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PACIFIC COAST STRIKE SOLID

GORMAN SAYS PEOPLE NEED LABOR PARTY

'36 Elections to be Analyzed in Next Issue of W.W.

NEW YORK.—"For the Communist Party tonight is not the end of our campaign," said Earl Browder, Communist presidential candidate, in a huge rally Monday night in Madison Square Garden.

"It is only the beginning of a campaign to build and strengthen the Communist Party in order that we give our full strength and loyalty to the Farmer Labor Party."

The speech went over a national radio network.

WASHINGTON—"It is now the duty of labor, organized and unorganized, with the heat of the election subsided, to consider fully and seriously the future of labor in this country," declared Francis J. Gorman, international vice-president of the United Textile Workers, in commenting on what comes after the presidential elections.

"All of us must recognize that our economic future is tied up with our political influence and power."

"Only a real Labor Party, based on the labor movement (Cont. on Page 2, Col. 1)

USSR BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Looking backward over 19 years of the victorious building of Socialism in the Soviet Union, looking forward to limitless years of freedom, happiness and prosperity in the U.S.S.R., and looking forward to a Socialist America—this will be the theme of four gala California celebrations of the 19th birthday of the Soviet Union on November 7th.

In Los Angeles, a mass demonstration will be held on Saturday, November 7th, 2 p.m., at the Plaza, to be followed on Sunday at 8 p.m. by a mass meeting at the T.V.G. Hall, 936 West Washington Blvd., with William Schneiderman, state secretary of the Communist Party, as leading speaker.

San Francisco will celebrate next Saturday night at 8 p.m. at Dreamland Auditorium, with Roy Hudson, member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party, as guest speaker. An analysis of the presidential elections will also be given. Frank Spector, S.F. County organizer of the C.P., will be chairman.

The Dreamland program will include elaborate entertainment, featuring dance groups, singers, and an exhibit of Soviet wares, books, art, etc.

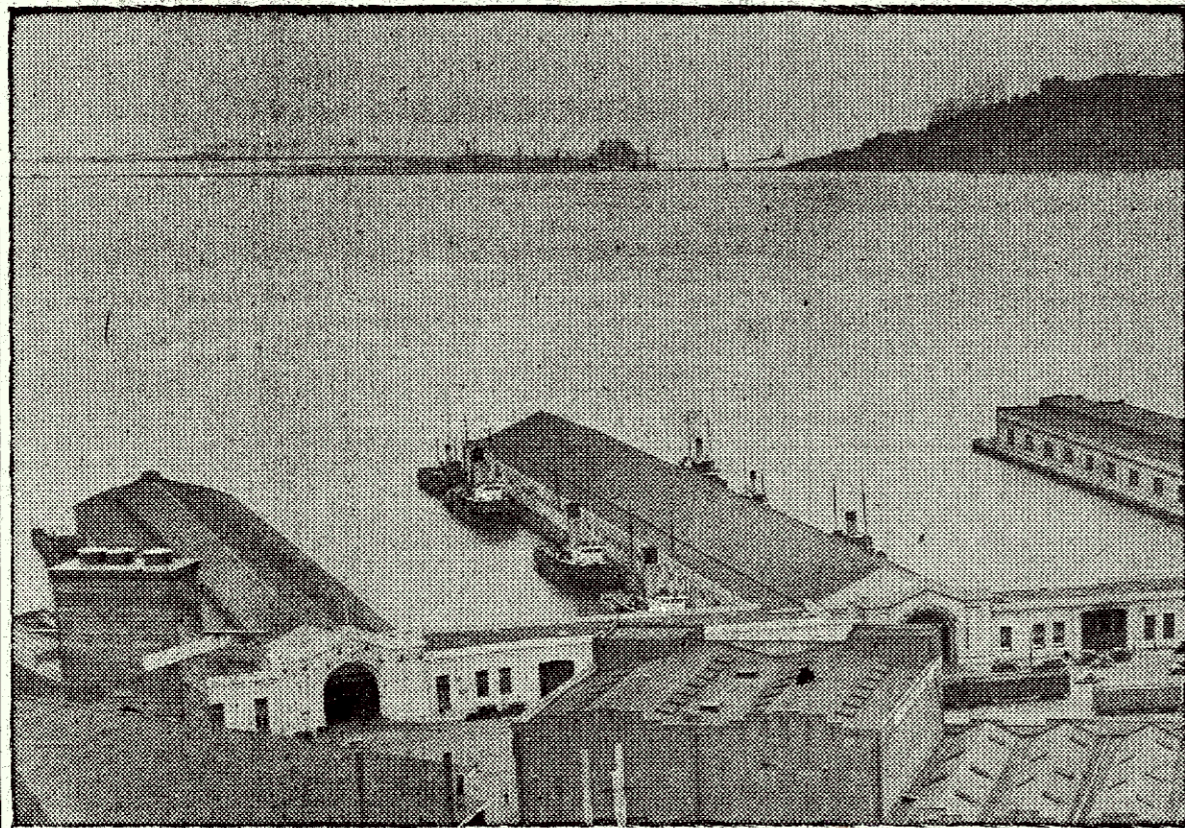
East Bay Fete
In Oakland on November 7th, 8 p.m., Lawrence Ross, editor of the Western Worker, will be the leading speaker at the celebration at Danish Hall, 164 11th St.

SEEK TO PREVENT NAZI MURDER

Wives of Prestes, Ewert Are Deported

PARIS. — The International Bureau for Right of Asylum and Aid to Political Refugees has appealed to the League of Nations high commissioner on behalf of Mrs. Olga Benario Prestes and Mrs. Elise Ewert, who were secretly deported from Brazil and were turned over to Nazi authorities at Hamburg Oct. 15. Their right to go to a country of their choice is sought.

SAN FRANCISCO WATERFRONT. NOT A SHIP WORKED



SPAIN GOVT. IS TURNING BACK FASCIST TIDE

People's Front Uses Planes, Tanks To Win Victories

MADRID.—In a vigorous counter-offensive launched last week, the Spanish government forces were turning back the tide of Fascism and winning back territory from the Fascist forces.

The counter-offensive was launched following a manifesto addressed to the "Armed Forces of the Central Army," from Premier Francisco Largo Caballero, who is also commander-in-chief of the Spanish army, as follows:

"Fascist bands in their long march on Madrid have lost their energy and exhausted their forces. The hour has arrived to press them with a death blow. While the traitors have bled themselves and lost their first efficiency, our ranks have gained in cohesion and numbers.

"The power of our advance has multiplied. We now have in our hands formidable mechanized armament. We have tanks and powerful aviation. Tanks and airplanes constitute a great weapon wherewith we will humble the enemy.

"Traitors to their own country who have taken with them through deceit, falsehood and collusion, the forces which follow and have followed them to their deaths, are going finally to receive the punishment of the people.

"Our women, our sisters and our sons who were to have been converted into their victims will be saved by the advance of our arms. Now that we have tanks and airplanes, let us go forward, comrades of the battlefield, heroic sons of the working people. Victory is ours!"

REPORT REACTIONARIES FORCE SALINAS BETRAYAL

SALINAS.—The California State Federation of Labor executive board met in special session unday, to discuss the Salinas situation.

It is reported that the Fruit and Vegetable Workers' Union's newly formed committee of 5, dominated by followers of reactionary secretary Doss and president Shevlin, have accepted the settlement proposals under which the grower-shippers can blacklist any union members they desire to. These proposals were made by Edward Vandeleur and Governor Merriam.

Although the State Federation executive board did not make its decisions public, it is thought that all but a few progressives were for forcing such a settlement on the Salinas strikers.

SOLIDARITY FOR KING GROWING

Unions, Churches, and Citizens Join

OAKLAND.—Word comes from Seattle of increasingly strong northwestern solidarity against the frameup of Earl King, E. G. Ramsay, and Frank Conner.

A huge mass meeting in Civic Center here and the big meeting of 2000 citizens in Everett was followed by the organizing of the Seattle King-Ramsay-Conner Defense Committee under the leadership of the Marine Firemen's Union, of which all three frameup victims in the Point Lobos murder case are members (King is secretary of the union).

Delegates from each of the eight trade union sections of the Seattle Labor Council, from unions, churches and citizens organizations are on the defense committee.

Blockade Against Jobless Extended

LOS ANGELES.—The infamous so-called "bum blockade" established by Police Chief Davis here, is becoming a huge conspiracy against unemployed and transient workers, it was indicated following a statement by C. E. Crier, chairman of the San Bernardino County Supervisors, calling for a conference of representatives of the nine Southern California counties to broaden the blockade.

This conference, he asked to be called in Los Angeles on November 5th.

More than 150 transient workers have been arrested by the local cops in the drive against workers, and they have been sentenced to terms ranging to 30 days at hard labor for the "crime" of being penniless.

NO EMERGENCY DESPITE ROSSI PROCLAMATION

He Paves Way For Vigilantism; No Food Shortage

SAN FRANCISCO.—Despite the fact that no emergency exists, Mayor Rossi has paved the way for vigilante activities by declaring a "state of emergency."

Rossi, in his proclamation, gave himself unlimited powers in dealing with the situation arising out of the maritime strike.

He appointed as his representative, F. M. McAuliffe, who as leader of the "Citizens Committee" of 10,000 headed vigilantes against the 1934 strike.

Proof that no emergency exists was given by employers themselves.

Representative figures among the various groups of the warehouse employers stated that there is no immediate danger that households will go without food.

Retail grocers also announced they had stocks sufficient for 30 days. Wholesale fruit and vegetable houses have not been (Cont. on Page 2, Col. 3)

EAST AND GULF SOLIDARITY

NEW YORK.—East and Gulf Coast solidarity with the West Coast Maritime strike is strong, and growing increasingly stronger.

All West Coast ships are now to be struck in whatever port they may happen to dock.

Nearly 1500 International Seamen's Union members, meeting in Cooper Union Hall here, voted to call an immediate strike Saturday night in sympathy with the West Coast.

I.S.U. officials walked out of the meeting without adjourning it, and therefore the strike vote was legal.

The strike on the East Coast is taking the form of sit-down strikes. In cases where the police attempt to drive the strikers off the ship, the ship is then declared struck.

Picket lines are out on both East Coast and Gulf Coast ports. The vote for a strike was called for by Joe Curran, chairman (Cont. on Page 2, Col. 8)

Why Unions Left Hearings Monday

The position of the sea-going unions on withdrawing from the Maritime Commission hearing Monday was given in the following statement, signed by representatives of the Sailors, Firemen, Cooks, Masters, Mates and Pilots, Marine Engineers.

The unions withdrew from the hearing before Admiral Hamlet today because they were not given an opportunity to reserve their legal rights in the matter. The unions were and are willing to cooperate with the commission in so far as an investigation of facts is concerned, but the unions cannot recognize the authority of the Maritime Commission to determine any of the issues in dispute or to deprive the membership of the unions of their legal rights for collective bargaining in order to determine (Cont. on Page 2, Col. 4)

Unions Maintain Iron Discipline on Picket Lines of West Coast

Bridges Gives I.L.A. Position

SAN FRANCISCO.—The maritime unions are confident that they will receive the support of non-waterfront unions when it becomes necessary.

This was the opinion expressed by delegates from the maritime unions at the Central Labor Council meeting last Friday night.

Non-maritime unions are not yet being approached for support.

Reporting for the I.L.A., Harry Bridges told the delegates to the Council that about 16,000 longshoremen are out up and down the coast.

I.L.A. Position
"With us it is not so much a question of our demands. It is more or less a sympathy strike," he said.

"We weighed every factor at great length before we struck. The attitude of the I.L.A. and the other maritime unions was all along to move by every reasonable means to settle the dispute peacefully. All our attempts failed because of the shipowners' attitude."

Bridges told how in the last stage of the negotiations the I.L.A. could have renewed its present agreement with all the companies, and with a majority could have added a wage increase and preferential employment.

"But this would have meant an agreement separate and (Cont. on Page 2, Col. 4)

ILA 3844 in 24 Hr. Picket

Warehousemen Have Companies Shut Down Tight

SAN FRANCISCO.—The Warehousemen's union picket lines are out in full force, 24 hours a day.

With 1500 men out, warehouse employers in the grocery, public, ice and feed and mill warehouses have been taught that the warehousemen won't stand for stalling and trickery.

Employers Forced Strike
The Warehousemen's Union, I.L.A. local 38-44 did not want the strike; it was forced on the union by the employers. Negotiations were going on for more than a year. Like the shipowners, the warehouse employers played a game of continuous stalling. Finally the union members could stand it no longer, and voted over 85% to authorize a strike call by the executive committee.

The warehouse employers notified the union last week that they were terminating negotiations (Cont. on Page 2, Col. 8)

39,000 Men Solid For Demands

(Additional strike news on Pages 2, 4 and 8.)

Peaceable and efficient, the strike of 39,000 maritime workers continues, with pickets out over the entire West Coast.

15,000 are out in San Francisco and vicinity, 8000 in San Pedro; almost two score ships are tied up in the Portland and Columbia River areas; and 8000 men out; 10,000 are out in Seattle. Five ships are tied up in Hawaii.

The strike is in the hands of central port strike committees, composed of the District Maritime Federation Councils, to which are added representatives from each union. Each union has its own local strike committee.

The Joint Negotiations Committee of all maritime unions has been functioning as the coast-wide strike committee, pending the election of a policy committee for the entire coast.

Relief Centralized
In addition, central relief committees are taking care of feeding the strikers, and in San Francisco area, buying has been centralized.

Nearly every union is keeping the strikers in touch with developments through daily strike bulletins. The other unions are planning such bulletins.

Developments include: Strong support from the Gulf and East Coasts.

Bringing to over 150 the number of ships tied up on the West Coast.

Spread of strike to Sacramento and San Joaquin rivers.

Blast Rossi Proclamation
Assurance through Merwyn Rathbone of San Francisco Maritime Federation Council, that strike will cause no food or drug shortage.

Attack on Mayor Rossi's "emergency" proclamation by joint strike committee, pointing out that it opens the door to vigilante groups, hiring of special police and mobilization of the National Guard.

Statement by Admiral Standley, chief of naval operations in Washington, that the navy could place "safety crews" on merchant ships "if President Roosevelt authorized it."

Reply by unions to McGrady's statement (see editorial on page 1), in which the unions pointed out that employers had been given ample time to remove cold storage produce from the ships before strike went into effect.

In direct contrast to the unions' willingness to resume negotiations, Thomas G. Plant, for the shipowners' coast committee, merely wired, in reply to Secretary of Labor Perkins' plea: "The strike is on"—a flat refusal to resume negotiations.

3500 shipyard and drydock workers are on strike in Seattle, in sympathy with the maritime unions, it is reported. Todd Drydocks, largest yard on Puget Sound, was affected.

EXPLAIN YOURSELF, MR. McGRADY

THE MARITIME workers who still had some faith in the Roosevelt administration were surprised at the statement of its representative, Assistant Secretary of Labor Edward F. McGrady, since the strike began.

The strike of 40,000 workers to defend their unions and their bread and butter is characterized by McGrady as "sheer madness." And when the shipowners started their propaganda that the U. S. Navy place "skeleton crews" aboard the ships, Mr. McGrady issues a sinister threat, ostensibly referring to "bankers, employers, or labor," but obviously referring only to labor and strike action, as a "challenge to the Government," "paralyzing the free flow of commerce," "endangering the welfare of the nation," etc. "They are assuming a position that the Government must challenge to protect the state and the people," he says.

Is this the role of "impartial arbitrator," Mr. McGrady? Can you defend labor's right to strike in one breath, and issue such threats in the next, when unions exercise that right? Are not your statements exactly the same as the shipowners' propaganda against the unions? And who is actually "challenging the Government?" Did not the unions promptly accept the offer of Secretary of Labor Perkins' request for further negotiations, AND THE SHIPOWNERS REFUSED IT?

The strike, Mr. McGrady, is not against the "state and people," nor against the "welfare of the nation," unless you consider the shipowners as the state and the people, and the employers' welfare as the welfare of the nation. The welfare of 40,000 maritime workers and their families, and the interests of Organized Labor, are the only vital interest involved, and it is about time that the campaign speeches and promises of the Roosevelt administration were PUT INTO EFFECT by making demands on the employers, who provoked the struggle by their uncompromising stand, and putting the pressure of the government on them, instead of on the unions.

The government can force the employers to settle the strike by withdrawing the millions in ship subsidies at their disposal, from those shipowners who are preventing the peaceful settlement of the issue.

Explain yourself, Mr. McGrady! The maritime workers are awaiting your answer.

THE DANGER OF FASCISM TOLD PEDRO SAILORS

Donnelly, I.L.A. Pres., Says "We Must Unite Now"

SAN PEDRO—In the midst of their strike against the shipowners, maritime workers met in Sailors' Hall here to hear a symposium on Fascism. The sailors heard a discussion of the case of Lawrence Simpson, Sailors' Union member sentenced to a Nazi concentration camp.

"Unite Now" President Donnelly of I.L.A. Local 38-82, outlining the growth of Fascism in Europe, warned the men to be alert against this menace in the United States.

"If we don't unite now in this fight against Fascism, I feel sorry for what might happen later," he said.

Gifford Cochran, who saw Simpson in Germany, condemned the American government's betrayal of Simpson, an American citizen. But it was more than betrayal, he said. "If I had been arrested I would be free, for I have many influential friends. But Simpson did not have these. Now he has a friend, mass pressure."

He closed by stating that every decent American and honest worker should rally to the defense of Simpson.

A Fascist Attack

A woman striker from Salinas appealed for the defense of Bill Redner, framed on a fake dynamite charge. She told how Doss and Shevlin, reactionary secretary and president, respectively of the Fruit and Vegetable Workers' Union, drag out the red herring against progressive strikers.

Other speakers were Herbert Biberman, theatrical director for the Hollywood Anti-Nazi League, who appealed for affiliation, and Edwin Alexander, of the American Students' Union, who had come from a police station, where he had been taken after a gang of Fascist hoodlums had attacked him.

Labor Party Is Need—Gorman

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and including the white collar workers, the farmers and the professional groups, can secure for labor economic and employment security.

"Organized labor is the only power in the land that can prevent Fascism and war. The textile workers are becoming more conscious of this menace. The textile workers must organize to prevent it," Gorman stated.

A Calif. Farmer-Labor Party "With the most reactionary and anti-labor forces in California increasing their attack on the economic and political rights of the people, the necessity for the American Federation of Labor in California to take concrete action immediately after the elections along the line of independent political action, grows sharper."

Strong united action by labor and all other progressive forces will be imperative if the many anti-labor bills, certain to be introduced by the Hearst-inspired reactionaries in the coming sessions of Congress and the State Legislature, are to be defeated.

Such unity of action will best be achieved by the organization of a strong Farmer-Labor Party in California, as Francis Gorman declares is necessary on a national scale.

Order Bundles

Due to the fact that this issue of the Western Worker went to press at noon on election day, November 3rd, a report and analysis of the presidential elections could not be presented.

Four Face Cops' Frame-Up Wed.

SAN FRANCISCO.—Frame-up charges by police of "failure to move on" against Lawrence Ross, Western Worker editor and Communist candidate for Congress, 5th District; Bill Bailey, Marine Firemen's Union member and member of the Joint Negotiations Committee of the waterfront unions; and Dave Saunders, Sailors' Union of the Pacific member, will be brought up for trial here Wednesday, November 4th, 10 a.m., in Judge Foley's Court, Hall of Justice.

L. Musgofian, arrested with the above three when police illegally broke up a Communist election campaign meeting on the waterfront in September, is charged with distributing leaflets.

NEGRO PEOPLE'S LEADER IN CALIF.



(See Story in Column 2)

FAMED NEGRO IN BAY AREA

John P. Davis Speaks At Eight Meetings

SAN FRANCISCO.—John P. Davis, famed Negro leader and executive secretary of the National Negro Congress, will speak on the problems facing the Negro people at a series of speeches in the Bay area this week-end.

A graduate of Bates College and of Harvard Law School, Davis fought, as secretary of the Joint Committee on National Recovery, for Negroes' rights under the NRA codes, AAA cotton contracts, and in other branches of the "New Deal."

He has investigated lynching and plantation life in the South, and at present, through the National Negro Congress, is assisting the Committee for Industrial Organization in the work of organizing steel, where so many Negro workers are involved.

Davis' schedule of appearances is as follows:

Eight Meetings Slated Wednesday, November 4th—12 noon, Negro Business and Professional Men's Club, Oakland, Y.W.C.A. Linden Branch; 2:30 p.m., Union Recreation Center, S.F., endorsed by the Maritime Federation, on probable subject of "The Negro Workers in the Present Waterfront Crisis"; 8 p.m., Third Baptist Church, Hyde and Clay Sts., S.F., "Black America Faces a Crisis."

Thursday, November 5th—12 noon, U. of Calif. Y.W.C.A., speaking to The Techniques of Race Relations Group; 3:30-6 p.m., reception for clubs and citizens of San Francisco; 8 p.m., International House, U. of Calif., Berkeley.

Friday, November 6th—First A.M.E. Church, 15th at Market Sts., Oakland, "Black America Faces a Crisis."

Saturday, Nov. 7th—Membership of the Y.M.C.A. North Oakland Branch, 7:30 p.m. The famed Negro leader will be guest of the International House, Berkeley, on the day he speaks there.

Merriam Hastens To Attack Strike

LONG BEACH.—Governor Merriam hastened to do his part in preparing excuses for any future terror against waterfront strikers.

In a statement issued from his Long Beach home, Merriam attacked the progressive leaders of the maritime unions. "I believe an amicable settlement of the strike could be reached were it not for the unmistakable Communist tendencies of some, not all, of the strike leaders," Merriam said.

Leaders like Harry Bridges, Henry Schmidt, and all the progressives on whom the Governor was doubtless trying to drag the "red herring" have time and again received overwhelming votes of confidence from the rank and file.

TO UNITE SANTA CLARA CITIZENS VS. VIGILANTES

SAN JOSE.—As a result of vigilante activities in Salinas, Santa Rosa, Imperial Valley and other sections of the State, organized labor is planning to work for the setting up of a Citizens Committee.

The Citizens Committee is to be composed of liberals, trade unionists and other progressives. It will seek to protect civil liberties, the right of free speech and assembly, and will combat vigilantism in Santa Clara County.

Last week the Santa Clara Central Labor Council unanimously adopted a resolution demanding that Attorney-General Webb and Governor Merriam conduct an investigation of vigilante activities.

Through the recommendation of the organizing board, a motion was passed to call a meeting of all secretaries, business agents and presidents of all affiliated local unions, together with the organizing board, to map out plans for the Citizens Committee.

The Vigilante-Safety Committee here was revived in September. It is said that its leaders met late in September to lay out plans for future anti-labor activities.

No Emergency Despite Rossi

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tied up by the warehousemen. Warehousemen's Union members were allowing hospital supplies to move in and out of warehouses.

The Marine Engineers' Beneficial Association told its chief engineers to give shipowners 24 hours notice before "resigning," and to leave no ships in unsafe condition.

Teamsters were allowed by agreement until 5 p. m. Monday to remove cargo on the docks.

In addition, up until Rossi proclaimed the state of emergency, and afterwards, not one single upward incident occurred along the waterfront.

All these facts show that Rossi has acted to pave the way for vigilante activities against the strikers.

His proclamation states that "The Mayor, shall have the power to summon, organize and direct the forces of any department of the city or county in any needed service; to summon, marshal and deputize; or otherwise employ persons or do whatever else he may deem necessary for the purpose of meeting the emergency."

Rossi has therefore given himself the powers of a dictator in preparation for a reign of terror against the maritime workers.

Healy and Raymond had entered the radio station, and the announcement, made by Lee Raymond, campaign manager, was almost completed, when the vigilantes burst into the station and stopped the speech.

EUREKA.—Vernon Healy, Communist candidate for Congress from the First District, was prevented from delivering a radio address over KIEM on the issues in the 1936 elections here last Saturday night by a mob of vigilantes.

MARITIME UNION LEADERS TELL ORGANIZED LABOR OF REASONS FOR COAST STRIKE

Not Yet Asking For Support But Are Sure It Will Come When Needed, S.F. Labor Council

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apart from the other maritime unions. As far as the sea-going unions were concerned the shipowners were unwilling to grant anything in connection with their basic fundamental demands.

"After doing everything possible to avoid trouble the sea-going unions were forced to strike and in solidarity we went along with them."

Bridges told how the existence of any one maritime union depends on the existence of the others, and that therefore the I.L.A. move was essential for its own existence.

"We do not believe at this time that any union not connected with the waterfront should be approached for support. When we need it we think we'll get it. We believe we'll be successful in this strike."

The ships struck on the West Coast will be tied up in every port by I.L.A. men, Bridges said. The East Coast ships are not at present being called on to strike, Bridges said; the present policy is to confine the strike to intercoastal ships coming to the West Coast.

Maritime Commission's Part

Speaking of the Maritime Commission, Bridges pointed out that it has absolutely no jurisdiction over the longshoremen.

"If it had kept out of the picture we'd be a whole lot better off. They led some unions to believe they would do something toward settling the issues amicably, but we were finally told they weren't out here for the immediate situation, but on the whole maritime question, and that their investigations might take from 6 months to a year, while in the meantime the sea-

going unions would carry on under present conditions.

"The only proposition the Maritime Commission submitted to us was the proposition submitted by the employers."

Firemen's Position

Delegate Ferguson of the Marine Firemen reported 2172 members on strike. He reported 153 ships tied up on the coast. The Firemen's basic demands are the union hiring hall and cash payment for overtime.

"We are not at present attempting to spread the strike to other coasts. Our union meeting adopted a motion to bring the vessels back to the home port before striking them."

Delegate O'Grady of the Masters, Mates and Pilots pointed out that the strike was forced on the unions.

"Plant of the shipowners coast committee stated over his signature that we had broken off negotiations. We asked him if he'd negotiate and sign an agreement for his line, the American-Hawaiian. He squirmed and said 'no'."

"We asked if he'd negotiate and sign for the whole group. He said 'no'."

"We definitely cooperated with the Dept. of Labor and are even now doing so while on strike."

"We're in this strike to win it. There is every indication that our members will be threatened with the loss of their licenses, but we have the right to strike."

"I believe if we should require the help of non-maritime unions, especially in transportation, it will be forthcoming."

A delegate from the Marine Cooks told of their main issues—the 8-hour day and the union hiring hall.

Why Unions Left Hearings Monday

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wages, hours and other conditions of labor. When Admiral Hamlet refused us the right to make legal reservations before starting the actual proceedings, and when he permitted counsel for the shipowners the right to go into the controversial matters which the Admiral himself had stated were not within the purview of the investigation, there was nothing else for the representatives of the unions to do but to withdraw from the hearings.

If the Maritime Commission was endeavoring in a mediatory capacity to settle the strike, the procedure would be dictated by such function. Since the Maritime Commission is not attempting to settle the strike, then the procedure should be as it is in all investigations, one of establishing facts and not a lawyer's harangue of mud slinging at the unions.

It must be clearly understood that the Maritime Commission has jurisdiction over subsidized vessels only. To submit to the Maritime Commission a settlement of the basic fundamental issues, whose decision might affect only those employers which receive subsidies, and leave out all those employers who do not receive subsidies, would be an impossible position for the union to take. The shipowners are evidently attempting to convert the Maritime Commission into an arbitration board and the unions cannot be a party to this program.

If the Maritime Commission or any representative of the Maritime Commission attempts to exceed the legal rights imposed upon them, the unions must reserve their legal rights by refusing to have anything to do with such proceedings.

"I demand my constitutional rights which guarantee freedom of speech," said McLaughlan. "This time is paid for and I haven't even made any utterance. There is nothing un-American in my speech. You're making the Constitution nothing but a scrap of paper."

Police Officer Don Keir, who had been waiting in front of the studio while this violation of Constitutional rights was taking place, then walked in, but refused to make any arrests, saying: "As long as no blows had been struck, there was no breach of the peace and no laws had been violated."

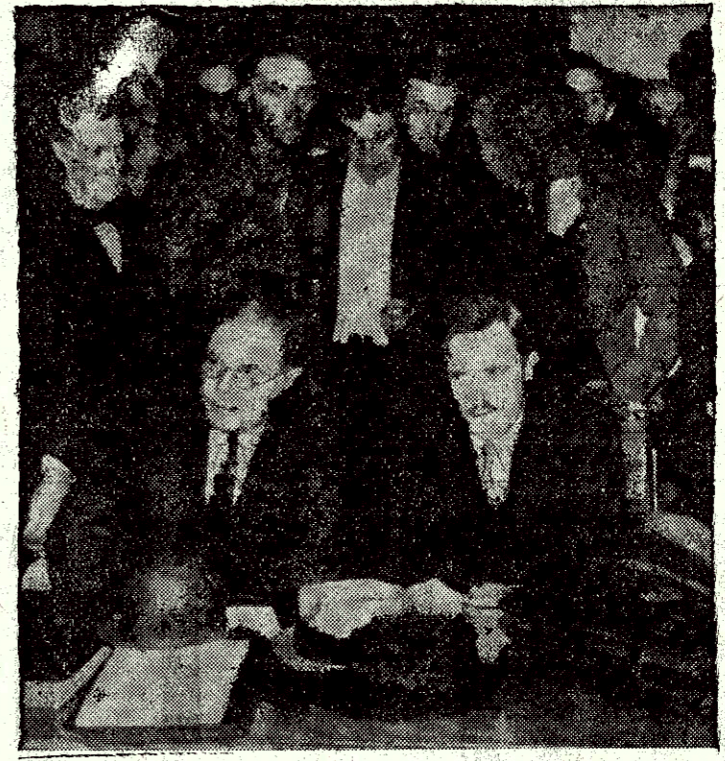
200 Workers Hear C.P. Platform

SACRAMENTO.—Two hundred workers gathered in the "L" Street Arena here Sunday evening to hear the platform of the Communist Party.

Speakers were Perry Hill, Communist candidate for Congress, 3rd District; Lawrence Ross, editor of the Western Worker; and a Mexican worker, who spoke in Spanish on the fight against "Fascism in Spain, linking the struggle for democracy there to the struggle against fascism in the United States."

A collection of \$42 was taken up, in order to further the fight against Fascism and to help build a Farmer-Labor Party.

IT CAN HAPPEN HERE!



RETURNING TO TERRE HAUTE, IND., a second time, to deliver an advertised radio broadcast, Earl Browder, Communist candidate for President was kept from speaking by a Fascist mob of vigilantes. He is shown (seated at right) attempting in vain to get an injunction against interference with his rights.

EXPOSE FAKE 'COMMUNIST' Hand of Hearst Seen In Lying Broadcast

(Statement by Communist Party of Washington.)

SEATTLE—On October 29th over station KOL, at 10 p. m., W. H. Murray posing as a former member of the Section Committee of the Communist Party and as a member of the Communist Party, delivered a radio address to the effect that the Communist Party is supporting the Democratic slate.

This is an act of desperation of the reactionary forces of the Hearst, Liberty League, Republican groups. They hope to confuse people in the state of Washington; thus preventing the mobilization of the people to fight for a program of progress and against a program of reaction.

Fear People

These reactionary forces fear the pressure of the people upon Roosevelt and the Democratic candidates compelling them to take effective steps to safeguard the civil rights of the majority of the people, protecting the rights of the workers to organize, strike and picket.

The Communist Party recognizes that the workers cannot rely upon the wavering of Roosevelt and the Democratic candidates to protect the interests of the people and smash the forces of reaction. We recognize it is only through the building of a broad Farmer-Labor Party movement, representing farmers, workers, middle-class and professionals that a strong, stable force can be built up which will defeat the growing reactionary clique in the United States and the state of Washington.

Although we are not members, we support the building of the Washington Commonwealth Federation which can become a powerful coalition of all progressive forces leading to the building of a state farmer-labor movement.

Communist Candidates

In order to present this program effectively to the people, we are running Earl Browder for President of the United States, James W. Ford for Vice-President, and Harold Brockway for Governor in this state.

We warn the people to beware of the activities of the reactionary Hearst, Liberty League, Republican combination. They will use, especially now during the elections and the maritime strike, such "stools" as W. H. Murray, an admitted stool pigeon, now receiving \$20 per week from the Law and Order League working under the direction of Mr. Singleton. Murray was expelled from the Communist Party a year ago as an irresponsible person.

Admitted Stoolie

Recently, in West Seattle, at a Republican rally for Wettrick, Republican candidate for Congress, Murray pulled again his stool pigeon act, claiming that the Communist Party has issued secret instructions to support Roosevelt and the Democratic slate.

Murray has tried to rejoin the Communist Party and on being questioned admitted he was a stool pigeon working for Mr. Singleton and the Washington Industrial Council and was especially instructed to join the Communist Party, unemployed organizations and the King-Corner-Ramsey Defense Committee. The recommendation of this stool pigeon was that the Communist Party supply Mr. Singleton, through him, and the Washington Industrial Council, with erroneous information as his employers were stupid. He thus had hoped to become their star stool pigeon.

STRIKERS IN S. PEDRO FOIL PROVOCATION

SAN PEDRO.—In spite of the fact that approximately 400 police, under the leadership of the well-known labor-hater Capt. "Red" Hynes, patrolled the harbor district, not a single one of the 1400 pickets could be provoked into giving cause for police violence.

Big Mass Meet

Most of the strikers in the harbor area crowded the Wilmington Bowl the night of October 31 to hear speakers of the local unions urge them to adhere closely to the strike plans, especially in regards to provocateurs.

Longshoremen assisted the crew and firemen in removing cargo from the burning hold of the steamer Edward Luckenbach October 31 when the ship arrived from New York. The fire had been burning since the ship left Mexican waters.

Denying emphatically that the Longshoremen's Union had called a meeting of all Southern California or Los Angeles unions to discuss plans for a general strike, Roy Donnelly, president of the local union, said, "We absolutely deny that we have called a meeting of this kind, nor are we at present planning a general strike."

The question of deciding on the handling of perishable cargoes now in port, at the request of the ship owners, was to be worked out November 2.

Harold Waterbury, business manager of the Truck Drivers' Union, answered reports that this union would strike in sympathy with the waterfront workers by declaring that the Truck Drivers would not join the strike unless the ship operators employ scabs to resume operations.

Unions To Cause No Violence

SAN FRANCISCO.—In reply to Secretary of Labor Perkins' telegram requesting resumption of negotiations, Mervyn Rathborne, secretary of the San Francisco joint strike committee wired:

"Unions appreciate your interest in present Pacific maritime situation. Unions have been and are willing at all times to negotiate acceptable agreements with shipowners. If employers give sincere expression of real desire to negotiate rather than to continue to say no to fundamental union principles, then negotiations can be resumed at once. Unions will welcome any effort you may make to cause employers to resume negotiations, provided employers negotiate in sincere and honest effort preceding strike farical, due to employers' uncompromising stiff-necked and unfriendly attitude and obvious desire to smash unions."

"Unions taking every precaution to preserve peace during strike. No violence will occur unless caused by employers or by civil authorities acting beyond their legal functions as in recent California labor controversies particularly Salinas lettuce strike."

More C.I.O. Support MINNEAPOLIS.—Reinstatement of the Committee for Industrial Organization unions so they may be seated at the next A.F.L. convention, was urged by the Central Labor Union here. The C.I.O. steel organizing campaign was endorsed.

FEDERAL HIRING HALLS OPPOSED BY UNIONS HERE

Weaver Proposes To Prevent Control By Unions

WASHINGTON.—Running true to form as a faithful retainer of the shipowners, Joseph B. Weaver, Director of the Bureau of Maritime Inspection and Navigation has offered a Federal system of bureaus for hiring sea-going personnel as a "solution" of the maritime situation.

Wants Them Quick

He said he planned to ask immediate approval by the Budget Bureau of a request to Congress for funds to set up and operate such hiring bureaus.

Federal control of hiring as proposed by Weaver would prevent the union-controlled hiring halls, and under the guise of impartiality would lead to a return of pre-1934 conditions.

Weaver claimed that under the "safety-at-sea" act proposed in the last session of Congress his bureau had broad powers of regulating hiring conditions.

As a result of experience with federal hiring halls during the war West Coast maritime unions lost faith in them, union officials state. Maritime unions are flatly opposed to such a system.

EAST AND GULF SOLIDARITY

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man of the Seamen's Defense Committee.

It is hard to state just how many ships, both East and West Coast, are tied up on the Atlantic and Gulf Coasts, as the number grows daily.

Close to 2000 seamen had registered for strike duty here; 800 in Baltimore, where seamen asked; and large numbers in other ports. Ships in Boston and Providence were struck.

Licensed engineers were among those who joined the sit-down strikers.

500 longshoremen, Negro and white, are on strike in New Orleans.

Rank and file seamen voted a strike in Houston, and crews are reported out in Port Arthur.

Warehousemen In 24-Hr. Picket

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tions because of the strike vote. With the Industrial Association behind them, the warehouse employers even had the nerve to question the right of a union to take a strike vote.

The employers were then given until last Thursday night to conclude a satisfactory agreement. They notified the union that they had misunderstood the strike vote, that they hadn't known that it was merely to authorize the executive committee to call a strike if it saw fit.

Hospital Supplies Handled

The purpose behind this was easily to be seen—further stalling. The warehouses were struck, in accordance with the members' sentiment, and closed tight. Only hospital supplies are moving in or out.

The grocery warehouses pulled an underhanded trick on the union. They assured the union that they had a satisfactory agreement and would submit it Friday. The strike call for the groceries was accordingly delayed until 4 p.m. Friday.

On Friday the grocery warehouse employers disclosed they had nothing to offer, proposing something like a 5 cents an hour wage increase, and an attempt to operate open shop.

LABOR AND POLITICS

By John Broman

Not so long ago Father Charles Coughlin made the following statement to a reporter: "One thing is sure, democracy is doomed. This is our last election."

"Is that so? What will happen?" "It is Fascism or Communism. We are at the crossroads."

"Which road do you take, Father Coughlin?" "I take the road of Fascism," said Coughlin.

The reporter was Dale Kramer, of the National Farm Holiday News, published in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Kramer has now written a pamphlet, "Coughlin, Lemke and the Union Party," which exposes the whole racket of these Fascists from A to Z.

Published by the Farmers Book Store, P.O. Box 230, Minneapolis, this pamphlet is well worth obtaining, reading and circulating among misled followers of Coughlin and Lemke, and among the Townsends whose leader, Dr. Townsend, has been playing around with these Fascists.

Single copies are five cents each, 25 copies for \$1, and 100 copies for \$3, postage prepaid.

Who is Lemke? . . .

Who is William Lemke, the Union Party candidate for President? Dale Kramer writes: "Mr. Lemke is something of an enigma. He has a Yale degree, claims to be a pioneer dirt farmer, and once wanted very much to invade and crush Mexico by force of arms. He is at once, depending on whom he is talking to, a messiah, a crook, a fool, and a very learned man. He thinks he will win the presidency this year, and he knows he hasn't a chance. He is merely Coughlin's stooge, and no one can run Bill Lemke."

Lemke stood in common with Senator Albert B. Fall, who later served a jail term on the Teapot Dome scandal, and William Randolph Hearst, who has large holdings in Mexico, is screaming for a war against Mexico.

Lemke No Leader . . .

Here's some more dope on Lemke: "Stories that Lemke has long been one of the Midwest's foremost leaders are all the bunk."

Senator Lynn J. Frazier of North Dakota introduced the so-called Frazier-Lemke Bill into Congress years before Lemke was even elected to that body. It was known merely as the Frazier Bill. But Lemke got his name attached to it and rode to fame on the backs of its supporters—the Farmers Union, Farmers Holiday Association and other supporters. However, that is not to say that Lemke, like dozens of others, did not work hard in the house for its passage.

He simply used the sponsorship to build himself up, writing signed columns for farm papers and accepting every invitation to speak at conventions."

Coughlin's Program . . .

Kramer takes Coughlin's platform for the Union Party point by point, and blows all 16 of them right out of the water, exposing his demagoguery and double-dealing.

In interviewing Coughlin, Kramer also exposed him as a deliberate liar and betrayer, as one who consciously uses tricks and fake slogans to mislead the people. Following is a section from the pamphlet:

"What will be the slogans, then?" I asked. "You've got Communism, of course. Fascists are always saying their countries are the Bolsheviks."

"Politicians," he answered without a moment's hesitation. "The politicians. I didn't use it here, but when I cut loose on the politicians they get out of their chairs and go wild."

I agreed that it was a fine point. The crooked politicians, everybody hated the politicians. But how about Lemke, wouldn't he have to hunt a storm cellar, too? Sure, the priest agreed generally.

"Another good one," he said, "is the stock market gamblers. You can always wow them with that one."

Cynical Fascist . . .

For pure cynicism of the Hitler variety, even more brassy than the Nazi "Fuehrer," Coughlin is tops. He dishonestly admits his dishonest intentions of betraying the American people to the Wall Street gang, to a Fascist dictatorship.

ORE STEEL LOCALS

CHICAGO—Latest locals chartered by the Amalgamated Assn. of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers in the steel campaign of the Committee for Industrial Organization, near here, are at Acme Steel, Riverdale, Ill.; Chicago Casket Co., Chicago; Continental Steel, Kokomo, Ind.; St. Louis Car Co., St. Louis.

FREE SPEECH FIGHT WON IN REDWOOD CITY

Cops Intimidate H. S. Students; Anita Whitney Talks

REDWOOD CITY—The Communist Party held an open election rally here in the Fire Department Hall last Thursday night, after winning a fight for free speech in the City Council. About 100 were present.

Result was Police Chief C. L. Collins said that if the party wants to hold another meeting in Redwood City, he will have no cause to object. "It was as quiet a meeting as I've ever seen," said Collins.

No Free Speech for Students But the police did not allow students for Sequoia High School to attend the meeting, turning many of them away from the door.

The students had several days before given Earl Browder, Communist candidate, a majority of votes in a straw poll, until the school principal called the ballot off.

Many cops were present, as was one Marjorie Stevens, so-called "Peninsula socialite," and exposed stool pigeon, who was present trying to secure names of those in attendance.

Stoolie for Sanborn Marjorie Stevens is known to write for Col. Sanborn's "American Citizen," Fascist paper published in San Rafael. Leading speaker at the meeting was Anita Whitney, state chairman of the Communist Party, who analyzed the planks of the Communist platform and spoke for the building of a Farmer-Labor Party.

For the benefit of many Legionnaires present, she pointed out that the Communist Party had been in the forefront of the fight for the veterans' bonus. John Broman, of the Western Worker staff, spoke on "The Hearst-Landon Threat to America."

Paper Intices

Possible vigilante action against free speech had been foreseen, following an article definitely inciting to riot which appeared in the San Mateo Times, under the headings: "Trouble Seen At Communist Rally Tonight" and "Red Mutiny."

The San Mateo Times quoted a Legionnaire as saying: "The only way to do with these fellows (the Communists) is to run them out of town."

L.A. Unions Win New Victories

LOS ANGELES.—Demands of the union having been met delegates from Stage Employees, local 33, asked the Central Labor Council to remove the Music Box and Ebell Club theaters from the official unfair list.

Bakers delegates requested that Heirschbergs Bakery be taken off the unfair list as the bakery had changed hands and a satisfactory working agreement reached with the new owners. The Azusa Rock and Gravel Company was declared fair at the request of the Building Material and Dump Truck Drivers.

ASK C.I.O. UNIONS' RIGHTS

AKRON, O.—Restoration of representation rights of the Committee for Industrial Organization unions at the next A.F.L. convention, is urged by the Eastern Ohio and Western Pennsylvania Association of Letter Carriers, meeting in convention.

Indiana Governor Ducks Blame For Browder's Arrest

SAN FRANCISCO.—Governor Paul V. McNutt, of Indiana, washes his hands of any blame or responsibility for the recent illegal arrest at Terre Haute of Earl Browder, Communist candidate for President, in a letter received here by the Dick Parker Branch of the International Labor Defense. The letter follows: "Gentlemen:

"I have your telegram of October 1st in which you protest the recent arrest by the Terre Haute, Indiana, police of Mr. Earl Browder, the candidate of the Communist Party for President of the United States.

"The power of the Governor of Indiana to interfere with the process of the criminal law is limited to the granting of "reprieves, commutations, and pardons, after a conviction." (Sec. 17, Art. V, Indiana Constitution.) I have no power to interfere with an arrest or an attempted arrest by a duly constituted peace officer of this state, or to release a person so arrested, except by pardon or commutation after conviction.

"As I stated to the press at the time this incident occurred, I personally have always been in favor of free speech, regardless of what is said. "Cordially yours, "Paul V. McNutt."

L.A. Cops Again Attack Workers

LOS ANGELES.—As a two-week long crime wave goes unabated, ranging from thefts of slot machines and sluggings of women to a \$23,000 jewel robbery, scores of police were assigned last week to all rail routes and highways leading into Los Angeles with orders to arrest or turn back transients making their way into the city.

In an effort to establish a "Bum Blockade," which made the local police force the laughing stock of the nation a year ago, stiff sentences will be passed out to unemployed men and boys seeking jobs here if they are caught "evading railway fares."

Hitch-hikers, and even persons walking on the highways, will be thrown into jail on vagrancy charges unless they turn back upon orders from Chief "Peanut Hitler" Davis' crew of legalized thugs.

Presbyterians Score Browder's Arrest In Terre Haute

NEW YORK.—"We look with dismay upon such a denial of free speech as that recently occurring in Terre Haute, Ind., when the Communist Presidential candidate was imprisoned for more than 24 hours in order to prevent him from speaking," declared the New York Presbyterian Synod, in a statement on "The Church and the Fascist Mood."

The Synod went on record in support of full freedom of speech for all.

L.A. Dyers Map Plan For Retail Drive

LOS ANGELES.—With wholesale plants of the cleaning and dyeing industry practically 100 per cent unionized the Cleaners and Dyers are mapping plans for the unionization of the retail trade.

The closed shop agreement of the Cleaners and Dyers Union calls for a 44 hour week, \$18 minimum wage for unskilled and \$40 for skilled workers.

Browder Is Only Candidate For Labor Prisoners

Only presidential candidate to answer the International Labor Defense questionnaire on the subject of labor prisoners' status, Earl Browder, Communist candidate for President, squarely endorsed the project for a bill providing a special status for political prisoners in the United States.

"The release of all political prisoners is included among the planks of the Communist Party platform for 1936," said Browder.

"While we demand the unconditional release of all persons imprisoned for political and trade union activity, we certainly favor the enactment of such legislation as the proposed act to establish a special status for political prisoners. Communist representatives will work and vote to make such an act the law of the land.

17,000 Arrested! "Many labor and political prisoners are personal friends of mine. I myself have experienced the horrors of prison for fighting against imperialism. It is a disgrace to our country that 17,000 men and women were arrested in 1935 while fighting for democratic rights and civil liberties, for fighting on the side of labor against the tyranny of Wall Street. These people are the finest flower of our nation. They carry on the traditions of our Revolution of 1776 in their struggle against reaction and injustice.

"That such men and women should be treated as worse than criminals is intolerable. This persecution of fighters for freedom must be ended.

"While fighting for the end of all laws which imprison men who struggle for political and labor rights, I heartily endorse your campaign to win special recognition and special status for political and labor prisoners."

Postpone Trial of Cops' Victims

LOS ANGELES.—The case of four victims of police lawlessness, scheduled for trial Oct. 29th was put over until Nov. 25th when the defendants appeared in court and asked for a continuance because their attorney was out of the city.

Arrested when police broke up, with clubs and tear gas, a peaceful street meeting held in the free speech zone at Brooklyn and Breed Sts. here last Sept., the four workers have been at liberty on bonds provided by the International Labor Defense since a jury disagreed in a trial before Municipal Judge Curtis.

Represented by I.L.D. attorney Grover Johnson, the workers are James Carter, Jim Dell, Malone Freeman and Edward McDowell.

Liquor Grafters Get Off With Light Jail Sentences

OAKLAND.—Three liquor grafters got off light here last week, when they pleaded guilty to bribery charges in Superior Court.

Michael J. Connolly, former chief liquor enforcement officer of the State Board of Equalization, and E. M. Bergsten, his assistant, were given sentences, Connolly a year in jail and a \$200 fine, Bergsten an eight-month jail sentence.

John Agrella, tavern keeper, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to a year in jail. Following their guilty pleas, Connolly and Agrella had all other counts against them dismissed.

L. A. COUNTY IN ATTACK ON UNEMPLOYED

Supervisors Would Secede From Union

LOS ANGELES.—An "independent nation of Los Angeles County" was set up here last Friday by the Board of Supervisors in authorizing Sheriff Eugene W. Biscailuz to set up outposts at the county borders to turn back or arrest unemployed and transient workers.

The supervisors also voted to ask Governor Merriam to secede the state of California from the rest of the U. S. when they suggested that state police establish a "bum blockade" at the state borders, similar to those set up by the L. A. police force at the city limits, and by the sheriff's force at the county limits.

Little Opposition From Ford Only slight opposition to these Fascist-minded plans came from Supervisor John Anson Ford, who claims to be "liberal," and from Supervisor Gordon L. McDonough.

Police Chief "Peanut Hitler" Davis took time off from his "red-baiting" campaign to send detachments of plain clothes police to Colton, Victorville, Cadiz, Mecca, Blythe, Needles, Barstow and Yuma, Ariz., to stool pigeon on freight-riding transients and report on those heading for Los Angeles.

Capt. Warren Austin, Davis' flunky, is in charge of the so-called hobo detail.

Unconstitutional Arrests Nearly two dozen men and boys were picked up the first day of Davis' drive, and given sentences of from five to 12 days in Lincoln Heights Jail.

It is reported that henceforth sentences will run from 20 days to six months, with the time to be served at hard labor at Camp Hopkins.

Trade unions, and other liberal and progressive organizations are urged to file protests against this violation of constitutional rights of the people with Mayor Shaw and the City Council of Los Angeles, with the L. A. County Board of Supervisors, with Attorney General U. S. Webb, and with Governor Merriam.

Author To Be Guest Speaker At S.F. Meet Nov. 2nd

SAN FRANCISCO.—Dr. Lewis Browne, author, will be guest at the mass meeting being sponsored by the United Council to Combat Anti-Semitism and Nazism at the Scottish Rite Auditorium here Sunday, November 22nd, 8 p.m.

Other speakers will be Rabbi Elliot M. Burnstein, John E. Ross, John D. Barry, and Hugo Ernst, leader of the culinary unions in San Francisco. Chairman will be Dr. Jacob J. Weinstein, director of the School of Jewish Studies.

Topic for discussion will be "Anti-Semitism—A Challenge to American Democracy."

Texas Cop Pulls Terre Haute Trick

PORT ARTHUR, Texas.—Aping the Fascist-minded police chief of Terre Haute, Indiana, Police Chief H. F. Baker arrested Homer Brooks, Communist candidate for governor of Texas, here last week. Baker told the C.P. nominee to get out of town.

VICTIM OF MOB



MRS. BESSIE KECKLER Communist candidate for Assembly, 80th District, San Diego County, who was knocked down by vigilantes in El Centro, Imperial Valley.

VIGILANTES RESTRAINED

Judge Won't Enjoin Imperial Sheriff, Police Chief

LOS ANGELES.—Two vigilantes named as Chas. Freeze and Johnny Donehue were legally restrained from interfering with the radio broadcast of Esco Richardson in El Centro by Federal Judge McCormick here last Thursday upon application of International Labor Defense attorney Leo Gallagher, who represented the Communist Party.

At the same time Judge McCormick refused to grant an injunction restraining Sheriff Ware of Imperial County and Sterling Oswald, El Centro Chief of Police, from interfering with Richardson's radio talk, despite the fact that both officers have proved by their actions they are either unwilling or unable to stop vigilante terror in El Centro.

Vigilante Victims Last week Richardson, Communist candidate for Congress, 20th District, was dragged from the microphone, brutally beaten and driven out of El Centro by a vigilante mob. Mrs. Bessie Keckler, 80th Assembly District candidate, was knocked down by the thugs.

Frank M. Bowles, manager of the radio station, appealed to the Federal Radio Commission for permission to turn Richardson down on his request for radio time. His petition was refused.

Definite date of Richardson's next broadcast had not yet been set.

Anti-Japanese Revolt Planned In Formosa, Arrests Reveal

TOKYO.—Japanese military imperialism is not running smoothly on the island of Formosa, it was indicated here with announcement of arrest by Japanese secret police of anti-imperialist fighters on the island.

Early in October Ashishukukai, Formosan educated in China, was arrested with 425 Chinese and Formosans on charges of plotting overthrow of Japanese rule.

If successful Ashishukukai planned to make Formosa an independent state with an autonomous government, it was stated.

Ever since Japan took over the island after the Sino-Japanese war, the Formosans have resented Japanese rule, and twice Japan has sent military expeditions against the island people.

RIVERSIDE POLICE CHIEF WANTS TO COMPETE WITH OTHER FOES OF DEMOCRACY

Illegally Seizes Campaign Literature Of Communist Party, Arrests One Worker For Possessing Democrat Leaflet

RIVERSIDE—Police Chief H. B. Heastan of this city wants to compete with Police Chief Davis of Los Angeles and Sheriff Ware of Imperial County, in their flagrant attacks on the democratic rights of the people.

Last week Heastan stopped an automobile, and illegally removed from it Communist campaign literature, and copies of The New Masses and Sunday Worker.

The literature was not being distributed, and police made no arrests, only seizing the literature.

One worker had some Democratic Party literature, with a story of Landon called "The Tale of a Fox," and officers arrested him, taking him to the police station handcuffed, and locking him in a cell for half an hour before releasing him.

A leaflet issued by the Communist Party here urged workers to write to P. O. Box 966, San Bernardino, for further information.

\$1800 Stoolpigeon RIVERSIDE—Under the disguise of "field supervisor of juvenile activities," the Board of Supervisors last week added a professional snooper and stoolpigeon, to the county payroll here, at a salary of \$1800 a year.

Cop Strongarms Negro Editor In Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES.—So long as publishers of Negro papers ignore the appalling vice conditions in their neighborhoods and print editorials sponsoring reelection of District Attorney Burton Fitts, whose campaign expenses are paid for by the underworld, they are unmolested.

But let them once turn the bright glare of truth on the sore spots of Central Ave., which are brought on by the poverty and segregation of the Negro people, as did James E. Keys, editor and publisher of the Pacific Advocate, last week, and the full fury of the police is turned against them.

Keys was arrested by Detective-Lieutenant Sid Sweetnam taken to the Newton St. police station where he was "pushed around" for two hours, and forced to sign an affidavit repudiating his last editorial attack on vice conditions on Central Ave., he charged.

Sweetnam disclaimed all knowledge of Keys' connection with the Pacific Advocate, although Keys has been publishing it regularly and formerly owned another paper, besides being well known in the Central Ave. neighborhood.

Labor Defense Holds Membership Meet Next Wednesday

SAN FRANCISCO.—A general membership meeting of the International Labor Defense will be held here Wednesday, Nov. 4th, 8 p.m., at 1254 Market St.

Anna Damon, national I.L.D. leader now in California on an organizing tour, will be present to report on plans for future activity.

Following the meeting free sandwiches and coffee will be served.

Soviet Ambassador Protests Japan's Border Violations

MOSCOW.—The Soviet Ambassador to Tokyo has protested to the Japanese government against the latest case of violation of the Soviet frontier by Japanese-Manchukuan armed forces.

The attack took place at Turinog, Far East, 1640 feet from the frontier line, with two forces of Japanese-Manchukuan troops attacking seven Soviet border guards from two directions at once. After reinforcements came up, the Soviet forces drove off the attackers.

Panama President On Side Of Fascist Rebels In Spain

PANAMA CITY.—Stooge for Wall Street, President Juan Demosthenes Arosemena, of the Republic of Panama, last week came out for the Fascists now fighting to overthrow the legal government of Spain.

"If the insurgents win control of Spain and establish themselves in Madrid, I shall not hesitate to recognize the new government," said Demosthenes.

"We are ready to recognize any government, anywhere, no matter how established, the only condition being possession and execution of the governmental functions."

Open Letter On Recruiting From Southside of Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES.—In reviewing the experiences of the Southside Section during the Recruiting Drive certain things have come to our attention which if discussed will help in other territories.

Comrades, at this time we have an opportunity to recruit sincere and honest workers into our party in numbers unknown in our history.

It's Our Job Comrade Browder in a pleasant and convincing voice, and Comrade Ford in a driving and forcible manner have been bringing the message of the Communist Party to millions of these workers at their fireside. But they can not visit each of these workers in their homes or at their work and ask them personally to join hands with us in liberating America.

This task is ours. Are we doing it? In our headquarters we have a chart that lists the units in our section and as these units recruit, a blue star is placed

opposite that unit for every adult and a red star for every youth recruit. We have done the same with the names of the comrades who pledged definite quotas. As weeks pass, those strings of stars grow in front of some units and names, while others are still at the starting post. The question, "Are we doing it?" is answered only in deeds, not words.

Comrades, let us lift the Communist Party out of the cellars, ways and back-lots, out of its hiding of past years, onto the brightly lighted streets and into the homes of every honest worker. We are not a party of dark conspiracy, but a party representing every glorious American tradition and principle, a party of liberty, progress, a party of and for the future.

What Can Be Done A sympathizer, coming closer to the party month by month, invited his friends to a radio party a short while ago with the result that all but one was recruited into our party. The coffee cup preceded by formal dis-

ussion, led the radio party into the wee hours of the morning, all seemed unwilling to adjourn.

Another unit reports that a radio party attended by 50 people resulted in four recruits and a collection of \$13. Still another unit reports that by holding regular open unit meetings they doubled their membership, have set up a library at these meetings, charging a penny a week for the service. It is a welcome

sight to see the attendance carrying home pamphlets and books, chosen with the assistance of the librarian. A long string of stars in front of this unit speaks well for its work.

Just a word of self-criticism will do us no harm. One of our comrades reports a lively discussion on qualifications for membership.

When to Recruit One comrade takes the stand

Join the Communist Party! Fight for liberty to clear the path to Socialism! APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP Name Address City State Occupation Sex Age Nationality Mail application to Communist Party, 121 Haight Street, San Francisco, or to Communist Party, 224 South Spring Street, Room 409, Los Angeles.

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Redouble Aid to Spain Workers

FRANCO'S Fascist hordes, armed with the most modern military equipment, are still outside of Madrid. The vain boasts made by the Fascists several weeks ago that the capitol would fall within a few days were shattered against the heroism of the People's Front forces which, though pitifully lacking in arms and ammunition, are performing miracles of heroism in defense of democracy. The people of Madrid, old and young, men and women, are determined to die fighting rather than suffer the unspeakable tortures of Fascist occupation!

The fighters for Democracy in Spain are not only valiantly defending Madrid,—but have even launched a counter-offensive, and in several sectors are driving the insurgent hordes back!

This proves once again that if it weren't for the undercover intervention of Italy, Germany and Portugal on behalf of the Fascists they would long ago have been crushed. Evidence of this intervention has piled mountain-high. Even correspondents of American capitalist newspapers have told of seeing German pilots flying German planes, and Italian soldiers manning Italian whippet tanks.

In face of this continued brazen violation of the non-intervention pact by the Fascist countries, they have been "acquitted" of guilt by the non-intervention committee! In view of the fact that the fate of Europe depends to a large extent on the outcome of the war in Spain, support of the People's Front Government becomes a vital duty for forces of democracy throughout the world. Here in the United States the support that has been given by American workers must be doubled. The civil war in Spain is now at a crucial stage.

On November 15th in San Francisco, and on the 22nd in Los Angeles, a delegation from the People's Front Government will be heard, as part of a tour throughout this country and Canada. The purpose of the tour is to describe the real issues of the civil war and to organize support behind the defenders of Spanish democracy. Among the delegation is Father Luis de Sarazola, a Catholic priest who speaks on behalf of the masses of Spanish Catholics.

These meetings should be given the widest possible support.

Collection of funds, medical supplies and clothing must be speeded up. The Spanish workers are fighting not only to keep Fascism out of Spain, but to check the advance of Fascism throughout the world. Their fight is ours.

Davis Orders Concentration Camps

CHIEF OF POLICE DAVIS of Los Angeles, who last year attempted to keep transient unemployed workers out of Southern California through a blockade of the entire state, is this year using forced labor against the transient workers.

These workers on entering the state, Davis declares, will be herded into concentration camps and forced to dig ditches. With Davis's typical arrogance he contemptuously refers to these workers as "hoboes" and "bums."

Chief Davis consciously blinds himself to the fact that there are tens of thousands of homeless youths and adults, forced to travel from state to state on the road and the freight train, in quest of jobs. Certainly these transient workers find no pleasure in huddling up in freight cars, eating whatever they can find—when at all, trudging the roads in search of odd jobs. Or does Chief Davis think they do it from choice?

These workers are jobless through no fault of their own. Concentration camps and forced labor are the Fascist remedies for this condition. California workers will not stand for the Fascization of the Southern part of the state by the Los Angeles police department.

The forced labor movement must be smashed, the projected concentration camps defeated. This is a splendid issue for the Workers' Alliance to take up and fight. It will be supported by trade unionists and other working class organizations. Pressure should be brought to bear on the government by the Workers' Alliance for federal projects for these transient workers in all states.

Catholics and Free Speech

"THE MONITOR," a Catholic newspaper published in San Francisco, carries in its latest issue a long editorial attack against the Communist Party, particularly upon a broadcast made by Vernon Healy, Communist candidate for Congress from the First District, in which he appealed for Catholic voters to vote Communist.

Pointing to the persecution of Catholics by the Fascist Hitler regime, to the heroic Catholic workers and poor Catholic priests who are fighting against Fascism in Spain—and contrasting these with the freedom of religious worship in the Soviet Union—Healy cited the grave danger of Fascism in America. He urged all American Catholics to vote Communist, both for their immediate needs and to help build an anti-Fascist Farmer-Labor Party.

This was the essence of Healy's appeal. Yet the "Monitor" makes a vicious attack against the Communist Party because of its alleged belief in force and violence, and against the radio station for permitting the broadcast to be made. The "Monitor" also complains it could not get a copy of Healy's address, although the announcer invited all listeners to write in to the Communist Campaign Committee for a copy of the speech.

The Communist Party has time and again refuted the lie, spread by employer interests, that we are a party of force and violence. These tactics, we point out, are used by employers of labor and their vigilante and strike-breaking agents. We urgently suggest that the editorial writer of the "Monitor" read Earl Browder's report to the Ninth Convention of the Communist Party, which the San Francisco County Committee is sending that newspaper, along with a free copy of Healy's speech.

The "Monitor," however, goes further than mere words. The editorial lists the names of all the officials of the Federal Communications Commission at Washington, D. C., and of the Inspector in charge of the Western Area, stationed in San Francisco. The editorial, by inference, invites all of its readers to bring pressure to bear upon the Commission, as well as upon the radio station management, to refuse to grant the Communist Party the right of the use of the radio, the same as other political parties have.

We wonder whether this is a fair example of the sort of democracy the "Monitor" editors believe in. We hope not. We look for a repudiation of this editorial by the Catholic workers, who are aware of the role of the Communist Party in combatting reaction and Fascism, in safeguarding democracy.

Celebrate November Seventh!

NOVEMBER 7th marks the nineteenth anniversary of the Russian revolution, the celebration of the victorious socialist construction in the Soviet Union which has raised the standard of living of the Soviet citizens while in every other country the masses of people are suffering hunger and terror.

November 7th is a red-letter day for workers of all nations. The victory of socialist construction in the Soviet Union is a victory for the workers throughout the world. The existence of the Soviet Union is the bulwark and strength of the oppressed of all capitalist countries.

November 7th has especial significance this year for the American people who, four days earlier, will have chosen a president and vice-president, and representative in Congress and in state legislatures. The advance or checking of Fascism depends to a large extent upon the outcome of the elections.

Democratic forces in America are faced with the menace of Fascism. The Soviet Union supports the democratic forces of all countries against the murderous Fascist hordes.

Make the nineteenth anniversary of the Soviet Union—the most powerful champion of progress against reaction and Fascism—a memorable one by turning out to the celebration rallies! Help strengthen the forces of progress and democracy in the United States!

FOOD FROM SOVIET WORKERS TO SPANISH BROTHERS



SOVIET WORKERS were quick to come to the aid of the struggle of the Spanish people against Fascism. Trade union organizer Burkreyev of the Red Proletarian factory is shown receiving a contribution from Stakhanovite worker Novikov after a mass meeting to aid Spanish people.

Largo Caballero, Premier of Spain, Appeals to U. S.

By LARGO CABALLERO

Premier of the Spanish Republic (Through Federated Press)

Through the Federated Press, I address myself to the working class, the liberals and the intellectuals of America. The monster of international Fascism, which has turned half the nations of Europe into dead souls without spirit or vision, is stretching out its bloody claws to Spain as the next prize.

A group of oath-breaking officers, who have stolen the defensive equipment of the Spanish state, are murdering, looting and terrorizing the masses of Spain. Deprived of the right to purchase weapons through an unjust international blockade, the forces of freedom in our country nevertheless have twice hurled the enemy back from the gates of Madrid. For a third time, but now supported by tens of thousands of Moorish soldiers, foreign bombing planes, artillery, tanks and machineguns, the military Fascists are closing in on the capital.

Comrades, Americans, sons of freedom, we can make Madrid the tomb of Fascism if you help us! We have sworn that we shall sooner perish than become slaves... I adjure you: stand by us!

Do not believe our enemies who seek to poison your minds with stories of atrocities committed by our heroic militia! Believe me when I say that we have dealt at all times most generously, too generously perhaps, with our enemies. We have heaped benefits upon the heads of the very generals who are today in arms against the republic and who swore to uphold democratic institutions.

For Bread, Peace, Liberty Friends, each hour that passes men and women in the jails of Fascism are being tortured and executed for no other reason than that they wanted to live a decent, human life with bread, peace and liberty for themselves and for their children. Friends, Fascism is turning Spain into a cemetery. More than 50,000 helpless non-combatants have been slaughtered. Shall it go on? You give the answer, workers of America!

I appeal to you to pave the way for an understanding of our cause. In your factories, shops, forests and mines, in your schools and universities, spread the message that Fascism is busy assassinating a whole people. Pass the word along: from Spain will begin the victory over the gory monster that seeks to turn mankind into the abject misery and slavery of the middle ages. Let your voice be heard, workers of America!

You may depend on it, American friends, Fascism will not pass in Spain. There are still four millions of us to fight to the last drop of blood, for our own freedom, for the wellbeing of our children, but also for your sake. For if we go down, your turn comes the sooner. Appeals to Instincts of Freedom I appeal to your working class solidarity. I appeal to the instincts of freedom in the great American people. I appeal to your hearts and to your hands. Believe in us. Have faith in us. We are your brothers. We are today holding the line against the army of slave-drivers and despoilers who are out to conquer the world for a slavery worse than that of Egypt!

No, they shall not pass! The workers of the world will say: No!

Arms we need in the first place. But if you cannot send arms, send us what you can! Let us feel that we are not alone! Let us know that behind us stands the giant of American la-

LEARN FROM STAKHANOV

By J. M.

Alexei Stakhanov has given the workers of the entire world an inspiring example. He has taken humanity one step higher on the ladder to freedom from drudgery by beginning a movement which has swept the Soviet Union, stimulating the entire working class there to improve their methods of work and increase their hourly production without a comparative increase in physical effort.

But his example can nowhere be duplicated in the industries of capitalism. The reason is simple. Any worker who uses his brains under capitalism to increase his productivity is robbing himself and his fellow-workers. He increases the profits of his employer; and at the same time cuts down on the number of man-hours needed for a given job, thus robbing himself and his fellows of wages.

The Job Here

However, the job of building Socialism, the first step toward Communism, can be carried on, must be carried on, just as well under capitalism as in the country where workers rule. But here in the U.S.A. this job takes a different form.

In the U.S.S.R. building Socialism means primarily building the wealth of the country, producing THINGS. Here in the U.S.A. building Socialism means working with PEOPLE, recruiting them to that organization which works scientifically for the establishment of Socialism, the Communist Party. We can, therefore, use the lessons of Stakhanovism for the benefit of Communism here as well as in the U.S.S.R.

What is the essence of Stakhanovism and how can it be applied to conditions of Capitalism? Stakhanovism essentially is the scientific application of the tools at hand to produce the greatest possible result with the least effort or cost. Specifically, Stakhanov did two things: a) He lined up the men and machinery at his disposal in the best possible way—b) so that the cutting tool (the air-drill) in the coal mine could spend the greatest possible time against the face of the ore seam.

In Building Communist Party How can we apply this lesson to the building of the Communist Party?

First, we must learn to use the forces we have in the best possible way. On the one hand, we must encourage the comrades who have preferences to become real specialists in the work they like to do. For instance, if a comrade likes to sell newspapers on the docks or at factory gates, we should encourage him to do that, suggest places and times for him to work, give him all possible help—instead of giving him a job as a dues secretary or an educational director or an organizer.

Or, if we have a comrade who is a stickler for detail, he should be given a job which will use that talent. For example, we had a bad situation in the Harbor

and the intellectuals of your country! I promise you: we will not rest till the monster is crushed! We may yet have reverses. But the final victory is ours. Long live the Spanish republic! Long live the international solidarity of the working class of the world! For peace—for bread—for freedom, Forward!

in our dues department. For months, years even, our dues had not been handled correctly.

Some months we would have no order at all. Later, we would have 150 or more stamps ordered at one pop. We looked around and found a comrade who was a unit dues secretary. He had the job perfectly. He did not like other kinds of work. We asked him to do the job of taking care of dues for the Section; and, as a result, our dues payment has been stabilized at 80-90 per week.

Training New Members

On the other hand, we must use every force in our movement for getting our jobs done. We must take new comrades, who have no preference for certain work, and train them to take care of specialized jobs.

Very often we have a functionary's job vacant. We look around and say, "Well, we haven't got anybody who ever did any of that kind of work." We discuss the matter in our unit and Section bureaus and decide we have no one, by the simple process of eliminating all our new forces without even giving them a trial. Then we come to our only conclusion: "We shall have to ask the Section Committee (County, State, or Central) for such a force." Take the example of Comrade U.

Case of Comrade U.

In the check-up on our Section plan of Action, we found that the unit of which Comrade U. was organizer had no unit bureau, although unit bureaus were the first control task on the plan. "Oh, I haven't got anybody who is capable or willing to be a unit functionary."

"Are you sure, have you asked them?"

"Yes, I'm sure, Well, I haven't asked them, but in way they take other assignments, I know they won't take this added responsibility."

"We discussed this situation in the Section Bureau and came to a decision. Comrade U. was to go back to his unit and explain to them the function of a unit bureau. He was to tell them that the Section Bureau had decided there could be no unit there if no bureau could be got to function; instead, the unit would have to become a new members' class, taking up the elementary principles of Communism, until forces had developed enough to form a unit bureau."

Next week we asked Comrade U. if he had formed a unit bureau. He opened up his eyes in innocent surprise and said, "Why, of course. They just jumped at the chance!"

As a result Comrade U. has been released as unit organizer for the duration of the election campaign, so that he can handle the election campaign for the section! And two weeks before he had been the only comrade functioning as a bureau member in the unit.

The second lesson of Stakhanovism is that we must free our cutting tools so that they can spend most of their time working on the face of the ore seam. In this instance, the cutting tools are our organizers, comrades developed enough to recruit new people, answer questions, explain away their doubts; and the ore is the mass of non-Party workers.

Marine Strike

(Excerpts from radio speech of Roy Hudson, member of Central Committee, Communist Party U. S. A., banned by Station KSFO.

Friends:

On election eve, we are in the midst of a maritime crisis which is the vital concern of Organized Labor and all friends of Labor.

Nearly 40,000 men are on strike on the Pacific Coast, from San Diego to Alaska. The issues involved in this strike are to a large extent the issues in the minds of every worker during the election campaign, which will determine the way he casts his ballot.

The Red Herring

The waterfront unions have been called "reds," "radicals," "trouble-makers." The open-shop interests who have raised this cry are a part of the same crowd that are rooting for Landon, and calling even President Roosevelt a "Communist." This has been a convenient way of avoiding the real issues involved.

The waterfront unions and the labor movement generally have grown strong because they are not frightened by this "Red scare," because they have learned how to establish unity and solidarity, because they have built a united front of labor which has won for them the improvement of their working conditions, hours, and wages.

But the employers are trying to take this away from them. Some of them would like to bring back the conditions that existed prior to the 1934 strike, with company unions, speed-up, unemployment, favoritism, and blacklist system. It is this desire which is at the bottom of the constantly recurring crises on the waterfront.

Determined to Hold Gains The maritime unions are determined not to give up the gains they have made. The demands they have made upon the shipowners at the expiration of the agreements on September 30th, were that they receive guarantees on certain fundamental issues, which would establish and maintain union working-conditions; if these guarantees had been made by the employers, all other questions including wages could have been settled by peaceful negotiations, and there would have been no strike.

But the employers refused those guarantees; they even threatened to declare a lockout. During the past month, the unions granted three extensions amounting to 30 days, offering every reasonable concession and compromise in order to reach a settlement, but to no avail. Some of the shipping lines were ready and willing to settle but the big lines refused because they wanted a showdown fight. Having exhausted every possibility through negotiations, the maritime unions as a last resort were forced to strike.

You have heard many stories about how the exorbitant demands of the unions are driving the shipowners out of business. Well, let us take a look at the record.

Main Demands

What are the demands the unions are making? Outside of wage increases, which even the employers admit are "fairly moderate," the basic issues for which the maritime workers are fighting, are:

First, the maintenance of the union hiring halls and the present system of hiring. This is the most essential thing for the existence of the unions, to prevent discrimination and blacklisting of union men.

Second, payment for overtime, for seamen.

Third, the eight-hour day for marine cooks and stewards.

Fourth, preferential hiring of union members for the licensed personnel.

Fifth, the continuance of the six-hour day for longshoremen.

If the employers had given some guarantees of favorable consideration to these five basic demands, three of which are merely a continuation of what the unions already have under the 1934 award, a struggle could have been averted and the unions would have been willing to settle the question of wages and other issues by further negotiations.

But the shipowners have been stalling the negotiations for ten weeks now, and it was obvious that they did not want a peaceful settlement. So the maritime unions had no other recourse but to exercise their only other concentration industries, key-men in trade-unions, etc. This is not to be interpreted, of course, to mean that only our organizers should engage in recruiting, because every comrade should be active that way—but that our organizers should produce greater results than anyone else in this sphere.

If we apply these principles of Stakhanovism to our organization, in the course of leading the daily struggles of the working-class, we shall achieve our quota of 100,000 members by Lenin Memorial Day.

Do not allow yourself to be stampeded by alarmist reports about the unions using violence. The maritime unions do not want violence, and have strictly cautioned their membership against provocateurs who might be sent into their ranks for that purpose, by enemies of the unions, in order to find an excuse to start a crusade against the strikers.

The threat of vigilante terrorism, which is always held over the head of every union and of every workers' organization, is the only possible source from which violence can come; that threat will exist until the labor movement really organizes a determined campaign to stamp out and illegalize vigilante mob violence.

Communists and Strikes

We Communists, who have been the most frequent victims of vigilantism, do NOT advocate or condone the use of force and violence. We are not interested in strikes for their own sake. We know only too well how costly they are to the workers. But when the workers, after weighing the cost, find it necessary to take strike action in order to protect their jobs, their living-standards, and the security of their families, we, together with all friends of the labor movement will do everything in our power to help make that struggle successful.

What can YOU do, in support of the maritime unions? First of all, spread the truth about the waterfront situation; beware of propaganda and alarmist reports about a "state of emergency" or shortage of food supplies in your city. Secondly, be on the alert for the recruiting or transportation of strike-breakers. No decent citizen will allow himself to be used to break the maritime strike. Thirdly, pass a resolution in your organization expressing support for the stand of the maritime unions, endorsing their basic demands, and send it to President Roosevelt, the Department of Labor, and the U. S. Maritime Commission. Fourthly, get your fellow workers and your union to take a stand for independent political action by labor, for the building of a Farmer-Labor Party.

We Communists pledge ourselves to continue the fight for democracy against Fascism, for the rights of labor against the greed of the Wall Street interests, until all America will have jobs, social security and peace. We are not like capitalist political parties, that promise all things before election day, only to forget them on the morrow. Our platform contains the things we have always been fighting for and will continue to fight for.

The workers in the maritime unions and in all unions know the constructive progressive role that Communists have played in helping to organize the unorganized, in building industrial unions, in fighting for the united front of labor. That is why we are so cordially hated by the enemies of labor. That is why an attack on the Communists is the forerunner for an attack on the whole labor movement.

Many Townsendites Expected To Vote For Perry Hill

SACRAMENTO—Thousands of Townsendites are expected to vote for Perry Hill, Communist candidate in the 3rd District, opposition to the arch-reactionary incumbent, Frank Buck, who has earned the Townsend people's contempt by his ridicule of their fight for old-age pensions.

Workers remember that in 1932 Buck promised workers on his ranch a raise if he were elected, but then cut their wages before the votes were counted. When his workers went on strike, he accused Communists of "stirring up trouble among my contented workers."

San Diego Plans Workers' School

Commencing Sunday, November 15 a Workers' School will open in San Diego. Classes the first Sunday will consist of Marxism-Leninism, Political Economy and Current Events. On alternate Sundays Public Speaking, Journalism, Parliamentary Procedure, Principles of Organization, etc., will be studied. Classes will be presided over by competent instructors. For further information inquire at the Bookshop, 635 E. St., San Diego.

YOUR HEALTH

By F. E. BISSELL, M.D.

ACNE Los Angeles, Calif.

DEAR DR. BISSELL:
I've had a mild case of acne ever since I was 15 years old. I want to know whether you think I should take the X-Ray treatment or avoid it. I've heard of and seen so many cases where the skin was very withered and pitted from this treatment that I'm a bit afraid to try it.

ANSWER—In the treatment of Acne Vulgaris (the "pimple" type of acne), most important for the patient is that he does not squeeze or manipulate the pimples in any way. If the patient does not observe this rule, much scarring may result. However, all blackheads should be removed gently.

Every night before going to bed, the acne victim should wash his face with hot, soapy water and then rinse with water as hot as he can stand. The skin is then massaged well, avoiding the pimples and washed again with hot, soapy water, then rinsed with warm and cold water.

If there are many pimples, lotio alba should then be applied. If there are mostly blackheads, apply the following **Dr. Franklin E. Bissell** paste which the druggist can put up: Sulphur, 10 per cent; Kaolin, 10 per cent, in zinc oxide paste. Starches and sweets should be avoided, frequent sun-baths should be taken, and constipation corrected.

If these simple measures do not attain sufficient results, special measures may be adopted by a physician. These include vaccines, milk injections, and X-Ray. In the hands of an expert, there is no danger of bringing about a withered skin. Most X-Ray treatments in clinics are under the direction of such experts.



Dr. Franklin E. Bissell

BACILLUS ACIDOPHILUS San Francisco, Calif.

DEAR DOCTOR:
I have just read 2 books by Dr. James Cunningham, "Intestinal Gardening for the Prolongation of Youth." Please in your opinion let me know if this book and statements contained therein are reliable. Is the so-called laxative food, "Bulk-Moisture Lubrication," of much value?

ANSWER—This book concerns itself with the treatment of various diseases through injection into the rectum of cultures of the "Acidophilus" germ. This germ when thus injected or taken by mouth, produces much lactic acid in the colon, which in turn drives out most other germs living in the colon.

Consuming Bacillus Acidophilus cultures will in this way help fight certain ailments. Among these are various types of intestinal auto-intoxication (self poisoning), stomach and intestinal diseases, kidney diseases, and over-weight.

There is no way that I can check the truth of the statements quoted, although on the surface, they appear reliable. "Bulk-Moisture Lubrication" is a combination of Agar-Agar and psyllium seeds, both of which can be taken as a mild laxative without any harmful effects.

Women on the March

BY MARY GARFIELD

"John wore a crimson robe, Zebeus wore a blue,
But Jesus, Christ went barefoot the whole world thru."

PURPLES, and crimsons, gold and precious stones, the pageantry of the ages: Intricate embroideries that have taken the toll of the eyesight of the faithful through nineteen hundred years. Nuns and priests by the hundreds, high dignitaries of the Church marching around Kezar Stadium.

California's sun rides the heavens, and looks down on this the "Feast of Christ the King."

Tonight his subjects will sleep on the park benches, in the flop houses and in the gutters. They will crawl with vermin and they will go hungry.

"Christ the King" seems too far removed by his Court to know what his subjects need. Communism means to stop these things. Practical Christians have meant and tried to stop them without much success.

Those of us who were born and reared in the church, and have known the sorrow at the inability of the Church to feed the hungry, clothe the needy, care for the sick, succor the dying, and look after the widow and orphan, greet the Communist platform with a great uplift of soul. Here is a document that can put into practice the desires of sincere Christians.

A Communist is a clear headed thinker who acts in a reasonable way. His aim is to attend to the immediate demands of humanity.

His purpose is to erase all class distinctions, and to make the world as a classless society of human beings all working together for the common good.

SPEAKING at Kezar Stadium on Sunday, Father Hammond is quoted as follows in the Chronicle of October 26:

"And hence the mind of the multitude has been made susceptible to the false promises of Communism. They think to find peace in class conflict, rather than in class union, in bloodshed, rather than in Christ's justice, a peace based on hate rather than on love."

This is all rather high, wide and handsome, Father Hammond, but the nuts and bolts are a bit loose here and there.

A promise can neither be false or true, for it is of the future, and according to your teaching, the future belongs to God, and is unknown except to him. No, the Communist does not promise; he acts. There is neither fear of punishment or hope of reward in the Communist teaching. No heaven and no hell. You are, I fear, Father Hammond, confusing the mystical teachings of your church with the straight-forward way of the Communist.

The mind of man has been made susceptible to the teachings of Communism through its concrete plan to fill the empty belly, and put shoes on bare feet.

The mind of man remembers that the bible says: "By their works ye shall know them." He has been watching Communists work every day in the week, month and year, to better the conditions of the working class. Not merely on Saint days, but on every day, do Communists make sacrifice.

The man Jesus who cared about the weary and down-trodden, the leper, and the harlot, would respect the work of the Communist party.

He met immediate demands and went to work on them as he could. He fed the hungry, he healed the sick, he saved the harlot from being stoned.

He turned water into wine so that the wedding feast might go on. I don't know how he did it, but neither does Father Hammond.

Stage Version, "It Can't Happen Here," is a Fast Job at Fascism

By **ALFRED VAUGHN**
Federal Theater's production of "It Can't Happen Here" carries with it a punch that will open wide the eyes of quite a few Americans to the revolting spectacle of Fascism in full flower on the American scene. It is a tense evening's entertainment, and a real job at Fascism in general.

If it misses the point as to the instruments of introducing Fascism into the United States, this is not the primary comment worth making. Take the half a loaf; see the play.

If one thing is made clear, it is that a Fascist movement clothes itself in all the homely virtues with which Americans are familiar, capitalizes on misery and disappointment and unleashes its terror under this screen.

Sinclair Lewis's novel, and its dramatized version by himself and John C. Moffitt, lets us see the coming of Fascism to the U.S. mainly through its impact on a likeable, liberal, Vermont village editor. The play has him beguiling himself by equivocation and reservations to support a demagogue, "Buzz" Windrip, for the presidency.

After that Editor Doremus Jessup is first shorn of his right to be critical, then forced to write favorable editorials at a pistol point, finally thrown in a concentration camp from which he escapes into Canada to join the revolutionary "people's" forces who are organizing to

overthrow the tyranny. He has in the meanwhile become a member of the "underground" movement, replete with mimeograph machines, illegal leaflets, and illegal work in the "Corpos" or storm troopers.

Effect of Fascism
It is built into a series of tense scenes and a dramatic whole because its story involving the friends and relatives of Doremus necessarily becomes a story of what happens to the professionals, the farmers and decent people generally.

Doremus's son-in-law, a doctor, is shot because he resents having a notorious charlatan put in charge of the hospital. A young man is in the "Corpos" because it's that or starve. A storekeeper gets his because he displayed some good American resentment at the "Corpos" entering his place and telling him what political signs to put in his windows. A small farmer is forced to take a big "loan" and pay interest on it. A "Corpos" lieutenant thinks a woman should be his by virtue of his uniform and authority.

We are told that the government has taken over the American Federation of Labor, and later that it is smashed, but there are no workers in the play to give us an embodied idea of their reaction. A stylized labor organizer in a concentration camp is only an incidental character and we learn nothing from him.

There comes a time when even the head of a New England manufacturers' group is downright impatient with the regulations he is forced to undergo, and this is about the nearest approach to direct misrepresentation of Fascism. The theme is allowed to dwindle off, undeveloped.

Who's the Promoter?
Who is behind Buzz Windrip? This question is not raised or answered. There is nothing to indicate that Fascism is ushered in by a steady encroachment on existing democratic liberties. In short, if the American people are to give their first attention to fighting Fascism of this sort, they will be flinging themselves at a reconnoitering party while the real McCoy's are digging their trenches.

For even though this Fascism has adopted an American garb, it is still a European model. The forerunners of American Fascism are shouting for the defense of the constitution and the flag and under the screen of these slogans preventing E. L. Richardson from speaking in El Centro. They "recognize" the maritime union and attack them for "Red" leadership. They send the state highway police to Salinas. They outlaw the right of congress to enact social legislation.

The brutality of Fascism could not be overestimated by Sinclair Lewis or anyone else. In this respect the play is realistic and

no overstatement. Its goal of war is clearly depicted. But the source is not revealed and the form is modeled after a pattern instead of being represented as a growth out of a myriad of camouflaged attacks on democratic liberties. The comic-opera version of Communists which Lewis dragged by the heels into his novel, is absent from the play.

The production opened simultaneously in some 23 theaters in 19 cities. The San Francisco performance was commendable for its efficient handling of the 12 scenes. Its acting was generally fair. Of the large cast, probably the most competent performances were done by John Grover as the "Corpos" sergeant, later Lieutenant, Shad Ledue; by Edwin Macdonald as the "Corpos" commissioner, Effingham Swan; by Ruth Saville as Doremus's friend, Lorinda Pike; by the child actor, Dion Chesse, playing Doremus's grandson; and by Benjamin Legere as Windrip.

Los Angeles Production
In Los Angeles, the play is running at the Mayan Theater, Hill at 11th St. with Ian McLaren playing the leading role of Doremus Jessup. A Western Worker representative who witnessed the L.A. performance commends its acting and the work of its director John Langan. It is in order similarly to commend the director of the San Francisco performance, by W. E. Watts. The play moves right along, both back and onstage.

Socialist Gains Shown In New Film of Soviets

LOS ANGELES.—Hailed by film observers in both Europe and America as the greatest motion picture of its kind since the memorable "Five Year Plan," the new Soviet film production "Builders of Socialism," opened its Western premiere engagement Friday, October 30, at the Grand International Theatre, 140 So. Grand Ave.

Not since "Five Year Plan," has there been produced in the Soviet Union a motion picture which shows a dramatic and sweeping revelation of the progress that has been achieved. Just what has been done in this nation upon which the eyes of the world are focussed? "Builders of Socialism," offers the opportunity of seeing in pictorial, the strides which have been made the last five years in the Soviet Union.

All aspects of life have been depicted; the new industries, new factories, new railroads, subways, new department stores featuring the latest styles in clothing, progress of defense in the strengthening of the army, navy, and air forces, recreation parks and social and cultural centers.

This motion picture surpasses in suspense the ordinary run of films in that it is a document of achievement based on fact and not fiction.

The production has Russian dialogue, English titles and narration.

A Catholic Priest Upholds Labor Rights Condemns Fascism

SAN DIEGO.—"Fascism is only a tool to suppress the poor from obtaining their needs."

These are the words not of a Communist, but of a Catholic priest, Msgr. John M. Hegarty of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, told to a reporter of the San Diego Union.

"War is imminent in Europe," he continued. "I'm afraid it can not be averted. Why? Because Fascism, embodying the governments of the controlling pieces on the checker board—Germany, Austria and Italy—are choking the poverty stricken."

"Labor only can block Fascism. Give Labor a decent wage and there will be no Fascism. Where there are low wages and poverty there will be discontent. And after that? Well, look at Europe."

Msgr. Hegarty recently returned from his native Ireland is known to the citizens of San Diego. Approximately a year ago he started an open forum in St. Joseph's Hall near his church. On one occasion when local labor conditions were being discussed the priest made a speech supporting the efforts of organized labor. While he was speaking several wealthy individuals, among them some rich parishioners of his own church, are reported to have walked out of the meeting. He was bitterly assailed and accused of stirring up the people.

WORKERS' SCHOOL IN L.A. WILL GIVE WIDE VARIETY OF CLASSES

By **FRANK BORDEN**
Secretary, L. A. Workers' School

When the Los Angeles Workers' School opens its winter term at 230 S. Spring Street, it will do so with a new variety of courses reflecting the growing breadth of the working class political movement in Los Angeles.

Political economy, international question, trade union problems, the united front, principles of Communism, Democracy and Fascism, Labor and the law, journalism, history, public speaking. . . The list could be extended.

Law and Labor
The united front character of the school is exemplified fairly well by the course, Labor and the Law, the instructors of which are the nationally famous labor attorneys, Leo Gallagher and Grover Johnson. These prominent attorneys will not only cover the theories underlying statute and common law, judicial precedent, universal equality before the law and the Constitutional rights of labor to organize, combine, strike and picket; but also they will give ample evidence showing how these various laws, precedents and constitutional rights have been violated by the law officials themselves whenever labor comes into conflict with the law.

Another interesting feature is the course in Democracy and Fascism, which will give a bird's-eye view of the Fascist countries, such as Italy and Germany; the anti-Fascist countries such as Spain, France and the U.S.A.; and the non-Fascist countries, such as England and the United States. However, in the latter the growingly distinct Fascist trends will be brought into view for analysis.

Five Lectures
A course that is likely to arouse considerable attention is the one in "Soviet Social Problems" given by five different lecturers, four of whom have spent considerable time, living and working in the U.S.S.R. It is headed by Clinton J. Taft, the California Director of the Civil Liberties Union. The topics in this course include: The Good Life in the U.S.S.R.; the Replacement of the Profit Motive; Women and Children; The New Constitution; The Soviet Peace Policy; The Soviet Theater; Soviet Education; and the New Social Consciousness.

The current problems facing trade unionists will be thoroughly outlined in the Contemporary Trade Union Problems course, which will give special emphasis to the Committee for Industrial Organization, and its relation to the A.F.L. Other topics such as the industry spy system, the agricultural problems in California and a number of aspects of trade union activities in the entire country will be included.

The School is offering two courses in Economics, three in Marxism-Leninism. The History of the United States should prove attractive to those who have never been taught it from the historical materialist angle. There are several other courses such as Labor Journalism, The Communist Position on the Negro Problem, English, etc.

After Campaign
Due to the pressure of the political campaign the School will open directly upon its termination. Classes begin on November 9th and end January 29. Considerable enthusiasm is already being shown in the registrations that have been coming in.

The Workers' School is sponsoring more than a dozen extension courses throughout the city.

HITS TEACHERS OATH
NEW YORK.—The teachers' oath of allegiance was called a threat to independence of educational institutions by Dr. Isaiah Bowman, president of Johns Hopkins University.

Students Picket Their University



IN PROTEST against the expulsion of Robert Burke, president-elect of the junior class, college students called a two-hour strike at Columbia University and paraded with banners past the statue of Alma Mater. Burke had led an anti-Nazi demonstration, and now works as a union organizer.

Upton Sinclair To Speak At Western Writers' Congress

Upton Sinclair's recently announced retirement from politics in favor of literature is not a retirement from the speakers' platform. Sinclair will address the opening session of the Western Writers' Congress in Scottish Rite Auditorium in San Francisco on the evening of November 13.

In addition to his speech at the opening session, which will be open to the public, Sinclair has agreed to prepare and read a paper in the morning session of November 14, which will be open to accredited authors and to the press, with a limited number of seats available to the public. The paper is expected to deal with Sinclair's career as a muckraking novelist.

The Congress, which will be held over a three-day period, closing Sunday night, November 15, will be officially opened on Friday, November 13, by Sara Bard Field, California poet, whose husband, Col. Charles Erskine Scott Wood, will be a guest of the speakers' platform. Humphrey Cobb, author of "Paths of Glory," also will be on the speakers' platform.

Notables of the West
The Congress is expected to assemble the greatest galaxy of literary talent ever gathered together in any Western city. It will draw heavily upon the writing ranks of Hollywood for its personnel, bringing such authors as Edwin Justus Mayer, Viola Brothers Shore, Max Miller, Martin Flavin, Robt. Tasker, Irwin Shaw and John Bright from the film colony.

Dedicating itself to "democracy and creative freedom," the Congress will seek to form a permanent organization of Western Writers to oppose "the forces of reaction which threaten to destroy cultural values" in America. Symposia, seminars and informal discussions will take up the problems of the writing gentry in all their phases.

Voices of Labor

Klamath Falls, Ore.
Editor: I note in the Western Worker under the heading "The One Man Cat" something about about one worker opening the gates, but the printing is unreadable. Now comrade, such printing does not do our paper any good and you know how important our paper is to the working masses of America. You may think I am cranky, but Workers' Enemy No. 1, Dog Face Hearst, does not come out with poor printing. Our paper is valuable to the toilers of America, so let's protect it by putting out good print.

F. SHARPE
Editor's Note: Western Worker is printed on the presses of a commercial shop. We believe this shop is capable of better work, and we have several times called its attention to poor press work. Typographical errors have also been numerous. We agree with this worker's criticism and are trying to correct the shortcomings, but like other working class publications we have limited facilities. Especially it is difficult to get proof read properly.

SEEING RED

BY MICHAEL QUIN

NOVEMBER 13th is the date set for the most unusual convention San Francisco has ever seen. All the authors, poets and journalists are going to come out of their caves for long enough to assemble at the Pacific Coast Writers' Congress. They'll be pouring into the city by airplane, boxcar and tandem bicycle. Poets will be draining out of the attics by the hundreds. Scenario writers in pleated slacks and two-colored shoes will come motoring from the stucco bungalows of Hollywood. Novelists, playwrights, columnists, feature writers will be coming from all the cities, towns and villages of the Western States.

They are coming to discuss their problems—and God knows, there isn't anybody has more problems than a writer. And they are coming because a great many of those problems they cannot solve by themselves, but can do so by getting together.

A great deal has been written about the problems of the writer, and most of it hits the nail right on the thumb—and is that painful to read. There is only one man I know of who thoroughly understood the problems of the writer and was able to put them into a book that made sense. He is Jack London.

If every writer coming to the November congress would sit down right now and read Jack London's "Martin Eden," we could be perfectly assured that the coming conference would be practical and effective.

In the first place, the writing profession is the most chaotic, disorderly, unregulated, anarchistic business in the world. From the time a writer conceives an idea in his brain, gets it down on paper, finds a publisher, gets it read and accepted, and the publisher turns it over to the printer, the whole affair is a madhouse. Once it is in the hands of the printer, it passes through a sensible, organized process. The existence of strong printing trades unions and sensible working conditions has achieved a measure of civilization and common sense in this branch of the business. But when it leaves the hands of the printer and is turned over to the merchandizers, it again enters the realm of insanity.

FUNDAMENTALLY, writing is a means of communication. I don't care whether you're writing an epic poem or a letter to your Aunt; writing is nothing more nor less than a means of communication and is meaningless unless you have some way of delivering it to the person or public you are addressing. As regards the letter to your Aunt, that's easy. There's the Post Office, very efficiently and sensibly organized.

But as regards the creative writer, the problem is more difficult. What stands between the writer and his public? There are 125,000,000 some odd (Note: A friend of mine says they're mostly odd) people in the United States. I figure at least ten per cent of them want to be writers. But, to avoid any charges of exaggeration, I'm willing to cut the figure in half. Let's say five per cent. That would be 6,250,000 people who want to write.

Okay! To serve the ambitions of these six million, there are no more than a dozen creditable literary magazines which publish sincere stuff. Can you imagine six million people trying to get their stuff into a dozen magazines? The rest of the magazines specialize in cheap "dime novel" stuff, or else are trade journals, professional publications and the like.

Practically all of these magazines depend upon commercial advertising for their support, and anything that the advertisers don't approve of is definitely "out." Judgment of the merits of the manuscripts submitted to these publications is governed by nothing more nor less than temperament, prejudice and a curious brand of black magic called "hunches."

In the book publishing field, there are about thirty large publishing houses, only a handful of which are worth consideration. Here again, the selection of material is governed by the personal peculiarities of the manager or owner.

This is not only a writer's problem, it is a public problem. This anarchistic mill, recognizing no logic or rules, determines at a single stroke what the writer shall have published and what the public will read.

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BEFORE SOUTHERN COURTS AGAIN! Protests Must Stop Lynch Terror

Before the renewed session and the tender mercies of the nine old men on the Supreme Court Bench comes again the appeal of Angelo Herndon.

Before the Fascist-minded courts of the lynch-ridden state of Alabama, new trials of the nine framed Scottsboro boys will begin November 2nd.

All of these victims might easily have been dead before now had it not been for the mass campaign in their behalf. Masses of people meeting, demonstrating, protesting. Sending letters, telegrams, cards of protest—battering up the legal fight on their behalf.

Calls for Renewal
And the International Labor Defense, which led and is leading this campaign fight, has called for a spirited renewal of it.

No wonder. The Scottsboro boys and Angelo Herndon are only outstanding examples of persecutions whose day by day multiplication must be met by a similar multiplication of the campaign to defend civil rights.

There were ten lynchings and seven workers killed in struggle in the United States during the first five months of 1936. Eight of the lynch victims were Negroes, including one woman, Cora Wales, who with her brother William, was shot to death and burned by a lynch mob on May 16, in Gordonsville, Virginia.

Georgia led the list with three lynchings, Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Michigan, one each.

Black Legion Lynching
Charles A. Poole was lynched in Detroit by the Black Legionnaires on May 16. Roy Piddcock, also murdered by the Black Legionnaires, was kidnapped in Detroit, and taken to Fighting Island, Canada, and hanged.

Or the seven workers killed in struggle one, Willie Hurst, member of the Southern Tenant Farmers Union was a Negro. He was shot down at the home of a friend in Earle, Arkansas.

Justice is not safe in the hands of these nine old men, and the fate of Angelo Herndon must depend on the mass voice of protest coming from the American working class and upholders of the democratic liberties guaranteed by the constitution.

SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL REJECTS JOINT SPAIN AID PROPOSED BY COMMUNISTS

Socialist Decision Great Detriment To Spain and World Labor Movement, Declare Cachin and Thorez

(Special from L'Humanite, organ of the French Communist Party.)

PARIS—Comrades Marcel Cachin and Maurice Thorez met with citizens de Brouckere and Adler, Chairman and Secretary of the Socialist International, on October 14th here.

Our comrades explained in detail as follows the object of the interview which they had requested from their auditors in the name of the Communist International.

To Lift Embargo

During these last few weeks, in proportion to the worsening of the events in Spain, it has become apparent that parties belonging to the Second International were demanding, under pressure of the masses of workers, the lifting of the embargo and the end of the blockade against the regular Madrid government.

This new attitude of the Belgian Labor Party, the British Labor Party and the Trade Union Congress of Great Britain, furnished the opportunity for the representatives of the Communist International to make concrete proposals to the Labor and Socialist International.

Proposals for Action

The Communist International makes the offer to the Second International to hold with the briefest possible delay a meeting of all the labor organizations, in which the following questions would be discussed:

1. Joint action of the Communist International, the Socialist International and the International Federation of Trade Unions to arouse in all countries a powerful current of public opinion in favor of aid of all kinds to the regular government of Madrid.

2. Joint action of the democratic governments to lift the embargo and the blockade of which the defenders of the Spanish Republic are the victims.

3. Joint action of the international labor organizations to prevent the manufacture and transportation of arms and munitions to the aggressors and instigators of civil war in Spain.

4. Joint action for the shipment of food, clothing, and medicinal goods to the Spanish republican fighters.

5. Joint action to come to the aid of the women and children of the militiamen at the front and the victims of the civil war.

Socialists Refuse Action

Our two comrades (Cachin and Thorez — Trans.) added their comments to these proposals, requesting the representatives of the Socialist International to accept them in the interest not only of Republican Spain, but of all the peoples threatened by Fascism and war.

Unfortunately their offers of unity were greeted once more with a categorical refusal. Despite the pressing declarations, de Brouckere and Adler denied that the proposed meeting would have any utility in international unity of actions of the workers.

The Socialist and Communist workers and all democrats will, like us, consider this new refusal to today's tragic circumstances as of great detriment to the Spanish Republic and to the labor movement in all countries. Signed—Marcel Cachin and Maurice Thorez.

Tasting the Fruits Of Organization

LOS ANGELES.—Members of Furniture Workers Union 1561 have been tasting some new fruits of organized labor since October 1.

A 12% raise in minimum wages has been in effect since that date, it will continue until Sept. 1, 1937.

The raise affects over 1200 workers. Minimum rates are jacked up to 45 cents an hour for helpers and to 82½ cents an hour for mechanics.

The rate three years ago, when the union was first organized, was 34 cents. The agreement also calls for a 40-hour week.

QUESTION ON WHY AID TO SPAIN GOVT.

Question: Why haven't the Spanish government used its gold reserve in the fight against the rebels instead of soliciting collections all over the world?

Answer: The Spanish government has used every available source at its command to defeat the Fascists. Though apparently large (\$700,000,000) in ordinary times, in Civil War the Spanish gold reserve becomes pitifully inadequate. It cost Mussolini more than \$1,000,000,000 to conquer Ethiopia, besides the billions of previous expenditure in preparing the Fascist armed forces.

All taxes and income to the legitimate government of Spain has virtually stopped, far exceeding the \$700,000,000.

Much of the gold has been pledged for credits in various countries and to preserve the stability of the peseta in order to offset an annihilating economic crisis. What appeared as a big reserve actually has dwindled to practically nothing in the way of being adequate to purchase the arms required.

Solidarity with Spanish People Soliciting funds as one of the highest expressions of international solidarity with the Spanish people in their fight against Fascism. The \$9,000,000 raised by the workers in the U.S.S.R. has proved of tremendous help to the People's Front government.

The millions collected by anti-Fascists in England, France and the United States has not only stiffened the defense of the government, but has saved thousands of lives of wounded and by supplying clothing and food to the People's Army and the masses behind the lines.

The more funds we collect and the quicker, the greater will be the possibility of the lawful, democratic government of Spain winning a resounding victory against Fascism and its foreign war-inciting allies.

Donations for the Spanish people will be received by the Communist Party of California, 121 Haight Street, San Francisco, and immediately forwarded to Spain.

Organized Fascist Groups Uncovered In Canada

TORONTO.—Well-organized Fascist groups have been formed in many Canadian cities, stated the Toronto Mail and Empire last week.

The Fascists are in two chief organizations—the Canadian Union of Fascists, said to be affiliated with Sir Oswald Mosley's Blackshirts of Britain, and the National Social Christian Party, the Canadian counterpart of the Imperial Fascist League, rival of Mosley's organizations.

Headquarters of the Union are in Winnipeg, the Christian Party in Montreal. Letterheads of both organizations bore large swastikas, a la Hitler.

Anti-Nazi Is Given Deportation Stay

NEW YORK.—Alfred Miller, anti-Nazi refugee and former editor of The Producers' News, Montana farm paper which fought for drought relief, has been granted a 90-day stay of deportation. Miller is held for deportation to Germany, where he would face concentration camps at the best and Hitler's executioners at the worst.

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AND GOOD CAUSE TO CELEBRATE. Khabarovsk, the city disappearing and an up-to-date new city taking its place—the city of Khabarovsk, Siberia.

Fascist Danger Grows In France While Leaders of Socialist Party Hesitate

By PAUL NIZAN

PARIS, Oct. 15.—Months ago the Communist Party had prepared in Alsace and Lorraine a campaign of meetings such as it had had in Provence in the month of July and as it will have in Brittany during the month of November.

The Fascist press waxed indignant, and Lorraine newspapers like Le Messin sang Hitler's praises. For several days there was a carefully harmonized campaign to bring about a ban on the planned Communist meetings in Alsace.

Their principal argument was that no risk of displeasing Hitler should be taken. These arguments did not fail to have a certain effect on the Paris cabinet, which decided to begin negotiations with the Communists for giving up their project. There were many meetings in the Ministry of the Interior and with the Premier.

Police Against Workers Here is a striking example. At the moment when the owners, or at least a part of the owners, are organizing a methodical sabotage of the June social laws, obliging the workers to strike, then attributing these strikes to Communist orders, the police have begun to act against the workers.

In Paris, on Rue Violet, the police evacuated an occupied chocolate plant by force. Many men and women workers were hurt, and the police brutality which was the rule during Chiappe's reign in Paris was seen once more. Is this the right method?

Nevertheless the fascist hope to see the breakup of the People's Front is in vain. No one on the Left is dreaming of it. Not even the Right-wing Radicals, for it is easily seen that there is no other possible parliamentary majority, no other organized mass of people in the country.

Sunday, which was so dangerous in Alsace and Lorraine, nevertheless contained a certain number of comforting circumstances. In Savenay, Brittany, 30,000 people demonstrated for the People's Front; in Lens 50,000 people shouted to Leon Blum to put La Roche in prison.

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PERU, CHILE PEOPLE FIGHT IMPERIALISM

Growth Of People's Front Seen In So. America

LIMA, Peru.—The people of Peru and Chile are mobilizing in an anti-imperialist upsurge against the native ruling puppets of the various contending imperialist powers.

The People's Front in Chile has become strong enough within a year after its formation to threaten the existing cabinet.

People's Front Grows

This People's Front now comprises the Communist Party, the Socialist Party, and the party led by Marmaduke Grove, a former army officer, who has a strong following, especially among government employees.

A split in the Radical Party, which is similar to the French Radical Socialist Party, is giving the Rightists great anxiety. Radical Party leaders withdrew from the cabinet, and the next congress of the party is expected to line up solidly with the People's Front.

In Peru, the Rightist government tried to forestall a Left electoral victory by first refusing to publish the election returns, and then by installing a military cabinet.

Left Parties Led Voting The left parties, which formed virtually a People's electoral front, won the overwhelming majority of the votes cast.

The APRA, a national reformist grouping with a strong national revolutionary wing, is the outstanding party of the left. It is led by the famous author, Haya de la Torre.

The Communist Party, which supported the left slate, after the APRA was barred from the balloting, has an important following among the Peruvian workers, especially the copper miners.

Instead of announcing the election results, the government resigned. General Ernesto Montague became premier and "Minister of Education," with a military cabinet.

Wall Street Influence

The United States has the major share of imperialist control in Peru, which has always been one of the hottest battle grounds of the imperialist power. The U. S. capitalists control about \$200,000,000 out of \$300,000,000 in foreign investments.

Probable guess as to who is pulling the strings in Peru today is an equal influence between London financiers and Wall Street.

Aged Woman Kept In Home By W.A.

LOS ANGELES.—When aged Mrs. Burgess and her jobless son were evicted from their home last week, a Workers' Alliance committee moved the furniture back into the home and brought pressure on relief authorities to provide for their care.

Mrs. Burgess charges the deed to her home was swindled from her. Her son was cut off WPA last year on grounds that income from their home at 492 East 46th St., exceeded the budget.

Mrs. Burgess said the rent from the lower duplex of her home was assigned to a Mr. Chandler to pay a loan, and that Chandler persuaded her to sign a paper which later turned out to be a deed and then had her evicted.

Now, thanks to the Workers' Alliance, Mrs. Burgess and her son are back in the home, and relief authorities have promised to find her another one.

'Peanut Hitler' Says It's 'Radical' To Be For Peace

LOS ANGELES.—Margarete Clark, sometimes referred to as the only intelligent person on the Board of Education, was sharply criticized here last week by Police Chief "Peanut Hitler" Davis for "catering to the radical element" and for appearing on the platform at a peace meeting held by the American League Against War and Fascism.

Speaking before a "Navy Day" luncheon, Davis said advocates of "foolish peace plans" should be prevented from appearing before the public.

Davis presented his own peace (?) plan—the United States, "with an army and navy superior to any combination of foreign nations, should act as international policemen to insure peace and harmony among the nations."

IT'S HORRIBLE! ANTI-FILIPINO DEPORTATION ACT BLASTED

Alas, Poor Wally Can't Return

LONDON.—Women and elephants never forget, they say. Wally, the San Francisco elephant who ran amuck during the mating season, was shot. He has undoubtedly forgotten.

But Wally, alias Mrs. Wallis Warfield Simpson, whose name has so shamefully been linked with King Edward of England, assures the press that she will never forget, and furthermore that she can never return to America.

"I will never return to the United States," said Wally, a few minutes after divorcing her husband.

"After all the nasty things said about me I could never show my face there again."

International Question What Wally (Mrs. Simpson) objected to was the huge publicity she received in U.S. newspapers. She forgot that the greatest international problem of the day is now:

"Will Wally marry King Edward, or will Wally not marry King Edward?"

British newspapers have not dared to comment on this question.

Remembered here was the horribly indelicate headline run in the London Daily Worker a year or so ago when Princess Marina of Greece married into the British royal family "Unemployed Princess Gets On British Dole."

It wasn't "cricket," don't you know.

Mercury Is What Hitler Wants From Spain

NEW YORK—interviewed by Thomas Johnson, British Parliament member, Senora de Palencia, Spanish government representative on a U.S. tour, revealed a new angle on Hitler's aims in backing the Spanish Fascists.

"It is not islands or colonies Hitler wants," she said. "He wants our mercury mines, or free and unrestricted access to them, which he couldn't get under a democratic People's Front regime."

Mercury is a vital war material, and the Almaden mines of Spain provide 40 per cent of the world's production. Even in peacetime 15 percent of the world production goes into dynamite factories.

Asturias also produces more than 7,000,000 tons of iron, which Germany wants for war purposes. In the past Hitler has imported iron from Sweden.

High Court Set To Kill Wagner Act

WASHINGTON.—The U.S. Supreme Court is getting set for another kill.

The court will hear arguments on the Wagner Labor Relations Act in December, based on suits by the Associated Press and the Washington, Virginia and Maryland Coach Co.

In January the court renders its decision. It is expected to declare the act unconstitutional, because it grants a few concessions to the right to organize.

Labor Wins Most Seats In Norway

OSLO, Norway.—Norwegian labor won 71 seats in the new Storting, or Legislature, while the Conservatives obtained 36 seats, the Liberal 23 seats, and smaller parties three seats.

The Fascist "National Consolidation" got no seats.

Filipino Leaders In Talks To National Negro Congress

LOS ANGELES—Scoring the Welch voluntary deportation act as a move to deport unemployed Filipino workers, M. Mikepado, speaking for a Filipino newspaper, assailed anti-Filipino legislation before a meeting of the Inter-racial Committee of the National Negro Congress, held in the Y. W. C. A. here on Sunday, October 25th.

Exposing the Tydings-McDuffie fake independence bill, which supposedly grants freedom to the Philippines in 10 years, Mikepado said this independence would never come until achieved by militant action of the Filipino people, supported by the American people.

John Warner told of the low wages paid Filipino workers in California, citing wages paid prior to the lettuce workers' strike in Salinas. Certain ranchmen paid as little as 18 cents an hour, with only five hours per day on occasion, and board at 60 cents a day, he said.

Hits Anti-Negro Ideology Augustus Hawkins, 62nd District assemblyman, exposed the false ideology of many Negro leaders who advocate isolation of the Negro people. Naming Dr. Dubois and Booker T. Washington, Hawkins said their teachings could only enslave the Negro people.

Negro leaders who drag out the "red herring" in attack against the National Negro Congress, were sharply scored by Hawkins.

Clara Ross, of the teachers' federation, spoke of the problems of the Jewish people all over the world, particularly under Hitler terror, and called for unity to fight the rising tide of Fascism in America.

S.F. Progressives Aid Spain Govt.

SAN FRANCISCO.—Progressive forces struck a blow in defense of Spanish democracy here when the American League Against War and Fascism sponsored a mass meeting in the California Spanish Society Hall.

The overflow crowd demanded the lifting of the "neutrality" embargo against the Spanish government, and contributed \$100 to Spanish democracy. The audience enthusiastically established a North Beach branch of the American League.

Speakers included Paul Lyons, Alaska Cannery Union; John Shoemaker, International Longshoremen's Association, 38-79; Dr. Joseph Facci; Carlos W. Bendetti; Dr. Caesar Ortega; and Ray Studt, and Harriet Thomsen, of the American League.

Nazis Get Belgian Fascists To Unite Against Democracy

BRUSSELS.—The German Nazis are now intervening in the affairs of Belgium, and have secured an alliance between the two Fascist parties in Belgium—the Flemish Nationalists and the Rexistists—to concentrate all Fascist strength on the fight against democracy and the labor movement.

While the leaders of the two Fascist groups were in conference, Rexistists many times came out to consult M. Sap, former minister of finance, and general director of the Belgian branch of the German firm of Siemens, one of the greatest electric manufacturing concerns in the world.

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KING CASE IS REMOVED TO NEW COURT

Prosecutors of Unionists In 'Smart' Move

OAKLAND—The transfer of the King, Ramsay Connor murder trial case from Judge Tyrrell's court to that of Frank Ogden is a smart tactic on the part of District Attorney Earl Warren. Both judges are equally reactionary but Tyrrell, by his servile obedience to all of Warren's orders even to the point of illegal rulings, has exposed himself and laid himself open to an attack from the defense.

Flagrant Ruling

The most flagrant of these illegal rulings occurred in connection with a hearing on a writ of habeas corpus. The night of the arrests, Attorney George Anderson after trying unsuccessfully to visit the prisoners, obtained a writ of habeas corpus, by which he intended to force Warren to show why he should keep King in prison without any formal charge lodged against him. Hearing on the writ was set for 10 a. m. on August 31 and according to California law, hearings must be held at the time set for them. But Warren, in defiance of the law, asked for and obtained from Judge Tyrrell a postponement of the hearing until 2 p. m. in the afternoon. Then Warren got busy with his hand-picked grand jury who by noon returned murder indictments against the prisoners. Thus by this illegal move, the guilt for which is shared equally by District Attorney Warren and Judge Tyrrell, the hearing on the writ was rendered useless.

Obedient Judge

Ogden, a former deputy D. A. under Warren, can be expected to do Warren's bidding as slavishly as did Judge Tyrrell.

District Attorney Earl Warren

who by the way is chairman of the State Republican Committee, has political aspirations. He is out to ride this case into the governorship, or into the job of U. S. Senator. He knows that he will be assured the support of the rich shipowners and big businessmen, providing he is successful in his attempt to frame King, Ramsay and Connor into San Quentin. From the very start it has been apparent that Warren isn't interested in finding out who murdered Albers. He is out to convict these three union men and to discredit all union labor in the eyes of the public. Only too obviously Warren is obeying the orders of the shipowners and Industrial Association who are using this case as a spearhead in their attack upon all organized labor on the coast.

Ventura Oil Co. Tax Debt Wiped Out By Court

LOS ANGELES.—The Ventura Consolidated Oil Field, Inc., will not have to pay the Federal Government \$600,000 in delinquent taxes, according to a ruling by Judge Denham of the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals. A decision by the U. S. District Court for Los Angeles was reversed. The Denham ruling was made on a technicality.

REPORT NAZI BROADCAST PLAN FOR U.S.

BERLIN—The Hitler Youth organization announces it has arranged with an American radio chain to conduct a series of broadcasts directed at American youth this winter. The arrangement, it is said, was made by Hitler Youth commander Cerff, who visited the U. S. recently. The chief broadcasting systems have denied knowledge of such an arrangement. A mass protest campaign is sure to meet any series of broadcasts aimed at Nazifying American youth.

ILLD Ships Medical Supplies To Spain

NEW YORK.—A second shipment of medical supplies, ordered by the International Labor Defense, left on the Ile de France for Spain. The shipment contained \$1000 worth of tetanus anti-toxin, and large quantities of surgical instruments and other medical supplies. Funds to make possible a third, even larger shipment, of medical supplies for the defenders of Spanish democracy, by the next boat, are being collected by the I.L.D. at 80 East 11th St. The Nurses and Hospital Workers Union and the Pharmacists' Union in New York have been very active in the campaign, reports Rose Baron of the I.L.D.

Will Green Behave The P-I Strike?

SEATTLE.—The newspapers report that the A.F.L. Executive Council had approved terms for settling the Post-Intelligencer strike, led by the Newspaper Guild against Hearst. But they don't report that the terms backed by the Executive Council are reported to include: 1. No re-statement of P. E. Armstrong, P-I drama critic employed for seventeen years and discharged for union activity. 2. No re-statement of Frank Lynch, fourteen years on the paper, discharged for union activity. 3. No recognition of the Guild. 4. No limitation of hours of work. 5. No agreed wage scale beyond a minimum for inexperienced workers. 6. Provision that these "conditions" may be cancelled by the management whenever economic conditions warrant. Hearst must be happy about terms like that.

Townsend Director Still Betrays By Backing Landon

SAN FRANCISCO.—Denying he was disappointed at Alf Landon's speech in Los Angeles, Edward J. Margett, appointed by Dr. Townsend to be state director of the Townsend pension organization, continued the Townsend-started campaign to betray the pension club members by supporting the Hearst-Liberty League nominee. "I was disappointed after Mr. Landon's speech at Los Angeles because he didn't say what we hoped for," said Margett. "I have talked to Mr. Landon, since, and he assured me he would give our proposal a fair hearing. That alters the situation." But the situation is not altered for the Townsend rank-and-file, the majority of which is against

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Inglewood Columnist Can't Get In 'Who's Who'; Demands Refusal Of Relief To Artist Who Is Listed

By a Worker Correspondent.

INGLEWOOD—An article by the columnist Roy Rosenberg in the local Daily News is so vile he can't be allowed to get away with it. He would like to be listed in "Who's Who," but hasn't got what it takes, and he is miffed because the wife of our Communist candidate for Assembly is listed.

There are three Inglewood residents listed in "Who's Who." One of them happens to be Martha Ayers, wife of James Ayers. It should bring joy to every good citizen of the community to know that she is not listed because of money, but because of her ability as an artist. Rosenberg is not only jealous; he is vicious. He says: "Americanism — We pointed out here Friday that one whose name appears in 'Who's Who' from Inglewood is wife of the Communist candidate for Congress, and that she had recently been engaged in sculpturing the heads of several of Inglewood's quite prominent people, including the well known superintendent of the Inglewood high school district, whose stalwart and consistent Americanism needs no defense here.

"Thing that does need explaining is that much of the Communist's family support has come in recent months from an agency of the federal government. We reiterate that before any person in America is entitled to WPA or any other support, that person ought to be required to take an oath that he or she does not belong to the Communist party or does not advocate the overthrow of government by force or violence."

Stuff like this has often been printed in the Hearst press and answered time and again. People who are in favor of democracy can certainly see that Mr. Rosenberg isn't. He often prates of "Americanism" and extolls the virtues of the boys that went over there. But when some of those terrible Communists handed him a leaflet issued in this district, calling attention to the murder of his buddies in Florida, and asked what the Inglewood Daily News was going to do about it—well, we are still waiting for Mr. Rosenberg's brilliant comment.

Alaska Cannery Settle Food Issue; Doctor New Cause of Trouble

(The continued story of the Alaska Cannery Expedition of 1936.)

By An Alaska Cannery.

The foreman was finally instructed to give over the keys of the food storehouse to Delegate Soria. He tried to strengthen his position among the men of his own gang by feeding them just a little better than he did the rest of us—playing politico. It didn't work. His own men backed us up in a demand for an equal diet in the two camps. If any camp had fruit, we wanted the other to have it too. The food was to be the same for everybody. From that time on until we were to reach San Francisco again we got all the variety we could expect. The food problem was settled to the satisfaction of all of the men. It was a tough argument, but worth it. The food in the beginning was a insult and a challenge. We took the challenge and fought it out.

Dissolute Medical

The doctor enters the scene. Imagine a dried-up half-pint sized man with habits of a typical gas hound and with about as much cleanliness. With their nervous, irritable movements of a dope addict, and with the overbearing attitude that would shame one of Mr. Hitler's "100 per cent Aryans" and you have a good idea of the man who dished out the C. C. pills and painted the iodine on our gang. The reason he is mentioned is because of the mistreatment of the men under his care. One of the men who did not receive the care he should have had was left behind in that cold, barren, godforsaken Bristol Bay country.

Given No Attention

With the proper attention the man's life could have been saved. It was only the constant hammer of the delegates, and finally the agreement of Mr. Hale, that finally go him moved to a hospital ninety miles away. On the doctor's shoulders we place the blame for the death of this fellow worker. And on the shoulders of the company we place the blame for hiring this scurvy and possibly unlicensed doctor. I am willing to appear before any board to testify that he was nearly continually drunk. He was not fit to dispense medicine or to be connected in any way with a responsible post like that.

He insulted the men who went for attention, referred to them as goddamned Mexican bastards, etc.

It got to the point where the sick did not even care to see or call this ape.

SPERVISORS OF L. A. PLOT A RELIEF CUT

Eliminate Strikers Part of Adopted Program

By a Worker Correspondent.

LOS ANGELES—County Supervisors fell in line here with a plan to beat down relief by agreeing to a proposal, explained by C. E. Grier, chairman of the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors and vice-president of the State Supervisors' group, which, in summary, would reduce the amount of money paid relief clients in every way possible to attain a starvation level for the unemployed. Grier openly stated that he believes the Landon method for balancing the budget, "might clear things up."

Hits At Strikers

Claiming that the State Relief Administration is spending \$20,000 per month to support strikers in the Salinas lettuce area, he roundly criticized such practices and declared the proposed plan would end the eligibility of strikers to claim relief. On the surface the plan purports to be aimed at the elimination of red tape and complexities in the relief setup, with funds to continue to come from the State and Federal Government and the administration of relief to be placed solely in the hands of county authorities.

Insults Unemployed

But what it actually portends is indicated by Grier's prediction that "this program would result in the saving of hundreds of thousands of dollars" in reducing the number of what he calls "charity chiselers." The proposed plan will be placed before Governor Merriam October 26 and, if approved, the Legislature will be given the setup next January to consider in connection with relief legislation.

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A STOOL WHO HELPS IN FRAMEUP

SCHARRENBERG IS PRAISED BY MIKE SHEVLIN

Salinas Reactionary Shows Who His Friends Are

By a Worker Correspondent.

WATSONVILLE — President Mike Shevlin of the Fruit and Vegetable Workers Union, Local 18211, has repeatedly praised Paul Scharrenberg very highly. If the workers here were more familiar with what Scharrenberg did when he was in the Sailors' Union of the Pacific, and why the Sailors' Union kicked him out, they would get a better idea of who Shevlin is.

The Last Straw

The straw that broke the camel's back was Scharrenberg's actions in the Tanker strike. He called the strike without a strike vote being taken. As everyone knows it was a fatal mistake and it could only have been undertaken to break the union on the tankers. It was just what the oil companies wanted, because they knew that if the union used sensible tactics it would get the tanker seamen fully organized and force recognition of the union. As it turned out the Sailors spent about \$50,000 and received a black eye in the minds of a large number of tanker seamen who wanted organization but who weren't prepared to strike, especially when they weren't consulted.

Race Hatred

Scharrenberg did everything he could to keep race hatred alive among the workers. Before a government body, he advocated a war with Japan on the grounds that this would give the seamen work.

When he was expelled by the Sailors for a long series of violations of the will of the membership he was supported by the reactionaries at the head of the International Seamen's Union.

He became so thoroughly hated in California that he was "kicked upstairs" by the International Seamen's Union and given a lobbyist's job in Washington. He did everything he could to aid the passage of the Copeland Bill, which the Sailors overwhelmingly oppose as a "dog collar act" which puts the government into the business of helping to blacklist seamen. This is the guy Shevlin praises.

Resentment against this treachery on the part of the elected school board added to the enthusiasm felt by all for the inspiring lecture Dr. Coleman gave, overcome the discomforts suffered by having to crowd into close quarters and sit on boxes and other improvised seats, resulting in a big collection being taken to send the speaker on the next lap of his tour.

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San Pedro Sailors Awakened to Farmer-Labor Party Need

SHAW'S TERROR PREPARATIONS LED TO ACTION

Pledge To Build Up Such a Party of Labor

SAN PEDRO—The obvious preparations of Mayor Shaw and other officials of Los Angeles against the maritime workers in case of a strike forced the San Pedro Sailors Union members to realization of the need for a Farmer-Labor Party.

That is why they recently passed this strong pro-Farmer-Labor Party resolution:

WHEREAS: The Newspaper Guild in Seattle with the aid of members of the Maritime Federation of the Pacific and other militant organizations, has been able to peacefully picket and successfully strike against the vicious anti-labor Hearst Post-Intelligencer, and

WHEREAS: This neutrality on the part of the Mayor of Seattle is due to the fact that he was elected through the support of union and progressive organizations in Seattle and against old guard Republican and Democratic candidates, and

WHEREAS: The mayor of Los Angeles in connivance with Machine Gun Merria and other reactionary politicians has openly shown his intention to defy the constitutional rights and prerogatives of the maritime unions by preparing to use police terrorism, such as tear gas, machine guns and clubs in the event of a lockout on the waterfront, and

WHEREAS: The Farmer-Labor Party based on the support of union labor and the impoverished farmers is fighting for control of local, state and congressional offices, so that these reactionary politicians who openly oppose organized labor can be replaced by men who will fight to maintain our civil liberties and constitutional rights as is being done at present in Seattle, now

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Sailors' Union of the Pacific, San Pedro Branch, go on record endorsing such a Farmer-Labor Party, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Sailors' Union of the Pacific, San Pedro Branch pledges itself to take active steps to assist in organizing and building up such a Farmer-Labor Party in Los Angeles.

Bosses Fail To Split RR Strikers

SHREVEPORT, La. — The strikebound Louisiana and Arkansas Railroad is trying to get its trains running again by offering the Locomotive Engineers the Erbe of a union contract while the other three transportation brotherhoods are to be left out in the cold, according to gossip around strike headquarters.

The engineers have refused the bait, as the four brotherhoods have not only declared their mutual solidarity but have identified their interests with those of the Negro brotherhood as well. Engineers are getting \$75 a month strike benefits from Cleveland.

The L and A strike, called to enforce agreements that are observed on all other roads, is being closely watched all over the country because it is regarded as a test case. If the brotherhoods win other roads will continue to live up to their labor contracts but if the strike is lost that will be a signal for similar scrapping of agreements everywhere else.

Rail labor, especially the running trades personnel, is restless all over the country because the roads are coolly ignoring awards of the national adjustment boards in favor of the men and practically no steps have been successfully taken so far to bring the roads to time, according to rank and file talk here.

"WE DON'T PATRONIZE"—IN PEDRO

The following business places or products have been declared "UNFAIR" to Organized Labor by the San Pedro-Wilmington Central Labor Council, according to their official reports. Richmond Creamery Products The Owl Drug Co., 6th - Pacific Southern Service Laundries Shell Oil Co. Products Standard Oil Company Products Wilshe Oil (Economy Gasoline) The Cookery, 323 W. 7th, Pedro Franco-American Bakery Prod. Angeles Transfer Co. Way Stores Grocery Depts.

The Mediation Board Must Be Fought

WASHINGTON. — This news comes out of Washington, but Pacific Coast maritime workers are vitally concerned.

Max Stern, San Francisco "News" correspondent here, is feeding his paper a series of stories attempting to prove the necessity of a National Maritime Mediation Board, similar to that in the railroad industry.

Compulsory Arbitration The argument that the Railroad Mediation Board, which is in reality a compulsory arbitration board forbidding strikes, has resulted in no big strikes on the railroads since 1922 has already been answered in the Western Worker, which showed how through this the railroad workers had to stand for laying off of over a million workers, two wage cuts, increased speedup, etc.

Stern admits that the Railroad Mediation Board was set up when a previous board found itself "without authority" to stop the 1922 shopmen's strike.

Under the Railway Disputes Act, the Mediation Board can name a referee when the railroad workers refuse to accept the Board's decision, and the referee's decision is enforceable in the courts.

No wonder shipowners consider a Federal Maritime Mediation Board the answer to their prayers—a "sound measure for labor peace", as Stern puts it.

Steel Boss Lies Prove Boomerang

CHICAGO.—Union steel workers are greatly cheered by the opening of the steel bosses' campaign of rumors against the drive of SWOC (Steel Workers Organizing Committee). This is the word at regional headquarters in Chicago.

The first of the rumor bombardments was fired in the Sunday papers, including the usually careful New York Times. The story quoted unnamed "steel executives" as saying that the union drive in steel has been a "complete failure". Steel officials also unnamed in the story, were said to estimate that only 4000 dues-paying members have been enrolled by SWOC so far.

In successful union campaigns, the workers said, there is always a point when the employers hide their alarm by public statements minimizing the effect of the union drive. Almost 50 new locals have been chartered by the Amalgamated Assn. of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers in the Chicago-Great Lakes region alone, which includes, however, Canada and the region from the Mississippi to the coast as well.

At a mass meeting in Indiana Harbor, formerly cowed and terror-ridden by the steel trust, 500 workers turned out despite the presence of known company spotters.

Minister Hits Salinas Fascists

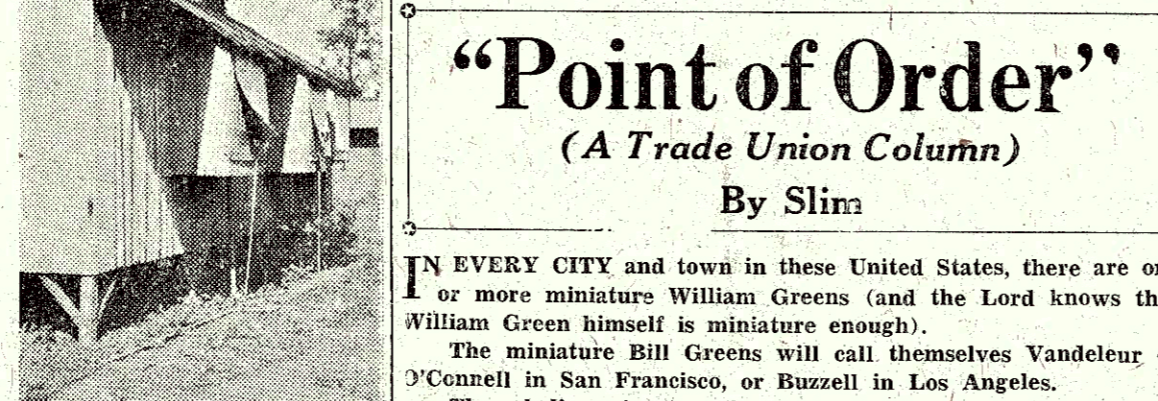
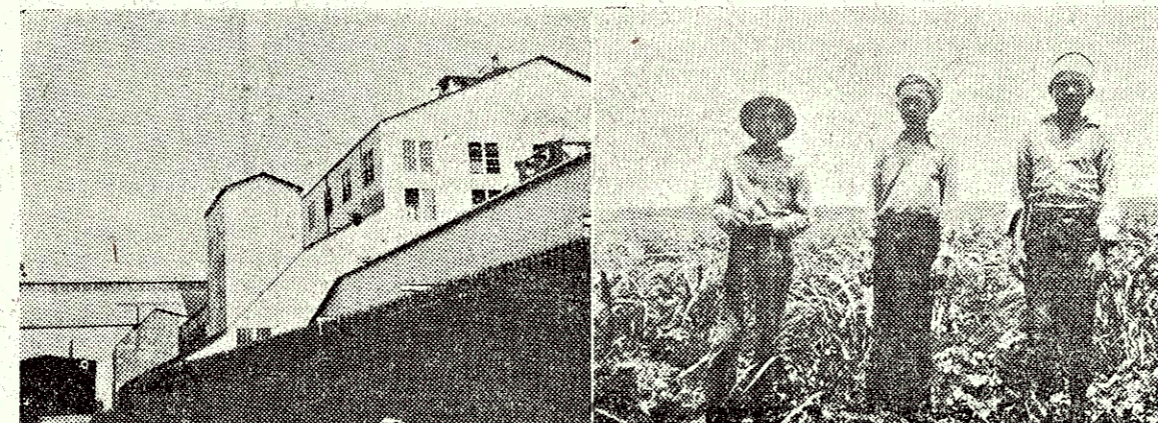
WATSONVILLE. — Members of the Citizens Welfare League of Watsonville recently heard the side of the striking lettuce workers presented by union officials and by the Reverend William McGee of All Souls Unitarian Church, Santa Cruz. Rev. McGee is acting chairman of the League. He read letters from the Growers-Shippers Association is declining to send speakers.

After union members Zella Winters and Frank Menezes outlined the union position on preferential hiring, Rev. McGee charged that a fascist putsch had been attempted by Salinas growers and authorities. The objective, he said, was to herd strikers into concentration camps. Public opinion and the strikers' discipline defeated this plan, he said.

Casper Bauer of the Santa Cruz Butchers Union and Dr. Lawn, vice-president of the Salinas, Citizens Welfare League also spoke.

Bay Drive-In Food Center, Wilmington Van de Kamp Bakery Products. Langendorf Bakery Products Wilmington Boat Shop Fellows and Stewart Boat Shop California Milling Co. (Ace-Hi Flour) Indianapolis Glove Co. American Potash and Chemical Co. S and W Meat Market, Lomita Coast Grocery Meat Market, Wilmington Charles M. Wyne, Plastering Contractor, Torrance

WATERFRONT UNIONS POINT THE WAY TO THEM



UPPER LEFT, Hawaiian sugar workers, among the worst exploited workers in the world. Lower left, typical home of Hawaiian sugar worker. Sugar companies, powerful American financial interests, were recently forced to grant a wage increase for sugar mill workers, which is expected to extend to the field workers. This was due to fear of organization. Maritime unions started the trade union ball rolling on the islands, and employers fear their example will be followed by other workers.

A RAW DEAL BY A. F. L. COUNCIL

Trying To Put It Over On the Guild

SEATTLE.—Once again William Green and the A.F.L. Executive Council have come charging to the rescue of the employers. Objections of the American Newspaper Guild and the Seattle Guild to a proposed settlement of the strike against the Post-Intelligencer, Hearst paper, were overruled by the Executive Council, even though the Council proposes in the settlement that neither Everard Armstrong nor Frank Lynch, Guild members whose dismissal caused the strike, are to be taken back under the settlement proposed.

The P-I strikers have fought a game battle and have received support from organized labor throughout the country. Such a settlement sticks in their craws.

Chain Letter Of Lettuce Strikers

WATSONVILLE.—The Fruit and Vegetable Workers Union members here have taken the chain-mail letter out of the racketeers' hands and are using the idea for a worthy purpose. A copy of a chain post-card sent out by the union reads: CHAIN COMMUNICATION Mail this message to 10 other people and help Organized Labor win their fair working and wage agreement in the lettuce industry.

The Grower-Shipper Vegetable Association has refused to concede fair wages and working conditions to their employees. All union workers seeking fair wages have been Locked Out by the large companies which refused to consider fairness in the dispute. Lettuce is hot and declared unfair by all Organized Labor. So please copy this in all your correspondence and ask all friends not to buy lettuce. Don't eat hot lettuce. Pass the word along. Fruit and Vegetable Workers Union of Cal., Watsonville Local No. 18211 (Affiliated with American Federation of Labor)

Butchers Win In Watsonville Strike

WATSONVILLE.—The strike of butchers at the Pederson Market ended here with granting of union wages and agreement to hire butchers here and not in San Jose. The strike lasted five days.

TULARE COTTON PICKERS LIVE WRETCHEDLY

In Tents; Lack of Hospital Care Is Serious

TULARE — The newspapers here are boasting of a great cotton crop. They talk of thousands of people who have poured into this area from the southwest to pick the crop.

They also talk of a "serious problem." Due to lack of housing facilities the cotton pickers and their families are living in tents. There will be a problem of sickness and hospitalization when the rains come," predicted Supervisor Alfred Elliott.

A Brutal Suggestion

And Elliott's suggestion on handling the problem is the brutal one of closing free clinics at the county hospital during the time of the year when the cotton pickers have some cash on hand to pay private doctors. Sick children are suffering and expectant mothers going un-aided for, Elliott intimates.

L.A. Lathers Strike Proves Unity Need

LOS ANGELES.—Lathers of Allied Building Crafts here conducted perhaps the most successful building trades strike in the history of Los Angeles when about 500 workers, operating in close union, won increases of from \$5 to \$6 per 1000 laths laid and a daily rate of from \$8 to \$10.

Drawing in several open shops and groups of Negro workers with a policy of "no compromise", the lathers defeated attempts of contractors to beat down demands by organizing a system of patrolling the whole city for the purpose of notifying workers that a strike had been called.

No doubt one of the most important achievements of the strike was to illustrate to the workers the value of unity in their ranks and to create a sentiment among the rank and file for affiliation with the American Federation of Labor, the better to secure gains by presenting a solid front against onslaughts of employers.

Other important factors are that the new wage increases, which are now at the A.F.L. scale, and decisions that will prevent A.B.C. workers from working A.F.L. jobs at time of strikes, has brought a breakdown of antagonism between the rank and file of both organizations.

Thugs Used To Halt Drive In Steel

WASHINGTON.—The length to which the Steel Trust is prepared to go to halt organization of its workers is indicated in the charges of Steel Workers Organizing Committee leaders against the Weirton Steel Corp. of West Virginia.

Said Phil Murray, popular CIO and SWOC leader: "A campaign of terror has been instituted . . . at the immediate instigation of Mr. Ernest T. Weir. . . This campaign of terror has consisted of the hiring of a gang of armed thugs—all of whom undoubtedly have past criminal records—for the sole purpose of criminally assaulting and beating steel workers who are attempting to organize into a union, as well as the organizers who are assisting these workers to exercise a right which is guaranteed to them under the laws of the United States.

"These armed thugs are definitely on the payroll of the Weirton Steel Co. (a Weir corporation). Workers Threatened "Officials of Mr. Weir's steel company have recruited from the mill, under threat of discharge, a large force of workers, who, fearful of such threat, have agreed to commit these dastardly attacks which are ordered by the steel company officials.

"I very deliberately, and with a clear recognition of the seriousness of my statement, hereby charge Mr. Ernest T. Weir of being personally responsible for these brutal attacks and the flagrant disregard and setting aside of the laws and law enforcement in these two steel towns where his mills are located."

ROYAL GYPING Citrus Labor Cheated OK WITH BOSSES

SANTA ANA.—Mexican fruit and vegetable workers, whose militancy in the recent Orange County citrus strike forced an arbitration board to increase wages, nevertheless got somewhat of a gyping from the board.

How They Were Gyped

The wage increase was not made retroactive to Sept. 1, 1936, but is to take effect Jan. 1, 1937. "The board . . . was forced to the conclusion that the condition of the industry did not make it possible for any immediate increase in wage to be granted," the arbitrators said.

And this refers to a mere 2 1/2 cents wage increase—from 25 to 27 1/2 cents an hour for a nine-hour day! Yet the board admitted this fact:

"The evidence showed a decided increase in the cost of living to the workers. From the testimony it was shown that those most steadily employed were rarely able, if able at all, to subsist on their earnings during the period."

This Isn't The Way Doss, Shevlin Act

SALINAS.—In view of the actions of reactionary president Shevlin and secretary Doss of the Fruit and Vegetable Workers Union, who threw the Filipino Laborers' leaders out of the Labor Temple, it is worth noting this recent leaflet issued after the arrest of C. D. Mensalvas and Luz of the Filipino union:

"R. C. Canete IS NOT the President of the Filipino Labor Union, Inc. The officers of the Filipino Labor Union, Inc., are: General President, NICK LOSADA; General Secretary, C. D. MENSALVAS; General Treasurer, J. CABREANA.

"The above officers represent and have the confidence of Filipino field workers. The Joint Council, composed of the Fruit and Vegetable Workers Union, No. 18211; Teamsters Union No. 287; Boxmakers Union No. 1063; Filipino Labor Union Inc., and the State Federation of Labor Recognize the above named officers of the Filipino Labor Union, Inc. to be the only representatives of the Filipino Labor Union, Inc.

"Signed: E. MONTGOMERY, Chairman of Joint Council. WALTER COWAN, Vice President State Federation Labor."

Apple Pickers Are For the C.I.O.

WATSONVILLE.—The lettuce strike in this area has taught the members of the Apple Workers Union, affiliated with the Fruit and Vegetable Workers, the need for industrial organization. Their recently adopted resolution proves this:

Whereas: The recent expulsion of the unions affiliated to the Committee For Industrial Organization has weakened the American Federation of Labor to the extent of losing over one-third of its membership, and

Whereas, John L. Lewis, and the plans of the C.I.O. to organize auto, steel, and rubber workers into industrial unions have already shown this to be the correct method of organizing this huge body of unorganized workers, and

Whereas, The last Convention of the California State Federation of Labor went on record demanding that all unions affiliated to the C.I.O. be seated at the National Convention of the A.F.L. in November, 1936.

Be it resolved, That this union go on record for seating of the C.I.O. delegates at the A.F.L. convention.

Sam Jaye Elected President by Culinary 110

SAN FRANCISCO.—Progressives in Miscellaneous Culinary Local 110 won an important victory on Wednesday night, with the election of Sam Jaye as president.

A NEW BLAST AGAINST THE ONE MAN CAR

S.F. Labor Council Hits at "Dead-Man" Control

SAN FRANCISCO.—The one man car received a new blast when the San Francisco Central Labor Council passed a resolution, on motion of the Market Street Car men's local, taking a slam at some of its evils:

"Whereas, the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco has passed an ordinance which is now in force and effect, prohibiting any person, firm or corporation from operating any street car while the operator thereof is engaged in collecting fares, making change, issuing transfers or collecting the same, while the said car is in motion; and said Board of Supervisors now has under submission another ordinance prohibiting any street car to be operated upon the streets of said city and county which is equipped with a 'dead-man' foot control; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we commend the Board of Supervisors for the action thus far taken and call upon the said board to finally pass said 'dead-man' foot control abolition ordinance; and we further demand that the chief of police issue instructions that said ordinance already enacted be strictly and rigidly enforced."

Filipinos Are For Mensalvas

SANTA MARIA. — Doss and Shevlin, reactionary officials of the Fruit and Vegetable Workers Union in Salinas may have engineered a frameup against C. D. Mensalvas, general secretary of the Filipino Laborers Union. Manuel Luz, Salinas organizer, by backing Ruffo C. Canete in saying these two militant men did not represent the Filipino Laborers Union.

Recognized Leaders But to the membership of the Filipino Union "Mensalvas and Luz are recognized leaders, and Canete is nothing but a contractors' man.

Here is what the Filipino "Commonwealth Times", published here, has to say of Canete: "A mass meeting presided over by N. V. Mariano and Nick Losada denounced Ruffo Canete as a 'double-crosser and a traitor' to the Filipino Labor Union which he helped to found, who he branded Mensalvas as an impostor with no connections with the Union. Canete, who double-crossed the workers in 1934, is found to be the one who signed the warrant for Mensalvas' arrest."

After the smash-up of the Union in Salinas, Canete returned to the labor contracting and is said to be a "partner" of a grower who is a member of the Growers - Shippers Association. Breaking away from the Filipino Labor Union in 1934, he blindly 'led' the Salinas strike in that year. Hence all Santa Maria Valley Filipino workers denounced Canete or his actions.

"Resolutions of protest pour into the union headquarters from various Filipino organizations in California and other labor unions applauding the position of the General Secretary in the Salinas strike and in his efforts of bringing the Filipino workers into the American Federation of Labor.

"A great feeling of enthusiasm is expressed by the workers upon being informed that the California State Federation of Labor went on record approving the incorporation of Filipino unions into the A.F.L. This is expressed by union leaders and organizers as a great forward step in organizing agricultural workers in California."

Carpenters Union In Pasadena Looks For Wage Increase

PASADENA.—With the present union scale at \$1.10 an hour members of Pasadena Carpenters Union No. 769 expect another increase by spring.

The growing demand for carpenters in this area gives the union members this feeling. At a recent open meeting, 50 out of 150 present were non-union men.

A new union of cabinet and mill men recently struck and won their point in 45 minutes