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DEMONSTRATE AUG. 1

ILA Returns; Bridges on Arbitration Com.

General Strike Sellout Forces Return to Work

SEAMEN VOTE REPRESENTATIVES FOR ARBITRATION

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 30.—The International Longshoremen's Association last night agreed to return to work Tuesday morning with a hiring hall arrangement whereby the halls are under the sponsorship of the President's National Longshoremen's Board and with ILA representatives present to see that there is no discrimination against union men. This arrangement, ending the 82 day strike, will be in force pending final arbitration.

The ILA agreed to return to work five days after arbitration was voted, only when it was finally agreed that all scabs be fired, that no discrimination against strikers be allowed, that wage adjustments be retroactive to date of returning to work, and that their representatives be allowed in the hiring halls to see the conditions be lived up to.

In San Francisco, where no hiring halls exist, the membership meeting decided that hiring is to be done from the docks from gang foremen who are ILA members.

Harry Bridges, J. MacLellan, and Cutright were elected as arbitration committee.

Seamen Voting.

Similar terms were offered the striking seamen, who are at present electing their representatives for the collective bargaining, but they have so far refused to return until the election is finished. The longshoremen and seamen have maintained their splendid solidarity throughout the long fight refusing to be split by the many strikes used against them. In returning, stevedores agreed not to handle ships with scabs.

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MWIU Wins Fight For Separate Relief In All U. S. Seaports

WATERFRONT STATIONS TO BE SET UP; OTHER DEMANDS ALSO WON.

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., July 29.—The fight by the Marine Workers Industrial Union and the Unemployed Councils for separate relief stations and no forced labor for unemployed seamen has been won.

According to a wire from the National Office of the MWIU, the Federal Relief Administration has granted these demands for all seamen of all ports, since, according to the order they sent out, as "seamen are a very mobile part of the population—conditions in one port must be made the same as in all others."

The demands granted include, as well, abolition of forced labor, the establishment of separate relief stations where the seamen will get three full meals a day and clean beds in sanitary quarters. The importance of the separate stations is seen in the fact that in most cities the seamen had to walk miles from the waterfront to go to the regular stations and often missed their meal for fear that in leaving the front they might lose a job they had in prospect. The demand for the stations being controlled by elected committees of the marine workers was not specified and doubtless must yet be won in many of the ports.

The fight for these demands was begun last spring by the MWIU in Baltimore and taken up by other ports on both coasts where the union had locals. In this city the fight was led by the MWIU and Unemployed Councils. In San Pedro under similar leadership, partial concessions were won.

The International Seamen's Union (AFL) in the latest issue of their organ had declared the fight useless, calling the jobless seamen an "unemployable and undesirable element."

THAELMANN IN HITLER DEATH COURT, AUG. 1

POUR IN PROTESTS TO SAVE GERMAN COMMUNIST PARTY'S LEADER

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 28.—Thaelmann faces the Nazi execution courts August 1st! This word was received in a cablegram from Berlin to Leo Gallagher, International Labor Defense attorney, and known the world over for his work in defense of Dimitroff, who at the Leipzig frame-up trial was only saved from death on charges of burning the Reichstag by worldwide workingclass protest.

The Berlin Volksgericht, the so-called "People's Court," consists of five Nazis, five judges, and three laymen, all picked for their proven record of usefulness in Hitler's reign of terror. No appeal is possible from this court, no defense witnesses are allowed nor any of the rights that defendants have in other courts, and it has the power to impose death sentences by beheading to be executed within 24 hours of the defendant's first appearance in court.

Ernst Thaelmann, leader of the German Communist Party and the man around whose fight for freedom all Nazi opposition is centering, is to be charged with treason, the charges backed by documents already proven to have been forged. The Nazi court of death will "try" Ernst Torgler and about 3,000 other Communists and militant workers following Thaelmann.

"He is in immediate danger of death," Gallagher appealed, "and the same protest that saved Dimitroff and his three fellow defendants must be raised tenfold and AT ONCE." Thaelmann faces the court on Wednesday No time can be lost."

All workingclass organizations, unions, liberals and sympathetic persons able to, must cable once to the Berliner Volksgericht, demanding the immediate release of Thaelmann, Torgler and the others. A flood of other protests must pour in on the German Consulate, demanding he transmit them to Berlin. Act now!

50 S.F. WORKERS SENTENCED ON FAKE CHARGES

400 JAILED; NO LAW TO MAKE THE COMMUNIST PARTY ILLEGAL, IS ADMITION OF JUDGE

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 27.—Judge Golden of the Superior Court today lowered bail on arrested workers from \$1,000.00 to \$250. cash. He was forced to admit that there was no legal basis for the arrests and in pretended sympathy, said "what do these charges of vagrancy mean?"

He also admitted that there is no law in this state or in "this free country of ours" to make the Communist Party illegal.

400 JAILED.

More than 400 innocent workers have been slugged, jailed and many of them sentenced to prison terms during the reign of terror that swept the Pacific Coast starting Sunday July 15. Six workers are out on cash bail of \$1,000. each.

The International Labor Defense is making every effort to bail others out as soon as cash, property or bonds can be obtained as loans from sympathizers. All persons having bonds, property or available cash which can be loaned for bail are urged to communicate with the Emergency Committee for Defense of Workers' Civil Rights, 4th Floor, 1005 Market street.

Kangaroo Court.

Approximately fifty workers were railroaded to the County prison by a fake "kangaroo" court in San Francisco alone and are now serving terms. Told that the proceeding was to be merely a summary investigation by immigration authorities, the men did not demand jury trials. But when they appeared for the in-

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ACT NOW! SAVE THAELMANN!



The Communist Program... Only Way Out for Labor NOW

A Statement On the Communist Party Position, By Earl Browder, General Secretary of the Communist Party of U. S. A., and Sam Darcy, District Organizer and Candidate for Governor of the State of California:

"The efforts of the Industrial Association, the shipowners, and Chamber of Commerce, to whip up a frenzy against the Communists, is a part of this drive to destroy the trade unions, to keep down wages, to build up their monopoly profits. Such shameless lies and slanders as fill the columns of the San Francisco daily press have rarely been seen before. This campaign is like the school of Hitler.

"These gentlemen know full well that they are lying, and that their slanders cannot stand a moment's investigation. That is why they carry on a terror campaign which has converted San Francisco into a kind of 'Little Germany.'

"While the vigilantes, organized by the police and paid by the shipowners, are raiding private homes, burning libraries and printing plants, chopping up pianos and smashing typewriters in workers' halls, it is such a moment they choose to charge the Communists with advocating violence.

"But they have been unable to bring one single definite case of a single act or word to support their charge. All concrete cases of violence are those where violence is used against the workers.

"Why this frenzy of hate against the Communists? Are the Communists proposing to make a revolution now, beginning in San Francisco? No, that is absurd nonsense. The Communists do not propose to make a revolution until, by comradely discussion and conviction of the toiling masses, they have majority support securely behind the Party. We have not yet got this support. But we will get it, and the more the bosses rage, the earlier. And the terror, suppression of the shipowners, the police, the vigilantes, the gunmen, will only help us to convince the toiling masses quicker that this system of misery, starvation, suppression of the poor, has to be changed as quickly as possible in the interest of the overwhelming majority of the population of this country, against the handful of bankers, against Wall Street and their lackeys, Rossis, Vandlers, etc.

What We Fight For.

"Now, the Communists are fighting to help the poor farmers who are being crushed beneath the burdens of mortgage charges, taxes, marketing monopolies and drought.

"Now, the Communists are fighting to protect the small homeowners whose taxes are being doubled to pay the strike-breaking bills of the rich shipowners.

"Now, the Communists are fighting to recover the savings of the small depositors, which have been confiscated by the big Wall Street banks who closed down the little banks.

"Now, the Communists are helping the veterans to fight for their back-wages [the bonus].

"The Communist Party alone fights with all its energy for these things.

"The monopoly capitalists fight against these things. That's why they hate the Communists. That's why they lie about us. That's why they raised a fund of five million dollars to 'drive the Reds out of California.' But gentlemen, you won't succeed in making California yellow.

"That is why the Lueckenbacks and Fleischackers give such high praise to Vanderlure, Ryan, Lewis, Casey and their kind. These takers, who pretend to be trade union leaders, use their position to break strikes, to defeat the demands of the workers. It is true these strikebreakers are not reds. They are also yellow.

"Labor Leaders" Sell Out.

"For the same reason that the capitalists praise the "labor leaders," the Communists fight against them and expose them. They are yellow. They are paid stool-pigeons of the capitalists. So long as the workers follow them, defeat is inevitable. When they stand at the head of a strike, it is not to win it, but to smash it—just as they did in the San Francisco General Strike. Just as the British labor fakers did in the British general strike.

"But every time these gentlemen hit the workers, and every time they hit the Communist Party, they are only furnishing new proof to the workers that what the Communist Party told them is correct.

"The Communist Party has pointed out to the longshoremen and sailors how arbitration was used to smash and defeat the auto workers, the Minneapolis drivers, and the steel workers. By soldiers, police, clubs, gas, bullets, terror, the employers have forced the workers to accept arbitration. Now, they will have to prove to the workers that the Communists were right when they warned them against arbitration.

"The workers are learning by bitter experience that if they do not want yellow leadership, then they must choose Red leaders, and the fully militant workers.

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Communist Party Launches Fight Against Suppression

MASS SUPPORT OF WORKERS BEHIND PARTY'S STRUGGLE AGAINST FASCISM

PARTY HOLDS 2 BIG MASS MEETS IN FIGHT FOR FREE SPEECH

CROWDS HEAR COMMUNISTS AT FILMORE OPEN AIR ELECTION RALLIES

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 30.—With workers waiting eagerly for the appearance of the Communist Party speakers, two big open air mass meetings were held in the Fillmore Section over the weekend at the regular places.

"I knew the bulls couldn't stop them," declared many of the workers. "We're right with you," others told the speakers.

The first meeting was held at Ellis and Fillmore St. Saturday night, and the corner was quickly jammed with the crowd who had been waiting at the accustomed hour. The meeting lasted for half an hour and several spoke.

When it was announced,

"This meeting is called in the name of the Communist Party," there was applause. Finally the crowd grew so big the police, seeing the mass racing the speakers had dared not use their usual brutal tactics of clubbing in breaking it up. They moved about quietly dispersing the crowd and after the meeting ended, crowded around Jim Garrison and arrested him. A delegation of Communists went to the Socialist Party nearby, urging a united front in the fight for free speech, but the secretary, on his own responsibility refused.

Jefferson Park.

Yesterday afternoon, in Jefferson Park, another big meeting was held. Opened by Chas. Copock, who spoke in the name of the Party for a half hour, the workers listened eagerly and then cheered when he called on them to vote Communist. After he finished the Socialist Party deemed it safe to appear, and Milen Dempster and McWhirter spoke, seeking to capitalize on the situation. Though it was not their practice to speak in his park they used the situation to indicate that they too "were unafraid". The crowd grew to several hundred as later George Morris and Elaine Black of the Communist Party spoke. As the meeting was ending, police who had been present throughout, arrested Comrade Black.

Other meetings are planned on every day as the Party carries on its fight for free speech and open legal mass work again.

Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES, July 27.—Striking back against the wave of fascism in California, workers in Los Angeles county will gather at two mass demonstrations at noon, August 1st, International Day Against War and Fascism. The central demonstration will be at the Los Angeles Plaza, with Lawrence Ross, Communist Congressional candidate, as the principal speaker. The second will be held in the center of the marine struggle, San Pedro, on Fourth street between Palos Verdes and Center.

A series of evening neighborhood mass meetings will be held August 1st in Belvedere Substation, 4005 Brooklyn Ave.; Downtown, at 224 S. Spring St.; Centinella Valley, 129 S. Hawthorne Blvd.; and Boyle Heights, at 2706 Brooklyn Ave.

5 Communist Candidates In Jail, Lead Workers Fight

Chambers Faces Syndicalism Charges; Darcy, Gallagher, Speak Aug. 1

AUSTRIAN WAR GROWS; THREAT TO WORLD PEACE

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 30.—Five Communist Party candidates jailed for leading struggles of California workers, is living proof that only Communist candidates are in the forefront of the battle for better living conditions and workers rights," declared the most recent statement of the Election Campaign Committee.

"The savage wave of fascist terror now loosed against workers organizations throughout the state will be answered by a huge vote for the Communist ticket," the statement said.

Pat Chambers, militant leader of last year's victorious cotton strike and Communist candidate for United States Senator in Sacramento, where an attempt is being made to railroad him to San Quentin under the vicious Criminal Syndicalism Act. Chambers, leader of the Cannery and Agricultural Workers Industrial Union, was jailed as he was in the midst of activity for aiding the San Francisco Bay area general strike by the union in spreading it to the agricultural fields.

Albert Hougardy, another Communist candidate was jailed in (Continued on P. 3, Col. 6).

East of the Rockies

Strike of Painters Looms in N. Y.

NEW YORK, N. Y., July 28.—A mass strike of all painters is expected here later this week in answer to the attempt of the Master Painters Association to endow the 7-hour, \$9 day to one of 8 hours at \$1 an hour. July 30 is the day set by the employers' association to begin the lockout. Trying to help the bosses, Philip Zausner, who recently used ballot-boxes and the power of secretary-treasurer of Painters District Council No. 9, has failed to call in the 1,000 or so painters strike in the trade but has instead tried to put off until action, saying that each local "will take a stand." Zausner, when running for office made a deal for the employers backing, agreeing to "let them attempt for the 8-hour, \$8 day."

United Front Against Coast Terror

NEW YORK, N. Y., July 26.—Called by the International Labor Defense, a united front of six defense organizations representing various political opinions, has been established for meeting the attack of the bosses on the Communist Party and militant labor movement on the Pacific Coast. Besides the I. L. D. in the United Workers Union, the World Right, American Civil Liberties Union, the General Licensor Committee, the League for Industrial Democracy, National Committee for Defense of Political Prisoners, and Non-Partisan Defense League. The committee and its organizations are getting immediately to work spreading everywhere the protest campaign against the reign of terror.

Two Killed at Kohler Strike

KOHLER, Wis., July 28.—Two workers were killed while hundreds suffered from tear gas and twenty-two were wounded as result of an attack of deputy sheriffs on strikers up this "model American industrial village" last night. Martial law is now threatened by Gov. Schlesman to end this three weeks old strike of factory workers. 400 deputies are patrolling the streets and the national guard as being mobilized at Milwaukee ready for instant movement.

Martial Law in Minneapolis

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., July 28.—With martial law established over Minneapolis, including the city and part of St. Paul, 4000 National Guardsmen are patrolling the streets of the city and a press censorship has been clamped down by Gov. Olson ("Farmer Labor") governor. Newspapers have been forbidden to publish contrary to the state of Minnesota, or any member of the National Guard, to strike or protest against the bloody attack early this week, when strike spread. Two truck-drivers were shot in a police attack and looted the capitals' press-room and breaking weapon. The 6000 truck and taxi drivers throughout the city and general strike movement with many thousands of members, minus war progressing despite the attempts to break the strike with selected "filtration". Such strike trucks as are moving are under heavy convoy of police and militia.

VOTE FOR THESE COMMUNIST PARTY STATE CANDIDATES

For Governor... SAM DARCY
U. S. Senator... JOHN E. WILLIAMS (PAT CHAMBERS)
Lieutenant Governor... BETTY PERRY
Secretary of State... HAROLD ASHE
Controller... ANITA WHITNEY
Treasurer... ARCHIE BROWN
State Board of Equalization, 2nd District... PETE GARCIA

FASCIST FIREERY

A CALL FOR PROTEST TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

An obscene leaflet has been distributed at the meeting of the "Jesus And Communism" Society, held at the University of Wyoming on July 13th. It was further publicized in the "Daily Worker" of July 13th. The leaflet urged workers to "destroy the secretaries of secretaries-trustees of Painters District Council No. 9, has failed to call in the 1,000 or so painters strike in the trade but has instead tried to put off until action, saying that each local "will take a stand." Zausner, when running for office made a deal for the employers backing, agreeing to "let them attempt for the 8-hour, \$8 day."

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THE COMMUNIST PARTY PROCLAMAS THIS LEADS TO A VIOLENT PORCUPINE WHICH CLEANS BODIES, WOUNDS UNPUNISHED AND VILE AGAINST PAINTERS RACKETEERS.

That proves this leaflet a forgery. Its attempt to show that the Communist Party incites workers to burn and rob is a lie. The Communist Party is engaged in a war that has always been waged by the capitalist class of industrial and criminal violence.

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Editorial Column

THE WESTERN WORKER APPEARS!

The wrecking of the offices of the Western Worker, and the burning of the shop of the Triangle Printing Co. where the paper is printed, were no mere acts of vandalism, nor was it accidental that printers who wanted to publish the Western Worker were intimidated into refusing to do so. It was a ruthless attempt of the bosses to still the voice of the militant working class when it was most needed in the greatest struggle the Pacific Coast has seen.

This issue proves that the attempt failed. No bosses, no police, no Chicago gunmen can stop the voice of the Communist Party so long as you support it. No forces can suppress the Western Worker.

But the very savagery of the attack, and the particular moment chosen, proves how important this voice was in giving guidance and mobilizing support for the strikers. Seeing special issues coming out at the strike spread far and wide, and with the issues coming out ahead of the time set, calling the forces semi-ekly already appearing ahead of the time set, calling the forces around the bay, up and down the coast, and spreading it to the agricultural fields, even the old-time labor fakers realized they could not put over their sell-out while the Western Worker was there to expose their maneuver.

The value of the Western Worker was again proven, this time tested to the backbone of the bosses.

The General Strike was broken. But the wave of great labor struggle sweeping the country proves that the fight has only begun. Struggles that before the voice of the Communist Party, not stilled even during the worst of the terror when mimeographed Western Workers appeared in issues of thousands, must now be heard. While at the moment it is impossible to appear in larger form than this issue, as soon as the technical arrangements are completed, we will appear in the regular size.

Right now it is the duty of every reader and every sympathizer, of every class-conscious worker and farmer to give every effort to helping build the Western Worker. From now on unless stopped by the bosses' government, it appears every Tuesday and Friday—but that can only be done with that full support. The successful orderly and stubborn retreat the Party was temporarily forced to make must now be turned to a greater offensive to return to the position of open legality and mass activity at the head of the working class struggle.

Subscribe! Get subscriptions from fellow workers. Organize your own groups for this.

You know what to do. Get busy!

Wire your city officials and the governor that the right of workers to their own press be not interfered with. Demand the free publication and distribution of the Western Worker!

WHAT TO DO NOW

1—Form groups of militants in all local unions and get rid of misleaders—especially officials who voted for the Vandenberg strike-betrayal. Propose resolutions in whatever organization you belong to against the police terror. Organize for rank and file control.

2—Elect delegates to help the Emergency Committee for Defense of Workers' Civil Rights, 1005 Market street. Vote contributions from your local to aid this fight for workers jailed in the strike.

3—Distribute Communist literature to counteract the lies of the capitalist press.

4—Give the Western Worker to all workers, especially union men.

5—Invite your neighbors and fellow workers to your house and read appropriate Communist literature to them. This will show them the truth about the situation.

6—Join and recruit for the Communist Party.

If you need any help communicate with the WESTERN WORKER at its temporary mail address, care of the San Francisco Post Office. Send orders for literature care of the Western Worker.

THE COMMUNIST PARTY PROGRAM

(Continued from page 1)

The shipowners that they will drive out all Communists. It can't be done. Hitler tried it in Germany and failed. So also the leaders of the home, blood and flesh of the working class. The Communists must always have the workers to feed them—that's why they can never get rid of the Reds.

"It is to be regretted that free speech and civil rights in California are so circumscribed as to be impossible for any person to have a meeting. Comrade Buder could publicly discuss these questions. But this will not always be so. California workers will not be content until they regain freedom of speech and sweep aside the fascist assemblage."

"LONG LIVE THE BRAVE LONGSHOREMEN AND SEAMEN OF CALIFORNIA!" "LONG LIVE THE HEROIC BATTLE OF THE CALIFORNIA WORKERS!" "CALIFORNIA WORKERS, FORWARD TO VICTORY AGAINST THE CAPITALISTS AND THEIR HELPER!"

(Signed) EARL BROWDER,
San Francisco, Calif.
July 24, 1934.

Idaho Jobless Walk Out on Gov. and Organize for Relief

took the floor and called on the workers to organize immediately and not to rely on the false promises of boss politicians like Mrs. Ross. When Comrade Darcy came over to another spot in the hall and organized the workers to come over to another spot in the hall and organize a rank and file union to get direct relief, they moved over to another body of workers and organized a handful of his brethren.

A strong committee of workers and farmers was elected at the meeting, with the job of organizing the workers of Caldwell. Another meeting was called for the following day.

CALDWELL, Idaho, July 16. In his demagogic speech here last night, Governor Ross, claiming he was a "radical and half Bolshevik," promised to bring relief to the thousands of this city and the destitute farmers if they would re-elect him. When questioned by the workers, "Why don't you give us more relief?" he replied, "I'll give them more wage promises."

Comrades Thorby and Brown

will appear in an early issue.

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"Throw Them Out! Let's Build Rank and File Control!"

DIST. ATTY. IS TRYING TO REVIVE OLD CRIMINAL SYNDICALISM IN ORGANIZATION AGAINST VICTIMS

MEDFORD, Ore., July 23. With 1200 workers and small farmers present, a meeting called by the Cannery and Agricultural Workers Industrial Union was held yesterday night to vote to demand wage scales of 40c an hour, time and a half for overtime and Sundays and holidays off during the period of such striking sessions and recognition of the union.

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East of the Rockies**Chicago Teachers Win 4 Years' Back Pay.**

CHICAGO, Aug. 2.—The long fight of Chicago school teachers scored a victory today when it was announced that \$14,000 of them would get \$25,472.40 in back salaries, covering a period of four years.

N.Y. Garment Workers Vote General Strike

NEW YORK, Aug. 1.—By a vote of 4792, knitted garment workers in the whole metropolitan area approved a general strike. The move, in support of the mass strike of 12,000 painters, will also bring forward their own demands.

12,000 Painters Strike in New York.

MOSCOW, Aug. 1.—12,000 painters answered the lockout of the Master Painters Association of Moscow, which had been voted by the former S.P. for a 7-hour day. Local 499 has called on all other locals and all rank and file members to develop a united front against the employers and their agents, including Zastenker, who is on the District Council. They say they will not go back to work until the bosses' offer is met.

Call Mounted Police in Mine Strike.

SPELLOTON, Nova Scotia, Aug. 2.—Reinforcements of Royal Canadian Mounted Police were rushed today to aid police in breaking the strike of the miners at the Arcadia Coal Co.

8,000 Butchers to Join Stockyard Strike.

CHICAGO, Aug. 2.—Threats of a general strike of workers in the big ring of meat packing houses in support of the 800 stock-handlers in the yards was the answer of union labor today to the expected arrival of Gen. Hugh Johnson, flying here to try to break the strike, which has 1000 cutters and butchers would walk out, turning up all but three of the big yards. One hundred meat cutters joined the strike last night. Stockyard owners and merchants are moving to try to break the strike by force.

Win Omaha Streetcar Strike.

OMAHA, Aug. 1.—Street cars were running again today, as union strikers returned to work, winning two of their three demands.

Berquist, Shapiro, Arrested at Debate; Trial Set, Aug. 30

SAN DIEGO, Calif., July 26.—Ray Berquist, 20, local organizer of the National Students League, and "Shab" 19, were arrested by San Diego police at the East, San Diego library the evening of July 21. Ray Berquist was a guest speaker of the University Debate team who was to speak on "War and Fascism." Both were held on suspicion of criminal syndicalism, thrown in the drunk tank and refused food for 24 hours. Two days later, the original bail of \$1,000 each was reduced to \$500, and the charges dropped to vagrancy, although the both are residents of San Diego.

L.A. COOKS, WAITERS WIN 4-DAY STRIKE AT SARDI RESTAURANT

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Incidentally, the workers who

staged and put on the new price tags did not get a cent for their overtime.

In the city jail both refused to give the police any information, and Paul Shapiro was beaten for his refusal. Jury trials are set for August 30. Both are out on bail supplied by the International Labor Defense.

World Events and Western Workers

By George Morris

ADDED to the Austrian developments which are bringing Hitler to the fore—news now comes the death of Von Hindenberg.

AUSTRIA FASCISTS FIGHT BUT KEEP EYE ON SOVIET PLAN GOES AHEAD FASTER THAN EVER

HITLER solves the situation very simply. He kills Hindenberg, and, with the help of his chancellery which he holds now, he can do what he wants.

COMMUNISTS NO KICK — BUT

Opportunity presents itself to the world now aware that the policy of the fascist regime is to provoke war. This is closely linked with Hitler's "New Order" in the fascist countries, any political upheaval though it may not be the cause of the fundamental issue of the masses to be won over, with, presents the Communists with such opportunity.

FASCISTS ARE AFRAID THAT MAY BE FINISHED BY THE COMMUNISTS.

This is the significance in the failure of the fascists to destroy our Party. Other parties are either destroyed or merged with the fascists.

The Nationalists represent the

old guard élite and the big financiers. Their differences with Hitler have been sharpening all the time, especially in view of the fact that the policy of fascism has been to seek isolation from all other countries.

The interests of these big finan-

ciers is very closely intertwined with those of other imperialists.

The Nationalists will not give

up their important position in the army without a struggle. Hitler in concentrating virtually all power in his own hands, is really crowding a matter of fact.

He is concentrating absolute pow-

er in his hands in preparation for the great conflict impending for which the recent workers' strike was only a forewarning.

For the working masses this

will not mean a change at all. It can only mean much worse than

the Catholic Church, and Nazis in agreement with Hitler's reign of terror. During his presidency

the workers of Germany received an example of the "lesser evil," one of Hindenberg's chief backers, on the ground that he will keep fascism out of Germany. He was the very avenue through which fascism came into power. His dying only completes the

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Editorial Column

ANSWER THE ATTACK.. UNITED FRONT

Never before was there the need for a United Front of all elements in the working-class more apparent than now. Capitalism has gathered all the forces of reaction to crush the working class movement, and international fascism is in the lead. The workers must stand firm ground for this policy, because here is where labor through a mighty general strike has sounded a clarion call to the rest of the country, for a militant united struggle against the "Raw Deal." It is the working-class which is the main force. It is the working-class, it is its most advanced elements which are the first to be attacked—the Communists and the militant workers.

In 1919 with the first weight of the U.S. government was thrown on the back of the Communist Party, with wholesale arrests from coast to coast, that was only a prelude for the most far-reaching open-shop campaign, from which labor has to this day not recovered. In 1933, when the Communists and the militant workers, and the Industrial Association, in launching the anti-fascist campaign, started with smashing the marine unions. But 15 years of experience for Communists and the workers have shown that the Communists are the best leaders. By the Labor Council misleaders, the workers returned to work with a strong union, and learned who their real and honest leaders are.

But failure to crush the Communists did not discourage the capitalists. They came with their fascist line. In fact the momentum developed for the drive against the Communist Party has been broadened to include fraternal organizations and unions. Taking a lesson from California, the San Francisco General Strike, also, shows that the capitalist leadership is still at work.

In face of this there must be the broadest united front of all labor. IT IS WHAT THE COMMUNIST PARTY IS AIMING TO DEVELOP.

SOCIALIST PARTY REFUSES UNITED FRONT

As one of the steps in this direction the Socialist Party was approached by a committee of the Central Committee of the Communist Party to unite in the United front against vigilante rule. It was much easier to indulge general discourses against fascism than to actually do something about it. BUDWEISERS, POLITICAL MISLEADERS SHOW THEIR HAND WHEN ACTUALLY CHALLENGED TO A STRUGGLE AT HOME. Dempster, White, and the other Socialists are demanding united action.

This is why they, hoping that the Communist Party will have no opportunity to speak to workers, indulge in general preaching for unity. Last Sunday, at Jefferson Square, they tried this trick. BUT TO THEIR SURPRISE A COMMUNIST SPEAKER ROSE WHEN THEY FINISHED AND EXPOSED THE FAKE FRONT. The UNITED FRONT PLATE THE VICTORY AS REFUSED.

The workers showed that they understood the tricks of the "Socialists."

Members of the Socialist Party and other organizations, who are fighting a united fight against fascism, as it is being carried into every home, will get it if it is forced over the heads of these humbugs.

And this is not the time to be lost! The task has failed on the part of the workers and farmers of California to defeat this fascist offensive. If we fail to establish the elementary rights of the workers here, we can expect the vigilante snake to wrap its coils around the entire country.

EVERY LOCAL ORGANIZATION SHOULD MEET AND DECIDE TO JOIN THE UNITED FRONT.

PROGRESSIVE MINDED PEOPLE WHO REALLY MEAN WHAT THEY SAY, SHOULD JOIN THE MOVEMENT.

THE STRIKE IS OVER—WHAT NEXT?

Now that the Great Strike is over—what next? The capitalist press would have us believe that the termination of the strike saved California from a revolution—that the struggles gained nothing for labor.

Workers have now had enough time to realize that the "red scare" was not based on a drive to crush the revolution—but the heads of these humbugs.

The gains of the workers are transparent as a result of this strike, so far as the workers are concerned. We can expect the fact that we had to fight a united front of the Labor Council, Fross, Merriam, and the bosses.

In the first place the open-shop drive attempted by the bosses and those hiring halls were smashed.

Secondly, not only have the existing unions been saved from destruction, but the labor officials still held many from joining with high initiation fees and closed union books. The strength of the General Strike forced the unification of many established unions, especially the higher ones, are. They learned that their real champions are the militants and Communists.

Fourthly, we have had the most dramatic demonstration of the power of labor, not only unites its crafts, and follows a militant policy.

Fifthly, the political character of the struggle of the workers was made clear to even the ignorant of the masses. The move of the workers to a complete mobilization of every force in the hands of the capitalist and "impartial" government—the militia, police, deputies, press, church, provocateurs, fascist leaders. Many of the leading figures of the State and the bosses, especially the higher ones, are. They learned that their real champions are the militants and Communists.

As to whether these gains will be transformed into more food in the workers' pantry depends entirely upon the vigilante and the bosses to ACCOMPLISH THROUGH TRICKERY WHAT THEY FAILED TO ACCOMPLISH WITH MILITIA AND RAIDS.

KICK OUT FAKERS—OHIGH TASK. The workers' task is to replace the present officials most of whom are only in the business of selling labor. Just so long as they remain in office, they paralyze the power of the workers. RISK AND FIGHT GROUPS MUST WIN. UNQUOTE. OF THOSE WHO SINCERELY WILL FIGHT FOR CONTROL OF THE UNION BY THE MEMBERS, AND THAT THEIR DECISIONS ARE CARRIED OUT.

Every local organization should take the tempo of the strike, the workers' strike, which it allowed to continue to win the way for another union-smashing drive. In this the unions should courageously demand the right for the Communists to carry on its functions and interests, and some unions can do this.

Local unions should repudiate the policy of the Labor Council and their officials who are part of the capitalist machine. In San Francisco the Vandeleurs and Co., through the so-called Labor Party, are among the chief supporters of the Rossi machine. Demand that Communists be invited to speak before your local unions and the position of your workers.

The workers' strike is the only active militant spirit in labor. It is with the joint organized action of all such unions in the locals that a basis will be formed for making the great change—instill such active militant spirit in labor as the bosses will never dare.

The issue is clear. Merriam, Gen. Johnson, the Industrial Association say, "Conservative labor must rise. Drive the 'Reds' out." A union for a decent living standard says, "Drive the Vandeleurs and Cenexes out." They are a disease gnawing at the vitals of the labor movement. Reply that the Vandeleurs and Cenexes are the leaders of the strike, was a beginning in the general drive against the labor fakers. Put your power behind it!

Secret Army Mobilization Exposed!

July 13, 1934.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]
The Army is holding its largest secret military exercise in New Jersey. The maneuver will consist of the concentration of the officer personnel of General Headquarters and 100,000 men and the attack to end conflict of the General.

Believing that this will be of critical interest, I am sending you this information to save for correspondents representing the wire services and mail newspapers of the areas from which the participating headquarters will be drawn.

The correspondent will be ushered in to the General.

It is the desire of the War Department in the conduct of this exercise to implement actual war conditions as much as possible.

It would be pleasant to have our representative cover the exercise while he is here. Please advise him of the date of the War Department which will be needed.

In order that necessary arrangements can be made to kindly fill out the indicated application blank and send it in July 12th.

It is requested that you publicly give this exercise until after the date of the War Department which will be transmitted to you about the middle of August.

Sincerely yours,
Maurice M. GOODMAN
Acting Secretary of War.
I enclose.

Workers Defy Terror, Brutality in San Francisco Jail

(By An Arrested Worker)

hurt him! He's sick. He can't help it.

The guards throw a bucket of water over the man. His head moves from side to side. "Take that, you son of a b—!" A guard draws back his foot and kicks the man in the mouth with his steel-toed boot.

"Stop it! You murdering b—!" The guard systematically kicks the prisoners.

They beat him systematically slowly, thoroughly. You could hear his ribs crack under their blows. The floor groans. He is too weak to scream.

The guards are finished. The man lies motionless, deathly quiet. He is shackled and carried to the hospital.

The guards return.

"Did any of you sons of b— see anything?" Their voices are threatening. The men hesitate. "I'm going to see something. See?" Bums didn't see anything. See?

A militant worker steps forward. "I saw you. I saw you murder."

The guards are quick with their keys. Another b—— to slug them. But the other workers shout, "I saw! I saw! I saw!" The cell block resounds with cries, "I saw! I saw! I saw!"

The guards withdraw their keys.

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A worker cries out for a blanket. "The men take him out and beat him in the corridor."

Someone curses the thugs who beat his comrade. He is dragged out and beaten. Then the guards, bloodied, are thrown back into the cell. Blood is streaming from their mouths and the floor. The workers shout, "We're hit them carefully! Others shoot defiance. A worker gives up his blanket to the beaten comrade."

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Later in the day the man died. It was in the San Francisco jail.

It is 8 o'clock in the morning. This is not story from the days of the Spanish Inquisition. This is the new day, the new era, the new epoch.

M-Day is the War Day. The new epoch, the new era, the new epoch, the new day, the new era, the new epoch.

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How the Capitalist Press Helped Break General Strike

East of the Rockies

Martial Law For Philadelphia Negroes.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 9.—Martial law was declared throughout the Negro district when 4000 Negroes demonstrated against a brutal attack on a young Negro girl. The attack followed a long series of evictions, discriminations, beatings and provocations.

800,000 Destitute in Drouth States.

KANSAS CITY, Aug. 9.—More than 800,000 persons have already been forced onto relief in drouth areas. Approximately 20,000,000 people live in Western half of the U. S. Approximately 1,000,000 Negroes are being slaughtered by the "conservative union leaders" in this strike-breaking work.

National Guard Poisoned By Rotten Food.

ROCKFORD, Ill., Aug. 9.—Thirty members of the 130th Infantry, Illinois National Guard, were hospitalized for alleged food poisoning, after eating from a探食 at lunch.

Communists Demonstrate in Louisiana.

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 9.—A large demonstration of Communists has broken the oily semblance of order and comity in a city whose government has collapsed into armed warfare between two rival gangs. An advanced stage of capitalist rot and decay, the government and the militia, Mayor Wanless and the police, using armed forces of the state in a fight for graft privileges while unemployed thousands are forced to eke out a living in City Hall and the Soule Building, raising their slogans for unemployment insurance and a workers' government.

Police Seize Workers' Paper.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Aug. 9.—Time magazine, the Sunday Workers' organ, published the entire contents of the Communist Party in the South, and arrested two workers. This follows a long series of lawless raids on homes and halls. One of these arrested was Israel Berlin, who was on bad and bad just been sentenced to jail for distributing anti-war leaflets on Aug. first.

Portland Workers, Vets, Set Up Anti-War Committee

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 9.—More than six hundred people, including 100 delegates from trade unions, fraternal organizations, veterans and soldiers, and other groups, were brought cheering to their feet at the recent Portland meeting. The corporal, wearing a regular army uniform appeared on the platform, escorted by Richard E. Ladd, a former soldier and ex-craftsmen, his platoon mates, and friends, his support and that of fellow-soldiers, to a military review. The crowd cheered and fascism. The corporal, pacing up and down the platform, raised an ringing appeal for combat against war, and ended: "Bring your greetings from the armed forces to the men of the hammer and sickle should stay. And it's still there."

The conference set up a permanent committee to carry forward the program of the American League Against War and Fascism, and invited all veterans, ministers, industrialists, fraternal organization delegates, and unemployed.

UTOPIANS DON'T CARE TO ANSWER REAL QUESTIONS

MEMBERS OF THE UTOPIAN group, which has been meeting in the August 4th issue of "Today," this magazine, edited by Raymond Moley, a A.D. braintrustor of the Roosevelt administration, are to appear before the Senate Finance Committee on the 10th. The fact is there is nothing to honest about, and Moley said the better.

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MEBERS AS OTHERS JOIN UP

lower point than it did following the signing of the NEW DEAL. The question is, "What About First Anniversary of NRA? — What About First Anniversary of NRA? — A Comparison With Soviet Economy — German Economy Heading Toward Disaster — Why Hitler Wants Immediate War."

The first anniversary of the NRA passed almost unnoticed. Judging by the ballyhoo which marked its introduction, we should have expected an unprecedented speech. His radio speech was expected to be of more than the National's program. The fact is there is nothing to honest about, and Moley said the better.

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The following is from the article "Blue Skies and Gray" of that issue:

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East of the Rockies

Discontent Grows in Hawaii Garrison

National Fight Against Unemployment.

NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—With more than 15 million unemployed facing the worst winter of the crisis, the National Employment Council of the U.S.A. has called for the formation of a "National Armament Fund" to finance the creation of a national unemployment insurance. All workers' organizations are urged to send representatives and communicate with the National Unemployment Council, 80 E. 11th street, New York City.

Relief Crisis From \$5,000,000,000 Drouth.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16.—In its present state of depression and unemployment, the U.S. is facing the worst winter of the crisis. The Relief Administration has lost control of its budget, which has been increased by \$25,000,000. The strike area, amounting to 60 per cent of the U.S., is inhabited by 27 million people. Practically all food for livestock has been destroyed. Thousands of cattle have been slaughtered and thousands more will be slaughtered in the coming months; the finest herds in the country now threatened with extinction.

Workers Strike Against S. P. Mayor.

BROOKLYN, Conn., Aug. 16.—Reuben S. Socialist Mayor Jasper McLevy to take action against drastic relief cuts imposed by the city's relief workers to march off the job and go on strike. McLevy informed the delegation that his hands were tied because he was incapable of doing anything. This is a strong exposure of the leadership of the Socialist Party to the public. In the last few days, through the halibut-hoppers, the workers promptly voted to strike on all relief relief jobs. Under the direction of the Socialist mayor, relief workers are being forced to accept a new scheme whereby the workers were paid in miserable baskets of groceries.

Mass Lay-offs In Detroit.

DETROIT, Aug. 16.—The entire night shift of the Briggs Mack Avenue plant, involving about 1,200 workers, was recently laid off to meet the demands of the company. The third shift of the Plymouth plant (2,000 workers) has been laid off. The Terneft plant, a subsidiary of the General Motors, is expected to shut down any day now. This follows the lay-off of 1,000 men at the Hudson plant, in the month of June. Only about 2,000 of the normal 18,000 are now employed at the three Hudson plants and most of them are only working two or three days a week. The Ford plant, which had been operating two weeks ago on August 10, has now been laid off for two weeks. The two shifts of all auto workers have been laid off and the vast majority of the rest, who are only working two or three days per week. In spite of this, production is still running at a rate of \$200,000 to \$300,000. Let's hope the Communists, who are not protected by unemployment insurance, face destruction or a miserly pitance of relief. At the standard of living for the workers' dependents, the owners and dividends payments have soared high above previous years.

Coal Industry Payroll Now Half of 1929.

NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—Coal production in the U.S. has dropped below the 1933 level. Employment averages about 32 per cent of 1933 and wages have dropped to an average of about 50 per cent.

Why the S. F. Freed, Dunbar Face Frame-Up in Free Speech Fight.

(By One of the 21 Strikers.)

We declared our hunger strike against the excessive \$100 per day wage placed against us to be a violation of our rights to \$50 or less. But it was proved Communists are Communists, we must never cease our struggle against the bosses and their system of starvation and terror that many elements antagonistic to the present system—such as the Hoquiam Bosses Fear To Give Figures On Wash. Unemployment.

ALBRECHT, Wash., Aug. 15.—Using as a stall the claim that many elements antagonistic to the present system—such as the Hoquiam Bosses Fear To Give Figures On Wash. Unemployment.

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Portland, Oregon, protest.

WESTERN WORKER

Editorial Column

Cotton Picking Soon

Roosevelt's little favor is to the banks and growers interested in cotton. The cotton grower has been given a raise of 2 cents per pound. A rise of 2 cents over last year's price. This has the double effect of assisting a bank to cotton growers, and secondly, will encourage them to hold out until their cotton until such time as they could get the higher price for it. While for the consumer, it means higher priced garments.

The small grower will not benefit much. His works for a bank, and gets nothing in return. They can't profit from the profit. And they have more ways than one in doing so. They pile up charges for every purpose that the cotton goes through, and when it's over, the profit is eliminated. That's the real profit. And they have more ways than one in doing so.

Last year's cotton strike brought out the plight of the small farmer very vividly. As the struggle progressed many small farmers saw that the interests of the big planters had changed on account of war. They also demanded increase in the prices paid to the farmers, at the expense of the bankers and cotton gin company's profits.

Last year's strike ended in a 25 per cent increase in the working-class wage scale. Now, the cotton pickers are still in the same position. THE GROWERS ARE IN FEAR OF ANOTHER ONE and are reported to have already set the scale at 90 cents a hundred. Last year it was 75 cents. The cotton pickers in the San Joaquin cotton region, set the demands at \$1.00 a hundred pounds and at \$1.25 for the second picking. At \$1.00 a hundred workers will still be left in debt.

There isn't an excepted picker in California who has not gone through that memorable strike. The workers know what to do. They will follow the call of the C. & A. W. U., as they come into the field. The cotton pickers in the San Joaquin cotton region, set the demands at \$1.00 a hundred workers will still be left in debt.

They know that the growers will submit and pay the dollar. They know that they are dealing with workers who mean to carry through the fight. Will they be able to set up the howl that they cannot afford to give the increase?

Arizona Farmers Pick Wrong Fight

One of the worst by-products of the capitalist crisis is that race hatred has become a national disease. In 1932, 10,000 Southern farmers, all of whom live on the Rio Grande River Valley, Arizona, sell their lands and get out by Saturday. From all indications a Southern mob spirit will be whipped up to put this into effect.

A great many small farmers, who are great fighters, a pregnant Negro woman in the stomach who she practiced discrimination in a saloon. This was the signal for mortal law in that Negro neighborhood, and arrest of many Negro people.

It is the same old story. The impoverished masses into channels that would rather produce riots than a common front against the capitalists and landlords, is an old trick. This is the reason that American capitalism, through cultural providers for instilling race supremacy, tries to pull from the masses.

SAMPLE PRIMARY ELECTION BALLOT
COMMUNIST PARTY

5th Congressional, 14th Senatorial, 23rd Assembly District

To vote for a person whose name appears on the ballot stamp a mark "X" in the square to the right of the name. To mark for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write his name in the blank space provided for that purpose.

STATE CONGRESSIONAL JUDICIAL SCHOOL

Governor: State Senate: Associate Justice of the Supreme Court: Superintendent of Public Instruction: Vote for One

Representative in Congress: State Assembly: Vote for One

Lieutenant Governor: State Assembly: Associate Justice of the Supreme Court: Vote for One

President of the Senate: State Assembly: Associate Justice of the Supreme Court: Vote for One

Secretary of State: State Assembly: Associate Justice of the Supreme Court: Vote for One

Attorney General: State Assembly: Associate Justice of the Supreme Court: Vote for One

Commissioner of Education: State Assembly: Associate Justice of the Supreme Court: Vote for One

Congressional Committee: State Assembly: Associate Justice of the Supreme Court: Vote for One

County Committee: State Assembly: Associate Justice of the Supreme Court: Vote for One

LEISURE TIME: JOHN D. STONE, JOHN H. COOPER, G. VERNON BRUNTON

JAILER'S COMMITTEE: JACK RICHARDSON, HENRY THOMPSON

GENERAL COMMITTEE: KATE WHITNEY

GENERAL COMMITTEE: JOHN E. WILLIAMS

East of the Rockies

N.Z., Australia Dockers Helped Strike

U.S. Had \$400,000,000 In Czar's Pie

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29.—The degree to which American imperialism was involved in Tzarist Russia is reflected in one demand that Soviet Russia's \$400,000,000 claimed by one thousand American-owned corporations for commercial property taken over by the workers in the revolution.

Blue Eagle to Have Claws Sharpened

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29.—President Roosevelt has announced his intention of enlarging the scope of the NRA by establishing it as a permanent law. It is expected that the new NRA will be organized along the lines of the army. CCC camps will be permanent institutions. Johnson is to remain at his post. These measures will be submitted to Congress at its next session.

No Rights For Negroes In Louisiana

NEW ORLEANS, La., Aug. 29.—While "Kingfish" Huey P. Long and his legislative party were engaged in a 3½ session, the members of the state legislature and white workers asked that Negroes have been entered the State Capitol and never were allowed to enter the police station or get no rights in Louisiana. The state legislature is to be held again.

Green Plots War On Rank and File Labor

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Aug. 29.—Its strange hold on labor breaking out again with the nationwide movement toward a general strike, William Green, president of the AFL, and his chief lieutenant is making another effort to chain labor by force since democracy has failed.

359,000 Lose Jobs

WASHINGTON, Aug. 29.—The Bureau of Labor Statistics records the sharpest decline since July 1932. Employment was cut 3 percent and wages 6.8 per cent.

Chain Gang Still Threatens Herndon

NEW YORK, Aug. 29.—Angela Herndon, son of Bill, the man of the Georgia chain gang, still awaiting the appeals of Herndon and Serna hovers. These appeals must be made within 12 days.

Is Labor Licked?—Not When Rank and File Is In Control

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 29.—In the first we must stand in all control, I think; if not, we'll be well for workers to once more regain the initiative from the local bankers during the strike.

This is the best thing that ever happened to San Francisco. We have to stand up to the workers in the last few months. But it's a marvelous investment in the labor market for years to come.

"Mark my words. When a nonsense is out of the way, we'll have to start back to their jobs, we won't have to worry about them any more. They'll be here to help us. Not only do I believe well—never have another general strike, but that the rank and file is a strike of any kind in San Francisco during this generation. Labor is licked."

THE F.A.C.E. WE KEEP IN OFFICE. THE FAKERS who killed us, and the inhumanity they have built up—no help to us. To help us, to fight every right we make. We can't change both. —A.F.L. Local 400

400 Vote For Rank and File Union At Douglas Aircraft

FIGHT AGAINST COMPANY UNION INCREASING, LED BY PARTY UNIT

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The vote was 100% for the company union, 120% for the A.F. of L. Aircraft Workers' Union, and 40% for an independent rank and file unit.

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Older Grieved Over Drought, Starvation in Soviet Union

Drive"—But Soviet Workers Don't Need Their Help

Texas Professor Looks Over Soviet Grain

Over Soviet Grain How Drought Was Beaten

in Soviet quarters here.

The Russian grain that German field work was stopped because it was uncleaned and dried after the "starving Russians."

A possible relief is a story printed in the New York Times of August 11 reporting a series of flood relief measures.

The Germans, too, have a crop failure. Gain is being forced from the farms.

The German workers are in the worst yet. In their grain fields, they have been dumped on the capitalist world by revolutionaries.

The most recent in the learned editor is an editorial titled "Russians Feeding Hitler" in which he writes of the German government's plan to export grain to the Ukraine Soviet Republic to look at the situation over there.

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Editorial Column

Labor Day... 1934

As always, the predominant note on Labor Day this year, will be that "the interests of capital and labor are in common." Yet at no time in the history of the United States was it so clear that this is pure humbug. Never was the population so sharply divided between those who own almost everything, control the government, courts, army, National Guard, newspapers and all other means of information, against the toiling population—the workers, small farmers, small taxpayers, and the mass of professional people.

During the past year, we have witnessed the biggest strike wave in the country's history. At least two score were killed. Many hundreds were wounded. There was martial law in some part of the United States during almost the entire period. Yet we still hear the old song, "Capital and labor must come together."

In these struggles the officials of the A. F. of L. unions did not come forward as leaders of the workers. On the contrary they were the main instrument of the bosses to either head off the strike or betray them. In virtually all cases, strikes broke out despite them.

MILITANCY ALARMS MISLEADERS

Now the old line union officials are very seriously alarmed. They want to restore confidence in the "class peace" theory. It is the foundation of their well-paid jobs. They know that just as long as the workers believe that bosses and workers can come together and "iron out" their differences, they, the fakers, can sell them out at the round table, can prevent strikes, and can betray the workers' votes to politicians.

But once the workers set out along the path of struggle, and depend upon their strength and solidarity to win anything, then these fakers know that their time is up.

So this time, more than at any previous Labor Day celebration, William Green's keynote for "war against the Reds" will be followed. For the policy of struggle is the policy of the militant rank and file movement in the unions.

In San Francisco the Labor Council officials are making very elaborate plans for a big Labor Day turnout. They have chosen appropriate speakers for their purpose—the capitalist Senator Johnson, and the now internationally famous strikebreaker, Mayor Rossi. They hypocritically announce that this year politicians will be kept out. Yet the very politicians of the hated Merriam machine are invited as the speakers.

COMMON INTERESTS—FAKERS, BOSSSES.

There IS common interest. It is between the capitalist politicians and the labor fakers. A common interest to serve their masters, the capitalist class.

Labor Day originated when the fakers and the bosses sought a substitute for fighting May Day, which was born out of the great strike wave in 1886 here in the United States. They decided that Labor Day will be a class-collaboration day.

But nowadays, they are increasingly fearful of any turnout of labor, regardless of what the occasion may be. Last year, for example, Labor Day went by almost unnoticed. There was hardly a parade in San Francisco, and no one came out to see it.

WANT TO REGAIN PRESTIGE

This year the misleaders cannot help themselves. The working class of San Francisco was never so active and interested as now. Their desire to demonstrate their power, however, is suppressed by the officials on every occasion. The General Strike was a fine example of this. So the Vanderveer-O'Connell machine, being quite conscious of the sentiment of the workers, has decided to "release some of the steam" and to go into arrangement of a celebration with full blast. THEY WANT TO USE IT FOR LULLING THE WORKERS WITH SWEET DREAMS ABOUT CAPITAL AND LABOR UNITING, TO REGAIN THEIR OWN SHATTERED PRESTIGE, AND TO LEAVE LABOR TO THE KITE-TAIL OF THE MERRIAM-ROSSI POLITICAL MACHINE.

The workers will undoubtedly turn out in great numbers this year. But not because they fall for the line of these reactionaries, but because they look upon it as an opportunity to demonstrate the power of labor; to show that the General Strike may have been betrayed but the workers were not crushed; to counter a review of labor's forces to the recent fascist Legion demonstration.

With the latter sentiment, the Communists and militants in the trade unions are in full accord. In fact, they take a leading role in developing it. They will be in the ranks of the parasite among the workers, although Vanderveer, O'Connell, Rossi & Co. may be in automobiles in front.

But the masses will pay no more attention to the prattlings of these reactionaries than they did to their pleas against the General Strike a few weeks ago.

Longshoremen! Elect Officials Who Proved You Can Trust Them

The members of the International Longshoremen's Union in San Francisco are about to elect new set of officials. The results of these elections will prove of great importance in determining if the longshoremen will gain anything as result of a year's bitter battles, or if they will remain at the mercy of the ship owners.

The strike is over but not yet settled. The shipowners have not given up their object of maintaining things as they are. THEIR TRUMP CARD IS BEING PLAYED IN THESE ELECTIONS. If they succeed in keeping the present reactionary leadership in office, they will be insured that no officials will be snags in their object. They want officials such as Lewis who will tell the workers not to resist the employment of scabs, not to take action on the job, but leave everything to mediators or the Labor Board apparatus, where a worker is as good as trimmed.

Members in the I. L. A. after years of struggle against the "Blue Book" and a three-month strike, have learned whom they can trust. They will not elect those who stood by Lewis, Ryan and the District Board sell-out artists. Nor will the I. L. A. members elect those "generals" who stood miles behind, and kept quiet while the battle was on, thinking that their chance would come after the present officials are discredited.

MEMBERS OF THE I. L. A. WILL ELECT THE MILITANT, HONEST RANK AND FILE REPRESENTATIVES, SUCH AS THE LEADERS OF THE STRIKE, HARRY BRIDGES. IT IS THESE MEN WHO HAVE GIVEN THE COUNTRY AN EXAMPLE OF DEVOTED, TIRELESS, AND COURAGEOUS LEADERSHIP. All the inducements of shipowners or government officials could not move any of them to betray the fight. THEY HAVE BEEN TRIED!

Longshoremen! Don't let the fakers drag in false issues to split your ranks. ELECT THOSE WHOM YOU SAW ON THE FIRING LINE EVERY DAY. THOSE WHO WERE MOST RESPONSIBLE IN INSTILLING THAT FINE SPIRIT OF SOLIDARITY, WHICH MADE THE WHOLE COUNTRY WONDER.

In electing officials you are placing the welfare of your family in their hands. Don't place it in the hands of those who devoted the entire three months of the strike only in scheming on how to knife it.

Please it in the hands of those who, as during the strike, will maintain your union in your own hands!

San Diego School Board Lines Up With Fascists

SAN DIEGO, Aug. 27.—The League Against Communism, which recently distributed a lying leaflet, forced as being in the name of the Communist Party, urging workers, students and teachers to "Loot—Burn—Rape and—Destroy" the Christian Churches, has now been granted free use of the school buildings by the San Diego School Board.

This action was taken in the face of consistent refusals to allow Communists the use of the schools as a legal political party in the election campaign.

This anti-Communist group is an offshoot of the Silver Shirts who split here in a quarrel over spoils. It is headed by C. Tenant

300 At San Luis Camp Strike; Win Better Suppers

SAN LUIS OBISPO, Calif., Aug. 27.—Three hundred men in the S.E.A. transient camp here called Hot Springs recently showed what can be done when they act in an organized manner. They walked out of the mess hall and refused to eat the slop put out. The result—we were served roast pork and dessert for supper instead of one slice of toast and coffee.

Life here is worse than a deadly grind. We are awakened daily at 5:30, breakfast at six, begin work at seven. For lunch we get a daily menu of peanut buttered bread, another jellied bread and another of thin-sliced sausage hidden between six slices of white bread, and a liquid referred to as coffee. All the canned food is labelled "Not U. S. Standard." Our pay, \$5 a month, sometimes takes seven weeks before being collected. We wear regulation clothes and we go to bed at 9:30 every night, so we can do another hard day's work next day.

Our director is a deputy sheriff. His assistant brings in his wife and kid to live in a bungalow at the place. And now we are offered by a physical culture director who teaches us horseback riding.

Our "road work"—to keep us fit—consists of making a road for a private party whose family runs San Luis Obispo county.

We sleep sixteen in a tent, and Negroes are segregated and placed directly in front of the open latrines.

We won our fight for supper. Now we are organizing to strike against the early morning rising. We'll give it, too.

—TRANSIENTS.

American Employers Ape Nazis

APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYMENT (Form approved by California State Fair Association)	
Date _____	Telephone Number _____
Full Name _____	
Address, Street and No. _____	
City and State _____	
Where were you born?	Age _____
Are you married? _____	Sex _____
If foreign born, are you a citizen? _____	Nationality _____
If so, where?	
Kind of work desired _____	
(State fully on reverse side your experience in this work)	
What other kind of work does your experience include? _____	
Are you married or single? _____ Divorced? _____ Widower? _____ Widow? _____	
How many depend on you for support? _____	
What salary would you be willing to accept? _____	
State number of children, if any, and ages _____	
Do you live with your parents? _____ Relatives? _____ Keep House? _____ Board? _____ Self-Supporting? _____	
Were you ever asked to resign? _____ If so, for what cause? _____	
Employer's name and address _____	
Present salary? _____ Why do you wish to change? _____	
Education: grammar school _____ high school _____ college _____ What educational courses are you now taking? _____	
Give name of high school or college from which you graduated _____	
Signature _____ Date _____	

I subscribe willingly and of my own free will to the following pledge of loyalty—
"I affirm that I am not a member of any organization such as the Communist Party which advocates the overthrow of the existing social system by violent revolution, the confiscation of private property and the establishment of an economic dictatorship based upon class privilege or exploitation. I pledge myself to the Constitution of the United States, the constitution of the City, State and Federal Governments and the maintenance of law and order, and I will oppose all revolutionary attempts against governmental authority."

Signature _____ Date _____

Following the example of Hitler in Germany, American employers seek to suppress freedom of political belief by including anti-Communist pledges on employment applications.

ALUMINUM HERE and in USSR

At a time when workers of the aluminum industry are striking to resist drastic reductions in their standard of living and to force the Mellon Trust to recognize their union, it is interesting to compare the collapse of the aluminum industry in capitalist countries with the rise of a great aluminum industry in the Soviet Union. In 1921 world production amounted to 276,000 tons, in 1933 to 136,000 tons. Only the United States last year produced over 16,000 tons. Until the end of 1932 the Soviet Union produced no aluminum, but by June of this year aluminum was being produced at the rate of about 1,400 tons a month. In two years the Soviet Union has overtaken all but one of the capitalist countries. Next year the Soviet Union will produce 25,000 tons, and in 1937 the plan of 80,000 tons will put her in first place in the world, only five years after the industry started.

The brilliant statistical showing of the Soviet aluminum industry hides the difficulties which the industry overcame. Besides mastering a new technique, the Soviets were obliged to use as material barite with a high proportion of silicate which in other countries was regarded as unsuitable for aluminum. In spite of early difficulties, Soviet scientists developed processes which have allowed the first aluminum plant at Volkov to exceed its rated capacity. The largest aluminum plant in the world, at the Dneiper Dam, is rapidly nearing completion and is at present in partial operation. Two other great plants are in construction, one in the Ural Mountains and the other on the Kola Peninsula within the Arctic Circle.

William Green's statement to the press, giving a digest of the decisions of the recent Executive Council of the A. F. of L. held in Atlantic City, is rapidly being picked up by the lesser lights in the A. F. of L. It makes the main feature of the last issue of the Labor Clarion, official organ of the Labor Council of San Francisco, "Control of Federation Is Objective of Communists" has finally "leaked out," for that's what the headline states.

After a ten-day session the Executive Council is reported to have produced the following 3-point program for action at the coming A. F. of L. convention to be held here in San Francisco:

1) To call upon all subordinate organizations to "ferret out" the Communists and expel them from membership.

2) To call upon members of organized labor to resist at all times the imposition of Communism upon them through violence, force, intimidation or any other methods; to call upon governmental authorities to protect trade unionists who seek to comply with agreements made with employers.

3) To ask the Department of Labor to deport alien Communists.

The local, thoroughly discredited fakers, have seized upon this most enthusiastic—this radical—makeup to carry on activity, published a bulletin, and paved the way to the formation of a union. The Party comrades in the shop are good active comrades. When the longshoremen's strike broke, they immediately issued a "Don't Scab" leaflet to the workers. Later another leaflet was issued telling the workers the kind of work which would be scab work.

Finally matters came to a showdown, when the company tried to get scab work done. In several cases our comrades boldly lead walkouts. Those walking off were organized into a provisional group to form the union. A. F. of L. agents immediately came to discuss the formation of the union.

Under the pressure of the most intense terror and persecution, raids on Party offices and auxiliaries of every kind, the smashing of office equipment, arrests, raids on homes of individual comrades, etc., we can say that the Party functioned throughout this period without a single break. Most Party units met every day of the strike throughout the entire period. Forty-six out of forty-seven units (with one exception) were broken; but they met every day of the strike without a single break. Most Party units met every day of the strike throughout the entire period. Forty-six out of forty-seven units (with one exception) were broken; but they met every day of the strike without a single break.

With this end in view the Western Worker opens a discussion through its columns, and invites all workers to contribute constructive material. Units of the Communist Party are urged to sum up their experiences and put them in the form of a resolution to be published. The same holds for workers in other organizations, and in rank and file groups within A. F. of L. unions.

Among the questions which should be dealt with, the following are suggested:

How has your organization responded to the strike? How did it react during the raids? Has the rank and file movement been aided by the strike? What is the attitude towards the Communist Party as a result of the strike? To what extent are the members of your organization educated to the talking of precautions against fascist attacks? Has your organization gained or lost members? Why? What is the attitude towards the A. F. of L. officials as a result of the strike?

But these are only a few of the matters which should come up. Workers of each organization have their own specific problems, which should be reflected in the discussion.

Letters, articles and resolutions will begin appearing in the following issue.

Send in yours!

class power, of victorious revolution.

Bosses Aided By AFL Betrayers

In Toledo, the revolutionary left-wing had an organized base only among the unemployed, not inside the unions; where the only organized leadership was that of the sworn enemies of the general strike; therefore in Toledo, who ever fought against the general strike? Not only did it make it possible for the capitalist forces and circumstances to combine to defeat the strike, but the capitalist strike was also aided by the AFL. The AFL, in its efforts to smash the strike, functioned throughout this period without a single break. Most Party units met every day of the strike throughout the entire period. Forty-six out of forty-seven units (with one exception) were broken; but they met every day of the strike without a single break.

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Party Responsible for Strike

As to the political character of the strike, we must state: there would have been no general strike in San Francisco but for the work of the Party. The Party has done really splendid political and organizational work there, and when we speak of the Party it means the District and section leadership and the membership; it means Communist longshoremen and seamen.

No Base In Unions

In Milwaukee, the inside organized forces of the working class were considerably stronger, although, here too, the decisive force that made the great mass movement was directly among the masses in the neighborhoods rather than inside the unions; but in Milwaukee the mass movement organized by the revolutionary left-wing forces within and without the unions gained a partial victory that ended the strike before the general strike movement could mature.

In San Francisco, the strength of the strike movement from the beginning including the general strike, was based upon definite, organized left-wing groups, which even though young and weak, played a most decisive role, and brought San Francisco into the vanguard of the whole national strike movement.

The lesson is the supreme, vital importance of work inside the A. F. of L., the same lesson that the 8th Convention of the Party hammered so heavily and stubbornly. Even the beginnings of the workers' political understanding has been enormously strengthened.

Difference In Forces, Methods

4. Why did the general strike movement come to realization in San Francisco while it was closed off in Toledo, Minneapolis and Milwaukee? What were the differences in the forces and methods? to account for the different results? The main difference is to be found, not in any different level of radicalization of the workers, but in the realization of forces between the organized base of the revolutionary left wing inside the striking organizations and the organized base of the officialdom

of the San Francisco general strike.

The Effect on the C. P.

5. The California Communist Party organization stood up ex-

Angelo Herndon, Symbol of Strength

(By MICHAEL QUIN.)

Lift up your voices.

Workers, all hail!

Is out of jail.

Strength of the workers.

Bent the bars.