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Labor Denounces Merriam Quotas For Unemployed

'Inadequate' Pittance Is Urged by Governor to Handle Jobless Aid, Flood Relief; Lobby at Capital to Fight

SAN FRANCISCO, March 7.—Workers Alliance officials and the San Francisco Unemployed Committee denounced as "inadequate" and "miserable" the sum of \$7,900,000 that Governor Merriam recommends for relief in his call for the special session of the Legislature meeting today.

Three million of the relief money is earmarked for flood relief in Southern California, which leaves but \$4,900,000 to supplement the state relief fund of \$48,000,000 reported to be dwindling rapidly without filling the needs of growing thousands of unemployed in the state.

The \$3,000,000 for flood relief will go to replace bridges and highways wrecked last week. This is less than one-third of the \$10,000,000 loss in these structures in Los Angeles County alone, in the estimate of Supervisor Roger Jessup. Damage to public property in the City of Los Angeles totals \$3,000,000 according to City Engineer Aldrich.

Farmers' Distress
Further evidence of the inadequacy of Merriam's special flood relief unemployment relief appropriation is to be seen in the known loss of one-half of the strawberry crop and an estimated \$121,000 loss in the citrus industry.

Tragic distress among small farmers and agricultural workers calling for immediate aid is known to be widespread.

The Governor's call said that the relief figure could be supplemented by an additional \$2,000,000 from the gas tax fund if needed.

Relief to private property will get what is left, after public property is replaced, the Governor has announced hopefully. The Red Cross estimated officially that 10,000 are homeless, and 5,551 homes have been either destroyed or rendered uninhabitable.

Private property relief if any, will be in the nature of work or relief projects, according to the Governor.

Alliance in Capital
A delegation from the Workers Alliance in Sacramento for the duration of the special session. Failure of the last regular session to appropriate the \$94,000,000 they recommended is responsible for the relief crisis today, they say. The delegation is insisting on an increase of 40 per cent in state relief payments.

Inadequacy of the relief program is particularly apparent in the case of single men, they point out. Instead of being taken care of as citizens who are out of work for no fault of their own, single men are being shipped off to concentration camps where the most miserable of conditions exist.

The S. F. Unions Unemployed Committee is particularly bitter about Merriam's proposal to consolidate the State Relief Commission into the Department of Social Welfare.

"Such a step," their spokesmen said, "means a further trend to put the unemployed under the reactionary thumb of Governor Merriam. The State Relief Commission contains a few progressive minds with at least a partial understanding of the immensity of the questions involved. The Social Welfare heads are political appointees and yes-men."

Congressmen Ask F.D.R. Support for Flood Control Bill

WASHINGTON, March 7 (TP).—A Congressional delegation headed by Rep. Crowe of Indiana appealed to President Roosevelt today to support a drive for an \$80,000,000 appropriation for flood control in the Ohio River valley.

The delegation asked the President to urge appropriation for the funds to finance 30 projects in the Ohio River and its tributaries. The projects have been listed with the engineering division of the War Department as preferential projects.

Members of the delegation said President Roosevelt appeared sympathetic but declared he would have to determine whether funds are available for the projects.

UNIONS JOIN IN STATE-WIDE JOBLESS BODY

To Ask 40 Per Cent Rise in SRA Budgets at Extra Session

SACRAMENTO, March 7.—The joint AFL-CIO unemployed councils of the state are now united into the "California Labor Union Unemployed Council" and are fighting their case in the special session of the legislature, as a result of a state conference held here yesterday.

A state program was adopted for a 40 per cent increase in S. R. A. budgets.

Abolition of forced labor camps; all camps to be voluntary with trade union wages paid for any work done in them.

Opposition was voiced to the Governor's pet scheme to merge the State Welfare Administration. Aside from the fact that the Social Welfare set-up is rather worse and more machine ridden than even the S. R. A., such a merger, the delegates pointed out, would divide relief among the counties and liquidate it in pretty short order.

Back WPA Resolution
The conference demanded that the legislature memorialize Congress to pass the Schwelienbach-Allen resolution, which in effect, gives WPA jobs to all who need them, cutting out much red tape.

The conference also demanded that the legislature pass the necessary enabling act to permit use of federal funds under the Wagner-Stieglitz Act.

The conference met in the Labor Temple with delegates from San Francisco, Los Angeles, Sacramento, Stockton, Contra Costa County, San Diego and Alameda County.

Victor Burke, secretary of California Labor's Non-Partisan League, was the invited chairman, and the League was made, by vote of the conference, the political representative of the new state wide organization.

Sacramento's unemployed council was made the lobbying agent of the new organization. It will make daily reports to the secretary of the state apparatus in San Francisco headquarters, 1095 Market St., Room 403, and the state administrative committee of three state officers will organize state wide campaigns to back up the legislative program.

The state apparatus created consisted of:

Chairman, John Hughes, Railway Carmen No. 779, Contra Costa County.

Vice Chairman, F. C. Fetter, Laborers 261, San Francisco.

Secretary, Treasurer, W. P. Shields, AFL Machinists No. 68, San Francisco.

A state executive board of these three officers and two members from each existing trade union unemployed council, to be elected by the council, was organized.

The meeting yesterday demanded radio time equal to that used by the National Labor Relations Board. S. R. A. The council's idea is to refute Pomeroy's statement that "none are hungry in California."

Garbo, Stokowski To Retire From Public When Wed

STOCKHOLM, March 7.—The Swedish newspaper "Allensands" reported today that the famous orchestra conductor, Leopold Stokowski, and the screen star Greta Garbo, both plan to retire from public life after their marriage.

According to the newspaper, Stokowski plans to build a home in Arizona, where he and his bride will live.

Stokowski and Miss Garbo are now in Italy where it is reported they plan to be married within the next fortnight.

At Soviet Trial



PROSECUTOR VYSHINSKY



JUDGE ULRICH

Britain Plans No Action on Sea Bombing

Risking of Lives to Save Rebel Seamen Is Under Fire

LONDON, March 7 (TP).—British Admiralty and foreign office circles indicated today that there probably would be no diplomatic action as a result of the bombing of the British destroyers "Blanche" and "Brilliant."

Bombs were dropped near the two British warships while they were on anti-private patrol of the southeastern coast of Spain. British officials said they did not know whether the bombing planes were Loyalist or Rebel aircraft. None of the bombs hit the British destroyers.

Action Criticized

LONDON, March 7 (TP).—Criticism was voiced in the House of Commons today over the action of the Commanders of the British destroyers in risking the lives of their men to rescue survivors of the Spanish Rebel cruiser "Balares."

Able Seaman George Lont of the destroyer "Boreas" was killed and three of his shipmates were wounded by bomb splinters while transferring Spanish Rebel sailors from the "Balares" to the other Rebel craft.

A member inquired on the floor of the House whether British seamen should be required to risk their lives to put rescued sailors aboard belligerent warships.

Geoffrey Shakespeare, answering the question, said the act of rescuing the Spanish sailors was in the best traditions of the British navy.

Japanese Mass At Yellow River

HANKOW, March 7 (TP).—The Japanese Army massed men along the Yellow River today for a drive to force the passage to the south side of the stream.

Meanwhile Japanese airplanes and artillery bombed the Chinese defenders of the river crossings. Up to a late hour no attempt had been made to send Japanese infantry across the stream. The battered Chinese units on the south bank were on the alert, however, and second line defenses jammed with reinforcements ready to rush to any threatened point.

TRIAL HEARS PLOT DETAILS AGAINST LENIN

Doctor Tells of Harmful Drugs Administered to Maxim Gorky

MOSCOW, March 7.—The murder of Maxim Gorky by deliberate wrong medication during his last illness, and the plots of Nikolai Bukharin against Lenin, took the center of attention today in the trial here of 21 accused of treason and other crimes.

A report to the Military College of the Supreme Court of the Soviet Union by Doctor Belostotsky was read. Belostotsky related how he, as an assistant and under the orders of Doctor L. G. Levin, superintendent of the Kremlin hospital, injected large quantities of certain drugs into Gorky's veins.

The drugs used were Digalen Cardiozol Glucose, and Glucose Strophanthum, or Strophanthin.

Protests Feared
Belostotsky said he protested his fears that the medicines used were entirely the wrong treatment, but that Levin overruled him.

The court decided to summon Belostotsky as a witness. Upon the request of Prosecutor Andrei Vyshinsky, the court appointed a board of medical witnesses to present findings on the methods of treatment and the circumstances surrounding the sudden death of Gorky: Vyacheslav Menzhinsky, head of the GPU and Valerian Kulibyshev, head of state planning.

The court appointed medical professors: Chereshevsky, Burmin, Vinogradov, and Rossisky, with Doctor of Medicine Ziplav.

Bukharin Confesses
Bukharin was on the stand for the second day. He confessed to many plots to overthrow the Soviet government, but denied that he personally took part in murder plans, or had guilty knowledge of actual espionage for foreign Fascist countries. His fellow prisoner, Alexei Rykov, interrupted to contradict him on the espionage, and an old associate, the woman Varvara Yakovleva, appeared on the witness stand to denounce him as plotting the death of Lenin.

One of the latest attempts at overthrow of the Soviet government, Bukharin testified, was when he and others plotted the capture of the leadership while it was attending the 17th Congress of the Communist Party at the Kremlin, at Moscow, in 1934.

The plan had to be given up, said Bukharin, because it appeared that the whole country would rise up and destroy anybody who did that.

Yakovleva, member of the early Bolshevik organization of the years immediately after the Revolution, related that Bukharin, the Socialist Revolutionaries and Trotsky conspired together to "physically destroy" Lenin, then head of the government, and Stalin and Sverdlov, and to put themselves in power.

High Court Grants Rehearing to Men In Election Fraud

WASHINGTON, March 7 (TP).—The Supreme Court today agreed to accept a petition for rehearing in the Kansas City election fraud cases and granted a stay to the charges that the injunction violated the Norris-LaGuardia anti-injunction act. A review was granted the Denver Union Stockyard Co. in its suit to set aside an agricultural department order fixing maximum rates.

The International Ladies Garment Workers Union won a review of its suit to vacate an injunction restraining it from picketing the Donnelly Garment Co. The union charged that the injunction violated the Norris-LaGuardia anti-injunction act. A review was granted the Denver Union Stockyard Co. in its suit to set aside an agricultural department order fixing maximum rates.

NEW ROCHELLE, N. Y., March 7 (TP).—The father of missing Peter Levine issued a special statement just before noon today appealing to the kidnappers to get in touch with him.

Attorney Murray Levine's statement said: "Reports that the police or any other authorities are becoming active in the case are untrue. I again assure those holding my boy that it is perfectly safe for them to get in touch with me."

Owners Lock Out Building Trades To Kill 6-Hour Day

All Large Construction Jobs in Seattle Shut Down as Contractors Association Seeking to Impose Return to Eight-Hour Day

SEATTLE, March 7.—Building contractors split when the zero hour of their attack on the 6-hour day arrived, and only the large construction jobs suffered from a lockout. They would substitute the old 8-hour day. The more numerous small jobs continued on the 6-hour basis.

The workers had been preparing for the attack following its announcement by the Associated General Contractors a month ago. A. F. of L. unions quickly joined with CIO unions to insure Seattle retaining its distinction as the only city in the U. S. where the 6-hour day is enforced and recognized in the building trades.

Refusal of workers to agree to work eight hours resulted in the lock-out in the large projects, thus preventing a strike after 6-hours work, which the Building Trades Council had agreed upon.

"The rank and file stood united," F. W. Monrean, Secretary of the Building Trades Council, announced when full reports had come in from jobs throughout the city.

A meeting has been called for this afternoon by Federal Conciliator E. P. Marsh, who hopes to mediate the dispute.

In defending their stand on the retention of the 6-hour day the Building Trades Council has pointed to spreading unemployment to as the best argument for not lengthening hours.

Dave Beck who still has great power here is being watched closely, since up to now he has not declared his position in the dispute over hours. The twenty-three building trades unions, however, are solidly united with the rest in resisting the big employers' onslaught on the question of hours.

Beck's well-known brag to employers: "My men don't strike," however, has caused uneasiness among many of the unions who fear he might attempt to split the strong united front. His failure to act so far has indicated to some a probable weakening of his hold on the men he claims he controls.

Frank O. Masterson, member of the apparatus of the "ILA District," read a long statement from the witness stand today, attacking the NLRB jurisdiction.

The trial examiner refused to permit questioning of the witness in regard to the statement, and the hearing adjourned this afternoon to San Pedro.

Townsend Pardon Plea Promised Prompt Attention

WASHINGTON, March 7 (TP).—Democratic Rep. Warren Magnuson of Washington State said today that the Department of Justice had assured him that any request by the Old Age pension planner, Dr. Francis Townsend, for a pardon would receive "prompt and careful" attention.

Rep. Magnuson wrote to President Roosevelt recently requesting that Dr. Townsend be pardoned from serving his thirty day jail sentence for contempt of the House of Representatives. The sentence resulted from Dr. Townsend's walking out on an investigation of his old age pension plan.

The pardon attorney of the justice department, Daniel Lyons, said that Dr. Townsend has not applied for a pardon. However, Lyons said that if the doctor seeks clemency his department will make a comprehensive study of the case.

Five Planes Join Search For Missing TWA Airliner

FRESNO, Calif., March 7 (TP).—Five planes hopped off in murky weather today in the sixth day of the hunt for the missing TWA transport plane.

TWA officials discounted a report that an object resembling the plane was seen on Goat Mountain, but ground crews were checking the report. Officials pointed out that they had checked that area too many times for a whole plane to escape notice.

The TWA and a Department of Commerce committee began checking all reports to eliminate those patently false. Latest authentic report is that the plane, carrying six

VACCINATIONS SPED TO MEET EPIDEMIC FEAR

5,601 Houses Destroyed by Disaster—Homeless Problem Acute

LOS ANGELES, March 7.—An army of 25,000 workers today worked on the clearance of flood wreckage that once represented \$45,500,000 worth of property, the official estimate of damage wrought by the disaster.

According to Marjorie Jackson, executive secretary of the local Red Cross, 5,601 houses were demolished. This today presents the greatest problem before Los Angeles. While there has been talk of monies to replace the wreckage of public buildings, bridges and highways, no compensation at all has been provided for the losses of homes by private individuals.

At the same time, the fear of a spreading typhoid epidemic was today fought by wholesale vaccinations. Fear of the pestilence was most prevalent in Fullerton, Santa Ana, Anaheim and Colton.

The Red Cross has launched a drive for \$300,000 flood relief, with the Los Angeles quota at \$10,000. However, the sum is not enough to even begin the huge task of rehabilitation.

H. C. Haight, Southern California Federal Director of the Disaster Loan Corporation, announced that the Federal government will make loans at three per cent interest with no collateral required.

Major Theodore Wyman, Jr., District Army Engineer, today stated: "Dams and drainage channels did all that could be expected. Major damage resulted from partially completed works only. No new needs were indicated by the recent storm, which was adequately prepared for in project plans."

Eylesian Park's famous moving mountain was reported to be moving again.

Preliminary study of independent investigations of the flood's causes indicated that in some instances difficulties in obtaining the right of way through properties owned by industrialists hampered an adequate flood control program.

Snag Seen for Shaw's Recall In L.A. Charter

LOS ANGELES, March 7 (TP).—Political leaders were speculating today on the possible outcome of the present move for a recall election against Mayor Frank Shaw.

Most observers are of the opinion that the recall petitioners being circulated by the Citizens Independent Vice Investigating Committee will secure the required 64,000 signatures.

However, the same observers feel that the committee, headed by former grand juror Clifford Clinch, will have only started its recall battle at that point.

For, although the threat of recall has been dangled over office holders in Los Angeles numerous times, few have been retired by such a route. There are numerous potential candidates to go on a recall ballot but few have received substantial backing in past elections.

Under the city charter Mayor Shaw would have the odds with him in event the matter goes to the voters. The peculiar charter feature provides that such a ballot must be in two parts, the first asking whether the incumbent official should be removed and the second containing the names of candidates, including the incumbent.

Tough Guy in Play Is a Girl Chaser in Real Life

NEW YORK, March 7 (TP).—One of the toughest boys in the play, "Dead End," Eddie Burman was sent back to Bellevue Hospital today for 10 days observation because he persists in annoying a young actress.

The actress, 19-year-old Betty Green, told Magistrate Kross of the Women's court that she could not stand to have Burman tagging her any more. Burman, previously had been arrested and warned to leave Miss Green alone. The two were in "Dead End" together last year.

Banker Must Pay \$ Million

High Court Rules Against Morgan Aide

Tax Fraud Penalty and Back Income Levies Held Against Him

WASHINGTON, March 7.—Charles E. Mitchell, former head of Morgan's National City Bank of New York, must pay \$364,000 tax fraud penalty as well as \$728,000 in back income taxes, the U. S. Supreme Court ruled today.

Justice McReynolds dissented and Justices Cordozo and Reed took no part in the rulings. Mitchell's appeal to the high court was based on the claim that the penalty should not be levied against him because he was acquitted of criminal income tax fraud charges.

In another split decision, the court ruled 5-2, with Justice Butler and McReynolds dissenting and Reed and Cordozo not voting that oil operators may not deduct depletion on their oil leases from income taxes.

The court further ruled that it would postpone action on its order refusing a rehearing of the Kansas City, Mo., vote fraud case, involving the Democratic Party machine of Tom Pendergast. The ruling stated the delay was to allow attorneys to file new briefs for the 12 persons convicted in the 1936 vote fraud case.

Sapiro Loses Suit For Fees Against Union Federation

SAN FRANCISCO, March 7.—Attorney Aaron Sapiro, who has filed many suits against labor unions and union leaders, has taken a beating in his suit against the Maritime Federation of the Pacific.

George Andersen, MFP attorney, announced today that Sapiro's suit for \$2200 fees which he claimed due him on the Modesto frame-up case, had been denied after six days trial in Superior Judge Louis H. Ward's court.

A number of months ago, Sapiro filed suit and tied up the Sailors Union of the Pacific, Marine Cooks & Stewards, Marine Engineers and Masters, Mates & Pilots from paying per capita dues to the Maritime Federation. Now the per capita payments have been freed from legal entanglements.

Sapiro was represented in court by his brother, Milton Sapiro, who is also attorney for the "Lost Battalion" of ex-longshoremen at 113 Steuart St., a so-called AFL union.

Newsmen's Union Officers Installed

SAN FRANCISCO, March 7.—The News Vendors' Union today installed newly elected officers as follows:

J. P. Murray, president; A. McNamee, vice president; Max King, recording secretary; Chas. Bowers, financial secretary; Robert Lippins, sergeant at arms; trustees: R. Michaels, E. McGovern and J. Curtis.

The new business agent is Louis Williams who replaces Nelson. President Murray was the first presiding officer and one of the organizers of the union, which is AFL Local 2673.

The election brought out a record vote, and showed the great interest of the membership in union affairs.

Commonwealth Group Charters New Clubs

(Special to the People's World) PORTLAND, Ore., March 7.—New Oregon Commonwealth Federation clubs have been chartered at Vernonia, St. Helens and Silverton, where farmers and industrial workers joined hands to launch new units, it was announced here today by the Federation's state headquarters, 507 Stock Exchange Bldg., Portland.

Among new affiliated groups are the Plywood & Veneer Workers Union, with 400 members at St. Johns; the AFL Furniture Workers, with 500 members in Portland, and the Salem unit of the Oregon Workers Alliance.

Non-Partisan League Set Up in Spokane

SPOKANE, Wash., March 7.—The first unit of Labor's Non-Partisan League in the "Inland Empire" is making rapid progress forward here, it was reported today.

The original participating unions include the Gas Workers, Railroad Carmen, Intl. Woodworkers of America, Brewery Workers, and Tailors Union.

Chairman is Orville Anderson. The IWA locals here are planning to hold radio broadcasts as an aid to an intensive organizing campaign in the next few weeks.

New Youth Club Begins

MOUNTAIN VIEW, March 7.—The newly organized Mountain View Youth Club held its first meeting last Thursday evening, welcoming 30 members who attended. Purpose of this club is described by the young officers as "to make the youth look more seriously at the problems of the nation and bring healthy clean entertainment to the youth of the community."

Rent Strikers Celebrate Victory



TENANTS of the Roland Apartments, Detroit, Mich., are shown in the hallway after a jury refused to authorize an eviction writ against them. The strikers were supported in their demand for reduced rents by the Renters and Consumers League.

Unions Seek Agreements on Water Projects

(Special to the People's World) REDDING, Calif., March 7.—Plans to secure union agreements covering the Central Valley Water Project, are going forward here today.

At a special meeting of Shasta Local 260, Intl. Union of Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers, Chase Powers, international representative, outlined the steps already taken to secure agreements with the Contractors Assn.

C. H. Bingham, Warehousemen's Local 1-17 and president of the Sacramento Industrial Union Council, assured the Local 260 members of the support of the council and all affiliated locals.

Floyd Stapleton of Local 270, told of the situation at Banning where the union has been on strike on the Metropolitan Water District aqueduct, and said the situation there looks more favorable than at any time in the past. Gilbreth, of Local 53, promised every assistance from that local and suggested amalgamation of Locals 53 and 260.

C. V. Shangle, Local 267, state secretary of the IUMM&SW Construction Council, gave a financial report. Rex Adams, Local 402 president, conducted the meeting and outlined progress by his local in gaining agreements in the vicinity of Boca, Wm. Fallon, of Intl. Woodworkers of America, Local 83, outlined progress of his union on the Pacific Coast.

Speakers to Debate Hospital Function

LOS ANGELES, March 7.—A discussion which will probably arouse a good deal of controversy, considering the speakers involved, will be held here under the auspices of the California Committee for Political Unity at the Harrison St. School, Tuesday, March 8.

Subject of the evening will be: How is the County Hospital Serving the Community?

Speakers listed are: Everett Gray, Superintendent of the Los Angeles County General Hospital; Mr. Joe Doidis, President of the State County and Municipal Workers of America Local 84; Mr. Bronislaus Zukas, Field representative Local 84.

Labor League Thrives in Eureka Lumber Area

EUREKA, Calif., March 7.—Labor's Non-Partisan League is taking hold rapidly in Humboldt, Del Norte and Mendocino counties, it was reported here today.

Lumber and sawmill workers are particularly rallying to strengthen and build the League in these three counties. The League has been firmly established in Fort Bragg.

President St. Young, Lumber & Sawmill Workers, Local 2808, Arcata, Calif., announced arrangements are being made for formation of the League in Arcata.

U.S. Set to Take Over Two Isles in Pacific

WASHINGTON, March 7 (TP)—The Interior Department was making preparations today to take over the two British claimed islands of Canton and Enderbury, south of Hawaii.

The two islands in the Phoenix group will be taken over under an executive order by President Roosevelt. Canton and Enderbury will be added to the islands of Jarvis, Howland, and Baker as American possessions in that region of the Pacific.

The two islands lie about 1,800 miles south of Hawaii. They are only a few square miles in area but are considered valuable both as bases for war planes and vessels and for commercial air lines.

Radio Talk Ban Draws Charge of 'Cowardice'

Station Manager Accused of Hedging by C. I. O. After Barring Non-Partisan League Address Over 'Labor on the March' Program

SAN FRANCISCO, March 7.—Radio station KGGC and William Grove, station official, were flayed again here today by James D. O'Neil, CIO publicity director, for censorship of progressive material from the well-known "Labor on the March" broadcast of the International Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union.

For the second time within three weeks, the ILWU program was barred from the air last Friday night because it contained an interview with A. F. Gaynor, Labor's Non-Partisan League state chairman and member of the AFL Brotherhood of Railway & Steamship Clerks.

O'Neil charged Grove with "cowardice." "After telling us the program was barred because it was 'political,' Grove began his customary hedging," said O'Neil. "He told Gaynor the program was not acceptable in the form in which it was submitted. He then informed the San Francisco Chronicle it was barred because a sponsor was not permitted to 'assign his time to a third party.'"

"Our program is continually sliced, sniped, picked and heaved to pieces by Grove. Lately he's lost his nerve completely. He censors the script and then hurries home so he won't be there to meet me when we go over the changes."

"Labor on the March" has given KGGC thousands of listeners it never had before. But this little fascist bud, Grove, is trying to ruin the programs and then tells the angry listeners that we do not prepare the programs in time. He is too cowardly to take the blame for his own timidity."

O'Neil said the program mentions no candidates or party policies, but was purely an exposition of what labor intends to do in the political field through the medium of Labor's Non-Partisan League.

He urged protests be sent to the station against such censorship and subversion of the right of free speech.

Sacramento Mass Meet to Boycott Japanese Goods

SACRAMENTO, March 7.—The Boycott of Japanese goods is receiving added impetus here with plans announced today for a huge mass meeting to be held the last week in March. The movement is being sponsored by the Citizens' Japanese Boycott Committee, consisting of delegates of Chinese groups, the Workers Alliance and AFL and CIO unions. The principal speaker at the meeting will be a member of the Chinese legation.

Sacramento is doing a big share in making the boycott successful. Placards have been placed throughout the city and buttons distributed in large numbers.

From Truckee come reports that merchants have cleared their shelves of Japanese made goods. The Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers have been largely instrumental in bringing this about.

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FIGHT AGAINST MILK TRUST IS DUTY OF PUBLIC

Gardner Tells of Dairy Workers' Struggle to Better Condition

LOS ANGELES, March 7.—The CIO Dairy Workers relies on the public in its fight on two fronts against the banker-owned milk trusts and Dave Beck's Teamster "Goons," Vice President Paul Gardner of the local at Hynes said today, pointing that the consumers' interest is the same as that of the CIO union man.

"The Dairy Workers Union fights for more sanitary conditions," said Gardner. "We were forced to work ten to 14 hours a day without any days off the whole year around."

Hard on the Cows
"Even the cow is exploited. The big dairy farms force feed cattle on heavy grain, and make her produce milk at a high rate, but this also wears out the cow in a year or two. On a farm a cow will last eight or ten years."

"The public is practically taxed through the Desmond Act for a bottle of milk that has to be pasteurized to make it keep long enough to sell it."

Pig Interests Lobby
Gardner told of the Wall Street-Giannini drive to get the Desmond Act adopted in the first place.

The Arden Creamery had its largest producer, Mr. Shakarian go to Sacramento to lobby for the bill," said Gardner. "With him went Supervisor Herbert Legge of Los Angeles. Supervisor Roger Jessup, who owns three large dairies was also for it."

"The real purpose of the Act was to raise the price of milk in the 'gallon store' so that consumers would have to patronize the big milk companies. A few cases of our struggles will show this is so."

"We had a spectacular strike last year against the George De Vries 'Vitamin D' Dairy in Norwalk. Mrs. George De Vries is the woman who publicly kissed Hitler at the 1936 Olympic games in Germany, so the strike attracted considerable attention."

Strikebreaking
"Safeway Stores, Inc., notified De Vries that if he signed with them, the Teamsters would not haul his milk. So De Vries got scabs from the Lucerne Creamery, belonging to an organizer, calling itself 'Modern Food Products' and broke our strike. As soon as the strike was broken, De Vries was given, under the Act, the right to ship more Grade A raw milk, which brings the highest price, and Harry O'Brien, of Pasadena, was shut off from shipping any more Grade A milk and his bottle contract was given to De Vries."

"There is a case of local officials cooperating with Dave Beck to smash our union. Supervisor Roger Jessup has a 'Certified Dairy' at Glendale. He had only four AFL men working and all the rest of his force were CIO members. The AFL demanded a closed shop and Jessup locked out his CIO men until they would join the AFL. Two other CIO dairies belonging to Jessup's strike, and 75 Teamster 'goons' came and broke up the CIO picket lines. Special police stood by and watched the 'goons' beat up peaceful pickets."

"Now, Secretary Buzzell of the Los Angeles Central Labor Council endorsed and campaigned for Roger Jessup. Jessup's dairies before the CIO came in, had some of the worst conditions in the country, and wages of \$85 a month, whereas others paid \$100, and the union made Jessup pay \$110."

"It is plain to be seen that with Buzzell's wife working in Burton Pitts' office, and with Roger Jessup as supervisor, what the tie-up is."

The Dairy Worker Union urges the public to help get decent wages for the men and decent milk for itself by boycotting all Golden State Creamery Products, Gardner said. The union will also try to have a public investigation of conditions in the dairy industry of the Los Angeles milk shed.

Poindexter Nominated

WASHINGTON, March 7 (TP)—President Roosevelt sent to the Senate today the nomination of Joseph Poindexter for reappointment as Governor of Hawaii.

Los Angeles SHOPPING SECTION

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Spies Caught in New York



GUENTHER GUSTAVE RUMMICH JOANNA HOFMAN
THE TWO were arrested as members of a wide espionage ring accused of selling U. S. army secrets to what is delicately referred to as a "foreign power" but generally recognized as Nazi Germany. Rummich, 27, is a former American army sergeant and deserter. Miss Hofman is a hairdresser aboard the German liner Europa.

Withdrawal of Guild Votes to Candidates Is Blow to Tories

Solid Front Is Presented By Progressives of Spokane With Glendale News-Press Told

SPOKANE, Wash., March 7.—O. F. (Jim) Haggin and P. J. Randall, Worker's Alliance endorsed candidates for the Spokane school board, announced their withdrawal from the race this week "in the interest of a solid front of the progressive forces against reaction."

In an official statement to the public, issued through Mr. Haggin, the Worker's Alliance declared:

"We are withdrawing our candidates in the interest of a solid front of the progressive forces against reaction and will continue to work for a progressive policy on the school board."

Mr. Haggin further commented that the Alliance would go on the air before the school election of March 8 occurred and announce the candidates in whose behalf the withdrawal was made. Later it was learned that the Alliance would support Dr. Frederick R. Fischer and George E. Fallquist, present incumbents seeking re-election.

4-Point Program
Randall and Haggin entered the school board race to present the program of the Worker's Alliance to the Spokane public, which, briefly, was contained in four points as follows:

Opening of school gymnasiums and auditoriums for evening recreation and athletics for every child of school age; broadening of the night school and adult education to local community schools through cooperation with the W. P. A.; hot lunches for every child; a complete kindergarten program for every child of pre-school age.

Mr. Fallquist and Mr. Fischer have endorsed a program that closely resembles that of the Alliance so that the withdrawal of Haggin and Randall brings the whole support of Spokane progressives to defeat Herbert L. Ritter, former school board member, and George Elmer Brown, Republican from Hillyard, who are known to be allied with the reactionary elements of the city. Ritter and Brown have been endorsed by the Spokesman-Review, the arch conservative morning paper of the city and Republican organ, and although the school board race is non-political, leading Republicans and reactionary Democrats are openly supporting the two conservative candidates.

Labor League to Meet

LOS ANGELES, March 7.—An open meeting of the 46th Assembly District of Labor's Non-Partisan League will take place on March 10 at 8 p.m. at the Oil Workers Union Hall at 141 Richmond St. in El Segundo.

Plans for a mammoth vaudeville show to be held at the Shrine Auditorium are now being laid.

Davis Will Run Again; Opposed by Gov. Earle

PITTSBURGH, Pa., March 7 (TP)—Sen. James J. Davis formally announced today that he will seek re-nomination in May on the Republican ticket.

The senior Pennsylvania Senator promised a full statement from his Washington office later. Others in the running for the Republican nomination are State Senator G. Mason Owlett and Judge Cyrus Palmer.

Gov. Earle is an announced candidate on the Democratic ticket for the post now held by Davis.

WALNUT FIRM TACTICS BARED AT HEARING

Girls Refusing to Join Company Union Were Fired, Board Hears

LOS ANGELES, March 7.—Militant young girls, walnut workers fearlessly testified before the National Labor Relations Board today.

The Walnut Workers Union Local 92 has submitted a complaint to the Board charging intimidation and coercion to join a company union, and discharge for union activity.

Tall, handsome Ernestine Rosa took the stand and told how she had been discharged for her activity in the CIO union and how attempts had been made to get her to join the Walnut Employees Association, company union.

Said Lucille King, another walnut worker, "the floor ladies kept after us all the time to join the Walnut Employees Association. Then they posted a bulletin warning us that anybody who didn't join the company union would be fired."

Secretary of the local, Eva Dzidzic, testified that on Oct. 13 when the girls came to work they were met by the manager of the plant, L. Stevens, and other superintendents. They were asked if they had their company union cards. When they said, no, they were told to go across the street to the company union office to get their cards. The girls who refused were not admitted back to work.

Girl Fired
Another girl told of a conversation with Mr. Turango in charge of weighing the nuts and checking their pay cards.

"He came around to me right after work. He said, 'You didn't join the company union?' I said, 'no.' He said then, 'You don't need to come to work.'"

Jack S. Powell, attorney for the Walnut Employees Association, was put on the stand by Board attorney David Sokol.

Employers on Inside
Powell, formerly assistant U. S. attorney, stated that this case had been referred to him by Attorney Clyde Thomas also a former U. S. District Attorney.

Thomas is now attorney for the Walnut Board, a state and federal coordinating agency for the walnut industry on which sit members of the California Walnut Growers Association.

It was revealed that the Walnut Board meets at the office of the California Walnut Growers Association.

Thomas is intervening in the case on behalf of one of the independent growers.

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BARE FORGERY OF PROTEST ON MOSCOW TRIAL

Notables Hit Telegram, Demand Retraction of News Stories

NEW YORK, March 7.—The sudden telegram to Soviet Ambassador Trojansky asking postponement of the present Moscow treason trials for six weeks was shown here today as a forgery in part if not entirely. The message, claiming to come from "friends of the Russian people and motivated only by high purposes" asked the delay in order that an "international committee" arrive on the scene. Today, however, three more of the purported signers of the telegram to the New York Daily Worker declared the appearance of their names was a forgery. Previously four other "signers" had repudiated the wire. Other asserted signers have not yet been reached for confirmation. It is expected that many of them will also denounce the document.

Forgery Circulated

The desperate effort to discredit the Moscow trials was eagerly picked up by the New York Times as news fit to print and given front page space without any attempt at confirmation. Then other papers picked up the story as false leads to equally lying stories of torture and suppression at the trials.

Those declaring that their names were totally unauthorized and used without permission by the Trotsky committee were: Professor Franz Boas, world famous anthropologist; Professor William Ellery Leonard of the University of Wisconsin; Ferdinand Lundberg, author of the book "American 60 Families"; Professor Alexander Goldenweiser, professor in the University of Wisconsin; Burton Rascoe, noted writer; Joseph Wood Krutch, widely-known critic; and Prof. William A. Kilpatrick of Teachers College, Columbia University.

Professor Boas, indignant at the forgery of his name, declared yesterday he had written a letter to the New York Times demanding retraction.

Making his stand clear, Mr. Lundberg declared: "I am not taking any position. I believe these people (the defendants) are having a trial by their own constituted courts. I do not see why I should be in my way."

"The methods employed here by the Trotskyites" declared the Daily Worker "is of a piece with their general criminal activities.

"Duplicity, forgery, trickery are their stock in trade in a futile effort to clear the criminal Trotsky whose guilt is being made clear to the entire world."

30 Million Dollar Suit Filed Against 6 Cement Co's.

AUSTIN, Texas, March 7. (TP)—A \$30,000,000 anti-trust suit was filed today by Attorney General McGraw against six nationally known cement companies.

The companies were accused of monopolistic practices and with fixing prices. Four of the defendants were charged with submitting identical bids to the Interior Department on cement to be used on Colorado River dams. Officials of the Texas Highway Department complained that the companies agreed with manufacturers not to sell cement to the department on a wholesale basis.

Firms named in the anti-trust suit were the Lone Star Cement Corp. of New York and Dallas; the Southwestern Portland Cement Company of Los Angeles and El Paso; Trinity Portland Cement of Chicago and Dallas; Longshore Portland Cement of San Antonio; Universal Atlas Cement of Chicago and Dallas and the San Antonio Portland Cement Co. The Universal Atlas Cement Company is a United States Steel subsidiary.

Nazi Bund to Face Injunction Hearing

GARY, Ind., March 7 (TP).—Officials of the German-American Bund are scheduled for a hearing tomorrow on an injunction to restrain them from organizing in Lake County, Indiana.

Named in the injunction proceedings are the national Bund President, Fritz Kuhn, and organizer Wilhelm Kunze.

French Plane Crashes in India; Six Killed

BOMBAY, March 7 (TP).—Six persons were reported killed today in the wreck of a French airliner in Central India. The dead included three passengers and three members of the crew. The plane was reported to have fallen in flames. The airliner was owned by Air France, and was enroute to Paris from French Indo China. The crash occurred between Allahabad and Jodhpur.

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Screen Notables Give Talents to Aid China

Hollywood's Who's Who Pay \$5 Admittance and Contribute to Floor Show at Benefit for China

HOLLYWOOD, March 7.—Filmdom's brightest lights flocked to a gala dinner dance for the aid of the Chinese people last night at the swank Hotel Roosevelt.

Directors, actors, writers, lecturers and musicians paid five dollars a plate for the benefit dinner and contributed an additional \$1200 in donations to the defense of China as scores of Hollywood's leading entertainers presented a dazzling floorshow and variety program.

The program, sponsored by the Motion Picture Artists Committee for China, grossed \$200. The floorshow featured Jack Benny, Burns and Allen, Kenny Baker, Lanny Ross, Mischa Auer, Ethel Merman, Dorothy Lamour, Allan Jones, Archie Robbins, Stuff Smith and his swing band, Ben Zeter and the Plantation Boys, the Straub twins and Johnny Covert, assisted by Alan Mathews as master of ceremonies.

Contribute Services
It was a program for which any national radio sponsor would have given thousands of dollars—and for which the actors and musicians received not a cent. As special features Anna May Wong, China's leading actress, showed films taken on a trip to the Orient before China was invaded. In sharp contrast the film "China Strikes Back," showing the Eighth Route (formerly Red) Army in action, was exhibited.

The list of celebrities who gave to the aid of the Chinese people read like a Who's Who in Hollywood.
It included: famed composers Sergei Prokofieff, Sigmund Romberg and Jerome Kern; directors Rouben Mamoulian and Frank Tuttle; authors Anna Louise Strong, Dorothy Parker, Alar Campbell, Lillian Hellman, Dashiell Hammett and Joseph Mankiewicz; actors Melvyn Douglas, Lionel Stander, Josephine Hutchinson, Stella Adler, Una Merkel, Madge Evans, Rose Stradner, Anna Sten, Iona Massey, Cole Sondergaard, Dorothy Tree and Betty Furness.

Alarm Grows Over Fascism In Americas

Colombian Senator Cites Examples of Penetration

BOGOTA, Colombia, March 7.—The striking speech of Senator Jose Combariza on the menace of fascism to Colombia and the Americas received continued attention here today.

Although Foreign Minister Gabriel Tourbay has since disclaimed the senator's warnings, alarm persists here. In his speech to the Senate, Senor Combariza emphasized that Colombia was bordered by Brazil, already a fascist regime, and by Peru and Ecuador in which the forces of fascism were active.

Concerning a fourth neighbor, Panama, the Senator declared: "We cannot remain neutral because we cannot be indifferent to whether the canal is in the hands of the United States or of Japan."

Asks Statement

In a warning against economic penetration by fascist powers, he called upon the government to make a statement of foreign policy against fascism. He urged arming against fascism, if necessary, and asking for aid from the United States.

The Senator further asked the Foreign Minister to explain the presence in the diplomatic service of persons who were frankly fascist. Referring to Peru, he declared that at the Catholic University in Lima students were using the fascist salute. He asserted that the Caproni airplane factory in that city was not for commercial use but for a military base in South America. The fact that in Peru a clique of 10 per cent of the people of aristocratic ancestry ruled the other 90 per cent was declared dangerous.

Seeks Anti-Fascist Union
Senator Combariza charged also that there were fascist elements in the army of Ecuador. In closing he asked if Colombia could not propose the idea of an international American union against fascism even if the United States had not yet suggested it.

He probably referred to the words of President Roosevelt in inaugurating the Pan-American conferences for the maintenance of peace at Buenos Aires in December, 1933. At that time the president called upon nations of the western world to "maintain and defend the democratic form of constitutional representative government."

It has been persistently rumored that a bloc of South American nations will soon propose to Washington the conclusion of a formal military and naval pact to that effect.

Senate Adopts Bill for \$1,400,000,000

WASHINGTON, March 7. (TP)—The Senate adopted today the conference report on the Independent Offices Appropriations Bill calling for \$1,400,000,000. The measure was forwarded to the White House for signature.

Meanwhile, the Senate Appropriations Committee reported favorably on the four-department appropriations bill. The measure sets aside \$130,000,000 for the operation of the State, Justice, Labor and Commerce Departments.

Prof. Arnold Is Named to Fill Jackson Post

WASHINGTON, March 7 (TP).—The Yale law professor, Thurman Arnold was recommended today for the post of the Justice Department's chief anti-trust prosecutor. Attorney General Cummings sent to President Roosevelt a message recommending that 46-year old Arnold be appointed to replace Robert Jackson as Assistant Attorney General. Jackson resigned recently to become Solicitor General. Arnold was born in Wyoming, where he was active in local politics.

Snell Renews Demand for Probe of TVA

Fails to Win Enthusiasm of Majority for Inquiry

WASHINGTON, March 7. (TP)—A demand for a complete investigation of the TVA was made on the floor of the House today by Minority Leader Snell.

The demand found little enthusiasm on the Democratic side. Speaker Barkley indicated that the leadership is disposed to shove the matter for the time being. The Snell statement was slipped into the early proceedings of the House as debate on the tax bill was resumed. Rep. Lammock of Ohio led off the debate with a slashing attack on title 1B—the so-called "third basket" provision of the act.

The Senate got away to a fast start. The Independent offices appropriations bill calling for \$1,400,000,000 was passed when the Senate adopted the conference report. The appropriations committee brought out the supply bill calling for \$130,000,000 to finance activities of the Justice, Labor, State and Commerce Departments. Senator Pepper of Florida went before the Senate unemployment committee to advocate creation of regional industrial banks to make good and short term loans to business. Pepper said the banks would fill the dual purpose of breaking the grip of the banking fraternity and easing capital facilities.

Chamberlain Has Dream In Commons

LONDON, March 7. (TP)—Prime Minister Chamberlain announced in the House of Commons today that the government would curtail its seven billion dollar rearmament program if assurances of peace in Europe could be obtained.

At the same time the Prime Minister declared that the magnitude of Britain's defense program had exerted a moderating influence on the international situation.

325 Enemy Planes Bagged by Chinese

HANKOW, China, March 7.—With the addition of fast new airplanes, the Chinese and foreign flyers have achieved growing success, according to figures released by the Aeronautical Commission today.

The Commission states that 325 Japanese planes have been destroyed between August 13 and December 31. These were either shot down by Chinese planes or by anti-aircraft.

In the same period, it was said that 20 Japanese warships and transports had been sunk, one with an entire division on board.

Nazis Lay Cornerstone of 'West Point of Air'

BERLIN, March 7. (TP).—The foundation stone of a German "West Point of the Air" has been laid in a suburb of Berlin.

When the new building is completed, Nazi leaders said it will be the world's first air-defense academy.

During the dedication ceremonies the president of the German air defense league, Lieut. Gen. Von Roques, announced that his organization has 12,000,000 members and 600,000 active workers.

The secretary of state for air, Richard Milch, said that the whole German populace must be taught to take part in the national defense against air raids.

700 Flee Building in High School Fire

CENTERVILLE, Iowa, March 7. (TP).—Seven hundred students were driven from the Centerville High School and Junior College building today by a fire that destroyed the building.

Smoke poured from a third floor ventilator while classes were in session. The school fire alarm was sounded and the students fled out of the building in perfect order. The structure was built 20 years ago at a cost of more than \$250,000. Only a shell remained after the flames died out.

Alaska Packers Stall Union Negotiations

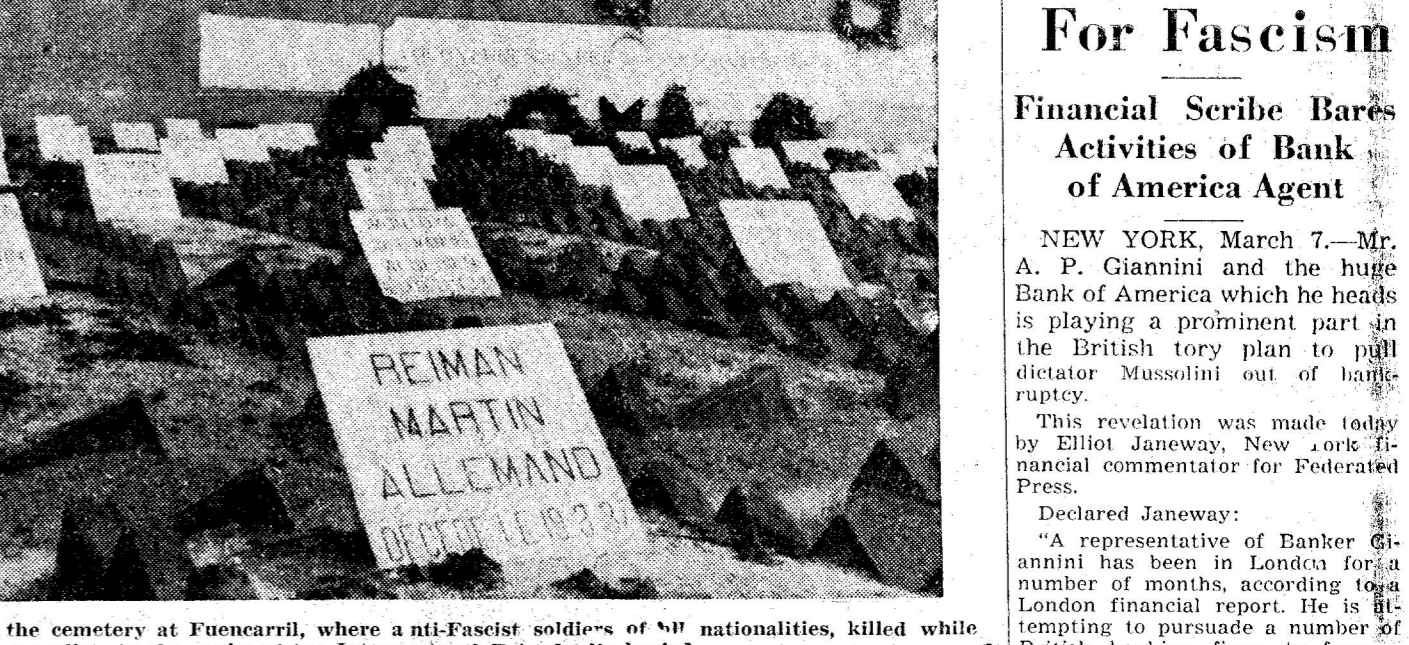
SAN FRANCISCO, March 7.—"Situation unchanged" with the packers "still stalling" was the report today on the efforts of the Alaska Cannery Workers Union to get its 1938 contract signed.

Old timers who have watched these things before hazarded the guess that the employers were merely waiting until the first ships were ready to go next month, and would then hope to "stampede the union into any old kind of a contract."

They also expressed the opinion that because of good organization and vigilance on the part of the union, the trick wouldn't work this time.

Giannini in Plot to Aid Mussolini

For Heroes Who Died in Spain



A CORNER in the cemetery at Puenecarril, where a non-Fascist soldier of 50 nationalities, killed while fighting for the Loyalists in the ranks of the International Brigade, lies buried.

Council Delay Balks Plans of Bank Workers

Fleishhacker Agents Build Company Union

SAN FRANCISCO, March 7.—"Failure of the AFL Labor Council to sanction our strike, has resulted in the Anglo-American bank forming a company union," said Carl Strutt, president of the AFL Bank Employees Union, today.

A strike vote carried on referendum of the union membership in this Fleishhacker bank several weeks ago. The Labor Council refused sanction until it had "negotiated" some more.

Negotiations dragged on, and meanwhile the bank management began to circulate petitions for certain individuals to be recognized as "collective bargaining agents." All these "agents" but one are department heads of the company.

The union now finds it necessary, Strutt pointed out, to break down this company union before it can take other action. It has filed formal charges with the National Labor Relations Board that undue and unfair pressure was put on individuals to make them sign the company union petitions.

Nebraska State Officer Sentenced for Fraud

LINCOLN, Neb., March 7. (TP)—Nebraska's Lieutenant Governor Walter Jurgensen was sentenced today to from two to five years in the state penitentiary. Jurgensen was convicted of embezzlement. District Judge Chappell overruled a defense motion for a new trial.

The Lieutenant Governor was indicted July 2, 1937, on a charge of receiving a bribe of \$545 in building and loan stock. Attorneys for Jurgensen announced that they will carry the case to the State Supreme Court.

U.S. Slump Puzzles British Publisher

NEW YORK, March 7. (TP).—The publisher of the London Times, Major J. J. Astor, arrived on the "Queen Mary" today to express puzzlement over the American business slump.

Major Astor said that England was unable to solve the cause of the American recession. The publisher said that he was wholeheartedly behind the Chamberlain government's move for an Anglo-British agreement. He added that he did not believe there was any cause to fear in the near future.

Canal Tolls, Eastbound Fruit, Studied by F.D.R.

WASHINGTON, March 7. (TP).—Senator Alfred Reames of Oregon called on President Roosevelt at the White House today to discuss the question of Panama Canal tolls on fruits shipped from the West to the East Coast. Reames told newsmen that the present cost of shipping fruits through the canal is almost prohibitive and that they should be replaced with nominal charges.

Men, in Ice-Stranded Tug 5 Days, Rescued

PORT BURWELL, Ont., March 7. (TP).—Two men aboard the fishing tug "Cecil M." stranded in Lake Erie ice for five days, were rescued today by another tug.

Yesterday an airplane located the tug fast in the ragged ice fields 25 miles out from Port Burwell. Another tug set out for the spot and made the rescue.

Irish Playwright in U.S.

NEW YORK, March 7. (TP).—The Irish playwright, Paul Vincent Carroll, arrived tourist class on the "Queen Mary" today to accept a prize awarded his hit play "Shadows and Substance." It is Carroll's first visit to the United States.

Coast Banker Wants Billion For Fascism

Financial Scribe Bars Activities of Bank of America Agent

NEW YORK, March 7.—Mr. A. P. Giannini and the huge Bank of America which he heads is playing a prominent part in the British tory plan to pull dictator Mussolini out of bankruptcy.

This revelation was made today by Elliot Janeway, New York financial commentator for Federated Press.

Declared Janeway: "A representative of Banker Giannini has been in London for a number of months, according to a London financial report. He is attempting to persuade a number of British banking firms to form a syndicate to grant credits to a group of Italian industrial firms."

Initial Loan
"The amount suggested is some \$5,000,000 and, although it is small, its purpose is to tide the embarrassed Italian corporations over the next few months while negotiations proceed for the flotation of the more important \$1,000,000,000 loan to the Italian government."

"Another purpose in arranging a preliminary loan by joint British and American interests is to break the ice in the difficult matter of bringing American money back to Europe—this time in order to bail out fascism."

Financial Octopus
Thus the Giannini concern, according to these reliable sources, plots to throw its gigantic resources to aid reaction abroad as it has backed it here in this country where the bank of America chain maintains a virtual stronghold in both industry and agriculture of the West Coast.

Mr. Giannini, in addition to controlling this largest chain of banks in the country, is a director and reputedly the largest stockholder of New York's great National City Bank.

It is thought to require immediate economic flight. A gigantic military construction plan designed to pull Italy's economy out of the pit. This plan, humorously termed by the Black Shirts as a "housing and public works project," calls for the construction of many army buildings and facilities, 1,000 kilometers of strategic military highways and several tunnels.

Italian Debt Overdue

Throwing more light on Italy's desperate economic plight, Janeway in the above-mentioned dispatch remarks: "It is interesting to recall also that our official Export-Import Bank in Washington is still owed \$5,000,000 by Italy on account of a cotton loan granted some time ago and not yet repaid."

"There is no doubt that the American people do not want the Bank of America to subsidize European reaction."

Sen. Pepper Advocates Regional Bank Setup

WASHINGTON, March 7. (TP).—Establishment of regional industrial banks by the Federal government was advocated today by Senator Pepper of Florida.

Pepper said he favored equipping the banks to handle loans for current and long term business.

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Something's Phony When Banks Won't Cash Relief Checks

Or So John Shaw Believes After Being Turned Down by Everybody But Bartenders

SAN FRANCISCO, March 7.—Something is phony, and John Shaw of 381A So. Van Ness Ave., doubts that he is it.

Could it be the State Relief check that on two occasions the banks turned down? Shaw doubts this, because bartenders have expressed their faith in the state's checks. However, bartenders' signatures on the back of relief checks are not the kind of autographs a wise man collects.

John Shaw looks at a handful of documents that prove he is John Shaw, as he has always believed for the past 40 years; a drivers license, Ornamental Iron Workers union card, a social security number card, a library card, and a commodity card.

The banks in his neighborhood of 16th and Mission, the American Trust, Anglo, American, and California all have had the pleasure twice of making Shaw wait, studying his credentials, asking the inane question, "Have you an account with us?" and raising their eyebrows in identical fashion as they gave their careful judgement: "No!"

John Shaw on both occasions had the pleasure of cashing his check in other neighborhoods and spending it there.

He is anticipating the pleasure of having the Secretary of the Missions Merchants Association explain some of the facts of merchandising to the four banks and their undoubtedly superior clerks.

Newspaper Woman Home from Spain; Tells Experiences

SAN FRANCISCO, March 7.—Milly Bennett, ex-San Francisco newspaper woman and one of the few newspaper women covering the Spanish war, is expected to arrive here shortly to tell audiences first hand impressions from the front.

Accompanying the war reporter is her husband, Captain Hans Amle of the Washington Battalion.

The couple will be presented by the Friends of the Lincoln Brigade, service organization which provides comforts for the 3,500 Americans fighting for Spanish democracy, and offers returned veterans medical care.

Son of Lincoln's Mate Dies From Fall Injuries

BANGOR, Me., March 7. (TP).—The son of the vice president under Abraham Lincoln, Hannibal Hamlin, is dead as the result of injuries received in a fall last month.

The descendant of the civil war statesman also was named Hannibal Hamlin.

Hamlin was 79 years old. He served as state representative, president of the Maine senate and as Attorney General of Maine.

He injured his head on February 25th in a fall down a flight of stairs in his home.

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Starting a Grass Fire

THE Committee of 43 from San Francisco and certain cannery owners in Stanislaus County and others are playing with the farmers like a little boy playing with matches in a wind-swept prairie. They are likely to start a blaze that will burn more than their fingers.

Stanislaus County is a horrible example, but other places are like it to a lesser degree. In Modesto the local bankers and their big business brothers owned by Fleishhacker and Giannini have rounded up enough farmers and small business men so that they can blow a signal on a cannery whistle and get 800 vigilantes in the trusting place in the center of town within a few minutes.

Very nice. Just one step away from civil war, in which farmer and worker would kill each other for the benefit of Fleishhacker and Giannini.

The Committee of 43, also, industriously spreads the rumor that "if the San Francisco unions don't stop organizing and striking, San Francisco will lose the farmers' trade."

That's not meant really to cut off the farmers' trade from the business men of San Francisco, it is just a business man's trick to frighten the labor unionists of San Francisco.

But this is just what is meant by playing with fire. These demagogic appeals to farmers to fight workers, intended merely to wipe out unions, not to wipe out trade, are now in some danger of being taken at face value by the farmers.

The Committee of 43 seems to have felt when it went to Sacramento recently to confer with its fellow business men who run the Associated Farmers that between them they could cook up a pretty scare. In Sacramento they began by both agreeing that "the farmers are about to boycott all union labor cities like San Francisco."

The reason for the boycott by the farmers was supposed to be a movement by the longshoremen of San Francisco against unlabeled wool. Since the publicity material of the Associated Farmers, and the open shop interests generally seems to have been printed three or four months ago, the longshoremen and CIO have recently made it clear that they are not labeling any wool "hot cargo." But this could not be allowed to interfere with the campaign of the Bankers and the "43."

But, both sides had appealed so often to the farmers to punish the workers that now, there is real danger that the farmers, deluded, may some of them actually boycott San Francisco!

And that is what we mean when we say little business men shouldn't play with matches and get their fingers burned and maybe start big fires that burn the business house down. The labor unions are going to stay and can stand the loss about as well as business can stand it.

THE union negotiations committee had the boss raving.

"You want more money!" he shouted. "Why, I worked three years for \$10 a month in this very business. Now I'm the owner!"

"Well, you see what happened to your boss?" calmly grinned the union spokesman. "No man who treats his workers like that can hang onto his factory!"

So That's How to Report a Trial!

DURING the first days of the Moscow trial, the Chronicle printed three words by Trotsky in Mexico, objecting to the trial, for every word from the trial itself.

The Examiner, and that goes for the whole Hearst chain, printed whole pages by Trotsky and Isaac Don Levine (who hasn't been in Russia during the last 12 years, and then only for two weeks) as compared to about a column of news from the trial.

Most of the papers have editorials, based on the fact apparently that they will neither read the trial record nor let anyone else get a look at it. At any rate, the Chronicle had a masterpiece Saturday under the title "Curioser and Curioser" which contains more inexcusable false statements of fact, as a basis for cock-eyed reasoning than you could expect normally intelligent people to make if they tried.

It is impossible to list them all, but some of the more absurd are, with brief corrections, as follows.

Chronicle: By the time it (the Moscow trial) is finished, the last of the leaders of the revolution which established the present regime will have been "liquidated."

Correction: Some of the main leaders of the revolution, like Lenin, Sverdlov, and hundreds of others, have died, in honor and glory. Some, like Menzhinsky, Kuibyshev, and Kirov, were assassinated by the gangs that are on trial or have been tried. Some, like Stalin, Voroshilov, and hundreds more, are still very much alive. Compared with these giants, the group now on trial were insignificant. At no time can you point to one of them and say, "During the revolution he was supreme in this or that field."

The biggest of all is Trotsky—and Trotsky was always under the command of Lenin, and of Stalin. The Red Army was defeated only when Trotsky disobeyed them.

Chronicle: The mystery how the confessions were extorted is as great as ever.

Correction: If the Chronicle had just printed the trial news instead of Trotsky's ravings, they would see. Krestinsky denied his guilt. But his co-conspirators had each told on him, and in the face of the barrage, he collapsed and began to confess on them, and necessarily on himself too. Ambitious men, sold out to Fascism, without morale and often really contrite, filled with disgust of each other and of themselves—why shouldn't all but the toughest of them confess when caught? And if most of them confess, what can the others say? Major Andre and even Benedict Arnold confessed, too. And so, they say, did Judas.

Chronicle: During all the time they were conspiring . . . they were actually the highest officers of the government and did not overthrow it.

Correction: They were not the highest officers, and they had neither the government as a whole nor the people with them, and their hope of overthrowing the government depended, as they said themselves, on foreign Fascist intervention by armed force.

Chronicle: Neither did anybody try to get its territory.

Correction: Please! Was or was not Russia invaded on 14 fronts, 1918 to 1921? Did or did not Hitler write a book called "Mein Kampf"? Does or doesn't Japan aspire to conquer Siberia?

Chronicle: Trotsky was exiled for being too Communist.

Correction: Trotsky was exiled for gross defiance of the decisions of the majority of the Communist Party, and for trying to start street fighting against its government, an idea which he has never given up. Trotsky himself did not join the Communists until after the Czar was overthrown.

It is because we have to listen to such tripe as the Chronicle puts out that the People's World has secured first-hand reports by cable and wireless of the Moscow trial.

"Curioser and Curioser" we think that the trial of the century should be reported, and not merely talked about.

A WELL-UPHOLSTERED "gent" from Nob Hill sat down on a newly painted seat, then jumped up and said furiously to the painter: "Why don't you put 'Wet Paint' on the seats?"

"Isn't that what I'm doing?" rapped the painter.

Decision Trips Banks And Saves Farmers

THOSE who grind down the small and middle farmers of America under a mountain of mortgages and debts, have no pity and no scruples.

But thanks to a California case, which was fought clear up to the U. S. Supreme Court, these forces (the banks, the agricultural machinery corporations, the utility magnates) have met at least one defeat.

The Circuit Court of Appeals held, in a proceeding brought by a farm debtor of San Bernardino County under Section 75 of the National Bankruptcy Act, popularly known as the Frazier-Lemke Law, that the holder of a crop mortgage was entitled to the gross proceeds of the sale of the crop without any deductions for the cost of production and harvesting.

Further, this court held that a Conciliation Commissioner who advanced to the farmer debtor the cost of producing and harvesting the crop, was personally liable to the crop mortgages for the amount of the advances.

If the entire gross operating revenue of a farm were derived from mortgaged crops or stock, the decision meant that no revenue could be appropriated for operation of the farm by the federal court or the Conciliation Commissioner. No rental, under the stay order on debt payment, could be fixed under terms of the Act, therefore, so the Act would become a dead letter.

In other words, the small enough security won by the farmers under the Frazier-Lemke Act would be absolutely nil if this decision had been allowed to ride.

In this particular case, the gigantic Bank of America was the outfit that was trying to swallow the small farmer AND the Conciliation Commissioner, Adair, because he advanced the farmer funds to carry on.

The California Commission for Farm Debt Adjustment then instructed its attorney, Harold M. Sawyer, of San Francisco, to take the case to the Supreme Court. This was done, and upon Sawyer's presentation of the question, the high court agreed to hear the case on its merits. The case was argued on behalf of the Commission by Rep. Wm. Lemke, North Dakota, co-author of the Frazier-Lemke Bill.

On Monday, February 28, the Supreme Court reversed the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco, in the case of Adair vs. Bank of America, but until the copy of the decision was received here last week, it was not known that the court had actually passed upon the vital questions involved.

The importance of the decision, to the debt-ridden farmers of California and every other state in the union, cannot be over-estimated. It was a victory for progress over reaction, for the people against the "economic royalists." It returns to those who till the soil, even where their crops and stock are mortgaged, the benefits of the Frazier-Lemke Act and the three-year moratorium, provided during the moratorium period they pay the reasonable rental fixed by the court.

The case of Adair vs. Bank of America paves the way for greater victories for the farmers. Backed by organized labor and progressives generally, the farmers can now go forward to new legislative victories, to securing a guaranteed cost of product, to winning the farmer a right to till the soil without foreclosure or eviction.

Cornered



By Ellis

AT THE MOSCOW TRIAL

Who Financed Traitors?

(By Wireless to the People's World) MOSCOW, March 3 (delayed) —The first witness on the morning of the third day of the trial here of 21 accused of treason, etc., was V. F. Sharangovich, former secretary of the White Russian Communist Party, and by his own confession, a Fascist and Polish spy since 1921.

The accused Sharangovich related to the court that he was "forced" into the Polish intelligence service while a prisoner of war in Warsaw during 1921.

On orders of the Polish general staff and the "Bloc of the Rights and Trotskyites" now on trial with Sharangovich, the military security of White Russia was sabotaged. Sharangovich told of organizing a nationalist Fascist underground group, which hoped with the aid of Polish and other foreign armies to split off White Russia from the Soviet Union, make it a capitalist state, and a protectorate of Poland.

To prepare for the Soviet defeat in the war that was expected, the "Right" leaders Rykov and Bukharin and the Polish general staff alike ordered Sharangovich and his organization to kill cattle and horses. Over 30,000 head of horses were killed in White Russia.

Next to testify was F. Fayzulla-Khodjaiev, formerly chairman of the Central Executive Committee of the Uzbek Soviet Socialist Republic.

Under questioning by Prosecutor Andrei Vyshinski, the defendant admitted that from 1920 to the moment of his arrest he waged an active struggle against the Soviet power.

Rallied Traitors

Khodjaiev testified that in 1920 he had directed the work of the counter-revolutionary nationalist organization at Bokhara (old capital of the Emir who ruled most of central Asia).

Later, Khodjaiev said, he continued to work within the Uzbek republic.

He rose to the post of chairman of the Council of People's Commissars of the republic in 1925. He used this position to rally around him the capitalist-nationalist elements, and the remnants of the old Basmaichi movement, which had at that time been defeated in the civil war. (The Basmaichi were fanatical Mohammedan bands, organized and controlled by the former big landowners, nobles and merchants of Central Asia).

Khodjaiev said that in 1928 he made connection with another secret capitalist-nationalist group headed by Akmal Ikramov, now likewise a defendant in this trial.

Both groups carried out wrecking activities aiming at undermining the economic life of the Uzbek republic.

Khodjaiev reached an agreement with Alexei Rykov (another defendant in this trial) in 1930, Rykov represented the group of "Rights" and thereafter Khodjaiev and Ikramov took orders from Rykov and his "Center."

Direct Sabotage

They organized a great deal of destructive activity in cotton growing, cattle breeding and sericulture. They disrupted the construction of industrial enterprises, particularly electric power stations.

They were preparing for the destruction of large irrigation projects when they were interrupted.

Khodjaiev said that he and Ikramov received instructions in 1933 from the "Right" center to intensify the organization of rebel and terrorist armed groups and to estab-

lish connections with the British intelligence service for help.

The co-conspirators thereupon formed rebel detachments, chiefly out of former Basmaichi members.

This is the third of a series of continuous reports of the testimony in the Moscow trial. The People's World is the only newspaper on the Pacific Coast receiving and publishing this direct wireless and cable service from the courtroom itself. Because of the wealth of detail in the story, it is impossible for reasons of space to keep abreast of the developments. But this series is the only complete account of the trial to appear in print so far.—The Editor.

and also created secret terrorist groups.

Bukharin arrived in Tashkent in 1936, said Khodjaiev, and instructed them to recognize England's protectorate in return for assistance in splitting Uzbekistan away from the rest of the Soviet Union.

Bukharin assigned Khodjaiev the task of reaching a practical agreement with the British representative in Afghanistan.

At the same time, Bukharin informed Khodjaiev and his group of the progress of negotiations between the "Rights" and the German and Italian governments which aimed at hastening the armed attack of the Fascist countries against the USSR.

All agreed that this attack must be taken advantage of by the conspirators to defeat the USSR.

Rosengoltz on Stand

This testimony ended the morning session, and next opened in the afternoon with the questioning of Arcady P. Rosengoltz, former commissar of foreign trade.

Rosengoltz testified that after Trotsky left the country, correspondence between Trotsky and Rosengoltz was continued through the apparatus of the Peoples Commissariat of Foreign Trade, and through N. Krestinsky, who worked in the Commissariat of Foreign Affairs.

Trotsky's son, Sedov, met Rosengoltz in Karlsbad in 1934 and conveyed to him Trotsky's instructions to establish contact with the "Rights" and with Tukhachevsky (a general tried by court martial and shot for treason last year).

Trotsky also instructed him, Rosengoltz testified, to take care of the interests of Germany and Japan in the foreign trade field.

In order to finance Trotsky's work abroad, Rosengoltz remitted to Sedov, for Trotsky, the sum of \$500,000 from the funds of the Peoples Commissariat of Foreign Trade. A German firm was used to transmit the money.

Rosengoltz also concluded an agreement with the official representative of "a certain country" in Moscow, according to which Trotsky was to receive from an official institution of that country \$110,000 annually for three years. Besides this, 27,000 Pounds Sterling (\$135,000) and 20,000 Reichsmarks (\$8,500) were sent to Trotsky at various times from funds of the Peoples Commissariat for Foreign Trade.

Trotsky's Orders

Following Trotsky's instructions, Rosengoltz and Assistant Commis-

sar for Foreign Affairs Krestinsky urged Tukhachevsky in 1936 to hasten the counter revolutionary action they had agreed upon.

In 1936 they decided on the murder of Stalin, and Chairman of the Council of Peoples Commissars V. Y. Molotov, and Lazar Kaganovitch, then Peoples Commissar of Railroads.

After Pyatakov's trial (1937) and his shooting, Trotsky sent Rosengoltz and Krestinsky a letter in which he expressed indignation at Pyatakov's behavior at the trial and proposed in case of arrest of any more of the conspirators that they deny their guilt and deny they belonged to any Trotskyite organization. To retaliate for the shooting of Pyatakov, Trotsky ordered more terrorism.

And Trotsky proposed that the conspirators simultaneously push forward to the military coup d'etat.

Rosengoltz told the court of his connections with German military circles and stated that in 1923, at Trotsky's instructions, he transmitted general secret espionage information about the Soviet air fleet to the German intelligence service.

From 1931 to 1936, said Rosengoltz, he reported regularly to the German government about Soviet orders abroad.

Krestinsky Called

Besides this, in 1926 and in 1932, Rosengoltz said, he supplied two English journalists with secret information on the foreign relations of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

Rosengoltz described the object of his wrecking activities in foreign trade to be mainly the political and material damage of the USSR and the same sort of aid to Germany and Japan.

Since former Assistant Peoples Commissar for Foreign Affairs Krestinsky had been frequently mentioned in preceding testimony, but had testified so far mainly to his change of plea and certain special points, the court now called him to the stand for a more connected story.

Krestinsky testified that his underground plotting activities began in 1921.

He confirmed the testimony of Rosengoltz about the Trotskyite connections with the German intelligence service.

"In 1922, while I was Soviet ambassador in Berlin," said Krestinsky, "I reached an agreement (on Trotsky's instructions) with General Von Seeckt, commander of the German Reichswehr (standing army). The Reichswehr undertook to finance the Trotskyite organization to the extent of 250,000 Reichsmarks a year, plus about \$85,000. This bribe was previously erroneously reported as only 150,000 marks."

"In return, the Trotskyites undertook to supply the Reichswehr with espionage information regarding the Red Army and also to facilitate through the Soviet embassy in Berlin the sending of German spies to the USSR."

"At Seeckt's demand, the Trotskyites also undertook, in the event of their coming into power, to render Germany aid in a new World War and to conclude the appropriate treaties in which economic interests of the German capitalists would be taken into account."

"In October, 1930 (after Trotsky was in exile), I received a letter from Trotsky. It instructed me to try to get the regular installment due from the Reichswehr."

Krestinsky testified that he followed (Continued on Page 6, Column 3)

COLUMN LEFT

By Harrison George

Mr. Thompson,
 Informer and
 Chloroformer



WE SUGGEST that you cut this out and keep it to show those people who think they must read the reactionary newspapers to be "informed."

Scene One: It is a few days after Anthony Eden has been bounced by Premier Chamberlain, and Chamberlain has announced his "appeasement" for Mussolini and is hinting that he'll do the same for Hitler. A lot of people eye this suspiciously, feeling that—though the British people are for democracy, the Tories controlling the government have gone fascist and are virtually joining the Berlin-Rome-Tokio "axis."

Enter from the Left: Mr. John Thompson, who writes "The International Parade" for the Scripps-Howard papers, and who is supposed to "inform" America what's what on world affairs. (See San Francisco News, Feb. 23, page 2.)

Mr. Thompson: "The situation in the Pacific, threaten, British prestige as well as the very fibers of the British Empire, has been one of the determining factors in guiding Premier Chamberlain's action. Captain Eden was sacrificed on the altar of the larger interests of the empire, if one views it as realistically as Chamberlain did."

"London's financial center could not see that anything was to be gained from Britain's opposition to either Hitler or Mussolini while the very vitals of the empire's strength, its Asiatic position, were being destroyed by Japan. Their total stake in China, estimated at nearly two billion dollars, is doomed unless Britain can assert her position and power in the Far East."

"An agreement with Mussolini would automatically release Britain's sea power, which is now being bottled up in the Mediterranean, for use in the Pacific."

The Audience of "Informed" Scripps-Howard Readers: (Somewhat soothed by this "information") "Ummm . . . Well, perhaps there's something to that. If Britain's mighty naval power is 'released for use in the Pacific,' no doubt it will be used, as Mr. Thompson broadly hints at, against Japan. And it is sure time that somebody showed those murderous Japanese invaders of China where to get off at. With both England's and America's fleets in the Pacific, ready to fight, Japan would have to cut it out." (Curtain.)

Scene Two: Mr. Thompson this time enters from the Right. (See San Francisco News, March 2, page 2.)

Mr. Thompson: "As a matter of fact, London has been in conversations with Tokyo for several weeks, at least, in an attempt to arrive at a solution of the Chinese-Japanese tangle acceptable to both Great Britain and Japan. What would be acceptable to China isn't even being discussed."

"It so happens that at present British interests lie in the direction of arriving at an understanding with Japan in regard to China, and not in fighting Japan. A compromise is in order, and steps are being taken to work it out with the Japanese. That is another reason why the somewhat idealistic Mr. Eden was forced to resign."

"Britain will recognize Japanese supremacy in Manchuria and in North China, if the Japanese will agree that Britain is paramount in a part of Central China as well as in South China."

"If such a situation finally develops to its logical conclusion, it is difficult to see where the United States comes in."

Audience of "Informed" Scripps-Howard Readers: (Somewhat dazed) "Ah, umm, ah . . . only a week ago it seemed so clear. 'Agree with Mussolini . . . to use Britain's sea power to check Japan . . . Good of Chamberlain . . . realistic . . . But now . . . O, suffering tom-cats, how Mr. Thompson died. 'London conversing with Tokyo for several weeks!' Where's the 'sea power' that was released? It so happens . . . not to fight Japan.' But good of Chamberlain is still 'realistic.' No doubt when the Japanese are bombarding San Francisco while the British are shelling Boston, Baltimore and New York, Mr. Thompson will still be praising Chamberlain for being 'realistic.'"

Readers of the Scripps-Howard papers are not "informed"—but chloroformed.

WORLD FRONT

By Harry Gannes

(By C. A. Hathaway, Guest Columnist)

The Ludlow Amendment in a New Dress

THE endorsement of a popular brand of cigarettes by a movie or a prize fighter does not alter the habits of discriminating smokers. They will still "walk a mile" for their favorite brand, or stick to another because "they satisfy."

So it will be with the "revised" version of the Ludlow amendment now introduced in the Senate by some of that body's best progressives, by some who are not so progressive, and by others who in this day and age are on the fringe of reaction. It is in all. The co-sponsors are Senators Wheeler, Shipstead, Nye, Murray, Lundeen, LaFollette, Hitchcock, Frazier, Donohue, Clark, Cooper and Bone—an imposing list.

But as imposing as are the sponsors, the character and role of the Ludlow amendment remains the same. It still does not offer a correct approach to the struggle for peace, to the efforts to keep the United States out of war. Its role is still to create illusions and false hopes in a world situation where the war danger is immediate.

As revised, the proposed amendment to the Constitution requires a national referendum on war declarations except in cases of attack on the United States, its possessions or any other nations in the Western Hemisphere. It more specifically requires a vote of the people before the United States can enter any "aggressive war."

NO FRIEND of peace can quarrel with the aims of the amendment as interpreted by most sincere peace advocates. Certainly the Communists are against "aggressive" wars, and we are heartily in favor of the democratic participation of the people in determining the issue of peace or war.

But can these aims be accomplished through this proposed constitutional amendment? Does this amendment, above all, give the people an opportunity to express their desire for peace democratically and forcefully?

Not at all—in its present form it offers neither democracy nor a guarantee of peace. It provides only for a means of declaring war.

What we want is not a means by which war can be declared, but rather a means by which a declaration of war becomes unnecessary. Our concern is in the first place war prevention.

If we wait until this issue has become that of shall we or shall we not declare war, it is already too late. In spite of the people's desires it would then already be a problem for the army and navy. And that applies to the revised amendment as well as to the original Ludlow resolution.

WE ARE for peace and the democratic participation of the people in maintaining peace. That is why we say that the Ludlow scheme is Utopian and that collective security is necessary.

If we are to keep the United States out of war we have to aid in stopping those forces that are making for war and for our involvement in war. We have to stop fascism at home and abroad. We have to support policies which lead to concerted efforts by the democratic nations to quarantine the fascist aggressors. We have to support collective security.

Our policies are based on the relations of the immediate war situation. The Ludlow amendment arises in a dream world. The progressives in the Senate and their assorted colleagues do not change the character by their sponsorship.

BEHIND THE SCREEN

With Don Blackwell

THE whole town is buzzing over a couple of advertisements that appeared in the Hollywood Reporter, last Monday and Tuesday's page ad was headed: "I'M AN AMERICAN . . . but ever since I came to Hollywood, I have been asked to contribute to some foreign cause or other." The anonymous ad writer went on to say that a studio big shot approached him for a \$2,000 contribution to the local branch of the Communist Party, and intimated generally that other big shots in the studio were radical. He refused to name names because maybe "there are better Americans than I am". Tuesday, a page ad appeared in reply with the heading: "WHO SAID YOU'RE 'AN AMERICAN'?" This ad was signed M. C. Levee, a well known agent, who challenged anonymous ad writers to name names, personally guaranteeing his job if he did so. He intimated that the guy was yellow and badgered him with such phrases as, "come on you big, red-blooded 'AMERICAN CITIZEN'—give me the name of the culprit . . ." etc. Who was it that said, "Patriotism is the last refuge of the scoundrel?"

Swindling Grows More Important

SPEAKING of the Reporter, makes it impossible for us not to mention its dapper publisher, Billy Wilkerson. Billy is having a tough time these days. Film folks are getting harder to swindle it seems, and Wilkerson's bank account always seems to be overdrawn. As a result he is "taking it out on his non-union employees, threatening them daily with statements that they'll lose their jobs any minute and making them work far into the night without a penny overtime."

It is becoming increasingly evident that he is getting desperate over the loss of revenue caused by the advertising boycott placed on his paper by the Screen Writers and Screen Directors Guilds. Word has leaked out that he is sending emissaries to officials of both guilds pleading for a chance to "get together and straighten out the misunderstanding." Thus far, nothing doing.

Screen Playwrights Lose Members

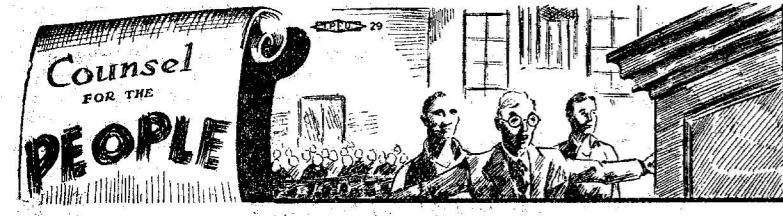
ONE thing is that the organization is losing some of its strongest members, who are either remaining on the fence or joining the guild. In an interesting editorial on Mr. Mahin, Welford Beaton, veteran editor of the Hollywood Spectator, says:

"The reluctant attitude of John Lee Mahin in notifying the Academy that he will not accept the award for the best screen play of the year if he gets it, will not act as a stimulant to the waning strength of the Screen Playwrights. . . . The attitude of Mahin serves only to accelerate the Screen Playwrights' drift toward unimportance in the screen set-up and add to the number of desertions from its ranks to those of the Screen Writers Guild. If such be the result, then Mahin's curtness will serve a useful purpose. Screen writers should be united in on strong body and the Guild is the logical body."

How the Money Rolls In!

A FEW more figures: Paramount has just declared the regular dividend of \$1.50 per share on first preferred stock . . . Pathe has just declared the regular dividend of \$1.75 on the same type of stock . . . Warner Brothers has set aside \$500,000 for its advertising campaign on its first week at the Music Hall, New York, and was held over . . . Sonia Henie's Happy Landings drew such tremendous crowds at the Fox Tower in Kansas City that they had to open another house to accommodate the overflow. It is breaking all existing box office records.

TER: Dorothy Parker and Alan Campbell's cocktail party for Robert Merriman, personnel director of the American Brigade in Loyalist Spain, was attended by many film notables . . . Karen Morley, Dashiell Hammett, Louise Rainer, Lillian Hellman, Frank Tuttle, Ogden Nash and many others . . . \$750 was raised for medical aid for the Lincoln Battalion, a tidy sum from these swell people who always give so generously. . . . A pretty young Spanish dancer offered her castanets, with tears in her eyes, for the sort of heroism of Frank Tuttle bid \$100 for them. . . . She still has them. . . . When cute Mary Aldin approached Hugh Herbert at the League of Women Shoppers Party recently, with the request to buy some little hose, he asked: "where will you be in twenty minutes?" "In twenty minutes, I'll be behind the eight ball, if you don't buy some stockings," said Mary. He bought \$5.00 worth.



UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

(Continuing the previous article on unemployment benefits)

14. Is a worker who is a minor entitled to benefits?
15. Do you need a social security number in order to be entitled to benefits?
16. Must you be physically able to work and available for work in order to be entitled to benefits?
17. Are workers out on strike entitled to benefits?
18. Are workers who become partially unemployed entitled to benefits?
19. What percentage of his wages does the worker contribute after January 1, 1938?
20. What percentage does the employer contribute?
21. How many workers must an employer have in his employ in California to be required to register and pay taxes under the act?
22. Are non-resident employers and foreign corporations subject to the Act?
23. What is the status of part time workers?
24. What is the status of piece and home workers?
25. Are all salary and wage earners covered by the Act?
26. Must the employer furnish the worker on each pay day with a statement showing the amount of tax deducted from the worker's pay?
27. Can an employer escape tax liability by guaranteeing to his employees a certain yearly amount of employment?

Deanna Sings Way to Heart Of Audiences

"Mad About Music", Universal musical-comedy starring Deanna Durbin and Herbert Marshall, with Gail Patrick and Arthur Treacher. Companion feature: "Mighty Intros" with Louis Hayward and Barbara Reed, at the Orpheum in San Francisco.

NEVER-failing tonic for jaded movie-goers are the films of sparkling, beautiful Deanna Durbin. "Mad About Music" bears out the rule.

Deanna sings her way into the audience's heart from the time the story begins in a school for girls in the Swiss Alps. As the fatherless poor, little rich girl whose mother is Hollywood star and can't risk her box-office value by claiming her daughter and thus admitting her age, Deanna escapes the scorn of her school-mates by inventing a father from whom she receives weekly narratives of hair-raising adventures among the ferocious beasts of Africa.

When some of the girls discover her ruse, Deanna is threatened with "loss of face" unless she digs up a genuine parent. Hence, with surprisingly mature ingenuity, she claims a tired composer (Herbert Marshall) as the illustrious and hardy forebear. And this gentleman, being a gentleman, assumes the role with comic consequences and saves Deanna from disgrace.

Incidentally—but for the story's sake quite necessarily—the composer reconciles the girl's mother to renunciation of Hollywood and (you guessed it!) to a blissful life as mother and wife.

The acting throughout is well done, with Marshall's restrained characterization of the composer causing this critic to wonder why Hollywood doesn't make more use of this talented British player.

Lacking the social pertinence of "100 Men and a Girl", as well as that production's unique offering of Stokowski and the Philadelphia Symphony, "Mad About Music" can make no claim to cinema excellence. But if entertainment value be the criterion, this engaging though fantastic tale should receive high rating.

Companion feature on the Orpheum bill, strangely enough, also ekeles the usual mediocre flicker on a double-bill offering. Handling the audience a story with a double suspense angle, a murder mystery and an offshoot of the mistaken identity situation, it kept spirits high and pulses animated until the very end, when it closed in a fizzle.

S. F. Art Exhibits

Palace of Legion of Honor: *Painting of Artists West of the Mississippi, Joe Jones and others; Iceland Impressions by Emilie Walters.*

San Francisco Art Museum: *Old masters, Rembrandt, Hals, Tintoretto, Gray, Rubens, etc. Drawings of Dancers, Paintings by Roy Boynton, Maurice de Vlaminck, and others.*

Paul Elder: *Angelina Minutelli.*

Gumps: *Stan Poiecha Poray.*

Vera Jones Bright: *Gene Kloss watercolors.*

Pottinger Kotebeck: *Modern Prints.*

Berkley Art Gallery: *Lithographs by Volz, Wulf, Spohn.*

Oakland Municipal Auditorium Art Gallery: *1938 exhibition of oils.*

Mrs. Grumpel Had to Go

. . . . A Short Short Story

By Ed Robbin

THE newspapers were full of it. The Mayor congratulated the Grand Jury, the Grand Jury congratulated the police, the police congratulated themselves. The city, all the Bay cities, in fact, the whole state had been cleaned of gambling. The long string of tango and chip games that illuminated the beaches and concession areas were dark; on the boardwalk where crowds of "suckers" had flowed, now only a few dealers and croupiers slouched gloomily, while the concession owners played pinocle in the backrooms and waited.

Then gradually the long roll of newspaper thunder subsided. Elections were over, the Grand Jury was tired of setting, and a startling hatched murder crowded the gambling cleanup out of the headlines. One by one the games began to reopen, tangos in Venice and Hawthorne, and a row of small chip games like toadstools, in Redondo. The stream of bored bourgeoisie again

flowed in around the counters, with cigarettes drooping from their lips, with greedy weary faces, they watched the spinning roulette wheel or the tango card. The croupiers came hungrily to work at reduced salaries. The concessionaires stood in the doorways, rolled cigars between their lips and watched each other's business jealously.

IN Redondo business was slow. The weather continued windy and overcast. The concession owners busily smirked and bowed at customers from their doorways. They watched big sloping cars swin past like fish, and cogitated how they could entice these to stop in Redondo instead of going on to Long Beach. In Venice and Long Beach were large palatial houses, hung with chandeliers, with lounges and restrooms and sparkling array of merchandise. In Redondo the chip games were a row of painted shacks set up against each other like playing cards.

Mr. Kaufman and Mr. Schpitz had formerly owned such a place in Venice but they had lost their lease and spent most of their money, and now they occupied one of the lean-to games in Redondo.

Mr. Schpitz was at the register this Sunday afternoon. Mr. Kaufman was outside the door angling. Mr. Kaufman had a big beefy face that turned lobster red when a customer began to pile up blue chips, and his shining white hair gave him the appearance of a president of a lodge or a corn belt senator. Mr. Kaufman was chewing on his cigar. He glared over his shoulder. There was only a sprinkling of players, all pickers.

In the back sat the stout, florid Mrs. Spitz smiling thickly at all the audience and next to her the little, withered, kindly, gentle lady who was Mrs. Kaufman. Mrs. Kaufman liked to gamble. It didn't matter whether she was playing for real or not. So she sat in back and played chips just as carefully and avidly as though she were playing for money. In fact, she would even cheat when the dealer wasn't looking, whereupon Mrs. Schpitz would say, "Tsa, tsa, tsa," and the old lady would tremble and mumble and look to see whether Mr. Kaufman had noticed.

GLIDING down the street came a big, blue Cadillac and as it neared the brightly painted row of shacks it slowed down. Mr. Schpitz from where he stood at the register saw it first. He waved and frantically smiled half to the blue car, and half to Kaufman to go for the blue car. For Mr. Schpitz recognized the blue car as that of the rich Mrs. Grumpel who had been one of his best customers when he owned the palatial gambling house in Venice.

Kaufman was already two jumps ahead of three other concessionaires on the way to meet the car. Wreathed in smiles he was helping Mrs. Grumpel out of the car, and then Mr. Grumpel, instructing the chauffeur where to park the car, and wouldn't Mr. Grumpel have a cigar—how well Mrs. Grumpel looked—and she certainly

did look lucky today—she was sure to clean them out—but of course Mrs. Grumpel didn't want to do that.

MRS. GRUMPEL was very, very stout and she suffered from diabetes. She walked with great difficulty as though she were pushing her great bosom before her. She went clear back to a seat opposite the register where Mr. Schpitz stood bowing and gurgling. She was already wedging herself into a seat with some heavy breathing and the sympathetic groans and flutters of Mr. Schpitz on one side and Mr. Kaufman on the other. Mrs. Grumpel relaxed and sighed. Mr. Grumpel took his place at the other end of the counter.

Mr. Kaufman and Mr. Schpitz knew that they were good for a couple of hundred each but neither must know what the other lost. Would Mr. Kaufman please pull the curtain a bit so that the sun would not touch the counter in front of Mrs. Grumpel? Mr. Kaufman surely would and he thereupon clambered up on the counter, puffing and grunting to get his knees under his heavy belly and then standing and stretching to reach the curtain till the back of his neck was quite red.

And would Mrs. Grumpel have some chocolates? No, because Mrs. Grumpel was suffering from diabetes and was being taken care of by one of the finest specialists in the world who was Doctor Grimcrack who had put her on a very strict diet. And how was Mr. Schpitz and Mrs. Schpitz, and what a shame the games had been closed and Mr. Schpitz had lost that beautiful place, and she had missed the games while she was back East, but she'd make up for it now.

She'd bought a little ten-room cottage and taken a couple of Chinese servants and they were going to live in just that simple way and Mrs. Grumpel thought they could be quite comfy that way for a few months. She didn't mind living simply, not at all. And in these times, my oh my, one really oughtn't to gamble at all but you naughty Mr. Schpitz have such naughty games, don't he? Mr. Schpitz? Mrs. Schpitz pucker her face into a sugary smile. Mr. Schpitz said flirtatiously he wanted nothing better than to see Mrs. Grumpel win, in fact he would pull for her, indeed he would.

MRS. GRUMPEL was digging in her pocket for her roll of bills. Mr. Kaufman watched her cheerfully. Mr. Schpitz looked abstracted and rubbed his hands together. The dealer set out the chips. Mrs. Grumpel peeled off a ten-dollar bill. Then suddenly an introspective look came over her face. She looked around anxiously. She examined the doorknob of a door that opened out to the beach. She asked the dealer to please call Mr. Grumpel. Mr. Grumpel came in—yes, my dear. Mrs. Grumpel whispered in his ear. Mr. Grumpel looked around anxiously. Mr. Kaufman was watching expectantly. Mr. Schpitz was all attention. Mrs. Schpitz and Mrs. Kaufman sat with open mouths. Mr. Grumpel leaned over and whispered to Mr. Schpitz. Mr. Schpitz's eyes bulged. He leaned over and whispered to Mr. Kaufman. Mr. Kaufman's mouth dropped, he whispered to Mrs. Kaufman; Mrs. Kaufman whispered to Mrs. Schpitz. Mrs. Grumpel had to go! well—said Mrs. Grumpel. There isn't any! said Mr. Schpitz trembling. There isn't any! echoed Mr. Kaufman.

What would not Mr. Kaufman, what would not Mr. Schpitz, what would not Mrs. Kaufman and Mrs. Schpitz have done to relieve Mrs. Grumpel! But, alas, there wasn't any. Mrs. Grumpel slowly unwedged herself and carefully moved out of the concession and down the boardwalk to where there was one.



Mrs. Grumpel had to go!

Sian Mutiny Told in Book

By Vern Smith

"First Act in China—The Story of the Sian Mutiny" by James M. Bertram. Viking Press, New York \$3.

JAMES M. BERTRAM, a young New Zealander apparently uncorrupted by an Oxford scholarship and still able to ride, rough it, and look at it, has written a political Cooks Tour of Northern China at the time of one of the most dramatic political events, the kidnaping of Chiang Kai-Shek.

You can read it for an adventure story, and it is pretty good. But after he wrote that part of the book, in May, last year, the author went back to China and watched the sequel—the united front against Japan, and the war of a nation against a merciless foreign Fascist attempt to conquer.

Political Slant

SO he wrote an introduction to the book, which is printed for the first time in the American edition now going on sale. The politics is in the introduction. That is where Bertram begins really to get the hang of the thing, and put all the lose ends together.

"Soviet Russia almost alone has foreseen the real danger and has taken steps to meet it." "Today Japan's immediate goal may be North China. Tomorrow it will be South China, and Hong Kong and the Philippines. For no hope is more futile than the pitiful hope (to which British diplomacy has clung with defeatist inertia) of buying off the aggressor with fresh concessions. Spain is the legacy of Abyssinia, no less surely than Abyssinia was the legacy of Manchuria. It is the greatest tragedy of these last disturbing years, that the nations have taken so long to learn that 'peace is indivisible!'"

First Hand Observation

BERTRAM came to these conclusions by first hand observation of the kidnapers and their friends and enemies. He smuggled himself into Sian, where Chang Hsueh Liang, the "Young Marshal" exiled from Manchuria, and a bandit general called Yang Hu-Cheng, the "City Tiger" had kidnaped Chiang Kai-Shek.

Bertram thinks Chang, chiefly famous as a dope fiend before that, and Yang were perfectly honest. At the time the Russian Soviet government was being quite falsely accused of plotting the kidnaping, Moscow answered with a guess that it was a Japanese provocation to start civil war in China.

There is even a good deal in Bertram's book that argues against his own belief in the two Northern generals. When Chiang was kidnaped, the armies of the Northwest, including particularly the Communist Red Army, immediately declared in favor of a program of releasing him, and forming a united front with him against Japan. Chang and Yang caught by the popular response to a demand that just possibly may have been intended as a provocation, had to go along.

The armies of Chang and Yang split up, quarrelled among themselves, and the very three men who carried through the kidnaping of Chiang, (Bertram made friends with them and calls them the "three musketeers of Sian") tried to turn the negotiations into civil war and were shot.

If it was all intended as a provocation, it will not be the first one since the crucifixion that backfired and accomplished just the opposite of what the provocateurs intended. Bertram lived through the hectic, confused, and dangerous days in Sian, and describes the defeat of local intransigents and the Kuomintang die-hards who also wanted war even if it killed Chiang Kai-Shek.

The WOMAN'S SLANT

By Sue Barry

INTERNATIONAL Woman's Day—what a rich subject about which to write! The brave and noble women who have striven mightily and succeeded so outstandingly in improving the status of their sex, politically, economically and socially, are legion—their names are household words to all women who have kept in touch with the progress of the feminist movement throughout the world.

There's a new name we should add to the roster.

That is our own Anita Whitney, who has devoted her life to improving the status of not women alone, but of all oppressed and exploited people. Her life stands as a monument of noble and unselfish endeavor.

It is only fitting that on this day which is set aside for the recognition of women the world over that we should pay tribute to Anita Whitney and give her, through this column the thanks of every woman reader of the People's World for the finer work she has been doing for many, many years.

Indomitable Spirit

TO MEET Anita Whitney is to form an instant admiration and respect for her. Her kind and gentle face, expressing more of feminine beauty than any classic combination of regular features and peach-bloom complexion ever could, shows you at a glance the caliber of her noble soul. Her graciousness of manner puts you instantly at ease and makes you feel that here you have a friend.

Anita Whitney is just as high-born as any woman whose face adorns the society pages. She comes of a wealthy and distinguished pioneer California family. Her childhood was spent in this state. One when she was very small, she went to Washington D. C. with her family, and while there attended a function at the White House, given for the benefit of the sufferers of the Irish famine. The tales of privation and sorrow she heard at that time made an indelible impression on her mind.

As Anita Whitney grew older, she was sent east to complete her education. When she returned home to San Francisco, she plunged immediately into women's suffrage work—a scandalous procedure for a girl of her social position.

She knew, however, that working for women's political emancipation

Pioneer Worker



ANITA WHITNEY

was not enough—that women must use the power their vote gave them wisely, to improve conditions and to elect honest leaders.

Pioneer Work

NOW, when women take their political participation in the nation's affairs as a matter of course, it is difficult to realize the obstacles and tremendous difficulties those early women's suffrage workers had to overcome.

Social service work also took up much of Anita Whitney's burning energy. It was during this time, when she devised ways and means of alleviating the suffering of destitute men, women and children that she definitely became a Socialist. She realized clearly that charity in any form was the poorest kind of panacea for the tragedies of the underprivileged—that it was the system that was at fault, not humanity.

Sentenced to Jail

DURING the World War Anita Whitney made the headlines—this gentle, quiet-spoken woman was sentenced to 1 to 14 years in jail at the famous first criminal syndicalist trial. The sentence was never carried out, and she has heard herself sentenced many times since, though she has never been forced to carry out a sentence.

When the split came in the Socialist Party, Anita Whitney became a member of the Communist Party, and she has been a staunch fighter in its ranks ever since. Her zeal is undiminished. State chairwoman of the party, she has been constantly active in speaking and working to bring its message to a vast number of people.

Many times she has run for office as a progressive—both state and county. And when a sufficient number of voters realize that it is leaders like Anita Whitney that we need in the way of an honest and intelligent government.

TUNING IN

with Mary Hurley

TWO outstanding Negro composers, Samuel Coleridge-Taylor and Henry Burleigh, will be honored by the Beaux Arts Trio in the group's regular evening concert Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. over the NBC Red Network. "My Lord Delivered Daniel," one of the many spirituals for which the Anglo-African Coleridge-Taylor is famous, and "The Village Dance," a specialty by the New Yorker Burleigh, will be the featured selections.

A classic of the French Revolution and Napoleonic Period will be explored in the American School of the Air period, Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. over the Columbia Network. Bernhard Hermann will conduct the orchestra and the commentary will be supplied by Dr. Louis Woodson Curtis, Director of Music in the Los Angeles Public School system. Hermann's musicians will play "La Marseillaise," excerpts from "La Rosiere Republicaine" by Gretry; Schumann's "Two Grenadiers"; and Beethoven's "Battle Symphony."

Tuesday
 7:00—Club Matinee, NBC Blue.
 1:30—Hughesnet, NBC Blue.
 4:00—Fulton News, Mutual; American Progressive Talks, KFVD.
 8:00—NBC Symphony, Mutual.
 12:45—Metropolitan Opera Guild, NBC Blue.
 1:00—Club Matinee, NBC Blue.
 1:15—NBC Radio.
 1:45—Dr. Allan Roy Daffoe, Columbia.
 2:30—News Through A Woman's Eyes, Columbia.
 3:30—Women's Magazine of the Air, NBC Red.
 4:00—American Progressive, KFVD; Fulton Lewis, commentator, Mutual.
 4:45—Science on the March, NBC Blue.
 5:30—The Debate and Kool Program, NBC Red.
 5:45—Agriculture Today, NBC Blue.
EVENING
 6:00—Agriculture, Columbia.
 6:20—Labor on the March, KGGC; Ken Fernie and All the Lads, Columbia; Sports Broadcast, Mutual.
 7:00—Your Hollywood Parade, NBC Red; Game Eastern, Columbia.
 7:30—NBC Minstrel Show, NBC Blue; Hobby Lobby, Columbia.
 8:00—Negro Male Quartet, NBC Blue.
 8:30—Forthworn House, NBC Red.
 9:00—Fred Allen, NBC Red; Cavalcade of America, Columbia; Jewish Art Program, KGGC.
 9:30—Sports Review, Columbia.
 10:00—Richfield Reporter, NBC Red; Music As You Desire It, KGO.
DANCE TO THESE
 8:30—Fiddie Duffin, NBC Blue
 9:15—Gay Lombardo, Mutual
 9:30—Jack Susseil, Mutual
 10:00—Louis Pannico, NBC Blue
 10:30—Tommy Taylor, Mutual
 11:00—Larry Kent, Columbia
 11:30—Ted Flinton, Columbia

NEWS BROADCASTS DAILY

7:30	.....	KGO
7:45	.....	KFO
8:30	.....	KFEC
9:15	.....	KGGC
10:00	.....	KGO
11:45	.....	KGGC
12:00	.....	KFEC
12:45	.....	KGO
6:00	.....	KFO, KGGC
8:30	.....	KGGC
9:30	.....	KGGC
10:00	.....	NBC Red

5:00	—Walter Kelsey and His Music, NBC Red.
5:30	—Chas. Monte, NBC Blue; Wayne King, NBC Red.
6:00	—Horace Heidt and His Brigadiers, NBC Blue.
6:30	—Labor on the March, KGGC; Sports, Mutual.
7:00	—NBC Jamboire, NBC Blue.
7:30	—Calling All Cars, Columbia.
8:15	—Voocal Varieties, NBC Red.
8:30	—Al Johnson's Show, Columbia.
9:00	—Johnny Presents, NBC Red.
9:30	—Good Morning Tonight, NBC Red.
9:45	—The University Explorer, NBC Blue.
10:00	—Music As You Like It, KGO.
8:30	—Henry Busse, NBC Blue
9:30	—Carvel Craig, NBC Blue

STATION FINDER

Network	Stations	Cities	Miles
COLUMBIA (Col.)	KSPG	San Francisco	1,200
"	KXIN	Portland	940
"	KIRO	Seattle	650
"	KXN	Los Angeles	1,050
"	KSL	Salt Lake City	1,100
NBC RED (Red)	KFO	San Francisco	680
"	KFW	Portland	820
"	KOMU	Seattle	220
"	KFT	Los Angeles	840
"	KDY	Salt Lake City	1,100
NBC BLUE (Blue)	KGO	San Francisco	790
"	KLB	Portland	1,100
"	KJW	Seattle	970
"	KECA	Los Angeles	1,430
MUTUAL-DON LEE (Mutual)	KFEC	San Francisco	610
"	KFO	Portland	1,200
"	KOL	Seattle	1,270
"	KEL	Los Angeles	900
INDEPENDENT	KGGC	San Francisco	1,420
"	KFVZ	Los Angeles	1,000
"	KLS	Oakland	1,280

Nab Von Cramm on Sex Charge

Tennis Ace Jailed By Nazi Gestapo

BERLIN, March 7.—Baron Gottfried Von Cramm, world's number 2 tennis player, was today seized by German police on charges of "violation of paragraph 175 of the criminal code."

Paragraph 175 covers sexual perversion and other sexual irregularities.

An official statement declared that there was no political significance to the arrest.

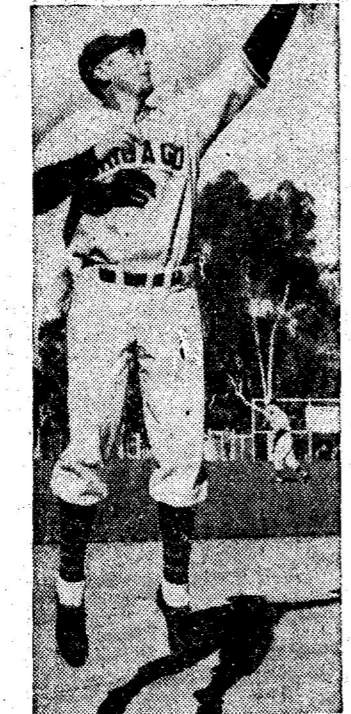
Von Cramm arrived in Germany last week with his doubles partner, Heiner Henkel, after completion of a highly successful tour in Australia.

Von Cramm is rated the world's number 2 amateur tennis player, ranking only below Don Budge of California.

A reception planned for Von Cramm at Munich was called off at the last moment.

Von Cramm's associates and members of his family were not notified of his arrest until the announcement was made generally public.

UP IN THE AIR



Livermore Cut-up vs. Tommy Farr Friday In Madison Square

Max Is Out to Avenge the Baer Family Honor for Buddy's Defeat

LAKEWOOD, N. J., March 7.—Max Adelbert Baer, the Livermore cut-up, went through a stiff workout today in preparation for his bout Friday night in Madison Square Garden with Tony-pandy Tommy Farr, the British Empire heavyweight champion.

Max Adelbert had an additional cause for joy. Promoter Mike Jacobs had offered him a match with Gunnar Barlund of Finland if he gets through Friday night's affair with Farr.

Barlund sul'ied the Baer family escutcheon badly Friday night when he pounced on younger brother Buddy Baer and subjected him to seven rounds of pummeling in a TKO.

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SPORTS

TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 1938

JAPAN MAY ABANDON OLYMPICS

TOKIO, March 7.—The Chinese invasion may force Japan to cancel the scheduled 1940 Olympic Games, War Minister General Sugiyama admitted on the floor of the Japanese Parliament today.

On questioning by Ichiro Kono, Seiyukai (anti-government) party member, Sugiyama admitted that if current hostilities continued into 1940 the games might be abandoned.

"If the present hostilities end, the games can be held," Sugiyama added.

Admiral Nobunasa Suetsugu, Home Minister, took the floor after further questioning.

"Although the current situation is so grave that national mobilization is needed," he declared, "Japan fortunately is strong enough also to prepare for the Olympics. But if the situation grows worse, Japan may abandon the Olympics."

Baugh May Quit Football

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., March 7.—If Sam Baugh, noted professional football player, makes good with the St. Louis Cardinals baseball team he may quit football, he announced here today.

The Sweetwater, Texas, athlete was recently signed by the Cardinals. He was a star shortstop while in college.

Cards Face Oregon in Conference Play-Offs

Webfeet Have High Scorers

By Martin Taylor

SAN FRANCISCO, March 7.—A double feature program is scheduled for Bay Region basketball fans Friday night when the University of Oregon, Northern division champions, meets southern division representative Stanford in the conference playoffs in the Civic Auditorium.

The two feature attractions are Angelo "Hank" Luisetti, Stanford's star sharpshooter and leading scorer of the southern division, and Lauren "Laddie" Gale, Oregon forward who is to be the northern division what Luisetti is to the southern loop.

Gale scored 249 points in 20 games for a 12.75 point per game average while Hank in 12 games made a total of 232 for an average of 19.33.

BUNN TAKES A PEEK

Stanford coach John Bunn and center Art Stoeven went up to take a peek at Howard Hobson's Webfeet the other day and what they saw amazed them. They saw a team that in height compared favorably to the Denver Safeways team.

The Oregon player who has the most bumps on his head caused by overhead beams is little Urel Wintermule, a mere 6 feet 3, who is teaching the tricks of the trade to Ray Jewell, the boy who is always being stepped on because he is only 6 feet 7.

Then there is a couple of stunted forwards, "Laddie" Gale and Dave Silver, both 6 feet 4.

But here the Oregon team is not out of height and they had a pair of midgets for guards. Wasy Johansen is 5 feet 11 while his running mate, Bob Anet is only 5 feet 8.

A SCORING TEAM

Maybe these small guards is one reason why the Webfeet don't give thought to how many points are scored against them but concentrate on doing the most scoring. They have a high offensive average, the best in the league and also have one of the worst defensive averages.

Coach John Bunn thinks his Indians have a pretty good chance to take the Webfeet, but to be sure he will start his regular team of Luisetti, Stoeven, Zonne, Calderwood and Lee.

The first game of the playoff will be played in the Civic Auditorium, Friday night. The second will be Saturday night in Stanford's cracker-box pavilion and the third, if necessary, will be played Monday night at Stanford.

Rasputin Rattles Hanson Tonight

SAN FRANCISCO, March 7.—Ivan (Gorilla Man) Rasputin will risk his Pacific Coast heavyweight wrestling belt tomorrow night at Dreamland Auditorium when he meets Billy Hanson of Salt Lake City in the two-hour main event. Rasputin won the title from Sandoz Szabo, Hungarian, in a recent bout. Other matches: Chief Little Wolf vs. Crusher Foster; Hank Matheny vs. Glenn Du Bose; Dynamite Parelly vs. Rudy La Ditz; Cy Williams vs. Terry McGinnis.

RUNNERS-UP IN LOS ANGELES



THE UNITED RUBBER WORKERS (Local 44) basketball team, defeated last week by the Auto Workers (General Motors) in the clash for the CIO championship of Los Angeles. Left to right, standing: Hendricks, forward; Kivland, center; Pearson, guard; B. Crawford, guard; and Coughtry, manager. Seated: Bryson, forward; C. Crawford, guard; D. Crawford, guard; and Antie, forward.

Recruit Collegians in Ford's Private Police Army, Charge

ANN ARBOR, Mich., March 7.—Harry Bennett, Henry Ford's "strong-arm" man, recruited many of the "service men" who assaulted and beat United Auto Worker organizers from the ranks of University of Michigan football players, it was charged here today.

Student leaders further charged that former Coach Harry Kipke, sacked two weeks ago, and President Alexander G. Ruthven conspired to supply Ford with members for his private police army.

The charges were made by Ken Born, head of the midwest district of the American Student Union, and University of Michigan student officials.

Kipke and Ruthven maintained intimate connections with Bennett, they charged, and persuaded many Michigan athletes to "enlist" in the Ford anti-union army.

Student athletes did "service men" work, Kipke admitted, because if they were placed on the assembly line during the summer they would be too exhausted by the speed-up to compete in football.

Bennett likewise admitted that Michigan athletes were recruited for the service department.

Camilli Goes To Brooklyn!

BROOKLYN, March 7.—Dolph Camilli, slugging first baseman of the Philadelphia Phillies, was sold to Brooklyn in the National League.

Camilli, who batted .339 with the lagging Phillies last year, brought \$60,000 to Philadelphia, sources close to the deal indicated.

If so, it is the largest amount the Dodgers have ever invested in a single player.

Camilli is a Laytonville, California boy.

Crowell Vs. Fields

LOS ANGELES, March 7.—Chuck Crowell, Petaluma heavyweight, will meet Red Fields tomorrow night in the weekly Olympic boxing card. Crowell recently got a draw with Jack Roper, veteran heavyweight.

SAN FRANCISCO'S Tony Lazzari as he reaches for a high one down at Catalina Island. No, Tony's not out deep sea fishing—he's in training with the Chicago Cubs on the Island.

COAST LEAGUE SACHEMS IN REVOLT AGAINST MR. EMIL SICK'S SEATTLE SUDS

The Seattle baseball club has joined the New York Yankees in one regard this year—they are both owned by brewers.

In fact Emil Sick, brewer of Rheinfelder and Rainier beers has decided to surpass New York's Jacob (Burr) Ruppert—he has rechristened the one-time Indians the "Rainiers," in order to combine business with pleasure.

This situation has precipitated a crisis in the baseball world. Declared Lefty O'Doul, manager of the San Francisco Seals, over a glass of Rainier suds the other evening:

"We're seriously considering fall to Herman Michaels, Freddie Muller, Dick Gyselman, Allan Strange and Eddie Taylor. All these gay lads were with the infield swoop! the Rainiers—last season.

The infield acquisitions are headed by Leonard Gabrielson, a husky young first baseman, and Eddie Leishman, veteran utility infielder.

MORE ON TREASON

(Continued from Page Four) filled Trotsky's instructions, and actually got the annual payment. The money was given to him by Reichswehr Chief of Staff Hammerstein. Krestinsky gave Hammerstein some more secret information, and sent the money to Trotsky through a trusted representative of the latter.

According to Krestinsky's accounts, the Trotskyites received about 2,000,000 gold marks (\$800,000) between 1923 and 1930.

Krestinsky then admitted, in answer to Prosecutor Vyshinsky's questions, that after he became Assistant Commissar, and was posted in Moscow, he took advantage of the trip to Berlin in 1931 by Pyatakov and Smirnov (another traitor convicted last year) to establish through them a better contact with the German Reichswehr.

Frisco Fight Card For Friday Night Off, Says Evans

SAN FRANCISCO, March 7.—Promoter Bobby Evans announced cancellation of his Friday night boxing card here this morning.

The cancellation was brought about when Phil Brubaker, Dinuba heavyweight, injured his hand in his one-round knockout over Hank Hankinson last week in Oakland.

Bob Nestel, with whom he was matched for this Friday, refused to fight anyone but Brubaker. Consequently the bout has been postponed.

liorary organization in a coup d'etat.

After this, the Trotskyites reached an agreement with the "Rights" (Bukharin, Rykov, Tomsky, etc.) and began the formation of the "Bloc of the Rights and Trotskyites," which is now on trial.

In May, 1937, just before the date fixed by Tukhachevsky for the counter-revolutionary military action, with a massing together of counter-revolutionary groups already under way—Tukhachevsky and his fellow conspirator General Gamarnik were suddenly removed from their posts.

"Sens'n'g a collapse of the scheme," testified Krestinsky, "I handed over the contact with Trotsky to Rosengoltz."

ILWU Oaks Meet Fisher Body Cagers

Wednesday Night In Oakland

OAKLAND, March 7.—The United Auto Workers (Fisher Body) will meet the Oakland warehousemen Wednesday night at Roosevelt High School here in the week's labor sports headline.

Coach Bill Peterson claims the East Bay CIO title for his ILWU five, but that claim is hotly disputed by the Auto Workers, who have yet to meet the ILWU on the court.

The warehousemen defeated the Chevrolet Auto Workers two weeks ago.

Meanwhile plans for a return engagement between Peterson's quint and Bill Lucas' San Francisco warehousemen were under way.

"The loser is to buy the winner a duck dinner," said Peterson, "and it's not going to be one of these 'bring your own duck' affairs, either."

Gestapo Agent in 1920

Krestinsky testified that Trotsky was already in 1920 connected with the German intelligence service. He then testified in detail to his meeting with Trotsky in Merano in the autumn of 1933 (of which mention had been made by previous witnesses).

Trotsky and Krestinsky met in a hotel. Trotsky pointed out the implications to the conspirators of Hitler's rise to power. He said it was now necessary to reach an agreement with the German government to promise to surrender territory in return for military assistance in the Trotskyite seizure of power.

Trotsky undertook personally to negotiate with the Germans and proposed to commence negotiations with Japan through Sokolnikov (still another of the group previously convicted).

Krestinsky was instructed by Trotsky to establish contact with Tukhachevsky and Jan Rudzutak (a former vice-chairman of the Council of Peoples Commissars).

Krestinsky told the court he informed Pyatakov of his conversation with Trotsky at Merano, and then began negotiations with Tukhachevsky and Rudzutak.

Coup Planned
Tukhachevsky consented to participate with his counter-revolu-

SF Pro Musica Will Present Program

SAN FRANCISCO, March 7.—The San Francisco Chapter of Pro Musica will present a gala Debussy festival on Wednesday evening, March 23rd, at the Veterans Auditorium. Scheduled to appear on the program are E. Robert Schmitz, pianist, the San Francisco String quartet, and the Municipal Chorus, which will be under the direction of Dr. Hans Leschke, as well as several members of the San Francisco symphony orchestra.

Letters to The Editor

Wants to Hear From Sessions and Haight
Dear Editor:

In your issue of Friday, Feb. 25, Mr. Al Sessions, Secretary of the Progressive Commonwealth Federation, stated that your recent editorial listing your conception of his organization's objectives was "slightly muddled."

As one who was at one time in enthusiastic correspondence with the national movement that stimulated the birth of the Progressive Commonwealth Federation, I am still sympathetic with Mr. Sessions' organization. At present, however, the platform of his federation and its aims are not definitely known to me.

To the end that myself and other sympathizers may be enlightened, an explanation of the objectives of the Progressive Commonwealth Federation would be highly welcome in the columns of the PEOPLE'S WORLD. We want the readers of the WORLD to see the sincerity and effective leadership of this Federation. We believe the WORLD will supply a powerful and wide-spread vehicle of publicity for the views of Mr. Sessions and Mr. Haight.

(Signed) C.A.R., Oakland
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Seals Leave For Hanford This Morning

SAN FRANCISCO, March 7.—"We leave tomorrow morning," jubilantly declared Lefty O'Doul, manager of The San Francisco Seals, this afternoon.

Fifty ball players will accompany O'Doul to Hanford for spring training.

Thirty-eight regulars will leave tomorrow morning at 8 a.m. by bus, and the remainder will take the afternoon train.

Manager Bill Wilson of the Tacoma club in the Western International League will accompany the Seals to camp in order to select any rookies he may want to use in the Northwest.

The Seals will play Rube Gardner's all-stars March 19 and 20 in Merced.

On the 22nd they return to San Francisco for a six-game series with the Pittsburgh Pirates out at Seals Stadium. All of these games are scheduled to start at 2:30 p.m.

"And as for this Johnny Welsh," declared O'Doul in regard to the Seals' lone hold-out, "He'll have to sign pronto or else."

Speaker on War Scheduled on CBS

NEW YORK, March 7.—Dr. Harry F. Ward, national chairman of the American League for Peace and Democracy, will talk on the Columbia Broadcasting system network on March 9th at 10:45 p.m. His subject will be "Can We Avoid War?"

LOS ANGELES
"The Life of the White Collar Worker Under Socialism."
Lecture by Dr. Helmar Bergson, recently returned from the U.S.S.R. after working there 2 1/2 years.
Also Soviet Movie
"Baku—the Oil City"
Wednesday, March 9, 8 p.m.
TRINITY AUD. (Assembly Hall)
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OLYMPIC CHAMP COPS CALIFORNIA SKI JUMP CROWN

MINERAL, March 7.—Roy Mikkelsen, captain of the 1936 American Water Games Olympic team, won the California ski jumping championship here today.

Mikkelsen outpointed Sigurd Ullard of Lake Tahoe, last year's title-holder, to win the crown.

Charles Yori, worker employed in tam'ing down the snow on the slide, received serious hip injuries today when he was hit by David Renner of Lake Tahoe, who came down the slide before all workers had left it.

Dodger Proxy Dies

NEW YORK, March 7.—Judge Stephen V. McKever, 84, for six years president of the National League Brooklyn Dodgers baseball team, died here today.

McKever had been suffering from a week's illness. Physicians attributed his death to pneumonia.

He took over the presidency of the Flatbush club in 1932.

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NO HOLDS BARRED Lefty

TAKING time out from the more serious pursuit of counting the bucketfuls of rain as they gently tapped on the sky-light, LEFTY emerged from a weekend coma yesterday afternoon with his selections for the Southern Division all-star basketball team.

LEFTY'S method of selection is a bona fide all-wool (with union labels on the sheep) proposition. There is a patent pending on the proposition so LEFTY is not averse to letting the public in on it.

First the picker interviews all the coaches in the circuit and gets each one's idea of an all-star club. By this process you inevitably have twenty nominations, five from each school.

This narrows the field down considerably and paves the way for the next step.

YOU then send questionnaires to each player on your list. The questionnaires should be innocuously worded with questions something on this order:

- (1) Do you favor the stranglehold in badminton?
- (2) Do you think the younger generation is immoral?
- (3) What are your views on the Australian crawl?

Then somewhere way down in questionnaire (about question No. 23) insert the following:

(23) Who do you consider the greatest basketball player in the game today?

This will probably thin the field down to around 20 again and will teach you to have nothing more to do with questionnaires.

THEN, if you become desperate, as LEFTY did, get a handful of daisies and pick off the petals reciting over and over: "Calderwood, Vaughn, Luisetti, Chalmers, Goldensen, Dornislee, Luisetti, Lee, Luisetti, Stoeven, Luisetti, Garretson, Luisetti, Goodrich, etc."

If you follow these instructions and don't run out of daisies you are likely to come out with something like the following:

FORWARDS: Hank Luisetti, Stanford, and Ralph Vaughn, U.S.C.

CENTER: Art (Stork) Stoeven, Stanford.

GUARDS: Bob Garretson, California and "Spook" Calderwood, Stanford.

Southern partisans are likely to complain that this super-smooth selection looks like a bit of local prejudice on the part of a San Francisco scribe, but to put these scoffers in their place, LEFTY has only to point out that Stanford and California finished in a one-two position in the race.

Passing over the Luisetti choice, which even a be-tromped 3-year-old couldn't miss, the selection of Vaughn at forward seems a logical one. In his sophomore year this curly-headed gent from Indiana took second high in the conference scoring race and was the main reason for the Trojans' constant threats to the leading clubs.

STOEVEN at center is another natural. Although the Stork started the season up on one leg, his form coming down the stretch, he certainly outdistanced Chet Carlisle of the Bears and Crossan Hayes of UCLA, his only two immediate rivals.

Stanford led the circuit by nearly 100 points in holding down opposition scoring, and one of the chief reasons for this was "Spook" Calderwood. Add to this the fact that Calderwood was the highest scoring guard in the league and you have the answer to this choice.

Garretson's selection was the tough one. His chief competition would be from his team mate Lew Goldensen, Hal Dornislee of the Trojans, and H. B. Lee of Stanford. But although Garretson may have lacked a little of the agility of Lee and Goldensen, he was certainly one of the best longestshot artists in the conference and was largely responsible for California's surprisingly good team.

GOOD CATCHERS

There is nothing wrong with the catchers, either. Hal Spindel, out much of the last season with an injury will be back in the lineup and will be relieved by Fernandes on the days off.

The infield posts will probably

RAINED OUT

SAN FRANCISCO, March 7.—All of Sunday's soccer games scheduled for Ewing Field were rained out. They will be played later in the season.

HUSKIES IN HAWAII

SEATTLE, March 7.—The University of Washington basketball team will sail March 17 for Honolulu, where they will meet the University of Hawaii five in a post-season series.