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### Weird Photo of Weird Figure



THE CAMERA gets the eerie atmosphere of the trial as it catches Philip Chancellor, millionaire investigator of "Un-American" activities, as he testifies against Leopold McGlagon, brother of the film star, and former spy for Chancellor.

### McLaglen Trial Opens On Extortion Charge

Jury Selection Prelude to Sensational Exposures of Activities of Nazis in California

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 28.—The trial of Leopold McGlagon, brother of the film star, Victor, on charges of extortion opened today.

The dreary business of selecting a jury was but a prelude to a sensational trial which threatens to disclose the activities of Nazi agents in Southern California and their hook-up with Victor McGlagon fascist group of horsemen.

Leopold, a hulking figure of a man, bearing a strong resemblance to his famous brother, is accused of trying to extort \$20,000 from Philip Chancellor, millionaire who had employed him to spy on "Un-American" groups.

He is also charged with having bribed Stanley Glimm, Chancellor's secretary, paying him \$10 to perjure himself.

In Glimm's story, allegedly preserved, he said that in his presence Chancellor had offered McGlagon \$8,000 cash and \$300 per month to spy on "Un-American" groups which, according to later statements of McGlagon turned out to be mostly liberal and Communist organizations in Los Angeles, and in which activity, the Los Angeles police cooperated.

McLaglen wanted \$10,000 but finally agreed to the smaller figure. He asked for a contract in writing, but Chancellor is said to have demurred, stating:

"The nature of your work is too dangerous to be put into writing."

The meeting is alleged to have occurred on Oct. 26, 1937 and the work was to have been concluded by Christmas of last year. Leopold filed in evidence a number of maps purportedly showing Japanese activities in Southern California and Hawaii.

### Senate Action Brings Mooney Freedom Closer

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—Release for Tom Mooney seemed a step closer today when the Senate judiciary committee reported in favorably a resolution to memorialize Governor Merriam to pardon the "veteran martyr" in San Quentin.

Pardon under such circumstances, if the request of the U. S. Senate, would be tantamount to vindication, observers here pointed out.

The resolution was offered by Senator James E. Murray, Democrat of Montana. The committee favorably reporting it was headed by Senator Joseph C. O'Mahoney, Democrat, of Wyoming.

# SUPREME COURT KILLS PICKETING INJUNCTION

## BRITISH BLAME SPAIN REBELS IN SHIP SINKING

Demand Indemnity of Franco for Bombing of Merchantman

LONDON, Feb. 28 (TP)—The British Government placed full responsibility for the sinking of the freighter "Alcira" upon the Spanish Rebels today.

The government demanded compensation for the ship and indemnity to the crew for their losses.

The Alcira was a 1400 ton ship. She was sunk by two air bombers.

STANGHAI, Feb. 28. (TP)—British officials in Shanghai and Hong Kong prepared protests against an alleged attack on a British Imperial Airways transport plane.

The pilot of the air liner said that Japanese warships had trained anti-aircraft batteries and machine guns on the British plane soon after it left Hong Kong on a flight to Shanghai.

On Feb. 3, while en route from England to Barcelona with a cargo of coal. All 21 members of the crew and a non-intervention inspector were rescued.

The Spanish Rebels refused to take responsibility for the sinking of the Alcira. Rebel leaders insisted that it had not been proved that the planes were units of the Franco air force. The Fascists also took exception to the note of the British note of protest, which they regarded as unduly harsh.

Today, the British commercial agent at Salamanca was instructed to demand full satisfaction for the sinking of the "Alcira" and at the same time explain the British position regarding the tone of its note.

LONDON Will Rectify. LONDON, Feb. 28. (TP)—Sources close to the British Foreign Office said today that the London government will reject any demand by Premier Mussolini for naval parity in the Mediterranean.

Mussolini has made the question of naval parity with Britain in the Italian sea a point of national honor and prestige. Diplomatic observers said it will insist on his point.

Prime Minister Chamberlain told the House of Commons today, however, that there was no truth in reports that Italy had demanded a share in the defense of the Suez Canal. The report also was denied by the Italian Minister at Cairo, where it had caused a furor and inspired a demand that Egypt be given a place at the Anglo-Italian conference table.

Chamberlain Admittant. LONDON, Feb. 28.—In the face of a withering attack by opposition members in the House of Commons today, Chamberlain said that the government would not accept a compromise amendment to the first section, setting the necessary cost of living at 10 per cent. This proposal was sent back to the Chamber.

Speedily, the Chamber Labor Committee rejected the amendment by a vote of 15 to 2. The lower house is scheduled to discuss the change later today but there is little prospect for adoption unless the Senate yields its position.

Senate Tie-ups Bared. Popular front members of the Chamber strongly condemned the conservative resistance in the Senate as jeopardizing the welfare of the country. They pointed out the close connection of some of the most reactionary senators with the Federation of French Employers who bitterly combat the labor code.

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## Fund Lack Forces Closing of Home for Blind Babies

SUMMIT, N. J., Feb. 28 (TP)—Lack of funds will force the closing tomorrow of the Arthur Sunshine Home and Nursery School for blind babies. The home has been in existence for 30 years. It originally was conducted by the International Sunshine Society.

The closing tomorrow will mean that 11 sightless infants will be sent back to their homes in the states responsible for their maintenance. A small staff will remain at the home with the director, Dr. Kathryn Maxwell, to engage in research and extension work so long as funds for the purpose hold out.

At one time the Arthur Sunshine Home cared for 45 blind babies. One of its functions was teaching parents how to bring up blind children. Trustees have expressed the hope that the closing of the home will be only temporary.

French Senate Again Blocks Labor Reforms

Popular Front Leaders Bare Senate Links With Employers

PARIS, Feb. 28.—With a midnight deadline bringing nearer the expiration of 7,000 collective labor contracts, the recalcitrant Senate of France today again blocked the government's labor code.

Already passed by the Chamber of Deputies through insistence of Popular Front parties, the first two sections of the code are designed to replace the arbitration law expiring tonight.

The code is markedly different from that first introduced by the Radical Socialist, Premier Camille Chautemps, which provided few benefits to the workers.

Chautemps Dependent. Less than 24 hours after he had won support for his foreign policy, Chautemps threatened to resign if the Senate balked at accepting the labor code. He warned that his government could not stand unless the impending labor situation were settled.

The first two sections of the code provide:

1. Granting an automatic wage increase every six months in the event that cost of living rises more than 5 per cent in this time.

2. Establishing a system of government arbitration for obtaining new collective labor contracts.

Compromise Rejected. At noon today, the French Senate, many of whose members were elected before the surge to power of popular front forces, had accepted neither of these two bills. Instead they proposed a "compromise amendment" to the first section, setting the necessary cost of living at 10 per cent. This proposal was sent back to the Chamber.

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## STATE ENTERS PROJECT CRISIS IN LOS ANGELES

Inquiry Threatened If County Fails to Act on Sewing Jobs

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 28.—The Assembly Interim Committee for Social Welfare today threatened to investigate both the Los Angeles County Supervisors and the State Relief Administration if some agreement is not reached immediately on the women's sewing project.

At the same time, the Workers Alliance, organization fighting the battle of the dismissed project women, announced that unless it gets satisfactory action by tomorrow, it will stage another demonstration in the Board of Supervisors' chambers.

The situation precipitated by the closing down of the project due to lack of funds, threatening the livelihood of 5000 women in this city, has become a local scandal. Stormy scenes were enacted in the Supervisorial chambers including the alleged use of profanity by one Supervisor against the women, and a good drubbing administered the same Supervisor by the same woman.

Assemblyman Elmer Lore, chairman of the Social Welfare committee, advised Supervisor Herbert Legg, leader in the drive for county sponsorship of the project of the prospective inquiry. Legg had previously asked Lore to investigate.

Lore is awaiting the outcome of tomorrow's Supervisorial session before taking any further action. If the county again refuses to advance half of the project's cost to match the half advanced by the SRA, then the investigation will be pressed.

Four votes are necessary to swing the proposition. Roger Jessup, board chairman, and Leland Ford, the board's most consistent reactionary, are the project's only opponents.

Baruch Deserts FR In Attack on New Deal Tax Policies

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28 (TP)—A friend and advisor of President Roosevelt, Bernard Baruch, criticized the new deal today for its attitude toward business. The white haired financier, who frequently has been a White House visitor, testified before the special Senate unemployment committee.

Baruch directed his fire toward the surplus profits and capital gains taxes. He also discussed the general effect of the government's attitude on business. The financier said that a feeling of security was the only element missing from what might prove to be a great forward movement on the part of business.

The witness also implied a criticism of the methods used by President Roosevelt in bringing about a reform of business practices. Baruch cited the industrial policy of President Wilson during the World War. He explained that Wilson worked on the principle that government should keep hands off all industry which is working in proper order and interfere only with those industries not operating in a proper manner.

Kynette Again Refused Bail

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 28.—Police Captain Earl Kynette remained behind the bars today, as Judge Clarence Kincaid, after reading the Grand Jury transcript on the Kynette case refused to accept bail.

Kynette is Number One suspect in the bombing of Harry Raymond, former San Diego police chief, and recently independent investigator of vice.

## Upholds Labor Board Against Greyhound Co.

### Warehouses Union Files 'Unfair' Charge

All 8800 Workers Threatened as Non-Grocery Firms Enter Dispute and Post Notices of Lockout—Paton Charges Conspiracy

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 28 (TP)—Four thousand persons were estimated to be jobless because of the warehouse tieup today as employers indicated today that 180 warehouses belonging to the Associated Distributors of San Francisco may be closed by tomorrow. The warehouses posted notices that workers refusing to handle orders for the Hagstrom food stores would be fired.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 28.—While all 8800 members of the Warehousemen's Union, ILWU Local 1-6, were threatened with a lockout by the employers, the union countered today by filing charges of unfair labor practices against the Hagstrom Food Stores Co., which precipitated the dispute, and preparing additional charges against the other warehouses.

The National Labor Relations Board said the Warehousemen's Union had charged the Hagstrom Co. with firing a shop steward at its warehouse for union activity.

All 8800 Involved. "According to the employers, all 8800 of our members are involved in this lockout situation," declared Eugene Paton, Local 1-6 president. "The whole thing is a conspiracy by the employers to break our union. The question of the one man at Hagstrom's is not important, either to the employers or to the union. They have been looking for an issue to hang their conspiracy on, for months, and now they think they have an excuse that will hold water."

"But we think the issue will not hold water when we explain the issues at stake to the rest of the labor movement and the general public."

"Not only the warehouse employers are involved in this. There are other groups outside of these employers who are conspiring to smash our union."

Cites Stalling on Contract. Paton told the People's World that the refusal of the employers to reach an agreement for a 1938 contract with the union, along with their repeated stalling tactics in negotiations, was proof that the employers were trying to delay matters until they got an excuse for a lockout.

The union met with representatives of the "Committee of 43," employer association, this afternoon to discuss the lockout.

The Public Commercial and Woolworth warehouses posted notices that workers now refusing to handle orders for the Hagstrom Co. would be discharged.

Normally, pointed out Paton, these warehouses do not even enter into the grocery warehouse field, showing that the employers are deliberately provoking the industry-wide lockout.

A "Lockout Bulletin," issued by Local 1-6 today, pointed out the difference between a strike and a lockout, as follows:

What a Strike Is. "At the Hagstrom Grocery house (Continued on Page 6, Column 2)

## School Needs Told in Plea For U.S. Funds to Aid States

ATLANTIC CITY, Feb. 28 (TP)—Chairman Floyd Reeves of the President's Advisory Committee on Education made a plea today for federal aid to the states for education.

Reeves spoke before the Atlantic City convention of the American Association of School Administrators. In a report to the President last week Reeves' committee asked for federal educational grants to the states beginning with \$700,000,000 in 1939.

The report found "glaring inequalities" in educational opportunities throughout the country. Chairman Reeves told the school administrators that under present conditions great number of future citizens are receiving what he termed "inadequate preparation for effective living."

He suggested three special funds. One would go toward improved preparation of teachers and other educational personnel. The second special fund would go toward the rehousing of rural schools. And the third fund is suggested for the administration of state departments of education.

Reeves also proposed that the U. S. office of education be provided with better facilities for research and leadership.

### Refuses to Hear Plea Against CIO Shop

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—The Supreme Court today upheld the validity of the New York Rapid Transit closed shop agreement that compels employees to join the CIO union, by refusing to entertain an appeal to test that validity.

The Court overruled a Federal injunction in Milwaukee against the picketing of a shop where a union has no members.

The court upheld against the Greyhound Bus Co. the right of the National Labor Relations Board to hold elections and impose rulings. It agreed to review the case of the Mackay Radio Company, in which the company now has a ruling barring the NLRB from action.

The Transport Workers Union of New York, CIO, was attacked by company stooges claiming to represent the AFL Amalgamated Association of Street and Electrical Railways. The case bore some resemblance to the Waterfront dispute on the West Coast. As the result of election, the Transport Workers had obtained a closed shop agreement with the company, and the isolated group of employees opposing the Transport Workers got money from somewhere to fight the case clear to the U. S. Supreme Court.

Milwaukee Case. The Milwaukee case was that of the injunction issued by Federal Judge Ferdinand A. Geiger, prohibiting picketing of the Butcher shops of E. G. Shiner Co., on the grounds the union had no members in those shops. The case is expected to eventually upset New Jersey state court decisions that a union can not picket where the shop is filled with scabs and work is proceeding "normally."

The Greyhound bus case was one of the first attempts by a large corporation to use the courts to overthrow decisions of the NLRB. It was supposed to be the test case for the constitutionality of the Wagner Act, but the Associated Press case got ahead of it, and the Act was upheld April 12, 1937. The Supreme Court followed previous decisions in its rejection of the Greyhound appeal today.

Other Decisions. Not to interfere with a ruling of the Court of Appeals permitting the manufacture of phonograph records or recording equipment for use on radios broadcasting to the U.S.A.

Upholding the right of the Federal government to impose estate taxes on irrevocable trusts where the creator of the trust retains a life interest in the income from the estate. This has hitherto been a convenient means of escaping taxes.

Agreed to rule on the Frazier-Lemke Farm Mortgage Moratorium Act.

Rejected the plea of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. to test validity of the State of Oklahoma rate orders.

Mrs. Visits Mr. Capone at Alcatraz Prison

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 28 (TP)—Mrs. Al Capone secretly visited her gangster husband at Alcatraz Island Federal Prison today.

Capone is reported suffering from a complete mental and physical breakdown.

It is reported that she visited him today, the end of the month, so that she will be able to see him again tomorrow in accordance with the rule allowing prisoners to see a relative once each month.

## World Builders Called To Mobilize on Sunday

Every World Builder and his friend is hereby asked to answer this call to a mass mobilization in the interest of the Daily PEOPLE'S WORLD.

This coming Sunday, the "PW" Sunday, will be devoted to visiting all readers of the Daily who have been receiving the paper for one month on the special trial subscriptions.

World Builders will go to these new friends of the Daily PEOPLE'S WORLD to bring home to them the necessity of giving their further support to the paper by continuing their subscription for the year.

This is the first real important achievement attempted under the banner of the World Builders Association. World Builders are requested to give this day, March 6 to the furtherance of the Daily!

Let's all get out on "PEOPLE'S WORLD SUNDAY"! Every trial a yearly subscriber!

# Oakland Negro Youth, 18, Returned to Reform School

## Defense Charges "Railroading" in Case

OAKLAND, Feb. 28.—Harvey Simpson, 18-year-old Negro youth, is on his way back to Preston Reform School today in what Attorney George Andersen of the International Labor Defense charged is a "little piece of railroading."

"Disturbing the peace" charges against Simpson were dismissed by Police Judge Thomas Kennedy this morning on motion of the prosecution. This cleared the way for the discretionary powers of the parole officer to declare the terms of his parole violated.

Andersen said he would get a copy of the parole and seek the release of Simpson on habeas corpus proceedings.

It was pointed out that the parole officer's charges are the same as those involved in the "disturbing of the peace" charge, wherein the prosecutor obviously did not want his witnesses to be questioned.

Simpson was one of the leaders of the McClymonds High School strike and one of the five who were beaten by police in the station.

A conference of West Oakland residents and particularly leaders of Negro organizations will hold a second meeting tomorrow at 8 p.m., in the I.L.D. office, Carpenters Hall, for a further investigation into the whole background of the police terror in West Oakland.

## Crew of Burning Vessel Rescued

NEW YORK, Feb. 23 (TP)—The steamship Cavalier reported to Mackey Radcliff today that it had rescued the crew of the schooner, "Hazel Myra" about 200 miles off the coast of Georgia.

The radio message said that the crew of the "Hazel Myra" abandoned the schooner when flames swept over it and it started leaking badly in a gale.

The captain of the schooner, S. Aker, and the five members of the crew were in small boats when the cavalier reached the vicinity of the burning vessel. The sailors are all out of Lunenburg, N.S.

## Demand Wages for Crew of Shipwrecked Vessels

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 28.—Masters, Mates and Pilots Local 30 with endorsement of the Labor Council is demanding wages for shipwrecked crews until they reach their home ports.

The union calls for passage of a bill now before Congress to amend the present Federal statute that cuts off pay of the crew as soon as a wreck makes them unemployed. The union also wishes legislation to give shipwrecked crews transportation as passengers to their home ports.

## 42nd Steamship Line Votes CIO in East

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—The Pocomoke Steamship Company employees voted 198 to 21 for the National Maritime Union and gave the N.M.U. its 42nd victory in National Labor Relations Board elections, the union announced today.

The total vote on all eastern steamship lines that have voted is now 16,142 for the N.M.U., affiliated to the CIO, and 2,350 for the AFL and independent unions combined.

Recent elections include one on the Gulf Oil Corporation ships where the N.M.U. got 575 votes to 36 for the AFL International Seamen's Union, and an election on the American Seafarers Line which gave the N.M.U. 325 votes as against seven for the ISU.

## Dr. Mills to Speak on Migratory Worker

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 28.—"The Migratory Worker in California" will be the theme of an address by Dr. Omer Mills, Director of Farm Security Administration in the Western States, in the Mirror Room of the Hotel Sacramento on Thursday at 8 P. M. The talk is to be given under the auspices of the Committee for Political Unity. No admission will be charged.

Dr. Mills is a renowned authority on the subject of migratory labor, having had a part in the writing of a definitive volume with the same title as his speech. This problem has assumed special significance in recent years with the importation of Oriental laborers, the dispossession of small California farmers by land corporations and the influx of poverty stricken families from the dust bowl area.

## General Retires

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28 (TP)—The former Superintendent of the West Point Military Academy, Maj. William Connor, is retiring today on his 64th birthday.

## Professional Announcement

LEO GALLAGHER  
A. L. WILKIN  
GROVER JOHNSON  
Labor Attorneys  
Have entered into partnership with offices at 524 American Bank Building, Second and Spring Streets, Los Angeles. Telephone TUcker 6335.

# Laborers' Agent Short \$295 in Fresno Books

## Bennett Makes No Effort to Deny Findings of Auditing Committee on Missing Funds; Membership to Press Action

(Special to the People's World)

FRESNO, Cal., Feb. 28.—An audit of the books of Business Agent L. Bennett of the Hod Carriers and Common Laborers Local 294 shows \$295 short on 140 initiation fees during the last six months, it was revealed today.

It seems that this reactionary official is about to end a notorious career.

When confronted at the union meeting Friday night with the auditing committee's report, Bennett made no attempt to deny the charges that he had taken the money, but said that if the members would produce their receipts he would pay it back.

Two members immediately presented receipts for \$25 each, \$6 of which was missing, and Bennett became much embarrassed over the situation.

It was pointed out that progressives at the meeting had no check-up had been made on a dozen of workers who paid in a few dollars on their permits and then dropped out. A motion to appoint a new auditing committee to make a more thorough study of Bennett's books was unanimously adopted.

The auditing committee's reports show an average of more than \$2 missing on each \$25 initiation fee. It is doubtful whether the total will ever know how much was taken on working permits.

It is rumored that Bennett will resign to avoid the damaging evidence that is certain to be produced by the second auditing committee, providing he can act faster than an indignant membership intent on kicking him out.

# Charge Green With Raid on CIO Can Plant

## Effort Is Made to Force Workers Join AFL Machinists

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 27.—Steel Workers Organizing Committee representative John Despot today charged William Green and local stooges with an attempt to raid the membership of SWOC at the San Francisco plant of the American Can Co.

Despot included in his charges as chief enemies of the SWOC workers, Roland Watson, Green's local representative, Anthony Balzerini, business representative of the AFL Machinists Lodge 1327, and certain representatives of the AFL cannery workers union. They are trying to drive the can workers into International Association of Machinists Lodge 1327, he said.

"We have definite knowledge that Green has ordered Watson to take charge of the attempt," said Despot, "but the members of SWOC Local 1684 can not be led into any such splitting maneuver."

"We are not going back to the old phony set up," said Frank Drumville, president of Local 1684, "particularly as International Association of Machinists Lodge 1327 admits in its circular letter to the American Can Workers that it has only a 60 cent minimum. This would mean a seven and a half cents per hour wage cut for us."

The American Can Co. workers were first organized as a Federal Local of the AFL a year ago they voted by referendum to affiliate with the CIO. Since then they have won not only the 67 and a half cents per hour minimum, the highest for any can workers in the United States, hourly wages run up to \$1.25 an hour, and with the CIO they also won the 40-hour week, recognition of grievance committee, seniority rights and other union conditions.

# Riot Charge Used to Jail Wool Shearers

## Union Denies Violence; Merely Trying to Organize Men

PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 28.—Seventeen members of the Sheep-shearers Union of North America were held to the Superior Court for trial on felony charges by Nat T. McKee, justice of the peace here.

The workers were arrested on riot charges arising out of an attempt to organize more completely their union in this section and to establish union standards in their industry through collective bargaining with the wool-growers.

The union officials have offered to submit their differences to arbitration through arbitrators selected by the workers and the employers, but so far their offer has not been accepted by the employers.

The 17 held on riot charges of riot furnished \$300 bonds each and were released pending trial later.

Those held were A. A. Evans, president of the union at Butte, Mont.; Manuel Paredes, Miguel C. Duran, W. S. Patterson, M. R. Stanger, William Brownell, Noble Rogers, A. C. Davis, Johnny Beutler, Salome Pineda, Manuel Teodoro, Ignacio Munoz, Mike Salinas, Luis Cotos, Eduardo Marquez, John Holguin and Elias Hernandez.

# LaFollette Committee to Make N. A. M. Study

## Washington, Feb. 28.—The Senate Civil Liberties Committee will resume sittings Wednesday, its chairman, Senator Robert LaFollette announced today.

# No Backing for Cowan in Dual Union Attempt

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 28.—Walter Cowan's attempts to organize a dual union against the CIO Alaska Cannery Workers Union, Local 5, are without benefit of support from the local union, a press release of Local 5 declared here today.

Miscellaneous Employees Union, Local 110, Culinary Alliance, of which Cowan is president, has voted unanimously to endorse Local 5 as the bona fide union of the Alaska cannery workers, after hearing Ben Fee and Salvador Caballero speak for the local.

Cowan is the organizer, appointed by AFL State Secretary Edward D. Vandeur, for the dual Alaska Fish Cannery Union, Local 2161.

The Vandeur-Cowan machine's "Local 2161" tried to hold a meeting of its boasted "1,600 membership" yesterday. Observers reported only a handful present.

Fred West has been installed in office as president after a factional fight for control of the local by certain elements who opposed the recently ousted President Gonzales.

# Assembly Club Formed by S. F. Labor League

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 28.—Labor's Non-Partisan League will set up its first assembly district club at a mass meeting on March 10, 8 p. m., at the Building Service Employees Union Hall, 109 Golden Gate Ave., it was announced here today.

The meeting will organize the 22nd Assembly District Club of the League.

Speakers will be John F. Shelley, president of the AFL Central Labor Council, and J. Vernon Burke, state secretary, LNPL.

# 29,052 Lose Jobs

OTTAWA, Canada, Feb. 28.—A loss of 29,052 jobs throughout Canada in January, a very sharp decline in employment in this country of small population, was revealed today by the report of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

# GORDON'S LIQUORS

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# 3000 DEMAND RELIEF PUT ON STATE AGENDA

## Government Duty to Aid Jobless, Says Ellis Patterson

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 28.—"When private industry can't give men jobs at prevailing wage scales, it is the duty of the government, state and federal, to see that jobs are created," declared Assemblyman Ellis E. Patterson, King City, a candidate for lieutenant-governor, to 3000 people assembled at an unemployment mass meeting yesterday afternoon in Civic Center.

"Any nation that wants to make democracy work," continued Patterson, "must provide its citizens jobs at a high wage scale."

Called by the San Francisco Labor Unions Unemployed Committee, the demonstration adopted resolutions demanding that the Merriam include unemployment relief on the agenda for the special session of the legislature, supporting Labor's Non-Partisan League for the coming state elections.

"Labor can't stay out of politics," declared Patterson. "If it does, it will lose the gains it has won and be unable to make more gains."

The assemblyman urged that progressives mobilize for the Democratic primaries.

"If we get a Merriam Democrat in the primaries," he said, "we won't have anybody to vote for."

Mrs. Dorothy Clark Murphy, president of the WPA sewing project local, Workers Alliance, declared: "I speak for 12,000 women on California sewing projects, whose jobs are menaced and whose lives are menaced. There have been no three consecutive months in two years when the projects were not menaced. When the projects are eliminated, we have no way to live, no place to go except on relief."

Other speakers were Wm. P. Shields, Machinists Local 68, who outlined the function of the Unemployment Council; Alex Noral, Workers Alliance state president; Herbert Nugent, local W. A. president; Sam Jaye, Culinary Miscellaneous Employees, Local 110, Chairman was A. F. Gaynor, Labor's Non-Partisan League state chairman.

# LaFollette Seeking Inquiry on Lumber

## Study of Conditions in Northwest Is Hampered by Lack of Funds, Senator Tells Pritchett

SEATTLE, Feb. 28.—Echoes of labor's struggle for democracy in the lumbering industry has reached the nation's capitol. Senator Robert LaFollette, C. W. Madden, chairman of the NLRB, and John L. Lewis expressed a desire to come to the Northwest, it was learned today when Harold J. Pritchett, president of the International Woodworkers of America, returned from Washington, D. C.

Chairman Madden will come to the Coast early this Spring, in place of Edwin Smith, who was originally scheduled to make the tour. The date of Lewis' arrival is yet indefinite.

Senator LaFollette told Mr. Pritchett that the Committee has desired to investigate this area for some time, but is hampered by lack of funds. It is now seeking an appropriation from the Senate in order to carry on its work.

Protests Discrimination

While in Washington, Mr. Pritchett also called at relief headquarters to protest the discrimination now being practiced against locked out employees in Oregon. A state wide drive is being made by the government, the mayor of Portland and AFL officials to force the workers back under the dominance of the AFL.

One of the methods being employed is to prevent locked out employees from receiving relief.

Acting relief administrator Aubrey Williams wired Portland's relief head that anyone in need of relief must be given relief providing their quota was not exceeded. Relief Administrator Griffiths in Portland lamely wired back that lumber workers have "not cooperated" and sought to use this as an excuse because appeals of applicants for relief had not been fulfilled.

Harold J. Pritchett was assured by the Department of Immigration that his entry into the United States will be allowed under a six months visitor's permit, although his application for permanent visa has not been granted by the state department.

# WPA Women Punished for Alliance Talk

## Workers Lose Half Day's Wage for Hearing Noonday Speech

SPOKANE, Wash., Feb. 28.—One hundred women on WPA sewing projects here were sent home and made to lose half a day's work as penalty for listening to a Workers Alliance organizer on their own noon hour time, the unemployed union's organizers here charged today.

Al Germain, Secretary of Local 85 of the Alliance placed a formal demand for action with the U. S. Department of Investigation, WPA Division in which he related the anti-labor acts as follows:

A meeting in the assembly room of Hawthorne School, Spokane, where a women's sewing project is installed, had been advertised. It was to take place entirely on the women's own time.

Dor. Able, State Administrator of WPA in Seattle telephoned "over the hump" to Spokane and ordered WPA Zone Engineer Harry Lytle to threaten the women with loss of half a day's pay if they listened to the Workers Alliance speaker.

About 100 of the women defied this edict and heard Jim Haggin, Executive Board member of the Alliance speak to them on their rights as union members, and the meaning of the Wagner Act and similar legislation, which has been accepted as a working principle even by the WPA chief administration in Washington.

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# Pennsylvania Labor Seeks Farm Alliance

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 28.—All Western Pennsylvania CIO leaders and a considerable number of AFL and Railroad Brotherhood lodge representatives in conference here today moved for farmer-labor political unity.

They were acting on details of a program outlined by the following motion passed yesterday:

"That all farmer organizations be approached for the purpose of cementing labor and agricultural workers in political and industrial efforts and objectives."

"That labor representatives confer with agricultural spokesmen before taking any action which might affect both groups."

"That a legislative program be sponsored and approved by both farmers and unions."

The meeting yesterday heard Carson Merz, of Windberg, Pa., representing the National Farm Security League declare the farmers are "100 per cent with labor."

# USE 'GOONISM' AS EXCUSE TO WRECK UNIONS

PROGRESSIVE POLICIES Bring About Arrest of Edwards

(Special to the People's World)

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 28.—The campaign launched here by police, city and state officials to utilize the "goon round-up" as a means of discrediting the entire labor movement, was gathering momentum here today following the arrest last Thursday of Herbert Edwards, progressive organizer of the AFL Building Service Union, Local 49.

Although Edwards was arrested and taken to the police station, a charge was placed against him and no reason given for his arrest. Despite the lack of a charge, however, he was insulted and threatened by police.

The Building Service Union has been picketing the Selling Bldg. here for several months, and has long been considered the progressive section of the Portland labor movement. Edwards' arrest, it is believed, is a direct attack on the union and its policies by the police department.

Arrest Protested

The union's executive board is planning wide-scale protests against the arrest. Meeting in special session Thursday night, it passed a resolution flaying the police action, directed to Mayor Joseph K. Carson, Police Chief Harry M. Niles, Commissioners Beau Bennett, Clyde and Riley and to the LaFollette Senate Civil Liberties Committee.

The resolution declared that Edwards was taken to the police station and "questioned primarily about his union activity, threatened with physical violence by... nice detectives, and warned by... to leave the state of Oregon. During all this time, Mr. Edwards was absolutely innocent of the violation of any law, no warrant had been issued for his arrest, he was not under arrest, and, further, he was not even accused of the violation of any law whatsoever.

Violates U. S. Laws

"We, the executive board of said union, in behalf of ourselves and the membership thereof, charge that such illegal conduct by the Portland police constitutes a flagrant violation of the constitution of the state of Oregon, is also a flagrant violation of the laws of the United States, particularly the Wagner Act, and is a threat to all other law-abiding citizens, particularly those who are members of organized labor and who are engaged in furthering its lawful ends.

"We directly charge the mayor and city council of Portland, who are in charge of the Portland police, with responsibility for such illegal conduct, and we demand that such illegal conduct immediately cease."

# Strike Wins Increase for CIO Clay Workers

OAKLAND, Feb. 28.—The CIO won its three and a half month strike against the N. Clark & Sons Clay Products plant with the signing of an agreement over the week end by the firm and granting of two and a half cents an hour increase. Another similar raise is to be granted June 1.

The kilns are being fired up and work will start this week for 120 men.

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# G-MEN SEIZE DOCUMENTS IN SPY ARRESTS

## New Evidence Links Agents With Moscow Robinson Mystery

NEW YORK, Feb. 28 (TP)—Reports circulated in Federal building at noon today that Federal Agents had seized a woman and valuable documents in a spy raid on an apartment at Sunnyside, Queens.

### Link Spies to Robinsons

NEW YORK, Feb. 28 (TP)—Federal agents were reported to be setting a direct link between the months old Rubens Robinson passport case and the recent arrests of three spy suspects.

While agents started tracking down at least half a dozen suspects connected with the spy ring, it was learned on high authority that the G-men are going into the passport mystery with renewed vigor.

### Nazis Jump G-Men

It was recalled that when the man known as Donald L. Robinson was arrested in Moscow, the news was reported by German sources long before it was known in the United States. This was regarded as significant in view of the official belief that the three suspects now under arrest in New York—Grünther, Humrich, Johann Hofmann and Erich Glasow—were working for Germany.

It was pointed out that the German interests in the Robinson case in its early stages was unusual, in view of the fact that Robinson was traveling under an American passport.

It should develop that the man known as Rubens or Robinson was a German agent operating in Russia, the interest of the German news agencies would be explained.

## Trial Opens for Ten Jailed in Election Fraud

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 28 (TP)—Ten persons went on trial today in charges of fraud conspiracy in connection with Kansas City's general elections of 1936. Selection of a jury was begun before Federal Judge Merrill Otis.

U.S. District Attorney, Maurice Milligan, called more than 120 witnesses for the present trial. During past months, Milligan won conviction of 50 election officials on similar vote fraud charges as a result of alleged irregularities in the 1936 election.

## CCC to Begin Closing 300 Camps in March

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28 (TP)—The Civilian Conservation Corps will begin closing about 300 camps in March.

The closings were ordered in keeping with President Roosevelt's budget recommendation of \$226,000,000 for the CCC during the next fiscal year, as compared with \$315,000,000 for the current year.

CCC director Robert Fechner said the camps will have to be abandoned by July 1.

## Use Food Allowance to Pay for Rise in Rents

RICHMOND, Cal., Feb. 28.—Rents in Contra Costa County have gone up from 25 per cent to 40 per cent so that those on relief are forced to use their already inadequate food allowance to pay for four walls and a roof, the Labor Union's Unemployed Relief Council declared here today.

The Council has notified the State Relief Administration of this situation and at its last meeting passed a resolution demanding a 25 to 40 per cent increase in the rent allowance.

### Grain Exchange Licensed

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28 (TP)—The San Francisco Grain Exchange was licensed today under the Commodity Exchange Act to deal in wheat and barley futures.

## French Press Agog Over Visit of British Ruler

PARIS, Feb. 28 (TP)—The announcement that Britain's King George and Queen Elizabeth will visit France this June has inspired a field day among Paris newspapers.

The coming visit was universally interpreted as a sign of close cooperation between the French and the British in the cause of peace. The journey will be the first to visit outside the British empire for the king and queen, and much stress was laid on the fact that the sovereigns chose France for their junket.

The newspaper "Le Temps" declared: "The whole French nation appreciates the testimony of sympathy which the British sovereigns thus desire to give our country."

The paper "L'Intransigeant" chose to interpret the proposed visit of the British royal couple

## Swastika Footprints in Czechoslovakia Lead to Nazi's Arrest

PRAGUE, Feb. 28 (TP)—An Austrian Nazi is in jail today because whenever he walked on soft soil he left the imprint of the nazi swastika.

Young Johan Bauernschlein recently visited Schoenau, Czechoslovakia. Police were surprised to see the imprint of the forbidden swastika in the neighborhood of the Radweg station.

A traveler noticed that wherever the young Austrian walked the Nazi emblem appeared on the ground. The young man was arrested and told to take off his boots for inspection.

Police found that the swastika was made on the boot soles by nails hammered in regular pattern. The young nazi is now being held in Znamim prison.

## Wait Ruling In Nazi Trial Of Neimoeller

### Charges Boiled Down in Case Against Reverend

BERLIN, Feb. 28.—Somewhat obscured by the roars and sensational moves of Chancellor Adolf Hitler, a furtive windup of the secret trial of the Rev. Martin Niemöller was expected here today.

What the verdict of the three Nazi judges will be is not known. But it is thought that due to the tremendous popular interest in the case here, the sentence will not be a severe one. Hitler, or some other high official, may seek to ingratiate himself by issuing a pardon to the protestant pastor and former U-boat commander.

Nazi prosecutors disclosed that all charges of treason and political plotting were withdrawn. The indictment is now based only on "speaking disparagingly of leading personages" and similar indefinite charges.

When the trial was resumed after a short recess just before Hitler's Reichstag pronouncement, the Nazi censorship worked much more efficiently than before. Previously, scattered reports leaked out on the gloomy court room to the rest of Berlin and even into the foreign press.

Since, not a word has appeared during the past week either in the completely controlled German press or in foreign newspapers.

## Berlin, Vienna Aid Sought By Besieged Nazis

GRAZ, Austria, Feb. 28 (TP)—Nazis in the province of Styria looked to Vienna and Berlin today for help in lifting the virtual siege that Chancellor Schuschnigg threw about their stronghold.

Austrian federal troops with tanks, planes, armored cars and machine guns blocked a plan over the week-end for a march on Vienna. Chancellor Schuschnigg also appointed one of his staunchest lieutenants, Guido Zernatto, to take charge of the Fatherland Front in Styria.

The Graz Nazis are looking to the new Austrian Minister of the Interior, Dr. Arthur Seyss-Inquart, to come to their aid. Seyss-Inquart is a Nazi sympathizer and was expected to make things easier for Austrian Nazis through his control of the police. The action of Chancellor Schuschnigg in using federal troops, however, took the Graz situation out of the hands of Seyss-Inquart.

### 3 Fascist Groups Merge in Canada

OTTAWA, Feb. 28 (TP)—Three Canadian fascist groups will merge this week into one Dominion-wide organization.

On Friday the separate swastika organizations of Quebec, Ontario and the West will pool their resources. The merger will come about through a joint declaration by the Chief of Quebec's National Christian Socialist Party, Adrien Arcand; the head of the West's Canadian Nationalist Party, William Whitaker; and the leader of the undercover fascist group in Ontario, who is known as a "man of the people."

One chief will be chosen to head the enlarged fascist organization which will function under one name.

## BALKAN HEADS STRADDLE ON EUROPE ISSUES

### Back League, But Give Mussolini Conquest Recognition

ANKARA, Turkey, Feb. 28. Members of the Balkan Entente strove in a public declaration today to straddle the rift between the fascist and democratic nations. Turkey, Greece, Rumania and Yugoslavia make up the entente.

In today's joint announcement the four said they would recognize Italy's Ethiopian empire but at the same time renewed their pledge of allegiance to the League of Nations.

The four states declared themselves in favor of no foreign intervention in the Spanish war. But simultaneously they reserved the right to send commercial agents to the insurgent capital at Burgos.

### Fine Tory Hand

Throughout the moves was half-seen wire-pulling by the Chamberlain conservatives in London. Observers here attributed the empire recognition clause directly to the present maneuvering between British Tories and the Black Shirts of Italy. The attitude toward Spain was also cited as showing the dominance of the reactionary British policy in these Balkan states.

On the other hand, the strong protestation of loyalty to the League of Nations was seen as an immediate reflection of the vigorous stand for collective security taken last weekend by the French Popular Front Government.

### Seek U. S. Arms

The United States entered today's developments from another aspect. Turkey and perhaps other of the Balkans are known to be bartering for armament purchases from this country.

The Turkish Government appropriated last month about \$35,000,000 for rearmament with most of this spent on the purchase of the air force. Turkey has for some time been a good aviation customer of the United States. Now Turkey plans to build up her force to 1,000 first line planes.

Another and darker aspect of Turkey's rearmament is seen in the fact that four submarines are being built for the government, two in Hamburg and two in Karlskrona. In both cases the big German firm of Krupp is doing the construction.

To date, however, relations between Turkey and the Soviet Union have been most friendly. In 1936 the Soviet Government made the smaller country a big loan as an aid to industrial rehabilitation and executing of social reforms.

## Stagger Plan Cuts Wages of Film Workers

Reactionary Scheme Is Conceived by IATSE Officials

(People's World Hollywood Bureau) HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 28.—Studio workers today are staggering under a "stagger-the-work" plan which cut down the employment of full time workers from six to four days per week, with a corresponding reduction in wages.

The plan conceived by the bureaucratic officials of the International Alliance of Theatrical and Stage Employees, was put into effect by a swift telephone conversation between George Browne, IATSE chieftain, and representative of the Motion Picture Producers Association, on Friday.

Affected are studio technicians, cameramen, stage hands and others under IATSE jurisdiction. This was the IATSE method of meeting the mass unemployment in the motion picture industry.

### Mass Meeting

In sharp contrast to this was a mass meeting of 500 motion picture workers on the same night that the notorious stagger-the-work pact was sealed. Called by the Studio Unemployment Conference, the meeting attracted members of various filmland unions and guilds.

The meeting placed emphasis on the need for stabilizing employment in the industry, and putting a halt to the artificial recession.

It was announced that certain of the crafts were sending delegates to Washington to insist that the Federal government take steps to alleviate unemployment conditions ravaging the industry.

Among those who addressed the meeting were Jack Gillette, of the American Federation of Musicians; Jack Hosen and Herbert Sorrell, Studio Painters Union, and Herbert Biberman of the Screen Directors Guild.

The meeting closed on the note that all members of participating organizations would continue to emphasize the necessity for further unifying and broadening the unemployment conference.

### Bryan, Jr., Nominated

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28. (TP)—President Roosevelt sent to the Senate today the nomination of William Jennings Bryan, Jr., to be collector of customs for the Los Angeles district.

Bryan was named to succeed collector Al Cohen.

# Spirit of Chinese Defies Conquest, Anna Strong Tells 1000 in Seattle; Hankow President Appeals to U. S.

## Famous Author Declares Tokio Was Stunned By Dogged Resistance Of a Unified People

By Ellen McGrath

SEATTLE, Feb. 28.—"China is fighting the war of the democracies in the East," Anna Louise Strong, direct from the interior of China, told over 1000 persons at the Senator Auditorium yesterday.

"The United States had already entered that war whether Americans know it or not," Miss Strong declared. "Exports to Japan are now aiding the fascist invaders although 95 per cent of the American people are sympathetic to China."

"The United States has much to answer for," the former Seattle woman said, "because if Japan wins



ANNA L. STRONG

so they can't be caught, Miss Strong says. These tactics make it impossible for Japan to conquer a given territory, because there are no armies large enough to make it stay conquered.

Their strategy is to break Japan economically and in that way to end their military dictatorship. Miss Strong related that territory between railroads was conquered by the Japanese. They held the villages and controlled the railroads. Because the army couldn't patrol the entire railroad, the 8th Route Army engaged in surprise attacks upon scattered sections, destroyed the track and flung itself upon scattered sections of the Japanese army.

Peasants Support 8th Army Although the Japanese theoretically control the territory, the peasants are paying taxes to the 8th Route army which moves through the Japanese lines without being detected.

The strength of the 8th Route Army lies in its contact with the people, Miss Strong says. Every ten-year-old sheep herder, every peasant is alert to the operations of the invaders. They have a communication network that stretches into every mud but includes every Chinese.

The 8th Route Army does not fall back, Miss Strong says. It attacks, scatters and instead of retreating goes into the interior and remains in the same territory. The Japanese can't annihilate it because the Japanese can't locate it.

Time for the Chinese China says the war will not be decided by super military machines. It will be decided by superior endurance, so the more China fights, the more her spirit rises. The more Japan fights, the more her spirit goes down.

The country is being developed rapidly in the interior although the invading armies are burning factories, laying waste the lands and killing hundreds of thousands of Chinese.

Roads are being built to India and to Moscow as well as traversing the interior. The Mayor of Canton told Miss Strong that if the word went out that a road was to be built—an anti-Japanese road—as high as 100,000 peasants would turn out to speed its construction.

Ninety miles of road were recently built by the peasants in only 24 days.

Japan Worried Japan is frankly worried, Miss Strong says. She is beginning to realize that a victory is no good if you can't cash in on it. Japan is unable to cash in on China.

Japan expected to take North China with its rich deposits of iron and coal and borrow money to develop it. Japan can kill peasants and burn factories and bomb the cities and countryside and theoretically conquer the armies of China. But there are not enough Japanese in the world to make China stay conquered.

Miss Strong will make a cross country lecture tour and remain in New York long enough to complete her new book, titled "Forging a United China."

(People's World Hollywood Bureau) HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 28.—Anna Louise Strong, noted journalist and author of "I Change Worlds" and other works, will be guest of honor at a reception here Thursday evening, March 3. Miss Strong has just returned from a trip to war-torn China. Her hosts will be the Women's Division of the American League for Peace and Democracy. The following evening Miss Strong will address a mass meeting under the League's auspices at the Trinity Auditorium in downtown Los Angeles.

Jackson Approved WASHINGTON, Feb. 28 (TP)—The Senate Judiciary Committee approved today the nomination of Assistant Attorney General Robert Jackson to be solicitor general.

San Francisco SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 28.—Voting to accept or reject the tanker agreement, among the National Maritime Union membership employed by nine tanker companies, will start tomorrow, March 1, it was announced here today by Ralph Rogers, NMU West Coast representative.

The balloting will take place at the time of the first payoff after March 1, in any East or Gulf Coast port, said Rogers.

Seek Missing Flyer MANILA, Feb. 28. (TP)—United States and Philippine army pilots searched the route from Paracale to Manila today in search of Gorton Hall who hopped off on a solo flight for Manila yesterday. Hall was from Tucson, Ariz.

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## Kung Sees Invasion As A First Step to World War; America Next

By Anna Louise Strong

HONG KONG (By Mail)—"America does not realize that this isn't only a war against China. It is the first step in a war against the world."

These are the words I have heard again and again in China, from people who do not understand why America stands aloof.

"If America doesn't see the danger ahead of her," said H. H. Kung, president of the Central Chinese Government, "that's just too bad for America. Against whom is Japan building up such a big Navy? Not against us. We are just the first practice target. If Japan is allowed to win this war, it won't be so safe for America."

"Napoleon in his day was a menace to the peace of Europe. But Japan is much more of a menace. Napoleon was one man; when he died the war was over. Japan's military is not just Tanaka; it is a whole class. To expand Japan has become a sacred duty of Japanese militarists; when one dies, others carry on. They announced their plan; first Manchuria, then China, then the Pacific and Asia, then the world."

America's "Honor" "America's aloofness is harmful to her honor. She took the initiative in organizing the Nine-Power Pact. Then she passes the Neutrality Law to nullify it. But since when can a nation make an international agreement and then nullify it by an internal law? It's as if I handed out checks on my bank to outsiders and then fixed it up so that the checks would not be honored."

"Moreover," he added, "America's aloofness is harming the people of Japan. All moderate tendencies in Japan are being killed by the apathy of America and the other democratic lands. When the more sensible business men advise caution, the younger officers reply: 'You talked of the Nine-Power Pact and the League of Nations but we smash them all and nothing happens.'"

"If Japan can grab China, then next comes the Philippines. America, perhaps, won't care. Will she begin to care when Japan takes Hawaii, then the islands off Alaska? After that, of course, Alaska itself and then down the coast. At what place will America begin to be interested? The easiest place to stop Japan is now, when it can be done without a war, by united economic action of America and England alone. If Japan once gets North China, then it will be too late."

The President evidently had reference to the rich natural resources of North China which would help bring the Japanese closer to the dream of every militarist—economic self-sufficiency.

The same words I have heard from many Americans here. "China," they say, "is fighting our battle. A peace-loving China, building up her own country, offers no threat to the world. She offers a world market of great size, which will help world prosperity and peace."

## With Some Books Boy's Queer Habit Wouldn't Matter

GRAND ETANG, Nova Scotia, Feb. 28 (TP)—Eleven-year-old Adelaar Cormier doesn't know exactly what "mirror writing" means, but he finds it pretty annoying when he isn't allowed to read a book upside down.

Since he started his lessons at the Ruisseau De Lac school, efforts to make Adelaar read with his book at conventional angle have met with little success. In other ways, the boy appears to be normal, with the exception of the fact that he is left-handed.

When he first came to school Adelaar began writing sentences at the right hand side of the page and wrote all his figures in reverse. He also began reading his school books upside down.

Constant correction, which the boy finds very annoying, is gradually changing his style. However, if Adelaar is left to himself for a while, the teacher gets some strange hieroglyphics to ponder over.

## Little Steel Companies Sign With CIO Group

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 28.—Three smaller steel companies, employing a total of 17,000 men had signed contracts similar to those of the U. S. Steel Corporation by today, Steel Workers Organizing Committee of the CIO announced. The companies are Pittsburgh Steel Co., Sharon Steel Corporation and National Supply Co.

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## Why They Blast At Harry Bridges

SENATOR JOSIAH W. BAILEY of North Carolina says:

"Let's hear Bridges. People have been testifying before the Senate Committee on Commerce and saying all sorts of things against him, why shouldn't he answer?"

Innocent Senator Bailey! Probably by this time he has been instructed, and he would have known better anyway, if Alben Barkley had been one of the important ports.

It isn't so much Harry Bridges, it's what he stands for.

Senator Copeland, who runs the Senate Commerce Committee has some bills up, the least of which prohibits striking on the merchant marine. As the National Maritime Union correctly says:

"Having failed in their efforts to halt union growth by force and intrigue, the shipowners are now resorting to legislation. Now that the seamen have organized their own unions there is a very definite 'threat' of decent wages. Naturally, the shipowners, wallowing in fat subsidies, are not overjoyed at the thought of paying decent wages.

"They cannot be expected to give up that privilege without a fight. That fight, carried on for two years on the ships and on the waterfront, has now been transferred to the halls of Congress. In this fight, they naturally count most on their allies, Senator Royal S. Copeland, Representative Schuyler Otis Bland, and others."

That is why every decency must be abrogated. That is why the stream of slander must be turned on Harry Bridges, a flood spewed forth by mysterious "Captain X," the tyrannical and repudiated I.A. President Joseph E. Ryan of New York, Copeland himself, and his curious information from the jail bird and confessed burglar "Harry Kent" of California.

And that is why, too, Copeland determinedly denies Bridges the right to speak—for Bridges might expose this plot to deprive the seamen of the rights of free men.

The voters will know how to deal with such creatures as Copeland when the next elections come around.

Meanwhile all union men should close ranks and prepare to defend themselves.

## Fascism Doesn't "Just Happen"

"CAPITALISM is on trial for its life today," declares Secretary of Agriculture Wallace, in Berkeley.

"It has increased production but it has not given increased economic security and happiness to the people."

And, being on trial, capitalism is seeking to place democracy on trial for its life, and play prosecutor, judge, jury and hangman.

In the words of Secretary Wallace: Many bankers, industrialists and merchants fight democracy because it "tends to put human rights first and property rights second."

"Most of them do not want a government devoted to the interest of farmers, workers and small business men. They fear such a government will destroy capital and therefore, civilization itself."

And there you have a crystallization of the main issue facing the people of America today, the issue of democracy or fascism, of progress or blackest reaction. The Fords, Girders, Morgans, Rockefeller, Duponts, Fleischackers, Hearsts, Chandlers and the others fear democracy and a government run for the interests of the many, instead of the few they represent. Fascism doesn't "just happen." Somebody starts it. And these are the criminals who give it birth.

And they are willing to commit whatever bloody crimes are necessary against the people in order to ensure that their economic and social stranglehold on the people shall not be loosened.

Civilization, to them, means maintaining their immense profits, glorifying property rights, and the degradation of human rights, that "every man is born free and equal," the basic principles upon which our country was founded.

Secretary Wallace has spoken courageously and well in his indictment of the "economic royalists" of America, and the dark fate they would bring upon the American people.

"He will find much to back up his assertions, and to provide a method of attack against these public enemies, in the brief headed him by the labor-farmer committee last Wednesday on the plight of agricultural labor and the small farmers of California.

That brief showed exactly how the financial forces of California, banks linked to the giant banks of Wall Street, are oppressing the rural population of the state on the economic, social and political field.

"And it gave a program to check these oppressive forces, with investigation into their 'interlocking directorate,' the Associated Farmers; with legislation bringing agricultural labor under the Social Security, National Labor Relations, Wages and Hours and Workmen's Compensation laws; with legislation refinancing small farmers' obligations, and other eco-

nomical and political aid to these underprivileged sections of the California population.

The fight for human rights must go forward, in California and throughout the nation.

## For the New Deal In Seattle

WHEN the people of Seattle went to the primary polls on February 22, they expressed their disgust with the red-baiting, the racketeering and the brutality of John Dore. They delivered a mandate to end what Dore stood for, a mandate against reaction, against incipient fascism and for progress.

Seattle goes to the polls for the final elections on March 8. Between now and that date, much can be accomplished whereby the people of Seattle can guarantee that the benefits of the New Deal, with the progress and welfare of the people, will be brought to the city at last.

For one thing, there has never existed before such an excellent opportunity for labor to unify its forces, and indeed, for all the forces of progress in Seattle to be united. Now is the time to go forward from the beginning made in the stinging overthrow of Dore, and to bring the unity of the progressive forces and labor unity to full flower.

The elections on March 8 offer to Seattle people the choice between two candidates—Arthur B. Langlie or Lt. Governor Victor A. Meyers. Which of the two can best fulfill the desires of the people for bringing the New Deal to Seattle?

Langlie has stated, and the people of the city are only too glad to accept that statement, that Communism is not the issue in the elections. But on the whole, Langlie has been extremely vague in his promises to see that the desires of Seattle's people are fulfilled.

Victor A. Meyers, on the other hand, has been strongly, frankly, and unqualifiedly committed from the very start, toward the very program Seattle desires—the program of the New Deal. He has never been vague on this; he has never pulled any punches about the matter. He has stood firmly for unity in the labor movement, for progressive action by all the people.

It is therefore Meyers who can best fulfill the needs of the people of Seattle, for he has never minced any words about those needs. Meyers must be elected.

## New Tricks to Hit New Deal

ROY HOWARD, head man of the Scripps-Howard papers and the United Press, has figured out a new way to smear the Roosevelt administration. As usual, Howard's tactic smears himself and the United Press more than it does Roosevelt.

On February 21, 24 hours after Hitler's speech and Chamberlain's capitulation to Mussolini, the United Press carried two dispatches from Europe, one by its London correspondent and one by its man in Vienna. Both referred to the events of the day before as "diplomatic New Deals."

Obviously the simultaneous idea did not occur to the two correspondents to dub the foreign policies of Hitler and Chamberlain a "diplomatic New Deal." Those three words, unless Howard has mended his ways and the correspondents communicate by mental telepathy, were written in and by the New York office of the United Press.

The purpose was plain—to smear the New Deal by making readers associate dictatorship and fascism with Roosevelt's New Deal. The trick is what propagandists call the "transfer" method of associating a bad odor with whatever the propagandists oppose.

To make the truth clearer, both London and continental dispatches refer to Hitler's and Chamberlain's policies as "realistic," implying that even Anthony Eden's belated stand for democracy is foggy "idealism."

Howard's trick can achieve nothing but to prove Howard realizes Americans hate Fascism and approve the New Deal.

## Imperial Intuition

IN his "Republic" Plato, the great Greek philosopher, remarked that only those who had first thoroughly acquainted themselves with every aspect of government should be allowed to take positions of governmental authority.

This view seems reasonable enough to thinking persons today. But because he held that opinion, Plato was driven from Athens by the tyrants.

Today rational thought is again falling into disrepute in many sections of the world. It is being supplanted by "racial consciousness" and "imperial intuition."

King Carol of Roumania, latest of the Fascist rulers, displays this fine disregard for order and intelligence to a startling degree.

Last week he promulgated a new "Constitution" covering all aspects of Roumania's life and binding its people to follow him into bankruptcy and war or follow his opponents into jail.

Tuesday, a news dispatch informs us that he received cabinet members to inform himself about . . . the economic and agricultural life of the country."

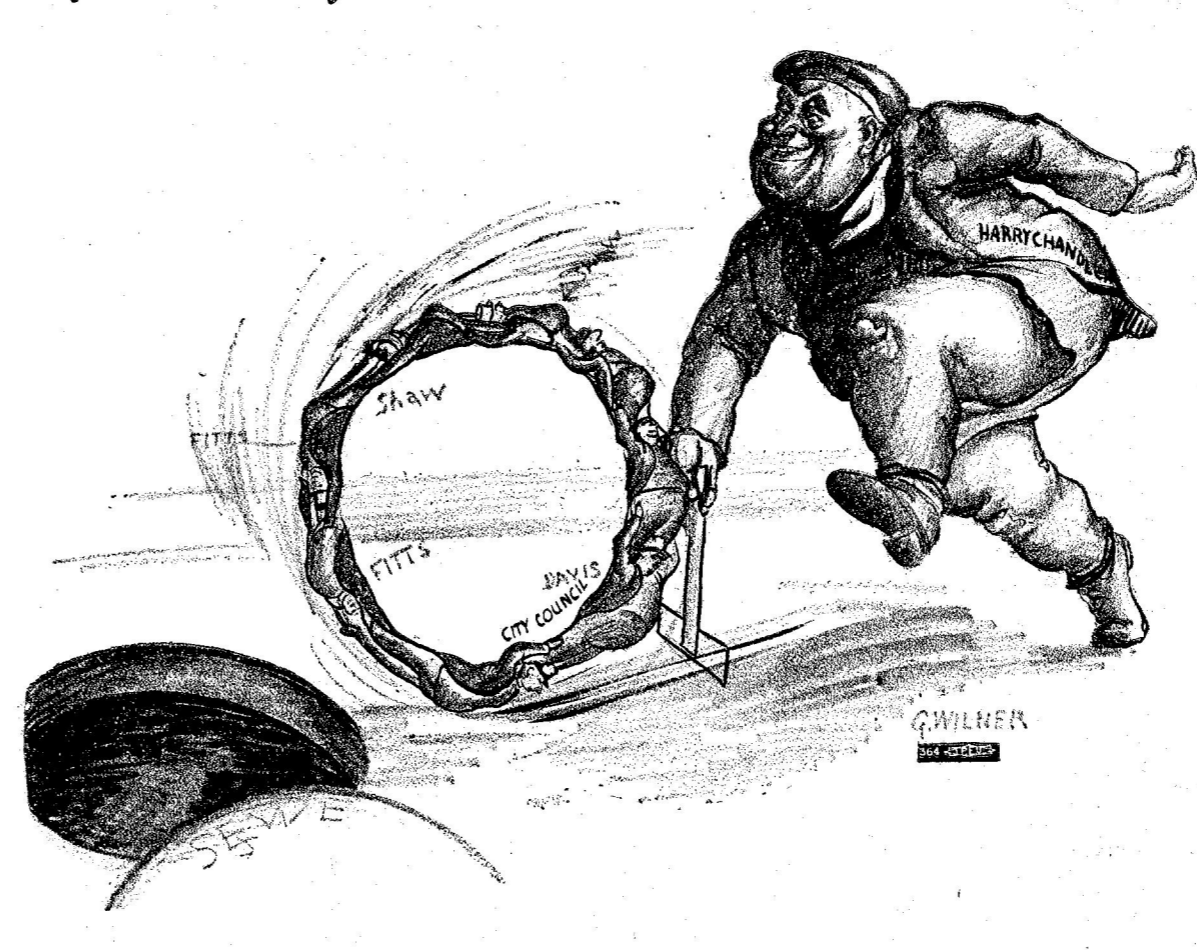
The Fascist presumption which leads its demagogues to make the laws first and investigate the conditions later is typical of the assault upon reason now being conducted under the swastika and fasces.

It was that same assault upon Reason which forced Plato into exile and drove his master, Socrates, to an enforced suicide for "spreading dangerous thoughts among the youth of Athens."

People have suffered physical torture and deprivation in the past paralleling the tortures inflicted by Fascism today. But not since the Inquisition turned its thumb-screws and racks on Galileo and "witch-burnings" enflamed the British countryside, has Western Culture seen such a ruthless, well-organized attack upon Reason itself.

## Boys Will Play

By Wilner



## MORMON 'SECURITY'

By Martha Emery

(From the New York Nation)

NOT since the old polygamy days have the Latter Day Saints made the headlines as frequently as they have in the last eighteen months with their program to take 88,000 Mormons off the dole. Cries against federal spending have everywhere been vociferous and unending, but the only project organized solely to free Americans from the burden of government relief, and advertised as such, has been the Mormon Security Plan.

"No man should ask for charity from the government," declared the Mormon president, who is reputed to have a finger in banking, insurance, real estate, mining, and industry and an ear cocked to a short-wave set tuned in to heaven. "I am sorry that some of our men could not work for \$30 a month when they could get \$35 by lying down and being lazy."

Although it ridiculed federal work projects, the church attempted to solve the unemployment problem among Mormons by creating projects of its own. These varied from coal mining and sugar-beet raising to temple-clothing manufacture. Publicity agents found no difficulty in selling the story. Conservative magazines and newspapers in America not only publicized but glorified the undertaking.

### What Has Church Been Doing?

YET in spite of 20 months of propaganda, the creation of 700 projects which run practically without administrative costs, and an expenditure of more than half a million dollars amassed from voluntary donations, there are today in Utah 32 per cent more workers on WPA projects than in the nation as a whole, 45 per cent more in the CCC, 50 per cent more in the NYA, 175 per cent more receiving student aid, and 60 per cent more in the PWA. Skeptics are asking, "What has the church been doing?"

The answer is a simple one. The church is getting an incredible amount of favorable publicity and at the same time, far from endangering its solid financial structure, is actually the gainer from the security plan. This success has resulted from three lines of action.

First, the church limited the number eligible for relief by forbidding members to give up WPA jobs for church aid. In addition, it guaranteed work only to those "who have been faithful in the payment of fast offerings and tithing and in living unspotted from the sins of the world."

Second, by invoking the rich and thickly sentimentalized tradition of its pioneers, the church drew from the cupboards, closets, and pocket-books of its 541,000 "stake" members over half a million dollars in addition to regular tithing, as well as 200,000 quarts of fruits and vegetables, 364,000 articles of clothing, 24,000 pounds of meat, and considerable quantities of flour, grain, sugar, lumber, potatoes, wool, hay, and coal.

Third, it actually pared down its relief expenditures from the amount required in the worst depression years. In 1934 and 1936, before the Security Plan was launched, church relief sums dropped 31 per cent and 21 per cent, respectively, from the 1931 level. In the first year of the Security Plan, though there were extra donations and a much-vaunted tithing increase, relief expenditures were only \$544,000, as compared with a \$594,000 average for the former six years.

### More Tithes For Building Program

ONLY one significant increase was reported in all church expenditures. The building program was increased by \$500,000. This would appear a useful work project until one learns that the wards, or parishes, were forced to raise an additional \$513,000 in order to get the original grant, that union wages were for the most part denied to the skilled laborers, and that a considerable portion of the labor was donated by ward members who were as-

sessed a specific amount of free labor as well as cash. And the total sum was \$100,000 less than the church spent for building in 1930.

The voluntary labor and donations have come in large measure from the most pious Mormons, the poorer classes, who are already heavily taxed. Let us look at the situation of an average Mormon, say Nils Neilson, a convert emigrant from Sweden.

For twenty years Nils has faithfully parted with \$100 out of his \$1,000 annual wage. He has also contributed freely to the maintenance of his chapel, and has paid a monthly "fast offering" and annual dues to auxiliary church organizations—never to a labor union, for the church frowns on them.

He has paid genealogy experts to discover members of his family tree so that he can perform rituals for their salvation in the temples. Every spare penny has gone to support his eldest son, who for three years will be preaching Mormonism abroad—in Czechoslovakia perhaps, or Tahiti.

### Jobless Mormon Uncomfortable

UNTIL lately Nils Neilson was content. The more he gave the more devout he grew. The church is a vested interest, attachment to which is fostered by its exactions. Nils's dividends have been the "countless blessings" which have flowed from the seat of the Most High. But three years ago he was laid off and became dependent on the WPA. Now the sermons on Sunday night make him uncomfortable with their denision of government relief, their pleadings for new contributions and payment of an "honest tithe."

Are the secure and wealthy Mormons likewise uncomfortable before the pulpit solicitations? Perhaps. But there has been little overt protest from any class to the

new demand for increased offerings and free labor. To all appearances the Saints have accepted it without complaint, without understanding its social implications or that it was an ultra-conservative gesture of withdrawal into the old isolation which in the past was a major source of the church's strength.

Nils, however, cannot be the only Mormon who is beginning to realize that his heavy contributions have materially lowered his capacity for saving and investing, and for tiding himself over unemployment. The fact that in 1935 there were proportionally 25 per cent more Mormons than Gentiles on relief in Salt Lake County is an indication of the serious depletion in personal resources resulting from the church's exactions from its members, for they cannot truthfully be said to be less thrifty or industrious than are their Gentile neighbors.

### What'll The Church Do Now?

WITHOUT doubt the Mormon Security Plan won the support of the Saints because the Mormon gospel, to its believers, is the full plan of salvation, the only complete way of life. There have been minor squalls in some communities, such as the resentment aroused over the sugar-beet project, which seemed to be a deliberate church effort to break the farmers' strike against the price offered by the church-owned beet factory, but irritation has been soothed by the glowing press accounts which are read from the pulpits on Sunday night.

Now at last, however, the Mormon preachers, be they politicians or business men, have reason for worry. Federal relief is being curtailed. The heavy hand of economy is reaching toward the Great Basin. The Mormons have been preparing for the day of want. The day of want is upon them.

## Letters From Our Readers

Letters to the Editor should be brief and accompanied by the writer's name and address. Anonymous letters will not be published. Names to signed letters will not be published without the writer's express permission.

### Shirley Milks Set Workers By Fines for Milk Fund

Editor, People's World:

Sometimes when we notice "Donations" given to various causes, the source of these funds are not always known. One to which I wish to call attention is the "Shirley Temple Milk Fund." This fund is raised, not given gratuitously from her own pocket but from the workers who help her make her salary. Her salary is \$7,000 a week. Everyone who works on the "set" with her must wear a button distinguishing that their work is special for Shirley Temple.

In the morning when work is begun, Shirley goes around to see which all on her set have their button on, and in the event of anyone not having his button properly displayed, he is "fined" a nickel, and it is this sum, collected in this manner, that funds the "Shirley Temple Milk Fund."

Good luck to the People's World. It gets better and better in every way, every issue.

Sincerely,  
G.H., Los Angeles, Calif.

### On Whitaker and Russia

Editor, People's World:

Anyone who has read "The Soviets" of Albert Rhys Williams immediately brings to mind this book when reading the "authentic" articles of John T. Whitaker, "famed correspondent on the present conditions and prospects of Stalinist Russia," which have been making their weekly appearance in "This World," the Sunday foreign news feature of The Chronicle. Williams has spent over a decade in the Soviet Union; and during this time he was keenly observant. His book, insofar as it explains Soviet Communism, its principles, present achievement and promise for the future, is a glowing tribute to the Soviet Union.

However, it should not be apparent to any reader of Whitaker's

articles that he has written favorably about the Soviet Union, in fact, anyone who has run up against bourgeois and fascist lies and distortions will immediately recognize these articles for their cleverness along these lines. Whole sentences have been copied word for word from "The Soviets"; Williams has amassed a great quantity of detail and Whitaker "borrows" this detail for much of the substance of his articles. However, he is very careful to heaven it with a context supplied from his poisonous hate for the land of socialism. This "famed correspondent" follows a double line of attack; he removes portions from "The Soviets" which cannot be at all understood apart from their context, and then he supplies a context of his own so as to assure them a meaning and to lead on to still further lies his editors will approve.

A new word should be coined for the Whitaker brand of plagiarism. —A. B.

### Brothers Send Smokes to Spain

Editor, People's World:

Local No. 55 of the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, Oakland, Cal., has recently received word from a Brother fighting for Democracy in Spain. This Brother wrote that the food and clothing are pretty good, but that if they didn't get some tobacco soon they would all have to quit smoking.

He pleaded with us to send him some union made smoking tobacco. So at our last regular membership meeting we voted to send \$5.00 worth of tobacco to this Brother. For this sum we bought eight pounds of pipe tobacco and arranged to have it sent through the Friends of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade in New York City.

We are very proud to state that we have five Brothers fighting against the plague of Fascism in Spain. We know that they are fighting our battle for us.—Press Committee Local No. 53, By Ed A. Kirz, Oakland, Calif.

## COLUMN LEFT

By Harrison George

"In Spite of All Temptations"—He Remains a Fascist



WE WISH to draw attention to the constructive nature of fascist slogans. To celebrate the simultaneous seizure of Austria by Hitler and the turn toward the Berlin-Rome-Tokio axis of the British Tory government, the Austrian Nazis marched through the streets singing:

"Today we shall go farther, farther, until everything falls apart."

And in America, too, there seem to be plenty of the friends of fascism to want "everything to fall apart." Let's take a look at San Francisco's newspapers.

"It is unfair and premature," whines The News of Roy Howard, "to say that Mr. Chamberlain's dropping of Captain Eden meant the 'abdication of democracy' and the 'surrender' of Britain to the forces of fascism."

But it is not "premature" to say that, by this hypocrisy, The News reveals itself as a friend of fascism. As usual those who gabble about being opposed to "both fascism and Communism" snort first at the "menace" of a Communist in some trade union, but remain quite calm at the real menace of fascism, such as when the government of mighty England lined up with the Rome-Tokio-Berlin axis. "It is still too early to judge," says The News. But how fast it could judge Stolberg's wild lies valid!

FOR all his cant and pose of "liberalism," The News proves itself friendly to fascism. The Chronicle, for all its reactionary hatred for labor and the New Deal, strikes a correct note on European affairs. Only The News' Mr. Barry, in his column cautiously but correctly hints at Chamberlain's motives in comment on "the British gentleman":

"In the present social and economic crisis," says Barry, "he cares far more for his own welfare than he does for the welfare of the British Empire or humanity at large."

Exactly, Mr. Barry. And that is just what is the matter with the man who owns "your" paper, Roy Howard! The crisis makes millions hungry, and their discontent renders "the American gentleman" no less ready to desert the interests of America as a nation and a people, to desert world peace even as a pretense, and turn to fascism.

THEY look to Italy where "trains run on time" and wages are cut 50 per cent; to Germany where those who prefer meat and butter to cannon and bombers are beaten to death in concentration camps; to Japan where police run trade unions and farmers starve to death in their fields.

That's good, they say, because Big Business can loot unrestrictedly in all three lands. They want fascism here. So they engage in "red-baiting." The fascist formula to incite fascist repression of the people, and they apologize for fascism abroad.

Hearst, as might have been expected, went the whole hog. Although all political reporters besieging President Roosevelt and Secretary Hull were met by "No comment," Hearst crudely invented a lie, indeed two lies in one sentence. From Washington his papers got the preposterous message:

"This policy (Chamberlain's) will have the approval of the Roosevelt administration, which envisions no British threat to American interests in the Far East."

NO? No threat? Why, a British-Japanese alliance (implicit in Chamberlain's action), not only constitutes a threat to American interests in the Far East, but it is a threat to every man, woman and child on this Pacific Coast!

And note this: Where only yesterday Hearst was bellowing to heaven against any "secret understanding" America might make with Britain that would oppose the fascist bloc either in Europe or the Far East, today he even invents "approval of the Roosevelt administration" and urges America to "go along" with "perfidious Albion!" With fascism.

These enemies of democracy controlling American newspapers sing a different tune than the Austrian Nazis, but the words are the same: "Today we shall go farther, until everything falls apart."

## WORLD FRONT

By Harry Cannes

URUGUAY, the smallest republic on the South American continent, will hold national elections for president and members of the Chambers of Deputies March 27. Wedged in between fascist Brazil and imperialist-controlled Argentina, this tiny country with its 2,020,000 inhabitants feels the impact of both the larger semi-colonial neighbors as well as of the foreign interests, imperialist and fascist.

Up to 1934 Uruguay was the most progressive South American country, having reached a high stage of social and democratic legislation, certainly not exceeded by any semi-colonial nation and not by many capitalist democracies. But in 1934, under the pressure of reaction in Rio de Janeiro and Argentina, as well as from London and Wall Street, much of the tremendous popular gains were whittled away. A reactionary president, Gabriel Terra, came to power. Behind him were the feudal landowners, foreign interests and foreign fascist intriguers who had made some inroads into the army.

Deeply ingrained democratic tradition, however, prevented the complete negation of the civil and social rights won by the people in their brilliant history of progressive struggles. After a long period of repression, the Communist Party was able to re-establish its daily newspaper, Justicia, in the capital city of Montevideo.

UNDER a peculiar electoral law arrangement, originally designed to grant wide democratic rights to the people, the reactionaries are able to unite their forces, though appearing to have wide differences.

The presidential elections in reality are a national primary and an election combined. In other words, on the reactionary ticket, the Partido Colorado Terrista (named after the colored banner of the party and its present reactionary leader Terra), there are two sets of candidates. There is the extreme right, for President, Dr. Eduardo Blanco Acevedo and Dr. Martinez Thedy, for vice-president, and on the very same ticket another set of more center-right candidates, Gen. Alfredo Baldomir and Dr. Cesar Charlone. The voters may vote for one ticket on the same ticket, all votes going to the party, and the group with the highest proportion of the votes winning in the party.

The trick is that Terra really broadens his appeal and is assured the votes of every faction of the followers of his party. Unfortunately the democratic opposition does not get the same advantage because it is disunited. And this fact makes likely the victory of Terra's hand-picked successor. The main bourgeois democratic opposition party is the Partido Colorado Batllista, named after the great Uruguayan democratic President Batllista, originator of many of the democratic and social reforms.

The Communist Party urged the broadest democratic unity to defeat the reactionary ticket.

The Socialist Party of Uruguay rather hastily chose its own presidential candidate, Dr. Emilio Frugoni, its leader, who is also a member of the Chamber of Deputies. The Communist Party had urged a much broader opposition which could defeat the candidate of the combined imperialist, feudal landowning and fascist group. Confronted with the Socialist presidential candidate and the special conditions of Uruguayan elections which allowed more than one candidate on a ticket, the Congress of the Communist Party held at Montevideo recently decided:

(1) To support the candidacy of Dr. Emilio Frugoni, Socialist, but to continue at the same time its basic efforts of winning the agreements of all democratic parties for a broad people's front to defeat reaction.

(2) Rather than seeking to win votes for its own ticket, which Dr. Frugoni was placed, the Communists decided to so conduct the campaign as to insure the widest number of votes for the candidate on the basis of anti-fascist unity.

"The Communist Party," declared an editorial in Justicia announcing the Congress' decision, "desires that united democracy which will prevent the fascist horde from dominating the country."

Whatever outcome of the presidential balloting, the Communists expect to increase their parliamentary representation and their influence and support for anti-fascist unity throughout the country.

SEEING RED

With Mike Quin

LESS than a year ago (May 6, 1937) the airship Hindenburg burned at Lakehurst, N. J. One of the ghastliest catastrophes of the year. Thirty-six human lives and one of the world's great aeronautical accomplishments went up in flames.

We may live to learn that the disaster of the Hindenburg was far greater than we reckoned. It is by no means a closed incident, and hundreds more human lives may yet be sacrificed in those flames.

We counted that tragedy a total loss. But it is down in the ledgers of Nazi Germany as a gain. The most important result was that it gave the Fascists access to helium gas, an important war material they had long coveted. No less than 17,000,000 cubic feet of helium are now being shipped to Germany from the United States, and still greater orders are being anticipated. Helium is the most costly gas in the world, and Germany is supposed to be a bankrupt nation.

On May 20, 1937, fourteen days after the disaster, this column declared: "Helium is the only practical non-inflammable dirigible gas known to science. The United States has a monopoly on this element. Germany wants helium."

"The explosion of the Zeppelin Hindenburg, with all its hideous life, have caused had it been filled with helium instead of the highly inflammable hydrogen gas."

"The American people are strongly moved by disasters of this kind. They are shocked by the tragic loss of life. Their pioneering spirit revolts against any setback to scientific achievement. All these are good emotions. But watch your step. Sit down and count ten before you allow yourself to be carried away by an idealism well-founded but poorly aimed."

"News of the Hindenburg's catastrophe no sooner reached Berlin than high officials in the Nazi war ministry swung into action. An opportunity was recognized. These worthy sentiments of the American people could be harnessed to the Fascist war machine. Air Minister Hermann Wilhelm Goering immediately dispatched a committee headed by Dr. Hugo Eckener to Washington to plead for helium. Propaganda Minister Joseph Goebbels pressed a buzzer-button and instantly the entire Hearst press of America blossomed out with ardent appeals for the United States to supply German's appetite for helium."

Today, unfortunately, we can carry the story still further. We can point out that on August 21, 1937, a little over three months after the disaster, the U. S. Congress passed a law permitting the export of helium to Germany.

To continue our column of last May 20th:

"Zeppelins were designed and perfected as engines of war; and despite a trivial amount of commercial transportation in recent years, they have never been useful for anything else."

"Helium gas was perfected as a wartime measure and is regarded as one of the materials of war. Lighter-than-air development has always been within the sphere of the War Department in the U. S. A."

Giving helium to Germany today could not by the farthest stretch of the imagination be construed as aiding the advancement of science, or, as the Hearst press (Nazi Propaganda Ministry) puts it: '... proudly rising into the sky as a symbol of man's determination to overcome obstacles.'

"Certainly we do not like disasters like the recent explosion. But don't forget the horrible slaughter of innocent women and children during the air raids of German Zeppelins on London and Paris during the last war. Don't forget the terrible massacres being carried out by German air raiders in Spain today."

"Our first job today is to STOP WAR. That is an emergency job. Later on we can talk about perfecting dirigibles for peaceful purposes. Not now."

"The Nazi powers in Germany today have subjugated every consideration to that of preparing for war. Every resource, human, financial, or material, is being harnessed to the war machine. And if you think that in the midst of such frenzied preparations they are going to develop the Zeppelin for 'peaceful purposes', then your brain is a pinwheel in the winds of San Simeon."

When that column was published last year, it stirred some controversy. Many doubted the usefulness of Zeppelins in war. I can point out that development of Zeps either in Germany or America, has never been a commercial undertaking. It has always been the province of the War Department. Furthermore, the war uses of helium are not confined to Zeps by any means.

Some doubted Zep raids on London in the last war. This point has been checked and thoroughly authenticated.

Washington's Plug for Democracy Wakes Theater Audience to Cheers

By Lola Lebow

ALERT audience woke up and cheered by the end of the sixth scene of Maxwell Anderson's "Valley Forge" at the San Francisco Theatre Union's Green Street Theatre this weekend.

It was the modern application of the ideals of the American Revolution, brought out so effectively by Anderson and the Theatre Union which brought burst after burst of applause as Washington (admirably played by Ted Benner, a lawyer) outlined his reasons for continuing his fight, and his belief in the right of free-born men to be ruled by "knaves, idiots, and honest legislators" of their own choosing.

While the production was not smooth, individuals stood out in their various roles with great clarity. Benner's Washington was more than matched by Sam Gish's portrayal of Colonel "Benedict" Arnold. Among the soldiers of the revolutionary army, Sal Pizzo, the George of Steinbeck's "Of Mice and Men" and Victor Svane, who has played in most Theatre Union productions for the past three years, stood out from the rest.

Dog Emotes

Rowan Pease as General Howe gave a satisfying performance, but the hit of the entire production was Howe's dog, a slightly stout Dalmatian, which showed the proper

ELEGY FOR OUR DEAD

There is a place where, wisdom won, right recorded, most were beautifully, striding across fields of those wheat, wind-metalled, wanders unguarded in unprotected places; where earth, revived, folds all growing things closely to itself; the groves of bursting olives, the vineyards ripe and heavy with glowing grapes, the oranges like million suns; and graves where lie, nurturing all these fields, my friends in death.

With them, deep in coolness, are memories of France and the exact fields of Belgium; midnight marches in snows—the single-file caravan, high in the Pyrenees; the land of Spain unfolded before them, dazzling the young Balboas. This earth is enriched with Atlantic salt, spraying the live, squinting eyelids, even now, of companions—with towns of America, towers and mills, sun playing always, in stone streets, wide fields—all men's dominions.

Honor in this lies: that there is no special strange plot of alien earth. Men of all lands here lie side by side, at peace now after the crucial torture of combat, bullet and bayonet gone, fear conquered forever. Yes, knowing it well, they were willing despite it to clothe their vision with flesh. And their rewards, not sought for self, live in new faces, smiling, remembering what they did here. Deeds were their final words.

—E. R.

The WOMAN'S SLANT

By Sue Barry

THERE are at least half a dozen magazines published which devote much of their space to home beautification. They'll tell you just what shade of rug to buy, what the latest styles are in drapes, and how to arrange a room to give it that indefinable air of graciousness. The only thing they don't tell you is where to get the money to buy all these beautiful things that they insist are necessary to make a truly livable home.

It's easy enough if you have an unlimited bank account to create a home that caters to every comfort and presents an artistic and charming appearance. The real trick, however, is in making the best use of what you have on hand.

Picture Hanging

There's the matter of the pictures that adorn your walls, for instance. Upon these depend much of the pleasing appearance of the room as a whole. There are a few general rules set down by interior decorators that are more sensible sort that we all may follow, regardless of the type of pictures we possess.

In general, all pictures either large or small should be hung at eye level. That does not mean that they march around the walls in uniform position. A slight variation is a good thing. Just so the general eye-level is followed. With small pictures, groupings are a good idea, always using an uneven number.

Whenever possible, avoid hanging a large picture in a small room. Not only is it impossible to get the full effect of the picture, but it serves to emphasize the smallness of the room. Large wall space, such as a long hallway afford the best way of disposing of over-sized pictures if your rooms are of fairly modest dimensions.

One way of increasing the appearance of size is to hang a mirror in a small room. You'll be surprised how much larger it makes it look. Mirrors are fine decoration and they serve a utilitarian purpose besides.

Sentiment Only

ONE of the interior decorator's pet anathemas is photographs in the living room, and, worst of all, on top of the piano. It is generally conceded that the bedroom is the best place for Aunt Susie's wedding picture, or that cunning snapshot of little Willie. The use of a photograph is largely sentimental—very few of our relatives are sufficiently handsome to make their pictures add beauty to a room.

When you have pictures framed, it is a good idea to insist on simple, unadorned frames. The real beauty lies in the picture, and the frame should serve as a background. White and ivory are considered stylish in picture-framing circles now, and both these colors make a fine background for all pictures that are not too dark in color.

Tangled Lives in Pasadena Musical

PASADENA, Feb. 28.—Their songs have rolled through the throats of millions, but their own lives were tangled in the web of misunderstanding.

That is the story of Gilbert and Sullivan and through "Knights of Song," Glendon Alvine's new musical romance, their lives, their loves and their quarrels will find thrilling accompaniment in the songs from fourteen operas at the Pasadena Community Playhouse, March 1 to 12.

Trouping across the horizon of these two famous lives come Queen Victoria, Disraeli, Oscar Wilde, George Bernard Shaw, Kaiser Wilhelm and a host of other colorful personalities of the music-making duo. All play their important phases in the tangled Gilbert and Sullivan battle of note and wit.

A company of 80 players sound out important songs from the fourteen operas, operas which have stood the test of sixty-three years. Director of the Playhouse staging of the Alvine play is in the expert hands of William Williams.

Amazing Doctor In Mystery Play

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 23.—A man of science who dedicated his life to the study of crime and criminals and who became so absorbed in the work that it appears he set out on a career of crime, outlines briefly the story of "The Amazing Dr. Chitterhouse," one of the most baffling mysteries ever brought to the American stage, which opened at the Alcazar Theatre in San Francisco last night.

Noted Pianist to Play With U. C. Orchestra

BERKELEY, Feb. 18.—E. Robert Schmitz, now on concert tour in the East, will return to California for an all Bach and Debussy piano recital in Wheeler Auditorium on Sunday afternoon, March 13, at 3:15 p.m.

Dr. Schmitz's career began at the Paris Conservatoire. Since then he has been in close association with leading musicians, especially Debussy. He has fulfilled more than a thousand concert engagements since 1910, including sixty as soloist with the world's leading orchestras.

Defend Our Happy Days

'Into the Red Army? Soviet Father Urges Sons

This column letter from D. P. Kukushkin, a master mechanic in a Soviet factory, was first published in "Trud" January 1, 1938, and was translated for the People's World by Virginia James Victor.—The Editor.

LOOK at all your happy and cheerful faces surrounding me. About 30 years ago this time my brother came to me:



"Luck" smiled at him the day before. Someone promised to place his own two sons in a trade school. And he hurried to me, anxious to share his joy. But his luck did not last. The foreman of the plant where we both worked was sore at him and refused to give him a good "character." Instead of the trade school, his children went to work as apprentices for Alushinsky, the contractor. They worked as hodcarriers from early morning to late at night.

"Well, brother, it looks as though we are not so fortunate..." But my brother still did not lose hope. "It cannot be," he would say, "we will get out of this somehow." But he did not find luck throughout his long life, and died without having a single day of joy...

Is This Not Happiness?

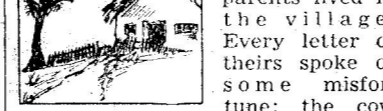
YOU and I, my sons, we know very well what this means. We now live in a large, roomy and bright home. From our windows we can see the new workers' city—hundreds of new homes and schools built up during the past few years, where all those empty lots used to be. Is that not happiness?

We have seven of you children. But ask your mother if I have ever complained that there are so many of you. After the revolution, the birth of every child was a happy family event. Is that not happiness? You have all received an education. You are all growing up into cultured people, hungry for knowledge. Is that not happiness?

Then and Now

THIS fall, I was returning home from the Sochi Sanatorium. I stood at the car window watching our rich fields floating by.

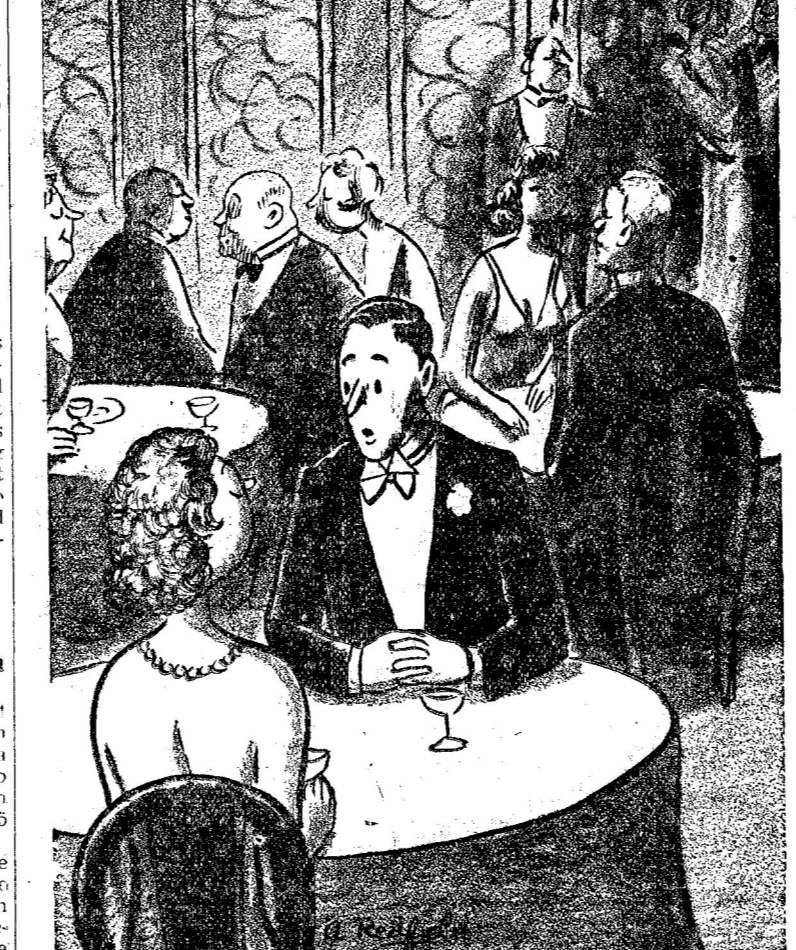
I used to hate this soil, but it has changed now. Before the revolution, my parents lived in the village. Every letter of theirs spoke of some misfortune: the cow died, the horse was taken for delinquent taxes, the village police had punished my father for "disobedience." And now, just ask your mother what letters she gets from her folks in the village. You will read about millions earned by their Kolhoz. They



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After he has been in Russia for two years he returns and makes a speaking tour in praise of soviet activities and accomplishments, even comparing Stalin to Lincoln; although according to himself, he is at heart thoroughly antagonistic to Stalin and to the Russian system.

The Upper Crust —by Redfield



"And you'll love Father. He's so kind he gave the men at the factory a raise just to keep them from joining a union."

will tell you about their new home, electric stations, new tractors and combines working on our glorious Soviet soil...

Some other workers were on the same train, also on their way home from a rest in the sanatoria. Like all old folks, I wanted to brag about my children, but found that they had just as much to brag about. Is that not happiness?

Before the revolution, I was a stonemason and starved regularly. I was illiterate, ignorant and downtrodden. Working from dark to dark, I never could earn enough to feed my family. You may not know it, my children, but your mother, even after she married me, had to remain in the village and hire out as a farm hand. You may not know it, Nicolao, but you were born out on a field, and your mother had to go back to work the very next day.

Now I am a master mechanic. I looked up to by everybody in the plant. I earn about a thousand rubles a month. I study. I often go to theaters and movies. Even though mother has the cares of housekeeping, she still finds time to go to school. When you come home for a vacation, you saw that volume of Lenin given to your mother.—to Kukushkina, for excellent school work.

Security for Future

WE, PEOPLE of the Sovietland, look upon our future with a feeling of security. We know that tomorrow will be better, brighter and more beautiful than today. There is no happiness more certain, more secure than the happiness of the Soviet People. Our happiness is our Fatherland, the mighty and proud land of socialism. And there is no greater happiness than to be able to defend its boundless horizons, to stand guard over its sacred soil.

That is why, when my oldest son Nicolao asked me:

"Father, where would you advise

me to go after school?"

I replied: "Into the Red Army." And when you, my second son, Sergei, finished school and asked my advice, I also said:

"Go into our Red Army, my son."

And when my third son, Anatoli, this year asked me what profession he should choose, I replied without hesitation: "There is no profession more honorable than that of the Red Army."

And when Alexander and Peter grow up, they will get the same advice. And so, a New Year to you, my sons, new happiness!

I raise a New Year toast to you, the patriots of our land! For the invincibility of my sacred land, inhabited by men who have finally found happiness!

That the airplanes of my sons fly higher, faster and further than others!

That the gun with which my son defends us from the enemy, shoot truer than the others!

That the rifle may not tremble in my own hands!



Degenerate Scribe Bares Self in Book

By Margaret Shedd

"Assignment in Utopia," by Eugene Lyons; Harcourt Brace, New York, \$2.50.

Editors Note: A favorite book for attacks on the Soviet Union, "Assignment in Utopia" has been on best seller lists for several months now. Therefore we publish this new study of its author.

THE theme of Assignment in Utopia is not merely as one might expect from the title, a denunciation of Russian sovietism but also an exhaustive—and exhausting—self-justification by Eugene Lyons of his unfaithfulness to some sort of sentimental ideal.

The picture Lyons draws of himself shows a man of no basic conviction, who despises himself and who flagellates himself for his inadequacy, but who, at the same time, must justify that inadequacy no matter what mud he slings nor on whom in the course of that insistent justification.

It is my judgment that all that Lyons says must be gauged as something beside a desire to report data. It also rates in an exhibitionist determination to relate everything to himself and his own emotional problems. I set out the following facts in elaboration of the statement that Lyons is a man of no basic conviction:

Lyons, in repeated proclamations, says that when he first went to Russia he was intensely pro-soviet. But in "Assignment in Utopia" his first recorded reactions, even of his first day, are as violently hateful as his last.

And back of this contradiction lies the further one that for five years Lyons sent out press dispatches that he considered friendly to the USSR.

After he has been in Russia for two years he returns and makes a speaking tour in praise of soviet activities and accomplishments, even comparing Stalin to Lincoln; although according to himself, he is at heart thoroughly antagonistic to Stalin and to the Russian system.

The candour is refreshing. But is this man whose cries of wolf upon wolf, on any score, can be heeded? Maybe the social ambitions of a wife made it advantageous to write "Assignment in Utopia" too.

And what assurance is there that Lyons will not, in a few years and a different mood, repudiate Assignment in Utopia, as he did his other book about Russia, Moscow Carusel, which he says "stands as a monument to my indecision and cowardice."

In this confession, Lyons often contradicts himself. One example will suffice: A major thesis of the book is that Stalin is an absolute dictator even in the smallest minutiae and in every unmitigated meaning of the word. But when a story Lyons is telling is better served he announces "Not even... Stalin could budge the entrenched bureaucracy (the construction industry) more than a few inches."

Which are we to believe, Mr. Lyons? One example will have to serve, also, as demonstration of Lyons' reportorial technique—the section he devotes to a discussion of the medical service. Mrs. Lyons—Billy to you—got a pseudo attack of appendicitis. A placard marked appendicitis is left on the head of the bed after the doctors discover that Mrs. L only thought she had it.

The conclusion is: "Ever after the glowing reports of socialized medicine in Russia in American books and magazines have been a source of amusement to us." As between the facts and judgment of a man, who professing knowledge of the medical service, builds up his case with such silly straws as that bed placard and the facts presented by a man like, say, Dr. Leo Eloesser, where is the choice? Is it not probable that similar checks applied in multiple similar instances might not educe other blatant inaccuracies? Out of such a compound is "Assignment in Utopia" made up. But its "true confession" style, and the unfamiliarity of most people with Lyons' record, make this book a potent weapon in the hands of the reactionaries, who use it as necessary to slander anything progressive, whether in this country, or abroad.

Mama, That Powell Man Is Butlring Again!

The Baroness and the Butler: a 20th Century Fox picture, based on a Budapest play, starring William Powell and Annabella with Helen Westley, Henry Stephenson, Joseph Schildkraut, and J. Edward Brothberg in the supporting cast.

Also: "The Great Garrick," Warner Brothers. With Brian Aherne, Olivia DeLivia and Edmunds, Everett Horton. At the Paramount Theatre in San Francisco.

Ho Hum! Wm. Powell is butlring again. And ho hum! He ends up, as he always does, by carrying off the boss's daughter.

But there's brand new wrinkles this time. Now it happens way off in Hungary, and the luscious gal (Annabella) is a Baroness, daughter of nobody less than the ultra conservative Prime Minister of the state. And this time Powell comes by his beautiful butlring manners naturally. His father was a butler for the same family, and so was his grandfather, and his great grandfather, etc. etc. Which makes it so very shocking when he gets himself elected to Parliament on the progressive ticket, leading fights for reforms, old age pensions, reduction in armaments, and every 'thing his dear mawster is opposed to.

Daughter can't forgive Powell for thus biting the hand that fed him (and his father and his grandfather, etc. etc.) But when her husband tries to sell her down the river for power, (the cad), and Powell rescues her, she sees his true virtues and marries him (thus conveniently keeping his butlring talents in the family for another generation).

All of which proves that love conquers all, and the poor boy can always marry above his station if he's got stuff, and politics come in handy in Hollywood to spice an ancient plot.

Annabella, who did memorable work in Under the Red Robe, is handicapped by being cast in frothy continental comedy. Her accent makes it difficult to handle such roles. Helen Westley, that grand old woman of the theatre, as the

String Quartet to Give Free Series

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 28.—Opportunity to hear one of the world's finest string quartets, admission free, will be given music lovers in Los Angeles this week.

The Pro Arte String Quartet, internationally famous Belgian musicians, will give a series of concerts at the Boyard Auditorium, University of Southern California. Concerts are scheduled for March 2nd, 3rd, 10th and 11th. The musicians, Alfons Onnou, first violin; Robert Maas, cello; Germain Provost, viola, and Laurent Halleux, second violin, promise a Mozart and a contemporary American composer at each concert.

TUNING IN

with Mary Hurley

"ART and Music Enrich Instruction" is the premise for discussion on the Western Education Forum to be presented under auspices of the Stanford University School of Education on Tuesday at 4:00 p.m. over the NBC Blue Network. The Forum is held under the direction of Grayson N. Kefauver, dean of the School of Education at Stanford University.

Sparkling gaiety and tuneful merriment will predominate in the weekly Good Morning Tonight half-hour light concert, broadcast by Gyula Ormay, his orchestra and vocal ensemble, Tuesday, at 9:30 pm over the NBC Red Network. Selections emphasizing the note of rippling joyfulness will include the overture to Nicolai's "Merry Wives of Windsor," recreating the Pastafarian humor of the famed Shakespeare comedy and, as a piece de resistance, a group of favorites from the merriest of all operas, Rossini's "Barber of Seville."

TUESDAY'S BETS MORNING

- 7:45—News, KPO.
8:00—Farm Reporter, KSFQ.
8:10—The Friendly Housewife, Columbia.
9:00—Vocational Agriculture, NBC Red.
9:15—You're News Parade, Columbia.
9:30—Morning Hostess, KFRC.
9:45—Home-makers' Exchange, NBC Red.
10:00—Gold Medal Feature Time, Columbia.
11:00—Music, NBC Red.
11:15—Let's Talk It Over, NBC Blue.
11:30—General Federation of Women's Clubs, NBC Red.
11:45—As Woman to Woman, KPO.
12:00—Agricultural Bulletin, KGO.
12:15—Home and Home Hour, NBC Blue.
12:30—Little Variety Show, NBC Blue.
12:45—Gold Medal Opera Guild, NBC Blue.
1:00—Club Matinee, NBC Blue.
1:30—National Council of PTA.
1:45—NBC Red.
2:00—Allan Roy Daffoe, Columbia.
2:00—Martha Meade, NBC Red.
2:30—Harry Kogon's Orchestra, NBC Red.
2:45—American Progressive Talks, KFVD.
3:00—America's Schools, NBC Red.
3:30—The Magazine of the Air, NBC Red.
3:45—Dinner Concert, NBC Blue.
4:00—American Progressive Talks, KFVD.
4:15—Science on the March, NBC Red.
5:00—String Along, NBC Red.
5:30—Ratcliff and Kool Program, NBC Red.
5:45—Agriculture Today, NBC Blue.
6:00—Booker Carter, Commentator, Columbia.
6:30—Labor on the March, KGGC.
6:45—John B. Hughes, commentator Mutual.
7:00—Berkeley House, KFRC.
7:30—Hobby Lobby, Columbia; NBC Red.
8:00—Howlthorne House, NBC Red.
8:30—Eddie Cantor and Company, Columbia.
9:00—Town Hall Tonight, NBC Red.
9:30—Cavalcade of America, Columbia.
10:00—Music As You Desire It, KGO.
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ATTERNOON

- 1:00—Club Matinee, NBC Blue.
1:30—Hughes, NBC Red.
2:00—Bennett and Wolverson, NBC Red.
2:15—The Vagabonds, Negro Male Quartet, NBC Red.
3:00—American School of the Air, Columbia.
3:30—Women's Magazine of the Air, NBC Red.
4:00—Dinner Concert, NBC Blue.
4:30—Western Education Forum, Mutual.
4:45—NBC Red.
4:15—WGN Concert, Orchestra, Mutual.
4:30—Famous Actors' Guild, Columbia.
5:00—Maurice's Orchestra, Columbia.
5:30—Lady Esther Serenade, NBC Red.
5:45—Headlines on Parade, Columbia.
6:00—Homes Heit and his Brigadiers, NBC Blue.
6:30—Eddie Cantor, NBC Red.
7:00—NBC Jambores, NBC Blue.
7:30—Jimmie Fidler, NBC Red.
8:15—Bowie Walker's Amateur Hour, KGO.
8:30—Johnny Presents, NBC Red.
9:00—Death Valley Days, NBC Red.
9:15—Concert Hall of the Air, KGO.
9:30—Good Morning Tonight, NBC Red.
9:45—The University Explorer, NBC Blue.

DANCE TO THESE

- 8:30 pm—Leo Reisman... Mutual
9:15 pm—Bob Crosby... Mutual
9:30 pm—Talan Jones... Mutual
10:00 pm—Johnny Long... Mutual
10:15 pm—Paul Christensen... Mutual
10:30 pm—Jimmy Grier... Mutual
11:00—Red Nichols... Mutual
11:30 pm—Ozzie Nelson... Mutual

STATION FINDER table with columns for Network, Stations, Cities, and Kilocycles.

## SPY SCARE HITS OAKLAND BASEBALL CAMP—ZWILLING DUMMIES UP LIKE AN ERSTER

By Jimmie Gerald

EMERYVILLE, Feb. 28.—The bogeyman has Dutch Zwilling in his grasp these days.

The amiable manager of the Oakland baseball club has had his minions post "No Scouts Allowed" signs all over the outside of the Emeryville ball park.

Furthermore, the spy scare has caused the Dutchman to post a cordon of guards around the park who would put such escape artists as Benvenuto Cellini or Machine-Gun Kelly to shame.

"Why the Aleatraz atmosphere?" I asked Zwilling after I had pried my way into the park.

### GUARD THOSE ROOKIES WITH YOUR LIFE!

"Rival scouts from major league clubs are haunting these grounds nowadays," sighed Herr Zwilling. "They have hopes of grabbing big league material from under our noses."

It seems Zwilling is so pleased with his rookie material that he fears a raid by the same big-league "chain-gangs," for which he once worked.

"We have to many good rookie players on our list now to have some unscrupulous scout lure them off by promises of fame and fortune in the big show," the Dutchman added.

"Who are you taking to your camp in Brawley?" I inquired.

### WEE WILLIE WON'T GO

"We won't take Ludolph," shot back Zwilling, lightning flashing from his honest Dutch brows.

Then, pulling the following list of players from the bosom of his Can't-Bust-'Em's, he passed it to me and set off for the outfield bleachers where he had spotted a shady gent in smoked cheaters and a green Homberg, whom he suspected of being a scout.

The Oaks leave today for Brawley. The following players will make the trip:

Pitchers—Bill Koch, Bob Joyce, Floyd Olds, Ken Sheehan, Lauri Vinci, Nick Radunich, Hank McDonald, Delbert Holmes, Bud Paul, Hollis Thurston, Wiley Moore, George Turbeville, Ellsworth Davey, Ray Moffatt and Floyd Newkirk.

Catchers—Billy Raimondi, Frank Volpi, Bill Conroy and Harold O'Bannion.

Outfielders—Jess Hill, Al Browne, Jerry Donovan, Floyd Yount, Arnold Traxler, Burt Watson and Bal Baldacci.

Infielders—Joe Abreu, Pat Ambrose, Bob Gibson, Hugh Luby, Walter Lowe, Pat Thomas, Mel Fagundes, Leslie Williams, Henry Martinez and Bob Morey.

## Londos Faces Szabo Tonite

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 28.—The "Fragile Muse of the Mat" meets "The Man of Destiny" here tomorrow night at Dreamland Auditorium.

The T.M.M. is Jemmy Londos, the Gorgeous Greek. The T.M.D. is Sandor Szabo, the Hungarian wrestler who holds the Pacific Coast heavyweight title.

Londos has recently returned from an international tour, during which he wrestled leading matmen of most of the nations of the world.

George "Cry Baby" Zaharias will take on Danny Dusek in the semi-windup on promoter Joe Maloney's card.

Other bouts: Billy Hanson vs. Rudy LaDizil; Larry Blomfield vs. Glen Wade; Hank Methylene vs. Leo Narberes; Frank Schroll vs. Alex Lech.

## MORE ON BRITAIN

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Commons today Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain stood adamant on his appointment of the pro-Nazi Lord Halifax to the post of foreign secretary.

He insisted that Halifax had some unnamable standing qualifications for the post.

So remarkable were the Lord's attitudes, indicated the conservative prime minister, that his appointment was the only one possible, despite the fact that the Lord could not appear before the House to explain their foreign policy to its members.

Laborite opposition was strengthened after the huge anti-Chamberlain demonstrations of yesterday.

**10,000 March**  
In the afternoon yesterday more than 10,000 Britishers marched up to the Italian Embassy with a resolution branding Prime Minister Chamberlain's "surrender to Italian threats."

The demonstrators were met by a solid wall of mounted police but two of their number went up and rang Count Dino Grandi's doorbell on getting no answer the resolution was slipped under the door of Mussolini's ambassador.

At another meeting yesterday in famous Hyde Park, the wealthy Astor family, owners of the reactionary London Times, came in for a drubbing. The speaker was Baron Strabolgi, one of the few progressive members of the House of Peers.

The Baron claimed that the policy of the rich and the Tories was to accomplish their aims by secret and underhanded methods instead of by British law.

"The foreign policy of this country is no longer settled by the Cabinet in Downing street," asserted Stabolgi, "but in the country home of Lady Astor at Clivedon."

**Solos to Be Heard**  
SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 28.—Piano, violin, and vocal solos are featured on the first March concert of the San Francisco Musical club which will be heard Thursday, March 3rd at 11 in the morning at the Community Playhouse.

**Senate Appoints**  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 28 (TP)—A special Senate Committee to investigate a wartime conditions was appointed today by Vice-President Garner. Sen. Copeland of New York heads the committee.

Other members are Senators Thomas, Maloney of Connecticut, Donahay of Ohio, and Vandenberg of Michigan.

## SOVIET SWIM ACES DEFEAT FRENCHMEN

MOSCOW, Feb. 28.—Jean Paris and R. Heinegale, former French champion, took a setback here last week in their "invasion" of the Soviet Union.

Taris, who was second in the 1932 Olympic 400-meter swim, could do no better than place fourth at 200 meters and fifth at 400 meters.

Vassiliev won the 200 meter event in 2:17.2 and Golubiev took the longer distance in 5:01.6. Neither time was exceptional.

In his second appearance, Taris was beaten decisively by Vassiliev at 300 meters in 3:42.2 by Golubiev at 500 meters in 6:28.3.

Heinegale broke even in two diving encounters with Schidloff. Schidloff won the first, the French ace the second.

In the earlier trials Boitchenko eclipsed the European 200-meter breast stroke record of 2:39.6 with a record of 2:39.3.

## MORE ON LOCKOUT

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Our Oakland members voted to walk out in support of their brother who was unjustly discharged. There we have a legitimate strike.

The men are picketing Hagstrom. They are not picketing nor interfering with the operations of any other grocery houses in San Francisco or Oakland. They are attempting to show the public that the Hagstrom Grocery Co. is unfair to organized labor.

"A lockout means that the employer is locking out his employees. In other words, he is refusing to let them do work that is there. In the case of the grocery industry, all of the wholesale grocery houses, who have locked out our members, are not involved in this dispute. We were not picketing them, nor were we interfering with the receiving or shipping of their goods."

"Our members in those houses were ready to do any work that the employer ordered them to do, except fill orders for this struck warehouse, which meant only one thing—to act as a strikebreaker."

Results out at the Beach stadium: "A" 3; Teutonia "A" 0; Mercury "A" 3; Verdi "A" 2; Olympic Club "A" 2; Union Espanola "A" 1.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

**Vigilance Needed Against Incorporation of Unions**  
Editor, People's World:

Almon E. Roth, Shipowners' "front" man, says that although the shipowners have gone to great lengths to defeat the unions, even meeting "solidarity with solidarity and even taking up labor's slogan, 'A hurt to one is a hurt to all,' but all to no avail." Almon says "the shipowners have lost their fight on three objectives:

"1.—The right to hire whom they want.

"2.—The right to direct the work of their men.

"3.—To see the failure of labor's campaign to curtail production."

"Our only hope lies in legislation to make the unions responsible for the actions of their men," says Frontman Roth. Thus, finding that they are unable to match their economic strength with that of a united and progressive labor movement, the shipowners are continuing their fight in the legislative field.

**Vigilance Needed**  
Therefore, it behooves the maritime unions and rank and file to watch closely the events transpiring in the legislative bodies of the

## TOKIO BOYCOTT UP BEFORE I. A. A. F.

PARIS, Feb. 28.—Jesse Owens, Negro track star, was today officially declared the record-holder in the 100 meter dash by the International Amateur Athletic Federation.

Owens' mark of 10.2 seconds for the distance was set in the United States last year. It had been widely disputed by representatives of other countries.

The I.A.A.F. likewise okayed the 110-meter high hurdles record set by Forrest (Spec) Towns

of the United States. Towns' time was 13.7.

In adopting the records the I.A.A.F. accepted the recommendations submitted yesterday by the records committee which over-rode the vote of M. Stankowicz, chairman, in approving the marks.

Meanwhile, the expected storm over the Tokyo Olympics in 1940 had not as yet materialized.

The British A.A.A., in session recently, unanimously voted to urge a boycott of the Tokyo Olympics on the grounds of the unwarranted Japanese invasion of China.

British delegates did not raise the issue today,

but H. F. Pash, British A.A.A. member and one of the strongest advocates of the boycott, was expected to bring the matter up tomorrow.

David Lord Burghley, chairman of the British Olympic Games Committee, is likewise committed to the boycott, although Paris observers noted that his advocacy of the removal of the games from Tokyo has become increasingly lukewarm.

The records committee sent to the congress 27 records for promulgation, 12 from the United States and 10 from Finland.

## Seals Sign Lou Koupal

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 28.—Lou Koupal, the San Francisco Seals' acquisition from St. Louis in the American League, signed his 1938 contract this afternoon.

Koupal had sent three contracts back to President Charley Graham, but finally affixed his signature to the fourth.

"And it was the same one we sent him in the first place," declared Walter (Sheriff) Mails, impresario for the Seals.

Koupal, 35-year-old veteran, won 4 and lost 9 with the Browns last year. The year before he was with Seattle, where he burnt up the league. He pitched 106 innings and gave 150 hits with the Browns.

All the Seals reported this morning, except pitcher Johnny Welch and infielders Harley Boss and Jack Warner, who are still on the hold-out list.

Referee Alex McCubbin was the latest victim. In the Rover-Swiss A. C. game McCubbin declared that the Rovers had scored a goal in the final minute of play to tie the score at 2-2.

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## Spaniards Beat Teutonia

By George Hitchcock

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How the Seals acquitted themselves:

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## Chinese Net Aces Ready for 1938 Season

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 28.—The strong Chinese Tennis Club started practice here this week for the 1938 tennis season.

Chitena defeated many of the major independent clubs here last year and hopes to duplicate its feat again this season.

The Chinese scored the following victories in 1937: Chitena 4, U.S. Naval Hospital, 0; Chitena 9, Salinas Chinese 5; Chitena 6, Bella Vista 4; Chitena 11, Sacramento Chinese 2; Chitena 5, San Mateo J.C. 3; Chitena 7, University of San Francisco 1; Chitena 18, Los Angeles Chinese, 3; Chitena 8, Sacramento mixed team 2; Chitena 9, Salinas-Watsonville 5; Chitena 8, Seattle Chinese 0; Chitena 7, Portland Chinese 0.

Chitena's only loss of the season was to the U.S. Post-Office by a score of 3-7.

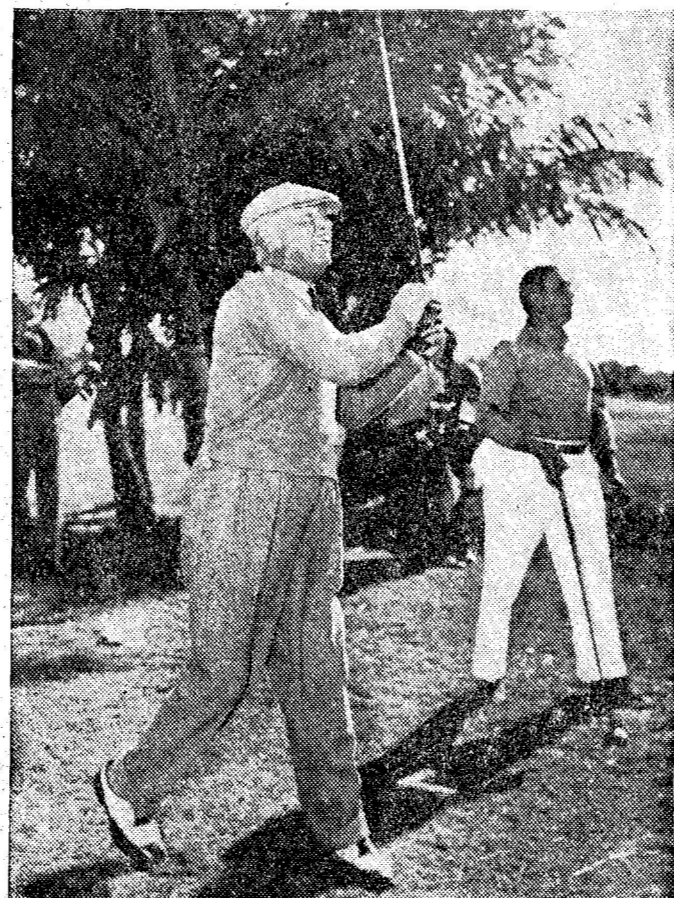
New officers for the club are Arthur Hee, president; N. K. Leons, secretary; Wallace Wong, vice-president; Lily May Mark, treasurer; Hattie Hall, tennis manager; Davison Lee, social chairman and Joe Moke, Hayne Hall, Frank Tom, Dr. Ted Lee and Lee Him, directors.

Newly elected editor of the club's publication was Fred C. Woo.

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Fraternally,  
John Schomaker, Publicity Chairman, Intl. Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union, Local 1-10, San Francisco.

## A "SPORTING" FIGURE



FRANK HAGUE, Puchrer of New Jersey, finds plenty of time to run off to Florida for a round of golf with friend James A. Farley. But thousands of workers in New Jersey plant which "I am the Law" Hague rules with a dictatorial hand find it a little more difficult to "run down to Palm Beach" for a golf game or a swim in the surf.

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## 23 Innings, And All for No Purpose!

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 28.—Players for the Dan P. Maher baseball club played 23 fruitless innings at Seals Stadium here yesterday.

The Maher club sweltered through one of the longest games on record in California against the Redlick-Newmans nine. In the 23rd inning they broke up a deadlock to win, 6-5.

Ten minutes after the weary players had left the field and hung up their gloves they were informed they had won in the first inning.

Newman had used an ineligible outfielder, Manager Maysonave, in the first inning, thereby disqualifying the team and giving the Maher boys a technical 9-0 decision.

But before the officials had discovered this both teams had sweated through three hours and forty-five minutes of baseball.

Other games on the day's schedule were postponed because of the length of the contest.

**YANKS TRAIN**  
ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., Feb. 28 (TP)—The world champion New York Yankees started training today for another pennant campaign when pitchers and catchers took their first workout. Bump Hadley, Johnny Murphy, Ivy Paul Andrews and Monte Pearson were the regular hurlers to take part in the initial workout.

**JASKWICH COACHES**  
UNIVERSITY, Miss., Feb. 28.—(TP)—The University of Mississippi football coaching staff was complete today with the signing of the former Notre Dame star, Charles Jaskwicz, as backfield coach.

Jaskwicz hails from Kenosha Wis. He called signals on the Notre Dame teams of 1929 and 1931.

**WOMEN NET STARS ADVANCE IN GOHAM**  
NEW YORK, Feb. 28 (TP)—Outstanding players advanced as expected today in the first round of the Women's National Indoor tennis championships.

The top-seeded Helen Pedersen of Stamford, Conn., crushed Anita Freudenberg of New York, 6-0, 6-1. Katharine Wirthrop of Boston beat Anita Este of New York by the same score.

Millicent Hirsch of New York won from another New Yorker, Ruth Blair, by scores of 6-1, 6-4.

**WALL ON STAGE HAND**  
HIALEAH Park, Fla., Feb. 28 (TP)—Jockey Nick Wall will leave by plane tomorrow for California, to ride Stagehand in the one hundred thousand dollars Santa Anita handicap on Saturday. Stagehand by Maxwell Howard won the fifty thousand dollars Santa Anita derby last Tuesday.

Sande hired Jockey Wall by telegram.

**FOUR-MAN LITHOGRAPH SHOW**  
SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 28.—The Theater Union Art Gallery announces a four-man show of lithographs, starting March 1 and continuing for two weeks. The artists are Herman Volz, Phillis de Laap, Clay Spohn and Timothy Walt. The gallery is located at 2036 Addison St., Berkeley.

## Seabiscuit 2 1/2 to 1 POMPOON SECOND ON PARI-MUTUEL ROSTER

SANTA ANITA, Feb. 28.—Despite his loss to Aneroid in Saturday's San Antonio Stakes here, Charles S. Howard's Seabiscuit remained the bookmakers' first choice to win the \$100,000 Santa Anita Handicap Saturday.

## NorthernHoop Circuit Goes Down Stretch

Washington State, Oregon and Idaho, the team that grabbed the lead while Oregon and Washington State were fighting amongst themselves, has been shoved down into second division.

The Washington State Cougars with a .022 lead over Oregon, has two games left in Washington and one with the Vandals left in their schedule. Oregon has only one game left with Oregon State.

If W.S.C. wins all its remaining games and Oregon drops its last game, the Cougars have the title all sewed up. If Oregon wins its game with O.S.C., and W.S.C. drops one to Washington, Oregon and W.S.C. have a chance to finish in a tie.

If W.S.C. drops both games clear road ahead to the title. The standings:

Won	Lst.	Pct.	Pts.	Pla.	
W. S. C.	12	5	706	715	655
Oregon	15	6	624	907	739
Washington	11	7	611	738	763
Idaho	11	8	579	692	670
O. S. C.	6	12	316	620	658
Montana	8	17	150	791	1038

**34TH FOR '38?**  
MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 28 (TP)—World featherweight champion Henry Armstrong is expected to score his third straight knockout of 1938 tonight.

Armstrong will take on Charles Burns of Johnston, Pa., in a ten-round non-title bout at Minneapolis. The featherweight boss knocked out Everett Rightmire last week for his fifth consecutive knockout of the year and his 33rd knockout in his last 34 starts.

**OPERATE ON AMBERS**  
NE WYORK, Feb. 28.—Lou Ambers, lightweight champion of the world, was operated on today in Polyclinic Hospital here for a nasal obstruction. Ambers will be unable to fight for more than a month.

**LOLDY WANER SIGNS**  
PITTSBURGH, Feb. 28 (TP)—Officials of the Pittsburgh Pirates announced today that outfielder Lloyd Waner had signed his 1938 contract. The salary was not disclosed.

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## North and South Face Each Other Saturday LAIWO Plays ILWU Oaks

By Lefty

California will see its first big inter-sectional labor basketball contest this weekend in