militant  
member of the Socialist Party. The  
decline in Socialist vote and the  
fact that several young active mem-  
bers have seen fit to leave the Party  
after having spent several years in  
working to build its influence are  
sufficient cause for every person in-  
terested in the working class move-  
ment to give considerable thought  
to the elements composing the So-  
cialist Party and particularly to the  
direction in which our party is  
headed. It is for the purpose of  
starting serious discussion of the  
problems facing the Socialist Party  
that the Indiana Socialist Action  
Committee has been formed and this  
bulletin issued.

"We wish to make clear that the  
members of the Action Committee

are loyal members of the party. Our  
only desire is to make the Socialist  
Party a vital and living force in  
the working class movements of the  
state and nation. We wish to stop  
the exodus of young militant com-  
rades from the party, and we feel  
that this can be accomplished only  
by reviving the party around a cor-  
rect program. As Socialists we wish  
to make clear our loyalty and de-  
votion to the cause of Socialism; and  
as Socialists we want to make the  
Socialist Party deserving of the  
heritage of Debs.

"The members of the Socialist  
Action Committee are pledged to  
support the following program for  
the Socialist Party. We feel that the  
Socialist Party can, by accepting  
this program, reclaim its position  
as the leader of the class-conscious  
workers of America.

## URGE UNITED FRONT

"A Labor Policy. If the party is  
to become a vanguard movement  
it must become a force in work of  
the trade unions, organizing the un-  
organized, and in all the day-by-  
day struggles of workers. In order  
to accomplish this, a Labor Com-  
mittee should be immediately set up  
in accordance with instructions  
from the National Office. The pur-  
pose of the Labor Committee must  
be to give direction to those com-  
rades who are members of unions,  
and to generally spread the influ-  
ence of the party on the economic  
field. A Socialist labor policy must  
also include a clear-cut program of  
building the Farmer-Labor Party,  
in accordance with the decision of  
our national convention. Both the  
proposal for a Labor Committee and  
active work in building the Far-  
mer-Labor Party have been consist-  
ently fought by an alliance of  
Right-wingers and Trotzkyites.

"The United Front. During the  
past few years we have seen a gen-  
eral strengthening of the forces of  
reaction in America. Strong fascist  
tendencies have been exposed as in  
the case of the Black Legion, the  
Terre Haute Law and Dis-Order  
League, Hearst and the Liberty  
League. Forces on the Right have  
formed a united front against any

radical or progressive movement;  
the forces fighting for progress and  
Socialism must likewise form a  
united front in order to successfully  
fight reaction and fascism in Amer-  
ica. The Socialist Party must de-  
clare its willingness to unite with  
any group or any party that will  
sincerely join with us in the fight  
against fascism, for peace and So-  
cialism. We must not only declare  
our willingness to unite with the  
Communist Party on specific issues,  
but we must also show that we are  
willing to unite with peace organiza-  
tions to further the cause of peace,  
with trade unions and the Workers  
Alliance to struggle for economic  
security, and with all organizations  
to fight in defense of our civil lib-  
erties.

## CITE TROTZKYITE DISRUPTION

"Expulsion of Trotzkyites. Shortly  
after the Cleveland convention last  
May, the Workers Party announced  
its intention of liquidating and in-  
structing its members to join the  
Socialist Party, with the announced  
intention of capturing the machin-  
ery of the Socialist Party to be used  
for the furtherance of the cause of  
Trotzkyism and counter-revolution.  
Previously expelled from the Com-  
munist Party for their factionalism  
and splitting tactics, and unable to  
build their own party into more  
than a sectarian cult, they decided  
to take advantage of the prestige  
and influence of the party of Debs  
and then joined the Socialist Party  
with an announcement that they  
had not changed their positions,  
that they had not given up any of  
their theories, but that they were  
merely seeking a more fertile soil.  
Since their entrance into the So-  
cialist Party we have watched their  
actions with great interest. We, like  
many other Socialists, thought that  
they might be able to strengthen  
the progressive forces inside the So-  
cialist Party and aid in the fight  
against Old Guardism. We were  
surprised to find that the Trotzky-  
ites fought shoulder-to-shoulder  
with the Right Wing against the  
Farmer-Labor Party and against  
the united front. We were shocked  
when our comrades in France were  
forced to expell the Trotzkyites  
from the French Socialist Party.

## ASK OUSTER OF TROTZKYITES

"After seeing the Trotzkyites in  
action, however, it was not hard to  
understand these things clearly.  
When they joined with reaction-  
aries in Marion County to defeat  
a proposal for united fronts with  
the Communist Party on specific  
issues, we saw clearly that they were  
covering their counter-revolutionary  
character with radical phrase-  
mongering. When they advocated  
the splitting of the Spanish People's  
Front in the face of a fascist rebel-  
lion, we wondered if they were not  
actually allies of the fascists.

"There is but one course open for  
sincere Socialists to take. And that  
is to expell the Trotzkyites from the  
Socialist Party. To demand that the  
National Committee order the Cali-  
fornia party to immediately replace  
James Cannon (a Trotzkyite who  
has been a member of the Socialist  
Party less than six months) as edi-  
tor of Labor Action, or to suspend  
publication. To demand that the  
National Committee withdraw its  
endorsement of the Committee to  
Defend (?) Trotzky, and to demand  
the withdrawal of Socialist Party  
members from that Committee.  
Unless this is done, unless the So-  
cialist Party rids itself of this  
poisonous cancer, we cannot hope  
to abandon our sectarianism and  
to become a vital element of the  
working class."

# Condemn Dual Jobless Group

In addition to facts related in  
the Bulletin, the Socialist Action  
Committee discovered a Trotzkyite  
attempt to split the ranks of the  
unemployed in Indianapolis, by  
forming a dual organization to the  
Workers Alliance, headed by Trotz-  
kyite "Socialist" officials. A sup-  
plementary leaflet was issued by the  
Committee, as follows:

"It has been brought to our at-  
tention that an organization of  
unemployed and WPA workers had  
been formed in Indianapolis, dual  
to the Workers Alliance, its purpose  
being to fight grievances for unem-  
ployed and WPA workers. This  
organization (known as the Labor  
Defense Committee) is composed of  
a small group of reactionary, sec-  
tarian workers who say that they  
will not join the Workers Alliance  
because there are Communists in  
the Workers Alliance.

## ASK OUSTER OF TROTZKYITES

"Because of the fact that the  
Workers Alliance had been pre-  
viously endorsed by the National  
and State conventions of the So-  
cialist Party, and because of the

outstanding work that Socialists  
have done in trade unions and  
unemployed organizations in the  
fight against discrimination because  
of political beliefs, we naturally as-  
sumed that Socialists would have  
nothing to do with the new organi-  
zation. Since the Workers Alliance  
was formed largely through the  
initiative of Socialists we assumed  
that Socialist Party members would  
support the Workers Alliance rather  
than a dual, reactionary group.

"But lo and behold, the chair-  
man of the dual organization is  
Robert L. Birchman, and the Sec-  
retary is Cecil Allen, both members  
of the Socialist Party (veterans of  
about six months) and both Trotz-  
kyites. This action, and attempted  
splitting of the unemployed move-  
ment has aroused the indignation  
of leading Socialists throughout the  
country. There can be but one an-  
swer to such action. These persons  
who are carrying out the splitting  
program of the Chamber of Com-  
merce and the Manufacturers Asso-  
ciation must be expelled from the  
Socialist Party."



# They Build Industry On Malaga's Front

### How the Workers Created a Factory In the Midst of War Is Told by An English Novelist Who Found Himself On the Front Line

By Ralph Bates

English Novelist Serving in Spanish Militia  
Written for Federated Press

There were three of us, two militiamen and myself, seated in a little outdoor cafe in front of the glittering harbor of Barcelona, and we were arguing about the best way to obtain spark plugs. Suddenly we heard a furious din of claxon horns and all of us jumped to our feet; our excitement cost us the price of two spilled drinks, but it was worth it.

Down the long Paseo de Colon, upon whose tall palms the dates were already ripening, a convoy of cars was speeding to the cheers of the people lining the pavements. As they went by our cafe, one of my friends caught sight of a driver and yelled to him in excited Catalan. In answer to his question: "Where are you going?" he received a salute and the words "Al frente de Malaga" (to the Malaga front), 600 miles away. Behind us tubagoats and militia lauches hoisted their salutes, but we, still standing, hardly heard them as we watched the 15 cars disappear into darkness beyond the customs house.

Two or three days later I heard more about that convoy from one of my friends who himself had organized its production. We will call my friend Pedro Quiroga. He was very voluble about it. It appears that he had some sort of trouble with the factory committee of U.G.T. No. 1. My friend Pedro was dissatisfied with the rate with which the cars were being turned out in the street. Finally he shouldered at one of his helpers; "Darin it, I'll go and see the general secretary."

Ralph Bates, author of *Lean Men and The Olive Field*, former Barcelona longshoreman and now a militia officer on temporary leave to the U. S. in the interests of the Committee for Technical Aid to Spanish Democracy, writes this striking account of how Spanish workers organized an emergency industry. Federated Press presents it by courtesy of the League of American Writers.

"Thank you," said his helper, "I am the general secretary. I will mark led to grumbled apologies and an explanation of the working of that factory."

This is the story of U.G.T. No. 1. When the Fascist rising had been defeated, the workers found their factory closed against them, its owners, implicated in the rising, had fled. At once this problem was put before the workers, either stand on the streets and starve, and also be defeated by the Fascists in the rest of Spain, or open the factory and by running it themselves, to put down the rebellion against democracy.

Picture a large central yard between work shops, perhaps crisscrossed by the sharp light and shade of sputtering arc lamps. At one end of the yard, a lorry is drawn up and upon it is a group of trade union leaders, and around it 600 men and women, their faces turned up toward the light as they listen to what is being said. There is no shouting, no violent speeches, no appeal to passion, no rhetoric.

Quite briefly and plainly the leader says: "We therefore propose that this meeting elect a committee of 10. That committee of 10 shall have functions as follows: One of you will be the secretary for the distribution of work. One of you shall be warehouse secretary, another repair secretary, another spare parts and accessories secretary," and so on. And so it is done. Ten workers are elected. Then the meeting goes on.

Perhaps there are some readers who are skeptical about the true capacities of the working class. Let me try to explain what the work of that factory committee has been. Understand that I am not talking about some Utopian factory of the future, but a real contemporary factory standing in Mallorca Street in Barcelona, directed and run by men whom I know. U.G.T. No. 1 was formerly an assembly factory, building cars out of parts supplied principally from abroad.

No doubt some are ready to smile, and to ask: "And when you had run out of parts, what then? Precisely. The factory committee, in conjunction with the technicians who, because the working class of Barcelona has undertaken to protect the middle class, have remained loyal to the constitutional government, prepared new plans and drawings for the production of a national car. Delegates from U. G. T. No. 1 then approached other metallurgical factories, also run by workers' committees.

So it was arranged that in one factory nuts and bolts would be turned, in another castings made, in another still engines would be built, and so on. The result can be seen today in Barcelona. For the first time a national automobile industry has appeared in Spain.

Again, it is easy to imagine the skeptic's retort: "And how about finance?" This is the answer to the question: That factory is now owned by the Catalan government, and the Catalan government is poorer than that which private industry sells its products to its government in time of war. Even so, U.G.T. No. 1 is not only paying off the debts incurred by the old, incompetent private direction of the factory, but is making a steady profit and has increased its payroll by about 15 per cent. Note also that the wages are higher than they have ever been.

## BOOKS of the DAY

By EDWIN SEAVER

WHEN WILLIAM GALLACHER, Communist Member of Parliament for West Fife, tried to visit some of his relatives in the United States a few months ago, he was stopped by the immigration authorities. Willie was too red for the immigration authorities, just as he was too red, not only for the British Tories, but for the fakery in the British Labor Party.

Now International Publishers has brought out his autobiography, "Revolt on the Clyde." Autobiography never seems to be the right word for the life story of a revolutionary leader. The lives of such men are so tied up with the revolutionary movement in which the participants take it is hard to tell where the one leaves off and the other begins. Inevitably, when writing their stories, they see as important not their individual selves, but the working class struggles in which they played a part.

Aside from a few paragraphs given over to his proletarian background—his father, an Irish worker, died when Willie was seven; his mother, a Highlander, "went out washing and had to slave for every penny she got"; Willie himself started working at the age of ten—the book is the story of the British labor movement from the years immediately preceding the war to the present.

IN THIS connection, you might say of Gallacher what he writes of Lenin. "Not for a moment could I dream of talking about him—to him. I couldn't even think of him when he was talking to me. The remarkable thing about Lenin was his complete subordination of self. His whole mind, his whole being, was centered in the revolution. So when I spoke to Lenin, I had to think not of him, but of what he was thinking—about the revolutionary struggle of the workers."

BUT I do not know when I have read a more exciting story than this impersonal history of William Gallacher and the marvelous record of Glasgow's working class during the war. Gallacher, who is known and feared for his wit and formidable thrusts, writes as well as he talks. Yet even in the matter of wit, he shows that this too he shares in common with his fellow workers. The following story, for instance: "I remember speaking at a meeting on Glasgow Green and drawing attention to a speech of Churchill. He had been talking about me. I said, and I didn't like what he had to say. His words had been 'We will sacrifice our last shilling and our last man.' One of the workers present interjected, 'You're wrong, Willie; he wasn't talking about you, he was talking about himself.'" Gallacher, who was chairman of

the militant Shop Stewards Committee, and with John McClelland in the struggle to make Scotland's labor solid for Socialism, came into open conflict with Lloyd George and with such of the minister's labor lackeys as Arthur Henderson. It is an amazing record, this record of Glasgow labor's fight against the war and against the capitalist class in back of the war, in the very midst of the war hysteria.

SOME YEARS later, Henderson remarked in Gallacher's presence: "Those of us who have guarded the movement in the past, can be trusted to guard its welfare in the future." "By God, you're brazen," Gallacher burst out. "You've got the damned impudence to say that to me. Why you snivelling humbug; I was guarding and fighting for the Labor Movement when you were standing on the 'doormat'."

And when Lloyd George made a personal appearance in Glasgow in a fruitless attempt to win over the workers to the side of the war makers, this was Gallacher's reply to those misleaders who tried to put over the wily Welshman as a friend of labor: "None of us here is prepared to accept the statement that Lloyd George is, or ever was, a friend of the workers. If he's so keen on winning the war, let him tackle the employers, stop their profits. They're piling up profits at our expense. However, that's our war, the war against the employers. We don't mind him being with them. It's what we expect, but when he asks us to assist him in carrying through their plans, that's treating us cheap, to say the least of it. We stand for the workers we represent, and while there are employers reaping profits we'll carry on the war against them."

RAMSAY MacDonald was another one who never got very far with Glasgow labor. During the war "pacifist" MacDonald declared that coming to Glasgow was like getting "a spiritual bath"; it "cleansed the soul." To which Gallacher rejoins: "It would take all the 'spirit' of Royal Dutch or Shell Mex to clean whatever remains of his soul now." Well, I see that I've hardly done more than tell a few anecdotes from Gallacher's book, and here my space is already up. Yet his book is so much more than anecdotes, interesting and witty as these are. "Revolt on the Clyde" is a stirring account of one of the most militant chapters in British labor history, a chapter that is by no means finished yet. Every reader of the Daily Worker will be interested in this remarkable book.

(REVOLT ON THE CLYDE. By William Gallacher. International

## Book Notes...

By JOE FIELDS

THE JANUARY issue of "The Communist," which appeared this week, created a great sensation. And no wonder! In its handsome new format, with a beautiful cover design, which compares favorably with any bourgeois magazine on the market, it is a real delight to the eye. We think "The Communist" has taken a big step forward technically, utilizing the best experience and high standard of quality of bourgeois printing. Congratulations to "The Communist!"

The table of contents, too, shows that our leading theoretical magazine is starting the new year, determined to "struggle for quality, for ever higher quality," to quote from Earl Browder's Plenum report. "The Results of the Elections and the People's Front," which is included in this excellent issue. Jack Stachel, writing on "The 56th Convention of the A. F. of L.," James W. Ford, William Z. Foster, A. Markoff and Harry Gannes, are among the other contributors.

AT LAST a new revolutionary songbook, containing the words and music of all those favorites which have long been popular with workers and farmers throughout the U.S.A. is announced for publication and will be ready in a week or two.

In "Songs of the People," price 25 cents, you will find such well-known workers' song hits as "Arise, You Workers!," "Comintern," "Hold the Fort," "On the Picket Line," "Scottsboro Boys," "Soup Song," "Casey Jones," "We Shall Not Be Moved," "Write Me Out," "The Youthful Guardsmen," and many others loved by young and old.

The long demand for a new songbook containing all the popular songs familiar to the labor movement, gives promise that "Songs of the People" will be a best-seller from the day of its publication. It is being published by Workers Library Publishers.

## Your Health

Blanching Of the Fingers

C. S. BOSTON, Massachusetts, writes: "Whenever I become nervous and chilly, my hands and feet, particularly my fingers, turn cold and white, and the circulations seems to stop. One doctor here told me this is a disease of some sort. Can you tell me what it is?"

YOU ARE SUFFERING from a disturbance of the blood vessels of the fingers. The turning white of the fingers is due to constriction of blood vessels (the muscles in the wall of the blood vessels contract and squeeze the walls together just as one can squeeze a rubber pipe with the hands and stop the flow of water through it). Cold weather and nervousness start an attack, as is true in your case. As is also true in your case, the attacks are usually absent in warm weather.

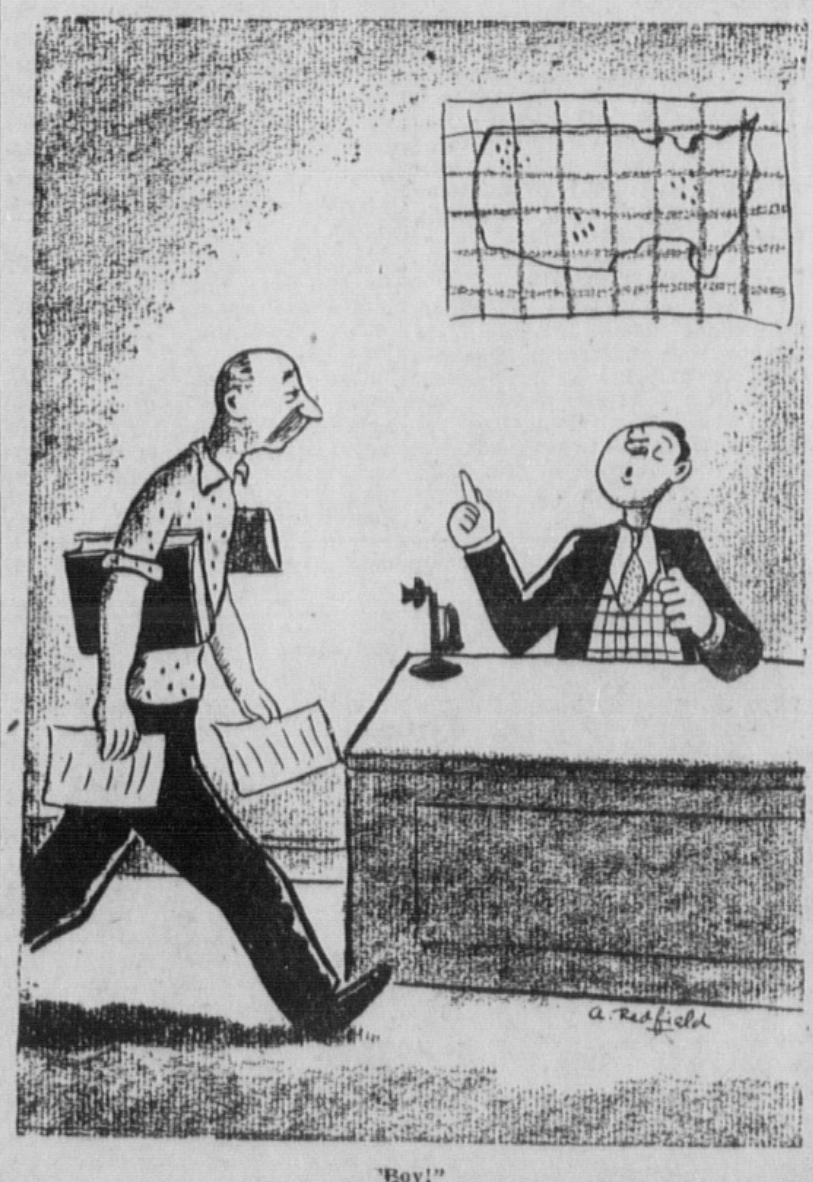
We do not know the underlying cause of such trouble. Sometimes toxins (poisons circulating in the blood) from some hidden diseased area may be the cause. At any rate, you should have a complete physical examination and laboratory tests. You should consult a competent medical man or medical clinic preferably one that has a department for diseases of the blood vessels.

In the meantime, keep the hands warm (by wearing woolen mittens when outside in the open) and apply vigorous massage to the fingers daily.

"FACTS AND FRAUDS IN FOODS AND MEDICINES." Do you know what well-advertised foods and drugs are really dangerous? Learn how to save your money and your health. Hear Dr. Joseph Pierce tonight, Friday, at 8:40 P.M. at the Workers School. Admission 25 cents. Auspices Medical Advisory Board.

## The Ruling Class

By Redfield



# NEWS OF STAGE AND SCREEN

## Dancing for I. L. D. Prisoners Fund

THE JANUARY issue of "The Communist," which appeared this week, created a great sensation. And no wonder! In its handsome new format, with a beautiful cover design, which compares favorably with any bourgeois magazine on the market, it is a real delight to the eye. We think "The Communist" has taken a big step forward technically, utilizing the best experience and high standard of quality of bourgeois printing. Congratulations to "The Communist!"



Doris Humphrey dances tonight at the Hippodrome in a benefit for the International Labor Defense. Charles Weidman will also appear on the program. Two new dances will be presented.

## How Poverty Breeds Crime Is Theme of Guild Drama

"But For the Grace of God" Is An Important Social Document, Especially Pertinent At This Time

BUT FOR THE GRACE OF GOD—by Leopold Atlas. Production directed by Benno Schneider; settings designed by Stewart Chaney; production under the supervision of Theresa Heburn, Lawrence Langner and Sidney Harmon. Presented by the Theatre Guild at the Guild Theatre.

George Brent has been advised by Actors' Equity that his membership will be suspended unless he joins its affiliate, the Screen Actors' Guild within the next 30 days. Twenty-four movie stars have already been suspended by Equity for refusing to sign up. At present 90 per cent of Hollywood's 6,000 actors are Guild members, 850 of which have joined within the past 12 months. The S. A. G.-is affiliated with the American Federation of Labor.

Because John Ford, who is to direct "Hurricane," the 20th-Century super-super, is a member of the Screen Directors Guild, his company will have no trouble in chartering a ship for a voyage to Samoa where most of the film will be made, according to Harry Bridges, leader of the Pacific Coast seamen's strike.

Germany is working overtime to force her Nazi propaganda down the throats of an unwilling American public. During 1936 Hitler exported 76 pictures to the U. S. as against 59 for the preceding year. Theatre owners—mostly in New York and Yorkville, got them for practically nothing. Audience for these German-made films continues to drop, however.

Wonder what American audiences will think when they see Pirandello's "As Before, Better Than Before" on the screen. Pirandello is best known as the man who thinks there is no reality—a thought which fits right into Mr. Mussolini's notions of don't notice when you don't eat, it doesn't matter as long as there are plenty of babies to fight all the nice little wars. Anyway, Pirandello died, after writing Mussolini many plays, this one of which Universal expects to mystify you with! The story is much like the title, so figure it out for yourself.

"WANDERING JEW" AT WALLACK THEATRE  
The Wallack Theatre at W. 42nd St. is showing "The Wandering Jew" for the next two days. The film tells the story of Jerusalem in the days of the Crucifixion and the trials of the legendary figure, the Wandering Jew.

ALLIED THEATRE  
Two original plays will be presented this evening by the Friends of the Allied Theatre. "This Earth of Ours," a drama based on the Crepsa case, is the feature, with the comedy, "Gloom," a curtain-raiser.

Hi-Lites on the Air Lanes  
6:30-WABC-WEAF and WJZ  
6:45-WOR  
11:00-WEAF, WJZ and WOR  
CLASSICAL MUSIC  
8:00-WEAF-Jessica Dragonette, Soprano  
WOR-Concert Orchestra, Cesare Sostero, Conductor  
WABC-Oscar Shaw, Baritone; Carlotta Conzatti, Soprano  
9:00-WJZ-Concert Orchestra; Rex Chandler, Conductor  
10:00-WJZ-Music Guild Awards Program; Kraeuter String Quartet  
WABC-Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra, Eugene Ormandy, Conductor  
10:30-WOR-Impressions, Alfred Wallenstein, Conductor  
TALKS, VARIETY & COMEDY  
9:30-WJZ-Vic Moore and Helen Broderick, Comedians  
WOR-For Men Only  
10:00-WJZ-College Show  
WEAF-First Nighter  
WOR-Witches Tale  
DANCE ORCHESTRAS  
8:30-WEAF-Hel Kennedy's Orchestra  
9:00-WEAF-Abel Lyman's Waltz Time  
WJZ-Rex Chandler's Orchestra  
10:00-WQXR-Dance Magic  
11:00-WABC-Shep Field's Orchestra

## Traditional 'Western' Done in the Grand Manner

"The Plainsman" Juggles Historical Events in the Typical Cecil B. DeMille Super-Super Style—Gary Cooper Gives Fine Performance as Wild Bill Hickock

THE PLAINSMAN, based remotely on the late Frank J. Wiltach's biography of Wild Bill Hickock; screen play by Waldemar Young, Harold Lamb and Lynn Riggs; with an original score by George Antheil; directed and produced for Paramount by Cecil B. DeMille. At the Paramount.

The latest tenant of the Paramount, Cecil B. DeMille's super-colossal "epic of the West" "The Plainsman," is undoubtedly in the best "Western" tradition. With the accomplished presence of Wild Bill Hickock, Gary Cooper and Calamity Jane Jean Arthur, it is as breathless and exciting, and unauthentic as any serial that thrilled the young life out of you when you were a kid and patronized the five cent movie houses. And like those pictures it is also in the worst Western tradition, representing the Indians as blood-thirsty, childish and hooting savages, with lust in their veins and murder in their tomahawks.

Producer DeMille apologizes for the lack of historical truth by a short foreword in which he states that the events represented have been taken from various sources and legendary tales, which he has bound together, a Hollywood producer's excuse for a distortion of history. And so the conjunction of Wild Bill Hickock, Calamity Jane, Buffalo Bill, Chief Yellow Hand and General Custer and his Last Stand are contrived.

Indians Libelled  
Not once, however, does the producer apologize for the childish and degrading representation he gives the Indian tribes. In what is undoubtedly considered the "grand Western tradition," the Indians are portrayed in a manner which would make any honest person's hair stand on end. We know that the Indians did not resort to scalping for sheer devilry. Proof is no longer necessary to show that the entry of the white man forced the Indian tribes from their hunting grounds in the most brutal and uncivilized manner.

In the schools, the culture of the Indians is studied with great concern. Professors wax eloquent on the high standards attained by American Indians before the entry of the white man.

Yet the dime novel fiction and the movies, continue the falsehoods of the history text-books of those who seized the Indian's land and massacred him.

Aside from this "The Plainsman" is an exciting Western. It unites legendary American heroes who made the frontier in one story. Wild Bill Hickock, played simply and unassumingly by lanky Gary Cooper, tracks down his man, John Lattimer who is selling repeating rifles to the Indians. An ammunition convoy of 48 men is attacked by more than 1000 Cheyenne on the war path. Calamity Jane in love with Wild Bill (according to DeMille at any rate) rides a horse well any man. Buffalo Bill and his young wife live on the plains of Kansas. Add to this numerous scenes in the DeMille manner, thousands of galloping horsemen, pitched battles between Indians and whites, and the last stand of General Custer, in montage, and you have "The Plainsman."

Jean Arthur proves she can change from the slinkiest evening gown, from the finest Paris atelier to boots and breeches without a moment's hesitation. As Calamity she turns in a performance which justifies her, if she needs any justification, as one of our most promising actresses. James Ellison as Buffalo Bill makes an extremely personable scout and Porter Hall plays a rat and a coward with his customary dexterity. As the bad man, Charles Bickford reestablishes himself in the movies. Paul Harvey is an impressive and dignified Yellow Hand.

This will be the first in a series of New Theatre Nights to be run through February on Sunday evenings. Among the programs scheduled are two new one-act plays, "What It Takes" by Philip Stevenson, prize-winning play in a recent New Theatre contest, and "Give All Thy Terrors to the Wind" by Paul and Claire Sifton, a play dealing with safety at sea.

A Negro theatre night is also scheduled for February as well as an evening of plays by A. B. Shiffrin, including "Return At Sunset," prize-winning play of the Jewish play contest recently sponsored by the New Theatre League and the 92nd Street Y.M.H.A.

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# HYMIES' SORROWS PROVE A HELP

By Ted Benson

THIS is one of those days when there is no mail and there is nothing for a guy to do when he has to put one little word after another in order to fill a column.

It is nasty and rainy out of doors and it is just warm enough to bring thoughts of a nearing spring and the cry "play ball" to the wishful-thinking columnist who has to fill his space.

The boys around the office aren't much of a help. They don't want to talk about sports today and when they do, none of it seems to add up into a column.

So there doesn't seem to be anything else to do than write a column about writing a column, a time-honored trick that the boys of the craft have used whenever their idea ducts run dry and they can't steal anything from another more fortunate contemporary.

That's another difficulty, today. None of the boys who operate in the capitalist press have said anything that I can get mad about—and certainly nothing that I can praise, so it looks like the dog days have arrived for Benson.

## Smith Is a Life-Saver

THEN out of the blue comes Joe Smith, galloping to the rescue like the U. S. Cavalry in those horse opera movies.

"Ted," says Joe, "there never was such an unhappy guy as Hymie Caplin last night."

"Where was Hymie?" I inquired.

"In the dumps, if any man ever was," says Joe. "He left the Hippodrome last night after the fight with his chin so low that he was polishing his shoes with his two-day beard."

"And what's more he had plenty of reason to feel glum. First there was the phony verdict that his batter Solly Krieger got again. Teddy Yarosz after Solly had chased Teddy all over the ring. The second cause for Hymie's indigo mood was the announcement that Freddie Steele had agreed to give Babe Risko first shot at his middleweight crown.

"My heart bleeds for poor Hymie for I can't see why Risko should have gotten the shot before the muddled middleweight situation was cleared up. There are any number of boys in the division who rate the chance at the title as well as the Syracuse Pole.

## Eliminations Needed, Says Joe

THE proper way to have handled the situation would have been for an elimination tournament to settle the question to the satisfaction of everyone concerned.

"The battle between Krieger and Yarosz settled in part, but Fred Apostoli, the Pacific Coast sensation, should have had it out with Ken Overlin, the winner to meet Teddy Yarosz. Then, if Risko, as former title holder, tangled with the elimination winner and won, he would without doubt or question be entitled to the shot at the title.

"Is it any wonder that Hymie is unhappy?" Thanks Joe, and, while I join you in being sorry for Hymie, it is an ill wind that blows no one good. Hymie's sorrows make a column. I hope he is happier now that he knows his troubles have made my task a little lighter.

Thank you, too, Hymie.

# SPORTS DAILY WORKER SPORTS

NEW YORK, FRIDAY, JANUARY 15, 1937

## Furriers Play Strong H.E.S. Five Tomorrow

C. P. C. Meets A. C. W. in Brownsville Games

The Hebrew Educational Society in the heart of Brownsville is one of the hallowed court institutions in that densely populated center of basketball activity.

Tomorrow night the H.E.S. adds another gala night to its long string when the Furriers invade the Borough to tackle the very strong H.E.S. quintet in a feature game. The preliminary game will be a fitting introduction to the main event with the fast-stepping C.P.C. five meeting the Amalgamated Clothing Workers Local 55.

### FURRIERS BEST IN LABOR

The Furriers are recognized in both labor sport circles and among the host of court fans in the city as one of the best amateur teams around. The H.E.S. outfit, however, have lost but one game this season and that to the very strong 92nd St. Y. The Brownsville boys lost by one point and were coming along like wildfire when the final whistle blew.

But with such stars as Marty Ackerman, Emil Steckowicz and Seymour Rebov tossing them up for the labor combination, a Furrier victory is what many fans expect.

The C.P.C. started their season a few weeks ago against the polished New York Collegians and were barely nosed out. Since then they have been moving along rapidly and should step up in front of a good A.C.W. quintet, which has been giving labor fives plenty of trouble this season.

The Brownsville section will turn out strong to watch these representatives of labor do their stuff and with dancing between halves and after the games, a record H. E. S. crowd is assured.

## Labor League Fives to Play

The Metropolitan Labor Athletic League gets into its second half of the season with a doubleheader tomorrow at the Labor Temple gym, 242 E. 14th St.

In the main game the Teachers Union is out to prove its place among the best in town with a clean cut win over Local 55 of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers Union. The Teachers along with the Furriers and one or two I. L. C. W. U. quintets are about tops in labor sports. However, they have failed to click with the smooth precision and snap that such a combination of stars should easily exhibit.

Inability to practice steadily and a show of too great an individual brand of playing has hampered the natural court ability of the Teachers. They are snapping out of that now and are ready to click as an unbeatable unit.

The Clothing Workers are a strong, clever team and should prove once and for all whether the Teachers are a great club or merely a team of five individual stars.

The preliminaries will pit the Young Krieger League against another A.C.W. local, newcomers to the League.

Admission is free and New York fans will have an opportunity to take in some of the finest labor teams in the city without laying out a cent.

Could a court fan ask for more?

### Triple Soccer Bill

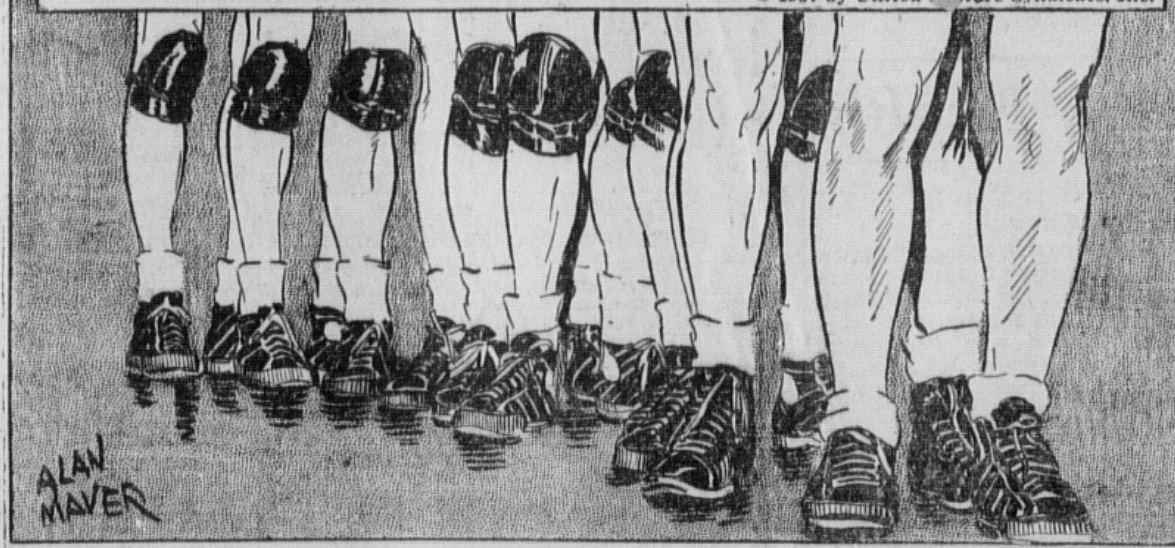
The undefeated Hakoah gets a real test, next Sunday when the Jewish booters go against the strong Gjoa S. C. in the main game of a triple-header at Commercial Field.

Led by Ziggy Wortman, Alvin Gross and Eddie Singer, their outstanding stars, the All-Jewish eleven is hopeful of maintaining its unblemished record against the formidable Spanish squad. The Spaniards are famous for their great scoring punch, but in the Hakoah they will come up against the strongest defense in the premier division of the Metropolitan League.

## This Team Doesn't Have to Jump



THE WORLD'S TALLEST BASKETBALL TEAM—THE McPHERSON OILERS, RUNNERS UP IN THE OLYMPIC TRYOUTS LAST YEAR. SCHMIDT, 6'9"; FORTENBERRY, 6'8"; DOWD, 6'5"; VAUGHN 6'5"; WHEATLEY, 6'4"; GIBBONS, 6'2"; RAGLAND 6'2"; BAILEY, 6'2"; JOHNSON 6'1" AND PETRE 5'10"



## Risco Gets Crack at Title As Krieger Loses Out

Steele to Defend Title Against Syracuse Boy—Krieger Victim of Poor Decision

By Joseph Smith

Probably the unhappiest person who left the Hipp, last Wednesday, after the Krieger-Yarosz scrap, was Hymie Caplin, the Bensonhurst Bombardier's manager.

Hymie, who has handled more than one champion in his time, had more than one reason to feel glum.

First of all, there was the verdict which went against his charge, after Solly had chased the ex-champion all over the ring for ten solid rounds.

The other cause for Hymie's blues was the announcement which came shortly before the bout, which said that Freddie Steele had agreed to give Babe Risko first call for a chance at the middleweight crown.

This took a lot of flavor out of the Krieger-Yarosz shindig, which was to have produced a challenger for Freddie.

Just why Risko should have been given the chance before the general atmosphere in the middleweight ranks had been cleared up, is rather mystifying. There are a number of good boys in the division who can advance claims as good as the Syracuse Pole.

And the idea was to have been to have Krieger meet Yarosz and then have Fred Apostoli, who came to the East heralded as the sensation of the Pacific Coast, have it out with Ken Overlin, the winners of both clashes to be matched for a chance at Freddie's bauble. This seemed eminently fair.

If Risko wanted to get a chance to regain the title, he should have been included in the eliminations, alongside with the other four boys. Certainly Risko's showing against Balsamo, in comparison with what

## Return Bout Asked To Ease Conscience

Philadelphia isn't such a bad town after all.

Lots of people were beginning to point their fingers at the city of brotherly love, after a trio of quaker town officials had rendered a perfect imitation of the well-known three blind mice, by handing Ettore, the hometown boy, the duke over John Henry Lewis, after the draw.

But conscience began to bother the otherwise upright souls, and they lightened their burden somewhat by reversing the official verdict, calling the one-sided scrap a draw.

However, giving John Henry half the honors of the shindig couldn't very well settle the controversy over the odoriferous affair.

So, the Pennsylvania State Athletic Commission has written to both Ettore and Lewis, asking them to consent to a return match in the same ring to settle all disputes.

## Oh, That Na-a-azi Man!

Pity poor old Joe Jacobs.

Broadway's illustrious figure with the everlasting stogie, the man who had a wisecrack ready for anything, has gone through an amazing metamorphosis which has turned "Yussel" from the talkative gent who whispered the now famous "We Wuz Robbed" into the mike, to a Coolidge-mouthed individual.

Try to get anything out of wily Joe and you'll find out.

It's like looking for the haystack where the original needle was lost.

The other night this writer cornered Joe, cigar and all, at St. Nick's, Joe, claiming to be Schmeling's manager, all other reports and rumors to the contrary, we thought he might have something interesting to say about the way

## Says Doc:



Striking Tars  
Boot the Ball  
Next Week  
The fund gets all

## AAU Suspends K. of C. Athletes

New Progressive Leadership Faces Bitter Jurisdictional Fight with Brooklyn Catholic Clubs—New York Athletic Club Defies Control

Basketball circles in New York are keenly watching the developments in the feud between the Metropolitan A. A. U. and the various Brooklyn organizations which have rebelled against A. A. U. authority.

The trouble centers around the right of jurisdiction the A. A. U. holds over the playing members of clubs representing the Catholic Club teams, considered "unregistered" clubs with the A. A. U., and the Brooklyn Central's team members who played against the New York A. C. while Jim Lancaster and George Conroy were in the line-up of the Winged Footers, has raised the biggest row that has ever existed between these clubs and the major organization.

In the case of Brooklyn Central, the A. A. U. had warned them specifically against playing the New York A. C. while Lancaster and Conroy were in the latter's roster. These two are not acceptable to the A. A. U.

Ordered by the president of the Eastern Interclub League to play, Brooklyn Central went through with the game. Although in good standing in the Interclub League, the Central "Y" is in bad with the A. A. U.

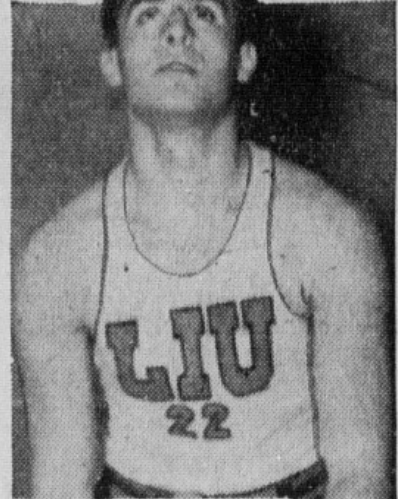
The teams suspended and censured by the A. A. U. have formed a powerful committee to fight the suspension.

It is said that the whole affair marks a battle against the new, progressive policies of the A. A. U. under President Jeremiah T. Mahoney.

With a four day rest from the wars and a lot of sloppy basketball out of their system, L.I.U. should be slick enough to pun-

chance the "point a minute" rep of Washington and Lee. The return of the smooth working sophomore ace, Torhoff, and the emergence of the lanky Hillhouse from his sickbed for part of the game will give Clair Bee a chance to keep ten good, fresh men out on the floor against the visitors.

Chalk up two for the sidewalkers of New York (but don't bet on it).



IRV TORHOFF

## Sparks Meet Gjoa

Greatly strengthened by a revamped line-up, Ben Flamhaff's Red Sparks IWO kickers, travel to Bayridge Oval Sunday afternoon for their scheduled league game with the strong Gjoa S. C. Encouraged by their 4-1 victory over the Shamrocks, a few weeks ago, the red jerseyed IWO booters are hopeful of stopping the winning streak of the famous Norsenmen.

The shift of "Pulka" Kilgman to the forward line has added the badly needed scoring punch to the smooth playing Sparks and has heightened their chances in Sunday's game.

The New York State women's gymnastic championships will be held Monday at the gym of the Hotel Claridge. The competition will include contests on the horizontal and parallel bars.

Swing It Girls!

## Today's Events

**BASKETBALL**  
Doubleheader at the Garden—N.Y.U. vs. U. of North Carolina; L.I.U. vs. Washington and Lee; Brooklyn Pharmacy at Seth Low; Brooklyn at Brooklyn Poly; Bay Ridge Hebrews vs. Detroit Clowns at the Menora Temple, time limit.

**BOXING**  
Flatbush Arena—Sammy Julian vs. Gino Salvatore, eight rounds; Francesco Romano vs. Joe LaGuardia, Les Gueno vs. Dave Paul, six rounds each; George Karkella vs. Marj Marsella, Roy Valice vs. Almino Rodriguez, four rounds each.

**WRESTLING**  
Stauch's Arena—Joe Dusek vs. Abe Yourist, to a finish; Hans Kamper vs. Jim Wallis, Tony Rocco vs. Harry Finkelstein, Sander Gary vs. Scotty Moulton, Tony Garibaldi vs. Fred Kupfer, Manny Cantor vs. Al Billings, time limit.

**SWIMMING**  
Annual High School Indoor Swimming Championships at the Columbia University Pool, evening.

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