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FASCIST FORCES ARE WEAKENING IN SPAIN!

Gov't Decrees Cripple "Putsch"; International Aid To Anti-Fascists

Solidarity With The Spanish People's Front

PARIS.—International working class and people's support is coming to the defense of the heroic defenders of the Spanish People's Front, increasing as it became known that German and Italian Fascists are aiding the "suicide" bands of Spain.

Premier Leon Blum joined Socialists and Communists in applauding the speech of Communist Deputy Gabriel Peri in the Chamber of Deputies, demanding that France should show her full sympathy and solidarity with the Spanish republic.

"We must encourage democracies in hours of trial such as the young Spanish republic is traversing," declared Peri.

"In the interests of France and peace, our sympathy and solidarity should be extended."

Premier Blum and Foreign Minister Delbos issued a statement to the Senate's Commission for Foreign Affairs, saying the government would permit the export of munitions and airplanes to the Spanish government "if any other powers offered aid to the Spanish Fascists."

U. S. Unions Aid Anti-Fascists.

NEW YORK.—Two great international unions, the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America and the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, have announced that they have contributed \$5000 each in support of the Spanish anti-Fascists.

The contributions were made in response to a cable appeal for funds from Walter M. Citrine, president of the International Federation of Trade Unions (Amsterdam).

Following the huge anti-Fascist demonstration in Union Square here last Friday, the following cable was sent to Largo Caballero, secretary of the General Confederation of Labor) Jose Diaz, general secretary of the Communist Party of Spain; Indalecio Prieto, chairman of the Spanish Socialist Party, and Pablo Durruti, Syndicalist leader:

"Twenty thousand workers assembled in New York pledge all possible support to heroic Spanish anti-Fascist fighters. (Continued on Page 2, Col. 7)

A.F.L. Non-Partisan League To Set Up Districts

WASHINGTON.—The Labor Non-Partisan League moved another step forward realizing its possibilities as the core of a Farmer-Labor Party, by announcing that all state chairmen have been asked to appoint vice-chairmen in all congressional districts.

The purpose is to perfect a working, fighting organization in every congressional district in every state, announced George L. Berry, Pressmens Union head and president of the League.

The League was formed to back the reelection of Roosevelt as president, but its leaders in New York have taken steps to run Labor Party candidates for congress.

CONCORD, N. H.—Socialists, Communists, farmers' groups and trade unions have joined here to form the New Hampshire Farmer-Labor Party. A state committee has been elected, a platform adopted, and plans laid for a nominating convention on August 16th to put a full slate of state officers in the field.

Anti-War Day Is Marked by Calif. Mass Meetings

SAN FRANCISCO.—San Francisco's working class marked the 19th anniversary of the outbreak of the World War by two anti-war meetings here last Saturday; a united front demonstration against war and fascism held in the Union Recreation Center; and an evening mass meeting at the Scottish Rite Auditorium.

Both meetings were held under the auspices of the American League Against War and Fascism, with other organizations, not formally affiliated with the League, supporting the meetings. Among these were the Socialist Party and the Young People's Socialist League.

At the noon-day demonstration, at which 500 workers crowded into the Union Recreation Center on the waterfront, speakers included Roy Pyke representing the Modesto Defense Committee; Carl Tillman representing the Sailors' Union; Claude Smallman representing the Marine Firemen; Sam Diner representing the International Ladies' Garment Workers Union; George Woolf, representing the Maritime Federation of the Pacific; Bill Schneiderman, State Secretary of the Communist Party and David Stevens, representing the Socialist Party.

Hits Copeland Act.

Tillman exposed the Copeland Act as a direct fascist measure and urged united support (Continued on Page 2, Col. 8)

Unions Support C.S. Repeal

Full support by San Francisco unions and liberal organizations to the signature-collecting drive ending in the city August 23rd, has been asked by the State Conference for Repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Act.

The San Francisco Central Labor Council is acting on a communication calling for such support.

International Longshoremen's Association, Local 38-79, is planning to collect thousands of signatures within the next few weeks through its gang stewards. The Culinary Workers Unions are represented by squads of their members canvassing the neighborhoods.

Conference speakers are contacting all unions urging speeding up of the drive.

In Los Angeles, the Councils for Constitutional Rights are quizzing all candidates for the State Senate and Assembly as to their position on repeal of the C. S. Act.

Reports from circulators indicate that the best results have been obtained by house-to-house work.

Fight Fascist Move Denying Jobless Citizenship

NEW ORLEANS, La.—An outright fascist move by Federal Judge Borah is meeting with determined opposition by workers groups. Borah recently denied citizenship to four workers, because they were on state relief rolls.

A New Orleans Local Committee has been formed to lead a campaign for reversal of the decision.

Ministry Takes Over Vital Industry, Cuts Rents

MADRID.—Sweeping decrees of historic importance to the Spanish revolution, crippling the dwindling resistance of the Fascist forces in their attempted "putsch," were issued by President Manuel Azana over last weekend.

The decrees reported issued, were:

The ministry of industry was authorized to take control of essential industries and public services.

Owners of factories which have been closed during the Fascist "coup," or before it, were given two days in which to resume production. Factories not opened are to be confiscated.

Slash Rents

The government was authorized to take control of all private charity organizations.

Rents of homes and apartments of less than 201 pesetas (about \$27) a month were reduced 50 percent effective August 1st last, and issue of eviction orders for failure to pay rent was forbidden. A moratorium was declared on back rents.

The government was empowered to study and act on the problem of rewarding militiamen by liquidating all back rent they owe.

Probably Permanent

"All ministry of industry and commerce measures probably will become permanent because a new state must be created in accordance with the circumstances through which the republic is passing," it was reported the ministry announced.

"This has not been done before because of the good natured spirit of the republicans. Now the regime demands it and its defenders deserve it. The seizure of abandoned factories is permanent and no appeal will be admissible."

Strike of 1800 Machinists Firm

OAKLAND.—The 1800 striking machinists of the East Bay area have been further cheered by the news that San Francisco Machinists Local 88 will meet Wednesday, in a special session, to consider disciplinary action against scabby Walter Nash, international organizer, who at Grand Lodge directions has done his utmost to break the strike here. Nash is a member of the San Francisco local.

The courts jolted Nash and the employers against the members of Machinists Local 284, which is conducting the East Bay strike. Superior Judge Deasy has dissolved the temporary restraining order, granted last week against Nash's interference in the strike.

The court's action opens the way for the formation by Nash of a dual, strikebreaking local. James Smith, of Machinists 284, announced that more men were pickinget the 41 struck (Continued on Page 2, Col. 2)

Bridges, In Pedro Tells Unity Need

SAN PEDRO.—United action by all Pacific Coast maritime unions, in negotiating on the opening of awards was urged by Harry Bridges, Pacific Coast District I.L.A. president, in an address to over 1000 members of the San Pedro I.L.A. Sunday.

SAN FRANCISCO.—A referendum is being conducted in all ports this week, among the I. L.A. members, on the opening of the longshoremen's award, as recommended by the recent meeting of the Pacific Coast District Executive Board of the Union.

Reply to Shipowners.

In reply to the letter to Bridges by the Waterfront Employers Assn., in which an attempt was made to break the equity between the longshoremen and the other maritime crafts on the question of opening of awards, Harry Bridges informed the employers that their request for arbitration must await the meeting of the I.L.A. District Executive Board, which will be held about the middle of August.

A statement, which he called unofficial, was issued to Bridges through the "Voice of the Federation," organ of the Maritime Federation of the Pacific. It states in part:

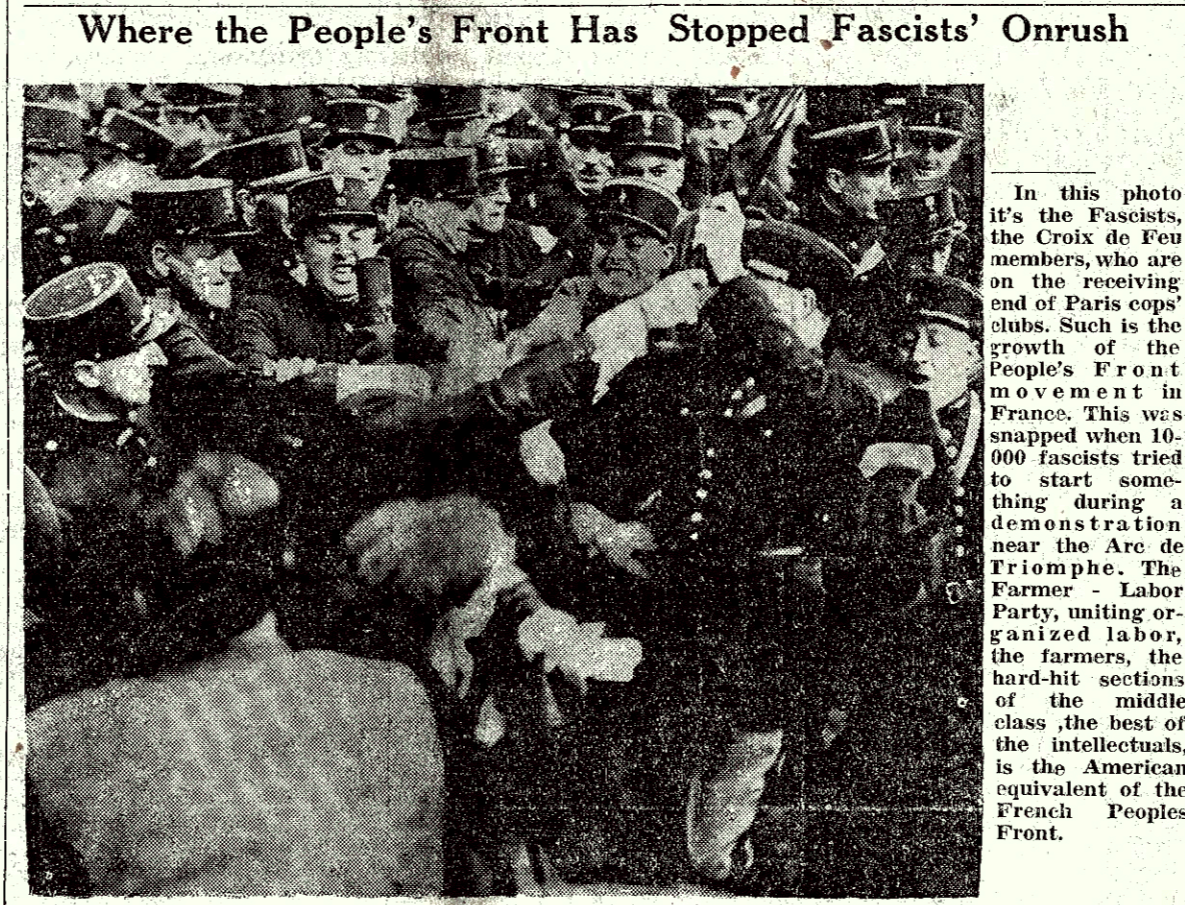
"The only answer the I.L.A. can give to the employers at this time regarding their letter on the question of arbitration is to the effect that the membership of the Pacific (Continued on Page 2, Col. 3)

GENERAL FUR STRIKE SOON IN L.A.

LOS ANGELES.—A general strike of Los Angeles fur workers has been decided upon by the International Fur Workers Union, Local 87. Resolution for the strike was adopted unanimously. Power to set the strike date has been placed in the hands of a committee of three. Secretary Buzzell of the Central Labor Council has pledged the support of all organized labor to the furriers. The Wholesale Fur Manufacturers Assn. has adopted the open shop policy, breaking off with the union after three years of contractual relations. A 20% wage increase is among the workers demands.

LANDON OPPOSES AID

TOPEKA, Kans.—Alfred M. Landon, Republican presidential candidate, will openly oppose any federal aid to drought-stricken farmers. Asked whether he would ask for federal aid for Kansas farmers, Landon replied, "These are all things we can do ourselves."



INTIMIDATION FAILS IN S. JOSE STRIKE

SAN JOSE.—Intimidation by vigilante-minded Police Chief Black has been unable to stem the strike of 500 San Jose laundry workers.

Black has caused the arrest of several volunteer pickets on charges of "agitation," though he has been unable to hold them on any charges whatsoever. Only a few non-union plants are operating, with approximately 25% crews. Watson, manager of the Laundry Owners Assn. has brought suit for dues against two laundries which signed with the Laundry Workers Union.

9th Modesto Bay Faces Frame-Up

MODESTO.—Standard Oil Company of California will seek its ninth victim of the infamous Modesto dynamite frame-up here next month, when Alphonse Buyle is scheduled to go to trial here September 15th on the charges of "reckless possession of dynamite, conspiracy to blow up property, and possession of blackjacks."

Buyle's illness prevented his trial a year ago, when his fellow workers of the San Francisco maritime unions were framed and sentenced to San Quentin Prison for terms of 1-5 years.

The Modesto Defense Committee of the Maritime Federation of the Pacific, with offices at 268 Market street, is raising funds to smash the attempt to railroad Buyle to prison, and is also continuing the fight for release of the eight Modesto boys now in San Quentin.

Kansas Labor Proves Landon A Strikebreaker

WASHINGTON.—Labor's non-Partisan League has just made public a resolution adopted last month by a Kansas labor body, condemning Alfred M. Landon as a strikebreaker.

Unanimously adopted by the Kansas State Labor Forum at Coffeyville, a state federation affiliate, the resolution hits Landon for sending troops into the Kansas zinc mine area, where a strike was being waged against conditions producing the dreaded disease silicosis. Protected by the National Guard, the operators set up a company union.

In a letter to Norman Thomas of the Socialist Party, Landon last week admitted he sent troops at the request of the sheriff of Cherokee County.

Where the People's Front Has Stopped Fascists' Onrush



C.I.O. "Trial" On; 2 Steel Victories

WASHINGTON.—The A.F.L. Executive Council assembled Monday to "try" the leaders of the 12 C.I.O. unions, but nobody appeared for trial. This was the C.I.O. unions' way of telling Green that the Executive Council's actions against the C.I.O. and its organizing campaign is illegal under the A.F.L. constitution.

The trial was expected to last about 4 days. John L. Lewis was out of the city as the "trial" started. He and the 11 other C.I.O. leaders had rejected the Council's summons to the trial.

May Suspend Third of Members

If the Council decides on suspension of the 12 C.I.O. unions, more than one-third of the 3,500,000 A.F.L. members will have been ousted by the reactionary craft union leaders' splitting policies.

Just prior to the "trial's" opening, John L. Lewis, United Miners president and dominating figure behind the C.I.O., accused the Executive Council of flouting the 1934 A.F.L. convention's decision to organize the nation's 500,000 steel workers. He stated that both the C.I.O. and the drive to organize steel initiated by it will go forward, come what may.

To prove that the great majority of the A.F.L. members do not approve of the Executive Council's attitude, Lewis cited the 12 state federations which have endorsed the C.I.O. and the countless numbers of letters and wires which he has received from union leaders and bodies.

Two important victories in the past few days by the Amalgamated Assn. of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers have brought unionization of the steel industry a step nearer.

Over 1100 strikers at the Northwestern Barb Wire Co. in Sterling, Ill., won a 10% wage increase and union recognition, and 650 strikers at the Hubbard Steel plant in Etna, Pa., won an agreement, winning wage increases and the 44-hour week.

Soviet Flyers Set For Los Angeles-Moscow Flight

LOS ANGELES.—Sigmund Levanovsky, Soviet Union air hero, and his co-pilot, Victor I. Levenchenko, were expected to start their 15,000-mile flight from Los Angeles to Moscow, here last Tuesday in their pontoon-equipped plane.

A balky radio compass forced a 24-hour postponement of the start. The flyers expect to take three weeks, stopping at Alameda, Seattle, Nome, Fairbanks, and then across the Bering Sea to Vladivostok in Siberia.

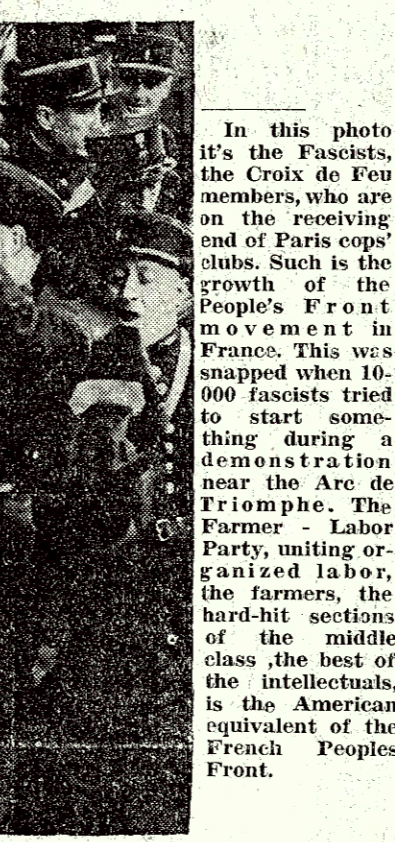
Dessye Captured From Fascists

DJIBOUTI, French Somaliland.—Ethiopian fighters for freedom administered a smashing defeat to the Italian Fascists and captured Dessye, according to reports here.

The Ethiopians occupied Dessye after a battle in which 7000 were killed, the report said with fighting continuing and several bands of native troops said to have entered Addis Ababa.

The heroic struggles of the Ethiopians, striking lightning blows at the Fascist troop throughout the country, prove that Mussolini has not yet conquered Ethiopia, despite Nazi Germany's recognition of the "Italian Empire."

In this photo it's the Fascists, the Croix de Feu members, who are on the receiving end of Paris cops' clubs. Such is the growth of the People's Front movement in France. This was snatched when 10,000 fascists tried to start something during a demonstration near the Arc de Triomphe. The Farmer-Labor Party, uniting organized labor, the farmers, the hard-hit sections of the middle class, the best of the intellectuals, is the American equivalent of the French Peoples Front.



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Upwards of 10,000 are expected to pack the huge Atlantic Stadium at 2727 Atlantic Boulevard to hear the 1936 Platform of the Communist Party. Workers are coming from all over Southern California for the meeting.

Pettis Perry, famed Negro leader and Communist candidate for lieutenant governor in 1934, will be the first speaker. He will introduce John Leech, Los Angeles County organizer of the C.P., who will preside. Browder will be introduced by William Schneiderman, California state secretary of the Party.

Between 7 and 7:45 p.m., the Young Communist League will present a carnival of sports and will lead mass singing. (For further details, see page 3.)

Fight Injunction To Remove C.P. From Ballot

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INVESTIGATION OF BOSS ARMS CACHE COMING

Calif. Ranchers, Steel Mill Companies, Have Huge Stores Ready

(Special to The Western Worker) WASHINGTON.—An investigation into the supplies of machine guns, tear gas and other firearms stowed away in arsenals of big industrial corporations is being considered by the La Follette Senate Committee. It may hit some of the big California growers.

Large stocks of Thompson sub-machine guns, in excess of the number registered under the Fire Arms Act, are believed to be in the possession of big corporations, especially the steel companies, for use against labor.

The Nye Munitions Committee found consignments from Federal Laboratories, Inc., of guns and tear gas marked, for example, "Ship to Borough Hall, Duquesne Borough Hall, invoice to Carnegie Steel Co., Carnegie Building."

On May 12, 1934, Federal Laboratories, the "middle-man" supplying industrial corporations with arms, wrote to Smith and Wesson, munitions manufacturers: "We call your attention to the fact that the long-advertised crisis in the labor situation in the steel and allied industries is now at hand. The large corporations demand almost instant service on firearms, as well as our equipment."

One month later, Federal Laboratories wrote to the Hunter Arms Company which was furnishing them with gas guns: "Gentlemen: There is no further need to rush shipment of riot guns. As you doubtless know from newspaper accounts the strike has petered out, and in our judgment the controversy is settled."

One of the startling exhibits produced by the Nye Committee, was a sales-talk letter sent out on July 26, 1934, by the Federal Laboratories: "Be sure to advise each customer," the letter said, "that when they use gas to use plenty of it. We have found from experience that if the police try to disperse a mob with too little gas, their efforts will not be successful. To toss a couple of grenades and gas shells into a fighting mob could not be expected to control it. You have got to give them gas and plenty of it."

C. Costa Unions Face Vigilantes

SELBY, Cal.—It is becoming evident to the members of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers Local 51 that the new agreement drawn up may not be granted without a struggle with the employers.

At the meeting of the local on July 31, a resolution was introduced calling for the setting up of an anti-vigilante committee, which will be able to mobilize union forces against vigilantes at a moment's notice. The resolution calls on other unions to follow suit.

At a well-attended meeting of the Richmond Workers Alliance, Ed Taylor of the Filling Station Employees Union spoke and urged the members to set up a permanent anti-vigilante committee. At a previous meeting disruptive elements, suspected of being vigilantes, attempted to provoke trouble.

Lloyd Harris, Communist congressional candidate, spoke and outlined the program of the Communists for the 1936 election campaign. He received great applause.

U.S. Olympic Team Sore At Hitler Snub of Negroes

BERLIN.—A radio broadcast by Ted Husing, crack American sports commentator, reported great indignation among American Olympic team members because Adolph Hitler refused to receive American Negro athletes who won record-breaking victories in field and track events.

Hitler, who had been congratulating German, Polish and Finnish athletes all afternoon Sunday, was intentionally away from the stadium when Cornelius Johnson and Dave Albritten, Negroes, finished one-two in the high jump event.

—And the Govt. Cancels Cash Relief Plans!



ANOTHER TRAGIC SCENE from the drought-stricken areas, where the government has dropped cash relief plans. Grazing fields destroyed by broiling sun, these sheep, 2500 in all, belonging to scores of farmers, are being led over Kaw River bridge at Lawrence, Kans., northward toward greener pastures. Sheep and cattle by the thousands perished in the drought.

FIGHT WRIT AGAINST C.P. IN FRESNO

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notion, saying the Communist Party has the right as intervenor to resist the complaint.

Gilmore's case was 100 percent "red-baiting" of the William Randolph Hearst style. He charged that the Communist Party was "masquerading as a political party," that the Communists believed in "direct action," which was never explained as to meaning.

This attorney also produced a "phony" quotation from William Z. Foster, National Chairman of the C. P., to the effect that "the Communists believe in murder!" Gilmore also stated that it had been "proved" in the Dirk De Jonge case on Criminal Syndicalism charges in Oregon, that Communists believe in "bank robbery."

At the close of the hearing, Judge Beaumont stated: "This is a very, very important matter. There has been no similar case in the United States that I have been able to find. I need time to study the case."

Protests against this Fascist-inspired attack on the constitutional rights of the people, should be rushed to State Attorney-General U. S. Webb, Sacramento, and to District Attorney Conway, Fresno.

The plaintiff, Cate, at first stated to Attorney Anderson that he "didn't know about the Constitution League." Then he said he was a member, that it was organized to "fight Communism," and that it was not a political organization but a "militant organization." Cate was very vague on what he meant by the latter statement.

I. R. Wall, Fresno, said the Constitution League had headquarters in Fresno and county directors all over the state, that it was financed by money from such organizations as the American Legion and Knights of Columbus, and that if he lost the injunction suit, he would take the case to the higher courts and to Attorney-General Webb.

Attorney Gilmore said he "didn't know" about the Constitution League, that he wasn't getting paid for his efforts, that he wasn't sought out as counsel but that his appearance in court was through "mutual interests."

At the same time Nash announced he would ask the Alameda County Superior Court to appoint a receiver for Local 284. The strikers, at a big mass meeting in Oakland Civic Auditorium over the week-end voted to continue the strike. Frank Sullivan, president of Local 284, said: "We will continue our fight despite objections and interference."

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Coast District is now by referendum to open the 1934 award for the purpose of notifying employers that we desire certain amendments.

"Uniform Conditions. "We agree with the employers on the point that during the two years the award has been in effect our experience has also demonstrated that it certainly should be modified. The award, as originally written, made no provision to set up uniform or standard working conditions on a coast-wide basis. This was left to each individual port. The result of this has been the establishment of different working conditions in each port according to what extent the employers in the respective ports could succeed in forcing them on their employees."

"The deep-seated grievance of the men on the Pacific Coast today is lack of uniform working conditions, such as standard-size loads, etc., and also the question of preferential hiring. "The District Executive Board of the I.L.A. also recognized the responsibility of the I.L.A. in regard to the necessity for co-operation with the other maritime groups comprising the Maritime Federation of the Pacific."

This was also taken into consideration when the executive board recommended to its membership to vote to open the award, so that the I.L.A. would not hamper other maritime unions in their attempt to secure modification of their agreements, which at the present time fall far below the standards enjoyed by the I.L.A.

"Other affiliated groups, such as the I.L.A. Clerks, are also requesting uniformity and coast-wide agreement. This must also be taken into consideration by the longshoremen whom the award covers.

"The employers' offer of arbitration can only, therefore, be answered when the results of the Coast referendum are finally tabulated, which will be not later than Aug. 10, 1936."

Big Growers Push Anti-Alien Move

HOLTVILLE, Cal.—Sponsored by the growers-vigilante Fruit and Vegetable Packers Assn., initiative petitions have been placed in circulation in this area, to include on the November ballot a measure prohibiting employment or city, county and state relief to aliens in California "illegally."

R. I. Castleman, Brawley grower, is chairman of the general committee in charge of the fascist plan, which aims, according to its backers, at all foreign-born workers.

The above-mentioned fascist move is being pushed by the Fruit and Vegetable Packers Assn. throughout all Southern California, according to information received by the WESTERN WORKER. The Chandler and Hearst papers are playing up canned news releases issued by the big growers. The American Legion and the Native Sons are reprinted supporting the move.

SCABBY LOS ANGELES TIMES RANTS AT ORGANIZED LABOR BECAUSE LATTER IS GROWING

Mass Picketing Especially Gets The Goat of Open Shoppers Mouthpiece; Labor's Ranks Will Close All The Tighter

By EVA SHAFRAN

On July 24th, the Los Angeles Times printed an editorial attacking Buzzell, Secretary of the Central Trades and Labor Council for his support to striking agricultural workers.

Buzzell has carried on a quite militant fight against the vicious vigilante police attacks meted out to the underpaid, slave driven agricultural workers in Orange County and surrounding territory against the undernourished half-starved children, who together with their parents went to the relief authorities to demand bread. He pledged full support to the organization of the agricultural workers.

In the end of the attack Buzzell was charged by Chandler's the millionaire, Times with defending the Communists with aiding Communism.

This attack against Buzzell came not only because of his support to the agricultural workers, but also because he "dares to threaten" the Los Angeles money bags; he is leading the organizational drive of the L. A. Central Trades and Labor Council for making Los Angeles a union town.

"Picketing Is Threat. The Saturday picketing around some of the biggest stores in L. A. as part of this organizational drive carried on by the C.T.L.C., is like a thorn in the throat of Mr. Chandler and his Times; of Hearst and his yellow sheets. Both of these millionaires are intimately connected with every phase of business in the City, and both see in the drive of labor a threat to their constant robbing of the poor."

As soon as the organizing drive started and especially when it began to show effect in the growth of the various T. U.'s spreading of strikes (millmen, etc.) the Chamber of Commerce and the Los Angeles Times, its mouthpiece, became furious.

For days and days the Times ran a special series of articles, entitled "Danger," attempting to "prove" that Los Angeles "is the most peaceful city in the country" only because the open shop prevails. "Prosperity for the city," said the Times, "can be attributed only to the fact that we operate under the American plan—open shop. That only "the American plan can preserve prosperity in L. A."

Mr. Chandler is not only an "L. A. patriot," for his interests, as well as that of Hearst, extend far beyond L. A.—money interests are never limited just to one city. So the L. A. Times of July 28th has two editorials: one directed against the steel workers and another against the marine workers of the Pacific coast.

One, called "Another March Inland," attacks the Maritime Federation for attempting to spread and strengthen the organization among the warehouse workers, with a particularly vicious attack on Harry Bridges who was recently elected, with an overwhelming majority, president of the Pacific District of the I. L. A.

Mr. Chandler is afraid that this will strengthen the hands of the union in preparation for the pending struggle around the expiration of the maritime agreements Sept. 30th.

As in the case of Mr. Buzzell, Bridges and the whole Maritime Federation is charged with being "Communist," with wanting "to starve the city into submission when the time is deemed ripe for the Communist revolution."

"Cute" arguments the Times has. In the case of the agricultural workers Buzzell defends Communists and revolutionaries. In the case of the Maritime Workers, Bridges wants "to starve the city into submission when the time is deemed ripe for the Communist revolution."

"Not Only L. A. Patriot. But it's time that labor too learn a lesson. The workers, the toilers of this country have one common enemy—those that grow fat and rich out of the blood of

the toiling population. The poorer we grow, the richer grow our oppressors. Mr. Buzzell will be called "red" or "defender of the reds," when he determinedly attempts to organize the workers of L. A. into trade unions.

So will Harry Bridges in the case of the Maritime workers; so will John L. Lewis in the steel drive. The Communists will be blamed for all the trouble, because the Communists are the most sincere supporters and fighters in the battle of labor.

Browder Speaks In California

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5th, and will run for a week. CHECK THESE THEATRES. The theatres are: Bayshore, 2428 Bayshore; Cameo, 16th st. between Valencia and Mission; New Potrero, 312 Connecticut; Parkview, Irving and 48th Avenue; Star, Clement and 23rd Avenue; Union, Union st. near Scott; Isis, 28th and Church; Acme, Stockton near Broadway; Larkin, Geary and Larkin.

"Radio broadcasts are: Earl Browder, Tuesday, August 11th, 7-7:30 p.m., Station KGQ; Lawrence Ross, Monday, August 10th, 6:30 to 6:45 p.m., Station KROW; and additional broadcasts in the East Bay over KLS and KRE.

East Bay workers will come to the meeting by chartered ferry boat, which leaves from the foot of Broadway, Oakland, at 6:45 p.m. on August 12th. Round-trip fare is only 10 cents. Auto caravans are planned for other Northern California cities.

The Communist Campaign Committee issued a call for 150 ushers to report to a meeting on Monday, August 10th, 8 p.m., at 121 Haight st. All friends are invited to attend.

"SOCIALIST AIDS LONDON. NEW YORK.—Not until "the steel trust begins to love labor" will there be anything new in London's labor policy, stated Earl Browder here, lashing out at Landon's letter to Norman Thomas and taking the Socialist leader to task as "helper to Landon's latest efforts to make the steel trust labor policy palatable to the country."

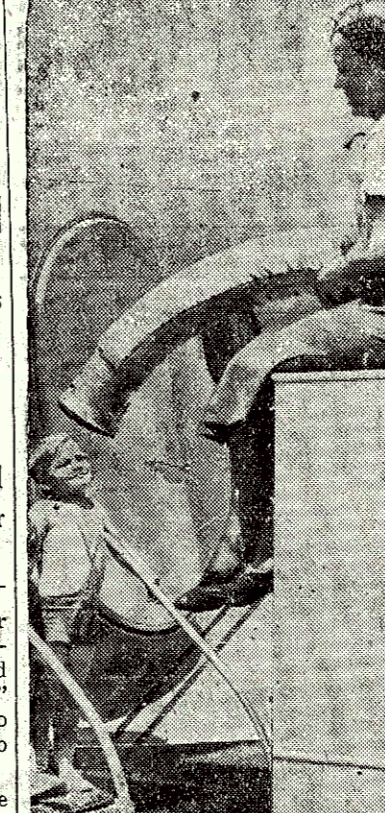
"It is hard to believe," said Browder, "that it is merely innocence which prompted Thomas to act as a foil for the Republican nominee."

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Thomas asked Landon for "clarification" of the G.O.P.'s policy, offering him "another opportunity to pose as a 'friend of labor.'"

Workers' Kids



WORKERS KIDS in big industrial areas haven't any beaches to go to, for escape from the heat. Here's a worker's kid getting a cold air bath from a portable air conditioner used to pre-cool transport planes. Airplanes Stewardess Majorie Reid is giving this kid a break.

Graft Probe Hits Sacramento

SACRAMENTO.—The cycle of graft investigation reached the County Tax Collector's office here, and shortages will be investigated, according to an announcement by the Sacramento grand jury.

The jury will consider an alleged \$500 shortage in the licence fund of Collector Ed T. Ryan, who is under indictment for embezzlement of \$11,448 in tax funds.

ALAMEDA.—Michael Connelly, former state liquor enforcement agent, is trying to crawl out from under an indictment in the liquor graft probe on the grounds the law provides immunity for a person who gives testimony to a legislative investigating committee.

Arraignment of Connelly and E. N. Bergsten, another former agent, was continued a week pending arguments on the motion to dismiss the bribery indictment.

The Alameda County grand jury cited Phil Riley, publisher of the Oakland Free Press, for contempt for printing an editorial criticizing the jury for not returning more indictments.

SAN FRANCISCO.—State Board of Equalization members will not be subpoenaed to testify before the local Donahue Assembly Committee hearings into the state liquor scandal.

"We subpoenaed members twice to testify in Los Angeles, but they didn't appear," said Leo R. Friedman, special investigating counsel.

"Besides, no witness who subpoenaed may be subject to criminal prosecution will be subpoenaed. This will avoid possible claims of immunity."

"Immunity" is the latest game of the grafters thus far caught up with, in their efforts to escape criminal prosecution.

NORRIS HEADS LABOR PARTY N.E. SLATE

OMAHA, Neb.—Senator George W. Norris joined the Farmer-Labor Party movement here last week at the all-day convention of the Nebraska Farmer-Labor Party, and will head the ticket in the coming elections.

Formerly a Republican, Norris will run for U.S. senator, along with Peter Mehrens, Omaha, for governor; Fred Eisler, Lincoln, for state auditor; I.W. Jacoby, Lincoln, for the State Railway Commission; and George C. Porter, Morrill, for attorney general.

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STANISLAUS COUNTY SMALL FARMERS FACE TRAP LAID BY WORST FOE, ASSOCIATED

Special Drive Made by Big Growers To Enlist Small Owners Behind Vigilante Activities Directed At Agricultural Workers

MODESTO.—The big growers' Associated Farmers is trying desperately to line up the small farmers. It wants to get them behind its vigilante plans against agricultural labor's attempts to organize along trade union lines.

Going on throughout the state the drive to enlist the small farmers in terror activities has hit Stanislaus County. A letter sent the small farmers gives an idea of Associated's purpose.

The Unholy Four. The letter was signed by four members of the Finance Committee of the Associated Farmers of Stanislaus County. The three are Fred Hogue, large landowner; John Arakellan, large raisin grower, packer and shipper; D. Power, both, dry yard operator and owner, and last but not least, Roy M. Pike, manager of the \$4,000,000 El Solyo Ranch.

Pike is the bird who tried to get growers behind his scheme of setting up migratory camps, which would become closed company towns where every last vestige of liberty would disappear. This was to back the government Resettlement Administration camps.

The Stanislaus County growers are told that since the Imperial Valley lettuce strike in 1933, "the movement of radical agitation has progressed through the state." The Associated Farmers, the letter says, was formed in 1934 in an effort "to proceed against unreasonable labor agitation."

Stool-Pigeon Stuff. Among its jobs in Stanislaus County, the letter says, is "to quarry to issue information on labor agitators' activities so that the latter do not gain a controlling position." This means in other words, a stool pigeon system so that agricultural labor's efforts to organize are crushed.

"We all know that most of the people working in our harvest crops have no complaints." They apparently are, according to the vigilante-minded gentlemen, "kicked silly because of the Associated Farmers' ambition to drive wages down to below 20 cents an hour."

The farmers are advised to chip in to the Associated Farmers: 1 cent per ton on all fruit and vegetables; 3 cents per ton on dried fruits; 1 cent per ton on milk; 1 cent per bale on cotton; 5 cents per ton on nuts.

The big growers and packers, fixing prices to their hearts' content, gripping the small farmers with an iron fist, try thus to make the small farmers pay for their anti-labor activities.

It is essential that a real organizing campaign into the A. F. of L. proceed at full speed, and also, that the small farmers be won over to the side of their natural allies, the agricultural workers.

Solidarity With Spanish People Pours In

Hail anti-Fascist and working class solidarity. Inspiration for international working class unity against Fascism.

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Anti-War Day In Cities of Calif.

(Continued from Page One) behind the seamen in fighting it. Woolf called attention to anti-war stand of the longshoremen and seamen in refusing to handle or transport war cargo.

Schneiderman, for the Communist Party, urged the building of a broader united front against fascism and war, especially in the trade unions.

Resolutions passed included one of support of the struggle against enforcement of the Copeland Act; for the release of Lawrence Simpson, seaman imprisoned in Nazi Germany; for the release of the Modesto boys; for the repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism law and the release of the C. S. prisoners; and one supporting the stand of the maritime workers on the handling of war cargo.

War Veterans Speak. In the evening meeting, with John D. Barry as chairman, Ernst Teller, John Rogers and Dr. Facci, a German, French and Italian war veteran respectively, spoke of the many instances of fraternity among the rank and file of opposing armies, and pledged themselves to carry on the struggle against war and fascism.

Among greetings brought to the meeting were those by Gordon, for the I.L.G.W.U. Joint Board; Millie Goldberg for the Y.P.S.L.; Noel Stone for the Y.C.L.; Bill Monroe for the Socialist Party, and Oleto, sponsor for the Communist Party.

Carl Tillman, represented the Sailors' Union of the Pacific, and progressive war forces. Henry Schmidt spoke for the I. L.A.

GLENDALE.—After the permit to use the council chambers of the Glendale City Hall had been revoked by William V. Anderson, Glendale City Manager, just three hours before the time set for the meeting, an Anti-War meeting was held on the steps of the City Hall, last Friday night, July 31.

When asked why he revoked the permit, Anderson said that he did not think that public buildings should be used for "subversive doctrines."

The crowd of more than 150 people cheered when Dr. Biseman told them that the only effective way to stop war and Fascism in this country was to build a powerful People's Front in this country in the form of the Farmer-Labor Party.

The Communist slogan "Keep America Out of War By Keeping War Out of the World" was cheered several times when brought out by him and the other speakers.

Other speakers were William E. Sherwood, Communist candidate for Assembly in the 43rd District, and William Ingham, Communist candidate for Congress in the 11th District.

A mass protest to the City Council is being prepared for Tuesday, August 4. Many prominent people have voiced their protest at the action of the City Manager in revoking the permit to hold the meeting and an effort is being made to pack the Council Chambers.

Epics Angry At Hitlerite Talk In San Jose

SAN JOSE.—Much indignation was expressed at the Epic meeting here last week, when Father Riker, "prophet" of Holy City, violated visitors' privilege by taking the floor and mouthing Hitlerite race theories.

This was in direct violation of the Epic program. It was voted to recombine the two local Epic branches, which separated before the convention in order to gain additional convention delegates. This will make possible much larger meetings at less proportional cost.

LABOR and POLITICS

By John Bromam

WHAT KIND of assemblymen "represent" the people of San Francisco, is well personified by James P. Brennan, incumbent in the 28th District, who professes to be a Republican, a Democrat, and a Progressive.

Brennan testified in the hearing on the Tom Mooney case, that he had identified Warren K. Billings as the man who entered a Market Street building near the scene of, and a short time before the Preparedness Day bombing.

How much cheese did a rat get in 1916?

FARMER-LABOR PARTY

David Lawrence, who writes a Washington column on "The State of the Nation" for the San Francisco Chronicle, recently expressed the fears of Wall Street, Hearst, and the Liberty League, as follows:

"Far more ominous as a disturbing influence to the two major political parties than the Townsend-Coughlin-Lemke movement is the establishment of a Labor Party ticket in New York State."

The New York State Labor Party is the core around which a national Farmer-Labor Party can be built, for in its ranks are the mighty international unions represented on both the Labor Non-Partisan League and the Committee for Industrial Organization.

GRAFT IN LOS ANGELES

The expose of the grafters in the San Francisco police department has been plenty smelly, even though it has not yet touched the "bloods" of finance and industry who are behind the grafters.

Yet there is every reason to believe that, if a real probe of graft were conducted in the Los Angeles police department, the San Francisco probe would look like small potatoes. For example, what about all the dough the industrialists have illegally paid the "Red Squad" to smash strikes and picket lines?

Milk Price Raise Hits Children

LOS ANGELES.—Children of families on relief began to suffer here last Friday when a one-cent increase in the price of milk was announced, with an additional increase stated by the large producers to be a distinct possibility in the near future. The new price was 11 cents.

Milkers and drivers for the big dairies are among the most highly exploited workers in this country. Organized housewives are reported organizing action against the high price of milk.

SALT LAKE CITY.—Workers, farmers, and intellectuals contributed cash donations to bring Earl Browder, Communist presidential candidate, here, where he will speak next Friday, August 7th, at McCullough Arena. Browder will speak over Radio Station KDYL the afternoon of the meeting.

Analyzes 1936



LAWRENCE ROSS

Communist Party candidate for Congress in the 5th District, San Francisco, and editor of the Western Worker.

Coughlin Puts On "Lovers' Tiff" With Hearst

ROYAL OAK, Mich.—Realizing that he is becoming generally in bad odor through association with William Randolph Hearst, Father Coughlin, Fascist radio priest and head of the Liberty League-inspired "Union Party," is putting on a sham battle with "Dirty Willie" in his August 3rd issue of his paper, "Social Justice."

Basis for Coughlin's "battle" with Hearst the stories that are appearing in the Hearst press referring to telephone talks made by the priest with the pope, to the effect that the Vatican would step on Coughlin for his recent loose-lipped attack on President Roosevelt.

Says Coughlin: "The point at issue is concerned not with malicious misrepresentation but with that sort of false headline and vicious news article which could be born only in the mind of Mr. Hearst's underpaid underlings."

W.P.A. Encourages War Training

WASHINGTON.—Ordinary workers who leave the W.P.A. rolls have little chance of getting back later, but those leave for military training will get a special break.

This is the drift of an executive order just issued by the Works Progress Administration with its unusual provision to encourage enrollment in the Citizens Military Training Camps.

WESTERN AND NEWSSTANDS

SAN FRANCISCO.—San Francisco workers are called on to ask their news-dealers to carry the Western Worker on their stands.

PARTIES GIVE POSITION TO WATERFRONT

Lawrence Ross, Communist For Congress, Calls For Anti-Fascist Front

SAN FRANCISCO.—Stressing the vital necessity for building a broad people's movement against Fascism, Lawrence Ross, editor of the Western Worker and Communist candidate for Congress in the 5th District, spoke on the Communist platform in the 1936 elections at a political symposium last Friday night at the Union Recreation Center on the waterfront.

Most of the 200 in the audience were members of maritime unions.

"Reformed" (?) G. O. P. Norman H. Elkington, attorney who was spokesman for the Republican Party, declared his party was now a "new" and "reformed" party.

But this claim, in face of Landon's record and the Liberty League-Hearst support for the GOP, fell on unresponsive ears.

Ralph Wakefield, spokesman for the Democratic Party, dwelt at length on President Roosevelt's banking law reforms and his general liberalism. While he made an appeal for support of Roosevelt "on his record," he failed to mention the many surrenders to the capitalist class of concessions won by organized struggle of the working class.

Socialist Contradicts Self Milen Dempster, Socialist spokesman, who spoke before Ross, spent the first part of his time trying to anticipate what the Communist would say. He contradicted himself several times, both in his speech and in subsequent answers to questions from the floor, on the position of the Socialist Party with reference to the menace of Fascism.

"When the time is ripe," he said, "the Socialists will enter a united front against Fascism." But later on he admitted that Fascism is a distinct threat, at present.

Ross briefly sketched the main developments on the American political scene and the relation of each party to these trends.

Court Protects Grange, Marine Cooks Czar

NEW YORK.—David E. Grange, president of the Marine Cooks Union, was protected by the State Supreme Court, which refused to grant an injunction restraining Grange and other officials from expelling six members of the Union.

The six sued Grange for an accounting of \$140,000 in union funds he is charged with having misused. The six were given permission, however, to examine the Union's books and records.

Dr and the Soviet Union against the attack of Hitler and Mussolini upon and Poland.

EARL BROWDER: HIS LIFE

(A Biography)
(Continued from last issue.)

Earl Browder made of prison a university of the class struggle, a place for preparation to lead the coming struggles of the working class.

Held in a tiny cell in the Platte County jail, Missouri, he pored over Marx's Capital—all three volumes—and virtually all of the works by Engels. At that time Lenin had not yet been translated into English.

Southland Rallies To Hear Browder Speak In L.A.

LOS ANGELES.—All Southern California is interested in the historic appearance of Earl Browder, Communist candidate for President, here at Atlantic Stadium, 2727 Atlantic Boulevard, next Sunday, August 9th, at 7 p. m.

Literally hundreds of thousands of leaflets are being broadcast throughout the southland to advertise the gigantic meeting.

Huge Preparations. Billboards are emblazoned with posters, sound trucks appearing in the neighborhood and downtown districts, and radio stations broadcast spot announcements and speeches telling of the meeting.

A keen interest in the Browder meeting has been shown by San Diego and many other Southern California cities and towns.

Delegations in caravans are expected to bring several thousand out-of-town working people to hear Browder speak on the 1936 Communist election campaign.

Radio Broadcasts.

Sam Jones, Communist-endorsed candidate in the 2nd supervisory district, will speak on Wednesday night, August 5th, over Station KMPC, and Emma Cutler, Communist candidate for Congress in the 13th District, will speak the same night over KGER. Miss Cutler will speak on "The Life of Earl Browder."

A reception committee composed of workers from trade unions and other mass organizations, Communist Party candidates, and members of the Los Angeles County Committee of the C. P.—will greet Browder when he arrives here next Sunday.

One of the features of the meeting at Atlantic Stadium will be an all-union band, to furnish accompaniment to the numerous militant workers' songs.

Well-known artists, among the finest in the nation, have directed the painting, building, and rearranging of the stadium. Workers, artists and soundmen have been busy for days putting final touches to the stadium for the meeting.

BOSTON.—"Of course, I'd prefer Landon to Roosevelt," stated Dr. F. E. Townsend, pension movement head, at a rally here.

"The most disastrous thing that could happen to this nation would be to see this administration go back.

Townsend said he would personally support the fascist "Union of the Liberty League, aimed at splitting Roosevelt's vote to put in Landon.

GYPPING WORKERS

LOS ANGELES.—Oil concerns have joined in withholding their share of the state unemployment insurance funds.

ECHOLS LEADS STRUGGLE FOR NEGRO RIGHTS

LOS ANGELES.—Iron moulder, journalist, musician, truck driver, janitor, waiter, boothblack and elevator operator—

Leader in the struggle for Negro rights, for the freedom of Angelo Herndon and the Scottsboro Boys, for the constitutional rights of the people, for the rights of labor—

This is the background of Carl L. D. Echols, Communist candidate for Assembly in the 47th District, qualifying him 100 percent to represent the working people of his district, in Sacramento.

Born In Deep South

Echols was born in the deep South, Atlanta, Georgia, on February 18th, 1905. His father was a U. S. Army chaplain in the World War, and his uncle a lieutenant. For the last 16 years, the Communist candidate has lived in Pasadena.

In 1933 Echols investigated and publicized discrimination against Negro workers at Boulder Dam. In 1934 he mobilized protest demonstrations against discrimination against Negro badmen at the Rose Bowl game in Pasadena. Discrimination against Mexican and Negro school children in Monrovia public schools, was exposed by Echols last year.

He is chairman of the Los Angeles Scottsboro Defense Committee; member of the International Labor Defense; was chairman for three and one-half years of the Pasadena Inter-racial Forum; formerly vice-president of International Committee of the World Council of Youth; formerly member of the Young People's Socialist League.

Echols has spoken on national minority problems at many universities and colleges throughout Southern California.

People's Platform

His platform represents the foremost needs and demands of the working people of the 47th Assembly District:

Five-cent street car fare, low utility rates, municipal jobs on the basis of merit and no discrimination because of race, creed, color or religion; union pay on all public works projects; right of qualified Negro and Mexican teachers to hold positions in the public schools, equal rights to all to access of public swimming pools.

In this district more than 10,000 people, or nearly 30 percent, are existing on works project jobs or on direct relief. Echols pledges a militant fight for social and unemployment insurance, old-age pensions, etc.

RED FUNERAL FOR FALLEN COMRADE

LOS ANGELES.—Several hundred comrades and friends attended the Red Funeral of Sarah Matlin at the Gladhand Funeral Parlors here last Thursday of the untiring work of Comday.

Communist Party leaders told Sarah in behalf of the working class, and urged those in attendance to pledge themselves to carry to completion the tasks to which she had devoted her life.

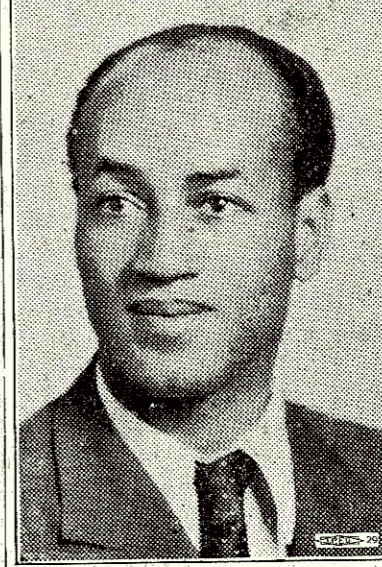
The casket, draped with the red flag bearing the emblem of the hammer and sickle, was banked with red floral pieces.

Choral numbers were sung by a group of Young Communist Leaguers. A Red guard of honor gave silent salute throughout the ceremony. Messages of sympathy from Louise Todd, Nora Conklin, and Caroline Decker were read by Leo Gallagher.

RED FUNERAL IN L.A.

LOS ANGELES.—A red funeral was given La Vera White, young Negro writer for the California Eagle, and for years an ardent Communist sympathizer.

For Equal Rights



CARL L. D. ECHOLS
Communist candidate for State Assembly in the 47th District, Los Angeles County.

William Z. Foster Greets Chest Collectors

On the coupon-books, for collection of donations to the \$250,000 People's Chest Against Reaction, is printed the following:

"Greetings:
"The National Campaign Committee of the Communist Party extends to you comradesly greetings and appreciation for your effort to help collect the \$250,000 fund for the election campaign, fifty percent of which will cover the election campaign expenses in the states and the other 50 percent for national expenses."

"By doing your bit you are helping to defeat reaction and bring our message to millions of toiling people of this country."
"Comradely yours,
"WILLIAM Z. FOSTER,
Chairman."

Push Campaign Of Dr. Bissell For Supervisor

OAKLAND.—The Bissell-for-Supervisor Committee here in Alameda County is getting under full steam for the August primary elections.

A picnic election rally for this Communist-endorsed candidate, Dr. Franklin Bissell, who writes the People's Health column on Page 7 of the Western Worker, will be held on Saturday, August 8th, starting at 6 p.m.

The rally will be held in the John Hinkel Park (No. 6 car up Arlington Avenue to Southampton). Bissell will speak, and dancing will follow in the clubhouse.

Conference Called

The committee is also asking some 40 organizations to send delegates to a conference to promote Bissell's candidacy. Dr. Bissell will also speak over radio station KRE in the near future.

Dr. Bissell's platform includes the pledge to fight for adequate health measures and medical and dental care for the working people of Alameda, regardless of whether or not they can afford to pay for treatment.

Shelley Elected Delegate to A.F.L. State Meet

SAN FRANCISCO.—John F. Shelley, vice-president of the San Francisco Central Labor Council, was elected last Friday as a delegate to the State Federation of Labor Convention. The latter takes place in Eureka, Sept. 14.

Shelley is a delegate from the Bakery Wagon drivers. He has spoken frequently at progressive anti-war, Mooney, and other meetings.

Joseph McManus, a vice-president of the State Federation, and Chauffeurs Union delegate, was elected as second convention delegate.

Fill the People's Chest

California State Election Campaign Committee,
121 Haight Street,
San Francisco.

Enclosed you will find my donation to the Election Campaign of the Communist Party.

Address _____

City _____ State _____

Organization _____

Amount of donation—\$ _____

C.P. ELECTION CAMPAIGN TO BE HISTORIC

Communist Candidate Is 100 Percent Qualified To Represent District In Assembly

The Communist election campaign of 1936 is going to make history in California!

Throughout the length and breadth of the state, the Communist Platform will be made the most popular demands of the working people and poor farmers, the Communist candidates will become known as the foremost champions of the oppressed.

500 Browder-Ford Clubs In the neighborhoods Browder-Ford Clubs will be organized to rally support for the presidential ticket, and for the local candidates. The State Committee of the C. P. has set a goal of at least 500 such clubs in California.

Special Ford committees will be set up in Negro communities to prepare for the meetings to be held for James W. Ford, vice-presidential candidate, in Los Angeles, Oakland and San Francisco.

Ford To Speak In Calif.

Ford will be in California from October 7th to 10th, and Mother Bloor, leading the Women's Campaign Committee in the nation, will speak in this state from September 4th to 13th.

In order to carry on the most gigantic Communist campaign in U. S. history, the People's Fund Against Reaction has been set at \$250,000 throughout the country.

California's quota for this fund campaign is \$20,000—see the donation blank in the lower right-hand corner of this page.

Thirty percent of the total raised in each county or section is to be kept locally for the campaign, and the balance turned into the State Campaign Headquarters at 121 Haight Street, San Francisco. Of the 70 percent received in state headquarters, 20 percent will be retained for the state-wide campaign and the remaining 50 percent will go to New York for the nation-wide program.

Issue Coupon-Books

Coupon-books for donations will be issued to the various county organizations and section of the Communist Party in the state within the next week.

By radio, by movies, by pamphlets by tons of leaflets—the 1936 platform of the Communist Party will be popularized among the widest possible masses, along with the candidates who stand for and will fight for the demands of the platform.

The National Campaign Committee is taking steps to produce motion pictures for screening throughout the country. Twelve nation-wide broadcasts over chain networks are planned for the last 12 weeks before the final elections in November.

In addition, scores of broadcasts will go out over California stations, including two state-wide broadcasts.

Warehousemen Meet On Drug House Demands

SAN FRANCISCO.—The Warehousemen Union, I.L.A., was to meet Tuesday with representatives of the Industrial Assn., to consider "the union's demands for wages and recognition in local drug warehouses.

Austro-Nazi Pact Is War Agreement

VIENNA.—The German-Austrian pact is not designed for collective security, it was revealed here when Franz von Papen, Nazi Minister to Austria, attacked the Soviet Union in a recent speech. Von Papen scored the U.S.S.R. doctrine of collective security and the indivisibility of peace, praising the Austro-German accord as a "union for peace."

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Jerking of Charters Does Not Stop Militancy!

A splendid example of the growing determination of rank and file trade unionists to resist entrenched bureaucracy is being given by the united ranks of the Oakland machinists. The men are determined to win back the charter summarily jerked because the International officials have labelled the strike "unauthorized."

Nash, organizer for the International, could not have exposed his role more effectively than he did by taking possession of the union office accompanied by the police.

The capitalist press predicts with satisfaction that the strike is about over, and that a new local will be organized which will elect officials in place of those ousted. But the 1,800 men are maintaining their organization and discipline, and the 41 struck shops are still shut down.

Other machinist locals on the West Coast, with the lead taken by Machinists' 68 of San Francisco, are rallying to the support of their Oakland brothers. With this inspiring demonstration of solidarity the Oakland local will regain its charter.

The time is past when reactionary officials can jerk charters and the men so discriminated against scurry to cover. The fight of the rank and file of the Sailors Union of the Pacific to regain their charter is another outstanding example of this.

Halt Attacks Against Unemployed in California!

California's prosperity bubble hit a sharp corner and burst with the publication of the findings of an official survey of unemployment in this state.

The U. S. Chamber of Commerce last week proudly stated that 1936 was closely approaching the "normal" times of 1929. In California, 500,000 employables are conservatively estimated as being without jobs, as compared to an estimated 150,000 in 1929.

This figure excludes all those on local relief.

In Republican California there has been nothing done to find jobs for all unemployed, at useful occupations and trade union wages. This is not surprising, of course, since the whole policy of the Republican party is one of shifting responsibility first from the Federal government, and then from state governments to county authorities. This is the avowed policy of Merriam, openly stated, and seen by the sharply cut SRA budget now in effect.

Should the presidential elections result in a Republican victory, the conditions of the unemployed throughout the country will rapidly worsen. Landon has made no secret of his intended sharp retrenchment in unemployment relief.

But no matter which ticket is successful, Republican Merriam, with the support of the powerful industrialists and ranchers, will continue the policy of throwing the unemployed back on the counties, which are unable to cope adequately with the problems of relief. Forced labor for the unemployed, at wages lower than union scale, is Merriam's objective.

The recent unity convention of the Workers' Alliance has mapped out a mass organizational campaign against forced labor, and for trade union wages on all

relief projects. Progressive trade unions will support this campaign.

All unemployed throughout the state should join the Workers' Alliance, and help weld it into a powerful organization which can halt the attacks by the reactionary administration against the unemployed.

Fight the "Anti-Alien" Move Backed By Reactionaries!

The drive, started in southern California "to rid the state of aliens," is aimed directly at organized labor. The circulation of initiative petitions to put the measure on the ballot at the next general election is sponsored and supported by the Chamber of Commerce, the Hearst press, the L. A. Times, and the American Legion.

The aim is to split the ranks of organized labor, and generally to give the impression that strikes such as the recent Orange County struggle are caused by "alien agitators," as "fomented" by Communists.

No one knows better than the workers themselves that strikes are resorted to only when all other means fail in the desperate need to obtain decent wages and working conditions.

Raising the cry of "Communist Plots" and "alien agitators" will not stop the struggle of the underpaid agricultural workers for better wages.

The viciousness of the petition is revealed by the fact that it also asks that the voters "forbid the use of any public funds in this state for the relief of aliens." The next logical step is to bar from relief all workers who are active in strikes or other working class struggles.

Employers of labor, who are behind this move, will no doubt try to force their workers to sign the petition under threat of losing their jobs.

This move must be exposed, immediately and effectively. Labor unions, progressive political groups and liberal organizations should unite in a campaign which will result in every worker being made aware of the true nature of the petition and its results.

One-Man Street Car Is Public Menace to Lives

How much longer will the people of San Francisco stand for the one-man streetcar?

These cars on our streets are a direct and arrogant slap in the peoples' face. Three out of every four voters decided against them in the Spring of last year!

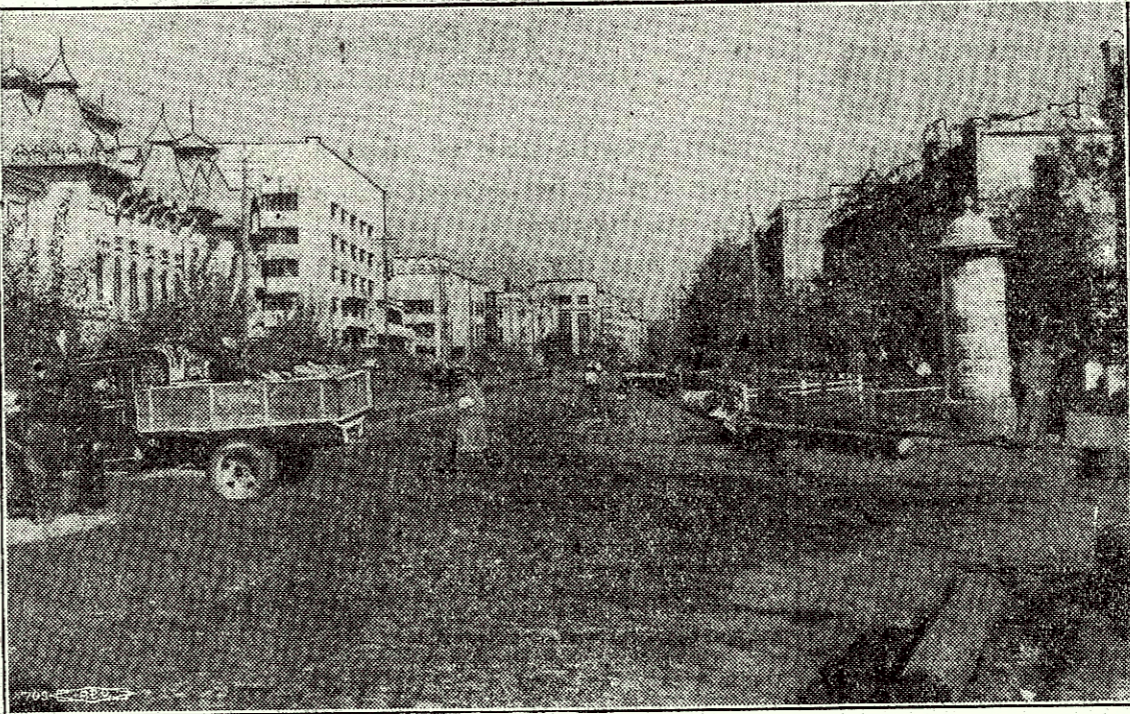
They threaten the jobs of the streetcar workers. "The one-man car means one man starves!"

And now the fact that they are a menace to the lives of passengers, motorists and pedestrians is brought sharply home by two accidents, one within a few days of the other. In Oakland, where a crash caused the death of the motorman-conductor; and in San Francisco, where several car riders were badly shaken up in a crash between a one-man car and a truck and trailer.

The latter accident took place because the motorman-conductor had his head turned, busy making change. Luckily, no one was badly injured—but it might as easily have had much more serious results.

Demand the safeguarding of the lives of our people by removing this public menace from our streets! Flood the Board of Supervisors and the Market Street Railway with protests!

U.S.S.R.—Where a Little Village Grows to Be a Major City



BUILDING TRADES WORKERS in the U.S.A. will appreciate this one. About 60% of them are out of work, with building more or less at a standstill. Here is Karl Marx Street, in Khabarovsk, Soviet Siberia, with new workers' apartments and office buildings rising on both sides. Like many another Soviet city, Khabarovsk has grown in recent years from a little tank-town to a great modern city of 100,000 population.

Who is For Force, Violence?

By LAWRENCE ROSS
 Legal action started in Fresno to prevent the Communist Party from appearing on the ballot is based on the much-used claim, made by the most reactionary inciters to violence against striking workers, that the Communist Party is an advocate of force and violence.

Quoting from the Fresno Bee of July 22nd:

"The suit is based on the ground that the Communist Party is illegal in that it advocates 'direct action' in the settlement of controversies, and neither its members nor the teachings, tenets and principals of the party believe in, teach, espouse or advocate the enforcement of rights, privileges, immunities of citizens by judicial determination."

"The petition says the Communist Party and its members believe in and advocate the overthrow of established government, the perversion of justice and of government by violent means and tenets are contrary to the good order of society."

These claims are made in an attempt to picture the Communist Party as an illegal band of terrorists, bent upon stirring up violent strife, with no regard for the principles of Americanism, and therefore not entitled to a place on the ballot in democratic elections.

Prestige of Party
 Certainly such attacks upon the Communist Party, inspired and organized by the most reactionary exploiters of labor, are made because these open-shoppers recognize the growing prestige of the Communist Party due to its leading part in the struggles to win a decent, American standard of living for the American people.

Are these claims correct? We believe examination of the facts will prove that the charges made against the Communist Party in the Fresno injunction suit apply very neatly precisely to the wealthy ranchers, the shipowners, the steel magnates and other largescale employers of labor.

First: "the Communist Party is illegal in that it advocates direct action in the settlement of controversies."

We assume this refers to the role of the Communist Party in strike struggles.

Tongues in Cheek
 Certainly the American Constitution League and its reactionary sponsors had their tongues in their cheeks when that claim was made. Are there any more flagrant examples of the advocacy of "direct action" than the vigilante attacks against the striking agricultural workers in Orange County? Or the incitement to violence contained in the Yuba City Herald recently, openly calling for the burning down of the Federal Migrant Workers' Camp at Marysville and the lynching of the workers? Or the organization of such fascist gangs as the Black Legion and similar night riders, used against organized labor?

Or, to go back, the illegal raids and brutal clubbings carried on throughout the state by vigilantes immediately following the 1934 strike? The list is too long to enumerate.

As for the role of the Communist Party in strikes, Comrade Earl Browder, General Secretary of the Communist Party, very clearly stated our position in his speech in reply to the discussion at the Ninth National Convention of our Party:

"The newspapers in the last few days, and especially the Hearst press, have been making a serious attempt to arouse a new Red scare in connection with our Convention. They are trying to create a panic within the bourgeoisie that the Communists are launching in this Convention a great crusade, in organizing strike, strike, strike, for what it is. When American workers go on strike it is not because Communists are stirring strike's sake. . . ."

Fakery Branded
 "It is necessary for us in this Convention to brand this fakery ring up trouble, but because in those places the forces of Big Business are denying to these workers the right to organize and bargain collectively, and denying it by force and violence (referring to the organization drive in steel and auto—Ed.)."

"Workers do not lightly go on strike. A strike is a difficult struggle, requiring heavy sacrifices. Communists do not lightly advise workers to strike. To strike is a weapon of last resort, to which the workers turn only when the capitalists have blocked every other road of redress for their grievances. And when strikes occur, and when bloodshed takes place in connection with them, that is not the result of Communist policies or Communist activities. That is the work of the reactionary capitalists and their agents who are directly responsible for the strike and for troubles that arise out of strikes. . . ."

"The Communist Party is not stirring up strikes. The Communist Party is helping in every way possible to organize the workers. The Communist Party will do everything to help the workers use their organizations to get better wages, shorter hours, better working conditions; and when there is no other way, when the capitalists refuse to deal with the workers and try to break up their organizations, then the workers have the right to strike."

That is a fundamental American right which the American workers will never surrender, and the Communists will advise and help the workers of America to preserve their right to strike under all circumstances and to use it whenever it becomes necessary."

As for the charge made that the Communist Party does not believe in "judicial determination,"—here again the shoe fits snugly on the capitalist foot. There are a number of instances of the flouting of the findings by "judicial determination," by the large scale employers of labor, when such findings do not serve their interests.

Take, for examples, the famous Jones and Laughlin Steel Co. case and that of the Westinghouse Steel Corporation. The National Labor Relations Board "judicially determined" that the workers employed by these two corporations have the right to organize for collective bargaining into a union of their own choice. The owners of both companies figuratively thumbed their noses at this "judicial determination." These violations were so flagrant that the Department of Justice threatened to take action against them. But here we note a district difference between the treatment of employers who violate the law and that accorded to workers. The Department of Justice threat to punish these two corporations remained on paper.

If by flouting of "judicial determination" the American Constitution League refers to the campaign to repeal the anti-constitutional, anti-labor criminal syndicalism law and other laws aimed against the interests

AS WE SEE IT

By BILL SCHNEIDERMAN,
 California State Secretary, Communist Party, U. S. A.

Gentlemen of the Press

The "gentlemen of the press" are never satisfied. In the old days they used to delight in picturing Communists as sinister individuals, with bombs hidden in their whiskers, growling about formenting discontent among an otherwise happy and contented people.

The implication was that jail or deportation was too good for them. But lately the capitalist press is somewhat perplexed. How can they portray Earl Browder of Kansas, James Ford of Alabama, Wm. Z. Foster of Massachusetts, Bob Minor of Texas, Anita Whitney of California, as alien agitators who have smuggled Communism into our borders? It's getting pretty difficult.

So the versatile "gentlemen of the press" are changing their tactics. Some of the "liberal" papers are adopting a facetious vein, attempting to laugh off what they cannot answer in the serious message of the Communist Party and its election platform.

The Communists, they claim, have "gone respectable." Earl Browder's radio broadcast was a "dud," because it did not contain the blood and thunder that Hearst had led them to expect.

The Communists, they say, are embarrassed because of instead the clubs and jails which we are supposed to like so well, we get radio broadcasts and free speech and invitations to address middle-class audiences such as the Commonwealth Club and the California League of Women Voters. And to crown it all, the Communists are supposed to have deserted the working-class, which Mr. B. W. Horne of the San Francisco News sneeringly and insultingly refers to as "the unwashed proletariat."

Perhaps it is beside the point to remind these "liberals" that Browder's first radio broadcast was completely suppressed on the West Coast; that the Madison Square Garden broadcast was cut in half, and in some places down to 15 minutes; that it is becoming increasingly difficult in California to obtain halls for Communist election meetings; that the majority of halls are closed to us in San Francisco and Los Angeles; that every hall and large stadium in Los Angeles refused the Browder meeting; that not only Communist but A. F. of L. organizers are threatened by vigilantism in the agricultural areas, as witness the arrest of a representative of the State Federation of Labor during the recent Orange County strike, and 155 strikers.

The rights of free speech and assemblage are daily being threatened; they have to be fought for, to be maintained. And the fascist elements are coming forward more aggressively every day, to destroy those rights.

The fascist danger threatens not only Communists, but all workers; not only the working-class, but the American people as a whole. In Germany not only the Communists and Socialists and trade unions were suppressed by Hitler fascism, but also the middle class liberals who stood up for democracy. Unless the American people learn the lesson which the victory of German Fascism brings home, Fascism will become a reality in our own country.

Because the Communist Party is a driving-force for the bringing about of an anti-fascist front against reaction in America, it is becoming increasingly recognized even by its enemies as an important political factor in the labor movement and in the life of the American people. The reactionary forces recognize our party as its chief enemy, and are now trying through the courts of California to nullify the law regarding political parties and rule Communist candidates off the ballot.

When Earl Browder speaks in Los Angeles and San Francisco, thousands of workers and farmers and middle-class people will come to hear him because they recognize he has a message and a challenge to all the people, pointing the only way to defeat reaction and fascism, and to a free, happy, and prosperous America.

FRENCH WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE
 PARIS—A bill to make women eligible to vote and to hold elective office, was adopted by the Chamber of Deputies by a vote of 488 to 1, and now goes to the reactionary Senate, which has thus far defeated women's suffrage legislation.

School Is Success
 MEXICO CITY.—Created to serve as a means by which foreign students may gain authoritative and accurate insight into the political, social and economic conditions in Mexico today, the Workers' University of Mexico opened its first summer school session on July 6th last.

The large number of enrollments include journalists, directors and teachers of American workers' schools, leaders of labor groups, and specialists and students of social problems.

The university has the solid support of Mexican labor.

Both Democratic and Republican governors send the national guard against organized labor on strike. Build the Farmer-Labor Party.

Certificate vs. Fink Book
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 An active campaign to prevent the issuance of certificates of service and efficiency and Copeiland Fink Books is now being carried on by the unions affiliated with the Maritime Federation of the Pacific Coast, the

Looking Over A Fascist Measure

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THE COPELAND FINK BOOK

will be the "present" given in Christmas Day, 1936 to every American marine radio operator and unlicensed seaman by President Roosevelt and Senator Copeland.

Effective December 25, 1936, radio operators and unlicensed seamen employed on American ships of 100 gross tons or over will be required to obtain and carry a "continuous discharge book" (Copeland Fink Book). This book is only one of three certificates which every marine radio operator will be required to possess. The other two are a Radiotelegraph Operator's license (issued by the Federal Communications Commission) and a "certificate of service or efficiency" (issued by the Bureau of Marine Inspection and Navigation).

Copeland Fink Book

The Copeland Bill (H.R. 8597) states "every seaman upon a merchant vessel of the United States of the burden of 100 gross tons or upward, except vessels employed exclusively in trade on the navigable rivers of the United States, shall be furnished with a book, to be known as a 'continuous discharge book', which shall be retained by him and which shall contain the signature of the seaman to whom it is so furnished and a statement of his nationality, age, personal description, photograph and home address."

The Copeland Bill further provides that continuous discharge books shall be issued by shipping commissioners and collectors and deputy collectors of customs.

Penalties are established for the issuance of such discharge books by any except authorized person, or for the counterfeiting or falsification of such books.

How the Fink Book Will Work

"Upon the discharge of any seaman and the payment of his wages, the shipping commissioner shall enter in the continuous discharge book of such seaman the name of the vessel, the nature of the voyage (foreign or coastwise), the class to which the vessel belongs (steam, motor, sail or barge), the date and place of the shipment and of the discharge of such seaman, and the rating then held by such seaman."

A further provision in the Copeland Bill provides that whenever a seaman is discharged at a port where there is no shipping commissioner the Master of the vessel may make the proper entry in the seaman's continuous discharge book.

Duplicate Records Kept

A record of every continuous discharge book and certificate of service or efficiency will be kept in Washington by the Bureau of Marine Inspection and Navigation. This record will include the seaman's name, address, photograph, fingerprints (if required by the Secretary of Commerce) and a certified copy of all entries made in the seaman's "continuous discharge book." The Government will keep practically the same record of radio operators and seamen as it keeps for the enlisted personnel of the Army and Navy.

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INTERNATIONAL LABOR BODY IN STEP TO UNITY

I.F.T.U. Resolution Seeks Unity With Trade Unions Of Soviet Union and America

LONDON.—World-wide trade-union unity may soon become a reality, following, unanimous adoption of a resolution at the recent Congress of the International Federation of Trade Unions held here.



Anything can happen when bankers get together. Above is Louis de Brouckere, president of the Labor and Socialist (Second) International, called "a matter of life and death" calls openly for unity with the 20,000,000 strong trade-union movement of the Red International of Labor Unions and leaves open the road for unity of action with Unions.

Text of the resolution follows: Continue Efforts "The Congress approves the efforts made until now by the International Federation of Trade Unions to re-establish trade union unity, and considers that in view of the gravity of the present international situation, these efforts should be continued.

"It has decided to open discussions with the national trade-union organizations of America, Australia, New Zealand, the Far East, and the Soviet Union, and of all other countries, which are outside the I. F. T. U."

Largo Caballero, the left-wing Spanish Socialist leader, declared that in his opinion the resolution meant that if the I. F. T. U. Executive Committee wanted unity, it could bring it about.

Sir Walter Citrine, chairman of the British Trades Union Congress, declared as chairman of the Congress, that the resolution was "the inevitable compromise between the divergent points of view."

Against Fascist Terror The Congress also adopted a resolution against the Fascist terror, and on the motion of the Swedish delegation, the following phrase was unanimously adopted by acclamation:

"The last victim of the brutal terror in Germany is Edgar Andre, and the Congress energetically protests against this premeditated murder."

The American Federation of Labor was represented by observers at the Congress, including David Dubinsky, member of the Committee for Industrial Organization.

Fascist Measure

(Continued from Page 4) Seamen's Defense Committee and the Marine Division of the A.R.T.A. This campaign includes:

- 1-Petitions addressed to President Roosevelt protesting against the Fink Book. 2-Pledge cards for seamen stating the signer will never accept the continuous discharge book as a condition of employment. 3-Resolutions for all labor and liberal groups to adopt and forward to the President. 4-Buttons which bear the text "I REFUSE COPELAND FINK BOOK" to be worn by all seamen.

Every member of the A.R.T.A. should take an active part in the fight against the Fascist and anti-labor sections of the Copeland Bill by:

- 1-Circulating anti-Copeland Bill petitions. 2-Discussing and explaining the provisions of the Copeland Bill with members of ship's crews and persuading them to take an active part in the anti-Copeland Bill campaign. 3-Requesting members of their family, their friends and members of other unions to send protests to President Roosevelt and members of Congress. The Copeland Bill is a real threat to the security of every radio operator and unlicensed seaman; it sets up an employer-controlled blacklist system which may weaken and destroy the marine unions and thereby bring about the return of the long hours, low pay, discrimination and other abuses which existed before the unions became well organized.

GYPPED IN CALIF. SACRAMENTO.—Thousands of Californians, in a back to the land movement, have purchased land unfit for agriculture, reports the Resettlement Administration.

SARDINE BOAT TIED UP CALIFORNIA CITY.—One of the 7 sardine boats tied up in the fishermen's demands for increases in wages is in this port.

C.T.M. Affiliates With World Labor

MEXICO CITY.—The Confederation of Mexican Workers (CTM) representing more than 90 percent of the organized labor movement of Mexico, has affiliated with the International Federation of Trade Unions, marking the first time Mexican labor has taken its place in the ranks of the world-labor movement.

Delegates of the Confederation are at present attending the 8th International Labor Congress in London, to which they brought the greetings and support of the Mexican working class.

Philippines Army More Useful To Wall Street SAN FRANCISCO—Wall Street wants to continue to exploit the Philippine Islands, but its U. S. War Department and Navy Department are leary of the chances of defending the islands and are afraid that the exploited Filipinos might welcome invaders.

Therefore, the independence of the Philippines. Therefore, the building of a Philippine Army under tutelage of Field Marshal Douglas MacArthur.

The Wall Street guys figure the Filipinos will defend the islands if they figure that they're defending themselves, instead of American exploiters.

One of their Filipino tools arrived here last week in the person of Major Telesoro Martinez, first officer of the new Philippine army to come here. Martinez is to visit military colleges in the United States to pick up the latest technique in mass murder. He reports some 40,000 men have been enrolled in the army to date.

HONOR SLAIN BROTHERS

SHEBOYGAN, Wis.—500 Kohler strikers marched on July 26 to honor two workers slain by company thugs in 1934.

UNSKILLED HARDEST HIT

WASHINGTON.—Of the 3,000,000 on W.P.A. rolls last fall, 2,225,000 were unskilled workers.

SAN FRANCISCO.—SRA Administrator Small changed his mind last week, when he refused to prosecute charges of "disturbing the peace" which he himself had filed against 10 members of the Workers' Alliance of California, formerly Public Works and Unemployed Union.

Small had the workers arrested several weeks ago when they appeared at his office as a delegation to demand settlement of two grievance cases. The administrator called the police when the committee said it intended to stay in the office until the cases were settled, but regretted his action within a few hours, getting the workers out of jail on their own recognizance.

LOW SCALE ON PRUNES

SAN JOSE.—The low scale of \$2.50 a ton for prunes will be paid pickers in this area, the Santa Clara Farm Bureau announces.

TYPEWRITER NEEDED

SAN FRANCISCO.—The Communist State Election Campaign Committee is requesting the donation or loan for three months of one good typewriter. Anyone who can help the committee on this is urged to communicate with Room 6, 121 Haight street, Phone HEimlock 9467.

U. S. ACTIVE IN GREATEST NAVAL RACE

Drive Started To Recruit To 100,000 Gobs. Reveal The Billion Dollar Budget For War

WASHINGTON.—The war preparations program of the Roosevelt administration during the fiscal year of 1936-37, is going full blast with the Navy starting a recruiting drive to boost its total enlisted strength to 100,000 men.

Congress authorized this increase to the 100,000 mark to be reached by July 1st, 1937. During the last year a daily average of 88,000 men has manned the 324 Navy ships.

The Navy "high command" estimates it will need a 7941 line officer strength to man the treaty-authorized Navy to be achieved by 1942, including the 79 ships under construction and 16 appropriated for at the present time.

Admiral William H. Standley, acting Navy Secretary, recently declared he had "not the slightest doubt" that construction of two new battle ships would begin next year, with contracts probably being let some time this fall.

Millions For War Appropriations voted by the 74th Congress for the current fiscal year have been computed as follows: Naval \$526,546,500 Army military 383,104,900 Army non-military 189,342,000 Naval airplane contracts 13,000,000 Army airplane contracts 10,669,800 Public Works, Navy (1937) 556,000 Public Works, Army, Army repair and construction 442,000 Army air depot, Sacramento 4,000,000 Other contract authorizations 3,000,000 Total \$1,181,365,200

Naves "For Defense"

LONDON.—Plans for Great Britain's "greatest navy" were announced here by Sir Samuel Hoare, First Lord of the Admiralty, who said construction of two battleships will begin in January, 1937.

With the work marking its greatest armament race in history, Hoare told the House of Commons.

"Arrangement for laying down these ships are being made in full accord with the declared policy of his majesty's government to press on with naval replacement and the new construction program with all possible speed."

The new construction program ends the five-power Washington naval treaty, with limitations on defense, and the coming into effect of a tri-power accord.

This naval race is the logical outcome of the collapse of the London disarmament conference which was followed by the tri-power accord. Chiefly responsible for the collapse of the London party was the military-fascist dictatorship of Japan.

Urges Boycott Of Puerto Rico, Ballot SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico.—Boycott of the next election in protest against American imperialism in this island colony, was urged upon the Liberal Party in a radio broadcast at Ponce recently by Senator Luis Munoz Marin. Should the November elections be held, said Marin, the sugar interests would see to it that the issue of Puerto Rican independence would be defeated.

Plan Gift Of Planes To Spain Govt. MEXICO CITY.—Purchase of two bombing planes to be given the left-wing government of Spain to aid in defeat of the Fascists, was planned here following an anti-Fascist mass meeting. The planes would be bought in France, by funds raised by public subscription.

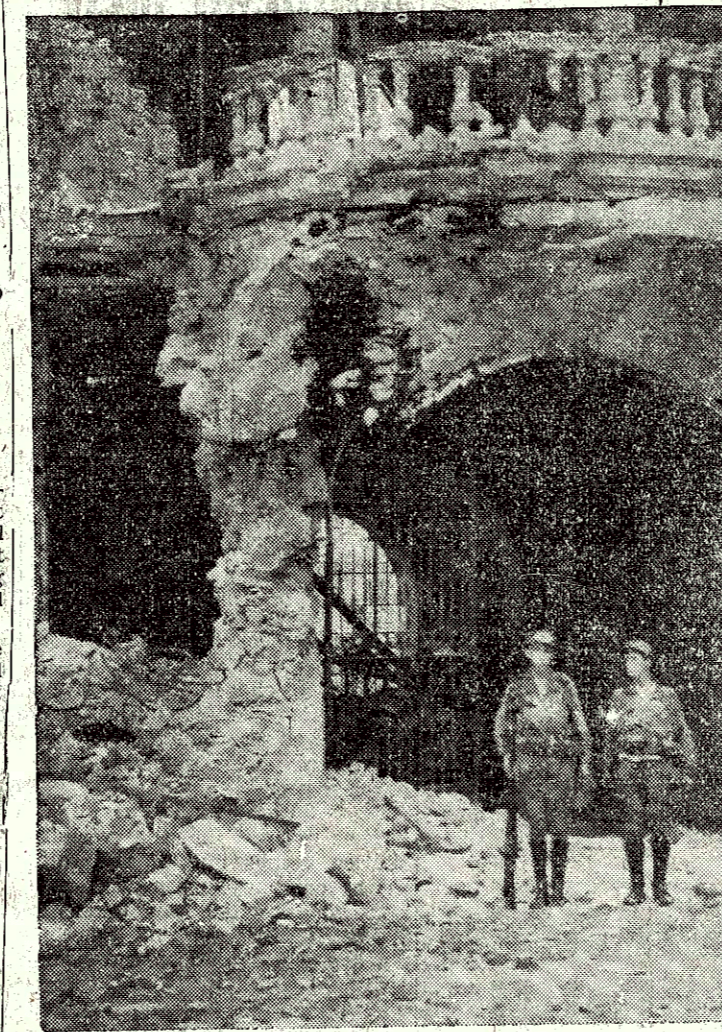
ROBBERS AGREE ON SPOILS SPLIT ROME.—Recognition by Nazi Germany of Italy's rape of Ethiopia, has brought improved relations between the two fascist countries, along with the recent Austro-Nazi accord "guaranteeing" Austrian independence.

The robbers have agreed on a temporary division of the spoils. Italy has agreed to grant Germany reduced interest rates on its reparation debts, lowering from 7 to 5 percent the rates on the 1924 Dawes loan and from 5 1/2 to 4 percent on the 1930 Young loan.

Germany recognized the Italian Empire of Italy and Ethiopia by making its legation in Addis Ababa a consulate.

PICKET GOVT. BUILDING WASHINGTON.—The Federation of Architects and Engineers picketed the Federal Power Commission offices when a union member was fired.

Fascist "Civilization" In Brazil



LUIS CARLOS PRESTES, idolized leader of the Brazilian masses, is in the hands of the Fascists who created the havoc seen above. These training barracks in Rio de Janeiro were crushed by artillery when cadets joined labor forces revolting against the rule of President Vargas late last year. Prestes is reported now on trial before these Fascist forces, who are backed by Wall Street.

OLYMPICS COMMITTEE OUSTS ANTI-NAZI AMERICAN

BERLIN.—The International Olympic Games Committee last week played the propaganda game of Adolph Hitler, when it unanimously ousted Ernest Lee Jahncke, of New Orleans, an anti-Nazi, from the committee and then installed Avery Brundage as his successor.

Officially Jahncke was ousted on the ground that he failed to attend two consecutive meetings of the committee.

However, it was recalled that Jahncke, a former Assistant Secretary of the Navy, opposed United States participation in the Games were to be held in Nazi Germany. Brundage is pro-Nazi.

The Nazi propagandists are applying the finishing touches of whitewash for the Hitler atrocities against the German people, and are all set to open their \$25,000,000 athletic "extravaganza."

PROTEST DEATH SENTENCE FOR EDGAR ANDRE

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia.—In the name of 700,000 workers in the Czechoslovakian trade unions, a protest has been sent to Nazi Germany protesting against the "People's Court" sentence of death against Edgar Andre, anti-Nazi leader.

Protest wires have also been sent from the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, and from many other organizations. A telegram from the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Czechoslovakia was refused by the post office.

DISCUSS CONSTITUTION MOSCOW.—The workers and collective farmers are still discussing the historic Soviet Constitution, in thousands of letters sent to Pravda and Izvestia, leading Soviet newspapers, which daily print a column of suggested amendments.

A farmer from the Volga writes that the obligation to defend the fatherland should read "to defend the Socialist Fatherland."

TOWARD COMMUNISM A young worker thinks the paragraph defining the U.S.S.R. as a Socialist country, should add that it is consciously developing toward Communist society.

Some would add new Commissariats of Art and Arctic Conquest. Limiting the university entrance age to 35 is opposed by some Soviet citizens who want the age to be 50 or unlimited.

Most of the suggested amendments only emphasize current practice and are more appropriate to ordinary law than to the Constitution, but some contain ideas which may be adopted.

APPEALS FOR SPAIN AID NEW YORK.—Norman Thomas has appealed to the International Federation of Trade Unions to aid the Spanish government by refusing to transport war material against it.

Spanish Communist Leader Is "Pepe" To The Workers

Jose Diaz Leads Workers Against Fascist "Coup" Today As He Led In The Front Ranks Of The Working Class Movement For Labor Twenty Years

By L. Sylvia Jose Diaz, General Secretary of the Communist Party of Spain, is a real son of the Spanish working class.

At 12 years of age he was already working in a bakery. Diaz learned from his father, a baker, and his mother, a tobacco worker, of the harshness of capitalist exploitation, while yet in his cradle tasted deep poverty, and during childhood felt the full weight of wage labor tested on his yet undeveloped shoulders.

Early in the Struggle

The capitalist system aroused a storm of indignation, wrath and hatred in the heart of the young worker, and stirred in him the will for struggle. From 1917 onwards Diaz gave all his strength to the organization and struggle of the workers of his native city, Seville.

Diaz was always in the front ranks of all conflicts undertaken by the Seville workers against the employers and the authorities. His energy and loyalty to the interests of the workers, his knowledge of their needs, his ability to lead, won him great authority among the workers, and advanced him to the ranks of the outstanding trade union leaders in Seville.

He is known to the Spanish workers as "Pepe."

But the growing worker-leader of the masses was not satisfied with the anarcho-syndicalism which predominated at that time among the workers of Seville. While organizing aid for revolutionaries who had fallen into the hands of the class enemy, Jose Diaz became connected with the International Labor Defense organization.

Joins Labor Defense

And from 1925 on we see him an active member of the I. L. D., a rare exception for a leading official of an anarcho-syndicalist trade union. It was then that for the first time he found his way to Communist literature, for the first time he began to become acquainted with Communism and the Communist Party of Spain, and discovered the truth about the Soviet Union, about the dictatorship of the proletariat.

Through work in the I. L. D., Diaz became connected with a large number of active Communists in Spain. The idea of international proletarian solidarity, to which the I. L. D. was devoted, linked Diaz up with the Communists and brought him to the Communist Party of Spain.

Ridding himself, on the basis of his own experience, of the remnants of the old anarcho-syndicalist ideology, Jose Diaz more and more transferred the main weight of his work to the struggle for the Communist Party, for its mass policy.

Officially he joined the Party in 1927 when the entire District Committee of the Communist Party of Andalusia was arrested, when he defended the Party organization in Seville from the attempts of the class enemy first to deprive it of its leadership, and then destroy it.

United Party Forces

Acting on the instructions of the comrades arrested, Jose Diaz succeeded, by working energetically in uniting the scattered forces of the Communists, in recruiting new forces and in forming a new District Committee.

The work carried on by Diaz was so fruitful that at the next Andalusian Party Conference he was elected secretary. Under his leadership the Party organization in Seville gathered strength and became the generally recognized leader of the biggest battles fought by the workers of Seville.

In 1932, after the suppression of the general strike in Seville during which Diaz led in the street fighting, the police succeeded in laying their hands on him. Diaz was sentenced to 18 years' imprisonment. The workers of Seville demanded the liberation of Diaz, that he be let out on bail. Workers—Communists, Socialists, and Anarchists—raised the bail of 5000 pesetas among themselves.

Workers Freed Diaz When Diaz was arrested during the 1933 election campaign in Seville, the great indignation of the workers forced the authorities to release him. The name of Jose Diaz became the most popular name in Seville before and after the October battles. For the workers of Seville Jose Diaz is the embodiment of Communism.

Jose Diaz justified the love and trust of the Seville workers. His firmness and loyalty to the cause of the working class, to the Spanish revolution, were not

Workers' Militia Pushes Fascists Northward

(By Cable)

MADRID.—The heroism of the workers' militia will live forever in history. In fierce battles in which both sides used artillery and aviation the Government forces pushed the Fascists over the other side of the two most important passes, Somosierra and Alto de Leone.

Moors landing in Southern Spain have been reported wiped out in various parts by farmers with sickles and knives. Trenches are being dug and barbed-wire defenses erected to consolidate People's Front positions in the Guadarramas Mountains, where fighting continues day and night.

Fascists Are Barbarous

Fascist atrocities are worse than those committed in Ethiopia or Germany. Fascist planes bomb hospitals and machine-guns noncombatants along the roads, and the Fascists boast over their radio that they are executing hundreds of Marxists daily throughout the countryside.

Peasant prisoners stated the Fascists enrolled them by telling them they were fighting against putschists in Madrid, and many surrender to the government when they are able. Prisoners taken by the workers' militia admit the Fascists have been planning the revolt since the February elections. This is seen by the finding of Fascist machine gun nests built several months ago.

Socialist Leaders Support People's Front In Spain NEW YORK.—"If I were in Spain, I sure would support the People's Front fight," stated John Herling, publicity chief for Norman Thomas, Socialist candidate for President.

Mark Starr, leading Socialist and educational director of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, answered the same question with a laugh:

"It's funny to be rooting for the government. Of course our sympathies are 100 percent for the Spanish workers." Herling announced Thomas has sent the following cable to the secretary of the International Federation of Trade Unions with headquarters in Amsterdam, Holland. The cable read:

"Suggest earnest consideration of measures to aid Spanish trade unionists and other workers fighting against Fascist slavery." However, Al Hamilton, student director of the Young People's Socialist League, attacked the People's Front of Spain on the amazing grounds that it was a "liability and not an asset," because the Left Republicans were supporting it!

broken by persecution at the hands of enemies or the intrigues of traitors. When the former leaders of the Communist Party of Spain, in the persons of the renegades expelled from the Party, Bullejos, Adame, Vega and Trilla, attempted to recruit Diaz to their side, he was able to see into their treacherous machinations and led the struggle against them, for the Party, for the line of the Communist International.

It was in this irreconcilable and consistent struggle that the present leader of the Communist Party of Spain developed and grew strong, uniting around himself the best of the Party's forces. Since 1932 Jose Diaz has been at the head of the Political Bureau of the Party.

(See next issue for biography of another member of the Political Bureau of the Spanish Communist Party, the famous Dolores Ibaruri, or "La Pasionaria.")

Let unity between Socialists and Communists blaze the way to unity of all toilers!

Zaragoza Besieged By People's Front

(By Cable)

BUJARALOEZ, Spain.—Zaragoza, one of the last major strongholds of the Fascists, is surrounded by the People's Front forces of troops and workers' militia. The city is formally under siege, with government airplanes bombing Fascist nests.

The government columns are fighting their way mile by mile in hand-to-hand combat, and are reported victorious in their route. The government is launching a timed offensive from all sides.

Foreign Fascists Aid "Putsch"

LONDON.—German, Italian and French Fascists are aiding the Spanish Fascists in their attempted "putsch" with bombing planes, machine guns, rifles and automobiles, according to authoritative sources here confirming the report in Izvestia, Soviet Union newspaper. In a dispatch to the Manchester Guardian, a correspondent wrote:

"A well organized and recently enlarged net of Nazi organizations exist in Spain, the latter under cover of diplomatic and consular agencies. Italian and Nazi agents are active for the Fascists in Morocco and the Balearic Islands, but of still greater significance is the fact that in Morocco the Fascists are in possession of Italian arms."

"Nazi Germany is greatly interested in the success of the coup. If the Fascists are victorious, she expects to get important concessions including the use of the Balearic Islands by German warships. These islands play an important part in the Mediterranean."

Italian Planes Crash

PARIS.—Two airplanes, perhaps four, have been driven down on the Moroccan coast by a violent gale, and have been identified as Italian, of a type used in the air force for bombing. They were believed intended for Spanish Fascists. One of them, armed with four machine guns and carrying munitions, landed on the frontier of French-Spanish Morocco. Three of the crew of four were killed. On the crew were found civilian passports and Italian military papers.

VIGILANTE MENACE

MARYSVILLE.—"There is no reason for my intervention," declared State Attorney General U. S. Webb to demands by Fred A. Weller, attorney for the Federal Resettlement Administration, that he take action against incitement-to-riot articles appearing in the Yuba City Herald against the Federal Migrant Workers' Camp here.

"It is a closed incident," said Webb. The attorney general first replied that the charges of the newspaper, which called for vigilante action against the camp to "clean out the Reds" and burn it to the ground, had not been denied. Then he said the paper's charges were fake.

Demands Webb Act Weller immediately wrote back an emphatic letter, demanding that Webb take a "four-square stand against any mob action" and stating that he wanted to know what Webb was going to do "because if the state is not going to give us protection, we will have to provide our own."

Part of Weller's letter read: "If by chance a Communist or 'red agitator' or a union organizer should at some time be found in this camp, would that justify destruction of the camp by arson or mob violence?"

Webb's reply to this letter has not been made.

BERLIN.—To give face to the Nazi Olympic Games, Hitler's Labor Front ordered the working population here to begin a "week of laughter."

"The coming eight days will be days of jollity and cheerfulness," proclaimed the Hitlerites. But the only reaction was plenty of laughter from foreign visitors reading the proclamation.

EDITOR INCITES TO TERRORISM

Yuba City Herald Editor In Vigilante Appeal, Was 1917 Scab-Herder

By a Worker Correspondent

MARYSVILLE—The Yuba City Herald is continuing its incitement to riot and incitement to violence against the Federal Migrant Workers Camp here.

This ratty paper recently reprinted a letter to the Appeal-Democrat, described by the Herald as a "little country daily across the river" from W. Crook. Part of this letter reads:

"Why I did not buy a house in Yuba City.

"When I came down here from Bakersfield, my home town, I found a welcome and a clean place with sanitary conditions, in the U. S. camp east of Marysville. I found the management to be gentlemanly and efficient in every way.

All American Workers

"The camp was full of good all American working men and women, all seeking honest work that they might live without being in the bread line. These people are not I. W. W.'s or Reds, but hard working honest folks.

"But there is generally a fly in the ointment, and this time it took the form of a newspaper in Yuba City. He has spoken the mind of the citizens of Yuba City—and I am convinced that he has, for no one has offered a protest—I do not wish to live or invest one dime in a town of that spirit!"

"The only thing wrong with this letter is the differentiation between I. W. W.'s or Reds, and "hardworking honest folks." There isn't any difference.

But the answer of this finny Yuba City Herald editor is deliberate incitement to riot:

Continues Inciting

"The Herald stands pat on the charges it made—that Reds were using the camp as their headquarters to foment strikes in the orchards. Two aggravating disturbances had their inception in that camp."

"Perhaps you are justified in calling me a Red-baiter," Horace (Horace Thomas, editor of the other paper). You might even accuse me of being mercenary in this respect and still be within the bound of truth.

"For I do get just as much enjoyment out of hunting Reds as some people do out of hunting deer. Scab-Herder in 1917.

"And Horace, if you will write to the War Department, you will find that time was when I was considered rather good at it. In fact considerable of the "Riot Tactics" now taught in the U. S. Military College was developed in the Garfield, Utah, Smelter strike in 1917 when I was in command of federal troops there."

Here's another one of this so-called editor's calls for vigilante violence against the agricultural workers:

"Stater and Yuba counties cannot afford to pay any such sums for fighting the Reds—pick handles are much cheaper."

However, despite the terror-provoking of this two-by-four inch brain in the shape of an "editor," the agricultural workers in this area are going to get organized to win some decent, American living standards.

Left Leader Murdered

VERA CRUZ—Manilo Fabio Altamirano, member of the left wing of the Chamber of Deputies and candidate for governor of the state of Vera Cruz, was murdered on June 25th as he sat eating dinner with his wife in a central restaurant of Mexico City.

It now appears to be completely proved that the murder was committed by Rafael Cornejo, professional gunman in the employ of Manuel Parra, center of landlord resistance in Mexico.

It is reported here that Cornejo has been killed, too, to prevent his testifying.

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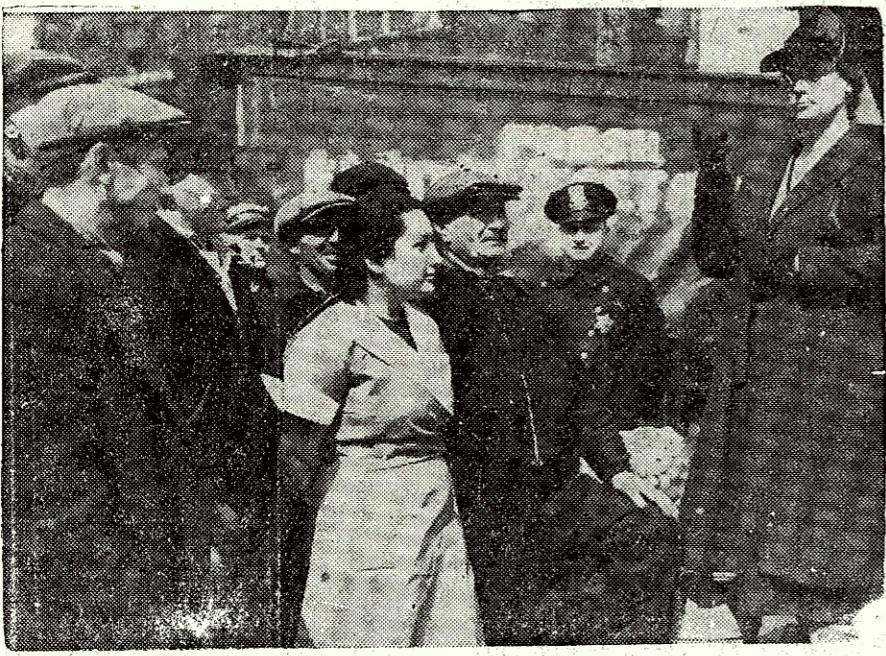
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Bull In The Market Place



PRIM AND RESERVED Mrs. Daisy V. Williams of Iowa, director of farm women's activity for the western division of the Republican National Committee, came in the cold gray dawn of a Chicago morning to the Fulton Market to talk for London. The reception she received was even colder than the morning. She talked and talked—but the workers just smiled.

Cannery Girls Are Cheated, Need Union

By a Worker Correspondent

SANTI CRUZ—I work in the Santa Cruz Cannery, and although apricots are over, the bosses started something there that they will carry over into peaches unless we canner workers organize and demand that they stop.

This is what it is: You know, of course, that a certain sized can (2 2-1/2") is pulled out of the machine and registers on a meter every time one is pulled out. At the end of the day some of the girls (not all by a long shot) pulled out more cans than they could fill—so they could make their meter number higher.

Checker Is Cheater One night the head checker told us he had been given orders by the "higher ups" that he was to deduct six cans from every girl's meter because the company was losing \$10 a night on the unfilled cans.

What a laugh—especially since those cans are gathered up every night, put on trays, and filled up by the girls next morning.

Six cans is half a tray—we were getting at that three cents a tray for apricots. In other words, the girls now bore the (\$10) loss to the tune of 1 1-2 cents every night, every girl, which adds up to 9 cents a week per girl—300 girls—or \$27 to the company every week—and a bottle of milk or loaf of bread less for every girl's family.

We use the meters in peaches, and there is no guarantee that the company will stop deducting cans during peach season. Just because we didn't stop this in apricots is no sign we can't stop it in peaches.

It depends on us. It's up to us on the tables to get together and tell Mrs. Remington that we won't stand a 9 cents a week loss, especially since the cans are filled the next morning and there is no loss to the company of unused cans.

WASHINGTON.—From 1930 to 1935 nearly 59 million man-years of work have been lost through unemployment, the A. F. of L. estimates.

Workers Donate To Communist Party Campaign

By a Worker Correspondent

SACRAMENTO—The following is a list of names of men who have contributed to the election campaign of the Communist Party:

Steve Galovich, \$1; Joe Botta, \$2; A. Blair, \$1; Ed Dakovich, \$2; Pete Krivo, \$1; B. Petkovich, \$1; Joe Frakovich, \$1; P. Barich, \$3; Krist Vujovich, \$1; Steve Frakeovich, \$1; Sam Pantagu, \$1; Pete Leosis, \$1.50; Tony Veth-neik, \$1.50; Dan Zakula, \$1; Jim Eranoff, \$1; John Uzelone, \$1; Stanley Barber, \$1; John Beluch, \$1; Joseph Dancinikovich, \$1; G. Gorso, 50 cents; Leo Eherudji, 50 cents; R. Vikomanovich, \$1; Mike Abucina, \$1; Steve Laka, \$1; Louis Marich, \$1.

Total amount contributed is \$28.50.

They Forget Plan To 'Help' Workers With Families

By a Worker Correspondent

VENICE—Recently Mr. Donald Douglas and some of his executives, of the Douglas Aircraft Company here, expressed themselves as interested in the welfare of the married workers, and suggested that it would be a "splendid thing" if they took advantage of the Federal Housing Administration to buy lots and build themselves homes.

They said they were considering ways and means of cooperating with the mortgage companies in order to make this more generally possible. Nothing more was heard of the idea.

Any Connection?

Soon afterwards a new sub-division was exploited in the neighborhood of the plant. Since it is a restricted property, it naturally is somewhat higher priced than adjacent sub-divisions.

A few suspicious people are wondering who owns the property, which is held in the name of a Los Angeles holding company."

Agricultural Union Fights Against Scab Ranch

By a Worker Correspondent

STOCKTON—The J.L. Peterson ranch of Santa Rosa is advertising for cheap labor to pick the 1936 hop crop. All over Stockton, on all the telephone and power poles, the scab ranch of J. L. Peterson has the following scab-printed posters: "Hop pickers wanted J. L. Peterson Ranch, 1 mile northeast of Lytton Station. Picking starts August 14th, 1936, Phone 28-F-3. Rt. 2, Box 50, Santa Rosa."

Union Issues Call

The Agricultural Workers Union No. 20221 of Stockton is taking steps against the workers of Stockton having to pick Peterson hops for starvation wages. Our union calls on all agricultural workers to organize, fight for higher wages and better conditions.

We also call on the workers of Santa Rosa to see that the workers do not pick Mr. Peterson's hops for the wages that he would like to pay.

WASHINGTON.—German recognition of Mussolini's Ethiopian aggression has put the United States in a ticklish position, it was admitted in "diplomatic circles" here, by placing America in a position where she soon will be forced to recognize the conquest or withdraw her legation from Addis Ababa. Secretary of State Cordell did "not care to discuss the matter."

Workers' Children Suffer Lack Of Dental Care

By a Worker Correspondent

OAKLAND—In a letter to the Alameda County Supervisors dated July 9, 1936, the Berkeley and Alameda County Dental Society revealed the deplorable conditions in the Oakland schools relative to the dental care of the children of workers.

The following report was made under the direction of Dr. H. Stoltz, Assistant Superintendent of Oakland Public Schools, and is signed by Lester A. High, D.D.S.

The following statistics are for 22 elementary schools in Oakland, gathered from records of 1934-1935. They are not representative of all the schools in Oakland because they were located in districts where the economic status of parents was comparatively low. However, they give a picture of the dental needs of this group of children.

Total number of elementary schools in Oakland—50.

Number of schools included in this report—22.

Total enrollment of these 22 schools—10,322.

Need Care

Number of children in these schools needing dental treatments as determined by inspection—7575.

Percent of children needing treatment—73.

Number of children whose parents signed written statements that they were unable to pay private dentists for dental work on their children's teeth—3595.

Percent of children who would not have received any treatment from private dentists—34.

"Not Available"

Number of children needing treatment and for whom the existing public and private dental service facilities were not available—2525.

Number of children who actually received dental treatment from the two dentists and two dental hygienists provided jointly by the Public Health Center of Alameda County and the Oakland Public Schools—952.

Average number of cavities per child treated—4.6.

Estimated cost of adequate dental services for these children—\$25,000.

Dr. High concluded his report as follows: "It seems that this shows the picture with sufficient clearness, and I hope that we shall be able to make a start toward solving one of the most acute health needs among our Oakland children, to serve as a model to use in other localities."

Workers Alliance Local To Hear Candidates

By a Worker Correspondent

VACAVILLE—The Workers' Alliance of California, Local 74, of Vacaville and Fairfield, have sponsored a meeting at Spanish Hall, Vacaville, on Friday, August 7th, at 8 p.m., to which the following candidates for Congress have been invited to speak: Frank H. Buck, Republican; Sheridan Downey, Townsendite and Democrat; Perry Hill, Communist candidate in the 3rd District; Leroy Johnson, and Arthur Pearson.

Walter Shafer, of the Vacaville Townsend Club, will represent Sheridan Downey. Perry Hill has accepted the invitation.

DOUGLAS MEN GET 'WELFARE'

Million-Dollar Aircraft Co. Chisels On Workers Via Company Union

VENICE — Douglas Aircraft here has a "welfare service" for the workers. The Douglas Welfare was organized to supplement the compulsory Industrial Insurance carried by every employee. This insurance costs \$1.20 a thousand, half of which is paid by the employee (it is deducted from his check) and half by the company.

If, on leaving or being laid off, he wishes to keep it in force as regular accident insurance, he is permitted to pay back all the company's share of the premium. Otherwise it lapses. Not many have the amount that accumulates after several years employment.

Workers Pay

The money for the welfare service comes out of the dues to the company union. The canned goods which are taken to needy families of sick employees are contributed by the workers.

A bunch of flowers is taken to the hospital to make the employee forget such little worries as unpaid rent and doctor's bills, which he has to meet himself unless he was hurt on company property, in spite of the fact that the "Welfare" proudly boasts that it gave a total of "\$888 to 308 employees to pay doctor bills, medicine, etc."

Douglas has more than 20 million dollars' worth of contracts, U. S. Army and commercial, at present.

The classification system is a neat frame-up. It was given to the workers through the company union last time they asked for a raise. Each job has a minimum and maximum wage.

The Old Gag

As long as a workers is "loyal" and his work is "satisfactory," he is given a raise of 2 1-2 cents an hour at the end of every three months. If he doesn't get the raise it means he is fired and someone else is hired at the minimum. The maximum is the most he can get until the job is "reclassified."

On June 15th last, a big new Cafeteria opened right opposite the plant, built on a lot owned by V. Cubarkin, one of the executives, and the building is also said, belongs to another executive, Burgell. Oddly enough the company union magazine, the "Douglas Airview," devotes five pages of publicity and complimentary advertising to the restaurant this month.

On June 16th, it was decided to stagger the lunch hour, half the men to go off from 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 and the rest from 12:15 to 1 p.m. Of course, it wasn't to help the new lunchroom!

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Pennsylvania Conditions Rotten

By a Sailor

SAN FRANCISCO — Conditions on board the S. S. Pennsylvania, passenger steamer of the Panama Pacific Lines, are rotten. In the sailors' forecastle 16 men are crowded into one lousy hole, and the ventilation holds in all the smell.

Chief Mate Thompson forced the quartermaster and the bosun's mate to quit because they wouldn't ride the men hard enough to suit him, and in their place put flunks who shipped out during the east coast strike.

Sanitary conditions are rotten and stinking, and no sooner is a meeting of the men called to discuss grievances, than the bridge knows it through the stoolpigeons on the ship.

He's Not Really Fence Sitter



COL. FRANK KNOX

One-time general manager of the Hearst papers, now risen through the grace of his ex-boss, to the Republican vice-presidential nominee, in one of his campaign poses. He poses as a fence-sitter, but he's always on the side of the Liberty League cut-throats.

Force Contractor To Pay Wages Withheld

By a Worker Correspondent

BAKERSFIELD — Mariano, a Filipino contractor on the Kovacevich ranch near here, was forced to pay wages which he had illegally withheld from a worker, who is a member of the Stockton Agricultural Union.

A few weeks ago Mariano hired about 30 men in Stockton. He transported these men to Bakersfield in his own truck. He is now trying to charge each worker \$2.50 for transportation, which is illegal as he has no transportation license.

When threatened by the Labor Commissioner and by Union action, the contractor paid the \$2.50 to the union member. Other workers should refuse to pay this illegal transportation charge.

Lousy Conditions

The Kovacevich ranch is one of the largest in Kern County. The men have been working 11 and 12 hours. No bunks are supplied in camp. There is only one water faucet for the entire camp. Similar conditions exist throughout Kern County.

The agricultural workers in Kern County are showing an increased militancy. Dissatisfaction and rumors of a strike among the workers has forced the growers in the Pelano and Kern County areas to raise the wages from 25 cents per hour to 30 cents.

But the workers are not satisfied with this wage and further struggles can be expected this season.

WARNS OF NAZIS

LONDON — Great Britain might easily become a Nazi State, declared Winston Churchill here recently, in claiming that Laborites invited Fascism by opposing rearmament plans. He has not come out, however for making the League of Nations a real instrument for collective security as one of the main guarantees against Fascist aggression.

"MAY INVESTIGATE"

SAN FRANCISCO — Almost a year ago Santa Rosa vigilantes committed their atrocious tar-and-feather attack on two workers in Sonoma County.

Last week, after demands for prosecution of these known terrorists have flooded the State Attorney General's office, U. S. Webb again stated that his office "may investigate the incident."

Appropriation of \$20,000 funds to Webb for independent investigations, in accordance with a constitutional amendment, was announced by Governor Merriam and Controller Riey. Asked if he would investigate the Santa Rosa vigilantes, Webb replied: "We may consider that. We have that on the list."

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NEVADA PAPER HITS AT LABOR

By a Worker Correspondent

FALLON, Nev.—Who, Mr. Farmer, controls your old political parties and your government? Is it not the rich bankers and industrialists? Who places big taxes on your backs and throws the burden of government on the small taxpayer? Is it not trusts and corporations? Who drives the farmer off his little farm and dooms him to unemployment and poverty?

Why did the editor of the Fallon Standard attack the farm laborer if not to distract your attention from those that really rob you?

"Red Herring"

This editor stated: "The dark cloud of communism and radicalism has already been over the valley. It has appeared, this season through hay workers whose demands are growing more intolerable."

Would the editor or any editor cite the workers any place he worked in the hay fields and received food from abundantly-loaded tables and then rested on a good bed?

Farm workers ought to demand good food and a good bed (not a cot in a screened bunk house with facilities for keeping clean, that is not more than right and just).

Farmers ought to organize to get rid of their exploiters. And all labor—farm labor, the unemployed, the road workers, the school teachers, the carpenters, the clerks, the restaurant workers, the truck drivers and all other trades that are not unionized should begin at once with active preparation to organize and protect their own interests.

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SIoux CITY.—In 20 western Iowa counties 90% of the corn crop has been killed by the drouth.

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Seeing RED
By Michael Quin

IN GREAT LAND OF DEMOCRACY

ILYA ILF, Eugene Petrov, the Soviet Literary Team, Visited the U.S. and Wrote This When They Returned to the U.S.S.R.

On a rainy winter day, a small freight steamer landed on the shores of England. A hatless man rapidly walked down the wet gangway. With one hand he tried to support his wife, with the other he held a child close to himself.

This man ran away from America. He left America at night when the country was asleep, having escaped the watchful eye of the sharpest and shrewdest New York reporters.

This was Charles Lindbergh, one of the most famous men in the world, and his Fatherland was the United States of America—the land of the greatest democracy, as all Americans firmly believe.

Lindbergh Had to Run. Of course, everybody knows the causes which had brought Lindbergh to the necessity of making the most serious step in the life of a human being—to leave his Fatherland.

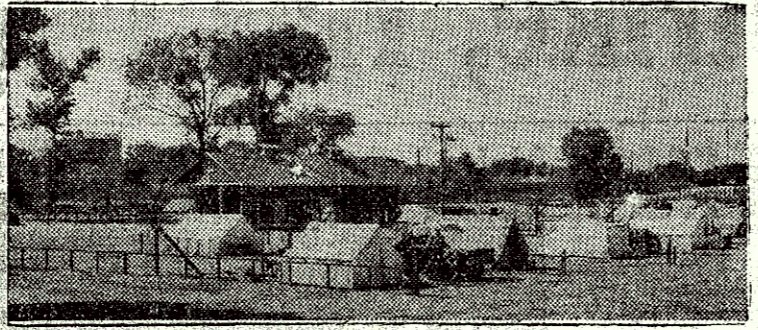
But let us pass from the story of this famous man to one of an ordinary American woman, for whom it would seem, just as for Lindbergh, the thundering words of the "United States constitution were written.

This American woman had a 17-year-old daughter and a grown-up son. Once upon a time, the daughter did not come home—all night long. The next day she did not appear either. The girl disappeared. The police searched but could not find her.

The mother gave her daughter up for dead. A year went by. One day her son's friend told him a terrible piece of news. He had seen the girl, long believed dead, in a secret house of prostitution. Officially it is assumed that there is no prostitution in America. In reality, however, there are many secret houses of prostitution.

Against Hidden Power. Nevertheless the fight was begun. The mother appealed to the police,—nothing came of that. Behind the bandits stood some unknown but unusually powerful people. The mother appealed to the courts. The bandits' lawyer proved that the girl was an old prostitute and that it was not the bandits who kidnapped her, but the girl herself who constituted the menace to society.

How Many Communists Are In Here?



Attorney General Webb was obligated to warn the Yuba County sheriff to guard against any vigilante raids on this Federal model camp for transient workers at Maryville.

PAUL REVERE RIDES AGAIN

He rides by day and he rides by night And his horse gallops over the bridges of light, The bridges of light and the hills of sound, And this is the message the steel hooves pound— "The fascists are coming! Beware — beware! The fascists are coming! Prepare!

freedom of speech. The girl's mother was free not only to speak but to scream. And she did scream, but nobody heard her. And this happened in the land where there is "freedom of press." But not a single newspaper wrote anything about it.

RANK AND FILE TEACHERS SEEK TENURE AMENDMENT

By A Classroom Teacher
A short article in the Western Worker, published recently, on the teachers' tenure amendment induces me to particularize on the proposals which The Classroom Teachers of California are seeking to write into the fundamental law of this state.

The classroom teachers, in spite of a strong opposition from the school administrators, have succeeded in putting in this measure on the ballot. The legal administrators of the state system of education are the local school boards. However, these boards do not do the administering in a large number of the schools. They hire a class of administrators to do the job for them.

Magazine Shows Health Hazards In Steel Industry
According to an article in the August issue of Health and Hygiene there were 6,148 fatalities in American steel mills during the years 1910 to 1932. In the same period of time, Health and Hygiene reports, more than 22,000 steel workers were permanently disabled and about three-quarters of a million accidents produced temporary disability.

Other Groups
Opposed to the California Teachers Association there are various groups. There are the teachers unions. There is the California Classroom Teachers Association. These groups of the opposition have long maintained that the most important step for California teachers to take is to get a sound civil service system established.

Probationary Teachers
But the greatest objection to the present tenure law is the practice which local administrators and school boards have adopted with regard to probationary teachers. Probationary teachers are dismissed at the end of their three year trial period, or before, whether they have proven satisfactory or not.

Cops Say Slogan of Peace Might Tend To 'Incite Riot'
LOS ANGELES.—The American League Against War and Fascism has submitted to the local police commission a list of slogans to be used during the proposed People's Peace Parade on August 1st.

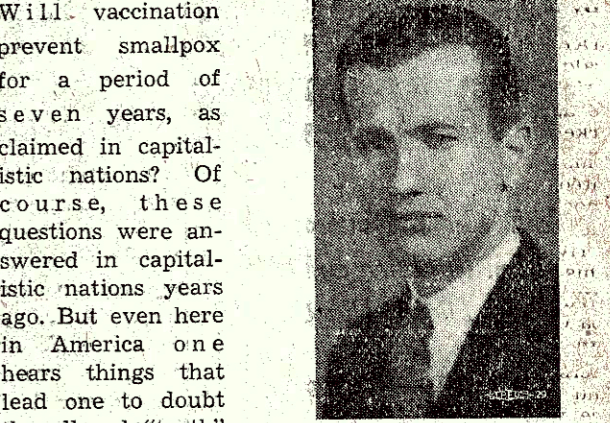
Women On the March
Conducted by Marjorie Crane
Los Angeles Joint Housing Conference
The women of Los Angeles are taking action on the housing problem. A all was sent out to workers organizations for a joint housing conference in February and since then about eight meetings have been held, with delegates from thirty organizations, including six locals of the Public Works and Unemployed Union.

MOONEY DEMONSTRATIONS
MEXICO CITY.—Freedom for Tom Mooney and Warren K. Billings will be demanded at protest meetings to be held by the Confederation of Mexican Workers in Mexico City and many other cities on July 27th, the 20th anniversary of Mooney's frame-up and imprisonment.

The People's Health

By Franklin E. Bissell, M. D.
VACCINATION
Vista, Calif.

Dear Doctor:
A point of information that I doubt if I can obtain anywhere except in a Red paper. What is the stand of Soviet M. D.'s on vaccination, hypodermics, etc.?



Naturally, in the Soviet Union, where the taint of wealth does not affect science one has a better chance to arrive at the truth. If there is fallacy at all in the claims of vaccination the Soviet doctors surely have exposed these claims by now. If such is the case, where could one obtain literature sustaining such facts?

ANSWER—The theory of medicine and even the practice of medicine, as far as well-to-do patients are concerned, is much the same in the United States as in the Soviet Union. What is considered scientific medicine in this country and is practiced by scientific physicians is considered scientific in Russia.

If a vaccination "takes" (causes a reaction) it will bestow immunity to smallpox on that individual for about seven years. Vaccine is a form of the smallpox germ which has passed through a calf and has been weakened tremendously in the process. In this weakened condition it is carried into the skin of the person vaccinated. It is too weak to cause any harm, but the body reacts to the vaccine by producing bodies into the blood-stream which will not only kill the vaccine, but also any real smallpox germs that might enter the body. In Soviet Russia, all people getting medical care are required to be vaccinated if they are not already immune.

Contributions
A. B., whose letter I answered several weeks ago, sent us a contribution of two dollars to help make the Western Worker grow. Thanks, A. B. Anyone else who feels that they have benefitted by this column and wishes to contribute, please send direct to the Western Worker.

Personal Answers
I am so busy with various activities that I find it impossible to answer any letters personally. However, unless otherwise indicated, all letters will be answered through this column. In certain circumstances, I will be glad to assist any reader to get service through his local county clinic.

Machinists 284, Leading Strike, Has Organized Thousands

INTL. OFFICER REPEATEDLY IN SCABBY ACTION

Nash Gave Runaround To Men In Union and Atlas Diesel Plants

OAKLAND.—A temporary injunction granted by Superior Court Judge Deasy forced International Organizer Nash and his whole kaboodle of police bodyguards to scam out of Machinists Local 284's offices last Thursday.

The injunction restrains Nash from holding the office or from in any way interfering with the conduct of the local's affairs. Nash, it will be recalled, led a police squad in raiding the office last week, because the 1,800 striking machinists in the East Bay area wouldn't return to work.

Lots of Guts

Machinists local that shows such gumption in the face of having its charter revoked by the Grand Lodge officers; that sticks solid in its strike despite every sabotage the international office can throw in its way, deserves to have a few facts of its history made known.

At the time this militant union won the shipyard strike last winter only one shop was organized outside the yards. Since that time an intensive organizational drive has brought thousands of machinists into the local.

Over six months ago the workers in the Atlas Diesel plant struck when the company fired some members for union activity. The company refused to deal with the local, insisting on dealing only through scabby Nash. The men were persuaded to return to work on the promise that their demands would be arbitrated, Nash to start negotiations within 30 days. Not a thing was done up to this day.

Soon after this the Union Diesel Engine Co. was completely organized and the men were all set to take action. The company came out with the old red scare and slandered the local's officers. Again the company would deal only with Nash, and again the workers were fooled into accepting arbitration which hasn't materialized to this very day.

For the last six months the union has tried to negotiate with the bosses. In January communications were sent out requesting negotiations pertaining to certain demands. They were ignored. Not being able to get even the courtesy of a reply the union met June 21 and voted over 300 to 15 to give the employers until July 20 to grant the demands.

Union Demands

The employers were informed that if by July 20th the following scale was not in effect, action would be taken:

Tool and dye makers—\$1 an hour; machinists, 90 cents; specialists, 75 cents; helpers, 65 cents. The 40-hour week and double time for all overtime, including Saturdays and Sundays and holidays were also demanded.

By July 19 the companies had not seen fit to reply. Realizing the very existence of the union was at stake, a meeting was called on that date, and the members voted 3 to 1 for a strike. This was after each shop had voted separately for a strike. Nash tried threats of revoking the charter to halt a strike vote, and the men nearly threw him out of the meeting.

With 41 shops, employing 1800 men tied up, Machinists 284 appeals to all labor unions to assist them in this fight. A flood of protests to the Machinists International office, against its actions, is called for.

Butchers Lead In Union Growth At San Diego

SAN DIEGO.—Though the Central Council is not functioning, because of the reactionaries' wrecking activities, many crafts are driving hard to achieve 100% unionization.

The Butchers are in the lead, now being 80% organized. Cooks and Waitresses are forging ahead. In the absence of a functioning Labor Council the Building Trades Council has responded to appeals from unions for assistance.

Culinary Workers For Joining CIO

SAN FRANCISCO.—The five local culinary workers' unions—Waiters, Dishwashers, Cooks, Bartenders and Waitresses—have passed a resolution urging their international to join forces with the Committee for Industrial Organization, led by John L. Lewis.

The 25 local delegates to the International Convention of the Hotel and Restaurant Employees' International Alliance and the Bartenders' International League of America, which opens August 10 in Rochester, N. Y., have been instructed to "follow Lewis" if the Convention acts favorably on the C. I. O. resolution.

All Industrialist Unionists If the resolution is not adopted by the International then the San Francisco delegates are instructed to use their own judgment.

"We are all industrial unionists," was Hugo Ernst's description of the local culinary workers. Ernst made no predictions as to the International's stand on the C. I. O. However, he supported the Lewis group last year.

Ernst, who is 3rd international vice-president, secretary of the Waiters' Local and of the local joint board, predicted the question of a Labor Party would be another major issue before the convention.

The last convention of the culinary workers went on record in favor of independent political action for labor, and introduced a Labor Party resolution at the last convention of the American Federation of Labor.

Ship Caulkers in Wilmington Picket 2 Yards

WILMINGTON, Cal.—So effective has the organization campaign of the Ship Carpenters and Caulkers Union been, that every member of the Union was reported working full time at yards under agreement with the Union.

Two yards, Wilmington Boat Works and Stewart Boat Yard, have not yet signed up and are being picketed.

Sardine Fishers Demand Wage Increases

SAN FRANCISCO.—Seven ships of the sardine fishing fleet were ordered tied up here last week by the Pacific Coast Fisheries Institute. This was because action was feared on the demands of the new Fish Reduction Workers Union for wage increases.

The union demanded \$105 a month; the rates paid by the bosses are \$80 a month for a 12-hour day. About 300 men worked in connection with the 7 ships laid up.

Radio Strikers Freed on Bail of \$185,000

CAMDEN, N. J.—The United Electrical and Radio Workers Union has obtained the release of 24 strikers held in the county jail since the recent strike of 12,000 workers. Heavy bail of \$185,000 had to be put up.

The prisoners had begun a hunger strike to demand their release. Labor unions throughout this area are protesting the heavy bail set.

L.A. Baking "Boss Agreement" Seems To Be Flopping

LOS ANGELES.—Mass picketing has brought the number of bakeries to sign with Bakers' Union 37 to nine since June 20. Latest to sign up are Cosmopolitan; Foix French Bakery; Basco Baking; Los Angeles Baking; and La Pumas. The so-called "bosses agreement," which a large number of bakery managers signed, seems to be flopping. The major point in their agreement was to maintain the open shop. A big fight is being waged on the Franco-American Baking Co.

LABOR WASTE THROUGH UNEMPLOYMENT

WASHINGTON.—The A. F. of L. estimates every family could have had \$4000 more to live on in the last 6 years if the unemployed had been at work producing goods.

MEXICAN FARM WORKERS UNION MAY JOIN A.F.L.

Orange County Strike Leader Tells Advantages of Affiliation

LOS ANGELES.—The last meeting of the C. U. C. O. M. (Mexican workers' agricultural union), held in Keystone, made one of its main issues the affiliation with the A. F. of L.

Bernardo Lucero, militant leader of the C. U. C. O. M., explained the necessity of getting into the ranks of the A. F. of L. A committee of 2 was elected to attend a meeting in Los Angeles which was called to discuss A. F. of L. affiliation, and to gain knowledge of what joining the A. F. of L. will mean to the Union. They are to report back to the next regular meeting.

Esperanza, who was present from Orange County, told the workers of the treachery of Lucas Lucio, representing the Mexican Council Ricardo Hill. He told how Lucas Lucio had split the strikers, with fine words and promises, stating that Lucio had called a meeting of strikers and gotten the authorities to beat them up.

He said Lucas had broadcast over the radio that the strikers were well treated.

Lucas Lucio would not cooperate with Esperanza or Velarde, militant leaders of the Orange County strike, but instead he called meetings of the strikers and said he would fix things up.

Cheapness of S. Rafael Outfit Crushes Worker

SAN RAFAEL.—The inevitable result of the Macco Construction Co.'s greed was the crushing of Joseph Cappalari, a "sloper," in an accident on the Golden Gate Bridge.

Cappalari was working on a 17-foot excavation when the several tons of rock crashed down on him. For 30 minutes fellow workers worked to free him.

The company was too cheap to order planks for shoring up the deep ditches. Not one stick of timber was used in this ditch, or has been in any other to avert such an accident. Foreman Lahaye knew of the danger. He told the men before quitting time, "Take all tools out of the ditch, they might be buried before Monday morning."

PRICE OF EGGS RISES

CHICAGO.—Due to market speculation during the drought, egg prices have reached a new peak, hitting the workers hard. October contracts sold at 28½ cents a dozen.

Federal Union Organizing S.F. Paint Industry

SAN FRANCISCO.—The Federal Laborers Union, which has won four important strikes in the East Bay area in recent weeks, has also been active in bringing trade union organization to workers in San Francisco plants.

The Federal union's charter covers all plants not covered already by organized crafts. Those organized in San Francisco by the union are: Wallace Co.; Ames Mig. Co.; Glidden Paint Co., and General Paint Co.

Plants now in the process of organization are: Nason Paint; Bass-Hueter; Fuller Paint; Du Pont; Goldberg-Garrett, and International Marine Paint Co.

With these large San Francisco paint plants organized, the union expects that the task of organizing paint factories on the East side of the Bay will be made much easier, especially the huge plant of the Parraffine Paint Co. in Emeryville.

Shipowners in N.Y. Apparently Need A New Lesson

NEW YORK.—Apparently New York shipowners have forgotten the general strike of teamsters a little over a year ago, in support of the longshoremen.

A group of them are behind a new move for an injunction against the I.L.A. and Teamsters Unions restraining them from discriminating against trucks that are not union operated. Application for such an injunction caused last year's general strike.

Cleveland A.F.L. In Drive To Bring In Negroes

CLEVELAND.—A committee of 16 has been appointed by the powerful Cleveland Federation of Labor, to organize Negro workers into the A. F. of L. unions. A dozen unions organized the Negro workers in their industries and urged unions with color bars to remove them.

California Labor Notes

RICHMOND.—Retail Clerks Local 376 withdrew their pickets from the Safeway Stores, in collaboration with Edward Vandeleur, pending settlement of their differences concerning union recognition. This is not to be confused with a settlement agreement, but is merely a brief cessation of picketing, the union points out.

MARTINEZ.—Contra Costa County Cleaners, Dyers and Pressers Have sent to the International Union for a charter.

SAN PEDRO.—I.L.A. Local 38-82 is sponsoring a big benefit boxing program, to be staged at Wilmington Bowl August 12. The proceeds will go to help disabled members and their families. Eight all-star amateur bouts will feature some of the best boxers in California, two separate bodies.

LOS ANGELES.—After preliminary discussions between elected representatives of four of the largest Carpenters locals in this area, a Joint Council has been set up to speed the organization drive being conducted in the lumber yards, furniture shops, and other woodworking industries in the city. The unions in the Joint Council are: Sawmill and Timber Workers 2607; Sawmill and Timber Workers 2788; Millmen and Cabinet Makers 884; Furniture Workers 1561. The number of workers to be organized is

20,000.

POMONA.—The Board of Supervisors has informed the District Council of Carpenters that its request for establishment of a 40-hour week on the construction of new buildings in the County Fair Grounds "cannot be legally granted."

LOS ANGELES.—A pre-strike meeting of all dress workers in Los Angeles has been called here by the International Ladies Garment Workers' Union to mobilize for last minute instructions for the strike which is expected to be called soon.

A strike committee consisting of all Executive Boards of all locals of the I.L.G.W.U. has been set up. I. Lutsy is the chairman of the strike committee.

Negotiations with the bosses have been going on since July 1, with I. Feinberg, Vice-president of the I.L.G.W.U. representing the workers.

SAN JOSE.—A clean progressive slate was elected last Friday night in the Santa Clara County Central Labor Council, as officers of the new Federated Trades Council. The latter body will be formed within a week by dividing the Building Trades and the Miscellaneous crafts into two separate bodies.

This election promises to be a break for the organization of the miscellaneous crafts, which until now have been unable to obtain the support of the here-

Make Labor Day Mooney-Billings Day!



THE PAST WEEK has been one of big mass meetings in many cities to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the framing of Tom Mooney and Warren Billings. Sentiment is growing in organized labor ranks to make this Labor Day a Mooney-Billings Day.

SPECIAL W.W. FOR CAL. A.F.L. CONVENTION

We urgently recommend that progressives in trade unions see that these issues of the WESTERN WORKER be mailed to Central Labor Council delegates and other active trade union members.

In this way progressive action at the State Federation of Labor convention can be tremendously stimulated.

Write to the Western Worker for information as to how you can receive copies, at special rates, which you can put in the hands of trade unionists.

During August, the Friday issue of the Western Worker will carry on its Labor Page news relative to the problems which must be faced by the State Federation of Labor convention. The convention will be held on Sept. 14 in Eureka.

In this issue the news of the Culinary Union's attitude toward the CIO is published. Industrial unionism and the CIO is one of the important issues progressives will bring before the convention.

THIS IS WHY LABOR SHOULD READ "WESTERN"

LOS ANGELES.—The Los Angeles Times, apostle of the open shop, has rooms of space in which to spew forth hatred of organized labor, but when Local 278, Amalgamated Clothing Workers, sent a written statement answering a vicious attack that appeared in the Times, the latter had no space for it.

The Amalgamated answered a lying statement by the Merchants and Manufacturers Assn. on mass picketing. This poisonous piece attacked the Amalgamated for picketing Kurtzman Bros., an open shop outfit, which ran away to Vernon.

COAST LONGSHOREMEN SHOW SOLIDARITY WITH SAILORS AT DISCUSSION ON CHARTER

Request S.U.P. To Accept Proposals of I.S.U., But Promise Support If Constitutional Amendments Are Used To Sailors Detriment

SAN FRANCISCO.—The longshoremen, members of I.L.A. 38-79, made it plain at their July 27 membership meeting that they were for solidarity with the sailors, as well as all maritime crafts.

The proposals of the ISU for restoring the charter of the SOP were read to the members. (These proposals have been printed in the WESTERN WORKER). The ISU proposals were endorsed by the membership, with this amendment:

"We request the Sailors Union to accept the return of their charter under the terms offered by the ISU. Regarding the constitutional amendments (which SUP officials assailed, and state would take away democratic rule), we accept the position of the I. S. U. Secretary-Treasurer at its face value, and if the ISU attempts to enforce the constitution to the detriment of the Sailors Union of the Pacific or the Maritime Federation, we go on record as backing the Sailors Union of the Pacific 100%."

The Bay Area Council of the Maritime Federation was requested to concur in Local 38-79's action.

In the opinion of the 38-79 members, the ISU proposal has all the appearances of a face-saving action. The ISU international officials flopped in their attempts to disorganize the Sailors, and are now ready to give the charter back.

Honuaipo, Hawaii 100% Organized Into I.L.A.

HONUAUPO, Hawaii—Adopting the spirit of rank and file unionism, the longshoremen of this remote port, 65 miles from Hilo, are today organized into a strong well-knit branch of the Island Longshore Assn., part of the I.L.A.

The port is 100% organized, despite the efforts of the shipowners to stop the union through blacklist and other intimidation.

"HIGH" STANDARD OF LIVING

WASHINGTON.—It is reported that the U.S. population is over 15 billion garments short of the comfort standard of living, regarding clothing.

INVESTIGATE TRUSTS

WASHINGTON.—Security Commission hearings began July 27 to investigate investment trusts and companies.

LABOR BOARD BACKS CO. UNION

BOSTON.—The National Labor Relations Board has upheld the company union in the New England Transportation Co. mechanical dept. as exclusive representative of the workers.

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