

Drive for Communist Election Signatures Extended to May 5th! Turn in All Lists!

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RECORD MAY 1 TURNOUT ON COAST

10,000 in San Francisco; 10,000 in Los Angeles; 200,000 in New York City

Nominating Convention S.F., May 6

Caravans Coming from Many Parts; California Hall Mass Meet, 8:00 P. M.

500 Delegates Expected to Mass Convention; Will Be Most Active Fighters in Workers Struggles

SAN FRANCISCO, May 1st.—With delegates elected from many workers organizations and trade unions and groups of workers on jobs throughout the state, more than five hundred delegates are expected to participate in the Communist Party Nominating Convention for California next Sunday, May 6th.

400 Coal Miners Strike in N. M. for NRA Code Pay

WALKOUT IS 100% SOLID; NATIONAL MINERS UNION LEADS FIGHT

MADRID, N. M., Apr. 27.—Under the leadership of the National Miners Union, 400 coal miners of the Albuquerque and Cerrillos Coal Co. at Madrid, New Mexico, went out today on strike to protest against the company's refusal to declare compliance with the new coal code scale of wages.

66,528 Now on the S. F. Relief Roll

But Relief Fund from Washington Cut to One Third

SAN FRANCISCO, Apr. 30.—Three thousand and twenty more persons went on relief this week, bringing the total depending on San Francisco relief to 66,528—the highest in the history of San Francisco.

In face of this increase, the Washington government decrease of the appropriation for California's relief from the previous \$10,000,000 a month to \$3,726,396 and reports are current that this will be further reduced to only three million. Of this only \$400,000 will go for San Francisco's share during May. Wages for the proposed new SERA jobs have been set at from \$24 to \$26 a month but from the amount appropriated there will in all likelihood not be more than 1500 jobs, if the program is to begin at all.

Sacramento Workers Protest Police Attack



When 4000 workers demonstrated at the Sacramento courthouse for relief, police arrested Nora Conklin, spokesman of their delegation, and four others. The workers fought valiantly to stop them, as the picture above shows. They will carry on their fight for relief with a County Hunger March soon.

RED FLAGS HEAD PARADES; HARD BLOW IS DEALT ANTI-RED PRESS

Barricades in France; Demonstrations Led by Communists in All Parts of the World

NEW YORK, May 1st.—Early reports on results for the Communist-led May Day meetings indicate the biggest turnout in the history of the United States. Two hundred thousand jammed Union Square in the biggest demonstration New York ever saw. One hundred thousand paraded. The Socialist Party was forced to give up Union Square to the Communists and altho the garment and other Socialist controlled unions joined with it, they had only 100,000 at Madison Square.

First reports of California May Day celebrations indicate the largest turnout in the history of most cities. This was a smashing defeat of the attempts of the capitalist press, especially the Hearst papers, to incite anti-red provocations and to whip up a red scare. In almost every city, tales of bomb plots appeared, which it was hoped would scare away workers. But the impressive parades in most cities were headed by red flags.

COUNTY HUNGER MARCH, NEXT IN C&AWIU Delegates Sacramento Relief Struggle Plan Organization Drive in the Fields

Police Deliberately Provoked Courthouse Battle to Arrest Jobless Leader

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Apr. 26.—The Unemployed Councils are making plans for a big County Hunger March as the next step in the fight for adequate relief, following the May Day demonstrations.

"You're all through," Sheriff Cox told the workers delegation Monday when the county supervisors turned down the demands of the unemployed, and he was dragging Nora Conklin, spokesman of the delegation, out of the chambers.

"We've just started," she replied. And the Unemployed Councils are putting those words into action.

Nora Conklin, Frank Scott, George Stanley, George Strum and Henry Connors were arrested when police attacked the workers as the crowd of more than four thousand was leaving the courthouse steps to hold a meeting at the Plaza. The demonstration, the second within a week, was the biggest in Sacramento in years, as thousands turned out to give answer to the red scare lies of "bomb plots" the capitalist press was trying to

SECOND CONVENTION RECORDS BIG GAINS

SACRAMENTO, Cal., May 1.—The second convention of the Cannery & Agricultural Workers Industrial Union, took place here April 29-30, and the 150 regular and fraternal delegates are already back in their sections. The past year let at least 50,000 workers in strikes, and now has a membership of 10,000. It is the leadership of the union which has won millions of dollars in wages for the workers in the fields.

Sentences Fail to Break Up Struggle of Tulare Workers

TULARE, Cal., Apr. 26.—Despite efforts of county authorities to crush all workers' organizations in Tulare County by means of terror, organizers of orange pickers in the vicinity of Porterville has been so strong and successful that the majority of the small farmers in the territory have chased all but two labor contractors out of the area, and are paying the full amount of New Vagrancy Law.

Not only have individual leaders of the workers been subjected to arrests on framed-up charges, but the County has passed a new law to supplement its vicious anti-picketing ordinance which provides for the arrest on a vagrancy charge of any worker who is offered and refuses work, no matter what the wages are.

Richard Grimm, Porterville secretary of the Cannery & Agricultural Workers Industrial Union, has been framed on three separate counts which have given him a 9-month sentence. A worker by the name of Mooney was threatened with 90-days in jail himself if he did not issue a complaint against Grimm for (Continued on Page 5, Col. 6)

Have You Worked on May First?

The usual procedure in our Party for all those who could not avoid working on May First, because of the danger of losing their jobs, was to give to the Party the day's wages. This year, however, the District Committee of the Communist Party calls upon all those party members and sympathizers who must work on May First to voluntarily donate the equivalent of a day's wages to the Election Campaign Fund, so that the opening of the drive on May 6th will get a flying start.

Banners carried every demand of the workers. Many made by the Artists and Writers Union, pictured the "New Deal" in action, Fascist terror, war, etc. For the first time a band playing the "International" and "The Red Army" and such others, was heard on Market St.—and during the busiest hour. The singing and cheering of the workers aroused great enthusiasm.

At Marshall Green, speakers representing all organizations in the United Front, addressed the workers. The loudest cheers were for the Communist Party, the Soviet Union, the Communist International, for the release of Thaelmann and victims of Fascism, and for the Workers Unemployment Insurance Bill H.R. 7598. The most rousing of all however, was when speakers pointed out that the tremendous demonstration was the biggest defeat for Hearst and the U. S. fascists who tried to kill a response to May Day.

During the evening, indoor mass meetings took place in all sections of the city and additional workers, especially those not able to quit work, took part.

LOS ANGELES, May 1.—Ten thousand massed at the Plaza on May Day. This was despite two weeks of anti-red hysteria in the capitalist press and reports of "bomb plots". Speakers representing the over 70 organizations which arranged the celebration, addressed the workers, and brought the most enthusiastic cheering to every call for militant action and support for the Communist Party. In the evening, a monster mass meeting was held at the Mason Theatre, at which Sam Darcy, District Organizer of the Communist Party, was speaker.

The City Council called off its scheduled meeting, afraid to meet delegations from the demonstration.

At Sawtell Veterans' Home, three red flags flew from the flag poles.

OAKLAND, Cal., May 1st.—Three thousand took part in the May First demonstration here at Chabot Park, making the largest May First Oakland ever saw. (Continued on Page 5, Col. 6)

Leo Gallagher, Ada Wright, Will Speak in S. F. on May 19

COAST CITIES MEETINGS RALLIES FOR THAELEMAN SCOTTSBORO, JORDAN

SAN FRANCISCO, May 1st.—Leo Gallagher speaks here on May 19th!

The famous International Labor Defense attorney who for years fought for class-war prisoners in Southern California, who serves as defense attorney for Tom Mooney, and has just returned from Europe where he was arrested and deported by Hitler for aiding in the defense of George Dimitroff, will speak at Dreamland Auditorium, Post and Steiner Sts. at what will be one of the greatest outpourings of workers in months.

Gallagher will tell of the bloody fascist terrorism in Germany and what fascism would mean to workers in America. The meeting will be held in the fight for the freedom of Ernst Torgler and of Ernst Thaelmann, General Secretary of the German Communist Party, who will come up for "trial" before a Nazi court on charges of treason. The Nazis are using this long-prepared frame-up as a demonstration against the Communist Party which they have been unable to stamp out.

With Gallagher will be Ada Wright, mother of two of the Scottsboro Negro boys, who for three years have been held in Alabama jails, framed up on rape charges and only saved from the electric chair by the international protest of the working class. Leo Gallagher and Ada Wright (Continued on Page 5, Col. 3)

Protests Grow as Jordan Re-sentencing Day Nears

Oregon Supreme Court Twice Upholds Frame-Up of Negro Worker

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Apr. 29.—Theodore Jordan will be brought back here in a few days for re-sentencing by the same Circuit Court which in an insane lynch atmosphere in 1932 sentenced him to hang on a framed charge of murder. Twice the workers, rallied by the International Labor Defense, carried the fight of this framed Negro worker to the Oregon State Supreme Court and twice that body, ignoring the facts in the frame-up trial, upheld the legal lynch verdict and ordered Jordan must hang.

The militancy of the mass fight being rallied for Jordan by the ILD was strikingly brought out in the recent meeting here when both the court house which is always used for public meetings, and the police tried to prevent the workers from holding a protest mass meeting.

Denied the streets, more than five hundred assembled on a vacant lot downtown and despite the mobilization of police to stop them, went on with their meeting and a building a branch of the ILD. Prosecutor Gilgewater, who was present at the meeting expecting the police to break it up, dared not answer the charges leveled by Mary Gould, ILD speaker, and with Judge Duncan, Sheriff Low and Asst. Prosecutor Van Vector, left.

Collentz Rearrested; Workers Called to Send Protests

TULARE, Cal., Apr. 27th.—Harry Collentz, who two weeks ago had completed a 90-day sentence for opening up a workers book shop here, charged with operating without a license, was again arrested, this time on a vagrancy charge.

He is now in the Visalia jail and held incommunicado. A jury trial which he demanded was refused, and he was again given a 90-day sentence. He is to immediately get out of the county upon serving the sentence, or get six months. The \$100.00 bond placed was confiscated by the judge, who Collentz had reported far ahead of time.

The International Labor Defense is taking immediate measures to defend Collentz against the fascist rulers in the valley and force his right to a jury. It asks that workers and friends send protests against the outrage to District Attorney Haight at Visalia. Demand that Collentz get his right to see friends and an attorney.

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Longshoremen Strike May 1

HOUSTON, Texas, May 1.—More than 4,000 longshoremen, members of the I. L. A. along the entire Texas coast, are out on strike. The strike decision was made at midnight. All waterfronts are crippled.

To Fill Courtroom. In other towns throughout the state, bunches of the ILD are being organized to carry on the fight for Jordan's freedom. The workers and farmers, here pledged to fill the courtroom on the day when Jordan is brought back for re-sentencing and date of execution set.

It is equal to that of Alabama courts pervaded the whole affair, the women jurors mingling

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L. A. Car Co. Closes Back 5c an Hour

INSURANCE, MEDICAL RACKETS, SPEED-UP, IMPOSED ON WORKERS

Motorman Tells How Company Got Increased Fare by Fooling the Public

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Apr. 18.—For a long time the street car company tried to raise fares, and finally succeeded with the provision that the men would get a raise in wages.

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May Day in the Chinese Soviet Republic

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SACRAMENTO WORKERS TURN LEFT Market St Railway Give Worker Right to Join A. F. of L.

By R. J. Pearsall (Impressions of a Communist Party section by a recent Socialist Party member.)

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Forced Labor, Bad L. A. Seamen Fight Food for Farm for Better Relief Hospital Patients And Own Control

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THIS FAMILY GOT 'NEW DEAL' Western Worker Camera Wins New Home for Family

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DIY THE workers believe that the New Deal means more purchasing power to the workers even at the expense of profits.

TOBACCO PROFITS

Profits for the large corporations continue to mount in 1934. The Wall Street Journal reported on April 26 that the tobacco industry...

TABLE B.

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Western Worker San Francisco Worker Writes on What He Saw in Vladivostok

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Western, Postal Boys Organizing

Following the parade to the courthouse, the workers waited for the meeting to be held at the home of the Regional Labor Board...

WORLD TOURISTS

LOS ANGELES, Apr. 27.—The men will not wait until the end of the month to get their tickets through immediately.

SPRING GIFTS RELATIVES Soviet Russia

Send a Torgsin Order to your relatives and friends in Soviet Russia and enable them to buy in the Torgsin Stores articles needed at the turn of the weather.

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Oakland

INTERNATIONAL LABOR DEFENSE FUND PICNIC—Sun., May 13. 2:30 P.M. to 5:30 P.M. at the Oakland Country Club.

Washington Report

WASHINGTON, D.C., April 27.—The House of Representatives today passed a bill to provide for the relief of unemployed workers.

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Editorial Column

The Only Workers' State Ticket

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The convention is arranged by the Communist Election Campaign Committee, and the candidates will run on the Communist ticket. It will represent a much wider circle than the units nominating. Most of the delegates will come from trade unions, including AF of L locals, from fraternal, unemployed, cultural, shop and every other expression of the workers.

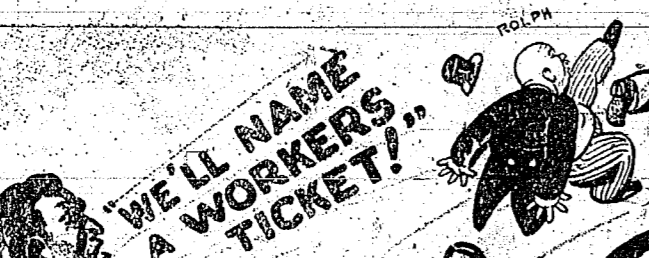
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Why No Short Stories Appeared

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Many of the copiers have made the same mistakes. In the Western Worker, articles are not printed unless they are of a certain length and quality.

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## Fisherman Tells How Union Leads in San Diego Fight

Workers Fight to Save Fishing-Boats' and from Going on Chero

**Negro Seamen Get Worst Conditions; Ships Jim-Crowed**

**WHITE SEAMEN MUST FIGHT TO BREAK DOWN THE BOSS POLIX**

**Buy Motor Boats**

**Red Stack Tugboat Men Don't Get Paid For Overtime Work**

**Seamen Form Anti War Committees on Two Ships**

**Union Head Is Touring West**

**Waterfront Jobless Council Fights For Own Relief Station**

**S. F. LONGSHOREMEN, SEAMEN, FIGHT FOR RIGHT WON IN BALTIMORE**

**FOUR YEARS OF MARINE WORKERS UNION**

**WILL TELL HOW BOSTON BALTIMORE, OTHER SEAMEN WON**

**San Diego I. L. A. Needs Strong Rank And File Group**

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# Marine Workers' Struggles For Relief and Job Control Winning

## Baltimore Waterfront Victory Followed by Similar Struggles in Other Ports

**Passing the Buck Puts Over Railroad Sell Out**

**Gulf Ports' Strike of Longshoremen is Example for Coast**

**SHIPOWENERS PREPARE STRIKE; WORKERS MUST PREPARE TOO**

**Rank and File Group Among Alaska Fishermen**

**AF of L Members Take Political Stand**

**Railroad Profits Tripled**

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# East of the Rockies

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**NRA Locks Out All Silk Workers**

**Elect 3 Communist Trustees in Coal City**

**Socialist Mayor Denies May 1 Permit**

**Seamen Force Editor to Eat His Words**

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**Oklahoma, Kansas, Oil Workers Strike**

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**ABUSE OF THE RIGHT OF CRITICISM**

**By R. J. Pearsall**

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Workers Organizing in Ross Packing Union's Leaflet House for Safety Devices, Better Pay Forces Swift's to Make Changes

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Facts for Speakers

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Questions and Answers

QUESTION—W. H. A. San Bernardino, Calif.—Somehow, sometime, you gave a lecture in which you mentioned a quotation of Karl Marx about Benjamin Franklin's pamphlet on a day's labor as the basis of money.

How Capitalist Democracy Works; Can the Workers Take Over the Capitalist Form of Government?

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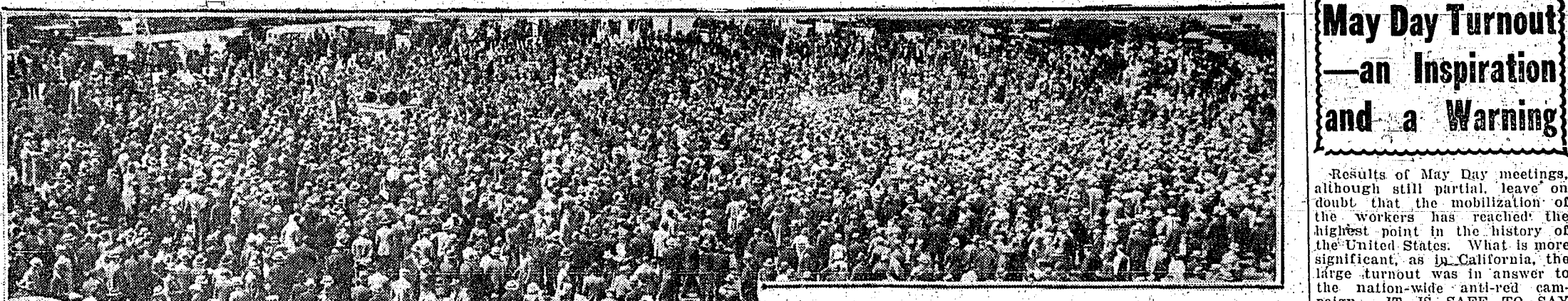
Editorial Column The "S. F. News" - Strikebreaker

Indignation against the yellow Hearst press and kindred journals is at a very high pitch. Even disinterested people can see through the campaign of lies against the Communist Party...

Workers Tell The Facts But what are the facts? And it is not from the News that one will get them, but from the workers in the fields...

What the "News" Really Wants How the "News" is interested in the welfare of the agricultural workers is made even clearer in its leading editorial...

The Answer California's Workers Gave to Hearst's Lying Stories on May First



Upper photo shows the San Francisco May First demonstration at the Civic Center when 10,000 cheered the Communist Party and for a Soviet America.

Results of May Day meetings, although still partial, bear out the point in a history of the workers has reached the highest point in a history of the United States...

RED EVERS (A Story of the S. F. Waterfront in 1916)

By Ed Neuman Red Evers jumps up and asks for the privilege of the floor. He is asked to sit down by the President, but he refuses to be silenced...

Brother Evers, I'd rather talk from the floor here. You know me. I never mix with royalty. I belong on the ground floor with you...

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31,000 Sign To Put Communist Party on Ballot

Signature Drive Passes the Goal; 31,000 Names In

San Francisco, May 12.—Tremendous enthusiasm as a result of the Communist Party Nominating Convention has generated a wave of activity in the signature campaign to get the Party on the ballot...

3600 Involved in Big Mine Strike at Butte, Mont.

Butte, Mont., May 12.—At 3 p. m. last Tuesday morning 3600 miners went on strike at the Anaconda copper mine...

GROWTH OF A MYTH THE RACIAL MYTH, by Paul Radin

A "pure" race, "The Negro, the Chinaman, the Nordic, the Jew" are mixtures with similar or identical origins...

Slash S. F. Relief Budget; Destitute Highest on Record

San Francisco, May 12.—While the relief work continues to be stalled, the State Emergency Relief Administration has slashed its monthly budget...

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Longshoremen! Seamen! Don't Be Tricked!

The remarkable solidarity of all workers connected with the marine industry to back the longshoremen, is a demonstration of the power of organization that should be a lesson to workers in all industries...

Local Communist Picnic, Oak Cove Park, Sun. May 20

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STATE BELT MEN UNDER YELLOW DOG CONTRACT LOAD SCAB GOODS; YOUNG PEDRO STRIKER MURDERED

COMMUNIST PARTY AND OTHER MILITANT ORGANIZATIONS PUT ALL FORCES INTO WATERFRONT STRUGGLE

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# Tie San Francisco Steps in the Longshoremen's Fight - - Scenes on the San Francisco Waterfront

## Waterfront Solid Seamen, Teamsters Join Struggle

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 3)

The strike of seamen, called by the Marine Workers Industrial Union, takes effect today at 12 o'clock. The International Seamen's Union (I.S.U.) has also called a strike of its members on the waterfront.

The seamen are demanding a 10 percent increase in wages, control by the seamen, and the 1925 wage scale.

They have in the sympathy walkout are the ship cooks, boiler-makers, machinists, and engineers. They are to work on sea ships.

New Mediation Tactics

Timothy Reardon, appointed as special mediator by Gov. Jos. P. McKim, is to take part in a conference with the I.S.U. and the Marine Workers Industrial Union in the case of the other ports. The I.S.U. has a separate agreement in San Francisco. The I.S.U. has a separate agreement in San Francisco. The I.S.U. has a separate agreement in San Francisco.

In the meantime there is an attempt to take over the waterfront by Roosevelt who in San Francisco, but its work there is not so successful. It is in the event of a prolonged strike the waterfront will be taken over by the handling of freight.

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Ryan Opposes Strike

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Workers Cheer as Greetings are Voiced from Other Organizations, Negroes, Chinese, Filipino Seamen

At the waterfront, many greetings were voiced from other organizations, Negroes, Chinese, Filipino seamen, and others.

5,000 Stevedores, Families, Sympathizers in S. F. Parade

A parade of 5,000 stevedores, families, and sympathizers took place in San Francisco.

San Francisco, May 15.—In the most impressive parade staged in San Francisco in many years, the waterfront families and sympathizing organizations here today demonstrated their solidarity with the longshoremen's fight.

Nathan Attempt to Stop Cannery Union Backing Stevedores

Nathan attempted to stop the cannery union from backing the stevedores.

At the meeting of the Cannery Workers Union (C.W.U.) on Saturday afternoon, Nathan attempted to stop the cannery union from backing the stevedores.

# Can't Break C&AU With Fake Union; Plan a New Fight

## ROLPH SENDS AGENT TO IMP. VALLEY; BOSSES ORGANIZE NEW GROUP

BRAVLEY, Cal., May 15.—In the 1740-60 decades, Wall St. was a trading place and a place where human misery and exploitation were rampant.

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We are headed for man's technological heritage, which is economic Garden of Eden, which many of our millions are being deprived of.

Organize New Groups

A wider co-ordination of the anti-workplaces activities of the various organizations in the Los Angeles area is being planned.

Shipowners Get U. S. Subsidy While Workers Conditions, Pay Gets Worse

Shipowners receive a U. S. subsidy while workers' conditions and pay get worse.

Seattle's Mass Picket. Makes a Clean Sweep

Seattle's mass picket made a clean sweep of the waterfront.

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San Pedro, Cal., May 11.—Striking longshoremen of San Pedro are continuing their fight against the shipowners.

At a meeting of the longshoremen of San Pedro, the union members discussed their strategy.

# LA Custom Tailors Ranks Solid in 6th Week of Striking

## 500 Demonstrate at Astoria May 1

ASTORIA, Ore., May 3.—Five hundred workers, including many from the Longshoremen's Union, demonstrated here today in support of the striking tailors.

Mexican Union Helps Bosses to Cut Wages by Importing Scabs

The Mexican Union helps bosses to cut wages by importing scabs.

Modesto Bosses Plan Tactics to Break Up Agricultural Strikes

Modesto bosses plan tactics to break up agricultural strikes.

12 Bonus Marchers Released After One Month Jail Term

Twelve bonus marchers were released after a one-month jail term.

ON NATIONAL YOUTH DAY

On National Youth Day, workers demonstrated their solidarity.

More Attention to Organizational Work

More attention should be given to organizational work.

Signature Drive

A signature drive is being conducted to support the workers' fight.

WORLD TOURISTS TOURS TO THE SOVIET UNION

World tourists are touring the Soviet Union.

OLYMPIC BOTTLING CO. We supply you with all beverages

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# COME! THIS SUNDAY!

## ANNUAL COMMUNIST PARTY PICNIC

MAY 20th - ALL DAY Oak Cove Park, near San Mateo

Games - Sports - Music - Singing - Dancing

3000 Vets Encamp in Washington in Fight for Bonus

3000 veterans encamped in Washington in a fight for their bonus.

Small Farmers Fight Against Eviction; Force Court Review

Small farmers are fighting against eviction and forcing a court review.

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Platform of the Communist Party in the Calif. Elections

Issues of tremendous importance are at stake in these 1934 elections. Despite all the belly-boo propaganda in this second year of the New Deal, there are about eight hundred thousand unemployed workers in the State of California...

For Immediate Demands, For Workers, Farmers Government.

On the other hand, the Communist Party is composed of, and fights for workers, poor farmers, pauperized middle class and professional people...

For the Employed:

- 1. A minimum-universal pay increase of 20% to meet the rising cost of living.
2. Abolition of child labor and cash subsidy to support children who are not able to work...

For the Farmers:

- 1. Prohibition of foreclosures on homes and land of impoverished farmers. No stopping of water, or power, or any other utility service...

For the Unemployed:

- 1. Bill H. R. 7598, which provides for unemployment and social insurance at the expense of the employers and the government, and immediate payment of the veterans' bonus.

Against Capitalist Terror

- 1. Immediate release of Money, Billings, McNamee and all class-war prisoners. Repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Law. Abolition of vagrancy laws...

Against Imperialist War

- 1. Stopping of all export of munitions to the Far East, and the use of all war funds for unemployment relief.

The winning of these demands is imperative towards any serious improvement in the conditions of the masses. However, we believe that the only way to win these demands is to look to the Soviet Union...



C. W. A. PROJECT No. 17

By William Sidney

Today the rain came in sudden, periodic squalls, first a raw, wet wind whistling up the drifting valley, then the black clouds rolling over the hillsides...

The foreman always favored with special attention the first truck below the others. And it was the first truck to get out of the gate...

The foreman, however, was not wet and muddy. A new and shiny slicker covered his thick back...

Toussaint L'Ouverture and the Struggle for Liberation

By Harold Williams

One of the most brilliant pages in the history of the struggles of the Negro people for national liberation is the story of Toussaint L'Ouverture...

THE SLAVES RISE. With what hypocrisy and viciousness the landlords attempted to keep the slaves from their freedom...

It was the 13 million Negroes in this country are an oppressed people who have been virtually no political voice...

Heads and what they saw followed in the wake of the taunts and insults of the hated boss...

There was a murmur of as some one wanted more shouting, he does it. "You ain't no damn white man, you're a nigger!"...

Tricks now. Things are changing fast. The man-picked truck driver was for another load...

In the middle of the caresses and the boss caresses here and there, the foreman's hand was on the neck of the man who had been shouting...

Keep your hands off me! You've got to get out of here! You've got to get out of here! You've got to get out of here!

Join the Communist Party For a Workers and Farmers Government

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LOS ANGELES, May 19.—To elect candidates on the Communist Party ticket for representative in the State Legislature...

Leo Gallagher L. A. Meeting May 25th; Banquet May 26th

LOS ANGELES, May 21.—The coroner's jury inquiring into the death of Dick Parker, the 29-year-old striking stevedore...

1000 Strike in Pescadero Cannery & Agricultural Union Leads

SAN JOSE, Cal., May 22.—One thousand picketers reported out on strike in the Pescadero district of San Mateo county...

Where Was Upton When the Gas Went Out?

PASADENA, Cal., May 3.—A passerby from the Relief Workers' Protective Union saw a man carrying a gas can and a gas stove...

United Front Mass Meeting Fights Oakland Anti-Picketing Law May 30

OAKLAND, Cal., May 18.—The mass defiance of Alameda county's anti-picketing law will be held at the United Front mass meeting...

Parade from Lafayette Park to Hayward Many Groups in United Action

OAKLAND, Cal., May 18.—The parade which was held from Lafayette Park to Hayward, where an anti-picketing law was being defied...

WESTERN WORKER WESTERN ORGAN OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY U.S.A.

SAN FRANCISCO, MAY 28, 1934. Price Five Cents

Shipowners Try to Split Workers But Ranks Stay Solid

Who Murdered Him?—See Page 2! Pedro Seamen "THE STRIKE IS OUT OF HAND," SAYS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE... Stevedores To Stay Out Till Seamen Settle

During the week the tie-up in all Pacific ports tightened, as stevedores in every case joined the general marine strike...

2 Freed, Conklin 90 Days in Sacramento Hunger March Case

SACRAMENTO, Cal., May 17.—Two men arrested in connection with the hunger march case in Sacramento have been freed...

United Farmers League Rallies, Stops Eviction

SACRAMENTO, Cal., May 17.—Mass action by the United Farmers League stopped the eviction of a family from their home...

Sinclair Challenged To Debate Darcy, Communist Candidate for Governor

SAN FRANCISCO, May 21.—The Communist Party stands for a revolutionary program, and it is the Party's duty to fight for the coming primaries...

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# Pedro Red Squad Attack Answered With More Militancy

## Workers Tire of Long Range Picket Policy

### Mass Attack Cleans Out First Batch of Scabs

(By Our San Pedro Correspondent)

At about 12 midnight on Monday, May 14, about 400 militant longshoremen and seamen stormed the scab concentration camp at the waterfront when the firing started. Wilmington West Basin in Los Angeles harbor.

Police company gun-tugs fired gas shells and bullets at the advancing workers. Men in all the police boats fired their machine guns. The longshoremen and seamen were not deterred. They were fired upon by the police, and many others were injured.

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# WORKERS NOTES

## Hide Workers Strike Solidarity

At the last meeting of the Hide Workers Industrial Union, workers from some of the shops reported that the boss was threatening to use them as longshoremen in the waterfront strike. The union immediately went on record pledging solidarity with the strike and issued a statement to the press and to both the Longshoremen and Seamen's strike committees stating that if the bosses forced the union to work as longshoremen, the union would go on strike and ask the strike help picket line to picket the help picket line.

A state conference of fishermen will be called in California early in June by the P. & C. W. I. U. The conference is expected to establish a State Headquarters for this union. The conference will discuss the various demands and proposals being sent in by the various branches in California regarding the matters to be taken up at the conference.

The Latin Bakers Aid Strike Relief The Latin Bakers Section of the Food Workers Industrial Union of North America is holding a strike relief fund for the Latin Bakers strike in San Francisco.

Discord in the Y. W. C. A. PHILADELPHIA, Pa., May 14.—Just against the policy of "sweetening" the Y. W. C. A. at the national convention was a resolution sponsored by Mrs. Cleveland C. G. W. of Philadelphia. The resolution was adopted by a vote of 100 to 50.

Minneapolis Teamsters Tie Up Deliveries MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., May 18.—Teamsters in Minneapolis are on all delivery service in the city by their militant mass picketing. The teamsters are on strike since May 10.

Call for Rank and File Strike Com. in San Diego SAN DIEGO, Cal., May 14.—Owing to the refusal of Neary, local International Longshoremen's Association leader, to call for a rank and file strike, the rank and file workers in San Diego are organizing a strike committee.

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## Roswell Workers Pick Communist Ticket for New Mexico Election

ROSWELL, N. M., May 18.—Answering the attempt to terrorize the militant Roswell workers by the falling of the Roswell Workers Industrial Union picket line, the Communist Party has nominated a complete Communist slate of candidates for the New Mexico election.

Western Union Hijacks Daily Worker Wires NEW YORK CITY, N. Y., May 14.—The Western Union Telegraph and Telephone Company has hijacked the wires of the Daily Worker newspaper.

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DUNBAR, Cal., May 14.—Following the ratification of the rank and file of the farmers and the victory of the United Farmers League in the election for the county board of supervisors, the league is spurring its power fight.

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## Japanese Traders' Jail Term Cut

TOKYO, Japan, May 12.—Tishiyuki, a former Communist leader, has had his jail term cut to 15 years for his part in the Japanese revolution.

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# Editorial Column

## "The Strike IS Out of Hand," Says Chamber of Commerce

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city, distribution of tens of thousands of "Don't Scab" appeals; that the militant Marine Workers Industrial Union organized the sympathy strike of the seamen. Even such as were anti-Communists but honest workers, are very much impressed by the Party's constructive role in every phase of the strike.

Drugging in the red issue is always resorted to by the employers when they find the workers' ranks unbroken.  
**McGRADY - STRIKERBREAKER**  
It is interesting that the Communism issue was dragged in with the arrival of Assistant Secretary of Labor Edward McGrady. This is the regular procedure in oiling things up for mediation. One of the first public statements of this "mediator" was that "the reds threw a monkey-wrench into the situation" and that "San Francisco ought to be informed of the growth of the hold of the red element on the situation". The monkey-wrench, however, is not only limited to San Francisco, since in other ports including Portland and Tacoma, the members followed San Francisco.

Who is McGrady?  
As assistant to Secretary of Labor Perkins, and personal representative of the National Labor Board he is the country's leading strikebreaker.  
He is used as an "expert" in all situations where workers are militant and maintain a solid front. He broke up the Furriers Union in New York. It was he who was sent last year to do the dirty work during the great miners strike in Pennsylvania. He came before the miners and pleaded that they return to work and he in behalf of the Board and the NLR pledged to them that the right of organization will be given, and many other promises.

**EMPTY PROMISES TO BREAK STRIKE.**  
BUT THESE WERE ONLY EMPTY PROMISES TO FOOL THE WORKERS BACK ON THE JOBS. THE MINERS NOW FIND THEMSELVES TIED HAND AND FOOT, AND THE ONLY "ADVANTAGES" GAINED WERE FOR A CHECK-OFF OF DUES FOR THE UNION OFFICIALS. THE RIGHT OF THE WORKERS TO STRIKE IS ILLEGAL AND SUBJECT TO A FINE OF \$1.00 PER DAY. THEY ARE STARVING AS MUCH AS EVER.

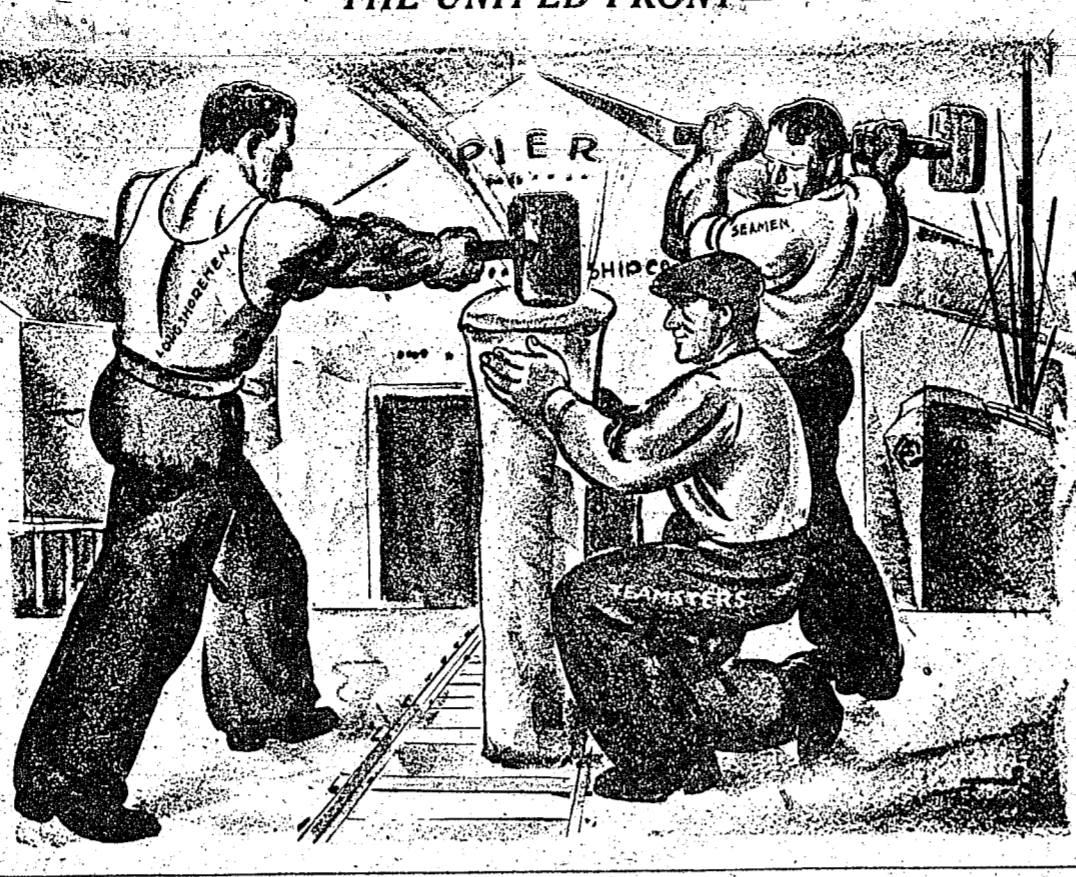
This is his mission in the strike of longshoremen and seamen. The workers see through his scheme and quite properly threw a monkey-wrench into them.  
And now when it is apparent that McGrady's strike-breaking move failed, Joseph Ryan, president of the I. L. A. is flying here. As we pointed out last week, he is not coming here to do any good to the steydorens. He was opposed to the calling of the strike, and is for arbitration. He is for splitting with the seamen, and for separate port agreements. As in the East, he will attempt to disregard the rank and file and close a deal with the employers at a secret conference.

More than that, the workers are watching the district officials and are no longer approving anything blindly. The fact that Lewis tried for hours to convince the San Francisco membership meeting to give him full authority to settle, and that the seamen be "ditched" has aroused the suspicion of every worker in the union.  
They have decided in a manner that cannot be mistaken and the strike ranks remain unbroken.  
Every worker is determined that there be no compromise on the closed shop issue, no arbitration, to stick to the seamen, no separate port agreements, and that the workers should know of all negotiations which have thus far remained secret.

## Union Poll Among Field Workers Too Hard, Says Perkins

**REPLY TO STEFFENS ON IMPERIAL VALLEY SITUATION SHOWS SECTION 7a MEANS NOTHING**  
CARMEL, Cal., May 16.—In response to a telegram sent by Lincoln Steffens, chairman of the Northern California Committee for Defense of Political Prisoners to Secretary of Labor Perkins, suggesting that a poll be taken among the workers of the Imperial Valley, on the following reply was received:  
**Dept. of Labor, Office of the Solicitor, Washington, D. C., May 11, 1934.**  
Lincoln Steffens, Nat. Chair, Nat'l Com. for Def. of Pol. Prisoners, Carmel, California.  
Dear Sir:  
The Secretary of Labor has asked me to acknowledge your letter suggesting a federally-conducted election in the Imperial Valley.  
I wonder whether you have adequately considered the difficulties which would arise in a poll of employed and unemployed persons, particularly in an agricultural area where there are no weekly payroll lists, no convenient balloting places and no certainty that a division of the workers, according to employers, could readily be made.  
Signed: Chas. E. Wyeanski, Jr. Solicitor of Labor.  
Steffens in replying to Perkins, stated:  
"The Solicitor of Labor asks me if I am aware of the difficulties of conducting such a poll. There are difficulties of a minor technical nature in all polling, which this would be no exception. May I point out, however, that the situation has arisen only and solely because employers, growers and shippers, and crop speculators in Imperial Valley have disregarded Section 7a and have violated President Roosevelt's expressed request that workers be allowed to join the union of their 'free choice' in Imperial Valley they are being ruthlessly forced to join a company union, organized by the Mexican Consul, Joaquin Terrazas of Calexico, under the simple threat that if they do not join they get no job."

This is YOUR paper—read it regularly, write for it, and show it to other workers!!  
**WESTERN WORKER,** 37 Grove St., San Francisco, Calif.  
Enclosed please find:  
\$2.00, 1 year — \$1.00, 6 months — 50c for 3 months, for my subscription.  
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# THE COMMUNIST BILL FOR THE FARMERS

**NEW YORK.**—Calling for the immediate repeal of the Roosevelt-A. A. program as a program which has benefited a few large landlords and rich farmers while it has only intensified the misery of the vast majority of the farm population, the Communist Party has just made public its proposal of a new "Farmers' Emergency Relief Bill" to take the place of the present Roosevelt Agricultural Adjustment Act.  
The Communist Party Bill for the farmers is a historic document which contains in concrete form the program of the Party, which it put forward in the last national elections.  
It is a program that would relieve the farmers of the intolerable yoke of Wall Street and mortgage bank domination, protecting all farmers and their families from eviction or foreclosure.

## Farmers' Emergency Relief Bill

"To protect and aid tenants, sharecroppers, and operating owners of farms by insuring their continued possession of their farms and by providing for that abundance of agricultural crops and livestock which is essential to the well-being of farmers and industrial workers.

"BE IT ENACTED BY THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED, that because the operation of the Agricultural Adjustment Act has resulted in:  
(a) eviction of tens of thousands of tenants, sharecroppers and operating owners of farms, from their farms and homes through the reduction of acreage programs;  
(b) imposing the full burden of the cost of benefit payments upon the farmers and workers through the present law;  
(c) the waste of fertile farm lands and the return to laborious and primitive methods of production, while millions of unemployed farmers are starving;  
(d) creating and fostering monopolies among the distributors and processors of agricultural products through the marketing agreements and licenses;  
The Agricultural Adjustment Act, as amended, is hereby revoked and repealed."  
SECTION NO. 2. The term "farmer" as used in this Act means any individual who is engaged in tilling the soil, whether a tenant, sharecropper or owner, who operates his farm primarily by his own labor. None of the benefits or rights of exemption from taxation granted by this Act shall apply to any landlord or absentee owner or corporation or to any farmer who owns more than one farm, or who operates primarily with hired labor, or to any manager or foreman of a farm.  
SECTION NO. 3. Under no circumstances shall any farmer be evicted from the farm on which he has tilled the soil or from the dwelling house on that farm for the non-payment of any debt, rent, taxes, or other obligations, or because of the termination of any lease or contract. To secure the farmer in possession of his land, home and equipment, all debts and other obligations threatening such possession are declared cancelled.  
SECTION NO. 4. No farm equipment, farm improvements or livestock, on any farm shall be attached, seized, levied upon, or otherwise disposed of by any creditor, for the non-payment of any debt, rent or other obligation or because of the termination of any lease or contract.  
SECTION NO. 5. Cash relief for the necessities of life shall be afforded to all farmers in need of relief, by committees of farmers who shall determine in each county or parish, within the United States by the farmers located in that county or parish. Such committees shall be known as Farmers' Relief Committees.

## LENINISM IN THE SAN JOAQUIN

**By R. J. Pearsall**  
A long, angular man with a much-patched behind appeared ahead of my '27 Dodge a few miles out of Modesto. He didn't signal, but I picked him up, and discovered he was a small farmer living five miles further on. "My rear end's gone out," he said, meaning the rear end of his car, and from that explanation we passed to a discussion of the plight of the small farmer and other workers. His lean, weatherworn face expressed no surprise when I let him know that I was a Communist. "Yes, there's gettin' to be a lot of 'em," he said quietly. "Leastways, a lot of people that talk that way." His shrewd eyes blinked at me inquiringly. "Are you're tryin' to get on the ballot? Do you think you'll make it?" I told him we had more than double the necessary number of signatures. "I guess you'll need more than double," he chuckled. Then he turned serious. "Well, supposin' you make it—supposin' they can't throw out enough signatures to beat you—what kind of a campaign are you goin' to make?" The question is, how to reach the people. Exposing the rottenness of things will be easy en-

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ough. His face turned a little grim. "Exposin' the rottenness of things... Easy, eh? Too damn easy. Is that why you spend so much time doin' it?" "Well, the people still have their illusions. They keep on votin' for the present system. They have to be educated." "You mean they still believe in it? See here, you talk with a lot of people, I guess. Do you find anybody—that is, any workin' man, whether he works on a farm or somewhere else, just even a small business man worryin' over his bills—do you find anybody that thinks that everything is lunkin'-dory, that everything's comin' out all right if we just have patience? Like they did a few years ago?" "About one in twenty," I admitted. "Well, there you are. Now, why do they keep on livin' in the system, as you call it? To show you why, I'm goin' to ask you a question. If you've got a better system, but is there one in twenty that understands it well enough so they can decide whether they want to switch to it or not?" "Of course not, or they would have switched." "There's your job, then, ain't it? There's where it seems to me you've fallen down. Now, take me, I've heard some Communist speeches, but I've never heard yet exactly what you'd do if you got in power. The things you'd do, right or wrong. Do you know yourself?" he challenged.  
And I hesitated. I confess that a month before I couldn't have answered except in generalities. But it happened to have studied convention.  
"Right off," I said, "we'd put the homeless people into the empty, abandoned dwellings. We'd get the enormous surpluses of goods in the warehouses to the people who need them. To create an adequate supply of fresh goods, we'd start all factories, mills and the mines going at full production, giving everybody employment, including former workers. Evidences of private ownership would be cancelled. Then we'd proceed to organize all production along Socialist lines—that is, scientific and efficient lines, so that there would be plenty for all."  
"And what about me an' my farm?"  
"The only thing you'd loose would be the mortgage on it. You'd retain possession of your farm, work it with the most efficient machinery, and get all you need of the products of the city workers in exchange for the food you produce. That is at first. Later, a cooperative agricultural system would be worked out, which would shorten your hours, increase your production, and multiply your luxuries."  
He sighed. "Now you're talkin' like a book. You've got to get it down simpler than that. But I guess I understand as far as you've gone, an' it's the first time I've understood that far." "Now I tell you what. I don't know much about Communism, but I ought to know the American people—been livin' with 'em sixty years—no always on a farm. Let's come back to this election campaign."  
"You've got to learn to be salesmen; an' sell your own goods. It's all right to pan the other fellows a little if they're down-right rotten an' can be proved to be. But a good salesman spends most of his time on his own wares. An' if you can make the people want 'em, they won't be scared of what little trouble it takes to get 'em. One thing I like about you—you sayv' it won't be all volin'."  
"Let's get away from old-style politics. Make 'em see it's more than just electin' somebody else to office. As for reachin' the people, campaign speeches an' newspapers ain't everything, you know. I seen an election carried on a radio, I thought either one or the other. Ever since then, I've been invitin' my friends an' them convertin' their friends. Not excludin' the women, of course. Talk plain an' simple an' frequent, sell your own goods, and—why, sure I'll read it an' thank you double." He descended with a copy of "Why Communism?" in his hand, while I went on hotelward, to stumble that night upon the following passage in Lenin's "Left Wing Communism."  
"The Communists of Western Europe and America must learn to create a new parliamentarism. This new parliamentarism must be used by the Communist Party to set forth its program... He (the Communist) must go from house to house of the workers, carrying and distributing leaflets... should find his way into the unions, societies and change gatherings of the common people... He should not, however, learnedly nor too much after the parliamentary fashion. He should not for a moment think of a 'place' in parliament; his only object should be everywhere to awaken the minds of the masses... He should speak up on their own words, to utilize the (political) apparatus created by them to preach Bolshevism to the masses."  
Wasn't Lenin's greatest genius after all the rare genius of knowing the people?

## Cameron King Does A Bit of "Socialist" Work

**By Dave Lyon**  
In the midst of the barrage of propaganda being laid down in the San Francisco press in favor of a reduction of wages for San Francisco city employees of 2½ million dollars, a strange voice appeared, and that strange voice said some strange things:  
"I said 'in order to correct any misapprehension, as to the political duty of the supervisors to COOPERATE with President Roosevelt by restoring wages AS MUCH AS BUSINESS CONDITIONS AND THE CITY'S FINANCIAL POSITION WILL PERMIT.'"  
It said "The city employees generally feel that it is the PATRIOTIC DUTY of the supervisors to COOPERATE with President Roosevelt by restoring wages AS MUCH AS BUSINESS CONDITIONS AND THE CITY'S FINANCIAL POSITION WILL PERMIT."  
It explained "The resolution sponsored by myself before the Federation meeting of the POSTPONE the decision as to the AMOUNT of the restoration of pay until September 1, when we will have a clearer view of business trends, and will be able to determine whether the city employees will have to engage in a fight against permanent pay cuts and assaults upon our pension and retirement systems."  
"Now WHO DO YOU suppose would say a thing like that? Mayor Ross? A local agitator Andy Gallagher? No, I guess again—It was Cameron King, and Cameron King, as you know, is a leading SOCIALIST of San Francisco."  
Any worker who thinks that the Western Worker makes up a fairy tale can look in the S.F. News of May 4 and see for himself.  
So now you see how "Socialists" act as "leaders" of unions. "And of their 'patriotic support' of Mayor Ross, the 'slight or repudiate' Ross, their force opposition to the N. R. A. which the hunger of the masses force them to make in their speeches is shown in its true light as they speak of 'Roosevelt's policy in the matter of CREATING the purchasing power of the wage earners.'"  
It would be nice if wages were higher, but only as much higher as "business conditions and the city's financial position will permit."  
And although "the city workers are facing an immediate attack on their living standards through sky-rocketing prices, Cameron King serves his masters well by attempting to keep them ignorant and prevent them from fighting for higher wages for five months more. The big taxpayers are organizing daily to fasten this pay-out upon the city workers—Cameron King, the "Socialist", urges them to wait until they can have a clearer view of business trends" before demanding better wages.  
Of course, this is the same Cameron King, who smugly admitted that it was he who found the technicality which was used to disbar the Communist Party from the 1932 election, despite the fact that the required number of signatures had been obtained.  
And of course, this is the same Cameron King who has been employed by the city of San Francisco since 1901—who has become an integral part of the Berkeley administration, happily chained to the chariot of the bondholders whose interest must be paid, soon to be pensioned off by his employers for services well rendered.  
"And this is what it means to be a 'Socialist'." And this is the same Cameron King who is viewed with admiration by "Staunch Socialists" and "Mildred" and "Mrs. all up and down California and the city of Berkeley" who will "hold the banner up straight!" But whose banner is he holding?

# I UNCOVER THE WATERFRONT!

**By Stephen Peacock**

The poison gas department of capitalism is on the job and the newspapers are doing their bit in the longshoremen's strike. The strikers are accused of everything except the kidnapping of Jimmie Robies, the famine in China and the tape worm epidemic in Fimbucoo.  
The smart boys who write the stuff are seeing red again, the first time since May Day. Dynamite is being planted all over the landscape. Blood is flowing in the rivers. No person is safe in his own home. All they need now to complete the picture is to hire George Creel, U. S. publicity agent during the world war, and you will soon hear of longshoremen and sailors cutting off the noses of little children, raping women and cutting the throats of old men. Already, some dear old ladies are so scared by the press that before retiring at night, they turn their pyjamas inside out for fear a sailor or longshoreman may be hiding in the seams.  
**AMBULANCE CHASING.**  
It seems that the favorite sport of the wild men on the waterfront is chasing the ambulances. They just love to roam the streets in gangs, looking for ambulances. What fun they have, dumping sick people on their families, throwing crutches in sewers, and then taking the ambulance for a joy-ride. How they enjoy raiding hospitals, tweaking the noses of blind patients, throwing newly-born infants out of windows, operating on fountain syringes and smashing theometers.  
What really happened is that the bosses used ambulances as taxis to haul scabs to the docks. They soon discovered, however, that if they only waited a little while, they could take 'em right back. After the pickets uncovered the private ambulance racket, a police ambulance picked up three scabs whom the press loudly proclaimed to be suffering, one from a broken leg, one a broken arm and one a broken back. They were taken to the Harbor Emergency Hospital and from there to St. Luke's in a private ambulance. The scabs figured rightly, that they would be safer in the hospital than on the docks.

**FAKE CHARGES.**  
The police have been co-operating beautifully, arresting pickets on all charges from vagrancy to kidnapping and robbery. A couple of scabs were seen by the police walking off the docks, with a couple of pickets walking behind them. The scabs got the pickets, so the pickets were arrested and charged with kidnapping. Police arrested and searched a picket and were so amazed to find seven cents in his pocket that he was arrested and charged with robbery!

Police were just getting ready to identify longshoremen as the nudists who had been seen sunbathing in Golden Gate Park, but gave up the idea in favor of the theory that responsibility rested with organizers of the nudist unit of the Proteolarian Party.  
**COLLEGE EDUCATION.**  
"Navy Bill" Ingram, coach of University of California, former Navy footballer, decided that a college education wasn't complete without practical experience, so he recruited scabs until exposed by the National Students League. When greeted by reception committees of sailors and longshoremen, some of the college-bred scabs ran 100 yards in nothing and smashed all records for marathon running and fence vaulting.

Last reports indicate that the boys were on their way to join Mr. Byrd's Antarctic Expedition, a nice, cool, quiet place to spend the summer.  
**MOTHER-IN-LAWS.**  
Mother-in-laws have been the butt of wise-crackers for many generations, but this one seems to be a new one, and the sailors swear it is true. Mr. Esten court, one of the big gazoaks in the Pluk Hall, has a mother-in-law who owns a restaurant, according to the sailors. Mr. Bettencourt, according to the novel used to which mother-in-laws could be put. Her court-ant was used as a slipping out place for scabs.

**TOO MUCH MONEY.**  
The press, we think it was the S. F. News, thought that "there were lots of people who were glad to work for 85¢ an hour. I guess it was out for is to work 100 hours per week and make \$85.00. Work for a couple of months, buy a Rolls Royce and a yacht and take opportunity offered to be on a newspaper editorial board."  
At this writing negotiations are in progress for a settlement of the strike. The employers are hot for the "open shop", the so-called American Plan. Well, judging by the way the longshoremen have been holding out for the closed shop, they evidently remember the definition of the open shop given by Mr. Dooley many years ago: "The open shop is a shop where the door is open for the scabs to walk in and the Union Men to walk out."

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