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VICE PROBE'S POWERS FACE COURT TEST

New Evidence Is Bared Linking Kynette to Raymond Case

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 4.—The Assembly Coordinating Committee investigating vice today filed charges of contempt against 15 witnesses who refused to testify when subpoenaed. George Rochester, attorney representing the 15, simultaneously filed counter charges in the District Court of Appeals. Rochester had been rebuffed by the court in a similar effort early this week, but he believes his chances are better now as the other action was premature.

The actual point involved in the cross-current of charges is whether the committee has the power to pursue the investigation it has undertaken. Rochester previously said that the committee has no more jurisdiction than the people in Pershing Square.

New Evidence on Kynette
At the same time, Assembly Speaker Mosley Jones indicated that he may not appoint anyone to replace Assemblyman Charles Lyon, Republican floor leader, who resigned from the committee "for its signed from the committee" for its District Attorney Buron Fitts, in the meantime, announced that he had unearthed new evidence still further implicating Police Captain Earl Kynette in the Raymond bombing. It was revealed that Kynette had been tapping Raymond's wires for weeks prior to the bombing.

Roy Allen, another suspect member of the Police Department, was questioned for more than nine hours, but after it was all over Fitts announced that he and Lieutenant Dan Draper had eliminated from further investigation.

Other members of the Red Squad also underwent an intense grilling. Wait for Grand Jury

Definite charges will be filed, said Fitts, when the Grand Jury is chosen on Tuesday. That the heat has made the administration unworkable was evidenced by Mayor Frank Shaw last night in a radio address pleading for a more tolerant attitude toward the police department. Delivering what was practically a transcript of a recent Los Angeles Times editorial, the Mayor attacked would-be reformers for their barrage of criticism leveled against the police.

His speech followed an earlier speech during the day by Police Chief James Davis who admitted that 45 per cent of the police department was not fighting crime, but breaking strikes and rolling drunks.

Meeting Planned
LOS ANGELES, Feb. 4.—The immediate resignation of Mayor Frank Shaw of Los Angeles was demanded here this afternoon by the provisional citizens committee directing the anti-vice campaign which is rocking Southern California.

The 14 civic leaders making up the committee also demanded an independent special prosecutor to handle the state's case against Earl Kynette and other Los Angeles officers charged with bombing Harry Raymond, special vice investigator.

Final plans were laid for a mass rally Sunday at which thousands of Los Angeles citizens will protest the rule of brutality and unchecked corruption which has made the municipality the most notorious city in the West.

Clifford E. Clinton, restaurant owner and one of the vice drive leaders, will speak at the meeting as will Assemblyman Jack Tenney, another committee member.

The demand that a special prosecutor be named was seen as a move to force the investigation out of the hands of District Attorney Buron Fitts, whose connections with underworld elements are openly recognized.

The committee also voted to enlarge its membership to 25 and to change its name to The Federation for Civic Betterment.

Pete Loses 'Front' As Judge Upholds Bail Bond Ruling

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 4.—Pete McDonough lost his "front," the bail bond business of McDonough Brothers, when Superior Court Judge J. J. Trabucco denied his petition for a temporary injunction to restrain authorities from enforcing the state bail bond law against him.

Pete still has recourse to higher courts, but meanwhile what is believed to be his real "business," that of acting as go-between for politicians and underworld denizens, will be less easily covered.

McDonough Bros. was denied a license under the new bail bond brokerage law by State Insurance Commissioner Samuel Carpenter last week, but has been operating without one for the past ten days in hopes that Judge Trabucco would find the law unconstitutional.

Were The Flannels Really Red?



EX-COUNCILMAN CARL I. JACOBSEN

Who Bombed Harry Raymond?

The Mysterious Affair Of The Red Flannels

Whether Jacobsen Was Framed or Not, His Underwear Provided the Rope to Hang Raymond, Tighten Chandler's Grip

By Vincent Sutherland

Even the most adroit politician makes mistakes and the affair of the flannel underwear was such a mistake as the bombing of Harry Raymond may prove to be.

When Manchester Boddy took up the cudgels for civic righteousness and private ownership of power, one of those most active in making the welkin ring

for the sacred cause was Councilman Carl I. Jacobsen.

Jacobsen looked like—and was—such a reformer as one saw in the cartoons of the period—thin, gloomy, turkey-necked, a man who would go into a passion of holy rage at the thought that two human beings of opposite sex might occupy a room together without blessing of clergy.

Jacobsen Gotten
The powers-that-be, it seems, decided foolishly that the reform campaign might be ended if it could be proved that Jacobsen himself might descend to things carnal. And so a lady constituent of

This is the fourth in a series of articles on politics and vice in Los Angeles. Earlier articles have traced the gradual growth of understanding, and division of spheres of political influence between the Chandler group on the one hand and the vice interests on the other.

the councilman invited him to her home one evening to discuss street bonds and there, with a dozen policemen and at least two reporters peering through the blinds, there occurred the affair of the red flannel drawers.

Exactly what occurred, no two persons are agreed upon. Jacobsen insisted—and with some indications of veracity—that while he was discussing street bonds, a horde of policemen rushed in, knocked him over the head and removed his trousers.

Among these men, it was said, was Harry Raymond and his sidekick, Dick Lucas. But Capt. Bert Wallis, then head of the vice squad,

Film Celebrities Protest Franco's Barcelona Outrage

(People's World Hollywood Bureau)
HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 4.—Film celebrities here have telegraphed President Roosevelt and Secretary of State Hull urging them to protest the bombing of non-combatants in Loyalist Spain, it was announced today.

The wire denounced as "savage" such outrages as the bombing of Barcelona. The officers and directors of the Motion Picture Artists Committee at whose initiative the Round Robin telegram was circulated were all signers of the wire, as well as many film artists not members of the committee.

Among the signers were Betty Davis, Bing Crosby, Ogden Nash,

had quite another tale. According to his story, he received a tip that a wild party was going on in the lady's apartment; proceeding with his trusty men to the address given, he peered through the blinds and there saw sights which shocked his sensitive soul. Among these sights, he declared, was a view of the councilman's nether limbs, clad in undeniably red underwear.

Raid Kicks Back
But the raid kicked back—as such affairs are likely to do when directed against forces supported by Harry Chandler and the elements of "moral reform." Instead of Jacobsen going to trial, it was Wallis, together with Raymond, Lucas and several others, who were indicted—on charges of conspiracy.

Raymond and the others went to trial; the jury disagreed as to their guilt; the witnesses disagreed as to whether or not Jacobsen's mentionables were actually red. The Chandler-power company-Boddy-reform coalition took over the city government and Harry Raymond became the forgotten man of Los Angeles.

The principal result of the change of administration, however, was the rise to power of Guy McAfee who became, under Mayor Porter, the reputed czar of gambling in Los Angeles.

Police Shake-up
Porter himself, it cannot be denied, was a reformer but Porter soon found that a mayor is, after all, a rather unimportant individual. Determined to drive moral impurity out of Los Angeles, he fired Chief of Police Davis (over Chandler's opposition), disbanded the "crime crushers," surrounded himself with sleuths to watch his sleuths and sleuths to watch the

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HITLER ASSUMES CONTROL OF ARMY

IT'S MUTUAL, BRIDGES WIRES GOV. MARTIN

C. I. O. Director Replies to Threats to "Get Him"

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 4.—Harry Bridges, Pacific Coast CIO director, today noted threats by Gov. Charles H. Martin that he was "out to get" Bridges, and wired the Oregon official that "the feeling is mutual" and that he, Bridges, is "now working to prove you have two stool pigeons in your personal employ attempting to frame me."

Martin had declared: "There are two men I am after. One of them is Hope (Charles W. Hope, National Labor Relations Board regional director in Oregon). The other is Bridges, and I am going to camp on their trail until I get some results."

Hope aroused Martin's ire by announcing he would investigate whether the shift of CIO members employed at the Jones Lumber Co. mill in Portland to the AFL was the result of unfair labor practices by the company.

Bridges' full wire to Gov. Martin is as follows: "Note press dispatch you are after me and Mr. Hope, United States official. On my part the feeling is mutual. I am certainly in excellent company."

"Am now working to prove you have two stool pigeons in your personal employ attempting to frame me."

"My whereabouts and record need no concealment and will stand investigation. Cannot say the same about the labor racket steering mess in your own back yard that was encouraged and promoted by your action in ordering the United States Labor Board out of the picture so you could usurp authority."

"HARRY BRIDGES."

Links Pilots To Ship Firm In Testimony

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 4.—President Gifford of the Gulf Pilots and Licensed Officers Association testified today at an NLRB hearing here to several cases of curiously close relationship between his "union" and Swayne & Hoyt steamship company.

Unwillingly, hesitatingly, the well fed GPOLOA official told Trial Examiner C. Holden that his union used the same firm of lawyers as the company, that its books were audited as late as the end of 1937 by the wife of Captain Theobald, the company's Gulf coast manager. She had been auditing the "union" from the beginning, and was an employe of the company.

Furthermore, good feeling between the company and the "union" was indicated, so Gifford admitted, by the fact that Theobald himself, though not a member of the union, acted as its treasurer from about March, 1935, to March, 1937. Before that he was a member and was President of the union, though not then an executive officer of the company.

Gifford himself, after an NLRB election wiped out the power of his organization and made the Marine Engineers Beneficial Association the men's representative on the Gulf, was given a job, newly created for him, as "relieving engineer" (not "relief" engineer) on the Gulf.

He described his duties, for which he drew a monthly salary, as "acting as a kind of messenger man for the company," also as "being a contact man between the company and the men."

The company advanced money for airplane trips for Gifford, he testified, when the first NLRB case was coming up. He consulted the company lawyers, Pillsbury, Madison and Sutro, before testifying in the case going on today. And for all the company lawyers' services to the GPOLOA, the nominal fee of \$100 was charged.

Attorney Edises for the Board extracted this information through a bristling barrage of objections from Attorney Sutro present for the company.

Change From Beans, Sobs Mrs. Barcelo

But the Pudding made of Relief Milk Was Poison

By Sue Barry
SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 4.—Beans and potatoes are pretty good fare to give six hungry kids and a husband who has been working all day long in a quarry.

So Mrs. Josephine Barcelo made a pudding for supper last Thursday. All she had was some powdered milk and corn starch and sugar, but the pudding tasted swell to the hungry family.

A few hours later they were all rigid with pain—all except Edmund, the oldest boy, who hadn't eaten any of the pudding. Dora, the baby, aged 5; Herbert, 6; Julietta, 7; Henry, 8; and Carmen, 11, cried all night long with the pains in their stomach. Josephine and her husband Antonio, a WPA worker, were just as sick.

At six o'clock in the morning Edmund could stand the cries and distress of his parents and brothers and sisters no longer, so he called an ambulance to their home at 31A Hoff street, and they were all taken to the Emergency Hospital, where they were given treatment and then sent home.

Sick Sick

Today, still weak and sick, but able to be up and around, Antonio Barcelo told me that the doctor who had called at their home yesterday told him that it was the skim milk which had made them so sick—skim milk which Antonio had been given at the surplus commodity division of the relief office. He also told Antonio, ironically enough, that none of the stricken members of the family were to eat anything for several days until the pains in their stomachs went away. That wasn't hard advice to follow, said Antonio in his broken English, for there wasn't any money in the house, anyway.

"I got \$55 a month for everything," said Antonio, "and the kids are always hungry. But before I buy food for the kids I got to pay the rent or they throw us out. And there ain't enough for food sometimes. Maybe after pay day I can get good food."

Mrs. Barcelo, who like her husband is Spanish, speaks very little English, but her worried glances at Julietta and Carmen who are so sick that they are still confined to their beds, were more eloquent than words.

"I only got one more day to stay away from my work in the quarry or I'll be kicked off the project," said Mr. Barcelo. "So I got to get some strength somehow." But it's hard to regain strength when your stomach is empty and has been for two days.

Edmund, 15, is worried, too. He has helped contribute to the family's support by selling papers for the Star Bulletin. But since he has had to stay home and help take care of his sick family another boy has been placed on his regular corner, so Edmund guesses he's out of a job. And he needs one right away, for there have been rumors that the rent is going to be raised on the five-room Mission flat the family occupies.

The Executive Council continued today the discussion of what action to take against the ten suspended CIO unions.

Whos Who on Dock Shown By Clothes At Pedro Hearing

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 4.—Longshoremen in work clothes crowded Superior Judge Reuben Schmidt's court here today as the hearing on the motion for a new trial and withdrawal of the receivership over 3000 San Pedro Longshoremen cleared an end.

In direct contrast to the working longshoremen were the "Dirty Dozen" of ex-stevadores, who were nattily dressed and seated together in one corner of the court room.

Charles Katz, attorney for the CIO in Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union, rested his case on the motion for a new trial and withdrawal of receivership, and Aaron Sapiro, lawyer for the AFL "Dirty Dozen," took up his argument in the afternoon.

This morning Katz again declared the ILWU recommended an election among San Pedro longshoremen between the AFL and the CIO, as suggested as a possible solution by Judge Schmidt.

F. R. SIGNS BILL TO AID SMALL HOME BUILDERS

Measure Is Expected to Start Boom of 450,000 Homes

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—The President today signed the new Federal Housing Bill, made an important announcement on his wages and hours views, and managed to be nice to the committee of little business men who called on him this morning.

The White House announced the signing of the Housing Bill that is expected to double construction of small homes over last year. The new measure will insure building loans up to 90 per cent of homes costing less than \$6000. A building boom of 450,000 new homes is being prepared for by housing agencies throughout the U. S.

The FHA was reported to have approved \$50,000,000 worth of large housing projects to be privately financed by insured government loans.

Wage Minimums
The Government will not attempt to fix wages, but plans to establish minimum scales below which wages can not go, President Roosevelt declared in a news conference. The fixing of wages should be left to collective bargaining, he added.

The wages and hours statement came out in the President's news conference when his attention was drawn to Senator Wagner's statement of yesterday that government wage-fixing was a step toward fascism.

The committee of little business men made "many constructive and some impractical suggestions" when they called on the President, it was learned from a non-committal White House statement.

The committee of ten marched out of their hour with the President in an air of great secrecy.

They had been instructed, "not to talk." The views they took to the President were known to be anti-need deal. Roosevelt is reported to have agreed to take part in choosing members of the little business conference to set up a permanent liaison committee to act as intermediary with the Government.

AFL Disbands 'Peace' Group

MIAMI, Feb. 4.—The AFL Executive Council disbanded its committee for negotiating peace with the CIO today. The committee was organized over a year ago under chairmanship of George M. Harrison and was a flat failure.

Its powers were limited and it was bound by the Council's ruling that the 2,000,000 newly organized workers now in the CIO could not come into the AFL until they were divided among the old unions or other "jurisdictional" provisions made.

The Executive Council continued today the discussion of what action to take against the ten suspended CIO unions.

Falling Mercury Spurs Hope For 4 Men Adrift On Ice Floe

MOSCOW, Feb. 4 (TP)—Hope rose today for the rescue of the four Russian scientists adrift on an ice floe off the coast of Greenland when radio messages reported improved weather conditions.

The leader of the expedition, Ivan Papanin, radioed that the storm had subsided and that falling temperature was helping to prevent further crumbling of their ice floe.

Two icebreakers, the "Murmanetz" and "Taimor" were struggling through the ice toward the position of the ice floe on which the four scientists have their drifting camp. The ice breakers plan to establish a rescue base on Jan Mayan Island if they are unable to take the scientists directly off their floe.

POINT BARROW, Alaska, Feb. 4 (TP)—Two searching parties urged on their dog teams over the wastes of the far North today in the fifth day of their hunt for the two missing American fliers. Noted explorer Sir Hubert Wil-

Crisis Aggravated As Von Fritsch Quits Army Post

Resignations Swamp Nazi Feuhrer as Inner Rift Breaks Into Open-Von Neurath Quits as Goering Gets Field Marshal Post

BERLIN, Feb. 4 (TP)—Commander-in-Chief of the German Army, Col. Gen. Werner von Fritsch has resigned and his resignation has been accepted.

BERLIN, Feb. 4 (TP)—Foreign Minister von Neurath has resigned from the cabinet and has been replaced by the German Ambassador to Britain, Joachim Ribbentrop in a complete shake-up of the German government.

BERLIN, Feb. 4.—As all foreign newspapers carrying dispatches on Germany's internal army row were seized at the border to keep the public unaware of developments, Chancellor Hitler himself assumed full control of the Army, Navy and Air Force today.

The crisis developed over the choice of a successor to War Minister Von Blomberg. His resignation was demanded by powerful rivals in the military clique who seized on the pretext of Marshal Blumberg's surprise marriage with his secretary, the former Erica Gruhn.

Goering Honored
Rumors persisted both here and in Paris that the crisis was deliberately brought to a head by Hitler in order to get more enthusiastic Nazi leadership for Germany's military forces. General Hermann Wilhelm Goering, number two Nazi, was slated by some to take control. As an immediate measure, Hitler appealed the many-medalled general by bestowing upon him the rank of field marshal. Hitler also authorized Goering to continue as Minister of Aeronautics although Hitler a few hours earlier had assumed supreme command.

French government circles were reported very uneasy concerning the possibility that Gen. Walter von Reichenau may be appointed to succeed von Blomberg.

Plan of Aggression
General von Reichenau is known in German army circles as one of the most enthusiastic Nazi sympathizers among the many leaders. It is said that the general has drawn up a complete military plan for a coup in Austria and a campaign against Czechoslovakia. French sources say that such plans have been approved by the German high command and Chancellor Hitler.

With his young bride in Capri, Marshal von Blomberg refused to confirm or deny that he had resigned.

"I have nothing to say," he declared. "I cannot make any statement at the present time. Besides, I am on my honeymoon."

**Vice Raids Net 27
In Third Week of
Police Cleanup**

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 4.—Twenty-seven new arrests were recorded today in raids that make up the latest wave of vice arrests now entering its third week here. Twelve streetwalkers in the vicinity of Ellis, Eddy and O'Farrell Streets, were brought in along with the following alleged "madams": Dorothy Bauista, 36, at 917 Kearney; Lillian Edward, 50, 408 Kearney; Maline Mason, 26, 523 Kearney; and Patricia Moresini, 38, of 1144 Clay, was taken in a raid at 824 Kearney. Fourteen inmates and visitors were also brought in from the raids.

Dr. Paul H. Buchholz, temporary chairman of the League of Dececy, appealed to all pastors to urge law enforcement in their Sunday sermons. Rev. Julian C. McPheeters delivered a radio address last night on the same subject.

**Nazis Seize Property
of Novelist Zweig**

BERLIN, Feb. 4. (TP)—The Nazi government confiscated the property of the internationally known novelist, Arnold Zweig, today.

Zweig was born in Austria of "Sergeant Grisca," which has been translated into English and several other languages. The book was banned in Germany.

Zweig was born in Austria of Jewish parentage. He now is in Jerusalem.

San Pedro Sailors Pledge Support To CIO Dock Workers

Control of Hiring Is Control of Union, Says SUP Solidarity Statement, Remarking That CIO or AFL Tie Is Not the Issue

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 4.—A slap in the jaw for Attorney Aaron Sapiro from the Sailors Union of which he is an honorary member and an indication of the solidarity of the sailors with the rest of the maritime workers, were both included in a bulletin issued yesterday by the San Pedro local of the Sailors Union of the Pacific.

The bulletin announced that it had voted unanimously to support the longshoremen in their fight for control of their hiring halls.

"We intend to support you fully in your right to conduct your hiring hall as the majority of you see fit, regardless of whether you choose the AFL, CIO or Independence. We do not make a fetish of name, nor worship at the shrine of empty principle."

Since the International Longshore & Warehousemen's Local has been shown to have a clear majority and the "dirty dozen" group aided and abetted by Sapiro has been maneuvering for a technical control of the halls when they represent no more than fifty men at most, this is clear support for the I.L.W.U.

"Control of hiring is control of the union," the bulletin continues. "When control of your hiring hall is to be imposed from outside and against the wishes of the rank and file your interest will not be served."

"The Sailor's Union of the Pacific not only stands by and for the interest of sailors, but also for the interest of all maritime workers."

"We will not betray our trust. Sailors and longshoremen fought shoulder to shoulder against the common enemy in many battles. Our bettered conditions resulted from such solidarity. Our rightful future depends more than ever on this solidarity."

With this rebuke it is doubtful whether Sapiro can still believe he has much honor left in the eyes of sailors despite his honorary membership.

Cio Wins Tiit At Zellerbach

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 4.—The CIO won a long hard battle against the tactics of violence and terror when the National Labor Relations Board yesterday handed down the election results at the Zellerbach Paper Company.

The International Longshoremen and Warehousemen's Union received 31 votes and the Teamsters received 26.

The Zellerbach contest has been a long fight. Teamsters attempted to gain control of the workers by using violence.

The case was heard before the National Labor Relations Board and an election was ordered.

At the Blake, Moffitt & Towne Paper Co. the election resulted in defeat for the CIO - I.L.W.U. Leaders state they will appeal the case and demand another election because of their belief that intimidation and threats were used.

8-Hour Day Upheld Court Says Worker Cant Get Overtime

PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 4.—The Supreme Court of Arizona is now on record for the strict interpretation of the eight-hour law. In a decision rendered Jan. 31, it declared that J. S. Dixon, the worker, could not get paid for overtime put in during several months as an irrigator, because he "was not doing emergency work."

The court declared that the worker, as well as the employer was responsible for carrying out the law. Furthermore, that if overtime could be worked under a transparent subterfuge that it was "emergency" required, the law would soon become useless.

"Emergency" justifying overtime, the court defined as some extraordinary situation such as war, or disaster, and for the protection of life and property.

The law applies only to public works.

Suicide Too Poor To Buy a Rope

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 4.—Too poor even to buy a rope to hang himself—that was the position WPA worker James D. Proudfit, 41, found himself in when he wanted to commit suicide.

But he found a way. Life became too unbearable, and leaving two sons, aged 15 and 13 and a wife, Proudfit, who lives at 915 Vineland avenue, Baldwin Park, closeted himself and died, strangling himself with a couple of pairs of his wife's stockings.

League Plans Welcome For Delegates to Meet

NEW YORK, Feb. 4. (TP)—The American League for Peace and Democracy is making plans today to welcome more than 150,000 trade unionists and representatives to a "Boycott Japanese Goods" conference.

The meeting will open today. Officials said that the conference is expected to set up boycott groups to carry the campaign into neighborhoods where Japanese goods are being offered for sale.

MONOPOLY BILL WOULD LIMIT SEATTLE MILK

Pending Ordinance Bars Competition From the Outside

(People's World Seattle Bureau) SEATTLE, Feb. 4.—Seattle's health department may become a weapon to prevent competition from entering the local milk industry, if an ordinance now pending before the city council passes.

Dr. F. M. Carroll, city health inspector, introduced a measure requiring that his department refuse inspection of any more pasteurization plants outside the city.

Raw milk distributors resisted the ordinance on the grounds that it "tends to foster a milk monopoly in Seattle which would increase cost of milk to consumers."

To Tighten Beek-Dore Hold The proposed ordinance was submitted after a new company had sought a permit to sell milk in Seattle. The Gold Star Creameries at Everett have completed construction of a plant which will manufacture cardboard bottles and pasteurize milk.

The ordinance, if passed, will tighten the hold which the Dore-Beek machine has upon the curdling public in regulating the price of a quart of milk and the size of a glass of beer.

City health regulations now require that pasteurization plants be inspected before being allowed to sell milk here. The proposed ordinance prevents inspector service from being extended to new companies and effectively bans competition.

Big Milk Firm Lobbies The Carnation Company, one of the largest companies in the local field, was present lobbying for the ordinance which would ban a new plant on the eve of its entry into the local field. They also attacked the new type of bottles.

Mrs. F. F. Powell inquired if there was any labor dispute in the Everett plant. The president assured her that they were paying the same wages as Seattle—the union scale.

HOLC Charged With Coercion Against Union

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 4.—The Federal Home Owners Loan Corporation was charged today with discrimination, intimidation, and coercion of employees by the United Federal Workers of America, Local 16 (affiliated with the CIO). The union charged that the HOLC fired Oscar Swall because of his membership and activity in the union.

In a strongly worded resolution passed by the union and endorsed by the San Francisco CIO Industrial Council and the East Bay CIO Industrial Council the union charged that:

"Arbitrary ratings have been used to discriminate against union members of the union, one of whom was a union steward at the Home Owners' Loan Corporation, and the placing of other union members in a position where they are in serious danger of discharge, due entirely to this unfair rating system."

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Elected By Woodworkers



HAROLD PRITCHETT

Woodworkers Elect Pritchett President

28-Day Stay Granted CIO Leader as Fight Against His Deportation Enlists New Support From National Leaders

SEATTLE, Feb. 4.—As Harold J. Pritchett faces deportation, the policies of the CIO Woodworkers Union under his leadership were given an overwhelming endorsement in the elections, conducted by a referendum vote of the membership.

Harold Pritchett and O. M. Orton were returned to their positions of president and vice president and a \$12 assessment was voted for organizational purposes. Secretary Weber was replaced by Bertel McCarthy.

With election returns came word from Washington, D. C., that a 28-day stay had been allowed Pritchett under a visitor's permit. When dispatches stated this was a "final grant" the membership of the IWA moved to resist the efforts of the lumber operators, aided by deserted AFL officials, to deny them the leadership they have selected by a democratic vote.

"If Pritchett were a stooge for the operators or a 'y' man' for Bill Hutcheson, he'd have no trouble getting a permanent visa," was the bitter comment of a pulpwood cutter. "But he works for better hours and wages so the lumbermen want him kicked across the line."

From the halls of congress to Hollywood, from city councils and the Civil Liberties Commission, citizens pledged stubborn resistance to the move to banish a CIO leader, although he has faithfully complied with all requirements of the immigration department.

Dr. Harry F. Ward, of the American Civil Liberties Commission, Victor A. Meyers, lieutenant-governor of the state of Washington, Jess Fletcher, head of the Building Service Union, the biggest AFL local on the Pacific Coast, Hugh DeLacy, Seattle city councilman, Howard G. Costigan, of the Washington Commonwealth Federation, E. L. Oliver, of Labor's Non-Partisan League, John Brophy and Lee Pressman of the CIO, Congressman Jerry O'Connell and John T. Bernard, and Lionel Stander of the Screen Actors Guild; these were some of the names added to the "Committee to Gain Entry of Pritchett," which expressed belief that the growth of the CIO Woodworkers under his leadership should not have cooled the reception he received by the State Department or influenced their decision on his application for a permanent visa.

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FITTS COMBS 'LITTLE TOKIO' FOR GAMBLING

Japanese Center Said to Be Paying Off to City Officials

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 4.—"Little Tokio," Japanese center of Los Angeles, was combed by District Attorney Barron Fitts' newly galvanized investigators for gambling and lottery games said to be paying off huge sums for protection to city officials.

Charges that a gambling club in Japanese town is paying \$2500 a month for protection and that a Japanese lottery showed \$150,000 on the right side of the ledger last year, were made in a report submitted by Chief of Detectives Taylor who has been taking care of "mopping up" operations.

Assistant Chief Deputy District Attorney Myers, who is involved in the pay-off accusations, is of the opinion that they have no basis other than an attempt by the faction that is out to slander the gambling clique in power.

"Typical of the preposterous statements is a rumor to the effect that myself and another deputy, H. Leslie Willey received \$20,000 for turning down a criminal complaint against two Japanese arrested on suspicion of robbery," Myers stated.

Close observers of events in the Los Angeles administration and gambling world over the last weeks, however, state that they do not consider any of these charges preposterous.

The report mentioned Hideichi Yamotoda, 3050 Eagle St., who it is alleged is the operator of the major "hot spots."

A former police officer is alleged to have acted as contact man. His name has not been released.

Other speakers will include Walter P. Koetitz, Alameda County Administrator, and Jack Childs, member of Steel Workers' Lodge 1738, Childs will represent the Trade Union Unemployment Committee of Alameda County.

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Transients' Plight Alters SRA Policy In Madera County

County Aid Officials Will Cooperate With Farm Security as Mass Hunger and 28 Small-pox Cases Cause Shift

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 4.—A grave situation in Madera County, where more than 1000 families of migratory workers face hunger has set the wheels of county and state relief machinery in motion, according to George D. Nicholl, assistant to J. C. Byrne of the State Relief Administration. They will cooperate

with the Farm Security Administration which has \$150,000 to spend at present on a relief and health program for the aid of migratory workers.

An outbreak of 28 cases of small-pox on one ranch in Madera county has added a health menace to the tragic condition of these agricultural workers who have been unable to find employment recently because of bad weather conditions.

Francis pleas from Health Officer Lee Stone of Madera County that these people be given some aid to alleviate their hopeless condition resulted in the coordination of local and state relief authorities with the Farm Security Administration. This move has been opposed in the past by Harold G. Pomeroy, head of the State Relief Administration, who has taken the stand that transients should not be given state aid, but should be furnished transportation to their home states.

The plight of the population of migratory camps in this county has changed his stand on this matter, however, and money will be issued to indigent workers starting next week from the funds of the Farm Security Administration, upon referrals from the staff of the state, and county officials in Madera, the county seat.

Merrill said the Stolberg slanders against the United Office and Professional Workers were, (1) that it was dominated by the "line" of a single political party; (2) that the right of free discussion is not permitted in the union, and (3) that it does not pay its per capita tax to the CIO.

1,500 Hear O'Connell Plead For Labor Unity In Mooney's Cause

Montana Congressman Denounces Merriam as Dishonest

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 4.—"Tom Mooney represents labor in shackles.

"Tom Mooney represents the struggle of American labor to get a fair share of the wealth and profits it is producing in this country.

"He is the symbol of democratic people's rule."

Fervently, Jerry O'Connell, militant young Congressman from Montana, last night addressed a stirring plea to more than 1,500 people gathered to hear him in Polk Hall, to fight for the freedom of Mooney and Warren K. Billings as the fight of "democracy against fascism, progress against reaction."

Sees Fascist Danger

"In the name of Tom Mooney tonight," said O'Connell, "I plead with the AFL and the CIO to unite around Tom Mooney. We ask you to get this united front because in the coming elections in California and throughout the nation, the greatest concentration of propaganda in history will be directed against labor, to destroy the unions, to kill the Wagner Act, to bring to America the fascism that exists today in Italy, Germany and Japan."

"Labor must not be divided. Labor must go down the line for unity and solidarity to maintain the American form of government on behalf of the majority of the people of the United States."

"I appeal to labor, AFL and CIO, not to be divided in the next governor's race, but to unite on one man who will carry the banner of labor and free Mooney and Billings."

The congressman declared that one of his first acts in Congress was to introduce a resolution to gain an investigation of the Mooney case in Congress, and to memorialize Governor Merriam to pardon Mooney.

Denounces Merriam

He urged his audience to write immediately to California congressmen demanding they sign the petition to discharge this bill from the Judiciary committee of the House and get it on the floor, saying 182 names, 12 of California's 20 representatives, included, are already on the petition, with but 218 signatures needed.

"And write to your California senators, demanding they do everything to free Tom Mooney and to bring Mooney to Washington to testify in his own behalf," said O'Connell.

"And while you're writing, write another letter to the governor, starting out: 'Mr. Merriam, you're the greatest reactionary stoolpigeon that has ever sat in the governor's chair.' And tell him about the sneaky, dishonest, unjustified way in which he has acted. And tell him you're going to retire him from the governor's chair and elect a liberal, progressive governor whose first act shall be to sign an unconditional pardon for Tom Mooney and Warren K. Billings."

J. Vernon Burke, state secretary of Labor's Non-Partisan League, echoed this sentiment, stating: "No candidate for governor will gain the support of labor in this state unless he pledges unconditional freedom for Mooney and Billings."

Burke flayed William Green's attack against the League, declaring the League is "the only body in the state that represents labor politically," and saying that all attempts to sabotage the LNPL have so far been unsuccessful.

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Sacramento

NON-PARTISAN LABOR FORUM—Meets Sunday evenings, 8 p. m., Forester's Hall, 714 Eye St., Sacramento.

Los Angeles

HOUSE PARTY—Honor of Leo Gallagher, 5420 Barton Ave. GL 2752. Sat., Feb. 5, 8 o'clock. Admission 25c. Auspices Hollywood Branch, I.L.D.

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Congress Liberals Look To Non-Partisan League As True Labor Expression

O'Connell Says Bloc of 100 Representatives Depends Upon Group Attacked for Support of Progressive Program

By John Bromam

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 4.—"We in the progressive bloc in Congress feel that Labor's Non-Partisan League is absolutely essential to labor salvation in the United States Congress," Rep. Jerry O'Connell, militant 28-year-old leader of that bloc, declared in an interview, on his visit here on behalf of Tom Mooney.

The League is the only organization capable of keeping Congressmen in line on legislation beneficial to labor and to oppose legislation detrimental to labor," continued the Montana representative.

Hits Traditional Political Policy

"We feel that labor should not go along with the old ideas of the AFL, the so-called non-partisan policy of 'reward your friends and punish your enemies,' but should take its rightful place as a political force and wield the power to which it is entitled as the majority of the American people."

Referring to AFL President William Green's attack on Labor's Non-Partisan League, O'Connell said:

"That Green is not supported in this by the rank-and-file of the American Federation of Labor. The wires and correspondence received by members of our bloc, are all to the contrary."

O'Connell who, at 28, leads the progressive forces in Congress, speaks quietly but powerfully in conversation and appears very self-confident, not so much in himself as in the ideas he represents and expresses on behalf of the great majority of the American people.

Visited Spain

Recently he visited Spain, in company with Farmer-Labor Rep. John Bernard of Minnesota, and returned to introduce House Joint Resolution 527, known as the O'Connell Peace Pact.

"We in the liberal bloc feel that neutrality is just an illusion," said O'Connell, in commenting on his act.

"We believe that the United States, as the leading democracy in the world, shouldn't be taking

Oakland Citizens To Petition For 25-Cent Toll On Bridge

(People's World Oakland Bureau) OAKLAND, Feb. 4.—Demanding a 25-cent rate on the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge for a trial period of 30 days, a caravan representing labor, civic and improvement organizations in Alameda County will leave here today for a tour of the bridge.

The caravan, which will include a motorcycle escort, expects to receive additional delegations from small cities en route. The entire delegation will present the following three demands:

1. Against paying \$3,750,000 to the Southern Pacific in order to eliminate ferry service on San Francisco Bay, as is now being proposed.

2. For a 30-day trial period at the 25 cent rate for one-way on the Bay Bridge.

3. For reduction of the interest rate on the bonds from 4 per cent to 3 per cent, and for this to be included in the program for a special session of the State Legislature.

Reed will speak over radio station KROW Sunday, 10:45 to 11 a. m., on the subject: "How the Bridge Fight Was Won Through the Assembly in State Capitol."

The auto caravan will leave the Oakland side of the Carquinez Bridge at 9 a. m. Tuesday, and the delegates will assemble in the State Capitol upon arrival in Sacramento. The delegation will present 150 to 200 resolutions adopted by labor, civic and improvement organizations in the East Bay, in favor of the three-point program of demands.

The San Francisco Civic League has taken a stand in favor of this program, as has also Rep. Richard J. Welch of San Francisco.

Alameda County organizations and individuals participating in the caravan include: The Acorn Club, a coalition of improvement clubs; Lawrence F. McCrea, president of the United Democratic Clubs of Alameda County; Mrs. F. C. Maiden, chairman of Civic Center, Inc., council of women's civic clubs; Mrs. H. E. Erdman; Frank W. Hooper, president of the Progressive Democratic Club, 16th Assembly District; Mrs. Leila Thompson, Alameda County secretary, Labor's Non-Partisan League; Emil Fitsch, rector; Claude Geneva, Telegraph Improvement Assn.; Fred E. Reed, East Bay Regional Plan Assn.; West of Market Boys; Material Dealers of Alameda County; Manhattan Improvement Club; Women's Legislative Club; CIO Industrial Union Council; Alameda Women's Civic Club and East Bay Breakfast Club.

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OIL WORKERS STRIKE IN PHILIPPINES

Quezon Threatens Troop Action to Smash Strike

MANILA, Feb. 4 (TP)—Approximately 1,000 gas and oil company employees went on strike for wage increases today precipitating almost immediate action by Commonwealth President Manuel Quezon to use troops to smash the strike.

Standard Oil, Texaco, Associated Oil and Asiatic Petroleum company were affected by the strike.

Strikers, now said to be averaging 70 cents pay a day, were reported asking for wage increases ranging from 5 to 20 per cent.

Philippine President Quezon said it was "unfair" of the workers to go on strike and demanded a return to work pending conferences to settle the dispute. He indicated he might call out troops to "protect the public."

Columbians Show Hatred for Fascism In Demonstration

(Special to the People's World) BOGOTA, Columbia, Feb. 4.—A huge Popular Front demonstration of 25,000 people marched past President Lopez of Columbia in a great show of anti-fascist strength here last week.

Among those who marched with the national colors, red flags and trade union banners, were liberals, communists and anti-fascist workers.

Slogans of aid to Spain were especially prominent in the colorful parade.

The Trade Union Congress, scheduled to take place here soon, will discuss and act on the question of aid to Spain.

One-half Million Sold Daily By French C.P. Organ

(Special to the People's World) PARIS, Feb. 4.—The many supporters of the popular French paper "L'Humanite" published by the Communist Party have pushed up the total daily paid circulation past the 430,000 mark, it was made public today.

During the last two months of the past year, a great drive was held to reach new readers, led by the Communist Party "cells" but participated in by thousands of other workers, peasants and progressives in all the departments of France.

A total of 1,717,232 copies in addition to the regular daily sale was published in these two months. On December 19, the day's total sale amounted to 932,400 copies allowing the editors to declare:

"Today, in influence and in effective sale, the L'Humanite is the leading newspaper in France."

Bell Ringers Object To Use of Gramophones

WEYMOUTH, England, Feb. 4. (TP)—Revolt flared in Weymouth today over the issue of gramophones replacing ancient church bells. St. John's Church in Weymouth was the first parish in England to install the so-called "synthetic" bellies.

Bell ringers throughout Dorset have campaigned against the action that threatens to throw them out of jobs. They declared:

"It is an injustice to escape the liability which properly belongs to a church. The trust of ringers, the bellfries has come down through generations. We protest."

The vicar of St. John's quietly retorted: "Some of the parishioners seem to like the gramophone bells. After all, there was opposition to the motor car, the radio, and even the airplane."

Hospitals Franco's Special Target, Says Wounded Doctor From Spain

British Have Removed Red Cross Insignia From Ambulances

By Ed Robbin

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 4.—"Hospitals and ambulances are the special target of Franco's planes. So much is this true that the British battalion has decided not to use the red cross any longer. That is a fact."

Quietly and slowly the iron gray-haired man told the story of his year in Spain. He was Dr. Nathan N. Bloom, who went to Spain over a year ago with the first American medical group.

Only at the end of the interview as though he were a little ashamed to admit it, he explained that he had returned from Spain because he was wounded, buried in a bombardment, unconscious for three weeks, but that he was going back very soon.

Age of 27

He is a short broad man in his middle forties, quiet, intense, heavy lips and a high brow. His hair straight and iron gray, falls over his forehead negligently. As he talked he seemed to be reaching painfully for a word which would express some fraction of what he had seen and lived this last year.

"We were twenty seven, nurses, doctors, mechanics, ambulance drivers. We arrived in Albacete on Jan. 15, 1937 and went right to the Guadalajara front."

"Just a few miles back of the firing line we established our first hospital."

"It was improvised in a squat, mudbaked, farm house. The same night the enemy bombers located the hospital and from then on bombardments were regular day and night occurrences."

"Our hospital had a capacity of one hundred beds. During the offensive there were 800 to 1000 men crowded in there. The men were crowded in the yard. Many had no beds nor blankets."

Bombed Every Day

"The pueblo where the hospital was located had no particular importance from military point of view and yet enemy planes dropped their load of bombs on this little village every day."

"Dr. Bloom was silent for a moment. He ran his hand through his hair. "Maybe it's better if I tell you some incidents. I don't want to boast about our boys. I don't want to make heroes out of them but what can you do? They are heroes. It's an astounding thing that happened to those boys."

"One of these youngsters was driving an ambulance filled with wounded. An enemy plane followed him and strafed the ambulance with machine gun bullets. That is the usual practice. The ambulances are their special target."

"The boy was hit twice. There was a trail of blood on the road for ten miles. But he reached the hospital."

"I take these incidents at random. I want you to understand, my friend, I'm trying to give you the psychology, something of the feeling that is built up in our American boys."

Story of Oklahoma Indian

"I interned in Oklahoma City—many years ago," he added with a smile. "There I met an Indian named John. That's how I knew him—as John."

"I met him again in the hospital. He was brought in with a fractured skull. That was the third time he had been wounded."

"He asked me how long he would be in the hospital. I told him he would be in bed three weeks and then he would have to rest for a couple of months."

"Three days later he disappeared. We later found out that he had slipped and gone to the front. There he joined another company and said he had lost his papers. Soon he was wounded again and they found his skull was still fractured."

Bloom was smoking a cigarette. It was smoked down to his fingertips and he still managed to squeeze a puff out of it and did not throw it away.

Cigarette Precious

"You're looking at my cigarette. I can't get out of the habit. Our boys—I've seen twenty of them smoking one cigarette. It passes from one to another."

As though he were picturing to himself the army over there, his comrades at this moment, he said: "At Madrid now it's the rainy season. The boys are up to their waists in water. At Teruel they were freezing. It gets very cold nights."

Mixing Brigades

"You know now they are mixing the brigades, putting Spaniards into the ranks and the boys are learning Spanish. In the hospital, by the way, we established regular classes so the men can be taught while they recover."

Dr. Bloom was a physician and surgeon in New York for 16 years. He spent five years working in the Soviet Union. He was a captain in the American Expeditionary Forces and saw service on the Aragon front.

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DR. NATHAN BLOOM " . . . he seemed to be reaching painfully for a word which would express some fraction of what he had seen and lived this last year."

World Straight On Spain Cable From Newsman Shows

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 4.—Corroborating in every detail cables published in the People's World that the Americans in Spain had not suffered heavy losses but had gained victories in the Teruel sector a cable came in this week from New York Times Correspondent Herbert L. Matthews.

Reports in other western papers that the American Brigade had been wiped out were shown to be glaring lies in the report of this ace observer.

After talking to Robert Merriam, brigade chief of staff, Dave Doran, brigade commissioner, and with Dr. Edward H. Barsky, through whose hands all casualties of the International Brigade have passed, Matthews wired to the Times on Jan. 29:

"In the entire International Brigade of more than 2,500 men only forty were killed, divided as follows, Lincoln-Washington Battalion (Americans), four; Mackenzie-Papeneau Battalion (Canadians and a few Americans), 13; British, 13; and Spaniards, 10."

"When I told the American boys about the story, that they had been wiped out, they were annoyed because of the worry it must have caused their relatives, but the part about being taken prisoners merely aroused amusement."

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GERMAN AGES DESERT SPAIN REBEL FORCES

Richthofen Flier Writes of Dissaffection in Fascist Ranks

(Special to the People's World) PARIS, Feb. 4.—German aviators and officers dispatched by Hitler to help the flagging Franco do not enjoy their days in Spain, according to the German "Volkszeitung" published here.

Twenty-six pilots of the famous Richthofen Squadron deserted both Franco and Hitler. The "Volkszeitung" publishes a letter from one of the flight-officers, explaining the desertion.

"I was a member of the Richthofen Squadron," reads the letter. "At the beginning of August we received the command to report to Spain as 'volunteers.' We left Kiel aboard a German transport ship. "There were 46 machines and about 200 men aboard. We were brought to an airport near Salamanca."

Only Germans "We served here about two months and took part in 14 air battles and lost in the same six machines and 12 men. At this air base there was not a single Spanish flyer—all were Germans. On the 26th of October we were returned by ship to Germany. There we were given a leave but at the same time instructed to hold ourselves ready to return to Spain on Dec. 1."

"We deserted." Again, a young sailor out of Hamburg reports another unsavory experience on his last voyage. "In Spain," he relates, "we took a load of skins on board. But inside these skins were 20 German officers who had fallen in Spain. Upon our arrival in Bremen, we were all given a free day ostensibly because the ship was to be unloaded. When we again came aboard, the sad sacrifice of the fascist regime had vanished."

Inquiry Opens In Fatal Crash Of Navy Planes SAN DIEGO, Feb. 4.—(TP)—An inquiry into the loss of 11 lives in an air crash interrupted the Navy war games off the Southern California coast today.

The inquiry board was headed by Commander Henry Mullinix of the U.S.S. Wright.

The collision of the two giant Navy bombers, worth a quarter of a million dollars apiece when fully equipped, occurred Wednesday night but was not made public until Thursday. Of the 14 pilots, seven in each plane, 10 died when they struck the ocean and the other died immediately after being taken to the hospital ship relief. The three other rescued men are expected to live.

The Navy found eight of the bodies in the Pacific and then abandoned the search after a few hours saying it was useless to attempt to find the two bodies still missing. A fierce rain squall was blamed for the collision.

The crash, occurring a few hours after 98 warships and scores of planes began maneuvers, was the worst heavier-than-air crash in U. S. naval history.

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Going Fifty-Fifty For the Jobless

EVERYBODY is talking about helping the unemployed. The old hard-hearted stiff-necked days of Hoover are gone by. No one dares to say: "They just don't want to work."

The Public Health Service man, R. C. Williams, admits that the medicine needed for the California farm hand is some more food.

The San Francisco supervisors told the Trade Union Unemployed Committee they were right royally welcome to an office in the City Hall where they could help in the public task of registering the jobless.

Senators and congressmen discuss in friendly fashion with the United Mine Workers convention how much to appropriate for the WPA.

The Workers Alliance put up a demand for the WPA to throw over restrictions and give what is needed for the jobless now, and the WPA announced yesterday that it was rushing ahead and adding an extra \$134,000,000 to the February job fund.

It all sounds so nice. It sounds like "apple and strawberry jam."

You only find out when you taste it that it means a dozen apples to one strawberry.

The Public is doing as much as it possibly can. Workers support their unemployed relatives. They cheerfully "share the work," even when they can't afford to. The Public is providing the apples.

But when it comes right down to what the state and national governments are doing—that is more like the strawberry in size. WPA will take back its advance unless we find a way to stop it. **The plan is to cut off half a million men before June!**

The U. S. Public Health Service admits starvation in the San Joaquin and Imperial valleys, but there is only \$150,000 for 25,000 hungry families!

Like an insult after injury, the San Francisco City Hall crowd holds out and doesn't yet give an office to the trade union unemployed council!

So the Public is working overtime for the jobless. The government gives sops.

If you should ask what the third party of the eternal modern triangle is giving, that is, what the employers are giving, you couldn't even compare it with a strawberry. They are giving us the raspberry. **They are giving nothing.** Even though, throughout the country their profits have gone up for a year, as proved by the fact that they paid a billion dollars more income tax last year than the year before.

Los Angeles Opens Subscription Drive

WHY be a hog? If you like this paper, perhaps your neighbor would like it, too. Why not ask him to subscribe?

Our circulation manager, Joe Wilson, is busy organizing as many readers as possible who will do just that. A permanent body of live wires in every community who will make subscription getting a systematic business, the World Builders Association.

We don't care whether you're a Young Democrat, an Old Republican, or a Moscow Red, if you like the paper and want it to live and grow, give us subscriptions, a steady stream of them. And be a World Builder. It's fun.

Somewhat down in the mouth over the lag in subscriptions, Joe Wilson visited the Los Angeles World Builders last Saturday. In fact, a conference was held with 70 present. And if the liberals, trade unionists and progressives don't speed up, the Communists are going to excel them all in getting subscriptions. They are supporting the World Builders 100 per cent.

Paul Cline, secretary of the Communist Party in Los Angeles, pledged the party's support at the World Builders' conference, saying: "Our Party did even more than its share in helping to start the People's World. And now we will continue to support and build it."

Many others at the conference likewise pledged activity in their neighborhoods, among them Lauretta Adams of San Pedro, Frank Lamont, Anna Kanatz, Ray Solomon, A. L. Baker and many others. Plans were laid to raise 2,000 charter subscriptions and to boost street sales. Joe Wilson came back from Los Angeles feeling a lot better.

This is the kind of work required in all localities. The People's World points to the World Builders of Los Angeles as models of what others can do. A people's paper must have the support of the people. It helps the people. The people must help it. Let's get going!

Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Fuller

DECEMBER: W. P. Fuller, one of the Committee of 43's sub-committee to seek "industrial peace" in negotiations with labor representatives, stated he is for "industrial peace."

JANUARY: W. P. Fuller is charged with intimidation by his employees at the W. P. Fuller Paint Co. factory in South San Francisco, where a strike is in progress to win union conditions.

Sapiro's Democracy 12 Is More Than 4,000

ILA ATTORNEY: "We're fighting for the good old democratic principles of the American People against all these CIO reds from Australia . . . Your Honor, and we want the right to say who can't work on these docks. . ."

Judge: "So why're you putting me on the spot? Hold an election and let the longshoremen decide which union they want."

ILWU Attorney: "We accept!"

ILA Attorney: "No-no-no—wait! My God, don't you realize there's four thousand of them and only a dozen of us; now, I ask you, is that fair?"

That's just about the way it went in San Pedro. Judge Ruben Schmidt proposed essentially that, and Sapiro's answer was just like that, in effect.

What becomes of the claim to "really an ILA majority on the waterfront?"

What becomes of the argument about democracy if they refuse to take a vote?

What sort of a "union" (Save the word) is it Sapiro represents if it incorporates itself, and then insists the men don't count, only the corporation counts?

Enough of this nonsense! Let Judge Schmidt stop the proceedings and accept the decision of the longshoremen, what union they wish to have. As far as that goes, the vote has already been taken several times, and it is practically unanimous for the ILWU.

Beckism Is Not Trade Unionism

FOR the past six months, "mysterious" bombings have taken place in the Columbia River area aboard tugboats and other river craft, which always happened to be transporting lumber produced by CIO workers.

CIO workers were attacked by "goon squads" which everybody in Portland, Oregon, area knew were directed by the Teamsters Union and Brotherhood of Carpenters officials, in their fury against the CIO.

Now some 30 AFL officials and members are under arrest in Portland, facing police charges of assault and attempting to dynamite. Police have announced a "campaign against labor terrorists."

It is important to state right at the beginning of this campaign that terrorism and labor are two words that do not go together, in Portland or elsewhere. Organized labor stands opposed to the use of terrorism, and is particularly abhorrent of it when it sees violence instigated by racketeers masking as AFL officials, as it has seen in the growth of the Beck machine in the Teamsters Union and in the operation of the Hutcheson machine in the Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners.

As to the guilt or innocence of the 30 persons arrested in Portland, the People's World draws no conclusions. But the "World" does point out that bombings have occurred, workers have been brutally attacked, violence has been widespread in Portland, with the whole attack directed against the right of the workers to choose their collective bargaining agency—in this case, the CIO Intl. Woodworkers of America.

There is a serious danger in this Portland situation, one which has been entirely created by the gangster tactics of these handful of top officials in the AFL, without the knowledge or approval of the AFL membership.

The employers are always alert to seize any pretext to blast ALL unions as dominated by racketeers. Therefore, when Dave Beck, Abe Muir, Bill Hutcheson and Co. use racketeer tactics without the consent or approval of their membership, who in fact are terrorized against protesting these tactics, they are playing the game of the open-shop employer interests.

Racketeers have no place in the labor movement, and where they have been able to gain a foothold, have done their best to discredit organized labor and to defeat the rank and file's efforts to better their conditions.

The membership of the AFL certainly can not and would not defend such gangster tactics as have been practiced by certain of their officials in Portland, Seattle and elsewhere. And an ever increasing number of them are alert to the danger to their unions' very existence, and are fighting hard to cleanse their own ranks of racketeer officialdom.

And to clinch the argument, there are many Brotherhood of Carpenters locals in the Pacific Northwest that are working hand-in-hand with the Intl. Woodworkers of America against the bureaucratic, gangster rule of "Big Bill" Hutcheson and Abe Muir with tooth-and-nail.

Salinas Labor Organ Raps Railway Labor Act

A GROWING move is under way to extend the provisions of the Railway Labor Act to all labor organizations, or at least to such unions as are well organized in important industries.

Initiated by heads of industries that are fighting a losing battle against organization of their own workers, the move is supported by the press, chambers of commerce, numerous politicians and some representatives of labor. Its immediate adoption is urged for the shipping industry, a proposal that is vigorously opposed by the maritime unions.

The Railway Labor Act, it is argued, protects the workers and prevents strikes.

Labor has always been opposed to compulsory arbitration as depriving it of the all-important strike weapon. Opposition to the Railway Labor Act is based on a conviction that it establishes a form of compulsory arbitration and curbs the power of unions to take emergency action.

There is a world of difference between voluntary arbitration in an individual case and general arbitration established by law.

The Salinas Labor News, Organ of the AFL, Salinas Central Labor Union and the Building Trades Council of Salinas.

Another Man's Sauce

By James



"Dirtiest, Meanest Conspiracy Against The United States"

By John Broman

"CRIME WAVES" always make the headlines in the capitalist newspapers, particularly when there is a shortage of news. You read about hold-ups, burglaries, purse-snatchings, which these papers take from the average daily police blotter and build up into a "wave."

But there is one bona-fide crime wave that has never been reported in the capitalist press. This wave, which has swelled with the development of the capitalist system, includes every crime in the book, up to and including murder, committed by our "best citizens" (meaning those of great wealth) in search of great profits.

Today these "best citizens" are engaged in plotting one of the most dastardly crimes in their history—a crime against 40,000,000 American workers, in violation and subversion of the federal law which created the National Labor Relations Board, the Wagner Act.

Subverting U. S. Laus

In the words of Rep. Maverick of Texas, the NLRB, which administers the law providing guarantees to American workers to bargain collectively, is facing the "dirtiest, most meanest low-down crooked conspiracy in the United States."

When an act is passed by Congress and duly signed by the President of the United States, the average citizen assumes it is the law of the land unless and until it is declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court.

But not the economic royalists. When the Wagner Act became law in July, 1935, they continued to oppose the act and even more vigorously than when it was being discussed in Congress. They followed the advice of 58 Liberty League lawyers who said that the law was unconstitutional, and did everything possible, through legal action and through violence on the picket lines, to subvert the act and to sabotage its enforcement by the National Labor Relations Board.

Then, on April 12, 1937, the Supreme Court ruled the Wagner Act unconstitutional.

Shifted Attack

But the employer interests grew only more bitter in their defiance against the law, now that their tactics were rendered more difficult to execute. They shifted their attack from the act itself to the NLRB, in order to pave the way to cripple the way by congressional amendments and by slashing the Board's appropriation.

The myriad organs of open shop opinion blasted away: "The Labor Board is violating the freedom of the press."
"The Labor Board is intimidating witnesses."
"The Labor Board is ineffective in stopping strikes."
"Valid contracts with unions are being cancelled by the Board."
"The Board is radical."
"The Board is showing favoritism for the CIO over the AFL."

These lies were glossed over and trumpeted far and wide, but they remain all lies.

Open Shop Propaganda

The Barclay "freedom-of-the-press" case was publicized by every reactionary newspaper in the nation, by magazine and by radio, but this case had nothing whatsoever to do with the freedom of the press—only with freedom of distribution to Weirton Steel employees of reprints of an article designed to influence the workers' opinion in violation of the Wagner Act.

The Board acted to prevent such circumvention of the law, as it is its duty.

The charge that the Board's trial examiners and attorneys act like criminal prosecutors and are dictatorial, is disproved in the columns

of the reactionary New York Times itself. In the issue of June 13, 1937, a descriptive account of the Board's procedure recounted:

"The Board's legal high command . . . have deleted from their NLRB technique whatever prosecutor's mannerisms they may have learned in law school. Their tone, even when the employer's lawyers start a violent legal scrimmage, is invariably conversational and conciliatory . . . the atmosphere it creates often suggests a mediation committee rather than an enforcement agency."

States the Handbook of the AFL Intl. Assn. of Machinery: "It is hoped and expected that the practice before the Board will always remain as it now is; simple and devoid of technicalities so that representatives chosen from the ranks of the workers themselves may be the advocates."

Strike Prevention

On the question of preventing strikes, action of the Board in securing workers their collective bargaining rights prevented 435 strikes, covering 119,574 workers, over a period of 25 months.

In the other cases, the employers themselves are to blame for strike action by their employees, for it is a well-known fact that unions do not lightly "hit the bricks," but only resort to strike action as a last resort in the face of stubborn anti-union resistance by the employers.

In many cases, the employers tied the Board's hands through injunctions and other legal actions designed to delay proceedings that the unions involved were compelled to take strike action to protect their interests.

The Board is "radical," says the employers. So is Roosevelt, says the employers. So is anybody who stands in our way, say the employers, at least in effect.

Yet in 20 cases reviewed by the federal courts, the Board's orders were upheld in 18, and in the others the Board's findings were not reversed in toto. But perhaps, all the U. S. Circuit Courts of Appeal judges are "Moscow agent!"

National Labor Relations Board

AS TO the cancellation of a "valid" contract by Article II, and its alleged "favoritism" for the CIO over the AFL, no case can be made against the Board on this score.

Take the case of the Lenox Shoe Company and the United Shoe Workers of America, typical case:

"The local Chamber of Commerce, at the request of the company, had called in American Federation of Labor organizers after the United Shoe Workers, affiliated with the CIO, had started organizing in the company's plants. The AFL organizers held a meeting in the plant on company time. The power to the machines was shut off during the meeting and foremen ordered the employees to attend. The superintendent of the factory directed an employee soliciting for the AFL union (Boot and Shoe Workers Union) to tell employees they had either to sign up or get out.

"Officials of the company urged employees to join the AFL and to discontinue their membership with the United Shoe Workers. A closed shop contract with the AFL union was thereafter signed by the company without any examination of the list of members presented by the AFL.

Suppress Facts

The reactionary interests, and those old-guard AFL officials who ape their attacks on the Labor Board, point to the election results, which do favor the CIO, as "proof of favoritism." But they do not show that there have been many more elections at the request

of the CIO affiliates, much more organization done by the CIO, and that AFL officials have deliberately aligned themselves with the employers in order to defeat the will of the workers in their "war" against the CIO.

Results of 498 elections conducted by the NLRB for the period to September 30, 1937, are as follows:

All Types of Elections—498	Per Cent of Total
AFL	24,954 11.5
CIO	129,460 69.0
Independent	37,019 17.5
Plant unions	21,627 11.0
For or against a particular union	24,270 11.7
AFL vs. CIO—133 Elections	
Won	7,854
Lost	2,379
One tie	

But the CIO, through supporting the Labor Board 100 per cent against any attempts by the reactionary forces to crimp it through amendments to the Wagner Act or through decreased appropriations, has its criticism to make of the Board's functioning. The CIO strongly opposes the rulings made by the NLRB in a number of cases, allowing elections by crafts.

Craft Divisions

For instance, in West Allis, Wis., the Allis-Chalmers plant employs 9,351 workers to manufacture heavy industrial machinery. The United Auto Workers Local 248, with 7,000 members, asked that the appropriate bargaining unit be made the entire plant, while 11 AFL craft unions wanted to climb into the picture with elections by crafts. The Board, in a 2-1 decision, allowed two AFL crafts (Electrical Workers and Firemen and Oilers) to get on the ballot.

Chairman J. Warren Madden and Donald Wakefield Smith voted for this procedure, quoting the Wagner Act: "Employees shall have the right . . . to bargain collectively through representatives of their own choosing." . . . in order to insure to employees the full benefit of their right to self-organization and to collective bargaining."

Not Main Issue

Obviously, the CIO declares with great logic, workers can only be insured the full benefit of this right if they bargain collectively with the employer as one unit—in one industrial union—and not when divided into several crafts, each negotiating separately and with contracts expiring at different dates, thus robbing the workers of their full economic strength.

But this criticism of the Board is not the main issue at the present time, nor will it be so long as the employer interests, the economic royalists, continue in their efforts to sabotage and kill the Wagner Act, the most progressive labor statute ever enacted in the United States.

NLRB Defense Needed

The AFL officials of the stripe of William Green, John P. Frey, William Hutcheson and Matthew Wolf, are proving themselves once again traitors to the labor movement by their treacherous attacks upon the Board and by their demands for amendments to the Wagner Act.

The Wagner Act and the NLRB have been of immeasurable benefit to all workers, those in the AFL as well as those in the CIO, and will prove to be so in the future for those millions of American workers who have yet to achieve the benefits of organized labor.

The necessity of a solid labor front against the economic royalists, was never more acute than in the present crisis. Local AFL unions and central bodies must cooperate with their brothers in the CIO, and with all friends of labor, if they are to maintain this legal keystone of labor's rights, and to defeat this "dirtiest, most meanest low-down crooked conspiracy in the United States," against the Wagner Act and the National Labor Relations Board.

Every Representative, every Senator in Washington must bear the united voice of labor forbidding any tampering with this fundamental guarantee to labor.

COLUMN LEFT

by Harrison George

In Which We
Tingle With
Stimulation



IF, HERE finishing this column, the reader notes anything "out of ordinary, please put it down to the "tingling stimulation" which we are assured by a big advertisement in the local Scripps-Howard paper, is one benefit obtained by reading Westbrook Pegler's daily gob.

Said "tingling" sensation, it appears, comes from what Pegler furnishes; said to be "new facts, new slants, new ideas." Ah, yes, facts so new that they yet are but gestating in the womb of time. In short, facts which are not facts. And "slants" for slant-wits. "Ideas" that no one else would mention without blushing.

For instance, we turn the page of that same issue to Pegler's column. There we are revealed the awful truth: "F.D.R. Lives on Inherited Income, Never Tilled For Money." Umm . . . A grave crime, but quite legal, and even highly respectable under capitalism. And who is this Bolshevik, Westbrook Pegler, anyhow, soap-boxing thus against capitalism?

But, hold! Pegler is not at all critical of the system by which men inherit wealth. Indeed, it seems to me, he wrote not so long ago, most savagely against any taxation that would touch inherited wealth. No, he is not opposing capitalism, or capitalists in general. And, though his whole argument is leveled against President Roosevelt, he disclaims it by saying that such is not his purpose. Not even to knock the New Deal. An unusual restraint for Pegler.

But then his "new slant" appears. He is not attacking Roosevelt for being wealthy, but defending other wealthy men from Roosevelt's criticism.

It isn't cricket, says Pegler, for one who inherited wealth, to up and "rebuke those who make a lot of money because they worked harder and thought faster and bigger than the mediocrities and loafers." So, you see, in a way, Roosevelt is regarded as scabbing on his class. And Pegler is on the picket line, yelling: "Hey, scab! Cut it out, or else . . ." We admit that Pegler on a picket line is a bit thick. But for Roy Howard he'd do even that.

And these sons of toil who have labored upward and make "a lot of money." These, infers Pegler, are the Honest Johns of capitalism. They "worked hard." They "thought faster." Yes, Westbrook, and they did a lot of things that, it seems, Roosevelt wouldn't do and disapproves of.

For example, here in San Francisco is the Alaska Packers Association. In 1934 it spent \$2,772 for "munitions," according to the LaFollette Senate Committee. Then there's fine old Andy Mellon's Aluminum Co. In four years it spent \$35,900.73, mostly for "espionage," against labor unions, but about \$1,000 of it for "munitions."

Or let us take that "hard working" head of the American Cyanamid Co., who, at a close-door conference of corporation chiefs in New York, urged that President Roosevelt be assassinated. Well, in three years his firm paid \$17,348.13 for "espionage." Delivering milk isn't the only way Bowman Dairy Co. of Chicago makes money. It paid \$8,000 in two years for labor spies. And how sweet are the uses of adversity is shown by the California Hawaiian Sugar Refining Co. of San Francisco, which paid \$2,040.09 for "munitions" in 1934. And the Industrial Association of the same town paid \$17,043.79 for labor spies in three years.

Well, Roosevelt inherited his money. But Chrysler made his by spending \$275,534 for "strikebreaking and espionage." And General Motors no less than \$1,019,056, with about \$23,000 going "for munitions." The Philadelphia Evening Bulletin defended "freedom of the press" \$70,086 worth for "espionage," while the Philadelphia Enquirer spent only \$8,600 for labor spies to uphold the sacred "freedom of the press."

These are but a few of a long, but incomplete list. The "tingling stimulation" we get from Pegler's "new slant" is that a New Deal president who inherited his wealth has no business "rebuking" those men who got their wealth by spying upon and shooting down trade unionists. That is, indeed, one of Pegler's "new ideas."

WORLD FRONT

by Harry Gannes

MORE can be learned, very often, from the blue-penning of news, especially when it comes from Nazi Germany, than from what is printed finally in the United States.

Rumors, the currency of authentic and suppressed news in Germany, often mixed with confusing wish-fulfillments, have been coming over the cables especially thick and fast the past few weeks.

The most important report deals with defections in the high army command over war plans and cost of intervention in Spain. But these bitter, inner conflicts are predicated on and aggravated by the threat that the economic situation in Germany is about to bring on a financial crash.

Therefore, news about the economic situation in Germany, at the present moment, is by far the most important. There isn't overmuch of this to be found anywhere. One wonders why then the New York Times cut out the most important economic item in its later editions from a Berlin cable by Otto D. Tolisch, telling about the frantic efforts of the new economic dictator, Hermann Goering, to keep the four-year economic plan for war preparations going.

THE paragraph we refer to (which appeared only in the very early editions with the smallest circulation, an edition later gone over carefully with the blue pencil) reads:

"In a lecture on war finances of the future before prominent officials and business leaders at the Economics Academy yesterday Professor Rost Jecht suggested three months were available: First, an increase in taxation, which can never be sufficient to cover all war expenditures; secondly, war loans; and, thirdly, an expansion of note circulation (inflation). The last-named, he said, is unavoidable at the beginning of a war."

In Germany no line is drawn between the present economy, the vast and rapid preparations for war, and the actual economic set-up during a war. German economy today is functioning as war economy. And when the professor speaks about "war finances" he is dealing with the threatening catastrophe of Nazi finances today. In recommending inflation as the solution he was urging it now and not for the future.

IN LONDON recently, before the full stream of rumors about impending internal difficulties of a grave nature in Germany, the Financial News (Jan. 10) discussed reports that Nazi and Italian Fascist expenditures in Spain were undermining the already shaky financial structure. Has Teruel been the straw that threatens to break the financial back of the Nazis?

No figures are given of course as to the extent of Franco's debt to Italy and Germany. But, according to a reliable Berlin source, they amount to 2,500,000,000 (\$132,000,000) lire in Italy's case and to some 800,000,000 (\$364,400,000) marks in that of Germany. (Since these are stated as actual money debts they do not begin to express the sums expended by Nazi Germany and Fascist Italy in Spanish intervention, because Franco has pledged to turn over the Balearics to Mussolini, the Canary Islands to Hitler, and much other territory to both, in payment for war supplies—H. G.)

"Thus a further reason has been added to the existing political and economic reasons why Germany and Italy will not easily tolerate a defeat of their Spanish friends. For the economic position of both dictatorships is such that they simply cannot afford dead loss of such magnitude as the defeat of Gen. Franco would involve."

"On the other hand, the question may well be asked whether, in view of their economic situation and the many tasks they have in hand, Germany and Italy can continue to lend to the Spanish nationalists on a still larger scale than hitherto. The answer seems to be in the affirmative for Germany, but negative for Italy."

Latest reports change the answer into the negative for both. And that is where the German crisis comes in. Neither fascist dictator can afford to intervene and yet neither will stop intervening.

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HOLD'S BARRED Lefty

THE pony express has just galloped into LEFTY'S office, upsetting three cuspidors, a typewriter and a couple of feature-page "authors," and bringing with him the latest dispatches from the East.

But the post-office gauchito who brought the regular packet for this morning included a sorry bit of news among the PG&E bills, canned publicity releases and advertising bulletins which have of late turned LEFTY'S desk into a miniature replica of the Upper Saskatchewan Pulp and Paper Mill.

Sonia Henie has fallen down! That demure demoiselle from Sweden who could keep her balance while going an imitation of Colorado Jake Ruppert going up in the air as he looked at Joe Di Maggio's salary demands, has gone down at last.

Sonia Goes Oomph!

Sonia's skate caught in a crack in the ice and she fell with a bump that sent the Mount Wilson seismograph off 8 degrees.

To add to her discomfiture the lightning went screwy later in the evening, and one section of the grandstand caught fire to the marked displeasure of the paying customers.

Now Sonia needn't mind about the fall, inasmuch as she has her well-modeled gams in hock with Lloyds of London for circa three hundred grand in case they're injured, but this business of the fire is likely to cause someone a lot of trouble.

A Real Problem

WHAT is Sonia to do in case she is burned in such an accident?

You can imagine the sort of reaction she would get out of Messrs. Lloyds if she were to walk into their office some afternoon displaying a first degree burn on one of her costly pins.

"I got this while I was skating the other evening," declares Sonia with a wistful smile.

"And I suppose the ice is still burning like the Chicago fire?" snaps back one of the Messrs. Lloyds.

No, Sonia, it won't do. LEFTY'S afraid you'll have to take out a separate fire insurance policy on your pins.

And while you're about it, it wouldn't be a bad idea to insure them against theft, too.

LITERARY NOTES: For days and days now, Tom Laird, sports editor of the San Francisco News has been consistently spelling the name of Johnny Erjavec, Detroit heavyweight, "Erjevacc."

In the news columns side by side with "effusions," the spelling experts of the News sports desk have it Erjavec, but nobody's corrected the boss's column yet. Maybe it's lese majeste.

In Art Rosenbaum's column "Overhead," in Thursday's Chronicle, mention is made of one "Jack Weierhauser," Stanford track star. Inset in the column a cut which bears the caption: "Jack Weier-shauser."

Come on, boys, get together—the name's really Weierhauser.

British Condemn Man for Attack On Arab Motorbus

JERUSALEM, Feb. 4 (TP)—The British military court in Palestine passed a death sentence today on an auxiliary policeman for an attack on an Arab motor bus. The defendant was the first Jew to receive the death penalty since the military tribunal was established.

The military court has the power to impose the death penalty for a long list of offenses from murder to illegal possession of fire-arms. The special policeman was accused of firing at a motor bus carrying Arab passengers.

MORE ON RAYMOND

(Continued From Page One) sleuths who watched the sleuths. And among these sleuths was Thomas James, a detective whom he had appointed as chief investigator for the city prosecutor and assigned to watch the civic righteousness of his other appointees.

And vice—gambling, drinking and lechery—went right on as before, except that Guy McAfee, a former policeman, now ruled the roost.

JOLSON AND RAFT BACKING GAVE ARMSTRONG HIS BIG OPPORTUNITY, OPINES LOU

By Lou Seligson

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 4.

"Mammy" Al Jolson is crying for more and colder cash these days as it was disclosed that he has been after Eddie Meade, manager of Henry Armstrong, world's featherweight champion, to return at least \$1,000 of the earnings of "dynamite" Hank.

Press agents were pulling the great, happy trio, Al Meade and Hank, as something new in sports. But it seems that Al loaned Meade \$5,000 and George Raft lent him another \$5,000 with which Meade bought off Armstrong's contract.

AL WANTS HIS 4 G'S

Meade has returned only \$1,000 of Jolson's loan, and the Mammy singer is saying it with boop-boop-boops as he demands at least has \$5,000 back.

"It isn't the money part, at all," modestly angles Al. "I like the idea of saying: 'That's my boy, and I don't want to lose him.'"

"What I'd like to find out is who is entitled to the contract. Inasmuch as I bought it I think," Al continues, and here's the rub, "I'm entitled to at least part of

the earnings."

Meade claims that Jolson never wanted any of the earnings in the first place since Jolson's name has never appeared in the contract. It was merely a loan, claims Meade.

GEORGE RAFT INVOLVED

Raft was brought into the thing as Meade showed that he could have gotten the entire \$10,000 from Raft, but had already made the arrangements to get \$5,000 from Jolson.

The whole thing narrows down to this. Armstrong was a great fighter before Meade and Jolson came on the scene. But he wasn't getting the breaks. Everybody steered clear of Hank, afraid of his murderous dukes, but as far as getting a chance at some real money, there was no lead for Armstrong unless he had some pull. So Meade, who is well known and has the necessary pull, got interested and with the helpful financing of Raft and Jolson, took hold of larruping Hank.

Seventeen months ago Wirt Ross and Harry Hank's brother, were managing Henry and getting nowhere fast. Within the past year and a half Meade's pull, Jolson's reputation, and some clever press work have made Armstrong the best fighter in the world today, pound for pound.

IT'S PULL THAT COUNTS

And yet it's the same deadly punching Henry Armstrong.

Step into the Manhattan or Main street gyms any day and you'll see youngsters with much of the class and power that Armstrong has, but because they're Negro and have no pull, they can't break the fight syndicate.

Ask the trainers there what they think of some of the boys and they'll tell you given the chance they could almost duplicate Armstrong's singular rise to the championship.

SAME OLD RACKET

It all depends on who is backing you, how much of a gate you have with the press, and how much pull you have with the big matchmakers.

The difference between the Armstrong of a year and a half ago and today, is really the \$10,000 that was paid by Meade for the contract. The rest is their beautiful work of build-up.

This isn't knocking Armstrong. Certainly there is no greater fighter in the ring today. But the point

is that there are others in the same boat that Armstrong was in almost two years ago. And they are prospective Armstrongs if only given the chance. That chance, in this unfair game, means probably, another change of contracts and one of the big boys starting the mooching and the press agents going.

So in reality, Jolson really deserves the money he's crying for. It was the romantic and unusual linking of his name to the press releases that gave Armstrong the chance to show the world that he had the stuff. Otherwise, Armstrong would still be plodding along making pin money and having the boys steer clear of him.

Cordell Hull Makes Davis Cup Drawing

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4 (TP)—Australia was selected to meet Mexico and Japan to face Canada in the 1938 North American Zone Davis Cup drawings made today in Washington. Secretary of State Hull made the drawings from the historic tennis trophy itself.

The result of the North American Zone draw made virtually certain a later meeting between Australia and Japan. In the European Zone draw, the favorite, Germany, was chosen to face Norway in its opening round match. Germany is expected to meet Australia in the Interzone final for the right to challenge the U. S. for the Davis Cup.

RAINY DAY—SEALS HAVE THEIR TROUBLES

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 3.—Sickness hit the San Francisco Seals today.

President Charley Graham was laid up in bed with what looked like an attack of the "flu."

Star hurler Sad Sam Gibson was recuperating after eight of his teeth had been pulled.

Dominic DiMaggio was still in the hospital as the result of a foot operation. He should be out in a day or two.

And to add some more clouds to a rainy day, Pitcher Lou Kouppal sent back his contract—unsigned. He wants a bonus if he wins over 20 games.

"He's a mighty stubborn character," sighed Walter (The Great) Mails, impresario for the Seals. "We're likely to have trouble with him."

And outside it started to rain again.

KOVACS SCORES UPSET OVER BITSY GRANT

MIAMI Beach, Feb. 4. (TP)—Young Frank Kovacs of Oakland, California, scored an amazing upset victory today over Betsy Grant of Atlanta in the quarter-final round by scores of 6-3, 3-6, 6-4.

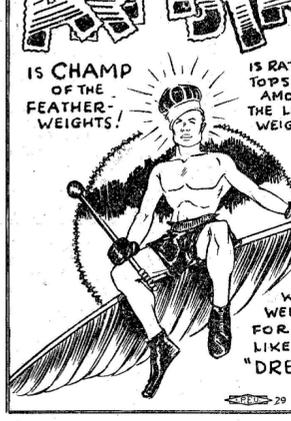
Kovacs was joined in the semi-final round by Elwood Cooke of Portland, Oregon, Wimer Eines of Columbia, S. C., and Bobby Riggs of Los Angeles.

Cooke beat the Miami University net captain, Gardner Mulloy, 7-5, 4-6, 6-0. Diggs eliminated Charley Harris of West Palm Beach, Fla., 6-3, 6-1. Hines won from Jack Pero of Miami, 6-2, 6-2.

SOCK 'EM, HANK

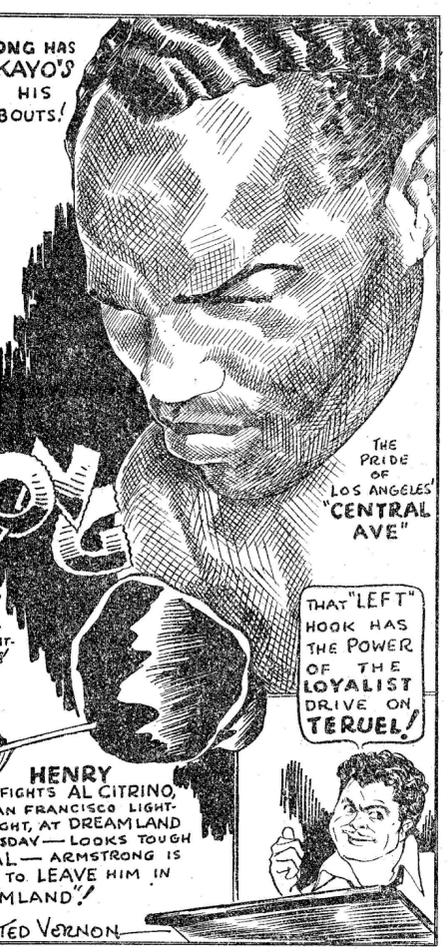


ARMSTRONG HAS THIRTY KAYOS OUT OF HIS LAST 31 BOUTS!



HENRY FIGHTS AL CITRINO, SAN FRANCISCO LIGHTWEIGHT, AT DREAMLAND WEDNESDAY—LOOKS TOUGH FOR AL—ARMSTRONG IS LIKELY TO LEAVE HIM IN "DREAMLAND!"

TONYPANDY TOM WILL MEET LIVERMORE CUTIE MARCH 11



THE PRIDE OF LOS ANGELES "CENTRAL AVE"

THAT "LEFT" HOOK HAS THE POWER OF THE LOYALIST DRIVE ON TERUEL!

TODAY TED VERNON gives his view of Henry Armstrong, featherweight champion, who will fight here Wednesday night.

See the story (above, left) by Lou Seligson on the inside dope in the current squabble between actor Al Jolson and Manager Eddie Meade.

See next Saturday's magazine section for an exclusive interview with Joe Di Maggio, slugging San Franciscan who will be one of the buvarks in the New York Yankees' pennant drive '38.

And look for Ted's Saturday sports cartoons. They're regular features.

A HOOP PRECEDENT Oakland ILWU Five First Labor Team to Play on College Program; Oaks Beat Crockett

OAKLAND, Feb. 4.—Tuesday night's Loyola-St. Mary's basketball game at Kezar Pavilion in San Francisco will establish a precedent in West Coast's sports history.

For the Oakland warehousemen "Blues" will play the St. Marys '5s.

The game was rough and fast. Willie Muth, ace Crockett forward, was thrown out of the game on personal fouls after he had knocked Gonzales cold with an elbow "rabbit punch" on the back of the neck.

In the preliminary the Crockett "B" team beat the Oakland "Whites" by a score of 29-5. The Crockett five showed up on the floor half an hour late and, inasmuch as the Oakland "Whites" had gone home, Coach George Alcala was forced to put a "pick-up" team on the floor.

They proved easy pickings for the Crocketteers.

Ho Hum—Foord May Fight Two Ton Tony Galento

LONDON, Feb. 4. (TP)—The former British Empire heavyweight champion, Ben Foord of South Africa, was in line today for several lucrative boxing matches. Foord's courageous but losing stand against Max Schmeling started talk of a return bout between the pair.

Foord also has received an offer to fight for the New York promoter Mike Jacobs. Mike wants Foord to meet the winner of a bout between Tony Galento of Orange, New Jersey, and Harry Thomas of Eagle Bend, Minn.

Foord said today he would accept a return bout with the German in a minute. But said he would like to fight Schmeling in London, where the South African has regained some of his lost popularity.

Foord's manager, Lou Walsh, announced that the 210 pound South African probably would fight the crooner heavyweight, Jack Doyle some time next month.

Farr Squawks Plenty BUT SIGNS UP ANYWAY

Adamick Left Holding the Sack as Max Baer Goes for Welshman

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—After the tumult and the shouting had died down and the professional press-agents had all gone home it was discovered today that Tom Farr of Tonypandy, Wales, had signed to meet Max Baer in a 15-round heavyweight fight March 11.

DI MAG HOME Joe Says He'll Take 30 C's and Not a Cent Less This Year

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 4.—Joe DiMaggio, San Francisco's gift to the world's champion New York Yankees, returned to his home town today and promptly announced that he would not take a penny less than \$30,000 for his services during 1938.

Joe dismissed Colonel Jake Ruppert, beer baron owner of the Yanks in one sentence: "He knows what I want—and I'll get it."

Di Maggio signed for \$16,000 last year. But this year he surprised everyone by declaring that he wanted a \$40,000 cut of the Yankee's profits before would step on the diamond.

Ruppert has gone up to \$20,000 and admits, if pressed, that he might come to an agreement at \$25,000. There the matter rests.

Joe went right out to his restaurant upon arriving in the city, to talk things over with his brother and his father.

He indicated that he will probably remain in the city until he goes east for the Yankee's Florida spring training.

Furthermore his "iron" will be melted a little by the time that he will get a shot at the title next summer if he gets past the Livermore cut-up.

GRAVY FOR MIKE

Farr and Baer will receive 27 1/2 per cent of the net gate each for the battle, the other 45 per cent of the gravy to go to Mr. Jacobs and his colleagues to keep them in silk undies and Havana heaters.

The announcement of the March 11 fight brought loud yelps of dismay from Jack Kearns, manager of young Jimmy Adamick of Detroit, who has been tentatively promised the go with Baer on that date.

"I've been left holding the gunny!" Monsieur Kearns shrieked. He informed the curious that he had already had posted another publicity picture—the Adamick-Baer bout.

Adamick remains in a cinch berth to get a crack at the winner of the Tony Galento-Harry Thomas match or the Gunnar Barlund-Buddy Baer entanglement, however.

LONDOS WRESTLES HERE

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 4.—Jimmy Londos, famed Greek heavyweight wrestler, will appear on the Dreamland wrestling card here February 15, Promoter Joe Malcewicz announced today. Londos' opponent has not as yet been named.



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