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MODESTO VICTIMS SENTENCED

REDFERN MASON LEADS S. F. LABOR TICKET

Red Scare Liar Declared Fraud By Own Daughter

"My Father Is a Liar,' Says Daughter of H. Bedford-Jones, Liberty Magazine Anti-Communist Propagandist

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 2.—Declaring, "All is fair in love and war," H. Bedford-Jones, cheap but successful fiction writer set out to write vicious, lying red-scare articles for the Liberty magazine. The first, a piece of cheating, dirty slander, appeared under the title: "WILL THE COMMUNSTS GET OUR GIRLS IN COLLEGE?" It was signed with a fake name, "J. G. Shaw."

His daughter, a freshman at the University of California at Los Angeles and a member of the Student League for Industrial Democracy, immediately replied with an article in the New Masses exposing her father as a liar and cheat.

In an interview with a Western Worker reporter last Friday, Miss Bedford-Jones declared:

Others Involved.

"It isn't only my father who is responsible for the mass of lies about the progressive student movement in that magazine this week," she said. "Chief of Police Davis and Provost Moore of U. C. L. A. have been working with him for months concocting the 'evidence' on which the article is built.

The Liberty article purported to "expose" a Communist "network" in colleges disguised under the name "Student League for Industrial Democracy," and was written under the name of J. G. Shaw.

"My father has been collecting this material for months," Miss Bedford-Jones said today. "He has been working in closest cooperation with Chief Davis and Dr. Ernest Carroll Moore, provost at U.C.L.A., in the fight to end any vestige of freedom of thought among students which might remain in Los Angeles.

Mail Filched.

"They have supplied him with photostatic copies of letters to and from student leaders. Our closet is full of them. My own mail has been intercepted, as has that of my friends.

"Parts of these letters were quoted, torn from their context, in my father's article.

"The police department and the authorities at U.C.L.A. are determined that students in college shall not think for themselves. My father is aiding them in their fight. What happened at the peace demonstration last April 12 (at U.C.L.A. and at Los Angeles Junior College, where two girls were clubbed unconscious by police) shows how far they will go in an attempt to make everyone conform to political and social theories.

Confirms Belief.

"I'm on the other side of the fence, and I am going to stay there, despite any action my father takes.

"I consider my father on two planes. On one he is a man I love and admire, a pal and a friend. On the other he is a political enemy. I shan't sacrifice my believes to my love for my father.

"I don't know what he is going to do about this. He is in New York, and I haven't heard from him about it. I'm afraid, of course, but that doesn't matter. My father knows as well as I do that these things are lies. He admitted it to me, but he said 'All's fair in love and war, and this is war.' If it's war, I've got to fight back for my beliefs."

Miss Bedford-Jones attended Redlands University (Calif.) last semester.

Textile Workers Resist Opening Mills By Force

PELZER, S. C., Sept. 2.—If employees form unions and strike for higher pay, we will hire scabs and strikebreakers and open our mills by armed force. If pickets interfere, we will shoot hem down like dogs.

If not spoken in these frank words, this ultimatum was spoken with guns by employers in the Pelzer Manufacturing Company plant here today when they proceeded to open their mill with scab labor by force of arms.

One dead and fifteen wounded are the casualties of one of the cruelest battles in the depression labor war. Mrs. Bertha Kelly, 21, mother of two children was slain in the resultant gunfire.

Cotton mill strikers here are facing the raw truth of capital's proposition to labor. The law allows that the employer, when his workers strike, may use every means of treachery and violence to re-open his business with scab labor. If all these means are defeated, the workers can win their strike. If the workers take similar forceful means to prevent such treachery, they are declared afoul of the law and the armed forces of the government are loosed against them.

Governor Oleson of South Carolina has ordered the National Guard out against the strikers.

WPA SCAB WAGE SCALE PROTEST SENT BY UNION

DELEGATION FROM UNIONS CALLS ON WORKS PLAN ADMINISTRATORS

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 2.—Protesting against the scab wage to be paid under the announced W.P.A. set-up in San Francisco, a committee from the Office and Professional Workers' Union accompanied by delegates from five sponsoring organizations and backed with the endorsement of such organizations as the Maritime Federation, the Democratic Council, the Inter-Professional Association, the Administrative Workers' Union of Oakland, the Painters' Local No. 1158, called on Frank Y. McLaughlin, administrator of the Works Progress Administration for California Saturday morning, Aug. 31 to present demands regarding hours and wages paid for office and professional workers.

When Mr. McLaughlin and Mr. Wadsworth, his assistant, sent out

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SEAMEN TO ASK CLARIFICATION OF AGREEMENT

SHIPPERS MEET IN S. F. AS UNIONS DEMAND NEW PROVISIONS

Seek Higher Wages

ALL UNIONS WILLING TO RENEW AWARDS BUT BOSSES STALL

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 2.—While all maritime unions had stated their willingness to renew working agreements with the shipowners, the International Seamen's Union, Pacific Coast Division, had notified the employers of the desire of the membership to negotiate for certain changes and clarifications of the Seamen's Award.

The agreements are dated to expire on September 30 and are to be considered renewed unless either party notifies the other that such action will not be considered.

Longshoremen already have voted, by a large majority, in favor of renewing their agreement.

The shipowners, it has been announced, were to meet Tuesday, Sept. 3, to consider the application of the I.S.U. for negotiation. The meeting will take place in San Francisco.

Changes.

The Seamen are to ask money payment for over-time in port, wage increases, the six-hour day in port and elimination of the Labor Relations Board as a gobetween for settlement of disputes.

Steam schooner men are prepared to ask for longshore pay for all longshore work done, for a load limit of 1800 pounds instead of the 2400 pound limit now imposed upon them by the employers.

The American Radio Telegraphers' Association, like the Seamen's Union, is prepared to ask a clause in their agreement to protect the membership from working behind or passing through any picket lines. The Masters, Mates and Pilots, Local 90, also has notified the shipowners of its desire to renew the agreement and

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Modesto Trial Victims Given 6 Mos. to 5 Ys.

BULLETIN

MODESTO, Calif., Sept. 3.—Defendants in the dynamite frame-up case against eight maritime workers were sentenced to six months to five years in San Quentin here today. One defendant, Ciambrelli, will go to Folsom.

A motion for appeal of the case was granted by Judge Roy Maxey, but matter of bail pending such action is to be considered at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Wire Judge Maxey demanding bail be set. Protest railroading of union men.

OIL DEALS LINK AMERICA WITH WARMANEUVERS

AMERICAN IMPERIALISTS WANT HUGE SLICE OF HAILE'S KINGDOM

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 2.—While world protest continued to mount, Dictator Mussolini issued another defy to the League of Nations, the council of which is scheduled to meet Wednesday in special session.

Meanwhile it has been revealed that American financial interests, clearly linked with Standard Oil, have been maneuvering behind the scenes to grab a huge portion of Ethiopia containing valuable oil deposits.

Sneaking in and out the secret doors of Emperor Haile Selassie's palace, were the tools of American and British imperialism. Results of these maneuvers were announced in the capitalist press only last week when it was blazoned across the front pages that Haile had deeded half his kingdom to American-British interests.

Arrogant imperialism, in disclosing this latest deal, implies plainly that it is in control of the governments involved. No financial interest would be willing to step into a situation so tense with possibilities of war, were it not certain its government troops were

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Union Marchers Boo Hearst

LABOR CLARION GETS AID FROM LABOR ENEMIES

PRINTS ADS FOR BACKERS OF SONOMA COUNTY VIGILANTES

Finks Publicized

BOOSTS NAMES OF ROSSI, NEYLAN, STEIGER, AND WEBB

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 2.—"Brazen insult" and snobbish ridicule of San Francisco organized labor was the Labor Day edition of the Labor Clarion, official organ of the S. F. Labor Council controlled by Edward Vandeleur and his team of employers' agents in the ranks of labor.

This hundred page, slick paper journal of class collaboration and betrayal flaunts the advertisements of labor's bitterest enemies and does not even include them in the unfair list. Outstanding among the advertisers are:

ROSENBERG & BROS. CO., packers whose employees are now on strike in Oakland. It was in a vacant Rosenberg packing shed in Santa Rosa that the two kidnaped workers were tortured and tarred and feathered recently.

ALASKA JUNEAU GOLD MINING CO., workers now on strike and sixteen pickets in jail on frame-up charges.

HAMMOND LUMBER CO., notorious in the recent Eureka strike in which armed forces of the employers murdered three pickets.

JOHN FRANCIS NEYLAN, attorney for the Hearst newspapers and the man who, at Hearst's instigation, called together the conference of employers and capitalist editors who framed the breaking of the General Strike.

JUDGE MATTHEW BRADY, district attorney, now engaged in brazenly white-washing the ex-

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News Guild Head Mayor Candidate

Organizations With 46,000 Members Represented at Second S. F. Labor Ticket Election Conference

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 2.—The Second Conference of the United Labor Conference for the coming municipal election was held here Saturday with 65 organizations having a total of some 46,000 members represented.

Great enthusiasm greeted the unanimous election as candidate for mayor of Redfern Mason, president of the Newspaper Guild of San Francisco, distinguished musical critic who was forced off Hearst's San Francisco Examiner for his union activities.

"The United Labor Party platform is a Declaration of Independence by workers, liberals, and real progressive minded people of San Francisco," declared Redfern Mason in his acceptance speech before the convention. "For the first time in the history of California we have succeeded in moulding a solid front of every section of the toiling and middle classes, workers of brain and brawn. Ours is the historic task of cleaning out the mal-influences of massed wealth against the civic, economic and political interests of the people of San Francisco, the great majority of which are workers, not bankers and big business men."

Militant Campaign.

At the same time the Conference prepared a full slate of candidates for the coming election, completed the platform which was tentatively adopted at the First Conference on July 16, and laid plans for the carrying on of a militant campaign intended to reach every worker in the city and defeat plans of capitalists to

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41 BODIES IN OAKLAND LABOR PARTY MEETING

FIRST CONFERENCE MAKES PLANS FOR CARRYING ON OF WORK

OAKLAND, Calif., Sept. 2.—With 41 organizations present, the first Alameda County Labor Party Conference adopted a declaration of principles and laid the basis for continuing the work towards building a real Labor Party in Oakland.

The conference, which began early Sunday morning and culminated in a mass meeting in the evening, found the delegates keenly aware of the necessity to build a united front in the political field, based primarily on the trade unions, to combat the anti-labor and fascist tendencies manifested in the present capitalist parties.

Declaration of Principles.

To continue the work begun, a Continuation Committee was elected and authorized to call another Conference within three months.

The purpose of the Labor Party was stated in the Declaration of Principles drawn up by the Conference in these words, "We have laid the foundation in Alameda County for a Labor Party of the workers, controlled by the workers. We are uniting our forces to resist the organized attacks of the industrialists, bankers and large employers. Every worker has one interest in common: that of obtaining a higher standard of living. Only through the united action of all workers, and their allies without discrimination and Jim Crowism, can we maintain a solid front against the large employers, and get this necessary standard, and preserve our rights prescribed for us in the Declaration of Independence and the constitution of the United States."

16 Trade Unions.

A resolution was adopted condemning the vigilante terrorism in Sonoma County, to be sent to Governor Merriam and Attorney General Webb.

Organizations at the Conference included 16 trade unions, three as observers only, seven unemployed unions, one as an observer, seven fraternal organizations, of which three were observers, seven political bodies, one as observer, and two student groups, one as observer. In addition there were some organizations which elected delegates, but whose delegates failed to report at the Conference.

Effective organization of unemployed will aid in maintaining union scales of pay. Demand that your union officials support such work.

S. F. LABOR DAY TAKEN OVER BY 70000 WORKERS

MARITIME MARCHERS BOO AS THEY PASS HEARST EXAMINER BUILDING

Record Turn-Out

LONGSHOREMEN, SEAMEN IN DEMONSTRATION OF SOLIDARITY

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 2.—San Francisco stood still today for nearly four hours while 70,000 organized workers marched up Market street from the waterfront to the Civic Center.

For the first time in history, Labor Day actually belonged to the workers. It was the largest body of workers ever to march the streets of San Francisco and all the maneuvers of the top bureaucracy of the American Federation of Labor did not suffice to cover up the significance of organized labor's demonstration of power.

Most striking of all was the division of the parade belonging to the Maritime Federation of the Pacific. Longshoremen, sailors, licensed men, scalers, bargemen, and every division of the maritime industry marched in one body, behind the symbol of the Maritime Federation. It was a demonstration of unity and power which the Industrial Association

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COPS ARE SORE BECAUSE LEWIS SPILLED BEANS

POLICE CAN'T FIND VICE DENS; PUBLIC FINDS THEM EVERYWHERE

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 2.—"If there is graft in the department, we want to know it." This was the declaration of Theodore Roche, president of the police commission, when he indignantly answered the charges of collector of internal revenue John V. Lewis that the San Francisco cops are filching hush money off prostitutes and gamblers. Chief Quinn and Captain of Inspectors Dullea joined him in indignation.

"If there wasn't graft in the police department, how the hell could we do business?" This was the declaration of a gambling proprietor to a Western Worker interviewer today.

The proprietress of one of San Francisco's numberless houses of prostitution replied to our reporter's questioning: "Sure. All this beef about paying off the cops. Do you think we like to be stooping to such cheap bribery? But what can we do? They'll close us down if we don't. This isn't a tough joint. I run a respectable place. Only the nicest class of people come here. I won't let no bums in. But I've got to pay so much to keep the cops from piling in and messing up the joint, what do I have left?"

There is being held a Grand Jury investigation, similar to the investigation following the burning of the pasteboard liner "Morro Castle".

By the way: what ever became of that investigation?

Hearst's Tawdul, Liar, Drunkard Spouse Beater, Codfish Aristocrat

Jailed Many Times for Boozing and Hooliganism

NEW YORK, Sept. 2.—William Randolph Hearst's latest liar is Mr. Adam J. Tawdul, a most accomplished "expert" on Mr. Hearst's famine in Russia. During August, Mr. Tawdul's articles appeared in Hearst papers thruout the country, "exposing" the most up-to-date horrors of life in the land of the Soviets.

Mr. Tawdul said, in his articles, that he was a one-time revolutionist and a former Communist, and had left the movement only after living and working in Soviet Russia during 1931. With this article was printed a photostatic copy of what Tawdul said was his membership card in the Communist Party of the Soviet Union. After seeing what Communism really meant in practice, says Mr. Tawdul's story, he gave it up as a bad business, returned to America and started telling the "truth."

Who Is He?

A little investigation reveals that there is some doubt about his real name. He is also known as Rudlovsky and as Nelson. At present he lives in Englishtown, N. J., with his second wife and her three children by a former marriage. One of Hearst's papers printed a picture of the so-called Tawdul and his happy family of four. In Englishtown he is known as a habitual drunkard and a wife-beater. So it is doubtful if the family is happy.

What's more, Tawdul didn't write the articles. According to Tawdul's own admission they were written by Fedor S. Monsvetov, who lives at 420 West 121st st., New York. This Monsvetov, a partisan of the old Kerensky regime in Russia, and a bitter enemy of the Soviets, wrote the fantastic tales in Russian, and then he and Tawdul negotiated with Hearst. Hearst hired the notorious anti-Soviet liar, Isaac Don Levine, to translate the stuff into English and put the finishing touches on it. Monsvetov and Tawdul got $150 apiece for the articles, Tawdul acting as a kind of dummy in the whole transaction.

That Credential.

Furthermore, Tawdul has never been a member of the Communist Party, in Russia or anywhere else. That so-called C. P. "membership card" which Mr. Hearst reproduced in his papers, is really credentials, attesting that Tawdul had worked in a tractor plant in the Soviet Union. Such cards are issued to all who work in that country. The Communist Party never issues membership cards,—it issues books.

Tawdul, who at present works in a cutlery factory owned by Joseph Berger, has been jailed many times for hooliganism, disorderly conduct, drunkenness, etc. A Daily Worker representative who visited his first wife, with whom he lived under the name of Nelson, found her afraid to talk about the man for fear he might do her bodily harm. Tawdul made this first wife support him for 12 years while he spent his time in speak-easies and other "joints."

Looks Down on Workers.

Tawdul considers himself above the working class and looked down upon his first wife because she came of Russian peasant stock, while he claims descent from the nobility—no less! He is a friend of Boris Brasol, the Russian White Guard leader of Rahway Farms in New Jersey, which

Articles Written By Bootlicker of Kerensky

is a White Guard outfit. Brasol is the one who introduced and circulated in this country that celebrated forgery, the "Protocols of the Elders of Zion," an anti-Semitic fabrication which Hitler has used in Germany. Tawdul hangs out in a White Guardist settlement near Englishtown, spending much of his time getting drunk there.

After he left the Soviet Union Tawdul-Rudd-Nelson-Rudkovsky (what is his name, Mr. Hearst?) went to Fascist Poland and then to Fascist Germany. When he got back to America he was completely sold on Fascism. He says he likes it—considers it the best kind of government.

The Man for Hearst.

People who have known him for years declare he is "cruel, brazen, vicious and ignorant."

In other words, he's just the man for Hearst.

We would like to remind our readers that so far Mr. Hearst hasn't found one honest man who

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CONTROL OF AFL STATE MEET IS GOAL OF FAKERS

VANDELEUR, SCHARRENBERG MAP CAMPAIGN TO OUST MILITANTS

Edward Vandeleur and Paul Scharrenberg, president and vice president respectively of the State Federation of Labor are preparing feverishly for the State A. F. of L. Convention to be held in San Diego September 16 to 21.

But they are not preparing to launch an organizational campaign dedicated to building the American Federation of Labor. Nowadays they are preparing to call for mass expulsion of the militants. They are preparing a battle to force the re-election of Paul Scharrenberg to another term in office, against the wishes of the rank and file A. F. of L. workers.

Scharrenberg has been expelled from the Sailors' Union of the Pacific for his anti-union activities. He attempted to blast his way back in by appealing to the businessmen at the head of the International Seamen's Union, failed and immediately sought and gained entrance into the Office Employees' Union here—by a vote of 16 to 2.

Scharrenberg will be posed as "saviour" of "American labor crucified." Around him will be builded a campaign to expell Communists and militants from the labor movement. William Green, national president of the American Federation of Labor Already has said, for the benefit of Vandeleur and Scharrenberg are his henchmen on the Pacific Coast. They will do whatever he points.

★ Attack Militants.

By hook or crook, by technicality and by controlled vote, the Vandeleur-Scharrenberg machine will first of all attempt to prevent the seating of militant delegates to the State Convention. Already there is information to the effect that the "two weeks proviso" will be rigidly enforced. All delegates whose credentials are not in the hands of the Vandeleur machine two weeks in advance of the convention will be denied seats.

Each delegate will be asked to prove that he has upon him at least five Union labels. His shoes, his hat, sox, tie and so on, must carry the label for the Union to be recognized as a bona fide member. The Vandeleur-Scharrenberg clique is preparing to use local centrals, which control a state delegate, before legally chosen, must have been a member of the union in good standing for at least three years, as another means of keeping out those delegates who will challenge the fakers.

The rank and file delegates must be on their guard against any attempt to keep them out of the Convention. They must be prepared to demand that they be seated and that they be allowed to speak for the membership which they were elected to represent.

★ Red-Baiting.

Vandeleur and Scharrenberg and others—are preparing to turn the State Convention into a soap box for their red-baiting campaign which they launched officially two months ago with the first appearance of the scab sheet, "The Federationist." This reactionary publication, edited by Scharrenberg, Vandeleur and Baum, a former Hearst liar, pretends to be the official publication of the State Federation of Labor. It is Scharrenberg's voice—since he dare not appear before rank and file workers in person. It calls for a war against Communists and militants. It has sounded the note which will be struck by Vandeleur and Scharrenberg at the State Convention in September.

The reactionary officials of the State Federation of Labor do not have the right to speak for the rank and file. That right belongs to the rank and file and the delegates must fight to preserve it.

CRUM CRIES FOR MERCY IN POST-CARD CAMPAIGN

L. A. ORGANIZATION IS DISTRESSED DURING REMOVAL

LOS ANGELES, August 30.—Minnie Fort Judge Crum, for long a tool for the Los Angeles Times and bitter enemy of the worker, is beginning to cry for mercy!

For the last several weeks, some 80 organizations affiliated to the Conference for Labor's Civil Rights have been carrying on a post-card campaign, asking Calendar Judge John Steveson to remove Judge Crum from his judgeship.

The effectiveness of this campaign can be judged from the fact that yesterday Judge Crum went to the printer of the post-cards, seeking to buy up all those postcards which have not yet been issued!

The postcard campaign for the removal of this notorious capitalist tool continues in full blast.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SAN FRANCISCO LABOR COUNCIL

Weekly Meeting, Friday, August 30

Western Worker Criticized By Culinary Unions—Council Wants Retraction of Story In San Francisco "News"

Two newspapers, the WESTERN WORKER and the capitol of San Francisco News, came in for some very bitter criticism at the last session, Friday, Aug. 30, of the Council.

"The Voice of the Maritime Federation", official newspaper of the Maritime Federation, was objectively missed by the delegates at this meeting. A large bundle had been at hand the previous week for the distribution, but none were there this time.

Waiters' Local No. 30 and Cooks' Local No. 44 reported that in the Aug. 29th issue of the WESTERN WORKER a news item appeared "which declared John Leighton's Cafeteria on Fillmore street, a union house, worked its employees as much as 12 and 14 hours a day. Both unions denied this, and reported to the Council that they had called upon the editor for a retraction. They criticized the Western Worker so severely for printing such a report without an investigation, and also for destroying the original letter sent them, an investigation of the writer could be made.

(NOTE: The retraction and apology demanded by the unions appeared in our issue of Sept. 2 issue. For the benefit of those who wonder how such an error could be made by a union paper, we wish to state that we guard against them very carefully. Our staff is small, and we work late and edit hundreds of stories, and in spite of our best efforts, such errors occasionally slip in. We always stand ready to made what amends we can when we do make a mistake. We usually destroy letters given down with them, to guard against their falling into the hands of stoolpigeons and fakers, as it then stands against the writers. Ed.)

A delegate inquired if Mr. Vandeleur, president of the Council, was correctly quoted by the S. F. News, in its issue of August 30 under the heading, "F. R. AND ROSSI IS THEME FOR UNION PARADE." This item quoted Vandeleur as saying, "organized labor is like a rock behind President Roosevelt and Roosevelt and Rossi will be the political motive behind the huge parade in support of President Roosevelt in this city next Monday."

Mr. Vandeleur denied he had made such a statement to Mr. R. W. Horne, of the News, and declared the paper had misquoted him. It was then moved and seconded that "The San Francisco Labor Council demands retraction of the article appearing in the News, issue Aug. 30, under the caption 'F. R. AND ROSSI IS THEME FOR UNION PARADE,' and that the public press be informed that organized labor endorsed no candidates for any political office, and that it participates solely in demonstration of labor's solidarity."

Mr. Vandeleur, as chairman, declined to entertain any such motion, offering as an excuse that he was the one misquoted and therefore had first rights on any retractions. The delegate insisted that his motion be put to a vote, but Vandeleur again refused. An amendment was then offered "that the president of the Council be authorized to demand retraction." President Vandeleur accepted this loophole and put the amendment to a rising vote. It carried by 112 to 57.

Vandeleur's attention was called to the fact that the amendment was out of accord with the original motion, and therefore out-of-order. But he pleaded that he be allowed to proceed with the demand retraction as president of the Council, because, if the Council adopted the motion it might "embarrass" Rossi and Roosevelt.

(NOTE: Nobody reminded Mr. Vandeleur that Rossi had been in office "embarrassed" last summer when union men called upon him and demanded he take his municipal police off the waterfront where they were shooting down strikers.)

The Law and Legislative Committee, in its final report and recommendation, reiterated its opposition to the proposed "Disaster Preparedness Ordinance."

6 MORE EUREKA WORKERS GO TO TRIAL SEPT. 3

MCGOWAN ATTACKED REDS IN JURY APPEAL

EUREKA, Calif., Sept. 2.—The third frame-up trial of workers arrested here following the police attack of lumber pickers on the city hall September 2 last year, opened this morning before Superior Judge Tryon. Six workers charged with rioting will be defended by Leo Gallagher, attorney assigned to the case by the International Labor Defense.

The prosecution is attempting to force Eugene Miller, who stood trial alone, defended by Gallagher, to stand trial again with the six. Gallagher is fighting such a move, demanding a separate trial. The jury disagreed in the first court battle.

Blaine McGowan, retained by the Federated Trades Council of Eureka, defended three others who were acquitted by a jury on Aug. 29.

McGowan, in his appeal to the jury, almost completely ignored the testimony, and confined his argument to a bitter denunciation of the Communist Party and Jack Green. He admitted in the testimony, and when referring briefly to it, could scarcely remember who said what. His appeal was based entirely on a blatant waving attack on all "Reds" and a sob story about the virtues of organized labor, the sweat of the brow, and the 100 per cent American-ism of his clients. He declared his clients were just three American boys who had nothing to do with the "rotten, stinking movement of Communism," and that they didn't realize the seriousness of the charge brought against them.

In an appeal to the prejudices of the jury he declared his three clients had realized the seriousness of their "offense" and only entered the struggle with the police thinking it was for "fun," that a woman had been shot down.

He tried to put over the idea that the "three American boys" had been forced into a "riot" by scores of "subversive influences."

Then there was John Slickroff, alias Harry Dickson, alias John Swing, alias Jack Green, a well known character in San Francisco, who got into the Hearst morning papers with his stories of "Famous, Red Ruin, and etc.," in Soviet Russia. A stool-pigeon and plain caliger.

Fred Beal, the shiftless, drunken renegade who wrote for Hearst papers, was called upon to "make a socialist "amicable settlement" and will be arrived at when the Law of Actions council meets.

The Inquest Assembly likewise is scheduled to meet on September 9 and it is possible the matter may be carried over for discussion and decision there.

Meanwhile, Hearst appeared to withdraw from the League if his conquest of Ethiopia is not sanctioned.

U. S. CAPITAL REACHING FOR ETHIOPIA LOOT

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on tap to back up its loot for profits.

Little hope is expressed this week, even in official quarters, that a socalled "amicable settlement" will be arrived at when the League of Actions council meets.

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RELIEF OFFICE SEEKING CHEAP FARM LABORERS

EFFORT TO MAKE JOBLESS SOURCE OF SCAB LABOR FOR BIG GROWERS

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 2.—Relief authorities are circulating unemployed workers by mail seeking to drive them into the fields and grape fields at wages which are a disgrace to American labor.

2500 leaflets were mailed calling for hop pickers in the Sonoma County hop fields where vigilantes for the past month have waged a campaign of terror against every effort of the agricultural workers to better their conditions.

Hundreds of postal cards were mailed threatening that workers' relief standing would be jeopardized by refusal to accept this scab labor.

Wages offered in the hop fields are $1.25 per hundred pounds. In the grape fields, 20 to 25 cents per hour. These wages are so unfair that the regular migratory field workers refuse to work for them.

Pickers are forced to work under the surveillance of deputy guards, like convict labor. Any worker agitating for better pay is marked by the armed forces of employers.

The S. F. County Federation of the Unemployed is urging workers to demand 40 cents an hour in the grape fields and an equivalent wage in the hop fields. To this 100 pounds of hops is a good day's work for an expert.

6 UNIONS BACK OAKLAND FRUIT PACK STRIKERS

THREAT OF LIBBY PLANT SYMPATHY WALK-OUT

OAKLAND, Sept. 2.—The strike of the Bookbinders Union and Packing plant is still one hundred per cent solid, with the plant closed down thoroughly. Not even a foreman or forelady stayed in the place, and the Pinkerton Detectives had to clean up and close the building.

The strike is supported by sympathy action of the Teamsters, Warehousemen, Machinists, Carpenters and Sausage Employees and the Longshoremen. The I.L.A. has declared all Rosenberg products "Hot Cargo" and will refuse to handle it. This decision was reached last Thursday.

An attempt was made to handle some of the Rosenberg fruit and nuts at the Libby, McNeill and Libby plant across the street. But the workers in this place threatened to walk out, so the stuff is stamping around for the warehouse for Rosenberg Bros. to negotiate with the strikers.

It is reported that the Railroad Brotherhoods are considering whether or not to refuse freight from this company.

The picket line is maintained 24 hours a day, 20 pickets on each 8-hour shift.

At the time this strike began the wages were $3.20 a week less than three years ago. The strikers demand a higher wage, union recognition and time and a half for overtime night work beginning at 5 p. m. and for all Sundays and holidays.

Besides doing picket duty, women workers are operating a picket kitchen at 1222 Campbell st. The Union has opened permanent headquarters at 718 Market st., Oakland.

TAWDUL TALES OF AW FUL, WOOFUL EMPTY TWADDLE

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would write anything about a "famine in Soviet Russia."

"Proof of Hearst's first writers on this subject, 'That eminent journalist' Mr. THOMAS WALKER, is now in Colorado State Prison, serving a long term for forgery, in the most eminent international swindler, forger and white-slaver and anti-Soviet liar, who Hearst has written for the Hearst papers. Walker's real name is Dennis Slaiacs are unknown.

Then there was John Slickroff, alias Harry Dickson, alias John Swing, alias Jack Green, a well known character in San Francisco, who got into the Hearst morning papers with his stories of "Famine, Red Ruin, and etc.," in Soviet Russia. A stool-pigeon and plain caliger.

Fred Beal, the shiftless, drunken renegade who wrote for Hearst papers, was called upon to "make a socialist "amicable settlement" and will be arrived at when the Law of Actions council meets.

The Inquest Assembly likewise is scheduled to meet on September 9 and it is possible the matter may be carried over for discussion and decision there.

Meanwhile, Hearst appeared to withdraw from the League if his conquest of Ethiopia is not sanctioned.

WPA Resolution Of Clerk Union

SAN DIEGO FEDERATED TRADES COUNCIL

Weekly Meeting, Wednesday, Aug. 28

Office and Professional Workers' Union Protests Union Smashing Drive of Works Progress Administration

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 2.—The following resolution was presented last Saturday to the Works Progress Administration here by a delegation sponsored by the Office and Professional Workers' Union supported by thirteen other unions and organizations:

RESOLUTION

Frank A. McLaughlin, Administrator, Works Progress Administration, State of California.

The Office and Professional Workers' Union hereby vigorously protests the two-fold principle involved in the Works Progress Administration as projected—namely, the abandonment of the payment of Union or prevailing hourly wage rates—and the abandonment of the budgetary principle for family workers whereby up to now the family workers compensation has been at least related to, although never commensurate with, actual family needs.

Pursuant to such protests the OFFICE AND PROFESSIONAL WORKERS' UNION presents the following demands:

1. That hourly wage rates on WPA projects shall not be lower than hourly rates prevailing on SERA up till closing date, August 22, 1935, and in unionized industry not lower than the union rate per hour.

2. We accept the advertised schedule of total monthly earnings in the various occupations as minimums for the single worker only—and demand that percentage increases further authorized be established so that a decent standard of living may be maintained.

3. That the minimum number of hours to be worked in any one month be 120, with workers in the higher wage brackets working fewer hours per month in proportion to their greater earning power—unless projects allotments permit of full hourly pay as in Demand No. 1 for the full 120 hour month.

4. That, to further Demand No. 3, the problem of the family worker in the lower wage brackets where monthly earnings within the 120 hour maximum not commensurate with the family's needs be now only recognized, as has been done in the July 5th WPA Bulletin under heading "Supplemental Direct Relief") substantial but also dealt with by making provisions for adequate direct cash relief to supplement the workers' deficiency in earnings.

5. That under no circumstances shall the wage and relief provisions of WPA be utilized to force workers into private industry at lower wages than less than those set forth in Demand No. 1—and in no case shall pressure be brought upon workers to accept work where strike conditions prevail, and that no discrimination be exercised against workers refusing work where strike conditions prevail.

6. That the WPA program be sufficiently expanded to provide work for all those willing and able to work and that adequate provision cash relief be provided for all so-called unemployables.

7. That classification of workers shall be based on major professional or industrial experience and educational background. If worker has had no professional or industrial experience the deciding factor shall be education, either private or academic. If worker refused work because of false or inaccurate classification his case shall be investigated by and a hearing given before an impartial board. This board shall be empowered to make reinstatements, authorize payment of money due worker in the time lost or improper adjustment it deems justifiable.

8. That the practice of incorporating and classifying skilled jobs already been instituted not at least one project be immediately and permanently abandoned.

In conclusion, We, the OFFICE AND PROFESSIONAL WORKERS' UNION, do hereby unanimously endorse the LUNDEEN (HR 2827) and Pelletier (AB 591) Bills and demand that the WPA go on record in support of these bills.

OFFICE AND PROFESSIONAL WORKERS' UNION of San Francisco, California.

(Signed) Daniel Bashlich, Secretary.

ENDORSED BY:

California State Federation of the Unemployed and Allied Organizations.

Union of Professional Workers, Berkeley, California.

Administrative Workers' Union, Oakland, Calif.

Inter-Professional Association, San Francisco.

San Francisco Council of the Democratic Party.

Maritime Federation of the Pacific (which includes)

International Longshoremen's Association (I.L.A.) and all its affiliated unions.

Sailors' Union of the Pacific.

Marine Firemen, Oilers, Water Tenders, Firemen's Union.

Marine Cooks' and Stewards' Association.

Masters, Mates and Pilots, Local 90.

International Association of Machinists, S. F. Lodge No. 68.

American Radio Telegraphers Association, S. F. Local.

(Capitalization and Underscoring Ours.—Ed.)

WHITE-COLLAR UNION ISSUES WPA DEMANDS

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word they were too busy to see the committee. Mr. T. H. Emery, Labor Commissioner, an executive assistant representing Mr. McLaughlin with the "power to make recommendations" met the committee and suggested they retire with him to the fourth floor where they could have a conference. Mr. Emerson is a bland, elderly retired Army officer from the Engineer Corps, who told one of the committee that he is a "good listener" and would do everything to do he volunteered his services to the administration with pay.

Brother McFarland, president of the office and Professional Workers' Union, acting as spokesman for the committee read the resolution containing the protest and demands of the union (See Page Two for resolution.)

★ Appointment Dodged.

After the resolution had been read Mr. McLaughlin was called for while and asked a few questions saying that Mr. McLaughlin would "be right back." The committee stood the demands still would come in with McLaughlin concerning them but that he could give no definite date for an answer or even for an appointment with McLaughlin.

It was pointed out by one of the delegations that it was understood that Mr. McLaughlin, in order to stave off what happened in New York when Hopkins ran into a hot Union workers at the inception of the FWA there, must make a personal show of "good faith" by meeting with the committee.

One of the delegates from the Painters' Union No. 1158 told Mr. Emerson that although the number of workers used to come down on protests or go out on strike for their rights, unemployed as other groups, that now when one group goes out, due to organization and solidarity of one group, all others join in. The Painters wished to ask some questions regarding building trades workers, "Wage rates less than those of hours and wages would prevail on WPA for these workers. They wanted a clear ruling regarding requirements for employment.

Mr. Emerson was at a loss to answer questions and said he had conferred with the "busy" Mr. Walsworth. He later reported that "Mr. Walsworth" said workers would receive the "Security Wage" of $85.00 per month for 120 hours work, and that if one of the collect question he said that 90 per cent of all workers on WPA would be from the relief rolls and 10 per cent from outside."

★ May Priority Group.

On the board in the room where the committee met was a brief chart listing the number of eligible workers by California counties according to the May Priority Group. This means those who were registered for work and certified in May. The total for the whole state of the State who are eligible was 213,671; of these 186,995 are male and 26,676 female. These figures for San Francisco county the total number is 20,933; 18,317 being male workers and 2616 female. These figures are the entire number of eligible who will be in the 90 per cent category which Mr. Emerson spoke. Considering that there are over a million unemployed workers in the state and more than 80,000 here in San Francisco Co.ity, barely one-fourth of these workers will be known as "Priority" ployables."

Since Mr. Emerson felt that he could not make an appointment with the committee, the committee announced that they would go back to Mr. McLaughlin's office and get an answer. The final ultimatum was that Miss Smith, Mr. McLaughlin's Secretary would be spokesman for the Committee alone. Brother McFarland was delegated by the committee to go in and see her and convey the reporting that the only definite answer he could get was that McLaughlin would answer the demands in writing before Saturday of next week. No definite appointment would be given to the Office and Professional Workers for a further hearing on their demands.

Several delegates from other organizations present as well as the Union Committee expressed great dissatisfaction with the "runaround" the committee had met with this committee in order to keep them from taking someone with them to the office. It has been decided to immediately get the endorsement of as many other unions and organizations as possible in order to enlarge the ranks of protesters against the WPA scab wage scale proposal.

With the Union committee were representatives of the following organizations:

Painters' Local No. 1158.

Council of Communications (Telegraphers, Radio and Newspaper unions).

Democratic Party, 20th Assembly District.

Artists and Writers' Union.

Utopian Society.

The Office and Professional Workers' Union is now organizing a large conference of all organizations, including those who have already endorsed the resolution to plan action in order to prevent the wage-cutting policy of the new agency. All organizations interested should immediately write to the secretary of the union, addressing their communication to Dean Beshlich, Secretary Office and Professional Workers' Union, Whitcomb Hotel.

SEAMEN WANT CHANGES IN AGREEMENTS

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to negotiate for clarification of certain clauses.

Meanwhile, the rank and file of the I.S.U. regards with considerable suspicion the pressure in this port of Andrew Furuseth, international president of the union. Furuseth is opposed to unity between longshoremen and seamen and here to "handle the situation." He is a noted red-baiter and attempted to sell the seamen out during the 1934 Maritime Strike.

Maritime workers are determined to act in unity on the question of renewing their awards, this port has joined the employers in their tools at the head of some of the unions plenty to worry about. There appears to be little hope for unity behind the Maritime Federation of the Pacific have failed miserably.

Scalers and longmen still are on strike. Last week have operators attempted to break the strike by running them, even shipped they lost out when they could not find a single longshoreman or a dock open which to unload the ship.

Scalers were negotiating with shipowners directly and the contractors who had forced the strike by organizing a lockout, scabs themselves, locked out in turn.

Professional Workers for a further hearing on their demands.

POLICE CAUGHT IN TESTIMONY

OAKLAND, Sept. 2.—Paul Heide and Bob Moore, two workers very active in the lock-out struggle of the Santa Cruz carpentry, were given a preliminary hearing in Judge Tyrrell's court last Friday on frame-up charges of tampering with a switch on a spur track into the plant. The hearing was continued until September 16.

All witnesses against the workers were police and Southern Pacific "detectives." Phillip Harper, an S. P. man, testified that the switch was a derailing switch that would derail any train going in or out of the siding. Under cross-examination he admitted that only by a train going out would be derailed.

Frank King, another S. P. "bull," testified that he saw Moore and Heide open the switch and that they were "hanging around the siding." He also gave in under cross-examination by Defense Attorney Leo Sullivan and admitted that a switchman had unlocked and opened the switch.

Inspector Tracy of the Oakland Police was caught in an attempt to distort the stories told him by the workers.

The warehouse attached to the cannery has been picketed by I. L. A. Warehousemen's local No. 6-34 since its workers were locked out about a month ago.

ILD TO DEMAND INVESTIGATION

LOS ANGELES, August 30.—Gradually gaining strong forces to combat Fascist treatment of political prisoners in Lincoln Heights jail, a strong delegation led by the International Labor Defense appeared before the Council here on September 27 demanding an open investigation of the conditions and the immediate removal of Capt. Shand from the jail.

The fourth delegation to the Council last Monday has resulted in five communists visiting the jail, and it is anticipated this new committee, broader and stronger than any previous, will force an investigation of the Fascist discrimination against political prisoners in jail.

Imprisoned for 18-month and 2-year terms following the June 1, 1934, police attack on relief demonstrators, Frank Spears, Joe Toth, Harold Hendricks, John Saunders have been subjected to inhuman treatment at the hands of the jailers and guards. Shand, McShann, is personally injured from being beaten by police following his arrest, and has been denied a back support prescribed by his physician.

When the committee visited the jail, McShann told them he had been threatened by a police officer that "unless you get rid of your Communistic ideas, you will be taken out and beaten down. The officer will be in trouble for you from anybody." Police officers denied to the committee that such a threat was made.

Jailing testimony it was revealed that "certain American Federation of Labor officials and the American Legion" had financed the "gang warfare" in San Pedro.

Earl King, secretary of the Marine Firemen, Oilers and Waterenders Union also was attacked by persons alleged to be members of the same gang.

We urge you to send in unit experiences for the proposed Party Work column.

Friedl "Beef Squad" Financed By Legion

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 26.—The Friedl beef squad from San Pedro late last week was bound over to the superior court on a charge of felony assault with intent to commit murder, following an attack upon E. G. Dietrich, longshoreman, on the San Francisco local of the International Longshoremen's Association.

The gang, lead by Robert North, had hired a shot-gun through a window of Dietrich's home several weeks ago.

Previous to its somewhat mysterious appearance on the Pacific waterfront, the gang had conducted a reign of terror in San Pedro, beating up progressive rank and file maritime union workers and even had at one time attacked and robbed a person who had no connection with the waterfront unions.

During testimony it was revealed that "certain American Federation of Labor officials and the American Legion" had financed the "gang warfare" in San Pedro.

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Sacramento Trades Council Opposes Gag Ordinances

SACRAMENTO, Aug. 29.—The Federated Trades Council has presented to the city council a resolution urging that anti-working class ordinances which prohibit picketing, unless one gets permission of the council of the manager and prevent two or more persons from assembling on a street be eliminated by amendments. A handbill ordinance which prevents workers' organizations (without other means of reaching the public) from distributing leaflets without the manager's permission is also protested.

These city ordinances were adopted during the Criminal-Syndicalism frame-up trial here last Fall.

The Trades Council demands meetings with city formal notice to the city manager, and that the handbill ordinance be practically nullified.

Furniture Workers Merge Into Single Industrial Union

NEW YORK, Aug. 29. — A special committee of the National Furniture Workers' Industrial Union announces that it has achieved an over 90 per cent merger of its membership with the Upholsterers' Carpet and Linoleum Mechanics' International Union (A. F. of L.). In each locality the Industrial Union local merged with the A. F. of L. or if there was none of the latter, the Industrial local obtained an A. F. of L. charter directly from the International.

The International, at its June convention, adopted the industrial form of organization and other militant rank and file measures. Nor could the convention deny the mass sentiment for achieving the slogan of "one union in the furniture industry."

The transference in membership in each locality was carried through in an organized manner, the national initiation fee of $1. being paid for each member.

The 5 locals still outside the A. F. of L. are in Warren, Pa., Pittsburgh, Pa., Philadelphia, Pa., Chicago and Los Angeles.

Herndon Signatures Pass 100,000 Mark

NEW YORK, Aug. 30.—The drive to collect signatures for the Angelo Herndon petition has passed the 100,000 mark, with signatures being collected in 48 states and dozens of foreign countries. Six hundred signatures collected in various cities of England were received here recently.

Union members: Raise the question of having your delegate to the Central Labor Council support recognition of unemployed organizations.

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FOREIGN NEWS

Briefs

Nazi Beheading Peasant Revolt

Chinese Red Army

Cotton Mills

Political Prisoners

GERMANY—Efforts of Nazis to justify the beheading of an expectant mother are blasted by a cable recently received from the illegal German Section of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom. The cable points out that we have only the word of the "People's Court" for her guilt. This court does not grant any freely selected defense counsel nor admit witnesses without the consent of the prosecution.

LITHUANIA—Starvation prices for their products, by government decree has caused a revolt of peasants here which has resulted in the murder of two by police. Roads leading to the capital were blocked by the striking peasants in a mass movement of producers. Police of the fascist regime fired into the crowds, in an effort to keep the road open.

CHINA—One of the richest provinces in northwest China has before the advancing troops of the Chinese Red Army who under Hu Lung have just won smashing victories over government forces in Northern Hunan. Hunan province is already been taken by the Red Army, and Changsha, the capital of Hunan, is now in Red hands. Bankers and missionaries, who have destroyed these cities, change sides in an instant, when they see since commercial traffic from Kweichow and Szechuan is being transferred to Hunan river steamers.

GERMANY—Alarmed by the growing wave of strikes, the Nazi government is taking drastic steps in a vain effort to halt increasing food prices, which, with falling wages, have made conditions intolerable for the working class. A decree ordered prices of meat, potatoes, and other staples fixed at the level of July 21st. Food has been down before, however, without any effect, especially since the Nazis are the ones carrying on a "Save the peasant movement" which is forcing prices far above the world level.

SOVIET UNION—One of the largest sugar mills in the world, with 200,000 spindles, and an annual production of 150,000,000 tons of cloth is starting construction at Barnaul, in the heart of Siberia. Although only the first part is completed employing 2,500 000 of cloth of 77 varieties have been produced in experimental operation. Cotton, flax, hemp and other great textile factory, of equal size, is also scheduled for opening in Ivanhkovo, in central Asia, this year.

YUGOSLAVIA — Two political prisoners in Lepoglava Prison have been sent to a mental institution, a sure sign of terror against anti-fascists in the Serbian slavian jails, according to information received by the International Labor Defense. Nothing has also been received that political prisoners in Doftana prison, Rumania have been on a hunger strike against the assassination of Moleujac, a political prisoner, and the torture of other prisoners.

Hanged in Effigy Cotton Strike Meat Strike Spreads Martial Law Fought WPA Strike

CHICAGO, Ill.—Mussolini was hanged in effigy before the Italian consulate here as part of the protest movement against Italian expansion plans in Ethiopia. A large crowd watched the demonstration, as leaflets advertising the Aug. 31 anti-war demonstration rained down from adjoining buildings. A wave of protests has been aroused by the refusal to grant a permit for a parade on the 31st. Clarence Darrow, famous attorney was among the many who attacked the refusal as a form of political censorship.

FORT DEPOSIT, Ala.—Jim Lasir, striking Negro sharecropper, was wounded from an ambush. Lasir and unidentified Negro woman was also shot at, in the reign of terror against the cotton strikers here. Scores of Sharecroppers Union White workers are joining the Negroes in the fight against sub-starvation wages of 35 cents a day for men, women and children of cotton pickers. The cotton pickers are demanding $1 for 100 pounds picked, while day laborers are demanding $1 for a ten hour day, plus room and board, or two meals and transportation to and from work.

The strikers are asking relief workers to come out for 20 cents an hour wage for a 40-hour week.

SHENANDOAH, Pa.—House-wives here have declared a meat strike, demanding a 20 per cent cut in prices. Forty pounds of butcher shops. The strike was decided on at a mass meeting of housewives, attended by over 1000. Judge Gerhard Gaul, of the Schuylkill County Court, issued a warning against picketing.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind.—The International labor Defense, through its secretary, Joseph Pagano, wired Governor McNutt of Indiana that he will be held responsible for the life of Thomas Hagood, Socialist leaders now in Terre Haute Jail charged with violating a vagrancy law that has curtailed all liberty here, in an effort to break a strike of 2,000 workers of a metal plant. Hagood, who was arrested for criticizing military authorities, was released from custody after he was made a vigorous speech on the courthouse steps, which the militarists did not dare prevent.

SALEM, Mass.—Mass picketing of the shoe factory here began as soon as resumed, when a picket line of hundreds of strikers marched around the factory, cheered by the union hall, singing and cheering. The ugeting demanded that the firm recognize the rights of strikers, who are demanding a 25 per cent increase in pay, union recognition, and abolition of the stretch out.

WILKES BARRE, Pa.—The first WPA project here went on strike 100 per cent strong. The strike was organized and called by the Unemployed Citizens' Welfare Alliance, a united front of unemployed organizations. The strikers demands are union rates for all jobs for all who want to work.

James Y. Humphreys, director of county relief, recognized the strength of the strike by agreeing to communicate with the state officials for a raise in pay.

Youth in Drive to Build Real Paper for Young Workers

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 29.—The Voice of Youth, the West Coast militant youth paper is carrying on a drive to raise a fund for industrial union, to increase bundle orders to 4,500, and to get 200 new subscribers.

San Jose is pushing the drive hard, with its bundle and sub quotas tripled. San Francisco, with one fourth of its cash quota reached, Oakland with one-third, and Fresno with one-half raised are doing the best in raising cash.

Los Angeles, with a large bill still owing, is paying it off. When paid, L. A. will be in a position to raise its cash quota.

Fulfilling the drive means the paper can be delivered to the press. The youth want an eight-page paper with regular features. It will be read not only by the youth, but by older workers as well, since the paper has news about the camps, about the farm, about the waterfront, and the agricultural fields.

Adult workers and Party members should get behind the drive and give the youth a boost, by helping build a real youth's paper.

The Formation of a Workers' and Farmers' Labor Party As a Bulwark Against the Growing Fascist Offensive

Speech of Earl Browder, General Secretary of the Communist Party, U.S.A., Before the Seventh World Congress of The Communist International, Recently Held in Moscow, U.S.S.R.—Full Text of Report

The organization of a broad Labor Party as a lasting coalition of workers, farmers and middle classes in the struggle against fascism, war and the capitalist offensive was called for by Earl Browder, General Secretary of the Communist Party of the U. S. A., in a speech at the Seventh World Congress of the Communist International.

The speech was made during the discussion on the report of George Dimitroff on the offensive of fascism and the task of its Communist Parties in the struggle for working class unity.

The full text of Browder's speech follows:

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Comrades: The report of Comrade Dimitroff, and the resolution before us give a clear decisive answer to all the main questions before the working class and toiling masses of the world.

I wish to concentrate my speech upon that point in the resolution which deals with a specific feature of the United States in relation to the forms in which the united working class front, and the broad anti-fascist people's front, can be realized. Paragraph 3 of Section II speaks of the "formation of lasting coalitions in the shape of Labor Parties or Workers' and Farmers' Parties (U.S.A.)." This point was further elaborated by Comrade Dimitroff.

Our Party has already laid the foundation for this policy in the decisions of our January Central Committee Plenum, and the work of the Party since then. This was not difficult, since there is a tradition among the American workers in this direction since 1920, since our Party had a very experienced and successful period of activity in the year 1922-24, and since the 6th World Congress laid down a fundamental line on this question.

During the period of 1929-34, there was no mass breakaway from the two chief capitalist parties which would give a base for practical work for a Labor Party. We therefore correctly locked against any attempts in this direction, and concentrated our main attention on the hard work, building united front movements around specific issues; wages, hours, workers' rights, unemployed Insurance, the League Against War and Fascism, etc., without having been able as yet to carry the united front on the broad political field in the shape of a united front party.

But during 1934, and especially in the election period it became clear that we must again review the whole question. Large masses in hundreds of thousands and even millions, were breaking with old traditional allegiances, and seeking for some new path, very beginning to move. This expressed itself often in bizarre and utopian forms, such as the Technocrats, the Upton Sinclair EPIC movement, the Townsend Plan, and numerous local imitators over the country; it was shown in the formation of the Progressive Party in Wisconsin, which was a split of the La Follette movement, and in the Farmer-Labor Party; it was seen further in the new strength taken on by the old Farmer-Labor Party of Minnesota. In the past year it has especially been seen in the rise of mass movements around the two outstanding demagogues, Senator Huey Long with his Share the Wealth slogan, and the radio priest, Father Coughlin, with his Union for Social Justice and a number of other similar movements which claim their adherents in millions, and undoubtedly exercise broad mass influence.

Serious Weakness Must Be Corrected

This situation, a new tactical program was undoubtedly needed. The movement for a Labor Party was growing, having doubled its vote in 1934, but this was in no relation to the mass movement away from the old parties. Further, our few gains in the election were in spite of our expectations, disclosed big possibilities (united workers' tickets in Southern Illinois) but at the same time a dangerous sectarianism in our own ranks (resignations of our Congressman Lamneck, and Communist Parties, Trumbull County, Ohio, on the basis of an existing united front on current issues). We recognized the the whole question of the Labor Party after the election, and as a result came forward in January of this year with a broad campaign for the creation of a Labor Party, which we described in our first public appeal as "a fighting Labor Party, based upon the trade unions, the unemployed council, the farmers' organizations, all the mass organizations of toilers, with a program of demands and of mass actions to improve the conditions of the masses and to restrain the rule of the rich, for measures such as the Farmers' Emergency Relief Bill, and the Workers' Unemployment and Social Insurance Bill, and the Negro Rights Bill." We set ourselves especially the task to rally a trade union base for the movement toward such a Party.

Two serious weaknesses in our policy were already being revealed by life itself in our half year's work, which we can now see very clearly in the light of the resolution and Comrade Dimitroff's report. Both were yet the result of the pressure of sectarian influences and prejudices from which we are emerging. It was and remains clear that realizing a mass Labor Party depends in life first place upon our progress among the workers. We tended, however, to limit the conception of the Labor Party to its working class character, although this was in conflict with our simultaneous practical proposal to include farmers and all toilers; this served to obscure the necessary character of such a united front party as a lasting coalition of workers, farmers and city middle classes. This unclarity made unnecessary difficulties in bringing our program to the farmers and city middle classes—a tremendously important question in the struggle against fascism. Secondly, and in connection with the first, was the limited character of the program which we proposed for such a party, and our failure to seek and answer the inevitable question from the masses as to our perspective for such a party when it should grow and attain political successes. Comrade Dimitroff's report has brilliantly illuminated these questions for us, and shown us the way to answer them.

Party's Conception of Labor Party Was Too Narrow

The too narrow conception of the proposed united front party was expressed in our categorical rejection of the name "Farmer-Labor Party," even though it has an established traditional meaning in the Northwest. This was connected with our mistakes we made in 1935, when in summarizing the lessons in our participation in the Farmer-Labor Party movement of 1922-24, we had been influenced by the Trotskyist anti-peasant theorie, which denied the possibility of a lasting alliance of workers and farmers and came out in principal against the conception of a coalition Party in which the Communist Party should participate. Our first practical step to carry out our new conception of a broad Party was to conflict with this remnant of "leftists" now gone, which masks a Social Democratic, narrow trade union approach to non-proletarian masses, and which we must now clear out of the way, as thoroughly as we cleared out the Lovestone-Pepper-Gitlow-Wolfe group from the Communist Party question. The movement of poor and middle farmers, their struggles against the miseries inflicted upon them by the crisis and the Roosevelt policies, their hatred against the common enemy, Wall Street, and the monopolists, is one of the chief factors of the proposed united front party; there is no serious prospect for a mass "Farmer-Labor Party" cannot be adopted if and when that will facilitate the cementing of

News Stories and Comment by Worker Correspondents

Jobless Jottings

By the Roodoggler (L. A.)

Mayor Shaw's white elephant, the Mines Field "fogport" project, no sooner gets banished from the SERA class than a million dollar contract, 1,289,695.00 and labled W.P.A.

He need not worry about being recalled by Sister Rheba Crawford for being lax with her less fortunate painted sisters, for by this time he should be fully qualified to hold a good job with the telephone company . . .

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Photostatic proof is being sent to the state and national administrations by a group of SERA rank and file administrative employees, that discrimination is being used against them by the PWA officials who are arbitrarily refusing them jobs under the new set-up, on account of their political opinions.

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Social workers tell the story that the way to get a job under "Coolie Driver" Dalton is to come into his office, take a bottle of Indian ink out of one pocket, a rule and compass out of the other, he will immediately recognize you as an engineer and give you a job . . . That is if you happen above your person you have promptly displayed . . . a democratic donkey . . .

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Things are going forward at a fast pace in WPA. The bureau of Intake and Certification was reported as having six workers employing one woman and a stenographer. Investigation disclosed this to be an error . . . The woman is doing her own stenographic work.

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Dr. Young's mother had further saved and struggled for years to send him through college and make of him a first class gentleman. His slender, strong, well trained fingers catch and hold your attention. We noticed them as the Dr. was operating . . . an elevator in a downtown office building.

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Nona is a graduate chemist. She is earning her living and helping humanity . . . by changing the diapers and washing the back sides of a set of twins out in "Millionaire town" Pasadena while the empty headed rich mother contributes to human progress by gossiping, sipping tea and cooking little mince pies, my sweet—playing bridge.

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May has a keen job at Woolworth's on Broadway, she works ten hours a day and gets paid . . . 16 dollars per week.

Barbara owns one third of the store, never worked in her life, (sells "cheating and marrying a phoney Prince is classed as work) and the same company pays her . . . $35,654.00 per week . . .

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George is an expert Bacteriologist, he clerks in a department store at 15 dollars per week . . .

M. J. C., a SERA worker who lives on Bunker Hill, is slowly dying from boredom because secret proper treatment until the gentry causing the illness is noticed, an expensive process, for which he has no money.

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87 per cent of all food sold and consumed in L. A. county during the last fiscal year went into the bellies of 66 per cent of the population.

Isn't it about time some one investigated, to see what has happened to the government investigators, that were supposed to be investigating the food commission with the purchase of substandard (rotten) food, at Grade A prices for the food baskets of County Welfare clients?

G-men in this case seems to mean . . . Gonsumers.

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200 having already been employed, 800 more are to be picked from relief rolls to augment the regular force of Revenue Agents and work as snoopers under head "stool pigeon" Rogan of Internal Revenue . . .

L. A. Judge Jails 3 Young Workers for Passing Handbills

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 30.—Convicted of violating a municipal handbill ordinance, three young workers started serving a five-day sentence in the Lincoln Heights jail. Carmen Lucca, Edith Denson, and Bella Martinez were those sentenced by Judge Frank James Hayes, will be sentenced on Tuesday.

The four were tried in Judge Ida Faulconer's court, for distributing handbills among the National Guard Encampment in Exposition Park. The handbills, issued by the On Guard Committee, protested against detentions from the Guards' pay checks.

The young workers were defended by attorneys of the American Civil Liberties Union.

Case against Bernice Moore was dismissed for lack of evidence.

COPS WARN WORKERS 'DON'T GET HARD," PUT SICK WOMAN INTO STREET, ARREST THREE

NEIGHBORS SHOVE DRUNKEN DEPUTIES ASIDE AND RETURN EVICTED FAMILY TO HOUSE

LOS ANGELES.—A mass meeting was held at 2418 Brooklyn ave., Tuesday, Aug. 27th, to protest the arrest of Mrs. Jean Hendricks, Mrs. Goldbaum, and Clyde Champion, Communist Party organizer in Belvedere, for their part in a struggle against the eviction of Mrs. Hendricks and Neli Dutton, who was ill in bed. Speakers included Clyde Champion, Claire Lee Purdy of the Public Works and Unemployed Union and Pettis Perry, district organizer of the International Labor Defense.

A committee was elected to carry on further defense work.

By a Worker Correspondent.

LOS ANGELES.—Friday, Aug. 23, while driving around Belvedere I came upon the first eviction I've seen in this district. I saw a crowd gathered around a house and the furniture piled helter-skelter along the parking strip and street. On a cot in the gutter I saw a young woman in great pain, and evidently not only in need of divinter but of doctor's care.

I inquired of a group of working people who were trying to console her, what the trouble was; and learned she was evicted for being two weeks back in her rent. She is the mother of a small child, and earns her living as stenographer. Investigation disclosed this to be an error . . . The woman is doing her own stenographic work.

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Dr. Young's mother had further saved and struggled for years to send him through college and make of him a first class gentleman. His slender, strong, well trained fingers catch and hold your attention. We noticed them as the Dr. was operating . . . an elevator in a downtown office building.

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Nona is a graduate chemist. She is earning her living and helping humanity . . . by changing the diapers and washing the back sides of a set of twins out in "Millionaire town" Pasadena while the empty headed rich mother contributes to human progress by gossiping, sipping tea and cooking little mince pies, my sweet—playing bridge.

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May has a keen job at Woolworth's on Broadway, she works ten hours a day and gets paid . . . 16 dollars per week.

Barbara owns one third of the store, never worked in her life, (sells "cheating and marrying a phoney Prince is classed as work) and the same company pays her . . . $35,654.00 per week . . .

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George is an expert Bacteriologist, he clerks in a department store at 15 dollars per week . . .

M. J. C., a SERA worker who lives on Bunker Hill, is slowly dying from boredom because secret proper treatment until the gentry causing the illness is noticed, an expensive process, for which he has no money.

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87 per cent of all food sold and consumed in L. A. county during the last fiscal year went into the bellies of 66 per cent of the population.

Isn't it about time some one investigated, to see what has happened to the government investigators, that were supposed to be investigating the food commission with the purchase of substandard (rotten) food, at Grade A prices for the food baskets of County Welfare clients?

G-men in this case seems to mean . . . Gonsumers.

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SERA "CLIENT" GETS TASTE OF PAY CUT DRIVE

REFUSES PROFESSIONAL JOB AT $75 A MONTH

By a Worker Correspondent.

SAN FRANCISCO.—A phone call asking me to report for work through the State Reemployment Service Bureau was received at our home, Wednesday.

On going to the State Reemployment office at 599 Mission st. the following morning, I was told I was the person to qualify for a particular position. Mr. Alexi, the placement interviewer, handed me a letter of introduction. I was told to see Mr. Jones, district manager of the "Wise Bird Drug Stores Inc." at 5th and Mission, a national business concern.

On meeting Mr. Jones' secretary I told him I was there to seek employment and wanted to see Mr. Jones. The secretary replied, "Mr. Jones is out. He will interview applicants between 11 and 12."

I know they have hundreds of people, applicants, to interview. So I told him I was sent through the State Reemployment Service, I was willing to wait for the interview to see Mr. Jones, who was supposed to be out.

Mr. Jones was very pleasant. He remarked: "You will classify."

I asked, "What are the wages?"

He replied, "$75 a month."

I told him that's less than his employees are getting at present. I would not accept such miserable wages for professional work.

This is one obvious illustration of the State and Large business concerns working hand in glove to smash the wage standards of employed professional workers.

CANNERY WORKERS READY FOR UNION; GET $1 FOR 8 HOURS

WOMEN SLAVE IN PLANTS 10 TO 14 HRS. A DAY

By a Cannery Worker.

SAN JOSE—A few weeks ago the Western Worker had an article about the conditions in the California canning industry, and that the cannery workers are organizing into a union. I was working for the Garden City Canning Co., which employs between four and five thousand workers during the rush season.

I took the issue which carried the good news about unionizing and showed it to the workers in the cannery. At first they wanted to know why a newspaper is doing work for our benefit, but after I explained the nature of the Western Worker they promised to give it all their support.

One worker said, "I have been working in the cannery for over ten years, and each year the company cuts the price a little lower. And it raises the prices of uniforms, badges, aprons, knives, and all the other tools we are forced to buy.

Another fellow said, "I am working on the night shift at the Tri-Valley. For eight hours work I get between 60 and 75 cents. And I've experienced, too."

The conditions where I was working were unbelievable. Cannery girls getting 2 and a half cents per tray of 24 half pint pears, and have to sort them. They're the best pears, called "choice." If a standard pear is found in a "choice" can, the whole tray of the whole thing is thrown into the water and make you do it all over again."

The girls are not paid for time off. The girls are compelled to stand in during the long hours at a steady speed. On Aug. 9 one girl cut two of her fingers off in the machine while she was trying to make the "average" speed of 12 boxes per hour.

Work on the belt is considered the best job. It's called the "dirty job" because the eyes are always on the moving table. Here they get 33 and third cents an hour for 8 hours work.

The cutters are paid 2 and a half cents a tray. Two weeks ago the company set the piece rate at 2 and a half. Elderly women work at that job. They make between 70 cents and $1 for 8 hours work. One can always see them with bandaged fingers. It's no wonder that visitors are not welcome during working hours.

The checkers cheat the workers by not putting their cards in the boxes. Often times their backs are turned. That creates hard feelings among the checkers and other workers.

In the piting department where I was working, although I was supposed to be paid by the piece—and a half cents a box, last year 2 and a half—I was forced to take 4 boxes at a time or be fired. During the rush season we worked from 10 to 14 hours a day, and we worked Sundays. We got a half hour lunch and no supper period.

There is always a long line of unemployed workers standing around. The foreladys tells them to "hang around." If a worker gets sick or a late 15 minutes he loses his job and the foreladys picks from the "line" the one who looks best to her.

The workers are willing to organize into a union. But they know how to go about it. Never before was the time so ripe and favorable for organizing the cannery workers into a militant union.

CENSORSHIP OF FLEET NEWS ON WARTIME BASIS

NEWSHAWKS IRRITATED BY "PRINCELINGS"

Unctuous Admiral

WHO ON THE PACIFIC IS GOING TO BE FOUGHT

By a Newspaperman

SAN DIEGO—Censorship has hit the navy!

Not a line may given to the press about west coast navy movements in the future except under two conditions. First, the news must be approved by Admiral Joseph M. Reeves, commander-in-chief of the United States fleet. Second, it must be issued through his office.

The censorship was clamped down a week ago, just before the maneuvers that brought the entire fleet in San Diego harbor. Newspapermen—130 of them, including photographers — who went aboard a destroyer to meet the fast armada, saw much but heard little.

After the fleet arrived and the mock battle commenced, the newsmen gathered on the afterdeck of the Pennsylvania. Numerous heated conferences followed. Edsel Ford, an exposition visitor, had the right of way and saw the Admiral first.

❦ The Admiral Talks.

Finally came the pipes.

"Well, boys, what do you want to for you?" asked the Admiral unctuously.

Instead of the reporters wanted to reply, "Not a damn thing, Admiral, sir—your old man." But they didn't. There is no guild in these parts and very little class consciousness. One reporter did start away from the ship after a long delay—for the princelings—exclaiming, "to hell with the whole business." But a Chamber of Commerce factotum called him back apologetically and the stay of the princelings was hastened.

The admiral finally condescended to tell the newshawks that "everything was fine and that the spectacle they saw in the ships' parade was fine too. So were the 116 airplanes that zoomed overhead. All fine what?"

❦ Why The Display?

The Admiral gave out no news. It was not news that he was in town. Anybody could tell that. It was not news how he got there. The reporters and cameramen saw that for themselves. What they wanted to know was: Why the great Why this display of strength, wartime display.

"No answer, except this:

"We have invited the navy to give you any more information about the movement of the fleet." Reeves said. Reporters and photographers were allowed on the vessels. No more information will be given out just haphazardly by any anybody, but only upon request from one source. I am that source."

"But why?" the Admiral was asked.

"In the first place too much false information has been given out. We don't want garbled reports."

"Isn't it rather the true information that is most damaging?"

Only a glare.

❦ Spy Talk.

Then a subordinate officer said that spies had been mingling with navy officers. These spies had heard the officers tell all about their wireless gadgets on ships, the nature of fuel, the methods of refueling and defects in guns.

"The real reason, it was learned upon another source, that the fleet's generalship is due to the fact it is now on a wartime basis. It expects a war. Hence, it is acting as if it is ready for a war. No news and press the brass demand.

It is all part of a fascist program that has long been in the making. San Diego is to get millions in harbor developments and fortifications. Photographers with cameras are not allowed in certain places around the bay now for fear that are suspected are confiscated.

❦ Who's To Be Fought.

San Diego is the nearest main land base to the Panama Canal and to Hawaii. It is a strategic point. It is here that the navy will concentrate with outlying fragments of the fleet at San Pedro, Bremerton, and Alaska.

Whom will the United States fleet fight?

Well, figure it out for yourself. The fleet is mostly on the West coast. It won't be Peru or Chile or Nicaragua or Central American countries or Mexico. They have no navies to speak of. It won't be China. And who else is there?

UNITED FRONT OF FILIPINOS BUILT IN S. F.

ORGANIZATION TO FIGHT FOR UNITED FRONT

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 30.—A united front of Filipino organizations for the purpose of preserving the rights of Filipino workers in the United States and to fight for unconditional independence for the Philippine Islands has been formed here.

The aims and purposes of the of the United Front, as formulated and adopted at a recent conference include: 1) To foster and strengthen Filipino unity; 2) to promote international understanding and good will; 3) To struggle and guard against unjust abuses perpetrated against Filipinos; 4) to support any movement for the complete and unconditional independence of the Philippine Islands; 5) to promote fellowship and cooperation between Filipino and American Labor.

Officers and permanent committees were elected and the United Front Committee was ratified at the last meeting of the group.

A banquet to celebrate the inauguration of the elected officers will be held at the Tea Garden, corner of Grant Ave. and California street, September 7, beginning at 8:30 p. m.

All Filipino workers, liberals and friends of the Filipino people are invited to attend. For further information write or call at the Filipino United Front, 1730 Sutter street, San Francisco.

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M'NAMARA (Russian) Branch of I.L.D. Entertainment and Dance, Saturday, September 7, at 8:00 p. m., at Bonita Hall, 3092 Twenty-fourth st. (cor. Folsom). Russian Dancing, Music, Eats, a play by Workers Theater. Admission 25c. Benefit Political Prisoners Defense Fund.

THIRD RED BANNER NIGHT Saturday, September 14, 1935, 121 Haight street. Workers' Theater Play, Dancing.

ATTENTION: Workers' Press Picnic Raffle of books will be held at this affair. Bring your tickets.

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Timely news must reach us not later than 5:00 p. m. on Thursday and Mondays. News of very vital importance—the settlement of a strike—a decision to strike—historic unannounced actions of government or employers—gangster attacks—sudden changes in important issues—can get in with brief bulletin length if received by us before 10:00 a. m. on Tuesday and Friday. When an issue is imperative, wire us press rates collect. However, go easy on the telegram business. It's expensive. Never wire when the same news can reach us in time by air mail or special delivery.

LENGTH OF ARTICLES

The maximum length of feature articles, short stories, etc., is six typewritten pages double spaced, preferably five. For news items, use your own judgment.

Approximately three and a half typewritten pages double spaced makes a full column of type.

It is not necessary to write news stories up ready for publication. If you are pressed for time, just jot down all the facts and we will write the story in the office.

Don't get the idea that you have to run into some monster story or crucial issue in order to have something to send us. Send us everything. One little incident, one small fact, one quotation from somebody, can be turned into an interesting short item.

Don't suppose your Received has a cold that night and stayed home? Then your lead might be somebody else's story. Perhaps some organization you belong to is planning something that anything any speaker said. Perhaps some resolution has gotten across with more value than other resolutions. Your lead might be any of the following:

JONESVILLE FIELD WORKER ELECTRIFIES PROTEST TO MERRIAM ON SANTA ROSA AFFAIR.

AMERICAN LEAGUE CHAPTER ORGANIZED IN JONESVILLE.

Sometimes efforts of the police or vigilantes to prevent the meeting make a more important lead than anything occurring at the meeting time.

In any case, it is up you to be your own editorial department and SELECT A LEAD. Don't try to tell the whole meeting step by step. That isn't reporting. That is delaying minutes.

Always tell how many workers attended and full names of all speakers. We may in the editorial office, eliminate everything but what you feature. However, we should have this information just the same.

Now for the exceptions. There are occasions where the fact that five thousand workers and sympathizers turned out for a meeting is more important than anything else. That would be when the meeting is held in spite of threats and intimidations. Then it is more than a meeting. It is a mass demonstration against oppression. Another such example would be a meeting supporting a strike where the strike would indicate mass support to the unions.

The most important meetings are organizational conventions, strike meetings, and conferences of the United Front. In these too, you will lose the important points in a forest of details if you do not use your judgment in selecting what to feature. DON'T TRY TO GIVE THE WHOLE THING. JUST PICK OUT A STEM.

You can start out with an event that happened in the afternoon and skip from event to event regardless of sequence. Sequence means according to their political importance, not according to the clock. Always, however, briefly indicate at what point in the days proceedings the incident you are referring to occurred in.

Always start right out with the most important thing and taper down to routine matters at the end. Don't bury the lead. If the story is too long, it can be shortened readily.

Never pan a faker or demand just because he is such. Sometimes fakers get up and advance really militant programs just to expose that they later intend to betray. In this case, DO NOT TAKE OFFICIAL ACTION ON EVERY PROPOSAL A FAKER MAKES JUST BECAUSE HE MAKES IT. If it is a sound proposal, it will be. But point out that the faker mouthed it in order to pander for rank and file support. Perhaps give a few examples of the faker's past activities in order to expose him. Matters of this kind have to be handled with a bit of judgement.

Another article in this series will appear in the next issue. Among future articles will be:

How to write up small incidents.

How to report major strike struggles.

How to report a trial.

How to handle a campaign.

Advice on the short story.

What goes on in the editorial office.

The mechanical end of publication.

And many others.

Manual for Field Writers

HOW TO WRITE UP MEETINGS

How to Select Your Lead—Not the Meeting Itself But the Most Important Incident Or Statement Must Be Featured—Reports, Not Minutes Wanted

This is the second of a series of articles designed to help our field worker correspondents achieve the best results in reporting for the Western Worker. Each article for this series is complete in itself. Clip them and save them. Keep them on hand to instruct new forces as they are drawn into the movement.

HOW TO WRITE UP THE MEETING

This demands special attention. Without giving some study to the problem, you mistakenly think the comrade reports for us, is apt to sound like every other one and will become dull and monotonous.

First we will consider ordinary meetings which should be reported because they show organized activity of workers in your locality. Here is the wrong way to do it:

JONESVILLE, Aug. 15.—Two hundred workers jammed Moriarity Hall in the most rousing, terrific demonstration of opposition to capitalism ever seen on the globe.

Jack O'Brien was chairman of the evening and told the workers that they must organize against fascism or fascism would be down upon them. The workers cheered.

Emily Smith, secretary of the League, said the same thing. The workers cheered.

Joe Wiley, of the such and such group, said the same thing. The Workers cheered.

And so on through the collection of so and so much money and the adjournment.

Now here is the right way to do it.

❦ Correct Method..

Don't feature the meeting itself excepting on special occasions which we will point out later. Feature what appears to you to be the outstanding thing said or accomplished at the meeting and then let the news of the meeting, how many were there and what it was called for, come in as incidental information.

For example:

PROMINENT JONESVILLE MINISTER DECLARES CHURCHES MUST UNITE WITH UNIONS AND RADICAL PARTIES TO BLOCK FASCISM.

(That might be your lead. Note that you are now featuring what the minister said because it seemed to be the most significant statement of the meeting. Then comes your story.)

JONESVILLE, Aug. 15.—"The clergy stands at the crossroads and must lead its congregations either in support of the organized struggle of labor, or along the bloody path of war and fascism in the trail of the Industrial owners." This was the declaration of the Rev. Augustus Moore to an audience of 250 working people in Moriarity Hall last night.

Continuing to fly the ruling monopolists and their brazen preparations for a new war, the reverend cited the recent strike in local peach orchards and vigilante gangs which attacked the workers as an example of what is in the urgent need for United Front organization to prevent fascism in America.

John Hammond of the American League against War and Fascism took the floor after Rev. Moore and described the progress of the League in the cities toward drawing all working class and sympathetic groups into United Action.

The meeting was called by — for — Other speakers were —

Also include any special organizational steps that developed out of the meeting. Report any resolutions passed. And any unusual incidents such as an opposition speaker raving from the floor, etc.

LABOR TICKET IS CHOSEN FOR S. F. ELECTION

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re-elect the anti-labor Mayor Rossi.

Foremost in the plans is the calling of a ratification Conference of the Civic Auditorium on Sept. 22. It is planned to have all organizations now represented on the Conference or later drawn in to elect one delegate for each fifty members, who will ratify the platform, endorse the slate of candidates already chosen, and decide on any more candidates who may be found by the executive committee of the Conference to run in any of the vacant places.

❦ Precinct Clubs.

Plans for a whirlwind campaign include the starting of precinct clubs in each precinct in the city, to carry on a house-to-house campaign, starting of labor party clubs in all trade unions, the opening of a downtown campaign headquarters, and the launching of a labor paper.

The candidates nominated by the conference included Herbert Mills, of the Sailors Union of the Pacific, for Sheriff; Hans Jacobi, of the Utopian Society, for district attorney, and George Andersen, attorney for the International Labor Defense, and a member of the Boilermakers' Union, for municipal judge. For Supervisors, Henry Schmidt, of the International Longshoremen's Union; Aaron Whitney, of the Commonwealth Party, and Evan Wattles, of the Democratic City Council, and of Conference Local No. 2 Workers.

Besides the candidates recommended by the Executive Committee of the Conference, the Conference, the following candidates were proposed for vacant spots and referred back to the executive committee for later action: Dr. Hilda Taliaferro, Dr. Ernestine Cullen, Dr. Ernestine Cullen, Dr. Ernestine Cullen

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Armored Cars for Los Angeles

The more inadequately governed a community is, the more armed forces are needed by the rulers to preserve their rule. As the system of capitalism decays and becomes daily more oppressive and monopolistic to the bulk of the population—the workers—government ceases to be the administration of public affairs and becomes the enforcement of employers' ultimatums by armed force.

Prior to 1929 the police were uniformed like carmen and regulations forbade them carrying their guns openly. All revolvers, handcuffs, etc. were deliberately tucked under the coat. As the crisis deepened, we saw the transition of the so-called "genial cop" into a swaggering cossack. Police forces from coast to coast have been militarized and now flaunt their weapons threateningly in the public eye. Training of the modern cop now places less emphasis on the suppression of crime and more on how to break up workers' demonstrations and picket lines.

Formerly, only prisoners held on felony charges were "snagged" and finger printed. Now, in San Francisco, any worker picked up for distributing leaflets is given the works.

In Los Angeles, three armored cars manned by "the toughest policemen on the force" have been turned loose on the population.

What is the reason for this extreme measure? Has crime increased in Los Angeles? Not lately. With the advent of the depression, crime increased all over the country. But there has been no particular outbreak in the South to warrant this new innovation. The only gangsterism, raging there is the gangsterism of Hines' Red Squad and the San Pedro Beef Squads. And these belligerent forces enjoy police cooperation.

There has been a continual increase in strikes and working class struggles. This and this alone is the reason for those armored cars.

Oakland Tunnel Cavein—Greed-Disaster

Accidents may happen on any project. But scandalous sacrifices of human life such as the cavein of the Broadway low level tunnel in Oakland are quite another matter. The almost hopeless condition of the project was known for almost a month beforehand. The Six Companies, contractors for the PWA project were driving ahead with unsecured roof and unsafe supports. The men from the job characterize the death of the three victims as cold blooded murder.

The affair recalls the Gypsy Park cave-in prior to Los Angeles in 1933 when 100 relief workers were crushed through the negligence and stupidity of officials.

It recalls the Los Angeles earthquake of that same year when gratifyingly school houses and apartments crumbled like loose sand, leaving properly constructed buildings standing intact.

It recalls the burning of the line "Morro Castle", the construction and management of which broke almost every maritime regulation.

The crash of the dirigible "Macon", declared unsafe by experts, and operated in spite of this by naval authorities who did not want to go to the expense of changing its design.

The list of Greed-Disasters and their victims would cover pages. Each one occupied the press for a brief, sensational flurry and then underwent a government whitewash under the guise of "investigation."

The Oakland tunnel disaster is now undergoing its "investigation." Public protest can force authorities that far—then it stops.

There is only one means of ending Greed-Disaster. That is for the workers to govern job, by their own committees, to demand adequate materials and safe working conditions, and to enforce these demands by strike action if necessary.

Ryan's Plea for Bloodshed

Joseph P. Ryan, reactionary president of the I.L.A., notorious for his defeated efforts to betray the maritime strike of 1934, has issued a call for gangsterism against union men who are also members of the Communist Party. His exact words are: "It is quite likely we will have to use firearms to get them out before they upset the labor movement."

By "upset the labor movement" he means boot out employers' representatives like himself and replace them with honest union officials elected out of the rank and file.

The fight against Communism by Ryan and his kind has been a fight against democracy in the unions. It is the old cry of "Dictatorship to prevent Communism." Every move to give the workers themselves greater voice in running their union is fought tooth and nail by these demagogues. Democracy in the unions means their finish, and they know it.

Their arguments collapse before the logic of rank and file speakers from the floor. They stand indicted on their past records of betrayal. Their last defense is to try to rule the unions by gang violence.

If the clique of labor cheats headed by Vandeleur in the San Francisco Labor Council needed any further indictment, it is contained in the Labor Day edition of their organ, "The Labor Herald." (See story on Page One.)

Who considers the "Clarion" worth supporting? Large advertisements appear of firms whose workers are now on strike and these firms do not appear on the "unfair" list. Labor baiting politicians plaster their names in its pages. The issue is a brazen insult flung in the faces of union men.

Concerning Errors

The capitalist press can lie all over the lot and no one expects anything different from such a source. Retractions or corrections are unheard of things for them unless they tread on the corns of a big shot.

With the Western Worker, it is different. We don't lie. And whenever we make the slightest mistake we're jumped all over by the working class and we immediately print a retraction or correction.

We think this is as it should be. The working class press is an important weapon and accuracy is absolutely essential. Whenever we make a mistake, it is up to you to see that we hear about it.

Recently we printed the false information that a Leighton cafeteria, a Union house, was working its employees 12 and 14 hours a day. We failed to properly check this information before publication. We have gotten plenty of hell for it from a dozen different directions. As soon as we heard of the error we checked it, saw we were wrong, and printed a correction. The reporter responsible for the error has had the ears bawled off him and he deserves it.

We have a big job keeping all information carefully checked and, while we regret such an error, we are, at the same time proud of the fact they occur so seldom. Our reports come from the workers themselves and it is their care and conscientiousness more than anything else that is building their paper.

However, the attitude of Edward Vandeleur and his boss-controlled clique in the Central Labor Council will illustrate our need for accuracy.

They jumped upon this error with ferocious delight and devoted half an hour of Council time to it, blowing it up, crowing over it and trying to make the most of an opportunity they seldom get.

Let's see to it they don't ever get any more slips up to rave over. We'll do our part, on the staff. Our worker correspondents must do the rest in the field.

The employers and their press don't have to worry about trifles. Lies are all they have to fight with anyhow. With us it is different. Honesty and accuracy are our only weapons. Let us be proud of these weapons and keep them sharp.

Police Pay-Off Hypocrisy

District Attorney Matthew Brady scratched his great jowls last week and declared that he intend to investigate police payoffs from prostitution and gambling dives. "I don't know if we'll get very far, unless Mr. Lewis will give us names."

John L. Lewis is the collector of graft revenue who has been making the rounds of San Francisco's vice dens collecting "protection" and likewise making the rounds of the cops who get paid off and collecting from them.

Lewis replied: "The authorities can find out about graft the same way I did, can't they?"

Lewis had no trouble finding San Francisco's red lights. They all hang out Union signs to attract customers. The ordinary citizen can find out and locate scores of them in an evening. After he has to do is ask questions in cigar stores, pool rooms, from cab drivers, or just walk right into any hotel which does not hang a sign out giving rates. If it just says "Hotel" and nothing more, walk right in. It's a "house." Every sailor on the waterfront knows this, half the population knows it, and District Attorney Matthew Brady knows it. Everybody knows it.

As for who is getting the pay-off? All you have to do is find out the name of the cop on the beat. Ask him. He's probably standing on the corner. It is absolutely impossible for him to wonder of any kind without full knowledge of the cop on the beat.

You don't have to be a "Genan" to make investigations of this kind. You just have to have your own hands clean. Meir are never very willing to press investigations which will expose themselves.

Boot these thieving snobs out of office. Vote for the Labor Ticket.

STRIKEBREAKERS ADVERTISE IN 'LABOR CLARION'

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posures of police complicity in local vice dens.

THE SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE, one of the papers which cooperated with employers against the maritime unions and the General Strike, is also the lying, red-baiting paper of the worst order which has only recently moderated its policy in hope of avoiding a boycott movement similar to the one now choking Hearst.

WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST, Justice, Supreme Court of California, who has openly come out against Tom Mooney, declaring that if he had his way there would be no new trial.

MAYOR ANGELO J. ROSSI, Labor's enemy number one in Nipponville.

U. S. WEBB, attorney general who used his office to distribute powers bestowed on him by Legislature to railroad union organizers to the penitentiary in the Criminal Syndicalism trial, but refuses to use those powers to prosecute the Santa Rosa vigilantes.

JUDGE GEO. H. STEIGER, most hater prosecutor of strike workers during the period of maritime and general strikes. Notorious for his consistent anti-labor judgments.

As a final touch, it includes an article by Paul Scharrenberg, discredited and repudiated by organized labor up and down the coast and run out of the Sailors' Union of the Pacific for a trail of corrupt maneuvers that would shame any self-respecting union man.

This is only a partial list. A full analysis will appear in a later issue. Meanwhile, look over those ads and liksten to any of phonies we might overhear.

Effective organization of unemployed will aid in maintaining union scales of pay. Demand that your union officials support such work.

Communist Party members, write in about unit activity.

World Events

By Emmett Kirby

Ho Lung Leads Red Army Eastward to New Victories

Hidden in a small, inch-and-a-half item in Thursday's papers is a tale of great heroic struggle entried to victory from which toilers of the United States and other countries take renewed strength and courage.

The item:

BERLIN, Aug. 29. (AP) — Householders today bought meat, potatoes and other staples at reduced prices, set by Walter Darre, Nazi commissioner for the control of prices.

The reduction was ordered after wide-spread protests throughout the Reich, attended by occasional disorders at food markets.

The boosting of prices over two months ago was put through as an integral part of Hitler's program to give higher profits to the capitalists supporting the fascist regime. And of course such an act was a direct attack on the working class, already at a low standard of living, barely through inability to buy back their products.

No one the least conversant with world affairs will deny the difficulties he encountered in German in fighting a Nazi edict. Probably nowhere else, even in drumthumping Italy, does it enjoy greater form of liberty and life, to attempt to knock the price of potatoes at the corner grocers down a few cents.

★ Wide United Front.

After this win led by the Communist Party, but on such an issue as this a tremendous mass following could be aroused among all the elements of the working or middle class. The issue was solid for united front action not only for the immediate goal of lower prices, but also in the struggle educating tens of thousands in the fight against Nazism.

Only the barest hint—"occasional disorders at food markets"—is given to the conditions of the struggle. What sacrifices it cost can only be imagined. But the whole episode shows what they much closer the day of Hitler's doom.

Such an example should rouse workers in the U. S. to greater strength in the fight against the lowering of living standards now being faced through the new "relief" plans, which cover the biggest wage cutting offensive even Roosevelt has yet tried.

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When the Chinese Red Armies were making their historic marches westward from Kiangsi Province to Szechuan, Nanking officials were twofold. First was to re-establish the Central Chinese Soviet Republic in Szechuan Province. Second was to so organize and win over the workers and peasants in the territories through which they travelled that a fertile field would be left for a return to the more western base.

How well the first was accomplished is now fairly well known. Of Szechuan thirty million workers and peasants of that richest province in China is now under Soviet government. The armies, despite all obstacles, were able to unite, strengthen each other and, world out a coordinated campaign. They spread into Yunnan, Sikang, Kweichow, and Kansu Provinces as well as establishing Soviet Districts in Shensi Province under Soviet influence. Eight of these latter have full Soviet governments. A military school and airplane station have been established there. In Shansi and Kansu adjoining provinces to the North base, eleven districts have Soviet governments. In Ningsia and Shensi provinces in Inner Mongolia, equal progress has been made.

It is of tremendous importance because of the imminent threat of the Japanese armies pushing through Kai Shek to attack them. Japan's withdrawal from the Ethiopian troubled waters to do all her fishing in China was dictated by the fear that Britain's powerful navy, combined in the African conflict will keep her from both the Indian Ocean and home. Nipponese officers are now at work on a Japanese puppet government in Inner Mongolia. Its chief is Tuan Ko Wu, who was sent for mutiny against the Nanking armies by Chiang

2 DEMAND JURY TRIAL IN L. A. EVICTION FIGHT

THIRD VICTIM OF FRAME-UP URGED TO ASK FOR JUDGE DEFENSE

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 5.—Trial of Mrs. Jean Hendricks, Public Works and Unemployed Union member, and Clyde Champion, organizer of the Unemployed subsection of the Communist Party, on various trumped up charges growing out of the resistance of workers to the eviction of Mrs. Hendricks and her invalid sister-in-law, Nell Dutton, was postponed—which the case was called last Friday in Montebello Justice court for a jury trial. They are in Court.

Mrs. Hendricks and Champion being defended by Grover Johnson of the International Labor Defense.

✱ One Exception.

The other defendant, Mrs. Josephine Goldbaum, secured private counsel and asked for a jury trial, which was set for September 27th. Workers in the area are urging her to ask for a jury trial and to present a common front with Mrs. Hendricks and Champion under I.L.D. defense.

Workers were excluded from the courtroom in the Friday hearing—Clarence Justice of the Peace Gale rejected all seats were required for prisoners.

An old warrant, which police said was serviceable against Champion, was planned to be used for Clyde Barrows, slain partner of John Dillinger!

✱ Defense Meeting.

Following the court appearance a defense meeting was called by the PWUU and Everyone on Thursday, I.L.D. secretary spoke of the need for continued demonstrations against the attacks on railroading and Champion asked the workers to influence Mrs. Goldbaum to demand a jury trial and to have the defense of the I.L.D.

All three are out on bail.

The workers were arrested last weeks for protesting the eviction Neighbors and fellow workers in the PWUU moved the furniture back in the house, after it had been dumped in the street under police supervision.

40 CENTS IS ASKED BY HOP FIELD PICKERS

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the National and State Re-employment Service, and Governor Merriam.

Following the reign of vigilante terror against the organizers of agricultural workers the rulers of Sonoma County found their fields of orchards effectively boycotted by labor. Some of the larger ranches, in desperation, advertised in various daily papers for "men, women and children" to come and pick hops. Publicity stories in the metropolitan press started men to come to these fields and work in the harvest.

✱ SERA Projects Shut Down.

All SERA projects were shut down in Sonoma, Napa, Mendocino and Lake Counties to force the unemployed to work for the scab wages which the banks have deteriorated to 40 cents. Roger Tibbetts, district manager of the National Re-employment Service, Assemblyman Hubert Scott and others, both identified as vigilantes, together with Senator Slater, and a number of lesser men, visited Governor Merriam in Sacramento and asked his help in closing down relief and forcing the unemployed into the fields. Merriam innocently got on the job.

He was asked to donate National Guard camping equipment for the labor concription camps, but finally he could not, since it technically belongs to the Federal Government.

✱ Teamwork of Capital.

The committee of business men called upon McLaughlin and worked out the details of his end of the job. Following this they conferred with the State Employment Service, and by last Saturday the stage was set.

McLaughlin saw that relief stoppage began, the Employment Service took enrollments, and Merriam has been blessing the machine and keeping it in order. The capitalist newspapers have given the necessary publicity, stories about high wages, easy work, free transportation, good food, good camps, and all the usually tommy-rot.

The hop picking usually lasts about two weeks. Following this it is planned to use these men to harvest the grapes and prunes—at 20 to 25 cents an hour.

Men applying for transient relief in San Francisco were ordered to pick hops at the growers' own terms or starve.

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Stronger Standard Oil Boycott Is Asked

LOS ANGELES CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL

Weekly Meeting, Friday, August 30

Secretary Buzzell Worries Over Western Worker—Raises Red Scare Against PWUU—Move to Close Sessions

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 31.—Secretary J. W. Buzzell of the Central Labor Council, at last night's meeting of that body, raised a "red scare" and attempted to split the unity between the trade unions and organized unemployed.

Buzzell read accounts of Council meetings from two issues of the Western Worker, relative to the conference between labor and the unemployed on the WPA "security" wage scale, and then compared them for accuracy with the minutes of the meetings. The accuracy of the Western Worker accounts proved, said Buzzell, that Communists were attending Central Labor Council meetings.

Buzzell then read the August organization letter of the Los Angeles Section of the Communist Party, citing particularly the directives for work among the unemployed and also trade union fraction work.

"I have a way of getting all the Communist documents," said Buzzell pertinaciously.

The council secretary sought to prove that the Public Works and Unemployed Union is a "Communist affiliated organization," to lay the ground of sabotage of unity between labor and the unemployed. The admission of Communists being present in Council meetings was "settled" by a motion made by Secretary Buzzell. First—that the Council is judge of its own membership. Second—that any delegate in good standing shall be admitted.

Among the Negroes present at this meeting were a number of delegates from the camp in question. One of them, Harris, being called upon to the program of the committee, saying he liked the sentiment, because in this camp he could be a sergeant. When the other Negroes tried to reason with Harris he ran to the office of the Los Angeles Times and returned with the police. It has been learned that the white officers threatened him for a sergeant because of his evident willingness to toady and stool on his fellows in return for such "promotion."

✱ Swaggering Insolence.

The police tried to bulldoze the meeting and accuse them all of being Communists. The workers demanded what authority they had to do such a thing and were told "law or no law, we'll raid you when we feel like it."

The workers maintained an orderly and peaceful attitude and insisted upon their rights as citizens. The officers, evidently confused by such a reception, began to back water, and finally were heard to offer excuses. They eventually gave it up and retreated.

The workers then called their meeting to order, and, since their business was completed, adjourned formally.

Workers are urged to protest this illegal entry and bulldozing by police officials. Sept. 2 was the last day for protest to Mayor Merriam of Oakland, and Police Chief Wallman, demanding punishment of police officer Judge 125, and sergeant Badge 386, and 3 others who took part.

Stool Pigeons In Los Angeles

Omar Kinder and H. C. Griswold, Rats for State, City and Private Police

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 5.—Workers in this locality were warned against the activities of the two rats described below. Workers in other localities please clip and keep on the watch for these two rats as they are transferred elsewhere.

H. C. GRISWOLD is a police agent in the employ of the State police, working directly under Morrill, of State Bureau of Criminal Identification. He is approximately 40 years of age, 5' 10" tall, weighs 160 lbs., dark hair and eyes. This spy is assigned to the Los Angeles area to gather information about comrades, etc. He is a particularly dangerous type of police agent, in that he pretends sympathy and friendliness. He usually approaches comrades at demonstrations, meetings, etc. in friendly way, trying to get information. All workers are warned to look out for this "Special Agent." (Unfortunately, we haven't succeeded in getting a picture of this rat as yet, but he can be seen frequently hanging around with the Los Angeles Red Squad, at demonstrations.)

OMAR KINDER, expelled from the Communist Party early 1934 for "rat" activity, is now employed in the employ of the police in Los Angeles, and for a private detective agency. This rat still has close connections among capitalist patriots of the Party whom he pumps for information. He plays the role of a provocateur, hanging around with renegades and Trotzkyites. He is frequently seen around the Cultural Center and across the street from the Communist Party headquarters, on Spring street, with two fellow rats, spying on workers coming in and out of the headquarters.

✱ *COPS CRASH INTO HOME OF WORKER*

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other CCC camps, but must use mess kits.

The worst feature, of course, is the building of artificial race barriers between the black and white workers.

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RAT

OMAR KINDER

OFFICE WORKERS UNION, ACTS TO OUST DETECTIVE

TO TRY RAT WHO WORKED AS DICK IN STRIKE

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 6.—Exposed as a rat who worked as private detective for a private agency during the Longshoremen's strike for three months at $150 per month, David Reed, 563 Fifth ave., was brought up for action at the meeting of the Office and Professional Workers Union on August 27—at the Whitcomb Hotel.

Reed had come to the meeting and joined the union the week before and was not present at the last meeting. In the meantime the information of his previous police employment had been gathered and he has been notified to appear at the next meeting if he has anything to say for himself.

At two previous meetings of the Office and Professional Workers Union, known police stool pigeons were recognized and told to stay away. These "stool pigeons" had attempted to join the union and seemed very surprised that they were known for what they are.

The Office and Professional Workers Union has a clause in constitution barring anyone who has ever been a policeman or worked for a private detective agency, Chamber of Commerce or other such organization from joining the union.

✱ *The Sacramento C. S. Case*

To be published soon: A complete pamphlet on the persecution of Criminal Syndicalism frame-up.

Stool Pigeon Is Expelled

SAN BERNARDINO, Cal.—The San Bernardino County Federation of Unemployed and Allied Organizations reports that the Victorville Relief Workers' Union, Local No. 1, has expelled Joe Dumphrey as a disrupter of labor organizations and a stool pigeon and provocateur.

The Victorville local found "that the said Joe Dumphrey is a scab, a liar and an enemy of labor. We, the duly elected delegates of the union, request that this Joe Dumphrey be exposed thoroughly, so that he may be refused admittance to any union meeting."

Signed: O. M. Green — chairman
Paul E. Wiele—Sec'y.
Mrs. O. M. Green, Financial Sec'y.

LONG SHOREMEN VOTE STRONGER DISCIPLINE

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tension will be denied. If five members in any gang do not like the correct attendance stamp the extension privileges of the entire gang will be denied.

Marine Firemen meeting last night voted to expel the company tugman, Tennant, as delegate to the Central Labor Council. Action was taken when it was learned that he had supported Vandeleur who had opposed a motion to offer a commendation for the stand he took at the meeting of the Central Labor Council. Action was taken when it was learned that he had supported Vandeleur who had opposed a motion to offer a commendation for the stand he took at the meeting of the Central Labor Council. Action was taken when it was learned that he had supported Vandeleur who had opposed a motion to offer a commendation for the stand he took at the meeting of the Central Labor Council.

The Firemen refused their support to the M.E.B.A. on the same question.

A delegate was elected to the United Labor Ticket to replace a former one, who had shipped out, and a letter was ordered sent to all International Seamen's Union districts asking support for the Modesto Strikers. It was reported that the Central Labor Council here also had acted favorably on a similar request.

SEAMEN WANT AGREEMENTS CLARIFIED

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ognized maritime holiday, and the right to hold "stop work" meetings twice each month for a period of four hours, between 8 a.m. and 12 noon.

✱ Other Unions.

The Marine Engineers Beneficial Association, the Masters', Mates and Pilots, and the American Radio Telegraphers' Association also are seeking changes in their respective agreements, prior to renewal on September 30. Shipowners likewise have refused to negotiate with these latter unions.

Maritime workers emphatically state they do not want a strike. On the contrary, they point out, they are seeking first of all an agreement that will eliminate even the quick strikes on various ships. Employers, on the other hand, are not willing to change an agreement that allows them to chisel indiscriminately and at the same time gives them a basis for setting up a loud howl to the effect "maritime workers are breaking the agreement."

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 5.—The Gulf Ports Longshoremen's Association recently signed an agreement for a 75 cents an hour scale with the Southern Pacific and Independent Longshoremen's Union, a company outfit. The agreement is supposed to cover all 5000 members of the union. In 1934, the dockers are demanding 95 cents an hour.

Harold P. Ryan, president of the International Longshoremen's Association, and William Lewis, president of the Gulf District, indicated that the wage dispute may be the first case to be submitted to the National Labor Relations Board set up by the Wagner Act.

Ryan meanwhile, has declared he will call on Huey Long to interfere and "show whether or not he is the friend of labor he says he is."

STANDARD OIL PUSHES FRAME UP AT MODESTO

JUDGE DENIES BAIL FOR 8 MARITIME WORKERS D. A. SLANDERS MEN

MODESTO, Calif., Sept. 5.—A motion for a stay of execution and bail pending appeal for the eight maritime workers framed by the Standard Oil Company on a charge of "reckless possession of explosives" was denied by Judge Roy Maxey here yesterday.

District Attorney Cleary had asked for a continuance of the cases on the grounds the defense had not notified him of its appeal in an early enough date.

When the prosecution asked to have the report of the probation officer read into the proceedings Ramont, the officer in question, declared he had made no investigation. He pretended "the defense had "withheld" some of the material regarding the defendants' history.

The motion for probation was rescinded.

✱ New Frame-up.

District Attorney Cleary now is attempting to blacken the records of the defendants by filing new evidence, to show that Rogers and Boyle, two of the trained workers, are guilty of stealing chickens from Mr. Daniels, Chicken in Marin County.

The District Attorney of San Rafael declares he is willing to drop the case against Tennant and Farrell, two others arrested with the eight men, if they will be witnesses against the eight men.

Meanwhile, the District Attorney is attempting to drive home the open frame-up and is leaving no stone unturned in its attempt. The Modesto Defense Committee has called for a further strengthening of the boycott against all Standard Oil products, declared militir many months ago. Plans are also under way to raise money for the appeal.

POLICE GRAFT INQUIRY IS EMPTY NOISE

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vices and from the cops who collected cash payments. The cops reached the press and created a panic of fear in the graft infected circles of the municipal government. The Grand Jury investigation (whitewash) resulted.

A street car conductor, interviewed by one reporter, today stated: "Supervisor Gallagher's antics before the Grand Jury are to take the heat off the gambling circus into personal publicity for himself. If he doesn't have information against the Police Department and vice in this city, he is the only member of the population who doesn't. It is a common knowledge as sin itself.

"He is trying to build himself up for the coming municipal elections, but he might as well forget it. The working men of this town hold the grudge against him and we're voting the labor ticket."

Help Hurt Hearst!

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 29.—The Waiters' Union, Local No. 30, voted in its last night's meeting, to discontinue all Hearst publications which have been placed in the union's reading room. None of the union members failed to understand that Hearst is a fascist and Labor's Enemy No. 1 in America, but two members opposed the resolution.

One objected that there was no way to get the news if one quit reading these filthy capitalist sheets. The other pointed out that Hearst employs union labor and shouldn't be boycotted.

Mr. Hugo Ernst, the alleged socialist, and an official of the union, said, "It won't hurt Hearst to stop one subscription," and suggested the action was "childish." At the same time Mr. Ernst made a bitter anti-Hearst talk.

The Western Worker is informed that Hearst's Call-Bulletin and his Cosmopolitan Magazine are two publications that will be removed from the reading rooms.

The answer to these three arguments: workers should support their own press, and to heck with Hearst's brand of "news." Secondly, Hearst hires union printers, etc., because he has to; but he is fighting the Newspaper Guild, and, in general, all labor. And as for Mr. Ernst: a fierce campaign against Hearst, striking at him in every detail, stopping one subscription after another, and driving his filthy influence away from the unions, is a big job made up of many small parts.

Here is the list of Hearst newspapers, magazines and movie concerns which class-conscious workers on the West Coast don't patronize:

— NEWSPAPERS —
SAN FRANCISCO EXAMINER,
SAN FRANCISCO CALL-BULLETIN,
LOS ANGELES EXAMINER,
LOS ANGELES HERALD and EXPRESS,
OAKLAND POST-ENQUIRER,
SEATTLE POST-INTELLIGENCER.
— MOVIES —
HEARST METROTONE NEWS (newsreel)
WARNER BROTHERS FILMS,
COSMOPOLITAN PRODUCTIONS (films).
— MAGAZINES —
HEARST'S INTERNATIONAL combined with COSMOPOLITAN,
HARPER'S BAZAAR,
MOTOR and MOTOR BOATING,
PICTORIAL REVIEW
AMERICAN DRUGGIST

ITALY LEAVES LEAGUE OVER AFRICAN WAR

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to nearly one million men under arms.

✱ Litvinoff Protests.

Simultaneously, Maxim Litvinoff, Soviet Commissar of Foreign Affairs, made clear the Soviet League sessions, vigorously condemned Mussolini's provocative war measures, and stated the Soviet military acts should be continued in defense of one's country when attacked.

Although the cancelled "concessions" to the Standard Oil company last year may play a direct part in the situation, it by no means follows that British-American influences have been satisfied or settled with regard to the present crisis, as "conferences" proceed in official and unofficial circles with regard to treaty rights, concessions, and ultimate territorial agreements.

✱ Italian Troops Desert.

In the meanwhile, the masses of European workers and peasants are taking more and more active interest in the bloodbath being prepared for them by arrogant militarists. U.S. News reports smuggled from Italy to Switzerland give detailed description of numerous outbreaks of hostility, open demonstrations of hostility to Mussolini in the Italian army, to mass desertions in Africa border regions. The Italian people also shows signs of rising mass anger as the preparations for the tremendous price increases.

Internationally events shape themselves more and more clearly for the bloodbath.

Speech of Earl Browder, General Secretary of the Communist Party, U.S.A., Before the Seventh World Congress of The Communist International, Recently Held in Moscow, U.S.S.R.—Full Text of Report

EARL BROWDER

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Is a Difficult Task

The problem of bringing together into a large coalition united front party all the still scattered elements of which it must be composed, is a complicated and difficult task. It will require the utmost patience, perseverance, tactfulness, and loyal devotion of Communists to bring it to a successful consummation. It will require vigilance against Right opportunist interpretation of this line.

In the welding together of such a broad people's movement a tremendously important role can and must be played by the revolutionary traditions of America, revised and applied to the problems of the present crisis. Our Party has been struggling for some years to throw off the sectarian infantile leftism which negates national pride and national traditions that live among the broad masses. The Manifesto of our Eighth Convention last year, in which we boldly proclaimed our Party as the heir and continuer of the revolutionary traditions of 1776 and 1861, declared our love for our country which is being despoiled and ruined by Wall Street monopolists, was our conclusive break with the past sectarianism on this question. It was hailed with deep joy, therefore, that we welcome the words of comrade Dimitroff, who has shown us also in deed how a true Bolshevik deals with such problems.

The broadening of our conception of the unitedfront party, as the lasting coalition of workers, farmers, and city middle classes, to fight against threatening economic catastrophe, against political reaction and fascism, and against the threatening war, requires that we shall even more energetically pursue the struggle for workers' unity, which is the indispensable foundation for its success. Strong and even more united working class ranks as the cementing, leading force. And the central problem of working class unity is that of creating a strong and united trade union movement, which is now, in fact, the main question in realizing such a united front party, is winning the support of the organized workers. Without that basis we cannot build a party with both feet on the ground, and it will become a football for everybody to play with.

Trade Union Unification

Our most prized achievement of the past period is our success in the struggle for trade union unification. During the years 1925 to 1929, the A. F. of L. bureaucracy had prostituted the trade unions to the role of reactionary instrumentalities of the employers; to carry through this policy they, made a war of extermination against the Communists and Left elements, not hesitating at the destruction of mass trade unions, with the loss of hundreds of thousands of members. Out of this situation arose the independent and revolutionary unions. These new unions, arising after defeated strikes and just at the period of the onset of the economic crisis, had a tremendous decline in the strike movement up to 1932, lived a difficult and precarious life. Their history is, however, one with many glorious pages. They made a permanent contribution to the development of the American working class. There were mistakes made in their development. These were especially sectarian mistakes, tending to narrow down the new unions to the advance guards. There were also the most serious neglect of work in the A. F. of L. But the independent unions played an indispensable role. They preserved the fighting spirit of the American working class during dark years, when no other instrumentalities existed for this task. They smashed the legend of the impossibility of successful strike struggles during a time of economic crisis, a legend spread by the reformists and Trotzkyists. They organized and led the chief struggles that marked the turn of the tide and drew the whole trade union movement into its stream. To them belongs much of the credit for the strong resurgence of the whole trade union movement in 1933. The contributions of the independent and revolutionary unions to the protection of working class conditions, and to the preservation of trade unionism, are written imperishably in our history.

With the streaming of new hundreds of thousands of workers into the A. F. of L., how, where, with the organization of hitherto unorganized basic industries and the rise of the strike wave and fighting spirit generally, the conditions had been created for the reunification of the trade unions on a new basis and as a general rule. We must say that we did not at once understand the full significance of these changes, or immediately draw the full lessons. We had to learn from the masses. But we learned, having also the advice and assistance of the E.C.C.I. We began already in 1933, in some industries and localities, to take advantage of these conditions to merge the divided trade unions forces. During the last half of 1934, we had already developed this into a general movement for unification of all industries, so that it became possible to dissolve the independent general trade union center, a Unification Congress was called at which the unification measures require in order, through their own experience, to learn the further path they must travel, before they can find the final solution of their problem.

Must Isolate Old Guard

Now what are the special problems in relation to the Socialist Party and the proposed united front party? The Communist Party has set itself the task to win over those sections of the Socialists which are moving to the Left. That means to isolate and defeat the Old Guard leaders, who are corrupted and increasingly counter-revolutionary and who collaborate with open fascists like Hearst.

The World War and the October Revolution, which brought to a split the international Socialist movement, interrupted the United States the process of emergence of the Socialist Party as the mass party of the working class at a much earlier stage than in Europe. The ruthless exclusion from the S. P. due its rightwing leaders of the large majority of its members who had to form the new Communist Party, decimated, shattered the Socialist Party, but at the same time brought the Communist Party into existence in an immature condition, split into two, Communist Labor Party and Communist Party, inexperienced cadres, and afflicted by the infantile diseases. This condition was accentuated by the governmental repressions and illegalization of the Communist. The connection with the main mass of the American workers was broken for years. The Communist Party is only now beginning, to reconquer on a higher stage, some of the positions of influence among the masses lost by its enforced illegality. The result is, that given a free hand, the Socialist Party leaders, built reactionary bureaucratic machine, are beginning to reflect the radicalization of these strata, to turn toward the Communist Party, and, under mass pressure, to demand unity of action with the Communists. The complete unionization of their rightwing, industrial unionism, unity and solidarity in struggles. We have experienced the transformation of such lower and middle officials, in the course of a few months, from the role of expelling Communists, to the position of open allies with us in serious conflict with the upper bureaucracy and employers. Comrade Heim gave interesting examples of this process taking place in Germany under the blows of fascism. This change has necessitated a fundamental change in attitude and approach toward such strata; where but a few years ago it would have been opportunist nonsense to look in this direction for allies, it has now become a most practical and key question of revolutionary policy. Our experience shows that such workers are key men, decisive in factories and trade unions, in organizing and leading mass struggles.

Role of Communists in Unions.

A natural result of this successful reorientation in the trade unions has been that the Communists are coming forward, not only as the foremost champions of unity, but also the most energetic and practical organizers of the morganized in the A. F. of L. unions. Only where our forces have appeared as the initiators of unionization have we reaped the full fruits of deepening and unbreakable foundation of our mass influence under all attacks. In this there are direct lessons for our trade union workers of all lands.

We think the resolution should be strengthened in this trade union section to state it is the duty of Communists to defend the mass trade unions against all capitalist and fascist attacks, and to build them, even though they are under the influence of the reformists. This would strengthen our positive work, and wipe out the sectarian distortions that have crept into our work in the past years.

It is because our Party has been able to make advances in resisting itself thus among the basic trade union masses, that we have been able to extend and widen our united front among the youth, among the farmers, among the city middle classes. It is this that enables us to talk seriously, as small as our Party still is, about being one of the decisive factors in the gathering together of a broad anti-fascist people's front which can check in advance the advance of fascism in the United States, which can preserve the democratic rights of the masses, now under such severe attack, which can effect some amelioration in the catastrophic economic situation of the masses, and which can prepare the conditions under which the million masses require in order, through their own experience, to learn the further path they must travel, before they can find the final solution of their problem.

For Unity Step

Now what are the special problems in relation to the Socialist Party and the proposed united front party? The Communist Party has set itself the task to win over those sections of the Socialists which are moving to the Left. That means to isolate and defeat the Old Guard leaders, who are corrupted and increasingly counter-revolutionary and who collaborate with open fascists like Hearst.

The World War and the October Revolution, which brought to a split the international Socialist movement, interrupted the United States the process of emergence of the Socialist Party as the mass party of the working class at a much earlier stage than in Europe. The ruthless exclusion from the S. P. due its rightwing leaders of the large majority of its members who had to form the new Communist Party, decimated, shattered the Socialist Party, but at the same time brought the Communist Party into existence in an immature condition, split into two, Communist Labor Party and Communist Party, inexperienced cadres, and afflicted by the infantile diseases. This condition was accentuated by the governmental repressions and illegalization of the Communist. The connection with the main mass of the American workers was broken for years. The Communist Party is only now beginning, to reconquer on a higher stage, some of the positions of influence among the masses lost by enforced illegality. The result is, given a free hand, the Socialist Party leaders, built reactionary bureaucratic machine, are beginning to reflect the radicalization of these strata, to turn toward the Communist Party, and, under mass pressure, to demand unity of action with the Communists. The complete unionization of their rightwing, industrial unionism, unity and solidarity in struggles. We have experienced the transformation of such lower and middle officials, in the course of a few months, from the role of expelling Communists, to the position of open allies with us in serious conflict with the upper bureaucracy and employers. Comrade Heim gave interesting examples of this process taking place in Germany under the blows of fascism. This change has necessitated a fundamental change in attitude and approach toward such strata; where but a few years ago it would have been opportunist nonsense to look in this direction for allies, it has now become a most practical and key question of revolutionary policy. Our experience shows that such workers are key men, decisive in factories and trade unions, in organizing and leading mass struggles.

Role of Communists in Unions.

A natural result of this successful reorientation in the trade unions has been that the Communists are coming forward, not only as the foremost champions of unity, but also the most energetic and practical organizers of the morganized in the A. F. of L. unions. Only where our forces have appeared as the initiators of unionization have we reaped the full fruits of deepening and unbreakable foundation of our mass influence under all attacks. In this there are direct lessons for our trade union workers of all lands.

We think the resolution should be strengthened in this trade union section to state it is the duty of Communists to defend the mass trade unions against all capitalist and fascist attacks, and to build them, even though they are under the influence of the reformists. This would strengthen our positive work, and wipe out the sectarian distortions that have crept into our work in the past years.

It is because our Party has been able to make advances in resisting itself thus among the basic trade union masses, that we have been able to extend and widen our united front among the youth, among the farmers, among the city middle classes. It is this that enables us to talk seriously, small as our Party still is, about being one of the decisive factors in the gathering together of a broad anti-fascist people's front which can check in advance the advance of fascism in the United States, which can preserve the democratic rights of the masses, now under such severe attack, which can effect some amelioration in the catastrophic economic situation of the masses, and which can prepare the conditions under which the million masses require in order, through their own experience, to learn the further path they must travel, before they can find the final solution of their problem.

For Unity Step

This means that we must raise and discuss with the Socialist workers the problem of organic unity in one party of all adherents of Socialism, the conditions for such unity, and how it can be achieved. We must put forward the proposed unified front party, the Farmer-Labor Party, a possible long step forward toward such unity, provided the Socialists and Communists find a common platform for joint participation in creating and building such a unitedfront mass party. We must put forward the slogan of unity of action between all adherents of Socialism, despite all disagreements as to how Socialism can be achieved, in the single for the immediate interests of the toiling masses, in the defense of democratic rights and to defeat the advance of fascism; we must put this slogan in sharp opposition to that of the Old Guard leaders, which calls for a unified front with the open supporters of capitalism, the A. F. of L. top bureaucracy, with Woll, Lewis, Green, and even Hearst against the Communists. On this question, the experiences of our French comrades are of inestimable value to us. We must and will win the support of the S. P. members and followers for united action, for the united front mass party; in this task, the experience of the glorious struggle of all adherents of Socialism in a single proletarian party will be of great help, while at the same time it will stimulate the political thoughts and revolutionary tendencies in the S. P. ranks.

For the United Front Party, we must make more intimate contacts with active Socialists, to be more discriminating between individuals and tendencies, and not to lump them all into one bag. Comrades who are active in the Socialist Party must offer help of assistance to them in solving their complicated and difficult problems. It is not easy to fight for the united front in the S. P. Under the opposite of a Bolshevik leadership, where an opposition of the united front could not long be active, in the Socialist Party it is the supporters of the united front who are being kicked out. And yet, the S. P. cannot make a single step to rehabilitate itself among the masses so long as it refuses the path of the united front. This was strikingly proved, only in the past weeks, in the glorious collapse of the majority of the National Executive Committee which had championed the Leftward-moving Declaration of Principles which was rejected by the ranks of the membership, its abject surrender under the assaults of the minority Old Guard, and a debacle flowing directly out of the refusal of these self-styled militants to take the decisive step toward realizing the united front.

We must make it clear to the S. P. members that, without abandoning for an instant our principled position on the question of the need to power and the dictatorship of Socialism, that we are not demanding of them their agreement with proletarian dictatorship, Soviet Power, and armed insurrection as a condition for the united front, for united action for the present immediate democratic liberties and immediate economic interests. We are proposing a coalition of all anti-fascist forces, to prevent their coming to power of the most reactionary, most predatory, section of monopoly capital, to prevent America from being engulfed in the world-wide wave of fascist reaction, to preserve the American toilers from a repetition of the bestial horrors suffered by the German working class. We propose a joint struggle in which the workers will become conscious of themselves as a class, know their class interests and historical mission, and unite solidly under their leadership all other sections of the suffering, toiling population, and thus prepare to lead America forward to the new society, to Socialism.

This is a program of struggle. It will not be carried out by the issuance of a manifesto, nor through spontaneous or automatic developments. It will require all the ability, energy, determination, and energies of our Party. With the masses of the American workers and toilers, through the creative energies of those masses, this program can be carried out. The Communist Party of the U.S.A. will carry on this fight to realize in the shortest possible time such a concentration of forces of the anti-fascist front that will guarantee the defeat and victory of fascism in America. And that will at the same time be the best preparation for the proletarian revolution, the Socialist revolution.

EAST OF THE Rockies

Nazi Boycott Voted High Prices Fought Rayon Re-Strike Teachers Condemn Hearst, Fascism

NEW YORK.—Final results of a straw vote conducted by Heywood Broun, noted columnist, on whether the United States should participate in the Berlin Olympic games, next year revealed that there is an overwhelming sentiment against participation. The poll, conducted by station WOR, returned 1302 against and 72 for participation.

NEW YORK.—The Dewey investigation into alleged labor racketeering is being used as a cloak behind which organized labor is being fought by the employers. This was charged by the Fur Workers after Dewey had taken over the prosecution of five minor organizers arrested at the request of the employers for their union activities. In a letter addressed to Dewey it was pointed out that employers were in a more subtle manner following the same tactics used by vigilantes, in Santa Rosa, Calif. with the police training machine.

DETROIT.—A new injunction to prevent mass strikers from picketing was granted by Judge Lyons after a similar injunction was granted by Judge Murphy had been nullified on a technicality. The new injunction, issued last week, finds Detroit women more determined than ever to keep the present exorbitant prices of eggs. The women are especially indignant because the tribunal set up by Tugwell to hear complaints against the Modesto Defense Committee has called for a further strengthening of the boycott against all Standard Oil products, declared militir many months ago. Plans are also under way to raise money for the appeal.

POLICE GRAFT INQUIRY IS EMPTY NOISE

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vices and from the cops who collected cash payments. The cops reached the press and created a panic of fear in the graft infected circles of the municipal government. The Grand Jury investigation (whitewash) resulted.

A street car conductor, interviewed by one reporter, today stated: "Supervisor Gallagher's antics before the Grand Jury are to take the heat off the gambling circus into personal publicity for himself. If he doesn't have information against the Police Department and vice in this city, he is the only member of the population who doesn't. It is a common knowledge as sin itself.

"He is trying to build himself up for the coming municipal elections, but he might as well forget it. The working men of this town hold the grudge against him and we're voting the labor ticket."

LABOR TICKET CAMPAIGN GETS STARTED IN S.F.

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ing Committee, and Bill Lewis, maritime strike leader, declare his open sympathy for labor.

The convention plans call for each organization to elect one delegate to each city members. The "Voice of the Unification" will be reserved for delegates, while the public will be admitted to the meetings. Leaders of national prominence will address the convention in support of the Labor Ticket.

✱ Rally Tonight.

The success of the convention and the labor campaign depends on the participation of the largest possible number of trade unions and organizations. For this reason, it is the duty of every rank and file member of a union that is not yet supporting the Labor Ticket to see that the question of the election of delegates to the convention is taken up on the floor of his organization.

"The campaign gets under way with a rally on Sept. 6 at 8 p.m. at 68 Haight street, at which Redfern Mason, Evan Walters, Dan Powell, and other leaders of the United Labor Campaign Committee will speak.

✱ SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 6.—The San Francisco News last night announced in headlines inches high the fact that two Dollar Line ships were struck by sailors and "black gangs" here yesterday. The News even went so far as to hint a shipper protest to Washington, D. C., "demanding an end to the walkout."

Although other S.F. Bay Area capitalist sheets had carried the same story, with fewer trimmings, in earlier editions, they all gave it additional space in this morning's editions.

This morning, although the walkout on the President Pierce and the President College was well on the way toward settlement, the News in block scare lines screamed: "2 Dollar Liners Still Tied In—Walkout of Union crews."

An examination of sailing lists in the same capitalist sheets revealed that relatives of Roy Howard, owner of the Scripps-Howard chain of newspapers, which includes the S. F. News, and of Dollar, head of the Dollar Lines, were due at sail for the Orient on the tied-up ships!

FOREIGN NEWS Briefs

New School Season Goebbels Spanked Social Credit Vote Iran-Soviet Treaty

CANADA—The recent election in Alberta, which saved the Social Credit adventurers into office, saw the Communist Party increase its vote tremendously. The blind revolt against capitalism demonstrated in the election left the other Liberal and Conservative parties way behind. Many Social Credit voters indicated that the Communist Party was their second choice. It is expected that a failure of the Social Credit promises to give everyone an outright $25 a month will swing the votes to the Communist Party.

Already William Aberhart, Social Credit Premier of Alberta, has publicly stated that he will not pay the promised dividend if there is any chance of bankruptcy, in spite of the fact that months ago he said it can be put into practice.

IRAN.—This country, formerly called Persia, has completed a treaty with the Soviet Union which is expected to materially benefit the treaty provides for the exchange of goods between the Soviets of fabrics, metals, sugar, matches, cement, as well as machinery and industrial equipment. Orders for construction and equipment of several industrial enterprises will be delivered to the Soviet trade bureau.

The new trade agreement testifies to the unexpected rapidity of growth of the Soviet Union. A few years ago it exported food products and imported industrial equipment; today its main exports particularly to adjacent countries are the Near East, agricultural and equipment for new factories which are built under the supervision of Soviet engineers.

SOVIET UNION.—In contrast to the United States where the number of students and educational appropriations is shrinking, the Soviet Union starts the new school year with a budget increase of 20.5 per cent. Requirements for students, which has already been completed, shows a gain of 1,111,000 students by actual count, 17,300,000 in the Russian Soviet Federated Republic (with about two-thirds of the Soviet Union's population) alone.

For the new school year 72 buildings, to accommodate 63,000 students are being completed in Moscow. Besides the 50,000,000 text books already printed, a special decree has ordered the printing of another 50,000,000 textbooks to supply the students adequately.

GERMANY.—The crippling effect of the boycott on foreign trade of the anti-Semitic and anti-Soviet campaign drive undertaken by the Nazis has forced the Nazi Minister of Propaganda, Minister Goebbels, Goebbels hail to Reichsbank official sent to a concentration camp for three years for the crime of evicting a certain Schacht for non-payment of rent. Schacht has written Mr. Goebbels's great Der Angriff publicly apologize for this incident.

The Catholic Church has made its sharpest attack yet on the Nazi policy in a strongly worded letter read by priests throughout Germany attacking the propaganda of a "new heathenism." The letter condemned the Nazi-radical policy and called for a boycott of Nazi youth organizations.

RUMANIA. — The Bucharest agent of the Nazi paper, the Voelkischer Beobachter, has been arrested and deported for propagating fascist propaganda in Rumania. The agent, Weber by name, was found to be in receipt of large sums intended to subsidize fascist organizations in Bessarabia.

Cotton Pickers to Call General Strike

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Sept. 5. — A general strike of all day labor cotton pickers in Arkansas, Tennessee and Oklahoma has been called by the Southern Tenant Farmers Union. The strikers demand $1 per 100 pounds of cotton picked, against average wages of 50 to 60 cents per hundred. The strike has been the subject of repeated assaults by landlords and police. Several pickers leaders of the movement have been murdered by landlords and their thugs.

✱ Effective organization of unemployed will aid in maintaining relief scales of jobless. Demand that your union officials support such work.

No Scabs in Fruit and Nut Pack Plant

OAKLAND, Calif., Sept. 5.—The Rosenberg Fruit and Nut Packing plant on 7th and Jefferson street is still closed down in a strike that began on August 17. The strike is being led by the Pickers' Union, which is conducting the struggle, has a soup kitchen for pickers and maintains picket lines day and night in 8 hour shifts.

The demands are for union recognition and increases in pay, which are far below those paid in other unions are maintaining solidarity with the strikers by refusing to handle goods to and from it and by other sympathetic actions.

One-man cars mean one man starve! Boycott one-man cars and pay higher wage scales granted to the Market Street Railway by Judge Louderback.

Slogans on Sales Tax Tokens Help Build Labor Party

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Sept. 5.—The hated sales tax passed by the last legislature is being used

News Stories and Comment by Worker Correspondents

Jobless Jottings

By the Boondoggler (L. A.)

Millions of workers in private industry are working at starvation wages. Roosevelt at the prompting of the "M. and M.," and the National "C. of C." planned the W.P.A. on a wage scale lower than private industry—a subsistence basis.

Relief officials in California now admit at least 80,000 family heads will be left out of W.P.A. "It is planned to put them to work 'on jobs supplementing regular projects' at 'sub-subsistence wages.'"

All those not eligible for "supplementary W. P. A. jobs will be furnished relief from some source as yet unknown at a "sub-subsistence scale."

Roosevelt hasn't forgotten the "forgotten man" after all. He has remembered him—with a new form of starvation—a premeditated starvation.

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The moldy cheese and withered carrot leaves, officially known as country relief, which Governor Russell received treatment last evening in a Pasadena hospital, for a fractured skull is based upon received in an automobile accident.

A fractured arm is a minor injury compared to the fractured stomachs of the aged people on Upton's relief. Upton forced to eat the starchy sub-standard food purchased by Russel and supplied to them in "relief packages."

Russel's fractured arm could easily have been caused by attempting to pick up some of the cheese in boxes.

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Beatles of Indefinite dropped slow circles above Hollywood, the social scale. The result: low rent, no longer able to deny the truth, reports Hollywood. The result: 1,000,000 of the 1,550,000 persons in the U. S. A. The largest drop in poverty in the country. Texas and a death rate of 19.0 per hundred thousand of the 18.5 in Texas.

Reports for the first 8 months of this year showed a still larger increase.

The World Committee for Relief says that 2,500,000 human beings died of starvation and 1,200,000 killed themselves because of economic distress in 1934.

During the same year 1,000,000 car loads of grain, 267,000 car loads of cotton, 50,000 hundred weight of meat, 50,000 hundred weight of rice, and 50,000 hundred weight of potatoes were destroyed to keep up the market price.

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Side, unemployed and without money, arrived in Los Angeles, via a freight car from Frisco. He cannot get by a welcoming committee of Legion and sentenced by an understanding judge to three days in Lincoln Heights jail.

Hundreds of Swiss are rounded up every week by police and are filled for the crime of being unwanted, homeless and hungry.

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A certain husky, uniformed railroad policeman who had been under her wing failed to catch, unable to restrain his sadistic impulses until the prisoner was enclosed by a barbed wire jail walls, was observed at 5 a. m. Sunday morning, manipulating a slight, hatless, brown haired, young man's head against the Central Police Station.

Just a sample of the "Makes men grin and shake in their shoes" jail at Norfolk, Virginia, where James E. Tyler is now in.

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Juez Rodriguez, three-year-old baby girl, wandered away from her mother's side, as she laboriously worked in the beet fields near El Monte.

Mrs. Rodriguez found her daughter lying in a field road, a beet truck, with a horse having crushed her to death.

Pedro Padilla, a worker of Duarte, having no money for a funeral due to a truck driver killing his month-old dead son, Tuesday afternoon, supply money to furnish a burial, but has money to arrest the father, and exhume the dead infant for an inquest.

This was a society that aged Pedro Padilla of murderous intent month old son, murdered Rita Vera Rodriguez, 3 years, daughter of Mrs. Antonia Rodriguez.

British Trade Unions Get Plea for Unity

MARGATE, England, Sept. 5—The sixty-fourth congress of the British Trade Unions, now opening here, received an appeal from A. Schvernik, secretary of the Soviet Trade Unions, for a united front of all working class forces to resist the advance of fascism and war.

Prominent on the agenda was the notorious "Black Circular" issued by the top leadership of the trade unions, calling for the expulsion of Communists from unions. This circular was either rejected or completely ignored by more than 80 per cent of the unions involved.

Frightfulness in A County Hospital

MOTHER DESCRIBES WARD FOR MATERNITY CASES

Diet Unbelievable

QUARANTINE HELPS HIDE TERRIBLE CONDITIONS

By a Worker Correspondent

LOS ANGELES—I am writing this in hopes that mothers who are going to bear children will read it and be saved a lot of misery. I went to the new General Hospital here to have my little girl. The conditions that exist there are almost unbelievable.

The rooms are supposed to hold only six patients but eight or more are crowded into them. At night there is only one nurse to care for 50 women. The nurse's pay has been cut from 75 cents an hour to 50 cents and they are so overworked they cannot walk on the patients as they should. I was there during the hot weather in August. When you asked for water they tell you to wait, they were busy. No matter what you asked for, they would say they were busy and short of nurses.

* From Charity Boxes—

The food was terrible. County oats and cream of wheat were served with the meals and sometimes the coffee was always cold. They served the county corned beef and potatoes. It was tough enough. When I asked for more milk the nurse told me to drink water—it was just as good! (Note: "county oats" means horse beans, she's means the charity stuff that is doled to the unemployed—Ed).

Some of the student doctors there are so stupid that it's criminal.

I saw a young woman of 25 who was there for her first baby. They claimed she had high blood pressure, so they were going to make her have the baby about 2 weeks. They gave here doses of castor oil and shots in the arm. She was in pain four days. The last day she couldn't stand it and she said, "You aren't in labor. Those are castor oil pains". They said her baby wouldn't be born for a month, yet.

* Overworked Nurses

She screamed so much they moved her to another part of the hospital. Her baby was born that night. It was an eight months baby, and weighed just 3 pounds.

The nurse talked dreadful to her; told her to shut up, she was screaming for nothing.

Another woman was already to have her baby when she had had a temperature and they wouldn't release her. That night the nurse had her going around the ward with a bedpan. They wanted to see if that would bring her down. She should have been in bed.

When you rang for the bed-pan the nurse gave you a bawling out. If you had taken a laxative it would have been all over in misery. One girl asked for a blanket when she had a chill, and had to wait an hour for it.

The hospital was supposed to be in quarantine but that was a trick to keep people from visiting and seeing what was going on.

* A Fight Needed

The delivery room, when they are rushed, they do things that are unbelievable. If the baby is to come before they are prepared, the doctor will rush in and make you hold your legs together, holding back the baby till they can get you ready. They did this to a Negro woman. The doctor had her down by force till she hit his arm and he let her loose. There is no need for this; but they take their time and use short handed anyway and so try to make you wait. It's against nature and almost impossible in some cases.

They don't give the women their phone calls half the time. The nurses just tell the husbands that their wives are all right. At the same time the patient may be half dead.

Every mother should demand her own private doctor, at the expense of the county, and should refuse to go to this terrible hospital.

(For the editorial comment see page 6).

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BOYCOTT THE BERLIN 1936 OLYMPIC GAMES

NO DELEGATES FROM CLEANERS IF FAKER WINS

FISHER, RETAIL LOCAL, THINKS PICNIC MORE IMPORTANT

By a Worker Correspondent

SAN FRANCISCO—At a regular meeting of the Retail Cleaners and Dyers Union, Local No. 8182, a motion was made to elect the full quota of delegates to the convention of the California State Federation of Labor. There was opposition to this because of the expense.

This motion was withdrawn and another made that the delegates volunteer and pay their own expenses. At this point President Maurice Fisher turned the gavel over to the next in office and approved this from the floor with a long harangue.

Fisher said the state convention was important, as it did not concern the Retail Cleaners and Dyers Union, and that the union's picnic was more important. (!) He also said that volunteers to the convention from other unions would not be seated because the officials felt they were left-wingers, "boring from within." So where imagined the red herring came in.

Moscovian, a rank and file member, pointed out that an honest and militant labor men were considered left-wingers, and this was not a political, but a union matter, and ballots could be aired.

The motion was put to a vote, by acclamation, and Fisher was surprised to hear only 3 or 4 "no's." After argument and a "point of order" a standing vote was taken, and the count showed more than 2 to 1 in favor of sending volunteer delegates.

At the call for volunteers, 3 stood up: Moscovian, Peterman and an unknown who was drunk and standing all the time. Then Romano, the member who made the motion in the first place, moved that the volunteers be rejected. When asked why, he said because "now we know who the left-wingers are."

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Peterman retorted that it was not a crime to be a left-winger, but it certainly was criminal to be a reactionary. Moscovian suggested that those opposing the volunteers should themselves volunteer and let the rank and file vote on who should represent them.

This whole thing was out of order, as Peterman pointed out, but Fisher deliberately misused his office to mislead the rank and file and defeat their policies.

He adjourned the meeting before delegates could be definitely chosen.

U. C. Student On Blacklist

By a Student.

BERKELEY.—The University of California is putting on the spot anyone connected with the militant labor movement. A graduate student in Economics was called on the carpet by President Sproul for being a 'labor agitator,' organizing agricultural workers. So far this student has been refused admittance to the University on those grounds. Of course, he will be kept out for "technical" reasons, should he be unable to enroll.

It is definitely known that other students have been put on the black list. Although they have been allowed to enroll this term, professors have been warned that they are "undesirable" students because of their labor movement activities.

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This is the third of a series of articles designed to help our writers, worker correspondents achieve the best results in reporting for the Western Worker. Each article for the series is complete in itself. Clip them and save them. Keep them on hand to instruct new forces as they are draw into the movement.

The last article dealt with mailings of a general and public nature. It showed where your story must be, not of the meeting itself, but of the principle statement, action, incident or resolution of that meeting.

* Three Union or Labor Council Meetings

Such meetings follow a particular order of business. Not a program like general meetings. Motions are made, debated, voted, passed or killed. They present a maze of business and details that sometimes dismay the correspondent who tries to report them.

Labor Council meetings it is best to report very much in the form of minutes. All events that take place here are of vital concern to the working class and they deserve a complete, thorough report. If any single motion, dispute or action transpires of special note, include it in the regular Labor Council report, but in addition to this, make a separate story of it to be printed as a news item.

In such a case, simply state: JONESVILLE, Sept. 1.—At the regular meeting of the Central Labor Council here last night, such and such a motion was advanced by so and so and defeated by a strong rank and file vote—or, was railroaded through by Mr. So-and-So who used such and such tactics—or, was tabled after a heated dispute between rank and file and reactionary delegates—or whatever the case might be.

Here you are only writing up a single, isolated occurrence of the council meeting, but one that refuse to go to this terrible hospital.

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SHOTGUNS VS. NEW DARK AGES

"DON'T LET THEM BREAK UP OUR PAPER AGAIN" PLEADS WORKER

ROSEWELL, N. Mex.—We are glad to see you are keeping the thugs back with a shot gun. Don't let them break up our paper again. We are just entering the N. Mex. agen again, it seems, when Heaven sent hire all the thugs to do such things. We are facing the same thing here.

It's a terrible condition the Gallup boys have been in. We had a siege of it here when they deputized 100 little hoeigens business men to break us up; but we are too strong for them now, and at Clovis and Portales it's the same way. The workers have checked it for the time being—at least on the east side of the state. We are not wasting any time—we know they workers have got to get together and stand for their rights, and the worst is yet to come.

Now at a time of the year when crops should take out many of the workers, there is still hundreds without food and desperate looking for work. I walked off an old neighbor near him that was out of anything to eat. He told he would have to go back to the paupers' oath to get anything at all, which he declared he would not do. He asked Smith to go along with him. At the relief station they just rared back and swore they had nothing nothing without signing up all the red tape first. But this man was so desperate they finally gave him a little order, evidently just to avoid a real battle.

And what will it be this winter if they keep on as now. Our organization crew spoke at Tinnie, San Patricio, Ruidosa, Ft. Stanton and Capitan this week and will continue into new territory right along. The International Labor Defense has furnished us with literature, and the farmers are feeding them as they go.

Keep up your good work; you are but plenty of courage.

FISHERMEN GET $8 AFTER FAKE TALK IS DONE

MONTEREY ASSOCIATION NEEDS NEW MANAGER

By a Fisherman.

MONTEREY, Calif.—Here are a few facts about the fishing industry. The sardine season opened the 1st of August in California. In Oregon, the packers and reduction firms paid $9 per ton. Three Monterey firms are operating in Oregon.

The crew of the local pirates claim they cannot pay $9. Meanwhile, fishermen from San Pedro and this port asked for $10 per ton. There was much talking on this for a few days. All of a sudden it was revealed that some boat owners had secretly signed up for the price of $8 a ton.

Nino Lorenzo, manager of the Boat Owners' Association, made a lot of talk; said the packers on the coast of California are willing to pay $10 per ton for sardines but only $8 for less than $10 per ton.

Then Carl Argüllo, Campbell came back from a ranching crew and belched out a contract which was signed for the Boat Owners' conditions, price $8 a ton, and the crew, the member who made the motion in the first place, moved that the volunteers be rejected. When asked why, he said because "now we know who the left-wingers are."

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GRAPE PICKERS REFUSE LOW PAY

Starvation Rate Set By Fresno C. of C. Cut By Ranchers

By a Worker Correspondent.

FRESNO, Calif.—The Climber of Commerce's "Grower Association" has arrogantly set a scale of 1½ cents per tray for picking raisin grapes. Thus they have set the same scale as last year, in spite of this being an all-time high, and in spite of the increased cost of living.

Now, at the opening of the picking season, some ranchers are offering 1¼ cents per tray. This morning, Aug. 31, at the Shaw Market at F and Fresno streets, though many are on the verge of starvation, a rancher could get no one to go into the fields for 1¼ cents.

Strike Sentiment Strong.

Mexican, Negro, Filipino and American workers are resentful against the 1½ cent rate, and with leadership would strike for 2 cents or 2½ cents.

The grape crop is over two weeks late this year, so most of the raisin growers, who for years have been trying to hang on by cutting their toll the growers' share, have had to wait for luck to make $1.50 for a 9 lb. 20-home day, and the average is 2½ cents per tray.

The condition of the agricultural workers is bound to grow more desperate as the fall approaches, so struggle will be the order of the day. Rumors are that the Tanner Growers Association, about to strike against the 25 cent an hour rate for cucumber pickers. The clingers are over half picked and are going to some death of a unorganized strike. But there are the later peach crop and the cotton.

Experienced Workers.

Nearly all the workers in the Fresno district have been in one or more of the big agricultural strikes of the last three years, and post-of them know and love the Left Wing Union, the Union. But I am struck by the fact that very few have even heard of the Sacramento trial!

As bad as is enough we have allof our comrades in rousing these workers who would fight hardest have been freed from Sacramento and Tehachapi.

Comrades and Friends of Santa Cruz and Vicinity will hold a Box Lunch Picnic Sunday, September 15, at Kaiser Lauter's beautiful grove on Felton Highway. Benefit—the Workers' Press. Bring your own box and share your lunch with others. Plenty of good music, fun and dancing. Admission Free. Sports and entertainment.

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ATTENTION! Relational Workers Affair, Sat. Sept. 28th, 8 p. m. 121 Haight Street. Workers Dies—Free Music—Dancing. Admission 25c. Support Rank and File movement in Railroad Industry.

WHERE TO GO

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WORKERS! Support the Workers' Press Picnic Raffle of books will be held at this affair. Bring your extras.

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ALAMEDA CTY. UNIONS BACK LABOR PARTY

ONE-FIFTH TRADE UNIONS IN COUNTY JOIN FIRST CONFERENCE HELD

OAKLAND, Sept. 5.—Encouraged by the success of the first Alameda County Labor Party Conference held here last Sunday, plans are going forward to draw in additional organizations for the second Labor Party Conference, to be held Dec. 1.

A continuations committee of 20 to arrange for the second conference, to make the necessary preparations. In the first conference about one-fifth of the unions in Alameda county participated. With a little more work, the majority of unions can quite easily be drawn into the movement to build a real party representing the interests of labor.

In addition to the original ten unions which sent out the call for the conference, the following unions participated: Brotherhood of Railroad Machinists 1117, R. R. Blacksmiths Workers 217, Union of Steam and Operating Engineers of the East Bay, Plasterers and Cement Finishers 112, Brotherhood of Painters 172, and the Dried Fruit and Nut Packers 20020.

The Conference went on record favoring the complete unionization of workers in Alameda County, against all anti-labor ordinances and against the formation of unions in support of unions' strikes, for adequate unemployment insurance and old-age pensions, for union wages on Public works projects, for the Lundeen social insurance bill, against imperial war, against vigilantism and William Randolph Hearst.

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Manual for Field Writers

About Conventions, Union Meetings

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Write the Western Worker Section of the Daily Worker.

Feature articles and material of a general nature must reach us by first mail delivery not later than Monday morning, for the Tuesday edition, and Thursday morning for the Friday edition. Preferably sooner.

For purposes of distribution in outlying sections, the Friday edition is dated the following Monday and the Tuesday edition bears the dateline of the following Thursday.

Timely news must reach us not later than 5:00 p. m. on Thursday and Monday. News of very vital importance—the settlement of a strike—a decision to strike—hitherto unannounced actions of government or employers—gangster attacks—sudden changes in important issues—can get in with brief bulletin length if received by us before 10:00 a. m. on Tuesday and Friday. When an issue is imperative, we can press rates collect. However, go easy on the telegram business. It's expensive. Never wire when the same news can reach us in time by air mail or special delivery.

Write in your own words. Don't copy from the Daily Worker or other publications. Give us the facts and your own conclusions. The poorly written news story seeks to inform the reader what to think about it.

The main point of the story must be in the very beginning. You cannot bury a feature story of a murder, you would start the action way back before the crime. If you are writing a news story, you would start right on the kitchen floor this morning and, "John Jones was found lying with a knife sticking in his chest. The coroner's report states he had been dead for more than six hours."

You taper off to less important events so that when making up the paper, if the story is too long to fit in the proper place, the compositor can lop off the last paragraph and know that he is doing the least harm possible to the story.

* The Convention

Here is a genuine brain twister for the inexperienced reporter. Many, after surveying the writing sea of events, resolutions, debates and statements which make up a convention, have been known to throw away their pencils in disgust.

No need for that.

To cover a convention (which may last one, two or three days of a week) you must first be fully informed on the significance of the affair and what forces are at work within it. You must know what important things the convention is intended to accomplish by resolutions and these things are being accomplished is what your reader wants to know.

You cannot hope to record in detail the whole business. Here again you must pick out what to feature and tail off to less important things.

After you have written your main story, you can note several smaller points which you have either buried in the story or failed to include. Lift them out and make small stories to give them prominence.

* Side-light News Stories.

For example, you might have your main convention story, then a story about Mr. Smith's activities at the convention, leading off with some typical comment he made, then another smaller story telling about a special dispute which developed in a committee and so on. You might have several very small stories which nothing more than feature some humorous or serious remark overheard which have political value and give the general tone of the convention.

* Resolutions and Documents

As regards resolutions and documents. This, requires judgement. If they are of such a nature that the readers will have a pretty good idea of what they embrace, just describe them briefly and merely mention them in the body of your main story. If they are very significant, do not try to include them in the story. Secure full copies and send them to us. We will request them separately under special headings. The reader can then be referred to them in the story.

In such a case, we usually insert in the story "(see page 3 for full text of resolution)."

Be accurate! Be also your business at a convention or similar affair to approach leading figures in it, for special statements or possible special articles. Feature articles, giving histories of men and movements, political analysis etc, are usually necessary to give a full picture of what is going on. If you can write them, write them. If not, it is your business to secure such from those who can write them. See that they are sent in to us.

* Actual Statements

Wherever possible, quote actual statements of participants. Also quote things which are said among delegates outside the convention, if they have pertinence.

Don't try to develop one for what has propaganda or political value.

Sometimes one small incident properly told gives the reader feel of a situation and enables the reader to understand it better than three pages of routine details.

Give us editorial advice. If you gather by the informal conversation of the delegates that a certain idea is getting into their heads which is contrary to their own interests let us know immediately. We will then write an editorial saying, "Among the delegates there is an impression gaining ground that ——. Do these delegates recall ——. Are they considering—— etc."

This is the way to keep your paper in gear with the situation.

Much of the instructions contained in this article apply also to other fields of reporting.

Next article: HOW SHOULD YOU HAVE REPORTED THE SANTA ROSA TAR AND FEATHER ARTICLE? HOW SHOULD IT HAVE BEEN HANDLED?

Communist Party members, write in about unit or special delivery.

Copy Deadlines

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Conditions Before the 1934 West Coast Maritime Strike

EAST BAY GIRL WRITES PRIZE CONTEST NOVEL

CLARA WEATHERWAX DOES PROLETARIAN THEME

NEW YORK, Sept. 2.—Clara Weatherwax, an Oakland, Calif. girl, has won the New Masses' prize contest for a novel on a proletarian theme, announced jointly by the New Masses and the John Day Company, book publishers. Her novel, "Marching, Marching!" deals with the lumber country in the Pacific Northwest.

The prize of $750 is paid jointly by the New Masses and the John Day Co., in addition to royalties.

Clara Weatherwax was born in the lumber region of Aberdeen, Wash., and gained her experience of life and work there, which makes the novel so realistic, by actual experience. She spent two years in Stanford University, but shortage of funds forced her from further study there. Her ancestor landed in this country before the Mayflower arrived, and one of her distinguished forebears was Roger Williams of early New England. Fourteen of her direct ancestors fought in the Revolutionary War, and her people have fought in every American war since then.

In a statement to New Masses she declares: "Of all the novel events in my life, marriage, I have seen, this has seemed the most worthwhile.

In addition to "Marching, Marching!" she has at this time brought forth a novel, "A Wayfarer's Song," by Martin Russak, which the publishers have recently accepted.

10,000 MARCH IN LABOR DAY FETE AT LOS ANGELES

GARMENT WORKERS SING "INTERNATIONAL" IN PARADE

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 2.—Although hampered by an injunction, militant stand by the bureaucratic apparatus of the Central Labor Council, ten thousand trade unionists marched down Broadway to the City Hall today in a Labor Day parade. The parade was the largest ever held here.

Leading the parade at the invitation of the Central Labor Council machine was Mayor Shaw, arch-fiend of the trade unions, workers, and on the reviewing stand at the City Hall was Police Chief Davis, reputed to be mortally wounded by workers in flagrant, and other anti-labor politicians. Municipal Judge Stephens, who issued the injunction, also invited was not in evidence.

Only note of militancy throughout the parade was given by the heads of the International Ladies Garment Workers, I.L.G.W., members of which sang "Solidarity Forever" and shouted slogans as they marched. Free Tom Mooney," "Organize the unorganized" and "Make Los Angeles a 100 per cent union town." Of the most popular slogans. The Council cooperated with the Chamber of Commerce and police to ban carrying of banners of immediate union demands.

When the I.L.G.W.U. members marched past the Los Angeles Times, a large section struck up the "Internationale," adding confusion to the Shaw and Chief Davis who were riding in automobiles just ahead of the militant singers.

The large delegation of approximately 1000 from the San Pedro waterfront unions was placed at the rear of the parade. Although they shouted no slogans, the longshoremen and seamen did present a militant, vigorous appearance. Along the line of march, the longshoremen responded to the cheers of the onlookers by waves to the slogan shouted from the spectators: "Fight for Harry Bridges!"

Refused a place in the parade by the Central Labor Council, which on motion by Secretary J. W. Buzzell, even refused to read their communications or hear their spokesmen, the organized unemployed in the Public Works and Unemployed Union did not march as a separate organization.

However, many unemployed carpenters and painters marched with the District Council of the Painters and Carpenters, under informal invitation of their bodies.

Oneman cars mean one man starves! Boycott one-man cars and protest the injunction granted to the Market Street Railway by Judge Louderback.

HEALTH AND THE CLASS STRUGGLE

By the WESTERN WORKER MEDICAL BUREAU

By FRANKLIN E. BISSELL, M. D.

MENTAL STRAIN UNDER CAPITALISM

Some time ago we wrote an article showing the relation between the "depression" and mental disease. We were pleased to find a little pamphlet the other day which agrees with us in full and brings forth much evidence to prove it. This pamphlet was put out by 5 highly conservative, capitalistic drug firm to prove how useful its drugs are.

Let us take a few examples from the pamphlet. The effects of capitalist insecurity on the family are clearly shown: "The lack of bare necessities for the children and anxiety about their future goads the wife to cast the blame on her husband and to nag him about it. In this situation he either gets a feeling of inferiority or becomes nasty and nagging himself. Sometimes the wife is driven to desperate lengths. As to the children, Miss Grace Marston, a social worker, says that "the psychological damage of the depression is even more important than the physical hazards of poverty. They recover. The scars thus imposed are lasting." Other parents fall from their proper pedestals (!). They recover. The various unhappy ways. One child becomes frightened and withdrawn. Another flies from home. Another stress, spending his hours in reckless and delinquent behaviour, others are seized by panic and hysteria."

Of the mental effects, in the meaning, they say: "Fear and worry. "The fear eight million children living in homes where independence and security are lacking, is a real one. It is a fear that certainly can affective disease."

Then we talk about the effect of little jobs, on the mind of a market social fascinated by the fascination of the minutes of the faces! If was found that it was common for men on the part of the little girl. She was crying herself to sleep every night! Because, her father could not find a job, and she was constantly asking what they would do when the money was all gone. (To be continued in next issue)

LISTERS ON HANDS

Pasadena, Calif.

Dear Doctor:

I have small blisters all over my hands. They first appeared on my fingers a month ago, and they spread to the (backs) of my hands and now to the palms. The blisters break and yellowish white fluid comes out. What shall I do to cure this condition?

Sincerely,

ANSWER: This letter demonstrates how NOT to write when asking for advice. It is almost impossible to determine anything or not the few any other symptoms such as itching, scaly, sores, fever, etc.

From the description, this could be ringworm, impetigo, eczema, syphilis, or an occupational disease. Impetigo always shows scabs and crusts and eczema always itching with eczema; a man generally knows if he has syphilis, and occupational disease is accompanying working in some chemical surroundings. If there are no other symptoms, eczema is more apt to arise from ringworm. This is treated by opening the blister with a sterile needle, and applying iodine.

DEAFNESS AND DOCTORS

(L) writes from Keene, Calif. that his sister is going deaf because of the "medicine she takes." Our suggestion is that if no public clinic exists in that county, that (L) write a letter to the director of his and his sisters' friends and visit the County Board of Supervisors. Demand that they pay for medical service for the sister with the nearest ear specialist.

If this is refused the first time, return with a larger committee. If necessary make a demonstration out of the affair and make it into a mass affair. Demand medical service for all in the county who can't afford to pay for it.

JEWETT FRAME-UP ATTACKED BY BAY TEACHERS UNION

Superior Court Issues Mandate Directing Eureka Board of Education Explain

EUREKA, Calif., Sept. 15.—The framed-up character of the "unprofessional conduct" charges against Victor R. Jewett, Eureka, Calif. Junior High School teacher, is being exposed by a recent decision, which could be secured in spite of the charges on July 1, the Board of Education nevertheless unanimously voted to "dismiss" Jewett, and stopped his pay. Six weeks later, the Board rescinded this action, on the ground that it "disqualify." Yet the salary remains stopped.

★ More Moscow Gold.

Not one of the charges dated August 14 is based on the alleged knowledge of the man who signed them, the American Legion father of a former student. The Legion charge is made on "information and belief," that is, on hearsay. They also have alleged criticism of the government of the U. S. and extolling that of the Soviet Union, criticizing great Americans, being paid Russian money for spreading "revolutionary propaganda" in Eureka schools; and participating in the Jewett strike through being with pickets, and making "inflammatory" talks for the Union.

★ Worker-Sympathy "Unprofessional"?

While not denying an active interest in the strike and since he is affiliated with the Eureka Federated Trades and Labor Council and the American Federation of Teachers, Jewett today branded the charges as a crude, lame and flimsy attempt to justify the earlier illegal actions of the Board. After 5 years of outstanding social studies teaching, he was arbitrarily transferred to Mathematics for August 1934, and was singled out for a salary cut of 20% in May 1935, admittedly to compel him to resign.

★ Court issues Mandate.

The Humboldt County Superior Court has issued a writ of mandate directing the Board to explain why they have not restored Jewett's position and salary.

★ Teachers' Union Defending.

In addition to the legal action, the Teachers' Union Defense Committee, Box 571 Oakland, is organizing a great protest campaign, determined to defend this and similar attacks, socially minded teachers, who dare to speak the truth.

★ Send Protests.

Those who believe in upholding American Civil Liberties and particularly in the freedom of teaching, should send protests to the Defense Committee, and have individual and organization protest sent to the Board of Education, Eureka, California, asking that Jewett be fully restored, and urging that all intimidation of teachers be ended.

LABOR PARTY ORGANIZED IN NEW MEXICO

GALLUP FRAME-UPS AROUSE WORKERS TO ACTION

SANTA FE, N. M., Aug. 31.—A new political party, uniting the National Miners Union of New Mexico, the Communist Party, and Unified Farmers of New Mexico, Defense auxiliary and the Liga Obrera, was launched in Santa Fe today.

Two hundred and twenty-nine delegates, representing the Council of Unemployed, and Workers' Federation of Labor, after a two day session, passed resolutions demanding immediate release of the Gallup framed-up victims and others; invited the Governor to appear before them to clarify the issues of relief and of work. His response, at public mass meeting set at noon, was to call the militant, and a promise of hope for the future, was met with boos and roars from the disillusioned workers.

Reports of the delegates revealed widespread misery and shocking economic conditions throughout New Mexico, with discrimination against Spanish-Americans, Mexicans, Negroes, and disregard by the authorities of constitutional rights of citizens.

The delegates united enthusiastically in the formation of a Labor Party, as the only hope for the downtrodden people of New Mexico.

The party is laying definite plans for further organization and activities, and expects to present a state ticket in the fall of 1936.

The initial work for the Labor Party was done by Jesus Pallares, who originally organized the Liga Obrera, which has received valiant support from Spanish-Americans throughout the state, and which has helped its members in their struggles against unemployment and for relief.

Fakers Sold Out Seamen in 1921

Editor's Note: This is the first of a series of three articles dealing with conditions of the seamen on the "Pacific Coast, past, present and future. The article is written for the Western Worker by a rank and file member of the International Seamen's Union.

By Davy Jones.

In the thirteen year period preceding the 1934 strike, the seamen on the Pacific Coast lived and worked under the most intolerable conditions they ever had experienced.

In the late nineties the seamen revolted against conditions which made them, the property of the shipowners, gangs and saloon keepers, and anyone else who could rob them of the few hard earned dollars they had been able to make.

The first union of seamen on the Pacific Coast was formed, then and through some real action by the men, who had been slaves for so long, the conditions were improved, step by step, both as to work aboard ship and regarding hours passed in ports, seamen.

Particularly in the years from 1912 to 1921 was this true. This is offset in part, no doubt, from the fact that the shipowners decided life seamen badly during the years of the war, when nothing was produced for them. In 1919 an agreement was signed whereby the seamen gained conditions comparable with those conditions ashore in regard to wages, working rules etc.

★ Wage Cuts in '21.

By 1921 the period of readjustment following the war was near at hand. There no longer was a need for the shipowners to keep the seamen satisfied, so they started on their job. Sometimes the longshoremen joined with the job, but the boss he was signed. This created the impression, among many, that the seamen were responsible for anything or nothing and as a result a lot of "good" company men were created.

Just ever the bonus was gradually cut, however. Under this system the seamen were so in the control of the shipowners that if they complained about any of the conditions. There were plenty of men on the beach who would be glad to take the place of men who were forced to do everything and anything they were ordered to do in order to keep from being fired.

★ Hundreds Jobless.

The men almost were afraid to go ashore for fear they might be doing something that wasn't liked by the officials of certain food. Under such conditions there were always hundreds of men on the beach and shipowners used to sit around the link hall for eight or ten months—even a year—and then couldn't get jobs. Some men could never get a job because at some time or other they had complained and had been blacklisted.

It is little wonder then that the seamen became desperate so that when the longshoremen went on strike in May, 1934, the seamen left the ships, almost 400 per cent, even though they mostly were unorganized. Of course, this was not in spite of the fact that they had received orders from the reactionary officials of the Seamen's Union to stay on the ships.

Most of the men who were organized belonged to the Marine Workers Industrial Union and they took the initiative in pulling the seamen out on strike and in organizing strike committees. And they finally forced the officials of the Seamen's Union to declare a strike on May 19, 1935.

(To Be Continued)

Germ. War Machine In Public Maneuvers

BERLIN, Sept. 5.—The first public war maneuvers since the Versailles Treaty were held at Lueneburger Heath, north of Hanover. Twenty-five hundred bombers and pursuit planes, together with highly mechanized field, operated in the maneuvers and showed the extent of Nazi rearmament.

AT THE MOVIES

RECOMMENDED ENTERTAINMENT—SCREEN AND STAGE

SAN FRANCISCO—At the City—International, starting Saturday, the Soviet film "Thunderstorm."

TWISTING IN A COFFIN

"ACCENT ON YOUTH"

M.G.M. film at the Paramount. S. F., with Herbert Marshall and Silvia Sidney.

To be able to write something about contemporary people with that touching upon contemporary life may seem too trivial an occasion for grown men and women. Nevertheless, this is the sort of thing most writers are doing, and this is the sort of movie we have to see, else stay away.

In the case of "ACCENT ON YOUTH," based on a play written by Samson Raphaelson, this twisting and turning of the writer in his own coffin, is done, doubly lame than usual. Raphaelson is young, and the ninety themes of "personal" conflict given to the sensitive hand—a tame amount of originality. But this only serves to remind us of the essential poverty, triviality of his people and their pressure love affairs. After the years of Lenin and Stalin, this is almost a sad thing to see.

It is quite trite that the relating of individuals to love can seem to have no other significance. The importance derives from a view of the reality of their lives. Their reality is what is at stake in the "romance" of the Hollywood sugarcoat fairy tale.

A pity it is that a talent like Raphaelson should be wasted on brightening up the wares face of the Hollywood harlotry. And that another talent like Marshall should be wasted on twisting in a coffin.

"ACCENT ON YOUTH" is about a man of 40 who is faced with deciding between a virile young man and an older man with sense and experience. The idea is interesting. Herbert Marshall does very capably well as the playwright who finally comes to realize that love rises from a generally mature and mediocrity to several will-o'-the-wisps. Sylvia Sidney is the young girl.

Of the "thunderstorm" of the Soviet film, which is at the City-International starting Saturday, the Soviet film "Thunderstorm" is a tragedy, based on the famous play by Ostrovsky. It is produced by Schapiro, and is thrilled by critics. Cyril Pantelev, composer is "Thunderstorm."

Awarded a prize at the World's Exhibition and a commendation from the Soviet Government for the conservative New York Times, for the words of Thomas Jones, director of excellent photography and first class acting, reinforced by many interesting scenes in the film, "Thunderstorm" is well and "Thunderstorm" well worth while.

The plot is deeply the personal tragedy of the wife of a merchant in the Russia of the Czars, who is married to a young merchant steeped in superstition, hyp

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If You Don't Fight Against War, You'll Fight In It

Reports on international affairs and particularly the Ethiopian situation which appear in the daily press are sucker stories thrown out to the public to conceal the real maneuvers taking place behind the scenes.

News appeared that Standard Oil was implicated. Standard Oil denied it. Then they admitted it and said they had cancelled the deal. Were they lying when they said they were not implicated or when they lying when they said they were? One thing is clear, they are lying.

British firms admit another implications faster than you can keep track. The giant DuPont interests have been rumored as parties. So the dead and even high high have reported to have had a hand in it. What is the truth?

The truth is that the whole whole structure of capitalism is involved in the Ethiopian affair. The argument is not whether or not Ethiopia shall be saved, but who will get the loot. Wall Street barons as liars. If they claim not to be involved, it merely means they are handling their deals through dummy concerns.

Proclamations from Washington declaring that America will not become involved in foreign wars are insincere propaganda thrown out to appease public opinion.

WAR IS COMING UNLESS WE STOP IT. The only way you can stop it, is to bring an enormous force into action. Work in that organization towards the United Front and a militant program to prevent war. If you are in a union, fight for rank and file control and see to it that your union becomes a force to be reckoned from and backs up every anti-war move. Form the determination in your union to take strike action to stop war.

If you really want to stop war, join the Communist Party and work to build a workers' and farmers' government.

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Forced Labor in the Hop Fields—Slave Conscription

The shortage of labor in the Sonoma and Mendocino Hop fields is owing first to the fact that growers have imposed such unfair wages and working conditions that they can't get their hop field workers have flatly refused to work for them. Secondly every effort of these field workers to form a union has been beaten down by the clubs and guns of vigilantes and police. This year, pickers were required to work under deputized armed guards who clubbed, arrested and intimidated workers who agitated for organization and better wages.

The organizers of the Cannery and Agricultural Workers' Union, which, in previous years, won living wages for harvest workers, are now in the penitentiary, railroaded there in one of the most disgraced and corrupt trials in California's labor history—the Sacramento Criminal Syndicalism frame-up.

The harvesting of crops has now been converted into forced labor for the unemployed under the new "work or starve" policy being enforced throughout the country. The inevitable undermining of all wages in regular industry, which this accomplishes, makes it a matter of immediate concern to every trade union.

The situation would be parallel if waterfront employers cut wages in half and then forced unemployed men out on strike. Then the employers would declare through the press that commerce had stopped because the men were too lazy to work. Relief authorities could throw thousands of men off the rolls with the ultimatum, "take this 'scab longshore work or starve."

More than 5,000 single men in San Francisco have been thrown off relief and ordered into the hop fields to work for the starvation wages dictated by the banking interests.

Deliberate lies are being printed and circulated by relief authorities stating that a good living can be made picking hops at $1.25 per hundred pounds. A hundred pounds a day would be a good average for an expert picker.

When the hops are harvested there will be the grapes. Note that other crops. Institution of a WPA will spread the undercutting of wages into all other industries.

The working class, employed and unemployed has the power to stop this giant attack. Now is the time to stop it.

Unemployed men should refuse to go to the agricultural fields unless granted a wage equivalent to 40 cents per hour. On the hop fields this would mean approximately $3.00 to $3.50 per hundred pounds.

All trade unions must take immediate action to protect this drive and to back up the demands of the unemployed.

The unemployed must mass in the Public Works and Unemployed Unions, and in the County and State Federations of the unemployed. The struggle ahead is critical and it is absolutely essential that the unemployed be organized.

Forced labor for the unemployed, which is carried out like a military draft, followed immediately after an appeal was made to the Governor by wealthy agricultural interests. Protests from all working class and sympathetic organizations must immediately reach the governor demanding cessation of agricultural "slave conscription."

The State Convention of The A. F. of L.

The rank-and file of the American Federation of Labor trade unions of California must see to it that the delegates to the State A. F. of L. Convention in San Diego, September 16 to 21, are instructed to fight for progressive measures and resolutions instead of allowing themselves to be led astray by the red-baiting, anti-union policies which Edward Vandeleur and Paul Schasche represent are prepared to put forward.

The rank-and-file to the State Convention must be prepared to take matters in their own hands and to fight, first against the attempted expulsion of Communists and other militants, secondly, for an organized, statewide struggle against the starvation WPA wages of $55 per month, and thirdly, against all forms of vigilante terror.

Demand the right to vote your political belief, whether it be Communist, Socialist, Democrat, or Republican. Demand prevailing trade union rates of pay and hours on all WPA projects. Fight against vigilante terrorism in a resolution specifying the steps in this direction taken by the Sonoma and San Francisco Junior Chamber of Commerce and other employer groups.

By fighting for the rights to vote your own political beliefs you are fighting for that trade union unity we need so badly at all times, to preserve the gains that have been won and to struggle in the future for other gains at the expense of the employers. The fight against vigilante terror is a fight which concerns every worker, employed or unemployed, and particularly those workers who already are organized in trade unions.

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Vice—Graft—Cops Politicians—Capitalism

The present Grand Jury investigation of police activities from San Francisco gambling dens and red lights is a circus of hypocrisy. If they really wanted to clean up vice and graft, they could put their finger on every responsible party, tomorrow.

But that would cure neither vice nor graft. You can scape the froth of a bad jar of jam, but as soon as you turn your back, a new layer will form on top. The cause is in the decay of the jam itself.

The only way to do away with prostitution is to change the economic system which produces it. When slums, hunger, exploitation and unemployment are abolished, prostitution can be abolished. Not before.

In the Soviet Union prostitution has not only been eliminated, but the women who filled such houses completely reeducated to the new order and turned into useful citizens of the community.

How could capitalism accomplish such a task? What if they gathered up all the hundreds of women out of the San Francisco brothels. What would they do with them? Could they give them jobs at which they could maintain a respectable scale of living? Or would they drive them with the rest of the unemployed into the harvest fields to perform back breaking, slave labor for their board and room and clearer money?

"MOVE OVER BUDDY, THERE ARE MORE COMING"

By BURCK

DUMB SOLDIER

A Short Story

By JOSEPH J. WILSON

As he hickey along, through the winds sob on the brow of the hill, Big George watched the lights come up in the barracks and tents below. Down there, there was stirring and life. It was the first week of encampment for the National Guard.

Big George walked slowly and thought of many things until a bugle call caught his attention. There was a warm paper sack thrust low in his startled breath, and looking about, he walked to his place. As he did, the bugle stopped and he straightened and stepped to the edge of the hill. Some distance down a dim figure was crouched from. Then he ticked the bag under one arm and started toward camp himself.

Knocking on the door of the Company Commanders' office he heard the voice within cease and then a sharp command. For time he saw the Captain presented a conversation between the Captain, Lieutenant Wiley, and a lovely [illegible]. The Captain was seated at the desk, looked him him strangely.

"Well, Private Harrison!" said.

George sighted awkwardly have something to take up with Harrison. He looked at private Morris.

The Captain passed and the second lieutenant, smoothing "You may go now, Morris," said.

The private hesitated, looked first at George and then at the officers, sighed and left. The Captain turn to George.

"Now out with it, Harrison."

George moved to the desk and [illegible] "Sir, I've got in trouble, sir."

The Lieutenant stepped to the desk as the Captain opened the bag and revealed a stash. There was no sound in the room except for the breathing of the officers and the rustle of the paper. The bag had been filled with paper leaflets and the two officers read one through without looking offended. The Captain drummed with his fingers on the desk and the other chewed with one cheek. In the chair Big Bill looked at George.

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George waved an arm vaguely. "I was taking a walk, sir. He hit me tonight after supper, sir, and I found this in a tree."

"Did you show it to anyone else with you?"

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"My boy, I want to thank you for calling for coming to me with this. If every man in the corps was as conscientious as you are, we'd catch the rat putting this out in no time."

George bobbed straight ahead "I thought it my duty, sir."

The senior officer turned to the Lieutenant again. "We've got a lot of men in our company, Wiley." He turned back to the private. "You've done well in keeping order, my boy. Morris, the private who left as you came in, found this stuff and like a [illegible] he wanted for someone to come quiet. Should've come to Fight off. When you came, I fell on it, he came to us with your name.

"So, sir, we are so close, eh?" The captain went back to the desk. "Yes, late now to put this behind and past a grave. I'm sorry, my lad, bashes into the bag, and spoke to George again.

"Harrison, it was never worth [illegible] anything like this again. I want ever to report to me immediately, no ifs, ands or excuses. These things have a [illegible] to be [illegible] ... Do you understand?"

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"Exactly," the Captain said. "And Harrison is pretty dumb."

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World Events

By Emmett Kirby

"Fight for Standard Oil" Too Raw As War Slogan

It is a far cry from the slogan that worked in 1917—"Make the World Safe for Democracy"—to "Make Investments Safe" for Standard Oil.

And apparently even Secretary Hull decided the situation was much too raw, that the business boys and the city workers could not be rallied to die for dear old Standard Oil. So he had to resort to extract the Ethiopian oil concession. At any rate, he has announced the cancellation. Whether Standard Oil will abide by the cancellation or merely relegate another business remains to be seen.

But the sum total of that business, now that the smoke is clearing away, is to weaken the position of the League of Nations in the world, and to weaken the position of Mussolini made by requests to Washington in the matter is not known, of course, but the entire Wall Street policy, including the hurried and sloppy "neutrality" bill has been a policy of help to the fascist marauders.

* The Leopard's Spots

The Standard's withdrawal leaves for Mussolini a large part of the spoils, which his request is granted. The Standard Oil spots is used advisedly, for it would be the pinnacle of childlike simplicity for Mussolini to have thrown enough to wait until Congress adjourned before announcing the loot he had been planning on for some time, would now in response to a single request, be given a concession which, in such large stock in, toss off those tremendous profits with a shrug and a smile and a "Peace be with us."

Leopards do not change their spots, it has been reported by authorities. Nor do the Standard Oil which grew exceedingly fat during the last slaughter, suddenly grew Christlike. A financial empire stronger than Ethiopia or indeed, than the fascist government of Italy, has not suddenly embraced meekness.

They probably agree, however, that the episode was a mistake in method because it brought out the dynamite for a world war so clumsily that the hired assassins looked as the naked war lords was so apparent that soldiers would be hard to recruit.

* "Neutral" Aid

With the League of Nations moribund (Mussolini today's Wednesday) it is difficult to say which way the cat will jump. The policy of the United States, however, in refusing Italy weakened, the possible front of the League by isolating Britain, whose action is politically dictated by self-interest. Seeing this France let it be known she would fight the sanctions against Italy, meaning a split with England because of her Mussolini. Just how much concession there is behind the action of this crisis-ridden country and secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau's trip to nearby Portugal remains to be seen. But it certainly weakens the League's position as a world peacemaker, enough action of outlawing the aggressor.

* Absolve Mussolini

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L.A. FUR UNION WINS STRIKES IN TWO SHOPS

NEW AGREEMENT ENFORCED BY STRIKE ACTION

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 5.—The Fur Workers Independent Industrial Union, having won a new agreement from manufacturers in the wholesale section, has consolidated its gains by strikes in three shops, two of which were won in short order, and one is still on.

The agreement negotiated provided for increases in wages, the minimum scale now ranging from $25.50 to $47.50 a week; an unemployment fund of 2 per cent to be paid by the bosses and administered by the workers; seven paid, legal holidays; and other important concessions. Even the workers who had been getting more than the minimum wage scale, through the activity of the union gained increases in their wages.

The Union has also begun a campaign in the retail section of the trade. In one shop, the Union gained increases in wages ranging from $250 to $10 per week. In a number of shops, negotiations are in progress for increases and the Union is confident of being able to secure these increases for workers through strike action if necessary.

One shop, L. Meshikow and Sons, is still on strike. This firm insists upon running an open shop. The Union has been able to invoke the clause gained in the new agreement, whereby no manufacturers who are parties to the agreement may do any business with any fur firm against whom the Union is conducting a strike.

Circulate the Western Worker in your union and fraternal organizations.

OPEN FORUM

SONGS IN THE LABOR DAY DEMONSTRATION

San Francisco,
Sept. 3.

Dear Comrades:

Did any of you notice the popular tune that the leading band in the Labor Day parade played as it marched across the intersection at 3d and Kearny Street? Why didn't you start singing? Were you afraid the workers wouldn't take it up?

Do you know the German workers sing that song even though they live under Hitler's dictatorship? How does it happen that we didn't hear the French workers sing the "Marseillaise", or the English transport workers' song "Hold the Fort," played by any of the bands along the line of march?

We should see to it ahead of time that these things are looked out for. At any time your union marches with a band you should stimulate what music that band will play.

Comradely,
J. L.

3 L.A. JOBLESS WORKERS FACE COURT SEPT. 11

FACE JAIL AS RESULT OF EVICTION STRUGGLE

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 3.—All workers are asked to rally to the support of three unemployed workers, who will be tried on Sept. 11 at 10 a. m. on various charges growing out of the eviction of Mrs. Nell Dutton and Mrs. Jean Hendricks, sister and wife of Harold Hendricks, unemployed worker railroaded to the Lincoln Heights Jail for a long term, following the June 1, 1934, charity riot.

The workers Mrs. Hendricks, Mrs. Josephine Lawrence, a neighbor; and Clyde Champion, organizer of the Communist Party in the Daveybere sub-section will be tried in the Montebello Justice Court.

Neighbors are organizing forces to pack the courtroom at that time.

Charges against the defendants include unlawful assemblage, illegal occupation of property, resisting an officer.

The workers were arrested two weeks ago for protesting the eviction of Mrs. Hendricks and Mrs. Dutton. They had been evicted from their homes, including the furniture back in the house, after it had been dumped in the street under police supervision.

Since her husband's conviction following the June 1, 1934, charity riot, Mrs. Hendricks has been subjected to continuous discrimination against her by relief authorities and by vigilant vigilante police officers because she demanded her just relief.

yesterday removes all doubt as to the intent of the attack in deciding that neither county bears responsibility for the Labor Day clash of last November, but that it was solely other country—which obviously means only the attacker—in further actions.

And now as the meeting is to begin, England, in an attempt to patch up the Versailles Peace has announced a tentative plan which will save face, keep the League intact and still let Mussolini go on his way. This is the old device of putting the troublesome issue in a special subcommittee where it will remain buried until after hostilities actually start. In the meantime, however, the guns of imperial Italy have been turned on Britain fact each other from warships at the Suez Canal.

But out of these complications it must be obvious to all thinking workers that not much is to be gained by the adventures of the various governments. And out of the welter of recent events one stands forth like a signal fire to the workers of the world, showing them the way.

* Dock Worker's Strike

In Capetown, South Africa, the dock workers refused to load the Italian freighter Sabbia with a cargo of South African wool, which was intended for the fascist army in East Africa. The action was backed by the trade union council of the Cape province. The fact that it might be slightly easier to carry through such demonstrations in British possessions than in elsewhere is merely incidental. That action multiplied all over the world is the only type of action which can force imperialist governments into taking steps ensuring peace.

And the trade union organizations from locals up to the national bodies should take example from this and show that they are actually for peace to the degree of being willing to fight for it.

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Back Redfern Mason For Mayor; Kick Out The Rossi Machine

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PEDRO LONGSHORE MURDER WHITEWASHED

Mass Convention to Back Labor Ticket

Graft Disclosure Spurs Drive to Elect Redfern Mason—More Than 1000 Delegates Expected Sept. 22

SAN FFANCISCO, Sept. 10.—Spurred by the uncovery of wholesale graft and corruption in the police department, which the present administration is unwilling to uncover, the Labor Party Ticket is completing preparations for the mass Ratification Conference to be held in the Civic Auditorium on Sept. 22, to approve the platform and the ticket headed by Redfern Mason as candidate for mayor.

Besides the 65 trade unions and other organizations represented at the Second Conference held Aug. 31, it is expected that many other organizations will answer the calls now being sent out. Each organization is entitled to one delegate for each fifty members, and each delegation will have a place reserved on the main floor where it will sit as a body with its own banner.

☆ Colorful Convention

Honors for having the largest delegation are expected to go to the Longshoremen, who will have some 500 delegates present, but with 16,000 members in the organizations so far participating, the lower floor should see far more than a thousand elected delegates with a hundred or more banners, rising to the conference all the color and atmosphere of a national convention of one of the larger parties. The public will be admitted to the galleries free of charge.

A list of speakers has not been made public yet, but it is known that men of national prominence are being contacted to address the conference. Startling disclosures of graft and corruption in the city government are expected at the conference.

Dissatisfaction with the present administration was heightened by the free-every-graft charges of Collector of Internal Revenue John V. Lewis, when a police check up of all bones could be answer any one. It is believed plan tipoffs were sent out before the raids took place.

Adding a touch of tragic comedy to the farce, Supervisor Gallagher lies blown off with claims that he knows all about it, and refuses to divulge what he claims to know, even in face of a threat of contempt of court proceedings. Disclosing more and more his antilabor bias, Supervisor Uhl, opposed of Rossi for mayor, on Tuesday, made a defense stand against the "Dissolve" series produced in a recent ordinance, and succeeded in getting a delay of strike-breaking machine ready for action at a minutes notice. Injured Uhl claims that it would not be possible to use it against workers. Workers will well remember its endorsement by the Federal Criminal Syndicalism Law.

MAYOR OF L. A. EVADES ACTION TO CURB THUGS

UNITED FRONT COMMITTEE FINDS SHAW EVASIVE IN SHOWDOWN

High Bail Set for 5

FEDERAL TERROR HINTED; PROTESTS ON HEARST THUGS POUR IN

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 6.—In the sanctuary of his luxurious air-cooled, plush-upholstered office, Mayor Frank L. Shaw today defended the thuggery and violence of police, private detectives and "strongarm" men in the employ of William Randolph Hearst, who broke up a picket line in front of the Los Angeles Examiner last Monday, and then arrested five workers, two of whom were badly beaten.

Shaw performed his usual function, referring all protests against police terrorism to the police commission, only showing interest when L. Thorne, secretary of the International Labor Defense, told of being beaten by Hearst thugs while policemen stood by watching.

"These are serious allegations," said Shaw, following Thorne's story. "They should be looked into."

A committee broadly representative [illegible]

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LABOR PARTY IN SAN DIEGO SEEN

TRADES COUNCIL VOTES SURVEY OF LABOR PARTY PROBLEM

SAN DIEGO, Sept. 10.—Joining the many cities which are considering Labor Parties and Labor Tickets to run against the present reactionary political machines, the San Diego Federated Trades Council took the first step in that direction at its last Wednesday meeting, by voting unanimously to appoint a committee "to study the advisability of creating a Labor Party and to bring in recommendations to the Council."

The resolution followed a stirring speech by E. W. Week of the Office Workers' Union, pointing out need for a Labor Party in San Diego. Showing how Labor has been fooled and cheated by professional politicians, he stated, "Labor has been fed about, led to and fed on long enough for it to realize we need our own political party."

Volunteers were called for by President Sizemore to form the committee. The appointments will be announced next week.

San Diego is the third large city in California to take up the problem of forming a Labor Party or Labor Ticket. A Labor Party was formed in Oakland and was held in Oakland on Sept. 1, while San Francisco already has a Labor Ticket in the annual election to oppose the Rossi machine which won an infamous reputation for the use of the services of two workers by the police in the longshore strike of last year.

Oakland Labor Party held its first city where the Labor Party was first brought up and discussed, a defense stand against the "Dissolve" series produced in a recent ordinance, and succeeded in getting a delay of strike-breaking machine ready for action at a minutes notice. Injured Uhl claims that it would not be possible to use it against workers. Workers will well remember its endorsement by the Federal Criminal Syndicalism Law.

Reactionary I.L.A. Officials Flight Marine Solidarity

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 9.—Reactionary officials of the International Longshoremen's Association here, attempting to split the solidarity of the marine unions, have appealed to the Labor Council of the Pacific Coast to retract the faker, Buckmaster.

Subsequently moved against Buckmaster, a hysterical red-baiter noted for his antagonist attitude toward the rank and file worker.

A resolution sponsored by the reactionary Charles Peterson, Willis Wells, was introduced into a recent Maritime Federation District Council meeting threatening secession of American Seamen's Union, the I.L.A. and the Sailor's Union unless Buckmaster was reinstated.

To the Labor Council Board of the I.L.A. has not dared to tell the members of what action it took, when the District Council demanded that the resolution, which was introduced, will be brought in with the official I.L.A. seal upon it.

KGER Officials Halt Friends of Soviet Program

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 9.—"We've sold your time," was the terse explanation the KGER station manager gave Dr. J. C. Coleman when the Friends of the Soviet Union broadcast was abruptly cancelled.

For a period of months the Friends of the Soviet Union, Southern California District, has broadcasted regular weekly programs over this station. Previously Dr. Coleman's talks had been censored by the station. Coleman is executive secretary of the F. S. U.

The Friends of the Soviet Union has called upon all individuals and organizations to protest this fear-fascist action upon free speech, Telephone, or write protests to KGER.

SOVIET POLICY EXPOSES ITALY

Litvinoff Speech Is Beacon to Nations Against War

GENEVA, Sept. 10.—Ethiopia has named Sept. 18 as the deadline for the League Council to act to curb Italian military threats. At the same time, Ethiopia has declared to have instructed his League of Nations representative to refuse to recognize any settlement of the committee of five nations to intervene in the conflict in any manner whatsoever.

In the meanwhile, organized labor in Europe, in executive session in Geneva for a few days ago, has declared that European workers under the influence of the International Federation of Trade Unions will support the use of sanctions against Italy as the provocative party.

NEW YORK, Sept. 9.—Day and night picketing of the Italian consulate continued today, with of the workers, Negro, Italian and others, to the situation in the Italo-Ethiopian conflict with Italy solid calling still more Italian youth to the colors and defying threatening letters and "visits" by the "Friends of the League of Nations" council.

Roman, France, Poland, Spain and Turkey comprise this committee, which is considered generally to be utterly powerless because of the mutual antagonisms of major powers in the field of imperialism domination of colonial peoples.

☆ Litvinoff's Speech.

Outstanding in the atmosphere of diplomatic sabotage and double-crossing, with the Stress from the Soviet Union, Maxim Litvinoff, Commissar of Foreign Affairs, who spoke yesterday, stated that Britain because

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CONN. A.F.L. TO VOTE ON LABOR PARTY SUPPORT

STATE CONVENTION CALLS REFERENDUM OF ALL TRADE UNIONS

DANBURY, Conn., Sept. 9.—By a vote of 70 to 60 the State Convention of the Connecticut Federation of Labor voted to hold a state-wide referendum of all A.F.L. local unions on the question of local unions on the question of a Labor Party. Unions not affiliated with the A.F.L. will be asked to pay a small fee to defray the cost of the poll.

This action was taken only after a bitter fight by reactionaries to table the motion. The Labor Party proposal was supported by President Nicholas Dante and stirred up by ninety-two delegates to the convention.

☆ Workers' Salvation

Dante at the opening session said, "It has been the policy of the American Federation of Labor to elect its friends and defeat its enemies. Sad to relate, experiences

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300 IN YOUTH DAY MEETING

L. A. DEMONSTRATION IN DEFENSE OF ETHIOPIA DEFIES POLICE

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 8.—Despite intimidation carried on in the Central Avenue district the past week by police officers, three hundred Negro and other workers participated in an International Youth Day demonstration at 88th Street and Central Avenue yesterday.

All yesterday morning, police squad cars toured the Negro district, and in the evening, Negro evening workers known to be active in the Friends of Ethiopia, had been visited by Hearst Daily Examiner, reactionary Negro weekly, accompanied with a huge contingent of Los Angeles "strike-breaks," with a photo subordinated news store reminiscent of the parade in Chicago.

Original plans were to march from 56th street and Central ave. to the demonstration site. But the Chamber of Commerce for I.Y.D. was refused a permit to parade by the police commission. More than 30 police and "red squad" men appeared on the outskirts of the demonstration.

A genuine United Front of speakers addressed the demonstration, including the Rev. Shaw chairman, Friends of Ethiopia; Rev. Garrison, Church of Christ; Arthur Hinchcliffe, Labor Party; Eric Tiahl; Walter Smith, member of the Cotton Congress, local of the Agricultural Workers Organization; Myra Smith, Mount Zion Baptist Church Sam. School; Gordon Gerald, Jewish representative from the American League Against War and Fascism; Helton Phillips, Negro journalist, Tom Tinn, Italian student; Jesse Matthews, School of Christ; Roy McCoy, Young Communist League, and Norman, Communist Club.

All speakers pledged support to Ethiopia against aggression, by Fascist Italy, and attacked Japanese Fascist tendencies in the United States.

A resolution unanimously adopted pledged aid to Ethiopia. Another resolution demanded an open investigation into the attack by William Randolph Hearst thugs and police officers upon a picket line of workers at the Los Angeles Examiner on Sept. 3, and the punishment of those guilty of the attack in accordance with the State criminal code.

MILITANTS RUN FOR OFFICE IN I.L.A. ELECTIONS

BALLOTING WILL BEGIN THURSDAY—TO END SATURDAY

Few Fakers In Race

LONGSHOREMEN TO LOCK HOUSE OF ALL LEWIS SUPPORTERS

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 10.—Election of officers for the San Francisco local of the International Longshoremen's Association will be held Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week.

Harry Bridges, the most popular rank and file union leader on the front, has been nominated to run for re-election to the office of president. Henry Carter also is running for the position.

Bill Marlowe is running for secretary-treasurer. Marlowe has a good job on the dispatching hall and is extremely popular with the rank and file. Marlowe is up for re-election to the secretary's job. Cox has been inefficient and is not popular with the men. He is given small chance to win the election and is opposed by Henry Schmidt.

Two good business agents, Jack McLellan and Dutch Dietricks are nominated to continue in their jobs. Both have done excellent work. McLellan is being nominated to continue in the job he now holds, while Dietricks is being returned to office by a large vote.

Five dispatchers are to be chosen, four of the incumbents are up. Joe N. Mallen, a potential vigilante who is good at disruption and disorganization, is being run against Mallen is looking for a picard and is interested only in jobs, not in the policy of the reactionaries. He stands a small chance with the rank and file.

Another Lewis man seeking election is Frater who hopes to be re-elected to the office of secretary-treasurer. Frater's letter, his telegram to the S. F. local from the recent District Convention, and his report of Frater and the message came addressed to Frater, instead of to the vice-president, indicate that Frater never definitely comes out for the rank and file but waits until he sees which way the wind blows before he takes issue on any point.

Thirty-five workers will be chosen for the Executive Committee. Many of those nominated are rank and file men and women should poll heavy votes. Men who have not consistently fought for progressive, rank and file policies, stand a slim chance in the elections this year, it is reported.

Among those nominated as delegates to the State Federation of Labor Convention are Harry Bridges, Henry Schmidt, Charles Waugaman, John Larson and

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The Louisiana Dictator is Dead; 'Shared Wealth' With Capitalists

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 10.—Huey Long died this morning, bringing to an end a blustering political career marked by the most reactionary and anti-democratic arrogance. "This "share-the-wealth" hypocrite used every trick known to capitalist politics to fool millions of people and to gain full dictatorial powers in Louisiana, running counter to rival political gangs and disgruntled individuals who were forced to recognize the "Square Deal" forces to seize power from the dictator.

The force of inner-capitalist politics ran its course in this particular cycle with an act of political assassination. It is notable that such acts flow from bourgeois political life; individual violence and anarchism as a philosophy was born with capitalism; and with logically die with capitalism. With your question, had there been the slightest doubt about the assassin's identity, the crime would have been attributed to Communists, despite Communism's absolute condemnation of acts of individual violence and dependence solely upon organized mass action.

Long's lips service to the people was symbolic exposed by reports from Louisiana showing that while politicians lined their pockets and quibbled over vice proceeds, hundreds of mothers and children are in the most desperate straits, and thousands—who lack relief are compelled to search for food in garbage cans.

Long's filibuster prevented passage of the appropriation of funds for social security program, which though inadequate by far, would at least have devoted some money to relief of starving mothers and children.

Bargemen Accept Shippers' Offer

River Lines Attempt to Halt Settlement of Strike—Pedro Scalers Support S. F. Union—B. C. Men Framed Up

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 9—Striking bargemen have voted to accept counter proposals of six operating companies for settlement of the strike here.

However, the River Lines, Inc., of which the strike-breaker Fay is an official, is attempting to force the six smaller companies to withdraw their offer, it was reported this morning. Representatives of the companies have refused to meet with the strikers today to discuss the signing of an agreement.

☆ "Oregon Union Meet Smashed

COQUILLE, Ore., Sept. 9. A gang of 200 vigilantes, small business-men and thugs dressed as workers, today attacked a group of union organizers before the latter could open a scheduled organizational meeting of lumber workers in a local hall.

The organizers came here from Coos Bay on a trip through this lumber country to form a local of the Sawmill and Timber Workers' Union. The vigilante attack was heralded by the capitalist newspapers as an attack on "Reds" and "radical agitators."

JOBLESS UNION TO ACT ON WPA

Transients Will Be Forced to Accept Scab Wages

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 9.—An effort to man California harvest fields with transient workers forced up them to accept the Starvation wages offered, or starve to death wage wages is seen in the announcement that Emergency relief is to be stopped in this state by November 1. This, from Frank Y. McLaughlin, state WPA administrator, touched off with his dictum that "no more transient workers will be signed for relief work." Relief rolls are being purged today. The transient fund will be "exhausted" by then.

The social service division of the SERA announces that direct relief budgets for families, less by 15 per cent, from work relief, are to be distributed weekly, in equal amounts over a 28-day period.

"In those counties in which the food prices are lower, there should be a corresponding decrease in the allowable budget," according to Emily Wooley, assistant administrator.

LOS ANGEL

OFFICIALS WHITEWASH I. L. A. 'BEEF SQUAD' MURDER; RANK & FILE ASKS COMMITTEE TO ACT

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Los Angeles and upon State Attorney General U. S. Webb demanding a full and open investigation into the crime, and the complete punishment of Reich and those officers responsible for not giving Ross immediate medical attention, in accordance with the State criminal code.

Despite emphatic statements by police and reactionary officials of the I.L.A. and other unions, "beef squads" composed of thugs in the unions cooperating with police and fleets, continue to exist and continuously to "dump" sincere, militant rank and file union members.

Francis G. Feeze, former treasurer of the I.L.A., denied all knowledge of any such thing as a "beef squad."

The "beef" between Ross and Rich started, said Fetzer, in a personal argument in the hold of a ship.

"Rich is a big fellow and he hits awfully hard," he said.

Asked if Ross was a "Communist, Fetzer replied: "No, I don't think so."

★ Beef Squads.

San Pedro police officers were loud in their denials that "beef squads" were operating on the waterfront. Rich was drunk when he hit Ross, they said.

A previous "beef squad" in San Pedro, operating in the Marine Firemen's local of the International Seamen's Union, was broken up several months ago when police officers killed Fred Peterson, a worker, apparently by mistake. Several days later the remnants of the "squad" couple to beat up a rival group of members of the union, whom they believed to be aliens. Nine militants were severely clubbed and then blown out of a boiler, who was ill from a previous "dumping," and in the fight that ensued will count other "beef squad" members, Riley, a violinist, was stretch-ed out with a fourinch fracture in his skull. He died several days later.

MAYOR OF L. A. WON'T BOTHER HEARST THUGS

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tative of liberal and radical forces, lodged a strong protest with Mayor Shaw. Included on this committee were Rev. Clinton J. Taft, of the American Civil Liberties Union, Ben Allen, of the United Progressive News; Thorne, of the I.L.D., and Tom Miller, secretary of the Conference for Labor's Civil Rights.

Taft recounted the brutal attack by police and their colleagues upon the pickets and pedestrians, to which Shaw commented that the city has an ordinance against picketing.

Upon remark by Taft that he understood the ordinance was unconstitutional, Shaw replied: "It's is constitutional as it ever was, and it is applied whether a strike is in progress or not."

Reminded that the picketing was peaceful, the Mayor somewhat stated: "When a line interferes with business, then it is a matter for the police."

Riley, who was also a victim of the thuggery, then gave his account of the unprovoked attack.

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350 Simmons' Bed Workers Walk Out Against Co. Union

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 9.—Approximately 350 employees of the Simmons Bed Plant, at 8th and Powell streets, walked out this morning in a strike against the company union. The striker demand recognition of their International Furniture Workers' Union Local 1541, an A. F. of L. affiliate to which most of the workers belong.

The workers are confident of victory, but evidently fail to realize the danger of an company-union lockout. Their somewhat inactive picket line, 150 strong, permitted trucks to run lights in and out of the plant until noon today.

John D. Odegone, business agent of the union, charges the company has refused to recognize the union and refuses to negotiate. Mrs. A. M. Rosenberg, executive director of the Regional Labor Board today declared that the union had accepted the Board's offer of mediation, but Alfred H. Baker, vice-president of the company had refused.

A mass meeting of the strikers was scheduled for Monday night at Roma Hall, in North Beach.

Hollywood Burlesque Dancers on Strike

HOLLYWOOD, Calif., Sept. 7.—"Life Begins at Minsky's," a musical revue playing at the Max Gordon Playhouse, didn't begin here last night as the result of a walkout of chorus girls and comedians in sympathy with a strike of burlesque actors in the East.

The actors strike at the Burlesque Artists Association is against "despotic rules," and for higher pay, and fewer performances.

Railway Clerks Send Delegates to League

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 9.—The Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks, at their last regular meeting, Thursday, Sept. 5, voted to affiliate with the American League Against War and Fascism and elected two delegates to the city central committee of that body.

Farewell Rally Is Given to Ben Dobbs

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 9.—"Ben Dobbs is one of the finest men of the Young Communist League, gathered at the Cultural Center here last night to say farewell to Ben Dobbs, section organizer of the Y.C.L., who is leaving to take up duties in San Francisco.

He will be replaced as section organizer here by Matt Pellman, and Ray McCoy becomes organization secretary.

ILA Man Killed By New Terror Gang at Pedro

SAN PEDRO, Calif., Sept. 9.—In line with the killing of Art Ross, rank and file member of the International Longshoremen's Association here last week, reports declare a new "beef squad" taking the name of "vigilantes of the I.L.A.," has been formed here.

Ross died last Wednesday as a result of an assault by the vigilantes. Local capitalist papers reported he was struck by an automobile, but before he died he named his attacker, whom police say they are holding pending inquest.

At least two members of the I.L.A. here are packing guns. One of these, Al Bebo, when asked why he was going armed, replied, "I'm hunting scab squirrels."

Bill Greg, formerly a "swamper in a slaughter house," or a beer hall bouncer, also is armed. Neither he nor Bebo are believed to have a license to carry weapons.

Longshoremen report that every deny the vigilante gang has any connection with the local I.L.A.

Ross was at one time a seaman and was known by all as a sincere trade unionist.

VITAL ISSUES FACE GUILD AT WED. MEETING

LONGER WORK WEEK IS "THREAT OF HEARST"

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 10.—The Northern California Newspaper Guild is gearing for a dinner meeting, Wednesday, September 11, to be followed by a regular membership meeting, at which it is expected that most of the Guild's 187 members will be present.

Among problems to be discussed are the threat of the return of the seven-day week, affiliation with the Communication Council, the candidacy of its president, Redpath Mason, for mayor of San Francisco, and affiliation with the A. F. of L., which will be voted on within a few days.

The Communication Council of San Francisco is a labor union group to be composed of the American Radio Telegraphists, Commercial and the Broker, Clerical Department and Associated Press divisions of the Commercial Telegraphers Union of North America.

Following outlawing of the N. R. A., Hearst is reported to be drafting the five-day week on his papers. In Los Angeles, where there, is no organized Guild, Hearst publications are gradually shifting to a six-day week. The San Francisco Call-Bulletin here has just gone on a six-day basis "for three weeks" because of the "shortage of help."

Complaint Filed to Test Wagner Act Basic Industries

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9—Tests of the Wagner Act are expected to be brought before the courts by complaints with the National Labor Relations Board, created by the act, against General Motors Company and Wheeling Steel Corporation had refused to recognize unions in their respective industries.

General Motors was accused of not recognizing the United Auto Workers Union and of collective bargaining agency at the Chevrolet and Fisher plants at Atlanta, Ga., where the union represents a majority of the workers.

Church Meet Voices Anti-Hearst Protest

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 2.—Protest against the growing fascism in Germany and the growing fascist influences in America was voiced here at the Pacific Heights M. E. Church last Tuesday night.

The meeting, sponsored by the Epworth Forum and Public Conference, was addressed by a Communist, a trade unionist, a minister, and a representative of the Public Works and Unemployed Union.

New Wage Scale Set For Bakery Drivers

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 9.—George Kidwell, secretary of the Bakery Wagon Drivers' Union announces that the period of conferences with the California Bakers' Association has ended with agreement for a new wage scale.

The new scale ranges from $45 to $48 per week, with $3 additional for foremen, etc. Drivers will work a six-hour 36-hour week, helpers, shippers, clerks, product wrappers and packers to work a 5-day week.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SAN FRANCISCO LABOR COUNCIL

Weekly Meeting, Friday Sept. 6

"Labor Clarion" Again Criticized—This Time for "Scab" Ads—Vandeleur Rapped for Labor Day Incident

SAN FRANCISCO—The "labor Clarion," official organ of the Labor Council which is controlled by the reactionary union officials of this city, came in for some more criticism at the September 6th meeting. The editor was severely censured for advertisements of various labor-baiting and union-busting corporations which appeared in the special Labor Day edition of Aug. 30. The quarter page of the Alaska Juneau Gold Mining Company, which has been trying to smash a strike of miners and is at present pressing a local grandstand play for the expulsion of the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, was seven in an example.

The directors of the Clarion defended the editor, saying it was "impossible for him to know that the Alaska gold miners were on strike," or for him to know "all the firms that are unfriendly to labor." Not to know, in our Special to the Western Worker called attention to the great number of ads in the Clarion of such firms which hollywood such scab firms and labor-baiting corporations. Among the Rosenberg Bros. and Lou whose Oakland plant is now closed by a strike of Nat'l Labor Relations Board, LA)

Delegate Harry Bridges of the I.L.A. then moved that all ads be referred to the Labor Council for approval, before they are accepted for publication. An amendment was offered that the editor should be given ads unless positive they are fair. An amendment to the amendment was moved and finally adopted that the whole question be referred to the directors of the Clarion.

The Sailors' Union submitted a resolution demanding that President Vandeleur be severely censured for causing, absence of the "Voice of the Federation" (official organ of the Marigine Federation of the Pacific Coast) to be ejected from the mass meeting of Labor Day. Vandeleur, in his capacity as chairman, refused to entertain the motion and would not permit the Seamen's delegate to speak on the question.

Vandeleur claimed he had mislaid the ticket. The ejected boys being insisted on at the auditorium. He ordered the resolution filed.

Two communications were received from Alvin Van Ausdal, secretary of the striking Jackson gold miners union, stating that receipt of $147 in donations. The communication said that "the critical moment in the miners strike has arrived."

The I.L.A. Warehousemen, local 38-12, reported the lockout of their members at the Santa Cruz canneries in Oakland, where now pays its women employees from 30 to 40 cents an hour.

Waiters No. 30 reported their decision to cancel subscriptions to all Hearst publications because of Hearst's deliberate untruthfulness to labor and his defense of the constituted authorities.

The Law and Legislative Committee submitted a resolution urging affiliated local unions to contribute liberally to the defense fund of the Mooney-Billings victims, members of the maritime unions, sentenced as "dynamiters" through the machinations of Standard Oil. Resolution unanimously adopted.

The Executive Committee recommended that, due to many delegates of the Council being scheduled to attend the State Federation of Labor Convention in San Diego, no Council meetings shall be held on September 13th and 20th.

JACKSON MINERS MAKE APPEAL

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ORDERED OUT OF STRIKE AREA BY SERA

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NEW MOVE TO SMASH STRUGGLE

The striking Jacson gold miners are being ordered—by the SERA—to go to a labor camp ◆ Bear River to "work for their relief." The Federal agencies not only seek to drive them off the picket lines and out of the strike area, but such a program will oblige the men to leave their families.

If they refuse, their relief is stopped entirely and they and their families face starvation.

The WESTERN WORKER gladly prints in full their appeal to the workers and farmers of California for a smashing protest that will effectively block such a strike-breaking move:

Jackson, California
September 1, 1935

To the officers, members and delegates of all Labor Council and Unions in the State of California; also all Clubs, Lodges, Fraternities and individuals interested in human welfare and personal liberty:

Since Oct. 1, 1934, the Mother Lode District Local 120 affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, has been on strike against 3 mining companies of Amador County, California, because of the deplorable working conditions and starvation wages we were forced to accept.

Since this Office was called, our personal liberties have been and are being almost totally restrained by a mob of gunmen and thugs styling themselves the "Vigilante Committee No. 84."

This Vigilante Committee acts with the full knowledge and consent of the Sheriff, who has refused on numerous occasions to give union men or their property any protection whatsoever; also the Sheriff has been very active in training up union men on false charges, affiliating informers, so that one man was arrested for absolutely nothing, but later all legal evidence was produced on which he was convicted.

On a number of occasions we have protested these actions and requested protection from Governor Merriam. These have met with only evasions and refusals.

Secretary of Labor, Frances Perkins, has been asked to investigate conditions in this country and take what action is necessary to protect our lives, property and our constitutional rights.

This appeal was written, a fresh outbreak of terrorism was unleashed by these vigilantes. So far there has been no official protest from any Governmental agency.

Now the National Re-employment Agency is forcing our members to leave the strike area. If they refuse to leave 'their families' their relief is immediately stopped. Not only is the United States acting the role of strike breaker, but is forcing us to leave our families at the mercy of the lowest type of "scabs" and vigilantes imaginable.

We now appeal to you to use what influence you may have and to exert what pressure you have to assist us in gaining some measure of justice and security. We ask that you write Governor Merriam, demanding an immediate investigation and that he use necessary action he taken to insure us our rights as free born citizens and also protection for our property. Sheriff of Amador County.

Yours truly,
Mother Lode Miners
Union No. 84

COMMUNIST PARTY, U. S. A.,
37 Grove Street,
San Francisco, Calif.

( ) I want more information about the Party.

( ) I want to join the Party.

Name

Address

City

Longshoremen Forces Bosses To Keep Word

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 9.—According to the Longshoremen's Award, which shipowners continually allege is being broken by the stevedores here, Admission Day is a recognized holiday on the docks.

Yet, when gangs at the Manna at Pier 32 demanded a holiday this morning the shippers gave them to understand there would be none for them. The workers called the dispatching hall and after several hours of negotiations, the shippers finally were persuaded to keep the agreement.

Instead of turning to, the longshoremen took their holiday. And the workers again, by job action, had forced the shippers to hold to the award.

CLOSED MEETING THREAT DROPPED BY L. A. COUNCIL

BUZZELL FAILS TO ACT ON RESOLUTION

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 7.—Apparently fearing rank and file rebellion, the Central Labor Council did not act upon a resolution to have closed council meetings forever. It was taken out "feeler" here last night, as had been anticipated following a "Red-baiting" speech made by Paul Scharrenberg, secretary, at last weeks' meeting.

Instead, motion pictures of last Monday's successful Labor Day parade were shown the delegates by Frank Buzzell, who read the funeral of two International Longshoremen's Association members, Art Ross, of Pedro, and the name of the murdered Eureka, Calif., workers, and the speech of A. H. Peterson, of Pedro, I. L. A. official, at the Labor Day picnic at San Pedro.

The Buzzell want to do things immediately," said "Tedro Pete" at the picnic. "It can't be done. It can be done by gradual change. I'm for that."

"In the Soviet Union, they say they have Communism. What they have is Fascism—they take away all your rights. The Communists are bringing in Fascism. We're bound to have Fascism in this country. There's no way out of it."

LABOR PARTY PROPOSED BY CONN. A. F. OF L.

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rience has shown that this policy has been unsound. Both major political parties have not relaxed calling out the military and state police in strike issues. They have turned a deaf ear to the protest of the unemployed. We are still in the throes of a terrible depression. Suffering and misery are all about us. But professional politicians fat and sassy are still squabbling over leadership, who are responsible. The time is ripe and the workers' salvation is only in the formation of a Labor Party.

Largest the opposition to the Labor Party referendum came from Hutcheson who objected to unions not affiliated to the AFL participating.

Cook County Labor Party

CHICAGO, Ill., Sept. 8.—Two hundred delegates elected by the Chicago Federation of Labor to the forthcoming Illinois State Federation of Labor convention at Belleville are pledged to work for a National Labor Party.

Members of 63 Chicago unions affiliated to the American Federation of Labor or the Railway Brotherhoods went on record at a conference held here recently in favor of the formation of a Cook County Labor Party.

Thugs Paid $5 to Attack Pickets in Front of Examiner

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 8.—Circulation gang thugs of William Randolph Hearst's Los Angeles Examiner were paid $5 to attack and terrorize members of an anti-Hearst picket line and other unions, it was Tuesday, it was learned here today.

The thugs cooperated with regular and reserve detectives to break up the picket line in the most brutal attack on workers in these parts since the days of June 1, 1934. Other workers, who were passing by, were also beaten up in the fray.

Last Wednesday an old man by the name of Ringe was beaten by an Examiner circulation "driver," because he berated a newsboy for selling such an anti-labor-fascist newspaper. The waiting took place in Boyle Heights.

SAN FRANCISCO VIGILANTES ROAM STREETS AFTER DARK

Employers Subsidize Armed Gangs in Readiness To Attack Militant Trade Union Organizations

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 10.—Vigilantism again is coming to the front in San Francisco with the appearance during the past week of several gangs circling workers' headquarters in automobiles, and attacking longshoremen on the waterfront after dark.

Last Thursday night several carloads of gangsters circled the Communist Party headquarters, at 121 Hilgiht street but lacked the courage to attack. Any, but very, stones were tossed through the windows of the headquarters and guards shot into the fleeing cars.

Gangs were also seen in the vicinity of the office of the Voice of the Federation at 122 Golden Gate avenue on Thursday night.

★ Armed Thugs.

At San Pedro armed thugs patrolled the streets on Friday night, attack rank and file members of the various trade unions. One longshoreman was reported killed and several others injured last week. Davis, a seaman, was beaten and intimidated several times and finally was "deported" by a gang of thugs. Two longshoremen were beaten up in San Francisco months later to tell his story.

Seamen, members of the once powerful Fred Friel "beef squad" are in a San Francisco jail awaiting trial on felony charges growing out of a shotgun attack upon the home of Eugene Dietrich, secretary-treasurer of the Marine Firemen's union was fired upon as he left his home to attend the meeting of the same gang, still at large.

★ S. F. Invasion

Reports have been made to the effect that at least twenty-five thugs from Los Angeles have recently been sent to San Francisco, in an attempt to smash by terror the growing militancy of the rank and file trade unionists on the waterfront.

Santa Barbara vigilantes, organized and armed, recently threatened to come to San Francisco and "clean out the waterfront." In Sonoma County, the vigilantes created such a reign of terror that workers refuse to go there for the agricultural harvest.

Vigilantism, in this case, is aimed primarily at smashing any form of workers' organizations which, by its class consciousness, militancy and threatens to win better working conditions for the masses at the expense of the profits of the employers.

★ Subsidized Groups

The Junior Chamber of Commerce, the American Legion, the Sons of the American Legion, the California Crusaders, and other antiworking class organizations all are subsidized by the Industrial Association and the Waterfront Employers of San Francisco. "The same employer group is behind the so-called 'Disaster Plan' which in reality is a plan for the mobilization of the employers' strike-breaking agencies at half an hour's notice."

San Francisco workers must be on their guard every minute of the day and night. Their organizations are at stake—and their right to strike, to free speech and to all other forms of liberty guaranteed by the labor and the American constitution. Only an aroused working class, organized against the vigilante and other thugs, can prevent a successful attack upon the trade unions. Should such an attack prove successful, Fascism would have gained a major victory in California and the United States as a whole.

ON THE LABOR DEFENSE FRONT

LABOR DEFENDER

The September Labor Defender is particularly fine. The staff is to be congratulated for the exciting photographic illustrations. "Anti-Imperialist Demonstration in Spain" is a fine picture from any standpoint and deserves a place in all exhibitions of art and artists. "Mass Funeral in a Polish Village of Hopor a Victim of the Terror," tells a poignant story. "Mary Leo Bates" photograph (which a guard tried to stop) of pathetically emaciated prisoners—deserves a Grand Prize, if any. You will get signatures quite easily for your Herndon petitions if you show this film.

Accompanying "Defense in Nazi Germany," by a member of the Central Committee of the International Juridical Association, is a picture of two lynched Negroes, hanging, with the title: "Not in Nazi Germany—in Mississippi, U. S. A." "She asked for Relief in Brooklyn, N. Y." by Lewis Hine, shows a woman lying on the ground, back of police in shirt sleeves. This would make a impressive scene in working class drama. Better yet, it should help you to recruit new members for the I. L. D.

At the district office, room 410, 1015 Market street, you can also get a stirring two-cent pamphlet, called "Hell in Georgia." Of this, John L. Spivak wrote, "A Million Copies Should be Distributed." Following are some excerpts from Spivak's review:

"The appalling callousness of the Prison Commissioners . . . to those who die is one that should arouse the entire country. Miss Small asked the Prison Commission how it happened that 193 convicts died in Georgia last year, the details of which consequently were not available. The Prison Commission, she writes, shrugged their shoulders.

"The Herndon case is far too important for readers of the white—to ignore with a shrug of the shoulders and a feeling that they are terrible. If the case succeeds in doing to Herndon what it wishes to do, it means that they will continue, not only to kill radicals first, then to lib-erals, and finally to those conservatives who the people in power don't like . . . It is with justification that Americans have the creation of the Nazi regime in Germany, but we have equally cruel things in Georgia and other Southern states.

"And . . . And if conservatives, liberals, radicals, black and white, combine in the distribution of such honest portrayals of conditions in this country, it will help to stop Hell in Georgia, and prevent Hell in America."

A LETTER FROM PRISON

Here is a letter that various I. L. D. offices from Harry Donlan, member of the I.L.A., who was arrested during the waterfront strike last year and is serving one to five years in San Quentin:

Dear Ella:

I received your good letter of the 1st and was pleased to hear from you. Thanks for order for two dollars enclosed. Please thank one and all for your kindness and the spirit of solidarity that went with it.

You ask about job and food. If I get a job I'll do it like hell, and the scenery all the colors of the rainbow, I wouldn't like it.

I also received a letter and money order from the I.L.D. National Office, about the 19th. I answered the letter the best way I knew how and the letter was returned to me by the prison censor. Political prisoners are not allowed to write the truth about the brutalization which is practiced against them). Will you drop me a line? Re-Sam Baron, National I.L.D. office?

My wife is willing to congrate with the I.L.A. Ladies' Auxiliary and the East Bay section of your district, on my case. If you re-ceive a letter from them inform the last time you were over here. She will visit me in a few days and I'll sic you into the matter again with her.

If this letter is a blank to you it is because you don't know how to write from here (pass the censorship established on political prisoner's correspondence). It is the price one must pay (for being a militant worker) but everything in (of the capitalist world) has a price.

With warm regards to all, I remain as ever,

Harry Donlan, No. 36630.

The words in parenthesis are not part of the letter, but because in that case the letter would not have passed the prison censor, I, the writer, have inserted the additions which we supplied correctly complete the content of Harry Donlan wanted to convey.

Protest to Warden Holohan at San Quentin against this prison discrimination. Write to Donlan, and to the other political prisoners who, since have appeared in the Western Worker and again.

★ Benefit.

The Eureka Finnish Federation and the Finnish Brotherhood are joining to give a joint benefit affair to raise funds for the I.L.D.

★ Trials.

Two working class trials on framed charges will take place on the 17th.

One is the trial of James Workman at Jackson. Write to the Jackson committee, and demand his immediate release.

The other is the trial of Lee Gallagher, Elaine Black and eight others, charged with "rioting." Write your protests to Judge Lazarus and Matthew Brady, and pack the courtroom.

Howard.

EAST OF THE Rockies

Guild Referendum High Prices Fought Unemployment Up Hotel Strike 44,000 on Strike

WASHINGTON—The appeal for parole of Charles Krumbein, organizer of the New York District Council of the Communist Party, is now being considered by the Board of Parules.

Demands for the release of Krumbein, who was sentenced to eighteen months on a passport technicality, continue to come in. A petition addressed to the President asking him to pardon Krumbein was signed by Congressmen Caroline O'Day and Vito Marcantonio of New York, Congressman Maury Maverick of Texas and Senators Robert LaFollette of Wisconsin and Burton K. Wheeler of Montana.

NEW YORK,—A statement of why the American Newspaper Guild members should vote to affiliate with the American Federation of Labor in the forthcoming referendum, is contained in a letter sent by 37 prominent Guild members, from 25 cities from New York to San Francisco.

The letter points out the Guild has been treated as a labor organization from the start, was treated as a labor organization by the Guild's leaders who tried to break it up, and that it has won gains "through the help of organized labor which it can not cannot play a "tincup role" by continuing to receive help from organized labor and yet not join it in its battles.

The writers point out that while some of the Guild leaders have not followed a course to the advantage of organized labor, they will be "swept aside by the mass of workers and marching with them to a common goal.

CHICAGO,—A determined fight against the high cost of living was mapped out at the United Front Conference against the High Cost of Living held here last week. It was pointed out that food prices have risen 47 per cent in a year and a half. Unless prices of food are cut by a fourth, it is pointed out, the consumers' strike to force a reduction.

NEW YORK.—The very conservative National Industrial Conference Board has estimated the number of unemployed in July of this year at 10,015,000, against 9,826,000 last year. While these figures are obviously too low, they show the lack of progress, in spite of Roosevelt's assurance that the "emergency is over." In spite of the increased unemployment, estimates by various employers' organizations show that profits of corporations have jumped by 17 to 21 per cent in the first six months of this year compared with the first six months of 1934.

CLEVELAND.—Union employees, firemen and engineers, plumbers walked out of Hotel Statler and set up picket lines in a recurrence of the strike wave which ended unsuccessfully four years ago. The strike took place within 15,000 miles of the convention for the convention of the National Letter Carriers' Association, which is affiliated with the American Federation of Labor.

"The same strategy was used successfully last year, when union agreements were signed with hotels . when delegates to the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen convention threatened to move out of the hotels.

FLANAGAN GETS BEEF SQUAD AID

Union Faker Fights Expulsion With A Riot

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 9.—At the regular meeting of the Warehousemen's Union 38-14 International Longshoremen's Association, of Aug. 21, charges were preferred against D. V. Flanagan, Union secretary, for attempted assaulting a trial committee was elected from the floor of the meeting to hear the evidence. At the regular meeting on the night of September 4, Wednesday, the trial committee was to render its verdict.

Flanagan, in the meantime, had not wasted any time in preparing for the outcome, which looked pretty certain. He visited all the docks and warehouses, informing the men that a group of "Reds" and "radicals" were trying to gain control of the Union and must him from his job, so that they could break up the union. A great many of the warehousemen, convinced by Flanagan's red baiting, were ready to vote to expel the "Reds" and keep Flanagan in office.

★ Beef Squad.

Flanagan, a pupil of Mike O'Gasey of the Teamsters, made doubly sure. Before the meeting, night he organized a private "beef squad" of about 50 men. The night of the meeting the hall was packed, men who had not attended a union meeting in six months were there. After a few other reports came the report of the trial committee. The committee found Flanagan guilty of the following charges:

"According to article 3, section 1, any officer or member who works against the interest and harmony of the Union, shall, upon sufficient evidence, be tried.

"The following violations were noted:

1—He has encouraged a division of the Union by advocating a separate charter for the Oakland unit of our organization.

2—He opposes rank and file control of our Union and fights against the interests and policies of the rank and file of our organization.

3—He has divided our organization into separate groups and called special meetings of the various groups to decide questions which involve the entire membership.

4—He attempted to isolate the men working out of the hiring hall by claiming that our Union should had no legitimate voice or vote in the union.

5—He has strenuously objected to our organization following the policies of, or stating its solidarity with other C.I.O. unions and mentioning the Marine Firemen's union by name in the Bay District.

6—He advocated our non-participation in the July 5 Holiday, although the unanimous vote of the Waterfront Unions in this locality favored participation.

"According to article 13, section 2, any officer or member or member of the Union shall be fined, suspended, or expelled:

1—He has attempted to create prejudice in the minds of certain members of the executive committee by a recurrent practice of having the Union by mailing cards to the members of the executive committee, recommending expulsion for that member of the Union.

"According to article 13, section 3, any officer or member who is in violation of his obligation, or violates any article or section of the constitution by-laws, shall be fined, suspended, or expelled, as the Union may decide.

"He has violated article 14, sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8, by assisting in bringing charges against a member of the union, in an unlawful and unconstitutional manner, creating untold damage to the member involved."

★ Expulsion Recommended.

The unanimous recommendation of the trial committee was that D. V. Flanagan be expelled ◆ from local 38-44. An election committee was then appointed to distribute ballots to vote whether or not the decision of the trial committee should be sustained.

It was at this point that Flanagan's "beef squad" went into action. Flanagan's "beef squad" minute members who had assisted in bringing charges against Flanagan, jumped to their feet and began to dump them right in the meeting. Unprepared, and outnumbered 10 to 1 the trial committee were badly beaten. Several were thrown out of the hall and told to keep going.

The meeting was thrown into an uproar and about half the members left without voting. Some who tried to get back were locked out and refused admission. The few rank and file who remained were followed out later and beaten on the streets.

★ Blames the "Reds."

The vote, when it was finally taken, showed 60 votes to uphold the decision of the trial committee and expel Flanagan, against 182 votes to reject the decision.

When it is remembered that there were upward of 400 men at the meeting, when the fight broke it up, the aim of the disrupters is easily seen.

The next day, Thursday, Sept. 5, Flanagan made the rounds of all the warehouses and halls in the city, attempting to rally the rank and file membership in San Francisco had voted 3 to 1 to keep him in office. Flanagan, it is alleged, tried to break up the meeting the night before.

The trial of this was that the night the Oakland unit voted, 60 to 43, to also reject the trial committee's decision.

5 OF 6 BREMEN ANTI-NAZIS FREED BY JUDGE

MAGISTRATE CALLS NAZI EMBLEM "FLAG OF PIRACY"

(By Daily Worker)

NEW YORK, N. Y., Sept. 9.—Mass pressure and the brilliant legal defense conducted by Congressman Vito Marcantonio and the International Labor Defense attorneys won an almost complete victory Friday in the Bremen cases when Magistrate Louis B. Brodsky dismissed all charges against five of the six heroic Bremen demonstrators.

At the same time, the Magistrate in this written decision, took cognizance of the indignation of the American people against the Hitler regime, of persecution of Jews, Catholics, Protestants and militant workers in Nazi Germany.

In his decision, Magistrate Brodsky referred to the S.S. Bremen as a "pirate ship" sailing defiantly in New York harbor, flying the black flag of piracy proudly flying aloft. "The flaunting of the swastika emblem, the Decision states, was "regarded as a defiant challenge to society."

The special defendant, Edward Drolette, was ordered held by the Magistrate on the trumped-up charge of "assault" and "possession of metal knuckles." But even in his case the power of mass protest decisively influenced what was manifested in Brodsky's agreement not to increase his $1500 bail bond.

Negro Miners Plan To Resist "White Crusader" Bombers

PITSBURGH, Pa. Sept 9.—Negro miners at Ellsworth are preparing armed defense corps to protect their homes against attacks of fascists "White Crusaders" following an attempted bombing of the home of Samuel Gibbs, Negro miner. The miners have appealed to the Communist Party for help in fighting off this menace which is being used in an effort to split white and Negro miners, and to stop a company raid in which Gibbs is a local United Mine Workers of America.

24 MEN GO TO TRIAL SEPT. 18 IN VANCOUVER

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ers Federation faces a charge of "inciting to riot." Others are charged with "unlawful assembly." The Canadian Labor Defense Ser-

2 OF 6 DEFEND THEMSELVES IN EUREKA COURT

3RD TRIAL BEGINS; LEO. GALLAGHER HANDLES CASE OF FOUR

EUREKA, Calif., Sept. 7—The 3rd trumped trial of workers, growing out of the riot of the police on a picket line in front of the Humboldt Lumber Mill here, began here before Superior Judge C. A. Paulson of Trinity County, here last Tuesday. L. A. Hutchman and Albert Lima, the latter a member of the executive board of the Lumber and Sawmill Workers' Union which led the strike, are defending themselves.

Lee Virken, George Starvich, P. Kalelich and Harry Johnson are charged with three counts in the hands of Leo Gallagher, International Labor Defense attorney. All are charged with "riot," "resisting an officer," etc.

The first 4 days of the trial were devoted to picking a jury. Before this was finished on Friday the entire regular panel of 240 veniremen was exhausted and a special panel of 40 more had to be called. Court recessed over Sunday and Monday, the trial proper will begin on Tuesday, Sept. 10.

★ Protests Needed.

Efforts of Prosecutor Bradford and Judge Paulson to force Miller to stand trial and on whom the jury disagreed to be tried with Virken and Lima, and to be tried "then and afterwards, they will have a separate trial later." He is out, on bail.

This, the third of these court frameups arising against the lumber workers, is expected to be a long drawn out battle. Workers in Eureka and throughout Humboldt County are urged to flood Prosecutor Bradford and Judge Paulson with protests against the frameup and letters of protest, demanding the immediate and unconditional release of the 4.

Recently a group of small taxpayers visited the city council and protested the increase in taxes in Eureka and throughout Humboldt County.

On the following day the Kaarte Fellund Branch of the I.L.D issued a leaflet, addressed to the taxpayers of Humboldt County, pointing out that workers are today burdened with more taxes than ever before.

★ Whitewashing the Police

The leaflet continued the people that "no small part of the increased budget is caused by the salaries of the District Attorney's office to railroad innocent workers into the county jail. The trials of the 4 innocent workers charged with riot have failed to bring a guilty verdict. Yet the District Attorney office insists upon two more costly trials. This is not prosecution—it is persecution.

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Burlesque Dancers Strike in New York

NEW YORK, Sept. 9.—Burlesque dancers in New York are on strike against intolerable hours and low wages. For $21 a week the actors and dancers report, at 11:30 a.m.; work until 5 p.m., when they rest for an hour and a half, then work until 11:30 p.m., after which they rehearse until 2 a.m.

Nazis Send 542 To Jail in July

BERLIN, Sept. 9.—In some 90 political trials in Germany during July, 542 prisoners were sentenced to a total of 2,038 years in prison. Three were sentenced to hard labor for life and one to beheading. In addition four condemned men were beheaded.

SAN DIEGO FEDERATED TRADES COUNCIL

Weekly Meeting, Wednesday, Sept. 4

Enthusiastic Move to Enter Labor Party Campaign—Pres. Steinmetz Calls for Volunteers on Committee

SAN DIEGO, Sept. 5.—In a stirring speech which received hearty and prolonged applause from the delegates, J. W. Wade from the Office Workers Union, pointed out the need for a San Diego Labor Party. Wade moved that a committee be appointed to study the advisability of forming a Labor Party and to bring in recommendations to the Council. Immediately following the motion, a half dozen delegates shouted "second" and it was passed without a dissenting voice or vote.

Delegate Wade described in detail how Labor had been fooled by the Democrats time after time by professional politicians. He said "labor had been lied about, lied to and lied to." Wade said, "It is up to us to realize we need our own political party." President Steinmetz called for volunteers "who are interested in a labor party" to form a committee. The appointments will be announced next week.

Margaret Dock from the American Youth Congress, appeared before the council to ask for an official delegate and to announce the Youth Symposium to be held at Plymouth Congregational Church, Sept. 11th. The Council elected Delegate Ross from the Teachers' Union as a permanent delegate to the American Youth Congress.

Secretary Rogers presented a strongly worded letter for the council to sign, protesting against the City Council's plan to build a Civic Center with PWA funds. Rogers, Secretary Ec. Dowell, projectionist and executive secretary Smallwood then read a wording of the letter. He urged that such letters be sent to Congressman Kettner, because "from time to time we expect favors from this office holder." The letter was promptly boosted by several delegates and the letter was ordered sent, by a large majority.

A motion was made to renew the Council's membership in the Chamber of Commerce, following Otto Heilman's report of his "accomplishments" in the Chamber of Commerce during the last year. Heilman stated he had "gained the confidence of the business men" by belonging to the C. of C. and while he couldn't remember many actual accomplishments, he had at our time succeeded in having a business men's banquet changed from one scab restaurant to another and quite a scab but still not union. Stanley Gue, deputy Labor Commissioner seconded the motion stating that "it is fair for us to do other organizations and 'hore from within'."

Delegate Wade, A. C. Rogers and Worcester spoke against continued membership, pointing out that Heilman attempted to use inside information through affiliation. A motion finally carried to postpone action until after the State Convention.

A long discussion was held on the "Ham" local disturbance. Wade should be asked to speak at the State Convention. The reception committee appointed the Mayor, City Manager and Chief of Police. Many delegates spoke against the amendment by Pattonburg West are urged to flood President Bradford and Judge Paulson with protests against the frameup and letters of protest, demanding the immediate and unconditional release of the 4.

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MARINE COOKS FAKER EXPOSED

Fritchie Comes Out Against United Labor Party

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 10.—Fritchie, official redbaiter for the employers, called a meeting of the Marine Firemen's Union, Sept. 9, at which he consistently has fought against the Labor Ticket and against approprietive rank and file organ

News Stories and Comment by Worker Correspondents

Jobless Jottings

By the Boondoggler (L. A.)

A signal . . . a club flashes up . . . grasped by two hundred pounds of uniformed muscle . . . crashes down on a skull and brain . . . a worker staggers and falls in the gutter . . . ing his bloody head . . . three police are on him slashing away like wild animals . . . the screams of a woman . . . blackjacks cut arcs through the air . . . a head covered with blood relishes to bow . . . knees might tumbled . . . crush it down . . .

Hearst's paid sluggers in conjunction with the L. A. "Red squad" are demonstrating Hearstian democracy, with clubs, gas pipe and loaded saps . . . The Los Angeles Examiner is upholding the Constitution and flaunting its Americanism with a burst of fascist violence that literally shatters a peaceful picket line to pieces. As they parade up and down, noon on the sidewalk, at 12th and Broadway in protest against the lies of the slanders of Fascist Hearst.

"Red" Hynes and Luke Lane, earning their blood money by heading the "red squad" are directing the attack. Slugging their way to the top . . . and the trough!

A pothelled nameless waves a gas gun back and forth and hollers "Stick the pickets and the publics "get back or I'll let you have it."

He yells encouragement to his company stooges, "Goddam! em split their heads wide open." "Knock their Goddam brains out."

Examiner thugs and "red squad" are slugging each other in the confusion . . . A cop slips in the hands of a hired thug crashes on the jaw of a policeman . . .

The thugs and police are slugging pedestrians and tickets child, a voice comes from the Examiner office door crying . . . "the foods are beating up our colored maid man" . . .

A fifteen year old boy is smashed in the face . . . a fifty year old woman is clubbed twice in the back . . . John L. Pelletier, State Assemblyman, is knocked unconscious . . . I will have some thing to say in the State Legislature when it meets again . . .

Police drive people back, as Hearsts' henchmen beat a human mass, seal his camera with the film he had just shot of the "red squad" in action attempting to murder peaceful pickets . . .

Torn placards are scattered in the dust . . . spotted with workers' blood . . . and 218,000 poor and unemployed families in Los Angeles county every day pitch in their nickels and dimes as a contribution to pay William R. Hearst to publish lies, call for lynchings and hire thugs to murder them when they protest . . .

145,000 poor families in L. A. take the Examiner!

73,000 take the Herald Express . . .

Unemployed! . . . Boycott all Hearst publications! . . . They are filled with lies and splashed with workers' blood . . .

Was the money we saw being passed out by an individual who came from the Examiner office in payment for past services or for services expected? . . . Did it account for the fact that those individuals who received it were observed attacking and beating who ever the "red squad" pointed out to him after the picket line was broken? . . .

NAVY YARD MEN BEGIN TO TALK ORGANIZATION

TRUCK DRIVERS GET $12.00 PER WEEK

By a Navy Worker.

VALLEJO, Cal., Sept. 9—Truck drivers here are forced to work long hours at the princely wages of about $12 per week. A government employee recently has been put in charge of the drivers.

The men are supposed to put their truck away on company time but this government flunky works them so long that they have to spend from fifteen minutes to half an hour every night, putting their trucks away on their own time.

Instead of drawing $6 or $7 per day they are forced to slave at a regular starvation wage.

About 300 men in all are affected in one way or another by this situation. Some of them are beginning to talk organization.

Union members: Raise the question of having your delegate to the Central Labor Council support recognition of unemployed organizations.

Injured Worker Wants to Fight

MEXICAN HURT ON JOB, TOLD TO "GET OUT"

Need Organization

WHAT TO DO, NOW THAT $8.24 IS GONE?

By a Mexican Worker.

SALINAS, Cal.—I am a Mexican worker. Up to three weeks ago I was employed by the world's largest sugar mill, the Spreckels Sugar Co., just outside of Salinas. I am married and have three children. My wife and I have a very hard time keeping food and clothes for them. Some time, we go hungry just so the little ones can eat what they need; not that it is the proper food; or that there is lots of it, but they my wife and I know that above all they must eat to be strong and healthy.

Then when I went to work at Spreckels we thought all of our worries would be over. But the work was very hard and the pay very hard to please. I worked in the warehouse department.

I had three important reasons for my job. I had to hold up my job because I had to keep up strength about 25 sacks per minute. That don't seem much to you, but you members how many sacks I had to handle in 8 hours, anyone can see that's no fun. Never mind I had to work so hard for the money I did get. The speed-up of everything is far more than last year.

"Take It or Leave It"

My boss tells me it I do not like to work so hard I can quit, and he will put some one else in my place. He forbid me to talk that I don't like to think about, but when I stop and think of my wife and kids I just have to take it and say nothing.

Then, on Saturday, August 17, while at work, I hurt my back so I could not work, but my work won't let me do so. I ask the boss to let me off to see the doctor, and after coaxing me out he gave me a pass to see the doctor at the infirmary.

The doctor said I was to go home and rest for 2 or 3 weeks, but he told me I would draw compensation for the time I was laid up and my job would still be open when I returned.

So I went home, and on the second I drew my compensation, $8.24. On the 1st of September I was told to come back to work.

✱ Get Out

But when I started to go in shift the boss told me he couldn't use me any more. I went up the timekeeper and tried to tell him about it.

He laughed and said, "Well, what is you going to do about it? That's what's going to happen to all you damn greasers and the sooner you understand how to take this time slip and get the hell out!"

Of course I took my check and $8.24 is gone.

And as I rode into town I thought, "Now what will I do?" I can't find another job. But the $8.24 is gone and I can't find a job. My kiddies are hungry and my wife and I are not able to work for some time.

I do not ask for sympathy. All I ask is that some Mexican brother will read this and see that what happened to me can happen to you. I want to find some way to get around this—that is to organize and show the boss that we poor people are human and can do about things like what happened to my and to other's. Never mind if other of the race read this and it helps them just a little bit, I will gladly say Muchas Gracias, Senor.

Frank Carrillo.

Growth of IWO Told By Max Bedacht at Los Angeles Meet

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 5—The urgent necessity of winning workers away from such fraternal organizations as the F.B.I. and by anti-labor forces, into the International Workers Order as the only fraternal organization which truly represents working class ideals, was stressed here last night by Max Bedacht, general secretary of the I.W.O.

Bedacht spoke to several hundred people at the Music Arts H.ll, w.ho enthusiastically approved the program of the I.W.O.

Harold Ashe, representing the Anti-Jap Exclusion section of Communist Party, brought the greetings of the C.P. and the appreciation it felt for the vital work of the International Workers Order.

Bedacht further stated that the I.W.O. has grown to include 70,000 members in the United States, 2,500 of them in Los Angeles.

Fascists Booed In Theater

By a U. C. Student.

BERKELEY—Willie Hearst is losing his popularity in Berkeley. The other night, during a showing of the March of Time at the United Artist Theater, when Hearst's flabby snout was shown in one of the scenes, the whole audience hissed him.

Father Coughlin and De La Rocque, the fascist-priest, both shown in the same picture, also got several bird calls.

✱ Fox Film Pays $14 For 48-Hour Week

GIRLS SUFFER INJURIES LIFTING 51 LB. CANS

By a Worker Correspondent

HOLLYWOOD—Through the magic word "pull"—the only way to get work, it seems, in this capitalistic country—a lucky girl got a job as a "wrapper" for the Fox Film Corporation.

Her job was very hard, very dirty, and very important to accumulating wealth for the Fox Film Corporation. However, this fact is overlooked by the corporation since the conditions we work under are intolerable, especially the menace with 50lb Cans.

Our work requires a great deal of lifting. Fifty pounds at a time is too much for any girl. Twenty-five pounds is the most we should be allowed to lift. Yet we are substituted with shorter lifts which has a destructive effect on the eyes. The room in general reminds one of a prison cell—black, very small and a cement floor which is swept once a week.

The work is done by hand and we are down to a terrifying speed—60 reels a day are to be inspected. The slip is very sharp edged and we are forced to work without gloves—yet we are allowed to use only one glove a day. The film is placed a cement which we stacked very high. Each can weighs about 50 pounds and has caused many an internal injury to the girls who have worked more than plus six months. For all this work, we receive $11.00 a week—48 hours.

I have spent eight years as a white collar worker in this industry. The profits are immense, profits which are shared by the Wall Street and stockholders, while the worker is exploited to the 8th decree.

SOVIET GAINS SHOW INCREASE IN WELL-BEING

PRODUCTION, JOBS AND WAGES UP THIS YEAR

MOSCOW, Sept. 9—Detailed reports on industry for the first six months of this year, recently made public, show the tremendous strides being made by Soviet economy.

The report shows that industrial production increased 19.7 per cent, for the first seven months of this year compared with the same period last year. Railroads made an exceptionally fine record, daily average car loadings jumping 15.1 per cent and averaging 73,000 per day.

This rise is a continuation of what has been going on since 1921. The League of Nations has published figures for the first 3 months of 1935, which showed that industrial production on the average was 50.6 per cent of the 1928 level. In the United States the 1935 figures was 81.1 per cent of the 1928 level.

This rise has meant an increased number of jobs at higher wages. The number of workers employed in industry increased 6.3 per cent and in transport 12.9 per cent compared with last year. At the same time industrial wages jumped 5.9 per cent. Retail sales increased 24 per cent in the first seven months of this year.

✱ Farm Prosperity

The farmer is sharing in this Soviet-gained increase in prosperity. Returns on labor show a considerable increase in the number of cattle on collective farms. In six months 42,978 additional tractors have put to work. The harvesting of this years record grain crop is nearly completed, 183,572,000 acres or 85 per cent of the total being harvested on Sept. 1, compared with 169,625,000 acres at the same time last year.

As a militant working class fraternal organization.

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DEFENSE GROUP TOURS N. MEX.

SPEAK AT VILLAGES IN MOUNTAIN AND DESERT

By a Worker Correspondent

ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO—The first tour of the Chavez County Sedition Defense Committee has just ended after a 750 mile trip through the central mountain territory of New Mexico. Practically all of this territory is now in the movement and our International Labor Defense speakers received a wonderful response.

We started to cover this territory on Friday in order to arrive at Santa Fe for the Labor Party conference on August 29th and 30th.

We went up to the Hondo Valley, where bitter struggle have been carried on for 4 years and held our first meeting in the little village of Tinnie. With the aid of a Spanish translator we told these farmers, for the first time, the ugly story of the frame-up of our comrade Gallup Mayor Dan Patrick, we read the resolution of our community Relief.

✱ Visit Government Hospital.

Upon reaching Fort Stanton, the U. S. Marine Hospital for seamen, we found the morale of the working class, but never before had been a Labor Party meeting. The reaction of allowing radicals to speak in the place was left up to the vote of patients who, overwhelmingly, asked that it be allowed. We spoke for two hours, and then went into the hospital with the message of the working class to the sick men.

It was pathetic to see these sympathetic boys who wanted to help the workers. Some were foreign born. These had long wanted to help openly, but threats of the hospital authorities that they would be deported to fascist countries held them back. These boys came out of the seven and under-foot the workers' struggle far better than the average.

✱ Unusual Sheriff.

From here we crossed the mountains to Dalton Gulch, and literature of Building, Office Captain and Social. In Carrizozo, where the Southern Pacific has a division point, we secured the district court room for the meeting. The sheriff here had evidently never heard of the International Labor Defense, and he really gave us the use of everything and helped us advertise the meeting.

We crossed the Malpai Desert to Socorro, where we were refused the right of assembly at all. Socorro, other towns we finally called at Santa Fe.

A new tour for the Gallup Defense is already outlined for Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this trip. We have a Dodge car fitted up for this work, and our Gallup Defense, and the Progress Bulletins, as friendly organization, are helping us, together with our national ILD organization.

Demonstration To Protest Firing of W.P.A. Teachers

NEW YORK, Sept. 9—A mass demonstration before the Board of Education was called to protest against the firing of 85 night school teachers for participation in the timeclock protest, strike of white collar workers on PWA projects August 31.

A SCHOOL BOY LEARNS THINGS

SPEED-UP IN A CANNERY PUZZLES HIM.

By a Worker Correspondent

SACRAMENTO—I had a conversation with a high school boy about his school studies, sports, etc. He switched to working conditions in the Cal-Pack cannery located on Broad, here. I asked him why he didn't write my his experience for the Western Worker, but he said he didn't like writing, or working in a cannery either. He wanted to be a mechanic.

The Pee-wee then his story as he told it:

"I landed a job and was put on the conveyor belt, with instructions to dump big boxes full of canned stuff. The foreman pointed to a small pretty blond who dashed intermittently. That light, foreman explained, flashes 60 times a minute and you have to get the dumping done during each flash. 20 to the minute, 1200 to the half hourlies—more or less, depending on speed.

✱ "What's a Matter With Kate"

"For hours I stood there dumping. Thousands, they looked to me. Kate was pretty hot. At that time the boss came in and asked me what's the matter with Kate. Kate slowed down. I told him I was tired. Kate speeded up. The foreman came up. What's the matter? he hollered. "What's the matter with you? You're only putting in 12 cases per minute. Kate's keeping the girls with children, and they're proud of it."

I just mind my own business, I thought. Kate's back! Forty-seven times a minute! Kate's back! Forty-seven times a minute! Kate's back! Forty-seven times a minute!

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The Professional "Patriots" And the Constitution

San Francisco is being treated to the spectacle of the professional "patriots" enlisting all the "patriotic" organizations as well as businessmen and politicians in a wide mixed front for celebration September 17 of the 148th anniversary of the launching of the Constitution.

These gentlemen insist that blind acceptance of their interpretation of the Constitution is a condition for the continuation of the capitalist system. And in this they are right.

Where they make their mistake is in the assumption that the loud blaring of trumpets and endless militarist hullabaloo will confuse and divert the people of San Francisco from the contents of the Constitution concerning the right of free speech and free assemblage, the right to strike and picket, and the right of the majority to alter or abolish the form of government when it ceases to provide them with happiness, prosperity and safeguards for the future.

Noisy hoodlum will observe these ideas, which fire by no means popular with the political trumpeters and drumbeaters. Rhetorical "patriots" will ignore real achievements for the people and try to fog the issue by the loud sound of their own voices in the defense of private property and preparedness.

Capitalism, in its groping, healthy and progressive state of youth, gave birth to the Constitution. Fine capitalist democrats fought for it; others in time fought to extend the franchise. But capitalism was never without its character of exploitation of the workers, and it was inevitable that it should intensify this exploitation and develop crises to the point where all the Constitutional guarantees, all the democratic rights of the population, all the extensions of the franchise over the years of capitalist growth, should now become a definite handicap because the vast masses of the population are awakening, politically to a sense of their power and the need for social change.

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The "Constitution" committee is not the defender of the rights guaranteed by the Constitution. They are defenders of capitalism at any price.

Examine the list of sponsors. Beyond a few misguided liberals and weak-kneed independent thinkers, these "constitutionalists" are "constitutionally" devoted to political trickery, gangsterism, strike-breaking vigilantism, graft, robbery and corruption.

And leading them all is Hearst, in the person of his special strike-breaking mouthpiece—Francis Neylan.

These "patriots" are the war-makers, the breeders of fascism, the conspirators to provoke and break a waterfront strike, the employers of vigilantes, the destroyers of our natural wealth and our conservation rights.

This is the beginning of the real fascist attack, evident in the significant formation of the Committee of 100 with many of the leaders of last year, in the attempt to legalize a fascist "Calamity" Program.

Behind the cloak of preservation of the Constitution they are preparing to nationally attack and abolish liberty.

We must take patriotism away from the professional "patriots" and make it the property of the people, serving the interests of the majority of the people in their fight for the preservation of their constitutional democratic rights, decent living and working conditions, and social security — the true patriotism.

Hearst Vigilantes and the Los Angeles "Red" Squad

The brutality with which the Los Angeles "Red" Squad aided Hearst thugs in attacking the pickets at the Examiner Building last week indicates that a new reign of terror, sponsored by Hearst, is to be launched against Los Angeles demonstrators against reaction.

"That Hearst is feeling the effect of united front activity against yellow journalism is evident from the planned ferocity of his attack.

That the "Red" Squad is once more to be brought into open attack on constitutional rights is likewise evident.

This constitutes a challenge to those organizations and individuals who combined their protest in a united front, resolved on struggle against Hearst and his fellow liars of the press. The very forces which his accusers declare he is shielding—fascist terror and suppression of democratic rights—were brought into the open. Therefore the fight, rather than dying down, must be intensified.

Committees of protest, combining the broadest representation of liberals and trade unions and Communists, must carry the fight into every channel concerned—the City Council, demanding abolition of the "Red" Squad; the courts, against those responsible for the unprovoked attack; into the press in general and the Hearst press in particular, furthering the same demands, and into all sorts of church and other organized groups, pointing out that this latest orgy of force and violence on the part of Hearst and the police is part of a deliberate campaign for fascist suppression of democratic rights by means of combined police and vigilante terror.

Above all, the fight must be carried into the trade unions and the Central Labor Council, where the connection between "Red" Hynes and the breaking of the Street Carmen's strike last year must be made plain, and definite action determined upon.

Recent exposures merely add special facts to knowledge long available, showing that Hynes, the "Red" Squad, and private detectives as well as city police were fed by and supplied with tear-gas bombs by the L. A. Street Railway Company, which now proves by its own financial statement to have spent more than $50,000 to beat the strike.

Thirty Willie Hearst, "Red" Hynes and professional thugs in the payroll of the City of Los Angeles, together with vigilantes and outspoken strike-breakers, form a fascist coalition that must be widely publicized preliminary to being destroyed.

Full or no support of the trade unions, churches, and all anti-Hearst groups in a wider campaign than ever for the boycotting of Hearst. Make the issue struggle by demanding the abolition of the "Red" Squad—Hearst, moreover, and strike-breakers.

Toward Trade Union Unity

News that the ranks of the workers on a national scale have been admitted to the American Federation of Labor is gratifying. Not only does this signify a victory for the militant forces fighting for trade union unity, but indicates a growing trend toward the principles of industrial unionism in the ranks of labor, and is at the same time a decided setback to the Green-Wall reactionaries who have consistently fought against these things.

Needless to say, Communist Party members in the trade unions have fought for the achievement of unity of all trade unions and the abolition of artificial barriers to the growth of organized labor.

With many millions in company unions, many more millions unorganized, and a lesser section of the workers organized in independent unions, trade union unity and a vigorous campaign for organization of the unorganized is necessary. Further, the Communist Party has urged and continues to urge a turn toward industrial instead of craft forms of organization, for the requirements of modern capitalist mass production methods.

The worker must have greater unity, wider alliances, and more mobility in strike action, if they are to face the coming capitalist offensive with efficiency.

This should be carefully considered by the delegates to the State Federation of Labor convention in San Diego.

A "Breathing Spell" For Capitalism

In his message to employers, President Roosevelt declares that his program is "complete" and gives them a "breathing spell" in which to "go ahead."

Strike-fires of the present year, printed clearly where in this issue, do not justify the optimism he would like to convey. In spite of this, the bouncing optimists of capitalism are again talking bloomtalk, and the bleeps prattles early in an end to the crisis-depression.

There have been improvements, of course, but not for the mass of the population. Profits have increased, and this is Roosevelt's most notable contribution to a solution of the crisis. But at whose expense? Facts show that capitalism maintains itself and its rate of profit by reducing the standard of living of the bulk of the population.

The boasted Roosevelt program of relief has been cut by more than half. Skilled workers are reduced in wages to near the level of unskilled workers before the crisis; unskilled workers are reduced to levels of actual need; and some twenty-four million of the population are actually paupers.

Is this a sign of the end of the crisis? Is this to be considered a "wholesome" condition?

The fact of the matter is that capitalism can do no better than the artificial stimulus of temporarily overcome its condition of chronic crisis. Exploitation and robbery of the workers has intensified—and lessened. Ford has quickened his profits by more than 20 per cent. Capitalists have "rationalized" their factories. Wages and employment are less than before. The consequence is that capitalism, although artificially doped into a state of better health, is doomed to further sharp crises. The "breathing spell" is an asthmatic gasp.

The President's invitation to "Go ahead with confidence" is both a political gesture to weaken his attackers and a reactionary signal to further attack the workers, whose fighting strength is partly hobbled by such semi-fascist legislation as the Wagner-Lewis Bill. He says in effect: "Continue the fascist drive."

The Belvedere Eviction and Sonoma Vigilantes

In Belvedere, Los Angeles County, a landlord and authorities took the furniture and belongings of Mrs. Jean Hendricks and Neil Dutton evicted from their home into the street for non-payment of rent. Neighbors, resenting this insane creed-persecution in a land of vacant houses, gathered in a demonstration of protest and moved the furniture back into the house. Police came on the run and arrested three who will face charges of trespassing, unlawful assemblage and refusal to move on.

In Santa Rosa County, a thousand lumber apple pickers struck for decent wages. Employers and hired thugs formed themselves in vigilante gangs, attacked the workers with violence, and attempted to drive them back into the fields. Later they kidnaped and terrorized eight workers and tarred and feathered two.

Police and authorities not only refused to believe with this gangsterism but openly participated in it.

Who controls political power controls the police. Employers now control all the offices of government through their election machinery. The Labor Party is the answer.

OPEN FORUM

LOOKING TO LABOR DAY
Aug. 31, 1936

Los Angeles,
September 2.

Colorado Editor:

Last Monday I saw the Labor Day parade here in Los Angeles. It was one of the longest parades I have ever seen here. The best section of the parade was the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union. They shouted militant slogans to the spectators and some of them chanted, "Fire, Fire, Mooney!" But the rest of the unions just marched silently by.

I couldn't help but think what a militant labor demonstration the parade could have been if instead been run by the workers instead of a few reactionary officials. All Communists and militants in Los Angeles should try to face Labor Day, 1936, run by the workers instead of a few anti-labor hypocrites as it was this year.

Comradely yours,
J. R.

SHIPPERS DEFY STRIKING B. C. DOCK WORKERS

LONGSHOREMEN APPEAL FOR STRIKE AID

VANCOUVER, B. C., Sept. 5.—Committees of strikers met with representatives of employers to discuss means put forward by the shipping federation in the 11-week old strike here, but the Shipping Federation absolutely refused to recognize the union as sole collective bargaining agency.

Hall, president of the employers, seems determined that the men have a right to belong to the "company union" of their choice but that "the Shipping Federation was not obliged to employ them."

In an effort to a question as to why the Shipping Federation refused to meet with officials and unfair stand in dealing with the workers, Hall replied that if the men did not like the way the Shipping Federation did things, they did not have to work for them.

☆ Strikers Win Relief.

Hall was appointed president of the Shipping Federation last Spring at a salary of $20,000 a year. Prior to that he was a grain broker and was on the committee handling the grain strike as a representative of the shipowners. In both cases the report of the board went against the strikers.

More than ten longshoremen and their wives and families are now receiving city relief as a result of the struggle put up by the strikers and the relief subcommittee.

☆ More Arrests.

Two weeks ago five more strikers were arrested on the streets of Vancouver and charged with "besetting," because police saw them talking to a waterfront strike-breaker. This is part of the official reign of terror which has characterized the city administration's attitude toward the strike since its beginning.

In an appeal for more financial aid, the strikers have pointed out that their struggle is part of the coast-wide fight against the employers, which the shippers are attempting to make Vancouver an open port for the handling of cargo during another longshoremen's strike should be forced upon the marine workers.

All subscriptions for the British Columbia strikers should be sent to J. M. Gunn, 603 East Pender Street, Vancouver, B. C. Rush funds immediately in order to help the heroic Canadian workers are necessitated by the strike and establish union conditions in the British Columbia Coast.

Framed Maritime Boy Workers Aided By Seattle Seamen

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 8.—The Marine Firemen, Oilers, Watermen's and Wipers Union at its last regular meeting here passed a second resolution to support to the full the Modesto frame-up defendants.

The Firemen, it was announced, will really be initiated the assessment of every member to swell the fund for the defense of Angelo Rosa and of the framed-up convictions.

The marine workers also passed a strongly-worded resolution condemning the Governor of Alaska, and prosecuting attorney of Juneau, for the demand that immediate release of the striking miners now being held in jail on trumped-up charges of "rioting."

It was recommended to the San Francisco headquarters of the Marine Firemen's Union that they donate $100 to the Juneau strike last year.

Our Best Weapon Is the Press—Write for It—Circulate It!

HOEPPEL, THE "LIBERAL" IS BACK WITH THE RED-BAITERS

Actions of a Pink Politician from Los Angeles Demonstrate the Need for a Real Mass Labor Party

By Irving S. Kreitzberg

In many circles Congressman Bolles of the 14th Congressional District in Washington, was regarded as a progressive, more liberal representative. He was especially popular among the LPDL. The reason it therefore came as a shock and surprise when Hoeppel recently descended to redbaiting and prostituted his office to the Communist propaganda via the radio in his district.

Hoeppel, a Democrat, was swept into office in a normally Republican district during the recent Fascist wave, by one of the most astonishing majorities ever witnessed in this section.

Working class and lower middle class elements predominate in the Twelfth Congressional district which encircles the northern section of Los Angeles and Pasadena. Pressed to the wall, unable to bear the anomalous conditions of poverty in the midst of plenty and turned against the Republican Party with fierce fury, the Bolles constituency, made Mr. Rosa, running for Assemblyman on a Communist ticket, receive nearly 2,000 votes.

☆ He is Wise.

Until this time Hoeppel could hardly be distinguished from any other aspiring politician. But the "Sage of Broad," understood the signs well. He knew that he had been part of the revolt of the discontented masses. It was for this reason that he assumed the liberal pose.

It was however, not until early this Spring, when Hoeppel made the mistake of turning away from the regular channels of graft and into indirect or "Reform" bribes in return for West Point appointments, that he took on a pinkish hue.

Hoeppel, well every trick at his command to continue the vote of the masses of his constituency, if he could pull the proper wires, and clear himself of the charge. He supported Roosevelt legislation. He voted for the Workers Unemployment Insurance Bill, H. R. 3827 one week and for the Townsend Old Age Pension Bill the next. He even joined in the report issued by Admiral Stirling for his anti-Soviet article in the Hearst Press.

☆ Prize Rabbit.

When things looked darkest for Hoeppel he pulled his prize rabbit out of the hat. He announced to an unsuspecting public his theory of "Technocracy" which introduces the idea that unemployment could be ended—no less. It was simple. All machinery which displaced workers would be taxed!

This indeed sounded progressive, and to the impressionable press, particularly the Los Angeles Post Record, made much of it. But when various labor bodies showed that much better ideas could be obtained by cutting the hours of employment, the Hoeppel bubble burst.

The indictment against him had by this time apparently been quashed. Hoeppel could afford to let his artist, "Le Berg," take out some natural color. Last month he startled the workers of his district by his unexpected, anti-Communist blast.

☆ Anti-Red Tirade.

Appearing before the Federal Communications Commission to urge the granting of a permit for the Metro Broadcasting Company, he bluntly told them "It would help eradicate any tendency toward Communism." Then, his tirade over, he turned to the "communistic propaganda" among the foreigners of his district.

The hoeppel bait revealed his spots. The politician, like his canvas. The actions of Congressman Hoeppel show clearly once again that workers cannot trust professional politicians, who pose as liberal and friendly, at the behest of the worst enemies of the people, but who in deeds are ready to stab them in the back.

Labor must urge its own political weapons—its own mass Labor Party, which will meet the immediate needs and fight in the interests of the broad masses.

SHOPS DEALING WITH SCABS STRUCK BY L. A. FUR WORKERS

Industrial Union Receives Charter from Fur Workers International—Closed Shop Won in Wholesale Trade

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 9.—The Fur Workers Industrial Union has just received a letter from Ben Gold to the effect that a charter from the Fur Workers' International (A. F. of L.) is in its way here.

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 8.—Fur workers of the L. Meshikow and Sons shop struck more than a week ago, demanding union recognition, and all other demands provided in the agreement recently signed with the Manufacturers Association.

L. Meshikow had begun engineering with the firm of La Brea, employing about 40 workers, toward the formation of a company union. Schwartz of the La Brea, with this in mind, called a meeting of the workers and threatened them with loss of their jobs if they did not sign a company union agreement.

☆ Employer Broke Agreement

This was in effect an abrogation of the agreement signed with the employers by the Fur Workers' Union. The strikers invoked a clause in the new agreement whereby no manufacturer who is a party to it is said to have the right to do business with any other fur company affiliated which the union considers "unfair." The workers in Meshikow shops, stripping lapin coats for the manufacturers who had signed the agreement, immediately refused to complete the garments made in the scab shop.

The La Brea Shop was declared on Strike September 4, at a meeting of the workers in the office of the union, the La Brea workers signed a resolution repudiating the company union agreement and by overwhelming majorities, their loyalty to the Fur Workers' Union, and pledged "to stay on strike until the boss stops his company union nonsense."

The same day the boss called for a conference and the agreement of August 1 was reinstated. The workers received increased wages, a reduction of hours work and a promise was gained from the boss that he would, even before signing the firm of L. Meshikow until it too settles with the union.

☆ Union Recognized.

The workers of the Export Fur Coat Manufacturers Association strike the same day when the bosses attempted to make them work on garments stripped by the scab shop. The strike is still on and the workers are determined to stay out until they win their demands.

To date the entire wholesale section of the fur trade, comprising about 30 shops, has recognized the union and is operating under the August 1 agreement which provides a 36-hour week, a minimum wage scale ranging from $28.50 to $47.50, an unemployed fund fund of 3 per cent paid by the employers and administered by the workers through the union, seven legal holidays, equal division of work, time and a half for overtime, and the closed shop.

News of WORKERS' SCHOOLS

S. F. SCHOOL OPENS

The following schedule of classes has been set for the Fall terms of the San Francisco Workers School. All workers interested in these classes should register for the classes with their unions.

Organization—Monday 7:30.
Public Speaking — Monday 7:00 p. m.
Leninism—Tuesday 7:30.
Advanced Marxian Economics—Tuesday 7:30.
Teachers Training Course—Tuesday 9:00.
Publicity for Workers—Wednesday 8:00.
Trade Unionism—Wednesday 7:00.
History American Working Class—Wednesday 9:00.
Elementary Marxian Economics—Friday 7:30.
Labor Journalism—Monday 7:30.
Principles of Communism—Friday 9:00.

Unless a larger number of students register for the course in Trade Unionism and Working Class, it will be merged with the Trade Unionism Class which will take up a part of this subject.

The Class in Publicity for Workers should be an appeal for all comrades interested in Art Work, such as ability to caricature, design, make up, write leaflets, posters, stencil work, etc. All must get-to-gether who can attend this class should register immediately.

World Events

By Emmett Kirby

International Labor Fights for Peace At Geneva

"We must do something to restrain this today and all those who use force. Moral resolutions do no good. Pasaits' pious declarations to preserve the peace of the world is wasted on Mussolini. The only thing he will understand is the collective force of nations determined to uphold the peace of the world."

These words, by Walter Citrine, General Secretary of the Trade Union Congress at their convention in Margate, brought pronounced cheering from the delegates there and show the feeling of labor in England against imperialist war. This sentiment is widely spread throughout the world while the League of Nations Council is meeting in Geneva, the same place the International Federation of Trade Unions is planning how "to take action to paralyze Premier Mussolini's Ethiopian enterprise if the Leagues fails to preserve the peace."

The pledge of support includes organized labor of twelve countries and ten international federations, representing the bulk of the trade unions of Europe and many overseas.

Taking a cue from the action of the dock workers of Genoa, South Africa last week, the executive committee is discussing plans for a universal boycott of all goods shipped on shipping lines owned or chartered from Italy in case of war.

☆ Zionists Police

How different this action is from that of two other congresses of the past week, both of which pretend to speak for millions of people. The World Zionist Congress meeting in Lucerne, claiming to represent twelve million Jewish people throughout the world, had nothing to answer Hitler's attacks on Jews in Germany in the only effective way—a boycott. Instead they contented themselves with a mild resolution of disapproval, while their brothers are being beaten, jailed and murdered.

Pope Pius, the most powerful international force the Catholic church (which certainly could be heard if it cared to) sent out of the clouds and take a stand in any concern of the working class in a large scale way. He contented himself with two, even more worse in muffling its golden opportunity. In his first address on Sept. 8th, instead of fighting for peace, the Pope does a bit of praying and then blessed Italy.

"Catholic Italy, represented by thousands gathered at Teramo for the 11th National Eucharistic Congress, in the presence of Cardinal Fumasoni-Biondi, papal legate, and ecclesiastical, political civil and military authorities, will be pledged in the Eucharist to grant prosperity and ever increasing greatness to the Italian fatherland, which, thanks to your excellency, has become more compact and strong."

Can you imagine Jesus Christ giving Mussolini a similar OK to his war on Ethiopia, "fatherland of Ethiopia with corpses?"

Both these actions only tend to confuse the working class, and it alone will take any action to stop war.

In France the united front, led by Communist, Socialists and militant trade unions, strengthened by the fight against fascism, are urging Premier Laval, French spokesman at Geneva, to assist in a settlement preventing Italy and Italy's conquest of Ethiopia, and promising full support to the government if it will put a program with teeth in it to prevent war.

☆ Fight for Local Support

In the Council of Trade Unions there has been the only one other Ethiopian representative here, Sapeh against the danger of war. The possibilities of the International Federation of Trade Unions in the fact that it is not bound by the League Council but can reach its decisions ... And the working class of the world can use this means for earning on a fight in real international solidarity against war. The Federation is reported to be willing to back sanctions against Italy "even if the sanctions are answered with war."

A copy of the decisions will be sent to the American Federation of Labor asking their approval and pledge of action. It need only be said that in the days of every militant in every local is to see that support is given to prevent war and aggression and conquest by Italy.

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SOVIET STAND BRINGS UNITY AGAINST ITALY

Two L. A. Unemployed Leaders Freed By Mass Pressure

JOBLESS UNION HITS MILITARY THREAT ON WPA

DEMAND NO RECRUITING IN ARMY IN RELIEF OFFICES IN S. F.

Militarization Move MOVE BEGINS FOR UNITY BETWEEN UNEMPLOYED AND A. F. OF L.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 12.—A mass meeting of three hundred workers at 68 Haight street last night passed the following resolution: "We the County Federation of Unemployed and Allied Organizations, do vigorously protest the establishment of recruiting stations for military purposes within or near any WPA relief stations and their subsidiaries, whether within San Francisco or any other part of California."

This resolution, addressed to Capt. L. Dunn, recruiting recruitator of SERA and PWA at 450 Mission street, and to Frank Y. McLaughlin, state administrator, Harry L. Hopkins, National Relief Administrator and, to President Roosevelt, followed disclosure of the issuance of this order by Mr. Dunn:

To: (All Dist. Administrative Supervisors
From: Cecil L. Dunn.
Subject: Recruiting.

This will advise you that this Administration has conferred with Captain C. E. Steele of the Presidio of San Francisco, personnel officer in charge of recruiting officers in the District Office.

Will you please advise representatives of Captain Steele your fullest cooperation in this matter.

(Signed)
Cecil L. Dunn.

The threat implied in this order defining Army recruiting in the relief agencies was vigorously protested by the workers, and it was noted that a mass delegation to the meeting should visit Mr. Dunn and verbally protest this action, besides mailing in the protest resolution.

Also, the meeting thoroughly scored the role of the Relief Administration in conscripting the unemployed to work at scab wages under slave conditions in the Sonoma County hop fields. Speakers pointed out that this hop field conscription had been stopped by the effective campaign of the organized unemployed against it.

When Sid Williams, secretary of the County Federation of Unemployed, as spokesman for the mass committee of 100 workers, presented the protest to Mr. Dunn, the latter told them he "couldn't rescind the action, as I am only an assistant administrator."

☆ Promised Reply.

When pressed by the committee he promised to refer the demand to County WPA Administrator Porter and County SERA Administrator Small and would have their answer for the committee when it returned on Thursday, Sept. 19.

Mr. Dunn explained that the order had been issued after Capt. Steele of the 130th Infantry had requested it to aid in fulfilling the military quota. Miss Thornley, a member of the workers' committee, retorted that "The CCC started under similar harmless pretexts, and now they have full military training and are used as employed boys in those camps."

The workers decidedly stated that they had no intention of being intimidated into joining the army of unemployed.

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Seamen May Meet With Shipowners

Federation President in Canada Seeking Settlement of Strike and Release of Five Scab Loaded Vessels

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 12.—Harry Lundberg, president of the Maritime Federation of the Pacific Coast this week was to go to Vancouver, B. C., to make arrangements for the settling of the strike of maritime workers there, leading to the release of five ships now held up in Vancouver and San Francisco with scab cargo aboard.

Shipowners today replied to the second request from the International Seamen's Union for negotiations, regarding clarification of the Seamen's Award. The employers indicated they would negotiate but declared the five scab load ships must be released.

In reply to this seamen requested a meeting of the negotiations committee of workers and shippers and declared the offer of the employers to renew agreements if the British Columbia boycott is lifted is not acceptable to them. The seamen pointed out a discussion of the agreement is a matter for the committee.

The release of these ships, the shipowners declare, must first be the first order of business when negotiations start. Two federal steamers, the H. Fitzgerald and E.M.P. Marsh are in San Francisco preparatory to taking part in the negotiations.

Spokesmen for the seamen pointed out again today that the maritime workers are not seeking a new agreement but merely a clearing up of the dubious points in the awards. Until these points be clarified, the necessity for job action on the part of the seamen is attempting to enforce conditions guaranteed to them, would be eliminated.

☆ Vigilantes Active.

At the same time reports of vigilante activity against members of waterfront unions increased while the Chamber of Commerce announced in paid advertisements in all local capitalist papers their intention of breaking up the unions in the name of the Pacific Coast. The Chamber of Commerce action, following on the heels of similar announcements from the Junior Chamber of Commerce and the selfstyled Committee of 100? has stirred

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U.S. Ship Rules Disregarded By The Employers

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 12 According to the shipowners, it's always the workers who break the precious award.

The Vermar docked here this week, short three members of the crew. This is against United States regulations. The seamen protested and the ship-owners called in the Vermar sailed the ship out, under cover of darkness, with her anchors open and shorthanded three—but six members of the crew.

Three more had been left in San Francisco.

☆ Transients Handed Starvation Ruling

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 12.—Transients who are to be cut off federal aid on Sept. 20, Supervisor of Charities Rex Thomson stated today.

"Since the state public welfare act provides that the county welfare department care only for residents," said Thomson, "we can only offer to return the transients to their homes. However, this can only be done when relief officials in their home towns agree to care for persons sent back to them."

Increased semifascist moves are expected from relief authorities, such as sending transients to forced labor concentration camps, in the near future.

SAN FRANCISCO LABOR ELECTION DRIVE STARTED

PACKED HOUSE EXPECTED AT AUDITORIUM RALLY ON SEPTEMBER 22

Bridges to Speak

REDFERN MASON, MOSELEY JONES AND OTHERS ON PROGRAM

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 13—The United Labor Party's campaign for the municipal election will hit full stride with the mass meeting and ratification conference, to be held Sept. 22, at 2 p.m. in the Civic Auditorium.

Organizations which have not already done so are urged to elect delegates on the basis of one to each 50 members, who will be seated on the floor under the banner of their organization, with single organizations, numbering 46,000 members, participating in the last convention, it is expected that a sufficient number of delegates will be present, and the Auditorium packed to capacity. Admission will be free.

☆ Many Speakers

At the Convention the candidates and platform already set up will receive final approval, together with any changes that may be found necessary. The Labor Ticket represents the fusion of various labor and liberal organizations for the purpose of kicking the Rossi machine out of power in the city of San Francisco, and electing to office a slate of candidates who will be pledged to serve in the interests of labor.

Speakers so far secured include Harry Bridges, president of the Northern California Newspaper Guild and Labor candidate for Sheriff, William Mosley Jones, Epic - Democratic Assemblyman from Los Angeles, Harry Bridges

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New Jersey AFL In Mooney Plea

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Sept. 11.—The annual convention of the New Jersey State Federation of Labor today sent resolutions to Governor Merriam of California and President Roosevelt demanding the release of Tom Mooney and Warren K. Billings from San Quentin and Folsom prisons.

The resolution, unanimously passed, pointed out that the frame-up of Mooney and Billings had been accomplished with perjured testimony and that the state witnesses have since admitted that they lied on the witness stand.

HEARST PICKET TRIAL SEPT. 18

Smash Hearst Drive Protests Pour in on L. A. Mayor

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Sept. 12—"Smash the Fascist drive of William Randolph Hearst" is the slogan here as protest messages are sending in strong protests to the brutality of police officers and Hearst thugs against the Los Angeles Examiner in breaking up an anti-Hearst picket line in front of the newspaper office a week ago today.

Trial date of five imprisoned organizers charged with the riot at the Examiner Building was advanced until September 18, by the last that Grover Johnson, San Francisco, and electing to office a slate of candidates who will be pledged to serve in the interests of labor.

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"They will be tried in Municipal Court on that date, and workers are urged to help free these victims of Hearst terror by packing the courtroom and by sending protests demanding their release to Calendar Judge Ben Schmitz.

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TWO DISMISSED IN BELVEDERE EVICTION CASE

MASS PRESSURE STOPPED FRAME-UP OF CHAMPION AND HENDRICKS

Third to Be Tried

I.L.D. CALLS FOR PROTEST ON LINCOLN HEIGHTS JAIL CONDITIONS

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 11.—Mass pressure of aroused workers in the Belvedere area today won the dismissal of charges against Mrs. Jean Hendricks, Public Works and Unemployed Union member, and Clyde Champion, Belvedere Sub-section organizer of the Communist Party.

Two other Reds released from the trumped-up charges of resisting an officer, illegal assemblage, illegal possession of a deadly weapon, etc., when a crowd of 500 workers gathered at the Monte-bello Justice Court, pay-days said the dismissal "averted what might have been a serious riot."

The freedom of these workers was an important victory registered by the International Labor Defense, which handled the defense of Mrs. Hendricks and Champion. Mrs. Josephine Kaubaum, who was arrested on similar charges at the same time, when workers were forced to prevent eviction of Mrs. Hendricks and her family, and Mrs. Neil Dutton, pleaded not guilty but asked for a court trial, which is set for Sept. 27.

☆ "No Justice in Law."

On August 23 Mrs. Hendricks and Mrs. Dutton were evicted by order of police officers, but mighty pressure of the people forced them back in the house. Officers then arrested the three workers.

When they were released the following day, workers were barred from the courtroom by order of Justice Gates, who said: "There is no such such thing as justice in the law."

The some two hundred workers immediately held a meeting and Emergency Defense Committee

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War Unavoidable Says Mussolini

Italy Protests Firm Soviet Peace Stand—France Asks Britain for Sanction Aid Against All Invaders

ADDIS ABABA.—Ethiopian monarch makes desperate attempt to buy off Italian invasion with territorial concessions. Secret document reported to state Italy's military preparations begin Sept. 20. Troops withdrawn from frontier where Italian forces are concentrated. Wild appeal to League of Nations for determined action. Radio talks to all nations planned to rally anti-Italian action.

PEDRO MURDER INQUIRY ASKED

POLICE AND BEEF SQUAD UNDER FIRE FOR RANK AND FILER'S DEATH

SAN PEDRO, Calif., Sept. 11.—Bringing the true story of the brutal murder of Arthur Ross, militant rank and file member of the longshoremen's Longshoremen's Association, here last night the Harbor Subsection of the Communist Party will issue a leaflet tomorrow addressed to the waterfront workers.

Slugged a week ago Sunday in front of the I.L.A. Hall by Edgar Brook, member of a "beef squad" known as "Carl Marx Ross," Ross was left unconscious with a skull fracture in the San Pedro jail for "drunk," "drunk," "disorderly conduct." He died the following Wednesday in the Magnolia Hospital, San Diego.

☆ Investigation Demanded.

Reports have been current on the waterfront that Ruch used a blackjack or other blunt instrument to slug Ross.

The International Labor Defense has taken up the prosecution of the case and has taken the brutal murder up in an organized way with the Longshoremen's branches. It will demand the immediate prosecution of Ruch, who is still free on a charge of suspicion of manslaughter.

Details of the killing are still shrouded in mystery. Longshoremen who testified at the inquest last Friday, were obviously afraid to speak.

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"LONDON—Organized labor stands firmly opposed to Mussolini's arrogant desire for conquest, and supports stand of Federation of Trade Unions for full endorsement of League of Nations united action against Italy.

"SOVIET UNION.—Entire press and trade unions of 19 million membership express gratification at response of British trade union and trade unions of 19 million membership express gratification at response of British trade union movement to request for unilateral action against war and fascism. Stands firmly behind statements made by Litvinoff before League Council last week.

"ITALY.—Feverish war preparations continues, with ten millions more reported called to colors or mobilized in labor battalions on virtual conscripts in war machine. Prices rise. Revolt against war is spread in spite of terrific repression.

"NEW YORK—Central Committee of Communist Party issues appeal to Socialist Party for unity of action against war.

"SAN FRANCISCO—Sailors' Union of the Pacific endorses proposal to boycott Italy's goods, and cited to State Federation of Labor convention next Monday at San Diego.

"PARIS.—France asks Great Britain to support action against aggression in Europe, reiterating with Germany in mind, as she indicates support for united front of nations against Italy's aggression.

"GENEVA.—Reports indicate that Mussolini is in serious danger of Great Britain's stand in speech next Sunday.

"WASHINGTON.—Secretary of State Hull makes statement asking nations to observe terms of Kellogg pact to avoid war.

"NEW YORK.—Medical forces are being recruited and medical supplies gathered both here and in London by the committees to support Ethiopia. Many doctors and nurses have already indicated their willingness to serve abroad, and some forces are already on their way.

GENEVA, Sept. 13—It was reported here today that Italy had strongly protested against the speech of Litvinoff, Commissar for Foreign Affairs of the Soviet Union, made before the League of Nations Council on Sept. 5. In his speech Litvinoff stated in plain terms that Italy was asking the League to countenance military aggression and to intervene not on behalf of naked imperialist conquest, and that such action would be intolerable to civilized nations. "No military measures are justified except in the case of invasion by conquering powers," he said.

His frank statement, result of the latest peace policy of the Soviet Union that startled the nations by its simple proposal of direct attack against aggression, reverberated throughout the European nations and labor circles, with the result that the smaller nations have at last come forward to build a block of nations ready for support concerted action against Italy in case of need.

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Appeal For Unity to San Diego A. F. of L. Delegates

Statement By the District Commitee, Communist Party, U.S.A.

TO THE STATE FEDERATION OF LABOR DELEGATES:

The necessity of unity in the California labor movement is more vital today than ever before.

Since the last convention, the large employers have come out more openly than ever before in their attacks against the workers. The Open Shop forces have already taken the first steps in the campaign to cripple the unions and introduce fascism. The vigilante attacks of Amador and Sonoma counties have been followed by the declaration of San Francisco Junior Chamber of Commerce to the effect that through their "Committee of 100" they will enforce "peace" in the San Francisco waterfront. That this is a fascist development on a wide scale is indicated by the immediate endorsement of this movement by the Chambers of Commerce in Seattle, Portland, Tacoma, and Los Angeles.

The shipowners supported by these groups have laid down an ultimatum to the maritime unions that they will not deal with them until their militant leaders have been removed. They want to dictate terms to labor. A victory here would lead to further attacks everywhere.

This union-smashing proposal has received the support of a few traitorous labor officials of the Scharrenburg type. Such vicious attacks against the progressive, militant and Communistic elements in the labor movement are only serve the interests of the Open Shop forces.

☆ Labor Must Fight Reactionaries

Organized Labor must become the backbone of the forces that will and can defeat vigilantism and other forerunners of fascism. The Communists in the trade unions as well as the Communist Party, are ready to work for the utmost unity both inside the labor movement and among the unorganized workers in order to protect the most elementary democratic rights of the workers.

Delegates to the State Federation of Labor convention this year face a greater responsibility than ever before. The employers not only have their own organizations, but have their representation inside the ranks of labor, and are prepared to use these "safe and sane" men to gain control of the unions, kill the membership to deep or frighten them from militant action by "red scares," and ultimately slip over legislation to curb strike action and stifle the independent action of the trade unions.

The official report itself indicates this danger, but minimizes its importance. This is part and parcel of the campaign to re-elect Paul Scharrenburg, who was exposed on anti-union

MARINE UNIONS DEMAND NEW CONTRACTS FROM SHIPOWNERS

Radio Telegraphers, Masters, Mates and Pilots, Marine Engineers and I.S.U. Seek Changes

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cited the rank and file of both maritime and longshoremen unions to the necessity of united action leading to protection of the unions and their membership from the repetition of last year's reign of vigilante terror.

The shipowners are 90 per cent organized on the Pacific Coast. Two associations, the Shipowners' Association of the Pacific Coast, representing the intercoastal and steam schooner operators, and the Pacific American Shipowners' Association, representing the deep-sea crafts, are chiefly concerned in the agreements now in force.

The American Radio Telegraphers' Association, the Masters, Mates and Pilots and the Marine Engineers' Beneficial Association, representing the bulk of the remaining maritime workers, also are seeking elimination of the Blue Eagle awards. These three organizations are not affiliated to the International Seamen's Union.

Both offshore and steam schooner seamen are seeking payment for overtime work performed, instead of vague promises of "time off in port" as shipowners are allowed to under the present agreements. Both seamen groups also are seeking wage increases and a general clearing up of the Reed award leading to the establishment of standards of working conditions under an agreement signed by that award by longshoremen as a result of the 1934 maritime general strike.

The employers, during the time the agreements have been in operation, have attempted to disrupt the seamen time and again. When the workers took job action the shipowners have fostered a fake and even about the "breaking of the agreement." They have constantly used the capitalist press in an effort to swing opinion against the workers.

It is this situation which the maritime workers are attempting to remedy.

EARGE SETTLEMENT IS LOOMS

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 13.—Striking furniture workers are expected to sign agreements with 41 least eight operating firms before the week is out. The agreements will be made on a basis of the original demands put forward by the Bargainmen and call for wage raises, the eight-hour day and 55 cent-per-hour overtime, running time.

Three firms still are holding out. They are the River Lines, the Lake Sin Transportation Co., at the Petaluma - Santa Rosa operators. Cargo recently brought from Sacramento on two ships manned by officials of these firms, is on docks here.

*** Cargo Tied Up.**

Longshoremen are not handling "hot" stuff and several shipments consigned to off-shore vessels are missed sailings. A move to break the strike announced by Fay of the River lines, and other officials, failed to materialize this week. Only two boats have made the trip from Sacramento, and Stockton and Folsom where they were sent by Standard Oil.

SILVER RECALLED

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 12.—The committee on the Silver recall from the Sailors' Union of the Pacific, at the Tuesday meeting of the union, reported a counter-wise tabulation of 240 for recall and 48 against. It was moved and seconded that the reactionary Silver stand recalled.

The membership voted to send a resolution to the San Diego State Convention of Labor protesting against the Ethiopian war and against war preparations in this country and that delegates to the convention carry copies of this resolution with them. Other resolutions passed called for industrial unionism and for social participation in sports within the various unions. Both are to be forwarded to the State Convention.

A motion also passed instructing union members to refuse jobs through picket lines should the longshoremen on the Gulf go out on strike and also instructing Gulf branches of the I.S.U. not to handle any men on West Coast ships in the places of those who may walk off.

Katz Asks Return Of Rejected Mural

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 10.—Formal application for the mural-war mural panel removed from the lobby of Frank Wiggins Trade School because it was "objectionable" to the reactionary Board of Education, was made here yesterday by the artist, Dr. Leon Katz.

The mural depicted the two grim alternatives that face the youth of today—war and Fascism. It was removed by order of the Board of Education on the ground that it was not suitable for "school children." The average age of the "school children" at the trade school is well over 21.

CONCENTRATION CAMP LIKE CCC, NAZI DECLARES

VISITOR SEES LIKENESS TO GERMANY

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 9.—Official confirmation establishing the fact that CCC camps are nothing more than concentration camps similar to those in Nazi Germany, was given today in a copy of the "CCC News", published at Fort MacArthur for this district, received here today.

The official newspaper distributed among the CCC boys recorded the inspection tour, "no less than Hitler or Mussolini", of Dr. Siegfried von Giracy-Wantrup, professor of Agricultural Economics at the University of Tubingen, Germany, accompanied by an army officer from district headquarters. The inspection was made at the following camps: Montrose Camp 1983, Dalton Canyon Camp 1908, Moorpark Co. 1909 and Santa Co. 2931.

The direct quotation from the CCC "News" follows:

"Familiarity with Germany's concentration camps, which, similar to the CCC, are made up of units of 125 men each working on forest, irrigation, and soil conservation and reclamation projects, had prepared the distinguished visitor for some of the camp features to be found in this country, but he expressed surprise at the consideration given to the church, recreation, educational opportunities, and recreation of enrollees.

"To quote further:

"Dr. Giracy is on a year's leave of absence from his university and has been asked to visit CCC camps in other parts of the country. He was introduced to the Fort MacArthur officer and the camp by a letter from Col. Duncan K. Major, of the General Staff, Corps, Washington.

"This official confirmation, published in the "CCC News" in the issue of Saturday, Aug. 26, completely authenticates previous articles in the Western Worker pointing out the similarity, lacking only in degree, between the CCC camps and the notorious concentration camps instituted in Germany by Hitler. Needless to say, Dr. Giracy and his army guide did not discuss the strikes, lockouts and mass protest which have gained "consideration" and improved conditions.

STRIKE CLOSES SIMMONS PLANT

400 Solid in Fight For Recognition Of Union

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 12.—The Simmons Bed Company plant which covers three city blocks between Fourteenth and Fifteenth streets is completely shut down in the strike which began last Monday morning. Approximately 400 workers, including about 40 women, have walked out, demanding recognition of their union, the Furniture Workers' International Union, Local No. 1341, and wage adjustments, the employees in the plant work on a piece-work basis and the jobs are so arranged that their weekly wage is decidedly unfair. They demand that a guaranteed minimum wage be established.

The struggle with the Simmons Co. has been going on for months, this company attempting to force a company union on its employees and discriminating against members of the A. F. of L. local. About two months ago two of the most active members of Local 1341 were laid off—ostensibly for their union activity—and have been rehired.

Before the strike the A. F. of L. local had about 150 dues-paid members in good standing, but as soon as the strike began the entire personnel of the Simmons factory joined up, the members of the company union included, and it now has in the neighborhood of 400.

Well-capitained picket squads surround the plant in rotating hourly shifts, each man taking his turn. The teamsters were hauling from the plant until noon of the first day, but this morning teams were on the picket line. When questioned by a Western Worker reporter they say they "just happened to be there." But there was no hauling being done at that time.

So far the company has not tried to start any violence nor has it tried to bring in any scabs. Mr. A. H. Baber, co-vice-president, still refuses to deal with the Union, or discuss its grievances before the Labor Relations Board as the Union has offered to do.

Effective organization of unemployed will aid in maintaining union scales of pay. Demand that your union officials support such work.

Hollywood Shoots Waterfront

TWO MOVIES WILL ATTACK MARITIME WORKERS

Strikes With a Heart Angle

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 12.—The gentlemen who are responsible for our movies are doing something about the coast-wide waterfront crisis. Mr. William Randolph Hearst has informed them may occur in mind.

"Riff-Raff," a vicious anti-working class, anti-union film starring those two stellar box-office idols, Jean Harlow and Spencer Tracy is being rushed to conclusion by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer. Warner Brothers, Hearst's studio face, is producing "The Frisco Kid," an indictment of vigilante terror, starring James Cagney whose box-office appeal is calculated to bring added millions into the picture, houses across the country for a bit of Hollywood "education."

"Riff-Raff" is the most vicious of the two. The scene is laid in a waterfront town resembling San Pedro. The workers are fishermen, members of a union, which operates under a five-year agreement (read Award) with the shipowners; terse Greek boss whose gruff exterior conceals a heart of gold.

"Red" Belcher is the villain and the villain's minions in the picture. Waterfront workers are represented by Dopey, drunken, broken-down father of the heroine. The Communist does everything from "fomenting" a strike among contented workers, to keeping up here, a rank and file union man, from attaining the usual Hollywood ending, which is—of course—a happy marriage with the heroine.

"Red" Belcher, defeated in his attempts to seduce the heroine (force and violence is a Hearst) finally resorts to an attempt to dynamite a fishing boat which the hero, already informed by the union leader, has been set to guard.

The hero, of course, is the "Communist" who completely discredited in the eyes of the rank and file workers (Hollywood wishful thinking) and the hero is taken back into the union. The hero, however, has become a drunkard and has already reformed. So while the boss gives him a swell party after working hours his lady-love, who has gone to jail and who has escaped, decides to return to jail.

"One of these days," she tells her ex-swinging drunkard hero, "you'll own that fishing fleet. Everything will be all right now. You've got your union card back. I'll finish my stretch—it won't take long—and we'll be happy together again."

It would be impossible to list every attack made upon the working class in the picture. It is the first open attack the Hollywood gentlemen have made upon the maritime unions—but it will not be the last unless the entire American working class takes action to defend itself. "Black Fury" was a start and Hollywood has Hearst is willing—may anxious—to go the limit. And Hollywood can go the limit if box-office returns allow it.

"Frisco Kid" is dated back a couple of decades but shows the vigilantes, gentlemen out for "adventure," killing two birds with one stone—"cleaning up" the San Francisco waterfront of—we are to suppose, the entire working class—and incidentally keeping the Barbary Coast, And the honest, clean-living, healthy vigilantes are drawn from the higher strata of the American middle class.

Both these pictures are being released in plenty of time to allow Hollywood to cash in on the waterfront strikes. Most honest liberals, anti-Fascists and radicals should wire or mail vigorous protests to the producers of these films.

Police Department Fights Boycott of L. A. Hearst Papers

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 11.—Does the local police department function as a direct force for William Randolph Hearst at San Simeon?

This rhetorical question was raised here today when a number of uniformed police officers were discovered detailed to downtown Los Angeles for the sole purpose of removing boycott stickers from buildings, windows, telephone poles, et al.

Last week police officers were detailed to the more serious work of brutally breaking up an anti-Hearst picket line in front of the Los Angeles Examiner, clubbing scores of pickets and other workers, some of whom were seriously injured.

The "Down Hearst Hearst stickers are issued by the Los Angeles League Against Yellow Journalism, a united front organization representing some sixty trade unions, Epic Clubs, Utopian Groups, Fourth Cycle Groups, etc.

Auditor Proposes Packing Unemployed In "Dormitories"

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 11.—"Socialization of the Nazi-type concentration camps for housing county owned and operated dormitories for the unemployed, was proposed to and accepted in principle by the Board of Supervisors here today.

County Auditor H. A. Payne proposed that delinquent properties be purchased by the county, for payment of outstanding delinquent taxes to the State. The county could take over these properties and circumvent the moratorium and postponement, and enabling the county to own and operate thousands of properties for the benefit of charity clients, said Payne.

Payne proposes that thousands of relief workers be placed in these properties. At present the county is paying $112,000 per month in rentals for relief workers.

TWO EVICTION DEFENDANTS WIN FREEDOM

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was set up. A branch of the I. L. D. was also created. Since that time Deputy Sheriff Corella, known for his sympathy with the eviction vocation, attempted to terrorize the Mexican workers but with his evil.

Workers of the Belvedere area hurled defiance to police oppression when they turned out 500 strong at today's court session.

The dismissal of charges was made following motion by Grover Johnson, I.L.D. attorney, demanding dismissal in the interests of justice.

*** 1934 Frame-Up.**

Mrs. Hendricks is the wife of Hal Hendricks, victim of frame-up charges following the June 1, 1934, charity "riot," along with James McShann, John Sanders, and Joseph Tot.

The prisoners have been subjected to police discrimination since they started serving their terms, being denied medical service except the mercy of protection of "sacks."

Under the I.L.D. to bring in a physician for these men has been refused by the jail officials. Hendricks, Tot, Sanders, McShann, and McShann a back support for injuries suffered at the hands of the police following his arrest.

★ Call for Wide Protest.

The I.L.D. is now in touch committees to the City Council to demand an open investigation of the Belvedere and Lincoln Heights jail; but thus far only a small minority committee of councilmen has even come to the jail to investigate. The committee accepted a whitewash statement from the officials.

Another broad committee is going to the City Council on Sept. 16 to demand an open investigation that the open investigation be held. Workers should write to the City Council demanding that this investigation be held and that Capt. Shaul be removed as chief jailer at the Lincoln Heights jail.

SOVIET UNION ACTS TO STOP AFRICAN WAR

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sistance to any and all acts of aggression.

Shaky as the international situation is, considering that the prestige of the League was shaken when Great Britain and other leading powers failed to condemn Japan for her invasion of Manchuria and brutal subjugation of Chinese territory, the speech of Litvinoff started the open expression of Soviet Union's foreign policy, and may possibly result in momentarily strengthening the League.

However, the commercial rivals of imperialist powers are too powerful to permit permanent peace unless the forces of the anti-imperialist peace and abroad are rallied in powerful demonstrations for peace.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 13.—Military preparations are by no means confined to Europe. In San Francisco orders went out to relief officials demanding registering facilities at all stations. An analysis of SERA and other relief projects reveals that the war budget of 1935-36, the largest in the history of this country, is supplemented by tremendous "relief" expenditures more or less disguised. In addition CCC camps are more openly than ever admitted to be military in purpose.

Trade union members here are strongly aware of the war danger, not only in the Italian-Ethiopian conflict, but between this country and Japan, and are determined to awaken the ranks of organized labor to active opposition to all imperialist war plans.

INVESTIGATION DEMANDED IN PEDRO MURDER

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to talk and point out gun wounds counts of the assault on Ross by Rueb, which occurred in broad daylight with a number of witnesses present.

One worker who witnessed the fight is reported to have left town following threats from a "beef squad."

★ Medical Care Denied.

Workers should immediately make demands upon State Attorney General U. S. Webb, Mayor Frank L. Shaw and the City Council of Los Angeles, for an open and complete investigation. The immediate prosecution of Rueb and of those police officers responsible for not rushing Ross medical attention for 24 hours, should also be demanded.

The coroner's jury brought in a verdict of murder by "person or persons unknown," but recommending that Rueb be "held to answer."

Union members: Raise the question of having your delegate to the Central Labor Council support recognition of unemployed organizations.

GULF LONGSHOREMEN DEMAND ACTION; STRIKE DATE NEARS

Dock Workers Prepare to Fight for Union Recognition, Wage Increase and the 6-Hour Day; Ryan Stalls for Time

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 12.—Although Joseph P. Ryan, on Sept. 6, set September 16 as the tentative date at which the New Orleans longshoremen, 3,000 strong, will go on strike, he also has indicated that he probably will attempt to sidetrack the issue by question-is submitted to the National Labor Relations Board, set up by the Wagner Labor-Disputes Act.

The New Orleans Steamship Company recently signed an agreement for a 75 cents per hour wage scale with a handful of longshoremen in the Gulf, recognized by longshoremen's Union, a company union.

The agreement is supposed to cover only longshoremen and is to run until 1937.

The longshoremen are demanding $1 per hour.

At the present time the minimum longshore wage in Gulf ports is 35 cents per hour. Most longshoremen receive the minimum—a few are allowed to make as high as 65 cents per hour. Working hours average 40 a week and the average week worked can earn $14 per week. The majority of the longshoremen are part-time workers. Many average as low as $8 to $9 per week.

*** Speed-up**

A few years ago there were from 10,000 to 12,000 workers employed on the waterfront. Now there are 3,000 and more of these are on relief, averaging $20 per month. The speed-up is terrific. Men are worked to death, following the renewal of picketing, at the Francisco Terminal, and Ryan, New Orleans the majority of the longshoremen carry two cards, one for the company union and the other in the I.L.A. and for the organization. Moreover, they are looking for real leader, strike.

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GUILD DEFEAT ATTACK AGAINST REDFERN MASON

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 13.—The general membership meeting last night of the Northern Calif. Newspaper Guild tabled a motion to oppose political Guild support of Republican Earl Redfern Mason, its president, for mayor of San Francisco on the United Labor Ticket.

The motion was based on a communication signed by an organized minority of the San Francisco Examiner Guild Chapter, speaking to censure Mr. Mason for accepting the candidacy. Sixteen of the more than fifty Guild members at the Examiner had signed the communication.

While the majority of members present showed themselves in favor of Redfern Mason's candidacy, doubt as to advisability of endorsing him was said by some to be a badly timed motion caused the defeat of endorsement of the Guild's labor campaign ticket in the coming municipal election with official Guild decision to be made by full membership balloting. Even then the motion lost by only one vote, with the final tabulation standing 19 against and 18 in favor.

Meanwhile the Sailors' Union of the Pacific has passed at its meeting here Tuesday night voted to give news releases only to the Western Worker and to the American Newspaper Guild.

WPA WAR PLANS ARE CONDEMNED BY UNEMPLOYED

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being conscripted into the armed forces to break strikes.

★ Army Control Seen.

Today the State Federation of Unemployed and Allied Organizations issued a call to all affiliated locals to send immediate protests of this order to turn relief agencies into army recruiting stations to State Relief Administrator Mel-anghlin, Harry L. Hopkins and President Roosevelt.

In its call the State Federation points out that "This is the first step, not only in recruiting the unemployed through intimidation, but it is also seen as a preparation for turning relief over to the Army, as was done with the CCC camps—and in line with such a proposal made by Army spokesmen in Los Angeles last April." Further protests are being sent to Capt. C. F. Stelle at the Presidio.

Alex Noral, state organizer of Federated Press, Washington, D.C., day stated, "Many new members are joining the unemployed organizations, and there is a decided increase of enthusiasm for the work they are doing."

Copy Deadlines

LENGTH OF ARTICLES

The maximum length of feature articles, short stories, etc. is six typewritten pages double spaced, preferably five. For news items, use your own judgment.

Approximately three and a half typewritten pages double spaced makes a full column of type.

It is not necessary to write news stories up ready for publication. If you are pressed for time, just jot down all the facts and we will write the story in the office.

Don't get the idea that you have to run onto some monster story or crucial issue in order to have something to send us. Send us everything. One little incident, one small fact, one quotation from somebody, can be turned into an interesting short item.

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Timely news must reach us not later than 5:00 p. m. on Thursday and Mondays. News of very vital importance—the settlement of a strike—a decision to strike—hitherto unannounced actions of government or employers—gangster attacks—sudden changes in important issues—can get in with brief bulletin length if received by us before 10:00 a. m. on Tuesday and Friday. When an issue is imperative, wire us press rates collect. However, go easy on the telegram business. It's expensive. Never wire when the same news can reach us in time by air mail or special delivery.

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EAST OF THE Rockies

Headquarters Bombed Martial Law Scab Cars Fought Firetrap Tenements Green Toady Loses

DETROIT—The East Side Section headquarters of the Communist Party were wrecked by a bomb explosion, believed the work of some fascist or anti-company union gangster. The bomb blew a hole in the floor outside the door way to the headquarters on the second floor. This was the second bombing in this section in the last six months.

The police, in an effort to evade finding out who committed the crime, seized some literature and leaflets, and had printed in Hearst's Detroit Times report of alleged plots by Communists.

TERRE HAUTE—In a continuance of the reign of terror here, Powers Hapgood, member of the National Executive Committee of the Socialist Party, was arrested for the second time in two weeks for exercising his constitutional right of free speech. He is charged with "vagrancy" and "murdering the peace of the city."

The martial law under which this city has been living for several months, is being invoked, following the renewal of picketing at the Francisco Terminal, and Ryan, New Orleans the majority of the longshoremen carry two cards, one for the company union and the other in the I.L.A. and for the organization. Moreover, they are looking for real leader, strike.

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B. C. STEVEDORE STRIKE ENTERS FOURTH MONTH

WORLD-WIDE SUPPORT GIVEN EMBATTLED DOCK WORKERS

VANCOUVER B.C., Sept. 12.—The strike of the British Columbia dock workers now is in its fourth month.

Despite repeated pleas from the longshoremen and from private citizens, the Canadian Government, after promising to set up a conciliation board, has done nothing whatever.

Meanwhile, support for the embattled workers continued to pour in from all corners of the earth. The International Seamen and Harbor Workers have contributed a total of 4,500 francs. At Juneau and Skagway, Alaska, the longshoremen have refused to handle the "hot" cargo from the strike area.

A continued support from the Pacific Coast Maritime Federation has added immensely, the dock workers here, who are fighting for recognition of their union, hiring their own hall and better all around working conditions.

★ Workers Militant

Picket lines are militant. More than a week ago approximately 1,000 longshoremen passed to picket the Shipping Federation hall where scabs are being dispatched to work on the docks. The police attacked the workers with their usual viciousness, and three pickets were pinched.

The fascist "Citizen's League" for months has carried on a mudslinging, slander campaign, not against the strikers and against the Communist Party. The "League" is financed by a group of considerable financial backing and works with the Shipowners at every opportunity.

However, the striking workers are hardly in need of funds to carry on the fight. They are being generously supported by the rank and file of the Seattle Longshoremen, who contribute 3% of their wages.

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THUGS ATTACK UNION KITCHEN

COPS AND THUGS MIXED WITH EACH OTHER BY MISTAKE

OAKLAND, Sept. 12.—Day before yesterday a gang of thugs, hired by Mr. Huddleston, owner of the Santa Cruz Cannery where locked out members of Warehousemen's local 38-44 have been picketing for several weeks, attempted to raid the Union's soup kitchen at 5019 Eis, Fourteenth st.

Rumor White was the only one in the kitchen at the time. He escaped out the front door as the attackers unsuccessfully tried to get in the back door, which was locked. He caught a ride on a passing to the picket line seven blocks away.

The seventeen scabs making the attack followed him and attacked the picket line. The pickets retreated behind the police lines, which was drawn up there and this excellent maneuver forced the police to battle the scabs. Three persons were injured, one being a passerby. Sixteen of the seventeen bus scabs were arrested. A late hour yesterday, all were still in jail.

It has been learned that among the armed thugs arrested were over half the cannery foremen.

★ Court Fight.

Yesterday morning the hearing in the case of Paul Heide and Bob Moore, two pickets in the Oakland-Scott case, charged with tampering with a railroad switch was continued in Judge Tyrrell's court.

The case was again continued until Sept. 13 so the defense can have time to subpoena the officer train crews involved to prove there was no train on the track when the switch, which the pickets have claimed, the S. P. Company has refused to give the names of the crew so that they can be subpoenaed but sent only the dispatcher. The court instructed the dispatcher to have the crews present on the 13th.

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MASS CAMPAIGN FOR HERNDON OF C. S. VICTIMS UNDER WAY

United Front Conference to Be Held Oct. 6 In Los Angeles and San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 12.—The United Front Committee for Action Against the State Criminal Syndicalism Law, with headquarters at 68 Haight st., announced today that state-wide campaign for the freedom of the political workers, convicted under this act in Sacramento four months ago is under way.

Two conferences will be held on October 6, one in Los Angeles under the auspices of the Conference Against Civil Rights with delegates representing southern California organizations, and another in San Francisco at 68 Haight street for Northern California. Invitations have been sent to various trade unions, liberal and radical organizations, inviting them to each send two delegates to the San Francisco conference.

★ State-Wide Conference.

These sessions will be preliminary to a state-wide conference to be held in Sacramento during the hearings before the Supreme Court of Appeals on the appeal of the frame-up convictions.

The Conference for United Action, in a statement, declared, "Nora Conklin, Caroline Decker, and Lorine Normap, now in Tehachapi Women's Prison, and Pat Chambers, Jack Crane, Al Hougardy, and Martin Wilson in San Quentin Penitentiary, were imprisoned because they led strikes that won for thousands of exploited canbery and agricultural workers wage increases of 25 to 100 per cent, and because they helped to organize employed and unemployed workers. Their trial was conducted in an atmosphere of public hysteria and jury intimidation under the guidance of former District Attorney McAllister, previously thrown out of office for his part in the frame-up."

★ Benefit Dance.

Mrs. Mae Mobley is in charge of arrangements for a "Twenty Cent Dance" which will be given here Saturday eve, October 5, at Harbor Hall, at Union st.

Leo Gallacher, International Labor Defense attorney who defended Tom Mooney at the Criminal Syndicalism frame-up in Sacramento, received word Wednesday that the hearing in the case was postponed, this time until Sept. 28. The defense should have received this brief on Sept. 9, but "press of business" has prevented the district attorney's office from meeting this date.

F.S.U. ACQUIRE NEW PROJECTOR OF FILM STRIPS

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 12.—The San Francisco Branch of the Friends of the Soviet Union are the proud possessors of a newly invented film projector which will enable them to supplement their educational campaign with the latest pictures from the Soviet Union.

The projector is a small machine, weighing very little and is easily transported. It will enable the F.S.U. to show a picture to an audience up to 250 people. The picture is reflected on a wall, shade, screen, or sheet and can be shown so that the picture is over 12 feet in length.

The Filmstrip is a strip of regular motion picture film on which have been photographed 125 to 128 pictures and titles. The Filmstrips will be on such subjects as Health and Social Insurance in the Soviet Union," "Famine in the Ukraine," etc. Each Filmstrip has a complete story, similar to the latest news photographs from the U.S.S.R.

The machine is so constructed, that the Filmstrip is not affected by the heat of the lamp. The film is held in a fireproof inflammable stock, and, since the stock consists of many still shots, no permit from authorities are required, and unions, clubs, fraternal organizations and Y.M.C.A. are expected to make full use of this F.S.U. Service.

SOVIET ARCTIC EXPLORERS IN NEW DISCOVERY

MOSCOW, September 13—News of the organization of Russian and scientists in the exploration of Siberia unchartered polar sea, received here today from the Arctic expedition aboard the icebreaker Sadko.

Radio messages from George Ushakov, leader of the expedition, stated that for the second time this year the wild sea has been piloted into the unexplored area between Nicholas and Second Land and Franz Josef Land in search of new islands.

The commander's last message received before the expedition was discontinuing northward in an investigation of an open channel through the ice.

Before entering the unexplored area, the expedition dropped another Graham Bell Island, the most northerly outpost of the Franz Josef group and a party disembarked on the new land and planted an ensign of Russia. A landing but were prevented from penetrating the island by shifting ice floes.

Ushakov reported slight corrections in the reported position of the island and stated that his shores were "black and barren and covered with sea-birds and that the island was constantly blanketed with snow. The expedition also discovered that the bleak promontories hitherto believed to separate islands were in reality connected with the Graham Bell mainland.

MARTIAL LAW CALLED IN Spanish Revolt

MADRID, Sept. 10—A state of martial law, politely described as a "state of prevention" has been declared in view of the subversive activities of the crew of the naval vessel Bartolome Diaz have thrown authorities into a state of panic. Heavy battalions have been placed about the post office, telegraph office and the Madrid-Hendaye and Madrid-Irun and Madrid-Cadiz railroad.

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PRESIDENT GETS YOUTH DEMANDS

Roosevelt Program Called Utterly Inadequate

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12. The recently created National Youth Administration is both "undemocratic and inadequate." This was charged in a letter sent to Aubrey Williams, secretary of the National Youth Administration by Walter McNutt, chairman of the National Council of the American Youth Congress.

The American Youth Congress charges that Roosevelt is not sincere in his desire to help young people, but is using $50,000,000 to build political support for his administration. The program would have the effect of lowering existing wage levels and is no more than a sop to the youth of this land.

In the present setup of the Youth Administration, there is no possibility of cooperation between the youth and the administration officials, the letter says. The youth, which is supposed to be aided by this project, The letter points out that the youth are not working, farming, student, and unemployed youth are not represented at all on the administrative boards.

In place of the Roosevelt-centric Youth Congress, the Congress at its Detroit sessions in July drew up a youth act, representing the interests of 9,000,000 members. This act proposed minimum wages of $15 a week to 16 and 20 who are unemployed through no fault of their own, and $30 a week for those who are employed, a number of persons to get work and educational opportunities to attend a school year instead of as does the Roosevelt government program.

The letter ends with a warning that the Roosevelt program "may lead to the grounds for a fascist pattern of education and youth control in this country. Hence, the influence of young men and women in this country will do all in their power to make this democratic program a reality."

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EAST COAST ILA MEETS TO DRAFT NEW CONTRACT

RANK AND FILE TO ASK WAGE INCREASE AND OWN HIRING HALLS.

By Daily Worker

NEW YORK, N.Y., Sept. 12—Representatives of the International Longshoremen's Association, North Atlantic District, headed by Joseph Ryan, president of the ILA, and Joseph Curran, president of the National Maritime Union, met today in a joint conference to draft a new contract which is to expire Sept. 30.

These demands will be presented Sept. 19 to the New York Shipping Association, the employers' association of the Atlantic Coast shipping operators in North Atlantic ports.

Joseph P. Ryan, president of the I.L.A. has declared that it is not known what the demands of the longshoremen and their allies will be. However, rank and the longshoremen want union hiring halls, $1 an hour, the Friday-Saturday 30-hour week, and $1.50 an hour for overtime. These are the demands which are being made on the part of the vast majority of Catalonian and Spanish workers, according to La Voz, leading workers' and peasants' paper.

VIGILANTES IN NEW ATTACK ON DOCK WORKERS

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 12.—Another longshoreman was attacked by vigilantes, and beaten up from here Monday night. The same night a seaman was dragged from his home and beaten by from the same vigilante crew.

The attack on the longshoreman was made by a gang of 15 men, yesterday, the body of a seaman has found floating in the bay of Oakland, according to the coroner's deputy, the body showed marks of violence. A seaman's dungaree was found with a belt in it.

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Burlesque Girls Win Three-Day Strike

NEW YORK, Sept 12—Some 2,000 dancers and chorus girls received a victory after a three-day strike in which they won their main demands for shorter hours and better pay. The strikers succeeded in raise the recently decreed billion mark loan. Saving banks have to every footer. Other demands that amount, and if their ready cash has been already seized by the Nazis, they will have to give it in installments.

Who, now, loan may well prove the final straw for the German debt mobile. While the Nazis are afraid to reveal the true figures of the floating debt, it has been estimated at from 14 to 20 billion marks. The New York Times financial correspondent has even estimated the total at 30 billions.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA — Petitions for the freedom of Ernst Thaelmann, German Communist leader, Rudolf Claus and Albert Keyser have been signed by 92,-935 persons throughout the country.

FOREIGN NEWS Briefs

C.I. Recruit War Maneuvers Social Credit Ruhr Hunger Strike Compulsory Loan

ENGLAND—The British Trades Union Congress has sent the following message in answer to the telegram of greetings sent by the Central Trade Union Council of the Soviet Union:

"The British Trades Union Congress in session at Margate appreciates your fraternal greetings. It will continue to work for the preservation of peace and for determined resistance to fascism."

SPAIN—The Central Council of the Union Sindicalista de Cataluna (Catalonian Syndicalist Union) has ratified the proposal of its executive committee to affiliate with the Communist International. The proposal will be submitted to the next Congress, to be held in June, the decision of the Union, which represents the Socialist movement in Catalonia, the most advanced part of the vast majority of Catalonian and Spanish workers, according to La Voz, leading workers' and peasants' paper.

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Fortifying Hawaiian Islands Demanded

HONOLULU, Sept. 10.—Members of a sub-committee of the House military affairs committee recommended that the immediate strengthening of the Hawaiian Islands to make them impregnable to attack. This report is significant, since Japan is the only country in a position to attack the United States on the Pacific coast.

600 Strike WPA to Collect Back Wages

NEW YORK, Sept. 12—Two W.P.A. jobs, employing more than 600 workers, have struck for nonpayment of wages. In both cases the men on the job had not been paid since July, and took this step as the only way to save their families from starvation.

One hundred and five of the striking men were employed at the Brooklin Museum.

Resolutions to be Presented at State A.F.L. Convention

Resolutions passed by Machinists Union, Local 68, at regular meeting, Wed., Sept. 11, to be introduced by delegates to the State Federation of Labor Convention in San Diego.

DRAFT RESOLUTION ON A LABOR PARTY

WHEREAS: Labor has learned through experience that the promises of representatives of political parties to the Business Ticket for measures in its interests have been false, and for the purpose of vote-getting, as demonstrated in such acts as in the defeat of the prevailing wage amendment, the establishment of a couple wage of $19—$94 monthly on relief projects, the veto of the veteran's bonus, the continued issuance of injunctions, the use of military against striking workers, the

News Stories and Comment by Worker Correspondents

Jobless Jottings

By the Boondoggler (L. A.)

County supervisors hit by the "scab or starve" bun which nests in the Chamber of Commerce buildings throughout the country and infests the White House at Washington, voted unanimously that Rex Thomson County Superintendent of Charities should be workable plan where by all persons on the rolls of the County Welfare Department can be put to work on rehabilitation projects.

It seems there is no end to this drive to force those on relief to do really useful work, punishment work at starvation wages.

Surely a plan can be evolved whereby patients in the General Hospital can be put to work. During operations on themselves they can pass the instruments to the doctors thus dispensing with the services of the nurses. With a set of mirrors properly arranged and a local anesthetic they should even be able to do their own operations, snip out their appendixes and sew themselves up, saving the taxpayers thousands of dollars that are paid to the doctors and interns in the General Hospital. Doctors and interns could be put at useful work, like digging storm drains for the W.P.A. or become tree surgeons in the C.C.C. at $30 per month.

And furthermore those dead ones, those "stiffs" in the County morgue, what do they mean lying there rotting and doing no good? We suggest that five of the liveliest ones be given the job of County supervisor. They could be made to work for nothing and no doubt do a better job than the present five.

Hoover tossed the veterans out of Washington. Roosevelt when they returned banished them with a smile to the FERA camps on the hurricane ridden Florida Keys. Relief authorities kept them until too late, warnings given by the U.S. Weather Bureau. A hurricane did the rest. Over 200 veterans were killed.

A relief administration that deliberately plans the mass starvation of millions of people cannot be expected to worry about moving 675 "trouble making" veterans out of the path of a hurricane.

300 dead veterans then means 300 less votes against Roosevelt in the next election.

"Coolie Driver" Dalton still sits at the peak of the WPA pyramid in L.A. County. Dalton (12th floor Santee Sts.), the huffing and puffing of opposing politicians having failed (as yet) to blow his house in.

Dalton when interviewed by a committee from the Public Works Unemployment Union stated:

Wages to be paid on WPA projects were fixed in Washington.

Workers who were receiving more than 55 dollars per month in private industry will be cut off the relief rolls if they refuse these scab wage jobs their relief is to be stopped.

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OLD TIMERS FIRED FROM NAVY YARD, REPLACED BY JOBLESS AT SCAB WPA WAGE

GOVERNMENT PLANS TO DRIVE 2,100 INTO MARE ISLAND YARD WITH "WORK OR STARVE" EDICT

By a W.P.A. Worker

RICHMOND, Calif.—The Navy Department, at Mare Island Navy Yard, has started a wage-cut campaign through the Works Progress Administration. Workers on the relief rolls are being sent from Contra Costa County to compete with regular Mare Island workers at a wage scale of from $44 to $63 for 120 hours per month, and they pay their own transportation from all points in the county to Crockett. At Crockett they are loaded on a tug and taken to the Island. They have to leave Richmond at 7 a.m. and land back there at 4 p.m., without any time off for lunch, which makes much longer than 6 hours per day.

OLD HANDS LAID OFF

On the job they were told that they are to put out as much work as on a "regular" job.

At the present time about 75 workers are being forced into the yard, but present plans are to send most of the 2,100 workers on relief in this county into the yard under these miserable conditions.

A few weeks ago a number of the regular employes were laid off, and will no doubt be forced back on their old jobs, through the WPA, at great reductions in salary.

If the WPA sends other relief workers into the yard more of the regular employes will be laid off and forced back at lower wages as soon as starvation drives them onto relief. So the whole plan is to cut wage scales through the so-called "security wage" plan.

*** $63 a Month**

As samples of these scab wages, Richmond "Record-Herald" has announced that pipefitters, welders, riggers, painters, carpenters, a railroad engineer, a gateman and a blacksmith are wanted at $63 a month; while helpers in various trades rate just $55 a month.

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ATTACK ON ANTI-HEARST PICKETS TOLD BY WORKER

By Arthur Strange.

There were about two hundred of us men, with our wives, at 101 Hairdale Street, picketing the Hearst building Tuesday morning. And we found out plenty about the terrorist methods of the Hearst organizing lackeys, working hand in glove.

The picketing was decided on by the Los Angeles League Against Yellow Journalism. About 11 o'clock Tuesday we went down to the Examiner building. The police, posted all along the block, stopped us from taking our banners and placards out of our car. So we drove the car along Hillway, planning to take out the hangers in front of the building. When we drove the car along, the big thugs came out of the building and started to take the banners and placards. In the meantime, a couple of cops had followed me from the corner up to the car. Mistaking the vigilante for one of the pickets, the cops started to beat up on them, whereupon the thugs and the cops had blackjacks and went to work on the cops. At this point a police lieutenant ran up to the cops, yelling "For God's sake, lay off them—they're cops!"

This ended the fight, a bystander picked up one of the banners and hit a cop. By this time the thugs and the cops had recognized each other as friends, and the thugs turned their blackjacks on the bystander.

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Fresno "Sun Maid" Raisin Plant Has Increased Speedup

By a Worker Correspondent

FRESNO.—There is an ever increasing speed-up at the Fresno "Sun-Maid" Raisin plant. At least 20 per cent increase is noticed by men employed here last year. The bond trucking department is in such poor shape that it is impossible for one man to handle the 600 lb. loads on two-wheeled trucks or 1,200 lb. loads on four-wheeled ones.

The strainers and graders are not permitted to leave their places without a relief taking the job. And I do not see going to the toilet or to get a drink, more than twice a day he is allowed.

Hiring is done in a haphazard manner. The men are kept waiting around all day by the foreman, so that they may be hired, and sometimes new men are put on instead of old hands being hired.

The pay is 40 cents an hour, same as last year, although prices have gone up and foodstuffs at least 30 per cent.

The plant is crowded with Mexicans. Well became the members of the Sun-Maid unit are given preference in hiring there is no union, as yet.

RailroadEmployment Drops in Past Year

CHICAGO, Sept. 12—Employment on railroads of the United States shrank 31,000 less in the middle of July this year than in the same time last year, according to an announcement in Railroad Unity News, published by the Railroad Brotherhoods Unity Committee.

Swiss Discover Nazi Trick to Discredit TruthAbout Germany

BASLE, Switzerland, Sept. 12—The Nazis, in their desperate effort to check the rising tide of unfavorable world opinion, have hit upon a new scheme. This consists of first circulating false rumors, and then refuting them, so as to disregard true reports unfavorable to the Hitler government.

In one instance a few Swiss editors allowed themselves to be duped by this strategy. It was alleged that six Italian aviators had been shot down at the Swiss aerodrome by a secret German plane. This was not true, and German papers were able to refute the Swiss newspapers of printing falsehoods.

Later it was found that the rumor had its origin in a branch of the Berlin Propaganda Ministry.

English Firms Must Limit Italian Trade

LONDON, Sept. 12—The Department for Overseas Trade has found it necessary to issue a warning to British firms against supplying certain goods to Italy. Many Italian firms have been placing orders before obtaining necessary import licenses or customs clearances. At the same time that Italian firms are practically buying goods in anticipation of war, many countries are refusing credit to Italian firms, which are already very behind on their payments.

GLORY VS. PAY ON BRIDGE JOB

MEN STAND ON OWN TIME WHEN SPINNING HALTS

By a Bridge Worker

BERKELEY.—The capitalist papers throughout the East Bay report the day by day progress and glory of building the Oakland-San Francisco Bay Bridge, but not a word of the miserable working conditions. Readers are led to believe that the workers are all highly paid and "wonderful things are said of these "heroes" of the air."

Eighty per cent of us are paid the miserable sum of 68 cents per hour, 30 hours per week for working 500 feet in the air and below us is certain death. But due to lay-offs and the slutting off effect of speed-up we are averaging from $10 to $11 per week for the privilege of risking our lives.

If the wheel stops while we are on the bridge we are immediately docked for time lost and spend our time for hours shivering in the fog. Workers from the Oakland side spend 42 cents each day for carfare, if we get in any time or not. If the weather is warm the wire expands and the crew is sent home after spending car fare.

We need organization on this job and need it badly, for we are woefully underpaid and exploited by the American Bridge Company. This here stuff is good for the capitalist headlines but does not buy shoes for the feet or warm your belly while spending hours above the fog shivering on your perch—waiting for the wheel to start.

NOTE: We invite the bridge workers to send in letters describing in greater detail the actual working conditions on the bridges. We will guard your identity.—Editor.

Red Army Joined by "Loyal" Troops on March to Changteh

CHANGTEH, Hunan Province, China, Sept. 12—This ancient city is being rapidly evacuated by pro-strikers. Business men and agents of foreign governments as the Chinese Red Army assulted its way within 30 miles of the city's outposts.

Provincial troops rushed to block the victorious push of the Red forces commanded by Generals Peng Teh-Hui and Ho Lung have retreated in disorder and many of the "loyal" government forces have deserted to the Communist ranks.

City authorities, who have established martial law in an attempt to crush the anti-Japanese elements within the city itself which are in sympathy with the invaders, admit that Chinese troops are deserting in great numbers.

A British gunboat was standing in the harbor to give moral and material support to their exploitation it might be well to cease working their employes' souls and stomachs—over-hours that the men become "dead on their feet." Columbia, the worst abuser in the field, forced the men to work anywhere from sixteen to thirty-six hours in a stretch over a period of weeks. Then cut the men off the pay roll and let them lie around until things begin picking up. At times the men were

Pathe Begins Fascist Series

HOLLYWOOD.— William Randolph Hearst, candidate for the post of America's No 1 Fascist, has launched a campaign for fascization of the United States through the medium of motion picture newsreels.

First of a series attempting to identify all labor troubles as Communist-inspired, has been released by Pathe News, controlled by Warner Brothers studios, Hearst is closely connected with the Warner Film interests.

Shots of police beating strikers" are interspersed with scenes from the Soviet Union, and the voice of a narrator declares that "Communists are responsible" for the strikes, such as the San Francisco waterfront and general strike of last year.

HOLLYWOOD BIG SHOTS JITTERY OVER MILITANTS

COMPANY UNION SCHEMES OPPOSED BY "REDS"

By John Lorree.

The "Hollywood Reporter" of Aug. 31, a motion picture trade paper, blared forth in large headlines the fact that in several of the studios it had been discovered that there were some studio employes who were communists or communist sympathizers. It went on to say that the studio executives were planning a campaign to ruthlessly stamp out all people who might be suspected of interest in Marxism. Meanwhile the studios are going ahead full blast organizing the studio social clubs.

It seems that the "gentlemen" discovered this red influence when their frantic efforts to organize the studio clubs (really company unions) was encountering opposition from certain enlightened employes who had some knowledge of corporation tactics—in their attempts to mislead the workers. So it was necessary to first clear the ground of obstacles before the steamrolling process.

Mr. L. B. Mayer, executive vice president of the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studios and head of the central committee of the Republican Party in California is one of the most ardent opponents of Communism. "Not from any personal or selfish reasons," he said in one of his recent speeches to the M-G-M's executives. "I would be the first man to advocate a new system of society if I thought it would alleviate the suffering of the poverty of the masses. But I have investigated and know from authentic sources (he is a prominent friend of W. R. Hearst and gets the information direct) that people are dying by the thousands, for the lack of food and nourishment—in Russia.

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Has Your Union Hit At Hearst?

SAN FRANCISCO—Two more culinary unions here have voted to remove all Hearst publications from the reading rooms in their headquarters. They are Cooks' Union, Local 44, and Waiters' Employes' Local No. 110. Waiters' No 30 took the same action not long ago.

The list of unions which have thus officially joined the move of organized labor and all other enemies of Fascism to strangle the Hearst press is constantly growing. Has your union or fraternal organization yet voted to put Hearst on its unfair list as an enemy of labor?

Here is the list of Hearst newspapers, magazines and movie concerns which class-conscious workers on the West Coast don't patronize:

NEWSPAPERS—
SAN FRANCISCO EXAMINER
SAN FRANCISCO CALL-BULLETIN
LOS ANGELES EXAMINER
LOS ANGELES HERALD and EXPRESS
SEATTLE POST-INTELLIGENCER
SEATTLE POST-INTELLIGENCER

MAGAZINES—
HEARST METROTONE NEWS (newsreel)
WARNER BROTHERS FILMS
COSMOPOLITAN PRODUCTIONS (films)

MOVIES—
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REINSTATEMENT WON FOR WORKER CUT OFF RELIEF

S. F. PWUU COMMITTEE MEETS WITH SERA

By a Worker Correspondent

SAN FRANCISCO.—A grievance committee of 75, representing the 3 San Francisco locals of the Public Works and Unemployed Union met recently with Mr. Nelsen and Mr. Wakefield of the SERA to protest the forced drafting of unemployed into the hop fields. The committee also took up local grievances.

Nelsen and Wakefield were first inclined to pass the buck and to send us elsewhere, but the committee told them we were tired of being bandied around and demanded some satisfaction. And Mr. Nielsen found that after all he did have the authority to assure us that anybody who had been cut off relief or who was discriminated in the future be cut off with instructions to go into the hop fields would be immediately reinstated.

The committee was very militant and there were a few deputy sheriffs and several police were standing around inside and several more in uniform trying to intimidate the workers.

We won reinstatement, food and clothing, and a job for one man who had refused to leave the county and go to the hop fields and had been cut off relief.

Mr. Nelsen and Wakefield promised to investigate and give us a report at the next meeting, with the committee on the complaints that could not be settled immediately.

I DISMISSED IN SALT LAKE CITY 'RIOT' FRAME-UP

I.L.D. CALLS FOR WIDE PROTEST IN CASE

SALT LAKE, Sept. 12—The 10 workers who were beaten by police and then arrested by FERA thugs for demonstration against relief cuts at Sugarhouse, are now arrested, were released after many hearings here last Monday, September 9, on charges of rioting. Judge Harley White was released for lack of evidence.

The others were bound over to superior court and there is danger of their being railroaded to prison if workers throughout the West do not rally an immediate wave of protest. "Rioting," the framing charge against them, is a felony.

Frank Martin, Dave Sinclair and Wm. Allen are out on $2,500 bail each, furnished by the International Labor Defense. Bail for the others has been reduced to $1,500 each, but the I.L.D. has not yet been able to raise more bond.

Sinclaire, Olson Shelly, and Jimmie Woolman will defend themselves in court, while Harry Metcalfe, an I.L.D. attorney, will handle the cases of the other workers. Witnesses, adult and labor organizations and individuals are being requested by the I.L.D. to send conditions and protest to the press, acting attorney, to the FERA headquarters and to the chief of police.

L. A. Section Raises First Hundred for Daily Worker Drive

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 9.—Sending in its first $100 today, the Los Angeles Section of the Communist Party launched into a concentrated drive to raise funds for the Daily Worker drive.

The dual slogan, being raised here in the drive: "$60,000 for the Daily Worker and for a Daily Western Worker." Fifteen fraternal organizations have sent delegates to the conference manag. ing the drive, and the deputy sheriff can Federation of Labor locals, painters and carpenters.

The drive will culminate with a large mass meeting on October 27, for which the conference is planning to have Vito Marcantonio, editor of the Daily Worker, as the chief speaker.

Labor Council Faker Slurs Men Who Boo Hearst in Parade

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 4.—J. W. Buzzell, reactionary secretary of the Central Labor Council, passed off the militant demonstration of some 200 members of the street cleaners union, who booed during the Labor Day parade to "thumb their noses and shout "Down with Hearst" slogans in front of the Los Angeles Examiner, with the remark that "it was just a bunch of Reds trying to show off."

This was learned here today from Claudia Jenkins, member of the women's auxiliary of the street earmen's union, which was locked out by the Los Angeles Railway Corporation following the strike of last November.

Redfern Mason to Talk at Oak Hall Rally on Sept. 16

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 13—Redfern Mason, labor candidate for mayor of San Francisco, and Tarna Velez, will be the main speakers at a Democratic Rally, Sept. 16, 8 p. m., at Oak Hall, 180 Duboce Avenue.

They will discuss the importance of the Labor Party Ticket to the citizens of San Francisco, representatives from the maritime unions also will talk.

All friends and sympathizers of labor are invited to support this rally which will be the opening gun of the United Labor Ticket campaign in the 27th Assembly District.

Admission will be free.

GOVERNMENT IN FIGHT AGAINST JOBLESS CO-OP

L.A. SELF-HELP GROUP GYPPED ON PRICES

Battle Chain Store

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE'S "FINISHING TOUCH"

By a Worker Correspondent

LOS ANGELES.—If you are unemployed and have any illusions that the government is going to give you a chance to work yourself out of your trouble, you should be easily mistaked. And if you will write to the self-help cooperative in Escondido, it will verify this fact.

Two weeks back, in Escondido, a group of unemployed got together and decided to ask for use of three unemployed grants to start a project cooperative. They secured a loan of one thousand dollars. And so with the aid of some of the neighboring farmers who donated some land, they were able to start a farming project, although at first they had quite a setback.

The first crop was one of the leading Epics in the community, who should by all means have been the ones to go into production-for-use plan. It is reported that he took two hundred and fifty dollars of the money and bought a span of mules which was estimated to be worth twenty dollars.

*** A Government Guy**

Anyhow, they all pitched in and worked like troopers. Their crops began to ripen and they were quite happy over the thing. Then sent a shipment of Al tomatoes to the government distribution warehouse in Los Angeles. Then they also supply CCC camps. It was the only place they could get their produce.

The market price of tomatoes was $1.00 a box at the time. The government agent told them that their price was 40 cents. They sold the tomatoes and a couple of fellows out of the group with the truck driver went back and forth to Los Angeles at the same tomatoes to other units and they were $1.10

They brought another load of tomatoes in and they were told that they would receive 35 cents. This was more than they had bargained for, so they pulled the load across the street and asked a dollar a box, receiving it promptly. And the government revoked the grant.

*** Opened a Cannery**

But these unemployed were determined to get off the backs of the taxpayers. They decided to go out on their own hook. They already had secured the use of a cannery in Escondido, and installed some canning equipment and began canning their produce. They sold some of their goods to the public and were doing so good that Piggly-Wiggly decided to put in a sale. Cards were put up on a sale on canned goods that was even cheaper than the self-help cooperative was selling. But this did not daunt them, neither did they use poor business tactics. They just cut the price of the pennies and dimes that they and their friends had and bought heavily of the Piggly-Wiggly sale. And they carried it all down to their own store and stocked their own store and sold it. This went on for some time until the manager of the Piggly-Wiggly discovered that his goods were too rapidly transferred from his store to the cooperative's store.

The sales were promptly stopped and the Piggly-Wiggly management went into a huddle with the chamber of commerce. And now they are being blacked at every turn. They are even stopped from hauling their oranges through orange County. According to top officials, the project is to be abandoned due to pressure from big business.

Postal Clerks Ask Union Solidarity

ATLANTA, Sept. 13—Solidarity in the ranks of all postal employees is urged in a resolution adopted by the National Federation of Post Office Clerks, an affiliate of the A. F. of L., which is in session here. The federation asked for United Association of Post Office clerks, a parallel union, to affiliate with it and with the A. F. of L.

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San Francisco

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THIRD RED BANNER NIGHT Saturday, September 14, 1935, 121 Haight Street. Workers Theater Play, Dancing.

ATTENTION: Workers' Press Picnic Rattle of books will be held at this affair. Bring your stubs.

Auspices Mission Communist Party.

WORKING GIRL to share modern apartment. Golden Gate Avenue opposite Jefferson Park. $11 per month. Inquire, Box 300, Western Worker.

MISSION WORKER'S OPEN FORUM, 131 Haight Street, Sunday, September 15th "Labor Party and Fascism." Speaker, Lawrence Lee Ross. Free Radio of book "Fatherland" (a picture of life under German Fascism). Admission Free. Questions, Discussion.

ATTENTION! Railroad Workers Affair. Sat. Sept. 28th, 8 p. m. 121 Haight Street. Auspices: I.L.D.—Carpenters-Dancing. Admission 25c. Entertainment and File movement in Railroad Industry.

P.W.U.U.—Dancing, Refreshments, Entertainment. Sunday, Sept. 22, 8 p. m., 170 Golden St. Admission 15 cents.

HELP FREE THE CRIMINAL SYNDICALISM PRISONERS. DANCE. Sat., Oct. 5. Braids Hall, 81 Page St. Refreshments. Union Music, Short Plays. Admission 25c. Door Prize. Attention: Conference for Repeal of C. S. Act.

RED FROLIC, Sat. Sept. 21, 121 Haight st. Program—Dancing, Refreshments, Portrait Auction, Individuals—Beside Daily Worker, Auspices: Unit 16, Hillstreet. Admission 25c.

SEPTEMBER 29, 8 p. m. Sunday. Social at 170 Golden St. Dancing, Dining. All evening. Admission 15c. Auspices: North Beach Unit.

PARTY GIVEN BY DICK PARKER BRANCH I.L.D. (Waterfront) Sunday, Sept. 15, 8 p. m., at 799 Valley street. Dancing, refreshments, specialties prepared by Italians. Show your real good Italian appetite. Admission 25c.

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Los Angeles

BOWERY BEER BUST—Cabaret Style, at the Cultural Center, 230 S. Spring st., on Sept. 21, from 8 p. m. on. Singing Waiters, Schnittlauch, Torch Singer, Jitterbug Dancers, Band of Stalin. Auspices: Downtown Subsection, Y.C.L.

CARNIVAL AND PICNIC of the Workers Laborite Party. Entertainment, Sunday, October 13th, at Verdugo Woods Estates.

Workers forum, 30 S. Spring St., L. A. Every Sunday night—8 p.m. Admission 10 cents.

KEEP OPEN the 27th of October, for the fifth Annual Concert of the Daily Worker at the Mason Opera House.

5000 Farm Workers Threaten to Strike

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 13—A strike of 5000 Mexican agricultural workers against Japanese vegetable growers was predicted here today by officials of the Regional Labor Board.

Encouraged by the attitude of county SERA officials who have threatened the workers with starvation, the employers are trying to reduce hourly wages from 22½ cents an hour to 20 cents. The workers demand 25 cents.

When the growers refused to submit the question to arbitration, the labor board referred the case to the U. S. Labor Commissioner, who is powerless to enforce any decision he may make.

UNION ACTION FORCES CUT IN CANNERY HOURS

YOUTH CONGRESS REPORT HELPS WORKERS

By a Cannery Worker.

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 11.—As a result of organized pressure, union for the Cannery Workers' Union, workers in the California Sanitary Canning Co., Santa Fe Beach Boulevard, Los Angeles, have won shorter hours and are making improvements in the same wages now in 12 hours as they formerly did in 16 hours.

The American Youth Congress report on cannery working conditions, printed in the Western Worker, which was filed with the Labor Commission, also aided in winning shorter hours and better conditions.

Formerly, the workers were compelled to work 15 to 16 hours a day to as late as 2 a. m., during periods when the fruit crops came in. Now they work 12 hours a day, until 8:30 or 9 p. m.

Two tables for mainos, employing 14 girls, have work from about 9:30 a. m. until 7 or 8 p.m. They are making almost the same wages they did when they worked 12 hours.

The union agitation has also won the concession from the company of a new men's restroom.

The Union, which is seeking to affiliate with the American Federation of Labor, has held six meetings so far, with new members signing up each meeting. It will carry on the fight for still better working conditions.

Sailors Union Opens Marine Hiring Hall In Hawaiian Islands

HONOLULU, Sept 13—For the first time in the history of the island a marine union hiring hall has been established here by the jurisdiction of the Sailors' union of the Pacific.

Moving rapidly upon their arrival here, representatives of the Seamen's union and the Marine Cooks, Wipers and Oilers began to despatch all deckmen and firemen through the hall in spite of constant pressure by Chief of Police W. A. Gabrielson.

The union representatives are Max Weisbarth of Portland, Ore., representing the seamen, and Charles W. Post, territorial agent for the Marine Cooks.

Officials of the Matson Line have made no apparent efforts to challenge the jurisdiction of the union men who have been under constant attack by Chief Gabrielson.

The police chief has issued statements charging the men with responsibility for the shooting of a sailor in what he called a "union resentment against Weisbarth by stating that he has a "police record" in Portland in connection with maritime strife there.

Gabrielson says he is "keeping a constant watch over the activities of the union representatives."

Challenge Sent To District 13 In Daily Drive

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 9—District 12 of the Communist Party, including Oregon, Washington and Idaho, has challenged District 13, including California, Arizona, and Nevada, to revolutionary competition in the drive $60,000 drive for the Daily Worker.

District 13 has accepted the challenge and pledges itself to fulfill its quota before District 12. The quotas are: District 12, $7,50; District 13, $1,500.

AT THE MOVIES

By Stephen Peacock

"Are there Bypecks on the window?
And wrinkles on the ground?
IS there a tapeworm plague in China?
And a spot upon the moon?
CHORUS: "It's them reds. It's them reds."
(From a poem by Cincinnatus, dedicated to the Chamber of Commerce)

Early one morning somewhere about 1847 or '48, Karl Marx, who had been inhaling too many El Ropes, decided to disrupt the universe so he invented a terrible device called the "class struggle." Before that, the world had been one happy family, but hell has been popping ever since.

The climax to the whole gigantic red conspiracy to besmirch the pillars of the globe was reached when Willie Hearst informed a startled world that Roosevelt goes to bed tightly grasping a copy of the Communist Manifesto, while under his pillow is parked Volume 1, "Das Capital."

And well-informed Washington correspondents report that the real reason Roosevelt decided a "breathing spell" was to give himself a chance to digest Volumes 2 and 3.

*** SAN FRANCISCO IS CENTER**

Anybody who knows anything agrees that not Moscow, but San Francisco is the center of the world revolution. Paul Scharrenberg, speaking recently under the auspices of the police at the Oakland Municipal Auditorium, quoted no less an authority than Antediluvian Andy Furuseth to prove that the reds are not interested in the revolution, except for the purpose of carrying red literature around the world. Sharrenberg, by the way, is author of that soul-stirring romance "From Sailor to Stenographer."

What may look like interest from Sweden, crab from Japan or caviar from Russia being unloaded at San Francisco is nothing but red literature. And who do you think is at the head of the plot? Nobody less than Dr. Ivan Poznanski (Alias Thomas Plant, head of the Waterfront Employers).

Mr. Plantitzky is constantly trying to keep the waterfront in a state of turmoil, to make it easier for Bridges to plant the red seeds there when Der Tag (The Day) arrives.

*** SAN FRANCISCO AND ETHIOPIA**

While all the facts are not yet available, there is no doubt whatever that there is a direct connection between the Maritime Federation and Haile Selassie, whose right name is Hyamf Salutzky. The best proof in the world is that both the Maritime Federation and Salutzky insist on sticking up for their rights, even if they have to fight for it. And poor old Italy, like the Industrial Ass'n wants nothing but peace, and a big peace, in fact the whole piece.

First class military experts point out that what is likely to happen is, after the Ethiopian Navy has destroyed defenseless Italy, Hymie will help Hearst to capture the waterfront here.

*** MUNICIPAL ELECTION PLOT**

What better way to demonstrate the insidious nature of the red plot to corrupt San Francisco before destroying it, than to expose the United Labor Party plot to elect its candidate, Redfern Mason, as mayor. Mason for twenty years "bored from within" Hearst's San Francisco Examiner as a music critic.

But wait until Hearst gives you the real low down on it. He will say that Mason's real name is Redfront Masonuvabichsky, who betrayed Hearst's trust in him by using musical criticism as a medium for revolution and subopace. For example, an ordinary reader of the Examiner would read Mason's criticism of some artist that "He played Handel's Largho too staccato."

But what did it really mean? Hearst will prove that it was a code message, sent by the Comintern, addressed to the longshoremen of San Francisco who decoded it as "Handle cargo with a stiffpick."

After thus digging under the City Hall for twenty years, Redfront now prepares to move in so he can light the fuse concealed in the cellar.

*** SANTA ROSA PLOT**

Another remarkable example of how the reds will stop at nothing to disrupt the country was furnished at Santa Rosa last week. Lawrence Ross, a veteran of the World War, who cherish the opportunity to work for two bits an hour, or a day or something like that, were happy as hell and getting along fine. Then one night a band of reds disguised as vigilantes. They tarred and feathered themselves just to scare the workers out of Sonoma County and spoil the crop.

The thing was so obvious that no less a legal mind than Attorney General Webb of California stated that there was nothing to investigate.

And just to prove that everything was hotsy totsy in Sonoma, San Francisco relief officials stopped relief, where they were rapidly going to the dogs, and gave them a chance to recuperate morally and financially. All they had to do was hopefully apply for relief, get on the fields for only 30 or 40 hours a day, and at three weeks time they could gross about $3.49 net, following which they could buy a Packard and send the family to the beach for two weeks of the winter.

And to think that along came another bunch of reds who insulted the relief officials, and tried to interfere with the right of free American citizens to earn a living, by hollering that 30c a day was not a living wage.

*** FLORIDA INCIDENT**

This far the reds have not been charged with the storm in Florida, although hints have been made that the weather man was responsible for what happened. We agree that the weather forecast is just as responsible for a storm, as predicts is responsible for Karl Marx responsible for predicting class struggles under capitalism.

We propose, in the name of the Constitution, that in order to prevent future hurricanes in Florida, cyclones in Kansas and "disasters" in San Francisco, that all weather men who predict storms be charged with Criminal Syndicalism. Henceforth let us have only "Fair and Warmer."

DEMANDS OF PACIFIC COAST SEAMEN EXPLAINED BY SAILOR

Higher Wages, Better Living Quarters, Six-Hour Day Needed, Must Do Away With "Third Party" Arbitration

By Davey Jones.

This is the third and concluding article on seamen's conditions, pay, rank and file mentality of the International Seamen's Union.

In the two preceding articles I have tried to give a picture of conditions under which seamen have been working in the past, and under which we are working today. To try and tell of conditions in detail is impossible, due to the extent of setting any definite time, although there are certain conditions that we know will exist eventually. However, I will try to point out what we want and have as compared with what we have.

*** Wages.**

First in the matter of wages, I mentioned in the last article the minimum wage of $62.50 for able seamen, and $45 for ordinary seamen, as is the present scale. We are the present negotiations we are asking for $90 per month for A. B.'s, and proportionately higher for ordinary seamen, or $100 per month on steam schooners, and $75 per month for ordinary seamen on steam schooners. We feel that this is not asking too much as the shipowners would like to have the general public believe.

We offer as proof of our statement the fact that we have articles of agreement between the Sailors' Union and the separate shipowners are in existence which provide for $90 per month for A. B.'s, $65 for ordinary seamen and other ratings in proportion. Also living conditions and working rules are far superior to any award handed down by arbitration, I might add that the last mentioned agreement was drawn up and signed directly with the shipowners by a rank and file committee of seamen.

*** Abolish "Awards".**

This is the way all agreements should be. When the time comes when we get away from awards and so-called "neutral" third parties drawing up such awards, then we will have taken a real step forward in establishing a Seamen's Union worthy of the name.

There is also a lot, to be desired in the way of improvement over the present system of prior seamen's conditions.

Although such ships as the big Dollar ships, the President Hoover, President Coolidge and the ships of the Matson and Grace lines are advertised as "Palatial Liners," yet they are anything but luxury liners for a sailor. In particular the Dollar ships mentioned. These ships carry a crew of 26 sailors who all live together, not in a "dry hole" three decks down where real fresh air is as hard to find as a snowstorm in June.

*** Living Quarters.**

In some of the smaller ships and freighters conditions are something to write home about. Officers are usually divided up in two or three rooms, but in nearly all cases the foc'sles are small and poorly accommodated. The usual arrangement is three or four men in a room which is too small for two men to be comfortable. The result is banks are too high and sufficient floor space can't be provided nor such ordinary articles of furniture as chairs and a table.

What we would like to see is room on deck, two men to a room, single bunks, chairs, table, magazine racks and facilities for writing letters, and a settee and reflect recreation and above all to have room enough to take a step without banging your nose against the bulk head. In other words, where a man could relax after a day's work. And though a sailor's life could never be a divine pleasure it could be bearable.

Of course we aren't asking for such a complete change at first, but we do have to a certain extent rebuilt and it is hardly logical to assume that will take place until we have taken a real step forward in establishing a Seamen's Union worthy of the name.

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THE RED MENACE

"TOLSTOI TAKES THE COUNT"

"Anna Karenina," from Tolstoi's novel. M. G. M. film with Greta Garbo and Frederick March. At the Warfield, San Francisco.

O. H. sends in a report on this new Garbo film headed as follows: "Anna Karenina." Rating: Trash. Here is the dope: "Here at last we have a picture that fulfills a white-guard's dreams of his pre-revolutionary Russia. It's all here: officers of the Czarist army with nothing to do all day long but twirl their mustaches, drink champagne, shovel in the caviar, and make love so somebody else's wife. All the officers are smart-looking, clean-cut, and the younger women easy to look at. The workers are helpless and dumb. In the one set of labor depicted in this luxurious film, that of a railway worker inspecting a train's wheels, the clumsy man is caught and crushed to death. Tolstoi finishes the entire Russian working class.

"A sample scene: large bowl of caviar (?) with officers' staffing themselves. Great hall filled with girls and officers

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Labor's Own Candidate—Redfern Mason

Clean government, no graft, reduction of taxes, reorganization and a dozen other promises equally worthless face the voters at every election. Reading the recently announced platform of Harry L. Todd, candidate for mayor of San Francisco, you will hear all these promises, all very vague. The same is true of any other candidate you have ever voted for if you voted the usual Democratic or Republican tickets. No wonder most persons approach election time with a feeling of cynicism, a feeling they are going to be betrayed again.

It is difficult for disillusioned voters to realize that they are faced with a different choice this election. There is for the first time in San Francisco history a candidate chosen by a united front of sincere labor and liberal organizations, pledged, not to windy promises of more expenditures and less taxes, but to a definite program embracing the demands of labor; for a decent town, with civil rights preserved to the people; striving to get the best conditions possible for those with jobs or without jobs.

As its candidate for mayor, the United Labor Party in the municipal election picked Redfern Mason, chosen by the newspaper men of Northern California to be head of their own organization, the Newspaper Guild.

Attending Tuesday night meeting of the Guild, Redfern Mason told why he had been chosen. The United Labor Campaign Committee, in asking him to run for mayor, gave three reasons.

First, he is incorruptible.

Second, he is a Hearst victim. He was forced off the San Francisco Examiner, where he had been music critic, for his union activities in organizing the Guild.

Third, he is a friend of labor.

No conscientious worker can oppose the program of the United Labor Party. Neither can he take exception to its candidate. Beyond being a friend of labor, the candidacy of Redfern Mason represents the realization that workers of brain must combine with workers of brawn in the fight against their common enemy, the employing class which has hitherto dominated San Francisco politics.

Assassination—Nightmare of Capitalist Politics

The assassination of Dictator Huey Long brings to a close one chapter in the history of Louisiana politics, and opens another with chance but no immediate solution.

The modern welter of graft, vice, corruption, and suppression of democratic rights by the "strong men" of political machines, with the bloody and violent consequences seen in the shooting climax, defies description, and will present itself to residents of Soviet America not many years hence as an amazing nightmare.

The Communist Party in New Orleans promptly condemned the political murder, pointing out that "The Communist Party is as unalterably opposed to acts of terrorism as to the rule of Huey Long in this state," and declaring that the Communist Party "is firm in its fight for the maintenance of the constitutional rights of the people of Louisiana, and is supporting the formation of a Labor Party to that end.

This step is proven more emphatically necessary by developments following Long's death. With wild rumors of a plot on the part of the "outs," emanating in Dr. Weiss "petting the black ball" and being committed to the death with Long's machine in a wild scramble for the remnants of power and pelf; the administration, of the state portrays the destructive lunacy inherent in capitalist political life. The workers and professionals everywhere are beginning to recognize that this is the condition on which all city and state politics verge, due to old party and machine control.

Sweep away the Longs and their successors; bring an end to the criminal stupidity of old party politics; thwart the anti-labor trends of capitalist politicians by means of a sweeping Labor Party victory.

The Constitution and the Declaration of Independence

Every reactionary business man in the country, who has done his best to suppress the liberties we associate with the name Americanism, is raising a howl for the observance of Constitution Day on Sept. 17, the 148th anniversary of the Constitution.

The reason is quite simple. The Constitution, founded in a day and age when the requirements of government were totally different than at present, contains restrictions which limit government interference with their right to do as they please.

Typical of the state of mind of the person who wails about "preserve the Constitution" is the treatment of another great American document, the Declaration of Independence. The reactionary McFadden publication, Liberty, in its July 13 issue, printed the beginning of the Declaration of Independence on the cover. After reciting the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, it breaks off after these words: **"That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends it is the Right of the ...** That much is safe, but the rest of the sentence, tucked away in small type on an inside page, expresses an implacable right of the American people, which the capitalists backing Constitution Day want to be forgotten. The balance of the sentence reads: **"the people, to alter or to abolish, and to institute a new government, laying its foundation on such principles, and organizing its power in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their safety and happiness."**

That right, we want to remind the members of the Constitution Society, still stands.

Communist Party Asks for Labor Unity

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cause if outside wages are lower than those paid on the projects, there is every justification for low W.P.A. rates.

This question is therefore part of a general whole. Union labor must take vigorous steps to protect its wage scales, and must not only organize the unorganized workers into auxiliary unions, but must also aid in organizing the unemployed on W.P.A. jobs to maintain union scales of pay, and must also work closely with all unemployed organizations, civic, given voice and also vote in central labor bodies so that uniform action may be followed.

☆ Militant Program Essential.

In general, the spirit of this year's convention must follow a militant line if the employers, everractive and determined Open Shop advocates (no matter how they praise Scharrenberg and other of his kind) are to be defeated.

We of the Communist Party, active fighters for democracy in the unions, we who militantly and without compromise fight the employers and their political tools to forward the struggle of labor, as Tom Mooney and other militants have done through the years, now urge upon all delegates consideration of the following briefly stated measures:

1.—The defeat of Paul Scharrenberg for secretaryship of the California State Federation of Labor, and election of a secretary who will represent the progressive tendencies of labor. Election of rank and file delegates throughout.

2.—Endorsement of the United Labor Party for California; such action to be urged upon all local bodies until 100 per cent unity of all progressive forces is established.

3.—100 per cent organization of labor, professional, unemployed, and all trades, crafts and industries. Immediate organizational steps to be taken.

4.—Fostering of the industrial form of organization in every possible case, to give labor greater unity and more mobility in action against the employers, as in the case of the Maritime Federation of the Pacific. This not to infringe upon, but to supplement and strengthen A. F. of L. organization.

5.—Endorsement of the Lundeen Bill for Unemployment and Social Insurance, known as H.R. 2827, and the Workers' Unemployment Insurance Bill, known as A.R. 791, the Pettegrew Bill, and the Marcantonio Bill for full and immediate payment of the bonus.

6.—For trade union unity and the guarantee of the rights of the membership to any and all political beliefs as guaranteed by the Constitution.

7.—Vigorous condemnation of vigilantism, with expulsion of a local united from against employer gangster terrorist and "Red squad" methods of smashing militant action.

8.—Support of Tom Mooney and the Criminal Syndicalism prisoners and the repeal of this vicious anti-labor legislation.

9.—Determined opposition to the W.P.A. slave wage-scales, which were deliberately shaved to reduce union wages; and organization of employed and unemployed to provide adequate united resistance.

10.—Militant opposition to war and the shipment of war materials; condemnation and expulsion of all so-called labor leaders who support war, which is used to make workers further workers in the interests of profit-makers, and imperialist power.

11.—Organization of the South, not only in mining, but in other industries. Control of coal to bring youth to the support of and understanding of organized labor, and prevent them being used for fascist, divide-labor purposes.

☆ The Communist Party Position.

Many other measures, of a special kind such as protest of the Florida veteran mass-murder scandal, suggest themselves, all part of a broad basis for militant program construction. It is this broad basis for unity, based on mass action, that the Communist Party urges upon all delegates.

And it is the interest of this unity and increased fighting strength that we urge united action, on our part willingly unreserving to join hands and work faithfully and constructively for common purposes as exemplified in a United Labor Party platform whole or preceding program, though by no means submerging our Party as a whole, any more than Epic or Utopian members would surrender their political identity and desire for social change.

The future belongs to Labor, of this we are confident.

We are likewise sure that if we can unite our forces behind a minimum program, we can defeat Open Shop, fascism, and suppression of the trade unions and Constitutional rights, and preserve freedom of speech and assemblage and all precious human liberties.

We also state frankly that our final objective is to abolish capitalism and its hideous miseries, its exploitation, and its profit-seeking motives that lead to wars of conquest and imperialist domination of colonial peoples.

You need not agree with this objective now in order to unite with us in defense of common rights.

But the time for such unity is now, and the moment than such political disagreements, and every moment brines the danger of fascism nearer.

We now invite our forces immediately, leaving our ultimate aim for later consideration.

Every attempt to exclude the Communists is the beginning of tactics to split the entire labor movement and destroy the unity that alone can build strength to equal and overcome that of the employers.

Trade unionists, fellow-workers, delegates, we appeal to you to fight with determination for complete unity of ranks.

Forward to a sweeping victory for labor in the coming year.

Fraternally yours,
DISTRICT COMMITTEE, COMMUNIST PARTY OF CALIF.

News of WORKERS' SCHOOLS

The San Francisco Workers' School is planning the second event in its program of Educational Lectures in presenting several prominent speakers, according to the Campaign Committee of the Labor Ticket who will discuss "The Job for a Labor Party" on the evening of September 20, at 121 Haight street. Lawrence Lee, Ben Lisner and Ben Lewis are the speakers.

Registration for the

I.S.U., OFF-SHORE OWNERS TALK AWARD CHANGES

Employers Attempt to Prejudice Public

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the right to collective bargaining.

Negotiations for clarification and amendment of the existing award have nothing to do with the Labor Relations Board as established by the agreement. The duties of this board are "to investigate and adjudicate all grievances and disputes which may arise between any of the parties hereto concerning the interpretation or performance of this agreement, or this award, or any matter not covered thereby or hereby."

Meanwhile the shipowners point to the ships tied up when workers refused to handle such cargos from the "Black Ships" as "violation of the agreement." Nevertheless, the employers refuse either to meet with the union for the purpose of considering the amendments or to attempt to arrange for a conference on the issues in dispute through the Labor Relations Board.

★ Conciliation First.

They decline to use conciliation and take sides with the "free labor" principle. The award itself declares that no arbitration shall take place until a strike or lockout occurs. However, according to the award, arbitration does not start until the Board has established all possible means of conciliation.

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★ "Victizations".

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Steam schooner owners are determined to get cash payment for all overtime work performed. In the terms of the present agreement the payment of money for overtime work is at the "option" of the employer. The shipowners therefore, give time off for overtime. The seamen, in many instances, buy food and clothing for themselves and their families with time off.

The present International Seamen's Union organization was established in 1934 at the convention held here last month. Two months later the San Francisco I.S.U. branch, and the other each branch in other ports, were chosen to represent the membership.

Ancient Document

The Restoration Laboratory of the Academy of Sciences at Leningrad has completely restored a manuscript dating from the time of the Golden Horde and written on birchbark. It was found near the Volga River.

One-man cars mean one man survival! Boycott oneman cars and prevent the injunction granted to the Market Street Railway by Judge Louderback.

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Faulty Boiler Explodes; Two Badly Injured

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 16.—P. Walker, fireman aboard the 'Trinidad' at Pier 43 here, may die, it is reported as a result of a boiler explosion. J. Henderson also was seriously injured when a tube within the boiler burst, scalding both workers with steam. Walker received dangerous burns all over his body and Henderson's face was badly burned.

Seamen declare the boiler was not designed condition and that ship inspectors had done nothing to force shipowners to remedy the danger under which the men were made to work.

FASCISTS MAKE PLEA FOR HELP IN PALO ALTO

WORKERS' MEET IS WELL ATTENDED; VIGILANTE TERROR PROTESTED

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RUEB RELEASED BY L. A. POLICE IN ROSS DEATH

WHITEWASHING IN BEEF SQUAD KILLING CALLS FORTH PROTESTS

SAN PEDRO, Calif., Sept. 14.—Police here are attempting to whitewash the brutal murder of Arthur Ross, militant tank and filer in the International Longshoremen's Association, and have released Edgar Rueb, 'beef squad' member, who assaulted Ross a week ago Sunday in front of the I.L.A. hall, it was learned here today. It was not known who furnished Rueb's bail.

The International Labor Defense is launching an investigation of the case, and demanding that guilt for Ross' death be fixed in open hearing. The American Civil Liberties Union will discuss action to be taken on the case at its executive committee, meeting Monday.

Workers are urged to send immediate protests against the attempt of the police to whitewash the case, and to demand that police officers responsible for beating Ross to death and then sending medical aid in jail for 24 hours on a "drunk" charge, be discharged from the police force and held for trial.

Protests should be sent to Mayor Frank Shaw, Chief of Police, Council of Los Angeles, and to S. S. Webb, state attorney general, Sacramento.

Rueb was not arrested until the Wednesday following the brutal beating, and immediately after Ross and was then booked on a "suspicion of manslaughter" charge. The coroner's jury brought in a verdict of murder "by person or persons unknown," and recommended that Rueb be "held to answer."

The murder of Ross is another method used by the Chamber of Commerce of the San Pedro waterfront by "beef squads" in the union action in the closed collaboration with the police department.

ARMY RULE FOR RELIEF RAPPED

Move Must Be Nipped In Bud By Wide Protest

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 16.—Following the exposure of the move by the Federal Relief Administration to set up territorial offices for the U. S. Army in all San Francisco Federal relief agencies the California State Federation of Unemployed and Allied Organizations was swamped with protests to Mr. Porter, Mr. Small, Mr. Dunn of the San Francisco office of FERA, from Mayor Rossi, McLaughlin, state administrator, and ex-President Roosevelt and Harry L. Hopkins.

The sharply worded letter demanded the immediate withdrawal of Dunn's order permitting enrolling officers to operate in the relief offices.

"We wish to emphatically protest this order," said the Federation. "While we can only hope that the Government, through its relief agencies, is taking advantage of the unemployed situation to build up their armed forces. Further, we feel we are justified in saying that we suspect this move to be the first step in the direction of eventually placing the handling and distribution of relief and the taking over of relief agencies, if not in full, at least in part, by the armed forces of the Government.

"We draw these conclusions from the fact that the CCC camps where first staged were set up in Washington, and we see them 100 per cent in the hands of the army and a part of the armed forces."

OAKLAND, Sept. 16.—Realizing that the Army will place relief workers in Alameda County to relief agencies if the move is consummated in the Bay region, report at the San Francisco Relief workers of Oakland have opened protests.

While protests of San Francisco individuals and organizations are being sent to Federal relief officials, Local No. 3 of the Alameda County Public Works and Unemployed Union has sent its protest to Mr. Koetitz, Oakland Administrator of the WPA, Cecil Mac Donald, Administrator for San Francisco, McLaughlin, state administrator, Harry L. Hopkins, Washington administrator, and to President Roosevelt.

The Oakland local protested that Alameda are used by the Army to carry on imperialist wars and has no function in any way whatsoever in the distribution of relief to the needy. Instead, the Alameda Relief Office, the Army has nothing to offer the unemployed except destruction in another imperialist slaughter.

SAN DIEGO FEDERATED TRADES COUNCIL

Weekly Meeting, Wednesday, Sept. 11

Reactionary "Labor Leader" Criticized for Policies—Fakers Take Queer Stand On Anti-Picketing Law

SAN DIEGO.—At the Wednesday, Sept. 11th meeting of the Federated Trades and Labor Council a resolution from the Wisconsin State Federation of Labor was read, asking that publicity be given the struggle of the employees of the minor Kohler Company, manufacturers of plumbing fixtures, against that company. The Wisconsin body asked that the drive against Kohler products be made effective to the end that its sales be materially reduced.

The Executive Committee report was adopted. The council voted to install a telephone in the home of the secretary and pay for it. A suggestion was made that the secretary's salary be increased $1 a week to pay the phone bill, but the Council decided to pay it directly.

The organizing committee reported a decision to concentrate on the reorganization of the Hotel Clerks, Cooks and Waiters Union. The committee requested the Council to institute an initiative petition to propose a law for the affiliation establishing minimum wage and maximum hours for both sexes in California, for unemployed Child Labor legislation, and for reorganizing of the State Tax Act. All this was referred back to the committee after considerable discussion.

Action on the committee appointed to work for the repeal of the city Diego Federated Trades Council anti-picketing ordinance reported. Ed Dowell, Jack Grams, John Dwyer and Irene Hoff—the most reactionary delegates in the Council—spoke against the work of the committee. These four argued that the ordinance was not effective and declared it was "better not to awaken a sleeping dog—or fear that he might bite us if aroused." Irene Hoff "really" put through a motion that before any action was taken the entire committee should be consulted.

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FIGHT FOR FREEDOM OF C. S. VICTIMS IS BLOW AT FASCISM

Work on San Francisco Conference Under Way—Date of Los Angeles Meet Not Yet Certain—Call Is Issued

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 16.—The California State Conference for United Action Against the Criminal Syndicalism Act, consisting of representatives from 25 C. I. O. and independent unions, 14 Democratic Clubs, the Communist Party, the International Labor Defense, and fraternal organizations, has issued a call for a mass conference in San Francisco on Oct. 6, in behalf of the freedom of the victims of the Sacramento frame-up.

We print the call in full:

To all American Federation of Labor Unions, Independent Unions, Liberal and Radical Political Organizations, Fraternal, Defense and Workers' Groups:

Greetings:

A conference will begin the latter part of October before the District Court of Appeals at Sacramento in the cases of the two men and women convicted under the California Criminal Syndicalism Act.

Nora Conklin, Caroline Decker, and Louise Norman from Tehachapi Women's Prison, and Ed Chambers, Jack Crane, Al Hardcastle, and Martin Wilson from San Quentin Penitentiary have suspected the Conference for Organized Action Against the Criminal Syndicalism Act to call conferences of delegates from labor unions and all workers' organizations at Los Angeles and San Francisco, Sunday, October 6.

Organized labor and all friends of labor must answer this call by organizing to compel the hunter-controlled courts to release these courageous labor leaders.

United action by organizations representing thousands of American Federation of Labor unions, Liberals and Radicals, is this fight to free the Criminal Syndicalism Law victims will mean victory. Fascism, Tyrannies and all anti-labor forces in California will be struck a powerful blow!

Those young men and women were arrested, tried and sent to prison because they had striked that year for thousands of underpaid farmers and agricultural workers were receiving from 25 to 100 per cent and farmers they helped to organize agricultural industrial workers, the men employed, farmers, students, professional and white collar workers. For this they have spent almost a year in jail.

Their conviction was obtained after some of the longest trials in the State. Lined up against them were the Chamber of Commerce, the banks, the Industrial Association, the Associated Farmers, Inc., and the reactionary press, led by the yellow Hearst newspapers. The trial was conducted in an atmosphere of hysteria, created by red-baiting propaganda. Former District Attorney Jackson Graham, kicked out of the state Governor's general office for previous to the trial for his report in the frame-up, was retained by the bankers and big farmers to prosecute these workers. The major nature of the trial will form the basis for appeal.

But mass pressure by organized labor and strong public opinion can gain their freedom. Your support is needed!

Therefore, it is essential that this Conference swing into action again immediately. It was through such organized mass pressure that we now plan that this Conference led the fight of thousands of workers that defeated the Act of Fascist and Anti-Labor billbefore the last session of the California Legislature. We can repeat these victories now.

Organized labor stands on trial. The rights organizations strike and picket will be a fundamental point in the coming battle before the Court of Appeals. The traditional American rights, of Free Speech, Free Press, and Free Assemblies are at stake. The Constitution is at jeopardy. The Criminal Syndicalism Law victims were not convicted of any crime, but for not exercising their rights guaranteed for carrying on a fight for better working conditions.

THEIR FIGHT IS YOURS

ANSWER THE BOSSES' FRAME-UP BY SENDING DELEGATES TO THIS CONVENTION!

"The headquarters of the conference are at 68 Haight Street, San Francisco.

CHANGE IN LOS ANGELES DATE

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 16.—Tom Mooney, secretary of the Conference for Labor's Civil Rights, with headquarters in the Chapman Building, announces that it will be impossible to hold the Southern California Conference for freedom of the C. S. victims on October 6, as was originally planned.

No date is yet decided, but Tuesday, 8th has been set tentatively for the session.

FORT BRAGG, Calif., Sept. 16.—A mass meeting will be held here under the auspices of the International Labor Defense in Odd Fellows' Hall on Sunday, Sept. 22, at which the meaning of the criminal syndicalism frame-up will be explained. The I.L.D. is calling upon local organizations to elect delegates to the October 6th conference in San Francisco.

Wage Suit Filed

A suit brought by 52 structural steel workers against McDonald-Marshall Co. for $26,016.57 in back wages and $13,876 in penalties was on file today in the Superior Court. James A. Meyers, attorney for the men, declared they had worked in the Oakland plant on steel for the Golden Gate and Bay Bridges and had not been paid prevailing wages, as required by law on all public works. The suit was filed despite a recent opinion of the state Attorney General that the prevailing wage scale is mandatory only on the actual sites of the bridges.

JACKSON GOLD MINERS EXPECT FINAL VICTORY

MINES LOSE MONEY WITH HUGE SCAB CREWS; ONE CLOSES

JACKSON, Amador County, Calif., Sept. 16.—The striking gold miners here still feel that there is every chance of a victory for the workers in the struggle, which will be a year old on October 7.

Thirty days ago there were nearly 350 strikers in this town, today there are only about 76. This is due to the complete shutdown of Sutter Creek, from which a great number of the families were getting relief. The miners were ordered by the National Recovery Administration to leave their families in Jackson and go to Sutter Creek, where about 100 men went into the scams.

About 60 mills—to stand the gaff, they succumbed to the mine owners' high-pressure and returned to the mines as scabs. Four of these were miners, the rest were muckers. However, the great bulk of the men showed solidarity, refusing to scab under any circumstances.

Approximately 100 men have been given permission by the mine owners to work in the mines for a few hours each week, while a great number are operating with scab crews of about 150 per cent normal, but production is now 5 per cent of what the mines used to turn over to the company. The scabs are "high-grading."

So, in spite of the fact that the vigilantes and the sheriff have practically ended picketing, production feels the companies cannot hold out much longer in the face of the strikers' solidarity.

SUPERVISORS IN PRODUCTION FOR USE ARGUMENT

FEDERAL FUNDS SOUGHT FOR L. A. SCHEME

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 16.—Local Democratic politicians seeking votes, "production for use" tactered in the halls of congress, proposed at a county supervisor to 'a' question asked the board yesterday in a private conference by Winslow Carlton, federal cooperative director for California.

The questions was: "Will the county purchase from Southern California cooperatives the goods it now buys from private firms?"

Chairman Herbert Legg and supervisor Roger Jones agreed to support this program, which the unemployed apply call a "carrot-and-stick" policy. Supervisor Gordon McDonough is now in Washington angling with the politicians for money.

Unless the supervisors agree to purchase cooperative's goods, Carlton said he would stop the program, and the $1,500,000 of federal funds, granted to match a $3,000,000 state allotment, may be withdrawn.

Local "Epic" politicians are striving desperately to get federal funds for cooperatives so they can go to the voters next year with a plank that they have established "production for use" in California. Workers now on cooperatives are gaining a bare subsistence.

SCIENCE AND ART NOTES

★ Most suicides occur at night a survey of 1,000 suicides attempts in Philadelphia shows. More suicides occur in the fall than over other seasons. The most suicide victims are very young, between 20 and 29. The reason—a dark at an opportunity under the present social system, which also accounts for the increase in suicides.

A total of 56,244 persons were sterilized in Germany during 1934, according to official statistics. More than 5,000 of the victims of the sterilization courts appealed the decision but only 377 of these won their appeals. Sterilization is a powerful weapon in the hands of the Nazis to intimidate their enemies.

A new war ray, supposed to be an "invisible" ray, or "heat" ray, is being tested by the U. S. War Department. The invention, which is a closely guarded secret, is intended to detect enemy warships and airplanes in darkness or fog. The rays are invisible to the naked eye, but a receiving apparatus wakes to detect vibrations.

Party Recruiting Challenge Issued

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 16.—Urgent Marine Sub-section has challenged any other neighborhood unit in the San Francisco Dist. of the Communist Party to revolutionary competition in the coming drive for recruits.

Unit 1, Marina, pledges itself to recruit more new members to the Party, between now and Nov. 7; the end of the drive, than any other neighborhood unit in San Francisco.

BARGEMEN NIP PLOT TO START COMPANY UNION

MEN SENT HERE TO SCAB BY FARMER WERE NOT TOLD OF STRIKE

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 16.—Another attempt by barge operators to form a scab company union was foiled by barge workers this week.

Monday three men were seen loitering in the vicinity of Pier 1. Approached by striking bargemen, one of them declared he was "looking for a job." He had been sent here, along with two other workers, from a place known as the "Silica Ranch" in Sonoma County.

They had been told they would be given jobs and that they would be taken into "the union" and their dues taken out of their first month's salary. Asked if they were told a strike was in progress here they answered in the negative.

"You wouldn't catch me scabbing," one of the men declared.

They were told about the strike and how Pay of the River Line, which is affiliated with the Chamber of Commerce, has refused to grant better working conditions to the bargemen, and how it had taken in the men's Union, a militant rank and file organization.

"So," one of them asked, "which union does Harry Bridges belong to?"

He was told the Bargemen's Union is affiliated to the International Longshoremen and that Bridges is president of the local organization in San Francisco.

"That's enough for me," the worker said. "I'm out of here quickly decided against forming a company union.

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FAKERS FOUGHT AT STATE A. F. L. CONVENTION

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sific by an enraged and long-suffering rank and file.

★ Want Action.

Militant delegates have come to the convention this year with specific instructions from the membership which they represent, to fight the Scharrenberg machine and to introduce and vote for progressive measures leading to bigger and more militant A. F. of L. organizations.

Delegates from Women's Local 997 of Los Angeles has endorsed a resolution for social insurance as contained in the Lundeen Bill, the Workers' Unemployment Insurance Bill, H.R. 2827 and the State Workers' Bill, A.B. 297. The women also voted a resolution demanding union wage scales on all relief jobs and against the WPA so-called "security wage."

The Hospital Nurses of Los Angeles have instructed their delegates to support a resolution demanding repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Law if and when it is introduced.

★ Against War?

The Sailors' Union of the Pacific here will introduce resolutions condemning war, for industrial unionism and for youth sports in their trade journal. It is expected a resolution demanding intensification of the boycott of Standard Oil and condemning the recent frame-up by that firm of eight Maritime workers in Modesto, also will be introduced.

The reactionary clique, heretofore in control of the Union, A. F. of L., probably still follow the policy outlined by William Green, president of the A. F. of L., which has called for mass expulsion of militants and Communists from all A. F. of L. unions.

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ELECTION DRIVE OF S. F. LABOR OPENS SEPT. 22

Mason, Ross, Mosley, Jones Among Speakers

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Labor Party are asked to take action on this question at once, as they may be represented in the first great united front of San Francisco workers in a municipal election.

★ Other Speakers.

Other speakers who will address the meeting include Harry Bridges of the I.L.A., Anita Whitney, and Lawrence Ross, of the Communist Party; Ben Legere, of the Democratic City Council; Herbert Mills of the Sailors' Union; Tanner Alex, Ryan Waytes, and Henry Schmidt.

Campaign headquarters have been established at 747 Market st. Waterfront headquarters have been opened at 58 Commercial street, through the courtesy of the Sailors' Union, and Mission headquarters are to be opened shortly.

"A series of open air street meetings are to be held Saturday night, and the United Labor Party campaign.

★ Ben Legere for Sheriff.

Several changes have been made in the slate of candidates of the Labor Party. Herbert Mills, candidate for sheriff and member of the Sailors' Union, has been withdrawn. He is now secretary of the press of union activities, and Ben Legere, of the Democratic City Council, has been asked by the Election Campaign Committee to run in his place. Henry Schmidt, who is a member of the longshoremen's union, has been replaced by John D. Shaw, of the Executive Committee of the Sailors' Union of the Pacific, delegate of Longshoremen's supervisor. Shaw is a war veteran and has been a fighter for the rights of workers for years.

Other candidates for supervisor include Fagan Alex, of the Chiropractors' Association, and Lawrence Ross, president of the Democratic district attorney, but disqualified because of technical reasons; Anita Whitney, of the Communist Party, Evan Wattles, of Carpenters Local No. 22, William Sanders of the Dynamiters' Union, Ryan Waytes, and Morris Benson, chosen to represent the unemployed. Benson is president of the City and County Federation of Unemployed, and was recently released from San Quentin Prison.

SURVEY SHOWS JUMP IN PRICE OF WAR STOCKS

EXPENDITURE ON WAR SUPPLIES UP

NEW YORK, Sept. 16.—Big jumps in prices of stocks of companies engaged in manufacture of war materials—airplanes, ammunition, automotive, shipbuilding concerns—are revealed in a survey made by **Business Week**. Prices of war shares on London and Paris stock exchanges were compared by its foreign correspondent. In France, eight war shares rose from a price index of 96.9 in January to 152.9 in July (100 equals September 1934 level) while the index of 300 general stocks rose only from 91 in January to 103 in July.

In Britain the war shares rose from 103 in January to 143.9 in July, while index of 50 general industrial stocks rose only from 103.9 to 109.9 in same period.

During the last year stocks of the big Italian companies such as Montecatini, Fiat, Breda, Terni, and Isotta Fraschini have risen an average of 150 per cent

EAST OF THE Rockies

Tear Gas and Clubs Coughlin Condemned Shipping Clerks Win Negro On Jury Anti-Labor Bill

MINNEAPOLIS—Armored cars, tear gas and police clubs were used against 5,000 workers picketing the Floor City Ornamental Iron Works. The pickets, who were blinded by "regrets" against the use of imported things to ground scales, offered solid resistance to the police, who fired over their heads. Two boys and one women were arrested, but many others were torn from the grasp of the police during the fighting, which lasted two hours until midnight. The strike, which has been in progress eight weeks, was called by Machinists Local 1313.

Campaign headquarters have been established at 747 Market st. Waterfront headquarters have been opened at 58 Commercial street, through the courtesy of the Sailors' Union, and Mission headquarters are to be opened shortly.

"A series of open air street meetings are to be held Saturday night, and the United Labor Party campaign.

★ Ben Legere for Sheriff.

Several changes have been made in the slate of candidates of the Labor Party. Herbert Mills, candidate for sheriff and member of the Sailors' Union, has been withdrawn. He is now secretary of the press of union activities, and Ben Legere, of the Democratic City Council, has been asked by the Election Campaign Committee to run in his place. Henry Schmidt, who is a member of the longshoremen's union, has been replaced by John D. Shaw, of the Executive Committee of the Sailors' Union of the Pacific, delegate of Longshoremen's supervisor. Shaw is a war veteran and has been a fighter for the rights of workers for years.

Other candidates for supervisor include Fagan Alex, of the Chiropractors' Association, and Lawrence Ross, president of the Democratic district attorney, but disqualified because of technical reasons; Anita Whitney, of the Communist Party, Evan Wattles, of Carpenters Local No. 22, William Sanders of the Dynamiters' Union, Ryan Waytes, and Morris Benson, chosen to represent the unemployed. Benson is president of the City and County Federation of Unemployed, and was recently released from San Quentin Prison.

Utah AFL President Ousted for Red-Baiting Policy

PRICE, Utah, Sept. 11.—By a vote of 36 to 17 Paul M. Peterson, president of the Park City, Utah, local of the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, was ousted by M. L. Thompson, reactionary, red-baiting incumbent for the presidency of the Utah State Federation of Labor here today.

This event is of historical significance for the entire American Labor movement. What has happened here is the result of a reactionary clique, which has gotten control of the Utah State Federation of Labor, has served notice that red-baiting, as a cloak to cover anti-labor policies, is a weapon to be used in the Utah trade union movement.

BOSS'S LETTER BRINGS ANSWER

HOP PICKER TELLS SIDE OF STORY THAT RANCH OWNER DIDN'T

This appeared in the S. F. Chronicle "Safety Valve" on Sept. 10:

Editor the Chronicle—Sir: I read in today's issue of the Chronicle that an investigation shows that inexperienced hop pickers sent to Sonoma County could earn no more than 50 cents per day. In view of this "the San Francisco office of the SERA yesterday halted the cutting off of single employable men from the relief rolls."

Would like to write my experience regarding men sent to work on my hop yards to pick hops. These men were in the Navarro work camp and miles of the were elderly men. There were 50 men and not one has left my employ; they have worked in hop yards throughout the whole job.

The minimum amount earned by the oldest and slowest is ... is around $4 per day. The average earning has been approximately $1.50 per day. ... work when given an opportunity to assist the farmers of this State in harvesting their crops, should they be kept on the SERA rolls?

F. P. Moulton,
Ukiah, Sept. 6, 1935.

SANTA ROSA—Grande Edlo for 1 Can one of the 50 sturdy, faithful, cheerful men who have rested in the camps. I have written a few things for the Western Worker. The ... I mention them to identify myself.

Camp Navarro was a work camp for men who were not yet paying with votes. On August 22 a Federal placement man came with a truck load of men to Camp Navarro. 30 men, with a scant half hour's notice, were ordered to pack up and leave the camp. The "alternative" was immediate dismissal from the relief rolls.

★ Rotten Conditions.

The accommodation for the men at the Moulton Ranch consisted of a wooded piece of ground, near the Sonoma Creek, in the hop fields, where drying on the vines. Due to the lateness of the years there was no shade. The men at the Moulton was compelled to arrange for credit, so that the men could purchase cooking utensils and food. For bedding there were, a few tents.

The first night, most of the men slept as best they could, by a fire.

Sanitary arrangements are totally inadequate; four dirty little holes, one for the use of the 200 odd men, women and children. In consequence, the place is unsanitary.

Mr. Moulton, who is a power in local politics, commandeered toilets from the state insane asylum in Ukiah. Also he furnished beds of flea infested chaff, and had been promised the use of a flock of turkeys, for mattresses.

★ On Job Before Sun-Up.

The market demands clean hops (without leaves or stems). Professional hop pickers, are clean. Inexperienced, fear-ridden pickers do as they are told. Mr. Moulton ordered the men to be in the hop yards before sun-up, and the men complied.

Mr. Moulton's statement that the men turned up at camp at 10:30 per day is correct—if incomplete. As early as 3 a. m. little fires began to glow in the caffiona grove. Before daylight the pickers are in the field. They rejoice if they have a few dime. The hops will weigh a little more.

It takes nimble fingers, small hands and patience to make anything resembling grades. The old, workworn slaves have knotted, stiff fingers. Mr. Moulton, I feel, yield that until November there will be no relief. So they pick.

★ "Grace Bros." Got Them.

Prices of food have soared. It is also the lowest time for the hop store-keepers. The men have no time to cook. They live on tinned food. The "$1.50 per day average" is half.

They have never been "on the bum". Fear of the unknown unsettles them, stay to the bitter end.

Mr. Hops seems appreciative, while his hops were picked, but the whole lot down the river, Grace Bros. in Santa Rosa are not worn, fear-ridden slaves to pick clean hops for a pittance.

(Johannes Steel, in New York Post, August 9, 1935). "Large government expenditures for war supplies in connection with the threatened war in Africa" is the chief reason given by Barron's (August 5) for the 70 per cent rise above 1932 level already reached by 74 Italian industrial stocks. United States interests in the bonds of some of these Italian companies, listed in the August Economic Notes.

Ship Building Firms Gang Up on Government

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16.—That shipbuilding firms have "ganged up" on the government in attempting to put over outrageous bids for warship construction, was a charge made today by Senator Nye (R., N. D.), chairman of the Senate munitions committee which investigated naval shipbuilding at this year.

Recent bids for a 10,000-ton cruiser, according to figures just released by the Navy Department, were $17,920,000 by United Shipbuilding & Drydock Co.; $17,600,000 by Bethlehem Shipbuilding; $17,000,000 by Federal Shipbuilding, and $15,525,000 by Newport News Shipbuilding.

The prices not only showed evidence of collusion on the part of the bidders but set a new high for cruisers of this type.

I.L.D. LAUNCHES OXNARD WAR ON POLICE TERORR

THREE WORKERS IN COURT SEPTEMBER 18—PROTESTS ARE NEEDED

OXNARD, Calif., Sept. 15.—In the fight launched by the International Labor Defense to break police terrorism here, three jailed workers are urged to pack the courtroom of Judge Pettis here next Wednesday, when they face release of three workers victimized by the police, and all workers in these areas are urged to send immediate protests to the court by mail or telegram.

Last Saturday Lafayette Jones saw Police Chief Kerrick beating and kicking some Mexicans, whom she had just arrested. When Jones called for a remark, "You don't need kicking" and beating people.

Kerrick ordered her home, and when she refused, immediately threatened to the Lemos home. As they were getting out of the car, the police chief, in a rage, immediately drove up and the officers attacked Pauline.

Her father and another man in the party protested, were beaten and arrested. Pauline Lemos, who is 20 years old and pregnant, was knocked down,

News Stories and Comment by Worker Correspondents

Jobless Jottings

By the Boondoggler (L. A.)

As the infant WPA learns to walk with staggering uncertain steps, he reminds us more and more of his dead brother CWA. He demands longer hours' attention and will pay less for his care but the resemblance in manyways is startling. Proud papa Dalton is very careful not to expose infant WPA unless he can be sure he is whispered by those close to the "new deal" family that the child is birthmarked. Those, who have glimpsed the marking state that it strongly resembles a pick and shovel crossed and suspended above a wheelbarrow . . .

The deceased CWA was horribly handicapped and deformed by the same kind of mark. Infant WPA is supposed to grow up and become socially useful. But he must not conflict with private profit . . . Ill fated . . . Unhappy child . . .

Afternoon teaspipers and nite time cocktailpipers of Dalton's yapped so loud between drinks and sips about the servant problem and that relief workers were refusing jobs that Harry Hopkins sent Edwin J. Webster of FERA investigating.

Webster's investigation disclosed that 48,198 cases reported as refusing jobs thru wages only for cases that might be classified as unemployables. In the remaining cases the charges were false or the refusal was due to extenuating circumstances . . .

Roosevelt says, "Relief is sapping the vitality of the nation."

One of the "forgotten men" who helped elect him when interviewed yesterday on Towne ave. for this to say:

"For three years I've been out of work. I've ate dog-nuts and I'm sick of them. My vitality is being sapped alright enough but it's lack of proper food that's sapping it. I'm tired of living on hay. I'm not a cow, so I'm gettin' damn tired of standin' for Roosevelt's "Relief" . . . What the country needs is a damn good revolution" . . .

Mrs. D. E. In-Boyle Heights to keep the county from forcing her to dispose of her pet dog, told the investigator she was keeping the dog for Mae West . . .

"The very next week she was denied another relief check, on the basis that Mae West was paying her to keep the dog."

Extract from a relief worker's diary: "Tues., Sept. 3. Slugged, beaten by police and Hearst thugs. Taken from the picket line to jail. . .

Wed., Sept. 4. Bailed out by International Labor Defense.

Fri., Sept. 6. Cut off relief by LACRA."

In case you wish to protest, or verify, the case Number is 155909. The worker's name is Chas. Silverberg. The investigator is Mabbie The excuse, "he refused a job." The truth, "he did not."

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Rev. Rev. Gerald L. K. Smith, Huey Long's funeral orator said, "Long's share-the-wealth movement will not die with him."

As our poet friend aptly phrased it, "Huey is gone but the poosey goes on"

Union pickets patrolling outside the boxoffice, remind the would-be-customers that the Million Dollar theater at Third and Broadway, in spite of its high sounding name, is a cheap scab joint that refuses to pay a living wage to its employees . . .

Harry L. Hopkins, national chief of the WPA and FERA is slated to arrive in Los Angeles Sept. 22 Will "Sultan" McLaughlin be here to bid him welcome?

Seattle Seamen To Combat Propaganda Of The Shipowners

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 16.—At the Seafarer Union of the Pacific meeting here last week a committee was elected to investigate into the circumstances surrounding the disappearance of James Pierce, militant union seaman reported missing since he has not been heard from for more than three weeks.

Four thousand extra copies of the Voice of the Federation are being distributed in Seattle and dental district, to acquaint the general public with the maritime unions' side of the agreement expiration on Sept. 16, and to answer the lies which the shipowners have published in the capitalist press.

A motion was passed to retire President Andy Furseth on a pension. A similar move was made by the San Francisco Sailors' Union Branch a week ago.

Circulate the Western Worker in your union and fraternal organizations.

Boss Tool Killed Ross, Says Worker

HE WAS EVERY INCH A UNION MAN

Clean Out the Thugs

OUR ENEMY USED ONE OF OUR MEMBERS FOR A JOB

By a Member of the I.S.U.

SAN PEDRO.—Arthur Ross, member of International Longshoremen's Association, Local 38-82, victim of vigilantism, was cremated Sunday, Sept. 8, and the ashes will be scattered at sea. Previous to the cremation the funeral was held at the Cleveland Undertaking parlor where a large gathering paid their respects to the departed brother.

The crowd filled the chapel and overflowed into the street, and few eyes were dry after the three speakers had reviewed Ross's life work as a union man, and described the cowardly deed of the guy who struck him down.

The crowd was composed of nearly all nationalities from the ranks of labor and business. Great floowers, the gift of many unions and individuals showed that Ross was loved and respected.

* Always a Union Man

Ross, forfiterly a member of the Marine Firemen's Union, but for several years following long shore work, made his home in San Pedro for about 15 years. Always a union man, he was always be found in the front line trenches of every strike and all union activity, always fighting for the workers' cause and struggling for a bigger and better union.

Quiet, unassuming, straightforward and unafraid, Ross never, shielded his name nor the work he was called upon to do. He was a union man,—every inch of him, and any gains in wages and working conditions in the past 15 years in the maritime industry, Ross helped to get.

He was struck down in front of the L. A. Hall on Sunday, Sept. 21, by Edgar Ruth, and struck his head on the pavement in the fall, mentioning his name. Ross was taken by the police for first-aid treatment, while his cowardly assailant escaped. After a cursory examination and treatment he was turned out to wear off in the streets, in a dazed condition, all night and part of the next day.

* Police

His friends and fellow longshoremen, becoming alarmed when he did not show up, began search, to find that the police had picked him up and thrown him in a drunk tank where he laid on the concrete floor all night. The police refused to let his friends see him or talk him out, and after he had lain unconscious for 16 hours or more he was released to his wife and friends who rushed him to the hospital.

He died at 11:30 a.m., Wednesday, Sept. 4, without having regained consciousness.

Edgar Ruth was arrested and held for the inquest.

The coroner's report has that Ross had four skull fractures on the side of his head and at the base of the skull. His arm was injured and his lip was cut. The doctor stated that an X-Ray picture showed a broken neck.

* Murderer Mere Tool

Ruth, the murderer of Ross, is not a member of the I. L. A. and a known bully and vigilante. But he is only the tool. Others, higher up, are known to the longshoremen of San Pedro, and the whole disturbly affair can be connected up and traced to the shipping interests and other employer organizations and their propagandists.

We, the longshoremen, and all seafaring men and all workers, must purge our ranks of the vicious hirelings and puppets of the employers, whether they be rank and file or officials. We must organize and prepare ourselves in the future, if we hope to avoid and unprofitable for these ungrincipled murderous tools, and the ones above them, to come into our ranks and murder or even attempt assault on one of our brothers.

It is more than the death of a trusted and beloved brother and it is more than the loss of a union man. Our enemy has killed one of our members, and has used another of our members to do the job.

Eyewitnesses of the assault on Ross have been secured, and other witnesses are being lined up to show that this whole outrage was prep ilated.

Ruth is to be arraigned and a date will be set for his hearing.

Brother Ross gave his life for his union activity and devotion to the principle of solidarity. Let his sacrifice not be in vain.

Let us see that his death and assault leaves a win. Aurora Samson Ross.

PWUU GETS AID FROM SERA FOR 2 JOBLESS MEN

WAREHOUEMAN GETS $8— WITH COMMITTEE

(By a Worker Correspondent)

OAKLAND.—The Public Works and Unemployed Union, on Monday, Sept. 9, took up the case of a man who had been in the very best of health, husky and athletic, until he had been so badly injured on a SERA job that he had been on his back more than two months. He had been put on direct relief for two months, and then was given a doctor's examination.

The doctor, without doing more than looking at him, called it a case of arthritis and declared the worker impoplugable, subject to being dropped from the SERA rolls and transferred back to the charities to wither away on the county starch diet. For five weeks he had received nothing from the SERA. A committee was elected from the PWUU to take up this case, and also to fight for relief for one of the Warehousemen who have been locked out on the Santa Cruz Cannery.

The committee of the committee included Harry Anderson, Dr. Bissell, Clarence Anderson, Mr. Butler and a Brother Kirkland. On Aug. 4, They took the two workers to the SERA offices, started the Warehouseman through the relief tape mill, and fought an hour's battle with the officials for the injured man. They let it be evident that as soon as a report was obtained from the county clinic they would visit the offices.

About this time the Warehouseman came back and reported he was released until his back could be "verified." The committee went to bat for him right there, and few hours after he first knew where the SERA was located he had a food order of $8.10 and his SERA card.

The next day they took the injured man to the Alameda County hospital for the X-Ray, and on this case through the red tape, returned with him to the SERA office with the doctor's report, and didn't quit till they got him a food order of $8.10.

Wage Cuts At Mare Island

By a Navy Yard Worker

VALLEJO, Calif., Sept. 16.—The government is going into the business of wage cutting with a vengeance at the Mare Island Navy Yards here.

Recently government men with substantial ratings were fired. Meanwhile, the Bushleys of the bosses have been given higher ratings for their 'good' work.

But the men who have been fired are now offered new jobs at lower ratings—and less wages—than they had before being turned loose. The thing for us to do is to join a militant organization that fights wage cuts whenever they occur. The government will go on firing and re-hiring as long as the men can be fooled into "taking it."

POLICE OFFICER STILL AT LARGE IN OXNARD, CAL.

GIRL JAILED, BULLIED, BY CHIEF KERRICK

By a Worker Correspondent.

SANTA BARBARA, Calif.—Joe Kerrick, chief of police of Oxnard, who is under indictment by the grand jury on four counts of beating and mistreating prisoners, is making arrests of workers fight for decent wages. Among those he is throwing them in jail on charges they know nothing about, he has the power, kind of illegitimate, to do so, is Ned Lyle, a Mr. Roosevelt. Her subject will be "Meeting Human Needs Unmet by Government."

Co-speaker will be Dr. Aurelia Reed, Kentucky, president of Milliken College, who is vice-chairman of the National Mobilization for Human Needs Committee of which Mrs. Roosevelt is chairman.

Interesting will be Mrs. Roosevelt's comments on anti-war, the starvation relief program and her President-husband.

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COSHOCTON, Ohio, Sept. 16.—Seven thousand employed by the Novelty advertising Company, to protect scabs are going hungry, as a result of pickets recognizing deliveries of food by postal employees.

GALLUP FIGHTS FASCIST REIGN OF TERRORISM

I. L. D. ACTIVE DEFENDING WORKING CLASS

SANTA FE, N. M., Sept. 12.—Two men appeared here yesterday from the I.L.D. of Gallup, seeking advice. They had been threatened with tar and feathers. The whole town is under fascist terror.

The I.L.D. is active under the most threatening conditions. It publishes a bulletin to the workers, in English and Spanish which cries:

"Why is it that jail owners are afraid to rent us halls for meetings? Why do they tell us to see the sheriff first? Is this the meaning of the Wagner bill? This combined intimidation is not going to force us to give up our rights to organize . . .

"Sunday we held the first real meeting of the International Labor Defense since the terror. The only defense we have against vigilante mob violence is the militant defense of the working class. The workers of the entire state are united with the workers of Gallup against the intimidation of fascist terror that is being used against us.

President's Wife to Speak in Hollywood

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 14.—"Community Chest" social workers, officers and representatives of welfare organizations, and social work "leaders" will be addressed here on Oct. 1 at Hollywood Bowl by Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt. Her subject will be "Meeting Human Needs Unmet by Government."

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CRAFT AND MANSLAUGHTER ON THE OAKLAND PWA TUNNEL JOB

SIX COMPANIES ROB CONCRETE MEN OF $1100 A WEEK, DODGE COMPENSATION FOR CAVE-IN

By a Worker Correspondent.

OAKLAND, Calif.—The Broadway low-level tunnel job, which is financed by the Public Works Administration, is riddled with graft and corruption. The workers are not only forced to work under extreme hazards but are actually robbed of their pay, just as if they were holding down the barrel of a gun held by a highway thug.

When the contract was made certain rates of pay were agreed upon and these rates are posted at the check-in office.

* The concrete laborers are hired at 78 cents per hour as shown on the printed list. The timekeeper checks them at this rate, but when the men get their checks (called "Hardware Johnny") checks them through he puts the rate at 60 cents, and this is what they are paid.

* "Honesty" by Error?

One day this regular boss was off and the temporary one, ignorant of the ropes, put the time sheets through at the rate of 78 cents per hour as it stands and for one day the men received their full pay. This 18 cents per hour is pure robbery and amounts to a total of $7.20 per week for each man. There are about 400 men in this checkingoff scheme, which is in full swing, amounting to a total of approximately $1,100 stolen from this one group alone.

Three men were killed in the recent cave-in, and now the Six Companies, contractors on the job, and the Public Works Administration, built Boulder Dam, are trying to get out of paying any compensation to the families of the dead men. They claim the State engineers interpreted the formation as being virtually solid rock, but when they got inside they found it was found to be loose, slate like shale.

* Crowded Speedup

This stiff being easy for the engineers, they were given no bracing and the timber men, trying to keep up, could not do a good job of timbering.

A steel core is used to pour the concrete lining and as this was moved along, the timbers were placed in the core just enough to permit the form to be moved—if moving them did not bring down the roof. Usually the 12x12 timbers are whittled down to less than 6 inches, thus weakening the whole timber structure.

Being a loose formation of this kind there is considerable water seepage. This twists the wet timbers till they become out of shape and useless, putting the timbers to weight on a few timbers, and these often snap under the terrific pressure.

* "Suicide Squad".

Several days before the cave-in, engineers inspected the tunnel and advised the men to leave. But the timber men were called off the job. This crew was ordered back in the tunnel after the inspection. While they were doing this they came to one of these "Suicides" that was virtually holding up the whole roof of the tunnel. When this one support was removed the men had to run and as four rods crashed down and the timbering toppled in behind them.

The daily press said only 35 feet of the tunnel collapsed, but the fact is that it was 200 feet.

Although there was a slight possibility that one or more of these buried workers might be alive, the company refused to permit their fellow workers to attempt an immediate rescue, in spite of the fact that there were plenty of volunteers for the dangerous job.

* Co. Negligence

The tunnel is a "twin bore" and, in other words, there are "cross" tunnels running every 50 feet from one bore to the other. The air lines were destroyed by the cave-in, and for the men sent in to clear the debris from the inside of the cave-in the only air they had was what came to them from the other tunnel through the cross tunnels.

If a cave-in had occurred in the other tunnel these men would have been trapped like rats, with no air, and would have died of suffocation before any aid could possibly reach them.

Criminal negligence on the part of the Six Companies is responsible for the fact that workers are injured there every day. Twice in one day the main tram jumped wild down the tunnel, crashing into cars at the end, because of faulty brakes and the practice of speedup the men are constantly subjected to.

The "Hardware Johnny" has called "Hardway Johnny" gave with the company from Boulder Dam and earned his name from his slave driving tactics.

(For editorial comment, see page 5.)

* Scab Speedup

MASS PRESSURE WINS EVICTION CASE IN L. A.

I. L. D. GAINS PRESTIGE FROM VICTORY

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 14.—Workers in the Belvedere area are still jubilant over the smashing victory won by the International Labor Defense here this week, when trumped-up charges against Mrs. Jean Hendricks, unemployed leader, and Clyde Champion, Belvedere Subcommittee organizer of the Communist Party, were dismissed without trial in Montebello Justice Court.

The other worker, Mrs. Josephine Goldbaum, arrested at the same time as Mrs. Hendricks and Champion in connection with protest against the eviction of Mrs. Goldbaum and her seven children, Neil Dutton, will go on trial Sept. 23. Workers are urged to crowd the courtroom at Montebello on this date to carry on the mass pressure which won the freedom of the other defendants.

Mrs. Goldbaum retained a private lawyer at her arraignment, instead of the I.L.D. attorney, Grace Lorenz. She pleaded not guilty, but asked for a court trial rather than a jury trial.

Mrs. Hendricks' husband, Harold Hendricks, victim of police frame-up following the June 1, 1931, charity demonstration about with James McShann, John Sayles and Joseph Toth, These prisoners have been subjected to discrimination and ill treatment as political working class prisoners. The I.L.D. is leading another appeal committee of liberals and radicals to the City Council on behalf of the four prisoners, demand an unsparing investigation of the brutal treatment they have received, and demand immediate release of these prisoners, such as poor food and denial of medical treatment.

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P.W.U.U.—Dancing, Refreshment Entertainments. Sunday, Sept 22, 8 p. m., 779 Vallejo st. Admission 15 cents.

HELP FREE THE CRIMINAL SYNDICALISM PRISONERS. DANCE, Sat., Oct., 5, Druids Hall, 44 Page st. Refreshments, Union Music, Short Play. Admission 25c. Door Prize. Auspices: Conference for Repeal of C. S. Act.

RED FROLIC, Sat. Sept. 21, 121 Haight st. Program—Dancing, Refreshments served in individual booths. Benefit Daily Worker. Auspices: Unit 110, Fillmore. Adm. 25c.

SEPTEMBER 29, 8 p. m. Sunday Night. Ivy Ballroom, 3 Embarcadero. Dancing, Entertainment. All welcoming. Admission 25c. Auspices: North Beach Communist Party.

CELEBRATION OF OCTOBER REVOLUTION. Sat., Oct. 5. Program given by McNamara (Russian) Branch, I.L.D., Sat. Eve., Nov. 9, Dance, Nov. 10. Send in your prices to organizations and individuals preparing big-to-do celebrations. Address: Program representing October Revolution. Admission 25c.

MISSION WORKERS' OPEN FORUM, Sunday, Sept. 22, 8:30 p. m., 141 Albion street, Bet. Valencia and Mission, near Sixteenth. Speaker WPA Means to the Unemployed. Auspices: Labor, and Ind. Unemployed Workers. Speaker Alex Noral. Questions, Discussion. Admission free. Free Book Radio.

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Los Angeles

BOWERY BEER BUST—Cabaret Style, on Friday, Sept. 20, 8 p. m. Singing, Waiters, Sandwiches, Punch, Sauger, Relief Players, raffle on Bust of Stalin. Auspices: Downtown Section, Y.C.L.

CARNIVAL AND PICNIC of the International Labor Defense, Sunday, October 13th, at Verdugo Woods, Los Angeles.

Workers forum, 239 S. Spring St., L. A. Every Sunday night—8 p.m. Admission ten cents.

KEEP OCT. 19 OPEN FOR Fall Concert and Dance. Auspices Editors, Western Worker, 239 Spring street, Los Angeles.

KEEP OPEN the 27th of October, for the fifth Annual Concert of the Daily Worker at the Mason Opera House.

Wagner Act Director Puzzled By Disputes

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 13.—Back today from a Washington conference with other regional labor board directors, Dr. Towne Nylander, regional labor board director for Southern California and Arizona, is preparing to put into effect his "instructions" under the new Wagner Labor Dispute Bill.

Nylander said he expected "good results" from the act, which legalizes company unions and opens the way for the smashing of militant labor unions.

Approximately 40 labor disputes in Los Angeles are pending before the board, Nylander said, and have been in "cold storage" until it can be seen "what the Wagner bill will accomplish."

The Western Worker can be obtained at news stands. If your news dealer does not have it, ask him to stock it.

Only Union Support Can Free My Son From the German Prison Camp

Father of Seaman Illegally Arrested in Hamburg Not Satisfied By Assurance of State Dept. and Senator Bone.

Held By Nazis

SEATTLE, Sept. 16.—That Lawrence Simpson, American seaman now held in a Nazi concentration camp, has written to his brother in Portland, Ore., was discovered by the International Labor Defense.

Nazi jailers permitted Simpson to write only one line, in German, reading "Lieber Bruder; Ich bin noch gesund and munter. Dein Bruder, Lawrence." (I am still well and in good spirits, Your brother, Lawrence).

The printed heading reads "Konzentrationslager fuhlsbuettel," and there is the stamp of the Nazi secret police. There is no date.

Simpson's brother, Melvin, wrote to Allan Steyne, assistant American consul at Hamburg, on July 29, asking for information. The consul has not yet answered.

Simpson has been an active member of the International Seamen's Union and his mail address was the Sailor's Union hall in San Francisco.

SEATTLE, Sept. 16.—"I agree that only the support of the unions he belonged to can win the freedom of my son from the German concentration camp," declared John G. Simpson in an interview with the International Labor Defense Saturday.

Simpson's son, Lawrence E. Simpson, American seaman who grew up and went through school in Kirkland, Wash., and who shipped on the West Coast for many years, is now held in the Fuhlsbuettel concentration camp in Hamburg. He was arrested aboard the SS. Manhattan in Hamburg, June 28, charged with anti-fascist activity.

The other made this statement after receiving a reply to a telegram sent to Senator Bone in Washington, D. C., Friday night. The telegram follows:

September 13, 1935.

"SENATOR BOMER BONE
SENATE OFFICE BBLG
WASHINGTON D C

ASK WAR INTERCEDE WITH SECRETARY HULL TO ASSIST AND WIRE RELEASE OF MY SON LAWRENCE E SIMPSON AMERICAN CITIZEN AND SEAMAN REPORTED ARRESTED AMARRED STEAMSHIP MANHATTAN JUNE TWENTY EIGHT IN HAMBURG GERMANY NOW HELD CONCENTRATION CAMP STOP CHARGE ANTIFASCIST ACTIVITY STOP FEAR BRUTAL TREATMENT AND LEGAL STATE DEPARTMENT INTERVENES

JOHN G SIMPSON
KIRKLAND, WASH.

The reply came from Washington, D. C., September 14, 1935.

"JOHN G SIMPSON
KIRKLAND WASH
REPORT SENATOR BONE OCCURRED AT OUR STOP IN HIS AD-

LAWRENCE SIMPSON, able-bodied seaman and American citizen was beaten and illegally searched and seized by Nazi secret police while aboard an American ship in Hamburg, Germany.

The report was brought to New York by Edward Walisch, ship delegate of the International Seamen's Union, who was in Manhattan returned to New York. I am told officers of the State Department, in comment on Walisch's statement, that they refused to intervene, first, as they have no legal right to do since the ship was not under the German flag, secondly, they would they comment on the reported statement of the German police, who, when asked what they would do if an American ship made an arrest, said that the American consul had only to "inform the authorities."

Walisch reported that the four secret police came aboard the S.S. Manhattan, raided Simpson's personal locker in the ship's forecastle, confiscated his personal belongings including anti-fascist literature, and literature reading "Fascism—or if you'd like it the workers are for it," then to place Simpson in his clothing, searched him and then brutally beat him before they left the ship.

Now believing that his arrest was illegal and fearing brutality, I am asking you to use your office and influence to secure his release at the earliest possible moment, and get him out of Germany.

I can assure you that he is an American born citizen, both he and his ancestors were born in the United States; he graduated from the High School here at Kirkland, Wash., also a term in the State College at Pullman, Wash. He has been employed by several big American steamship companies as seaman for the last ten or twelve years, his property here and his is a home.

To the best of my knowledge and belief he is not a Bolshevik or a Communist, but a loyal American in his ideals.

Trusting you will use your influence and influence to effect his release at the earliest possible moment and get him back to America safety.

I am respectfully,
His father,
J. G. Simpson,
Route No. 1, Box 28,
Kirkland, Wash."

WHAT THEY'RE AT THE MOVIES

"LIFE BEGINS"—BUT WHAT THEN?

The film called "LIFE BEGINS," showing the growth of an infant from the age of four weeks to one year, deserved every bit of the interest it aroused during its recent three-day showing in Los Angeles at the Women's City Club. But of greater interest than that was actually seen in this venture are the things that were then seen.

The film shows the development and mobility and intelligence of a particular infant (a boy). The method used is to photograph the boy at very natural moments in his struggle to move, wriggle, creep and finally walk. This struggle, which seems so difficult and handicapped to the viewer, is frequently at times so amusing and yet distasteful to the child. Extremely interesting are the surprising conclusions made in these very periods as short as two weeks. Thus, if we were able to retain our infant intelligence we would indeed be a race of superior beings. We would be always investigating, always attempting to develop through action and thought.

Educational as this film is, it can subtitles would be revealing. Thus, for example, why, as adults, we seldom retain our capacity to learn, to adjust ourselves to life's whims and at the same time develop a more complex and better life. And we would be grateful if the film's concentration-generator, the pedantic Dr. Gesell, would reveal to us the secret of furnishing our children such wonderful care in a capitalist state, outside the hospital laboratories of Yale's child clinic where the film was made.

"STEAMBOAT"—AND THE BARGEMEN'S STRIKE

Use of the motion-picture audience as sympathetic allies in a strike is a novel innovation in the remarkable Bargeman's Strike leaflet issued by the San Francisco I.L.W.U. Describing the slash and sentimentality of the advertising for the Rogers picture, STEAMBOAT ROUND THE BEND, the leaflet contrasts this with the realities of working conditions on the Big River Steamers.

Congratulation to the Bargemen for building popular support in their original and effective way and at the same time educating moviegoers in the truth that they allow to influence their thinking!

And to the Rank and File Strike Committee, Congratulations but let we say, as they say to us at the end of the leaflet:

"We will know when you have won your battle—for then—and not until then—Will we again hear the whistle of the Steamboat Round the Bend"

TO HUEY LONG

By Cliff LECKRONE

Death, at last, has crowned you, Huey,
Death crowns every man a king.
Death, at last, has made you equal
With us.
Equals us in everything.

You have been the kingfish, Huey,
Now you're just a lump of clay.
But we'll not forget you, ever,
Workers are not made that way.

How can we forget you, Huey?
When there are, once hours have flown,
Some other social-fascist
Will ascend upon your throne.

He will say the same things, Huey.
Promise the people—all—the same and all.
Million, scabs, starvation wages,
Hungry children, tears that gall.

If Your God should judge you, Huey,
In his court and like a man,
Why, God, for God's sake, fillfister—
Take what's coming, if you can.

PAMPHLETS

Review by JOHN ANDREW. "Socialism, Utopian and Scientific"—by Frederick Engels — New York International Publishers. 93 pages, 15c.

Perhaps there is no single word in international labor vocabulary whose meaning is lies understood—or has been more abused by would-be friend and foe—than the word "socialism." It has been used to classify the fantasies of individualistic dreaming, social reforms such as Saint Simon. It has been applied to political parties whose philosophy is dominated by a denial of the class struggle. It has even been incorporated into the title of the Fascist Party of Hitler.

Thus as early as 1847 in the writing of the "Communist Manifesto" there was felt a necessity for clarifying the term, for giving a word which could not be misinterpreted. Later with the growth of the working class movement the more popularly known word "socialism" came into greater use ago. With the consolidation of the leadership of the Second International there was a tendency to their treachery at the outbreak of the world war, it became evident that the word had again lost any real significance.

* Masterful Analysis.

When the Third International was established to accomplish the emancipation of the proletariat, it was necessary "to go back to the unpolluted word "Communism" in toto" to apply its true working class character. However, in this small volume by that great thinker and leader, Frederick Engels, we have a masterful analysis not only of what Socialism is but how it will be achieved.

"Socialism, Utopian and Scientific" is taken from a lengthy and popularly entitled "Anti-Duehring" which was written to clarify the views and fundamental principles of the socialist movement and to refute certain disrupters and confused elements who were attempting to mislead and split the working class. In this pamphlet Engels showed the distinction between the scientific and what might be termed the idealistic or moralistic approach to social problems.

* Utopian Socialists.

"The early utopian socialists, especially Robert Owen, were men of great vision with lofty ideals and were keenly sensitive to the injustice of capitalist economy. Their failure lay in their inability to analyze the economic structure of their society and the significance of its historical position.

"It took the masterful diagnosis of Karl Marx to place socialism on a scientific basis. However, in order to do this it was necessary to discard idealistic philosophy of the day and the static conception of nature which viewed social and economic institutions as isolated phenomena guided solely by some spiritual being or purpose, and to substitute the dynamic scientific approach of dialectical materialism.

* Class Struggle.

With the application of this conception to history comes the realization "that all past history, with the exception of its primitive stages, was a history of class struggles, that these warring classes of society are always the products of the modes of production and of exchange." Now socialism is "no longer an accidental production of this or that brilliant brain but the necessary outcome of the struggle between two historically developed, class-created proletariat and the bourgeoisie."

Engels goes on to show how the revolutionary forces in capitalism developed, how the position of the worker changed in the growth from the feudal state to capitalism and how the future of the world lies in his own hands. Here, through the proletarian revolution, "Man, at last master of his own form of social organization, becomes at the same time the lord over nature, his own master—free."

"Chapayev" Showing at Stockton Theater

STOCKTON, Sept. 16.—The Soviet film, "Chapayev" which has shown to capacity audiences in Los Angeles and San Francisco, the Imperial Theatre here Friday and Saturday, Sept. 20 and 21, Chapayev, the "Red Commander," is a historic figure of the Revolutionary Era and his life and work supplied the story for this exciting film.

STRIKES ARE UNCOMFORTABLE

A Short Story

By J. Wells

Cigars, Cigar smoke. Fading fumes of rich food. Surreptitious belches. Discreet wise cracks on the tablecloth. Crumpled napkins. Ashtrays; ashes; miniature mountains of lava. Waiters, eyes peeled for tips. Coffee.

Six. Six from the bosses. Two from the unions. One from the government. And James Golden, advisory attorney, State Labor Board.

An announcement.

"Strikers' delegation outside. Says they made up their minds."

"A quickening of attention. Eyes opposite with food and bellies plump with food coordinate, snap to attention.' Backs pull up behind them the comfortable armchair dinner slouch; eyes bristle.

James Golden fans his hot, red face with a napkin. Hot as hell in this valley, this interior agricultural Gilley, blocked off by the mountains from the cooling winds of the Pacific. Swell fertile country but hot as hell. Women, their hoes, their hoeing, pickers stand it, those fellows. Made for punishment. Big work horses. Big, brownbacked husky fellows, been long from morning to night, working at top speed to beat the season.

Three or three cam in. Spokesmen for the pickers. Not brown workforcesh fellows at all. Little fellows with their clothes peeking out of their pockets. Not much little. Tall fellows, but so thin they look little. Talkers, no doubt. Bad. Bad that about their mouths off and make little trouble.

The two A. F. of L. men on the board look at them suspiciously. Golden hides a smile. No love lost in that outfit. Only the other day he said, "I'm not saying they could get through in a jiffy if they only had the pickers to deal with. Trouble was the pickers were run by a gang hatched in Reds from Sacramento. The pickers, stubborn as hell.

"Sit down, boys."

Cordial, that government chap. They say he's a personal friend of Perkins'. Smooth. Know how to handle these dumb clucks. Talks sweet and pretty to them and all the time knows how easy. Lucky for the growers they get a guy like that.

"What's on your minds?"

"We decided. We don't play ball with the pickers get what they're after, boy."

The union leaders look at each other in figures. "Know you are. That's how the Reds work the unions.

"The pea pickers," says Bill of the A. F. of L. "aren't even organized."

"We know it," answers a corky fellow from the strikers, "that's why we have to do business this way."

Not a bit of the eyelash from Washington. Twiddles his big fingers that circle which has gone out. "What's it going to get you, boys? Well, we promised to be fair with you; we met you halfway; you get everything you asked for, reasonable, too."

"Sure, so's the pea'll go on time."

"Aw, thinks James Golden, why's else?"

One of the growers sneers. "They. Ess as much to your interest as ours that we get a good crop shipped. Means wages for you."

"And profits for you!"

Golden yawns. "Why always bring that up?"

"Sure," the growers agrees. "We can't hire you unless we have the money. We're not in business for our health. We want you to be satisfied. When we're satisfied, you're satisfied. You can't go against that. Ruin us by demanding higher wages, what's the result? We can't market our crops. We can't afford to plant. Ruin men out of jobs."

"We're not working for our health either. You'll always get your money. After the pea season is over, we're not so likely to eat."

James Golden squirms. Sweat oozes out of his pores. Tedious business, this arbitrating. Figured you'd be finished this afternoon at the latest. In the morning catching the L.W.V. plane out of Fresno for L. A.

"What are they after now? That's the trouble with the lower classes. Give 'em a finger and they want a hand. You can't start in on concessions, that's how they begin. It's what he tells the Board. You got to be firm. Give them their due and no more. The union representatives agree. They know they've had experience with those ignorammus.

"Take the pea pickers. Sure, it's hard work.

"Take off the fat of the land without turning a hand! Relief, maybe? It's work, but they get paid for it, don't they? Work is good for a man.

"They're talking now, those dumb lugs. Hard work. They explain that they don't budge unless the pickers get 35 cents an hour and decent living conditions.

"What do they mean, decent living conditions?" sneers Joe of the Ag. L.

"They explain. The pickers, mostly Mexicans and Filipinos, want more washrooms with running water and clean toilets. They don't want to live in tents. They want houses. They want medical attention for their sick. And about those men that get wounded in the fields . . .

"The Washington fellow steps in here and begins counting-taking. There's an more complaint of sunstrokes. Golden knows. So hydrowaterworkforkses get sunstrokes, too.

"The cocky fellow from the strikers interrupts. "The pickers want . . .

"Gee, want, want, want! "That's all Golden hears. They want this, they want that. And he has to miss his train on account of their wants.

"Sanitary living conditions for the women and children.

"Listen, says Golden. "You can't teach greasers to be clean. Tried it out on them. Bad experience with them in the Imperial Valley. This is all a lot of communist agitation from the outside. The greasers are happy dirty and they like it. The Imperial, Reds had the Mex transients so fed up they were afraid of the lousy Reds to keep myself. They trap me. The Reds set guards and patrolled the quarter so the poor dirty of the greasers themselves told me they didn't want to strike. Scared that about their mouths off and make little trouble.

"Sure, the Reds. Jack Pickel, labor boss, lived drinks. Fine mouthpiece in union. Pretty boy. Lived a playing bridge. They beaten high. Yachting at Santa Monica. Swimming, sailing with his two kids.

"Instead, broiling like a live lobster in this hellhole. Why? Because of a swell job as State's attorney for the Labor Board. Jumped from the frying pan to the fire. He knows the law. He can twist it. He does.

"A swell job. Along with his lucrative practice in L. A. Perchurlie he's assured. Except when he sets in a place like this. Except when he gets in a jam like this. Except when she messes up with a bunch of rabid pickaxe-packers who won't budge an inch and let him catch the streetcar back to L. A. and take care of the kids and Beverley Hill.

"And for what?

"Because of organized lazy Mexican loafers who want a decent place to live. They want to be able to get a toilet at all, let alone rabbit hell over it. They ought to be glad they get work at all, instead of yelling off their heads for a few more paltry cents an hour. They ought to be glad the United States government doesn't ship them back over the border where they belong. Lousy Mex. Lousy government would do it, too, if white men could be not to work for a few lousy cents an hour. Lousy fellows. Trying to kill the chance that lays the golden egg. Stirred up by the Reds from the Reds from Sacramento. You can't tell 'em Golden!

"They ask Golden's legal advice, the two growers, the two union officers, and the impartial chairman from Washington. The last word is up to him.

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The State A. F. of L. Convention

The California State Federation of Labor convention now in session in San Diego will have many resolutions from trade union progressives to consider. Not the least important of these are the resolutions favoring the industrial type of organization and against the WPA automatic wage scales.

News from the Indiana State Federation of Labor convention tells us that a resolution favoring industrial unions was passed after a two-day debate, and will be introduced at the National convention. The convention also supported joint action to combat the WPA automatic wage scales.

Can we expect as much from San Diego?

That depends upon the extent to which progressives and rank and file delegates have mastered in the convention. We may well expect that all such progressive measures will be forced by "conservative" labor leaders of the type of Scharrenberg and Vandeleur, who have already bitterly opposed progressive action as exemplified by the joint action of unions composing the Marine Federation of the Pacific, and joint action of unemployed and employed organizations in defense of wage standards.

A vigorous fight must be carried through on these and other measures. They must be further carried into individual unions, central labor bodies, and the National Convention.

We may say without fear of contradiction that the red-baiting and anti-progressive stand of the "conservatives" meaning "reactionaries" has played directly into the hands of employers, who find it convenient to smear the "steady, reliable, conservative Mr. Vandeleur" and the "Martyr" Paul Scharrenberg against such real labor fighters as Harry Bridges and rank and file leaders who have done so much to improve working conditions on the Pacific Coast and who retain the confidence of their fellow unionists. (Bridges was overwhelmingly re-elected as I.L.A. president last week.)

He who finds grace in the eyes of the "Committee of 100" of Chambers of Commerce and other employer organizations, and is the hero pal of strike-breaker Rossi and his kind, is no labor leader to be proud of and must go, because he bars trade union progress.

State Federations everywhere are clearing the air for this major battle of progress versus reaction, for trade union democracy versus official bureaucracy. The Connecticut state federation of labor endorsed the Labor Party; Illinois is having a bitter battle; Akron workers voted down Green's dictatorship in the matter of union head. Elsewhere, though progressive measures are temporarily defeated, the battle rages and will continue to rage until the way is cleared for widespread trade union action of the progressive kind. California should join the vanguard in this fight.

How to Prevent Cave-Ins —With a Labor Party

On Page Four, Column Seven, of this issue you will find a story of conditions on the Oakland four-level tunnel job, it's a first class example of the crying need for a United Front Labor Party which will go to work and file minutes men into public office.

The Sta. Companies, dickered with the Public Works Administration and the District Highway Board, haggled and cut down on safety measures in their eagerness for profits they violated all the canons of common sense as well as the spirit of the contract. Suddenly they discovered that the tunnel was much longer and had to be more serious. The workers on the job knew it was liable to cave in.

But men were kept on the job until 100 feet of tunnel caved in and killed three workers. Why because the Sta Companies would have lost the contract if they stopped work completely. This, of course, was laying the blame on the governmental red-tape artists.

That cave-in could have been prevented.

If the workers on the job had been properly organized they could have struck the job with a demand that it be done properly, regardless of the rate of profit the company might make. If they had struck, the capitalist politicians would have called out the police, as they always do, to break the strike. And it would have been an interesting spectacle to see the armed forces of the state seeking to drive workers into a death-trap in the hillside at the point of a tear-gas gun.

With Labor Party candidates in political office the workers on that job could have gone to their brother unionists and called upon them, in their capacity as supervisors, sheriffs, mayors, etc., to force the Sta Companies to do the job properly. And if the companies should choose to resist such demands from these labor politicians the unions could have backed the fight in a very practical way—with strike action. And, turn about, a Labor Party sheriff could deputize the strike committee to maintain law and order and prevent any violence or bloodshed during the course of the struggle.

UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION

BILL OF RIGHTS

Article 1.

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech or of the press; or of the right of the people peaceably to assemble and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

Ernest Hemingway and The Murdered Veterans

"You're dead now, brother, but who left you there in the hurricane months on the Keys where a thousand men died before you in the hurricane months when they were building the road that is now washed out?

Who left you there? And what's the punishment for manslaughter now?"

With these words Ernest Hemingway, famous writer and himself a veteran, one of whose books described the disintegration of the Italian army in the last war, closes his description of the Florida Keys tragedy.

Hemingway has turned to the column of working-class newspapers and magazines, to find ample scope for his burning indignation. His story, sent to the Daily Worker and the New Masses, is an eloquent indictment of the bankers, hedge-hog capitalists who were responsible for leaving our now unwanted heroes on the Keys to have long after warnings of hurricane weather were given. The relief train was dispatched too late, and wrecked in the storm. Blasted bodies, mostly of partially disabled veterans, were burned in a gigantic funeral pyre to prevent disease.

Hemingway writes: "But I would like to make a bargain for those three years just one out of each of the hangmen, or two, one over that by the sun glare the fall, or the fire together or they won't shoot out, or shall that small son of a bitch never smell again, will look. But maybe you know that there isn't any luck when God bastards make a war."

The veterans were not only survivors of the World War, but survivors of the class war fought on Anacostia Flats, and driven on by the mercenaries of the rich who spoke with lawyers and speakers do not arrive there years later near the Keys in hurricane months! The simple moral of this final chapter of the tale of how capitalism treats its war-time heroes should make her on veterans and potential cannon-fodder everywhere.

A new world war is in the making!

Presently the battlefields will once more be filled with the sickly sweet stench of rotting corpses that accompany every war. Hemingway's story symbolizes the decay of capitalism and its frightful machinery of destruction.

We welcome Ernest Hemingway into the ranks of writers who see in the coming imperialist war and its causes—and its horrifying consequences. His initial appearance in a revolutionary newspaper is significant of the rising tide of anti-war activity among the intellectuals. We call attention to the ranks of men like Barbusse, Rolland, Gide, Lawson, Frank Shaughey, Gorky, Gide and others is prominent, and a fitting answer to those who would stay "above the battle."

"Labor is prior to and independent of capital. Capital is only the fruit of labor, could never have existed if labor had not first existed. Labor is the superior of capital, and deserves much the higher consideration."—ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

Speed Up the Save-Herndon Campaign

The campaign to save Herndon must be speeded up if we are to achieve the 2,000,000 signatures called for by the International Labor Defense. Elsewhere in this issue we print a report that U. S. Senator Hugo Black, who seems to differ with many other prominent public figures have signed the petition to Governor Talmadge of Georgia on Herndon's behalf. The story likewise reports how stalwart employers, NYA officials, and others from these experiences. It must be remembered that many hundreds of public figures and combinations of interests are involved in the case, and their signatures may be had for the asking.

Speed the campaign! Turn in petitions already filled, and take new ones! Approach ministers, doctors, merchants, workers and appeal to the signatures of the Herndon case in the struggle for preservation of our democratic rights!

How to Prevent Cave-Ins —With a Labor Party

Murder in Minneapolis By "Farmer-Labor" Police

"Two dead; two more dying; fifty wounded."

Such is the sketch from the scene of war, but the non-existence of a general strike, the failure of the Communist Party, following the Farmer-Labor Party, to organize

EAST OF the Rockies

Coal Truce Extended Cotton Pickers Farm Mortgages Relief Money for Police

WASHINGTON — The present contract with bituminous coal operators has been extended by John L. Lewis for the fifth time since April 1, to avoid a strike for the demands of 400,000 coal miners. Previously Lewis had extended the contract by telling the miners that the Guffey Bill would solve their problems when it became a law. Now it is a law, and the miners have learned that it only aids coal operators to fix prices and strengthen monopoly in the coal fields.

Instead of the original demand for a six-hour day, five-day week, and six dollar a day scale, Lewis has modified the demands to the seven-hour day, thirty-five hour week, fifty cents increase in day rates and 10 cents increase in tonnage rates. This has been rejected by the operators.

MONTGOMERY, Ala.—Landlords organized as vigilante gangs, with the aid of the police, are attempting to break the cotton pickers strike in Lowndes County, which has already taken a toll of four lives of strike leaders, in the efforts of the cotton croppers to return to the old scale of 35 cents a day have failed, and the strikers stand firm for a day "a" $1 for 100 pounds of cotton. Where the terror is especially severe the strikers are seeking to the wages to avoid the landlords' gangs.

NEW YORK.—A rent strike has been voted by 200 members of the Knickerbocker Village Tenants Association, tenants in the large East Side apartment house built with Government funds, if there is an attempt made to evict fifteen leaders of the association, Joseph Skelly, president of the company owning the village, has refused to renew their leases, which expire October 1. The apartments was built as a tax-exempt model project to cut rents and slum housing, but has proved to be a profit-making enterprise seeking to milk the tenants for all it can get.

KANSAS CITY.—Fifteen farmers, called to testify before a grand jury investigating the stoppage of mortgage foreclosure sales in Missouri, were arrested before they even appeared. The eleven, together with four others, are charged with violating a Federal statute, and with "contempt of court" after local authorities and agents of the U. S. Department of Justice were blocked by a grand jury packed with business men and "corporation executives. Militant farmers near Plattsburg had stopped several foreclosure sales.

PITTSBURGH.—Money to the amount of $500,000 from a bond issue intended to furnish relief was used to pay salaries of police, fire and water departments, according to the admission of the mayor of Pittsburgh to a delegation of unemployed demanding adequate relief. Mayor McNair had announced himself in favor of a program of building barracks to serve as concentration camps for unemployed workers and on relief, and of sending Negro relief clients "Back down South where they came from."

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SIMMONS STRIKE SOLID AS PLANT REMAINS CLOSED

POLICE PROMINENT AS FIRM ANNOUNCES REOPENING

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 19.—The Simmons Bed Company plant here remained closed as the strike of 300 employees went into its third week.

Although the plant is closely guarded by police, who have issued tickets to the opposite sides of the street, away from the buildings, no scabs were seen in it an hour this morning, picket-captains declared.

The company had announced it would reopen for the factory this morning.

Regular picket crews are operating on all sides of the shop and the plant is tightly closed. No signs of operation within are apparent. The pickets operate in shifts, with approximately fifty workers to a shift.

Workers have received financial support from the Furniture Workers Union employed at other plants, and more is expected. There is some talk among the rank and file strikers of spreading the walkout to other shops.

The strikers are demanding a minimum wage rate and recognition of their union, local 1541 of the International Furniture Workers, A. F. of L.

The Simmons plant here is equipped to manufacture war materials and could be transformed for this purpose in 24 hours, it is reported.

Office employes as well as other workers were asked to join the strike this morning and many are joining the union who had not formerly belonged.

WAREHOUSEMEN BOUND OVER IN FRAME-UP CASE

HELD DESPITE EVIDENCE OF S. P. SWITCHMAN

OAKLAND, Sept. 19.—Concluding the hearing of the frame-up charge against Paul Heidde and Bob Moore, Warehousemen pickets charged with tampering with a railroad switch, Police Judge Tyrrell bound them over to superior court.

The two have been the most active on the strike committee of Oakland Warehousemen in the lockout struggle at the Santa Cruz Canning.

Special Southern Pacific police officers testified for the prosecution, becoming badly confused and contradictory under cross-examination. They declared Moore and Heidde had opened a switch on the spur track into the cannery with the intention of derailing and ditching an outbound train.

Nolan had stationed himself at the Santa Cruz Depot "Under the effect that a general strike threatened, that it was "distinctly communistic in nature" and was inspired from Moscow," that it would probably fail "because I have no money." Nolan said he was

Jobless Jottings

By the Boondoggler (L. A.)

The first Los Angeles WPA production for use project, approved at Washington is a 27,000 project manufacturing clothes for patients in the Norwalk State Asylum.

The County Labor Co-ordinating Bureau may be abolished. The supervisor of this potential "scab herding bureau" is Herman L. Schwartz who howled and barked so loud at every session of the Citizen's Relief Committee, that he was handed a jobless job, long for jobs for relief clients in private industry,—just to shut his mouth.

Mails seem to again ascending upward to the cars of Dalton and McLaughlin as the heads and scratches in the WPA door . . .

A few months ago CWA built a "pick and shovel" road over the mountain. At the present time WPA is spending its "pick and shovel" a tunnel through the same mountain. Another new deal group surveys the mountain and draws up future "pick and shovel" plans to move the mountain . . .

There is no end to new deal progress, as long as the small taxpayers money, the relief workers, patients and the mountains hold out. . .

Young Mississippi a Hearst bleeding stood in Pershing Square, extolling the lofty aims the workers proclaiming his patriotism and love of Hearst so long and loud, in such abusive fashion that he was "run out of town" by a mob with a clinched fist.

Hearst's minions attempting to find out how it happened were told "He stumbled over a match stick and fell."

"Parents neglect," says coroner Frances Spalding caused Abel Vergara, age four, to drown in Mud Lake, one month. Alfred Morales and Ray Navarro, each three months old died in the last few days at local ranches near San Jose.

He is careful to make no mention of the real reasons—unsanitary surroundings—unfavorable environment—on account of low wages as whole families are forced to work in the prune harvest to be able to exist at all . . .

Prunes and profits mean more to the well-to-do ranchers of Santa Clara county than the life of working children.

The thousands of migratory farm laborers in California when not working in the fruit and vegetable harvests are to be placed in huge transient camps . . .

Five homeless men were crushed to death in the wreck of an Illinois Central freight train near Monroe, La. . . .

Andrew Sturges is sent to the Washington state penitentiary at Walla Walla, for a maximum of 15 years . . . for the crime . . . **of stealing a piece of bread, some butter and a kitchen knife.**

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt will speak at the Hollywood Bowl early in October. Her subject to be "Meeting Human Need Unmet by Government."

Her famous husband continues stalling and to show his democratic photographed for the press, posing hot-dogs at a picnic at Val-Kill N. Y. near the Lamont White House.

In the meantime, police departments over the country have added slingshot supplies of tear, and nauseating gas, purchase blackjacks, dictaphones, and armored cars as millions approach the second winter of the depression, and the third winter of the "new deal", with empty pockets, pinched faces and belts in the last notches.

BARGE OWNERS TO SAIL SCAB SUTTER AGAIN

STRIKING SCALERS PLAN BIG BENEFIT DANCE

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 19.—The scab ship Sutter, manned by strike-breaking officials of the barge companies, is waiting at Sacramento, preparatory to making a second trip to the San Francisco docks.

The officials themselves, with blistered hands and sweating brows are reported loading the ship, assisted by a small brood of scabs.

Last time the Sutter made the trip she returned to her home port with more than half her cargo aboard. The rest is rotting on Pier 2! Here, Commission merchants have refused to accept it.

The commission merchants now are demanding that Page, of the River Lines, return again with the Sutter and remove the produce from the docks. Many hundreds of sacks of potatoes and onions are going to waste as a result of the officials first strikebreaking voyage.

Meanwhile six operating ships have applied for the release of the barge strikers, with slight modifications, and others may come in with the rest of this week.

News Stories and Comment by Newspaper Correspondents

NEGRO MILITANTS MOVE TO OUST FAKER FROM JIM-CROW MARINE COOKS AND STEWARDS

JIM-CROW LOCALS ARE WRONG IN FIRST PLACE, SAYS WORKER, DISCRIMINATION HELPS SHIPOWNERS

By a Chinese Seaman.

SAN FRANCISCO.—The rank and file membership of the Marine Cooks and Stewards has sounded a timely warning to all chauvinists and jim-crowists in their union. At the last regular meeting, Ben Porterfield, the Negro agent of the jim-crowed Negro Branch of the Marine Cooks and Stewards in Seattle, was charged by militant Negro members with non-union activities. A trial committee, elected by the rank and file will be waiting for him this coming week.

Reports were given that Porterfield has carried on illegal negotiations with the Dollar Company and the Northland Company to replace the Chinese and White crews with Negro workers. Trying to justify his action, Porterfield made the statement that a regular meeting of the Negro Branch in Seattle—that the Dollar Company is already dominated by the record of the Negro seamen as "peace-loving" employees.

★ Must Be Kicked Out.

The rank and file of the MCS will undoubtedly deal with this cast-scrawled and ill-fated proposal. Steps to abolish this jim-crowed branch and kick this faker, Porterfield, out of the organization.

But, race discrimination and chauvinism will not be entirely uprooted by the above mentioned actions only. The situation up in Seattle is the result of, in the rather a strong indication, of the existence of inequality and race discrimination in the Marine Cooks and Stewards organization. It is an effect and not the cause.

One has but to look in the existing conditions of shipping in MCS and you will find the deep sense of racial discrimination right there. Given at the district headquarters in San Francisco, where the Negro workers are being shipped out from the same hiring hall with the Chinese workers, in which case, the Negro workers do not receive a fair chance. They are dispatched only when the Chinese call for a Negro man. And such case rarely happens, for there are only a few ships on a particular line, the Admiral Line, that makes such specifications.

★ Negroes On the Beach.

Where the Admiral Line had, of late years, been a good outlet for Negro workers were left idle on the beach. They will not be able to get a job until the spring season comes next year. Other jobs coming to the union are hard from them. Under such conditions, one can easily see why the rank and file of the Negro Branch in Seattle allowed themselves to be misled by such a faker as Porterfield.

The rank and file of the MCS must carry on an intensive campaign among the Negro membership in regard to the necessity of trade union unity and solidarity and the evil effects of racial discrimination to the labor movement.

★ Abolish Jim Crow.

The Seattle case clearly shows us that when we discriminate against the colored workers—the they Negro, Chinese or Filipinos—we will ultimately drive them to scabs, serve as the ship-owners, and the ship-owners in turn will use them as a club over our heads.

Most important of all, the rank and file should once and for all abolish that jim-crow shipping system in the MSC and following in the footsteps of the sailors, establish equal shipping rights for every union member, regardless of race and nationality.

(For editorial comment see p. 6)

14 WAREHOUSE MEN LOSE JOBS IN EXPERIMENT

AND THEN TWO MORE ARE FIRED AS SPEED-UP IDEA WORKS

(By a Worker Correspondent)

SAN DIEGO.—I am a worker in the Van Camp Cannery here in the warehouse department. Today I find myself without a job.

On the 11th of this month, we were informed that the office was trying a "little experiment". Where the 30 of us who had been working on the "crew-up" crew reported at 7 a. m. for work they ordered us into the retort room.

The superintendent came, looked us over and said, "Well, sixteen will be sufficient. Let the rest go home. There are more than enough."

He picked out 16 of us, picking his favorites regardless of others who had years of experience there. Those of us who got left out were told, "Now, boys, this is just a beginning. In the meantime an experiment; we're trying out speed-up ideas on the phone rings. We are marched down to the office, got our cards and were marched out of the building.

A few days hung about the cannery to see what this new experiment was. The 16 favored men were placed in the retort room; whereas usually we wheeled the baskets containing cans of fish from the warehouse. They were going to case-the cans in the retort room. A large 4-wheeled truck was substituted for the usual 2-wheeled hand truck.

The "experiment" was just the speed-up system—one man doing the work of two. Today two more were fired because of, could they have done this if we workers had been organized? The bosses planned to split our unity. A week previously two Mexican workers were fired and replaced by white workers. Thus the boss hoped to stir up racial antagonism.

Universal Studio Workers Need Union

By a Worker Correspondent.

LOS ANGELES.—Conditions in the Universal Studio are growing worse every day. Speed-up is speeded up to the limit. There are at least 40 per cent more workers tied up waiting for work than there are jobs for. And the others are only partly employed when things are slack.

When the workers are put on speed, that means if you want to be on the look-out for your job you must stick by your phone, and be on-call, any time of the 24 hours. You have to be ready to go to work at 12 or 1 or 2 or 3 and 4 in the morning or night. It doesn't worry the producers as long as they can keep the studio workers worried and hopping around so soon as the phone rings.

The 36-hour week isn't working here. Men are getting 18, 24 and 9 shifts a week while others get only half that many.

FIREMEN BEGIN RANK AND FILER IN RESOLUTION

(Continued from Page 1)

reactionary McGovern clique, the Firemen voted to override the vote allowing former Marine Workers Industrial Union members into the union and voted four additional AWVU members into the union, a motion was passed to elect a committee of five to investigate and report on a plan of unemployed membership which would allow Negro and foreign born workers to join in rotation with their white brothers.

SCALERS STRIKE

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 20.—No change in the situation regarding the striking ship-scalers' here was reported this week. The contractors, who initiated the lockout, are themselves locked out. Scalers are working directly for the shipowners.

Meanwhile the strikers are preparing for a monster dance and entertainment to be held at Druids' Auditorium, Oct. 12, to raise funds to continue the struggle.

Union music will be provided and plenty of unique entertainment is promised. All friends and sympathizers of organized labor are urged to attend the dance and help put down the scab-scaling in their strike.

"Since the beginning of the strike the scalers have been operating a strike breaker and all have been eating regularly. Many sympathetic merchants have donated food and other necessities to the strike.

COOKS AND STEWARDS

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 20.—After reactionaries in the Marine Cooks and Stewards Union Hall, night had declared a motion to forward $50 to the Mooney Defense Committee, pending the collection of assessments, it was revealed that petitions in the union hall Friday evening to notify some ships' crews that the motion for the assessment had been passed made.

★ Equal Shipping.

After the same group of reactionaries had attempted to raise the question of Jim Crow ex-

FANCY BANQUET OPENS DRIVE FOR ANDERSON OAKLAND 'PEOPLES' PAPER'

"LABOR" ATTENDS IN "SPIRIT OF HUMILITY"

OAKLAND, Sept. 19.—Over a hundred people dined at the Hotel Washington in Oakland Thursday, Sept. 12, at the "Victory dinner," preliminary step in the drive for $25,000 to establish a newspaper in Oakland in the interest of truth and humanity," by the People's Foundation. The occasion was opened with the singing of "America," followed by prayer.

The last offered labor interests in the drive for funds $5000 has already been raised for the first (the financing agents) is the inclusion of labor representatives on the Board. In support of the statement by the chairman, Harper, that honesty puts facts instead of Hearstian distortion would be the policy of the projected paper, a labor representative was introduced, moved for and seconded at the evening for a short speech.

★ Spirit of Humility.

He was for "humility." "We (the unions) have taken it on the chin for the past, and we will have to take it again. We must participate in this undertaking in a spirit of humility . . . The unions have their own papers representing their own special interests, and we do not need to expect any special consideration on a paper which is for all interests."

Left wingers who had come to the banquet on the mistaken supposition that a liberal daily was under consideration, 'muttered anions themselves at this slave attitude.

No editor has yet been elected for the proposed newspaper. No purpose other than the disinterested desire for "truth and humanity" was given for its foundation. University professors among the guests were of the belief that it was all being carried on in good faith. Left-wingers, remembering noble words uttered in other causes, from Mussolini and Hitler to the "loyal vigilantes" nearer home, were suspicious. Inquiries were invited by the Peoples Foundation, 327 17th street, Oakland. Telephone 1993.

Typical excerpt from the speeches at the Banquet:

"We are embarked upon a holy crusade, a holy crusade." (For cross-reference, see speeches of Hitler.)

Left-wingers in the audience departed wondering just what motives lie behind the plan.

ROBERT NOBLE'S NUTTY PROGRAM PAYS HIS FARE

GETS HIS EXPENSES FOR TRIP TO LOUISIANA—FORGETS STRUGGLE

By a Worker Correspondent.

LOS ANGELES.—Robert Noble, confessed disciple of the late Huey P. Long, collected money at a meeting here on Sept. 10 to pay his way to Louisiana.

Also the audience of nearly 800, in Cooperative Auditorium, were prompted to write their names and addresses on a sheet, with their weekly contribution to pay Noble's traveling expenses.

Forgotten was the war on the L. A. Street Railway and forgotten completely his erstwhile pretenses, the locked-out striking street carmen, especially those he engineered into the 1934 I. W. W. scheme and into jail. Forgotten his old standby, vituperation of the Red Squad, Mayor Shaw, Governor Merriam, Police Chief Davis, Supervisor Quinn—all got a brief, passing compliment—that is, the Hearst 'drew more attention. Still no resolution was passed protesting the Red Squad and the attack on the Examiner picketline and such Fascist acts as tarring and the arrest of 15 picketers. No protest against war. No protest against feathering workers in Santa Rosa.

The Noble program consists in inciting to violence—and collecting money for his own personal use.

"I've got my pistol, and I'll use it," he got yours. "Buy a pistol, buy a gun . . . When I say 'Shoot' shoot!"

Noble's program is becoming a union of agricultural workers, cotton pickers, or hop pickers, for the purpose of getting a few more cents a day to ward off starvation, faces vigilante and police terror, jailing, and 1 to 14 year sentences in San Quentin or Tehachapi. The Communist's bullets are leaden, education, is early body knows. His chief weapons are organization, struggle to improve living conditions. Yet the Communist is attacked and the man who has been most active in ogles the strip-acts. Boy! What remarks around us: "There's a man who knows communists." We'll get 'em after the show," etc.

Disappointed that you won't find comrades to give you moral support—in a burlesque show!

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WHERE TO GO

ORGANIZATIONS! Get big crowds to your affairs. Advertise your here. Rates—7c a line, in advance!

— San Francisco —

DESKS, files, etc., are needed by the Western Worker. Notify the business manager when and where you have materials picked up.

ATTENTION! Railroad Workers Affair. Sat. Sept. 28th, 8 p. m. 121 Haight Street. Workers Play—Program—Dancing. Admission 25c. Support Rank and File movement in Railroad Industry.

P.W.U.U.—Dancing, Refreshments, Entertainments. Sunday, Sept. 22, 8 p. m., 779 Vallejo st. Admission 15 cents.

HELP FREE THE CRIMINAL SYNDICALISM PRISONERS. DANCE, Sat., Oct. 5, Dreamland Hall, 44 Page st. Refreshments. Union Music. Short Plays. Admission 25c. Door Prize. Auspices: Conference for Repeal of C. S. Act.

RED FROLIC, Sat. Sept. 21, 121 Haight st. Program—Dancing. Refreshments served in individual booths. Workers Play-Writer, Auspices: Unit 10, Fillmore. Adm. 25c.

SEPTEMBER 29, 8 p. m. Sunday Nite, at 779 Vallejo st. Dancing, Dancing, Dancing. All everybody invited. Auspices: Young North Beach Communist Party.

CELEBRATION OF OCTOBER REVOLUTION—Costume Ball given by McNamara (Russian Branch), 1167 Post, San Francisco, 2, 121 Haight street. Valuable prizes to organizations and individuals. Refreshments, costumes in idea and appearance, representing October Revolution. Admission 25c.

MISSION WORKERS' OPEN FORUM, Sunday, Sept. 22, 8:00 p. m., 141 Albion street, bet. Valencia and Mission, near Sixteenth. "What WPA Means to the Unemployed." Speakers: Committee of Organized Labor, and Unemployed Workers. Speaker Alex Koral. Questions, Discussion. Admission free. Free Book Raffle.

SPARTACUS CLUB—Dance and Entertainment, Spartacus Hall, 3rd Third st., Saturday, Sept. 21, 8:00 p. m. Benefit United Labor Ticket Campaign. Come and Support a worthy cause! Adm. 15c, Ladies free.

ARMY STAYS IN RELIEF CENTERS SAY WPA HEADS

SAN FRANCISCO JOBLESS DEMONSTRATE AGAINST RULING SEPT. 21

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 19.—Despite the wishes of this city, led by the Public Works and Unemployed Union, are going to the relief centers on Friday, Sept. 20, at 10 a. m. Tickets are being issued for the purpose of demanding that Army relief centers be discontinued and the Federal food distribution center and all district relief centers. The workers determined on this mass demonstration after Mr. M. O'Donnell, secretary of the Calif. State Federation of Unemployed and Allied Organizations, made public receipt of a letter from the relief administrator to assist the Army in recruiting the unemployed.

The letter, dated Sept. 17 from the Emergency Relief Administration, 616 Mission street, San Francisco, said:

My Dear Mr. O'Donnell:

We will acknowledge receipt of copy of your letter of September 14th, addressed to Mr. Frank Lee Laughlin (State Relief Administrator.—Ed.)

The position of this Administration is that the relief establishment represents an employment opportunity which might be of assistance to our employed clients.

In keeping with our policy of making every possible employment opportunity available, we have allowed the enlistment officers of the Thirtieth Infantry to establish the recruiting stations against which you protest. The establishment of these stations has no significance other than that it is an employment opportunity.

Our action is taken also in courtesy to another Federal agency which has requested our assistance.

I will be followed as long as the military authorities believe it possible to secure desirable enrollees by this means.

We regret that you have felt it necessary to protest a step, as is not the policy of this Administration to use any coercive means.

Yours very truly,
John. H. Small, Director,

LOCATIONS FOR STREET MEETINGS

To be held Sat. Night, Sept. 21, in support of the United Labor Ticket

MISSION SECTION

1.—21st and Mission—S. E. corner—San Francisco—7:45 p. m.
2.—23rd and Mission—S. W. corner—Jewelry Store—7:00 p. m.
3.—19th and Mission—S. W. corner—Fruit Market—7:45 p.m.
4.—18th and Castro—S. E. corner—Bank of America—7:00 p. m.

FILLMORE SECTION

1.—Ellis and Fillmore—S. E. corner—7:00 p. m.
2.—O'Farrell and Fillmore—N. W. corner—7:45 p. m.
3.—Haight and Cole—7:00 p. m.
4.—Fost and Buchanan—S. E. corner—7:45 p. m.
5.—18th Ave and Geary—N. E. corner—7:00 p. m.
6.—Jefferson Park—City-wide Rally—8:30 p. m.

NORTH BEACH SECTION

1.—Vallejo and Stockton—N. W. corner—7:00 p. m.
2.—Columbus and Broadway—N. W. corner—7:45 p. m.
3.—Columbus and Union—near park—7:00 p. m.

MARINA SECTION

1.—Chestnut and Scott—N. E. corner—7:00 p. m.
2.—Polk and Sutter—7:45 p. m.
3.—Polk and California—7:00 p. m.
4.—Union and Webster—S. W. corner—7:45 p. m.

DOWNTOWN

1.—7th and Market—S. E. corner of 7th—7:45 p. m.
2.—3rd and Mission—S. W. corner of Mission—7:45 p. m.
3.—3rd and Harrison—N. W. corner of 3rd—7:00 p. m.
4.—4th and Market—7:00 p. m.

L. A. REGIONAL LABOR BOARD IS ABOLISHED

NEW SET-UP UNDER FAKE WAGNER BILL

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 16.—The Los Angeles regional labor board, composed of 45 "representatives" of labor, industry and the public, who have been arbitrating labor disputes since NRA was instituted, was ordered abolished today by the National labor relations board in Washington, D.C.

Washington authorities will appoint an investigator, an attorney and an examiner to assist Dr. Towne Nylander, regional board director, who will remain. This is reported as democracy in labor disputes has been cast aside in the unsatisfactory program of the Roosevelt administration.

This executive staff, the national board announced, will have two major functions, "to conduct employee elections in cases where there is contention concerning who shall represent the employees; and secondly, "to command employees to end specified unfair labor practices lest likely to frustrate collective bargaining."

REALITY OF "THE SCOUNDREL"

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JIMMY SAVO IN "ONCE IN A BLUE MOON"
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"MOSCOW LAUGHS"—SO DO WE

THE SCOUNDREL—By Ben Hecht and Charles MacArthur—Alhambra Theater, San Francisco.

This movie is a take-off on the life of some of the upper-class literati and intelligentsia of America. It has been brought to be a satire, but it is a feial picture in more senses than one; this reviewer has heard just such conversations—many times in New York literary drawing rooms.

It is a really moving study of the lack of loyalty (and of every other human feeling) among these degenerating people. The hero played by Noel Coward, is cynical publisher, who wisecracks at everybody's expense, loves women, and leaves them, holds nothing sacred. His "friends" stare at him and scorn him behind his back but have to be polite to his face because he is their publisher. He seduces and then leaves a charming, delicate, blond girl poet and soon after she is in an airplane wreck. Everyone is glad.

But the scoundrel is allowed to come back to his earth for a month and is told that if he can find one heart to weep for him he will be allowed to continue (otherwise he will spend eternity in a restless hell. He seeks among his "friends", finds them cruel, cold and heartless, and then in a mad rush as the clock ticks off the days, searches for Cora, the girl he betrayed. He finds her down and out with her child, drunk, down and out and a drunkard.

There's a bit of holiism at the end that seems out of place and Coward presumably goes to heaven. That doesn't matter. What stands out is the degeneracy, heartlessness and deadness of the lives portrayed, the lack of any decency, honor, love, friendship, honesty. (No wonder employers can't believe Bridges is honest. They've forgotten what honesty means.) Coward's acting is fine, and the supporting cast is good.

MOSCOW LAUGHS

Los Angeles.

Dear Comrades: I just want to send in a few words about "Moscow Laughs" which is now playing in the Fox theatre here. It is a very funny and very entertaining show. Joyl What remarks around us: "There's a man who knows communists." We'll get 'em after the show," etc.

Disappointed that you won't find comrades to give you moral support—in a burlesque show!

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ON THE LABOR DEFENSE FRONT

The case of Elaine Black, Lee Gallagher and eight others, supposed to have been heard on Sept. 7th, has been postponed. The date of the case will be set in Judge Deasy's court, Hall of Justice, on October 15th.

Branches and individuals: get your Herndon petitions to the District Office of the I.L.D., Room 410, WITHOUT DELAY. The 28th is the absolute deadline on them.

We cannot understand why not a single typewriter has been rented for the use of the political prisoners in San Quentin. Four or five are needed. Remember: we do not ask the gift of typewriters—just the loan.

The Dick Parker Branch gave a party at 779 Vallejo street and raised over sixty dollars for the I.L.D. This should encourage other branches to give benefit parties for funds that are badly needed. Ask Dick Parker where Branch how they managed to raise so much.

PAMPHLETS

"The Right of Asylum" by Charles Recht is a timely thing to read. The first part is a historical survey, the second deals with the present issue of asylum in the United States.

This pamphlet, which costs only fifteen cents, treats the subject with such logical continuity that we cannot quote parts of it without cutting out the sense of the whole. But we can quote some of the arguments.

Even the infamous Napoleon the First wrote to the Senate of Hamburg, which had delivered up to the British government certain Irish refugees who are being held for deportation and also those who have been deported during the past year.

We received a fine 24-page bulletin, issued in August by the Chicago District of the I.L.D. Branches given an account of the brutal beatings inflicted by the Chicago police.

"Have to get it . . . Court" is valuable, a record of an actual hearing at which the Negro defendant was asked exactly the right thing. Read it—it's only two cents.

Both of the above can be purchased through the I.L.D. District Office of the I.L.D. Office.

Here is a bit from the body of liberties of the Massachusetts Colony, enacted by the General Court in 1641: "Every person within this jurisdiction, whether inhabitant or foreigner, shall have the same justice and law that is general . . . which we constitute and execute one towards another, without partiality or delay."

And from the Declaration of Independence: "He (George III) has endeavored to prevent the population of these States; for that purpose obstructing the Laws of Naturalization of Foreigners; refusing to pass others to encourage their migrations hither, and raising the conditions of new appropriations of lands."

But the Hearsts and Perkinses, in the name of "True American-ism," have the dishonesty to refute all this.

Hearst calls for "Jeffersonian Democracy." Here are some words of Jefferson: "Shall we refuse the unhappy fugitive from distress that hospitality which the savages of the wilderness extended to our forefathers-arriving in this land? Shall oppressed humanity find no asylum on this globe?"

But you should read what Charles Recht himself has to say. This pamphlet can be procured from the District Office of the I.L.D.

★ Short Biographies.

A follow-up on this should be "Who's Who In Deportations," a three cent pamphlet publishing the notorious Criminal Syndicalism Law, the Protection of Foreign Born. This contains short biographies and case histories of all political refugees who are being held for deportation and also those who have been deported during the past year.

Full details about Book Union Office, 1440 Post street, Sam Klopfer, executive secretary, 381 Fourth ave., New York City.

Socialist Mayor Wants Sales Tax

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Sept. 19.—The Connecticut State convention of the Socialist Party rejected a sales tax endorsement proposed by Mayor Jasper McLevy of Bridgeport after a seven hour argument, by a vote of 75 to 49.

PAMPHLETS AND BOOKS

ANOTHER LIAR

Kitchin's "Prisoner of the OGPU," latest dish of anti-Soviet lies is brilliantly exposed by Edwin Seaver in a review in the Sept. 17 issue of New Masses. Kitchin's work is greeted with enthusiasm by his brother liar, Isaac Don Levine, who sent the publisher a letter saying "a new trend has set in in books on Russia. It has been growing more pronounced in recent months. Apparently the American reading public at last wants 'the realism of Soviet life.'"

With innumerable travelers bringing back reports of the rapid development of the Soviet Union, capitalism is willing "to pay big money for any one who is willing to lie, or who has a pet grudge to vent, to write anti-Soviet rot. But the same publisher would turn down a truthful account written by one of the workers himself, or the type who went to the International Physiological Congress in Leningrad, studied and marvelled at the rapidly developing Soviet life they saw.

NEW PAMPHLETS

The Fascist Road to Ruin, by George Selles, published by the American League Against War and Fascism. 32 pp. 5 cents.

This pamphlet is one that should have a wide distribution because it shows its author is under no shadow of doubt. No one who reads through the imposing array of figures and quotations he takes from the fascists' own writings can question the fact that fascism means ruin for the working people nothing but poverty, and the abolition of trade unions and all other types of democratic self-organization of the workers.

Working Class Unity—Bulwark Against Fascism, by Georgi Dimitroff. 32 pp. 5 cents.

The report of Georgi Dimitroff to the Seventh World Congress of the Communist International is soon to be out in an edition of 200,000 for distribution throughout the country. The first edition of 10,000, to sell for 10 cents a copy, is being prepared.

The program of the Communist Party, as modified by the needs of the changing situation since the previous World Congress of five years ago, is here set forth clearly. The program of the Communist Party member who wants to learn how tactics to the fight for the united front, and by every non-Party member who is interested in the fight now coming on against war and fascism, the two great dangers of the present day.

BOOK UNION PREVIEW

The labor press has been eagerly awaiting the first selection of the Book Union, left-wing book club, to be sent to the Book Union in the United States, and will be published Oct. 7 by International Publishers.

Proletarian Literature in the United States is a 200,000 word volume containing 100 selections from novels, poems, plays, essays, sketches, reports, and editorials, with a short introduction to each. It covers the period from about 1910 to 1935, and includes about 100 individual pieces included in this book. Among the characters who appear in the struggles are depicted in this volume are coal miners, steveedores, longshoremen, seamen, agricultural workers in southern California, unemployed, men and women, office workers, workers' children on the East Side, Southern mill-hands, etc.

Although written by authors of many types, the anthology contains work of a single high level, edited by Granville Hicks, Isidor Schneider, Michael Gold, Joseph Freeman, Paul Peters, Joseph Kalar, and Alan Calmer.

The editors of the Book Union consider this volume to be the best selection they have made since the of-the-month club. Although the book is jammed with worthwhile material to make up three or four volumes instead of one, it is being published at less than the price of the cheapest novel.

The Book Union, which chose this anthology as its first monthly selection, was organized several months ago to increase the distribution of revolutionary literature and to sell such books to its members at reduced prices. The organization has now, not only its regular monthly selections of new books but a wide range of other recommended books, including classics of proletarian literature, Marxist theoretical works, short stories, etc., at discounts of from 20 to 45 per cent. Membership in the Book Union costs $1.00 a year for individuals or organizations.

United Labor Ticket Platform

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 19.—The following is the platform of the United Labor Ticket in the public schools.

Adopted at a conference of delegates from sixty-five trade unions and other organizations, held Aug. 31, at the Building Trades Council. It will be finally ratified at the mass election conference at the Civic Auditorium, Sunday, Sept. 22, at 2 p. m.

WE STAND FOR:

★ For the Employed and Unemployed Workers.

1. One hundred per cent unionization of San Francisco and vigorous participation to company unionism.

2. Union rates of pay on all municipal and relief work, and WPA, with no reductions where city or any other employers receive more than prevailing wages.

3. The 6-hour day and 5 day week for all workers with no reduction in pay.

4. Complete restoration of salary cuts for teachers and all city employes.

5. The right of the employed and unemployed to organize, strike, and picket.

6. Raising the budgets of families on direct relief so that each will receive a minimum of $40 per week for the head of the family and $3 per week for each dependent, pending the passage of the "Lundeen" or "Pelletier" bill, now number 1.

7. The seating of representatives from organizations of the unemployed on all relief distributing and administrative bodies.

8. The passage of the National Unemployment, Old Age and Social Insurance Bill, known as the "Lundeen Bill" (H.R. 2827) and the California "Pelletier Bill" (AB 791).

★ For The Veterans.

9. The passage by Congress of the Marcantonio-Domo Bill which provides, in place of empty promises, immediate cash payment of the bonus by means of direct taxation on wealth instead of burdening consumers with currency inflation.

★ For The Youth.

10. The improvement and extension of vocational training in the public schools.

11. The abolition of compulsory military training and the ROTC.

12. Free lunches for students in the public schools and abolition of charges for supplies and laboratory fees.

13. The right of the unemployed youth to receive adequate relief independent of their parents.

14. Immediate construction of more schools to alleviate overcrowded conditions.

★ For the Welfare and Civil Rights of Everyone.

16. The repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism law, vagrancy laws and all other anti-working class laws, and oppressive and provocative injunction laws.

17. The elimination of all one-man street cars.

18. A popular referendum on all questions and problems of general importance such as taxes, bond issues.

19. The public ownership of all public utilities and services such as the Hetch Hetchy Project, to be owned, controlled and operated without profit, for the benefit of the people.

20. For the freedom of Tom Mooney, and all other labor prisoners, and deportees, recently convicted Modesto prisoners.

WE OPPOSE

21. Vigilante terror and other Fascist activities such as the use of firemen, police, National Guard and Federal troops for strike-breaking activities, the use of tear gas against striking workers, the use of relief clients and students as strike-breakers.

22. Racial discrimination on account of race, color, creed or political affiliation in the distribution of relief, employment and in the administration of the law.

23. Any interference with the rights of freedom of speech, the press and assemblage such as the Bomo Ordinance restricting free speech to South Park.

S. F. CANDIDATE FOR MAYOR ON LABOR TICKET TELLS HISTORY

Irish Folk Music and Songs of Striking Miners Made Him Understand and Aid Struggles of Workers

(Continued From Page 1)

Examiner man saw light and organized the Union.

Hearst said that unionism took all the romance out of newspaper life. Insomuch as some of the reporters were making just $15 a week, and were allowing themselves the liberty of wondering just how much romance could be had on fifteen dollars, they did not see entirely eye to eye with him.

★ Fired! A Hearst Victim.

Ten days after Redfern Mason was appointed chairman of the Chronicle strike headquarters he was fired by Mr. Hearst took him from the job he had filled for years—that of the reporter who covered a beat. He was respected for his musical and critical competence and his general ability.

Mason now reminds us that next month the Newspaper Guild will decide whether or not it will join the A. F. of L. If this should not be accomplished this year, he is certain it will be next.

★ Irish Songs of Freedom.

What focused Mason's mind on labor questions? That is a long story. Goes back to childhood, when in his English home the Irish servant Mary used to sing songs of Irish freedom.

"Mary, why do you sing that song, 'They're shooting men and women for the wearin' of the green'? It's so sorrowful," he asked.

"Well, I don't know all about it. But they want to be free."

The boy was eight years old. But he remembers yet that moment which lightened in him the blaze for freedom.

The connection between Irish folksong and the fight for freedom became one of his obsessions. He wrote two books on the history of Ireland and her folksongs.

★ Singing Miners Win a Strike.

Another singing group stirred his memory a few years later. One evening at dusk in an English industrial city, miners from Wales stalked into the public square. Stark and stern, with an almost juridic dignity about them.

They sang, and the market place filled with strangers. The singing was very beautiful, with an angry bitterness about it.

Redfern Mason had only a shilling with him. He wished he had more. They said, "We're miners from Wales. We're on strike. We have walked all the way from Wales."

The strikers filled a hat with coins. Then they went on to sing in the town.

They won the strike. They won it by their music.

This is Mason's account of the early influences which turned him toward his present convictions.

★ Mason As Reporter Aids Strikers.

Later on, still in England as a newspaper man in Birmingham, he was sent on his first editor to report a strike. His paper was tory, but honest.

The strike headquarters he came upon a pile of wage books. Individual records of weekly earnings, over a period of a year. Mason asked for a dozen wage books, took them home, studied the facts. Then wrote his story.

"Good God," said his editor when he saw it. "Is it as bad as that? Print every word of it."

The story was published. The miners capitulated. Mason had helped to win that strike.

★ Mason Has Known Hunger.

Later on Redfern Mason knew for a time what it is to be hungry. "Not to know where that next meal is coming from. In America, as newspaper man, he met and faced the realities, and without losing his integrity, his courage, or his zest in conviction.

He was the man who would need the support of tried and experienced labor people. Without them, no policies such as his could be adequately carried through.

Mason's background is that of a cultivated man, who enjoys Chaucer and Dante, the music of Beethoven and of Verdi. His convictions are consistently left-ist. He is with the workers, he is by conviction one of us.

There is nowhere else to go, he says, but in firm alliance with the workers.

★ His Program and Policy.

His specific program is, of course, that of the United Labor Ticket as presented on page three of this issue.

However, Mason generalizes and commonsens as follows, indicating the fine of his program, which is supported on all liberal and labor fronts for mayor of San Francisco.

I, he supports COLLECTIVE BARGAINING for all, including city employes.

2. Under his authority the police will not serve as the instrument of the capitalist class. They will not be used as strikebreakers. He insists that a police force can be used impartially and decently: for the sake of the community rather than for exploitation.

3. PUBLIC UTILITIES will be taken over as per program. All public necessities belong to the people. This Mason considers axiomatic.

4. If elected he will maintain a relationship of frankness and open communication with the people, by way either of a radio station located in the city hall, or another frequently used. His purpose is to let the people know what is really going on. There will NO SECRET INFLUENCES behind the scenes.

5. The problem of improved veteran housing for the common people will be actively met. Mason takes as his model the Scandinavian countries. San Francisco's Chinatown is one of the spots most urgently needing re-housing. Now evening at dusk in an English industrial city, miners from Wales stalked into the public square. Stark and stern, with an almost juridic dignity about them.

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SCIENCE AND ART NOTES

MOSCOW STORE HAS BOOKS IN 85 LANGUAGES

The International Book House, at the corner of Gorky street and Pushkin Square, Moscow, serves as an international outlet that reads 85 different languages. Its staff of salespeople, taken as an experiment, speaks each of these 85 languages. Nationalities of the Union which understaken had no alphabet can find here in their native languages textbooks, fairytales, translations of classics, dictionaries, technical works, books on medicine, physical culture, and economics, as well as novels, poetry and short stories.

A few days ago someone asked a salesman for a Pushkin or Gorki novel in Gypsy. Fifteen years ago he would have been told that there was not as much as a gypsy alphabet, to say nothing of a novel in that language. Today the answer" is "Which one?" Pushkin answers in Gypsy: "A novel in Gypsy? Why, yes." He lends the book to a client who reads it, and picks out a novel by Pushkin. "Here is one by Gorki too," he says.

Do you speak English, German, Swedish, Spanish, French, Turkish, Persian, Italian, or Hebrew? Perhaps you prefer a book of poetry in Turkic, White Russian, Chuvash, Ukrainian or Moldavian? Ask for it, and you will get it. If book lists have not been translated into your language,

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Protest the Use of "G"-Men To Frame Militant Workers

Immediate protest is needed if we are to prevent the railroading to jail of Comrade Jim Garrison on a frame-up charge of assault and battery.

The case is extraordinary for many reasons, not least of which is the fact that federal "G"-men have recently begun active prosecution of militant workers on "criminal" charges too flimsy to avoid "political" implications. This season have been subjected to Federal prosecution on technical grounds.

What does this signify?

Surely we cannot blind ourselves to the fascist significant recent entry of Federal authorities into such matters. For months Hearst and other reactionaries have advocated such tactics—insidiously connecting "criminals" and "communism"! And we must bear in mind several seeming side-issues in connection with the case.

FIRST—the involving of "criminal assault" charges with antiwar propaganda at the Presidio—San Francisco military reservation.

SECOND—the accuser being, the daughter of a military "intelligence officer," whose job it is to combat working class influence on soldiers.

THIRD—the general campaign to pin "criminal" charges on leading Communists, because where "political" and "revolutionary" charges no longer terrify large sections of the population, so-called "violations" of criminal law still breed anti-red prejudice.

FOURTH—the current campaign of protest to the authorities over the establishment of army recruiting stations at relief stations with the ERA director—a protest and active justification, as—this police "still believed as long as the military authorities believe it possible to secure desirable enrollees by this means." Also that "military enlistment represents an employment opportunity . . . ."

Need we ask for more convincing evidence for the frame-up proceedings?

Comrades, we are fighting a battle for political liberty—a battle complicated by all the shrewd mechanics the trained capitalist hirelings can think of—a battle which is now to see attempts to create new precedents!

On the very day Jim Garrison was arrested on this framed charge, Tom Mooney was in court fighting for freedom after 18 years—telling how the police "coached" witnesses, after he had been pointed out often enough to vile stool-pigeons by the police.

Down with these vile fascist tactics!

Protest telegrams and resolutions are pouring in to U. S. Commissioner Ernest Williams, Post Office Building, 7th and Mission street, San Francisco; to the Dept. of War, Washington, D. C. protesting use of army officers in such a militant way; to President Roosevelt; and to Colonel Albert M. Jones at the Presidio demanding that he withdraw from the case.

Meet this new enemy as assault with energy! Have your trade union or other organizations protest!

Down With Jim-Crowism And All Race Hatreds!

"The Dollar Steamship Company is deeply impressed by the record of the Negro seamen as 'peace loving' employees," so Porterfield, Negro business agent of the Pacific District of the Seattle Marine Cooks and Stewards' made a crooked deal with the Dollar people to supplant white workers with 'peace loving' Negroes.

Negro seamen and fillers, realizing that playing white against black flies the bosses' game, are moving to oust Porterfield. A Chinese seaman writes in his opinion that the Negro crew longshore should be abolished and all members of the M. C. S. be placed in one powerful unit with no racial discrimination permitted in hiring. You'll find the story on page four, column two of this issue.

In 1923 the longshoremen of New Orleans went on strike. Three-fourths of them were Negroes. Deeply impressed by the record of the white laborers as 'peace loving' employees' the waterfront employers broke the strike of the Negroes with white scabs.

It's an old-new racket, this "race-riot" business; and it's guaranteed to break any strike when the bosses can work it up to serious proportions. And when a strike is broken, wages and working conditions get worse for all workers.

The working class of America is divided into all the races of the world. They all work at the same jobs; they live in the same slums, starve on the same charity diet; get paid in coins from the same mint; and they all strike for the same demands. They are clubbed by the same police and negotiate with the same bosses.

So why shouldn't they all be in the same unions, with the same rights, fighting the same bosses class together? It's common sense. The San Francisco longshoremen have the right idea. Men are dispatched to longshore jobs, in rotation—white or black, it makes no difference...

It's a stiff fight, brothers. But our hopes of getting the Negro longshoremen to scab in any future struggle. They'll be fighting side by side with their white brothers' unionists.

The Seamen are beginning to follow this policy. All unions should adopt the iron-clad rule that UNION MEN GO TO WORK IN ROTATION, REGARDLESS OF RACE. And if the boss doesn't like it, let him lump it.

Negro rank and filers in the M. C. S. have brought charges against their Negro agent for trying to kick white workers out and put in blacks.

Let the whites show as much common sense and move to do away with Jim-crow unions and discrimination in hiring.

The Communist Party And the San Francisco United Labor Campaign

The San Francisco capitalist press columnists and political commentators, as well as the Rossi, Uhl, Todd, Rainey and Mesbesky camps, have declared, in attempting to dismiss the vital significance of the United Labor Campaign Committee, its program and aim, that the whole united labor campaign is a Communist organization, and, if not openly, at least actually, dominated by the Communist Party.

This of course, is sheer nonsense. Reactionaries always attempt to place the label "Communistic" on any organization or group which is carrying forward progressive measures against the interests of the leading capitalist forces, especially since Communists actively support all progressive forces in their struggle against fascist tendencies, and, to maintain the democratic rights of the people.

It is hoped by capitalist press writers and the professional capitalist politicians that labelling the United Labor Election Ticket "Communist" will serve to alienate the support and sympathy of large masses of San Francisco workers and middle-class people.

The Communist Party, which has two delegates on the United Labor Election Conference, is of course definitely part of the campaign. The Communist Party has agreed to cooperate with the other affiliated organizations—the trade unions, the Democratic Council, the Utopian Society, unemployed organizations, etc.—on the basis of the platform of those immediate demands of the large masses of San Francisco, upon which all these organizations can agree.

For the conduct of the campaign, it has been agreed that at election campaign meetings held under the auspices of the United Labor Campaign Committee, all speakers, no, matter what their individual political affiliation, confine their talk to the planks and program of the election platform.

This does not mean, however, that the Communist Party is liquidating its own organization, nor that any of the other affiliated groups are losing their identities. The Communist Party has the right to propose its full program, which goes far beyond the immediate demands which are the basis of the present election campaign, at meetings held under the auspices of the Communist Party alone. Such, too, is the right of the San Francisco Council of the Democratic Party, the Utopian Society, and of all other affiliated organizations.

A glance at the slate of candidates will reveal that only one Communist, Anita Whitney, candidate for Supervisor, is running for office, alongside of Democrats, Utopians and trade union representatives. This certainly shows that the Communist Party is making no attempts to dominate the campaign, either organizationally or through the list of candidates.

The vital necessity of such a United Labor Campaign in San Francisco at this time is evidenced by the organization of the most reactionary forces behind Rossi, Uhl and the other candidates. These reactionary forces are supported by certain trade union officials, such as Vandeleur, Scharrenberg, who are openly for the endorsement of Mayor Rossi, who is responsible for the massacre of waterfront workers on Bloody Thursday of last year. The organization of the "Committee of One Thousand," backed by the Junior Chamber of Commerce, is a clear indication of the fact that fascist and semi-fascist forces in San Francisco are organizing against the working class, using the waterfront situation as special bead of their attack.

This makes it imperative that the working class of San Francisco, those in the trade unions especially, and those in other organizations sympathetic to the aims of labor, unite on the basis of a common platform, essentially anti-fascist in character, in order to combat the growing fascist tendencies in this city.

Such is the platform offered by the United Labor Ticket. This united front movement has demonstrated its unity and unanimity in immediate backing of the campaign. Trade union representatives, as well as Democrats and Utopians, have nailed the lie, spread by the capitalist press and politicians, that the Communists are dominating and control the whole United Labor Ticket, and are using the apparatus of the campaign to further their own program, only.

It is unfortunate that up to the present time the Socialist Party in San Francisco has not seen fit to send delegates to the United Labor Election Conference. However, the Communist Party still hopes that the Socialist Party will find its way into the United Front, working together with Democrats, Utopians, etc. for the defense of the interests of the majority of the people of San Francisco. In Oakland, the Socialist Party is part of the movement for the promotion of a Labor Party, and in other parts of the country, Connection with the Socialist Party has endorsed the United Front labor Party.

It is clear of course that there is no Labor Party organization in San Francisco as yet, and we have at present is an apparatus working for the election of labor's representatives into office in the present municipal elections, based upon a common platform of immediate demands, and at the same time helping to forge working class unity. It is to be hoped, of course, that the present campaign will lead to the formation of a permanent COMMITTEE FOR THE PROMOTION OF A LABOR PARTY in San Francisco.

Before such a Party is launched, however, it is necessary that the great majority of the trade unions in San Francisco are represented in the preliminary apparatus to establish a Labor Party, and highly desirable that the Labor Party movement in San Francisco be not only endorsed, but also officially launched by the Central Labor Council.

Such a movement of course, is be expressive of the large masses of San Francisco workers and middle-class people, whose interests are definitely anti-fascist, must be inclusive of all working class organizations and political parties which are anti-fascist in character—Socialist, Epic, Communist, etc.—although the basis still must remain predominently a trade union basis.

Experiences even as early as this in the campaign have shown that the attacks by the capitalist politicians against the United Labor Campaign Committee have proven ineffective and the working class platform is winning large support throughout the city, and will help rally the broad forces of the working class and middle class, in the struggle against fascist tendencies.

Party Life

Prepare for District Membership Drive Sept. 21-Nov. 7

WHAT TO DO IMMEDIATELY

All units, Party fractions in trade unions and mass organizations should begin to work out complete lists of all sympathetic and friends and contacts, have a heart to heart talk with each one, and convince them to join the Party. Every unit should immediately begin to organize small group meetings of sympathetic people, and have a discussion to explain the role and objectives of the Party, and why they should join the Party, after which they should be signed up if they are convinced of the correctness of the Party line and objectives.

Our goal is to recruit 600 new members in our district by November 7th.

Applications should not be held up in the units and sections, but should be forwarded immediately to the District Org. Dept. without any delay.

The first assignment for new members should be to attend New Members Classes for a minimum period of four weeks. Where there are no new members Classes functioning, they must be established immediately, and even if there are only one or two new members, classes must be held once a week.

☆ Literature.

New members should be given elementary Communist literature, as well as the Daily Worker and the Western Worker, and encouraged to read. Preferably the comrade who signs up the new member should be assigned by the unit to give personal attention to the new member for at least one month, to guide his political education and his practical work. If enough personal attention is given to the new recruits, we are sure that fluctuation will be reduced to a minimum in all units.

Compiled quotas from all sections will appear in the next issue of the Western Worker, and from then on, the District Organizational Department will have the results of the weeks' recruiting in every Tuesday issue. In that way, we will have a concrete picture of our progress in all sections, and each unit will have a chance to discuss their own units progress and results as well as that of other units, at the unit meeting, and can work out further plans for their own recruiting.

The District Org. Dept. has five principles in collective work, and the insatiable desire for accomplishment. The young people are especially in contest to the hopelessness and defeatism that is spreading over and permeating American life, they find an expansiveness, a sort of spring-like exuberance, an "opening up" of life that to a foreigner is exhilarating, almost to the point of exhaustion.

☆ Effect on Socialism.

The cook or housemaid who works for the capitalist, is in fact an unskilled worker (though she makes masterful soups). She has been working for them for the past eighteen years, and the sort of semi-patriarchal relationship, together with the individual exploitation, would tend to make her much less conscious of building socialism than the will power of factory workers or even the collective farmers who are directly engaged in that job. The cleaner is social enough, she wants, by inclination her so directly. I talked with her for a long while the other day about life in general and Socialism in Russia, and though my still inadequate Russian made me miss some of what she said she was very enthusiasm, I am sure of the following:

She spoke at length of the great changes that had taken place since the revolution, of how life was considered great and intelligent and honorable just because he was rich. When the workers were loaded with money, every one bowed this way and that and made him good morning in a humble way. Now it is quite otherwise. There is no bowing, and it is seen that such cultural and intellectual superiority as the rich possessed was the result of the leisure they gained from exploiting the workers.

☆ Everybody Studies.

Now all workers, young and old, are studying. My little nephew, twelve years old, knows French and German and plays the piano (this last with great pride). And he knows "journals and books." His father couldn't even read unless he was in the last of the still capitalist elements, but not nearly as many as there were a few years ago. They operate mostly in the dark speculating and embezzling. In the past, and to some extent, still they occupied important positions, because of their engineering and scientific knowledge. The Leaders committee have our own engineers and doctors and managers. And we are building at a great rate—the subway and factories and canals. Soon there will be no more bourgeois here.

"Soon, in fifteen—ha! (with a demonstrative wave of the hand) —in five years there will be no more classes, and the great factories which we have built and are building will give us a high, comfortable standard of living. We will have a fine life!"

All of this was said with a conviction and enthusiasm that could only be born of experience and accomplishment. She knew the government was her government, was working night and day for the building of socialism, that is, for a "fine life" for her and all workers. (I will write more about the maid, Katya, in another letter.) Her relations with her employers would be especially interesting in America, where the employers would be expecting suggestions as to eclipse almost everything else—for some people.)

☆ Practical Program.

There are many Russians who, for one reason, or another, go to the Foreign Language Workers' Club. One of them is a young girl, about eighteen years old, who is just finishing the middle school (our high school). She is a very intelligent student who has mastered in English. In order to have frequent contact with English speaking people, she works in the reading room one or two nights a week. She is an imaginative, sensitive girl, the daughter of intellectuals. Her father was a dentist before the revolution, who became a professor and a few sides, got his meager education as a result of great hardships. Her mother is now the head organizer of clinics and medical stations in White Russia.

Her life has been a little apprehensive because examinations are coming on, and because after completing this year of school, she will be required to teach English for a year, before entering the University, as part of her school work. She is afraid she will be assigned to an ordinary school, and will have to teach English. She is just at the age were children bore her. She wants, instead, to go to the factories and teach the workmen.

I asked her why she wanted to do that. And she answered that several of her friends had taught at the factories and loved it. They had taught the workers such a spirit among the workers. They learn so quickly and want to know so much. Yes, she said, the greatest wish is that next year I may teach at some factory." And next year of teaching will enter the foreign language department at the university, training for foreign teachers. She will have a stipend, or allowance, to cover her expenses during her university course.

☆ Wants To Write.

I asked her what she wanted to do after she finished the university, since it was obvious she was interested in literature. Her face lighted up. "Oh," she said, "that's a secret. I'm afraid to tell." But I pressed her, and she couldn't tell my of her school mates, and she confessed that she wanted to be a writer. She thought that she would be able to write, but then it was possible that she was only fooling herself.

"Anyway, my desire to write is strong. Life is so interesting; it is so full of excitement. We understand people and life and write about them." I must say that her eyes did shine with such a lively strong, for she made me talk my throat hoarse telling her about America. Among other things, it was incredible to her that students in America didn't have books.

As social work now, she often goes to the collective farms to organize informational labor defense circles. At present she was particularly active on behalf of Tkachman and Rakosi.

When I consider this girl, and remember the American high schools, and the apathy and intellectual exhaustion, the selfishness and confusion, that characterizes the majority of the students and teachers, it becomes clear how great a gulf already yawns between the socialist and capitalist sectors of the world. There is all the difference between healthy youth and senile decay in the two systems. This is the secret of intelligent consideration and approach to the solution of human problems. All the science and knowledge in possession of humanity is released and utilized for that purpose. And everything here reflect that process.

☆ Capitalist Futility.

The capitalist world is like sec. ge. Its energy and science and knowledge and science which is to the interest of private profit, is sporadically utilized. Or encouraged, has the possibility of being applied to life. Even the science of production, which capitalism, on the basis of an expanding market, raised to such a pitch, is being pushed off by the necessity for profit.

Capitalism is in direct opposition to the development of production, and science reveals the transitory character of capitalism and the end of its rule, and the necessities of the cause of this, and the necessities of competitive existence, an awful destructiveness, which is manipulating stupidity, are forcibly retained in life.

And as the crisis intensifies and it becomes more and more clear that the only solution of the inner contradiction, the struggle of the old order apart is the abolition of the profit system, the continued existence and struggle of the owners of the means of production, to retain control of them, and the profits made possible by them, drive this class and all the elements in its ranks to insanity. When its form of property comes into violent opposition to the well and continued progress of humanity, it struggles all the more frantically to preserve this form.

The fear of losing it to the masses whom it has dispossessed drives it not only to reject the science and knowledge which is purely superior to its own, but to destroy its own highest products, its own scientific knowledge. The whole cost of the war which was to steal the rich kingdom of Ethiopia and Italian control over ten million lires—roughly $77,000,000. That was supposed to do the trick.

Not since the Kaiser talked of his army and navy in August in 1914 has such collossal ego been displayed. For now it is apparent to all the world that no such party figure can cover a war that, once started, would stretch for many months as the very least. This knowledge must have been in the minds of Mussolini and his clique from the first, and the desperation of the fascist regime, which could be in fact, the cold figures of every poice of recent economic statistics, is glaringly apparent here. They would know that the chances of Britain opposing them were great, that the League of Nations MIGHT not do more than Manchurian attitude towards the Manchurian theft, and that public sentiment in the world would be behind him—all of which factors could not prolong a war.

But he had to act or go under. And that desperation is what will impell him to refuse to the last extremity, the demands of the committee of five, as unofficial spokesmen have already indicated he would.

THE NEW CHOICE!

Planning Life in USSR

Workers Have Sense of Mastery Over Conditions

By MILTON O'ROURKE

Editor's Note: Following is the second and final installment of Mr. O'Rourke's article on survivals of capitalism in the Soviet Union. Mr. O'Rourke is an American college student and now is studying in Moscow. The previous installment described the many "hang-overs" from the old regime still to be found in the U.S.S.R., and told how the Communist Party is fighting these survivals.

Already life in the Soviet Union is light-hearted, confident, rational, and bursting with fruitful, directed energy. Most of the people I have met, in all occupations and stations, exhibit an amazingly conscious attitude toward life, a heightened awareness. They know what is going on, both at home and abroad, and they see the meaning of the significance and meaning of their labor. And you feel in most people, as a result of this rational, cultural socialist, a sense of mastery over the conditions of life as well as over the forces of nature.

Everyone is full of curiosity, pride in collective achievement, and the insatiable desire for accomplishment. The young people are especially in contest to the hopelessness and defeatism that is spreading over and permeating American life, they find an expansiveness, a sort of spring-like exuberance, an "opening up" of life that to a foreigner is exhilarating, almost to the point of exhaustion.

☆ Effect on Socialism.

The cook or housemaid who works for the capitalist, is in fact an unskilled worker (though she makes masterful soups). She has been working for them for the past eighteen years, and the sort of semi-patriarchal relationship, together with the individual exploitation, would tend to make her much less conscious of building socialism than the will power of factory workers or even the collective farmers who are directly engaged in that job. The cleaner is social enough, she wants, by inclination her so directly. I talked with her for a long while the other day about life in general and Socialism in Russia, and though my still inadequate Russian made me miss some of what she said she was very enthusiasm, I am sure of the following:

She spoke at length of the great changes that had taken place since the revolution, of how life was considered great and intelligent and honorable just because he was rich. When the workers were loaded with money, every one bowed this way and that and made him good morning in a humble way. Now it is quite otherwise. There is no bowing, and it is seen that such cultural and intellectual superiority as the rich possessed was the result of the leisure they gained from exploiting the workers.

☆ Everybody Studies.

Now all workers, young and old, are studying. My little nephew, twelve years old, knows French and German and plays the piano (this last with great pride). And he knows "journals and books." His father couldn't even read unless he was in the last of the still capitalist elements, but not nearly as many as there were a few years ago. They operate mostly in the dark speculating and embezzling. In the past, and to some extent, still they occupied important positions, because of their engineering and scientific knowledge. The Leaders committee have our own engineers and doctors and managers. And we are building at a great rate—the subway and factories and canals. Soon there will be no more bourgeois here.

"Soon, in fifteen—ha! (with a demonstrative wave of the hand) —in five years there will be no more classes, and the great factories which we have built and are building will give us a high, comfortable standard of living. We will have a fine life!"

All of this was said with a conviction and enthusiasm that could only be born of experience and accomplishment. She knew the government was her government, was working night and day for the building of socialism, that is, for a "fine life" for her and all workers. (I will write more about the maid, Katya, in another letter.) Her relations with her employers would be especially interesting in America, where the employers would be expecting suggestions as to eclipse almost everything else—for some people.)

☆ Practical Program.

There are many Russians who, for one reason, or another, go to the Foreign Language Workers' Club. One of them is a young girl, about eighteen years old, who is just finishing the middle school (our high school). She is a very intelligent student who has mastered in English. In order to have frequent contact with English speaking people, she works in the reading room one or two nights a week. She is an imaginative, sensitive girl, the daughter of intellectuals. Her father was a dentist before the revolution, who became a professor and a few sides, got his meager education as a result of great hardships. Her mother is now the head organizer of clinics and medical stations in White Russia.

Her life has been a little apprehensive because examinations are coming on, and because after completing this year of school, she will be required to teach English for a year, before entering the University, as part of her school work. She is afraid she will be assigned to an ordinary school, and will have to teach English. She is just at the age were children bore her. She wants, instead, to go to the factories and teach the workmen.

I asked her why she wanted to do that. And she answered that several of her friends had taught at the factories and loved it. They had taught the workers such a spirit among the workers. They learn so quickly and want to know so much. Yes, she said, the greatest wish is that next year I may teach at some factory." And next year of teaching will enter the foreign language department at the university, training for foreign teachers. She will have a stipend, or allowance, to cover her expenses during her university course.

☆ Wants To Write.

I asked her what she wanted to do after she finished the university, since it was obvious she was interested in literature. Her face lighted up. "Oh," she said, "that's a secret. I'm afraid to tell." But I pressed her, and she couldn't tell my of her school mates, and she confessed that she wanted to be a writer. She thought that she would be able to write, but then it was possible that she was only fooling herself.

"Anyway, my desire to write is strong. Life is so interesting; it is so full of excitement. We understand people and life and write about them." I must say that her eyes did shine with such a lively strong, for she made me talk my throat hoarse telling her about America. Among other things, it was incredible to her that students in America didn't have books.

As social work now, she often goes to the collective farms to organize informational labor defense circles. At present she was particularly active on behalf of Tkachman and Rakosi.

When I consider this girl, and remember the American high schools, and the apathy and intellectual exhaustion, the selfishness and confusion, that characterizes the majority of the students and teachers, it becomes clear how great a gulf already yawns between the socialist and capitalist sectors of the world. There is all the difference between healthy youth and senile decay in the two systems. This is the secret of intelligent consideration and approach to the solution of human problems. All the science and knowledge in possession of humanity is released and utilized for that purpose. And everything here reflect that process.

☆ Capitalist Futility.

The capitalist world is like sec. ge. Its energy and science and knowledge and science which is to the interest of private profit, is sporadically utilized. Or encouraged, has the possibility of being applied to life. Even the science of production, which capitalism, on the basis of an expanding market, raised to such a pitch, is being pushed off by the necessity for profit.

Capitalism is in direct opposition to the development of production, and science reveals the transitory character of capitalism and the end of its rule, and the necessities of the cause of this, and the necessities of competitive existence, an awful destructiveness, which is manipulating stupidity, are forcibly retained in life.

And as the crisis intensifies and it becomes more and more clear that the only solution of the inner contradiction, the struggle of the old order apart is the abolition of the profit system, the continued existence and struggle of the owners of the means of production, to retain control of them, and the profits made possible by them, drive this class and all the elements in its ranks to insanity. When its form of property comes into violent opposition to the well and continued progress of humanity, it struggles all the more frantically to preserve this form.

The fear of losing it to the masses whom it has dispossessed drives it not only to reject the science and knowledge which is purely superior to its own, but to destroy its own highest products, its own scientific knowledge. The whole cost of the war which was to steal the rich kingdom of Ethiopia and Italian control over ten million lires—roughly $77,000,000. That was supposed to do the trick.

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But he had to act or go under. And that desperation is what will impell him to refuse to the last extremity, the demands of the committee of five, as unofficial spokesmen have already indicated he would.

Dying Capitalism Is Driving Victims to Insanity

World Events

By Emmett Kirby

Mussolini Will Drain Italy Dry With War Taxes

The acute situation which genoral from Rome show Italy to be in with regard to waging war, give an idea how effective League of Nations sanctions could be if enforced.

So serious is the shortage of steel, for example, that many cities and towns throughout Italy have been ordered to tear up their street car tracks where the lines are either not in use or not vital, and the metal immediately shipped to the foundries. In Rome itself this is resulting in many streets being torn up.

In regard to men, the million under arms already boasted of as a means of warning off other nations, has taken, apparently, all the best available. How shallow the possible reserves are is seen in another report, that the men of the classes of 1911 to 1914 who had previously been rejected as fit for military service are ordered to come up again about Oct. 15 for a new, easier examination.

☆ New War Taxes.

And the country where gasoline, for instance, has already jumped to 85c (one report reads $1) "a gallon for those who can get a proportion, is now announcing a program for new, increased war taxes for the people. That they will be heavy goes without saying. But bar they will be met with resistance not only well founded, but a country whose workers and peasants are already so poor and starving, is reduced to eating the fast rich burden that the past few years have been a constant struggle against land taxes, living wages and lower prices. Their resistance, standard is so high that the additional burden can not drive it much further and stay on the safe side of the breaking point.

☆ War Loan.

And the first big war loan now to be floated is as good as impossible (at least at the real lack of enthusiasm for war in Italy. Usually the first war loan of a war country has been floated on a wave of dumbound up patriotism, so that it was not necessary to offer any particular attraction in the investment itself. But seemingly Italy is not that, for all his bragging do that.

The loan is one of the best ever proposed—giving a 100 lire bond for 95 lire and 5% interest, to boot. Besides this, holders of previous 5% war loan government bonds which are now quoted below 70 (for a 100 lira value) can exchange them for the new bonds at 80, an increase of ten points, plus the better interest and the 5 lire bonus. Sale closed. (Present market quotation is around 65, or, out 3).

The enthusiasm is not there so Mussolini would not have to offer any special attraction. It reflects as well the lack of faith of the middleclass in the fascist regime, which would continue in Lrge part taken up by the corner grocer and dentist, school teacher, etc. It is a foregone conclusion that a working class as hard pressed as that of Italy would not have to impoverish their stomachs thinner to buy under severe pressure. And this middle class, who now apparently must be courted, is generally notoriously zealous in the first wave of "fervor" for war.

☆ War Cost Estimated.

How much Mussolini counted on outside support to finance his war is seen in the figures which he gave to the Chamber. The whole cost of the war which was to steal the rich kingdom of Ethiopia and Italian control over ten million lires—roughly $77,000,000. That was supposed to do the trick.

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Sept. 26 Is the Last Day to Register and Vote the Labor Ticket

10,000 AT S. F. UNITED LABOR TICKET MEET

Labor Election Meet Displays Giant Strength

Delegation from Labor Ticket Protests Vigilante Inspired San Francisco Disaster Preparedness Ordinance

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 23.—A delegation from the United Labor Campaign Committee, on the heels of the enthusiastic Ratification Convention held at the Civic Auditorium here yesterday afternoon, today called on the board of supervisors with a resolution protesting the possible passage of the vigilante-inspired "Disaster Preparedness Ordinance."

Approximately 10,000 people attended the Ratification Convention yesterday. There were 35 Juniors can Federation of Labor unions represented. In all, 68 groups and 60,000 organized workers were represented.

From the start, the temper of the Convention was pro-Mooney. Speakers and audience alike realized the tremendous importance of the United Labor movement. More than 95 per cent of the audience remained seated and attentive until the close of the meeting.

☆ Slate Acclaimed.

The platform and slate of candidates was adopted unanimously by acclamation.

Ben Legere, United Labor Ticket nominee for sheriff, representing the San Francisco Council of the Democratic Party was chairman and made the keynote talk. He stressed the importance of unitedaction"at this time and declared the United Labor candidates are out "to make San Francisco safe for decent people and the bright spot of America for all working people."

William Moseley Jones, Epic-Democrat, who ran in the California Legislature and guest speaker, opened his talk by quoting Section 2, Article 1 of the Epic Committee, from which states, "All political power is invested in the people. He expressed the hope that San Francisco would "come back to Los Angeles and show us how, this how it is done!"

☆ Candidates Cheered

Candidates were introduced by Legere, Anita Whitney, representing the Communist Party and candidate for supervisor, received a rising cheer as did Tanna Alex, Utopian Society representative and candidate for supervisor, George Anderson, municipal judge candidate and Redfern Mason, mayor Northern California Newspaper Guild.

Redfern Mason described how the city government would function under a United Labor group. He declared he would give the news to reporters not carrying a paid-up card in the American Newspaper Guild, that he would cause the arrest of Paul Scharrenberg as per the United Labor Ticket.

Mason stated that he often is asked if he is a "Red". His reply is that "there is not a streak of yellow about me." When elect-

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Mooney Letter Is Highlight At Convention

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 23.—Highlights of the Ratification Convention for the United Labor Ticket at the Civic Auditorium here yesterday were:

MOONEY—A stirring letter of encouragement and congratulation from Tom Mooney now in San Francisco County jail and fighting for his freedom.

ANTI-WAR—Passing of a resolution calling for a boycott of all munitions and armaments destined to aid Mussolini in his planned rape of Ethiopia, and support of Ethiopia, introduced by the Sailors' Union of the Pacific.

PLEDGES—The pledging of $1000 by the Democratic Longshoremen of San Francisco toward the campaign expenses; and $500 from Democratic Party; of $100 donations by at least six labor and fraternal organizations, and the Italian-American Union of ★★★ $2369.29 had been pledged.

CHEERS—Spontaneous rising cheers given Anita Whitney, Communist Party delegate and supervisor candidate on at least two occasions, and to Harry Bridges, Ben Legere, A. J., Redfern Mason, candidate for mayor, Tanna Alex, candidate for supervisor and Attorney George Anderson, candidate for municipal judge.

"TWO-GUN" LEGERE—A promise by Ben Legere, candidate for sheriff, that he would be a 'real two-gun sheriff,' and that he would depose sheriffs who keep the peace in case of strikes ★★★

PROGRAM—A change was unanimously adopted demanding release of the Criminal Syndicalism prisoners recently convicted at Sacramento.

"PEACE ON EARTH"—Theater Union of San Francisco offered a benefit performance of its current hit play for the United Labor Ticket.

NEW "STRESA" CONFERENCE IS NOW SUGGESTED

MUSSOLINI REJECTS PLAN FOR PEACE, THEN CHANGES MIND

Ethiopia on Edge

DIPLOMATS IN GENEVA PREPARE CARVING AS SOLUTION

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 24.—The war situation is in a greater state of indecision than ever with reports of Mussolini's rejection and then denial of rejection of the League proposals for peace. This is regarded in Ethiopia as a smoke screen for a prepared attack.

Also hope for temporarily allaying the menace of hostilities lies at the moment in the suggestion for a new "Stresa" conference including Italy, France and Great, Britain.

In the meanwhile, the diplomats at Geneva contemplate the "agreeable carving up of Ethiopia as the one sure road to even the "armed peace" that is the inevitable state of capitalism in its imperialistic phase. It is also said to have even considered the possibilities of "staging" a war and a "smashing victory" for Mussolini, to "restore prestige" and peace acceptable to both sides decreed.

What causes this delay in hostilities? Without a doubt, despite all the blusterings and movements of forces, no European power is anxious to open a new era of action that will lead they know not where. Mail reports continue to arrive with news of numerous strike outbreaks, embargoes of war materials, by French, Italian, Greek and other sailors. And the smuldering of popular discontent, feared everywhere, though as yet by no means crystalized.

Indicative of U. S. interest in the Italian-Ethiopian war situation are export figures:

Exports to Italy were $1,000,000 higher in July 1935 than July 1934. In the first 6 months of 1935, 749,760 tons of war materials, mostly of steel were exported—compared with 97,000 tons in the same period of 1934. There have been complete as many contracts are being handled through foreign ports, which have arranged to route shipments through other European countries.

At the present moment war stocks whose products are used in war are pointed in Wall Street, chemicals were particularly recommended, because labor costs are low in their production. The stocks of the Douglas Air-Craft, the biggest designer of war planes, are up 90 per cent this year.

Little wonder, then, that vigorous anti-war action is being accompanied by pressure from financially interested sources.

Thus Admiral William H. Standley, chief of operations of the fleet, in Atlantic City on Sept. 17 Continued on Page 3 Col. 8

Emergency Call WITNESSES

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 23.—Your help is needed to smash the lies on which Jim Garrison is being framed. All workers who were present at the meeting on May 1, 1934, in the evening, at 1223 Fillmore street, at which Garrison was chairman, report to the International Labor Defense, 1005 Market street, Room 410, or phone Underhill 2425. Your testimony can defeat the railroading.

BRIDGES LEADS WAR ON FAKERS

Last Day of Session Sees Sharp Battle At AFL Meet

SAN DIEGO, Sept. 21.—The sharpest battle of the entire convention came in the last day's session with the presentation for approval of the officers' report. At the conclusion of the reading of Vandeleur's report, Harry Bridges of the I. L. A. San Francisco, declared that the part of the report which described the "California Federationist" (red-baiting sheet of the California Federation of Fickldogs) as being "truthful and unbiased."

"Quoting a statement from the "Federationist" which claimed that Communists were responsible for starting a strike on the waterfront, Bridges denounced the paper as being not only biased, but containing as filthy lies as those which appeared in the Hearst Press.

He got Vandeleur's goat and he started shouting that he was being attacked by the "Waterfront Worker" and the "Western Worker." Bridges reminded the delegates of being the author of the first paper, Scharrenberg joined Vandeleur in the mud-slinging attack, stating that the leadership of the waterfront unions and the convention was in an uproar at the impression created by the fact replying to the lying attack.

Bridges denied having anything to do with the "Waterfront Worker," and reminded that previous remarks about the lies in the "Federationist" declared: "I tried twice to back every statement I've made or you can throw me out of the State Federation!" The fight died down when Vandeleur threatened throughout acceptance of his report as president. The International Seamen's Union, I. L. A. and Marine Firemen, left the convention in disgust, that it be recorded in the minutes that they refused to endorse that portion of the report which deals with the "Federationist."

☆ Scharrenberg Squawks.

The fight broke out again when Paul Scharrenberg's report as secretary-treasurer was offered to the

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Federation Council Votes to Back Bargemen, Dockers

Two Ships Released As Negotiations Are Started

SAILORS NEGOTIATE

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 24.—Both offshore and steam schooner operators have indicated seaman they will meet with the latter to discuss amendments of the existing agreement between shipowners and the International Seaman's Union of the Pacific Coast.

The negotiations committee, elected by the rank and file of the seamen's union will meet with the offshore employers at 2 p. m. today and already has had one meeting and another scheduled with the steam schooner employers.

Proposed amendments to the agreement officially will be presented to the offshore shipowners at the meeting today, the first the seamen have had with this group.

☆ Two Ships Released.

Meanwhile, two vessels tied up on the coast have been released by the unions. They are the Manukai here and the Point Anchia, Seattle. Neither the operators nor the union officials would comment on the trouble at the meeting were released to file additional complaints against their brother members. . . .

Charges of "assault to commit murder" were dismissed against George Wolf, president of the union and another member, Frank Perry. Six other members, however, were held and will be up for hearing on the new complaints Oct. 3.

Nine night workers were injured in the battle precipitated at the Sacramento street waterfront by a stevedore member of the union who had entered the hall with a razor in his pocket. The membership protested the weapon, and when the man attempted to flee the meeting was thrown into an uproar.

☆ Woolf Arrested.

"Twelve men were arrested. George Woolf was arrested at the hospital where he had gone to see the injured workers. He had taken no part in the f

BRIDGES LEADS PROGRESSIVE FIGHT ON REACTIONARIES AT STATE FEDERATION AFL MEET

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Bengough, Schaerrebeck claimed in this report he had been illegally expelled from the International Seamen's Union. He also stated: "Throughout the controversy the official Pacific Coast organ of the Communist Party directed the attacks upon your secretary, but heavily demanded the expulsion of several other outstanding members of the I. S. U. who had refused to swallow the Communist program."

A delegate from the Seamen's Union jumped to his feet to say that Schaerrebeck's expulsion had been strictly legal, that he had been expelled by a majority vote of two to one.

Another seamen delegate proposed to amend the report deleting "the propaganda of Paul Schaerrebeck against the Seamen's Union." Vandeleur ruled the amendment out of order. Bridges got the floor and appealed to the convention to give the Seamen's Union a fair deal.

☆ A Hurried Vote.

Schaerrebeck shouted accusations from his table at the I. S. U. delegation. "They told the International to go to hell!" screamed Schaerrebeck.

With delegates of the I. S. U. on their feet seeking to answer the charges of Schaerrebeck, Vandeleur hurriedly brought the discussion to a close by putting the question as to acceptance of the secretary's report. The I. L. A., I. S. U. and Marine Firemen were not on record as not accepting the report.

Another controversy arose over Vandeleur's proposal of an increase of one cent per capita tax for the creation of a legal defense fund. Progressives expressed themselves as being heartily in favor of such a fund but proposed taking the matter back to the workers by a referendum.

☆ No Referendum.

"The proposal is correct in principle and I believe in it," declared Harry Bridges, "but such a thing should come from the membership, not from the top down. By referring this back to the workers it will get more publicity."

George Kidwell of the Bakery Wagon Drivers of San Francisco proposed an alternate to Vandeleur's proposition. Kidwell favored setting up a legal defense department with the financial burden falling on those districts using the services of the lawyers. The convention voted to establish a legal defense fund and voted the one cent per capita increase when it was disclosed that a referendum would delay action for a year.

President Vandeleur was authorized by the convention to send a telegram to the Arizona State Federation of Labor asking if that body adopted a resolution demanding Tom Mooney, as reported in a Hearst News despatch to the San Diego Tribune.

The convention closed with the inauguration of the new officers.

TRIAL OF 6 ON "RIOT" FRAME-UP IN EUREKA IN FOURTH WEEK

Case Expected to Go to Jury Tuesday Gallagher Halts "Red-Baiting"

EUREKA, Calif., Sept. 23.—The third frame-up "riot" trial here in connection with the police attack on the Lumber and Sawmill Workers picket line here on June 21 is drawing to a close after three full weeks. With all testimony taken it is expected that the case will go to the jury tomorrow.

J. A. Buchanan, Albert Lima, Lee Virken, Leo Szerwich, P. Radelich and Harry Johnson, six of the 150 workers who were jailed during the reign of terror in Humboldt County following the June 21 massacre, are charged with rioting. Leo Gallagher, International Labor Defense attorney, is defending four of them. Buchanan and Lima are defending themselves.

Prosecuting Attorney A. G. Bradford has been particularly vicious in this case. Before the trial began a defense witness, a woman who had been in the scene of the massacre, in which three pickets lost their lives and eight were wounded, was jailed. During her incarceration Bradford visited her in the jail and tried intimidate.

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before the 1934 strike, longshore work was controlled by the employers through their own company controlled union. If a worker protested against the intolerable conditions that prevailing, he was blacklisted and the docks and his means of earning a livelihood was cut off. Evidently it is this state of affairs that the Waterfront Employers' Association is seeking to restore. To effect this end it seems that they are trying to build up a group of experienced strikebreakers by attempting to force I. L. A. men to work certain cargo under strike conditions even though the men and gangs are guaranteed the shift by arbitration award to pick their own jobs.

☆ Bargemen's Strike.

The Bargemen's Union, affiliated with the International Longshoremen's Association, has been on strike for several months against some 17 companies shipping river cargo. Through peaceful and conciliatory methods, the bargemen have secured recognition and agreements with all but four of these companies. These three companies, however, headed by the River Lines, whose president and son helped unload cargo during the strike, have refused to sign the same agreement that the other companies have signed, as a reason for their contract. These company seems bent on keeping the situation in a state of turmoil so that it has constantly refused the repeated requests of the Bargemen to effect a peaceful settlement. The waterfront employers have requested the longshoremen handle cargo brought down by this unfair company.

Another point in the present situation is the bringing of scabs into San Francisco from the Santa Cruz Packing plant in Oakland where the warehousemen, another affiliate of the I. L. A., were locked out for joining the union. The Santa Cruz Packing Co. has constantly refused to grant collective bargaining to the warehousemen and has discriminated against the men for joining the union. Though this union has no present demands, but is merely seeking the return of their men to the job, this company refuses to deal with them.

☆ Packers Violate Agreement.

The action of the Santa Cruz Packing plants is in violation of the national labor relations act and a complaint, in accordance with the provisions of this act, is now being filed against the company. Here again, in the case of this cargo, the waterfront employers are attempting to force longshoremen to work such cargo and act as strike-breakers, even though the working of such cargo would force the longshoremen to cross picket lines which would definitely endanger their safety.

The waterfront employers have demanded that the longshoremen work the cargo described above, and are therefore deliberately acting to force a strike on the men, an occurrence which the men desire to avoid. By using the present situation as a pretext, it seems that the waterfront employers hope they will be able to disrupt the longshore strike-breaker conditions. The I. L. A. desires to make its position clear. In accordance with the 1934 arbitration award the I. L. A. sent gangs to the docks, where the cargo in dispute is to be delivered. The men, however, refused to pass through the picket lines, thrown up by the bargemen and warehousemen. Not only did the longshoremen fear the endangering of their personal safety by passing through the picket lines, but also they chose not to work on docks where the employers had placed armed guards and police, or to handle unfair cargo. The refusal to work this cargo is the prerogative of each man or gang of men, under the award, and, under the interpretation put upon the award, handed down by Judge Sloss, March 19, Judge Sloss said, in part:

"Each individual longshoreman has the right to refuse to work under conditions which do not suit him. This would be true even if the award did not specifically provide that the man 'shall be free to select their jobs.' . . . The collective quitting of work by a gang is not in itself a refusal on the part of the I. L. A., as an organization, to respect the award.

☆ Blacklist Threatened.

It will, therefore, be noted that the men in the present situation are not going to quit work, but, if they do, their employers may refuse to work cargo under conditions which do not suit them. This is the waterfront employers know. Yet they have issued an ultimatum that any man or gang of men refusing to work such cargo shall thereafter be denied work on the waterfront. This deliberate blacklisting of longshoremen militates the award. If an employer can blacklist a man who refuses to work a particular kind of cargo, the right of the men to choose his jobs is nullified, even though this right is guaranteed by the award. This blacklisting by employers is a direct violation of the award, and means that the employers, and not the men, stand in the way of a peaceful settlement on the waterfront.

☆ Back Pay Still Due.

The I. L. A. has always been willing to abide by the award, and has always done so. The same cannot be said for the employers. An interpretation of the award, by Judge Sloss, made on May 8, 1934, granted certain back pay amounting in excess of a quarter of a million dollars to the longshoremen. Up to this time the employers have refused to pay this sum of money to the men. In view of this fact, much doubt is cast on the employers' statements that they have abided by the award, but the men have not.

If trouble comes to the San Francisco waterfront, it will be by of the longshoremen's making. However, they are determined to hold the gains granted them.

RED DRIVE HIT BY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AIDE

ATHERN QUITS PLOT TO MISLEAD PUBLIC

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—Charging that the United States Chamber of Commerce was conducting a subversive and un-American campaign to stifle academic freedom, Chester R. Athern resigned from the subversive activities committee of the Chamber. After doing research work for six months, Athearn became convinced that the Chamber of Commerce was deliberately misleading the public, using an attack on Communism to cloak its reactionary policies.

In his letter of resignation, Athearn said:

"I do not wish to have any part in the preparation of false propaganda. The material on Communism issued by the chamber is so biased as to mislead members of the chamber and the public."

"I have been asked to write an article on 'Communism's Threat to Academic Freedom.' There has been placed in my hands a copy of the resolutions passed by the National Department of the American Legion, resolutions directly attacking President G. Bromley Oxnam of Depauw University (Methodist, Greencastle, Ind.) I am informed that the article on 'Communism' is to be used in following up this attack."

"This instance reveals the fact that the chamber's propaganda is an attack on academic freedom. I believe that there is no room for academic freedom, and I do not propose to betray his blood."

Athearn's father, the late Dr. Walter Scott Athearn, was one of the outstanding men of Butler University, at Indianapolis, for upholding the tradition of academic freedom.

Members of the Chamber of Commerce attacked by Athearn had been a cool water, and could find nothing to say in denial of his charges.

PRESS IGNORES LABOR MEETING; AIDS GRAFTERS

WOULD PRAISE THE DEVIL IF HE WOULD PAY

By a Worker Correspondent.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 23.—After the mass Labor Ticket election meeting in the Civic Auditorium yesterday, I looked in the papers to see what they said about it. None of them printed a word. So I called up the so-called liberal Daily News and asked them why.

They gave me a man they called the political editor and he tried to tell me he didn't know anything about it. I told him he was lying because it had been advertised on huge billboards all week and he had been sent press notices, none of which he printed.

Then he told me it was his day off yesterday, so he missed it. So I called the Daily Bee.

The Daily News is no different than the Chronicle and the Hearst Examiner. They sell their space to political parasites and would print ballyhoo for the Devil out of Hell if he would give them money. They ignore the enormous mass demonstration of organized union labor because it will offend the silt-edged candidates who are buying space from them.

Keep Hearst Out of The Schools!

Officials Silent As Ku Klux Klan Grabs Film City Epic Club

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 17.—The Celluloid Epic Club has been seized by members of the Ku Klux Klan, it became known here today, and although Upton Sinclair and the End Poverty League have been notified that the "patsies" by the KKK, no action has been taken by Epic officials thus far to oust these semi-fascists and return the club to the genuine Epic members.

The Klan, at a meeting of the club's ranks called, but minus notification were sent only to a selected group, Bert Gorman, well-known figure in the Klan in Glendale, was elected President of the club. Although it has never been an Epic and was not present at the meeting while being nominated, Dr. F. W. Kemp, reputed "friend" of Sinclair, nominated Gorman.

Others in the frameup election who are believed to be Klansmen include T. R. Yundt and Jack Higgins.

Oregon Criminal Syndicalism Cases To Come Up Oct. 2

PORTLAND, Oregon, Sept. 19.—Word has just been received here appeals to the Oregon Supreme Court on the cases of Dirk De Jonge and Kyle Pugh, convicted in Oregon last year on charges of Criminal Syndicalism, will be heard by the court on October 2, at 1 p.m. Pugh received a sentence of five years in the Oregon State penitentiary. De Jonge is serving a term of seven years in the Oregon State penitentiary. Their arrests grew out of their activities here, year in organizing support for the Pacific Coast maritime strikers. The appeal will be handled by the International Labor Defense.

These cases are the frameup charges against three militant workers are urged to write or telegraph immediately to the Oregon Supreme Court, Salem, Oregon, asking upon that body to reverse the decisions of the lower courts.

Communist Party members, write in about unit activity.

L. A. Jobless Jail Conditions Will Be Protested to City

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 21.—Determined to force the City Council to hold an open investigation into the discrimination against the jobless in the Lincoln Heights jail, and demanding the removal of Capt. Shand as jailor for brutal practices, a strong committee organized by the International Labor Defense will visit the Council Friday, Sept. 27.

All workers' organizations are urged to send representatives to this committee, and to communicate with the ILD in the Musician Opera House Building.

Medical treatment has been denied political prisoners in the Lincoln Heights jail, and they have been given poor food and unsanitary reading matter brought them by friends.

These political prisoners include four workers framed by police following the charity "riot" of June 1, 1934, who are Harold Hendricks, Joseph Toth, John Sanders, James McShann is suffering from a back injury as a result of police brutality, but has been denied a brace for his back by the jail officials. Hendricks also needs medical attention, which has been denied him, although the I.L.D. has offered to furnish a physician.

Communist Party members, write in about unit activity.

New Order Gives Army Control of Los Angeles WPA

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 23.—Further clarifying the militaristic policy of President Roosevelt, Colonel Donald Connolly, chief Chicago district engineer for the U.S. Army, last night in a speech before the Works Progress Administration here today, and indicated that five other army engineers will be brought here from Chicago to take over key positions in the department.

Colonel Connolly indicated he will shift many department heads and institute whatever is necessary to get some 70,000 off the dole and into "security wage" jobs.

"The sole purpose of this program is to get every able-bodied needy person on a regular wage-paying job," he said today. "I intend to do that."

Appointment of Colonel Connolly brought quick and unfavorable comments from members of the Public Works and Unemployed Union, who recalled when the German government started putting army men in charge of relief in Germany before Hitler came to power. It was also remembered that Connolly ran the CWA here, and incited the universal ire of the unemployed workers.

L. A. JOBLESS ARE VICTIMS OF "FILTER"

RELIEF OUT OF SHOES FOR NEEDY CHILDREN

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 19.—Unemployed workers, undergoing suffering and privation, are kept off the relief rolls by "efficient handling" of the Intake Department of the Los Angeles County Relief Administration, it was revealed here today by Mrs. Marie U. Tidd, LACRA social service supervisor, in a report submitted to the citizens' relief committee, the "voice" of the Chamber of Commerce in the relief administration.

"This has prevented a rise in the relief load, "reported Mrs. Tidd. "The intake departments in the district offices continue to do a good job. From August 1 to September 5 they accepted 9038 of 10,357 applications."

Many former LACRA administrative employees, who were laid off when the work relief program was abolished, are among the relief applicants, Mrs. Tidd revealed that a total of 2100 clients had been on relief.

Lack of shoes and clothing has caused a serious crisis, said Mrs. Tidd, adding that "even before school started prescriptions for shoes were dispensed to school children."

"We are out of shoes and clothing for children from 6 to 14 years of age," she reported. "However the families are given one dollar a month (!) with which to buy clothing and are permitted to earn outside earnings, with which they can also buy clothes.

"We will probably have to continue to furnish food to emergencies, where the children would be out of school if they didn't have them."

Unemployed workers are urged to protect their interests against such discrimination, it is learned by Mrs. Tidd's report, by organizing under the banner of the Public Works and Unemployed Union, 317 Douglas Building, Los Angeles.

STUDENTS IN ANTI R.O.T.C. FIGHT AT UCLA

"DAILY BRUIN" PRINTS ANTI-WAR EDITORIAL

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 21.—While Col. John S. Upham, chairman of the military department, was harangued by 120 uniformed R.O.T.C. students, defending the system and calling for "preparedness," 1,000 students at UCLA attacking the R.O.T.C. as preparation for imperialist war were discussing the matter in a mass meeting. If you are going to the movies or buy something to read, carry this list with you. These are the propaganda agencies of Hearst which workers on the West Coast should not patronize:

NEWSPAPERS—

SAN FRANCISCO EXAMINER
SAN FRANCISCO CALL-BULLETIN
LOS ANGELES EXAMINER
LOS ANGELES HERALD and EXPRESS
OAKLAND POST-ENQUIRER
SEATTLE POST-INTELLIGENCER

MOVIES—

HEARST METROTONE NEWS (newsreel)
WARNER BROTHERS FILMS
COSMOPOLITAN PRODUCTIONS (films)

MAGAZINES—

GOOD HOUSEKEEPING
HEARST'S INTERNATIONAL combined with COSMOPOLITAN
HARPER'S BAZAAR
MOTOR and MOTOR BOATING
PICTORIAL REVIEW
AMERICAN DRUGGIST

DELEGATES TO LABOR TICKET MEETING THUNDER SUPPORT OF UNITED FRONT PLATFORM

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ed mayor, he said, he will kick out the politicians and "democratize the City Hall." In order to inform the people of city affairs he said he would speak to them on the radio at least twice a month.

☆ "Under my administration," Mann said, "the police will not play the odious part of pimps of capital."

☆ Disaster Plan" Flayed.

Evan Wattles, Carpenters' Union No. 22, A. F. of L., and superviso candidate, declared the "Act of God" reference in the so-called "Disaster Plan" were a cloak of hypocrisy to hide a plan "to tear down the democratic institutions of the city." He said the United Labor candidates, if elected, would sponsor a "Committee of 100,000" to restore democracy to the people of San Francisco.

Anita Whitney, speaking on the "Menace of Vigilantism," smiling mischievously in the eyes of the Hearst followers at least she probably represented "the Red-scare" at the Convention.

"Our candidates and platform," she declared, "are the workers answer to the reactionaries, big business and their allied labor parasites." She concluded with a call for unity on the political field in November.

Russ Hearst, the National Guard and the police were roughly booed whenever their names were mentioned. Dr. Robert Whitaker of Los Gatos declared that "William Randolph Hearst would count for nothing if labor in the United States represented a unity of purpose." He said further that "only the rank and file of labor can save the social order today."

More than $2815 were collected in pledges and donations. Outstanding were pledges of donations of $1000 from the San Francisco Longshore Union, $250 from the Communist Party and scores of smaller donations from other trade unions and fraternal organizations.

☆ Mooney's Endrsement.

Tom Mooney, now in the San Francisco jail, and fighting for his freedom from San Quentin, sent a telegram of greetings in which he declared that, "The time is rotten ripe for a political housecleaning," and that "a victory for the United Labor ticket will mark a step forward in the fight for my freedom and vindication."

Harry Bridges, who received one of the strongest ovations of the day, declared that the waterfront employers are attempting to force the longshoremen to act as strike-breakers. He stressing the necessity for united action on the part of all labor Bridges said:

"The longshoremen and seamen have learned their lesson by bitter experience The waterfront workers realize the necessity for political action. They realize that "the workers can do everything and without them nothing exists."

☆ Fakers' Platforms Empty.

Lawrence Ross, speaking for the United Labor Campaign Committee, told the meeting of the United Labor Ticket. He analyzed the campaign promises of other candidates including Rossi, Uhl, and Sheehy, and exposed the hypocrisy behind the phrases which these gentlemen dedicate to organized labor and the unemployed.

Ross also spoke on the graft and corruption rampant in the local relief setup and showed how the workers alone are capable of handling relief in a manner calculated to give the unemployed at least a standard of living not synonymous with actual starvation.

☆ Resolutions.

Resolutions were passed calling for the freedom of Tom Mooney, for the establishment here of a bi-weekly Labor Paper which will tell the truth about working class problems and about the United Labor Ticket.

A resolution introduced by the Sailors' Union of the Pacific called for support of Ethiopia against the attack of Mussolini and for a boycott of all munitions and armaments destined to be used against the African republic.

CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF C. P. GREETS DAILY "NOVY MIR"

Language Paper for Russian Workers Will Aid Fight Against War-Fascism

Russian workers in the U. S. A. will soon celebrate the first appearance of this paper, the Daily "Novy Mir". The appearance of the daily "Novy Mir" will be an important event in the lives and struggles of the Russian workers. Through the aid of their militant organ built with their hard-earned proletarian money, the Russian workers will be brought closer to the American revolutionary labor movement, will join in a powerful united front against fascism and imperialist war—the new blood bath that is being prepared by the bankers and manufacturers.

With the aid of their newspaper, the Russian workers will considerably strengthen their struggle for the defense of the U.S.S.R. The enemies of the U.S.S.R. spread against their great proletarian fatherland the U.S.S.R by the white guards, by the "realm of Romanov and by the white guard press: "Russia", "Novyy Russkoe Slovo", the fascist "Rassvet", etc.

The daily "Novy Mir"...will not only gather and unite all anti-fascists, but will work with them, with all friends of the U. S. S. R. with all those who defend honestly the cause of peace. The "Novy Mir" will also help the Russian workers to join the ranks of the American union men and the ranks of the Communist Party.

The Daily "Novy Mir" will likewise build the Communist Party, which is the tested leader of the working masses in their struggles for their everyday needs and in the struggle for a Soviet America.

By its daily agitation and propaganda "The Novy Mir" will raise the cultural level and enrich the lives of the Russian workers.

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EAST OF THE Rockies

Airplane Strike Student Unity Labor Party in Terre Haute Injunction in Meat Strike

HARTFORD, Conn.—The 1,800 aircraft workers of the Pratt and Whitney Aircraft Co., and the Hamilton Standard Propeller Co., who struck against the firing of five union men, are still out, following attempts to break the strike by ordering a secret ballot. The workers voted 537 to 135, against returning to work.

Several more strikes in Connecticut were reported. At two Putnam textile works 300 struck against wage cuts. Hundred upon hundred workers of the Independent Cloak Co. of New Britain struck demanding the restoration of wage cuts. Strikers at the M. Salzberg and Sons Silk Co. of Putnam extended to cover their strike on all wage cuts of $1 to $1.a week were restored.

NEW YORK—Unity of student groups throughout the country took a first step toward the national committees of the Student League for Industrial Democracy and the National Student League approved plans to merge the two organizations. Such action will be recommended to the respective conventions of both bodies in the Christmas week.

The new organization, to be called the American Student League, would fight against war and fascism, the ROTC, restraints on academic freedom, and the inadequate program of the National Youth Administration.

Normal Thomas, leader of the Socialist Party, and the executive director of the League for Industrial Democracy, hailed the proposed union as the beginning of a generally better situation.

TERRE HAUTE—Organization of a Labor Party is seen by workers as the only means of combating the injunction issued by the ruled this city for several months, in an effort to break the strike of the Columbia Stamping Mill. Local Unions are taking steps to organize such a Labor Party.

A motion made at the Central Labor Union to accept a contribution to the strike fund from the Communist Party was passed unanimously, in spite of objections of N. Y. Taylor, state A. F. of L. official. Strikers also decided for resume mass picketing at the plant gates.

WORKERS TRIED IN BEET REGION ARE ACQUITTED

IMPENDING BEET STRIKE CAUSE OF TERRORISM BY OXNARD POLICE

OXNARD, Calif., Sept. 21.—Victory for the International Labor Defense leading mass pressure of the workers, was scored here yesterday when Pauline Innes, her father and another worker were acquitted of a charge of "disturbing the peace". The court room was packed with workers.

The Ventura County branch of the I. L. D. has recruited 250 members since the trial began, and several months ago led in the fight which brought a grand jury indictment against Police Chief Kerrick of Oxnard for beating up scores of prisoners in the county jail.

Kerrick and four policemen attacked Pauline Lemos on Sept. 8, as the result of a remark she made when Kerrick was beating and kicking some Mexican Workers, and then beat and arrested her father and the other worker when they came to her defense. The girl is 20 years old and weighs approximately 95 pounds.

When the workers were bailed out at $50 each by the I.L.D., Judge Stephens denied them a jury trial, saying:

"No, sir, no jury trials in my court—I won't have it. Why, I'm not going to call all the farmers away from their business to sit on a disturbance on the peace charge. Twenty years ago I had a jury trial and it was so good—only got things all mixed up."

Because of an impending strike of workers in the beet fields, the police have conducted active terrorism in Oxnard, particularly directed against the Mexican workers. The I.L.D. and the Mexican Civil Liberties Union are organizing an investigating committee to improve labor conditions and terror in all of Ventura County.

Calif. Jobless to Demonstrate for Union WPA Wages

WORKERS MASS BEFORE RELIEF OFFICES SEPT. 28

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 23.—The Calif. State Federation of Unemployed and Allied Organizations announces that the jobless of San Francisco will demonstrate before the relief headquarters at 49 Fourth street on Sept. 28.

Demands for immediate starting of WPA projects in Alameda, Sacramento, and for trade union rates and adequate monthly wages will be presented to Harry L. Hopkins, Federal relief administrator on September 28, national day of demonstration against the scab wage of $50 a month.

The State Federation of Jobless Committees that on that day demonstrations will be held in San Bernardino, Los Angeles, Oakland, Sacramento, and the WPU locals are already preparing their mobilization.

The San Bernardino Federation of Unemployed and Allied Organizations has called for a demonstration at Meadowbrook Park, at 12:30 p. m. to demand that WPA hourly wages be 60 cents for unskilled, 80 cents for semi-skilled and $1.10 for skilled workers, and to demand 40 cents an hour for agricultural work for those being forced off relief into the fields.

Speakers at this meet will include Chair Lee Purdy and Harold Sheehy, state secretary, Public Works and Unemployed Union, Epic Assemblyman Paul A Richie, and others.

☆ Fake Appearance.

San Francisco workers will press for a slum clearance survey project to be started immediately, to survey the dilapidated housing conditions in working class neighborhoods of the city. "And that this project undertake to raze such districts and build modern houses for the workers at reasonable rents. The survey should also include projects for playgrounds and recreation centers.

The Sept. 28th demonstration will demand that every worker who needs and wants a job be given immediate WPA W. P. A. and that monthly wages for single, unskilled workers be $35 minimum for skilled, not $85; with $15 for each dependent for workers with families—and that hourly rates be at union scales.

Effective organization of unemployed will aid in maintaining union scales of pay. Demand that your union officials support such work.

Prosecutor of IWW Is Given Roosevelt Job

WAS EPIC CANDIDATE IN LAST ELECTION; KNOWN AS REACTIONARY

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 21.—The union-smashing tactic of the Roosevelt Administration was revealed in all its vicious character here today when Frank Lee, of Washington, D. C., that George E. Acret, Los Angeles attorney and Epic "leader," had been appointed to a position in the Roosman commission created under the Guffey Coal Bill to supervise "administration" of the bituminous coal industry.

Acret was endorsed by the End Poverty League as a candidate for Congressman last year, but ran a poor last in the November elections due to militant resentment of the rank and file against the scab slate made up by Acret in the Roosevelt-Republican Church, Los Angeles, a group headed by the notorious Upton Sinclair, then idolized by the Epic followers, could not rally votes, for him.

"They call us Communists," Acret said in this speech, "and I'm the guy that sent more I. W. W.'s to prison than any other prosecuting attorney in the State of Washington!"

Rev. Gross Alexander of the Methodist Church and Rev. A. A. Heist, Methodist pastor, immediately demanded that the End Poverty League withdraw its endorsement of Acret for the Supreme Court post.

"We can't rock the boat now," said Alexander's spokesman. "We demand, "It might interfere with our election!"

In the November elections, Leo Gallagher, famous working class attorney, polled far ahead of the votes polled by Acret.

Acret was formerly a prosecuting attorney in Aberdeen, Wash., where he "sent more I. W. W.'s to prison than any other prosecuting attorney."

The Sacramento C. S. Case

To be published soon: A complete pamphlet on the notorious Criminal Syndicalism frame-up.

EMPLOYERS AID DISRUPTION OF SCALERS MEET

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strike for many weeks, following a lock-out declared by contractors. When roll was called at the meet yesterday meeting it was discovered that but twenty-seven of the petition signers were present.

☆ Scabs in Attendance.

Three disruptors who came to the meeting armed with various weapons, were not arrested, the scalers point out. They also say that contractors, notably D'Aquisto, have visited many members of the union, telling them to be ready to "start work at any moment." Meanwhile scaler gangs have for several weeks...been working at three piers, hired directly by ship owners and not through contractors.

Three reactionaries were bailed out by "persons unknown" and, it is this trio that is swearing out the new complaints against the remaining workers. All were released today on bail set at $250 cash or $500 property bond.

Scalers are planning a huge benefit dance for Oct. 12 to raise funds for carrying the strike to a successful conclusion.

QUOTAS FOR PARTY RECRUITING DRIVE ANNOUNCED BY SECTIONS

Campaign Started to Recruit Six Hundred New Communist Party Members By Nov. 7

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 23.—The District Org. Dept. of the Communist Party advises that all quotas for recruiting drive must be reported by Sept. 27. So far, the following sections have not yet sent quotas: Merced, Arizona, Nevada, Tulare, San Diego, Monterey, Eureka, Stockton and Porterville.

A Full list of quotas will be published in the Oct. 3 edition of the Western Worker.

In the quotas received to date, only five Sections have included recruiting to the Young Communist League. Although it should not be counted as part of the regular Party quota, all sections are urged to set Y.C.L. recruiting quotas as a part of the drive.

The Dist. Org. Dept. urges units to follow out the suggestion that recently contained in the Party Life column; to invite contacts to an open unit meeting, with a leading comrade present to discuss the role and objectives of the Party.

Units and sections should send in their quotas and also any suggestions for recruiting which have proven successful by experience. These will be printed in the Party Life column of the Western Worker.

Revolutionary competition should be organized between units, sections, etc., to liven the campaign.

Quotas Announced to Date:

SAN BERNARDINO—Total of twenty new members; 4 A. F. of L., members, 8 Spanish workers, 3 Negro workers, 5 shop workers. Also ten new Y.C.L. members.

SAN JOSE—Total 5. Two A. F. of L. Italian and one miscellaneous.

SAN MATEO—Total 15. Five A. F. of L., 3 Spanish, 2 Negro, 5 miscellaneous.

BAKERSFIELD—Total 13. (Also 3 Y. C. L.), 1 A. F. of L., 4 Negro, 3 shop, 5 miscellaneous.

SANTA BARBARA—Total 18. Two women, 5 A. F. of L., 3 Spanish, 3 Negroes, 1 unemployed, 2 agricultural, 1 Filipino, and 1 miscellaneous.

LOS ANGELES—Total 219. Twenty-five women, 45 A. F. of L., 20 Spanish, 16 Negroes, 36 shop, 48 unemployed, 7 agricultural. (Also 31 Y.C.L.)

SONOMA—Total 15. One A. F. of L., 2 shop, 3 unemployed, 7 farmers.

FRESNO—Total 10. Four A. F. of L., 3 Negroes, 3 unemployed.

SACRAMENTO—Total 28. Four A. F. of L., 2 Negroes, 3 shop, 12 miscellaneous. (Also 4 Y. C. L.)

CONTRA COSTA—Total 25. Ten A. F. of L., 3 shop, 3 agricultural, 9 miscellaneous.

EAST BAY—Total 118. Twenty-eight A. F. of L., 8 Spanish, 14 Negro, 10 shop, 5 unemployed; 53 miscellaneous. (Also 12 Y.C.L.)

SAN FRANCISCO—Total 761. Twenty-two women, 20 A. F. of L., 3 Spanish, 7 Negro, 29 shop, 13 unemployed, 14 miscellaneous. (Also 18 Y.C.L.)

District Org. Dept.

Copy Deadlines

LENGTH OF ARTICLES

The maximum length of feature articles, short stories, etc. is six typewritten pages double spaced, preferably five. For news items, use your own judgment.

Approximately three and a half typewritten pages double spaced make a full column of type.

It is not necessary to write news stories up ready for publication. If you are pressed for time, just jot down all the facts and we will write the story in the office.

Don't get the idea that you have to run onto some monster story or crucial issue in order to have something to send us. Send us everything. One little incident, one small fact, one quotation from somebody, can be turned into an interesting short item.

The Western Worker goes to press Tuesday and Friday at noon. Feature articles and material of a general nature must reach us by first mail delivery not later than Monday morning, for the Tuesday edition, and Thursday mofning for the Friday edition. Preferably sooner.

For purposes of distribution in outlying sections, the Friday edition is dated the following Monday and the Tuesday edition bears the dateline of the following Thursday.

Timely news must reach us later than 5:00 p. m. on Thursday and Mondays. News of very vital importance—the settlement of a strike—a decision to strike—hitherto unannounced actions of government or employers—gangster attacks—sudden changes in important issues—can get in with brief bulletin length if received by phone or wire on Tuesday and Friday. When an issue is imperative, wire us press rates collect. However, go easy on the telegram business. It's expensive. Never wire when the same news can reach us in time by air mail or special delivery.

Tobin Betrays The Teamsters Union

Convention Opens As Legionnaire Gives Key Note Talk

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 23.—"Daniel J. Tobin rules with an iron hand," wrote one capitalist newspaper correspondent covering the 13th Convention of the Teamsters, Chauffers, Stablemen and Helpers which ended here last week.

And the $20,000 a year president of the International did just that. The convention was a classical example of American Federation of Labor reaction and bureaucracy in action. Panoply delegates swearing hailing diamond rings and smoking expensive cigars, the cream of the Tobin machine, reelected all present International officers for another five-year term. Opposition was not even allowed a voice.

Two amendments to the International constitution were introduced, both by Tobin, and were adopted. One seeks to bar Communists from membership in local unions and states that proof of membership in the Communist Party is not necessary for expulsion purposes. The second strengthens the withdrawal of the charter from any local which "knowingly admits to its meetings a speaker from the Communist Party or any part thereof."

☆ Legionaire Leads Off

The convention opened with George L. Koehn, Oregon state commander of the American Legion, striking the key-note in a hysterical and vitriolic attack on Communism. President Tobin spoke the following day and also attacked the Communist Party. He defied Portland was the original hot bed of Communism. His outburst was occasioned by the arrest of two men for allegedly throwing a beer bottle through the window of a large Portland department store where union teamsters are on strike.

Later it developed that those arrested were delegates to the convention and two of Tobin's own supporters from Cleveland.

Final sessions of the Convention were devoted to an attack upon the waterfront strike of the Pacific Coast, with Michael Casey and O'Connell of San Francisco prominent in the attack. Casey described the difficulties he had had in attempting to keep San Francisco teamsters at work hauling scab cargo from the San Francisco docks and from going out in sympathy with the longshoremen and seamen under the General Strike call.

☆ Attack Marine Unions

O'Connell confined his hysteria to an attack upon Harry Bridges, recently reelected president of the San Francisco Longshoremen by an overwhelming majority vote.

"If some of these gentlemen in the waterfront had their way," he screamed, "they'd make it impossible for the American unions to operate in the maritime unions."

Switching the discussion to the Vancouver, B. C., dock strike O'Connell's "patriotism" took another angle when he exclaimed, "The gentlemen who are conducting the strike in Vancouver scabbed on the A. F. of L. in 1928. They're a bunch of Communists!" He concluded with the remark, "I'll never play pieculo in a band led by a foreigner."

☆ Opposition Present

But opposition to the Tobin machine was present and demonstrated its strength in debate, by a vote of 175 to 142, a resolution calling for an assessment of 10 cents per month per member, 5 cents of which was to go directly into a fund to fight the Brewery Workers of America, Dave Beck of Seattle, a Tobin cog, made a strong plea for the assessment and vehemently denied charges against the brewery workers.

Oakland Cop Arrests Seller of Epic News, Masses

OAKLAND, Sept. 23.—While selling copies of "Epic News" and "New Masses" Albert C Hansen was arrested here yesterday and framed on a charge of selling papers on the street without a license. He was taken to the city jail and bail set at $50.

Hansen was on the curb in front of the Madison street Masonic Temple when someone inside called the police. A radio patrol car picked him up, and when the cop saw he had the "Epic News" and "New Masses" asked him, "What are you doing with these radical papers?"

Hansen replied, "They are all published openly and come through the mails."

"That's what you won't be that very long," retorted the cop, "Because we won't stand for it."

Hansen is secretary of the Philosophers' Club and that organization bailed him out. The National Committee to protest the arrest of Hansen and the prosecution of the Epic News and the Masses, which will be presented to the City Council, to gain this, Leech pointed out, will necessitate the mobilization of active anti-war organizations around the slogan of "Freedom of the Streets."

On November 10th the American League Against War and Fascism will hold its Peace Parade, slogans: "Unite Against Fascism for Peace," "United We Live—Divided We Die," Fascism Means War!"

The League is also laying the basis for the national convention to be held January 4, 5, and 6 at Cleveland, Ohio, and is preparing for the convention to be held in San Diego, San Bernardino, Los Angeles, Santa Barbara, Fresno and Sacramento and San Francisco, Portland, and Seattle.

L. A. Furniture Strikers Beaten By Hired Thugs

MOST PLANTS SETTLED WITH STRIKERS

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 20.—Attacked by "scabs" in front of the Morris Furniture Manufacturing Company, 4433 South Alameda Street, yesterday morning, the Furniture Workers Union received two more serious beatings. In the first, but bloody attack, the following were injured and taken to Georgia Street Receiving Hospital:

Frank Lopez, 24, of 9200 Beach Street, Watts, fractured skull, 40 of 1459 East 75th Street, possible jaw fracture; Walter John, 50, of 2680 East 52nd Street, bruises; Nelson Martin, 40, of 732 West Bruce Street, Compton, fractured ribs; Jack Lawson, 30, 4721 1-2 South Broadway, bruises.

Last week injury, At least six others suffered cuts and bruises.

"The scabs at the Morris plant, which is one of the largest with twenty pickets," said John Murray, organizer for Furniture Workers' local No. 128, "are a fine lot of monkey wrenches and scab drivers."

Workers at the plant have been on strike since April 29th last, approximately 40 of which are following the picket line, the union and lawyer, from his seat in the House of Peers. Minabe was threatened with

Jobless Jottings

By the Boondoggler (L. A.)

Ralph Dalton, sent to California by the Roosevelt machine to head the LAWPA, and instructed to be a big bad Democratic wolf, turned out to be just a little pig who built his house of sticks and Ham Cotton Democrats. With a huff and puff the Republican wolves and the Epic wolves not only blew his house in, but blew Dalton 3,000 miles back to Washington to such a smaller but more protected new deal nest.

Lt. Col. Donald 'loud mouth' Connolly who wet himself the CWA, has been called in along with six other army officers, to warm the top WPA chair left vacant by departing Paddy Dalton.

Connolly declares, "We will have no truck with politicians and I won't stand for our organization being used to further the interests of any political organization." Connolly however is only talking for publication it seems, common knowledge among political lumpers-on that a deal has already been arranged whereby State Senator Culbert L. Olson's office will dispense most of the patronage.

Army officers who distinguished themselves in the World War stayed back of the firing lines in action, are now bravely going out to the top of a desk, as Commander in Chief Roosevelt gives the signal for them to attack . . . Flying squadrons of the American workers and mop-up on the Relief lines . . . Heil Roosevelt . . .

The County Welfare, acting under orders of the County Supervisors is removing 1200 cases from the County Relief Lists, on the grounds that they are non-residents. Cases like the following:

A. K. in San Gabriel, 5 in the family, 3 children in school, for 2 weeks old. Has lived in California since 1923. Classed as Tec-nonres.

Mrs. F. Me, in Wilmar, mother and four children, 5 years in Calif. Cut off because she has a husband somewhere in the East and the husband's address is the wife's address . . . Not true says so according to Rex Thomson.

J. G. Monterey Park, 5 in family, father has tuberculosis, can't have a job, has been practically gone, 6 years in State . . . Non-res.

Mrs. C. O. Bunker Hill, 73 years old, 35 years in America, 11 years in this state . . . but is not a resident.

In the name of . . . economy for the taxpayers, helpless invalids, infants and aged are being cutoff relief and left to starve by the sanic Supervisors who voted 195,000.00 of the taxpayers money to the Chamber of Commerce to advertise the glories of Southern California. Also $5,000.00 to buy flags and bunting to decorate the streets in hopes of attracting an American Legion Convention.

Suggested illustration for the front cover of a folder to be printed by the All-year Club; "a starving tubercular whom the county cannot afford to care for' cough up gem-rotted pieces of his lungs, spitting them into the gutter, as he stands on the curb leaning against the staff of one of the nice flags . . . purchased by' the County.

Mrs. Martha U. Tidd, LACRA social service supervisor reports that, "the intake departments in the district offices continue to do a good job and refuse aid to more than half of those who apply."

Mrs. Tidd reports "From Aug. 1st to Sept. 5th they accepted only 9038 of 18379 who applied for aid."

Edith D. was turned down by the relief, she finally landed a job in a cafe on Broadway. In addition to her work out front she is forced to spend from 3 to an hour a day with the boss in the back room.

Helen R. is 26, she and her two children could not get on relief. I met her two days ago on South Hill street. She invited me to go to bed with her . . . for $2.00

Henry M. was refused aid. He cashed a phony check for $2 dollars. He is now receiving direct aid from the state . . . in San Quentin Prison.

Brady L. tried desperately for weeks to get some kind of relief, but was refused. Now he is getting along swell "playing the fruits in Hollywood."

Mrs. Martha U. Tidd "you are doing a good job" . . . society thanks you . . . congratulations.

Effective organization of unemployed will aid in maintaining union scales of pay. Demand that your union officials support such work.

News Stories and Comment by Worker Correspondents

SERA MEN WORK WITHOUT WAGES

100 SCABBING ON SAN DIEGO HARBOR

"Patriotism" Gag

IS PRECEDENT FOR CUT IN RELIEF BUDGETS

By a Worker Correspondent.

SAN DIEGO—This notorious open-shop town has been making every effort lately, through the newspapers and radio, to encourage people on direct relief to work for nothing for the city. The jobs are all necessary ones that would otherwise employ wage-earners or union men. So far, 140 have fallen for this "patriotic" gag and are doing work around the harbor without a cent of pay, except the pittance of direct relief which they would be getting anyway.

Strong efforts are being made by the Unemployed Workers Protective Union of San Diego to inform these men of the crime against organized labor they are committing. That they are scabbing on union labor which would be doing the work of these SERA men, if they were contributing their time.

✻ Cops Hang Around

Attempts of unemployed union members so far have not been successful. The cops are scabbing of "tough-mug" bosses and police. The latter hang around these slave jobs "just to see fair play."

The Unemployed Union members made an effort to discover just what material job was behind each individual case. About two-thirds of the 140 men are both unemployed and homeless, and lay non-unemployed. They are doing work for nothing to work into the good feelings of the boss, or administration, hoping to get a boss's job for themselves when the WPA opens up. The other third is composed mostly of young fellows who live near, or are friends of, a boss, and that boss has soft-soaped them into working for him for nothing, knowing that if he has a rush job wage from the city will continue.

✻ Cheat Union Men

In this manner the youth are hoodwinked and tricked, made to work like slaves, and cheating union men out of bread and butter for the wife and kids. Our duty is to tell them what they are doing.

The Unemployed Workers Protective Union of San Diego has gone on record against "scab gangs" for the following reasons:

1) They are undermining the wage scale by working for nothing.

2) If the government can get the men to work for 85 per cent. of their budget, it will never return the pay cut.

3) It encourages a "slave psychology" and a "faithful dog" attitude that will bring back the middle ages unless halted.

4) The government is forcing us to live "on a bare existence subsistence," or code space, and we must fight for adequate relief.

5) It is a blow to union labor to volunteer work on necessary jobs, and the workers are becoming not volunteers but slaves.

ANTI-NAZI MOVE GAINS STRENGTH IN LOS ANGELES

JEWISH LEAGUE DOUBLES ITS NUMBERS

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 23—The Jewish Anti-Nazi League of Southern California has doubled the number of organizations in it since its inception, according to its second meeting in the Folk School on Sept. 17th there were 20 organizations represented, contrasted to 44 at the first session. There were 41 delegates from 20 organizations at the Sept. 17th meeting, compared to only one youth organization at the first.

The youth groups, called the Anti-Nazi Youth Council, met separately, but will work jointly with the adult organization. Youth clubs, churches, synagogues, social and political clubs are thus united in a campaign to strengthen the boycott of German made goods, to boycott the Berlin Olympics and Hearst.

Committees are canvassing stores of this city for the nation-wide boycott, and 2,500 petitions will be circulated, urging the state legislature to give legal and formal voice to the disapproval of the State of California of Hitler's terror regime.

A united front, mass meeting to protest the anti-Semitic, Nazi two weeks ago rallied 3,500 at the Philharmonic auditorium. With the $200 cleared above expenses the League is continuing its activities.

COUNCILMAN AT LOSS IN QUIZ BY L. A. WOMEN

INVESTIGATION PRESSED FOR ON LINCOLN HEIGHTS JAIL

By a Worker Correspondent.

LOS ANGELES—Are conditions in the Lincoln Heights jail OK?

Councilman Frank P. Buyer wrote that they were when women charged with the Sacramento Defense Committee and the Sacramento Defense Committee and the Sacramento Defense Committee and

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Rally Support For C. S. Prisoners!

The appeal of the convictions of the eight Sacramento Criminal Syndicalism trial victims will be argued in the District Court some time in November. This places an immediate task on the shoulders of every union and workers' organization in the State. It is not a matter of championing the cause of the workers now in the penitentiary out of sympathy for them. It is a matter vital to your own interests. A few facts will show you why.

1.—The only evidence on which they were convicted consisted of a bundle of pamphlets and papers which are legally published and sold today in hundreds of book stores; the perjured testimony of three stool pigeons who were in the employ of the prosecution at the time they testified, and the perjured testimony of three admitted Vigilantes, one of whom was indicted for murder in connection with the killing of two workers during the San Joaquin cotton strike in 1933.

2.—More than a score of witnesses, workers, farmers, business men, and students took the stand and refuted the lies of the prosecution witnesses. Hundreds more stood ready to testify, but the numbers were so embarrassing to the court that Judge Lemon refused to let the defense call more witnesses.

3.—They were convicted on the charge of having advocated violence and sabotage and the overthrow of the government by these means. Hundreds were ready to testify that they advocated just the opposite. Not a single act of this nature was cited against them and in all the strikes and activities in which they figured, there was no one single example of such a policy.

These are only three of the scores of facts which expose the corruption of the C. S. trial. The defendants were convicted for organizing a union and winning better wages for the agricultural workers. Their trial was a test case to establish the C. S. Law as a weapon against organized labor in California.

The success of the appeal will depend entirely upon the strength of the mass pressure you put in back of it. Publicize the facts of the case and draw others into the fight for your comrades' freedom.

A pamphlet, "Criminal Syndicalism, the Counts Against Labor", giving the whole history of the Sacramento C. S. case will be available in the immediate future. Order bundles now from your Workers' Book Shop and prepare to distribute as many copies as possible.

Wendell Phillips "On Labor"

"Now let me tell you where the great weakness of an association of workingmen is. It is that it cannot wait. It does not know where to get its food for two weeks. If it is kept idle for five days the funds of the society are exhausted. Capital can fold its arms and wait for six months: It can wait for a year. It can afford to wait: It can throw and starve you out.

"And what is there against that immense preponderance of power on the part of capital? Simply organization—that makes the wealth of all the wealth of everyone. So I welcome organization. I DO NOT CARE WHETHER IT CALLS ITSELF TRADES UNION, CRISPIN, INTERNATIONAL OR DAMNATION: Anything that masses up a unit in order that labor may be as a UNITED FORCE to face the organization of Capital. Anything that does that, I say Amen to it. One hundred thousand, one hundred thousand, one hundred thousand, one

ALAMEDA COUNTY CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL

Weekly Meeting, Monday, Sept. 23

Protest Use of High School Students As Scab Agricultural Labor—Boycott on Anti-Labor Movies Proposed

OAKLAND, Sept. 23—The Council unanimously adopted a resolution, introduced by the Teachers' union, condemning the closing of high schools so that the students could be utilized as cheap scab-paid labor in the agricultural fields. The resolution was ordered filed with the State Board of Education.

The Cloverdale Union High School of the Napa High School and the Reedley High School, are, three which are closed while the students work as harvest hands. The Napa High School has even gone so far as to lend the school busses to haul the crews to and from the ranches.

(For editorial comment see page six.)

A committee of ladies from the Warehousemen's Women's Auxiliary, who have been conducting a soup kitchen for the Warehousemen locked out of the Santa Cruz Cannery, appealed for support of all unions to their benefit dance at McFadden's Ballroom on October 16.

★ Scab Bread for County

The Bakers' Local reported the Oakland School Board is using strictly non-union bread in all the schools and asked the Council secretary to help remedy this. They also reported that the County Supervisors employ only scab bakers at Fairman Hospital.

★ Golden State Theaters

It was reported that the Golden State Theater chain employs only union janitors and operators. All other employees work under near-slave conditions. Usherettes get $8 per week and assistant managers are paid only $14.50 a week. In one instance an assistant manager became the janitor and considered it a promotion because of the much better rate of pay he received.

★ Grace Bros. Brewery

Brother Doyle reported, on good authority, that Grace Bros. Brewery in Santa Rosa, was the instigator of the recent tar and feather episode. He stated, the experiment of one large apple grower could get only four men to pick apples.

★ Boycott Two Movies

An article exposing two anti-labor movies, which are soon to be released, was read to the Council. One, the "Prisco Kid," a Hearst-Warner production starring James Cagney, glorifies vigilantes. It shows the well-fed, "better" class of people "purging" the San Francisco waterfront with organized gang action. The other, "Riff-Raff", a Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer show, starring Jean Harlow and Spencer Tracy, pictures honest, militant union men (on another waterfront scene) as scum and disrupters.

The Council went on record to boycott both these films, to protest their release, and proposed that the various theater operators unions take action to forbid their members to work in houses where these pictures are to be shown. The Council voted to send a strong letter of the Alameda City Council and the School Board protesting the sending of schools free to a political fight.

★ Lock-out Struggles

The warehousemen reported all dock terminals in Oakland and Alameda were closed today when the men were locked out for refusing to handle hot cargo from the Santa Cruz Canning Warehousemen at this cannery have been picketing the plant since they were locked out there several weeks ago.

Retail Clerks reported that men in all grocery warehouses were asking to be organized and want to join the Warehousemen's Union. The Warehousemen replied they were not organizing any more till they see what happens September 30th.

BOYCOTT THE BERLIN 1936 OLYMPIC GAMES

LAGGING SECTIONS MUST GET BEHIND DAILY WORKER DRIVE

Los Angeles and San Francisco Collect More Than $300—Quota Now 38 Per Cent Filled—Drive Ends Nov. 1

Splendid work in Los Angeles and San Francisco during the past week resulted in more than $300 being raised in the Daily Worker drive. Los Angeles reports that an additional $100 was turned in.

Units 100, 101, and 102 at San Francisco held a joint house party recently and raised $52.50.

So far $561.01, or 38 per cent of the quota for District 13, has been forwarded to the Daily Worker.

On the blacklist must be placed some of the large sections of the District however, such as San Diego, Sacramento, East Bay and Mission-Sub-section in San Francisco which have raised nothing or at least very little. Other sections showing no activity are Eureka, Porterville and Tulare.

These sections must immediately check up and find out why they are slipping. Perhaps many are on a job at once and fulfill their quotas.

The drive ends Nov. 1. Every effort should be made to arrange house parties, visit sympathetic unions and contact the "S-S" [illegible]. Only in this way will the District quota of $1500 be fulfilled.

Following are the statistics on the drive, as announced by the Daily Worker Drive Committee:

Funds Received up to Sept. 24, 1935—S. F. and Direct.

Section:	Quota	Raised	% Raised
San Mateo	$ 14.50	$ 14.50	115
San Bernardino	15.00	15.00	100
Sonoma	10.00	10.00	100
San Francisco	350.00	168.29	48
Los Angeles	750.00	318.60	43
Contra Costa	70.50	3.75	38
San Jose	15.00	5.00	33
Arizona	10.00	1.30	11
East Bay	85.00	5.00	6
Sacramento	50.00	1.00	2
Eureka	10.00	1.00	2
At Large	50.00	22.00	44
San Diego	75.00	.0	0
Santa Barbara	20.00	.0	0
Fresno	20.00	.0	0
Monterey	15.00	.0	0
Bakersfield	10.00	.0	0
Merced	10.00	.0	0
Stockton	10.00	.0	0
Porterville	10.00	.0	0
Tulare	10.00	.0	0
Nevada	5.00	.0	0
TOTALS	$1500.00	$561.01	38

Supplementary Schedule for San Francisco Section.

San Francisco Section. Sub-Section:	Quota	Raised	% Raised
Downtown	$50.00	$ 56.22	112
Waterfront	75.00	19.11	26
Fillmore	75.00	19.20	26
North Beach	35.00	5.00	14
Marina	40.00	1.35	3
At Large S. F.	.0	67.00	.0
Mission	75.00	.0	0
TOTALS	$350.00	$168.29	48

Clip This And Get It Signed

HERNDON MEET IN L. A. PLAZA CALLED BY ILD

OCT. 5TH AFFAIR WILL DEMAND HIS FREEDOM

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 25—Immediate and unconditional release of Angelo Herndon, sentenced to 20 years on the Georgia chain gang for leading Negro and white workers in demands for adequate relief, will be demanded of the United States Supreme Court by a gigantic open-air mass meeting to be held on October 5th at 12:30 p. m. at the Plaza, under the auspices of the International Labor Defense.

The Supreme Court is scheduled to consider Herndon's case when it convenes on October 7.

Prominent speakers from all types of organizations will review the Herndon case and outline the necessity for the widest mass action for the freedom of Herndon and the repeal of the "Insurrection Law" from Slavery days, under which he was convicted.

Demands to be raised at the demonstration include: immediate release of Angelo Herndon, immediate release of the eight Sacramento Criminal Syndicalism victims, now in San Quentin Prison and Chuckawalla Women's Prison; repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Law, and against vigilante terrorism, in California.

Be One of the 2,000,000 SIGN YOUR NAME!

for the freedom of

ANGELO HERNDON

to

Gov. TALMADGE, Georgia

A PETITION

Sponsored by the following organizations:

American Civil Liberties Union
American League Against War and Fascism
Church League for Industrial Democracy
Communist Party
International Labor Defense
League for Industrial Democracy
National Committee for Defense of Political Prisoners
National Student League
National Unemployment Council of United States
Southern Tenant Farmers Union
Share Croppers Union

WHEREAS the Georgia insurrection law of 1866, has been used to attack workers organizing for the improvement of their conditions, and

WHEREAS Angelo Herndon is sentenced under that law to 18 to 20 years on the chain gang for demanding bread for hungry people, and

WHEREAS 18 others are indicted for similar "crime"

THEREFORE, we urge upon you action for the immediate repeal of the so-called insurrection statute, the dismissal of the eighteen indictments under it now pending in the courts of Georgia and unconditional freedom for Angelo Herndon.

WE, the undersigned, affix our names in this drive to secure 2,000,000 signatures to be presented to you in your capital by a delegation representing us.

INSTRUCTIONS: This petition when completely filled is to be mailed at once to the ANGELO HERNDON PETITION COMMITTEE, 80 E. 11th St., N. Y. C. All names should be written clearly in ink or indelible pencil.

NAME	CITY	STATE	NAME	CITY	STATE

TO add more signatures paste a piece of paper at the bottom and rule your own lines. For additional petitions, apply to the International Labor Defense, Room 410, at 1005 Market street, San Francisco, or 127 So. Broadway, Los Angeles.

Jury Acquits 1, Disagrees on 5 In Eureka Trial

BRADFORD STILL PUSHES PROSECUTION OF SIX IN NEW TRIALS

EUREKA, Calif., Sept. 25—After deliberating from 10 a. m. yesterday to 5 p. m. today, the jury brought in a verdict of not guilty for George Starwich and failed to agree on five other workers, all on trial on frame-up charges of "riot" here. In spite of every subterfuge Superior Judge C. A. Paulson could use to get a verdict of "guilty" for the five the jury stood 9 to 3 for acquittal.

On Friday, Sept. 27, the court will set date for a new trial for Lee Virkun, F. Sabetich and Harry Johnson, who were defended by International Labor Defense Attorney Leo Gallagher, and J. A. Buchanan and Albert Lima who acted as their own counsel.

Eugene Miller, the first to be tried in this series of frame-ups resulting from the police attack on a picket line here on June 21, and on whom the jury also disagreed, will again be tried on October 14, Leo Gallagher is defending him.

In the second trial the jury acquitted three other workers of charges of "riot."

Prosecutor A. G. Bradford has been working feverishly for all trials, which might help whitewash the police of the murder charge which the public holds against them for murdering three and least one conviction in these three cases.

Talk on Soviet Union

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 24—Abe Mellikoff, former debater and editor of the Stanford University "Daily," and now a reporter for the San Francisco Chronicle will lecture on "Through Russia Without a Guide" at the First Unitarian Church, 2936 W. Eight street, here on Wednesday, Oct. 2, 8 p. m. Mellinkoff recently returned here from an extensive tour of the Soviet Union.

ARMED THUGS IN NEW ATTACK ON SCALERS' UNION

FIVE GUNMEN ENTER HALL TO PROVOKE TROUBLE

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 26.—Pa. ing guns, five of the reactionary group responsible for the disruption and fight at the Saturday night Scalers' Union meeting, this morning again entered the Scalers' hall and attempted to provoke further trouble.

As a result of the disruption Saturday, at least six rank and file scalers face charges of "conspiring against union officers." At that time several of the reactionaries, taking their cue from the contractors against whom the scalers are striking, started the fight which resulted in injuries and arrests.

The five who this morning attempted to stir up more trouble against the militant scalers were: A. Robles, the main instigator; Gilbert Reyes, already well known to the scalers as a strike breaker; Ijino Hernandez, and E. Galindo.

All five have police records and are known for criminal acts committed in the past.

Contractors, who have been behind a wave of terror in the Scalers' strike, are commonly accredited with the attempt by these men to provoke trouble on the waterfront.

BEACH SUB-SECTION DANCE SUN., SEP. 29

North Beach Section of the Communist Party of the United States is holding a Dance and Specialty Surprise on Sunday, September 29, 1935, at 1019 Stockton street. All workers and sympathizers are cordially invited to come. The proceeds of the affair are to be divided among the **Western Worker, Daily Worker, and Labor Defender.**

SAN DIEGO FEDERATED TRADES COUNCIL

Weekly Meeting, Wednesday, Sept. 25

Scab Ads in "Labor Leader" Criticized Quick Action Gets Union Scale on Job

SAN DIEGO, Sept. 25—Tonight's meeting of the Council was opened with an announcement of the coming of Howard Scott, one of the leaders of the Technocrats.

Delegate Stanley Gue appealed to the delegates to support the present set-up on the "Labor Leader", official organ of the Council. There was a great deal of discussion over two advertisements in the special convention edition of the Leader, particular criticism being aimed at the ad of the Piggly-Wiggly Company of San Diego. This ad stated that all 26 of the Piggly-Wiggly stores in this County were constructed with union labor, which is a deliberate lie, for no more than 3 of them were thus constructed.

Secretary Rogers gave a report of his impressions of the recent AFL convention. The report was a bit surprising, since it scarcely expressed the views his friends had heard him voice privately. He made no attack on the liberal delegates, nor did he comment on the activities of the so-called Reds.

Report was made of an attempt to remove some equipment from the plant of the Balboa Brewing Co. with non-union labor. The Building Trades Council learned on Sept. 20 that non-union men were working in the plant. Investigation disclosed that the Brewing Co. had sold the old tanks and the purchaser was preparing to remove them, intending to pay laborers 50 cents an hour, welders 60 cents and riggers 75 cents. The union scale in San Diego is 62½ an hour and $1.12 and a half cents per hour.

The Los Angeles office of the purchaser was notified of the dispute and they sent a representative by plane, while the Building Trades dispatched about 30 men to the job to straighten things out. In less than 2 hours the company had agreed to pay the union scale.

"TOP HAT" HITS THE BOTTOM

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"PEACE ON EARTH" TO RUN IN BERKELEY

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CHARACTER STUDY IN "JALNA"

From D. T. of San Francisco come reviews of three films, "Top Hat", "Jalna", and "Black Room".

Concerning the first, the musical dance picture just closing a three-weeks' run at the Golden Gate, he says: "Top Hat" is very ordinary entertainment with lots of fine, but sparse laughs. As in the last Fred Astaire-Ginger Rogers movie, the dancing is good, but tiresome. The plot is a dragy rendition of the antique French farce-collection of events—their eyes meet, they're in love, girl believes man is married and jealousy ensues, all in the picture. Unusual angle—Astaire never kisses Ginger (Only handsome men are permitted such romantic privileges, in the movies.)

The scenes are uniformly ordinary, especially the last, in which the lovers make much ado about nothing on a faked Venetian canal. The one entertaining bit is the few minutes of Astaire's Lonigan production, a dancing show with a male chorus. This is exceptionally clever and genuinely novel.

P.S.: I saw "Top Hat" and consider it rotten. R. R. Cooley.

"JALNA"

"Jalna", from the Pulitzer prize novel of that name, is a characteristically Canadian upper-class family people. Of the line itself not a single glimpse is seen. It is a fair picture, in spite of a meandering pace and the presence of a very sickening boy.

The farm home, Jalna, is luxurious. Its inhabitants, aristocratic, pompous, and satisfied, employ the services of all manner of servants. For some reason (never made clear) the young man of the family, incongruously, is a regular chore-boy, working the day long in the barn, the whole family lifts not a finger.

Events (whose reasonableness cracks down at intervals) center round the old grandmother, aged 100, who is quite childish, but just at the right moment—in the nick of time—comes to life and unexpectedly clever.. The entire family are fools and stuffed shirts, and because the picture reveals fairly honestly the sickening hollowness and emptiness a certain realism is conveyed. Fair entertainment if you like character studies. Middle-aged bourgeoisie will love it. (Warning: do not see "Jalna" unless on a full belly. Much of the picture requires you to observe the family at enormous meals that leave you positively weak).

"THE BLACK ROOM"

Boris Karloff in a considerably better film than usual.

"PEACE ON EARTH"

The San Francisco Theater Union offers this powerful indictment of war to Berkeley audiences at the Campus Theater on Sept. 27 and 28. We hear that advance sale of tickets is so great that the Theater Union is thinking of extending the run to three days—but this is only a rumor, and those who are anxious to see it would be wise to buy their tickets early.

Complete Platform of the United Labor Ticket in San Francisco

Freedom of the Eight Criminal Syndicalism Victims Added to Platform By the Mass Election Conference—Vigilante Terror and Fascism Opposed—For One Hundred Per Cent Unionization of San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 26—The following platform was adopted unanimously at the mass election conference held here on Sunday, Sept. 22, attended by 10,000. 35 American Federation of Labor unions were represented. More than 68 groups participated, representing 60,000 people.

The only change made in the proposed platform submitted by the United Labor Campaign Committee was the addition of a demand for the freedom of the 8 Sacramento Criminal Syndicalism victims, railroaded to the penitentiary for union organization.

The platform:

WE STAND FOR:

★ For the Employed and Unemployed Workers.

1. One hundred per cent unionization of San Francisco and vigorous opposition to company unionism.

2. Union rates for pay on all municipal and relief work and WPA, with no reductions where city or any other employers receive more than union wages.

3. The 6 hour day and 5 day week for all workers with no reduction in wages.

4. Complete restoration of salary cuts for teachers and all city employees.

5. The right of the employed and unemployed to organize, strike, and picket.

6. Raising the budgets of families on direct relief so that each will receive a minimum of $3 per week for the head of the family plus $3 per week for each dependent, pending the passage of the "Lundeen" or "Pelletier" bill. (See number 8.)

7. The seating of representatives from organizations of the unemployed on all relief distributing and administrative bodies.

8. The passage of the National Unemployment, Old Age and Social Insurance Bill, known as the "Lundeen Bill" (H.R. 2827)—and the California "Pelletier Bill" (AB 791).

★ For The Veterans.

9. The passage by Congress of the Marcantonio Bonus Bill which provides, in place of empty promises, immediate cash payment of the bonus by means of direct issue, taxation on wealth instead of burdening consumers with currency inflation.

★ For The Youth.

10. The improvement and extension of vocational training in the public schools.

11. The abolition of compulsory military training and the ROTC.

12. Free tuition for students in the public schools and abolition of charges for supplies and laboratory fees.

13. The right of the unemployed youth to receive adequate relief independent of their parents.

14. Immediate construction of more schools to alleviate overcrowded conditions.

★ For the Welfare and Civil Rights of Everyone.

16. The repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism law, vagrancy laws and all other anti-working class laws, and oppressive and provocative municipal ordinances.

17. The elimination of all one man street cars.

18. A popular referendum on all questions and problems of general importance such as taxes, bond issues, etc.

19. The public ownership of all public utilities and services such as distribution of Hetch-Hetchy power, to be owned, controlled and operated without profit, for the benefit of the whole people.

20. For the freedom of Tom Mooney and all other labor prisoners, including the rearrest of convicted Modesto prisoners, and the eight Sacramento Criminal Syndicalism frame-up prisoners.

WE OPPOSE

21. Vigilante terror and other Fascist tendencies such as the use of firearms, police, National Guard and Federal troops for strike-breaking activities, and the use of reactionary clients and students as strike-breakers.

22. Discrimination on account of race, color, creed or political affiliation in the distribution of relief employment and in the administration of the law.

23. Any interference with the rights of freedom of speech, the press and assemblage such as the city ordinance restricting free speech to South Park.

★ COMMUNIST PARTY, U. S. A.
121 Haight Street,
San Francisco, Calif.

( ) I want more information about the Party.

( ) I want to join the Party.

Name .....

Address .....

City .....

C. S. FRAME-UP IN ORANGE CO. AIMED AT C.P.

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County for the last seven years. He is a citizen.

Immediately upon learning of the arrest, the Orange County subsection of the Communist Party issued a leaflet addressed to Workers, Epics, Utopians and Liberals, as follows:

"Protest the arrest of McLauchlan for the crime of trying to help the working class in Orange County.

"For his work of distributing literature, Charles McLauchlan is being charged with the vicious anti-working class Syndicalism Law. His mother has been denied the right to see him. This is a denial of his rights under the Constitution. If McLauchlan is allowed to be prosecuted under the vicious syndicalism law, it is only a step to prosecute Epics, Utopians and Liberals.

"Protest his arrest—demand his release.

"Signed—Communist Party, Orange County.

SEND PROTESTS

Individual workers and workers' organizations are urged to send protests demanding the immediate release of McLauchlan to Justice of the Peace Kenneth Morrison and to State Attorney General U. S. Webb. The demand should also be voiced for the immediate prosecution of Police Chief Howard on charges of beating McLauchlan.

A list of these places appears on page 3.

EAST OF THE Rockies

Illinois Relief Mother Bloor Jailed A Strike Won Strike Threat Wins Inciting Lynchers Another Meat Strike

CHICAGO—Hunger and privation stalks workers' homes here after receipt of word that no more money will be allocated from Federal funds for relief in Illinois. The announcement was made from the office of Wilfred S. Reynolds, executive secretary of the Illinois Emergency Relief Commission. "All orders for work relief have been cancelled, and families are supposed to exist for two weeks on their last meager checks. The Unemployment Councils are mobilizing demonstrations and picket lines before relief agencies, demanding immediate cash relief.

NEW YORK—"Mother" Ella "Reeve Bloor, beloved 73-year old leader of American workers and farmers left here Sept. 23 for Loup City, Neb., to serve from 10 to 120 days in jail so, what will be her 35th prison term for her working class activities. The aged labor leader and three others were arrested when vigilantes attacked a meeting of farmers and workers in Loup City at which Mother Bloor spoke. The four defendants are sentenced to 30 days and $100 fine each or serve an extra 100 days if the fines are not paid. Money for Mother Bloor's fine is already raised, but she refuses to let it be paid until the fines of the other three are paid at the same time. $400 additional is needed to pay all fines and court costs.

MINNEAPOLIS—One hundred and sixty striking ornamental iron workers returned to work Sept. 23 with nine out of thirteen shops winning important concessions. None, however, won union recognition. Employers agreed to the following wage scale: Class A mechanics, 75 cents a half cents an hour; class B, 55 to 62 and a half cents, and helpers and laborers, 45 cents. The employers recognize seniority rights and agreed not to discriminate against union men and to rehire all who were employed when the strike began on July 10.

ALCOA, Tenn.—A strike of more than 1100 members of the Aluminum Workers' Union was called off Sept. 26 after cancellement of four union men who had been fired for union activity. The men were reinstated after the union voted, 1112 to 29, to strike if they weren't.

LAWRENCEVILLE, Ga.—The local capitalist press is building up a lynch hysteria, endangering the lives of two Negro workers held in jail here, charged with, in connection with the shooting of Hulan Cloak, a 19-year old white youth. In spite of the fact that there is no evidence connecting them with the shooting, the two workers are held by the police on vague grounds that they "were reportedly seen in the vicinity of the Clack home." Protests should be sent immediately to Gov. Eugene Talmadge, Atlanta, Ga.

CLEVELAND, Ohio—The local strike against the high cost of meat is spreading throughout the city, following successful mass picketing which made the strike 90 per cent effective in the Buckeye district. Butchers in the St. Claire neighborhood have announced 20 per cent cuts in prices. Many shops which had closed in sympathy with the striking butcher-wives, were forced to reopen by an ultimatum from buying meat in the future. Picket lines were immediately thrown around the re-opened shops.

NEW YORK, Sept. 19.—Compromise on labor's demands for union wages on W.P.A. projects is being worked out by Federal officials and may be announced shortly. General Hugh S. Johnson, W. P.A. administrator for New York City disclosed yesterday.

Johnson admitted that strikes and "repercussions throughout the country" had compelled the government to take this action. Under the plan under consideration the total hours worked in any one month would be cut to 80, thus stepping up the wage rate to the prevailing or union levels.

One-man cars mean one man starves! Boycott one-man cars and protest the injunction granted to the Market Street Railway by Judge Louderback.

FIGHT AGAINST C. S. LAW WAGED BY L. A. GROUPS

CONFERENCE FOR LABOR CIVIL RIGHTS CALLS REPEAL CONGRESS

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 25—Mobilization order, for all pro-labor and anti-fascist organizations to combat the Criminal Syndicalism Law of California, was issued here Monday by the Conference for Labor's Civil Rights in calling for a Southern California Congress for the Repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Law.

The Congress, which is expected to generate wider support than any other similar conference in California in the past, will convene for an all day session on October 20th at Danish Auditorium, 1359 1-2 West 24th Street, Los Angeles.

"The organizational call is addressed "To all American Federation of Labor unions, independent unions, liberal and radical political organizations, church, fraternal, culture, youth, women's organizations, and to all fair minded persons and organizations."

★ Sentiment Strong

"Widespread interest and determination to repeal this infamous anti-labor law has been generated due to the arrest last week of Frank McLaughlin in Santa Ana under this act, and by the fact that hearings on the appeal of the eight Sacramento C. S. victims are scheduled for the latter part of October in the District Court of Appeal in Sacramento," said Tom Miller, secretary of the Conference for Labor's Civil Rights. "The Congress will be the following demands at Congress: freedom of the eight C. S. prisoners, repeal of the L. Law, defense of conspiratorial rights, for the right to organize, strike and picket, and for the right of freedom of speech, press and assemblage.

"The Conference is leading the mobilization of all possible forces through its present representation of 77 organizations, including 24 American Federation of Labor unions. All organizations are urged to communicate with the Conference at 127 South Broadway, Room 310, and to elect delegates to the October 20th Congress."

Machinists 68 To Fight Fake "Union Party"

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 26.—Machinists Local. 68, at its regular meeting this week, voted to institute its two delegates to Vandeleur's fake "Union Labor Party," to fight for the adoption of the United Labor Campaign platform at the convention which Vandeleur and his cronies are calling soon.

Vandeleur and other reactionaries in control of the Central Labor Council have each election time form letter, called "Union Labor Party" for the purpose of swinging labor votes to side with politicians and grafters. This year it is reported Vandeleur and his clique are working to support "Little Frank Rossi" for mayor.

L. A. RED SQUAD ON STAND FOR 'HEARST' TRIAL

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the stand at the close of today's session.

On several occasions these "red squad" members became irate when their contradictory testimony was emphasized by defense attorney Grover Johnson, of the International Labor Defense, and by J. G. Honeycombe, defendant acting as his own attorney.

The defendants are Nino Reyes and Charles Sylverberg, charged with "disturbing the peace;" and Honeycombe, Jack Ginsberg and M. E. Freeman, charged with, violation of the anti-picketing ordinance and trying to establish a boycott.

RED SQUAD LIES

Wellpott testified that he saw between 10 and 20 start the fight across the street from the Examiner Building; later "Red" Hynes claimed that he saw between 75 and 100 start to fight. Apparently the fight started among the pickets, all officers denying they saw the Hearst-employed thugs rush across the street to start the fight.

Wellpott said someone hit him and that as he started to follow this unidentified person, Reyes stepped in front of him and he then "sapped" Reyes a couple of times. Haimes later testified that he "just knocked Reyes' hat off" because the latter made a "pass" at him.

Haimes said the first time he saw uniformed police was when he arrested Reyes over to a police "wagon."

Reyes was severely beaten so that thirteen stitches had to be taken in his scalp and one in his lip.

When Hynes was on the stand, he endeavored to give a "peaches" impression to the jury, speaking so low that few in the courtroom could hear him.

"SPEAK UP, HYNES"

Honeycombe asked Municipal Judge R. Morgan Galbreth that Hynes "speak just as loud as he does when he raids workers' quarters," whereupon the "captain" raised his voice slightly. Shortly thereafter he expressed his pre by demanding that Honeycombe "be more civil" in his questioning, but the judge ruled Hynes must answer the questions.

"Is it true that you received some $7000 from the Los Angeles Steamship Company during the streetcar strike of last year?" asked Johnson.

"No," replied Hynes, thereby making a "liar" out of the company which recently listed such expense in a report to the State Railroad Commission.

"Do you ever work for private firms?" continued Johnson.

"No."

Wellpotts and Haimes both testified they had heard defendant Sylverberg cry out during the riot: "Come on, boys, help us."

Practically the only truthful testimony submitted by the "red squad" thugs thus far, is that they were present when the brutal assault on the pickets took place.

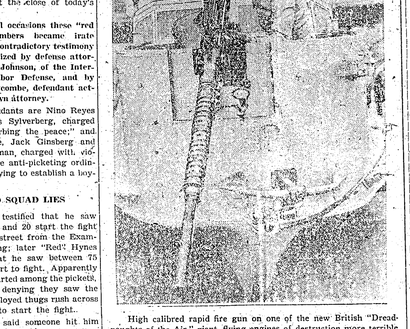
PACK DIVISION 3

The trial started last Wednesday, but testimony did not start until yesterday, the previous days being taken up with the selection of a jury.

Workers are urged to continue to pack the courtroom, Division 3, on the seventh floor of the Hall of Justice, and to bring pressure to bear by means of resolutions from individual letters to Judge Galbreth, **The Friends of the Soviet Union has issued postcards to be mailed to Judge Galbreth in the campaign for the Hearst-inspired terrorist min Los Angeles.**

Prosecuting attorney is Ned Mayr, ex-fraternity boy from the University of California at Los Angeles.

TO RAIN DEATH FROM THE CLOUDS



High calibred rapid fire gun on one of the new British "Dreadnaughts of the Air," giant, flying engines of destruction more terrible than any existing air devices of the last World War. Machines of slaughter have been perfected to such a high degree and manufactured in such quantities during the "peace era" that the prospect of a new war becomes the prospect of a catastrophe more devastating than all the combined earthquakes, floods, hurricanes and natural disasters of history. Only one hand can stop it—the hand of labor.

FIREMEN IN SUPPORT OF LABOR TICKET

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organized there as a branch of the International Seamen's Union.

The holding of a national ISU convention in Washington in January was announced and a speaker from the Conference for the Repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Law was well received by the membership.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 27—Despite organized reaction on the part of Modine, Burke and Fritchelle, a speaker from the United Labor Campaign was allowed to take the floor at the regular meeting of the Marine Cooks and Stewards' Union here last night.

The membership also voted to liquidate the jim crow Negro branch of the union in Seattle. Porterfield who had fought against this jim crow Negro branch of the union in Seattle. Porterfield who had fought against it was called to be tried in the latter port and the results of the trial will be subject to approval here.

Modine, Fritchie and Burke attempted in every way, constitutional and unconstitutional, to sabotage the work of the rank and file.

MODESTO FRAME-UP JUDGE SITS IN MINER TRIAL

VIGILANTES SEEK PLACE ON JURY

JACKSON, Calif., Sept. 25—The trial of James F. Workman, militant striking gold miner, began here today before Superior Judge Roy Maxey—the same judge who guided the frame-up of the eight Modesto boys, the maritime workers recently sentenced to San Quentin in the "dynamite plot. trial.

Workman is on trial for "possession of concealed weapons." He was arrested on February 16, and convicted in a previous frame-up trial on July 5, but a new trial was granted on July 10.

The International Labor Defense, to whom Workman has given his case, has assigned Attorney George Anderson to defend him.

Today was devoted to picking a jury. A new jury panel has had to be called. What sort of jurors are being angled for by the prosecution can be judged by the fact that of 21 on the first panel 9 were members, or relatives of members, of "the American Protective Association," the vigilante organization which has repeatedly attempted to picket theaters and halls. The prospective jurors admitted they are friends of Sheriff Lucot, who is very active in the proceeding, and stated they would give more credence to Lucot's testimony than to the testimony of the defendant.

Effective organization of unemployed will aid in maintaining union scales of pay. Demand that your union officials support such work.

Scab Official Aboard Sutter Falls Into Bay

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 23—Lee J. Higgins, secretary of Freighters Inc., one of the employer spearheads in the latest attack upon the waterfront workers, is all wet.

Higgins, now a strikebreaker aboard the Sutter, delivering scab cargo to local docks, fell overboard as the vessel drew in at Pier 30 here today.

Norvin Fay, general manager of River Lines, and Floyd Larkin, general manager of Freighters Inc., tossed Higgins a line and hauled him dripping back aboard. Fay and Larkin also are strikebreaking aboard the Sutter.

Union bargemen on shore cheered lustily as Higgins hit the water.

Greek Worker In Arizona Arrested For Deportation

CITIZENSHIP DENIED TO BUSINESS MAN FOR LABOR SYMPATHY

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 23—Denied final citizenship papers, on charges framed by reactionary connivers, James Voulkos of Tucson, Ariz., a Greek, returning to Greece, his birthplace, because he has been active in workers' organizations and sympathetic to the Communist Party program, according to word received here today by the International Labor Defense from its Angela Herndon Defense Committee.

Under the charges of "American Soviet Relations Must Be Maintained," the F. S. U. is calling for a mass meeting to be held October 1, in Franklin Hall, 1850 Fillmore Street, Dr. Whitaker, Ben Legere, Tanna Alex, Bayer and A. T. Leerbrach will speak. Legere is candidate for sheriff of San Francisco on the United Labor ticket and Tanna Alex is candidate for supervisor on the same labor platform.

Social Insurance Is Subject of Talk

SANTA MONICA, Sept. 25—Social insurance for professional men and women will be discussed this evening in a lecture sponsored by the Interprofessional Association of Pacific Palisades here, Sept. 28-29, according to announcement by Clore Warne, I.P.A. chairman.

"The immediate task we face," said Warne, "is the promotion of an inclusive program of social insurance going far beyond the inadequate administration program."

All professional workers are invited to attend, registration to be placed at 806 Union Bank Building, Los Angeles.

RELATIONS WITH USSR, TOPIC AT OCTOBER 1 MEET

F.S.U. SPONSORS MEETING; LEGERE, BAYER AND OTHERS TO TALK

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 26—The note recently sent by Secretary Hull to the Soviet Union threatens the "most serious consequences" if the Soviet Government is "not willing or unable to, prevent further violations of the Litvinov-Roosevelt agreement of 1933."

The note obviously followed the lead of Hearst who presented these arguments in his pro-fascist press. At present world affairs are delicately balanced with the open threat of war hanging over international relations.

To present such a note at this time can mean nothing but to upset the balance; it is only a war maneuver; it can only strengthen the determination of the imperialist powers to attack the Soviet Union.

"The U.S.S.R. under the Dictatorship of the Proletariat, is making tremendous progress and this success of the workers spells doom for the capitalist system everywhere. It is for this reason the vested interests and special privilege are more determined than ever to crush the fatherland of the workers' and peasants.

The friends of the Soviet Union are organized for the purpose of spreading the truth about the U.S.S.R. and thus defend the right of 170 millions of workers to build their new society without interference from the outside.

Under the chairmanship of American Soviet Relations Must Be Maintained," the F. S. U. is calling for a mass meeting to be held at full strength, where friendly preparations for simultaneous aggression and defense being made. Nearly two hundred war planes have been ordered at Leningrad for British defense purposes.

FOREIGN NEWS Briefs

Action By Committe Culture Versus Barbarism French Trade Unions Four Years in Manchuria Government Stops

SOVIET UNION—The contrast between culture and barbarism is seen by observers in two news items regarding public libraries in the Soviet Union and in Nazi Germany.

Nadjezhda K. Krupskaya, the widow of Lenin, reported that in Russian part of the Soviet Union there were now 28,295 large public libraries, of which 19,597 were located in villages. Including special scientific, children's and agricultural branches, the total number of libraries was 54,139.

In Germany, the Department for the Observation of Libraries has ordered every library to supply a complete list of their books. When this done, the libraries will be ordered to destroy every book not in accord with Nazi beliefs.

FRANCE—The main task facing the conventions of the two great French trade union organizations, the General Confederation of Labor (reformist), and the Unitary General Confederation of Labor (revolutionary) is that of uniting the two bodies, Leading committees of both bodies have been negotiating toward that end for some time, and it is expected that the points still in dispute will be cleared up.

The central organs of the French Communist and Socialist parties, **L'Humanite and LePopulaire,** both published a joint platform for common action on the most pressing problems facing the French workers. They demanded the 40-hour week, lengthening the apprentice period, replacing workers over 60 and supplying them with the means of existence by improved social insurance laws. L'Humanite, it has been announced, gained 30,000 readers, and now has a circulation of 280,000, which jumps to 500,000 on special occasions.

CHINA—Japanese control of China has reached such an extent that the Chinese people, on the fourth anniversary of the Japanese occupation of Manchuria, were afraid to mention the fact. Publicly, this anniversary was a day of mourning, with flags being flown at half-mast. Now, an anti-Japanese propaganda is forbidden.

HAITI—The Haiti Journal, official organ of the government, and owned by President Sténio Vincent, has been forced to take note of the rising protests of Haitian workers against Italy's intention to conquer Ethiopia. A recent issue reported a meeting of the Haitian League for the Rights of Man, which adopted a resolution denouncing Mussolini's plans. The Vincent regime a year and a half ago prohibited the collection of petitions demanding the freedom of the innocent Scottsboro boys in Alabama. Dupuis Romain, Haitian writer who headed a delegation in protest of this ban, has since been sentenced, to three years in prison on the charge of "conspiracy" against the Wall Street puppet government.

LONDON, Sept. 26—The cabinet met and fully approved a unalterable the decision to invoke League sanctions against Italy. It is believed Premier Boaro's original stand is officially continued, and this was to be the gist of Sir Anthony Eden's statement before the League Council.

EGYPT, Sept. 25. — Both the Italian and British fleet remain at full strength, while feverish preparations for simultaneous aggression and defense being made. Nearly two hundred war planes have been ordered at Alexandria for British defense purposes.

The Italian Masses Fight Against Mussolini's War

MOSCOW—A 6,694 mile bicycle run was recently completed from Sverdlovsk to Leningrad via the Kara-Kum Desert. Leaving Sverdlovsk early in May, a party of eight cyclists—students of the Mining Institute—proceeded to Tashkent and then across Lake Ashkabad, where they took a steamer to the Caucasus.

From there they continued the run through the Ukraine and the All-Russian Republic, reaching their destination in excellent health.

"Now we cannot retreat. Two hundred thousand rifles would go off by themselves in Africa." Mussolini's declaration to the "Daily Mail."

If this declaration of Mussolini were to be taken seriously, we would have to believe that the tide of war enthusiasm in Italy runs so high among the population that the fascist government would not be able to withstand it—although it has such powerful repressive machinery

Jobless Jottings

By the Boondoggler (L. A.)

The President of the United States, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, will arrive in Los Angeles aboard a special Union Pacific train, Tuesday October 1st, 8:45 a.m. at the Central Station.

"Mr President are you too busy to meet an old friend of yours?" Come two blocks south to the Central Wholesale Market. See! There he stands surrounded by his companions—eating out of the garbage cans.

What! You don't recognize him? Then it is you who has changed Mr. President, for it was to him you were going to give a "new deal." He is your "forgotten masses."

Go out to Lincoln Heights Jail, Mr President there you will find them starved, beaten and abused, because they went demanding decent food in a land where food was so plentiful that you ordered it buried and burned.

Their names in this case are McShann, Hendrix and Saunders.

Others nameless forgotten ones languish there for the crime of being poor.

Travel down to San Pedro Great Master, there you will find them beaten to death in the alleys, dragged on the streets and shot down on the docks. The names like Ross, Parker and Davis.

Motor over to 11th and Broadway to the Examiner Building, there you will see where their blood stained the pavement as they were clubbed down by the agents of the well-fed for protesting against the lies of fascist Hearst. The same war-monger Hearst that prostituted his attack on the Soviet Union. Their names, Reys, Silverberg, Freeman, Honeycomb and Gilberry.

Don't stand there too long, Mr President, or the Hearst thugs will come out and slug that smile off your face.

Visit the Courts at the Hall of Justice, there you will see forgotten men and women sent to jail for 5, 10, 15 and 30 days for handling out squares of printed paper telling of their misery and calling on their fellows to help them change it. Matlin, Nordmark, Basil, and a host of others.

Drop in on "Big Hearted" Rex at the Law Building. There a shrewd observer like yourself will be able to discover that the County Welfare is slowly starving thousands of "forgotten men, women and children."

Your January words may come back to you, "The government shall not and must stop this business of relief."

Stop at the WPA Headquarters on Santee, there you will find not a man has gone to work under your new relief setup.

Go to . . . But why go on? We the "forgotten ones" know where you will go Mr. President, to drink, eat and make speeches about human needs and returning prosperity. The Biltmore, the Jefferson Club or some other swell joint will shelter you and your political henchman as you hobnob with the representatives of the Chamber of Commerce and the Manufacturers' Association. The same people who was fat from your toil and starvation. The class that has so forgotten ones slugged, jailed and murdered when we object to our mistreatment—while you great friend of the forgotten millions, never once raise even your voice in protest.

Franklin Demagogue Roosevelt, you should re-read your inaugural address that you delivered when you became President of the United States. "A host of unemployed citizens face the grim problem of existence an equally great number toil with little return."

"Plenty is at our doorsteps, but a generous share is withheld from us in the very sight of the supply" . . . "This Nation asks for action and action now" . . . "Our great primary task is to put people to work."

Mr. President you should not only re-read your address—you should write it as well and conclude with the words, "He who lives with the rich must lie to the poor."

Effective organization of unemployed will aid in maintaining union scales of pay. Demand that your union officials support such work.

News Stories and Comment by Worker Correspondents

SERA TRICKERY AND LIES KEEP PWUU AT WORK

$6.70 . . . WON FOR WOMAN IN DIRE NEED

CUT IN RELIEF BUDGET RESTORED TO FAMILY

By a Worker Correspondent.

GLENDALE, Calif.—A lady of 55 years, in dire need, came to the Public Works and Unemployed Union when her relief was cut off recently. She has lived in Los Angeles County for eight years, received county relief for two years and had been receiving a check for $7.14 from the SERA each month, until she was cut off.

The relief officials said her checks were stopped because she is not a resident!

A PWUU grievance committee, consisting of Mrs. Reichman, Mrs. Stephens, Mrs. Stophel, Mr. Sherwood, Mr. White and Mrs. Wade, took the matter up with the SERA, with the result that she received a check of $6.70 on Sept. 19.

Before the lady received this check, Mrs. Stephens accompanied her to the SERA office and demonstrated with her and had to tide her over until she got the $6.70. She was allowed a food order for sixteen cents. After protests she increased it to 32 cents. She signed the order and the office clerk gave her 35 cents, asking for 3 cents change. She dished out 32 pennies and was finally permitted to keep the whole 35 cents —to buy food for two days.

This lady had offered to sew on the SERA sewing project, but the county welfare worker told her she wasn't able to do that work. Yet, when she had a nervous breakdown, they tried to force her to work.

☆ Red Tape and Trickery.

Mr. Frank Stephens, 1008 So. Central, is unemployed. He purchased a second hand car this month, paying out monthly payments of $12.06. Someone reported this to the SERA, so his relief budget was reduced the amount of the monthly payments; and in addition, the extra $3.50 dict budget Mrs. Stephens had been getting every month was also stopped.

While it was difficult for them to manage on the full budget, it was impossible to get by after the cuts. So they protested. It was not only an injustice, but he needed the car to go about picking up small jobs. The unemployed are allowed to earn a sum equal to 25 per cent of their budget without any deductions being made from their relief.

☆ Cuts Finally Restored.

The SERA visitor said that Mrs. Steven's doctor had cancelled the diet order. The doctor emphatically denied this, when the workers questioned him.

The visitor then said the clerk had cancelled the diet order—but the clinic denied this.

The cuts have been restored, but Mr. Stephens is forced to bring reports for many months, to prove he makes enough for payments on the car.

2200 L. A. Families Off County Relief

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 20—Transient workers suffering from privation will knock in vain at the doors of the Los Angeles County Relief Administration, it was decided here yesterday at a meeting of LACRA heads and county supervisors.

Twenty-two hundred families are being cut off relief as unemployed for county aid, it was announced, and Supervisor Roger Jessup told the meeting that private charity organizations had informed him their budgets would not permit taking over any of these families from the county.

The county has appealed the ordinance which provided aid for emergency cases of persons who failed to qualify by one year residence in the county, a requisite for "regular charity."

Transients were to be cut off federal relief today by order of national relief officials, but if these workers without any means of support or sustenance.

We urge you to send in unit experiences for the proposed Party Work column.

SAN JOSE STATE FINGER PRINTS 2700 STUDENTS

FILES SENT TO JUSTICE DEPT. AT WASHINGTON

SAN JOSE, Calif., Sept. 26.—Approximately 2700 college students at the suggestion of J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at Washington, D. C., were fingerprinted as they registered for classes at the opening of the Fall term at San Jose State Teachers' College here this week.

President Thomas W. MacQuarrie, who was the first to be fingerprinted, explained that two files of the prints were to be kept, one at the college and one for the "Civilization Files" at Washington, D. C.

MacQuarrie, noted as a reactionary, was responsible for the persecution of several students during anti-war protests held on the San Jose State campus some time ago.

Students declared this week that some of their class mates have been identified already as stool pigeons for the local and Federal police.

Each student was fingerprinted as he or she signed up for classes which are opening this week.

L. A. Woman Evicted As Loan Date Nears

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 17.—Just ten days before she would have received a loan from the Home Owner's Loan Corporation, Mrs. Thiora Jones was evicted from her home at 16215 E. 114th street here last Saturday, along with two other families, Mr. J. E. Blayechettal and Mrs. Annie Banton.

Mrs. Jones had owned this home since 1922, and had lived there since 1926. The Pacific States Savings and Loan Co. owned a $1550 mortgage, plus two years interest.

A foreclosure sale was held last April 20th, at which time the "loan shark" company bought in the property, and last Saturday had the eviction carried through.

The tenants had lived in the house for five years and were both on relief.

BOYCOTT HEARST

★ SOVIET YOUTH PARADE ★

No unemployment. No fear of poverty in old age No fear of a grinding life of underpaid toil. Education for all. Health for all. Security for all. But it took a revolution to get it! One glance at these Soviet working girls in a sports parade will give you an idea of what a cheap, degenerate, cowardly liar is William Randolph Hearst and all his Tawdula, Beales, Walkers and Kitchins.

SHERIFF RAIDS FIELD WORKERS' CAMP IN LODI

60 FAMILIES EXPELLED BY GUN THUGS

By a Worker Correspondent.

LODI, Calif.—East of Lodi is a vacant lot that has been used for years by campers. Last Thursday night (Sept. 19) at 2 am the constable and a bunch of deputized gun thugs made a raid on these transient workers and made 60 families out of bed and hit the road. Two of these families were picking grapes out at Kingdon and after being chased out of bed had to be at work the next morning.

The relief has been shut off since the fruit harvest began and these families are forced to work in the grapes. All the free camp grounds are closed up this year with the excuse "Unsanitary conditions." There are only a few pay camp grounds and they are overcrowded and not only that but they charge unreasonable prices for a tent space.

Book Union Picks "Proletarian Lit." As First Choice

The Book Union has announced its selection for October direction as "Proletarian Literature in the United States," an anthology compiled and edited by Granville Hicks, Michael Gold, Isidor Schneider, Joseph North, Paul Peters and Alan Calmer; with a critical introduction by Joseph Freeman.

The publishers price is announced as $2.50, and the Book Union price to subscribers is therefore $1.40, 44 per cent less than the list price. This reduction, is permitted to all Book Union members, who $1.00 fee permits them to buy all twelve annual Book Union selections at such reduction, the obligation to buy being limited tot two of the selections.

This first selection will be reviewed shortly.

Communist Party members, write in about unit activity.

Manual for Field Writers

Reporting the Santa Rosa Affair

How Would You Have Reported the Santa Rosa Tar and Feathering? Importance of Reporting Real Public Opinion—Interviews—First Hand Stories

Preceding articles have given a lot of general advice and have told how to write up meetings and conventions. But how would you handle an event like the recent Santa Rosa tar and feather affair?

The first thing to remember is that our paper is published once a week, not daily. By the time we come out, the fact that five workers were kidnaped and tortured and two tarred and feathered is old news. Every capitalist paper has already carried such a story. Our news angle is to feature the facts in back of the incident, which the capitalist papers either ignore or distort.

Note that the Western Worker in its issue immediately after the affair did not carry a headline: "TWO WORKERS TARRED AND FEATHERED. This would have been ridiculous. Everyone knew as much by that time. Our headline read: SANTA ROSA OFFICIALS NAMED AS VIGILANTES. This dropped down to a four column second head reading: "Terror Drive Launched to Enforce Low Wage Scale." These were facts which not a single capitalist paper touched.

☆ First Hand Stories.

Let us assume that you were in Santa Rosa at the time and did not hear of the Vigilante attack until the following morning. Your first duty would be to contact the workers who were attacked and get their first hand stories. If you could persuade them to write the stories themselves, all the better. Otherwise take it down yourself as they tell it. Throughout the interview, continually prod their memory with such questions as, "What time?" "At what address?" "What did the place look like?" Get all the particulars you can think of. Don't wait, in a case like this, to re-write the story. Send it off to us as soon as you get it. Send it air mail. Then get right to work on the next duty.

Send us clippings and editorials from all the local papers. Get around to every person who may have witnessed the attack. Get their stories and comments. Interview as many citizens as you can. Get their reactions. You will find in a case like this that the greatest majority of the people are firmly opposed to the Vigilante action; that the violence was carried out by a small minority consisting of hired gangsters or lunch men of the big financial interests in the locality. This fact should be clearly shown by as many actual statements of citizens as you can obtain.

☆ Authoritative Sources.

Naturally you will contact Party or Union headquarters and check up with them on the main facts of the incident and also to get leads on where to dig up further material.

If you were covering the Santa Rosa affair, here are examples of facts which you should obtain and send to us immediately:

The fact that the torturing of the workers took place in an empty tackbing shed of the Rosenberg Co., one of the largest packing concerns in California.

The fact that the principle initiative behind the vigilante mob came from the Grace Bros. Brewery which has a controlling interest in the hop fields in Sonoma County.

The fact that more than 27 leading Santa Rosa public officials, including police heads, were identified as participating in a vigilante raid on an antiwar meeting a few weeks earlier.

And the whole factual background of the strikes and organizational activities of the workers against which the vigilante violence was aimed.

☆ Importance of Facts.

The importance of getting facts, names, places, statements, cannot be exaggerated. You needn't even have to go out of your house in the morning to write up a report that the tar and feathering was an attempt to intimidate agricultural workers and the unemployed and keep them from organizing and demanding living wages. Nor! Nowadays any need for you to send such a report. We have that already. We want the particulars.

"A significant angle of the Santa Rosa affair is that terrorism against the agricultural workers and the unemployed comes from the large banking interests and not from the small farmers. The small farmers are as greatly oppressed by the banking interests as the workers. The banks control the buying of farm produce as well as the workers. Consequently, low prices and low wages are to their advantage.

☆ Detailed Reporting.

But just a plain statement of this circumstance is not enough. Interview small farmers; get stories of their personal experience with the banks. Get their viewpoint on the whole situation. Find out, if possible, which banks control what fields; what is the total value of the crop, what price is the crop bringing and where is it being shipped?

Go into hotel lobbies, pool rooms, lunch counters—all of the places where people gather and talk. Pick up their typical reactions and statements and report them. Don't go in as a reporter. Join in their conversations merely as an interested person. Pass out stories to the newspapers and get their opinions. Advance such remarks as, "Well, I don't go much on what you read in the papers. It's owned and controlled by . . ." Almost all people are disgusted with the capitalist press and it makes a good opening. They usually get so interested in expressing their own contempt for the sheet, that when you begin to talk with them about the issue involved, their remarks will be directly opposed to the attitude of the paper which is the attitude of the bankers and big interests.

You don't have to be an expert on people you talk to (although it is best if you can). Simply by reporting actual conversations overheard you can give the whole tone of public opinion at the scene of the affair.

☆ Public Opinion.

The capitalist papers are always reporting the casual comments of Dukes, Sultans, Boards, Chamber of Commerce heads, Rotary Club leaders, millionaires, etc. on current affairs. Anything a big shot parasite says is news in the capitalist press.

The working class press must be continually reporting the remarks of street car conductors, factory hands, laborers, elevator men, mechanics—people of every sort. Anything these workers say is news in our press. This is the way to report REAL public opinion—not the insincere moutings of silk-lighted leeches.

A good organizer gives careful thought to the press in every move or struggle his organization is engaged in. He knows that his paper is not only a weapon in struggle but an aid in organization. How is he sent the paper to the greatest advantage is continually present in his mind. It is the duty of organizers in every section to see to it that all important events are being covered. Wherever possible, the organizer should arrange to check over stories before they are sent out to be assured they are accurate and include all necessary points.

Workers must not wait to be assigned to report things for the paper. They must take the initiative wherever they see the need.

(Another article in this series next issue.)

PROSECUTION FINDS TOUGH GOING AGAINST GALLAGHER IN EUREKA FRAME-UP TRIAL

I. L. D. ATTORNEY STOPS "RED SCARE," FORCES KEY WITNESS ONTO STAND—COPS "FORGET" THINGS

EUREKA, Calif.—The trial of the six lumber strikers, charged with "riot" in connection with the police attack on the Lumber and Sawmill Workers Union picket line on June 21st, before Judge C. A. Paulson has ended its third week.

The prosecution's case received a severe blow when Archie Kirkpatrick, police officer, took the stand. Although Kirkpatrick was supposed to have fired the first long range gas shell that struck a woman picket, Prosecutor A. G. Bradford did not use him as a witness in either of the two previous trials.

☆ Officer's Testimony.

When the defense subpoenaed Kirkpatrick for this trial Bradford called him to the stand after evidently to overcome the bad impression on the jury.

Kirkpatrick testified that everything was peaceful when he arrived, with five other officers, in the first police car to appear on the scene. He said the pickets did not do any more than stand after the woman was shot. He further testified that Captain Rutledge sat in the back of the police car and that he saw him aiming his revolver out the side.

Rutledge had testified that he was knocked unconscious almost as he arrived on the scene and remembered nothing of what happened.

One prosecution witness was such an obvious liar that Gallagher demanded a perjury warrant against him, but Judge Paulson refused.

☆ "Red Scare" Stopped.

Bradford tried to drag in the red herring Gallagher told the court that if the prosecution was allowed to bring Communism into this trial he would demand the right to put experts on the stand to testify as to the position of the Communist Party toward the use of force and violence. And he would introduce in court every pamphlet, book and paper published by the Party to prove the Party's position on force and violence and individual terrorism, and that force was advocated only as self defense against attacks by fascists, vigilantes and gun thugs. This would have taken two weeks. Judge Paulson quashed the whole issue.

Bradford put police and special officers on the stand who testified as to the whereabouts of the pickets at 10:45 on the morning of the 21st of June. These witnesses admitted that they accepted the help of these things in arresting union men and sympathizers after the attack. The things had been very much on the scene during the arrests, using their pistols to arrest.

☆ "Never Heard of 'Em."

Strangely enough the police testified that though these "strangers" were around the police station for about a week and were with them on June 21st, they never inquired "their names or what their business was. They denied that these men represented themselves as Federal agents.

When Gallagher read off the names, published in the Humboldt "Times," which referred to the "representatives of the government" none of the police had ever heard the names. Evidently in addressing them the officers must have had to say "hey, you!"

Strangest of all is the fact that unknown people can come into the city of Eureka, cooperate with the police department in arresting citizens of the town, carry fire arms and use force and violence against the public and then disappear without the police department being able to tell who they were, where they came from, or what their names were.

☆ Lost His Memory.

Hoover of the Federal Investigations Bureau has stated that there were no Federal men in Eureka at the time of the attack.

When Gallagher questioned Chief of Police Will Ghirardelli about these strangers, Littlefield had conveniently lost his memory from a blow on the head and could remember nothing he did on that day."

Bradford and all the forces behind him are fighting hard for a conviction of Foley, who was the police of the murder charge, hurled at them for killing three and wounding eight on that day.

'G'-Men and Business Reps. Watch Reds in AFL Progress at Conv.

SAN DIEGO, Calif. Sept. 17—During the annual State Convention of the Federation of Labor in San Diego last week, the local dailies came out with a choice bit of revealing news.

The statement was, "Federal men, state employes, and representatives of big California industries are in San Diego to observe the State Federation of Labor. The observers are said to be watching what progress, if any, the Reds or Communists have achieved in their invasion of the ranks of organized labor.

"Representatives of a major oil company admitted he was sent here to learn if Communists had brought to bear on labor unions to cause them to listen to suggestions from Moscow."

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HELP FREE THE CRIMINAL SYNDICALISM PRISONERS. DANCE, Sat. Oct. 5. Dreamland Hall, 44 Page st. Refreshments. Union Music. Short Play. Admission 25c. Door Prize. Auspices: Conference for Repeal of C. S. Act.

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Emergency Call
WITNESSES
SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 23.—Vigilantes are needed to smash the lies on which Jim Garriton is being framed. All workers who were present at the meeting on May 1, 1934, in the evening, at 1223 Fillmore street, at which Garriton was chairman, report to the International Labor Defense, 1005 Market street, Room 410, or phone Underhill 3425. Your testimony can defeat the railroading.

ON THE LABOR DEFENSE FRONT

The Scandinavian Club (no affiliation with the International Labor Defense) has pledged one dollar per month for I.L.D. prisoner relief.

Branches: see what you can get from your contacts.

The Lenin Branch of the International Workers Order is giving a party on Oct. 19 to raise I.L.D. funds.

MEETING AT FORT BRAGG

The I.L.D. called a meeting of workers in Fort Bragg on the 22nd. This is the first meeting that has been held there since the lumber strike, as all other attempts to organize were stopped by vigilantes.

The main issue taken up by the forty workers attending the meeting was the Criminal Syndicalism frame-up. The workers present promised to get delegates for the Oct. 6 C. S. conference from the Fishermen's Union, the Finnish Comrades' Club and the I.L.D.

Other branches: work vigorously, not only to supply your own delegates but to get your contact organizations to send delegates.

COPENHAGEN MARINE WORKERS FAIL BREMEN VERDICT

A letter of congratulation to Magistrate Brodsky for his opinion handed down Sept. 7 in the case of the six seamen arrested in connection with the Bremen demonstration of July 28, from the district attorney's office of Copenhagen, Denmark, has been received here by the International Labor Defense for forwarding to Brodsky.

The text of the letter follows:

"Copenhagen, Sept. 9, '35.

"Justice Brodsky, New York.

"The members of the Copenhagen International Labor Defense, section Dockers and Seamen, Copenhagen, have read with sincere gratitude about the decision, courageous and just, in the case of the demonstration against the nazisling of 'Bremen'. We absolutely accept your remarks on the nature of Hitler-Fascism and feel sure, that the decision will reinforce the fight against fascism. We Danish, too, and first of all, in every port.

"With anti-fascist greetings,

"I.L.D., dockers and seamen, Gothersgade 15-1, Copenh. K.

(Signed) E. J. Hangaard."

THE SIMPSON CASE

Official request for representations by the United States State Department to the German government for the release of ex-seaman Simpson, American seaman kidnaped from the S.S. "Manhattan" at Hamburg, Germany, June 28, and held without trial in Fuhlsbuettel Concentration Camp, has been made by the International Labor Defense, it was announced today.

The action was taken on the basis of authorization from Mr. Simpson's father, John G. Simpson, of Kirkland, Wash., to the I.L.D.

"Our contention is," the letter, from the International Labor Defense, signed by Anna Damon, acting national secretary, stated, "that under international law, the German authorities have no jurisdiction over Simpson, and that it is the bounden duty of the American government to take whatever steps are necessary to secure his release from custody and safe return to the United States."

At the same time, the International Labor Defense, on the basis of the authorization from Mr. Simpson, Sr., pressed the State Department to make representations immediate arrangements for American counsel to interview Simpson to arrange for his defense. Mr. Roger Baldwin, director of the American Civil Liberties Union, who is now in Europe, has agreed to immediately see that the necessary arrangements are made by the U. S. State Dept. through the American consulate in Hamburg.

The pamphlet, "The Black Flag of Piracy", can be obtained from the District Office, 1008 Market street, Room 410. This tells how the fascist kidnapers of Simpson were protected by the U. S. government.

We must send resolutions to Secretary of State Hull at Washington, D. C., demanding that he call upon international law and get the release of Robert Edmund Simpson. Also, see that such resolutions are introduced in the Pacific Maritime Federation and all other trade unions, also religious organizations.

Nine Utah Jobless Arraigned Sept. 14

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Sept. 23—The nine workers jailed and framed on various felony charges after the police attack on an unemployed demonstration were arraigned before Judge Thomson on September 14. Their bond was reduced to $500 which was promptly raised for all of them.

Though no trial dates are announced it is expected that they will be tried in two groups.

Drive the reactionaries out of the union. Elect rank-and-file representatives. Fight for trade union democracy.

Martin Wilson, C. S. Prisoner, Will Celebrate Birthday on October 3rd

Calls Issued for Conference to Prepare United Front Appeal Campaign

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 26.—Martin Wilson, one of the eight victims of the current Criminal Syndicalism frame-up will celebrate his birthday on October 3. Wilson is prisoner No. 57591 at San Quentin.

Although the Sacramento railroading was primarily aimed at breaking the militant Cannery and Agricultural Workers' Industrial Union, Wilson was not one of the union officials. He was organizer for the International Labor Defense of Sacramento, which successfully defended scores of workers in the courts who were arrested during agricultural strikes and booked on false charges.

☆ Defended In Court.

Although not an attorney, Wilson understood the working of the capitalist courts thoroughly and would appear as counsel for famed workers. He argued the cases and saved hundreds of dollars for workers in the face of trained lawyers in the employ of the prosecution. A tireless and self-sacrificing worker in the interests of California labor, Wilson, when convicted, took his sentence unflinching and vowed to continue his work in the labor movement after his release.

Like the other seven victims, Wilson was convicted on no act, deed, or statement of a kind, but sheerly for holding a political opinion opposed to capitalism.

Workers, sympathizers and organizations should see that Wilson gets a flood of solidarity greetings. Food, cigarets, candy, etc. are not allowed to be sent in. Books, magazines, etc. may be sent in if they are mailed by the publisher or bookseller. Funds should be sent by money order or check. Visiting hours are from 9 a. m. to 3 p. m. daily excepting Sunday, at which time only relatives are admitted. At the Women's State Prison at Tehachiki where the women prisoners are held, visitors are allowed any day in the week including Sunday.

The names and numbers of the other prisoners follow:

State Penitentiary, San Quentin, Calif., (across the Bay from San Francisco in Marin County).

Martin Wilson, No. 57591.
Albert Hougardy, No. 57590.
Pat Chambers, No. 57589.
Jack Crane, No. 57605.
Women's State Prison, Tehachiki, Calif., (about 60 miles outside Bakersfield).
Caroline Decker, No. 57617.
Nora Conklin, No. 57616.
Lorene Norman, No. 57618.

☆ United Front Call.

"The California State Conference for United Action against the Criminal Syndicalism Act has issued calls for a conference to be held at 68 Haight street, San Francisco, at 10 a. m. on Sunday, October 6. This conference will map the mass campaign which must support the appeal of the convictions of these workers, which will be argued in the District Court some time in November.

The International Labor Defense is publishing a pamphlet, "Criminal Syndicalism, the Courts Against Labor", giving the complete story of the trial and the events which led up to it. Order copies now from your nearest Workers' Book Shop.

PAMPHLETS AND BOOKS

THE BLACK FLAG OF PIRACY, by Mike Walsh. Published by International Labor Defense, New York District, 16 pages. Illustrated. Price 2c.

Reviewed by Roy Hudson

International solidarity is one of the strongest characteristics of marine workers. It is not by accident that the main characters in this story are Ernst Thaelman, longshoreman and leader of the German working-class; Lawrence Simpson, a seaman since 1928; and six seamen, four of them of Irish parentage, arrested at the Bremen demonstration.

These are the two things that are most striking in this story of the events surrounding the arrest of Lawrence Simpson which have so far resulted in two "international incidents," expression of the anti-fascist mood of the American people.

One more "international incident" is necessary, as this story simply told story in this pamphlet makes clear, before the "Simpson case" can be closed. The American government must be forced to demand of the German government the freedom of Simpson. The American people, with the support of anti-fascists over the whole world, must force Hitler to give up his prey.

The tearing down of the Swastika flag from the consulate of the Nazi ship Bremen was a stirring heroic expression of the anti-fascist sentiments of the people of the United States, and it was under them who gave the lead to this demonstration.

Here is a powerful example of solidarity between the two countries time one more powerful argument illustrating George Dimitroff's stirring call at the Seventh World Congress of the Communist International, to build the International Labor Defense.

Lawrence Simpson's release has been demanded and Hitler answered by imprisoning another American seaman, Walter Gill, for whistling the International. In the face of world hatred against the Nazi Swastika, it has been made the national emblem! These actions, reflecting the contempt of the fascist barbarians for the opinions of the civilized world, show the determination of Hitler to keep Germany in the darkest reaction unless the world-wide struggle against fascism is strengthened.

This little pamphlet should be put into the hands of every anti-fascist worker. It is a real guide to immediate action, a lesson in anti-fascist work. It should especially be put into the hands of every seaman sailing under the American flag, to help free Ernst Thaelmann, Lawrence Simpson, Edward Drolette, and all anti-fascist victims.

Perche La Guerra in Africa, by Vito Nunzio. Published by Casa Editrica "Unita." 28 pp. 5 cents.

This pamphlet, just out, should be read by every Italian worker interested in learning why his native land is preparing for war and why he should do his best to stop it, by joining social organizations as the American League Against War and Fascism, or the Communist Party in the struggle for peace.

Young Republicans Welcome Hoover; Condemn Dole

SAN DIEGO, Calif. Sept. 17—During Herbert Hoover's visit to San Diego, in which he gave a speech to thousands in the Exposition, at a time of extreme stress, the Young Republican League of San Diego passed the following resolution:

"Resolved that the Junior Republicans welcome Herbert Hoover to San Diego in recognition of his honest efforts to maintain the spirit and purpose of the Constitution, at a time of extreme stress, and urge that he use his influence to promote a progressive Republican platform in 1936 which will re-establish the constitutionality of the American people and will halt and correct the ruthless expenditure of public funds which characterizes the present administration.

"Further, be it resolved, that contrary to Roosevelt's Milwaukee speech to Young Democrats in which he declared the New Deal beneficial to American youth, we the Junior Republicans, insist that the policy of creating unnecessary, uneconomical, and barely liveable jobs at the expense of unborn generations is another form of dole, destroying ambition and incentive for productive labor —leading towards a Communistic state—and throttling normal opportunity which is the inherent right of every American youth."

Simpson Faces Nazi Tortures

For nearly fourteen weeks, the American seaman Lawrence B. Simpson, kidnapped from the S.S. Manhattan at Hamburg on June 28, by agents of the German Secret Police, has been held without trial or formal charges in Fuhlsbuettel concentration camp near Hamburg. It was in protest against this kidnaping that the demonstration before the German steamship Bremem, on July 26 with its wide repercussions, was organized. Another American seaman, William Gill of Boston, a member of the crew of the S. S. George Washington, was sentenced to four weeks imprisonment in Fuhlsbuettel on a charge of "defaming Hitler."

We publish below an account of the horrible conditions in this concentration camp, as described in a letter to the International Labor Defense by a seaman who went through a period of imprisonment there earlier this year."

Action — resolutions, demonstration, etc.—should force the United States Department of State to take action to free Simpson is urged by the International Labor Defense.

The seaman's letter follows:

"Hamburg-Fuhlsbuettel concentration camp is located in an efficient prison. In 1932, the German government started to demolish it. With the advent to power of Hitler, however, this work stopped and Nazi Reichs-General-Governor Kaufman turned it into a concentration camp.

"About half the prisoners in Fuhlsbuettel are seamen and harbor workers, honest anti-fascist who have always fought in the interest of their fellows, against the savage greed of the shipowners. In Hamburg, where the shipowner Krosman is mayor, the anti-fascist seamen and harbor workers have suffered particularly savage persecutions. The officers of the illegal Einheitsverband (United League) of Seamen and Harbor and Port Workers are treated with especially cruel torture.

"The fifty seamen and harbor workers convicted in the so-called Red Marine Trial are daily subjected to the most brutal ill-treatment in Fuhlsbuettel. Their cells are marked with red lines to indentify them as revolutionary seamen. The S. A. (Storm-Troppers) have the privilege of entering any of their cells any time, and mistreat them as they wish. They are considered free game for all.

"Then he will have a few men called out of line, take them into the next room, and beat them until the men in the hall can hear their groans.

"About forty anti-fascists have already been murdered in Fuhlsbuettel.

☆ "Health Exercise"

"A favorite with the guards is disciplinary health exercise. They are forced to wise clothes, from the floor with their arms, a guard with a rubber truncheon standing over them, until they collapse. Frequently the guards get drunk, take a few men out of their cells, and chase them around the hallways or yards for hours. They made us drag our selves along the hallways by our elbows many times.

"The solitary confinement cells are particularly horrible. They contain nothing but a sack of straw and a toilet bowl. It is forbidden to sit on the straw sack. You have to put your food into the toilet bowl (open) because it is forbidden to put anything on the floor. Most of the solitary confinement cells, including all those in the cellar, are damp and cold. They are dark day and night. The guards have a habit of shooting at the cell windows every time they see the prisoner through them. Frequently the bullets strike the steel bars at the window and ricochet at random through the cell. There were three bullet holes caused by such richocheting, in my cell. During the summer a number of prisoners were seriously wounded by richocheted shots.

☆ "Refined Tortures"

"In addition to this, a great many of the prisoners in solitary confinement are bound hand and foot, by order of the Gestapo (German Secret Police) Police, in an effort to force confessions from them. In ordinary cases the prisoners' hands are bound in front, where they can eat and sleep. In cases of serious crimes against the state both hands and feet are bound with such heavy iron irons that they can hardly walk possible. The guards, however, take particular delight in driving prisoners bound, into the yard. When they fall from the weight of the irons, they are kicked until they get up, and kicked until their elbows, knees and shins, the skin off arms and legs. At night these prisoners are bound to their mattresses so they cannot turn.

"Since February, 1935, more 'refined' systems of torture have been introduced in addition to the old ones. Prisoners are given external tracers. Some prisoners are pierced in the most sensitive parts of their bodies with red hot needles. Others are made to wear heavy overcoats and to sit in front of red-hot stoves while buckets of water are poured over them. Many prisoners are frequently combined, and last for days. Prisoners have been driven insane by such methods. During intermittent periods of unconsciousness free the prisoners for a few moments at a time from these tortures.

"In spite of this, most of the anti-fascist prisoners are uncowed."

"The latter stated as follows:

"The Soviet state takes it place as, I suppose, the greatest in the world; one of the few real democracies of these artistically barren years."

SCIENCE AND ART NOTES

SOVIET FLORIDA IS BEING DEVELOPED

Cultivation of a diversity of subtropical plants in Transcaucasia is rapidly transforming this region into a Soviet Florida. In addition to an extensive landscaping program, such the popular Soviet vacationing place, is undergoing thorough reconstruction. When completed, it will rank as one of the largest and best equipped resorts in the world. Swamplands have been largely drained and planted under tea, cotton, cork rubber and other products; while a number of enterprises are planned to change the raw material into finished products.

SOVIET MUSIC RECORDS

Recording of music is taking great strides in the Soviet Union, where the latest records to be turned out include Mendelssohn's "Violin Concerto" played by Mesya Gadkina; Chaikovsky's "Piano Concerto in B flat," played by Gregory Ginsburg; Prokofiev's "Overture on Jewish Themes" with the composer at the piano; "Selections from the opera "Khovanshina" by Moussorgski and Borodin's "Prince Igor" (in full) sung by Ivan Kozlovsky.

Many noted foreign artists visit the studio of the All-union Council of Gramaphone Recording, in Moscow where the actual recording is done. Two plants now being erected will be the largest in the world. A seven-story house for sound recording is also being built.

SOUND RECORDING AUTO BUILT AT STALINGRAD

The Stalin Auto Plant in Moscow, together with the Sound Recording Plant, has made a specialized sound recording car equipped to make studio tours throughout the Soviet Union, recording music under all conditions.

Plans have been made for such a tour to Uzbekistan and later it may go to the Transcaucasus, according to Ivan Ivanovich, the composer Dudkevich and the technical director of the Sound Recording Plant, Shore.

RECORD VISITORS TO THEATER FESTIVAL

More than 400 visitors from 24 foreign countries participated in the third annual Moscow Theater Festival, held Sept. 1 to 10. Famous guests included Morris Gest, the noted "Gest Director," Professor H. W. L. Dana of Boston, Huntley Carter, British theater critic, Serge Radlov, Russian theater, and Edmund Wilson, American writer.

The latter stated as follows:

"The Soviet stage takes it place as, I suppose, the greatest in the world; one of the few real democracies of these artistically barren years."

HEALTH AND THE CLASS STRUGGLE
By The WESTERN WORKER MEDICAL BUREAU

By FRANKLIN, E. BISSELL, M. D.

Bbise, Idaho.

Dear Doctor: I have a skin infection on my chin. I can't seem to get rid of it, no matter how hard I try. I have used camphor ice, mercitholate 1.1000 solution, iodine, silvet nitrate, mazon eczema ointment, yellow oxide of mercury, blue ointment, and a number of doctor's prescriptions, but to no avail. I seem to have a slight fever. The skin that is infected becomes reddened and swollen and usually forms a hard, rough surface, with pus pockets at the seat of some of my whiskers.

I believe I got the infection kissing a girl.

J. C. B.

ANSWER: This letter demonstrates how useless it often is for a person to try to treat himself, and is an example of the helplessness with which the individual should stand before serious diseases. This is one of those ailments that requires expensive equipment to treat, which the average doctor cannot afford.

From the description, this could be either Tinea Sycos

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The Labor Ticket and The C. S. Prisoners

It is significant that the one change made in the proposed United Labor Ticket platform at the mass election conference held in the Civic Auditorium on Sunday, Sept. 22, was to add the demand for freedom of the eight Sacramento Criminal Syndicalism trial victims.

"Are you for or against the Criminal Syndicalism Law?" this is one of the specific questions confronting every candidate in the coming elections. The labor candidates can step forward and proclaim their vigorous opposition to the corrupt law. The old line politicians are in a delicate spot. Their past records show that they have either supported the anti-labor law or skirted the issue.

Adolph Uhl, who now pretends to oppose the C. S. Law, stands condemned on his past record. When a resolution was before the board of Supervisors to memorialize the Legislature to repeal the law, Uhl not only voted the resolution down but introduced another resolution urging the Federal government to enact such a law on a national scale.

The freedom of the eight C. S. prisoners is clearly one of the most vital campaigns in the interests of California labor. The sole crime of which they were found guilty was that they held opinions opposed to capitalism. True, they led strikes. True, they won better wages for the agricultural workers and better relief for the unemployed. These things are not crimes. In all the struggles participated in by these workers, no act of sabotage or violence was ever committed by labor or advocated by them. Not a single act of this kind could be cited in the court. **But the violence exerted by the employers against these struggles resulted not only in scores of injuries but in the cold blooded murder of strikers.** Yet the workers, not the employers, faced trial and the employers backed and financed, the prosecution.

The Conference for United Action Against the Criminal Syndicalism Act has issued calls to all unions and sympathetic organizations to participate in a conference at 68 Haight street, San Francisco, at 10 a. m. on Sunday, Oct. 6. This conference will lay plans for the mass campaign to support the appeal of the C. S. prisoners which will be argued in the District Court some time during November.

"What country can preserve its liberties if its rulers are not warned from time to time that the people preserve the spirit of resistance? Let them take up arms. The tree of liberty must be refreshed from time to time with the blood of tyrants. It is its natural manure."—THOMAS JEFFERSON.

The Bankers Make Scabs of Our Children

The banks control the agricultural industry of California. They pull the wires that set the starvation wages for the harvest hands. Time and again the agricultural workers have struck, won higher pay, or have let the crops go to blazes rather than harvest them at wages ranging from 10 cents to 25 cents an hour.

Vigilantes has shot, clubbed, jailed, kidnaped and terrorized the workers in an effort to force them to accept the scab pay. This vigilantism was not too successful. "Crops worth millions were in danger," as the capitalist press puts it.

The SERA and the State and Federal Re-employment Services began a drive to round up the unemployed and chase them into the fields at these starvation wages. The unions of the unemployed fought this, rallied the jobless to demand a living wage in the fields or a living budget on the relief rolls.

Now the State Board of Education has joined the battle. High schools are closed while school busses haul the pupils to the fields to harvest the crops at these scab wages which the bankers choose to pay.

The Alameda County Central Labor Council has protested this action of the Board of Education. The capitalist press is endeavoring to fog up the issue with talk about "able-bodied men who prefer the Government dole to work" and "parents who cannot find labor to handle the crops" and must therefore put their children to work.

The issue is: shall California agriculture pay decent, living wages, or shall it harvest the crops with school children and the unemployed at 10 cents an hour?

Every labor council and local union in the state should follow the example of the Alameda County body and add their vigorous protest against the scab-herding of the school system.

NOTE: The WESTERN WORKER Educational Department wants pertinent quotations from Marxist-Leninist classics and other informative works of general interest to our readers. We also intend re-opening the Questions and Answers columns, and ask that all questions, on theory and fact, history and organization, be addressed to Questions and Answers Department, Western Worker, 121 Haight street, San Francisco.

"Labor is prior to and independent of capital. Capital is only the fruit of labor, could never have existed if labor had not first existed. Labor is the superior of capital, and deserves much the higher consideration."—ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

What the "HOT CARGO" Dispute Means to You

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Refusal to handle the cargo has not come from the union hall of the International Longshoremen's Association. Gangs have been dispatched regularly to the jobs in accordance with the arbitration award agreement. It so happens, however, that no longshoreman with an ounce of decency would stoop to such strikebreaking employment. The award also provides that longshoremen may choose their jobs. None of them will lay hands on "HOT CARGO." If they did, they would be betraying the interests of all organized labor in San Francisco. It is an issue of solidarity. Without solidarity, all unions would become virtually meaningless and powerless: the workers in one line being readily used to defeat the struggles of the workers in another.

Employers have scattered the "HOT CARGO" along numerous docks and as rapidly as longshoremen refuse to touch it, they are being blacklisted. Already more than 600 have been locked out in this manner.

It is rumored that employers are importing strike-breakers and holding them in readiness so that when they have enough men locked out, they can put the scabs to work on the docks, defy the union and declare the award agreement nullified.

If this contemptible scheme is put in practice, all organized labor in San Francisco and all sympathetic persons must stand ready to support the longshoremen. It will mean that a strike has been forced against every effort of the men to prevent it.

Simultaneously with such a move, would come a newspaper campaign declaring that the men are alien Communists seeking to cause trouble. Any and every scare proposation will be raised and stressed excepting the actual issue at stake—the maintenance of decent wages and conditions on the waterfront and the preservation of union labor in San Francisco.

Certainly many of the waterfront workers are members of the Communist Party of the U. S. A. It is a legal American Party and they have every right to be members of it. These Communists are among the best, most honest and loyal members of the unions. They, as well as every other longshoreman on the waterfront, are doing everything they can to avoid a strike. The excellent discipline maintained by the men on the waterfront in the face of repeated provocations by the employers during the past months testifies adequately to their sincerity.

The longshoremen realize their responsibility in refusing to handle "HOT CARGO." They know that if they do they are betraying the interests of every worker on the coast. They know that such a situation may force them into a struggle which will require suffering and self-sacrifice from every one of them.

By instituting rank and file control (democracy) in their union local and through their heroic efforts in last year's strike, which won the solidarity support of all organized labor, the San Francisco longshoremen have established better wages and working conditions than exist in any other port. This stands as an example to all other ports and industries. Employers know that unless they can break the strength of the I. L. A., Local 38-79, sooner or later, every port will be demanding similar conditions and taking organized action to gain them. That is why they are willing to stoop to any means to smash that local.

"HOT CARGO," though the central issue of the present situation, is not of such overwhelming importance to the employers. They have merely seized upon this issue and forced it because they know that not a man on the waterfront would accept the humiliation of such despicable work.

The economic power of San Francisco labor was clearly demonstrated in last year's General Strike. Since that time, labor has projected itself into a new field—the political field. With the formation of the United Labor Ticket which will participate in the coming Municipal elections, labor, for the first time in San Francisco has made a bid for political power. The necessity of this was evident in last year's strike when all the powers of City government lined up with the waterfront employers.

The necessity is again demonstrated in the present critical situation. Labor can and must put its own representatives into the offices of government. The strength of organized labor MUST BE PRESERVED.

Save this article and show it to your neighbors. Publicize as widely as possible the true issues on the waterfront. It is up to you to do your share. The newspapers and the radio are controlled by the employers themselves. See to it that your fellow workers know the facts.

"Contemplate the mangled bodies of your countrymen, and then say, 'What should be the reward of such sacrifices? Bid us and posterity bow the knee, supplicate the friendship, and plow, and sow, and reap, to glut the avarice of the men who have let loose on us the dogs of war to riot in our blood and hunt us from the face of the earth? If you love wealth better than liberty, the tranquility of servitude than the animating contest of freedom—go from us in peace. We ask not your counsel or arms. CROUCH DOWN AND LICK THE HANDS WHICH FEED YOU. May your chains sit lightly upon you, and may posterity forget that ye were our countrymen."—SAMUEL ADAMS.

"The freest government cannot long endure when the tendency of the law is to create a rapid accumulation of property in the hands of a few, and to render the masses poor and dependent."—DANIEL WEBSTER.

UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION BILL OF RIGHTS

Article 1.

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech or of the press; or of the right of the people peaceably to assemble and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

Party Life

By Carroll Barnes,
Section Organizer.

On the basis of the District recruiting quota of 600, the East Bay Section has set a quota of 75 new members to be recruited into the Party between Sept. 21 and Nov. 7.

This figure was decided upon by our Section Committee after a careful examination of our forces and the possibilities of recruiting in the shops, trade unions, mass organizations, etc. It represents a realistic figure of our recruiting possibilities during the campaign, and on the basis of the forces in the Section.

On the basis of the Section quota of 75, the sub-sections, units, and fractions set their own quotas. An examination of the quota sent in from units and mass organizations and shop nuclei, shows a total of well over 75 new members that our general Party membership pledges to bring into the Party by the end of the campaign.

It might be well to remind our comrades in the trade unions that their quota, set by themselves in their units and fractions, is 25 new members from the trade unions. This is probably the largest and most difficult-to-fill quota set by any of the fractions in the East Bay. However, it is possible that this quota will be filled if the comrades in the trade unions, as well as the general Party membership, will take advantage of the growing militancy and the increasing popularity of the rank and file movement in the trade unions, and will work with determination to build strong nuclei in the trade unions and shops. It is important to emphasize the necessity of filling our trade union quota. The entire East Bay Section membership should consider it a central recruiting campaign task; that we not only have the task of filling our Section recruiting quota of 75, but we also must fill our trade union quota of 25 new members from trade unions by Nov. 7th.

As every party member knows, our basic work is done through our units. This Leninist principle of organization applies very well in our recruiting campaign. For at least the next six weeks recruiting should have an important place on every unit agenda. Contacts and sympathizers should be discussed and plans made to approach the militant and sincere ones on the importance of their joining the Communist Party. During the recruiting campaign, we have to explain our position to contacts we have, then open unit meeting should be held at which leading unit members should explain the role of the Communist Party in the "Struggle for Unity of the Working Class Against Fascism" and why it is necessary for every sincere, class-conscious worker to be a member of the Communist Party.

Inasmuch as our basic work is in our units, the filling of our Section quota of 75 depends entirely on the filling of the unit quotas. If every quota is filled during the next six weeks, then certainly our Section quota will go over the top.

The chief weakness of both the Section Committee and the units generally, excepting unit No. 2 in Central Oakland, and Unit No 4 in Berkeley, in setting our quotas, was that recruiting for the YCL was almost completely ignored. Unit No. 2 in East Oakland, for instance, with a rich field for recruiting working class youth in the YCL, did not set for themselves the task of recruiting one single youth into the YCL. The quotas for this section not only reflected the Section's general neglect of the YCL, but they reveal a deep misunderstanding in the Section Committee and the Party membership generally in the East Bay Section of the Party's position on the youth question. In our Section we must remember the important role of the toiling youth in the coming struggle against war and fascism. We must resolve to build the YCL along with the Party. Also, the importance of recruiting Negro workers is underestimated. This must be corrected, and make that field a point of concentration.

In our Section Committee meeting when the Section's quota of 75 was set, the members of the Section Committee pledged themselves to personally recruit into the Party 25 new members of our quota of 75. This quota of 25 was set for the Section Committee members in order that they may give leadership in the recruiting campaign.

"Answer Rossi's Bullets With United Labor Ballots"

Changing Human Nature

Leading Scientists Blast Old Ideas At USSR Meet

By Irving S. Kreitzberg

To that new mecca of culture, the Soviet Union, there came last month for their fifteenth International Congress, which was held at Leningrad, the leading Physiologists of the world.

There was Professor G. Kato who lead the Japanese delegation and Walter B. Cannon of the United States and Karpinsky of the Academy of the Sciences and the prominent followers of a dozen different physiological schools. But without a doubt the greatest of all among them was the Soviet physiologist, Academician A. P. Pavlov.

The world famous work and experiments of Pavlov in higher nervous activities have proved invaluable in problems dealing with mental disorders.

✻ "Human Nature" a Myth

By the ingenious methods of measuring the secretion of a dog's glands, Pavlov has been able to determine which emotional reactions really belong to the dog, and which are but the artificial effects of a bad education.

Henri Barbusse once wrote that truth even without embellishments becomes propaganda against capitalist society. So we see Professor Pavlov's discoveries on canine reflexes being applied by physiologists to the human variety with the discovery that very little of the behavior of men and women is the outcome of human nature. From the moment a child is born he begins to be influenced by life around him and by the time he leaves school there is hardly a scrap of unconditioned human nature left in him.

✻ Mask for Greed

And so armed with these great truths, Robert Briffault demands that human nature no longer be made the universal scapegoat for all sins by those who would use it to mask their selfish actions and ill-gotten gains. With brilliant satire he writes:

Are people selfish and greedy? Alas, that is human nature. Is their behavior brutish? Such is human nature. People will insist on fighting and it is quite absurd to do anything about it. When a farmer in Oklahoma is suddenly seized with the desire to cross the ocean and thrust a bayonet into German farmer, the administration and the bankers have no alternative but to bow before the will of the people and an enlightened public press will come to the end of its vocabulary before it can hope to succeed in its efforts to soothe the popular passions.

✻ Result of Teaching

Most of the traits called human nature are the results of influence, of teachings, and habits, good and bad. **The founders of scientific Communism, Marx and Engels, recognized this and used the deduction of materialist physiology widely in their work, it was pointout by Akulov in a speech at the Congress.**

Human nature has changed in the past. It is changing now. Just as it can be influenced and directed towards selfishness, cruel and parasitic tendencies, it can be directed towards good fellowship, sane collective life and progressive social tendencies. Nowhere can we see this better than in the Soviet Union, where 160 million people are being taught that it is not human nature to sit down at a banquet at the Waldorf Astoria while fifteen million of their fellow countrymen are on the brink of starvation, or that rugged individualism, ruthless exploitation and bloodshed are natural.

Pavlov Experiments Are Big Aid to Physiology

✻ Funds for Science in USSR

It was entirely fitting and proper that the fifteenth International Physiology Congress be held in the Soviet Union.

In fascist countries science is being curbed, books burned and culture and truth destroyed. In the great capitalist democracies the activities of scientists are being diverted by those who hold the purse strings, to spheres that coin profits or in discovering new poison gases to annihilate the subjects of their rivals. Professor Cannon of Harvard complained bitterly to the congress that insufficent funds are alloted for purely scientific research.

But in the land where the workers rule scientists are highly honored and are given large subsidies to enable them to carry out their work. An expensive laboratory with the most modern equipment was built for Pavlov and he is given such honor, esteem and publicity as in the United States is accorded only to such worthies as Mr. Max Baer and Dizzy Dean. For the workers have only to gain by the discoveries of science. Socialism itself is scientific. A society free from superstition and exploitation in which human life and standards shall reach its highest developments are the aims of both. Arm in arm they walk down the road together.

WORKERS' OPEN FORUM

A SEAMAN VISITS SAN QUENTIN

San Francisco
Sept. 23, 1935

Editor, Western Worker:

Last Thursday I visited Ruel Stanfield, one of the eight Standard Oil framed Modesto Boys, at San Quentin. He is in the very best of spirits as are the other boys. Stanfield is working in the jute mill and his task, or rather allotted work, is 600 sacks per day. Later on, when he gets wise to the machine, his task will be one thousand and twenty-five sacks per day. The funny part of it all is this, the machine he is working on is German made.

He complained about being shorted on his time with visitors and when I went to see about this in the office, I was "politely" told that the man who gave orders (the warden) was at the springs. This seems to be a custom with all Union and Political prisoners—making their visits short as possible.

Stanfield is acting as spokesman for all the rest of the framed Modesto boys and says the rest are all in good spirits and holding their own. He would like to receive letters from any of the boys on the outside, but he can only write one letter a day. These letters constitute outgoing mail for the seven in Quentin—the other, Ciambrelli being in Folsom.

They appreciate everything the gang on the outside have done and are still doing for them, and all they have to say is to keep up the good work. Stanfield's number is 58034, for all you fellows who care to write, and you should do so as often as you can. You know days behind those grey cold walls are damn long and lonesome and a letter from the outside is like a tonic to those boys, so get busy with your pen and paper and drop them a line. Do it tonight.

A member—M.F.O.W.O.P.

A SEAMAN ON WAR

Editor: The ovation given the resolution introduced by the Sailors' Union of the Pacific, Sunday, Sept. 22, before the meeting of assembled delegates seated in the Civic Auditorium, against the transportation of arms and other war materials, was tremendous.

Cheers rose from the throats of over 7500 workers and other groups sympathetic to labor, united as one at the UNITED LABOR TICKET CONVENTION. Everyone seated there could well understand the importance and its significance, in times like this.

The Sailors well understand the power that lies vested in the workers, and this resolution placed before members of over sixty trade union representatives, and other groups sympathetic to their cause, will be far reaching. It is your duty as workers and as citizens to do everything in your power to support the Sailors in their resolution and make it yours as well.

Place it before your different labor organizations, your clubs, spread it amongst your neighbors and show this Fascist Italy and other nations ready to plunder, kill and rape the people of smaller prostrate nations that we, the workers, are opposed to and will do all in our power to stop the manufacture, sale and transportation of all commodities of war to those nations who would conquer by force and subjugate the people.

J. E. T.,
Sailors' Union of the Pacific.

Peasant Households Join Collectives in New Harvest Success

MOSCOW—Approximately 833,600 individual households joined collective farms and formed 4,179 farms during the first half of 1935, according to official statistics.

The influx was greatest in the neutral part of the Soviet Union. 45,100 individual households entering collectives in Moscow Province, 44,800 in Kalinin Province, and 50,500 in Gorki Territory.

The movement is likewise widespread in the national republics, especially Armenia, Georgia and Tatar republics.

Collectivization in the Volga German Republic has reached 98.4 per cent, in the Crimea 95.1 per cent, and in the Azov-Black Sea Territory 94.6 per cent.

SOVIET MARKSMEN GROW

The number of Voroshilov marksmen has grown from 200,000 less than two years ago to 800,000 this year, according to figures released by Osoaviakhim (Society for Air and Chemical Defense, with 13 million members).

Air clubs have grown from 9 to 113 in the same time, while parachute jumping towers have increased from a very few to 900.

World Events

By Emmett Kirby

Laval Swings to Full Support of Sanctions

"I am alarmed over the threats to peace," Lloyd George was quoted as saying in an interview last week. It is indeed a little bit late to be getting alarmed. It would have been far more to the point if, while Prime Minister of Britain during the making of the Versailles Treaty, Lloyd George had given more thought to the threats of peace contained in that notorious document.

Through it both British and French imperialism gobbled up the German colonies in Africa, and are now preparing the whirlwind as Mussolini demands what he considers Italy's share, and Hitler is demanding return of the colonies stolen.

The first factor is what has brought Britain springing nobly to the defense of peace and Ethiopia. The threat contained in the second is the main one in Laval's mind and is helping push him to agreement with Britain for full consideration of sanctions against Mussolini's attack on Ethiopia.

In agreeing to use of Articles 15 and 16 of the League Covenant, Laval makes it clear that he is most interested in their interpretation in case of future aggression—by which is meant Hitler. The economic and financial crisis through which the Nazi government is wallowing is not dismissed one whit, and with war as imperative to continued fascist rule as ever, Hitler is undoubtedly just biding his time, hoping the other nations will become involved in a war which will spell opportunity for him.

✻ British Accord.

Since Mussolini stands by his demands—refusing anything less than a full mandate over Ethiopia,—Laval has reluctantly swung over to full support of the League, if Britain will give full assurance of aid against future aggressors.

Germany's final and official withdrawal from the League of Nations, terminating her interlocutory decree period of two years, is due next month and at that time Nazi delegates are expected to tell the assembled nations that they want the return of former German colonies, or else. Just what form that "or else" will take depends on circumstances which are rapidly shifting, but Laval fears very much being involved in military sanctions against Italy, leaving the eastern frontier unguarded, unless Britain and the League agree to give full assistance.

✻ Split in Rome.

Reports from Rome indicate a growing rift between Mussolini and an influential portion of the nobility and finance capitalists who are swinging toward the Crown. Crown Prince Humbert is even being openly hinted at as a possible successor. So is General Balbo. These rumors are to be expected, but that at this particular stage, at least three fascist papers should dare to print such material is additional indication of the lack of any genuine enthusiasm for Mussolini.

Instead of the solid support which he has tried so hard to drum up, strong undercurrents are rife in Rome concerning the fall of fascism and the question "What—after Mussolini" is being talked quietly, in every part of the country and by every class.

As the weather clears up over the Abyssinian plateau (no rain since last Saturday) Mussolini's war machine was expected to go into action. But faced with the sentiment of the world (the U.S.S.R., Britain, France, and other nations' actions reflecting the overwhelming desire of the people for peace and against his intended conquest), Mussolini is now reported hoping for some means whereby he can compromise a bit and still save prestige. One sign of this is the indefinite postponement of his National Mobilization Day which was intended as an answer to the working class organizations all over the world which have voted full support to sanctions against him.

This force is what will compel his retreat, if a retreat is effected. And in it, not only would the workers by their international actions have struck a blow for peace but delivered a knockout to the oldest fascist country in the world. Mussolini's fall then would be but a matter of time.