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# GULF LONGSHORE STRIKE DECLARED MOTIVE BEHIND EMPLOYERS' HOT CARGO FRAME-UP

## FRENCH TRADE UNION UNITY AID TO PEACE

ETHIOPIAN MOBILIZATION BRINGS NEW ITALIAN INVASION THREAT

### Italian Loan Drive On

MEMEL ELECTIONS HAVE BEARING ON NAZI WAR PROGRAM

SUMMARY OF WORLD WAR SITUATION

ROME—War loan drive well under way. Officials greet news of Ethiopian mobilization with statement that advances of Italian troops at strategic points may be necessary.

BRAZIL—Descendants of Italian parents called to Italian colors, invoking "dual citizenship" law famous in Germany on eve of last war.

PARIS—British and French, though seemingly in full agreement, still seek full mutual guarantees in regard to enforcing peace, with British seeking armed assistance from France in the Ethiopian crisis, and France seeking full guarantees against German Fascism.

MEMEL—Voting for local offices here takes on international character as Nazi propaganda is in full blast, indicating this to be the next scene of fascist aggression and possible seizure.

BRIGHTON, England—Labor Party in conference debates question of military sanctions for Great Britain's policy if economic measures prove insufficient.

FRENCH TRADE UNION UNITY IN SIGHT

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 30.—One of the most important factors in the present war situation is the unity conference of the Communist and Socialist unions (General Confederation of Labor and the Unitary Confederation of Labor) being held in Paris. With solid unity assured according to late news, the anti-war struggle in European labor circles takes on additional force, as this history-making unification of French labor will add to the rapidly growing move for unity of the two Internationals—Socialist and Communist.

Already the People's Front, demonstrating against war and fas-

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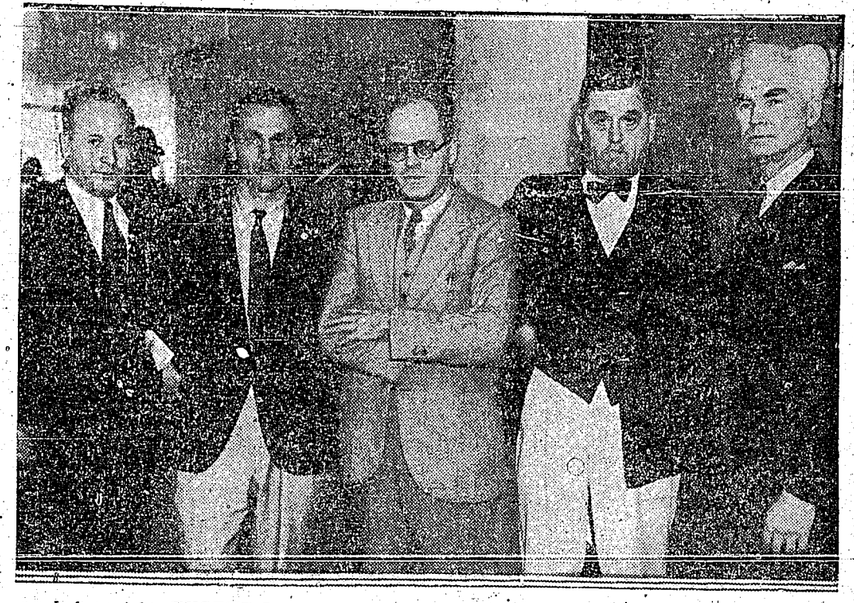
## *L. A. TO HOLD 'FREE HERNDON' DEMONSTRATION*

RALLY ON OCT. 5TH TO BE HELD IN PLAZA

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 1.—Preceding by two days the re-convening of the United States Supreme Court to consider the case of Angelo Herndon, sentenced to twenty years on the Georgia chain gang for leading Negro and white workers in demands for adequate relief, a gigantic mass demonstration will demand the immediate release of Herndon here next Sunday, Oct. 5, at the Plaza.

The mass meeting will assemble at 12:30 p. m., under the auspices of the International Labor Defense. Speakers from liberal and radical organizations will outline the history of the Herndon case and will voice the demands for his release.

Defense Figures in Los Angeles Hearst Attack Trial



Left to right: EUGENE LINDER, educational director of the American League Against War and Fascism, an eye-witness of the brutality used against the pickets at the L. A. Examiner Bldg. on Sept. 3; J. G. HONEYCOMBE, one of five workers charged with "picketing" the Hearst sheet on that day; GROVER JOHNSON, International Labor Defense attorney who is acting as defense counsel; JOHN B. PELLETIER, Epic Assemblyman and witness for the defense; M. E. FREEMAN, another of the five defendants.

## More "Evidence" Needed to Frame James Garrison

U. S. ATTORNEY ADMITS HE CAN'T TAKE CASE TO GRAND JURY, YET

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 30—Evidently realizing that the frame-up against James Garrison, district functionary of the Communist Party who faces charges of attacking a "Major's daughter" in the Presidio on the night of May 1, 1934, had not been too well planned, the Federal prosecution is now backing water.

The U. S. Attorney today called George Andersen, International Labor Defense attorney and advised that the prosecution does not feel it "yet has enough evidence to warrant an appearance before the Federal Grand Jury for indictment against Garrison."

❖ Cancelled Meeting.

This automatically cancelled a meeting of defense witnesses with the U. S. attorney scheduled for this morning in the Post Office building. Since no defense attorneys are permitted to attend Federal Grand Jury hearings, Defense Attorney Andersen had requested the U. S. attorney to hold such a session with witnesses who attended a May Day meeting at 1223 Fillmore at the hour Garrison is alleged to have perpetrated the supposed attack.

Garrison served as chairman of that meeting and many workers who remember he was there have come forward to testify in his defense.

❖ Red Scare Move.

Major A. M. Jones, now a Colonel, has long been active against militant workers about the Presidio. His daughter, Mrs. Henry, complained of an alleged attack and beating by an unknown assailant. A year and five months later Garrison was arrested at Communist Headquarters on Haight street and was given a preliminary hearing before U. S. Commissioner Williams on Sept. 19 Mrs. Henry did not even offer to identify Garrison as her assail-

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## TRIAL OF 5 L. A. HEARST PICKETS

### Epic Assemblyman Is Witness As Thugs Are Exposed

**LOS ANGELES, Sept. 27.—Baring the brutal attack of police officers and other Hearst-hired thugs upon a picket line in front of the Los Angeles Examiner last Sept. 3rd, the defense had its fifth witness on the stand in the trial of five workers on trumped-up charges growing out of the assault, when the court adjourned here late today until Monday morning.**

Star witness of today's session was John Pelletier, Epic State Assemblyman, who testified that he saw a plainclothes officer fighting with a big, husky thug, only to see them later speaking together in friendly conversation. When asked why he thought the man was a plain clothes officer, the assemblyman replied:

"Because he carried a club."

**McLean Testifies**

James McLean, unemployed leader, gave a very graphic description of the scene in which police and other thugs brutally clubbed workers, and even became so confused as to club each other until other officers stopped it. Testifying he went there as an observer, McLean said:

**"I went there as an observer because I had been told a day or so before by an Examiner employee that the picket line was going to be clubbed to pieces."**

**When asked by chubby prosecutor Ned Marr who the employee was, McLean said: "I don't remember. Do you want to know why I don't remember his name or what he looks like?"**

**"No," said Marr hastily.**

**Laughter arose in the courtroom when McLean said: "Then these thugs (police officers) started slugging—"**

**"I object, your honor," said Prosecutor Marr.**

**"All right," said McLean, "when these GENTLEMEN started slugging—"**

**Officer George of the "red squad" was waving a tear gas gun**

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## Mass Defense of Eureka Workers Halts Frame-Up

REDWOOD ASSOCIATION IS FORCED TO GIVE UP; CASES DISMISSED

EUREKA, Calif., Sept. 30.—All the remaining eight cases in the local "riot" frame-up were dismissed here last Friday morning by Judge Harry Falk, acting for Judge C. A. Paulsen, when five of the defendants came up to have a new trial date set. This sudden about face by assistant prosecutor A. G. Bradford, the police, and the Redwood Association is a smashing victory for the International Labor Defense and the organized mass pressure of the workers. District Attorney Fraser, Mayor Sweasey and Police Chief Littlefield "held a conference" on Thursday and concluded on this step.

Those dismissed were Eugene Miller, who was scheduled for a new trial on Oct. 14, following a hung jury in his first trial, Mr. and Mrs. Everett St. Peters, Lee Virken, P. Radelich, Harry Johnson, J. A. Buchanan and Albert Lima. International Labor Defense Attorney Leo Gallagher defended Miller, Virken, Radelich and Johnson. The St. Peters had not yet had a trial, but the remaining five, together with Geo. Starivich, stood trial here recently, the jury finding Starivich "not guilty" and failing to agree on the others.

❖ Followed Police Attack.

This entire "riot" frame-up was the aftermath of the police attack on the Sawmill and Timber Workers' picket line before the Holmes-Eureka lumber mill on June 21. The police and hired thugs, who passed as G-Men, shot three pickets to death and injured eight more in their unprovoked assault. Immediately a reign of terror was launched against the workers and 150 militants were rounded up.

Of these 150 only 12 were held for trial. Prosecutor Bradford tried desperately for a guilty verdict in three trials, hoping thus to whitewash the police of the murder charge brought against them

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## REDFERN MASON TELLS ROLE OF LABOR TICKET

UNITED POLITICAL POWER OF LABOR MUST DEFEAT DRIVE OF EMPLOYERS

### C. S. Repeal Stressed

UHL'S STAND ON REPEAL OF C. S. LAW SHOWN TO BE LIP SERVICE

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 30—"Labor history of the past years shows clearly that the power of the employers is always exerted in both the political and economic fields. Only by unifying its political powers in United Front action can labor hope to defeat the enormous union-breaking machine which now confronts it on a national scale. The United Labor Ticket in San Francisco represents a step toward meeting this emergency"

This statement was issued by Redfern Mason, candidate for mayor on the Labor Ticket in the coming municipal elections

"The recent dispute on the "Hot Cargo" issue on the waterfront is indication of the lengths to which employers are ready to go in their drive to break the strength of the unions," Mason added. "As far back as August, employers were running ads in the papers saying they 'had reasons to believe' that forces were moving toward a new waterfront struggle. The only reason they had to believe this was that they themselves were already organizing provocations and trying to force the men toward a strike. If a strike has been averted (and you can't be too sure about it at the present moment) it will be because the men presented such a disciplined, orderly front that the employers

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## Jobless Unions Press Fight on Militarization

DEMAND REMOVAL OF ALL ARMY INFLUENCE IN RELIEF SET-UP

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 30.—Upon receipt of a letter from the local SERA offices at 450 Mission street, wherein the relief officials emphatically declared that they would maintain Army recruiting officers in the various relief headquarters to enlist jobless men into the armed forces, the County Federation of Unemployed and Allied Organizations have again protested the order in a sharp letter to Mr. John Small, SERA director.

The letter from the Unemployed Federation said in part: "In answer to our protest against recruiting for the military in the relief centers your letter of Sept. 17 quite clearly verifies our contention that the Relief Administration is being utilized by the armed forces for the purpose of recruiting unemployed workers into the military apparatus."

❖ "No Recruiting."

The protest concluded with a demand for the "Immediate discontinuance of this co-operation by the relief administration with the military, and that the recruit-

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# Hot Cargo Ruling Will Be Challenged By I. L. A. Gulf Dockers On Strike

### Shippers Form United Front Against ISU Award Request

BULLETIN

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 1.—Obviously acting under pressure from the stronger offshore shipowners, the steam schooner operators here have refused to grant award amendments asked by the International Seamen's Union.

Heretofore the steam schooner owners had proven more willing to negotiate with the seamen than the offshore group which is national in scope

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 1.—It takes more than an Andy Furuseth to stampede the membership of the Sailors' Union of the Pacific as was proven at the membership meeting here last night.

Andy had told the rank and file its delegates would not be challenged at the forthcoming International Seamen's Union Convention, if the union conducted a ballot as to whether it wished to remain a part of the I.S.U. and would promise to "abide by the agreement."

He put the threat in the form of a motion. There were approximately 400 men present but the motion was lost for want of a second!

The sailors voted $100 burial expenses for one of their brothers who died in the County Hospital here, although the man was behind in dues and it is against the constitution to take action under these circumstances. The reactionary "constitutionalists" present were told the rank and file would change the constitution any time it needed changing.

An additional 1000 "Boycott Hearst" buttons were ordered by the membership.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 30.—Offshore shipowners and the negotiations committee for the seamen met again this afternoon to discuss further the amendments

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### *Gulf Longshore Strike Called In Four Ports*

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 1.—Longshoremen in four Gulf ports, tired of I.L.A. President Ryan's stalling, struck at midnight.

The rank and file longshoremen forced the top officialdom of the Longshoremen's Association to issue the strike call, after Ryan had attempted to "settle the strike over the conciliator's table." At the same time they declared the longshoremen in other ports would refuse to handle hot cargo or to load ships bound for the strike area.

Police attacked picket lines and broke up longshore meetings as the reign of terror against the strikers got under way almost before the strike had become effective.

The Longshoremen are demanding recognition of their union. The IL.A. represents more than 3200 longshoremen in New Orleans alone. Sympathetic action has been promised by other unions in the Gulf district.

### New Soviet Industry Shows Rapid Growth

MOSCOW, Oct. 1.—The Soviet production of composition materials, (bakelite, textolite, etc.) is growing rapidly, and will equal 150,000,000 rubles this year, judging from reports for the first half of the year. This is far in excess of the plan, which called for an output of 119.5 million rubles. Next year's plan calls for a further increase to 250 million rubles.

### Mob Lynches Negro

VIENNA, Ga., Oct. 1.—Lewis Harris, a Negro, was seized and lynched by a mob which overpowered the sheriff. Harris had been arrested on a charge of drunkenness.

### Lundberg Announces Release of S.S. Point Clear

BULLETIN

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 1.—Sentiment of waterfront workers this morning definitely attributed efforts of shipowners to foment trouble on the S. F docks to the impending struggle of longshoremen in Gulf ports.

"The 'Hot Cargo' issue," said one longshoreman, "was a raw frame-up. They know that unless they can break the S. F. union, workers in other ports are going to demand similar improved conditions. They wanted to foment trouble here as an excuse for attacking us."

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 1.—Highlights of the waterfront situation here this morning were:

1—The International Longshoremen's Association is prepared to challenge the arbitrator decision that dock workers must work hot cargo.

2—Shipowners, through the Waterfront Employers' Association were hiring through their own facilities and not through the hiring hall.

3—Release of the Point Clear, Swayne and Hoyt steamer tied up here since June with hot cargo from Vancouver, was announced by Harry Lundberg, president of the Maritime Federation. A Vancouver strike settlement is being negotiated by the Canadian Government.

4—Employers declared they would lift the blacklist against some 1200 longshoremen as soon as the men "intimated they would work the Point Clear."

5—Release of the hot cargo ban by Bargemen and Warehousemen pending settlement of respective strikes.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept 30.—Harry Bridges, president of the San Francisco longshoremen late today issued a statement in which he scored the attempt by the Waterfront Employers' Association here to dispatch longshoremen to the docks through their own facilities.

The employers, disregarding the agreement, have for several days been using their own dispatcher. Acording to the award longshore men are to be dispatched through the Hiring Hall set up for this purpose

Very few longshore gangs worked today and shippers intimated the blacklist still is in effect. Workers were told to report for work at 7 o'clock Tuesday morning as usual.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 30.—Waterfront workers, over the week-end, moved to block the strike which shipowners are attempting to provoke when the Bargemen's Union here voted to lift the hot cargo boycott on material dumped on the docks by the officials of the river boat companies against which the barge workers have been striking since early in July.

Longshoremen had refused to move the hot cargo and the employers had blacklisted nearly 2000 men who declined to be made into

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## Unified Furniture Workers Force Six Shops to Sign Up in Strike

### L. A. Strike Under Rank and File Control Is Example for Other Trade Unions

**LOS ANGELES, Sept. 27—With unity of action achieved, the Furniture Workers Industrial Union Local 10 and Upholsterers International Union Local 15, an A. F. of L. union, were in their second day of a strike for higher wages and better working conditions here today and have already forced six firms to settle.**

Members of both unions have pledged never to separate again, and it is only a matter of days until amalgamation of both locals under the charter of the Upholsterers International Union Local 15. The workers have set for themselves the task of building one strong union in Los Angeles.

Thus far Robinson's Upholstery Company, Sterling, Soronows, Turner, Security and Crown firms have been forced to settle with the strikers. The Century, Bay Murray, Mason's, Knaster and Roberti shops are still recalcitrant and are being picketed.

**The joint demands of the two unions are $1 an hour for upholsterers, and a minimum of 80 cents an hour for springers, cushion makers, seamstresses, outsiders, and couch-makers. The strike is rank-and-file controlled, with complete harmony between the unions.**

All reports of shop committees are submitted to the joint strike committee, which in turn reports for approval to the union membership. All decisions are being carried out satisfactory to all workers.

**These workers are to be congratulated for achieving trade union unity within their trade, and are urged to carry on their good work toward trade union unity throughout Southern California.**

# LONGSHOREMEN STRIKE IN GULF PORTS – AWARD IS CRITICIZED

## Shipowners Foment Trouble, Refuse to Consider Changes Asked By I.S.U.

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strikebreakers. As a result, more than 30 ships had been tied up here by Monday morning.

Last Saturday, Judge Sloss, arbitrator for the Longshore Board, ruled in favor of the shipowners and "ordered" longshoremen to move the hot cargo, even to the extent of passing through picket lines if necessary.

But the employers, openly unwilling to settle the issue peacefully, up until noon today had not lifted the blacklist and the Association, declared the delay in lifting the blacklist was "due to misunderstanding."

❄ Bargemen to Arbitrate.

Meanwhile the Bargemen have signified willingness to put their grievance and demands against the barge operators before an arbitration board. Most of the barge firms already have settled with the workers but three of the largest companies stubbornly refused to meet with the workers on any grounds except those which would put the bargemen at a disadvantage before the issue even had come up for discussion.

The employers, dedominated effectively their desire to provoke further trouble when they summoned by offials of companies distributed hot cargo on at least 20 piers here last week. When longshoremen refused to pass through longshoremen's picket lines or to work the tink cargo, the shipowners demanded arbitration.

❄ Overtime Issue.

The employers put Judge Sloss, the arbitrator, on the spot by pressing for him a series of questions to which they demanded answers. In the meantime, anticipating that I. L. A. would appeal Judge Sloss' ruling, the employers suddenly announced their willingness to pay approximately $40,000 overtime due the longshoremen.

Sloss on two occasions had ruled the overtime must be paid but whenever the longshoremen asked for the money due them the shipowners replied the affair "was in the hands of their lawyers." For months they have refused to pay, and would not have consented finally to do so had they not found themselves in an untenable position with the Longshore Board.

❄ Warehousemen.

In Oakland the Santa Fe Packing Co. has locked out the warehousemen, affiliated to the I. L. A. and another source of hot cargo has been created. This issue also is being settled and rests only on the initiative of the workers involved.

Emergency meanwhile are still picketing Piers 1 and 2, terminals for the River Lines, Inc., and the Bay Transportation Co. A strike of longshoremen at other ports was to begin at midnight, Monday.

## SOVIET TEAMS SET NEW COAL MINING RECORD

MOSCOW, Oct. 1—During the past month as a result of work done by a young Caucasian miner, the Donetz coal field has seen a phenomenon whereby the production of one miner with an automatic hammer has been pushed up from five tons in a six-hour shift to the dizzy figure of 310 tons.

This record was made by a miner, Artukhoff, with three helpers and two preppers, who each earned 580 roubles for their six hours' work. The method, called "Stakhanovism," aims its inventor consists in proper coordination in removing the coal as it was cut, and in putting in props, adjusting the cutter, a tool made in a Leningrad factory, to be used to its full capacity.

This method is now being introduced into other mines, and officials, opposing it, are being been deposed. Unlike the capitalist system, the greater efficiency obtained is not used to cut piece rates, but the miners are allowed the full benefit of the improvement introduced by their relief rolls.


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## 'In U.S.A. They Go Up; In U.S.S.R. They Go Down'

UNDER CAPITALISM

Raising prices of foodstuffs, and the high prices of meat in particular, continue to arouse mass sentiment among housewives for a Congressional investigation of corporate profits in the meat and packing industries. Not only have working class women in various cities made their demands felt, as in the case of Detroit where Mrs. Mary Zuk led mass picketing of butcher stores, but even "white-collar" wives in suburbs like San Mateo have publicly agitated against the estimated 18 per cent rise in food prices during the last two years.

UNDER SOCIALISM

A decree signed by Stalin and Molotoff orders decreases in food prices ranging from 20 to 25 per cent, and opens the "market to all important foodstuffs formerly "rationed" out through special arrangements with factory dining rooms and stores with special prices for workers.

All such "closed" store will soon be abolished, due to the immense improvement in production and hence a huge rise in the standard of living for the entire population.

## COMMITTEES IN DRIVE TO FREE C. S. PRISONERS

### CONFERENCES IN L. A. AND S. F. ORGANIZE UNITED FRONT CAMPAIGN

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 20.—Calling all progressive and non-fascist organizations to join in a united front for the protection of democratic rights, against vigilante terror and for the repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Law, the Conference for Labor's Civil Rights is rapidly organizing support for the Southern California Congress for the Repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Law.

The large and enthusiastic response to the calls for the Congress is anticipated by Tom Mikell, secretary of the Conference for Labor's Civil Rights, on the basis of its reception thus far.

❄ 500 Delegates Expected.

Organizations throughout California are urged to send delegates to the Congress, which is expected to reach a total of 500 delegates representing labor and fraternal organizations. It will meet on Broadway, Room 310, Los Angeles.

Petitions calling for the repeal of the C. S. Law are already being circulated among trade unions, fraternal groups, Utopian groups, cooperatives, radical, nonfascist organizations, and individuals. Blanks are now available to all organizations.

❄ 24 A. F. of L. Unions.

Issues to be raised at the Congress include freedom of the press, of assemblage, of speech, of the right to organize, strike and picket, and the defense of freedom of speech, press and assemblage.

The Congress is expected to carry to a new and higher political level the work done in the past by the Conference for Labor's Civil Rights, which now has 77 affiliated organizations, including 21 American Federation of Labor unions.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 30—All A. F. of L. unions, politically groups and other workers' organizations are urged to elect two delegates to the conference for the Repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Act to be held in San Francisco, Oct. 13 to 15.

The conference will represent the hundreds of thousands of Californians who oppose this anti-labor Criminal Syndicalism Law. It is understood that the men and women convicted at Sacramento this month are out now on appeal bonds, pending which their hearing will come up before the State Court of Appeal at Sacramento early in November. Mass delegations are planned to go to Sacramento.

❄ Response Good.

Already responses and filing fees received to the call to the October 13 conference from San Francisco

## DEMAND RETURN OF CUT

OAKLAND, Sept. 30—A committee from the Public Works Council Unemployed Union called at SERA headquarters last Saturday and demanded that the 15 per cent cut in relief be restored and that, pending operation of WPA, such services as barbering, shoe repairs, etc., be renewed, and that they be maintained for the so-called "unemployable" after WPA begins.

Mr. Stout, new SERA director, evaded them the matter was fut of his hands, but promised to go forward the demands to State Administrator McLaughlin. Meanwhile he will get started in about two weeks, he declared, but "not just as anxious to get it started as you are."

Mr. Stout, Voltz, the PWUU spokesman, retorted, "We've been hearing that it will start in two weeks ever since July."

The results of the PWUU fight against forcing unemployed to scab in the agricultural fields was seen in a surprising request from Mr. Stout that the Union elect a committee of 12 reliable men to be sent out to fields where there are calls for harvest workers. This committee to work one or two days in the fields and report how much they could earn in an hour's work, before any SERA workers were forced off relief and sent to the fields.

## CUT IN RELIEF PROTESTED BY OAKLAND PWUU

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ing officers immediately withdrawn from all relief projects and Government employment agencies."

The County Federation pointed out that making workers on the unemployed is part of the present program, requires that all workers and labor organizations send their protests to the SERA Administration, demanding that the Army be removed from the relief centers and military recruiting in those centers be stopped.

## DIST. 13 OF COMMUNIST PARTY LAUNCHES NEW MEMBERS DRIVE

### Sections Set Quota to be Reached in Intensive Campaign Ending Nov. 7

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 1.—In a whirlwind campaign ending November 7, District 13 of the Communist Party, which includes California, Arizona and Nevada, is seeking to bring into its ranks the large number of class-conscious workers who have come to the conclusion that the Communist path is the only solution to the economic and social conditions facing the United States.

The rapid decay, among the workers class under conditions of depression has brought the great majority of workers to realize the approaching collapse of capitalism. Only the inertia of the Party members has prevented the Party from even more rapid growth than in the past year. This inertia, it is hoped, will be overcome by vigorous, intensive work among the many workers who need only be approached to get them to join the Communist Party, and who are not now in it because of ignorance of what Party membership really means.

The following quotas have been set by the various sections of District 13 of the Communist Party for recruiting new members for the period ending Nov 7, classified by occupation, etc.:

Los Angeles Section: 25 women, 15 A. F. of L., 20 Spanish, 10 Negro, 30 shop workers, 60 unemployed, 7 agricultural workers, 5 miscellaneous; total 212.

San Francisco: 28 women, 35 A. F. of L., 3 Spanish, 7 Negro, 20 shop, 30 unemployed, 11 miscellaneous; total 129.

Fresno: 4 women, 5 A. F. of L., 2 Spanish, 14 Negro, 40 shop, 5 unemployed, 53 miscellaneous; total 198.

San Diego: 8 A. F. of L., 2 miscellaneous; total 10.

Contra Costa, 10 A. F. of L., 2 shop, 3 agricultural, 12 miscellaneous; total 25.

San Bernardino, 1 A. F. of L., 8 Spanish, 3 Negro, 5 shop; total 20.

Sacramento, 4 A. F. of L., 2 Negro, 2 shop, 12 miscellaneous; total 20.

Santa Barbara, 2 women, 5 A. F. of L., 3 Spanish, 5 Negro, 4 unemployed, 2 agricultural, 1 Filipino, 2 shop; total 18.

Sonoma, 1 A. F. of L., 2 shop, 5 unemployed, 7 farmer; total 15.

San Mateo, 5 A. F. of L., 3 Spanish, 2 Negro, 5 miscellaneous; total 15.

Bakersfield, 1 A. F. of L., 4 Negro, 3 shop, 5 miscellaneous; total 13.

Fresno, 4 A. F. of L., 3 Negro, 3 unemployed; total 10.

Imperial Valley, 2 A. F. of L., Arizona, 4 A. F. of L., 6 miscellaneous; total 10.

Kern County, 2 A. F. of L., 2 Spanish; total 4.

The following sections have not yet set quotas for themselves but the membership drive will be on the basis of: Sacramento, Eureka, Porterville, and Stockton.

In addition quotas have been set for recruiting into the Young Communist League in the following sections: San Bernardino, 10; Bakersfield 5, Los Angeles 31, Sacramento 4, East Bay 12, and San Francisco 18.

## UTAH FRAME-UP OF UNEMPLOYED IN FULL SWING

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Sept. 30.—The trial of 9 jobless workers on charges of "rioting" at the FERA offices in Sugarhouse is well under way with the jury chosen and a long array of deputy sheriffs and FERA bootlickers having completed their frame-up testimony in the witness stand.

The nine workers, Sinclair, Workman, Shelley, Allen, Smith, Martin, Shay and R. and J. Solomon were arrested and arraigned when they appeared in the unemployment offices to protest a relief cut and to demand adequate relief for the jobless.

The sheriff's deputies admitted that they were assembled in the building about a half hour before the "disturbance" and were prepared to "receive" them. They contradicted themselves and each other on almost every point of testimony. Hymes and Wellpot admitted running toward the parking lot across from the Examiner where the fighting started."

Lieut. Allen testified that he saw Defendant Nino Reyes standing in the street with blood streaming down a wound on his head "like a fountain."

Jack Ginsburg, a defendant, was still on the stand when the session closed. He testified to seeing groups of "rough-looking" individuals standing in the Examiner building entrance. Judge R. Morgan Call denied counsel a prosecution objection when Ginsburg described them as the type "I wouldn't want to meet alone in the dark."

## 'NO EVIDENCE,' PROSECUTOR IS FORCED TO SAY

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unanimous vote did not get a look at him.

However Trifolle Kline, a sailor who he said to have recognized from his alleged acting as the supposed attack by running to the scene, shouting twice that Carlson was the man he saw attacking Gregory. Questioned closely behind Mrs. Henry shortly before the purported incident occurred, Kline admitted he no longer assures dispositive of his case, but doubtedly more "evidence" will be supplied. The violence of the workers must not be relaxed.

and Northern California labor unions and other workers' groups. Many labor unions have responded already; some new to a conference of this kind. Assemblyman Paul A. Richie of San Diego, Anita Whitney, Professor Hard of Stanford University and Caroline Decker and William Sanders, labor lawyers, have been asked to address the October 6 conference.

Mrs. May Mahoney is in charge of arrangements for a dance and entertainment to be given Saturday, October 5 at Druids Hall, 121 Haight St. for the benefit of the U. S. Conference.

## BRUTALITY OF POLICE SHOWN IN L. A. TRIAL

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## *Eureka Union Thanks Elaine Black for Aid*

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 30.—Miss Elaine Black of the International Labor Defense is in receipt of a letter from Everett St. Fater, secretary of the Lumber and Sawmill Workers Union, Local 2563, of Eureka, Calif., expressing the appreciation of that union for her efforts in defense of the lumber strikers who were tried on frame-up charges of "rioting" here.

Mr. St. Peter, together with seven others, had his case dismissed by Judge Harry Falk in Eureka last Friday.

The letter said, in part: "I was instructed by a unanimous vote of the body to thank you for your splendid spirit of help that has prevented the Party from even more rapid growth than in the past year. This inertia, it is hoped, will be overcome by vigorous, intensive work among the many workers who need only be approached to get them to join the Communist Party, and who are not now in it because of ignorance of what Party membership really means.

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## BILLINGS STILL FIRM ON STAND

### Testimony Unshaken By Rigid Cross Examination

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 30.—Warren K. Billings, confederate of Tom Mooney in the 1916 Preparedness Day bombing, clung unshaken through the final all day today in the lashes corpus hearing by which Mooney seeks vindication. He is still under the conviction by Assistant Attorney General William E. Cleary, who is trying to convince the chief executive of Billings' guilt, under direct examination, by breaching every, conceivable extraneous issue. Not a fragment of evidence remains to connect either Mooney or Billings with the Preparedness' Day explosion. However, Cleary has taken the line of stressing Billings' militant activity in the labor movement and trying to distort this into a justification of the State's accusation. Billings cynically admitted that he had been lad in any way been involved in the dynamiting of two electrical towers at San Dimas. An attempt had been made, previous to the Preparedness' Day explosion, to frame both Mooney and Billings on a like charge. This earlier frame-up failed through lack of evidence. The second strategem was reinforced by evidence since been perjured.

In all his cross-examination, Cleary has not touched upon a single factor which might influence the jury or judge in the crime. His questions have concentrated on prejudicial issues which prove nothing more than the fact that Billings were loyal and militant trade workers in the ranks of San Francisco labor.

## MASS PRESSURE FREES EUREKA "RIOT" VICTIMS

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by the public. The first trial of Boyer ended with a jury disagreement, the second trial of the three, acquitted, with Attorney Blaine McGowan getting as defense counsel. The third trial ended on September 25.

❄ Result of Mass Action.

The mass protest against this legal persecution, combined with the unanimous decision of the organizing of the taxpayers' money by the Redwood Association and the lockeys in the local publics offices to abandon the whole affair.

During his closing arguments in the last trial Prosecutor Bradley declared, "We will have Fascism in this country to stop Communism unless such men as these defendants are taught a lesson."

One defense witness lost his job for testifying, making a total of three who have been prosecuted or sharing in exercising constitutional rights in this community. A policeman at the high school was fired for going bail for some of the lumber workers, and Virgil Jewett, a school-teacher, was dismissed for participating in the picketing of the lumber workers.

The Labor Defense Committee of the Finnish Workers have so far turned in $139 for the defense expenses in these trials, the Workers' Club of Fortuna, and Viking $50 and the balance being the proceeds from a dance given by the Eureka workers.

Communist Party members, write in about unit activity.

## United Front to Work for Freedom Of Santa Ana C.S. Frame-Up Victim

### Defense Committee to Include Epics, Utopians, Church Organizations

### *TEN NAMED AS UNITED LABOR CANDIDATES*

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maifnvers stood exposed in all their crude treachery.

❄ Unity and Control

"The financial interests are well organized. Not only do employers present a United Front against labor in their Industrial Association and the recently organized "Committee of One Thousand," but they control their own election machinery, which, to date, has been the only election machinery.

"Trade Unions represent the strength of labor in the economic fields. The Labor Ticket is labor's strength in the political field which will be expressed for the first time in the coming elections."

Mason and the nine other Labor Ticket candidates last week officially filed their declarations of candidacy at the City Hall.

All of the candidates have taken a firm stand for complete repeal of the vicious anti-labor Criminal Syndicalism Law and for freedom of the eight Sacramento Criminal Syndicalism victims.

Capitalist candidate, Adolph Uhl, speaking before the Inter-Professional Association last night exposed the hypocrisy of his previous opposition to the C. S. Law when he declared that the existing penalty of from one to ten years was excessive and should be reduced to a maximum of five years which he deemed "adequate."

It is reported that Ed Rainey (former secretary of Mayor James Rolph, Jr.) another capitalist candidate appeared to make a campaign speech before the meeting of the Auto Mechanics Union last week. He was preceded by spokesmen of the Labor Ticket. When Rainey got up to talk, the hall was still resounding with applause for Candidate Mason. Rainey objected to the notice of the situation, Rainey started out with a few words of praise for Mayor Rolph, but was unbidden, pressing his esteem for Mayor, his time was up. The result was he had made a stump speech for the Labor Ticket and didn't get a chance to mention his own campaign.

❄ Labor Ticket Headquarters.

The Labor Ticket has opened headquarters at 747 Market st. and calls upon all workers who can spare time for campaign work to get in touch immediately. Labor Ticket candidates are: Reuben Mason, for mayor; William Reisner, member of the Utopian Society, for supervisor; George Andersen, militant labor attorney and member of the Boilermakers' Union, for the municipal bench; Ben Lazare of the San Francisco Council of the Democratic Party, for sheriff; and the following candidates for the Board of Supervisors: John D. Shaw, Executive Committee, International Longshoremen's Association, Local 38-79; Tanny Atex, attorney and member of the Utopian Society; James Tracy, of the Communist Party; Morris Benson, president of the City and County Federation of the Unemployed; William Sanders, Ornamental Iron Workers' Union, Local 472, and Evan A. Wattles, Carpenters' Union, Local 22.

## *MASS DEMONSTRATION AND COPS FREE PEDRO KILLER*

### POLICE ARE "SIGNS" WITH BEEF SQUAD THUG

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## *FRENCH TRADE UNIONS MERGE IN ONE BODY*

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cism, and demanding full League action against the Italian fascist war maniac, have frustrated the efforts of French imperialist bankers to form a League majority.

With unity of the French unions accomplished, and with the Swiss Social-Democrats closing with their Communist comrades in fight against the common enemy, the appeal laid before the Second International executive body by the Comintern gains additional weight.

The sole force for the preservation of peace—unified labor—is coming into being with giant strides.

## U. S. WAR EXPORTS GROW

WASHINGTON—Export figures for August show unusual shipment of material useful for manufacture of war instruments and supplies, mostly to Italy.

Italy was shipped 1454 bales of cotton linters, 30,078 tons of iron and steel, and 11,975,554 pounds of copper. No actual arms and munitions were shipped, although 34 aircraft engines were shipped. After Nov. 29 special licenses will be required for the shipment of munitions, although legislation on the subject forbids withholding of such licenses unless war is actually declared and the President proclaims an embargo.

Manufacturers of munitions and materials for munitions manufacture are by no means disinterested in the continuation of the war situation, and will profit still more with the coming of war itself.


BENEFIT

DANCE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

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UNION MUSIC — SHORT PLAY

REFRESHMENTS — DOOR PRIZES

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# Rockies

## Legion Backs Bonus More Martial Law Safeguarding Scabs Consumers' Research

ST. LOUIS—The American Legion convention rubber-stamped the bonus proposal put forward by the clique of bankers who run the present convention. The resolution calls for a measure similar to the Vinson Bonus Bill backed by Legion chiefs during the last session of Congress. This would pay the bonus through the issuance of bonds, adding a heavy toll of interest payment to the bankers, and throwing the burden of paying for the bonus on the working class, instead of on the profiteers from the World War, as demanded by rank and file Legion members.

YOUNGSTOWN — The entire force of the Tomlinson Steel Car Company at Niles is striking against the new piece-rate system introduced, which pays only by the piece, without any guarantee of a minimum hourly pay. The strikers are demanding the old rates and reinstatement of one man fired when he refused to work at the new reduced rates. Non-union workers are striking in solidarity with the members of the Federal Labor in the plant.

PIERRE HAUTE—Martial law, which has ruled this city for several months, is still being used to prevent picketing of the Columbia Stamping and Enameling Company. When mass picketing has resulted, wholesale arrests are made by the militia. The national guard refused to intervene, however, when scabs attacked a picket with brass knuckles. Attorneys for the Labor and Socialist Defence Committee have filed suit against Gov. Paul McNutt to enjoin him from continuing martial law in Vigo and Sullivan counties.

MILWAUKEE—Police are blocking off the streets around the Linde-mann, Hoverson stove plant for one hour before quitting time each day, in the hope of catching in the plant to them hostiles in safety." This precaution is taken following the march of 1,000 strikers on the plant on the previous early last week. A demonstration of strikers and sympathizers at the plant was successful in spite of efforts to stop it by the police.

WASHINGTON—The strikers of Consumers' Research answered the attack made upon them by their former employer, Dr. Stuart Chain sent out to the 1,000 subscribers to Consumers' Research services. The bulletin pointed out that they were striking against the indiscriminate firing practiced by the management, and for recognition of their union, the Technical Editorial and Office Assistants' Union, Local 20055, AFL. The management has used every possible means to break the strike without success, resorting to violence, hiring armed thugs from detective agencies, cries of Communism, and threats of vigilante action.

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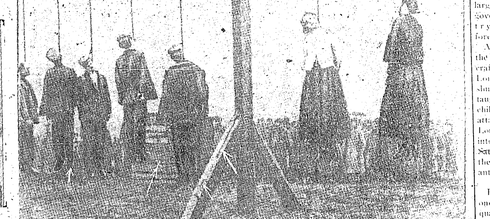
# How Hearst Forges The "Soviet Photos"

## The Original Picture of World War Horrors—

## The Faked Copy, Representing "Soviet Terror"—

Fate of Civilians Behind the Lines Sho ntirely Innocent Persons

Pencil Sketch of Photo of the World War.



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Compare this picture with the retouched copy on the right.

This picture, a very clumsy forgery, accompanied an article on Page 14 in Hearst's "American Weekly" of Sunday, May 14, 1933, entitled "Russian Police Methods." Readers of the San Francisco Examiner will find it on file at the public library. Ask the librarian for the Examiner of May, 1933. Under this picture was printed the following:

"Part of a wholesale execution by the dreaded Cheka', now the OGPU, Russia's merciless secret service spies. Among these unfortunates are two women."

This brazen slander against the Soviet Union is not too well done. Arrow on extreme left indicates brush mark where figure of a man (see other photos) was eliminated. Note lines about feet which had to be drawn in. Double set of arrows on right shows crack in wood (again compare.) Note caps on some of these figures. How many men were hanging on the end of a rope would fail to knock off such head-gear?

Notice how the "artist," in reversing figures, painting in laces and painting out others, has left them looking like dolls on strings.

In the article below a worker who knows this particular kind of work describes technical methods of checking such forgeries and gives the reader some information that should help him in comparing these two pictures for his own satisfaction.

## JACKSON MINER IS FRAMED BY BIASED JURORS

### I.L.D. CALLS FOR PROTEST DEMANDING NEW TRIAL AND LOWER BAIL

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 30.—Hearing on request for a new trial for James Workman, Jackson miner framed last week on a trumped up charge of "attempted concealed weapon," will be held before, Judge Maxey in Jackson on Monday, Oct. 7.

The International Labor Defense this week urges all workers and sympathizers to wire or write Superior Judge Maxey at Jackson, demanding that he grant a new trial and lower bail while an appeal is being put through.

Workman last week was found guilty by a jury composed of members of the vigilante Protective League, scabs and others who already had admitted their bias against the defendant. The jury was out but 39 minutes.

Judge Roy Maxey, who already had assisted Standard Oil in framing eight maritime workers at Modesto several months ago, was called in to try Workman's case.

❄ Witnesses, Lie.

During the course of the trial several witnesses against Workman changed their testimony. The jurors all were asked "if they or members of their family belonged to the Communist Party." Kleinschmidt, one of the witnesses, was forced to admit he had talked "about Communism" but in no case "about fifteen or twenty times."

International Labor Defense Attorney George Andersen completely discredited the testimony of the sheriff and several of his witnesses and showed up the whole frame-up. Workman will be held in jail, however, pending the new trial. He clearly pointed out how the weapon could have been planted in the car to be "found" later by agents in the employ.

Workman was active in the strike of the Amador miners which has been in progress for many months. His militant work there practically ran the town of Jackson, and of the mine operators who refuse to grant the workers a decent living standard.

Letters and telegrams of protest must be sent to Jackson this week by individuals and organizations. Mass pressure alone can prevent the frame-up from going through.

**We urge you to send in unit collections for the proposed Party Work collection.**

## *SEAMAN IN NAZI JAIL SAVED BY ANTI-FASCISTS*

The release of William Gill by the Nazi authorities, after he had served only ten days of a four-weeks sentence, was credited directly to the pressure brought on the Nazi government by the anti-fascist forces of America and other countries, by Anna Louise Strong, international secretary of the International Labor Defense.

William Gill, American seaman sentenced to four weeks imprisonment in Hamburg, Germany, on September 14, for making "slurring remarks" about Adolph Hitler, was released September 24, according to information received by the State Department yesterday.

The news of Gill's release came simultaneously with a communication to Rodfern Mason from the Department of State, relative to the demand made by the latter body in the case of Lawrence B. Simpson, held in Fuhlsbuettel Concentration Camp near Hamburg since May 28 on the kidnapping from the S.S. Manhattan by Gestapo agents. Gill, it is reported, was placed on the S.S. Manhattan September 24 to be returned to the United States.

The letter of the Department of State, regarding decisions dating from 1845 to 1855 (and many since) disclaimed all responsibility for Simpson, refused to consider delivery of mail to him under safeguard, or to arrange for safeguards for American counsel which the L. L. D. is prep

# BRIDGES TELLS REAL MEANING OF 'HOT CARGO'

## S. F. Labor Council Gets Explanation On Hot Cargo

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 28.—At last night's meeting of the San Francisco Labor Council Harry Bridges brought a round of applause from the delegates with a ringing statement of the stand of the longshoremen against handling hot cargo. "Only a scab would pass the picket line and work hot cargo," declared the I. L. A. delegate.

In a thorough exposition of the whole waterfront set-up Bridges explained that the waterfront employers are trying to force the I. L. A. members to handle hot cargo, and when they refuse the men are blacklisted. Then the employers claim there are "not enough" longshoremen to handle the cargo, disregarding the fact that it is the blacklisted men are permitted to work there will be more than enough.

"Would a union man pass a picket to eat in an unfair restaurant?" was Bridges' telling clincher to the argument, "That is what the employers expect the I.L.A. members to do on the picketed docks."

❄ Deputized Scabs.

Fred West of the Window Cleaners reminded of the advertising of scab officials of the barge line as highway police. "Since when has a river been a highway?"

The attendance at this session of the Council was the greatest since it chose to meet behind closed doors.

❄ Fighting Funds

A communication from the Jackson Miners, Local 48, was received acknowledging $50 and $50 in donations and asking more substantial financial aid because their children are in need of more nourishing food, as well as shoes and clothing.

A total of $176 in donations from several unions was reported to be devoted to the expense of the appeal of the recent frame-up conviction of eight members of the marine unions on the Joseph Stanard Oil "Dynamite Plot" frame-up.

❄ Fur Trade Victory.

The Fur Workers Cleaners reported that the contractors are opposed to a demand for increased wages and trouble is expected in the very near future. Fur workers announced that due to militancy of the workers their Union had been recognized by most of the retail and wholesale furriers in San Francisco. Shorter working hours and increased wages have been granted by most of the firms, but three firms still stubbornly refuse to deal with the Union.

The Upholsterers reported that members of their union are mercilessly exploiting with long hours and low pay.

# DEPORTATION OF FIFTEEN GREEK SEAMEN SCORED

## U. S. GOV'T. AIDS IN MOVE TO CRUSH PROTEST

NEW YORK, Sept. 30—Fifteen seamen were deported to Greece on the steamship Bremen, Tuesday, Sept. 17, as, midnight, they were practically kidnapped from Baltimore and sent out at the orders of the Greek legation at Washington, Congressman Sabath charged to receive a hearing in a magistrate court in Baltimore, his hearing was suddenly and summarily closed off.

The seamen were arrested when the vessel, the Greek steamship Anna, arrived at Spartows Point. They were taken to the Eighth Police Station in Baltimore. The captain, Saranti Carabitis charged them with mutiny on the high seas from Whyalla, Australia. The ship carried a cargo of iron for the Bethlehem Steel Company.

In spite of the American government is aiding the Greek government to crush the protest of seamen against the unbearable conditions on Greek ships, The mixed crew of the Anna had been forced to fight a blaze that had raged in the coal bunker for fifteen days. On May 30 the Anna had limped into St. Helena with leaking boilers, and without stopping for proper repairs, continued on her trip.

The American Committee for the Protection of Foreign Born urges all friends of labor to wire Francis Perkins, Secretary of Labor, Washington, D. C., protesting against the cooperation of immigration authorities with the fascist regime in Greece.

# News Stories and Comment by Worker Correspondents

# GIVES HIMSELF A BIG HAND ON RED EXPULSION

## DICTATOR OF OIL UNION "DISCOVERED" WHAT EVERYBODY KNEW

By an Oil Worker

LONG BEACH, Calif.—The California Federationist, the paper edited by Scharrenberg, Vandeleur and Co., crowed loudly over account of International President Fremming's ousting Brother Patterson from the Long Beach Local 128 of the Oil Workers Union.

Certainly a more cowardly act by any union official cannot be recalled. At no time was the local membership consulted. After President Fremming used his constitutional power, which gives him dictatorial power to dismiss an individual member or even a whole local union, Brother Patterson appeared before the union hall and asked permission merely to state his side of the case to the membership of the union. This was denied by Comfort on the grounds that Patterson was a Communist.

❄ His Beliefs No Secret

Comfort told how he had conferred with the Red Squad and other subversive organizations to ascertain these "facts." But the truth is that at no time did Brother Patterson ever deny that he was or was a Communist while in the union. It is public knowledge that Brother Patterson was a candidate for Congress, on the Communist ticket, in the last election. He had made several addresses in and around Long Beach and had been elected captain of the guard with vigilation of the Criminal Syndicalism Law, but was not convicted. He had been forcibly evicted from the Compton City Council while making a plea for relief for destitute relief workers in Compton.

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## CARR, OF STOCKTON, HAS A SLICK RACKET

(Note: Before publishing this story we made inquiry amongst some doctors in the Bay District as to its credibility. They advised us to print it, "Carr is always doing something like this," said one who has known him. "He . . . makes a racket out of fleecing the sucker who come to him." Editor.)

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CASPAR, Calif.—I am a victim of a legal robbery and would like to expose the three who did it, the lawyer, a doctor, a collection agency and a judge, all of Stockton.

The collection agent is T. A. Ross.

The doctor's address is Carr Sanitorium, 21 S. San Joaquin st., Stockton. He advertises all over this state as a rectal specialist, and the further his victims come to him the better for his purposes.

This is how it works. After examination he promises to cure with four visiting treatments, a week, for $30, "in case you pay $15 I did pay, and have the receipts.

❄ Threatened Patient.

After severely injured me. I told him I was in a worse condition, than ever I was. He then told me to stay for an extra treatment. Of course I refused.

He then said he would make me pay for extra treatments, whether I stayed for dinner or not—through the medium of the courts.

I thought this was a bluff, but nothing of the kind. Before I got back to my home in Caspar, a letter from his collection agency awaited my arrival, demanding $50 more—disguised as an unpaid doctor's fee.

I had more threatening letters to take action against me.

Then came the summons, as follows," . . . said Stockton, Calif. Same indicted by J. M. Carr; a duly licensed and qualified physician and surgeon . . . for medical and hospital service, $50."

❄ Add 7 Per Cent.

I sent my son all that distance, at a cost of $80, to enter a denial in behalf of truth and justice, taking the receipts to show, was never given the slightest chance to present his lying charge. The judge worked the oracle for his robber pals because he could see some loot coming his way.

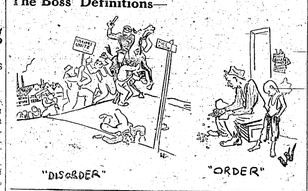
They added a demand for $50 now. Considerable has been added. According to the summons, I was supposed to owe $80 at 7 per cent since May 6, 1935, and in Stockton to see Carr until April 3, 1935!

So now the local constable from Stockton home to seize whatever can be converted into cash to share out between the doctor, the judge and the collection agency.

It would be interesting to know how many victims are being plundered throughout the state.

BOYCOTT THE BERLIN 1936 OLYMPIC GAMES

# The Boss' Definitions

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First, it is hard to find who is receiving the 40 cent an hour rate, with the exception of the few foremen, and waschuck on guards, and the chemist. Workers will put in six and a half hours work, during one night, but due to waiting for the different ingredients to cook, will lose an hour or hour and a half. Not being paid for this time, or any time lost over fifteen minutes this will bring their night's earnings to an average of $1.64. Figured on the total time they are forced to spend at the cannery, it can be seen that the rate would be below 35 cents an hour.

The workers never know just when they are to start work, and often lose a half or a whole night's time. This irregular starting is very common.

❄ Misery For Women.

Take the women who have to stand up during the whole night while working on the line. Bundled in wraps, they try to overcome the strong drafts affecting their part of the plant. During the lay-off period they can be seen in the cafeteria, or when that closes down, in the small hours of the morning they will be trying to catch a few winks of sleep on the steps of the engine room, or any other halfway comfortable place. Then many of them are forced to wait for the first streetcars, after finishing work at three, four or five a.m., as they do not have the finances to walk home. Many workers stand in lines a block or two long during the night, waiting for their checks after overtime.

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# SELLING HEARST PAPERS WITH "SOB STUFF" IS UP HILL JOB

## THEY JUST WON'T SUBSCRIBE TO SCABBY SHEETS

By a Hearst Solicitor

I have been employed by William R. Hearst for one five-day week.

For this job, the hardest labor I have ever undertaken, I received check for $475.

Of that amount, $345 was net, provided no deduction is made for wear and tear on shoeleather and clothing.

My carfare for the five days was 50 cents, and I estimated my lunch costs at 90 cents more than I would have spent for food for the same meals at home. I spent another 10 cents in carfare to collect the Hearst check, which, under the rules of good bookkeeping should be deducted from the gross. Figure it out for yourself.

In those five days I received more insults, had more doors slammed in my face, obtained more information on how much San Francisco does not think of Mr. Hearst than in all the rest of my life combined.

THEY DON'T READ HEARST

I was a Hearst subscription solicitor. I went from door to door in the Richmond and Sunset districts seeking subscribers for Hearst's shipping San Francisco Examiner.

After this experience, don't tell me labor's boycott of Hearst's San Francisco papers is not effective, is not injuring circulation. It is.

Yes, we used to take the Examiner, but we don't any more. Why? Simply because we cannot depend on anything it says. Its columns are full of lies, one quarter propaganda and 25 per cent "colored" news.

That, for instance, is the story at nearly every door. That is every door that is not slammed in the face of the solicitor.

"I wouldn't have the dirty sheet in the house," is a favorite greeting of housewives of the well-to-do Richmond and Sunset districts.

THOSE BONUSES

And when a jobless husband comes to the door, it is just too bad for the solicitor.

To fill his crews Hearst is offering a bonus of $3.50 a week for a solicitor who can turn in a dozen names; $7 a week bonus for 20 subscriptions. But not one man in the fifty or more with whom I talked had been able to win a bonus.

The men work from door to door under crew managers. They are instructed to "cry them out of it." That is, the solicitor is to tell some heart-rending story of hard luck.

"I have a wife in the hospital, and I haven't had work for two years," is a stock lie.

"My wife is about to have another baby, and we have nothing to eat in the house. Just one subscription, please, lady."

I don't care if you never pay for the paper. I get the commission if I can turn in your name; and I'll have to get another today or I lose my job."

These sob stories are told at the instruction of the crew managers. "You can't get 'em any other way," he tells new workers.

$3 A WEEK

As to the bonuses. Well, they just aint.

Not a man in the crews on which I worked had more than $5 to show for his week's labor. Not a man of the force of probably 300 solicitors that goes out daily from 188 Jessie street made the ten subscriptions in the week it would be worked, so far as I could learn. And certainly, not one would have been well supplied had just one man hit the high mark. For Hearst is desperately in need of men on his circulation crews.

The average wages, I estimate, is $4 a week. Four dollars for the hardest work a man can do.

I have been a door-to-door solicitor for more than ten years. I have tackled some tough propositions. But my toughest was trying to get my any circulation for Hearst.

Yes, "lazy" is the correct word.

INTERESTING FIGURES

All Hearst circulation is bought. Figures prevail. Can a manufacturer of newspapers, or any other product, pay 90 per cent of the sale price for his product as commission to the salesman and still have a margin of profit?

He cannot if the goods are worth a damn.

But are Hearst goods worth a damn?

Maybe, that's why ALL his circulation is bought and paid for.

I challenge the A.B.C. auditor to make me swallow this circulation charge. How foolish. Hearst can buy and sell the A.B.C. in charge, but were told nothing at all could be done because of a lack of funds.

❄ Starvation Relief

A report was made on county relief grocery orders. Two dollars is allotted for one adult $3.50 for each additional adult in a family, and $1.50 for each child. This gives a family of five—2 adults and 3 children—a total of $7.40 a week for groceries.

This really amounts to much less, when one considers that food prices are higher in San Diego than at any time before in the state because of the Big Boys' Exposition. Eggs are 40 cents per dozen in the cheapest stores; butter 42 cents per pound; oranges 3 dozen for 25 cents for the tiniest culls, medium-sized 20 cents per dozen; tomatoes 25 cents per dozen; lemons 25 cents per dozen; beans 10 cents per pound; weinies 20 cents; hamburger 15 to 25 and steak 30. These are all the cheapest prices, while neighborhood prices are often 25 per cent higher. Fresh vegetables are beyond reach.

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# Chrysler to Form Employe Blacklist

DETROIT, Oct. 1—Chrysler Corporation is taking steps to form a blacklist of employes, by circulating a questionnaire asking them if they are satisfied with conditions of work, pay, etc. As a negative answer would undoubtedly lead to the firing of the dissatisfied worker, the Chrysler body of the Auto Workers' Union advised the employes to answer "Yes, at present."

# Michigan Farmers Hold Convention

OWOSSO, Mich., Oct. 1—A 2-day convention of the Michigan organization of the National Farmers' Union, with 28,000 members has just ended here. Speakers listed included Edward Everson, national president, William Lemke, co-author of the Frazier-Lemke Bill, and delegates of the Detroit Women's League Against High Cost of Living.

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# MONOTONY AND ISOLATION FOR WORKERS IN TRANSIENT CAMPS

## Captain Calls It "Best in State"; Men Consider It Concentration Camp

By a Worker Correspondent

SAN LUIS OBISPO, Calif.—Three of us recently visited the Federal transient camp at Grizzly Flat in the Santa Cruz Mountains. We had about 100 men there, of whom a third were sent up from San Francisco.

Capt. McCann, an ex-army officer, is in charge of the camp, a place, took us on a personal tour around the camp. He claimed it "is the best camp in Calif., and serves the best food of any in the state." McCann said the boys and men are all well satisfied, and that there is no military training or discipline. He proudly showed us what he called a "large recreation hall," and a "well equipped hospital."

That recreation hall looked to us like a bare barn with a small library of "Liberty" magazines and books such as "Treasure Island." The hospital consisted of a large supply of pills, patent medicines, etc., with a first-aid man in charge.

❄ The Workers' Side

The camp was very neat. It was located on property of the Atascadero Mutual Orchards. The men are building fire trails. Men whom we spoke to, in the presence of the Captain (who never left us alone with any of them) addressed us very respectfully as "sir," and no one could show how bad it looks the Captain to train that into them.

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— San Francisco —

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## French Workers Phoned, Paris to Berlin, Their Protest Against Death Sentence For Leader of German Unions

(Translated from the German Anti-Fascist newspaper, the Gegen Angriff", printed in Paris, issue of Sept. 7, 1935, the following story aptly illustrates the solidarity which has grown between Socialist and Communist workers in France. The incident takes place at Porte Choisy, a Metro station in Paris, on line No. 7, in one of the worker's suburbs. The story is written by "Alfonso," and translated by G. H. of Los Angeles.)

Only a few passengers that pass daily with the Metro through this station, know depot Choisy, one of the largest repair and depot stations, of the Parisian Metro. The comrades from Choisy look at it in an artian solidarity as something sacred. They are rightly proud of the fact that in the battle for Georgi Dimitroff's freedom, they were at the head of all the Metro teams in Paris. The name of Comrade Thalmann becomes to the comrades of Choisy, as to all workers, a synonym for the battle for the freedom of Kaisser and Claus as well, the depot Choisy does duty.

And this it how it happened. At the station Pasteur, Charles and Pierre enter the Metro to ride to their daily work at depot Choisy. A newspaper reads, l'Humanite organ of the French Communist Party, and Pierre reads Populaire, organ of the Socialists. Suddenly Charles says:

"Pierre, look here, the Germans have killed Thalmann, Ernst Thalmann, leader of the German Communist Party, and who was sentenced merely for his political convictions."

Pierre permit me to say, we have got to do something. Every one can do what he pleases."

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"There is a man," said Pierre. "But what do we do to help him? I propose that after the shift we go to the German consulate."

"We must call protest meetings," said another.

"Not only one, but all depots," cried Charles. "Marcel, how much money have we. We must send a telegram to Berlin at once!"

"Hold on," said Marcel. "We must use a new method. I have an idea. Go to work Louis, you speak German. I'll tell you others what we did and what more we must do. Louis, come to the Syndicate office—to now we telephone to Berlin. For once, we will speak personally with Berlin!"

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"Hold on," said Marcel. "We

# BEHIND THE STEAM TABLE

## A Short Story

By Tom Anon

Looking at all the food after being hungry so long must be giving me a sour stomach, I thought. Here I was behind a steam table again in those white clothes, looking out over plenty of food at a bunch of people all eating, and still I wasn't satisfied. It took me ten months to find a "Cook Wanted" sign, and now that I had found it and got my belly full, room rent paid, and a wardress lined up, I was as sore as I used to be when the county hash was sour. I looked up at the "barred list." It said:

—Due to the increasing price of the following commodities, the help can not only be of assistance to the management, but can assure themselves of their own livelihood, by not eating the following:

Roast Turkey,
Fowl of any sort,
Pork,
Steaks,
Chops,
Milk,
Anything from the fountain,
Beer or
Anything from the bar strictly forbidden.

Ask your cook on duty to fix your plate. He has a-wide variety of foods for you to choose from and an especially prepared dessert.

NO SMOKING IN THE KITCHEN

SMILE SMILE SMILE

Then I said, my waitress, came for her lunch. I set her a couple of slices of turkey and put them under some hash.

"Bring me a coffee cup," I said. What's the matter, you look like a chill room and filled it with milk from the kitchen can. Then I rang the bell and got a bus boy to bring me some coffee and to pour into it so it wouldn't look so blue.

"Cheer up, Slim," she said, "it's pay day and tonight we'll have a big time."

"They always have a big night here," I said, "and a bitch of a hunch."

"I mean after we get off. We'll go some place and make some one else do for us."

"Now, won't that be grand?" I said.

"Aw, you're just hot," she said.

"Wait until you've had a drink and cool off. We'll go down to the Bohemian Villa."

"Sure," I said, "Your turkey's under the hash. You eat and then go up to the room or to a show and shut your feet. I'll see you at five."

"I wish you'd quit reading that scrobend junk," she said. . .

"It makes me forget my feet," I told her. "I've got four hours in now and eight to go. There's nothing like a sore head for easing the feet. Or some of that especially prepared rice pudding."

"The way you treat," she said, "you'd think that jobs grew on bushes."

"They do," I said, "in the cotton country."

She thumbed her nose at me and left with the lunch for the dressing room. It made me wish I could bust a good old fashioned thunder song on the table of the laughing party in booth four. I lifted the towel off my coffee, COMMUNISM? and started reading again. . . .

This guy Olgin, I thought, is right. It's got to be WHY SOMETHING. Anybody looking at this lousy lay-out could see that. Before I can read a page of this book I'll sell more food than my wages come to. That is the way it works, going to booth four will pay my wages and Enid's to boot.

I'd read a paragraph and then a couple of orders would come in. Sometimes I'd be so interested that I'd burn them. One of the waitresses said, "Hey, Slim, wake up!"

"I am, darling," I said. I looked up and saw her face, hot and red, made up, standing in the service window. She was standing on one foot, then the other, waiting for her order. If she got it right away she'd have time to run a dime. She was sore as hell because I made her wait a couple of seconds.

Up by the cashier's counter I could see the manager watching the clock. He was timing the order. You've never waited ten minutes for a square meal, I thought. He looked disappointed when I showed the plates through the service window. He couldn't kick on the speed but I knew he would be back anyway. He hadn't given me my thrill for the day.

I put the book under a bunch of plates and sure enough he came sailing back.

"Hello, chef," he said.

"Hello, Mr. Grosse," I said.

He was looking over the place with a critical eye but it was clean enough for anyone.

"Oh, yes, chef," he said, "there was something I wanted to speak to you about. I had roast pork for lunch and it occured to me that it was a trifle thin. While too much fowl is an insult to a patron, as you know. . ."

Yes, I knew.

. . . there is such a thing as being too stingy and unless they feel they are being cheated. . . .

I was looking at his NO PORK sign and he knew it. . . .

. . . even in the face of increasing prices, we have to consider that. I know you mean well but there is such a thing as being too saving. Now what we save by barring pork from help, just about compensates for the increase in the price of fowl, so we have no action that keeps this business going when others fail. Bear that in mind. Another subject of one is tact, tact in the table so as "the cradle of the labor movement."

Summarizing Marx's views on the unions in the general class struggle, Lozovsky shows how and why Marx and Engels fought opportunist and sectarian distortions of the function of unions—attacking both the anarchists who "underestimated the importance of reformism" and the "non-political" reformists who sought to limit the workers to purely defensive activity and prevent them from understanding the capitalist system as the real cause of their economic enslavement. There is a richly-instructive chapter on Marx and Engels on America, and the author outlines their work in England, France and Germany.

A concluding sketch shows the relation of the Marxist heritage to current trends.

This book will be of the greatest value to workers' school instructors and students, especially those taking courses in the history of trade unionism. There is still time to order supplies in time for the fall term.

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# Books and Pamphlets

## FIGHT—Against War and Fascism:

Johannes Steel, Foreign Editor of the New York Post, in the October issue of FIGHT, monthly publication of the Anti-War and Fascism League (Against War and Fascism) predicts that Japan will seize the first opportunity to invade Soviet Russia, and that the European crisis, which is bound to come to a head in 1935," will give Japan this opportunity to attack the Soviet Union under favorable conditions. Meantime the huge Japanese war preparations are imposing "an almost unbelievably oppressive exploitation" upon the Japanese people. The burden of debt is becoming well-nigh catastrophic, and "taxes have doubled in 35 per cent per year, Steel reports. Like Italy and Germany, Japan faces a financial crisis. The Manchurian adventure has not been profitable.

Walter Citrine, conservative President of the International Federation of Trade Unions and Secretary of the British Trades Union Congress, contributes "a description of trade unions, wages and living conditions in fascist countries, dates and atrocities and appeals for aid of the victims of terrorism.

Beneath surface unity, the Nazi party is split into rival cliques, continually warring against each other,

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## The Danger of the "Hot Cargo" Ruling

The "Hot Cargo" dispute on the waterfront, as we go to press, seems temporarily to have subsided. The Bargemen and Warehousemen have lifted the ban on the cargo previously declared "hot," pending submission of their disputes to boards of inquiry.

This is no solution nor does it minimize the tremendous danger of the decision handed down by Arbitrator Judge Shea, commanding longshoremen to work "hot cargo." This ruling, in essence, forbids the International Longshoremen's Association to express solidarity with other striking unions.

Without solidarity between unions, there would be no unions. There would be only job trusts such as existed on the waterfront prior to the militant strike of 1934. Without solidarity action from other unions, that strike COULD NOT POSSIBLY HAVE BEEN WON. Conditions and wages on the waterfront would still be in the deplorable state they were in before the struggle.

**The Judge Sloss decision is one of the most important ever handed down in the history of labor arbitration. It is a danger signal and clearly blasts the illusion that arbitration is "justice."**

Labor has enormous economic strength with which to win and maintain decent conditions. But the only way this strength can be expressed or used is by the right to strike and bargain collectively. Any strike is virtually incompetent if it does not get the support of the rest of organized labor. The Sloss decision, though cleverly avoiding the issue of the right to strike, automatically rules away the possibility of winning a strike, it is clearly in line with the Wagner disputes bill which again seeks to negate the strength of organized labor by delivering all disputes automatically into the hands of arbitration.

The Sloss decision, the Wagner Disputes Bill, the deliberate and, on the surface, unnecessary insistance of the government that non-union rates of pay shall prevail on WPA projects, are not separate or coincidental issues. They are careful maneuvers in a union-breaking campaign just getting under way on a national scale.

**The employers are alarmed. The strike waves of the past few years have shown them that the economic strength of organized labor dwarfs into utter powerlessness that of employers. They have seen labor awake from a dormant, inactive element herded into artificial unions under labor fakers, to a vigorous, living force demanding real unions, electing its own leaders, and using those unions as a means of attaining a decent standard of living. The employers know this strength as overwhelming and are taking steps to break it. The whole trend of their efforts is toward outlawing strikes and breaking them with the armed force of the government.**

It behooves labor immediately to recognize every one of these steps and be prepared to meet them. A decision like the "Hot Cargo" ruling is a blow at every labor union on the coast. In refusing to handle hot cargo, the longshoremen were not acting in their own interests alone. In doing so, they lost employment and visited hardships upon themselves. But they knew that as honest unionists it was their duty to respect the solidarity, without which every other union would be weak and meaningless.

**Bring this issue before your union meeting. Demand that this matter be discussed and steps taken to meet the employers' campaign. Demand that action be taken in the Central Labor Council to meet the conspiracy of the Industrial Association and their "Committee of One Thousand."**

This situation requires unity of action and purpose by all Trade Unions. One of the best expressions of unity at the present time is the United Labor Ticket for the coming municipal elections. The expression of labor's strength in the political field is one of the most important steps in protecting the interests of the working class.

## The Comintern Appeals for Unity

The topsy-turvy over-emphasis of headlines in capitalist newspapers tends to weary the mass of the population of war talk. Cheap sensationmongering is the keynote of such journalism, which sacrifices all honesty in the mad competition for sales. Thus the everlarger scare-heads, anticipating the sensation of actual warfare in this stunning after electric effect, sooner or later are deflated, with the result that many people are given a false sense of security.

But the war danger is real—too uncomfortably real!

The world stands on the brink of catastrophe, not brought on by mountebanks like Mussolini who are merely instruments, but caused by the basic contradictions in capitalist society, market-hunger, and urgent need for imperialist conquest.

**Not a moment must be lost in rallying the broad masses into anti-war activity—Socialists, Catholics, Pacifists, trade unionists.**

The Comintern therefore once more addresses a fervent appeal for unity to the Socialist and Labor International, pointing out the enormous power the two internationals would wield if joined together on this question—on which they surely can agree. The cable signed by Dimitroff stated:

"Common action by the two Internationals would mobilize the whole working class and would secure the support of the forces of peace among other classes of the population. It would draw whole peoples into the fight for peace."...

The necessity for unity is by no means confined either to Europe—the whole world—and all war threats at the moment—is Socialists and Communists. The initiative of the Comintern in this organizational appeal merits application elsewhere, in the widest possible scales.

Is there a clutch consternation in your locality that has not yet faced the issue of war or peace? Is there a trade union that has not had the opportunity of discussing the ballyhoo menace and the danger to life of war—which will in addition most certainly cripple trade-union independence?

Carry the warning everywhere. Participate the forces ranging to repeat the days of 1917 again even more horribly wide.

Remind trade unionists that the Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor and the National Executive Committee of the Socialist Party have gone on record supporting the struggle of Ethiopia for its independence, and strongly condemned Italian fascism.

Words must be extended to deeds. Unity of principle and purpose, fundamental unity of action. Build the united front organization again! Build the American League Against War and Fascism!

## The Young Communist International Meets

The historic Sixth World Congress of the Young Communist International opened in Moscow on last week, with delegates from all parts of the world assembled to report and discuss work among the generation of youth that matures on the eve of the second world war, to learn from their respective efforts, and to formulate a program adapted to international conditions and the conditions in their respective countries.

Great progress has been made since the Fifth Congress, in no country more evident than in France, where the youth have played a tremendous role in building the united front that staves off fascism.

Raymond Guyot, Young Communist leader of France, opened the Congress with these words:

"The country where capitalism has been able to offer no prospects to the youth. The young generation of toilers is forced to live in a world that is fast decaying. Every sound and fine asset of the youth is trodden under foot. Our task is to save the old world from fascism, which dooms people to slavery and hurls them into battle. Fascism declares war on civilization and humanity.

"But civilization will continue to live. The star of Socialism, shining over the former Czarist Empire, throws its brilliant light over the world immersed in darkness."

This is indeed an eloquent appraisal of objective conditions in the world, now hovering on the brink of war. The Congress will accept and act upon the following:

Unite the youth organizations in every sphere of activity!

Carry out the decisions of the Sixth World Congress!

## More Life in the Daily Worker Drive!

Although many sections in District 13 have taken up the Daily Worker funds seriously enough to make a good showing, there is still a very shameful position of having to report "No funds" or send in some trivial sum hardly worth the postage.

We of District 13 must show to our comrades in other Districts that we understand to the fullest extent the role of the working class press, and must rally the broad ranks of sympathizers behind this campaign.

The war drives nearer with every day that passes. And with this monstrous menace the further existence of our central organ becomes a major task for every Party member. We must live in the understanding of Lenin's words in this respect. He said:

"In all capitalist countries and democratic republics the attention of the population is at such moments [economic crisis and war] diverted by the mercenary capitalist press, which calls itself a free press, by concocting and putting in circulation stories that will cheat and deceive the masses."

Funds are urgently needed to guarantee the continued existence and wider distribution of our central organ, without which our own Western Worker would be severely handicapped.

Organize mill and private parties and dances. Circulate collection lists at your place of work. Speed the collection of dollars and dimes. Build the revolutionary press!

# Party Life

## Educational Activity And Our 3 Months Plan of Work

Los Angeles Agitprop Dept.
Ethel Shipman, Director

Extending our work in the shops and factories, in the trade unions, in our United Front Activity, and the building of the Party Press among this most important section of the working class, is the central Control Task of our Los Angeles Section Plan of work, ending November 7th. This then becomes the focal point around which all the activity of all our departments must revolve.

How can the Agitprop Department fulfill this task? It is necessary to emphasize that the establishment of a shop unit is not a mere organizational task. It has important person-ability aspect with the agit-prop director in the concentration unit, in the subsection and in the section, and only after the shop unit has been established, but most important, in laying the foundation for it. Our objective is to develop our shop papers in the factories, prepared and issued by the Party members in the given factory. The steps leading to, objectively must be carefully prepared. Leaflets, dealing with conditions in the factory departments, with general grievances in the factory, and how to remedy them, should be issued regularly. The shop paper, whether it be a rank and file or a Party publication, will thus be a logical development.

### ☆ Shop Unit Quota

This is our immediate task in the Rubber industry. By November 7th, our plan of work calls for the establishment of shop units consisting of at least 5 members in Goodyear, Goodrich and Firestone.

The Council of Rubber Workers is composed of representatives of all the rubber plants in Los Angeles, have recently issued their first Rank and File Bulletin.

The concentration unit around these plants should make their immediate task the solidarization of the issues raised in the Rank and File Bulletin and issue a shop paper, similarly, in the name of the Rubber Workers Unit. By early November 7th, a good basis will have been laid for the issuing of the Party shop paper in these plants. Bringing the Party activity among these workers, through the medium of the issuance of these leaflets, will aid in forming shop-workers' units into shop units. Surely this task is not difficult, and with the proper direction by the sub-sections and section, it can be accomplished.

### ☆ Neighborhood Bulletins

In a similar manner, the neighborhood bulletins should be handled. At the present time, although having been realized the need of neighborhood papers, and the process the voice of the Party in the neighborhood, there are at present only two neighborhood papers, and these paper unsatisfactorily. Our plan of work calls for a neighborhood paper in every section, and should this task be approached?

One of the sub-sections decided the following:

Establish a unit agit-prop director took responsibility to get a leaflet issued by his unit, dealing with conditions in the unit territory. These leaflets will be issued regularly every period of about four weeks, during which time they will be discussed each week at the meeting of unit agit-prop directors. At the end of the month, an editorial committee will be elected from among the unit agit-prop directors and under the guidance of the subsection agit-prop, the bulletin will be issued based primarily on the discussions of the leaflets issued during the month.

### ☆ Technical Equipment

One of the major obstacles, threatening to hinder the accomplishment of our tasks, is the lack of technical equipment in the Party. Although this task is almost wholly accomplished at the moment much attention must be paid to the improvement of the quality of these classes.

The new members' classes should help to properly absorb the new recruits into the life-blood of our Party; they should give the new member such an understanding of the essence of our Party that he could never see himself on the side its ranks. To this end, conferences of present new members' classes, as well as classes for prospective instructors are being planned.

This covers brief phases of our educational activity in fulfilling the tasks set ourselves in our 3 months plan of work.

# The Rich Dodge Taxes

## The Burden Has Been Shifted to the Small Man

That the wealthy of the United States have, during the crisis, shifted the burden of federal taxes on those least able to pay was admitted in the statement of Robert H. Jackson, counsel of the Bureau of Internal Revenue, before the Senate Finance Committee (New York Times, August 7, 1935).

Here are some points of remember in connection with the gradoptate "Revenue Act of 1935," which assists Roosevelt's spending and which will raise only [illegible] in additional revenue from taxing a few rich.

### ☆ The Tax Burden Shifts

In 1930, about $3,027,000,000 was collected by the federal government in taxes. Some 68.2 per cent came from income, estate, capital-stock and excess profits taxes, i.e., from the wealthy who are best able to pay. Only 31.8 per cent came from [illegible] taxes, which are paid mostly by the small income tax returns and total income dropped 5.5 per cent. But in the face of this and the banking crisis the number of reported taxable million dollar incomes increased from 20 in 1932 to 36 in 1933. Between 1932 and 1933, number of persons reporting taxes while the mass of consumers contributed 66.1 per cent of the total. In other words, a complete reversal of the percentages had taken place in five crisis years, with the relief that the burden shifted to those least able to pay! No wonder the capitalists let up a howl in refusing to move one inch from existing tax rates!

### ☆ British Figures

Tax rates on the rich in the United States are entirely inadequate, when compared to British rates, for example: If in 1928, individual incomes in the United States had been taxed at the British rate, some $5,400,000,000 would have been raised, or $2,670,000,000 more than was actually collected by the United States in that year.

Application of the British rate on inheritances, in 1933, would have netted $728,000,000, instead of the $61,000,000 actually collected. And yet the proposed inheritance tax first proposed in the tax-bill was completely dropped upon its passage in Congress.

Another point inadvertently made in Jackson's report was that in 1933 (under Roosevelt) some 338 persons had incomes over a million dollars, whose total income tax returns and total income dropped 5.5 per cent. But in the face of this and the banking-crisis the number of such reported taxable million dollar incomes increased from 20 in 1932 to 36 in 1933. Between 1932 and 1933, number of persons reporting

## Adequate Taxation Of Rich Needed For Relief

taxable net in units of over $500,000 rose from 106 to 136; over $1,000,000 rose from 1,836 to 2,047; over $2,000,000, from 7,738 to 8,072.

### ☆ More Millions

Concentration of income and wealth: In 1932 there were 88 individuals who had total taxable and non-taxable incomes of $1,000,000 or more each. Thirty-eight, or over 70 per cent, were accounted for by only 11 families.

In the same year only 5 per cent of all corporations owned 85 per cent of all corporation wealth. Jackson declared. And 0.4 per cent of the wealth of manufacturing corporations was controlled by 8.00 of 1 per cent of the corporations in this class.

Evasion of taxes by rich: We have previously pointed out some of the methods employed by wealthy tax evaders (Economic Notes, March, 1934). Jackson declared that in 1932 there were incomes of $1,000,000 or more in 1932 had a minimum of $461,000,000 in tax-free securities, one of the most common methods of total tax evasion. This group enjoyed a tax-free income of $21,000,000. One per cent of $62,000,000 (capital not invested) had a tax-free income of $16,000,000 in tax-exempt securities.

### ☆ Tax Exempt Securities

There are about $15,000,000,000 of federal securities which are tax-exempt, and another $14,000,000,000 which are partially exempt. State and municipal bonds constitute another item on our list, amount to nearly $18,000,000,000. In all, then, $47,000,000,000 in federal, state and city bonds are free from all or partial federal income taxation. Loss to the federal government alone from such exemptions is estimated at between $1,000,000,000 and $1,600,000,000 a year.

Another great chunk of tax-exempt wealth is in the possessions of churches whose value of property now approximates $7,000,000,000.

Another form of tax evasion is gifts from wealthy individuals to members of the family, since gift taxes are lower than inheritance taxes. Two such gifts, by individuals, for example, transferred upward of $150,000,000 prior to the Gift Tax Law of 1932." One $50,000,000 estate is now before the Bureau of Internal Revenue, which within two years of death and just before the gift tax became effective, gave gifts of more than $50,000,000 to the heirs!

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It is of course, against the "law" for the government to reveal the names of these rich tax dodgers and those who receive income incomes. But it is known, for example, that Mrs. Whitelaw Reid, who died in 1931, had presented a daughter and her son, Ogden Reid (publisher of New York Herald-Tribune) with gifts totalling some $17,000,000. This substantially reduced taxes on her $19,000,000 estate, which was reported to have shrunk to $9,750,000 in 1934. Of course Reid's reactionary papers has been a foremost upholder of the status quo in taxation.

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## Middle-Class Severely Hit By Depression

### RUINED STOREKEEPERS

In the three years, 1929 to 1932, inclusive, 578,000 retail stores, independent enterprisers in industry, trade and the professions, were destroyed in this country. The total has since risen to about three-quarters of a million. (Nation, August 14, 1935) Approximately 3,000,000 storekeepers have been wiped out by the crisis.

### SAVINGS SHRINK

Cash, savings, bank deposits, insurance, stocks and bonds of middle class persons with incomes of less than $5,000 a year shrank from $50,000,000,000 in 1929 to only $4,000,000,000 in 1932. That relative share of the nation's liquid wealth fell from 17 per cent to only 4 per cent in the same period.

### RELIEF FIGURES

Another fact bearing on this point is the number of middle class persons who were on relief in May 1934, according to official government data. The number being in round figures: Out of 315,750 persons from this class then on relief, the largest number, 78,000 storekeepers of all types, 18839; building contractors, 12,503 musicians, 12,400; engineers and chemists, 7,170; actual architects [illegible], 4,650. These figures, of course, give only a hint as to the actual number in want.

### UNEMPLOYED PEOPLE'S SIGNALS

Labor Research Association estimate of unemployment in November, 1934 (Economic Notes, February, 1935), found a minimum of 1,500,000 unemployed among the middle class. Of this number, 832,000 were in professional service, while the remainder were salaried employees, independents and owners, of whom 631,000 were from the rank of the manufacturing industries.

# OPEN FORUM

### WOMEN WHO "WON'T WORK"

San Francisco
Editor, Western Worker:

Hearst one day had a story on the front page of the Examiner that women prefer relief even when they are offered housework at $60 a month, and the story said there were 1,000 jobs to be had —free, at from $50 to $60 a month. Many women buy his paper just for the ads for domestic workers. But in that very same issue you looked at the help-wanted columns and did not see any $50 or $60 jobs, but $10 and $15 ones, and the very best ones were $25 a month.

Annie Laurie writes that she has her troubles but has to be satisfied. Well, she ought to get paid well working for Hearst. She says some girls prefer cooking, some waiting on tables and some object to children, and at the same time they want a nice, sunny room, 3 meals a day, and even want to give a cup of coffee when reading friends," and then want the same wage they used to get 10 years ago when people had ten times as much money.

Now why shouldn't any girl want a nice, sunny room and a comfortable bed to sleep in after working 12 to 14 hours? Why shouldn't she get a friend a cup of coffee? After all, the house where you work is your only home.

Take a place for $10 to $20 a month and you find they want you on to do the work they have just doing before. Some have not had help before but you can take advantage of the hard times that force girls to take such low pay and hard work. Annie Laurie says they cannot pay the same as before. Do they cut down on any of their luxuries? Of course not. They only cut off the wages of the poor girl who has to be on her feet from morning to night for their comfort.

Stop buying Hearst's paper. The ads he has in there are not even worth the nickel it cost.

—H.A.

### FARMERS MUST FIGHT

Lodi, Calif.
Editor, Western Worker:

The grape season is on here full blast. With poor prices paid for grapes in the east the harvest here is shocking. Many growers have shut down for a number of days. Yes, they are "on strike."

If the field worker goes on strike he gets for a little better wages they want to run him out of town. The farmer will have to learn for himself. He will have to learn that he is not the enemy of the farmer. The Farmer thinks the "agitators" are his enemy. He says the railroads are charging too much for freight rates. He says the dockmands that they lower them.

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### ☆ Integrity Assured.

"Before any labor candidate steps into office, his undated resignation will be signed, sealed and delivered to the United Labor Committee. If ever he should betray the interests of labor, that resignation would

# I.L.A. VOTES CONFIDENCE IN RANK AND FILE LEADERS

## Clearing of Scab Cargo Up to I.L.A. Dist. Officials; Bargemen Parley

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Association yesterday and today made statements interpreted universally as threatening to isolate the docks with an unknown number of scabs.

Meanwhile, following announcement of the Maritime Federation that the boycott against the Point Clear and other lumber cargo ships had been lifted, several members reported a full crew ready to work the ship, tied up here since the latter part of June with scab cargo from the British Columbia strike area.

The San Francisco longshoremen were to meet at Dreamland Auditorium tonight to discuss the situation and to arrive at a plan of action. At the same time longshore representatives this afternoon were meeting with Frances Sloss and the Labor Relations Committee to determine the attitude of the arbitrator toward the flagrant violation of the award by the shipowners.

### ☆ Shippers Break Award

Sloss was asked to rule on two questions submitted by the I.L.A. They are:

1—Can the Employers create or use an agency to usurp the functions and duties of the joint dispatching hall and the dispatchers?

2—Can the Employers violate and totally disregard the rules agreed upon by the joint Labor Relations Committee pending action for the operation of the joint dispatching hall or the rules in the award relating to the dispatching of longshoremen?

In a letter to the arbitrator and to the Waterfront Employers the longshoremen declared that "unless the practices followed by the Waterfront Employers' Association is not stopped at once, the eventual result will be the tieing up of the entire commerce of the port and will effect the livelihood of thousands of men."

### ☆ Settlement Blocked.

Harry Bridges, president of the San Francisco I.L.A., in a statement to the press today, declared:

"The local bargemen and warehousemen's unions after submitting the disputes to Government machinery and negotiations, removed the embargo on River Lines and Santa Cruz Packing Co. freight, thereby removing any obstacle in the way of longshoremen handling this cargo.

"The I.L.A district officials, William J. Lewis, A. H. Peterson and W. T. Morris, have been instructed by the Maritime Federation of the Pacific, of which the I.L.A. is a part, that the Point Clear has been released . . . by request of the Vancouver strike committee, and further, instructed the I.L.A. district officials to immediately notify all locals, including the San Francisco local, of this action."

Bridges further declared to date the San Francisco local had received no notification of this action. He pointed out that the question is being evaded by the district officials.

### ☆ Officials Stall.

Lewis, Peterson and Morris originally were responsible for the calling of a separate longshore vote on the question of handling lost cargo after other maritime unions had voted against handling it, through the Seafarers' International Federation ballot, Long ago, longshoremen-togo voted against handling scab cargo at that time.

Now Lewis refused to release the Point Clear although Harry Bridges today intimated (Monday 7th) is in possession of a copy of a telegram from the Vancouver strikers to Lewis specifically lifting the latter permission to release the disputed ship.

Edward McGrady, assistant labor secretary and known to many of the time workers here for his part in attempting to sell them down the river during the 1934 strike, again is in San Francisco. He stepped at once beside the shipowners in attempting to lay the blame for the present crisis at the feet of the workers.

### ☆ Bridges Raps McGrady.

In refuting McGrady's numerous slanderous statements, Harry Bridges declared:

"During the strike last summer and at the Washington conferences this year, Mr. McGrady urged us to follow the instructions of our district and international officers. Now, he asks that we disregard them." Mr. McGrady overlooked in the district's action last summer the Alaska vessels, tied up by a similar dispute, were released. Why doesn't he order district officers to release the Point Clear?"

NEW ORLEANS, La., Oct. 3.—Crews of several ships walked off here today in support of striking longshoremen.

Longshore President Joseph P. Ryan, while announcing agreements with Atlantic Coast employers had been signed, declared that the "struggle is not over by a long shot" on the East Coast would refuse to handle scab cargo from the struck Gulf ports.

Four Gulf ports are reported tied up by the walk-out. At Mobile, Ala., striking longshoremen put up a lusty battle against strikebreaking police when they shut down a barrage of tear gas on the docks in an effort to smash the picket line. Police were composed of Negro and white dock workers.

The longshoremen demand union recognition, 85 cents per hour instead of the old 75-cent rate, and abolition of the hated company union.

Mobile police were unable to arrest pickets as strikers dragged the workers from their hooks. These strikers rushed through clouds of tear gas and beat back club-wielding police to reach the detained men.

Among the ports directly involved in the strike are N. e W Orleans, Pensacola, Fla., and Mobile, Ala.

## Soviet Sportsmen Set New Records

MOSCOW, Oct. 1.—Five cyclists, riding Soviet-made bicycles, set a new record by covering the distance from Khabarovsk to Moscow, 5734 miles, in 57 days. The road roads over most of the distance was the best even remarkable.

The world rifle-shooting record for 300 meters was broken three times at a recent match in Moscow. N. Titov, and M. Brodkovon both scored 299 points out of 300, against the former record of 297, set by Larson, a Swede, in the International Shooting Competition in Lvov, Poland, four years ago.


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## *Speakers for San Francisco Labor Ticket*

Oct. 5, at 4 p. m.: Bakers' Union, Local 24, at 16th and Capp sts. Speakers: James Tracy, and John Shaw.

Oct. 7, at 7:30 p.m.: 27th District Democratic Club, 1846 Union at Tanna Alex; and George Anderson.

Oct. 8, at 8:00 p.m.: Epic-Democratic Group, 2427 31st ave. Reifern Mason.

Oct. 10, at 8 p.m.: I.L.A. Auxiliary, Druids Temple, 44 Page st. Reifern Mason and George Andersen.

Oct. 11, at 2:30 p.m.: California League of Women Voters, St. Francis Hotel. Reifern Mason.

Oct. 13, at 7:00 p.m., John Reed Branch, int. Workers' Order 68 Haight st. Reifern Mason and seven other candidates. Also Harry Bridges and George Woolf.

Oct. 15, at 2:30 p.m., S. Center, League of Women Voters, St. Francis Hotel. Six candidates to speak.

## TRIAL OF FIVE HEARST PICKETS NEARING END

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take a street car, a motorcycle officer stopped him and turned him over to a fifteen Examiner circulation thugs, Semmoff declared.

When he tried to get his camera back from the Examiner, Semmoff said he was told the camera had been turned over to "Red" Hynes. Subsequently he was notified that his camera was in the "loot and found" department at the Police Headquarters, but when he went to claim it, the camera had been taken apart and the film removed.

Subpoenaed as witness by the defense, Hynes said he had been given the camera by an Examiner reporter named Norton.

### ☆ Hearst's Anti-Semitism.

Joe Turchinsky testified he went to the Examiner building "to protest against Hearst's support of Hitler's murders of Jews." When he testified that he saw Hearst thugs, equipped with clubs, shooting the cops in an alley by the Examiner office, the prosecution objected and was sustained.

"Maybe they were shooting craps to see who got first crack at the workers," Turchinsky told Lower Johnson, counsel of the International Labor Defense.

Turchinsky completely discredited the testimony given by a prosecution named Meeney, who said the pickets blocked the building entrance so he couldn't get in and out. Turchinsky testified he saw Meeney go in and out of the building without difficulty, talking with Hearst thugs.

### ☆ "Dollar a Year Man".

The prosecution introduced a witness named "Mickey" Dupaty in an attempt to show how Hynes got to the Examiner Building. Dupaty, who said he was a member of the "Americanism and other patriotic organizations," said he was in Hynes's office when the call came to go to the Examiner and that he drove Hynes there.

"I'm a dollar-a-year man," said Dupaty.

"I thought they passed out with the war," said Johnson.

"No, they're still here," replied Dupaty, explaining that the "investigated subversive and anti-American activities."

Bell Higman, school teacher, told of seeing Hearst thugs dash out of the Examiner building and start clubbing.

"I saw an old man over stooped over in the gutter where he had been clubbed," Higman said. "Red" Hynes, Subsequently he was identified that his camera was in the "loot and found" department at Police Headquarters, but when he went to claim it, the camera had been taken apart and the film removed.

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# Rip Tides

By LaMar

For workers who face the threat of another Bloody Thursday, there is something ominous in the carefree attitude of the hundreds of San Francisco longshoremen as they throng in groups about the International Longshoremen's Association hiring hall on Clay st. Mingling with them one would scarcely believe that a crisis exists on the waterfront. There is never a sign of panic or of "job consciousness." No doubt the extra session of the "rank and file" of the waterfront employers was prompted by this strange behavior of the longshoremen who refuse to be worried by a job when union principles are being attacked.

With the provocative action now being pushed by the waterfront employers, it is not just coincidence that more than a thousand potential strikebreakers are booted in various hotels in South San Francisco. Nor is it coincidence that more than two hundred men were seen leaving the National Guard Army in groups of five, packing formidable clubs wrapped in newspaper.

**Hard times have fallen upon the "poor" pleasure-seeking college boy who has to stow away in order to "make" a ship. Time was when a letter from his Chamber of Commerce friend, would have insured him a job on any ship.**

Then there is the male on the Flormar who called the Sailors' Hall for one A. B. with an able bodied seaman's certificate . . . hmmm, wonder if they picked the scabs for their seamen's certificates in 1934.

And in the same breath, did they ever pick the scab if he was a citizen . . . or what was the color of his skin.

Odd how these individual "labor leaders" kill themselves off with the rank and file. Or is it because the workers sense they are not being "led" any place in particular by them.

Just about the time Mussy (Mussolini if you insist) decides to send some more men and guns to Ethiopia, the seamen will decide they will not move ships into the war zone.

Hearst papers are just about as scarce on the front here as "loyal employees."

Simpson is still in one of Hitler's torture camps. And according to Andy Furuseth's way of thinking, there are a lot of rank and file members of the ISU on the Pacific Coast he would like to see in jail.

Take a pretty big camp Andy—there are fifteen thousand members on the West Coast.

One of our "operatives" reports perishable cargo is as scarce on the waterfront as are "loyal employees." Not that the "peace-loving shipowners" want a strike—oh no—they want "peace at any price," except the granting of better working conditions to the workers.

## *RECRUITING OF UNEMPLOYED BY ARMY IS SCORED*

### JOBLESS CONVENTION IN SAN LUIS OBISPO

SAN LUIS OBISPO, Calif.—The Unemployed Councils, Leagues of Unemployed and Allied Organizations held a convention here last Sunday, Sept. 29, with delegates from the Public Works and Unemployed Leagues of Ventura, Arroyo Grande, Santa Barbara, and other cities present, as well as delegates from the Atascadero Epic Democratic Club.

The convention unanimously decided to fight for an increase of cash relief from $10 per week and $3 for each dependent to $11 per week and $3 for each dependent. This for the reason that the $10 rate would lower the food budget of those on direct relief below the $4.40 minimum which has been announced as the rate to be paid unskilled workers on relief projects.

The delegate from the Epic Democratic Unity Association introduced a resolution addressed to President Roosevelt, Secretary of War Dern and to the Commandant of the Presidio in San Francisco, condemning the stationing of U. S. Army recruiting officers within welfare and relief stations, and demanding their immediate withdrawal and complete discontinuance of the practice.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

A resolution against vigilante terrorism was passed, addressed to Governor Merriam and U. S. Webb, attorney general.

The meeting decided to hold a mass meeting on Oct. 19 in San Luis Obispo to consider problems of the unemployed to which jobless workers of this area are invited to come, and all organizations should elect delegates to represent them there.

Police Chief participates in organization of Vigilantes.

Armed strikebreakers imported from out of state brought in under police protection.

Truckmen refuse to handle scab products from . . . mill.

Governor threatens troops.

### SPECIAL FEATURES

So much for your main news story which is intended to bring the reader up to date on the gleams of the strike. It tells what is going on, but little more than that.

There is a further task. The reader must be enabled to understand the strike thoroughly. Feature articles must be supplied receiving the whole background of the strike, the condition of the industry, the nature of the product. Analytical articles comparing this strike with other strikes, showing the relation of the struggle to other industries etc. are needed. Interviews and opinions of rank and file leaders must be reported. All this helps to cover every angle of the struggle.

A further function of your paper is to address the strikers themselves, to expose treachery and maneuvers of reactionary officials, supply necessary information on the employers' state of affairs, and report every expression of solidarity from outside workers.

### ABOUT EDITORIALS

You must keep in mind the necessity of certain editorials. Editorials are very different from either a news story or a feature article.

1—**The news story's function is to inform on few events and developments.**

2—**The feature article gives background and analytical information enabling the reader to understand the struggle.**

3—**Interviews and reports of opinion give the trend of outside sentiment.**

4—**Editorials are the aim of the paper addressing . . . readers. In the editorial column, the paper expresses its opinion on all issues and its advice to workers engaged in struggle.**

If you notice, for example, that provocateurs are active in the ranks of the strikers, and that the strikers do not thoroughly understand the role and tactics of these agents, inform on it once. Our next issue would carry an editorial something to this effect: **Mill Strikers! Beware of Provocateurs.** Then we would inform the workers how to spot provocateurs, describe the role they have played in previous struggles, and put them generally on their guard.

You might also have a news story reporting the specific activities of the provocateurs and the reaction of the workers to them.

**A Comrade in Struggle**

A Western Worker reporter is never a disinterested observer. It is your business to be of as much service and aid to the struggling workers as you can. Dig up all the information that will help them win. When you see danger to the struggle, see that editorials set in warning them and telling them what to do. Write the editorials yourself if you desire.

Do not ignore the colorful angles. Small incidents of special interest, a bit of by-play on the picket lines and interesting comment made at a meeting, an expression of solidarity from a fraternal group—whatever it might be, write it up separately as a short feature. It needn't be long. Perhaps only a paragraph for a few stickfuls. But make feature of that short box. This helps to enliven the reporting and draw the reader into the more serious issues.

**Summary Articles**

One of your main problems will be to present a continual, unbroken view of the strike in every issue. Not only will feature articles of the type mentioned above help to see that in every third or fourth issue, a concise summary of foregoing events is published. Correspondents equipped with the editorials, giving your advice on such matters.

Watch for exceptional events occur, get the eye-witness stories of participants. Get as many strikers as possible to write in their experiences. Many of them don't know that your paper is a place where they can address both the general public and their fellow strikers. Frequent issues and statements for us answering such questions as "Why We Are Striking?" "How the Local Capitalist Press Has Lied About Labor's Struggle," "The Truth About the Leadership of Our Union," etc.

Study our deadlines (which we print in every issue) and stick to it that we have all the up-to-date news for each issue.

# News Stories and Comment by Worker Correspondents

## JOBLESS UNION FORCES SERA TO RENEW TRANSIENT RELIEF

## CHISELLING BY SERA STAFF IS ISSUE FOR PWUU

### REGULATIONS VIOLATED RIGHT AND LEFT IN DISHING OUT JOBS

By an Administrative Worker.

EUREKA, Calif.—The Public Works and Unemployed Union should demand that it be allowed to send investigators to examine the qualifications and need of the people on the SERA administrative staff here. The state regulation which says that 90 per cent of the jobs on the administrative staff must be given to persons eligible for relief has been broken ever since the SERA started.

The PWUU has a right to demand that these jobs be given to the persons legally entitled to them; that is, to persons who are on relief. There are plenty of men and women on the SERA who have had the training necessary for positions on the staff.

As a matter of fact, some persons have been refused jobs on the staff because they had such excellent training that the officials doing the hiring were afraid to take them on fest they jeopardize their own positions.

☆ **They Have "Pull".**

If the PWUU investigated the incomes of the SERA supervisors it would be found that the "other halves" of many of them are making excellent incomes. Probably the majority of the social workers would not qualify for relief.

Another state regulation that only one member of a family may work on an SERA administrative staff anywhere in the state—is constantly being broken. Instead cases a husband and wife, both are given good positions in SERA offices, if they have pull. For example the young son-in-law of one supervisors in the San Francisco office got a husband a job as a social worker in the Oakland SERA office. Other social workers in the Oakland office have husbands who are also employed on the SERA staff.

☆ **Speaking of Chiselling.**

The social worker finds that a "client" has been "chiselling" he is liable to be prosecuted. How about prosecuting some of the social workers who are chiselling?

**Social workers who talk too frankly about the "raw deal" their "clients" are getting become unpopular with their supervisors. In the Oakland office, the stenographers have been instructed to report any social worker who talks "radically."**

## SMALL BOY LIKES PWUU

By a PWUU Member.

OAKLAND—The case of Raymond Martinez was taken up with Mr. Stout of the SERA by a committee of the PWUU last Saturday with the result that he got a grocery order at once and promise of a final settlement Monday. Martinez was lurt on a SERA job and has been shoved back and forth by the County Charities and the SERA for several months.

Our Union got him reinstated on SERA recently but he was knocked off again in less than a week. This time we are determined the reinstatement shall be permanent.

Mr. Martinez' little 10-year-old boy likes the PWUU so well that he asked if he could join and Local No. 4 IS making him an honorary member.

Before we left, Mr. Stout said that the barber shop repair, and other such services will be resumed by the WPA—in accordance with the relationship of SERA. However, the services will not be for those on projects, but only for so-called "unemployables."

☆ **Action in San Diego**

**WILL GET WPA JOBS ON NEW RULING.**

By a Worker, Correspondent

SAN DIEGO—Due to the fight put up by the Unemployed Workers' Protective Union of San Diego County, transients are now being taken care of by the SERA. All relief for transients was stopped Sept. 20, and a few days later a large Grievance Committee went to the SERA Headquarters with a half dozen hungry transients to demand relief for them. This was granted almost immediately, in view of the militancy of the Committee, and the next day the committee showed up demanding relief for all transients on the same status as the citizens of the city and county. Within an hour, this too was granted and the bars against Transients were forced down in San Diego County.

**The following day the newspapers all carried the information that transients already in the county would be taken care of, as well as also put on the WPA when it opens up here.**

This was a great victory in view of the fact that while the grievance committee was fighting for the rights of the transients, the City Council was discussing the putting up of signs on all roads leading into the county saying, "No charity in San Diego. All transients are warned to keep out." Only one councilman objected to this proposal on the grounds that it would make San Diego a laughing stock.

One hour after the Grievance Committee left, James B. Reese cancelled his order stopping transients through the issues of relief. This is a wonderful victory for the young union and never since, which so far has not failed in a single one of its grievances. The union is less than three months old and has some six hundred and fifty members.

## *The Sacramento C.S. Case*

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

## "Vigilantes"

—By Beau Vincent.

Chopping up planes,
Beating union men—
A sign that someone's wages
Are being cut again!

## Plenty of Rats, No Workers' Papers In T.B. Sanatorium

By a Worker Correspondent—

SACRAMENTO—I went up to the Weimar Tuberculosis Sanatorium last Sunday to see a comrade who is there for treatment, and was nearly sick myself before I left.

The place is over-run with rats and if any article of food is left in the stands by the cots the rats carry it off before morning. Working conditions are very bad, nurses and internes come and go, never staying long on the job. Wages are low and much work is forced on them than they get paid for.

The authorities there are very strict about what the patients read. If they are caught with any working class literature they are immediately discharged. Six patients were kicked out in less than a week for reading working class literature.

## Laundry Speed-Up Jumps Quotas Two And a Half Times

By a Laundry Worker,

LOS ANGELES—Yes, there is speed-up in the laundries, too.

At the Peerless laundry, a woman has to turn out 80 pieces an hour at the mangle. If you're standing there and you don't turn out 80 pieces an hour, you're "slow" and you're "not wanted here." Your quota is 85. A woman who has worked there for years said it used to be 35.

And arms are still arms—not improved machines. Women are paid the legal minimum, $16, (33 cents an hour), but some of the men get more, $12 a week.

Of course, Mr. Chase, the manager's son-in-law, gets $25 a week more. He gets $25,000 a year.

Last week six girls were laid off in one department because they could not do their quota.

## "NO CHARITY" ORDER IS REVERSED

## NEWSPAPERMAN EXPOSES EAST BAY DISASTER PREPAREDNESS AS STRIKE BREAKING SET-UP

## Race Hatred-Helps Bosses

### UNITY OF ALL, WITHOUT PREJUDICE, IS NEED

By a Seaman.

SAN FRANCISCO—Capital's foremost policy and method in dealing with the working class has always been primarily the prevention by any and all means of the worker's wages moving in any direction but downwards. And secondly, where the supply of docile, inexpensive labor is scarce, the importation of "bargain workers" from backward countries where nothing is known of the rights of the working class.

The latter policy has been carried out with two purposes in mind.—Not only to reduce the general level of wages but by subtle dissemination of racial prejudices to create hatred and distrust between the different kinds of workers.

Three centuries ago Negroes were introduced into the Southern States by the planters. Until recently the efforts to breed animosity between the Negroes and others of their class were highly successful. The result was a grossly underpaid and highly intimidated working class of Negroes and "poor whites."

☆ **Without Unity.**

The abolition of slavery was no loss to the plutocrats, for both the whites and Negroes, by their lack of solidarity lived in a slavery of their own making. Cheap labor was need in California in the early fifties. The Chinese, a race vastly exploited for centuries, were brought to this country by the employers under conditions virtually in violation of statutes prohibiting indentured labor.

Coincident with the entry of the Chinese there was instituted a vicious mechanism for dividing against the Oriental workers, foreseeing the birth of a strong labor movement in this frontier region with its aggressive, unintimidated working class the employers made every effort to prevent the two groups and factions from uniting.

However, enlightened and encouraged by the success of the united front of all workers and groups and races in other regions, the workers are throwing off the yoke of racial prejudice.

## PLAN SNEAKED THROUGH CITY COUNCIL

## Drill of Vigilantes

### UNIONS MUST DEMAND IT BE ABANDONED

By a Guild Member.

OAKLAND.—East Bay unionists were surprised early this week to learn that a well developed and unusually dangerous menace had appeared in the form of a so-called "Disaster Plan" that might result in the unleashing of a veritable army of citizen militia in the event of strikes.

The "disaster plan" allows wide range in the definition of the word "disaster". Therein lies the joker.

The plan was sneaked through the City Council piecemeal, played down in the local press, and not finally received until last Sunday when a "casualty drill" was staged.

The "drill" consisted of the bringing out of elaborate equipment which will establish two-way radio contact between airplanes, auto mobile "cruisers" and the head quarters of the "plan."

**Red Cross Is a Blind.**

Using the Red Cross as a screen, the vigilante leaders of the movement plan to "keep the ranks open" in the event of strike tie-up.

This was revealed last week when an indiscreet member of the committee, C. A. Turner, a Telephone Co. official, blurted out of the details to a writer on the East Bay labor paper under the impression that he was talking to the representative of a "safe" daily.

Turner said, according to the labor paper, that the idea of the "disaster plan" had been borrowed from the Red Cross, but further admitted that, although he is normally working through the Red Cross, his interest in that organization is limited to a $1 a year membership.

Labor "leaders," including A. H. Chapman, councilman and editor of the East Bay Labor Journal, were caught flat-footed by the revelation of the plan.

☆ **Unions Must Protest.**

It was Quinn's impression, he said, that the plan was only to apply to fires and floods. Although he voted for the creation of a municipal recognition of the plan, he did not know whether the machinery actually defined a disaster or not.

A sturdy protest is expected to arise from the ranks of labor now that it is too late to be much, else than protest.

A campaign is being waged by the paper that uncovered the joker in the plan's having no definition of disaster incorporated in it, but unless outright it is forthcoming, the paper's outcry will probably have no avail.

Should the vigilante committee who will be empowered, under the terms of the city council's resolution, to declare an emergency to be "disaster" ever represent a splendid cross section of the city's world-be fascist leadership.

**Notables Fascists.**

Committeemen are: Mayor Mc-Cracken, City Manager Hassler, John Bonner, of the Chamber of Commerce; Lloyd Nichols, Seabords, Red Cross; Thos. W. Real, labor boss of the Teamsters; Harold A. Weber, representing the Kneeland Investment, Downtown Property Owners' Assn; Elmer Zollner, of the American League, Others on the committee are such corporation heads as Turner of the Telephone Co., and H. H. Leonard of the P. G. & E.

## RAIL AND STEAMSHIP UNION DANCE, OCT. 19

The Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks, Freight Handlers, Express and Station Employes has announced from its offices in the Pacific Building that plans have been completed for the Brotherhood's Seventeenth Annual Dance, which will be held in the Gold Room of the Palace Hotel on Saturday evening, October 19.

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



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DANCE - ENTERTAINMENT given by the, I.L.A. Ship Scalers 38-100, for the benefit of the STRIKE RELIEF FUND at Druids Auditorium, 44 Page st., Oct. 12. Entertainment will start promptly at 8 p. m. Adm. 15 cents.

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Workers forum, 230 S. Spring St., L. A. Every Sunday night—8 p.m. Admission ten cents.

KEEP OCT. 19 OPEN for Fall Concert and Dance. Musicians' Culture Center, 230 So. Spring street, Los Angeles.

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## Hearst Paper Loses 2000 Subscribers

By a Worker Correspondent

LOS ANGELES—After the demonstration in front of Hearst's Examiner last Sept. 3, one of the women who had been there stopped at the Daily Worker, on a bicycle and told the woman propaganda worker what had happened—how police and thugs had beaten and arrested people.

The proprietor said she had taken a month's subscription on account of a prize offered, but she could not stand the lies and was going to call up the Examiner and have them stop sending the paper.

About a week later when they met again in the shop, the proprietor told how two men had come out from the Examiner office to find out what was the matter. One of them admitted the paper had lost some 2000 circulation in southwest Los Angeles.

Evidently the working people who live in that section are getting fed up on Hearst's praise of Hitler and Mussolini and his contempt for American workers.

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# MOVIE REVIEWS

## Virtuous Employer Fires 300 Workers to Punish Them—Crazy Doctor Tries to Assault Patient's Beautiful Wife

By Michael Quin.

These aren't first run features, so I'm only out a quarter. In the future we'll try to review only first runs, but I was a little short tonight. Most of our readers pick these things up at the cheaper shows anyhow and these are still making the rounds.

Two features for two bits—both of them remarkable examples of present day culture. I won't tell you whether they were good or bad. I'll let you use your own judgment.

### "PARTY WIRE"

**With Jean Arthur and Victor Jory.**

A guy by the name of Putnam, young and handsome, owns the small town of Rockville and the Putnam Dairies on which the town depends for a livelihood. He never does any work—but dashes around in a high-powered roadster and wears slacks. He is a very nice guy, brave and fine and decent. The rest of the population are all knaves, fools, cheap gossips and generally disgusting. There is one other nice person in town, the daughter of an old drunk—young, beautiful and devoted to her father and a belief. The millionaire falls in love with her even though she doesn't realize it, owning to her innocence.

One night she is going over the accounts of the local church and discovers $6,250 missing. Her father, deaf drunk, calls up a young guy who is in jail for the crime and tells him he'd better come clear and make things right or he'll come after him with a shotgun. Arm. The young guy, Jerry Shaw, is the "Party Wire" and confesses that the girl is pregnant, immediate persecution and slander results.

The millionaire is too fine and decent to believe such a thing of such a lovely girl, but the drunken father, believing he is the cause of all the trouble tries to shoot his brains out, misses and is laid up comfortably in a hospital.

The millionaire gets sore at the town and decides to punish them. He closes up the dairies, the local bank and fires all 300 employees at the dairy. The town holds a mass meeting on the subject during which the millionaire strides in, tall, handsome and magnificent.

The whole town feels sheepish and ashamed at the sight of his fine, brave face. He tells them where to get off at, that the dairy and the town are his private property and he'll do what he pleases with them.

His bedridden Aunt, a motherly old soul, gets up out of bed and comes to the meeting in a wheel chair. She bawls hell out of the town, tells them to go back to work and that her Nephew must give them another chance. They are all grateful. Marriage. Kiss. Fadeout.

### "MAD LOVE".

A famous piano player gets smashed up in a wreck and the doctor says his hands must be amputated. His wife, realizing that the hands are the meal ticket, appeals to an insane surgeon, who has a crazy love for her, to do something. The surgeon cuts off the fellows hands and grafts onto him the hands of a brutal murderer who has just been put to death. After this, the guy can't play the piano, but his hands are always itching to murder somebody.

The insane doctor plays upon the jittered mind of his patient and finally drives him to killing his father—for which he is executed. Then the doctor corners the beautiful wife in his gloomy house and tries to assault her, but refuses to cooperate, so he decides to murder her.

Meanwhile his responsibility is discovered by the police. Cops, husband, friends and a newspaper reporter come on the run and crash into the house in the middle of the murder. The husband kills the crazy doctor and takes his wife in his arms. Kiss. Fadeout.

That quarter is gone beyond recall. But I will feel that it wasn't all wasted if I have spared you a similar expense. When these pics next come to your neighborhood show—stay home and read Karl Marx or the WESTERN WORKER. If you feel restless, distribute some leaflets, don't sit for two hours in the dark letting a bunch of Hollywood shills make a fool out of you.

# The Mooney Frame-Up On Parade

## Beginning a Serial Story of the New Court Hearing

PART I.

On September 17, in the early morning, the gates of San Quentin opened and Tom Mooney was taken out under heavy guard. Grey haired, advanced in years, he hardly resembled the young labor leader who entered those gates nineteen years before.

A high powered car awaited the prisoner and guards in the front, where a police motor boat was waiting to take them across the Bay to San Francisco.

The sight of the giant Bay Bridges under construction captured the attention of the grey haired prisoner. Many changes. Only twice before had he left San Quentin since 1916. In May, 1921 he appeared for an unsuccessful appeal before Superior Judge Harold Louderback.

☆ **Louderback's Record.**

**It is interesting that Louderback, now a Federal Judge, is the man who recently issued the injunction to the Market Street Railways permitting them to operate anti-labor death traps—one-man cars. Mooney was framed and railroaded to the penitentiary for organizing the employees of the Market Street Railways, (then known as United Railroads.)**

In 1921 Mooney was brought to trial, at his own insistence, in a still outstanding murder indictment against him, and was acquitted.

Now, in September, 1935, he was brought to the Superior Court hearing on the writ of habeas corpus, the latest step in his 19 year fight for freedom.

In 1916 he was convicted on perjured testimony of the murder of a man killed when a bomb was thrown at a Preparedness Day Parade. In 1933 he was acquitted of the murder of a second man killed by the same bomb at the same instant.

☆ **All Witnesses Impeached.**

In 1933, District Attorney Matthew Brady of San Francisco declared:

**"All the witnesses connecting Mooney with the Preparedness Day bombing parade in 1916 are impeached. We cannot prove a case against him."**

In reference to the habeas corpus hearing which he was now on his way, Mooney remarked:

**"The latest legal developments in our case are the direct result of the mass protest demonstration carried on by the working class for our freedom.'**

He went on to say in following Warren K. Billings, convicted with him in the frame-up:

☆ **America's Devil's Isle.**

As the motor boat passed the grim walls of the Federal Prison on Alcatraz Island, Mooney peered from the cabin window. A newspaper photographer snapped him. "Tom Mooney looking at America's Devil's Isle," the Press Wire written your caption for you," said Tom.

The San Francisco "Red Squad" had been called to man the armed guard. They tried to draw the veteran labor leader out on the subject of Communism. He refused to be provoked. Later, in the court room, he was to say, "I am not a Communist, but I am not ashamed of the company I keep."

Of course the real solution lies in the overthrow of the capitalist system and the establishment of a Soviet America and the Dictatorship of the Workers. Mooney knows that the author of this educational pamphlet puts forth some immediate steps which include organization of the farmers and decent state home owners on a protective basis.

The pamphlet is thoroughly documented as to source material.

### FREEDOM OF THE PRESS

**Freedom of the Press, by George Seldes. Bobbs Merrill, Indianapolis, $3.**

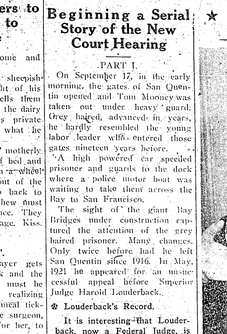
Is there freedom of the press in the United States? George Seldes disposes of the popular American delusion that there is in this very effective and well written review of the subject.

The freedom of the press turns out to be a newspaper owner's, or New Republic puts it, "The freedom of publishing misleading patent medicine advertisements, the freedom to suppress news items and the freedom from every form of social control that is applied to other great businesses."

As Seldes says, "We have had very few liberal, fearless papers, but we have never had a free press." He quotes the editor of the New York Tribune, who confessed, "I am paid $150 per week for keeping my honest opinions out of the papers. . . the profession of journalism in America is to destroy the truth, to lie outright, to pervert, to vilify . . . and to sell his race and his country for his daily bread." The reporter learns that certain news he brings in won't be printed, and for the rest of his life brings in the news that his boss wants printed.

Seldes sees as means to better these conditions papers without ads, endowed papers and "labor papers." He believes the Newspaper Guild, the union of editorial writers, can do much to remedy this situation.

## ★ AFTER 19 YEARS IN PRISON ★



TOM MOONEY AND WARREN K. BILLINGS, victims of one of the crudest and most corrupt frame-ups in labor history, meet in the San Francisco County Jail for the first time in 19 years. Mooney has been imprisoned at San Quentin, Billings at Folsom. "For 19 years we have gone through fire together," Mooney said, "Through the years we have been soldiers fighting together in the cause of the worker. And we are friends today—good friends."

## State Supreme Court Reviews Evidence After 19 Years

There is no evidence to sustain Mooney's conviction and imprisonment."

This is what Judge Franklin A. Griffin, who presided at that trial declared:

"There is now no evidence against him. There is not even a serious suggestion that it exists."

☆ **Police Demonstration.**

This historic courtroom, when the hearing opened on Sept. 17, was guarded inside and out by an unusual mobilization of uniformed and plainclothes officers. Twenty uniformed police were in the courtroom and more were in the halls outside and around the building. An identical method was used at the recent Sacramento Criminal Syndicalism trial to create the impression that desperate criminals were on trial.

Three attorneys retained by the Mooney Molders' Defense Committee were present to represent Mooney. Mrs. Hayes also promised to be there as the prisoner's wife, but was ill.

Twenty Attorney General William F. Cleary was representative for the State.

The hearing is before Attorney J. F. Shaw, appointed as referee by the State Supreme Court. Shaw has no power to hand down definite rulings, he will merely report to the courts of the hearing to the Supreme Court and that body will make a decision. Should the U. S. Supreme Court refuse to grant Mooney's freedom, the case will immediately be appealed to the U. S. Supreme Court.

☆ **Mooney Takes the Stand.**

Mooney was the first witness to take the stand. In the early morning he gave a straightforward account of his activities on the day of the bombing; which remains unshaken since the time he was first questioned after his arrest 19 years ago.

He met the efforts of Dep. Attorney Gen. Cleary to confuse the issues of the trial with labor organizations and to attempt a distorted statement of his working class principles. In spite of the objections of his defense counsel, which he went to prison, already shoved aside, Mooney made a clear statement of his position and, as he stated firmly:

**"I believe in the socializing of all the wealth of the world for the people. The ultimate purpose and historic mission of all labor is to free itself so that society will be one classless. There can never be industrial peace until this is accomplished."**

Later, Rena Mooney, his wife, took the stand and described the angry scene she accompanied her husband on that day—the same story she had recounted 19 years before and many times since—a story contested only by witnesses whose testimony has since been proven perjured.

Defense Attorney Frank P. Walsh read for the first time in 19 years the official transcript of Mooney's questioning in the Half of Justice in which Mooney was successfully tried in 1916.

This is what William MacNavin, foreman of the jury said about that trial after subsequent exposure of the perjury of witnesses:

"I was foreman of the jury that convicted Mooney. I know what I am talking about . . . I

## CALL FOR ARTISTS' CONGRESS TO DEAL WITH PROBLEMS

This is a call to all artists, of recognized standing in their profession, who are aware of the crisis in capitalist culture in the World, Culture in general, and in the field of the Arts in particular. This Call is to those artists, the conscious of the need of action, realize the necessity of collective discussion and planning, with the objective of the preservation and development of our cultural heritage. It is for those artists who realize that the cultural crisis is but a reflection of the economic crisis, and not an isolated phenomenon.

"The artists are among those most affected by the world economic crisis. Their income has dwindled dangerously close to zero.

Dealers, museums and private patrons have long ceased to supply the meagre support they once gave.

Government, State and Municipally sponsored Art Projects are giving only temporary employment to a small fraction of the artists.

The wage scale on these projects has been consistently below the standard set by the House Painters, Union Present Government policy on the Works Program will drive it below subsistence level.

All these attempts have failed consistently to provide that economic base on which creative work can be accomplished.

The artists, as part of the social problem, is the supreme plight the artist must face a resultant attack against the freedom of expression.

Rockefeller Center, the Museum of Modern Art, the Federal Court House in St. Louis, the Coit Memorial Tower in San Francisco, the Abraham Lincoln High School, Rickers Island Penitentiary—in these and other important public and semi-public institutions suppression, removal, whitewashing or destruction of art works has occurred.

Oaths of allegiance for teachers, investigations of colleges for radicalism, sedition bills aimed at the suppression of civil liberties, discrimination against the foreign-born, against Negroes, the revolutionary Liberty League and similar organizations, Hearst journalism, etc., are daily reminders of Fascist growth in the United States.

A picture of what Fascism has done to living standards, to civil liberties, to workers' organizations, to intellectual life, and the attack against the peace and security of the world, is shown in Italy and Germany, should anyone every believe that it could not happen here.

We artists must act. Individually we are powerless. Through collective action we can rally our forces, with all sections of the anti-fascist struggle against war and fascism.

There is need for an artists' organization on a nation-wide scale, which will deal with our cultural problems. The creation of such a permanent organization, which will be affiliated with a kindred organizations throughout the world, is our task.

The Artists Congress, to be held in New York City, in the spring of 1936, will have as its objective the formation of such an organization. Discussion at the Congress will include the following:

Fascism and war; Racial Discrimination; Preservation of Civil Liberties; Imprisonment of Revolutionary Artists and writers; Federal, State and Municipal Art Projects; Municipal Art Gallery and Center; Federal Art Gallery and Center; the Art Schools during the Crisis; Museum Policy in the Depression; Subject Matter in Art; Easel Painting vs. Mural; Art and Media and Material to Art Content; Art Criticism, etc.

We, the undersigned, ask you to participate in the Congress.

Copies of this call can be obtained from the Artists Call, 511 Court House St. Louis, the Coit Memorial Tower in San Francisco, the Abraham Lincoln High School, Rickers Island Penitentiary—in these and other important public and semi-public institutions suppression, removal, whitewashing or destruction of art works has occurred.

The list of artists signing this call, totalling one hundred and five from all sections of the United States, is too long for us to print in full. Among those are such distinguished names as:

George Ault, Cameron Booth, John Cunningham, Stuart Davis, Boardsley Elsner, Hugo Gellert, Bertram Hartman, Eitaro Ishigaki, Frederick Knight, Louis Lozowick, Louis Mumford, George Overbury "Pop" Hart, Katherine Rocke, Mitchell Siporin, Lebrun Charmion von Wiegand and Art Young.

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## HEALTH AND THE CLASS STRUGGLE

By The WESTERN WORKER MEDICAL BUREAU

By FRANKLIN E. BISSELL, M. D.

MEDICAL—DENTAL RELIEF

**The Public Works and Unemployed Union of Alameda County has demanded that the SERA take over the county medical and dental clinics, enlarge them, and put in enough equipment, laboratories, etc. to give first-class medical and dental service to the unemployed. The doctors would be paid, and not exploited to the tune of nothing per hour, as at present in the clinics.**

A PWUU committee first presented these demands to Mrs. Hayes of the Alameda County SERA, together with demands for improvement at the present medical-dental plan. She replied that she had orders from the state office which prevented her putting any of our demands into operation, except for two points.

One of these exceptions was the demand that social workers stop telling their "clients" that they had to see the physicians in double-crossing its members is shown by Dr. Davy's statement—that the extremely low fees in the present plan must be approved by a committee appointed by the Association.

An important demand was that the PWUU have representatives on various advisory committees. The letter from Davy states that only the doctors and the SERA administration have anything to say about what sort of service the relief workers are to receive. Evidently he thinks the workers who are the patients aren't supposed to be concerned about such matters.

Concerning the demand that SERA workers shall receive unlimited dental services, Dr. Davy quotes Federal rules that the plan includes only "emergency dental service." Certainly much dental work is necessary to the health of the patient and so is "emergency," yet at present very little dental work may be done.

At present the SERA will only take care of illness that don't last over two weeks. The union demands that all cases be treated under the plan. Federal regulations state that the illness may not be treated longer than two to three months.

No special fees are allowed the doctor now for small surgery. Most doctors refuse to do it under such circumstances. Davy says he says he'd like it's being worked out.

Another proposal was that the SERA worker choose his surgeon if he must undergo a serious operation, the doctor being paid a fee by SERA. Dr. Davy's answer is as silly as only a Roosevelitian's can be: "Hospital bills cannot be paid from relief funds." What has the surgeon's fees to do with the hospital bills, we wish to know?

A mass campaign is being developed around these issues.

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## The Mooney Frame-up and The C. S. Frame-up

Tom Mooney and Warren K. Billings are in San Francisco, appearing before a State Supreme Court reference on a writ of habeas corpus. This is the latest development in Tom Mooney's 19 year fight for freedom. The hearing, though legally affecting only Mooney, will be of vital concern in freeing Billings. Both men were convicted on perjured testimony which has since been so discredited that judge and jurors of the original trial have proclaimed their innocence and pleaded for their freedom.

But only a few months before Mooney left San Quentin for the hearing, eight more working class prisoners entered the penitentiary as the result of a frameup as crude and corrupt as the Mooney trial, and bearing marked similarity. These were the eight victims of the Sacramento Criminal Syndicalism trial.

The frame-up engineer of the Mooney case was District Attorney Charles M. Fickert, placed in office by the Pacific Gas & Electric Company, which had vital interests in the United Railroads (street car company) of San Francisco.

The frame-up engineer of the C. S. trial was District Attorney Neil R. McAllister, whose backing (he made no effort to conceal this at the trial) was the Associated Farmers, an organization of bankers and wealthy growers, which was formed at the instigation of the Pacific Gas & Electric Co., which has a huge financial interest in all California agriculture.

Mooney was framed for organizing the car men of the United Railroads!

The C. S. prisoners were framed for organizing the agricultural workers!

Mooney was framed during a reign of gangster terrorism, instituted by the "Citizens" Committee" of the employers.

The C. S. prisoners were framed during a reign of gangster terrorism, instituted by the "Criminal Syndicalism" act, the Associated Farmers and the Industrial Association.

The dirty details of the Mooney frame-up were arranged by Martin Swanson, corporation detective for the P. G. & E., who was later transfered to the payroll of the district attorney.

The dirty details of the C. S. frame-up were arranged by William Hanks, stool pigeon in the employ of the Associated Farmers (P. G. & E.) who was later transferred to the payroll of the state and later to the payroll of the district attorney.

William McNavin, foreman of the Mooney jury declared after the trial, when perjury of witnesses was exposed:

"I know what I am talking about. There is no evidence to sustain Mooney's conviction."

Juror Howard S. McIntyre, after the C. S. trial, declared:

"The verdict of the jury was the result of a corrupt compromise in the jury room and not legal according to law. Eight innocent persons have been sent to the penitentiary, and I want to do what I can to right this wrong."

Last week in Jackson, minus James Workman was convicted on framed charges. In Galilee, No. 14 workers are facing trial on charges of murder resulting from the death of a sheriff during the breaking up of a demonstration. In San Francisco James Garrison is accused of assault in the rawest frameup imaginable.

There is only one real way to prevent the use of the courts by the employing interests as instruments of suppression against the working class, and that is for labor to place its own representatives in office.

VOTE THE UNITED LABOR TICKET!

"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.

## The C. P. and the 55th National A.F.L. Convention

The 55th Annual Convention of the American Federation of Labor opens at Atlantic City this week-end. Momentous issues face the delegates, concerning the upsurge of American labor, the fight to organize the unorganized, the industrial unionization craft unionism movement, the split-up union wage-scales on relief jobs, inner trade union democracy, problems of war and fascism and vigilantism, the need for a Labor Party, etc.

Without a doubt these issues will not be squarely met, as the bulk of the delegates are likely to be either uninformed, or chosen because of their unwillingness to support the top machine politicians who are holding the A. F. of L. back from its all-important progressive path.

But although whole states will be without progressive representation, and despite every effort to stifle progressive forces as they have been stifled in most state conventions, some representation is assured and progressive voices will be heard. It is even possible that on the broadest issues some degree of unanimity will prevail, because the conservatives, seeing the handwriting on the wall, will retreat from their advanced reactionary position on less important issues, to give themselves a "liberal" tone. They will give lip-service to certain proposals—as our own California brand of reactionary officials have done. Every advantage must be taken of unity on progressive issues. And the fight must not cease there. It must be brought into the locals to win support from the rank and file for all progressive measures; it must be carried into all central bodies; and it must be put squarely up to the State officials—who can side-track all such issues only if the broad labor union membership is not alive to the situation.

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Of course, all progressives will be accused of being "reds" worthy of expulsion. With Otto "Red-Baiter" Matthew Woll at Green's side, and behind him the power of the Hearst press to lie and distort for fascist reasons, the "red" issue will receive first notice.

We therefore state our position plainly as laid down at the recent Seventh World Congress of the Communist International as follows:

". . . the Congress makes it duty of the Communists to adopt all practical measures for the realization of the unity of the trade unions by industries and on a national scale.

"The Communists are decidedly for the re-establishment of trade union unity in each country and on an international scale; for united class trade unions as one of the major bulwarks of the working class against the offensive of capital and fascism; for one trade union in each industry; for one federation of trade unions organized according to industries; for one international of trade unions based on the class struggle."

Trade union unity is well on the way in France and other countries. Soon major battles for such unity on a wide international scale will take place. Already many American unions are internationally affiliated. Progressive delegates at the 55th Convention will bear the burden of this fight for national and international unity of economic fighting organizations. On the political field, unity can and must be established in a national Labor Party uniting all progressive elements.

Just as state conventions have witnessed a powerful upsurge of the progressives, the National Convention must carry the struggle onto a higher plane, laying the basis for a nation-wide struggle for progressive action.

"A nation has the right to change its form of government—since the people who constitute a society or nation are the source of all authority in that nation."—THOMAS JEFFERSON.

## How to Prepare For Disasters

"The bosses of San Francisco want a "disaster preparedness plan." The bosses of the last Bay already have such a set-up, as was put well reported on Page 4, Column 6 of this issue. The Unions object that the preparations look too much like a vigilante, strike-breaking set-up.

The capitalist press, the Mayor, and other important liars solemnly aver that the use of the organization to break strikes was never even dreamed of by the Chamber of Commerce, Industrial Association, American Legion, and other union-busting groups who contributed to the planning of it.

Maybe not. But the first East Bay "disaster preparedness" drill has been held. They drilled with clubs, and police radio cars, and did it in groups that acted suspiciously like company unions. Next act in the rehearsal should before a struck plant, or maybe on a highway where teamster pickets would try to stop scab driven trucks.

Now the WESTERN WORKER thinks preparing for a disaster is a very good idea. Major fires, floods and earthquakes should be prepared for in advance. So why not settle the whole argument to the satisfaction of everyone?

Let's do it this way: First, elect the United Labor Ticket candidates to office in the next election—Building Trades James Tracy, John D. Shaw, and the others. Then let these union men, in their capacities as supervisors, etc., prepare for disaster according to the plan. Only let them throw out the American Legion vice-and-other-bureaucracy which form the personnel of the thing and call upon the I.L.A., the Seamen, Auto Mechanics, Newspaper Guild, and other unions to furnish the men and brains to make the city run in case of disaster. And organize all civic employees into unions allied with all other workers.

With such a set-up there would be no possibility of the "disaster" plan being used to break strikes.

Meanwhile the Unions and Central Labor Councils must not only keep up the fight against this vigilante "disaster" ordinance, but they must intensify and broaden the wave of protest to prevent the Legion and the Industrial Association from accomplishing it as a strike-breaking agency. Demand its removal from the East Bay and demand its abandonment in San Francisco.

"Contemplate the mangled bodies of your countrymen and then say, 'What should be the reward of such sacrifices? Did us and posterity bow the knee, supplicate for friendship, and turn the cheek to 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.

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 reopening 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.

# Party Life

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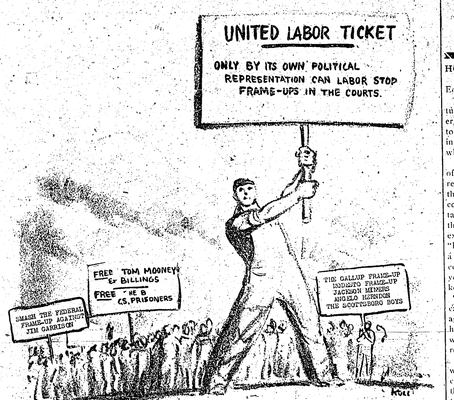


## The Experience of The Northwest Lumber Strike

Everett, Wash.

Following is an article on recruiting in Section No. 18 Everett, Wash., during the recent lumber strike:

**Why were we able to recruit thirty striking lumber workers into our Party during the strike?**

The first serious steps to recruit timber workers began in the middle of April." In the section buro meeting of April 15, in checking up on our forces among timber workers, we found we only had two party members, who were actually on the job. We came to the conclusion that it would be impossible to give correct leadership to the coming struggle with these small forces and laid a plan for recruiting.

☆ **First Steps.**

The first thing that was done was to assign one of the most capable comrades on the section buro to the strike and recruiting.

Next we checked on every possible contact in the mills, and began visiting them in their homes, taking up with them the coming strike, and pointing out to them the Party would play.

Next we set ourselves a quota of strikers to be recruited. The quota was one hundred.

At the time the workers went on strike we had only recruited one worker, but we had a group of seven or eight rank and filers who gathered weekly with the leading comrades and carrying out our proposals." These workers were giving us new contacts, and we visited them in their homes and recruited some into the party.

By the time the strike was two weeks old we had recruited fifteen in the manner mentioned above, along with our general agitation and propaganda. We also had these comrades functioning in the party fraction and carrying on good work in the union.

By this time we had built real unity between the unemployed and the strikers, through intensive work of the party fraction and the unemployed councils. We had established a relief kitchen in the U. C. hall to feed the strikers, and had united front mass picket lines with the U. C. picketing as an organization.

☆ **Fraction Work.**

Through our party fraction we were able to get the S.T.W.U. to call a mass meeting in the city park, and we received an invitation to have a party speaker on the program at this meeting. At this mass meeting about 2500 strikers and sympathizers turned out to hear the strikers' side of the question. The party comrade spoke on the role of the Communists in the strike, and pointed out the next steps to be taken in order to strengthen the strike, also way winning much influence for our Party among the strikers, and killing the red scare which had been raised by the local fakers.

We issued leaflets in the name of the Section Committee on every situation which arose, continually exposing the sell-out maneuvers of Muir and Co. and the local fakers, and pointing out the next steps to be taken to strengthen the strike. All of these leaflets were very well received by the strikers. In every leaflet we issued we called on the workers to join the Communist Party. To read the Daily Worker, and to build a mass party in the section. The Daily Worker was sold in front of the strike headquarters every day.

☆ **Concentration.**

All during the strike the comrade assigned to recruiting was relieved of all other responsibility. This way he was able to continue the contact work that was started before the strike, visiting many new contacts and drawing them into the Party.

Our united front work in recruiting laid with the comrades who were in the union, working among the strikers, and with other known leading comrades who were working very close with the strikers.

One comrade who was a member of the Section Buro, and was assigned to join the union, was attacked on the floor of a union meeting by the reactionary president of the union, being an organizer for the Communist Party. This comrade never denied he was a Communist, and when the president tried to have him thrown out of the union meeting the rank and file of the union defended this comrade. The rank and file overruled the president and the comrade was looked on after that as a leader and militant fighter. Yet at the end of the strike this comrade had not recruited one striker into the Party. The same weakness existed with the other comrades who were on the inside and in a position to really carry on recruiting. At the end of the strike only four or five strikers had been recruited by the comrades from within the union. The rest were recruited from the outside by the comrade assigned that task.

Had the comrades who were in the union taken the question of recruiting seriously, and followed out the decisions that were made on recruiting we would have easily fulfilled our quota of one hundred by the end of the strike.

Comradely yours,

Paul Butt,
Section Organizer, Section No. 18,
Everett, Wash.

### REMARKS

**The idea of assigning one comrade was a good idea, but why only one comrade? Every comrade who had any contact with the strikers should have been assigned as his first task to recruit strikers into the Party. The best time for every Party member to become conscious of building the Party is when workers are engaged in a struggle.**

**We hope that comrades from all places will keep on contributing similar articles.**

# America and The Seventh World Communist Congress

## The Immediate Issue Of Fascism Before U. S. Workers

### By A. B. Magil

Article I, Part 1

NOTE—This is the first of a series of articles dealing with the decisions of the recent Seventh World Congress of the Communist International in the light of the burning problems facing the American masses.

The annual convention of the American Legion has just adopted a series of reactionary resolutions that mark a new high for these gatherings. Dominated by a Chamber of Commerce clique and preceded over by its banker national commander, Frank N. Belgrano, the Legion convention called for deportation of "alien agitators" and of all "destitute aliens," fingerprinting of all residents of the United States, an increased drive against progressive thought in the schools and colleges, and the withdrawal of recognition of the Soviet Union.

The kind of "Americanism" that the higher officials of the Legion stand for may be gleaned from the following dispatch of Hearst's Universal News Service that appeared in the New York American of June 25:

**"Reports that the Prince of Wales, Edward, de la Rocque, head of the French war veterans' league, American Legion chiefs are cooperating to unite veterans to force their respective governments to present a united front against Communism impressed delegates to the International Chamber of Commerce meeting."**

☆ **Fascists Work Hand in Glove.**

Col. de la Rocque is the leader of the French fascists. The Prince of Wales, at the time this dispatch was written, was acting as the go-between in efforts to tie up the British war veterans with the German fascist veterans, groups as part of the growing alliance between Nazi Germany and Britain simalized by the Anglo-German naval pact.

In other words, the Legion clique, in the name of "democracy" and 200 per cent Americanism, are working hand in glove with foreign fascists.

The campaign of the American Legion leadership, directed not only against Communism, but also against progressivism in general, is faced with the growing disillusionment of large masses of the people in the New Deal and their attempts to find the path of independent political action—in a period of extreme international tension and feverish war preparation—are more and more beginning to borrow a leaf from Hitler and Mussolini.

It is in the light of this concrete situation, threatening the existence and the hard-won liberties of every worker, poor farmer and middle class person that the decisions of the recent Seventh World Congress of the Communist International, held at Moscow, assume a life-and-death importance for the oppressed masses of all countries.

"In the midst of the dark night of bourgeois reaction and fascism," declared the great Dimitroff, hero of the Reichstag fire trial, in his concluding speech at the Congress, "the Communist International rises like a lighthouse, showing the whole of mankind the path to liberation from the yoke of capital, from fascist barbarity, and from the horrors of imperialist war."

☆ **The Answer with 'the Anti-Fascists.**

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# OPEN FORUM

## HOW RECRUITS ARE MADE

Santa Barbara, Calif.
Editor, Western Worker:

Riding on the bus out of Ventura a worker met a Kansas farmer, who had come to California to invest his hard-earned savings in some small tract of land on which to make his home.

Our comrade sold him a copy of "Western Worker" and after reading the news and reports of the struggles the workers in all countries dominated by the capitalist class are putting up to free themselves of the chains of their exploiting masters, he exclaimed: "Krise man, if you went peddling a paper like this back where I come from the sheriff would lock you up for keeps and throw the key away."

"When told that that is what one can expect unless we organize against war and fascist terrorism, he became very interested—and wanted to know more about our revolutionary program.

He was given the address of the workers' bookshop in San Francisco and said that he would go there and get acquainted with the Communists and their literature, and that often he expressed the wish to go to the Soviet Union and find out for himself about their progress and advancement rather than to throw away his money on some farm, which he may lose anyway.

The truth will eventually reach the masses!

Comradely—E.A.

## APPEAL FOR LETTERS

Los Angeles, Calif.,
October 1, 1935.

To the Readers of the Western Worker:

Dear Friends:

A recent visit to Tehachapi Prison for Women disclosed the fact that visitors and letters to the three Sacramento trial victims are not as numerous and frequent as they should be.

Mora Candlin, Loraine Norman and Caroline Decker have been sentenced for one to fourteen years each on the criminal Syndicalism Law. Their case is now being appealed by the International Labor Defense. In addition to all the other battles that the International Labor Defense is waging for these workers, the case at the moment needs mass support. Letters alone from officials of this state that these fighters have not been forgotten, but will be answered until everyone is free!

**The very least that every class conscious worker can do is to write a letter to these women. They need the mail to keep up their unwavering courage. Their case needs an avalanche of letters to show the mass support of the workers. They are housed in this prison with murderesses, thieves and embezzlers. They are not criminals but class war victims. It is for us to make that distinction clear to these prisoners they should have constant daily reminders of the strength of the workers who 'will fight until they are free.'**

Although Tehachapi is in an isolated and desolate spot every effort should be made to visit these women in person, in addition to sending them letters. Visiting hours are every day from 9 a. m. to 3 p. m. Visitors may visit one and those comrades for one hour. Can you appreciate what such an hour means to them? **When you finish this letter do not lay it aside with the thought that you will surely tend to this matter, but get pen and paper and write to these comrades at once and try to arrange to visit them.**

Exactly the same procedure holds good in regard to the men comrades who were convicted in this case and are incarcerated at San Quentin. However, because Tachachapi is such a long way, a good forsaken corner of the state the women e not so accessible to visitors, and a hundred times as much mail as has been sent them should be received by them at once!

Sincerely,

Kay Mann.

## MACKAY MEN ASK UNION RECOGNITION PLUS CLOSED SHOP

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 7.—Mackay Radio is shut down 100 per cent following a walk-out of point to point operators at midnight October 4.

The operators, are demanding union recognition, a closed shop and wage adjustments. The men of the Mackay are militant and have a rank and file union.

The men have a joint agreement with the marine operators for recognition of their union, the American Radio Telegraphers' Association, which was adopted at a recent meeting of the members of the point to point and marine telegraphers.

At the time the strike was called, Mr. Sloan, vice-president of the International Telephone and Telegraph, was in San Francisco. A committee of strikers called upon him with their demands. He refused to concede a point and attempted to confuse the issue. Instead, he pleaded for time and the committee gave him five days in which to get back to New York.

☆ **Compromise Offer**

At New York, Pyle of the marine operators and Salisbury of the point to point men met with Stone. He again attempted to squirm out and made it clear he does not intend to grant what the men are asking.

Friday night the strikers here

**Radio Operator Strike 100 Per Cent Solid Here**

## Spread of Strike in Gulf Ports is Indicated

BULLETIN

GALVESTON, Tex., Oct. 8. Spread of the Gulf longshore strike to this port and at Lake Charles, La., was seen here today. Longshoremen are voting and an early count showed more than 60 per cent of the men in favor of the strike.

The referendum was ordered by International Longshoremen's Association officials on whether or not to accept offers of shipowners to renew an old agreement.

If the early majority is held officials indicated 5000 I.L.A. men in Houston, Galveston, Texas City, Beaumont, Port Arthur, Orange and Corpus Christi and Lake Charles will strike at 8 a. m. Friday.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Oct. 7. The shooting of Richard Gordon, a Negro striker, in the leg by a man thought to be a scab, brought the number of severely injured to three as the strike of the International Longshoremen's Association entered its fourth day here.

Gordon was shot during a disturbance at the Poland Avenue dock here, which developed when heavily armed police tried to run a truckload of scabs through pick et lines.

The forty miles of river front here were the scene of numerous clashes between pickets and police as attempts to continue shipping with scab labor from this port were continued. Twelve men, in addition to the one shot were injured, have received minor hurts.

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## B. C. Strikers Vote to Join A.F.L. Groups

VANCOUVER, B. C. Oct. 4.—Striking longshoremen and seamen here, members of the Transport Workers Union, voted 1750 to 35 last week in favor of joining the International Seamens Union and the International Longshoremen's Association.

Application as to how to accomplish this unity move already have been filed with the respective organizations.

## 4 SCALERS FACE MURDER CHARGE

## Death of Injured Man Used in Attempt to Smash Union

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 7.—Four members of the Ship Scalers Union, (I. L. A.) who were arrested here last week-end have been booked on a framed-up charge of murder.

The men held are Archie Brown, Julio Canales, F. Jiminez and Pat Hill. The arrests were made against them when V. Torres, also a member of the union, died Saturday of injuries sustained when he fell from a wood-story roof during a fight started by disrupters at a union meeting several weeks ago.

The men are to come up for Grand Jury hearing today. Ley Gollins, International Longshoremen's Association lawyer will defend them.

Torres was buried today by the Ships Scalers Union.

Five of six Scalers Union members arrested the night of the fight on the roof, have had charges against them dismissed.

## Sloss Says Employers Must Reinstate Longshoremen

BULLETIN

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 8.—On the heels of a telegram from the strike committee at Vancouver, longshoremen meeting at Dreamland Auditorium here last night voted to work the S.S. "Point Clear", tied up here since the latter part of June.

The Vancouver telegram read: "In view of the critical situation facing you, the central strike committee of the Longshoremen, Marine Transport Workers of Canada agrees to the release of British Columbia cargo."

The longshoremen voted to concur in the telegram.

However, when three longshore gangs, this morning were dispatched to work the Point Clear there was nothing for them to do.

There was no steam for the winches, no gear and no slings. The shipowners obviously had not expected the ship would be worked and had not wanted it worked, in spite of all their propaganda to the contrary.

Men had to be sent to the warehouses for the necessary equipment.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 7.—Temporary peace came to the San Francisco waterfront this morning as Arbitrator M. C. Sloss ruled the shipowners blacklist against more than 1600 longshoremen who had refused to work hot cargo, constituted a violation of the Longshore Award.

Mervyn Rathborne, district secretary of the Maritime Federation today announced the counsel had requested the district executive committee of the Longshoremen's Union to call upon the Vancouver dock strikers to lift the ban on British Columbia cargo.

A special meeting of the Vancouver longshoremen had been called last week-end to consider action on hot cargo and on the settlement which the men are attempting to negotiate, directly with the shipowner group there.

☆ **Ask Ban Lift.**

The Federation Council here also requested the district officials of the I.L.A. to take a vote on the

## HEARST PICKET TRIAL ACQUITS THREE OF FIVE

PICKETING ORDINANCE IS USED TO CONVICT TWO OF THE DEFENDANTS

### Brutality Exposed

RED SQUAD LIES LEAD TO ACQUITTAL ON CHARGES OF DISTURBING PEACE

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 5.—Partial victory against the forces of William Randolph Hearst was scored here yesterday in Municipal Judge R. Morgan Galbreth's court when three of five workers were acquitted on fake charges growing out of the brutal police assault on a picket line in front of the Los Angeles Examiner last Sept. 3.

☆ **Three Acquitted**

Two workers, J. G. Honeycombe and Jack Ginsburg, who were both badly beaten by police and Hearst-employed thugs, were acquitted of "disturbing the peace" and resisting an officer following vivid testimony by many workers as to the brutality with which the "Red Squad" and other vicious "plug-uglies" slugged the defendants and other workers.

M. E. Freeman was acquitted of violations of the anti-picketing ordinance.

Defense of the workers, was ably carried on by Grover Johnson, attorney of the International Labor Defense. Honeycombe acted as his own counsel. The trial lasted two and one-half weeks.

Strong protests are called for by the I. L. D. to be directed to Municipal Judge Galbreth and Dist. Attorney Buron Fitts, both of the Municipal Court, demanding that Honeycombe and Ginsburg be released immediately and unconditionally.

☆ **Vocal Protests**

Workers who attended the court sessions during the final speech to the jury by Ned Marr, prosecuting attorney, were stunned by the latter's attack on the character of the defendants and their witnesses.

"These men might have gone down the Examiner Building to commit murder!" said Marr at one point, arousing vocal protests from the packed courtroom.

Both Johnson and Honeycombe pinned the lies of the "Red Squad" in their speeches to the jury, and showed the direct connection between the attack and their vicious beatings of the workers in the picket line.

## LABOR TICKET CALLS GENERAL MOBILIZATION

FAKE ROSSI INDORSEMENT DECLARED INSULT TO ORGANIZED LABOR

### News Guild Ballots

REDFERN MASON PLEDGES SUPPORT OF TICKET TO LONGSHOREMEN

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 7.—Action of the Vandeleur clique in the Labor Council in declaring that San Francisco labor indorses the candidacy of Mayor Rossi for re-election, is as insulting to the intelligence of the working people as it is a fraudulent misrepresentation of their sentiment." This was the declaration made today by William Sanders, member of the Ornamental Iron Workers' Union, Local No. 472, A. F. of L., delegate to the San Francisco Labor Council, and candidate for Supervisor on the United Labor Ticket.

"This bold act of treachery is a challenge to San Francisco workingmen and women to express their true sentiment as regards municipal politics. The Industrial Association machine which is backing Rossi's re-election, commands practically every avenue of publicity and has unlimited campaign funds. The United Labor Ticket depends upon the cooperation and donated aid of sincere working class people and sympathizers.

☆ **Aid Requested**

"That labor elect its own representatives to office in the coming election constitutes a real working class emergency. It is up to us with regular the practical aid of every supporter.

"Next Sunday (Oct. 13) we are having a general mobilization of all persons sympathetic to our campaign. It is important that every supporter appear at 747 Mar. ket street at 10 a. m. from there you will be supplied with campaign literature and despatched to districts for a mass house-to-house campaign in November or December. Delegates from Northern California will be joined by delegates from Southern California where a Conference against the C. S. Law is to be held Oct. 20.

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# ROSSI 'LABOR' BACKING IS DECLARED FRAUD

## *Vancouver Lifts Point Clear Ban-Texas Dock Men Take Strike Vote*

## New War Threats Follow League Vote

### *HIGHLIGHTS OF WAR NEWS*

GENEVA—League council approves sanctions against Italy, branded "aggressor nation."

HARLEM, N. Y.—Negro and white workers unite in huge anti-war demonstration on Saturday.

SAN FRANCISCO—Redfern Mason, united labor ticket candidate for mayor, heads delegation of protest to Italian Consul.

ROME—American-born medical students here warned by United States Consulate they will lose American citizenship if they serve with Italian army, Communist Party of Italy issues slogan: "Turn your guns against your fascist leaders."

WASHINGTON—President Roosevelt issues warning to American travellers that sailing on Italian vessels is done at their own risk.

The extent of measures likely to be applied is not yet clear, negotiations continue between Paris and London on the question of mutual support for all and any measures against aggressor nations.

Italian representatives, despite the "moral condemnation" implied in the unanimous vote, persisted in attending sessions, and reports, from Rome stated complete disregard for the League's decision to be the official Italian attitude.

ETHIOPIA, Oct. 6.—Estimates here place Italian troops on lines of attack along the Mereb river with 200,000, with complete motorized and tank equipment and hundreds of airplanes. In reserve, bringing up, road-building and base equipment, are some 150,000 more including infantry reserves.

In every case planes preceded the onslaught of the mobile ground units. Tanks then broke through barbed wire entanglements and raked the massed defenders of Aduwa with murderous machine gun fire, clearing the way for infantry to invest conquered territory.

Ethiopian casualties following the fall of Aduwa were estimated by the Italian army as 6,000 killed, with the Italian casualties at less than one-quarter that number.

The loss of 6,000 prisoners by the Italian army is accounted for by the traditional refusal of Ethiopian

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## Italian Drive Into Ethiopia Reaps Grim Harvest

## 85 BODIES JOIN IN C. S. FIGHT

### Mass Convention in Sacramento Next Step in Fight

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 7.—The Northern California Conference for United Action against the Criminal Syndicalism Law was held here Sunday, with 85 organizations from 14 cities, having 30,766 members, represented.

Included among the organizations electing delegates to the Conference were 31 A. F. of L. unions, one independent union, 38 fraternal and educational organizations, were unemployed organizations, and eight political organizations.

☆ **Mass Convention Planned.**

The conference adopted a program of action to be culminated in a mass convention of 1000 delegates at Sacramento to convene on the day that the appeal of the Criminal Syndicalism defendants comes up for hearing before the Sacramento District Court of Appeals. The date for the hearing has not yet been set, but will probably be late in November or December. Delegates from Northern California will be joined by delegates from Southern California where a Conference against the C. S. Law is to be held Oct. 20.

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## SCHARRENBERG'S DINNER UPSETS LABOR COUNCIL

### 700 Auto Mechanics Strike for Union Recognition

STRIKE BULLETIN

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 8.—After a month of negotiations with the Metropolitan Union No. 1305 the Automotive Maintenance and Garage Association, representing about 225 shops, has signed an agreement covering wages and working conditions. The Used Car Dealers' Association meets with representatives of the Union today, and negotiations expected to lead to signing of an agreement will be reached soon. A strike called by used car dealers' have already been signed. Meanwhile the Automobile Dealers' Association (dealers in new cars) have refused to recognize the union and 700 Auto Mechanics and 400 Painters of Painters' Local 1073 have struck against the 225 shops.

In addition, the Automobile Dealers have locked out about 150 parts men, 75 clerks and about 200 members of the Garage Employes' Union.

The Painters and Mechanics are operating out of the Mechanics' headquarters at Valencia; the two are cooperating fully, and pickets report there are no scabs in any shop.

## S. F. LABOR COUNCIL MEET

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 5.—At last night's meeting of the Labor Council Harry Bridges of the

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## Amalgamation of Furniture Unions In L. A. Celebrated

22 SHOPS SETTLE WITH UNION, STRIKE ON AGAINST FOUR

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 4.—Successfully working toward trade union unity in Los Angeles and leading the movement toward this end on the Pacific Coast, Local 10 of the Furniture Workers Industrial Union and Local 15 of the International Upholsterers Union formally amalgamated here last night, according to Federation of Labor charter of Local 15.

Great enthusiasm took hold of the meeting as the amalgamation was completed. The local is a rank-and-file union, and is applying to the International for industrial charter as the result of a resolution adopted last night.

☆ **Four Shops on Strike**

Three out of joint struggle in their recent strike, which is still being carried on in four shops, the union of the two locals represents a great and definite achievement in the growth of unity among the working class against the capitalist class.

The Western Worker was given acclamation last night when H. Chait displayed a copy featuring the strike of the furniture workers and upholsterers.

"This is the only newspaper, labor or otherwise, which gave

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# STOP WAR! Statement of the District Committee

**The beginning of Mussolini's conquest of Ethiopia, the last independent native country in Africa, signalizes the release of forces for conquest and destruction long pent up in European capitalism.**

Already ten thousand or more Ethiopians have been slain, countless hundreds rendered wounded and homeless as "civilization" moves in upon the "barbarians." As in the last war, all manner of lies and distortions are used to excuse such slaughter, and the organized Italian press now attempts—not with complete success—to blind the Italian people to the true facts involved, not least of which is the universal condemnation of the arrogant, war-lustful Mussolini by workers.

There is only one possible answer to this open expression of the forces leading to world-wide war and universal destruction: We must spur our forces into energetic action in defense of the independence of Ethiopia.

**Ethiopia is fighting a progressive war in defense of its national independence, and on these grounds alone we are faced with the imperative duty to rally all religionists, all pacifists, all trade unionists, all white-collar workers and professionals into united effort to characterize Mussolini before the world as an imperialist aggressor, and demand the use of every possible weapon of boycott and hostility towards Italian fascism.**

It is not only Italian fascism that is involved, however, although Mussolini has presented the problem most evocatively. A joint meeting of Britain's pre-occupation with Mussolini and the fact that the bulk of her fleet is concentrated at this moment in the Mediterranean, for emergency reasons, is reported beginning new inroads into China, this time in the south, Great Britain's petty-Chinese territory.

Nor does the United States stand without interest in the entire war situation, whether in Europe, Africa or China. Apart from speculation as to war profits, the United States is very actively concerned, not only by way of investments in Italy but also directly in commercial enterprise and possible further commercial enterprise in Africa and India. As to the Far East, reports state that there has been a sudden remarkable concentration of American naval vessels in South-China seas, possibly as a counter-balance to Japanese naval concentration.

Thus the imperialist bandits trade with each other while trading upon each other's preserves.

Thieves' bargaining in every council and star chamber proceeding throughout the imperialist world.

Antagonisms shift rapidly, ever threatening to

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# New War Threats

# L. A. EPIC GROUPS JOIN FIGHT ON CRIMINAL SYNDICALISM LAW

## Conference in L. A. on Oct. 20 Against Criminal Syndicalism Law Endorsed By Jewish Anti-Nazi League

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 6.—With less than two weeks remaining before the date of the Congress, Southern California organizations are rapidly electing delegates and making preparations for the Southern California Congress for the Repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Law and For Democratic Rights to be held at Danish Auditorium, 1359 West 24th street, all day Oct. 20, 1935.

The latest organizations to affiliate with the Congress include the Jewish Anti-Nazi League, comprising some 87 organizations, the Epic Committee for the United Front, representing over 20 Epic clubs in Southern California, Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, Local 912, Studio Wardrobe Tenders, Local 18521, Rubber Workers Union, U. S. Local, and many other A. F. of L. Unions and other groups. The American Youth Congress is urging upon its affiliated organizations attendance at the Congress. The Committee of 33 of the Production for Use Congress has, in accordance with its resolutions, letters to all of its affiliates urging their representatives to attend the Congress.

### SCHARRENBERG CRITICIZED AT LABOR COUNCIL

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I.L.A., reported that the position of the trade unions on the waterfront is very critical, with the shipowners seeking to provoke a strike. The waterfront unions are making every effort to maintain peace, according to Bridges, and if a struggle takes place it will be solely through the efforts of the shipowners.

Delegate A. E. O'Grady of the Masters, Mates and Pilots, confirmed the report of Mr. Bridges.

☆ Auto Mechanics Strike.

Delegate Castleman of the Auto Mechanics reported that 700 members of that local had struck for recognition of their union. He stated that a number of used car dealers, since the strike, had asked the business agent of the union to call, and had signed an agreement with the union as individuals.

Before the strike the Auto Dealers' Association had charged that they could not recognize the union and pay the scale required because the used car dealers were chiselling and exporting to unfair competition. Mr. Castleman declared these charges were untrue. He cited the claim that costs of repairs would be increased 75 per cent, if the agreement with the union was signed, as an example of their false propaganda.

Those garages and dealers signing up with the union will display cards stating they are operating under union conditions.

☆ Caseys Disagree.

Mike Casey of the Teamsters and William Casey of the Watson Drivers got into a hot argument over the question of putting the Del Monte Creamery on the unfair list, an action which has been pending for months. The creamery refuses to hire members of the Milkers' Union.

Bill Casey opposed this action on the grounds that it is futile to drive the trade of Del Monte into the hands of Borden's (which is union). He was greatly exercised over the danger of thus breaking a small business and helping a nation-wide trust. Mike favored putting on the "We don't patronize list."

When it went to a vote the Council voted "no". President Vandeleur then took the issue that such action would tend to weaken labor's position and lead to misunderstanding.

George Kidwell of the Bakery Wagon Drivers finally moved to reconsider. This was carried and a final decision is expected at the next Council meeting.

☆ Scharrenberg's Dinner.

A strong touch of comedy was brought in when a delegate asked from the floor, "Is it true that Scharrenberg was wined and dined in a scab restaurant in San Diego?"

President Vandeleur answered that the charge the restaurant is a scab was "partly true." He "expected" as a great truth, why he thought the charge was partly true. It became so ridiculous the whole Council was thrown into an uproar of laughter.

The "wining and dining" feature in question, was a celebration of Scharrenberg's reelection as secretary of the State Federation of Labor. Vandeleur was present at the affair. During the course of the meal Watson of Miscellaneous Workers No. 110, who was also present, told Vandeleur and Scharrenberg that they were in a scab restaurant.

In the Council meeting Watson endeavored to justify himself for not making the affair public before. "San Diego is a lousy town," declared Watson, and he further stated he didn't approve the Convention being held in such an open shop city. He seemed to cling to the assertion that "whatever unions exist in San Diego are lousy."

A delegate from the Machinists took exception to Watson's remarks.

Vandeleur's attempts to suppress any discussion of the question brought the Council to a disorderly adjournment.

## Speakers for San Francisco Labor Ticket

Oct. 8, at 8:00 p.m.: Epic-Democratic Group, 2422 31st ave. Redfern Mason.

Oct. 10, at 8 p.m.: I.L.A. Auxiliary, Druids-Temple, 44 Page st. Redfern Mason and George Anderson.

Oct. 11, at 2:30 p.m.: California League of Women Voters, St. Francis Hotel. Redfern Mason.

Oct. 15, at 7:00 p.m., John Reed Branch, int. Workers' Order, 69 Haight st. Redfern Mason and seven other candidates 15 speak.

## REDFERN MASON VOICES 'STAND ON 'HOT CARGO'

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here, Edward Vandeleur and the employers controlled machine operating within the Central Labor Council gave Glen H. Brent a fraudulent "labor indorsement" of candidacy of Murray Unsold and Angelo Rossi for re-election. Rossi, employers during the 1934 maritime and General Strike won him the contempt of the whole laboring population, and the General Unsold has always been unscrupulous-anti-labor mayors ever put in office by big business, is the political tool of the Industrial Association and publicly acknowledged enemy of every union and working class organization in the city. His strike-breaking police force, under the employers during the 1934 maritime and General Strike won him the contempt of the whole laboring population, and the General Unsold has always been unscrupulous-anti-labor mayors ever put in office by big business, is the political tool of the Industrial Association and publicly acknowledged enemy of every union and working class organization in the city. His strike-breaking police force, under the

Every supporter must make a special effort to popularize these broadcasts. Arrange parties in your home to listen to them and inform your neighbors to listen in.

### FINAL RASS RALLY

On October 20, the United Labor Campaign Committee will hold the big final mass rally in Dreamland Auditorium. Nationally prominent rank and file labor figures and speakers from sympathetic organizations will be present to contribute to the program.

### CAMPAIGN WORKERS WANTED.

All persons who can contribute work of any sort—speaking, typing, interviewing, distributing, etc—are urged to report to the campaign headquarters, 747 Market street or to any of the other campaign offices.

There is particular need right now for SIGN PAINTERS.

# Mobilization!

## HOUSE-TO-HOUSE CANVASS RADIO BROADCASTS

The following important organizational instructions have been issued by the United Labor Campaign Committee (Labor Ticket) 747 Market street:

GENERAL MOBILIZATION.

This is one of the most important campaign events and requires the participation of every supporter. Report Sunday, Oct. 13, at 10 a. m. at headquarters, 747 Market, street. Here you will be supplied with campaign material and despatched to city neighborhoods to participate in a mass house to house campaign. Spread the word of this mobilization among your friends and the members of your union.

PLAN OF WORK.

Full attendance of supporters is needed on Friday night, Oct. 11, at the Democratic City Council headquarters, 68 Haight street, at 8 p. m. At this rally the United Labor Campaign Committee will present a plan of work for the remainder of the campaign.

RADIO BROADCASTS.

On Wednesday, Oct. 9, between 7:15 and 7:30 p. m., Ben Legere, United Labor Ticket candidate for Sheriff, will start nightly campaign broadcasts over Station KGGC (1420 on your dial). Legere will be the reporter of the air for the Labor Ticket. He will be performing the same service for the Shelair-Downey campaign of last spring. These broadcasts will be held at this same time every night during the campaign with the exception of Sunday. The Sunday broadcast will be between 11:45 a. m. and 12 o'clock noon.

## STRIKE VOTE IS CALLED BY TEX. DOCK WORKERS

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The three other ports which are striking, Gulfport, Pensacola and Mobile, remained quiet over the week-end.

Union men here who are striking for recognition of the ILA and wage increases, declared that the effectiveness of the strike would be tremendously increased when ships loaded by scabs reached East and West Coast ports.

Joseph P. Ryan, president of the ILA, has assured the strikers that no work would be handled by ILA members on the Atlantic Coast, and it is reported, has warned the West Coast to take similar action. This would fall in line with a decision made at the recent national convention of the I.L.A.

## Auto Unions Unite

DETROIT, Oct. 7.—(FP)—Amalgamation of three large independent unions in the automobile industry looms as a result of a preliminary conference in Detroit of delegates from the Mechanics Educational Soc. of Am., the Automotive Industrial Workers of America and the Associated Automobile Workers of America. Some 50,000 workers are affected.

☆ Resolution of Policy.

Full adoption of the general conference resolution of policy were: 1—To maintain the unions on a basic opinion and mass pressure to repeal the Criminal Syndicalism Act, and to demand that the Dies Un-American Committee reverse its decision of the trial court, and immediately free the Sacramento victims of the Criminal Syndicalism Law.

2—To organize local committees throughout Northern California to be affiliated with this Conference, and to cooperate with the southern California Conference in this campaign.

3—To organize a mass convention of one thousand delegates at Sacramento to convene on the day that the appeal hearing begins before the Sacramento District Court of Appeals.

## Red Squad Kidded As Hearst Tools By Fellow Cops

LOS ANGELES, October 3.—"Say," said Lieut. Wellpotts of the Red Squad to one of the detectives in the Hearst picket trial, "if you guys would pay us, we'd work for you!"

"We'd protect you if Hearst sent a gang after you—but is if you paid us as much money?"

The incident occurred during a recess of the trial in Municipal Judge R. Morgan Galbreth's court.

Thugs on the Red Squad of the Los Angeles Police Department are being "kidded" by other officers in the department, as the result of the beatings inflicted on workers picketing the Los Angeles Examiner on Sept. 3 last.

"How does it feel to be a Hearst tool?" is the question being asked of "Red" Hynes, Lieut. Wellpotts and company.

## Communist Party Will Hold Labor Ticket Meeting

SAN FRANCISCO.—On Thursday, October 10, an election rally will be held by the Communist Party in support of the Labor Ticket campaign. Speakers will be: James Tracy and Redfern Mason, both candidates on the Labor Ticket; Harry Carlisle, editor of the Western Worker, will also speak on what the delegates did at the Seventh World Congress of the C. I. means to the people of San Francisco.

The meeting will be held at 121 Haight Street at 2 p. m.

## L. A. FURNITURE WORKERS SIGN UP 22 SHOPS

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real support to our struggles," said Thau.

In an militant struggle developed in the strike has led to satisfactory settlement in 22 shops thus far, with four more shops still on strike. Mass picketing is being carried on at the striking shops, which are 100 per cent organized. Most of the shops are controlled by Murray Unsold and Angelo Rossi, Labor Ticket candidates for re-election.

Every supporter of the Unsold-Rossi machine will be put in office by big business, is the political tool of the Industrial Association and publicly acknowledged enemy of every union and working class organization in the city. His strike-breaking police force, under the employers during the 1934 maritime and General Strike won him the contempt of the whole laboring population, and the General Unsold has always been unscrupulous-anti-labor mayors ever put in office by big business, is the political tool of the Industrial Association and publicly acknowledged enemy of every union and working class organization in the city. His strike-breaking police force, under the

☆ Sell Out Prevented

Attempts by John Murray, Socialist Party member and business agent of Local 1285, Furniture Union, affiliated with the Carpenters and Joiners International, to sell out the workers of the Mason shop, met with failure.

Murray went to the shop six days after the strike started at Mason's, with the news of the workers on strike, and signed an agreement with the shop offering to supply upholsterers. Murray discovered the workers on strike after arrest and beatings if they didn't get off the picket line, saying they must carry Local 1285 cards or they would not be permitted to work in the shop.

When Murray was unable to supply strike-breakers, Mason's shop was forced to settle with the strikers at very satisfactory terms.

At the Sterling and Martin Young shops, the upholsterers backed up the struggles of the millmen, who were thus able to secure a settlement of the jurisdictional dispute. The millmen have joined the amalgamated union.

At last night's meeting, the Furniture Workers voted unanimously to determine Joseph P. Ryan's attitude regarding lost cargo from the strike area in Gulf ports. Ryan, president of the I.L.A., has declared longshoremen in other ports will refuse to handle cargo loaded by scabs in Gulf ports. He has taken no stand on ships bound for the strike area.

## MUSSOLINI'S TROOPS USING MUSTARD GAS IN NEW DRIVE

### Los Angeles Builds United Front Group To Defend Ethiopia; League Move Intensifies World War Danger

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tribesmen to surrender, their code demanding death before the humiliation of defeat.

Experts agreed that despite Italy's comparatively easy progress thus far, resistance will grow with each mile of penetration into mountainous country.

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ROME, Oct. 7.—The press here has quite of exultation over the capture of Aduwa, declaring that a "dishonorable stain" of defeat had been wiped out, and hinting that Mussolini might fly to Aduwa to dedicate a monument to his "fascist heroes."

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LONDON, Oct. 5.—Lloyd's today quoted odds of 3 to 1 that Italy will be at peace before the end of the year. War premiums were quoted at 76 per cent, and insurance on vessels of any nation passing through the Mediterranean was raised to ten per cent with fifteen per cent quoted for December coverage.

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## POINT CLEAR BAN LIFTED BY B.C. LONGSHOREMEN

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Vancouver issue. The coast-wide referendum, it was reported today, will be taken at once. The San Pedro council of the Federation also had requested such a referendum.

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The top officials of the Pacific Coast I.L.A., playing the shipowners' game as usual, have been trying consistently to confine the coast longshoremen on the whole question of Vancouver cargo. In Seattle and San Pedro, their chief strongholds, they have even cast reflections on the genuineness of the Vancouver strike. They had hoped to isolate militant workers like the San Francisco local, from the rest of the Coast.

Employers, not yet willing to back down in their attempts to provoke an immediate strike in San Francisco, this morning called first for gangs to work the dispute-tied S.S. "Point Clear". None would work.

Employers also announced today they will demand, before a special meeting of the Labor Relations Committee tomorrow, that gangs unknown number of additional dock workers be registered, at the discretion of the employers, as a condition wherein there is a special demand for dock workers, they now may attempt to secure union workers as they see fit.

In his decision against the blacklist, Judge Sloss declared:

"The employers, whether acting individually or through the Waterfront Employers' Association, have the right to request that longshore gangs be dispatched to them, but the right to make this request does not include the right to refuse to employ any other men who are qualified and properly dispatched, nor does it include the right to refuse any employment on the ground that a large number of men who have heretofore violated the Award by a refusal to handle hot cargo."

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BEN LEGERE

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ALL PROCEEDS TO UNITED LABOR TICKET CAMPAIGN

## F.S.U. to Show Films Of Soviet Workers At Tuesday Meeting

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 4.—As a special feature and as a substitute for the filmstrip (not yet received) which is in the future will be a reeling feature of U. S. S. R. membership meetings, the educational director of the "Friends of the Soviet Union" has arranged to show several reels of film recently taken in the Soviet Union and showing Russian workers at play and work.

The membership meeting will be held as usual in California Club House, Clay st., near Van Ness, Tuesday, Oct. 8, at 8 p. m. All members of the F. S. U. are urgently requested to attend this meeting to help prepare for the big Bazaar-Exhibit Dance which is to take place Tuesday, Oct. 15, at Scottish Rite Temple. The dance will be shown at 8 p. m. and non-members are welcome. There will be no admission charge.

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## News of WORKERS' SCHOOLS

### LOS ANGELES SCHOOL

Featuring a limited number of courses which will offer practical guidance to all those interested in current political and social problems, the L. A. Workers' School will open its fall session on Monday, Oct. 14.

Three courses which will be of particular interest are: "Fascism and Social Revolution," the "Theses and Decisions of the Seventh World Congress of the Communist Internathional," and "American Labor History, with emphasis on that of California."

"Fascism and Social Revolution" which was offered in the School for the first time during the summer session proved one of the most popular courses in the school's history.

Subject matter covers the pre-fascist periods, the development to fascism, an analysis of fascism, the alternative to fascism, methods of preventing fascism.

☆ The World Congress.

A detailed and comprehensive study of all the important theses and decisions of the Seventh World Congress of the Communist International will be made in this course on the Seventh World Congress. Emphasis will be placed on the communist analysis of the present world crisis, the united front in the fight against fascism and war, and the tasks of the revolutionary proletariat in the present period.

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## EAST OF THE Rockies

## Tobacco Merger Die Strike Won Expulsion Defeated Clothing Strike Relief Cuts

NEW YORK—Merger of the Tobacco Workers' International Union into the International Garmakers' Union, A. F. of L., establishing one union in the industry, has been successfully arranged as the result of negotiations at a conference held recently. The Industrial Union is to merge sometime during October, members to pay $1 initiation fee.

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## RACE HATRED WORKED UP IN GALLUP TRIAL

### ANTI-MEXICAN PREJUDICE AROUSED TO CONVICT TEN DEFENDANTS

(Western Worker — Rocky Mountain Bureau)

DENVER, Colo., Oct. 7.—Aztec, the little New Mexico village where ten miners were framed up on trial for their lives on Oct. 7, has been thoroughly saturated with anti-Mexican, anti-labor propaganda disseminated by the vigilante, pseudo-patriotic organizations which State officials are using to incite lynch hatred against the ten defendants, according to the story of a worker who was recently in Aztec on his way from the San Juan County coal fields.

☆ Race Hatred Spread.

The United American Patriots, the vigilante group sponsored by Attorney-General Patton and the entire ruling clique of the State, has been active for several months distilling in the minds of the Anglo and Spanish-American residents of Aztec, the poison, of race-hatred against the Mexican workers. This has been done deliberately to make it impossible for the ten Mexican miners to get a fair trial. Even before San Juan county, of which Aztec is the county seat, was officially set by the court as the place for the trial, this campaign of vicious propaganda was launched in the county by a violently anti-Mexican, anti-labor mass meeting created by Patton, revealing his remarkable ability to forecast the decision of the court.

Ever since already the campaign of hatred is beginning to bear poisonous fruit. Recently a small riot broke out in a Gallup "beer station." Anglo and Spanish-American unemployed, maddened by the false propaganda that the Mexican workers are receiving more relief than they, attacked the Mexican workers, and the riot broke out, according to the information given today to a representative of the Western Worker Rocky Mountain Press Bureau by the worker who was in Aztec.

☆ Anti-Labor Drive.

Aztec, which is a small agricultural community, has never had any considerable trade union organization, and the sentiment of the Spanish-American laws always been directed against any sort of labor organization.

The majority of the inhabitants are "Penitentes" or non-Spanish who migrated into New Mexico from Texas, or are the descendants of former settlers.

The town has very limited accommodations for outsiders, which makes the holding of a large labor defense meeting very difficult, he, very difficult. The last time a large trial was held in Aztec most of the many witnesses had to be housed in the open autos under unbelievably unsanitary conditions. The result was that a plague of dysentery broke out in the tent colonies, and for days the residents of the entire county where it raged for many months.

Despite the very difficult conditions under which the trial of the ten Gallup miners, charged with first degree murder in the killing of a sheriff when deputies fired on a workers' demonstration last April 4, will open in tiny Aztec on Monday.

## Jobless Union Now In New Offices at 226 Guerrero St.

SAN FRANCISCO Oct. 7.—The Public Works and Unemployed Union announces the opening of its new headquarters at 226 Guerrero st., in the former Silent Movie Theatre.

All workers who have grievances against the relief set-up are urged to bring them to headquarters. The Union office is open every day except Sunday from 9 a. m. until 5 p. m.

A demonstration of unemployed took demands to Frank Y. McLaughlin, head of WPA, on September 28. McLaughlin was not in and the workers were met by Major Bradshaw, assistant.

Bradshaw promised to answer the demands in writing and to make arrangements for the group employed to meet McLaughlin and himself for a personal discussion of the demands.

The Public Works and Unemployed Unions are asking union rates of pay on all WPA projects, and immediate setting up of certain WPA projects for the purpose of giving the workers in certain sections of the city better living conditions.

## LA Demonstration Demands Freedom Of Angelo Herndon

### NORMAN THOMAS APPEALS FOR SPEED IN GETTING HERNDON SIGNATURES

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 6.—Freedom unconditional and immediate was demanded for Angelo Herndon of the United States Supreme Court by a demonstration of 300 workers at the Plaza here yesterday.

Organized by the International Labor Defense, the demonstration militantly raised the demand that the "Slave Insurrection Law," under which Herndon was convicted for leading a meeting of white workers in a fight for better living conditions, be immediately repealed by the state of Georgia.

Carl Echols, Negro worker of the International Labor Defense, was chairman of the mass meeting, with speakers including Johnson, Young Communist League; A. Schreyer, Communist Party; Tom Miller, Conference for Labor's Civil Rights; and a representative of the Public Works and Unemployed Union.

The meeting for struggle against the Criminal Syndicalism Law of California was raised by the Los Angeles conference of the Southern California Congress for the Repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Law.

NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—"There is no justice in Georgia, and not much in America, if Angelo Herndon is to be compelled to serve 20 years in the hell of a Georgia chain-gang."

This was the statement made here today by Norman Thomas, member of the National Executive Committee of the Socialist Party, in appealing for greater speed in gathering signatures to the petition to Governor Eugene Talmadge of Georgia, to free Herndon from his 2-years chain-gang sentence.

To date, only 325,000 signatures have been collected. The goal is two million, and with the recent decision of the Supreme Court on October 7, the final disposition of the Herndon case is very close.

The appeal of Norman Thomas follows in full:

☆ No Justice in Georgia

"It is of the utmost importance that the signatures to the petitions should be gathered to the Governor Talmadge of Georgia for the pardon of Angelo Herndon. Herndon has been convicted under an old and barbarous slave insurrection law in Georgia. He was guilty of absolutely nothing more than the effort to organize colored and white workers who were unemployed, in order to get better relief conditions. He made speeches to that end, and the justice of the demands for the unemployed was later recognized by improvements in relief. His technical crime for offense was that he was Negro and a Communist or Communist sympathizer, and therefore easy prey for a notoriety-seeking County prosecutor.

"There is no justice in Georgia, and not much in America, if he is to be compelled to serve 20 years in the hell of a Georgia chain-gang. This is his prison sentence unless he is pardoned for the honor of America. It is of peculiar interest that workers should rally to his defense. His cause is our cause."

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## Admiral Lines Quit to Avoid New Expenses

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 5.—Last week to the tune of and music, the Admiral Lines announced it was going out of business "due to costly labor troubles."

This week the capitalist press was pained to announce the Admiral Line is folding up because it cannot afford to pit in safety devices mandatory under new government regulations.

Estimated cost of installing this new equipment is $40,000 although men who have worked on ships of this line say it would take about $80,000 to put the old tubs in the running.

## Anniversary Of The Massacre At Pixley

### Oct. 10 Commemorates Subia, Hernandez And Davilla, Murdered by Employers In the Cotton Strike of 1933

BY CAROLINE DECKER
One of the Eight Sacramento Criminal Syndicalism Frame-Up Prisoners.

Pete Subia, Hernandez and Davilla, three agricultural workers and members of the Cannery and Agricultural Workers' Industrial Union were murdered in the San Joaquin Valley two years ago today, October 10, 1933.

They were murdered because they dared to be among the 15,000 striking California cotton pickers demanding $1.00 for picking a hundred pounds of cotton instead of 60 cents.

On that day, the sixth official day of the largest agricultural strike in the history of the country, the strikers, under the leadership of the Union, had succeeded in enforcing their fighting slogan: "Not a single ounce of cotton for less than $1.00 per hundred," along a hundred mile front running South and South from Hanford and Visalia to the rich Lake Bottom area in the Bakersfield-Arvin territory.

Not an ounce of cotton was being picked.

☆ Solidarity of Races

The cotton finance corporations, bankers and rich agriculturalists faced the unprecedented solidarity of Negro, white and Mexican workers, and a growing movement of small independent growers and tenant growers in sympathy with the strikers. And especially they were beginning to be confronted with the economic demands for small farmers raised by the Central Strike Committee. In a frantic effort to break down these movements, the Union and the strike, the rich agriculturalists, began an avalanche of propaganda at their disposal, whipped up a frenzied vigilante terror throughout the valley.

On October 10, picket lines up and down the valley were met by armed vigilantes, highway police remaining at convenient distances. The Arvin picket line was met by a vigilante mob. The strikers were unarmed and unprotected.

☆ Police Corruption

They went in a call for the sheriff. When the sheriff arrived, a tear-gas bomb was thrown into the picket line and under the protection of tear gas, the vigilantes opened fire on the pickets.

More than a score were wounded, a 19-year-old boy had his arm blown off and PETE SUBIA WAS KILLED.

The Pixley picket line was also attacked. The strikers appealed to every effort for warrants for the arrest of the vigilantes. These were all denied or evaded by pick-up orders.

With remarkable working class discipline, they marched back to Pixley and gathered in front of the Union Hall.

Pat Chambers, District Organizer of the Union, was addressing the meeting when a posse of vigilantes drove into town and surrounded them. Shouts of "Kill the s——s——," came from the ranks of the vigilantes. They opened fire. Dozens of men and women were wounded. Bullets skimmed by babies heads. DAVILLA AND HERNANDEZ LAY DEAD.

☆ The Whitewash

For the Arvin murder, seven strikers were arrested for "illegal conspiracy" and later released. No efforts were made to apprehend the real murderers; although dozens of witnesses identified him as an employee of the ginning company.

For the Pixley murders, 19 strikers were arrested and eight finally indicted. In retaliation, Pat Chambers was arrested and charged with Criminal Syndicalism, a case which collapsed when the speech he delivered just before the massacre.

This frame-up was too rich. Chambers was released by a hung jury.

The eight murderers were acquitted in a farcical trial.

But that year their crops were not picked. Workers boycotted the fields of the murderers.

☆ During General Strike

Under the heat of the 1934 maritime and general strike in San Francisco, a concerted, desperate attempt was made by industrialists to smash the union and intimidate agricultural workers by organizing "Associations." Distrct headquarters of the Union in Sacramento were raided. Union organizers, including Chambers, were arrested and convicted of Criminal Syndicalism in one of the most corrupt frame-ups in the history of the California courts. Among the evidence presented at the trial were the events of the Cotton Strike in 1933.

The prosecution labeled it a "race case." Behind it was an open alliance of the Industrial Association, the California Packing Corporation, the D. G. & E. Bank Banks, the wealthy agriculturalists, all vigilante elements and the American Legion. A test case was to be instrument for the suppression of organized labor.

☆ The Second Anniversary

Today, two years after the murder of Subia, Hernandez and Davilla, eight leaders sit in the penitentiary facing terms of one to fourteen years on appeal to the Supreme Court fails.

It must be the duty of every worker, of every friend of honest person, to commemorate this day by carrying on the fight that Subia, Hernandez, Davilla, Dick Taylor, Bardsdale and Sperry died for.

The Criminal Syndicalism Act threatens the rights of California workers to organize and strike. This Act must be repealed. The appeal of the C. S. cases CAN and won with your organized assistance.

## Italian Consul Afraid of Anti-War Delegation

### MASS PROTEST MEETING AGAINST ETHIOPIAN INVASION OCT. 14

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 7.—Called by Western Mission, candidate for mayor on the United Labor Ticket, a delegation of 15, representing the American League Against War and Fascism, called on the Italian consul, presenting a resolution demanding the withdrawal of fascist troops from Ethiopia and condemning the action of Mussolini in invading the last free African nation.

☆ Evade Meeting

The consul, evidently immediately after State WPA Administrator Frank Y. McLaughlin wired him authorization to cut, the working hours below 120 a month to correspond to prevailing union wages, or to retain the 120-hour month if he chose.

Over 30,000 new WPA projects for 5000 men are scheduled to open tomorrow, Connolly said.

☆ Starvation Great

The Public Works & Unemployed Union, which has been part of Administrative Bulletin No. 107 from the SERA, dated August 27 last, as to a resolution passed by the State Relief Administration last August 22:

"Resolved that relief should be discontinued to all clients refusing to accept work offered in private industry where the amount they could thus earn would equal their budget requirements as determined under PERA standards for these budget requirements are higher than the security wage, and in case the amount earned should be reported to the person discontinuance of SERA relief should be equal to, or more than, the security wage."

Unemployed workers are rebelling at the attack on their living standards and at the attempt to force them to break down prevailing union wage scales. Demands have been presented to Connolly by the P. W. U. U. following a conference with the PWA administrator. These demands are as follows:

☆ For a Living Standard

1—Jobs—now, to the fullest extent possible by the people of Los Angeles County.

2—Union wages and working conditions on all WPA projects to be established by the P. W. U. U. according to technical qualifications and training, under no conditions is anyone to be forced to work under PERA or CWA sponsorship and must be dropped unless other sponsors can be found, independent of WPA workers, willing to work under the same conditions as those established by the P. W. U. U.

3—That no workers under the WPA or any administration be sent to private industry at less than the prevailing union wage rates.

5—That in keeping with the Social Security Bill, there will be no discrimination under any conditions against our right to organize, or the functioning of our unions, and that we have voice in the selection of workers to serve on WPA jobs.

6—The development of constructive projects which will be beneficial to the health and social well-being of the citizens of Los Angeles County, which are submitted to Mr. Fox of the Regional Planning Commission and taken to Washington, we were informed.

7—That the Arbitration Board, Planning Commission, Coordinating Committee and Relief Investigation be called—consist of one-third of the organized unemployed (PWA UU) and the organized employed (AFofL), in administrative as well as advisory capacity, to insure adherence to the above demands.

8—That military men be removed from key positions in the administration of WPA. The Public Works & Unemployed Union views with genuine alarm the step towards regimentation of the people of the United States and preparation for war and all that it entails.

BOYCOTT THE BERLIN 1936 OLYMPIC GAMES

## Cotton Strike Threat Brings Higher Wages

FRESNO, Calif., Oct. 8.—To forestall organization of farm labor, San Joaquin Valley cotton growers have set a wage of 90c per 100 lbs. for cotton picking. This is the highest wage rate ever paid for this work in the valley. Two years ago, a strike of 20,000 workers tied up the cotton fields for several weeks, and increased wages from 60c to 75 and 80c.

## COL. CONNOLLY ANNOUNCES WPA WAGE-CUT RULE

### IGNORES AUTHORIZATION TO MAINTAIN UNION PAY SCALES

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 6.—Organized workers, both employed and unemployed, faced the union-smashing program of the Roosevelt administration here today following the announcement yesterday by the militaristic 'county WPA director,' Col. Donald H. Connolly, that the "security wage" and the 120-hour working month will prevail when the WPA swings into action next week.

All union prevailing wage scales were thus directly attacked in Los Angeles County, and the Public Works and Unemployed Union and trade unionists were today developing militant plans to combat this semi-fascist move by Connolly.

Washington relief authorities yesterday announced that "white collar" and professional projects would come under the WPA sponsorship and must be dropped unless other sponsors can be found, independent of WPA workers, willing to work under the same conditions as those established by the P. W. U. U.

In that year their crops were not picked. Workers boycotted the fields of the murderers.

☆ During General Strike

Under the heat of the 1934 maritime and general strike in San Francisco, a concerted, desperate attempt was made by industrialists to smash the union and intimidate agricultural workers by organizing "Associations." District headquarters of the Union in Sacramento were raided. Union organizers, including Chambers, were arrested and convicted of Criminal Syndicalism in one of the most corrupt frame-ups in the history of the California courts. Among the evidence presented at the trial were the events of the Cotton Strike in 1933.

The prosecution labeled it a "race case." Behind it was an open alliance of the Industrial Association, the California Packing Corporation, the D. G. & E. Bank Banks, the wealthy agriculturalists, all vigilante elements and the American Legion. A test case was to be instrument for the suppression of organized labor.

☆ The Second Anniversary

Today, two years after the murder of Subia, Hernandez and Davilla, eight leaders sit in the penitentiary facing terms of one to fourteen years on appeal to the Supreme Court fails.

It must be the duty of every worker, of every friend of honest person, to commemorate this day by carrying on the fight that Subia, Hernandez, Davilla, Dick Taylor, Bardsdale and Sperry died for.

The Criminal Syndicalism Act threatens the rights of California workers to organize and strike. This Act must be repealed. The appeal of the C. S. cases CAN and won with your organized assistance.

## Toledo Labor in Intensive Drive

TOLEDO, O., Oct. 7.—(FP)—Organized labor of Toledo has launched intensive campaign to win control of the city council and the board of education. The central labor Union, teachers, auto workers and railroad brotherhoods have united on a platform of social reform, including municipal ownership of utilities and taxation of new wealth to the ability to pay. About 25,000 workers are expected to take part in the campaign.

# NATIONS PREPARE FOR WAR

At a time when the United States officially is striving, through the Roosevelt Administration, her desire to "keep out of European conflict," it is pertinent to remember that during the last few years the United States has more than tripled her budget for "national defense." Japan is spending more for war now than in the year before the World War.

Latest figures for 1935, now available in the League of Nations Armaments Year Book, and quoted in Economic Notes for October, in comparison with 1934 figures, are presented in the following amounts, in millions of national currency, spent for so-called "national defense":

| | 1913-14 | 1932-33 | 1934-35 | 1935-36 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| United States | 244.6 | 641.6 | 821.4 | 901.7 |
| Great Britain | 77.2 | 88.2 | 98.7 | 97.3 |
| France | 1,807.0 | 9,965.7 | 11,186.9 | 10,622.7 |
| Italy | 927.9 | 5,412.0 | 4,299.8 | x |
| Japan | 291.8 | 686.4 | 937.6 | 1,021.5 |
| Germany | 1,947.7 | 633.7 | 894.3 | x |

(x) Estimates. (xx) Figures for France are for 1932 (9 months)

☆ Post War Changes.

Post war changes in price levels and currency values however make increases seem greater than they actually are, especially in the case of Germany. Ital

# Rip Tides

By LaMar

A scraggly, plain, old-fashioned alley dog . . . he faithfully stood picket watches at the Point Clear for over two months . . . for some things he displayed a distinct dislike for . . . cops and finks . . . his tail dropped and his ears stood out like skysails when the picket captain suddenly appeared one evening and the pickets, at his instruction, proceeded to demolish the barricades that had been standing since June 19.

Something was amiss . . . sorrowfully he trailed the men as they returned to the Union Hall . . . mutely he waited . . . no pickets came out. Suddenly he yipped with joy as he recognized a seaman who had stood many watches at the Point Clear cagerly he trailed the man into the Hall . . .

A few moments later the proudest dog in San Francisco emerged from the Union Hall. On his collar he was wearing a METAL TIME FEDERATION BUTTON . . .

"Sure he's for us . . . didn't I tell ya he'd give us a break . . . I told ya' he'd rule that we'd be entitled to back pay." And so the fakers tried to pound into the rank and file the belief that after all the "employers were pretty good guys . . . willing to give the Workers a break . . ."

Some of the men believed it . . . that is until . . . the worthy judge ruled against all Union Principles, declared the Workers must scab against their own Brothers.

Once more the Waterfront Employers are on a wild splurge of newspaper attacks against the Waterfront Unions . . . quite obviously it is the opening gun in what is to be one more desperate attempt to smash the militancy of the Maritime Workers . . .

Scene: a foggy night on Mission street, characters: an Employer and a Chronicle newsboy.

—Examiner Newsie: "Gee, I wish we would have a war or something so I could sell all these papers."

—Chronicle Newsie: "Well, you couldn't sell 'em anyway. The REDS have it boycotted pretty strong."

—Examiner lad: "Yeh. The damn REDS won't even let us in their Halls with the paper."

Things have come to a pretty pass, when the poor shipowner has to lay his ship up for five days just in order to make the other 2 days turn a profit . . . I wonder they are hollering RED so loud . . . which can only mean one thing to even the most backward worker . . . THE REDS CERTAINLY ARE ABLE TO GAIN CONDITIONS FOR THEMSELVES.

A knot of longshoremen grouped together in the Hiring Hall from the center of the group an oral odor emanating . . . Pedro, FINKY, Peterson trying to sell soap a few of the boys . . . the stench left when Peterson moved on.

Concensus of opinion is, whether we like it or not there will be picket lines along the front in the next few days.

## HEARST PAPERS EVEN GYP BOYS ON THE ROUTES

MANAGERS WATCH OUT FOR ORGANIZATION

By a Hearst Newsboy.

SAN FRANCISCO—Delivering Hearst's S. F. Examiner is no joke. The boss tells us we can make more than $30 per month but the best we can do is around $22.

In the first place, Hearst charges $2.85 per 100 papers although newspapers charge $1.50 for the same amount. Every time some one steals a paper from a doorstep or the day runs away with one and the customer complains, Hearst docks us 25 cents. Other papers charge 10 cents per complaint which is bad enough.

When there is biz news Hearst makes us take 20 extra papers and if we don't sell them, that's our hard luck. We can't take them back. And if we don't get two new subscriptions each week we are fired.

All the fellows are talking about the rotten deal they get from Hearst. But if one of us talks



## STEP LIVELY, OR ELSE! ARMY TELLS WPA MEN

OFFICERS GIVE JOBLESS A TASTE OF RELIEF UNDER THE ARMY

By a Worker Correspondent.

RIVERSIDE, Calif.—A large number of former SERA workers in Riverside County have been called to March Field to work on military projects under a special Federal WPA, a new set-up which operates separate from the local offices of the WPA.

The Army officers in charge managed to create more confusion and unsanitary than usual among the workers. Major Clarke and Colonel Lohman ordered all the workers to assemble on the parade ground. Col. Lohman gave his orders:

"Fellows, we want to take a half hour to tell you a few things. And don't think you're going to get out of a half hour's work. You've got to make up this time.

"I recognize some of you fellows," Lohman went on, "Who were just slave servers on the SERA. Now you may think the Government owes you a living, but you won't think that long. If you don't work like we say you won't work at all. We'll put you off the job; and that means off. You won't get another one on WPA."

The Colonel gave the men a moment to soak in these threats. Then he called them down for "reckless driving" on their way to the Federal Re-employment office on MacDonald ave. He had a complaint to make, and he hawked it out before the crowd of workers present, because all efforts of the office force to soft pedal it.

He declared the accommodations in the work camps were not fit for any one. There was food, they slept on the ground. They were forced to walk four and a half miles to work at grubbing out blackberries and other briar bushes in the thickest undergrowth he ever saw. Counting the time they walked to and from work they put in an 11-hour day, returning to camp in the evening too tired to eat or sleep.

He said no roads led into this wilderness, and he and other workers on the job discussed the dangers of fire hazards and the chance of a disaster similar to the Griffith Park fire in Los Angeles when a hundred relief workers were trapped and burned to death. It was impossible to keep your bearings in this brush country and in the event of fire the men on the job would be trapped.

He shouted that workers were deserting the camp daily, in deadly fear of their lives, as it would be impossible to fight such a fire. He advised the relief authorities to investigate the matter, and not to send any more men up there.

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Manual for Field Writers

# Some Comments On The Short Story

**Don't Strive for Effect—Your Manuscript Is Probably Bad Until You Cut Its Length At Least a Third—A Practical Way to Practice**

By BEAU VINCENT

They say it's forbidden to picket,
And it's not very legal to strike;
But to assemble without a permit
Is something the Law doesn't like!

*Hearst Getting Hurt in L.A.*

By a Worker Correspondent.

LOS ANGELES.—Another comrade and I went out in our territory and in less than an hour got four drug stores to promise to stop selling Hearst papers. The Hearst boycott here in Boyle Heights is beginning to show some real strength. Most drug stores and many candy stores refuse to sell his paper.

Some of the drug stores had stopped selling Hearst papers weeks before they were approached by committees. This shows that the sentiment against Public Enemy No. 1 is far ahead of the organized boycott.

Several movie houses in Boyle Heights have stopped showing the Hearst news reels. The Anti-Hearst League expects to make this movie boycott reach every theater in Boyle Heights in a short time.

## MEN DESERTING WPA FIRE TRAP JOB—IN HILLS

ANGRY WORKER REFUSES TO BE SHUSHED IN RELIEF OFFICE

By a Worker Correspondent.

RICHMOND, Calif.—A WPA worker who had just returned from Calveras Hills, about 120 miles, from Angels Camp, where he had been sent by the local office of the WPA, appeared at the National Re-employment office on MacDonald ave. He had a complaint to make, and he hawked it out before the crowd of workers present, because all efforts of the office force to soft pedal it.

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## WITHOUT UNIONS THE SEAMEN GOT IT IN THE NECK

OLD TIMER DESCRIBES TRIP DURING WAR

By a Worker Correspondent

OAKLAND—It might be interesting to some to know what unorganized working conditions were in 1918-19 for the seamen.

Oct. 7, 1918, signed as third engineer, through U. S. shipping board on 8-mast schooner, Mabel Stewart. Auxiliary power, twin semi-diesels of 260 horsepower. Insurance requires that wood be metal sheathed-NONE; that mufflers and exhaust pipes be asbestos covered—NONE; that on iron floors there be a strip of lead sheet for footing—NONE. Under organized conditions there should be two on watch for continuous operation, engineer and oiler—NO OILER.

Wages were $140 per month—doing work of two.

Marseilles, standard in Marseilles, France, final destination. On way home, in Paris and LeHavre I was refused food and shelter at hotels and canteens operated by Red Cross and Y.M.C.A. Retsaurants—not being in uniform. And I was not asking charity, either, but demanding my wages. Arriving at arrival home I lost weight, dropped 20 pounds.

And the captain told me the freight revenue on this trip, Portland, Ore., to Marseilles, equalled cost of the vessel—$250,000.

organization the boss finds it out and we are fired.

And when we get a job delivering Examiners we are forced to put up a $20 bond. They take $2 per month out of our lousy profits for bond money.

Branch managers are tough. They swear and scream at us kids like regular slave drivers. If they don't drive us, they get fired, too.

When you've read this you won't be a bit surprised at the short story writing than you were before. But at least you'll know some of the commonest errors that are found in 90% of stories submitted to the WESTERN WORKER.

Almost without exception the manuscripts we reject are too long. Out of three that we reject are too, for that matter. You usually use 200 words where 100 or 150 would do as well.

Don't bother sending us anything over 2000 words, unless it's a world beater, for we can't spare the space. 1000 to 1200 is more nearly our length. Assume you have a short story you don't feel is suitable for us because it's 2400 words. It is quite likely you can cut it to 1200—and improve it in the process.

It's 99 to 100 you can throw out the first paragraph and never miss it. Drop the "philosophizing" and "introductory stuff" about the gloomy ballroom with its ill-smelling light well; throw out the paragraph where your hero feels that he is "a way over" the workers; bury that telling bit about the starving man listening to the belches of the well-fed and keep the dauntedtling to pieces.

Count the words you've taken out. Just 1600 left—400 to go. The Western Worker needs a short story. Cut it some more, one word at a time if you have but a few to thin. Throw out that character; the story will straighten out, him. You've done your best and it's still 1400. Send it in anyway, maybe it's good enough to go.

YOU OVERDO IT

This assumes that you have left the short story alone after finishing it. Don't do that. Nine times out of the writers who send stories to us, then anything you do needs cutting; sometimes more and sometimes less.

Here are some things to remember while butchering your brainchild: Don't be too tragic. Don't be too heroic. Don't be too much of anything. As a rule the comrades bust themselves striving for effect.

Most of your longwindedness is due to your faulty judgment of the importance of your theme. You over-estimate what you're writing; consequently you overwrite and it's too long.

As for ideas, they're all good. Anything can be made into a story. If your story fails, it isn't because of the idea; it's because of you.

We recently rejected a short story, of one, while it was very good. It was about 1000 words, when it should have been no more than 150. Here is the "plot" of it:

A man named Bill worked in a mine. His fellow workers knew him to be a man with good judgment, and oftentimes followed his lead, especially in day to day dealings with the mine owners. The mine superintendent wanted the workers to each put a day's pay into "Liberty Bonds." Bill was the first man he approached. "Bill," said the super, "How about signing your name here, authorizing the company to put one day of your pay into a Liberty Bond?" Bill stuffed the proposition a minute or so and answered, "When the company puts out as day's profits in Liberty Bonds I'll gladly put out a day's pay." The workers chuckled and the super gave up the whole idea.

If that had been done in 100 to 150 words we would have heeded it nicely and displayed it nearly on Page 5. But it was 1000 words, so we displayed it in the waste basket.

Get the idea?

ONE WE ACCEPTED

In our Sept. 26 issue we printed an excellent anti-war story, "Sing to Me of the Trenches," by Carle. Get it and read it. Notice its "weak spot," the scene of the "Patriots," the capitalists shouting and suffering. Carle made it short, so it contributed to the story. If the passage had been longer it would have been a blunder—because Carle is not too familiar with the very rich people, nor has he the talk and act in their exclusive clubrooms.

Carle made a point of that story was much lengthier. It's opening was slow, and a bit clumsy. On our request he cut about 500 words from it, very eliminating the entire first paragraph. He doesn't believe it, but the story was tremendously improved.

Writing is largely a matter of training through practice, with criticism to guide you. Why not practice on some true short stories? What the capitalist press calls feature writing, a form of reporting. Get a piece of news which appeals to your imagination and write it, exactly as it happened, in the short story form.

A METHOD OF PRACTICE

Let us suppose that your home town capitalist paper sends a report of a World War Veteran who nearly gets mobbed for declaring that the capitalist press calls everyone the King of Belgium. If you want to make us swear you'll just send us the clipping with three pages of editorial comment which you pounded out on your typewriter.

But if you want to write a story you'll go to that veteran's factory and talk with him. He's on relief, shows you his SERA card and a letter he got from the charities which perhaps tells him he's unemployable and can't get work relief. He has three children: you get their names and ages. Maybe you can get a look at his discharge papers. He is obviously shell-shocked, talks incoherently, sputters nonsense that is unprintable.

But as he talks he curses the Big Boys who made millions while he got gassed and shelled in France. "They got a dollar a year and profits," he says, "While I got shot to hell—and now I can't get a bonus." Quote that. You spend two hours listening to him and his wife describe their struggles to get compensation from the Government.

The wife is quite rational, but the vet, in talking ends, seems has turned her into a ranting fanatic.

☆ If They Object.

If they don't want to talk, newspaperman and offer to throw you out when they meet you on the door, it's up to you to be persuasive. Tell them you're out for a working man's paper. Offer to let them see your story for racist-OK before sending it in the story.

When you have their story spread them out on the question of having the Public Works and Unemployed Leagues help get adequate relief for them. If they accept, see that the PWUL gets on the job. And there's your story.

Write it sympathetically. Show that the man is incoherent in speech—and irrational in his reasoning—because of the "big fear" as he calls them. Show the wife as a shrewd, made into one by her hopeless fight for her broken husband and underprivileged children. Lay it on. Use your imagination, BUT STICK TO THE FACTS!

☆ Is It Good?

When it's written show the manuscript to your neighbor next door. If, when he's read it, he lets out a curse or two and says, "I tell you, something's going to happen in this country, some day," you've written a good story.

If it's worth 1500 words give it that many. If it's worth 200, see that it's no more than that. And if you can send us some pictures with the story, do so.

If you really want to learn to write, six months of such stories as that will give you excellent practice. And we're hungry for them.


## WHERE TO GO

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— San Francisco —

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DANCE - ENTERTAINMENT given by the I.L.A. Ship Scalers 38-100, for the benefit of the STRIKE RELIEF FUND at Dreids Auditorium, 44 Page st., Oct. 12. Entertainment will start promptly at 8 p. m. Adm. 15 cents.

DANCE at 121 Haight street for Daily Worker. Given by Unit 5, Fillmore. Good Eats and Entertainment. Sunday Nite, Oct. 20th.

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KEEP OCT. 19 OPEN for Fall Concert and Dance. Auspices: Dramatic Center, 230 So. Spring street, Los Angeles.

FILIPINO FROLIC and DANCE Saturday, Oct. 12, at the Cultural Center, 240 So. Spring st. Dancing, Eats, Fun Galore. Auspices: Denny Roxas Branch, I. L. D.

EA. SIDE CONCERT, DANCE Benefit of Workers' Bookstore, Saturday, Oct. 12, 2700 Brooklyn Ave., Los Angeles. Adm. 25 Cents.



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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 26th day of September, 1935.

CHAS. H. DOHERTY.

(My commission expires June 25, 1937.)


## Patients Put To Death By Neglect

### THUGS BLUNDER IN ATTEMPT TO SMASH MEETING

WRONG LIGHTS PUT OUT BY SHORT CIRCUIT

By a Worker Correspondent.

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif.—Vigilantes attempted to break up a meeting sponsored by the Progressive Study Club in the Knights of Pythias Hall here recently. Three ministers, including Dr. Fred W. Ingvoldstad who has recently returned from the U.S.S.R., were the speakers. Approximately 850 workers were present.

Dr. Ingvoldstad had just begun his talk when some of the hoodlums entered the lobby, on the ground floor, and tried to plunge the place in darkness by smashing the fuse in the light fuse box. They used some blunt instrument to short out the circuit. But the usual cowards never do anything right, and they got their wires crossed and smashed the first floor circuit, burning out all lights and a meter.

This was a blow to the thugs seated in the assemblage with saps in their pockets, ready to act whenever the opportune time arrived. They wanted to beat up on the crowd in the darkness.

But the noise was all that happened, and the meeting continued in full swing.

A good description of the cowards was obtained and it is expected that the identity of most of the vigilantes will soon be established.

### Farm Value Drops

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 7.—(FP)—America's farms are worth a third less money now than they were in 1930, according to the Census Bureau. Farmers in many cases are paying on mortgages larger than the total present value of their land.

## STATE HOSPITALS OVER CROWDED

### Incompetent Staffs

CITY, COUNTY CLINICS AGGRAVATE SUFFERING

By a Worker Correspondent.

BERKELEY, Calif.—I am enclosing a clipping regarding the diet given inmates of state institutions, printed in the Berkeley Gazette, Sept. 20,-1935. It is doubtless the truth that the meals provided by state institutions cost 6 cents or less, but the 'meals described by the enthusiastic reporter must be the ones he ate at the doctor's table.

It is a well known fact that appropriations to state and county hospitals have been cut down to such a level that they are no longer hospitals, but miserable buildings where patients are herded together and put to death by criminal neglect, inadequate and careless medical treatment, and by inefficient and poor food.

For example, tubercular patients at the Fairmont Hospital in San Leandro are no longer given the special tubercular diet which is absolutely necessary if they are to get well. They are given the same poor and starchy diet given to the other patients. Also, T.B. patients are forced to wait on the other patients.

☆ County and City Clinics.

Patients of the Oakland and Berkeley clinics are usually in a worse condition since they have been treated than before. The doctors are either young men just out of medical school who kill charity patients for the experience or they are older men who donate their time, rushing around regardless of the sort of treatment they give their patients, since they are not paid.

One woman I know personally went to the clinic to get the treatment she received for varicose veins at the Berkeley clinic. The doctor who gave her serum injections was so ignorant or lazy to give her a blood test first to find out whether the serum suited her. He gave her a very poor serum, and although she suffered intense pain from it for weeks, he did nothing but rub a little ointment on her leg. Later she went to a private physician who told her that if she had waited much longer for proper treatment she would have lost her leg.

He took a blood test and gave her the right serum with excellent results.

☆ Gross Negligence.

When my neighbor came down with scarlet fever, a clinic doctor was called who diagnosed it as diseased tonsils. She ran a temperature during the danger point for days but he still said that it was diseased tonsils and that there was nothing to worry about. Although her father thought it "kind of looked like scarlet fever."

When she lapsed into unconsciousness she was treated, just in the nick of time, by another doctor.

A man I know lost the use of an eye, due to the treatment he received at the Fairmont Hospital. The doctor carelessly left the lining of a drain tube in his arm. In operating to remove it, the cord in his arm was cut. The family is now a claimant.

☆ Doctors With "Pull."

A student of psychiatry who is familiar with the state mental hospital told me recently that the Napa and Napa Hospitals are frightfully overcrowded and that the medical staffs of both are incompetent, most of the doctors having very little about mental diseases. They are not psychiatrists, as anyone would naturally expect, but they are ordinary medical doctors who have gotten their jobs through pull.


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Before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and county aforesaid, personally appeared Malcolm Ryder, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the Business Manager of the Western Worker and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management, (and if a daily paper, the circulation), etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24, 1912, as amended by the Act of March 3, 1933, embodied in section 411, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse of this form, to wit:

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 26th day of September, 1935.

CHAS. H. DOHERTY.

(My commission expires June 25, 1937.)


## Books and Pamphlets

New Pioneer, a magazine for boys and girls, October, 1935, issue, price 5 cents, New Pioneer Publishing Company, Box 28, Station D, New York City.

There is not a livelier, more interesting magazine on the market than New Pioneer. It's for boys and girls "under sixteen" but that doesn't stop the grown ups from reading it.

The October issue contains a short story—"Tony My Friend"—about a couple of proletarian kids who are forced to live in the tenement district of a big city. There's an article on the war in Ethiopia and a story about seamen and longshoremen, and 'hot cargo'.

And in the "Dear Comrade Editor" department is a letter from a San Francisco Pioneer about the drunken vigilantes in Sonoma County. Jacob Burck contributes a couple of cartoons.

The New Pioneer prints poems by kids that say things. They are short and to the point. And when finished with the issue, you don't, many, don't forget to read "Comrade Kids" on the back cover.

The editors of our Party Press could learn a lot about appealing to the workers by reading New Pioneer. "It certainly has appeal.

HELL IN GEORGIA, by Sasha Small, International Labor Defense, 14 pages, 2c.

Reviewed by John Markel.

In Upsatire, Ed Sears, a Negro, was recently arrested, denied council, "tried" and sentenced to ten months on the chain gang for the heinous—for possession of, Sasha Small's pamphlet on Angelo Herndon.

Surely there must be some powerful reason for such an exhibition of fear on the part of those who control the police power.

The explanation is obvious after a glance at the short pamphlet

In "Hell in Georgia" Sasha Small clearly and simply explains the legal framework of Angelo Herndon. She tells what it was that this heroic fighter did to arouse such hatred in the hearts of the southern bosses. She paints a vivid picture of the conditions of life in the Georgia chain gang—of a life that will face Herndon if the appeal fails.

She describes the work that has been done in the past by the International Labor Defense in the defense of Herndon and maps out the future course necessary to assure his freedom. If this pamphlet received the mass distribution it deserves there will be no question of whether or not Herndon will go free. The Alabama authorities realize this and actively suppress it—can we be less active on our side?

COMMUNISM IN THE UNITED STATES, by Earl Browder; 352 pages; $1.00.

A new edition of Earl Browder's "Communism in the United States" has been issued by International Publishers. The new edition is a reprint of the first, which sold for $2.00 and is arousing the greatest interest among those who want a picture of Communism in the United States issued by the General Secretary of the Communist Party of the U. S. A.

"Communism in the United States" is a broad, scientific examination of the political, economic and social state of the country. From his analysis Browder draws definite conclusions as to the role of the labor movement. He emphasizes the meaning of the NRA, the strike movement, especially the textile general strike, and the West Coast Longshoremen's strike. He points out the role of the Socialist Party, the key problems of the labor movement: The united front, the fight for social trade unionism, the campaign for a Labor Party.

As the author's interview with the press—this fact, it was reported, since his return to the United States—indicated, there is a direct connection between his contribution to the labor movement and the decisions of the Seventh World Congress of the Communist International. In a sense his book prepares the work of that Congress.

## State Legislatures Pass Fourteen Gag Bills in Past Year

WASHINGTON, October 4.—Fourteen out of more than 75 gag bills introduced in various state were finally enacted, according to a summary of the American Civil Liberties Union.

Although the federal Congress did not enact a single gag law in the last session, more than 24 bills previously introduced will be considered when Congress reconvenes.

Of the laws, two are part of the state's penal code, making the incitement to insurrection a crime. Seven require loyalty oaths from teachers, and four bar left wing political parties from use of school buildings for meetings.

Briefly, the story is this: A rich taxi driver in Shanghai turns out to be a former officer in the Czar's Army. He gives up hope of ever being able to return to Russia and leads a splendid idle ness, so he gets a job in a bank and instantly becomes the most powerful banker in Shanghai. He falls in love with a beautiful young American girl and then tries to back out to keep from ruining her life because of the secret strain of Chinese blood in his veins. He flees to the top of a high mountain peak.

The girl follows him—and hundreds of ragged, starving Chinese workers are seen pulling on the ends of ropes to haul her Junk up the mountain against the heavy current. She brings him back to Shanghai and for a while it looks settled. But they get worried about the "terrible problem" again, finally settle on a suicide pact, and end in abject despair, the man saying, "Perhaps in Heaven men will be judged by their merits and not by their blood."

I don't know anything about Heaven, but I know that if he wanted to go back to Russia he would find that the Soviets had solved all his problems.

If you want to see the sort of idiotic problems that worry some, this is a picture to see. Otherwise, skip it.

MOVIE SUPPRESSION—BILL

In Michigan, the State Legislature passed what they called the "Censorship Bill," which enables employers to censor moving pictures. They recently prevented the showing of the Soviet film "The Youth of Maxim" in Detroit by evoking this bill. Working Class cultural groups call for protest letters to Mayor Frank Couzens and Police Commissioner Heinrick Pickert of Detroit.

# MOVIE REVIEWS

## Drunken Snobs and Parasites in Shanghai Pictured As Superior People With Brain Twisting Life Problems

By Michael Quin.

"SHANGHAI"
With Loretta Young and Chas. Boyer.

Tells the astonishing story of two people who are possessed of everything that makes life worthwhile to the "better class" of people—loads of money, oceans of booze, fur coats, privileges with each other's wives, never any work to do—they were sitting on top of the world (if you are willing to agree that the world is a dung heap).

But they were not happy. No indeed, they were not happy. The woman was okey, according to the picture. She was one hundred per cent white. But the man had Chinese blood—even though this supposed "disgrace" did not show in his features.

According to the picture, it was all right to swindle your neighbors or seduce your friend's wife; you could be a thief, a drunk or an imbecile and still stand in good with society. It was even all right for the men to amuse themselves with Chinese women, provided they did not treat them with any respect. But the inter-marriage of Chinese and white! That was an insult to the "honor" of these drunken parasites and they snubbed out you cold.

The picture further contended that if you committed suicide you gave you the cold shoulder, then life was ruined for you!

The audience couldn't understand it and burst into laughter during the most excruciating scenes, and that shows how little the working class appreciates the agonizing difficulties of unfortunate millionaires. The man in front of me remarked: "What the hell? My great grandfather married an Indiana squaw and they got along swell."

## Books and Pamphlets

FARM UNIVERSITIES

An educational experiment carried out in the Azov-Black Sea Territory has created a basis for the establishment of collective farm universities. Before crowded halls a number of noted professors delivered a series of lectures on scientific subjects. The interest they aroused in these villages, where prior to the Revolution having come all the way from Cleveland to testify. He told again the story of how Martin Swanson tried twice, in vain, to get him to help frame Mooney in connection with the San Bruno electric tower dynamitings, and how when he refused, Swanson threatened to "get him for that." After Weinberg's arrest, Swanson sneered, "I said I'd get you, and I got you."

Weinberg also threw considerable light on the methods of "identification" used by the police, telling—as have all the other witnesses—how the defendants were paraded individually, by name, to persons brought in to identify them, and how the only time there was a real line-up, Golf made him put on a cap (all the other prisoners being bareheaded), and then whispered to the would-be identifier, "the man with the cap!"

He stated that while he was in the county jail, a fellow-townsman of his from his native place in Poland came to him with an offer from Plehtert of $30,000 and his freedom if he would testify against Mooney. Cleary hastily moved that this be stricken from the records as hearsay, but the effect remained, and attempts are being made to locate this man, David Farber, and take his testimony if he is still alive.

☆ Witness Ed Nolan.

Weinberg was followed by Ed Nolan, who had come from his present home in Los Angeles, for a day Nolan gave rather routine testimony, telling the often repeated story of the search of his home without a warrant, and the fake "identifications" to which he too was subjected. Then suddenly, on cross-examination by Cleary, he suggested that the hearing "get down to facts without so much mystery."

For the first time, he revealed that the various substances—clay, iron, junk, etc.—found in his basement were his, that they consisted of welding compound used for him in experiments in the welding process. For soft steel, and that he accepted full responsibility for them. Mooney's boy to his basement (where he kept his acetylene cycle) was not even in his possession while Nolan was in Baltimore at a convention during most of July, as it had been seized by the police when he was arrested in connection with the street car strike.

Questioned by Cleary about the Anarchist paper, The Blast, of which so much has been made by the prosecution, he cried, "I've been engaged all my life in activities, Socialist and otherwise, anything that would raise the standards of labor. If The Blast was going to do any good for labor, I'm not going to take a hand in it, either. If the Supreme Court is going to keep this boy in jail because of The Blast, which passed out of existence a few issues, mails, it's not going to be anything Ed Nolan says. I didn't testify previously about this stuff in the hearings because I was never asked about it before. Nobody asked me about bombs or anything; I was just thrown in the can and left there."

☆ Billings Testifies.

The next day Billings, looking hardly older than the boy of 23 who was sent to prison 19 years ago, began his testimony. He told of Swanson's efforts to get him to frame Mooney, and of the detective's threat when he refused, "You . . . you was in it too, and I'll get you." After he was arrested Swanson offered to see that he was freed and given $500 (000 or $15,000 to go to Mexico, if only he would testify against Mooney.

# The Mooney Frame-Up On Parade

## Billings Refused to Make 'Deal' With Swanson

PART II.

(The story of the Mooney Case hearing being held in the San Francisco Hall of Justice before a State Supreme Court referee, Attorney A. E. Shaw.)

With their second week, the Mooney hearing sessions really got under way. The most exciting moment of the week was the first meeting of Tom Mooney and Warren Billings since their trials in 1917. All minor differences of policy forgotten, the two famous frame-up victims threw their arms around each other and greeted each other in turn.

Since he was permitted to come from Folsom and be present at the hearing, Billings' objections to testifying were relinquished, and he is doing his utmost to help Mooney in the court procedure that may in the end mean freedom for them both.

☆ The Carmen's Strike.

At the beginning of the week Mooney was put on the stand again. The only remaining evidence offered directly by him, however, was the production of a long letter from, President Mahon of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway and Motor Coach Employees of America, authorizing him officially to organize the United Railroads employees, and endorsing him in his expense.

This disposes of the state's contention that Mooney did not have the support and cooperation of the union in his activities in the carmen's strike.

☆ Witness Weinberg.

Weinberg was the next witness, and his testimony was given in full. When they got out of jail, they shook themselves together and "were glad that they could "take it."

☆ Herndon Signatures.

The drive for the second million signatures to petitions asking the release of Angelo Herndon, negro sentenced to 18 to 20 years on the chain gang for leading a demonstration of unemployed in Atlanta, Georgia, starts immediately. Get in the drive by seeing that your locality and those of your friends and fellow-workers are afixed to one of these petitions.

The first million collected were to be presented to the United States Senate when it re-convened yesterday.

☆ Oakland Activity.

In Oakland the section organizer has called a general membership meeting of all I.L.D. branches, at Carpenters' Hall on Twelfth st., Tuesday night, Oct. 15, to elect a new city committee and plan future work of the organization.

Workers are asked to attend the superior court on Saturday, Oct. 19, when the case of Annette Marlow, convicted in lower court of selling the Western Worker without a permit, is appealed. She is appealing from a sentence of 25 days in jail or $50 fine.

## Workers' Children May Join Orchestra In Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 7.—The Children's Symphony Orchestra of Los Angeles has again started its winter season with a full band. A very capable instructor is conducting the lessons on all symphonic instruments, at very reasonable rates. The Orchestra was organized last year in order to offer workers' children an opportunity to study orchestral instruments and play in a real Children's Symphony.

Lessons are given every Saturday, from 10 A. M. to 2 P. M. at the headquarters, 3054 Wabash Avenue. Every working class parent is urged to investigate this Orchestra, and sign up his child immediately. All children between the ages of 5 and 16 are eligible to join, if they want to learn and play any string, wind, or percussion instrument for orchestra. A Piano Class is being held in connection with the Orchestra.

BOYCOTT HEARST NEWSPAPERS!

## Notes on the Soviet Union

CHILDREN'S PALACE

In the center of Kharkov, a palace of Pioneers and Octoberites will open its doors this month to more than 8000 children, offering them the opportunity to profitably enjoy themselves under the guidance of a staff of 400 part or full time instructors and consultants in the arts and sciences. Once an exclusive club for the wealthy in czarist times, this manifefaced building has been completely remodeled. Each of its eighteen floors is devoted to meeting a miniature of some section of industry, economy or science. In one is to be found an exact miniature of the Kharkov Electro-technical Combinat; in another, a diminutive street car driven by electric power generated by a small power station. The chemical laboratories are complete in every detail. Children coming to the new center will find in its hobby houses a miniature Dutchland, China, rice fields of Siam, rubber plantations of Borneo and orange groves of California, besides a large variety of flowers and plants

# Events on the Labor Defense Front

By Peters.

A wrapped article; guaranteed to be worth ten cents or more, will win you admission to the Herndon party and auction which the Prison Relief department of the International Labor Defense is holding next Saturday night, Oct. 12, as part of the 1740 O'Farrell street for the benefit of all political prisoners.

If you want to help our imprisoned comrades further, you can donate duplicate articles and bring the rummage sale which the prison relief will sponsor sometime in November to a successful close. Christmas drive. A telephone call to the I.L.D. office will bring a truck to your home to collect the donations:

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## The Sloss Hot Cargo Ruling Means Trade Union Suicide

Arbitrator Sloss rules the blacklist against more than 1600 San Francisco longshoremen who had refused to work hot cargo, in effect, is a violation of the Longshore Award. Shipowners, because they were on the spot and knew it, piously announced they will put these men back to work.

PRESTO! San Francisco's interrupted commerce begins to-flow. Thirty-seven ships tied up here for a week, begin to move.

Sloss' ruling, regardless of the reasons behind it, must come as a blow to those handmaidens for the shipowners, the San Francisco Junior Chamber of Commerce. Only last Saturday, in paid advertisements inserted in the capitalist press, these gentlemen definitely "proved" to their own satisfaction at least, that the waterfront workers solely were responsible for the tie-up of commerce. They called openly for vigilante violence against the maritime unions.

The Little Mussolinis of the Junior Chamber of Commerce now know how the Vancouver strikers would feel if the local longshoremen were forced to scab on them—to load hot cargo.

But despite the more than a score of lies published over the signature of the respectable Junior Chamber of Commerce, one line in Saturday's statement stands out as the truth. That line reads:

"The release of the steamship POINT CLEAR will not settle the situation."

There is a longshore strike in four Gulf ports and Joseph P. Ryan, president of the International Longshoremen's Association has declared the I.L.A. will not work ships with cargo from the strike area.

That is the cargo issue. The issue of whether or not longshoremen in one port can legally be forced to scab on their striking brothers in another port, remains.

Judge Sloss has ruled the Pacific Coast longshoremen must load all cargo, hot or cold. This decision directly violates a major principle of trade unionism and if enforced would be an open invitation in the present campaign to smash the militant unions of the Pacific Coast.

Judge Sloss' hot cargo ruling must be challenged!

The struggle against such rulings, which mean suicide to trade unionism, must be carried into every union up and down the Pacific Coast, because the "hot cargo" issue heralds a campaign that may lag for the moment, but will presently be renewed with fury.

Union progressives must be spurred by the rank and file to act immediately to build a united "Committee of 100,000" to combat the employers' fiendish attack.

Within the immediate environment of every adult are countless young people who are potential class-conscious militants and potential fascists. We must reach them immediately with every means at our command. Begin now to circulate youth literature, following up with a view to getting subscriptions to the WESTERN WORKER and YOUTH. Have your unit increase the bundle order.

In addition, arrange for part proceeds of affairs to be turned over to help make the new paper a real mass organ, colorfully presenting youth issues, and appealing confidently.

## "Red-Baiters" Will Weaken the A. F. of L.

As forecast in these columns last week, the 55th National American Federation of Labor Convention has opened with a well-planned "red-baiting" barrage delivered by William Green.

The reactionaries who have dominated the A. F. of L., for so long, bubbling it in check and making job trusts out of the unions, find themselves challenged by the powerful upsurge of militants who are finding their way to the class struggle, led in part by Communists.

The "no easy" policy of letting union officials and "henevolent, reasonable" employers round a table, chatting comfortably and puffing aromatic cigars, while dishing up a palatable compromise, seem to have gone forever, and the officials seeing their technique discredited and their jobs threatened, direct their fire on militants everywhere.

All who oppose them are termed "reds!"

All policies that gain results through struggle, stimulated by failure of the gentlemanly method of "arbitration," are likewise known as "red" policies.

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We take only part of the credit, gentlemen of the A. F. of L. hierarchy. Conditions of rapid political growth on the part of the workers have sounded your death-knell. And well you know it.

Your anxiety to get the "reds" out of the union is a faithful reflection of the wishes of the Hearsts, Morgans, Easleys, and others to cripple the unions by ousting the militants whose leadership has raised the standard of living and unified the unions.

"Ousting the reds" is a wage-cutting, union-splitting policy.

The reds have built and are building the American Federation of Labor, fighting tooth and nail against the apathy of well-fed officials.

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As reported in this issue, the WESTERN WORKER was praised at a meeting in Los Angeles which accomplished trade union unity within the A. F. of L.—because we alone of local labor papers gave space to this all-important issue of unity.

All progressives must resist the Green-Woll "red-baiting" program, which must be defeated in every union that is to progress is to be made.

Reject the incitement to split the unions and chase the militants out. Sharpen the attack on the red-baiters and demand close mass study of all unionists in economics, politics, religion, or political belief, in 100 per cent program of organization on a militant fighting basis.

## The New "Voice of Youth"

Beginning Nov. 7; the VOICE OF YOUTH will be issued in a regular eight-page edition, with at least sixteen pictures in each issue, and news and articles by an augmented staff.

This beginning of the efforts of the Young Communist League to reach wider sections of the youth, without whose support we will never be able to successfully resist the fascist forces now gathering at an alarming rate, must receive the full support of all Party members and close supporters of the Party. Winning over the youth is by no means the exclusive job of our youth leaders and Y. C. L. units. There is no more effective way of spreading this work than beginning a campaign to popularize the VOICE OF YOUTH and Young Communist League literature amongst the young people in the neighborhood, amongst family friends and relatives.

## 500,000 Dimitroff Pamphlets Are Ready

The Literature Commission of the Central Committe of the Communist Party announces that the popular edition of Dimitroff's famous report to the Seventh World Congress of the Communist International, numbering 500,000 copies, is now ready for the mass circulation drive.

"Working Class Unity—Bulwark Against Fascism" in this edition will sell for five cents.

No finer statement of Communist principles in building the wide unity of peoples against fascism has been made. No clearer analysis of the forces that breed fascism can be found. No sharper urge to action on the widest front has been made.

A copy of this pamphlet must be brought into every home. Farmers, intellectuals, professionals, small business men, as well as workers and employees of all kinds, will find in Dimitroff's brilliant statement of world problems an answer to their groping and a guide to action.

It must not merely be sold, however. Every pamphlet must be read and discussed. Wherever a sale is made in the course of unit work, its reading must be followed upon with every possible aid to understanding given in friendly discussion.

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## Support the C. S. Conference In Sacramento

The proposed mass convention of one thousand delegates to the Conference for the Repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Law, to be held in Sacramento in the near future, deserves the support of every worker and believer in American civil liberties.

That attacks on our civil liberties can be defeated was shown in the past year, when the drive organized and led by the Conference defeated all but one of the anti-labor bills introduced into the most reactionary legislatures in the history of California.

Some two hundred organizations have elected delegates to the Northern and Southern California conferences. This number can be increased threefold if liberal workers will bring active labor, trade union or fraternal organization the necessity to preserve the rights to organize, to strike, and to express freely their political opinions, which are menaced by the Criminal Syndicalism Law.

### UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION . . . BILL OF RIGHTS

**Article I.**

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.

## World Events

*By Emmett Kirby*

### Working Class Must Speak to Halt Mussolini

With the fascist army of Mussolini raining bombs on defenseless Ethiopians making a rising casualty list which by Friday had already reached more than 2000 people, including women and children and Red Cross hospitals, the world is beginning to realize suddenly the horror of war.

It is no longer a theory that fascism breeds war, but the lives of the heroic defenders of a country as yet unmobilized against an attacking army of around 250,000 troops is giving daily proof of that fact.

Mussolini, driven by the crisis accentuated under fascism, attacked as he had boasted he would.

In the face of this the League of Nations adjourned because some sentimen had not yet finished their report on the situation and is only being reconvened under an emergency call by Britain for the consideration of sanctions against Italy.

☆ France Draws Back.

France, not assured of full British aid against the threatened attack from Hitler, is giving every indication of backing down from applying complete sanctions against Italy. Instead Laval will propose three points:

1—Cooperation with Great Britain and the other League of Nations powers in declaring Italy the aggressor against Ethiopia and therefore subject to sanctions.

2—Participation in an embargo on raw materials to be placed against Italy.

3—A ban on Italian imports into France.

These do NOT include military sanctions in the interest of world peace by aiding the immediate crushing of an aggressor nation—in this case the Italian fascists.

If this backdown from the principles of the League of Nations prevails it is obvious that the pressure of the smaller nations of the League will not be sufficient to force Britain and France to act. The readiness of the Soviet Union to support full sanctions against an aggressor nation is clear in the reported movement of warships of the Black Sea fleet down to the Dardanelles, mouth of the Mediterranean.

Details of the heroic struggle of an unmobilized Negro nation against a war of conquest can be found elsewhere in this issue, but in view of the uncertainty of the acts of the League, it is apparent that the only force which can stop Italian conquest and give an assurance to world peace by "concerted actions of nations which make it too costly for Europe to attempt wars, is the working class.

In Britain, Harry Pollit, general secretary of the Communist Party of Great Britain has issued an appeal to the workers of that country to demonstrate demanding that Britain place an embargo, on all Italian shipping, close the Suez and Gibraltar to Italian ships, lift the arms embargo on Ethiopia, pledge to make no loans to Italy and—equally important both in its imperialist implications and as rallying support from the rest of the world—declare all British concessions in Ethiopia.

That Mussolini fears the strength of such actions is seen in the frenzied attempt of his wailing to Britain, hinting at willingness to call off the war under certain circumstances.

☆ Protest War Shipments.

Of all the European nations, only Spain has agreed to fill many orders. Other European nations are lined up behind the sanctions.

Wall Street under its neutrality pledge. It has never considered itself bound by the actions of its mouthpiece, Washington, D. C. And goods and loans by way of Spain can still reach Italy.

Mass, meetings, demonstrations demanding embargoes against Italy must be immediately organized everywhere. And, at this precise moment, one of the most important actions is bringing pressure on the A. F. of L. convention meeting next week in Atlantic City. Bill Green has said that he will speak for neutrality—a complete hands off.

Pledged from convention with resolutions from every local demanding full embargoes against Italy, against the war that fascism breeds.

## America and The Seventh World Communist Congress

### Two Opposing Armies On March in U. S. A.

### By A. B. Magil

**Article I, Part 2**

Fascism is on the march in the U.S.A., as throughout the capitalist world.

But on the march, too, is anti-fascism, the growing movement of workers, farmers and middle class people against the forces that are trying to hurl mankind into the abyss of fascist tyranny and war.

Here are the two opposing armies, differing in development and form in different countries, but their fundamental features everywhere the same. At stake in the battle is the whole future of the millions that toil by hand and brain.

The recent Seventh World Congress of the Communist International analyzed the changes that have taken place in the world situation since its Sixth Congress in 1928, which determine the line-up of class forces, the character of the struggle and the tasks that face the labor movement. The main resolution of the Congress on the report of the great Dimitroff, hero of the Reichstag fire trial, listed the most important changes as follows:

NEW WORLD FACTORS

1. The final and irrevocable victory of Socialism in the Soviet Union.

2. The greatest economic crisis in the history of capitalism, which has created mass armies of the unemployed and doomed millions to starvation.

3. The offensive of fascism, the advent to power of the fascists in Germany, the growth of the threat of a new imperialist world war and of an attack on the U. S. S. R.

4. The political crisis, expressed in the armed struggle of the workers in Austria and Spain against the fascists; the powerful anti-fascist movement in France, which began with the February demonstration and the general strike of the proletariat in 1934.

5. The increased militancy of the toiling masses throughout the capitalist world and the growth of the desire for unity of action in the ranks of the working class as a result of the attacks on living standards and democratic rights, of the victory of Socialism in the Soviet Union, and of the temporary defeat of the working class in Central Europe—in Germany, Austria and Spain, countries where the majority of the organized workers supported the Socialist Parties. At the same time, "the revolutionary movement in the colonial countries and the Soviet revolution in China are extending."

The resolution of the Comintern Congress comes to the conclusion that "the relationship of class forces on a world scale is changing more and more in the direction of a growth of the forces of revolution."

The resolution further states:

**Unity Main Task.**

"In face of the towering menace at fascism to the working class and all the gains it has made, to all toilers and their elementary rights, to the peace and liberty of the peoples, the Seventh Congress of the Communist International declares that at the present historical stage it is the main and immediate task of the international labor movement to establish the united fighting front of the working class."

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## Party Life

### Check-Up Shows Lag In Recruiting Drive

The following is a checkup on the new regruits by Sections since the beginning of the drive, Sept. 21, to Oct., 5.

SAN FRANCISCO: Quota 129; recruited 9 A. F. L., 8 unemployed; 1 Italian, 1 shop worker, Total 19.

CONTRA COSTA: Quota 25; 1 shop worker, Total 1.

STOCKTON: Quota 20; 1 A. F. L., 1 misc. Total 2.

EUREKA: Quota 6; recruited 1 misc. Total 1.

SAN BERNARDINO: Quota 20; recruited 4 unemployed, 1 Negro. Total 5.

LOS ANGELES: Quota 217; recruited 6 A. F. L., 14 unemployed, 3 women. Total 20.

SAN DIEGO: Quota 40; recruited 1 A. F. L., 1 woman, 1 shop worker. Total 3.

The above figures represent a total of 55 new members in the District since Sept. 21. Comrades, this Recruiting Drive will have to be greatly intensified if we are to make the quota of 600 by Nov. 7. Some sections have not enrolled even one member.

Have lists of members of mass organizations been drawn up by units for contacting? Have the fractions in trade unions drawn up lists of militant trade unionists and systematically visited them and asked them to join the Party? Have you contacted WESTERN WORKER and YOUTH subscribers in your unit territory? Have you approached your shopmates and personal friends? All these and other methods will have to be used and used quickly if we expect to complete our quota. Two weeks have already passed.

Our possibilities are tremendous. Many workers are waiting for us to explain to them why they should join the Party, and we should reach these people immediately to make it possible for them to come into their own Party. All the daily campaigns and activities must center around constant recruiting.

—Dist. Org. Dept.

Max Barr, old time member of the Party in Boyle Heights, Los Angeles, has been expelled from the Party for disruptive activity. Barr for years had been a member of the working class movement and considered himself well versed in Marxism. From this he drew the conclusion that he was superior to all the lower Party members who had joined since he did and refused to continue any Party activity together with these "inferiors." Instead of using his supposed "superiority" to aid the work of the Party he refused to be bound by decisions of the active members and constantly absented himself from his meetings and work for this reason.

Such an attitude, consistently followed despite efforts to get him to work with the members of the Party to which he belonged, led to his being ousted, particularly at a time when the struggle is growing so sharp that the efforts of all comrades are required. More than being merely dead wood, any who follow such a line of conduct are actually saboteurs, and the Communist Party has no room for hangers-on who think they can slide along on their past reputations.

District Disciplinary Commission, Dist. 13.

## N. Y. Reporters for A.F.L. Affiliation

NEW YORK, Oct. 7.—(FP)—The Newspaper Guild of New York has voted 4 to 1 in favor of affiliation with the American Federation of Labor. Final returns, 1,290 to 330.

National returns show a nip-and-tuck race, according to officials of the American Newspaper Guild. The last A.F.G. convention ruled that a two-thirds vote for affiliation was necessary. National voting shows a heavy majority for affiliation with just about the needed 2-to-1 balance. The majority of the votes are in.

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estates, nationalization of trusts, confiscation of war profits, etc.—all of which they promptly ditched when they came into power. In the United States Huey Long's "share the wealth" and Father Coughlin's "social justice" are similar radical slogans that are being used by budding American fascists.

But whatever its mask, fascism as Dimitroff emphasized, "is a most ferocious attack by capital on the toiling masses; fascism is unbridled chauvinism and annexationist war; fascism is rabid reaction and counter-revolution; fascism is the most vicious enemy of the working class and of all the toilers."

It is clear, therefore, that the interests of all toiling sections of the population lie in the struggle against fascism. The victory of fascism is not inevitable. In Germany and Austria it could have been prevented had not the leadership of the Socialist Parties of those countries, whom the majority of the organized workers (in Austria the overwhelming majority) followed, pursued the policy of collaborating with the capitalist parties while they rejected the united front appeals of the Communists and thereby left the workers to face the fascist onslaught disunited and disorganized.

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## Labor Party Issue Before National AFL Convention

INDEPENDENT POLITICAL ACTION DEMANDED IN SIX RESOLUTIONS

### Green Loses Battle

STRUGGLE TO DEVELOP ON QUESTION OF CRAFT VS. INDUSTRIAL UNIONS

ATLANTIC CITY, Oct. 10.—Six resolutions demanding the establishment of an Independent Labor Party under trade union auspices have been handed the Resolutions Committee at the American Federation of Labor Convention meeting here this week.

Indications are the progressive delegates are prepared to wage a stubborn fight for independent political action. The Resolutions Committee, packed with conservatives, already has turned thumbs down on some of the resolutions.

The conservative A. F. of L. leadership, in spite of its Red-baiting keynote speech by President William Green, has not been able to dodge the Labor Party issue. Rank and file demand for political action is growing almost hourly.

Another issue the conservatives have not been able to sidestep is the question of industrial unionism. Footsteps of the rebellious Committee for Industrial Organization, as against the outdated craft unionism which the A. F. of L. advocates, are thumping.

Green lost out today as the convention voted to defer action on the seating of John W. Williams, delegate from the warring building trades union. Green had fought to have Williams seated. Delegates demanded further action be taken to bring peace to the building trades before the delegate is seated. They feared his admittance might drive the opposing faction out of the A. F. of L.

## SEAMEN DISCUSS AWARD CHANGES

### Color Discrimination Hit by S.F. Marine Firemen's Union

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 11.—No "color-line" will be drawn against Negro seamen or those of other races by the Marine Firemen of San Francisco.

A motion was passed at the meeting of the membership here last night calling for the expulsion of any member guilty of trying to disrupt or split the unity within the ranks, on a basis of racial discrimination.

Criticism of Secretary King, by the Seattle branch, for his part in supporting the local United Longshoremen's Association was backed by the rank and file here which last night voted concurrence in all of King's actions since he took the secretary's office.

A resolution calling for the setting up of a Committee of 100,000, recently passed by the Maritime Federation Council here, was concurred in. The Committee of 100,000, to be based on trade union workers, will protect unions and individuals from acts of terrorism by vigilantes.

Minutes of the last meeting of the Seattle branch included a resolution demanding of the National Executive Committee of the ISU that the forthcoming national convention of the union be held west of the Mississippi instead of, in Baltimore, as planned.

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## Marine Council Votes Dock Ban On Italy Arms

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 10.—The District Council of the Maritime Federation at its Tuesday night meeting voted against handling armaments or munitions bound for Italy. The resolution reads:

"Whereas, a state of war exists between Italy and Ethiopia, and

"Whereas, in this conflict, as in all others, the workers will have to bear the burden,

"Therefore be it resolved, we, the Maritime Federation of the Pacific Coast, following the example already set by civilized countries as assembled in the League of Nations, hereby call upon the workers of the world in the name of God and humanity to cooperate with us to prevent a world cataclysm by refusing to aid the aggressor nation in any manner whatsoever.

"And be it further resolved that we, the maritime workers, will refuse to handle any ammunition or war materials destined for the aggressor nation.

"And be it further resolved, that we call upon all maritime workers, including those of Italy, to concur in this action."

Meanwhile, at Cardiff, Wales, hundreds of boxing dockworkers, refusing to load with fascists, plastered the Italian steamer, Rina Correda, with huge anti-fascist, anti-war slogans.

Breaking through police lines, the longshoremen boarded the ship and stuck posters in every available place.

(By Federated Press)

ATLANTIC CITY, Oct. 11.—Ray Murphy, Legion redbaiter who spoke at the A. F. of L. convention here, came from a hotel being picketed by trade unionists.

A walk-out was staged by some scores of delegates when he got up to speak and certain cries was voiced among them of jingoism and anti-labor stands on the part of Legion officials. Murphy asked the A.F.L. to join the Legion's vigilante inspired "American-ization Bureau."

## STRIKE-ACTION THREATENED BY TEXAS DOCKERS

HOUSTON SHIPOWNERS TO OUTLAW I.L.A.; WILL WORK SCABS

### Scab Cargo Due Here

SEATTLE DOCK WORKERS SUPPORT STRIKE OF WAREHOUSEMEN

HOUSTON, Tex., Oct. 10.—Shipowners here flatly have refused to recognize the International Longshoremen's Association and a strike along the Texas coast and at Lake Charles is pending.

The shippers have declared their intention of maintaining an open shop and will hire scabs to do the work of the I.L.A. men, using police guards to penetrate picket lines if necessary.

Mike Dwyer, Galveston, head of the I.L.A. district here declared today a strike will be called Friday unless the employers grant demands of the union for recognition and better working conditions.

Longshoremen here and in other Gulf ports express confidence they will win their demands as soon as hot cargo reaches other American ports and is boycotted by longshoremen there. Joseph P. Ryan, president of the I.L.A. already has declared the I.L.A. in West and East Coast ports will refuse to handle hot cargo from the Gulf.

SEATTLE DOCK STRIKE

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 10.—Longshoremen here have been ordered to handle products from the Fisher Flour Mills, against which warehousemen are striking.

The officials acted in favor of the unity move with the Flour and Cereal Workers' Union, Local 19169, at a joint meeting held this week.

Should the mills, which to date have remained closed, attempt to operate with scab labor, the Seattle longshoremen refuse to do it.

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## United Labor Ticket vs. Hearst's Rossi

*"TO MAKE THE GENERAL STRIKE A GENERAL VOTE," IS SLOGAN*

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 11.—A straw ballot of every voter in this city to determine their sentiments on the coming municipal elections is the announced purpose of the mobilization of a "Labor Ticket Committee of 1000" here on next Sunday, Oct. 13.

The United Labor Campaign Committee has issued a call for every sincere supporter of the Labor Ticket to appear at 747 Market street at 10 a. m. Sunday morning. From there the supporters will be assigned districts and a mass house to house poll of the city taken.

Determined to "TURN THE GENERAL STRIKE INTO A GENERAL VOTE," the Labor Ticket, representing a united front of unions and working class organizations, is mobilizing the mass sentiment that answered "HEARST'S ROSSI" in a giant walkout last year when he loosed the armed forces of Municipal Government as a strike-breaking machine against the waterfront unions.

☆ Conspiracy of Silence.

Opposed by a conspiracy of silence on the part of local capitalist papers and backing the huge, heavily financed publicity machine of the professional politicians, the Labor Ticket is going ahead solely on volunteer labor and funds donated out of the pockets of the working class. It is labor's supreme effort to make democracy in local politics a fact instead of an insincere farce enacted by the monied interests which dominate election machinery and all channels of publicity.

A mass rally is being held at 68 Haight street at 8 p. m. on

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## WOMAN VICTIM OF C. S. LAW LEAVES TEHACHAPI ON BAIL

### Commutation of Sentence Expected for Lorine Norman; L. A. Congress Ready

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 10.—A representative of the International Labor Defense will leave tonight for Tehachapi Women's Prison to take Lorine Norman, one of the victims of the Sacramento Criminal Syndicalism frame-up, to Sacramento. Comrade Norman, wife of Ed. King of the Seattle Cafe, is expected to arrive in the early part of November, and has been admitted to bail by Judge Dal M. Lemon of Sacramento, pending appeal of the case.

☆ Threat of Arrests.

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## I.L.D. SCORES IN JACKSON MINER FRAMEUP TRIAL

ATLANTIC CITY, Oct. 8.—Anticipating the militant program to be advocated by progressive delegates, President William Green opened the 55th annual convention of the American Federation of Labor here with a red-baiting talk in which he attacked so-called "foreign influences" at work in the A. F. of L. unions.

He followed the traditional A. F. of L. non-partisan policy in an effort to sabotage the move for a mass labor party by attempting to link the Labor Party issue with the Communist International.

Claiming for the American Federation of Labor an unequaled record of legislative and economic achievements in the past, Green skimmed tactfully around the edges of the craft vs. industrial union dispute, one of the most burning controversies that

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## GALLUP JUDGE FIGHTS EXPOSE OF FRAME-UP

LEAFLET CIRCULATION IS EXCUSE FOR CONDEMNING DEFENSE WORKERS

### Jury Being Chosen

PROSECUTOR THREATENS ARREST OF REPORTER FOR DAILY WORKER

AZTEC, N. M., Oct. 11.—Seven jurors have been tentatively chosen in the trial of the workers charged with murder following the killing by a deputy sheriff of Sheriff Charmichael at Gallup, when the police provoked a riot by dispersing an orderly assembly of workers protesting against the trial of a worker evicted by the Gallup Coal Co.

☆ Provocative Statement.

New developments which may bring about a change in venue to a county where a fair trial can be held, have sprung up. Long sought by the defense, such a change looms as the result of the circulation of a leaflet exposing the nature of the frame-up. The court failed utterly to notice all the provocative and prejudicial propaganda circulated against the defendants, but circulation of a leaf let by supporters of the defense brought about the remark by Judge McGhee that "All these people know is brutal force and propaganda."

After such a sample of what the defendants may expect on the way of a fair trail, Frank Spector was put on the stand and questioned regarding two handbills and a speech made by him at a September 25 meeting in Albuquerque.

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## 2 L.A. Hearst Pickets Found Guilty; 3 Free

I. L. D. CALLS FOR BIGGER ANTI-HEARST DRIVE

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 9.—Mass support for the drive against Hearst Research was called for by the International Labor Defense here today following the sentence of two workers for participating in a picket line in front of the Los Angeles Examiner on Sept. 3, last.

J. G. Honeycomb and Jack Ginsburg were convicted of violation of the anti-picketing ordinance and sentenced yesterday to 25 days in jail or $50 fine. The case was immediately appealed by George Judson, I. L. D. attorney, and the two workers were bailed out at $50 each.

Protests should be sent immediately.

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## SMASH FASCIST WAR! New Appeal of Comintern

(Via the Daily Worker.)

MOSCOW, Oct. 8.—The Executive Committee of the Communist International addressed an appeal to all workers to unite their forces against war, as Mussolini's invasion of Ethiopia has made imperialist hostilities on a world-wide scale a matter of weeks, even days.

Together with this new appeal, a second cable was sent to the Secretariat of the Labor and Socialist (Second) International appealing to immediate international unity of Socialist and Communist organizations in the pressing emergency.

The full text of the broad appeal follows:

To all workers and their organizations!

To all opponents of war and friends of peace!

To all peoples who do not want a repetition of the world slaughter of 1914-1918!

The imperialist struggle of the big capitalist states, primarily that between Great Britain and Italy, in regard to Ethiopia, has led to an onslaught by Italian fascism on Ethiopian people. Italian airplanes are bombarding the peaceful towns and villages of Ethiopia.

British imperialism, under the cover of suspicious concerns about the "independence" of Ethiopia, is

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## League Lifts Ban On Ethiopia Arms In Sanctions Move

### Highlights

GENEVA—First step of League against Italy is lifting of arms ban, on Ethiopia.

SEATTLE—Seamen will Picket Italian ship due here. Pass strong anti-war resolution.

GENEVA—More than 50 nations vote sanctions. Austria, Hungary refrain, indicating fascist bloc of nations, including Germany.

LONDON—Lansbury resigns as Labor Party head in disagreement on sanctions. Others elected.

ETHIOPIA—Grim note for religionists in fall of Aksum, "Holy City" to fascist troops.

### Demands

1—Withdrawal of Italian troops!

2—Full collective economic sanctions!

3—No arms for Italy!

4—Close Suez Canal!

5—Support Soviet peace policy!

52 NATIONS VOTE FOR SANCTIONS IN EFFORT TO CURB ITALY

### Anti-War Acts Grow

DANGER OF FASCIST BLOC SEEN IN AUSTRIA AND HUNGARY STAND

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 10.—With 52 nations voting for League sanctions, and Austria and Hungary opposing them, the danger of a wide split in Europe becomes imminent. This was long since forecast by Litvinoff in his speeches to the League Council asking for full collective sanctions against Italy. The hesitation evident in late dealings makes the question of economic, financial, and military measures as complicated as the interests of the nations involved.

The representative of the Soviet Union declared himself directly at the time of the vote, saying:

"Unity of action will continue the surest means of terminating the conflict."

Premier Laval declared: "France will face her obligations."

Anthony Eden said: "Action must now be taken. I declare his majesty's government ready."

Unanimous voting is not required for the application of sanctions under Article 16 of the League. It is defined loosely as measures taken to effectively deal with an offending party, including collective declaration of the League as to the measures to be adopted varies widely. Possible measures are:

1—Cancellation of all credits and exchange avenues.

2—Economic boycott on all war goods shipments to Italy, with possible extension of this to consumption goods to force internal resistance to war. (Prices are already at record high.)

The Council secretary read the full report of the plan and also presented a copy of the ordinance. It was revealed that this plan was first proposed on May 3, 1934, just prior to "Bloody Thursday," and at that time a "provisional committee" composed of fascists-inclined business men of the community was organized.

The whole thing was kept very quiet for over a year, until just before the recent crisis on the San Francisco waterfront, when the ordinance was suddenly passed by the city council.

☆ "Quiet" Contact.

One significant point is that the captains of various sections covered by the plan are instructed to contact "individuals" and not to be contacted "quickly and quietly." If the emergencies anticipated are "earthquake, fire, wind-storm or flood" would not the provision for "quiet" contact?

The organizations called upon to operate in this plan are the municipal and municipal departments. The Red Cross, American Legion and Chamber of Commerce."

One Council delegate remarked, "If this is backed by the Chamber of Commerce and the American Legion, that is enough for me. I'm against it."

The word "disaster" was defined in the plan as "Earthquake, fire . . . or any other emergency which might endanger the lives or property of the citizens of Oakland." The disaster committee is empowered to determine when a disastrous emergency exists.

The Labor Council resolution declared labor is in favor of such a committee when union labor is in charge and not the

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## DISASTER PLAN HIT BY LABOR

### Propose Un

# GALLUP TRIAL SEES ATTEMPT AT CENSORSHIP

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Gallup workers facing death on framed charges and also expressed full agreement with the contents of the handbills as a constitutional right of citizens to petition our theorities.

Patton, prosecuting attorney, announced his intention of having Spector arrested, and the same suggestion was made by Attorney Chavez with regard to Sue Adams, reporter at the trial for the Daily Worker, in order to stifle all publicity about the trial which might be favorable to the defense, but so far this has not been carried out.

While Judge McGhee's indignation has been aroused by efforts to expose the frame-up, he has done nothing with regard to the organization of a fascist group here, as made public in a letter by Floyd D. Painton, "State Commander" for New Mexico of the "United American Patriots."

☆ Fascist Group.

This organization claims to cooperate with the Department of Justice, the Immigration Department, and the intelligence service. That such cooperation actually exists is further evidenced by the close collaboration between the United States Department of Labor, the Gallup American Coal company, and the state officials of New Mexico in seizing and deporting at least 30 defense witnesses from the Gallup mines.

The "United American Patriots" claims a membership of 200 in Gallup alone.

☆ Appeal to A. F. of L.

The Gallup defendants have addressed an appeal to the American Federation of Labor Convention for help in the following telegram:

"We, the undersigned ten Gallup, N. M., miners are now on trial for our lives. We are facing death sentences on framed-up charges in a court atmosphere surcharged with bitter prejudice against labor. Our only crime is loyalty to labor's cause and return us to our families. We appeal to the assembled convention, brother trade unionists, come to our rescue!"

T. R. Montoya of Albuquerque was cited for contempt of court as the result of a resolution condemning the farce trial of the Gallup defendants, adopted at a meeting held in Albuquerque on Sept. 25.

**Communist Party members, unite in labor unit activity.**

# LABOR TICKET TO GIVE DANCE ON OCTOBER 19

## AFFAIR WILL BENEFIT THE CAMPAIGN FUND

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 11.—The "Struggle of 1935" will be transferred from the political arena to the dance floor on Saturday night, Oct. 19, at Druids Temple, 44 Page street, The United Labor Campaign Committee is giving a dance, entire proceeds of which will be used in the political campaign to clean the agents of Big Business out of the City Hall.

The assembled men and women will stage a "United Front" on the dance floor to the Militant Melodies of the "Waterfront Troubadours."

A full program of sketches and other vaudeville entertainment is planned by the entertainment committee. Refreshments will be served and a feature of the evening will be the presentation to some lucky ticket holder of a beautiful, free-wheeling, self-installed radio.

All Waterfront workers should turn out, bring your wives, daughters, and sweethearts, enjoy the evening's festivities and help the cause of the United Labor Ticket. Admission is only 25 cents per person. Tickets are available at Waterfront headquarters, 60 Commercial street, and all other United Labor Campaign headquarters.

# L. A. WORKERS' SCHOOL OPENS

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 7.—With a complete schedule of classes arranged, the Los Angeles Workers' School will open for the fall term on October 15, the term to close on January 18, 1936, with a holiday from December 22 to January 4.

On Monday nights, Miriam Bonner will teach "History of the American Working Class," with emphasis on California; McGowan will teach Labor Journalism; and Art Echols will instruct in "Principles of Communism."

"Workers' Defense" will be conducted on Tuesday nights by the International Labor Defense; Ethel Shipman will teach "Political Economy," and Bonner will outline the Seventh World Congress of the Communist International.

Miriam Bonner will lecture on "Fascism and Social Revolution," from Paul Dutt's book, on Wednesday nights; J. Tourney will teach "Principles of Communism," and Thomas Miller will conduct a public speaking course.

All workers interested in a class in trade unionism are urged to give their names to the school secretary, Cultural Center, 230 So. Spring street.

Classes are held from 7:30 to 9 p. m. Fee for employed workers is one dollar for the twelve weeks' course; for the unemployed, 50c.

# LABOR PARTY COMES UP AT A. F. L. MEET

## INDUSTRIAL UNIONS ARE ISSUE BEFORE ANNUAL CONVENTION

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and made no mention of the building trades split.

☆ Demand for Labor Party.

Noting the increased demand for independent political action, which has come from a number of international unions and state federations of labor in the past year, Green said that such action would be adopted when a majority labor opinion had crystallized for it. Then he added:

**"But we shall not be coerced when some orders come from a gathering in a foreign country directing American workers to form an independent labor party."**

Green's keynote speech indicates efforts will be made at this convention to dispose of the Labor Party issue, as was done at the San Francisco convention a year ago, by linking it with a red scare and smothering it with anti-Communist speeches.

Referring to the Italo-Ethiopian war, and to the stand of the British Trade Union Congress in favor of League of Nations sanctions against Italy, Green declared the A. F. of L. did not intend to go as far as British labor in this direction, but would insist on the strictest American neutrality.

☆ Green Sidesteps Issue.

Declaring that there are still more than 10,000,000 unemployed, he reaffirmed labor's demand for universal application of a six-hour day and the five-day week, but declined his support of the security act by declaring that "no one will maintain this act is perfect. It cannot be expected to be perfect because it is the beginning of a social security program. But the foundation is laid."

This statement was interpreted by progressive delegates as intending to stall action on the Lundeen Unemployment and Social Insurance bill, now known as H.R. 2827, which will be brought up during the convention.

More than 500 delegates were seated at the convention. Represented are 49 state federations, 109 national and international unions and 730 city central labor bodies.

Sentiment seems widespread for continuation of the boycott against German Nazism and against Italian war actions against Ethiopia.

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

# Comintern Appeals For United Front

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preparing for war with Italy for the possession of Ethiopia. The British navy is prepared for action. Along with Great Britain, the other imperialist states are demanding a protectorate over Ethiopia, allegedly in the interests of restoring peace. The war instigators in other countries are displaying feverish activity. Fascist Germany is striving to utilize the war in Africa for the purpose of preparing an attack on Lithuania.

Germany, Poland and Hungary are fixing up an aggressive bloc in Eastern Europe. The Austrian problem is again being put on the order of the day.

☆ New World War May Result.

Military complications in Europe would unite the hands of the Japanese militarists in the Far East for armed seizure of the remaining parts of China, and would increase their aggressiveness against the Soviet Union to an extraordinary degree.

The war of italian fascism against Ethiopia may become the prelude to a new world imperialist war.

On September 25, eight days before military operations were begun, the Communist International addressed a proposal to the Labor and Socialist International for joint action against war.

The Labor and Socialist International has not given a positive reply to our proposal up to the present, because there are great contradictions in its ranks. These elements in the Labor and Socialist International who are bound by their alliance with the bourgeoisie of their respective countries, are concerned not so much about preserving peace as about preventing the imperialist interests of their own ruling class. That is why they are exerting all their efforts to prevent the establishment of united front actions against war, to separate country, and on an international scale. At this exceptionally serious moment, when the lives of millions are at stake, the working class must imperatively demand that the road be cleared for the mighty stream of proletarian unity despite the resistance of the opponents of the united front.

"We are convinced that the supporters of the united front in the ranks of the Labor and Socialist International will do everything possible to insure that the appeal made by the Communist International is accepted.

☆ Not a Moment to Lose.

Not another moment must be lost! Not for another instant must there be any postponement of the establishment of unity of action by all workers' organizations and all the friends of peace in all countries, so as to isolate and curb the fascist instigators of war.

The Communist International calls upon all its sections to immediately proceed to organize powerful actions by all the toilers against war.

The Communist International insistently appeals to the Socialist workers, their organizations and their parties, to come out joining shoulder to shoulder, in spite of differences which have existed until now, against the fascist instigators of war.

The Communist International calls on all workers, on all their organizations, no matter what their trend, on all those who are opposed to war, on all friends of peace, on all peoples who do not desire a repetition of the horrors of the World War, to muster their forces so as to disrupt the robber war begun by Italian Fascism, to deal the latter a severe blow, and thus support the Italian people in their fight for liberation.

It calls upon the working class in each separate country to display supreme watchfulness in regard to the policy of their imperialist governments. It calls upon the toilers to prevent the war spreading to other countries, and to prevent a new world blood-bath.

☆ For Immediate Action Everywhere.

Workers and toilers of all countries! Organize immediate action against the war in all enterprises, in all organizations, in all trade unions, in all cooperative societies, in all sports, cultural and educational organizations, in all municipal councils and parliaments—everywhere!

Get together in mighty meetings and demonstrations! Apply other effective forms of mass action as well, to correspond to the situation. Show Italian Fascism that you will not tolerate its provocative acts of war! Show the ruling class your power in the fight for peace!

Strive by the united action of all workers' organizations, and primarily every country, met by the railwaymen's, seamen's and harbor workers' organizations, to make certain that not a single ship moves in support of the Italian war in Ethiopia. The carrying of this militant measure into life means encircling Italy with an iron ring of isolation and smashing the war begun by it; it means a blow restraining all the fascist instigators of war who are preparing to follow the example of Italian Fascism.

☆ Imperialists Emasculate League.

The governments of the biggest capitalist states represented in the League of Nations are again doomed to impotence. The game of self-seeking interests of the imperialist states is rendering effective collective action by the League of Nations against the fascist inciters of war impossible. The policy of war-fires in the hands of the international proletariat and their organizations, it depends upon their joint powerful action.

The peace policy of the Soviet Union, the only state carrying on a resolute struggle against imperialist acts of plunder, and consistently carrying out a policy of peace, is the strongest bulwark of the international proletariat in their struggle against imperialist predatory wars and for the cause of peace.

In the hour of threatening danger, the Communist International sends forth this call!

**Workers of all lands, unite!**

**Not a single train, not a single ship, in support of the Italian war against Ethiopia!**

**Let us surround the fascist instigators of war with an iron ring of isolation!**

**Hands off the Ethiopian people!**

**Long live the Soviet policy of peace!**

Long live peace!

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE COMMUNIST INTERNATIONAL

October 7, 1935.

# Noted Professor To Talk at Anti-War Meet Oct. 14

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 9.—With the addition of Dr. Glenn Hoover, head of the Department of Economics at Mills College, and Rabbi Jacob J. Weinstein to the list of speakers for the mass meeting of the American League against War and Fascism to be held at Scottish Rite Auditorium on Monday, Oct. 14, the expected capacity crowd will hear as representative a group of speakers as has ever been brought together on one platform.

Both Dr. Hoover and Rabbi Weinstein are well known liberals and both are sincere opponents of war and fascism.

Rabbi Weinstein has gained country-wide recognition for his work in the Jewish Community Center and through his efforts a farm basis has been laid for a better understanding of the need for cooperation between Jewish and Gentile peoples and the economic problems that harass both.

The other speakers include Harry Lundberg, president of the Maritime Federation, and John Shoemaker of the I.L.A., Redfern Mason and Ben Legere, I. Magnin, respectively, Lawrence Ross of the didates for mayor and sheriff re-Communist Party, and Revels Cayton, Negro Trade Unionist. Efforts are still being made to secure Dr. Facci, militant anti-Fascist and publisher of an Italian anti-fascist magazine. Also Dr. Facci has been beaten by San Francisco Fascists and threatened with death repeatedly, he courageously continues to carry on his fight against the Fascist terror.

Speakers will be limited in time and required to speak specifically on the subject of "Mussolini's mass murder in Ethiopia."

# Cost of Living Up

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 7.—(FP)—An advance of 2.7 per cent in living costs since June, 1934, and 8 per cent since June, 1933, is reported by the U. S. Department of Labor for the four-month period ending July 15. The figures are based on prices of items purchased by wage earners and low-salaried workers in 32 cities.

# 1500 REFUSE SCAB WPA JOBS IN LOS ANGELES

## SAN FRANCISCO JOBLESS WIN UNION PAY RATES

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 9.—Almost 1500 men refused to go to work under WPA work orders here today. Out of 3311 sent work orders, only 2100 reported on the jobs. The Glendale area where the Public Works and Unemployed Union is very strong, found only 84 men accepting work out of 567 orders sent out.

Colonel Donald H. Connolly, "czar" of WPA in Los Angeles County, announced today that all projects in the San Fernando Valley will be abandoned indefinitely because of an alleged labor shortage. Claims of more than 1300 relief cases in the valley, because the men had either accepted farm work or refused to accept the starvation wage scales offered in the agricultural fields, was announced today by LACRA Director Roy W. Pilling.

J. W. Buzzell, secretary of the Central Labor Council, presented himself today at the City Council in progress of the non-union wage scales of WPA, and the councilmen took the matter "under advisement."

Unemployed organizations and trade unionists are organizing a protest demonstration to take place at the PWA headquarters later this month.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 10.—A series of well-organized flood of protest—from all over the state—has forced the local SERA administration to reverse its order placing Army engineering officers in relief centers, and Col. Irving J. Phillipson of the Presidio has withdrawn them. The quota for the 30th Infantry post has been only 300 young fellows were recruited, most of them from families on relief rolls, who were recruited and intimidated with clever propaganda.

The Army officials, in graceful retreat, announce that "in accordance with War Department orders, the intensive peace time recruiting drive . . . will be temporarily discontinued."

The San Francisco offices of the State Federation of Unemployed and Allied Organization, backed by the workers in relief offices, from Washington. Workers and organizations throughout California flooded Army and national relief officials and President Roosevelt with their protests, until finally the Federation received from Washington a letter stating they "had been unaware of the order placing recruiting officers in relief centers . . . etc."

## ROSSI TRIES TO POSE AS FRIEND OF LABOR

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 7.—The ruling that union wages shall not be less than 33 cents an hour represents the victory of a fight led by the militant County Federation of Unemployed (affiliate of the State Federation of Unemployed).

Early efforts in other parts of the country, notably New York, have set employment under the WPA as a means of undermining union rates of pay, resulted in a nation-wide campaign of protest sponsored and led by rank and file unemployed groups. Wherever the program was applied at scab wages, militant strikes of the unemployed followed which were backed up by organized labor.

Local papers are heralding the ruling as proof that union pay will be the ambiguous statement that it represents a victory of "Mayor Rossi and union labor." Such efforts to steal the name of the most bitter enemy of labor in this city with working class movements, become more and more common with the approach of the municipal elections.

## STEEL PRODUCTION

Figure released by the Soviet Institute of World Economy and Politics reveal the great development of Soviet iron and steel industry, together with the decline of the same industry in capitalist countries. In 1929, the capitalist world produced 113,707,000 tons of steel compared to 5,003,000 tons produced in the Soviet Union, or 23 times as much. In the first six months of this year, the capitalist world produced 39,966,000 tons, against 5,842,000 in the Soviet Union, or less than seven times as much.

The full year's production of the Soviet Union will amount to about 12,500,000 tons. An increase of 5,000,000 tons over last year's production.

# I. L. A. PIERS STRIKE ACTION IN GULF PORTS

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touch any of the hot cargo.

The American Radio Telegraphers' Association here has pledged its solidarity with the strikers, as have other unions.

The strikers are demanding reinstatement of men fired after the NRA was declared unconstitutional, 85½ cents per hour and the 5-day week, plus an 8-hour day.

## S. F. SHIPPERS THREAT

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 10.—Latest attempt by shipowners to create trouble on the front here is a request that additional workers be registered at the I. L. A. dispatching hall.

Employers claim there are not enough stevedores. Last year, and following the strike, they claimed they needed but 2200 longshoremen. There are approximately 3500 available now, Harry Bridges, president of Local 38-79 has pointed out.

Meanwhile more than 2500 longshoremen returned to work this week after Judge Sloss, arbitrator, had ruled the employer-blacklist against them is a violation of the award.

## HOT CARGO

**Reports were current on the waterfront today that a steamer, the Katrina Luckenback is due on the coast soon with a load of scab cargo from the Gulf, where longshoremen are striking.**

An anonymous petition, purportedly signed by some 300 local "business leaders" here this week, has been circulated demanding the shipowners maintain a united front against the recognition of officers in the I. L. A., declaring the "sympathy" of business leaders for the shipowners in their present attempt to smash labor unions and lower working conditions on the waterfront.

# SENTENCE OF 2 HEARST PICKETS TO BE APPEALED

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dately by Municipal Judge R. Morgan Galbreth and Calendar Judge Benj. Scheinman, demanding the release of these two prisoners.

Three other workers, Mr. E. Freeman, Nino Reyes and Charles Sylverberg, were acquitted of frame-up charges brought following their arrest at the time of the brutal police and Hearst-thug attack on the picket line. Acquittal of Reyes and Sylverberg was complete refutation of testimony by police officers that they were guilty of "disturbing the peace" and resisting an officer. Freeman was freed of a charge of violation of the anti-picketing ordinance.

Scores of workers were brutally clubbed and beaten in the police station at the Examiner Building, incited by thugs in the employ of Hearst.

Reyes was beaten so badly by police that 13 stitches in his scalp and one in his lip were required. Even then he bled so badly from his wounds, that the blood streamed through the bandages on his head. Sylverberg was also badly beaten.

# 52 NATIONS IN FIGHT AGAINST ITALIAN WAR

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tions to the Party policy of supporting full sanctions against Italy.

Disposition of the British fleet indicates that strategic moves for full naval action against Italy are near completion. Heavy disposition of forces at Gibraltar, Alexandria and Aden, with interspersed units at Malta, Haifa, Port Said and Port Said, mean complete and immediate throttling of Italy's maritime forces if necessary.

Demonstrations against Italy continue, organized by left-wing groups and widely supported by trade unions bodies. The Communist Party has issued a call for an emergency conference to define policy to prevent development of present situation into another world war.

NEW YORK, Oct. 10.—Roger Baldwin, head of the Civil Liberties Union, just returned from Europe, declared that the most hopeful sign for peace is the People's Front in France and the wide response on the part of organized labor to the Communist International's able and determined leadership in the anti-war fight.

GENEVA, Oct. 8.—Italian anti-war conference, with delegates from every country, met here today to plan campaign against Italian fascism.

ETHIOPIA, Oct. 8.—(At Harar Front)—War leaders here declared Italian use of poison gas "incredible and disgusting."

"Our spirits remain unbroken, but the use of gas on the Ogaden front makes us realize the tremendous size of our task of repelling the inhuman invader."

NEW YORK, Oct. 8.—200 angry workers pulled uniformed Nazis from a truck advertising a fascist rally here today. Police aided the Nazis to escape the anger of the crowd after a severe beating had been administered.

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## Striking Scalers Announce Relief Fund Dance, Show

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 4.—Another monster dance and entertainment is being planned for the night of Oct. 12 by the Ship Scalers' Union, now on strike against the contractors.

The affair is to be held at Druid Auditorium, 44 Page st.

All proceeds are to go for relief to the strikers who have been out of work for more than two months. The Scalers appeal to everyone, especially their brothers in other trade unions, to come and assist them to win better working conditions.

All manner of variety entertainment is promised and George Woolf, president of Scalers' 38-100, I.L.A., is advertised as the Master Showman in charge of the ceremonies.

Music will be furnished by a union orchestra.

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## EAST OF THE Rockies

### Farm Losses Cotton Pickers Win Strike Silk Strike Called Wages Stay Behind

MITCHELL, S. D. (FP)—Only a few days after President Roosevelt gave his Fremont, Neb., speech assuring the farmers that everything was fine and that the AAA would help them, a statewide conference called by the So. Dakota Farmers' Union revealed that the average cost of production per farm was $610 while the average market value was $368, leaving a deficit to the farmer of $242.

Farmers reported serious conditions prevailing all over the state. The government is planning on collecting seed and other loans from the farmers. "If the government takes our crops we will be faced with starvation," a farmer from Tripp county said. Other farmers reported similar conditions in other parts of the state.

The farmers adopted a resolution asking for a moratorium on collection of seed and feed loans. Many expressed themselves in favor of "action like we took two years ago in the Milk Strike" referring to the stopping of foreclosures and the milk strikes.

MARKED TREE, Ark.—Solidarity of cotton pickers on strike forced the majority of planters to agree to pay 60 to 75 cents a hundred pounds, twice what was formerly paid. As a result the Southern Tenant Farmers' Union has called off the general strike of cotton pickers. Most planters were willing to concede the pickers' demands from the first, but A. C. Spellings, leader of the violent last winter, and general manager of the Chapman-Dewby Co., which has 30,000 acres of cotton, thought there were enough starving people who would be willing to work for 25 cents a hundred pounds.

PATERSON, N. J.—Preparations are going ahead for a strike of 8000 Paterson silk weavers, authorized by a majority vote of the American Federation of Silk Workers. The strike is called in answer to a series of wage cuts in the weave of the 1934 national textile strike. The strike committee estimates that the stoppage would affect 50 mills in 600 shops. Only the workers engaged in the weaving of plain silk goods would be directly involved, but this work is said to include about two-thirds of the Paterson silk industry.

PITTSBURGH—(FP)—Union coal miners won a 10 per cent wage increase after a short national strike, only to find the price of coal boosted 20 per cent soon after. "It's the same old run around," union miners at Renton, Pa., complained, as they voted for a wage increase and then Roosevelt takes it all away with higher prices."

PHILADELPHIA—(FP)—The American Federation of Hosiery Workers has called a strike of finishing workers, to stabilize conditions. Some 12,000 workers are expected to be affected immediately.

The move is in line with the July convention decision to bring working conditions in finishing plants up to the standards in the rest of the industry, union officials explained. A strike may eventually involve 20,000 workers throughout the east.

## Speakers for San Francisco Labor Ticket

Oct. 13, at 7:00 p.m., John Reed Branch, int. Workers' Order, 68 Haight st. Redfern Mason and seven other candidates. Also Harry Bridges and George Woolf.

Oct. 15, at 2:30 p.m., S. F. Center, League of Women Voters, St. Francis Hotel. Six candidates to speak.

BOYCOTT HEARST NEWSPAPERS!

# Labor's Own Platform and Candidates

## PLATFORM OF LABOR TICKET

### Every Candidate Has Pledged to Uphold These Demands

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 10.—The following is the complete text of the revised Platform of the United Labor Ticket adopted by the United Labor Campaign Committee, composed of more than seventy working class and sympathetic organizations, including over forty American Federation of Labor Unions, and representing 50,000 San Francisco voters.

The Labor Ticket is running Redfern Mason for Mayor and nine other candidates for various offices in the municipal elections.

**THE PLATFORM**

1—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.

2—Union rates of pay on all municipal and relief work and Works Progress Administration with no reduction where city or any other employees receive more than union wages.

3—Complete restoration of salary cuts for teachers and all city employees.

4—Elimination of all one-man street cars.

5—Raising of budgets of families on direct relief so that each will receive a minimum of $40.00 per week for the head of the family plus $3.00 for each dependent, and recognition of the right of unemployed workers to receive adequate relief independent of their parents.

6—The seating of elected representatives from organizations of the unemployed with all relief distributing and administrative bodies.

7—Equality in the distribution of relief employment and in the administration of the law, without discrimination on account of race, color, creed or politics.

8—Use of the police and sheriff's office to uphold the Constitutional rights of freedom of speech, press and assembly.

9—Refusal of the use of police, firemen and sheriff's office as strikebreakers and opposition to the use of the National Guard and Federal troops for strike-breaking.

10—Protection of the right of employed and unemployed to organize, strike and picket; opposition to use of students and relief clients as strike-breakers.

11—Support of and anti-labor oppressive and provocative municipal ordinances such as restriction of free speech to South Park.

12—Apprehension and rigid prosecution of vigilante terrorists and lawbreakers.

13—The improvement and extension of vocational training in the public schools and immediate construction of more schools to alleviate overcrowded conditions.

14—Free hot lunches for students in the public schools and the abolition of charges for supplies and laboratory fees.

15—Protection of the right of teachers and students to complete freedom of expression.

16—Popular referendum on all important municipal questions facing the people of San Francisco.

17—Oust hundred per cent unionization of San Francisco and vigorous opposition to company unions.

18—The six-hour day and five-day week, with no reduction in pay.

19—The immediate and unconditional pardon of Tom Mooney and Warren K. Billings, and freedom for the recently convicted Modesto defendants, the eight victims of the Criminal Syndicalism law convicted last summer in Sacramento, and all other labor prisoners.

20—Abolition of compulsory military training in schools and colleges and including Reserve Officers Training Corps.

21—The repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Law.

22—The passage of the National Unemployment Old Age and Social Insurance Bill, known as "Lundeen Bill" (HR 2827) and the California "Pelletier Bill" (AB 791).

23—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 taxation on wealth instead of burdening consumers with currency inflation.

### Filing Statements of Candidates on the Labor Ticket

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 7.—Background and records of the candidates on the Labor Ticket in the coming municipal elections are released in the Filing Statements issued by the United Labor Campaign Committee.

REDFERN MASON,

Candidate for Mayor.

President of the Northern California Newspaper Guild (Union). As an outstanding liberal and president of a union, Mason is a symbol of the labor-liberal coalition which can defeat the forces backing the United Labor movement. Worked for many years on the San Francisco Examiner and is considered the dean of the Pacific Coast music critics. Was fired by William Randolph Hearst because of his close friendship to labor in general and his defense of the Newspaper Guild in particular. He is an enemy of Hearst, the bankers and industrialists—a friend of labor and the people.

GEORGE ANDERSEN,

Candidate for Municipal Judge.

Former member of Ship Fitters' Union, Local No. 9, and Boiler Makers' Union, Local No. 6, of the American Federation of Labor. Son of a pioneer California family, his grandparents having settled in Santa Cruz. He resided in San Francisco 32 years and was educated in the public schools here. Attorney and member of the San Francisco and California State Bar Associations. For many years has defended in the San Francisco courts, workers arrested because of their activities on behalf of labor.

JOHN D. SHAW,

Candidate for Supervisor.

Member of the Executive Committee of the International Longshoremen's Association, Local 38-79. World War veteran, served overseas with the 144th Field artillery. Western born and steel industries. Student of social legislation, city planning and housing.

EVAN A. WATTLES,

Candidate for Supervisor.

Member of Carpenters' Union, Local No. 22, American Federation of Labor. Member of the Democratic Union Labor Club which supported Sinclair and Downey last year. An honest trade unionist with a splendid record of struggle in the interest of the rank and file of organized labor in San Francisco. Mr. Wattles was born out here in the West and has resided continuously in San Francisco for the last 18 years.

BEN LEGERE,

Candidate for Sheriff.

One of the most active Epic-Democratic leaders. First secretary of the San Francisco Democratic Council. Well known for his radio talks during the Sinclair-Downey campaign, sponsored by the Democratic Union Club. One of the prime movers for years active in the labor movement and 12 years resident of San Francisco.

WILLIAM RIESENER,

Candidate for Assessor.

Active Democrat and member of the Utopian Society. International experience as worker, foreman and producer. An American citizen for 35 years. Fifty years a student of social and industrial evolution. Thirty years residence and executive experience in San Francisco.

MISS TANNA ALEX,

Candidate for Supervisor.

Attorney and member of the Utopian Society, Student of City government, specializing in governmental efficiency and methods for eradication of graft in politics. Social service work in the city of San Francisco in various capacities and departments for over four years. Law practice in California and admission to Supreme Court practice; attorney for the U. S. Reclamation Service. Four degrees from the University of Pennsylvania and other universities, specializing in social science, economics, and political government in America and Europe.

JAMES TRACY,

Candidate for Supervisor.

Member of the Communist Party and a World War veteran. Participated in the first historic march to Washington of the veterans' Bonus Army. Railroad machinist and long a fighter for labor. Active as organizer of the unemployed. While candidate for Supervisor in the last Municipal election, was arrested for hauling a picket line during the Cigar Makers' strike. Active in struggles of the unemployed and has led many delegations to the supervisors and relief administrators in behalf of the unemployed.

John D. Shaw

Labor Ticket candidate for Supervisor. Member of the Executive Committee of the International Longshoremen's Association, Local 38-79.

Geo. Andersen

Labor Ticket candidate for Municipal Judge. Former member of Shipfitters' Union, Local 9, and Boiler Makers' Union, Local 6. Prominent for his defense in the courts of workers arrested for labor activities.

Redfern Mason

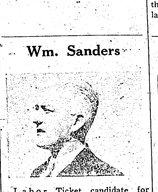
Labor Ticket Candidate for Mayor, President of Northern Cal. Newspaper Guild (Union).

Ben Legere

Labor Ticket candidate for Sheriff. One of the most active Epic Democratic leaders. First Secretary of the San Francisco Democratic Council.

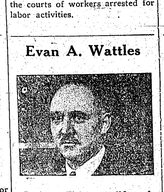
James Tracy

Labor Ticket candidate for Supervisor. Railroad machinist and long a fighter for labor. Member of the Communist Party and a World War veteran.



Wm. Sanders

Labor Ticket candidate for Supervisor. Member Ornamental Iron Workers' Union, Local 472. American Federation of Labor. Now a delegate to the San Francisco Labor Council.



Evan A. Wattles

Labor Ticket candidate for Supervisor. Member of Carpenter's Union, Local 22, Member of Utopian Society. Student of City Government and many years experience in San Francisco Social Service Work.

Tanna Alex

Labor Ticket candidate for Supervisor. Attorney and member of Utopian Society. Student of City government and many years experience in San Francisco Social Service Work.

William Riesener

Labor Ticket candidate for Assessor. Active Democrat and member of the Utopian Society.

Morris Benson

Labor Ticket candidate for Supervisor. President of the City and County Federation of the Unemployed.

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# Mobilization!

## HOUSE-TO-HOUSE CANVASS RADIO BROADCASTS

The following important organizational instructions have been issued by the United Labor Campaign Committee (Labor Ticket) 747 Market street:

**GENERAL MOBILIZATION.**

**This is one of the most important campaign events and requires the participation of every supporter. Report Sunday, Oct. 13, at 10 a. m. at headquarters, 747 Market street. Here you will be supplied with campaign material and despatched to city neighborhoods to participate in a mass house to house campaign. Spread the word of this mobilization among your friends and the members of your union.**

**PLAN OF WORK.**

**Full attendance of supporters is needed on Friday night, Oct. 11, at the Democratic City Council headquarters, 68 Haight street, at 8 p. m. At this rally the United Labor Campaign Committee will present a plan of work for the remainder of the campaign.**

**RADIO BROADCASTS.**

**Every evening, between 7:15 and 7:30 o'clock, Ben Legere, United Labor Ticket candidate for Sheriff, will give Labor Ticket broadcasts over Station KGGC (1420 on your dial). Legere will be the reporter of the air for the Labor Ticket. He performed the same service for the Sinclair-Downey campaign of last year. These broadcasts will be held at this same time every night during the campaign with the exception of Sunday. The Sunday broadcast will be between 11:45 a. m. and 12 o'clock noon.**

**Every supporter must make a special effort to popularize these broadcasts. Arrange parties in your home to listen to them and inform your neighbors to listen in.**

**FINAL MASS RALLY**

**On October 30, the United Labor Campaign Committee will hold the big final mass rally in Dreamland Auditorium. Nationally prominent rank and file labor figures and speakers from sympathetic organizations will be present to contribute to the program.**

**CAMPAIGN WORKERS WANTED.**

**All persons who can contribute work of any sort—speaking, typing, interviewing, distributing, etc—are urged to report to the campaign headquarters, 747 Market street or to any of the other campaign offices.**

**There is particular need right now for SIGN PAINTERS.**

## Only Union Men Will Defend Interests Of Union Labor

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

## San Francisco Labor Ticket Headquarters

**The following headquarters have been opened by the United Labor Campaign Committee:**

**MAIN OFFICE: 747 Market st. (Phone: Sutter 4657.)**

**OTHERS: 68 Haight st. (Hemlock 0550.)**

**60 Commercial st. (Sutter 4658.)**

**2343 Market st.**

**1846 Union st.**

**1350 Grant ave.**

**2810 Diamond st.**

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**2544 San Bruno.**

**364 Third st.**

**779 Vallejo.**

## The Sacramento C.S. Case

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

# UNITED LABOR TICKET VERSUS HEARST-ROSSI

(Continued from Page 1)

Friday night, Oct. 11, at which the Campaign Committee will describe plans for the balance of the campaign. The Committee has urged the importance of every sympathetic person attending both this event and Sunday's mobilization.

☆ Practical Support.

"The Labor Ticket," said Ben Legere, candidate for sheriff, "is entirely different from usual election campaigns. The only way we can put across the situation demands their consumption of butter and use other fats more liberally."

SOVIET UNION—The food industry in the Soviet Union reported an increase of 27.3 per cent in production for August 1935, as compared with August, 1934. Many branches overfulfilled their programs, although the meat industry was 3.2 per cent under the plan. For the eight months the plan was completed 60.2 per cent by Sept. 1 compared to 53.3 per cent last year at the same time, and 42.5 per cent in 1933.

The excellent work of the food industry has contributed greatly towards enabling the Soviet Union to abolish the ration card and cut prices of food.

ENGLAND—Prices of bread have risen by seven per cent recently owing to an increase in the price of flour. Prices have also risen on meat, butter and bacon.

The tenseness of the international situation is exerting considerable influence on the market. Quotations for governing securities are dropping, while prices of most commodities, especially war materials, provisions and raw materials, are rising.

# VOTE ON MASON CANDIDACY SET BY NEWS GUILD

A. F. OF L. AFFILIATION VOTED 101 TO 16

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 7.—The Northern California Newspaper Guild, at its Sunday meeting, voted 22 to 11 to hold a plebiscite of its membership on the question of whether the Guild should endorse Redfern Mason for mayor. This action came after members had decisively voted down a substitute resolution which would have called for a vote on the question of the Guild refraining from endorsing any political candidate or organization.

It was announced that the Guild here had voted overwhelmingly, 101 to 16, for affiliation with the American Federation of Labor.

The Guild also decided to vote on the question of affiliation with the Communications Council. This represents organizations dealing with communications, such as the radio, telegraph and newspapers. It will give these organizations a chance to get together and work out plans for common action, avoiding any competition between labor groups in the same industry.

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Labor's Candidate for Sheriff

ELLA WINTERS

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GEORGE WOOLF

President, I. L. A. Scalers

ANITA WHITNEY

AND OTHERS

ALL PROCEEDS TO UNITED LABOR TICKET CAM

# Rip Tides

By LaMac

Peace comes to the waterfront—but the maritime workers brought it. Last year it took a General Strike to bring peace. The employers spend twice as much fighting the unions as they would do if they granted the men decent living conditions from the start.

And the employers, unprepared for peace and not wanting it, had neglected to provide the gear necessary to work the Point Clear when gangs were dispatched to it.

Reports have it Arbitrator Sloss was preparing to resign after issuing a blanket statement blaming the maritime unions for all the recent strife. Playing into the hands of the union fakers and the shipowners.

The employers would like to flood the docks with non-union longshoremen now. There are plenty of longshoremen and if a shortage should occur, there are plenty of union men in other maritime crafts who could be signed in to work the docks.

Congratulations to the Marine Cooks and Stewards' rank and file for its enforcement of the United Labor Campaign and election of two of its official delegates. The MCS action makes the United Labor Ticket practically the unanimous choice of the maritime unions.

And make no mistake—it was the rank and file action. Burke-Fritchie-Modine and Co., had attempted to sabotage the United Labor Campaign from the start. And they probably will vote for Little Fink Rossi.

A Senate investigating committee report discloses the fact that the Admiral Oriental Line owned by Dollar interests, several years ago 'invested' $20,000 in first mortgage collateral trusts of Hearst Publications, Inc.

French longshoremen have refused to work ships bound for Italy. The People's Front, a United Front of Communists and Socialists, including most of the organized workers of France, passed a resolution against working Italian ships.

Welsh dock workers recently demonstrated against an Italian ship and painted her sides with anti-war, anti-fascist slogans.

Italian ships are due to dock here sooner or later.

Joseph P. Ryan feels the effect of a growing rank and file longshore movement on the Atlantic Coast. He declares the I.L.A. will not work hot cargo ships from the Gulf where longshoremen are striking against company unionism and for better working conditions.

Ryan knows which way the wind is blowing. He wouldn't have taken such action last year—and he didn't.

Although Ryan may not mean it, his statement affords the longshoremen a fine chance to weld strong bonds of unity between East, West and Gulf coast dock workers.

The Maritime Federation of the Pacific S. F. Council votes, in a strongly worded resolution, against handling any munitions or armaments bound for Italy.

And calls upon the Italian maritime workers to take similar action. The International of Seamen and Harbor Workers passed similar resolutions several weeks ago.

The maritime workers, throughout history, have borne the brunt of all militant action against the employing class. And still, the reactionary officials of some of these unions rant against the workers; through their unions, taking part in "politics."

## Epic Leader Will Support Roosevelt

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 2.—Regardless of what may develop in the next year, the Epics of California were pledged to support Roosevelt by State Senator Culbert L. Olson, new "No. 1 Epic," following three conferences between the President and Olson.

"As far as this state goes, the Epics are for him 100 per cent," said Politician Olson. "But no matter what the possibilities are of a switch between this time and election, the liberals of the country will elect him anyhow!"

Rank and file Epics are in revolt against the "leadership" offered by both Upton Sinclair and Olson.

# News Stories and Comment by Worker Correspondents.

## WPA PUTS 200 SCABS ON JOBS IN NAVY YARD

### JOBLESS GO TO WORK AT 45 CENTS; 40 UNION MEN FIRED SO FAR

By a Worker Correspondent.

OAKLAND, Calif.—Last week a member of the Public Works and Unemployed Union made a survey of the WPA set-up at the Mare Island Navy Yard. He spent an entire day in the yard and found a deliberate plan in operation to smash the union wage scale there.

Over two hundred unemployed workers have been forced into jobs there at the scab WPA wages. At the same time about forty men who have worked there many years at a pay scale of $1.15 per hour or more have been fired.

These workers must roam the streets till they are broke and hungry before they can get a WPA job in the yard. And they can only get it then after they have been accepted on relief.

Then these highly skilled mechanics are now put back by starting on WPA at the low hourly wage offered. Most of them have had to accept the classification of laborer at 45 and a half cents an hour.

They must then go in and work side by side with their union brothers, who have been getting $1.15 per hour, and these older, more skilled mechanics often getting only 45 and a half cents per hour.

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## Roosevelt Would Fight Paralysis

### BUT HE OVERLOOKED A FEW POINTS

By a Professional Man.

SAN DIEGO—On October 2, 1935, in the reception room of his private suite President Roosevelt held a conference with over 50 doctors, lawyers and business men, comprising a delegation invited to meet with him and Keith Morgan, vice-president of the Georgia Warm Springs Foundation, to discuss the national campaign looking to the final control and ultimate eradication of infantile paralysis.

After giving a brief history of the foundation and present needs by the research department, Mr. Roosevelt told of the formation of a rehabilitation department. In this connection he mentioned that the Ford factories have already given employment to persons suffering from physical handicaps, and that it is intended to interview other large industrial plants with a view to having them hire handicapped persons. In such cases, the plant is to be asked to hire handicapped persons in certain fixed proportion to the number of regularly employed, for example, say two handicapped persons for every 100 regular employees.

He stated that in Germany there is a law to that effect; every factory must give work to a certain number of handicapped persons, in a fixed proportion to the number of normal workers.

He quoted Germany, a fascist country, but failed to tell how they take care of handicapped persons in Soviet Russia. He further failed to explain how industry will be able to hire and keep employed any person, unless there is a decided change in our methods of doing business.

The president also said that one of the main objectives of the Georgia Warm Springs Foundation is to disseminate information as to the cause of infantile paralysis, methods of treatment and ways and means of rehabilitation, until the people at large become as conscious of and well informed about infantile paralysis as they are of tuberculosis, for then and then only can real results be obtained.

But he did not state that the research work should be governmental functions and not intrusted to private effort.

He also failed to state that stirring up interest in the infantile paralysis crusade at this time may naturally be expected to help him in his political campaign.

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

## Prison Czar Would Murder Jack Crane

### HOSPITALIZATION SHOULD BE FORCED BY MEDICS

By Dr. F. E. Bissell.

Several months ago, when it was first realized that Jack Crane's life was in danger from the prison regime at San Quentin, I suggested to several District officers of the International Labor Defense, that a committee of doctors should be formed to visit the prison, investigate Jack's condition, and bring pressure to bear on Dr. Stanley to put him in the hospital where he belongs.

I feel that merely the visit with its accompanying publicity would not only force Jack's hospitalization, but would aid the C. S. campaign in general.

No such committee has been formed although there are any number of sympathetic doctors throughout the state, and several in the Party. If these doctors do not wish to go themselves, they surely have contacts with others who would.

The I.L.D. should organize this committee at once. If Jack Crane is not put into the hospital, he is liable to meet with sudden death at any time. The prison officials are attempting to murder him and if they succeed, it will terrorize military workers exactly as if he had been executed.

## Too Bad If It Was The Wrong County

SAN DIEGO.—A serious controversy has arisen between Imperial county and San Diego county concerning the disposal of emergency typhoid cases that occur from accident on the border between the two counties.

The dangerous Mountain Spring grade connects Imperial county with San Diego-Imperial county line, making it "difficult" for San Diego Hospital authorities to determine in just which county the accident happened, and thus cases are sometimes returned to El Centro, one hundred odd miles distant.

Other emergency cases are held up till an investigation has been made of the location of the accident. No facts are available concerning numbers of deaths during this "ball-game."

## "Facing the Picket Line"—

BY BEAU VINCENT

## L. A. TO HOLD SYMPOSIUM ON UNITED FRONT

BRATT, PELLETIER, ASHE AMONG SPEAKERS

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 6.—Raising the demand of a broad United Front with all peace and anti-fascist forces, and that the End Poverty League enter into such a United Front, rank and file Epics in the Epic Committee for the United Front will hold a mass meeting here in Cooperative Auditorium, 842 So. Main st., on Wednesday night, Oct. 16.

A symposium on "Why the United Front?" will feature as speakers John H. Bratt, of San Diego, recently elected chairman of the Committee of 33 of the Production-for-Use Congress; Epic Assemblyman John Pelletier, Stanford '34; Ashe, of the Los Angeles Section of the Communist Party, and Albert Heltness, secretary of the Epic Committee for the United Front.

The rank and file Epic organization is issuing a call to all Epic workers to attend this symposium and to hear the arguments clearly presented on the necessity of the United Front.

Upton Sinclair, Kate Richards O'Hare, and E. Raymond Holmes, all of the End Poverty League, were invited to present arguments against the United Front at this mass meeting, but no answer has been received by the rank and file committee thus far.

The symposium will start at 8 o'clock on Oct. 16, with 10 cents admission charge.

## ONE OF THE SCOTTSBORO BOYS WRITES TO A FRIEND IN CALIF.

### CLASS WAR PRISONERS ARE HUNGRY FOR LETTERS

Haywood Patterson,
County Jail,
Birmingham, Ala.,
August 25, 1935.

Mr. . :

My dear comrade, I am very much ashamed for the long delay, as I have received your letter some days past. But you will please pardon me when I should present the fact to you. Now you can see at the time that I received your lovely letter I was badly in need of a postage and I just used the one you sent me for some very important purposes, as I felt that you wasn't in a rush for a prompt, favorable response.

Of course it was mighty miserable of me to do such after you had enclosed a postage for that purpose, but I do always get a great kick out of reading your nice long cheerful and encouraging letters. They gives me a lot of consolation and are of great encouragement to me to know that the workers are continually fighting and struggling for our liberation and rights.

I knew perfectly well that the workers will continue the fight until we are free and out there with you all. Now I want you to hear that Angelo Herndon were out there to make a statement, or rather holding nice community get together meetings, and that he had great success in selling his booklets.

Why, he sold 500. That was right good. I am glad to know that and also glad to know that you had the pleasure of seeing Anna Damon of New York City. She are a mighty fine lady and are a fine worker. She were down to see me not so very long ago and I had a enjoyable time.

Now I will come to a conclusion for now with the wishes of hearing from you in the earliest possible future. I am

Yours sincerely,
Haywood Patterson.

## Let Broken Dam Be His Monument

### PHONEY ENGINEER'S JOB KILLED 600.

By a Worker Correspondent.

LOS ANGELES.—A small item appeared in the daily press a few days ago, stating that the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce was to start a campaign to raise voluntary funds to build a monument to that "great engineer" Wm. Mulholland.

Now this Bill Mulholland is not a great engineer, he is no engineer at all. A very ordinary type of straw boss, he became the pet and pal of the powerful Harry Chandler, editor of the violent, labor-baiting Los Angeles Times.

One of Mulholland's works, the San Francis dam, broke in the middle of the night, in the second greatest flood disaster in the United States, 600 people lost their lives. The Chamber of Commerce is not going to build a monument for them. This great disaster was to have been forgotten—only 600 unimportant farmers and workers passed out.

Although caretakers urgently requested this so-called engineer to come and inspect the rotten, leaking dam and release the water, this garagon was only brought half way to the dam before it turned and went back. A day later the dam went out.

The damage to the city of Los Angeles amounted to $10,000,000 and the water was worth $3,000,000 more. The rest of his dams are only half full—as a matter of safety?

The wreckage of the St. Francis dam should be monument enough for the famous Bill Mulholland.

## Scissors Strike Won

FT. SMITH, Ark., Oct. 7.—(FP)—The 103 members of Seissors Workers' Local 18287 resumed their jobs at the Solid Steel Scissors Co. with a victory on all points but one after a 14-week strike.

## Unemployed Worker Denied Job Because He Was on Relief

By a Worker Correspondent.

OAKLAND, Calif.—The latest development of the New Deal is that private companies will not hire men or women who have ever been on SERA. This policy of private industry implies that millions of people are unemployed not because our economic system is a failure, but because the unemployed victim must pay for the sins that they were unable to hold their jobs.

Apparently this was the attitude of the Illinois Glass Company when they recently promised a man a job. The reason given was that men had been on SERA had been found unsatisfactory for hard work.

**The man offered to work free of charge until he had proved to their satisfaction that he was a good worker, but they still refused to take him on.**

A list of companies who refuse to hire SERA men and women should be published and their products should be boycotted, both by employed and unemployed workers.

## Relief Clients Must Work in Fields, Says L. A. Relief Director

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 8.—Disclosing intent to use relief workers, and even their children, as strike-breakers in agricultural fields, Harold L. Pomeroy, assistant director of the Los Angeles County Relief Administration, has notified the Public Works and Unemployed Union of this fact.

Under the heading of "Farm Labor Problem and Employment of Children," Pomeroy wrote:

"Clients who do not reasonably qualify for available farm labor work will not be forced into such employment. Clients with children of school age or older, and who, in former years, were accustomed to work at various agricultural pursuits will now be expected to do so where opportunity arises, and there are no extenuating circumstances. This presumes that conditions permit full-time attendance at school, and only part-time work after school hours for the two or more children in the family who are 12 years of age or over."

# WHERE TO GO

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DESKS, files, etc., are needed by the Western Worker. Notify the business manager when and where to have materials picked up.

4TH RED BANNER NIGHT—Saturday, 8:00 p. m., October 12, 121 Haight street. Entertainment, Dance, Presentation of Red Banner to the best working unit in Mission Sub-section for the month of September. Admission with card or this ad, 15c, otherwise 25c.

DANCE - ENTERTAINMENT given by the I.L.A. Ship Scalers 38-100, for the benefit of the STRIKE RELIEF FUND at Brides Auditorium, 4 Page st., Oct. 12. Entertainment to start promptly at 8 o'clock. 15 cents.

DANCE at 121 Haight street for Daily Worker. Given by Unit 5, Fillmore. Good Eats and Entertainment. Sunday Nite, Oct. 20th.

PRISONER'S RELIEF PACK AGE PARTY. Fun, Dance, Surprises. Price of Admission: A PACKAGE. GOOD EATS, COME AND HELP THE PRISONERS' RELIEF FUND OF THE I.L.D. 1240 O'Farrell street, Oct. 12, 8 p. m.

HELP TRAIN YOUNG WA-TERFRONT Militants. Saturday, Oct. 19, 121 Haight street. Entertainment, Refreshments. Admission: 25c. Auspices: Trade Union Dept. Workers' Ed.

HAYS VALLEY NITE, '121 Haight st. Dance under the Cherry Blossoms. Benefit for Daily Worker. Given by units 1-2 Fillmore. Sunday, Oct. 27, 8 p. m.

DANCE, ENTERTAINMENT at 779 Vallejo st., on Oct. 20, at 8 p. m. under the auspices of the S. F. Section, Communist Party for support of the S. F. Section. Admission 15 cents.


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SAT. NITE, Oct. 12. Banish Hall, 164 Eleventh st., Oakland: Workers Press entertainment, James Gardner will speak. Admission 20c. Dancing and Refreshments.

## Los Angeles

CARNIVAL AND PICNIC of the International Labor Defense, Sunday, October 13th, at Verdugo Woods Estates.

Workers forum, 230 S. Spring St., L. A. Every Sunday night—8 p.m. Admission ten cents.

KEEP OCT. 19 OPEN for Fall Concert and Dance. Auspices: Culture Center, 230 So. Spring street, Los Angeles.

KEEP OPEN the 27th of October, for the fifth Annual Concert of the Daily Worker at the Mason Opera House.

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## "UNAVOIDABLY" DEAD

### A True Story

By Helen W.

An old building was being remodelled in Seattle not far from the downtown district. The contractor had skimped his estimates to the bone to get the job. So there could be no extra men, no unnecessary safeguards.

Tom Haughton, a Worried frown creasing his forehead, interrupted the foreman. "Bill, that damn saw has got me down. I don't want to run it. It's too close to where the cement trucks are coming through. Only a couple of feet away, at there I stand with my back turned an' on the left hand side of the trucks so the drivers 're just as blind as I am. Can't you put a man on as lookout for me? Or anyway slow the truck, so to some sort o' reason the govern'."

"Aw, you think this is?" demanded Bill. "A sewing bee? We're working short-handed now. No, you're out o' luck, Tom. Sorry, but you'll have to do your own watching this time."

"It's dangerous," protested Tom, a thin line of sweat beading his upper lip, "With the cement guns going, you can't hear the trucks. Suppose I get caught."

"You can take your time if you don't want the job."

Tom stood still a moment, turned and went back to the saw. He stopped to speak to one of the men, "If Ella hadn't been in the hospital and me without a job for so long, Bob, I'd tell the boss to outfit to take their job and go to hell with it," he said.

"Keep your chin up, Jella," Bob said, slapping his shoulder reassuringly. "That be careful."

For an hour Tom ran the saw, steadily, grimly, with attention strained upon the machine and close behind him. Tenthirty. The sweat was running down into his eyes. He stopped, jerked out his handkerchief and stopped to mop, thoughtlessly, in involuntarily relaxation.

His foot caught—he was jerked back, thrown down, and under the wheel of a cement truck backing in at a reckless speed. It rolled, with scarcely a break in its smooth rhythm, over his head. And on, on the front wheel passed, with never a jar, onto what had been his head.

The truck stopped for unloading, with jarring suddenness. Under the front wheel, flat, spewing brains, shapeless, the thing had once hummed with eager activity lay in peace.

From the attitudes of horror, half a dozen of the workers who had glimpsed Tom's useless, frantic, second-short struggle to get free from the truck, stood and stared.

Then Bob made the break. He hurried toward the body of his friend, followed by the others. In two minutes, the job was silent. No one knew quite what to do. "You have to let the coroner know," one man volunteered. The foreman went to telephone the coroner's office. The driver, sick and shaking, wanted to drive his truck away, off Tom's head.

"You can't do that," he was told. "They'll give us plenty of hell if anything's moved before the coroner gets here."

Twelve o'clock, one o'clock, two o'clock, three o'clock, he lay there. Unaware of the tremendous indignity heaped upon his body, still lying patiently stretched out from the wheel, covered by the coats and sweaters of his fellows.

Now the harsh blare of fierce accusations was stilled. Hour after hour, the dripping lay there, while the men sat around in little, shaken groups. Some of them had known him well for five, ten, twenty years. Each of them he brought the chill reminder of other deaths, as useless and as sudden.

Bob made his way, at noon, to the office to telephone Tom's family. But the contractor was there. "No, you can't telephone," he said, "I'll do it on the telephone necessary."

"But Tom was an old friend of mine. I'd like to call a neighbor of theirs so she can go over and be with his wife when she learns the news," Bob explained.

"I'll do that. I'll do it myself," the contractor repeated. As Bob went out, he heard the contractor say to the foreman, "My God, don't let anybody telephone yet."

That night, the Seattle papers said, "Tom Haughton, carpenter, was killed by an unfortunate accident on construction work, this morning. He leaves a widow and two children."

The next day, the new sawyer had a lookout . . . and the trucks crept fearfully in. But Tom was gone. He had a magnificent floral offering at his funeral, though, which must have been very expensive . . . sent by the contractor.

## Books and Pamphlets

**Happy Days for American Youth, by Max Weiss. Workers' Library Publishers, New York City, 46 pp., price 5 cents.**

Happy days are here again for the American youth. In a land of slow moving rivers, roaring torrents, mountains, fertile valleys, huge national playgrounds, and broad fields and rolling plains, there is no reason why American youth cannot be happy.

But in the Soviet America of the not-so-distant future the American youth will be happy.

America is a beautiful land and it belongs primarily to the youth—to the sons and daughters of the exploited workers.

This pamphlet takes the child through American Soviet schools, into the colleges and out into the factories and mines. It tells what can and will be done when the youth—and the fathers and mothers—take over this beautiful land of ours and place it where all can enjoy it.

"All men are created equal . . . right to life, liberty and pursuit of happiness . . . WHENEVER ANY GOVERNMENT BECOMES DESTRUCTIVE OF THESE ENDS, IT IS THE RIGHT OF THE PEOPLE TO ALTER OR ABOLISH IT, AND TO INSTITUTE A NEW GOVERNMENT . . ."

The Young Communist League is fighting today for the full enjoyment of these rights only by our forefathers into the Declaration of Independence. This pamphlet tells how the youth will secure these rights—and what will be done with them in Soviet America.

**The Truth About the Waterfront. The I.L.A. States Its Case to the Public; published by the International Longshoremen's Association, Local 38-79; 19 pp.; price 5 Cents.**

Something that long has been needed is an authoritative and truthful explanation of the present situation on the San Francisco waterfront. It is given here in this pamphlet, published by the very longshoremen who are engaged in a day to day struggle for the preservation of their union and present working conditions.

Here, too, is a short history of the longshore unions on the front. The story of the 1916 strike and of the constant stream of Industrial Association, Chamber of Commerce and Waterfront Employer propaganda this booklet is extremely valuable.

The I.L.A. states its case to the public. And it has a good case. There is no argument against the truth. The longshoremen, unlike the shipowners, have nothing to conceal.

Biased publicity by the capitalist press, this is their method of putting the truth before the general public which may be confused but whose sympathy belongs and undoubtedly is with the dock workers.

## Show Up for Two Important Court Hearings Oct. 15

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 11.—The International Labor Defense invites you to attend two important legal events. See "boss class" justice in action. Turn out and support your fellow workers.

In the courtroom of Judge Lazarus, Hall of Justice, 10 a. m. Tuesday, Oct. 15. Attorney Leo Gallagher and Elaine Black. Hearing on charges of riot in connection with the open air meeting broken up by police in Dolores Park, last May 7.

2—In the courtroom of Municipal Judge Ames, Hall of Justice, 2 p. m. Tuesday, Oct. 15. Charles Brown and three others. Hearing on trumped up murder charges in connection with violence precipitated by dispersal of a Scalers' Union meeting.

## ILD Picnic Sunday At Verdugo Woods

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 9.—Gala entertainment is promised at the Carnival Picnic of the International Labor Defense to be held at Verdugo Woods Estate (Verdugo County Club) Sunday, Oct. 13th.

The program includes sports of all varieties, baseball, tennis, golf, horseback riding, swimming, and folk dances, together with home-made meals and drinks. The picnic will benefit the defense funds of numerous political prisoners and their families.

**Circulate the Western Worker in your union and fraternal organizations.**



# The Mooney Frame-Up On Parade

### PART III.

**The story of the habeas corpus hearing in the Hall of Justice, San Francisco, before A. E. Shaw, referee, appointed by the State Supreme Court. This hearing is the aftermath of the U. S. Supreme Court's refusal to hear a habeas corpus plea on the grounds that Mooney had not yet exhausted his possibilities in the State courts.**

In the third week of the hearing before Referee Shaw, appointed by the Supreme Court of California, the general design or plan of Mooney and his counsel began to be apparent. There are just three issues to be settled. Was perjury committed? Was it with the knowledge of the prosecuting authorities? Was it by the connivance of the prosecuting authorities? That perjury was committed—that no iber form of evidence was offered against Mooney and Billings—has been amply proved in the past, and has now been reproved as the defendants themselves have retold the story.

Since it has been stipulated by attorneys on both sides that no one claimed to have seen Mooney at Steuart and Market streets except Oxman, McDonald, Frank and Edeau women, these witnesses alone are being concentrated on. The first of these is Oxman. The complete alibi has been proved, with the consequence that Mooney was not at the place where Oxman claimed to have seen him, and that the "the finest citizen woman" perjured himself in saying that he did see him, the next task is to show that the authorities were not only aware of the fact that Oxman was lying, but that they themselves knowingly subborned his perjury. When the week closed the first of the witnesses called for this purpose—a very prominent and hostile witness, the Pacific Coast manager of the Burns Detective Agency—was on the stand.

### Ask for New Writ.

The proceedings were halted, however, by another appearance of counsel before the Supreme Court itself, this time on the question of whether the court should reverse its previous ruling, and give the referee the power to enforce the sustaining of objections to offered testimony. The court has not yet announced its decision. The situation is complicated by the introduction of the U. S. Supreme Court, during the week, of a renewed motion for petition for a writ of habeas corpus, the motion contending that the so-called writ issued by the California Supreme Court is one in name only, and that the present hearings are mere travesty, before a referee who has no power beyond those of a notary public.

Chief Justice Waste announced the court's denial of the motion as "insolit," but that the court would be big enough to overlook it. Meanwhile the transcript is piling up to almost unbelievable lengths, thanks to the insistence on the part of the assistant attorney general on reading into the record all the testimony, brief excerpts from which have been offered by the petitioner. Even if the California Supreme Court changes this situation, the main fact alleged in the motion introduced in Washington still remain true.

### Billings Talks Back.

The week opened with Billings still on the witness stand, under cross examination. He has made a splendid witness, direct and forthright, and if once or twice he lost his temper and "talked back" to Asst. Att'y Gen. Cleary, no one who listened to Cleary's badgering could blame him. Once when Cleary accused him of having "destroyed evidence," he retorted, "I never destroyed nearly as much evidence as the district attorney did in my case!" He stated also that it was only by the persuasion of his attorney, Edwin V. McKenzie, that in 1930 he had been willing to give up the frame-up charges before the Supreme Court; asked to what he himself attributed his conviction, he said firmly, "to a deliberate frame-up."

McKenzie himself, next called as a witness, affirmed this, and told the whole response to the unfortunate situation, which when the Supreme Court had refused Billing's appeal, gave them a chance to say that Billings had ceased to accuse them of framing him.

### Defense Attorney's "Error."

**Even McKenzie, who had said that he did not feel that he could assume the burden of convicting all the San Francisco officials, acknowledged the error of his tactics, for he too, when asked if he himself thought there had been corruption on the part of the prosecuting authorities, answered, "Certainly—the most glaring and unspeakable corruption!"**

Maxwell McNutt, once Mooney's attorney and now a judge in San Mateo County, was next called as a witness and confirmed the story of his conversation with Swanson in 1916, when Swanson told him that he intended to "hang Alexander Berkman along with Mooney," and related how he decided to come into the case because of his feeling that there was "too much Swanson" in it. He established the original contact prints of the famous Filers Building alibi photographs of Tom and Rena Mooney, and testified that the films themselves had never once been out of the hands of the district attorney's office and the police.

The last witness before the Burns Detective Agency manager was John A. Fitch, of the New School of Social Work, who testified regarding an interview with Cunha in 1917, in which Fickert's assistant said the "whole case was a frame-up and must not be taken out and strung up without ceremony," and that "if I knew every single witness, I would not lift my finger to help Mooney." During this testimony, Cunha himself was in the courtroom, but made no attempt to deny that he had been correctly quoted.

Whatever the decision of the State Supreme Court on procedure, the next week of the hearing will be a crucial and revealing one.

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## CENSORS' BAN IS USED TO QUASH SOCIAL DRAMA

### PLAYHOUSE REFUSED IN CHICAGO

The new theatre season starts and the censors resume their activity of the past against the social drama. This season "subtlety" seems to be the keynote—that is, indirect censorship. "Stevedore" opening in Boston, with the house sold out and the cast, but six actors, recruited from ERA ranks, pulled out of the show by ERA authorities.

The Chicago New Theatre League rented the Goodman Theatre, one of the finest in that city, for the Mid-West conference of the new theatre in that territory. The day after the deposit of $125.00 was made the Goodman Board of Directors changed their minds and decided they did not want "propaganda plays" shown in their theatre. The Chicago New Theatre League, backed by many theatre people and liberals, are conducting a fight to get the right to use this theatre. This is clearly an act of indirect censorship on the part of the Goodman Theatre authorities and must call forth protest from every friend of the theatre, every person believing in the right of a free stage. We urge you to send immediate protests to the BOARD OF DIRECTORS, GOODMAN THEATRE, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

All new theatre groups must regard this as the preliminary acts of a season that will undoubtedly see much more such activity on the part of our zealous censors UNLESS it is fought from the very beginning.

The New Theatre League of Los Angeles and its affiliated groups have sent protests to the Goodman Theatre of Chicago against their act of censorship. It feels that this censorship is decidedly against the best interests of the theatre in America.

## Renew Motion for Writ of Habeas Corpus—Contend President Hearing a Farce

By Michael Quin

We will be patient,
We will be brave.
We have a home today;
A well filled cupboard;
Bread and meat upon the table.

Tomorrow they will take away our plates.
We will be brave.
We will be patient.
We will eat the food we have
Off flattering tin plates.

Tomorrow they will take away our table.
We will not whine.
We will be patient.
We will eat upon the floor.

Tomorrow they will take away our meat;
The next day more.
We still are brave.
We will be patient.
We will chew on crusts of bread.

Tomorrow they will take the crust of bread.
By God! We'll stand no more
We'll fight like hungry tigers
For a measly crust of bread.

Jesus! What madder spectacle than this?
Than human beings fighting
For a measly crust of bread?

Those warehouses are packed with food,
The uns crops are rotting heaps,
Abundant produce fairly boils
Out of the fertility of the soil.
The factories are giants that toss off plenty
With casual effort.

But hungry men are fighting
For a measly crust of bread.

This is not patience, bravery nor brains
To fight when they have backed you to the wall.
Reach out, demand your heritage—your right;
The bravest men do not retreat at all.

There is a patience worthy of brave men;
Not patiently to sit and starve and wait.
There is the patience of struggle,
There is the patience that is going somewhere;
The driving patience that has the endurance for the trip,
That never gets lost in a forest of details
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## LEGION ATTACK ON FOREIGNERS IS CRITICIZED

### PROPOSALS BRANDED AS UN-AMERICAN

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Oct. 4.—The American Legion, at its convention recently ..., adopted resolutions to halt all immigration for the next five years, the immediate deportation of all "alien" agitators and destitute aliens.

Commenting on this action, the American Committee for Protection of Foreign-born points out that since 1930 more foreign-born people have been leaving the United States than have been entering.

As a contrast to the Legion action, the Committee quotes this excerpt from the Thanksgiving Proclamation of George Washington in 1783:

". . . humbly and fervently to beseech the kind Author of these blessings . . . to render this country and more especially a safe and propitious asylum for the unfortunate of other countries." (Richardson's Messages of the Presidents, 1789-90).

The proposals of the Legion leadership have more in common with the pronouncements of Adolph Hitler than with the traditions of real Americanism.


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HEALTH AND THE CLASS STRUGGLE
By the WESTERN WORKER MEDICAL BUREAU


By FRANKLIN. E. BISSELL, M. D.

"HEALTH and HYGIENE"—October, 1935.

**In this article we shall level rather severe criticism at "HEALTH and HYGIENE". Readers must keep in mind, that we do so only because we expect a workers' magazine to maintain very high standards of political development. At the same time, we must remember that this magazine is by far the best on health matters in existence in this country.**

"The Tragedy of Syphilis" is an exceedingly written article, stirring in everyday terms many important facts about this terrible disaster. However, the viewpoints and solution of the problem offered by the author are typical bourgeois-reformist and appear in any number of bourgeois pamphlets on the subject.

The author either disregards or does not know the fact that syphilis is almost entirely spread through prostitution. He would solve the problem, therefore, not by doing away with the source of infection, which is prostitution, but by patching people up after they have contracted the disease. He believes that syphilis can be controlled by early, free treatment; early, thorough, free diagnosis, and public health education.

These are certainly minimum demands which the workers must fight for. However, these measures would only scratch the surface in the battle with syphilis. Workers must keep in mind that this disease will always be with us until women are forced out on the street to sell their bodies because of low wages or unemployment.

The author points out the marvelous medical service in the Soviet Union as the main factor in reducing disease in that country. However, if we will remember that before the revolution the large number of houses of prostitution in these cities was rivalled only by the large number of churches and that today prostitution is very rare, we see that medical treatment has played only a small role.

The conquest of this evil in the institution of capitalism by the Soviets has resulted in the reduction of the percentage of syphilis cases in the public clinics from 55 per cent before the revolution to 7 per cent in 1933.

"P. B. Is Curable" correctly points out the necessity of sanitarium treatment for tuberculosis. However, though the author tells of the expense of even the cheapest of sanitariums, he shows no solution for the majority of workers or patients who are unable to pay for this expensive treatment.

Any worker in a large city who has tried to gain admission to a public sanitarium knows how extremely difficult it is. Even the public hospitals make the practice of refusing admission to a patient until he is almost ready for the morgue. And in the small towns and rural districts, there aren't even any public hospitals and sanitariums in existence. Telling a worker with T. B. to enter a sanitarium is similar to telling the unemployed that they should all set fat by eating chicken daily.

The authors of the above two articles may be excused because their subject matter is supposed to be of a "theoretical" nature. However, one poor chap writes in to the "Health in Advice" column for some practical advice and receives instead the same sort of "theoretical" discussion. He was suffering from a lame back and had been given the run-around by any number of clinics in New York for a year without receiving any relief. He had been advised to have an X-Ray examination but the clinic refused him this. He asks, "Should we start a campaign against the dastardly conditions in the hospital?"

Does the "advisor" tell him how to do this? No, he points out that treatment is entirely free and available to all workers except those on relief.

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## Manual for Field Writers

# Questions of Style and Grammar

This, the eighth article in this series, lays down a few simple rules on "style": capitalization of words, abbreviations, etc. All capitalist newspapers and news magazines have what is called a "style book." This is a starter on ours. Clip this and keep it with the other articles to guide you in writing for the Western Worker.

Generally speaking, the significance of your stories is most striking when they are written in terse language, in short sentences and directly to the point. Remember that in most occasions the use of words of Anglo-Saxon derivation is preferable to comparable Latin derivations. Thus "flaw" is preferable to "imperfection," "cheap" to "inexpensive," when talking of money cost; and the phrase "buying capitalism" conveys more to the American worker than the expression "morbid capitalism."

Many of our stories are too obviously editorialized. We must always strive to write in the form of such a way as to make the reader draw the correct editorial inference. Rather than show our own indignation in a story we should constantly write with a finely calculated intention to arouse the reader's indignation.

Every word printed in the Western Worker costs money which is badly needed. Every line must count. Saving one word in a sentence may mean saving an extra line of type. A dozen lines in a column will add from five to ten per cent to the amount of news in the paper. Therefore we should learn to recognize and omit such words as are capitalized in the following examples: "at that hour OF THE DAY he went"—"workers collected THE SUM OF $11."

As a rule it is better to be specific than general. For example, report that "the police carried shotguns and riot clubs," rather than state "the police carried weapons."

## When to Capitalize Words Terseness in Writing—Abbreviations, Etc.

Do not be afraid to ignore these suggestions, when you have some special purpose, such as satire, etc. Many of the best known stories are written by violate many of the rules—technical rules, but it is also true that such stories are written by writers who know why the rules were made.

CAPITALIZATION.

1—Always capitalize a title when it precedes and is attached to a name. Always make the title lower case when it follows or is not attached to a name. For example: **Chief of Police Joe Smith—Gordon Jones, chief of police—the Ventura County sheriff.**

Note, however, that a title is not attached to a name simply because it precedes it. Example of correct usage: "Contributions should be sent to the secretary, James Jones."

Also note that the word 'former' and the prefix "ex-" and "-elect" when used with titles are not capitalized. The following is correct: "former President Hoover" —"ex-Mayor Jones"—"President-elect Roosevelt."

2—Capitalize the names of SPECIFIC individuals, names, bu

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## San Francisco Party Members And the Election Campaign

The special display of United Labor Ticket material on Page 3 is not printed merely for the information of readers in general, but is intended for the ACTIVE USE of all Party members in the San Francisco section.

Today the mobilization and activization of members has been poor, and a decided improvement must be made if we are to get the Ticket across in a manner worthy of the disciplined, well organized vanguard of the working class.

Decide immediately to set aside all possible time for United Labor Ticket work between now and the elections. Report to the nearest headquarters for work.

Above all, turn out promptly at 10 a. m. on Sunday morning for the full mobilization at 747 Market street, ready to put in an energetic session that will really launch the campaign into heights that, if sustained, will make Redfern Mason our next Mayor, and accomplish the election of the full ticket, establishing a precedent in the entire country.

And if possible bring friends, families and neighbors.

Overcome the conspiracy of silence in the capitalist press by systematic mass work.

Bring the United Labor Ticket to 200,000 San Franciscans in the next three weeks.

## The League Decision Declares Fascism "Guilty!"

The determined opposition of the people of the world against war and war's provokers—the fascist barbarians—supported by the eloquent voice of the Soviet Union representatives at Geneva, have compelled the many nations assembled in full League session to vote in condemnation of the Italian fascism and for sanctions yet to be clearly determined.

Two voices were heard in Mussolini's support—Austria and Hungary.

This means that despite League concerted action goods may be shipped through the fascist and semi-fascist bloc of nations running across Europe from the Mediterranean to the North Sea. Germany, a non-League nation, will of course cooperate to the fullest with her fascist brethren in Italy.

Breathing fire and practising torture and violence of the most barbaric kind is the distinguishing fact about these fascist nations. The workers' organizations have been suppressed and many thousands of workers and peasants tortured to death. This inner violence is the result of the failure of fascism to harmonize its own boundaries.

The verdict of the League of Natons, unpalatable as it is to all of the member nations (with the exception of the Soviet Union (where the people thrive under Socialism), is thus the condemnation of Fascism.

Fascism is inherent in decaying capitalism. For this reason the nations now impelled by desperate necessity to protect themselves against the revolutionary outcome of destructive wars, are nevertheless restrained from really effective use of sanctions by their own capitalist nature.

Only the policy of the Soviet Union, opposing any scheme that permits loss of independence or partitioning of Ethiopia, and demanding full collective sanctions, is the one that will safeguard the peace of the world.

This is echoed by the world's toilers, as vast demonstrations in every country, as the acts of militant seamen everywhere, as the councils of organized labor, testify.

But our business men, our militarists, and our "merchants of death" will see to it that loopholes are left in any policy of "trade boycott" sanctions.

Labor must do the job. We must see to it that all trade with Italy is stopped; that the Suez Canal is closed. We must popularize the role of the Soviet Union in the struggle for peace.

## Twelve Millions Must Sign Against War

The recent canvass of the people of Great Britain on the question of the League of Nations, economic sanctions, and actual war measures in support of a collective policy against aggressor nations, was most revealing.

Millions of people declared themselves in favor of peace, startling the imperialists who have been steadily preparing for the war that soon will engulf all nations.

The Women's International League for Peace and Freedom has launched a world-wide campaign for a popular mandate against war, endeavoring to collect 50,000,000 signatures. Many peace, fraternal and trade union organizations, including member organizations of the American League Against War and Fascism, have endorsed the campaign and are actively participating in the drive.

The quota for the United States is 12,000,000.

Are there that many people convinced of the need for peace?

No sane man or woman, no youth who is aware of the facts of war, could possibly endorse such mass suicide and mass murder, such insane destruction, as now is made imminent on a world-wide scale.

Only the vile Hearsts and others of his ilk who profit by war can find any defense for this "civilized" monstrosity.

But war propaganda is carried on very actively, and it must be combatted. People whose minds dwell uncertainly on the lies of the imperialist press must be shown the simple truth and must be presented with the opportunity to sign their names and commit themselves to a definite antiwar stand. The petitions will help to make certain the attitude of many who otherwise will vacillate.

Circulate the petitions. Raise a huge popular mass barrier against war.

## The Comintern On Election Struggles

Election campaigns must be utilized for further development and strengthening of the united front of the proletariat. While coming forward independently in the elections and unfolding the program of the Communist Party before the masses, the Communists must seek to establish a united front with the Social-Democratic Parties and the trade unions (also with the organizations of the toiling peasants, handicraftmen, etc.), and exert every effort to prevent the bourgeoisie, its reactionary and fascist candidates. In the face of fascist danger, the Communists may, while reserving for themselves freedom of political agitation and criticism, participate in election campaigns on a common platform and with a common ticket of the anti-fascist front, depending on the growth and success of the united front movement, also depending on the electoral system in operation. (Resolution of the VII World Congress of the Communist International.)

## C. S. CONFERENCE IN L. A. ON OCT. 20 GAINS SUPPORT

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if the case was ended there the I.L.D. is not abandoning its appeal to the higher courts for a "not guilty" verdict. However, if the appeal fails, and the communication of sentence has been granted she will not be returned to prison.

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 10.—The last week of preparations for the Southern California Congress for Peace, Repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Law, and for Democratic Rights is under way. The Congress will be held at Danish Auditorium, 1359 W. 24th st. at Vermont, on Oct. 20. Registration of delegates will begin at 9:00 a. m. and the meeting will come to order at 10:00 a. m.

The Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, Local 912, the Studio Painters, Studio Carpenters, Optical Technicians, Painters' Local 5, the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom and the American Civil Liberties Union are among the many organizations who have recently joined the large body of organizations already represented in the Congress.

The Conference for Labor's Civil Rights, under whose auspices the Congress is being held, asks that individuals and that their organizations choose delegates to the Congress if such action has not already been taken. Fraternal delegates and observers are welcome.

A state-wide convention will be held in Sacramento several weeks after this Congress to broaden the struggle against the Criminal Syndicalism Law.

## In Memoriam To a Comrade

SAN FRANCISCO—The members of Unit 5 of Mission Section extend their deepest sympathy to Comrade Frank Stenroos at the death of his loving wife and comrade.

Unit 5, Mission Section,
Communist Party, Dist. 13.

## Voice of Action Editor to Appeal Libel Conviction

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 9.—Lowell Wakefield, editor of the militant local labor paper, the "Voice of Action", this week was found "guilty" of criminal libel, fined $250 and given a suspended sentence of ten days in jail.

Similar action by Attorney Emerson Daggett were dismissed. Wakefield will appeal the verdict, which was framed-up and is an outgrowth of an attack upon the paper by reactionary labor leaders.

The "Voice of Action" published an exposure of the anti-labor activities of Ray Brock and his fakers, who had been implicated in activities of a so-called "Labor Educational Bureau," financed by employers as a strike-breaking spy herding venture.

The reactionaries, Will M. Short, Ray Brock, Ben Fox, Flynn, Robert Harlin and W. L. Ingersoll, testified against Wakefield. They declared that the latter had betrayed the trust of their following.

Judge William Hoar, presiding in the case, held Wakefield responsible for the exposure articles.

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# Party Life

## An Example Showing Why New Comrades Need Schooling

Los Angeles, Calif.

Comrade Editor:

I am working in one of the "favored industries" (if you've read our trade union course). We are well paid and enjoy extremely good working conditions. About 30 per cent of us belong to the A. F. of L. Union for this industry. Our only grievance is that the efficiency of our plant is being continually improved by new machinery and about every three months one less man is needed. We are being picked off one by one.

About six months ago, I asked to join the Party and was taken into the street unit. Our fractional enterprises were the Public Works and Unemployed League, the Women's Council, Epic and Utopian, Industrial X and Industrial Z. No schooling was given me and I was detailed to Epic and Utopian work when I should have been in industrial Z. I didn't know then what it was all about.

I took a load of literature out to our plant and started handling it out to my fellow workers, the ones I thought were safe, but the fascists soon spotted me. I had one hell of a time getting out of that mess.

Later, I was transferred to Industrial Z fraction (my industry). We conferred ourselves entirely with work in the union meetings. We got overconfident and used the wrong method to bring the Party to the front before we had contacted enough our contacts, and now we are isolated and subject to the red scare. We neglected altogether to work among our fellow-workers on the job. About four or five evenings a week are taken up with Party activities. I think that one unit meeting and one fraction meeting should be enough. The rest of the time we should be mixing with people.

Almost all the members of our unit have isolated themselves from their former friends and associates.

I don't this condition what we call "sectarianism"? I think our Agit-Prop should read Earl Browder's article in the Sept. "Communist". Don't you think so, too?

Comradely,
Rivers.

NOTE: This letter emphasizes very clearly the necessity for an intensive period of education for all new members before they are assigned to activity. New members who are working in shops should be given specific instructions on how to bring the class struggle properly to their shopmates, and still not expose themselves too soon and thus become isolated or lose their job.

One fraction meeting a week should certainly be sufficient, if the meeting is correctly organized and takes up all necessary points quickly and thoroughly. In cases of emergency such as strike situation, etc., it is necessary to meet more often, but not in a normal situation. Comrades in shops must have sufficient time to become personally acquainted with their shopmates outside of working hours, and bring them closer to the Party and eventually bring them in.

### TEST MOBILIZATION

To test the ability of the subsection, units and squads to respond to an emergency, a test mobilization was held Wednesday night by the Marine sub-section in San Francisco. The sub-section organizer was given three hours in which to contact and mobilize the Party members within his sub-section. The mobilization point was a street meeting at the corner of Fillmore and Geary, which they were to support.

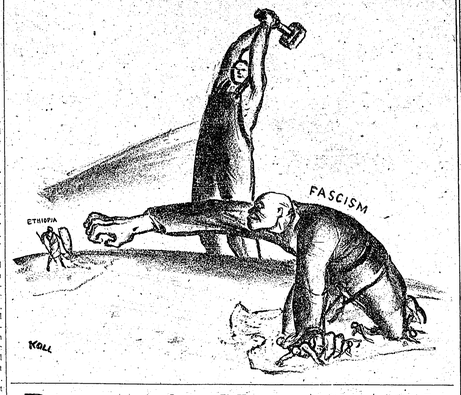
Check-up shows 70 per cent of the membership were mobilized within the time limit. Unit number 2 responded poorly. Thirty-five per cent mobilized were on hand. The remaining comrades appeared 10 minutes later.

## Leaflet Distributors Attacked by Thugs

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 4.—Football athletes formed a "vigilante squad" at the University of Southern California here yesterday, and drove three students off the campus because they were distributing leaflets asking students to attend a National Students League meeting.

Thirty-five students attended the N. S. L. meeting last night, and laid the basis for a militant organization to fight for students' rights.

SMASH THE FASCIST ROBBERY!




# Prepare for November 7th

### *Birthday of First Workers' Revolution Means Much in 1935*

It is now less than a month to November 7, the Eighteenth Anniversary of the revolution which set up a workers and farmers' government under the dictatorship of the proletariat in place of the Czarist regime of Old Russia. Every year the working class, on a world-wide scale, celebrates the anniversary of its first victory over the exploiting ruling classes.

This year, in view of the widening rift in the capitalist set-up, these celebrations take on added significance. Following are a few simple directives and explanations as to how these November 7 anniversary celebrations are to be conducted this year, issued by the Agit-Prop department of District 13, Communist Party of America:

☆ **War vs. Progress.**

DEMOCRATIC RIGHTS—The war moves of Fascist Italy against the Ethiopian people, the arming of Fascist Germany, the reign of terror and murder of thousands of workers, the incarceration of thousands more of the best sons of the working class in prison camps, the attack on the Jewish people and all religious and other organizations that stand in the way of Hitler and his bloody path to power, stand sharply against the achievements of the Soviet Union, its peace policy, the ever rising standard of living, and the democratic rights enjoyed by the people of Russia.

SOVIET PROGRESS—These facts cannot be kept from the masses. Thousands of workers who are watching with ever increasing interest the building of Socialism on one sixth of the world's surface. Nor can the fact be concealed that this is being accomplished under the leadership of the party of Lenin, the Communist Party, under whose guidance the workers and farmers of Old Russia on Nov. 7, eighteen years ago, forever freed themselves from exploitation by the revolutionary overthrow of the master class.

☆ **Communism.**

COMMUNIST INTERNATIONAL—Carrying forward the teachings of Lenin, the Communist International, under the leadership of Stalin, today offers the only way out for the toiling people of the world, the establishment of Workers and farmers governments, in this country, a Soviet America; through its rank and file elected negotiations committee.

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5—That a message to the Seventh World Congress be given.

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## SEAMEN PLAN REFERENDUM ON AWARD CHARGES

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Washington, D. C., as the conservatives have planned.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 10.—The negotiations committee for the International Seamen's Union brought the questions before the joint meeting of the I.S.U. held here last night.

The committee recommended a conservative vote on two questions:

1—Shall the present agreement with the shipowners be continued for another year?

2—Shall the amendments suggested by the seamen more than a month ago, be submitted to arbitration?

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## Organized Jobless Force Removal of Relief Director

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 9.—Outraged by the semi-Fascist methods used in discriminating against relief workers, the Public Works and Unemployed Union this week successfully utilized mass pressure to force the removal of Miss Bergman as Director of D. P. O. No. 15, 126 North Soto street, Boyle Heights.

The PWUU workers circulated a petition and secured enough signatures demanding her removal so that the SERA authorities were forced to act.

She had deliberately adopted an anti-social attitude and maliciously went, or sent her agents, to the workers' homes to intimidate and threaten them for being members of the unemployed union.

# World Events

### *By Emmett Kirby*

## Wall Street Plots to Evade Neutrality Embargoes

Now that the League of Nations has definitely voted sanctions against fascist Mussolini's war of conquest, the extent of those sanctions and their effect on the attitude of the rest of the world are of tremendous immediate importance. They contain both the elements which can keep the world war from growing out of the attack on Ethiopia and those which can spread it.

Article XVI, the one that contains whatever teeth the League possesses, pledges all League members to subject the aggressor (Italy) "to the severance of all trade or financial relations, the prohibition of all intercourse between their nationals and the nationals" of Italy.

**Further, all financial, commercial or personal intercourse between Italy and the nationals of every other state is to be barred, regardless of whether or not they are members of the League.**

**This is world boycott, complete and effective. And it puts an issue squarely before the United States.**

The deliberately hasty U. S. neutrality bill passed by Congress and before adjournment is clearly insufficient in the face of this. Its one good feature—that of warning all Americans off ships of belligerents—has but one point in its situation replete with dynamite possibilities.

☆ **Wall Street Has Own Plan.**

And how little attention Wall Street intends to pay to the embargo on munitions and war material to belligerents was mentioned in last issue here. Confirmation of that statement is given in the United Press despatch of five days later, as follows:

**NEW YORK, October 9.—American exporters will ignore the presidential decree of neutrality in the Ethiopian-Italian war, leaders of the industry have agreed privately, and will accept orders from either of the belligerent nations. The only difference will be that the purchaser of the war materials will be required to arrange his own transportation of shipments.**

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## The Mooney Hearing

**Part IV of "The Mooney Frame-up on Parade," story of the present habeas corpus hearing before the state supreme court referee, A. E. Shaw, in the Hall of Justice, will appear in our next issue.**

**The hearing began on Sept. 17th and is expected to last about two weeks longer. In 1916 a preparedness day parade in San Francisco was bombed and a number of persons killed. Mooney and Billings were convicted and sentenced to death for murdering them. In 1934 Mooney demanded a new trial on one of the old murder charges of that bombing and was acquitted. He now seeks his freedom on a writ of habeas corpus based on the acquittal.**

**The hearing on this writ is taken up with a continual parade of witnesses and documents offered in evidence, which review quite thoroughly not only the frame-up itself but the political and economic forces involved in the world-wide case.**

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*Defeat Hearst's Rossi! Vote the United Labor Ticket—Build Unionism*

# HERNDON HEARING IS REFUSED

# Smedley Butler Sends Greetings to United Labor Ticket

## *Former General Firm for Cause Of Union Labor*

**'MY STRONGEST BLOWS FOR THE CAUSE OF LABOR,' BUTLER SAYS**

**Bridges Flays Rossi**

**SHIPOWNERS EXERT EVERY EFFORT AGAINST THE LABOR TICKET**

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 14.—In a letter firmly expressing his approval and solidarity with the Labor Ticket for the coming Municipal elections here, Smedley D. Butler, former Comamnder of the U. S. Marines, expressed regret at being unable to appear for the October 30th mass meeting in Dreamland Auditorium.

The former General, who, some time ago, disgusted with seeing the U. S. Marines used as a gangster force in the service of Wall Street imperialism, resigned from the Marine Corps and became a sincere anti-war fighter, stated in his letter:

"I doubly regret that I can't. I am leaving on a speaking tour October 28th and will be occupied solidly until the 19th of November. Whenever I can get a chance, I put in my strongest blows for the cause of labor."

☆ **Statement By Bridges.**

Harry Bridges, president of Local 38-79 of the International Longshoremen's Association, last night at a banquet of the International Workers' Order, charged that the local Industrial Association and Waterfront Employers are seeking to destroy unionism in order to defeat the United Labor Ticket, in the present San Francisco municipal election.

"We are on a waterfront know that requests for assistance to help defeat the United Labor Ticket in San Francisco have been made by Waterfront Employers to master cleaners."

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## GULF LONGSHORE STRIKE SPREADS TO TEXAS PORTS

**NATIONAL DOCK WALKOUT IS THREATENED BY PRES. RYAN**

**Bans All Hot Cargo**

**S. F. SEAMEN BALLOT ON ARBITRATION OF AMENDMENTS**

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 14.—One striker was shot in the face by police as employers made another attempt over the week-end to force the loading of ships by scabs in the Gulf longshore strike.

Meanwhile eight ports in Texas, and elsewhere were out on strike as shipowners announced their intention of outlawing the International Longshoremen's Association and Joseph P. Ryan, head of the I.L.A. announced that a national longshore strike would be called unless employers meet demands of strikers for union recognition.

Ryan stated that North Atlantic longshoremen would refuse to unload hot cargo and that they also would refuse to load ships bound for the strike areas.

His statement as to the policy did not, however, contain any reference to West Coast action.

☆ **Sympathy Action.**

Mike Dwyer, head of the Galveston local of the I.L.A. said Friday that although shipowners had agreed to wage demands, the membership will insist on union recognition, particularly at New Orleans and Lake Charles.

Wharf clerks, checkers and cotton heasters at Houston, Tex., have walked out in sympathy with the longshoremen. The Houston City Council has moved to support the shipowners by ordering police to use force against striking duty.

Rank and file longshore strikers there laughed when the employers announced they would have no more dealings with the I.L.A. The action was regarded by strikers as a move in effort to stampede them back to work and into the company union.

**HOT CARGO DUE.**

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 14.—Peace, brought about directly by the marine workers, continued to rule on the waterfront Monday as longshoremen were reported working all ships.

District officials of the I.L.A. today issued a report of a Luckenbach ship heading for San Pedro with a load of hot cargo from the Gulf, were confirmed by Thomas G. Plant, head of the Pacific Waterfront Employers Association.

**Rank and file longshoremen, however, will not touch scab loaded cargo, particularly in view of International President Joseph Ryan's public statements to the effect the hot stuff will be worked in their ports. Ryan's statement but confirms the policy outlined by I.L.A. officials and delegates at the recent national convention of their organization.**

☆ **Bosses Want Scabs.**

Employers here continued to plead for additional longshoremen to break the strike Monday, in a sudden burst of enthusiasm

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## Special Marine Federation Meet Asked by Unions

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 14—Initial steps toward calling a special convention of the Maritime Federation of the Pacific were taken at a joint meeting here Saturday afternoon.

The meeting endorsed a resolution requesting the convention the first part of November. The resolution asked that British Columbia and Gulf maritime delegates be asked to the convention.

The demand for the convention comes on the heels of frequent and sharp attacks being made upon the maritime unions by the organized shipowners.

Three speakers from the United Labor Campaign received hearty applause coupled with loud cheers. The meeting pledged active support to the striking scalers, and turned over to that union certain ship work heretofore performed by seamen.

## I.L.D. TO DEFEND FOUR SCALERS

**Employers Use Frame Up in Attempt to Smash Union**

**BULLETIN**

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 15.—Four rank and file members of the Ship Scalers' Union yesterday were indicted on framed up charges of murder by the Grand Jury here.

The International Labor Defense, which will defend the framed men, has taken steps to organize a mass protest campaign to force freedom for the men and dismissal of the false charges.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 14.—The International Labor Defense will defend four members of the Ship Scalers Union here who are held on an open charge of murder resulting from an attempt by employers to smash the militant union.

The four, who will come up for hearing Monday, Oct. 14 in Judge Carlo C. Cook's office in the Hall of Justice, are Archie Brown, Francisco Jimenez and Natalio Velle.

They were booked on the murder charge following the death of another union member who had been injured during what amounted to an armed raid by reactionary elements upon a special meeting at the Scalers' hall several weeks ago.

☆ **Lock-Out.**

The Scalers' Union had been on strike for several months and the contractors, who usually hire the scalers, after locking the men out, finally were themselves locked out. When they tried to bring their own, on the spot, they contacted reactio-

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## HERNDON Emergency!

**(Special by Wire.)**

**NEW YORK, Oct. 15.—The U. S. Supreme Court has refused to review the case of Angelo Herndon and he is ordered to surrender to Georgia authorities for confinement in the chain gang within ten days.**

Outstanding signature lists must be rushed immediately to the National office of the International Labor Defense, 80 East 11th st., New York City; also emergency funds to wage an intense protest campaign on a giant scale.

All working class and liberal groups should give this emergency right of way over all other business.

Herndon, young Negro organizer of the unemployed was framed and convicted to 18 to 20 years on the Georgia chain gangs by Southern capitalists who invoked an ancient slave revolt law dating back to 1866.

Every protest that can be mobilized must be rushed by wire and air mail letter to the U. S. Supreme Court, Washington, D.C. Demand that a review of the case be made.

## LOS ANGELES IN ANTI-WAR RALLY

**Rally to Build Anti-War United Front Called Oct. 25**

LOS ANGELES, October 12.—Demanding that Fascist Italy withdraw all troops from Ethiopia, 900 workers launched the movement for the defense of Ethiopia in the Los Angeles sector at the Mason Opera House here last night, in a mass meeting jointly sponsored by the Young Friends of Ethiopia and the American League Against War and Fascism.

In Superior Judge James L. Allen's court here yesterday, the two counts of criminal syndicalism against Richard Criss and Ben Fox were dismissed for lack of evidence by Justice of the Peace Morrison, were again brought into the attempted railroading where the District Attorney included them in the "information"—or indictment brought against the Communist Party leader. The Criss and Fox cases will be tried in Superior Court.

**The fact that less than a week was occupied in preparation and advertising for the mass meeting, 900 militant workers appeared at the Mason Opera House and unanimously pledged that they would work to make a more successful demonstration against Fascist war on Friday night, Oct.**

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## SHARP CONTEST IN AFL LOOMING AT CONVENTION

**MAIN ISSUES INDUSTRIAL UNIONISM, POLITICS AND 'RED SCARE'**

**Labor Party Support**

**OPPOSITION TO WAR AND FASCISM PROMINENT IN RESOLUTIONS**

By Len De Caux,
Federated Press.

ATLANTIC CITY, Oct. 12.—(FP)—Sharp and close contests on a number of important issues were forecast by the first week of the American Federation of Labor convention. Although decisive action on all the main issues was postponed to the second week, a roll-call vote on the building trades dispute, Pres. Green's keynote speech, the nature of resolutions introduced and the numerous caucuses were evidence enough of the lay of the land.

Unlike most recent A. F. of L. conventions, this Atlantic City meet reveals the presence of powerful opposition forces driving for a change in official policies.

☆ **Industrial Unionism.**

Analysis of some 250 resolutions introduced shows more of a progressive and militant character than for a long time. Industrial unionism overshadows all other issues, close to 60 resolutions upholding the principle and calling for industrial charters in individual industries.

Next in prominence are those demanding a Labor Party. A caucus of some scores of delegates have been rallying support for the Labor Party resolution introduced by the United Mine Workers' delegation. Other internationals calling for an independent party of labor include the Int'l Ladies' Garment Workers and restaurant employes, mine, mill and smelter workers and the hat and cap workers, as well as a large number of federal labor unions and state and city federations.

☆ **Red-Scare.**

First to break in the convention, however, was the anti-red issue, foretold in the executive council's recommendations. In Pres. Green's keynote speech, as well as in the speech of Commander Ray Murphy of the American Legion, which came before the convention from a seab hotel. The question was raised indirectly, when credentials committee considered the case of Pres. E. M. Curry of the Int'l Brotherhood of Foundry Employes be denied a seat. The specific question was that Curry had been expelled from the Int'l Molders Union while organizing the foundry workers, and was thus barred by the A. F. of L. constitution as a delegate. But in the brief against Curry read to the convention were charges of radicalism, such as that he had been a Communist candidate for political office in Michigan in 1932.

☆ **Resistance Seen.**

This issue is being watched closely, particularly by the fur workers and teachers' unions, which have resisted attempts at their elimination from their ranks. It may also be fought by other unions which, although without particular sympathy for Communists, object to redbaiting

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## *Anti-War Moves Grow To Enforce Italy Trade Curb*

**Demands**

1—Withdrawal of Italian troops!
2—Full collective economic sanctions!
3—No arms for Italy!
4—Close Suez Canal!
5—Support Soviet peace policy!

## STATE RESTS IN GALLUP TRIAL

**Evidence Shows Riot Not Provoked by Defendants**

**BULLETIN**

SANTE FE, Oct. 15.—(By Wire.)—The defense closed its case late Monday after presenting nine witnesses, three of them defendants. Some of the defendants refused to introduce defense testimony in view of the lack of states evidence against them and the fact that many defense witnesses were deported after the trial began. Final argument and jury instruction will be heard this afternoon.

AZTEC, N. M., Oct. 15.—The state closed its case in the trial of ten Gallup workers, charged with murder as the result of the killing by a deputy sheriff of Sheriff Carmichaels when the police provoked a riot at an eviction trial, without having shown that the defendants in any way provoked the riot or were responsible for bloodshed.

Instead, the prosecuting witnesses contradicted each other and their former testimony, and some of them, as well as a large number of federal labor unions and state and city federations.

Attorney General Patton opened the trial by offering to prove a premeditated plan to commit murder, and managed only to show that the orderly processions of workers had been refused permission to visit Exiquio Navarro, who had been arrested on charge of criminal syndicalism, and had killed himself and from which he had been dispossessed by Senator Vogel.

It was established that the crowd had gathered in front of Mayor Bickel's court on the morning of April 4 consisted largely of women and children, who had come to the court house in an orderly fashion, according to Oscar Griego, a drug clerk, and an apparently unwilling witness for the state, who showed extreme nervousness on the stand.

Frank Powers, ballistic expert, testified that the sheriff had been killed by a bullet from a Smith and Wesson double action revolver, which only Hoy Bourgess was known to carry. He further testified that bullets found in the bodies of Mrs. Sanches, wounded woman, and Esquibel, Communist worker shot to the back who died a few days later, were fired by deputies Wilson and Dee Roberts respectively.

Proof of the fact that the defendants had been disarmed and did

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## LITVINOFF WILL DEMAND FULL SANCTIONS BY ALL NATIONS

## Japan Raids Border

**ENTHUSIASTIC ANTI-WAR MEET IN S. F. ASKS LEAGUE SUPPORT**

**Highlights**

LONDON—Tremendous battle reported in progress on Southern front in Ethiopia. Nearly 18,000 Ethiopians killed.

HARAR, Ethiopia.—American doctor with Red Cross unit reports Italians using dum-dum bullets, making wide jagged wounds.

LONDON—Great Britain lifts ban on arms shipments to Ethiopia.

ETHIOPIA—Aksum surrenders without shot being fired, in effort "to avoid destruction of holy places by fascist invaders."

BRUSSELS.—Belgium and Communist parties near accord on joint anti-war measures.

## RENEW 2 COUNTS IN C. S. CHARGES

**McLauchlan Faces 3 Point Indictment In Santa Ana**

SANTA ANA, Calif., Oct. 12.—With support crystallizing for his defense into a united front basis, Charles McLauchlan, Orange County organizer of the Communist Party, today faced renewed frame-up charges of criminal syndicalism because he dared to organize agricultural and unemployed work

# BRIDGES REFUTES CLAIM THAT LABOR INDORSES „FINK" ROSSI

## Japanese Labor Association Indorsement Added to Labor Ticket Support

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ters of companies having local offices.

"These foreign offices have been requested to urge their local agents to take an active part in the campaign to retain Rossi for Mayor and to defeat the rapidly rising forces of the United Labor Ticket.

"The rank and file of the A. F. of L. feel that the endorsement of Rossi by the Union Labor Party was a political maneuver by Edward Vandeleur, Paul Scharrenberg, and other local labor leaders that is ignited to the best interests of the membership."

COMMITTEE OF 1000.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 12.—The United Labor Campaign Committee has announced that the "Labor Ticket Committee of 1000," which turned out for the house-to-house straw ballot last Sunday, will continue its work up to the close of Oct. 30. Results of the ballot will be announced at the Dreamland Auditorium mass meeting on that night.

"As well as working in every spare hour during the week, the committee will hold a full mobilization every Sunday at 10 a. m.

The campaign committee emphasizes that this week is most limited to 1000 workers. Every supporter who can possibly turn out should report to his district headquarters up to 747 Market street.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 11.—At its regular business meeting last night, the Japanese Labor Association of San Francisco officially endorsed the United Labor Ticket and elected two delegates to participate in the United Labor Campaign Committee.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 12.—The United Labor Campaign Committee has issued a directive to leaflet farms to the striking auto mechanics and machinists here. It says in part: "We have studied your demands in the present strike and consider them fair and just.

"In accordance with the program and platform of the United Labor Ticket, we are pledged to support the 100 per cent unionization of San Francisco; the right to organize, strike and picket; request to use force, however, by National Guard or Federal troops or strikebreaking purposes.

"We pledge you our wholehearted support."

# Seaman Awarded $1460 in Suit Against Matson

SHIP COMPANY LOSES IN "WORK-OR-STARVE" ULTIMATUM

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 14.—Sperre Nilsen, member of the Sailors' Union of the Pacific, last week was awarded $1460 for two years' maintenance as a result of injuries he received last December aboard the S.S. "Mariposa".

The damage suit was brought against the Matson Navigation Company in Federal Judge A. F. St. Sure's court, after the company had attempted to enforce a "worker-starve" edict against him.

Nilsen was doing work over the side while in Auckland, along with other men in a chair. Suddenly he stepped aside to allow one of his fellow workers to pass him, stumbled and slashed his wrist with a file scraper.

☆ Work-or-Starve.

Several tendons were severed. Nilsen went to the Marine Hospital where the shipowners paid him $160 maintenance. But he asked for a settlement and the company suddenly decided "he could do light work."

When the shipowners discovered Nilsen had hired an attorney to fight his case they were frightened, and attempted to bludgeon him into dropping legal action.

In commenting on his case Judge St. Sure declared that from the testimony "as to the circumstances in which the light work was offered, the court believes the plaintiff was justified in refusing it." He refused however to grant judgment for personal injuries on the ground "no negligence had been shown."

# NOTICE!

## ALL UNITED LABOR TICKET CAMPAIGN SUPPORTERS

MUSICIANS AND ENTERTAINERS

If you play an accordion, piano, violin, harmonica, base drum or zither, you can help the campaign. Report to headquarters and get assigned to work.

And this is a tip to all neighborhood headquarters. Give Shows in your headquarters. Make neighborhood talent. Hold neighborhood amateur nights. Make the campaign lively. Have the women of the neighborhood bake cakes and make pies for the entertainments. Get everybody participating.

We understand Rossi figures to serve free beer in his headquarters. You'll have to be dead drunk to vote for that guy anyhow. Maybe he wants to float into office on a tidal wave of booze.

Put some pep into the neighborhood campaigns.

THURSDAY NIGHTS

All campaign workers should report to their district headquarters every Thursday night at 8 p. m.

RADIO BROADCASTS.

Every evening, between 7:15 and 7:30 o'clock, Ben Legere, United Labor Ticket candidate for Sheriff, will give Labor Ticket broadcasts over Station KGGC (1420 on your dial). Legere will be the reporter of the air for the Labor Ticket. He performed the same service for the Sinclair-Downey campaign of last year. These broadcasts will be held at this same time every night during the campaign with the exception of Sunday. The Sunday broadcast will be between 11:45 a. m. and 12 o'clock noon.

Every supporter must make a special effort to popularize these broadcasts. Arrange parties in your home to listen to them and inform your neighbors to listen in.

FINAL MASS RALLY

On October 30, the United Labor Campaign Committee will hold the big final mass rally in Dreamland Auditorium. Nationally prominent rank and file labor orators and speakers from sympathetic organizations will be present to contribute to the program.

CAMPAIGN WORKERS WANTED.

All persons who can contribute work of any sort—speaking, typing, interviewing, distributing, etc.—are urged to report to the campaign headquarters, 747 Market street or to any of the other campaign offices.

There is particular need right now for SIGN PAINTERS.

# BITTER CLASH PREDICTED AT ATLANTIC CITY

## OPPOSING FORCES ARRIVE IN A.F.L. CONVENTION

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control of the miner business of their unions and resolved themselves subject to the orders of the executive council of the A. F. of L.

This question is expected to come to a head when the executive council's recommendation for a new anti-Communist amendment is considered. A speech by Philip Murray of the miners, on the building trades issue, denouncing A. F. of L. dictation of who can or cannot be members or officers of chartered organizations, indicates one possible line of opposition to this amendment, which would vest many unions representation if they elect officers of Communistic or other radical opinions.

Organizing campaigns have been urged in the south and in a number of different industries, decision being left to the executive council to act "if funds warrant."

Government representatives who have addressed the convention include Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins, Isman Madden of the Nat'l Labor Relations Board, Chairman Williams of the security board, Dodge, Berry, Coordinator of Industrial Relations, and Katherine Lenroot, director of the U. S. Children's Bureau.

About $46,000 has been collected by the Labor Chest for the Relief and Liberation of Workers of Europe, Isidore Matthew Wolf, chairman of the committee administering the fund. Of this, $21,750 has been sent to the International Federation of Trade Unions for the relief of refugees from Nazi Germany, and $11,553 to the Mooney-Billings Relief Committee.

## ☆ Not Sufficient.

"We have not yet done our bit," declared Isador Nagler of the Int'l Ladies' Garment Workers, taking the floor after Woll's report. He pointed out that British trade unions have spent nearly $1,250,000 on the victims of Fascism.

ATLANTIC CITY, Oct. 10.—Some 30 resolutions favoring industrial unionism in particular industries and unions, make up the largest group in the complete list of 246 resolutions introduced at the A. F. of L. convention. A dozen resolutions for a labor party are the next biggest group.

## ☆ U. S. Constitution.

Nine resolutions urge amendment of the U. S. Constitution, some calling for union struggle and militancy to make labor legislation stick, and some specifying the workers' rights amendment.

Half a dozen resolutions call for labor aid to Ethiopia and denounce Italian fascist aggression, some of them calling for removal of League of Nations sanctions against Italy.

Fascism in general, or in Germany, is also denounced in almost as many more resolutions, and the Hearst press is scored as Fascist in three or four more. Rep. Charles E. Coughlin gets a resolution to himself, introduced by Detroit auto workers, which flays him for "red union" and "anti-labor" policy and for tending "unmistakeably in the direction of Fascism."

Other popular subjects of resolutions are the Lundeen unemployment insurance bill, the child labor amendment, opposition to the use of militia and police against strikers, and a large number dealing with individual union grievances, strikes, etc. The brewery workers get the support of three resolutions in their jurisdictional dispute with the teamsters. Negro union rights are proposed in three resolutions, and defense of the Negro, Angelo Herndon, and the Scottsboro boys is urged in three others.

# War and Fascism Stressed by Fraternal Delegates Greeting American Federation of Labor

## British and Canadian Speakers Emphasize Growing Dangers in Speeches Before Atlantic City Labor Convention

By Federated Press

ATLANTIC CITY, Oct. 11.—War and Fascism figured large in the speeches of the British and Canadian fraternal delegates to the American Federation of Labor convention. Andrew Naesmith and Audrey Conley, representing the British Trades Union Congress, spoke of British attitudes to the present war and toward Fascism in Europe. Capt. J. A. P. Haydon, delegate from the Canadian Trades and Labor Congress, reported that Canadian labor is lined up with British labor in support of the application of League of Nations sanctions against Italy.

## ☆ Canada.

"We realize that if Great Britain becomes involved in war we cannot escape," Haydon said. "Therefore, at the recent convention in Halifax, Nova Scotia, the Canadian workers again declared themselves opposed to war but made some important qualifications with respect to the impending dispute.

"Canadian workers will oppose all wars of aggression and should Italy or any other nation become the aggressor, then Canadian workers call upon the League of Nations to invoke economic sanctions."

Departing somewhat from the anti-war tenor of his speech Haydon also mentioned the possibility of military sanctions when he delivered it.

## ☆ Great Britain.

Naesmith, an officer of the Amalgamated Weavers Association, spoke of the present increased armaments and war preparations and of the horrors which the next war will bring.

"Past experience suggests that world peace can no longer be guaranteed by armaments and that modern warfare can no longer be localized," he said.

# JAPAN MAKES NEW MOVE ON SOVIET BORDER

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the feeble United States embargo on war shipments.

Exporters are known to be engaged in shipment of huge quantities of munitions raw materials such as copper, and steel and cotton, and are anticipating heavier orders in view of the League embargo.

However, pacifist organizations meeting here are feeling the pressure of popular demand for enforcement of the embargo, and are considering opening an active campaign for rigidly enforcing every means of keeping the United States out of European war.

MOSCOW, Oct. 14.—The Soviet government strongly protested against the new Japanese provocations on the Manchurian frontier.

Soldiers yesterday clashed when Japanese troops crossed the border, several being killed and wounded.

LONDON, Oct. 14.—Litvinoff is en route to Geneva from Moscow, with a staff of economic experts and a list of proposals for effectively curbing Italy, providing all nations are made equally responsible for enforcement of the boycott.

NEW YORK, Oct. 12.—Italian bonds and securities are expected to fall even lower than during the past ten days, when League sanctions are applied. Prices reported slightly higher than last week with war speculation still a factor. Some securities are selling at half of par.

NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—The Communist Party has appealed to the Socialist Party, now meeting in Chicago, for United Action against Mussolini's war in Ethiopia. The letter urged a meeting between delegates of both parties to discuss a joint campaign.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Oct. 14.—A Negro and a white girl chained themselves to a post in the heart of the business district here while from nearby buildings a shower of leaflets filled the air calling for a demonstration against war.

TOLEDO, O., Oct. 14.—The Toledo City Council, at its regular meeting last Thursday, endorsed the district anti-war conference sponsored by the American League Against War and Fascism and appointed a delegate to participate officially for the city. The Council will provide the Civic Auditorium for a mass meeting.

# SAN FRANCISCO LABOR COUNCIL MEET IS QUIET

## CASEYS GOT TOGETHER, BUT DIDN'T SAY HOW

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 12.—Last night's meeting of the San Francisco Labor Council was quietly attended and very brief, coming to order at 8:15 and adjourning at 8:50.

A strike bulletin, issued by the Strike Committee of the Auto Mechanics' Union, No. 1305, was read to the Council by the secretary of the Union. The Mechanics reported that since they walked out men in the trade have been joining the union by tens and scores at a time.

A total of $25 in donations for the striking gold miners of Jackson was reported. The Bay Area Bakers' Local 24 and the three locals of the clothing workers have turned in donations totalling $45 for the defense of the eight miners of the maritime unions who were framed in Modesto. The California State Federation of Labor has (rather belatedly) urged the Council and local unions to contribute to the Modesto Defense Fund, and to the defense of Mooney and Billings.

The dispute between Mike Casey of the Teamsters, and Bill Casey of the Milk Wagon Drivers over declaring the Del Monte Creamery "unfair" is settled, according to an announcement of the Milkers' Union delegate. Just how it was settled was not announced, but the creamery does not go on the unfair list.

# FIGHT AGAINST FASCISM RALLY IN LOS ANGELES

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tober 25, at the Mason Opera House.

Resolutions passed unanimously included the demand on the local Italian Consulate that the Fascist troops be withdrawn immediately, and that the Italian Government pay full indemnity immediately to Ethiopia for destruction of life and property, enforcement of which Southern California Congress for the Repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Law and demanding of Gov. Merriam that the C. S. Law be immediately repealed; and the demand of President Roosevelt that a strong and effective embargo against Fascist Italy be immediately carried into effect.

Keynote of the mass meeting was struck by Floyd Covington, Negro leader of the Urban League, who said:

"We must struggle against Fascism all over the world—not on the basis of, people, but as one conglomerate mass fighting to smash war and Fascism!"

Similar sentiments were expressed by Rev. Garrison, of the Friends of Ethiopia, John Leech, Los Angeles Section organizer of the Communist Party, pledged the unstinting efforts of the Communist Party in the fight in behalf of Ethiopia and against war and Fascism.

Hilton Phillips, Negro poet, received several potshots on the defense of Ethiopia and against imperialistic war. Viola Reed pledged the militant support of 300 children in the Young People's Federation to the struggle and the Friends of Ethiopia and the American League Against War and Fascism.

Alonzo Townsend, Negro youth who faced trumped-up charges of disturbing the peace, because he fought against Jim-Crowism in the La Cienega CCC Camp, a severe-jolted young CCC boy, was introduced. Herschel Alexander, another militant Negro youth, aroused the audience with his colorful account of the disruptions against Negro boys in the CCC camps.

# Prosecution Fails To Prove Guilt of Gallup Defendants

## SHERIFF WAS KILLED BY BULLET FROM REVOLVER CARRIED BY DEPUTY

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not provoke a riot was shown by the fact that some 28 witnesses were called by the prosecution who failed to see any gun fired by the defendants or any overt act of violence committed by them. No guns were found on any defendant who was arrested.

On the close of the state's case, a defense motion to instruct the jury to return a verdict of not guilty was denied. Court officials here are alarmed over a rumor that Communists and Reds are marching to Aztec, which is over 90 odd miles of uninhabited bad roads from any relief settlement.

The court ordered Joe Bartol taken into custody and his bond revoked on the ground there was no evidence against him, although testimony at the trial failed to mention him except as a spectator in the alley.

# M'LAUCHLAN FACES CHARGES ON 3 C.S. COUNTS

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brought at the time the other two were dismissed, was also contained in the indictment.

McLauchlan must therefore face three charges as follows: Sale and distribution of literature advocating criminal syndicalism, possession of such literature, and membership in the Communist Party.

Revival of the two previous counts indicates that a serious attempt is being made to railroad McLauchlan to San Quentin, and that pressure is being applied from outside of Criminal Syndicalism reactionary finance capital in an effort to make the frame-up certain. Workers are urged to send immediate protests for the Governor, Judge Allen, Department, demanding the unconditional release of McLauchlan, and the prosecution instead of being raised Hooper and who severely slugged and beat the defendant.

Workers are also urged to pack the courtroom next Friday, Oct. 18, when McLauchlan is to be formally arraigned. At that time his defense is to file a notice of motion to dismiss the charges on the grounds that McLauchlan was not legally committed for trial and that other indictments for commitment was not shown.

Epics, Utopians, church groups, liberals and radicals are rallying to the support of 24-year-old lad in Orange County, and mass pressure is being generated to prevent the attempted frame-up. McLauchlan is now out on $5000 personal bail supported by property owners in Orange County. Defense is being conducted jointly by Charles M. Attle, of the International Labor Defense, and C. A. Wettner, of the American Civil Liberties Union.

# C. S. Conference In L. A. Gains Wide Support

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ror in Santa Rosa, the railroading of eight A. F. of L. men to from six months to five years in prison in Modesto, railroaded by a plot engineered by the Standard Oil Company; the whitewashing of the murder of Arthur Ross, militant International Longshoremen's Association member, by a "beef squad" thug in collaboration with the police in San Pedro.

Harry Steinmetz to Speak.

The Congress will start at 9 a. m. Keynote speech will be made by Harry Steinmetz, president of the San Diego Central Trades and Labor Council, on "The Menace of Fascism in California." In the afternoon the Congress will divide into the following commissions: trade unions, professional, unemployed, youth, political parties, fraternal, Church, cultural and social groups, and miscellaneous.

Organizations which have not yet elected delegates are urged to do so and to communicate immediately with the Conference for Labor's Civil Rights at 127 So. Broadway, Room 310.

In opposition to the Criminal Syndicalism Law has been expressed by the State Convention of the End Poverty League, last May; the State Federation of Labor convention, last July; the State Federation of Labor; and outstanding labor leaders, liberals, educators, jurists, radicals, as well as the rank and file of labor.

## ☆ Santa Ana Aroused.

Many organizations in Orange County are expected to send delegates in aroused anger against the attempted frame-up in Santa Ana of Charles McLauchlan, for being a member of the Communist Party. McLauchlan is charged with three counts under the C. S. Law.

Present indications in Southern California are to the effect that another vicious drive by reactionary forces on the fundamental rights of the people is impending. Increased vigilante terror, police brutality, and the drive for suppression of civil rights again, threaten.

The rallying of forces to the Congress indicates that the workers, farmers and middle class elements in Southern California are determined to put up a bitter fight against reaction in defense of their rights.

# FOUR SCALERS FACE FRAMED MURDER CHARGE

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nary elements within the union and the clash at the special meeting resulted.'

Several others were arrested and held on charges of "conspiracy to commit great bodily harm." Employers' lawyers figured prominently when charges against the men were being pressed. Several of the thugs responsible for this trouble were bailed out by the employer interests.

At a meeting of the Scalers held last week another body of armed thugs put in its appearance. The revival of these men connected with that of Peterson and Lewis, reactionary district officials of the International Longshoremen's Association, to which the Scalers are affiliated.

☆ Fakers Help.

Peterson had announced he was sent by International President Joseph Ryan to "investigate" the Scalers' Union. He attempted to force the men to reinstate the now expelled reactionary men who had taken the initiative in starting the trouble which resulted in the arrests and the framed up charges.

The Scalers' strike now is in conciliation proceedings. Hearings have been completed by the three federal conciliators but no actual progress has yet been reported.

Scalers at San Pedro, meanwhile, have signed an agreement with contractors there.

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# Milk Strike Still Militant in Fight Against Price Cut

CHICAGO, Oct. 10.—(FP)—Burned railroad bridges, blasted rails, dumped milk and cream, bruises and blood marked the first week of the militant milk strike here in the Chicago area. Striking farmers are being led by the Unity League, whose three aims are to bring to delivery milk are made the leadership of the Pure Milk Ass'n.

The Pure Milk Ass'n. normally speaks for the farmers and makes arrangements with the dealers or milk trust. At present the farmers are fighting that the association pays its officials excessive salaries and bends the knee too easily to the trust. The association agreed to have the price paid farmers for milk to be bottled slashed from $2.20 per 100 lbs. to $1.75 effective Oct. 1 when the strike broke out.

# San Francisco Labor Ticket Headquarters

The following headquarters have been opened by the United Labor Campaign Committee:

MAIN OFFICE: 747 Market st: (Phone: Sutter 4657.)

OTHERS: 68 Haight st. (Fillmore 6503.)

60 Commercial st: (Sutter 4658.)

2343 Market st.
1846 Union st.
1350 Grant ave.
2810 Diamond st.
3051 Geary st.
2544 Sth Bruno.
364 Third st.
779 Vallejo.



# EAST OF THE Rockies

## Labor Candidate Nominated Newspaper Strike Rhode Island A.F.L. Backs Labor Party Cotton Strike

DETROIT.—Maurice Sugar, Michigan's fighting labor attorney, was nominated for the Detroit City Council in the primary elections, running tenth out of 18 to get nominations for the nine councilmen positions. With one exception, he got the highest vote of any candidate opposing the incumbents, getting 18,325.

The result is regarded as a real victory for the labor ticket, on which he won. It is especially significant that he polled this high vote, despite vicious attacks by Frank X. Martel, reactionary prosecutor and head of the Central Labor Council.

NEW YORK—(FP)—Editorial workers of The New York American-Hearst News, one of the largest Negro newspapers in the country, have struck in answer to the firing of nine members of the American Newspaper Guild. The staff consists of 12 fulltime and 13 part-time workers.

The strike is being supported by the New York Newspaper Guild and the Negro Labor Committee.

Workers have tried to bargain collectively with the publishers since July, but the management refuses to negotiate with the guild. A Citizens' Committee, headed by Frank J. Cosgwell, Assistant to the Negro Labor Committee and general organizer for the Int'l Ladies Garment Workers' Union, and Editor Elmer T. Carter of Opportunity, tried in vain to get the publishers to arbitrate.

PROVIDENCE, R. I.—(FP)—By an overwhelming vote, the 35th convention of the Rhode Island State Federation of Labor meeting in Providence went on record in favor of a Labor Party. The executive council was instructed to call all A. F. of L. local unions and city central bodies to a state Labor Party convention within six months.

NEW YORK—(FP)—Today's stoppage called out 2,000 journeyman Tailors' Union No. 1 in New York City ended when the membership voted to accept an agreement with the Merchant Tailors' Society, granting a closed shop, hiring through the union, wage increases ranging from 10 to 15 per cent, equal division of work, and a study of the homework problem.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind.—(FP)—The military rule imposed on Terre Haute and Vigo county by Gov. Paul V. McNutt, the "Hoosier Hitler", when a general strike was declared, was upheld by the court on Oct. 7, when it denied an injunction to restrain Governor from keeping martial law in force.

MONTGOMERY, Ala.—(FP)—A wide range of wage increases for cotton pickers in the Alabama fields is the welcome fruit of the stubborn strike conducted by the Share Croppers' Union for $1 per 100 lbs. Negroes and whites struck solidly, despite systematic violence by planters and public authorities, during which three Negroes unionists were murdered and scores of others beaten, shot at, or terrifically beaten. While no planter is known to have paid the full dollar, many paid its equivalent—65c with two meals and 75c with one meal.

# Five Utah Relief Workers Convicted In Rioting Trial

SALT LAKE CITY, Oct. 15.—Sentences of six months to two years in the state prison for Judge Thurman to Solomon, Woolman, Sinclear, Shelley, and Allen after conviction on a charge of rioting brought in by a jury after a ten-day trial. The International Labor Defense has announced its intention to demand a new trial and appeal the case.

The verdict was secured by appeals to prejudice on the part of the prosecutor, as testimony showed the sheriff's deputies were on hand waiting for a chance to pick a fight against the defendants when they appeared to demand adequate relief. The prosecuting witnesses were caught in numerous inconsistencies when they tried to show that the workers came armed with clubs and stones.

# 1200 CUT OFF RELIEF IN L. A: FACING HUNGER

## MEN, WOMEN ORDERED INTO FIELDS ARE INEXPERIENCED

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 12.—Although relief officials admitted ignorance as to the means of employment available to the workers, 1200 relief workers in the San Fernando Valley were cut off relief rolls and their SERA registration cards marked "secured employment in agricultural fields" here today.

Assistant Los Angeles County Relief Administration Director Harold E. Pomeroy gave the order to drop the men from relief after growers and C. B. Moore, director of the Western Vegetable Growers Protective Association, declared they were unable to obtain pickers for lettuce at 40c an hour, getting $40 a month on the dole.

Many workers cut off are single women and a large proportion of those cut off are totally inexperienced in agricultural work.

"We assume that they will be able to make the $2.25 a day set by the county wage board, but we have no way of 'checking it because the workers will be paid by the piece," said "Fink" Pomeroy. "Some of them may not be able to make that much."

Although the workers have been notified to go to work in the fields, Pomeroy admitted the social service division is marking the registration cards "secured employment" and has also said that half of those "referred for work" have never reported or have been refused by the growers.

"Fink" Pomeroy further promised the growers that other clients will be cut from the relief rolls to be transported to the San Fernando Valley from the Govina and Buena districts.

# Italian War Stops Cheese, Olive Oil Shipments to U. S.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 7.—The Italian consul has notified the Kraft Phoenix Cheese Co., largest buyer of cheese imported by any one company in the United States, that due to Mussolini's invasion of Ethiopia, there will be no more shipments of Italian cheeses, olive oil and other food products from Italy to this country.

The Kraft Co. now has on hand two million pounds of Italian cheese on which it is raising the price cents per pound immediately.

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# FUR WORKERS' CONFERENCE OUTLINES UNITY PROGRAM

## Los Angeles and San Francisco Analyze Weak Points and Map Campaign to Organize in Other Fur Centers

The Pacific Coast Conference of the International Fur Workers' Union, Locals 79 and 87, held October 7th and 8th, in San Francisco, struck a solid note of unity between Los Angeles and San Francisco, and laid down a practical program for organization of the fur workers of the entire Pacific Coast.

This conference followed close after a period of intense organization in both cities. San Francisco witnessed a tremendous drive for unionization of the fur workers and a partially victorious strike, with recognition of the union and granting of improved conditions by the employers. The entrance of the Los Angeles local into the A. F. of L. was preceded by the signing of a new agreement between the union and the employers providing for wage increases and other general improvements.

## ☆ Objectives.

However, the conference did not stop at mere review. A critical analysis was made of the shortcomings as well as the victories. The San Francisco local has the task of preparing the ground for next year by completely organizing the fur workers. The weaknesses of the present agreement must be presented clearly to the workers so that a strong foundation may be laid for struggle next year to force a stronger agreement from the employers. Such conditions as higher wages, closed shop in the retail trade, equal division of work, and an employer-paid unemployment insurance fund, must be secured in order to safeguard the living standards of the San Francisco fur workers.

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# Juneau Scabs Get Ping-Pong; Miners Asked for Safety

## FREE BEER PASSED OUT TO STRIKE-BREAKERS IN COMPANY UNION

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 14.—The Alaska-Juneau Gold Mining Co., has announced, via the "Juneau Daily Empire", that "Club facilities" are to be installed for the use of the scabs now working the mine.

The strike bulletin of the Juneau mine workers comments:

"That will be a wonderful thing. Even the miners who went out on strike to improve conditions in the mine did not ask for 'club facilities.' Now we suppose the scabs will be learning to play ping-pong while waiting for the shift train . . . we were foolish enough to ask for ropes at dangerous places in the mine—ropes by which to go down and rescue our brothers, dead or alive, who had fallen into one of these numerous raises or ore chutes.

"We also asked for stretchers to carry these mortally wounded fools out of the mine in as much comfort and speed as possible. We asked that they might choose their own doctor to set their broken bones.

"We didn't know these requests were unreasonable. We beg pardon now. We see how much more important would be 'club facilities'."

Labor continues to reply militantly to the attempt to "buy off" the Co., with protests and resolutions and with donations to the defense fund for the nine workers charged with murder.

Meanwhile the company has organized the scabs into the "Juneau Mine Workers' Association." FREE BEER was featured in a recent invitation from the company to an affair given the scabs. The meeting took place in a building condemned as "unsafe" by the city.

# Ten Model Planes Tested in Flight

MOSCOW, Oct. 1.—Thirty-six planes, recently participated in a ten-day circuit of the Soviet Union, covering 4688 miles. The purpose of the test was to study the performance of light model airplanes suitable for mass production, it is declared some seven models designed by various Soviet airplane experimental laboratories.

# HOODLUMS CAME SAW THE CROWD AND WALKED OUT

## PLAN TO SMASH LECTURE BY DR. INGVOLDSTADT DOESN'T GO THRU

SAN DIEGO, Oct. 7.—An attempt of nearly 80 American Legionaires and a dozen plainclothesmen to break up the final of three lectures on the Soviet Union by Dr. Fred W. Ingvoldstadt here last night was abandoned because the thugs were too greatly outnumbered by the audience.

Seven hundred people were present, almost double the attendance of the previous evening. During Dr. Ingvoldstadt's second lecture he was asked if there were any fascist organizations in California. He mentioned Hearst's "Flying Squadron" and asked the audience if they knew any more.

Someone mentioned the American Legion and the audience laughed. While Dr. Ingvoldstadt was explaining that the rank and file of the Legion was alright but their leaders had sold out to the fascists a woman stood up in the audience and shouted, "Do you mean to stand up there on that platform, sir, and say that the American Legion has sold out to the fascists?"

An elderly working man came to his feet and shouted back, "Do you mean to stand there and insult this gentleman on the platform?"

Dr. Ingvoldstadt called for quiet and explained the fascist nature of the Legion leadership. The woman left in a huff.

On the following evening she returned with a dozen other women, all wearing Legion caps, and with the strong-arm squad of Legionaires and plainclothesmen behind them. A. E. Jansen, head of the Red Squad, was observed testing all the exits. And the Legionaires carefully took aisle seats where they could move swiftly.

While Ingvoldstadt was declaring his love for America the woman in the front row jumped up and shouted "You don't talk like it!" A worker sitting behind Jansen heard him say, "Now it's going to start."

But the "putsch" didn't get over. The Legionaires saw they were short-handed and walked out. A minute after, the police shuffled out, too.

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

# FOREIGN NEWS Briefs

## Where No AAA Exists Army in Egypt French Worries New Ships Building

SOVIET UNION—While the United States kills off its livestock and restricts its crops, with the effect that the average American no longer can afford such a luxury as pork, the Soviet Union is rapidly increasing its livestock herds.

To house the growing number of cattle properly during the winter, 800 million cubic meters, double the amount of last year, are being spent by the livestock breeding collective farms. It is estimated that nearly two million head of cattle, one million calves, about two and a half million pigs and three million sheep will be reared this year. Plans also are being built for ice breakers can be steered directly from the captain's deck cabin by means of wireless waves to the machine room. This facilitates manoeuvering when navigating in Arctic waters.

# Alaska Miners on Trial This Month On Rioting Charge

JUNEAU, Alaska, Oct. 7.—With the Grand Jury convening in Juneau Oct. 15, and with the trial expected to take place late in October, support continues to pour in from Alaska and from labor bodies of the States for the sixteen Juneau workers charged with rioting.

In their first leaflet headed "Hear Labor's Side," the Defense Committee has issued a statement that the sixteen union miners are innocent and proves its point by quoting Danielson's statement to the Seattle Times. The leaflet states, "But Ted Danielson, president of the scab company association which was formed to break the strike, spilled the beans when he boasted to a reporter in Seattle that "He led

# Rip Tides

By LaMac

With passionate oratory our national mis-leaders insist "our country must be kept out of war." . . . Well, who says we must enter any wars? "Anyway, Africa is a long way off." . . . Just a few weeks from Saturday, HEADLINES . . . SCORES OF ETHIOPIANS KILLED AS ITALY ADVANCES . . . And the following day—ETHIOPIANS MASSACRE 2500 ITALIAN TROOPS . . . It all depends upon who is being killed.

Not all the fakers have been kicked out of office along the waterfront . . . there are still a few receiving votes of confidence from the rank and file they have attempted to befuddle for years.

SCENE . . . A courtroom in the Hall of Justice . . . "And you say you are employed by the Dollar Steamship Lines?" . . . "Yes." . . . How long have you worked for them?" . . . "Since May, 1934." . . . (Voice from the rear) "Why he's a SCAB!"

A load of hot cargo on its way to a West Coast port (San Francisco, in all probability) . . . Another deliberate move on the part of the shipowners to force maritime workers into accepting the recent blatantly anti-union ruling of Arbitrator Sloss . . . But higher rulings than Sloss' have been smashed in the history of working class . . . Although the short-sighted employer can't see it . . . The arrival of a shipload of scab cargo from the Gulf is just the move that will weld together not only the West Coast but the entire coast of America.

The Seamen's attempt to negotiate for amendments to the finky, contradictory and unworkable "Arbitration Award" has been balked by the employers . . . through no fault of the rank and file negotiating committee . . . The committee had two strikes on its hands before they went to the arbitrators . . . and the first was through the expert maneuvering of the District Longshore officials—the Paddy-Morris-Lewis-Peterson outfit—who held control rank and file longshoremen at every turn. The second strike was called when the Seamen took the lead in refusing to handle hot cargo from Vancouver.

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## GULF STRIKE

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for the six-hour-day provision of the Longshore Award, Harry Bridges, president of the San Francisco dock workers, repeatedly has pointed out there are sufficient men within the union to handle the cargo.

Seamen this week are to vote upon recommendations brought in by the I.S.U. negotiating committee that the award amendments asked by the rank and file of the unions be made a minimum. Balloting also is being conducted on the question of renewal of the agreement.

Both moves indicate the sincerity of the seamen in demanding a peaceful settlement of their just requests for better working conditions, overtime pay and wage increases. Shipowners, after listening to the negotiations committee's proposals, terminated all negotiations.

Bargemen are back at work on the river boats pending settlement of their demands. The strike of scalers continued as contractors refused to grant certain demands put forward by the men. Federal conciliators have been sent to the bargainers at the latter port.

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## RANK AND FILE ABOLISHES JIM CROW UNION LOCAL IN SEATTLE

### NEGRO AND WHITE SEAMEN JOIN IN SOLIDARITY MOVE; FIGHT ON DISCRIMINATION GROWS.

By a Seaman.

SAN FRANCISCO.—The rank and file of the Marine Cooks and Stewards' Union, Negro and white, have shown their fine sense of solidarity by voting to abolish the Jim-crow branch of the M.C.S. at Seattle. At a special meeting, at which the great majority present were Negro workers, a final vote was taken and the result was 68 for abolishing the Jim-crow union to nine against.

Attempts were made by the fak-ers Johnson and his lieutenants to amend the motion for abolishment of the Colored Branch with a proposition to abandon the present hall of that branch but to maintain a separate Colored agent as well as a separate organization. This was rejected by the membership.

The Porterfields, Johnsons, Burkes, and Modines had hoped the Negro brothers at the special meeting would support a move for maintenance of the Jimcrow Branch. But white and Negro workers present made hearty appeals for unity and the fakers were badly licked.

☆ **Fakers Spread Rumbors.**

However, the fakers do not rest assured that these fakers will finally abandon their activities and attempts to break up the unity and the union. Already Ben Porterfield, the one-time Colored agent at Seattle has spread a rumor that the workers are preparing to take away from the hall of the Negro workers from the dissolved union. All these rumors and misleading statements of the fakers have one purpose—to split the unity between Negro and white members.

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BY BEAU VINCENT

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By a Worker Correspondent.

GLENDALE, Calif.—After the gang finished the morning shift (Oct. 8) on the Forest Lawn Project, about a dozen workers went to the Los Angeles County Relief Administration office here to demand direct relief checks due some of the workers. Some of them had received their checks, but volunteered to go to see that the others got theirs.

They elected a spokesman before entering the building and proceeded to the information desk where they demanded to see the person in charge of the office. They were sent to Miss Holly. She heard their grievances and took the names of those who did not receive their checks on Monday.

☆ **A Bum Explanation.**

After looking in the files she explained that the checks for one week's work that amounted to more than the relief allowance for two weeks would not retieve any more relief date last week.

But on the other hand, about half the workers of either classification received relief checks for this week. When asked why some had received checks this small budget classification and so because of the "imperfection of the new WPA. machinery." But this didn't explain why those with larger budget schedules did not get their checks.

☆ **Grocery Orders Won.**

Miss Holly was forced to admit two of the workers were entitled to relief for this week. But she said it would take over a week for the checks to reach them, because of the red tape.

So they each accepted a grocery order for over $6, with a promise they would receive the balance of their relief allowance for this week at a later date.

After leaving the office the workers decided that a larger committee should be raised on the job tomorrow and it should go to the main office in Los Angeles. Five workers signed up applications for membership in the Public Works and Unemployed Union right there.

## Relief Stoppage Drives Unemployed Into Ariz. Fields

By a Worker Correspondent.

TUCSON, Ariz.—Governor of Arizona B. B. Moeur closed relief to the poverty stricken workers, threatening that if they don't go out to pick cotton they will not get more relief or groceries. I am one of the workers myself.

I was out to the relief office the other day and the bosses had a policeman there rounding up the workers. He told us there was no more relief on groceries and to go to the re-employment office, the farmers had trucks there to take us to the fields.

The cotton farmers are enjoying a fairly good crop this year. They get $12 per hundred pounds of short staple cotton and the pickers get 75 cents a hundred for picking. All the farmers in the Salt River Valley and Sporting Heart near Ford V8's, Plymouths, and Chevrolets while the pickers ride in dilapidated Model T's and other wrecks of 1920 and five on beans, and tortillas.

## Delegates to Penal Congress Kept From Seeing Thaelmann

BERLIN, Oct. 10.—The German Minister of Justice Guertner, who promised the foreign delegates to the International Penal Congress held last month in Berlin, that they would be allowed to see anything they wanted, was seriously embarrassed by a request to speak to Ernst Thaelmann, imprisoned leader of the Communist Party of Germany, whose trial is planned for the beginning of October. A delegation consisting of two English, one American, one French, one Belgian, and one Spanish jurist, was allowed to look down upon a distant prison courtyard where officials pointed out a prisoner as being Thaelmann. One of the English delegates reported that the distance was too great for him to be able to say whether it was really Thaelmann or not. The only impression they had of the prisoner was that he appeared to have suffered greatly under the lengthy imprisonment. The delegation was later shown an empty cell and told that it was Thaelmann's. At no time were they allowed to speak to Thaelmann or to approach him.

According to a reliable report from Leipzig Chimovsky, the Polish delegate to the Congress was assaulted by storm troopers for failing to salute the swastika flag at a Nazi parade.

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SERA SUPPLIES MONEY FOR NUT PICKERS' PAY
WORKERS GET WAGES BY ACTION OF PWUU


By Unemployed Worker.

WHITTIER, Calif.—Pressure by the Public Workers and Unemployed Union, Local 38 here, has won a victory for the Mexican workers on relief, producing at the same time the amazing admission of the SERA paying the wages for the walnut growers.

The Mexican workers were cut off relief and told to find nut picking walnuts, even though the growers would not pay them until the end of the season. Although practically every member of the families worked long hours in the Walnut groves, the workers could not even buy clothes even then to make up their budgets.

Last week a grievance committee from the PWUU forced the SERA authorities to put the workers back on relief with their regular checks.

As a result the workers are receive $3 per cent of what the earn picking walnuts. Thus the SERA is supplying the payroll of the growers.

## Buffalo WPA Strike

BUFFALO, N. Y.—(FP)—Led by a full-blooded American Indian, some 2000 relief workers are striking against the Roosevelt wage of $55 a month on Buffalo WPA projects.

## East Bay PWUU Has First Birthday Fete

OAKLAND, Calif., Oct. 10.—A birthday party, celebrating the first year of its existence, was given by the Public Works and Unemployed Union at the hall of Local No. 4 last Saturday night. Lloyd Harris, and several other charter members of the local spoke briefly to the crowd of 400 who attended.

Dancing and refreshments were free.

## Solidarity Action in Four Ports Kept The King from Landing Any Tea

of the Boston Gazette. The Sons of Liberty were organized. They bassed out handbills calling for eternal vigilance, for action at the first move. The Abstainence League pinned posters to the doors of merchants carrying British goods, threatening them with financial ruin through boycott if they sold one penny worth of the English goods.

☆ **Cussing Out "Trouble Makers."**

Hutchinson fumed. He called the colonists and their able leaders "atheists"; he called them "blackguards"; he said no honest man "would care to meet them in the dark." They were "agents of the Devil himself.

He called his military aides. He discussed a state of siege throughout the town. The military aides said it was best not to try. The troops deserted to the American cause if they were pushed. Only the officers—the effort, the frigates were sure and loyal. The troops, such as appeared, were a queer from the streets; the deserters hailed and welcomed by the militant Americans. Arrest the leaders? There were too many of them. Force to protect the jails from what would be inevitable.

According to the law of the time, if a vessel did not discharge cargo within 20 days of landing, the King claimed the cargo and it could be landed by whatever means were at the disposal of his agents. If it could not, it was seized.

☆ **Colonists Stood Fast.**

The colonists did not retreat. They could not even if the tax on tea was a tax on liberty. Repeal the tax. Let the colonists bring forward a new, organized, democratic society and peace would bring throughout the land. One false move by the henchmen of reaction, and the leaders refused to accept responsibility for the temper of the American people. Once yes, but liberty before peace.

Rotch quailed. At his own peril, he was ordered by the Committee of Correspondence to demand a pass from the Governor. But the Governor, as Governors do, stupped town. He waited far from Boston for the 20th day. On the morning of the 19th day, people began pouring into the Old South Meeting Hall. Seven thousand packed its seats and sat in the aisles while Rotch searched for the Governor. One speaker after another spoke and spoke ably on liberty for America. They would continue the meeting for a day or so long and only so long as he gave them freedom and not ruin. There was no more relief on groceries. The crowd waited. At six in the evening Rotch returned, crestfallen. He had been refused the pass. The crowd smiled. No sympathy was aboard while Samuel Adams climbed on the rostrum. His words are immortal words.

☆ **Cargo "Cooled Off."**

"WE can do no more to save the nation!" The responsibility lay on the King. Up sprang young Rowe, a member of the Committee, an able and intelligent leader. He said only this: "I wonder how tea would mix with salt water!"

And even as he spoke, 50 American colonists, disguised as Mohawk Indians, were at the entrance to the huge hall, their war whoops the signal for the greatest outburst America had ever known. The rest is history.

Comrades longshoremen: This is AMERICAN history. It should be taught to Willie Hearst.

## How Our Colonial Forefathers Picketed the Docks in Fight With George III

By Anonymous.

Living on the West Coast and having as keen an Docks World Hall page after page of his Examiners and Americans with statements that the longshoremen's refusal to handle hot cargo is a "Mostow" maneuver—that it is "un-American" to picket, to jump, out and out Communism—he urges me to retell a story that should be deep in the consciousness of every real American. It is the story of Hot Cargo—Hot Cargo on which the first great American Retolution was nurtured and bred. It is the story—you know it well—of the Boston Tea Party. And this is the story. Any authentic history which deals with the period will corroborate it.

The King of England, George III, had in 1770 proclaimed a tax upon tea—the sweetest and possible commodity from salt to newspapers. It included tea. It included soap. It was drastic, although the tax was nominal. Of course, the Americans had nothing to say about the passing of a rumor-ridden. The workers are beginning to take away from the hall of the Negro workers from the dissolved union. All these rumors and misleading statements of the fakers have one purpose—to split the unity between Negro and white members.

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## Business Conditions and the United Labor Ticket

The term "business conditions" is a large section of the public mind, implies the pulse of prosperity. And these same people approach the Labor Ticket for the coming Municipal elections with the question, "What effect would a Labor Ticket administration have upon business conditions in general?"

Business conditions will improve in direct ratio to the improved welfare of the people. Unscrupulous profiteers who regard "business" as unbridled license to prey upon the people, will be definitely hampered. To orthodox business enterprises, the payment of fair wages will mean the creation of buying public more nearly capable of supporting their establishments.

The term "Business" applies to that process whereby employers take back into their cash register the money which they very recently paid out their pay windows. Bad business means that the working man is broke. By making San Francisco a 100 per cent union town, by enforcing union wages, the six-hour day and five-day week, San Francisco labor will get a more fair return for the work it performs and there will be a healthier crop of pay checks for the cash register to harvest.

The viewpoint that cheap labor makes good business is the viewpoint of a buzzard. It is the impulse that moves American millionaires to invest large capital in China. The lower the standard of living of the masses, the more easier are the bloodsuckers of Wall Street to build a factory among them to exploit their misery. It can be assumed from the start that any man of such degenerate character as to want to rear prosperity on a foundation of poverty and despair, would not vote the United Labor Ticket under any circumstances.

The Labor Ticket is a movement of the working men, the middle classes and the liberals. Its every purpose is toward the improved welfare of the people. Not toward sacrificing their welfare to the profits of Wall Street.

## Support the Gallup Defense by Rushing Funds

The trial of the ten heroic miners of Gallup began last Monday in a tiny town in New Mexico, whose town because of its inaccessibility and the hope of developing profits against the defendants is unchecked by the International Labor Defense and the other workers' organizations rallied behind the defense.

The I. L. D., however, has carried its campaign of enlightenment into Aztec itself, and as a consequence its leaders, particularly Frank Spector who is well known to Californian workers, were threatened with mob violence.

The leaflet distribution had been so effective that a change of venue was considered. Some other effective means of removal from contact with working class ideas was to be chosen, as Aztec has originally been selected.

Last week the federal government abducted 30 witnesses for the defense, whose abduction was carried through under the guise of "deportation." The aim, however, is clear. Just as the Gallup coal bosses kidnaped Robert Minor and David Lasswell, on the eve of the trial of these ten miners, the federal government is proceeding to cripple this defense through violent removal of the defense witnesses.

The local bosses, the state officials and courts of New Mexico, and the federal government are conspiring to railroad these ten innocent strike leaders to the electric chair. Their aim is to smash the trade-union movement in New Mexico, by terror and by robbing the New Mexico workmen of ten of their most heroic leaders.

The threat is against every trade-union in the United States.

Funds are desperately needed, to transport witnesses, to pay attorneys, to issue publicity and rally support of hundreds of organizations behind the support of the frame-up murder charges. Raise the matter in your organization immediately. Elect a member of your union to the National Gallup Defense Committee.

Collect money from every conference.

Send all funds to Frank Palmer, secretary-treasurer, National Gallup Defense Committee, 80 East 20th street, New York City.

## The Comintern On the United Front

... at the present historical stage it is the main and immediate task of the international labor movement to establish the united fighting front of the working class. For a successful struggle against the offensive of capital, against the reactionary measures of the bourgeois, against fascism, the bitterest enemy of all the toilers, who, without distinction of political views, have been deprived of all rights and liberties, it is imperative that unity of action be established between all sections of the working class, irrespective of what organization they belong to, even before the majority of the working class unites in the international platform for the overthrow of capitalism and the victory of the proletarian revolution." (Resolution of the VII World Congress.)

## Mooney—A Worker In the Bosses' Courts

There is nothing like a fact, a cold, hard fact, to break an illusion. We have in capitalist America the illusion that we live in a democracy which provides justice equally for all. That illusion is a bit watered, with a certain cynism that admits a bandit who robs a bank will go to jail, while a crooked banker goes to Congress. But still the illusion exists and is fostered by the schools, capitalist newspapers, etc.

The case of Mooney and Billings is one of those illusion-busting facts. Crooked politicians, at the behest of Big Business, hired a gang of perjurors to frame him for a bombing outrage. Some first class attorneys defended him, but he was convicted and sentenced to [illegible]. His attorneys conducted a purely "legal" defense, with insufficient mass pressure put on the courts by the working class.

Then the workers in Russia massed in a demonstration for Mooney's freedom that saved him from the noose. That should have been enough to convince the laywers that a capitalist court will deal out just as much "justice" as the workers fight for. But lawyers don't learn very well.

Followed years of legal maneuvers and squabbles. The perjurers admitted their perjury; the trial judge and jury petitioned for his release; appeals were filed, citations were made, petitions argued. But Big Business wanted Tom Mooney in San Quentin and its courts didn't give a hoot for all the legal talent in the Western Hemisphere.

A demand was made for a new trial on one of the old indictments, 18 years after the first trial. The state hedged. Twenty thousand workers demonstrated in San Francisco, and again 15,000 demonstrated; lesser demonstrations were called. He got the new trial. Mooney, the working man, got just as much justice as his fellow workers were willing to fight for.

In the second trial he was acquitted. The lawyers, still unable to learn, were amazed at the difficulties in getting him out after that.

More legal maneuvers—at infinitum. This world famous prisoner can't even get into the procedure of the State Supreme Court for the present habeas corpus hearing. A two-bit referee is assigned to aid and abet the prosecutors in their attempt to bedevil the proceedings with prejudice.

And so it goes. Mooney's attorneys prepare a very learned document, presenting evidence, citing precedents and laws and decisions, all conclusively proving that Mooney is entitled to his freedom. The judges take that document, and after some careful deliberations hand down a decision, equally learned and full of citations, proving with equal conclusiveness that Mooney is right where he belongs.

Then the workers mass in tens of thousands, demanding justice for Mooney and the courts can find no learned answer to their pronouncements. They grant the current plea of Mooney's attorneys.

That the workers are unwise ever to rely on the advice of these legalistic lawyers is shown by the state of Billing's case. His lawyer, Edwin V. McKenzie, advised him to give up all mention of frame-up in his fight. Billings did. Now he can't even get a parole, while Tom Mooney, Supreme Court refused Billings' appeal they pointed out that he had ceased to talk frame-up, and so what was his appeal based on?

If either Mooney or Billings are freed on a habeas corpus writ, a pardon, or what have you, it will be only because the workers, by mass demonstrations, by strikes if necessary, back the legal maneuvers for his release.

## Los Angeles Fight To Repeal the C. S. Law

To the people of Southern California, the call has been issued for the Southern California Conference for Repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Law, Against Vigilantism and For Democratic Rights.

This Congress is the answer of the people to the challenge that has been issued by the reactionary monopolist interests who are attempting to throttle every vestige of democracy in an effort to smash the militant labor movement. This challenge over the frame-up of the seven prominent labor militants and civil rights must be and will be accepted in a militant, fighting spirit.

Conclusive proof of the drive of industrialists is offered by the open vigilantism now rampant on the waterfront in San Pedro and elsewhere, by brutal police and thug terrorism in smashing workers' demonstrations, by the arrest of Charles McLanchlan in Santa Ana on charges of Criminal Syndicalism because he dared to lead militant unemployed and agricultural workers in their struggle for a decent standard of living.

The Criminal Syndicalism Law is the backbone and weapon of the fascist reaction upon the fundamental civil rights of the working class. It is a class law legislated into existence by the will of the bosses and used exclusively to prosecute militant workers and working class leaders.

The answer to these attacks must come in a united front of all non-fascist, pro-labor organizations welded into unity by their common fight to maintain their fundamental rights. The campaign waged by the Workers Defense Union in 1922-23 was instrumental in causing the six-year truce on Criminal Syndicalism arrests.

This new campaign against the criminal death knell for the C. S. Law; this campaign must consolidate the defense of democratic rights beyond assault.

This campaign can be completely successful if it receives the wholehearted support of every fair-minded person and organization in the State of California. Raise the question of the Congress in your organization; get delegates elected; see that your friends attend the Congress.

BUILD THE DEFENSE OF OUR DEMOCRATIC RIGHTS

The Southern California Congress for the Repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Law will be held this Sunday, October 20, at Danish Auditorium, 1359 West 24th street, Los Angeles. Registration of delegates will begin at 9 a. m., the Congress at 10:00 a. m.

## Party Life

### ParityMembers Under 25 Must Work in Y. C. L.

The Young Communist League is our most important mass organization, which the Communist Party is responsible to help build. The Party units bear a great political and organizational responsibility for building and guiding the YCL. In order to carry out this responsibility, the Party must strengthen its leadership over the youth. The importance of recruiting young workers may be seen from the following statement of Comrade Lenin, made in 1915. "These are war times. The youth decides the issue. First of all the working youth, but also the student youth."

Just how can our Party units and Sections gain leadership over the youth? The District Organ. has outlined the following steps to be taken by Party members to recruit youth into the Y.C.L.

1—Each Party unit assigns all comrades under 25 years of age to Y.C.L. work. These comrades are not formal representatives of the Party to the Y.C.L., but mature comrades who will participate in all activities of the Y.C.L. and help it formulate its policies and carry out decisions for organizational results. Where there is a Y.C.L. unit corresponding to the Party unit, these comrades are assigned to help build this unit. Where there is no corresponding Y. C. L. unit, the comrades under 25 are assigned to gather up all youth contacts in the territory and build a Y. C. L. unit.

2—In order to coordinate the work between the Party and the Y. C. L., the Party should select one Y. C. L. member from the corresponding Y. C. L. unit to meet with the Party Unit Buro. This also holds true on a Section scale. The Section Committee should assign one member to the Y. C. L. Section Committee. Also, vice versa.

In the present membership drive of the Party, which is from Sept. 15 to Dec. 15, it is a distinct fact that only six out of our twenty Party Sections assigned themselves quotas of Y. C. L. members. This is another indication that our comrades are not yet aware of the importance of building our youth movement.

The Party unit, with the aid of the representative from the Y. C. L. corresponding unit, is responsible to gather up all youth contacts in the particular shop or neighborhood, assign comrades to visit them, and try to recruit the best element into the Y. C. L. These contacts must be worked with youth literature, and checked up on just as systematically as the unit check on Party contacts.

We have many Party comrades in mass organizations and trade unions in which there are also youth contacts. The Party fraction is responsible for seeing that the youth in those organizations are drawn closer to the movement and finally recruited into Y. C. L. In most cases, if this is done, special youth fractions can be formed in these same mass organizations.

Besides concentrating on the youth in our own left-wing organizations and the trade unions, the Party should see that capable youth comrades are sent into fraternal and church organizations. Very good work can be done in these groups, as is seen by the tremendous response from just such organizations in connection with the American Youth Congress movement. Regular reports of work done by the youth in all organizations must be made to the Party, so that proper guidance can be given.

The younger members in the Party unit must see that open unit meetings are held at regular intervals with youth contacts present, where an explanation of the role of the Y. C. L. is given, and an attempt made to recruit these contacts to the Y. C. L.

The above tasks must become the concern of every Party member. With a thorough understanding of these tasks, and with a determined effort on the part of every Party member to carry them out, we can, in a short time destroy one of the main bases of war and fascism by making ourselves the leaders of the masses of California youth.

—Dist. Org. Dept. 7

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

## Standard of Living is Rising in Soviet Union

### Food Prices Up in America; Down In U.S.S.R.

NEW YORK—(FP)—A sharp increase in living costs of American wage earners in September is reported by the National Industrial Conference Board, employers' research group.

A boost of 0.10 of 1 per cent from August to September raised general living costs 3.1 per cent higher than September, 1934, and 16.6 per cent above the low of April, 1933.

Food prices were up 1.3 per cent over August, and 6.1 per cent over September a year ago. They were 37 per cent higher than in April, 1933.

Rents rose 0.10 of 1 per cent from August, a gain of 15 per cent since the beginning of 1934. Clothing prices have advanced 22.6 per cent since the low point of 1933.

By Anna Louise Strong.
(Federated Press)

MOSCOW—(FP)—Abolition of the food card system together with a drop in food prices ranging from 10 to 30 per cent is the gift which this year's harvest, based on improved methods of collective farm production, has given to the Soviet consumer.

This marks the successful conclusion of 7-year struggle to industrialize the country and to modernize and mechanize its agriculture. It marks also the beginning of the fulfillment of the promise of the Second 5-Year Plan, which is "to double or triple the standard of living."

The card system for bread, followed by other products, began in 1928 at the beginning of the First 5-Year Plan. The plan contemplated the rapid industrialization of the country and the increase in food output to a level that would be attained in a distant future. It was clear, if this is done, special youth fractions can be formed in these same mass organizations.

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And he will find the unemployed aren't the timid damfools he thinks when we get organized. We intend to organize them in spite of betrayals by such as Lillian Monroe and her henchmen.

Comradely,
J. J.

### Farm Incomes Better In Russia As They Produce More

Russian farming in 1928 was largely that of individual peasants, whose low rate of production had hardly advanced since the middle ages and who were quite incapable of keeping pace with the increased demands imposed by the cities. This led to increasing pressure upon the food supply and this, in turn, encouraged speculative prices, which tended to rise still higher when the increasing factories absorbed all unemployment and twice as many people were getting wages as before.

To protect factory wage scales from the steady rise of speculative prices, the Soviet government instituted the card system, whereby the most necessary groups of industrial workers were permitted to buy fixed amounts of food products at a definite price, frequently below the cost of production, and assuming, therefore, to a government subsidy to a newly-organized industry.

As the individual farms were replaced by large-scale collective farms, the proportion of grain, in the hands of the government grew, But in the early years, collective farms were still too badly organized to supply enough grain to give the land that surplus of food products which would eliminate the all speculation based on scarcity. The government, therefore, added more and more categories of people to its card system until by far the greater part of the city population was receiving part of its products on these strictly rationed cards. The system was cumbersome, but it accomplished what was insured all workers of at least a minimum food supply at low prices.

☆ Socialized Farming.

The rapid development of agriculture in the collective farms resulted in the 1934 crop in a gain surplus which made possible the abolition of the bread card system on Jan. 1, 1935. Cattle-breeding and sugar beet production lagged behind grain production, but striking progress has been made in those fields this year. The 1935 harvest of sugar beets indicates a growth of 20 per cent for the coming year, above the gain of 17 per cent this year over last.

There is now also from 35 to 40 per cent more fish reaching the market than there was a year ago, with indications of a further increase of 45 per cent next year. The marketable resources of meat have grown by 30 per cent and promise to increase next year by 30 per cent in comparison with this year. Milk, eggs and butter

### Business Decline Seen This Winter

NEW YORK, Oct. 8.—The Alexander Hamilton Institute, in its forecast for the last quarter of 1935, predicts a decline in industrial production. The increased manufacture activity in the summer quarter has piled up huge stores of surplus goods, which must be sold out by drastically reducing manufacturing activity.

## WORKERS' OPEN FORUM

25 CENTS AN HOUR

Fresno, Calif.

Editor, Western Worker:

Cotton season is good, high pay for farm labor, according to the 2-cent, boot-licking "aristocrats." W. Lee Sonderberg and Ben Mullis, manager and assistant manager of the State Employment office at Fresno.

This they asserted when I made a remark about the 25 cents an hour to my friend when we were signing up for a job in grapes. And to top off the iron and gall, Ben Mullis said, "Please don't show your work card for the job in the waiting room or we will have a crush of 500 men down here inside of two minutes."

It happened that we were the only two out of 25 lining up who answered the notice on the blackboard, so we laughed in his dumb face.

WORKERS NEED SONG

Long Beach, Calif.

Editor, Western Worker:

As the working class struggle for emancipation becomes more intensified, one of the important features of working class propaganda will be songs which shall reflect the idealism and hope for the building of a new social system.

We have too few working class songs which represent these ideals. The I.W.W. wrote a number of songs which were popular in their time. While crude, these songs did reflect the inspirations and aspirations of the workers, and therefore they did their work.

Unfortunately, however, the airs were borrowed from old "Gospel Hymns" of a by-gone period. The words of these songs should reflect the spirit of revolution. They should be simple in wording, easy of meter and not difficult for chorus singing.

I hope that you may find these suggestions worthy of publication in the Western Worker and that there will be a response from those interested.

Yours for Solidarity,
H. F. K.

### Ariz. Relief to Stop

PHOENIX, Ariz., Oct. 8.—(FP)—FERA activities in Arizona will end Nov. 1, according to Administrator Florence Warner. Transient camps will be closed and relief to be met ended, she said. There are approximately 3000 "unemployables. There are about 18,000 on FERA relief rolls. Arizona transient camps have about 3300 homeless and jobless. Since Sept. 21 no new recruits have been accepted.

## World Events
### By Emmett Kirby

### World Capitalists Cry "Peace" for Profits' Sake

Just as the munitions industries of the United States have indicated that they will not abide by the neutrality act and its embargo on munitions to Italy, but are devising means to evade it—similarly the pressure of capitalist greed is manifesting itself in Europe. The swollen profits of mass murder are being looked upon by hungry eyes of all the capitalists in the cross-ridden world.

The result is that the League of Nations, having taken the decisive step of voting sanctions against fascist Italy as a warmaker, is now going exceedingly slow in figuring out what to do next. The way is clearly mapped in Article XVI, whose provisions could put an effective world boycott on the aggressor nation by cutting off not only munitions but all export and import. This applies not only to League members, but through a blockade to all nations.

But so far the only definite act has been the lifting of the arms embargo on Ethiopia.

☆ Austria-German Gateway.

Both Austria and Hungary refused to vote for sanctions. These, together with fascist Germany, add a new route besides Spain through which Mussolini could get supplies from the rest of the world. Goods can be sent to Germany and shipped through Austria and on over the Italian border. Loans could be handled much the same way, thru new companies which would mushroom into existence.

How effective this possibility is can be seen through the fact that from Roumania Italy now gets a large part of its oil and gasoline and by-products thereof. The route from Roumania to Rome lies directly through Hungary and Austria, and the oil fields which Roumania got as her price for entering the world war can supply Mussolini a long time. Moreover, a blockade through here is practically impossible.

However, a boycott effected by the rest of the world can shut off Italy from the other war materials she needs.

To limit the embargo to munitions solely is to play with the situation. To be effective it must include gasoline, oil and petroleum products; cotton, wool, copper, iron, steel, nickel, rubber, textiles, foodstuffs—indeed a long list of articles to fill this column. Most chemicals and metals would be included.

And that's where the rub comes in. Japan is the biggest German mean a great variety of chemicals to Italy. Not to mention loans and credits.

☆ Safeguard Peace.

With such a luscious market opened finance capital and the munitions makers of democracies do not want to be dictated to by Geneva. Of course, the opposition to effective boycott, which would mean a blockade to Italy, is being opposed, not for the real reason above stated but sanctimoniously in the name of peace. "To take such drastic measures means that an incident will occur out of which a world war will spread." Is the gist of their argument.

The capitalists have, since 1914-1918, looked back with envy upon the position the United States held during the first years of that war—supplying huge orders of profitable munitions without getting into the fight itself. All profit and little risk. In the crisis that effects them all, they see the present opportunity as the gate to their promised land. And no pressure is being brought to bear to halt Geneva short of taking the really effective steps.

Against this capitalist greed only one force can be effective.

The working class of Europe has forced such steps for collective action for peace by outlawing war, as have been taken.

In the United States similar demonstrations of the whole working class against supplying finances, munitions and raw materials through any channel whatever, must be instituted immediately. Imperialist wars, and the fascism which breeds them, must be outlawed and crushed and the United States take its place in that movement. To accomplish that is our job.


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## REFERN MASON SCORES LATEST HERNDON ORDER

EMERGENCY CALL TO SAVE NEGRO LEADER GETS QUICK RESPONSE

### Three Objectives

SIGNATURES, FUNDS AND PROTESTS NEEDED TO CONTINUE FIGHT

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 17.—Instantly responding to the emergency call announcing that the U. S. Supreme Court had refused to review the case of Angelo Herndon, and had ordered him to surrender to Georgia "authorities on Oct. 24, scores of organizations here and in the East Bay have joined into action behind the protest movement.

The United Labor Campaign Committee for a Labor Ticket in the coming Municipal elections, last immediate action when news was received. Redfern Mason, president of the Northern California Newspaper Guild and candidate for Mayor on the Labor Ticket, instantly wired the U. S. Supreme Court in the name of the Committee, demanding that they review the case. He likewise telegraphed Governor Talmadge of Georgia, urging that he use his powers to free Herndon.

☆ Relief Demonstration.

Herndon, a young Negro organizer of the unemployed, was arrested for leading a relief demonstration in Georgia. He was indicted on a charge of "attempted insurrection" and, under this circumstances, he considered inhuman and un-American."

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SOLD OUT THE PEOPLE TO THE PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY

### Framers of Mooney

DAILY NEWS MAKES ABOUT FACE AND SUPPORTS HEARST'S ROSSI

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 18.—Complicity of Hearst's Rossi in selling out the interests of the people of San Francisco and delivering the giant public Hetch Hetchy water system into the profiteering hands of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company was bitterly scored by William Sanders, candidate for supervisor on the Labor Ticket, in a radio speech last Tuesday night.

☆ Mooney Framers.

The Pacific Gas and Electric Company, huge capitalist monopolists with a controlling finger in almost every industry of the state, is the firm which engineered the railroading of Tom Mooney. They also were the instigators of the "Associated Farmers", an organization of bankers and wealthy packers, which financed and carried through the railroadings of the eight Sacramento Criminal Syndicalism prisoners.

Speaking over Station KGGC in the air, the mighty Rossi Broadcasts between 7:15 and 7:30 o'clock, Sanders, who is a member of the Ornamental Iron Workers' Union, declared, "For the past ten years last June when the electric power from this vast project was handed to the P. G. & E. for two million dollars, which was $165,000 less than if cost the city to produce.

☆ Illegal Deal.

"A short time ago, Secretary of Interior Ickes declared this sell-out illegal under the old Reclamation of the Raker Act. This throws the matter back into the lap of the city and the problem must be solved within the next year."

Sanders also scored the present support of Hearst's Rossi given by the SAN FRANCISCO EIGHT CRIMINAL SYNDICALISM PRISONERS, declaring the hypocrisy of this support by reading from an editorial which appeared in the SAN FRANCISCO NEWS on June 20, 1925, condemning Rossi as a betrayer of the people. The editorial read:

"The people of San Francisco have been sold out.

"They spent $55,000,000 and 15 years building a tremendous water and power project in the mountains.

"Today, the people's project was turned over, lock, stock and barrel to the Power Trust.

"The people of San Francisco, who spent their millions for cheap water and cheap electricity—

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## STATEMENTS ON HERNDON CASE

### Georgia Railroading Scored by Nine Opinions

NEW YORK, Oct. 16.—The following are among the hundreds of statements made by prominent Americans affirming their confidence in the innocence of Angelo Herndon, whose case the U. S. Supreme Court has just refused to review:

CONGRESSMAN J. H. HOEPPEL

"I am satisfied that Angelo Herndon did not receive a square deal."

CONGRESSMAN FRED HILDEBRANDT

"In my opinion, a verdict rendered under a 'slave insurrection' statute, which, under the circumstances, he considered inhuman and un-American."

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## Educator Ordered to Leave

### Deportation Sought For Supporting Union Labor

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 16—Protest over the attempted deportation of James Branch, prominent San Francisco laborite and long a resident of this country, are expected to be carried to the floor of the British House of Commons. The Independent Labor Party in England has taken up the fight and is reported as having instructed its representatives in the House of Commons to bring the matter to issue.

Branch was arrested more than a year ago by immigration authorities after it had been noted that, as a speaker before numerous working class and liberal groups, he had urged support of the striking maritime workers and aided in the collection of funds for strike relief. He was released on bail furnished by the International Labor Defense.

☆ Immediate Surrender Ordered.

Matters remained pending until last Monday, Oct. 14, when Branch's bondsmen were instructed to deliver him to authorities for immediate deportation. He is ordered to surrender on Oct. 21 to depart on a steamship for Victoria, B. C., from which port he is to be sent to the British West Indies, his place of birth.

The I.L.D. immediately filed notice of a writ of habeas corpus and has issued a call for protests to be sent to Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins in Washington, D. C.

### Marxian Student and Lecturer Feared By Exploiters

Marxian student and ardent spokesman for the rights of labor, Branch has been prominent in working class political life here for many years. He was director of the California Workers' School and delivered scores of lectures on Marxism and current events.

Twelve years a resident of the United States, he is married to a native San Francisco girl, a teacher in the public schools. The attempt to send him out of the country is solely because of his uncompromising support of the labor movement. It is one of the scores of deportation cases now pending throughout the country.

## GUILTY VERDICT AGAINST THREE IN GALLUP TRIAL

SENTENCED TO 45 TO 60 YEARS AT HARD LABOR, APPEAL TAKEN

### Seven Not Guilty

TRIAL PROVED DEPUTIES KILLED TWO WORKERS AND SHERIFF

Aztec, N. M., Oct. 17.—After three and a half hours deliberation, the jury in the trial of ten Gallup workers charged with murder as a result of the death of Sheriff Carmichael, returned a verdict of guilty in the second degree against three defendants, Ochoa, Avitia and Velarde, with recommendation for clemency.

This morning Ochoa, Avitia, and Velarde were sentenced to 45 to 60 years at hard labor. Bond was set at $25,000. Defense filed notice of appeal. The judge scored Reds, Anarchists, and Communists who dared protest this frame-up. Manuel, and T. R. Montoya are still held on contempt charges while Mrs. Ochoa was released on her own recognizance on the same charge, for their protests against the frame-up.

The remaining seven defendants were found not guilty but are still held on the charge of aiding a prisoner to escape. The defense will attempt to have the latter charge dismissed since it was incorporated in the trial information.

☆ Result of Prejudice.

The verdict was clearly the result of prejudice aroused against the defendants. Evidence brought out at the trial clearly established that an orderly crowd of workers, mostly women and children, came to the trial of Esquio Nevarro, slayer by the Gallup Coal Co. from the house he built, was denied admission, and after the hearing from the alley way as Nevarro leave the court

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## Brady Plans New Mooney Case in Scaler Frame-Up

LEO GALLAGHER APPEARS IN DEFENSE OF FOUR HELD FOR 'MURDER'

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 18.—A new Mooney-Billings frame-up is being attempted here, and this time the initiative comes from the Industrial Association and District Attorney Matthew Brady—who is seeking re-election to the office in November.

Four members of the Ship Scalers' Union, Archie Brown, Julio Canales, Francesco Jiminez and Natalio Vella, were to appear for arraignment on framed charges of murder in Superior Judge Zack's court at 10 o'clock this morning.

The International Labor Defense, with Leo Gallagher as attorney, is defending the workers, whose arrest came after the death of a member of the union in a series received when he fell from a second story window of the Scalers' Union hall during an attempt by armed thugs to disrupt meeting several weeks ago.

☆ Three Dismissed.

Three other Scalers, who also had asked the I.L.D. to defend them, were cleared of phoney charges of "assault to do great bodily harm," when the case against them was dismissed on Tuesday, for lack of evidence.

Meanwhile several others are being held to answer on a similar framed-up charge. All charges grew out of the original fight in the union hall, which in turn resulted from an attempt by employers to smash the militant union.

At a coroner's inquest Tuesday,

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## ITALY "OUTLAW NATION"—A.F.L.

## BRITAIN, FRANCE IN CLASH

### WE MUST DRIVE THE FASCIST INVADERS OUT!

AUSTRIA IN CRISIS AS ANGLO-FRENCH FIGHT FOR POWER GROWS

### Japan Branded Liar

REACTIONARY SOCIALISTS VOTE DOWN COMINTERN PLEA FOR UNITY

HIGHLIGHTS

ALEXANDRIA—More than 1000 British war planes massed, 10 air base near here.

LONDON—Italy retaliates in economic war, banning all but American films.

ETHIOPIA—Thousands of gassed and dum-dum casualties reported by American doctor with Red Cross.

MOSCOW—Sharp statement on Japanese border raid in Manchuria.

VIENNA—Serious political crisis as war policy splits government.

ATLANTIC CITY, Oct. 17.—The American Federation of Labor convention here has gone on record denouncing Italy and declaring her "an outlaw nation."

A request from the secretary of the Congress that Rogers be sent to address the meeting was unforseen unanimously.

Twenty-five dollars was donated to the defense fund for the Mooney-Billings and the Modesto frame-up cases. Action came upon the reading of a letter from the State Federation. The 'Old Guard' represented by Donnelly of the Musicians' Union, will be another whose which carried, however, by a final vote of 48 to 5.

Secretary Rogers reported on the manner in which City Manager Flack had lied to himself and Brothers Mehl and Smith. Mr. Flack was brought across the coals by Brother Dohrs, Carpenters, to serve as City Manager at the "meager" salary of $15,000 a year.

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## EMPLOYERS ASK SEAMEN TO SCAB

### Crews Refuse to Sail On Ships Bound for Strike Areas

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 17.—Shipowners here continued on the offensive in attempting to make strikebreaking of the seamen, pending arrival of hot cargo from the strike-locked Gulf Coast area.

Three ships today remained tied up on the Pacific Coast. At Seattle shipowners were unable to find a crew for the S.S. Point Lobos, bound for British Columbia where scabs are working the docks since union longshoremen have been on strike for more than four months.

The General M. H. Sherman is idle in San Pedro. Seamen refused to load a cargo of scabby Standard Oil fuel, which since the longshore strike, has been on the unfair list. The Point Ancha, bound for the Gulf where shipowners are working links under armed guard, was idle at San Pedro. Seamen, it is reported, have refused to take the ship to the strike area.

☆ Ask Federal "Aid."

Shipowners have appealed to various and sundry officials for support in their attempts to break the militancy and solidarity of the West Coast maritime workers. They have wired for Federal intervention in the case of the idled National A. F. of L. President Green for more of the same kind of assistance he rendered them during the strike of 1934.

Meanwhile, with the exception of the Sailors' Union of the Pacific, seamen were voting on renewing the present agreement, plus arbitration of amendments to the award suggested months ago by the seamen and denied by the shipowners.

At its regular membership meeting this week the Sailors' Union headquarters branch here voted to maintain the longshoremen if and when the Gulf cargo issue becomes paramount.

Unconfirmed reports declared a Luckenbach ship with scab-loaded cargo from the Gulf was due in San Pedro today. Shipowners, through T. G. Plant here, however, had announced that such arrival had been delayed approximately 15 days.

The employers have requested a meeting of the Seamen's Labor Relations Committee. They pose five questions which they intend to ask the workers: All have to do with working ships or scabbing either arriving from or sailing to

## East Bay Labor Body Endorses Anti-War Moves

CLERKS, MECHANICS TELL OF PROGRESS; N. S. L. HELPS JANITORS

(Alameda County Central Labor Council)

OAKLAND, Oct. 15.—A number of progressive motions were adopted at last night's session of the Alameda County Central Labor Council. The Continuations Committee of the Labor Party (Alameda County) sent in a resolution condemning unions which had paid on WPA relief jobs. This resolution was adopted by the Council.

The Council went on record as endorsing the Bay Region Conference in San Francisco, Nov. 3rd, called by the Labor Non-Partisan League Against War and Fascism, and also endorsed their mass meeting scheduled for Nov. 10th in the city Auditorium.

The body also urged that all unions take the same action as the San Francisco district of the Maritime Federation took and refuse to handle all war materials.

☆ From Seattle.

A communication from the Seattle Central Labor Council, urging a boycott on products of the Fisher Flour Mills was read and concurred in. A list of their products was ordered printed in the East Bay Labor Journal, official organ of the Council.

☆ A Scab Job.

A booklet, published jointly by the county supervisors and the Chamber of Commerce, was

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## GREEN LOSES ON ANTI-RED ISSUE

### Lewis Heads Liberals In Fight Against Reactionaries

ATLANTIC CITY, Oct. 17.—Smashing defeat of the Red-baiting policy backed by President William Green and his official cohorts was administered today by John L. Lewis of the United Mine Workers, backed by progressive, liberal, industrial union and Communist delegates to the A. F. of L. Convention meeting here.

Lewis, who already had forced Matthew Woll to resign from the antilabor National Civic Federation, declared that while he was willing to accord with the resolution he objected to any attitude which might be interpreted as intolerant or disloyal development within the A. F. of L.

Consequently Green and Woll were unable to muster even a scanty rank-and-file majority in favor of their resolution advocating expulsion of Communists—the country's only anti-fascist and anti-war party.

☆ Industrial Unions Lose.

Industrial unionism was defeated for another year at least, however, on the reactionary elements at the Convention. After a six-hour battle, the resolution favoring industrial organization as against the old-time craft unionism, lost by a vote of 18,025 to 10,924.

Earlier this week, President A. J. Wharton of the International Association of Machinists announced to the Convention that an agreement for a peace pact

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## African Prince to Speak at Anti-War Meeting in Los

# BRITISH AND FRENCH CLASH ON SANCTIONS POLICY; AUSTRIA IN CRISIS; PROTESTS WIDESPREAD

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pusal for an anti-war united front agreement with the Second International. This was characterized by Pravda today as "strike-breaking conduct." The fight for unity of action will be carried on.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 17.—Major factors in the war situation remain the tug-of-war between France and Great Britain, with each manipulating League forces to bring pressure directed to make the other conform. Armed sanctions seem far off as action is postponed continuously. Great Britain has issued a sharp statement opposing oil sanctions that would close that the outside units of the British fleet be withdrawn from the Mediterranean as a peace concession to Mussolini. Laval on the other hand will not give way on the question of using military force or even ruthless economic measures which might bring Italy to her knees, but seeks full guarantees against Germany's possible war acts.

—Austria therefore shows signs of a major political crisis as British, French, and Italian pressure reflects itself in a government split.

ROME, Oct. 17.—The leading newspapers today hinted at the possibility of a statement warning British military and naval moves, and declare that League sanctions create a situation that may result in war any month in the year. The 1906 class of men is mobilized, and special contributions for the food situation are being held.

ADDIS ABABA, Oct. 17.—A huge mobilization of Ethiopian forces was made today, and an army numbering 115,000 are starting for the front under the command of the Minister of War. So far no bombs have fallen here, and foreign residents are clustered together for mutual safety. Reports state that three more towns were heavily bombed by Italian planes yesterday, and list many chlorine gas and dumdum bullet victims. Italian forces are reported consolidating their positions in readiness for a further drive, while huge armies are reported gaining to gain a foothold in North and the South.

## C. S. CONFERENCE BACKED BY S. D. LABOR COUNCIL

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His selection was favored by the forces officials of the Council.

☆ Thank Hornblower.

Brother Richard Barnes moved that a letter of complimenting Assemblyman Hornblower for his militant stand at the recent State Highway Commission hearing be sent him. It was then suggested that a letter of criticism be sent Assemblyman Fletcher for his labor stand at the same convention.

Brother Barne added: "I will include that we throw a brick at Fletcher, too." This, carried unanimously and the secretary was instructed to heave the brick.

The Council went on record overwhelmingly against endorsement of the Community Chest drive now in progress. Dais Lee Worsister of, the Teachers' Union, Secretary Rogers, Hays of the Electrical Workers, Bill Coffey of the Hod Carriers and others talked against endorsement. Donnelly of the Musicians and Heitman, erstwhile Council president, of course, favored endorsement, obviously for political and personal reasons.

The projected Labor Radio Broadcasting station was killed as the Los Angeles Central Labor Council reactionaries, was again endorsed. Not however, until Brother Lydick declared that under the present leadership, the Los Angeles Council did not need a radio station. Lydick pointed out that the Los Angeles Examiner and the Times afforded the reactionaries sufficient avenue for their publicity.

Rank and file delegates smiled knowingly when Brother Ed Donnell remained perfectly quiet for what suggested to about the third consecutive meeting.


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## C.S. Congress In L. A. Meets Sunday, Oct. 20

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 18.—Sixty-three organizations, including 32 trade unions and farmers' organizations, have so far reported their intention to participate in the Southern California Congress for repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Law, to be held all day Sunday, Oct. 20, at the Danish Auditorium, 1059 W. 24th st., near Hoover st.

The keynote speaker will be Harry Steinmetz, president of the San Diego Labor Council. Besides the repeal of the anti-labor C. S. Law, and the freedom of the eight Sacramento C. S. victims, the Congress will discuss the present attempt to frame-up Charles M'Lenahan, Communist Party member in Santa Ana, and other anti-labor and vigilante movements in California at the present time.

## Scab Appeals of Dealers Spurned By Auto Strikers

### ARBITRATION REFUSED BY EMPLOYERS AS STRIKE IS DEADLOCKED

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 18.—The strike of 700 auto mechanics, members of Local 1305, continues deadlocked. The employers have refused to agree to the men's demands for union shops, and the strikers are determined not to go back under any conditions.

Some 400 used car dealers have signed individual agreements with the unions to get cars. The new car dealers, not willing to sign an agreement with the strikers, are unsuccessfully trying to break the ranks of the strikers by getting in touch with the individual union members.

Most shops have sent out uniform letter appealing to their employers to refuse to work. The letters all have the same proposition, and differ but slightly in wording, indicating concerted action by the employers.

The strikers have spurned these appeals to scab, which after telling them how grateful they should be for being given a chance to work, ended with the threat to discriminate against them for union membership, then recite that the employers are losing money. The ridiculousness of this question when it is remembered that auto sales this year have been the highest since 1930, and that the depression, and the dealers are consequently making big profits.

☆ University Students.

The National Students League offered to help the janitors and Window Cleaners' Window to organize the janitors in the University of California in Berkeley. The delegate from this union thanked the students and announced a meeting for next week pose has been arranged for next Saturday.

## S.F. Communist Party Dance Sunday Night

A Dance and Entertainment for the benefit of the San Francisco Section of the Communist Party is to be held at 779 Valencia street this Sunday night at 8:00 o'clock. Your support is called for and bring all the friends you know. Let's make this a real dance and social.

## San Francisco Labor Ticket Headquarters

The following headquarters have been opened by the United Labor Campaign Committee:

MAIN OFFICE: 747 Market st. (Phone: Sutter 4657.)

OTHERS: 68 Haight st. (Hemlock 0550.)

69 Commercial st. (Sutter 4658.)

2343 Market st.

1846 Union st.

1350 Grant ave.

2810 Diamond st.

1051 Geary st.

2544 San Bruno.

364 Third st.

779 Valleja.

1030-Grant ave.

402 Courtland st.

1430 Buchanan st.

644 Laguna st.

2916 - 24th st.

2322 Mission st.

505 Divisadero st.

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

# Hearst's Rossi Power Sell-Out

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ty, have been betrayed by a group on the Board of Supervisors that is led by Boss Ralph McLaran, landlord for the Pacific Gas and Electric Co., and contractor for the Fleishhacker Power Trust Interests.

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"The people will never forget. "They will not forget that Boss Ralph McLaran, ANGELO ROSSI, Margaret Mary Mc-gan, Frank Robb, John Wet-more, John McGreger, Eugene Schmitz, Emmett Hayden, Edwin Bath, William Harrelson and Jesse Colman SOLD THEM Out."

Despite the fact that no deed of Rossi's since this time would indicate he was in any way changed, the SAN FRANCISCO NEWS has seen fit to make a right about face and is now booming Rossi for re-election. On the same page with the editorial appeared a cartoon of Rossi with a rope around his neck.

"When the vote of the people hoisted Rossi out of Supervisor's office in that year, the SAN FRANCISCO NEWS hailed it as "The People's victory," and "The People have spoken."

## ALAMEDA LABOR COUNCIL HEARS CLERKS' GAINS

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brought in and an article "Capital and Labor," was read. This article stated that 91-per-cent of industry here is run on an open shop basis and urged that, as in inducement for industry to locate here.

The Labor Council branded this as to be false and demands its retraction, and also protests the scab printing that turned out this pamphlet.

☆ Clerks Make Progress.

The Grocery Clerks' Union reported they now have 25 large stores signed up 100 per cent and their membership is growing very rapidly. The Retail Clerks declared the entire personnel of the B. Siebum Hardware Co. store, 20 employes, joined this week. Also th men clerks in J. C. Penney Store are now 100 per cent in the union and the women clerks will be soon as the agreement on working conditions is completed.

**The Auto Mechanics' Union announced a very rigid growth since the ouvoal of the strike in San Francisco. The entire Pacific shop joined this week.**

☆ Jobless Union:

"The delegate from the Public Works and Unemployed Union announced one of their members has been forbidden to organize on the Benton Air Field, a WPA project, because this is government property." He said a committee will visit the project tomorrow (Tues., Oct. 15.—Ed.) to investigate and protest.

The Dried Fruit and Nut Packers' Union reported their members ship is now 1200. This union is only two months old. It recently won a strike in the Rosenberg Packing Co. plant here.

## SEAMEN SUPPORT LONGSHOREMEN IN GULF STRIKE

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ports where it is certain they have been worked or will be worked by scabs.

Appeals for aid were also sent by shipowners to the reactionary Victor A. Olander, secretary of the International Seamen's Union and one of the officials who ordered the seamen here to resume state Paul Scharrenberg after he had been expelled from the union by an overwhelming majority vote because of his anti-mutiny activities.

San Francisco docks were comparatively quiet. Longshoremen's gangs, working all ships and all concessions before the Longshore Labor Relations Committee on whether or not they dispatches hall, should be forced to rescind more than 1000 additional workers, were continued.

☆ New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 17.—Very few ships were being loaded in any Gulf port, from Pensacola Fla., to Corpus Christi, Tex., as not longshore strike went into its third week.

In an attempt to split the unity of Negro and white workers the shipowners have ordered a "contract" to the Lone Star Colored Benevolent Association, Negro and white longshoremen have been fighting shoulder to shoulder throughout the strike.

Reports that the S.S. Comperdal (Swedish) line freighter, due at New Bedford, Mass., by longshoremen who refused to unload her cargo served to encourage the strikers here.

No further statement of policy has been forthcoming from President Ryan of the International Longshoremen's Association who seems willing to support the Gulf strike with words but not with action.

## GALLUP JURY CONVICTS THREE

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house. There they were met by deputy sheriffs, who fired at them. Two workers and Sheriff Chapman that were killed; the bullets found in the bodies coming from revolvers of the types carried by deputies.

At the trial the witnesses for the prosecution performed miracles in remembering facts and contradicting their previous testimony, but the great majority saw no weapons in the hands of any defendants, nor were any found when the defendants were arrested.

The prosecutor in his closing speech to the jury admitted the crowd had been orderly, but attributed it to the claim they were waiting to liberate the prisoner, and appealed to the jury to vindicate by saying that the "Red flag of danger began to wave in the breezes of Gallup that morning."

☆ Illegal Denial of Bail.

The defense pointed out that Navarro had been denied bail illegally and made a motion to quash the count as to murder predicted on a felony since Navarro was not in lawful custody when he escaped from the confusion attendant upon the shootings by the deputy sheriffs. Defense Attorney Simms also pointed out that the search warrants used were unlawful, and called this a "Rabbit drive among the poor people of Gallup to see if they couldn't hang the shooting on someone."

Simms also pointed out that "Mob are a result, not a cause. We don't want to make people pile into mobs by unfair treatment."

Chavez, closing for the state, made a fine speech. You know what kind of people push women and children to the front in hope they may be hurt and then off goes the ballyhoo. He criticised

## STATEMENTS ON HERNDON CASE

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respect for law, can have any sympathy for their methods of so-called system of justice which metes out a 20-year sentence to Negro boy on the sole evidence that he held a delegation seeking relief and that he possessed a few printed pamphlets, which cried for justice."

☆ JAMES W. FORD,
Member of the Central Committee, Communist Party.

"The deeds of Angelo Herndon shall inspire the best and most high people to do whatever they can to support the fight for his full release."

## San Francisco Will See Performance of 'Waiting for Lefty'

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 17.—"Waiting for Lefty", renowned play by the brilliant young left-wing playwright, Clifford Odets, is scheduled to open in San Francisco on Nov. 1.

It will be presented by the New Theater Group at 960 Bush street. Other plays on the same program will be a one edition of "Newsboy" and two skits from "Parade".

All funds will be donated to the New Theater School of Drama.

## Blind Couple Win Pension

MONTEBELLO, Calif., Oct. 15.—Full credit to the militant effectiveness of the Public Works and Unemployed Union for obtaining them the state blind pension, was accorded here today by Mr. and Mrs. Snow. The elderly couple had been denied relief because of the fact that their daughter had their home's title in her name and refused to sign it over to the authorities. A PWUU grievance committee won the pension for the couple.

## SCALERS FIGHT FRAME-UP ON MURDER CHARGE

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the verdict was that Victor Torres, whose death resulted in the murder frame-up, "met death from causes unknown." The Red Squad and the Industrial Workers were most prominent at the inquest.

☆ Two "Statements."

Two so-called "statements" were introduced by the prosecutor, one of but no witnesses against the framed men appeared. One statement was from Torres, who had been dead for 24 hours before he came to fall from the window. It had to identify any alleged "agitators." Other statements, from men who were willing to swear that Torres had climbed from the window on his own initiative.

In Judge Arce's court, October 15, the same galaxy of prosecutors including Brennen of the Industrial Association were started on the case of Attorney Gallagher who appeared to defend the men charged with murder. They had been forced to speed for hearings.

Another case in which Gallagher himself, demanded a perjury warrant be issued against certain persons who took part in the frame-up of the Gallup prisoners, was unanswered.

Gallagher on legislation brought out evidence of killer-dillusionment with recent progress and a number of demands were made for paper, efficiency and economy.

☆ Furuseth Talks.

Eighty-year-old Andy Furuseth, head of the International Seamen's Union surprised many of the delegates by his militant stand against the Wagner bill and recent attempts to mitigate the evils of the injunction by legislation.

The legislative fireworks started after the committee on state organization had recommended that state labor movements work for legislation in each state similar to the national Wagner act. So many voted against the committee's tacit support of the company-union-fostering Wagner bill that Green was forced to call a second vote in order to shove through a majority in favor of it.

☆ Aid Kohler Strike.

More labor support for the Kohler, Wis., strike was urged by delegates who complained of lack of executive council action on behalf of the strikers.

When a committee on industrial relations recommended reference to the executive council of a resolution on behalf of the 15-month strike against the Kohler Co., striking over a clause to place the nationally-known plumbing manufacturer on the unfair list, J. J. Handley of the Wisconsin Federation of Labor and Charles Heymanus, a leader of the strike, pointed out that such a resolution was passed at last year's convention, "but we haven't had results."

Paul V. McNutt, governor of Indiana and former head of the American Legion, came in for severe condemnation at the Convention for his military dictatorship against Terre Haute strikers.

## United Front Speech By Pelletier Draws Attack of Epic News

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 14.—Controlling to deny elementary democratic rights to its members, the Epic Democratic Club today attacked the Epic Committee for the United Front, rank and file group within the Epic movement, and Upton Sinclair's National Epic News.

Referring to the fact that Epic Assemblyman Culbert Olson Pelletier will speak for United Front mass meeting being sponsored by the rank and file committee for Welpeace, Besides the reactionary editorial forth: "In view of the fact that the State Convention has definitely repudiated any alliance with Communists, it will be interesting to note what Pelletier, recently elected a director, has to say. The organization, illegally using the name 'EPIC' (a patented word), is manned by communists."

Any genuine attempt by the rank and file movement to consider issues of paramount importance to all workers, farmers, middle class people is thus attacked and slandered by Sinclair and his "stooges."

"The Western Worker can be obtained at news stands. If your news dealer does not have it, ask him to stock it.

# NOTICE!

## ALL UNITED LABOR TICKET CAMPAIGN SUPPORTERS

MUSICIANS AND ENTERTAINERS

If you play an accordion, piano, violin, mandolin, banjo, bass drum or zither, you can help the campaign. Report to headquarters and get assigned to work.

And this is a tip to all Neighborhood headquarters. Give Shows in your neighborhood headquarters. Hold neighborhood amateur nights. Make the campaign lively. Have the women of the neighborhood bake cakes and make pies for the entertainments. Get everybody participating.

We understand Ross figures to serve free beer in his headquarters. You'll have to be dead drunk to vote for that guy anyhow. Maybe he wants to float into office on a tidal wave of booze.

Put some pep into the neighborhood campaigns.

THURSDAY NIGHTS

All campaign workers should report to their district headquarters every Thursday night at 8 p. m.

RADIO BROADCASTS.

Every evening, between 7:15 and 7:30 o'clock, Bert Legere, United Labor Ticket candidate for Sheriff, will give Labor Ticket broadcasts over Station KGGC (1420 on your dial). Legere will be the reporter of the air for the Labor Ticket. He performed the same service for the Sinclair-Downey campaign of last year. These broadcasts will be held at this same time every night during the campaign with the exception of Sunday. The Sunday broadcast will be between 11:45 a. m. and 12 o'clock noon.

Every supporter must make a special effort to popularize these broadcasts. Arrange parties in your home to listen to them and inform your neighbors to listen in.

FINAL MASS RALLY

On October 30, the United Labor Campaign Committee will hold the big final mass rally in Dreamland Auditorium. Nationally prominent rank and file labor figures and speakers from sympathetic organizations will be present to contribute to the program.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19

8:00 p.m.—Scandinavian Workers, 2174 Market st., Dr. Simonton.
8:00 p.m.—26th District Headquarters, 2343 Market st., Mr. Andersen, Mr. Lindsey.
8:00 p.m.—Upper Sunset and G. G. Improvement Club, 1730 Ninth ave., Miss Alex.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

2:30 p.m.—Ross Mountain Sec., Mountain above Polk. Mr. Legere.
8:30 p.m.—PWUU No. 4, 364 Third street, Mr. Sanders.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21

8:00 p.m.—Social Workers' Forum, 1850 Washington, st. Mr. Mason.
9:00 p.m.—Scan. Civic League, (Aud.) Polk and Turk. All candidates.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

8:00 p.m.—Calvary Tabernacle, 754 Howard st. Miss Alex. Mr. Sanders. Mr. McGee and all candidates if possible.



## EAST OF THE Rockies

## Submarines Under Construction Troops Refused Relief Cut Restored Milk Strike

NEW YORK—The periods for the construction of new submarines have been reduced to 50 per cent by the navy department, Admiral Snyder, chief of the naval base at Portsmouth, N. H., has stated.

The new submarine Plunger laid down in July of this year will be launched on July 1, 1936. The submarine Pollack laid down on Oct. 1 of this year will be launched on Sept. 1, 1936. The Porpoise and Pike laid down in the summer of this year will be completed next February and May, respectively.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill.—Governor Horner, as a result of mass resentment against the use of troops, has refused to call out the National Guardsmen to break the four-weeks strike against the Bass Glove Manufacturing Co. at Bloomington. The use of troops in Indiana add the declaration of martial law at Terre Haute has caused employers to use the militia at the first sign of organized activity among the workers.

CLEVELAND—Restoration of the 25 per cent relief cut effected in the past few weeks was forced as a result of strong protest by Unemployed Councils here. In addition relief authorities were oblized to abandon plans for an additional cut in relief during the latter part of October. Besides the restoration of the cut in food, the 70 per cent cut in clothing allowance was restored. Coal orders, which had begun unfully eliminated, will once more be available. The restoration of relief cuts affects approximately 218,000 unemployed.

CHICAGO—There are no immediate expectations for settlement of the strike of dairy milk farmers, according to Leslie Fort. The strikers' offer for a 30 to 60 day truce was rejected by the Labor Relations Board.

Milk dealers' association.

Striking dairymen continued to picket in face of strike-breaking terror unleashed by state police, federal marshals and gangsters hired by the Pure Milk Association, tool of the milk dealers' companies.

NEWARK, N. J.—The proposal of William Green to bar Communists from membership in A. F. of L. unions drew bitter condemnation from prominent trade unionists here. Peter Yablonsky, delegate of Painters Local 727 and candidate for the Assembly in the Essex County Labor Party declared:

"The A. F. of L. has more important problems to consider than attacking the Communists. President Green should do some housecleaning of his own and clean out the racketeers."

## Japanese Class War Fighter Is Taken by Death

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 17.—We announce with deep regret the death of Comrade Nagura, 31 years of age.

G. Nagura and his brother, Hiroshi, were born in San Francisco. They joined the Communist Party in 1928 and were active in building the Rodo Shinbun (Japanese workers' paper) and helped organize the Japanese newspaper workers.

Both were typesetters. Hiroshi Nagura was killed while on strike duty in 1932. George, who grieves over his brother's death, was unable to withstand the ravages of tuberculosis contracted during his tireless activity in the working class movement.

Comrade Nagura was confined to his bed from 1932 until his death on Oct. 8 at the General Hospital, French Camp, near Stockton.

We pledge to fill the gap left by our comrade Nagura by building a stronger revolutionary movement.

A memorial meeting is being arranged by his friends and comrades to be held in the near future.

## Banquet to Welcome District Organizer

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 18.—A banquet to welcome the new District Organizer for District 13 of the Communist Party, Comrade Bill Schneidermann, will be given at 121 Haight st. on Sunday, Oct. 27, at 7 p. m.

Admission will be 50 cents. This will be the first chance San Francisco workers have to greet our new District organizer, who will be the principal speaker at the banquet.

## Student Groups to Mobilize Against War Armistice Day

### CALL ISSUED DEMANDING DEMILITARIZATION OF AMERICAN SCHOOLS

NEW YORK, Oct. 18.—Aroused by the gravity of the international situation, youth organizations have issued a call to students for a mobilization against war on Armistice Day, Nov. 11.

Joining in the proclamation are the National Students Council of the Y.M.C.A., the Y.W.C.A., the National Student Federation of America, the Student League for Industrial Democracy, the American Student Union, the Nat'l Student League for Industrial Democracy, the National Student League and the Students' Division of the American League Against War and Fascism.

These organizations, declaring that "Our peace sentiments must be translated into concrete action," call upon students to leave their class rooms at 11 o'clock on Armistice Day for three demands:

"To support by every means at our disposal genuine neutrality legislation to prevent entanglement of the United States in war —no loans, credit, munitions, or secondary war materials to belligerents;

"To work for the demilitarization of our colleges and schools essentially by assuring the passage of the Nye-Kvale bill to make the R.O.T.C. optional instead of compulsory;

"To insist on opportunities in the classroom for the discussion of the causes and conditions of these crucial problems;

"To organize support for the government of the United States in any war it may undertake."

## FRANK CARLSON FIRST SPEAKER ON YOUTH FORUM

SAN FRANCISCO—The first monthly Youth Forum sponsored by the Young Communist League will feature Frank Carlson, member of the National Executive Committee of the Communist League. Comrade Carlson will speak on "What the Seventh World Congress of the International Means to the Youth of San Francisco," a topic especially timely in view the war in Africa, the impending struggles on the waterfront, and the activity going on for the San Francisco American Youth Congress to be held Nov. 17 at the Fairmont Hotel.

The Forum will be held Sunday, Nov. 20, at 8:00 p.m. at 121 Haight st. Arrangements will also be made for discussion of Frank's speech, to which all are invited.

# Join the Fight to Stop the Fascist War

## Proclamation!

### The American League Against War and Fascism Calls for an Intensive Fight For Peace and Freedom

Calling for a more determined and intensive fight for the independence of Ethiopia, the National Bureau of the American League Against War and Fascism has issued a Proclamation against war which reads as follows:

"Another war! A war of aggression! A war for plunder! It begins with the unprovoked invasion of one country in the League of Nations by another member of that body. It starts with the breaking of the covenant that was to keep the nations out of war. It leads straight toward the mutual slaughter for which all the great powers are preparing with all the means that science can devise. The spark that may set the world in flames is smoldering in the biggest powder magazine of history.

"Facing these grim and pregnant facts the American League Against War and Fascism calls upon all workers to recognize the common fight, and decide the common well being of mankind to raise with one voice the demand—STOP THE WAR!

"For months the diplomats have talked of peace. They have held pledge and plans, regardless of their protests or threats, the troops are marching; the fleets are assembling; the bombing planes are gathered with scientific precision. It is now time for the millions to speak. Those whose first concern it is to prevent the bloody thing nations won by imperialist aggression in earlier days could not prevent war war they dread. Those to whom it is an opportunity for profits have no language able to halt the event whose outcome they hail as the final solution of their imperialism and the profit-seeking economy it has carried round the earth, has brought only insecurity and suffering, whose voice alone is strong enough to command war to stop. Let them now speak! In demonstrations on the streets and campuses, in all their ordinary places of assembly—in their unions call upon the workers, the farmers and the technicians of the United States to prevent the resources and skill of this country from being used to carry on a criminal war.

☆ No Loans, No Supplies.

The policy of no supplies for the aggressor must be accompanied by the policy of no loans or credits. The American people need now remember that, after all other pressures had been resisted," it was the loans of our investors to the belligerents which fatally pulled us into the World War. That must not happen again. We call upon citizens to inform the administration that they will not tolerate any financial aid, direct or indirect to Mussolini. We urge them, in meetings and demonstrations to bring public condemnation of their community upon any who are willing to for the sake of financial gain to aid the mad adventure of a fascist dictator and to risk embroiling their country in another world war.

☆ Save Ethiopian Independence.

"Still another issue confronts us. Before the war, some of the great powers are striving to confine it to Ethiopia. They have officially proposed to buy Mussolini off with a scheme for the joint disposal of the economic resources of the country he has invaded. We, the American people, must not be deceived by the fiction of territorial integrity or political sovereignty. We call upon them to protest as vigorously against collective as against individual exploitation of Ethiopia. We ask them to rally behind the demand—ETHIOPIAN INDEPENDENCE MUST BE MAINTAINED.

☆ Join Hands in the Fight.

"We invite all organizations whose principles and purposes commite them to the ending of war and the prevention of fascism to associate themselves with us in rallying support behind these demands. Let us unite to stop the war, to preserve the independence of Ethiopia.

"This dangerous situation in which the world now stands contains a warning for the American people. If they are not to be dragged into another world war, they must understand the relationship of war and fascism. They must shape their course in light of the fact that this belated, aggressive war is born of the principles, the policies and the aims of the first fascist state in history. If the people of this country want peace they must stop the development of fascism among themselves. They must maintain and extend their democratic rights. The fascist state is a war making state. Its people cry peace in vain for under it there is no peace. There is only more hunger, more unemployment, more war.

"We call upon the American people while yet there is time to unite AGAINST WAR, AGAINST FASCISM—FOR PEACE AND FREEDOM.

## Youth Congress in East Bay to Hold Convention Oct. 19

OAKLAND, Oct. 18.—East Bay youth will hold an all-day conference Saturday, Oct. 19, to plan and carry on the work of the American Youth Congress. The morning session, at 9:30 o'clock, at Trinity Church, 29th and Telegraph, Oakland, will hear the keynote speech by Rev. Gordon McWhirter, delegate to the Second American Youth Congress.

In the afternoon, trade union, church and student groups will draw up plans for action. Sidney Jacobs of the Alameda County Central Labor Council will lead the trade union group.

A mass meeting at 8 p. m. will be addressed by Dr. George Heidley and other leaders in religious, student, and trade union activities.

## Vigilante Raid to Cost Monterey Ct'y $9000 in Damages

SALINAS, Calif.—(FP)—Monterey county will have to pay $9000 damages as the result of vigilante mob action during a farm strike a year ago.

The vigilantes aided and harried a camp of striking Filipino farm laborers. Rufo C. Canete, owner of the camp, sued the county for $15,822, and received a verdict of $9000.

As a result of the verdict, A. B. Jacobsen, chairman of the county board of supervisors, is demanding a grand jury probe of the vigilantes so that the identities of the members of the mob may be made known. If unmasked, the mobsters will face criminal as well as damage action.

## Laundry Union Official Held On Grand Theft

### FAKER USES INFLUENCE WITH STATE TO GET OUT OF TROUBLE

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 16.—Everyone is entitled to his—her—day in court. Even union racketeers of the Anne Brown Munro stripe, who is now up in Judge Steiger's court here on charges of Grand Theft.

Miss Munro was secretary of the Laundry Workers' Union, Local 26, for approximately 20 years. During that time she is accused of having embezzled $5000 from the union members who slaved in laundries to pay their union dues.

**Her husband is an assemblyman from Alameda and her defense attorney is Assemblyman West, Judge Steiger, the laundry workers say, is an old friend of the Munro family.**

The defense attorney challenged one juror because she had been divorced from a man who at one time or another might have belonged to a trade union. He asked every prospective juror whether or not he or she had ever had any connection with the labor movement.

The state is prosecuting the case. The only evidence it asks of prospective jurors is that they be not prejudiced because the defendant is a woman.

The case was finally forced into court after it had been continued for months because of the defendant's alleged "illness."

## Camden Shipbuilders Win Concessions in Arbitration Award

WASHINGTON—(FP)—It took 15 weeks of strike and six weeks of work by President Roosevelt's arbitration board—but the Camden shipyard workers' long fight for a foreign stake.

A general 5 per rent wage increase, retroactive to Aug. 29, the 36-hour week; with time-and-a-half for overtime are awarded in agreement to settle disputes, 36-hour notice of layoffs, non-interference by the company in union affairs and the grievance machinery established by the board of arbitration in Washington, named by Roosevelt Aug. 2, to settle the strike at the Camden, N. J., yards of the New York Shipbuilding Corp.' A condition of the settlement is that the agreement remain effective at least until the $50,000,000 navy contract is completed.

Workers, members of the Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers of America, had struck May 11. The company steadily refused to negotiate. The yard was completely shut down.

The strike was called off Aug. 29, pending final arbitration. The decision of the board constitutes a clearcut victory for the union.

## L.A. County to Cut Relief to Four Thousand

### OBJECT TO AID GROWERS IN SAN JOAQUIN WITH CHEAP LABOR

LOS ANGELES, October 16.—Slow starvation, union smashing, lowering wages—this is the three-point program of the federal relief administration which was revealed baldly and with cool unconcern here yesterday by Roy W. Pilling, SERA administrator in Los Angeles County.

Four thousand relief workers will be forced off relief and made to pick cotton in the San Joaquin Valley at unknown wage and working conditions, Pilling told the Citizens' Relief Committee.

Five hundred of these will be cut off immediately, and since the growers refuse to provide transportation, left to find their way to the valley as best they may.

Others probably will make less than their subsistence budgets, and certainly less than they would by WPA," said Pilling. The Los Angeles County Relief Administration has to solve the farmers' problems anyway, even if they don't know it themselves.

Asked by a committee member if he were sending the workers to live on the roadside, without transportation, he said he would be sent to the strike at the Canadien, N. J., yards of the New York Shipbuilding Corp.' A condition of the settlement is that the agreement remain effective at least until the $50,000,000 navy contract is completed.

## Just What is This Fascist Civilization?

### Report Shows That Italian People Oppose War

The following are extracts from a memorandum by the Committee to Aid Jailed and Deported Italian anti-Fascists, with headquarters in Paris. This memorandum, released by the International Labor Defense Press Bureau, was officially presented to the League of Nations.

At a time when fascist newspapers are trying to prove that the Ethiopians are barbarians to justify fascist aggression, it is timely to publish this document on fascist barbarism.

The incidents here mentioned, besides reflecting on what the fascists term "civilization," reveal how unpopular the war is among Italian masses and give the lie to Mussolini's statement that, even if he tried to hold them back "the 200,000 guns which are in Britain would go off of themselves."

June 5.—At Poschiera, soldiers leaving for Africa protested. Their officers beat the soldiers to force them to march; result: one soldier was killed with blows from a club and a captain was thrown into a ravine for vengeance.

Newspapers publish decrees forbidding discussion of the war against Ethiopia.

At Sulmona, 300 militiamen refused to leave for Africa and were arrested.

June. 17.—A rebellion broke out at Tricassia; five were killed and a large number wounded. At Ascoli, Picens and at Naples, the soldiers revolted.

At Olgiate, relief was refused to families of those called to the colors.

In the Pouilles, militiamen refused to leave for Ethiopia; by way of reprisal they were disarmed from their fellows.

Clashes took place at the Milan station between the soldiers coming from Bergamo and the fascist militia.

At Albino, quarrels broke out between the drunken fascist militia who were departing, and the fascists who were not leaving. A militiaman was killed.

At Sesto San Giovanni (Milan) militiamen pretended to be sick in order not to have to leave for Africa. A doctor, who was an officer in the militia, was sentenced to deportation.

At Genoa the family of a soldier who died in Africa was warned not to cry and not to speak of the matter. A businessman who had closed his store because his son had just died in Africa, was arrested.

Labor contracts made with workers in Eritrea are not kept.

At Istria, soldiers returning from Africa were imprisoned because they said that they had been mistreated.

In Julian, Venice, militiamen jumped the border in order not to have to leave for Africa. More than 900 deserters have already been placed in concentration camps in Yugoslavia.

103,000 soldiers went through the Suez Canal; 8000 of them came back sick.

On June 21, at Milan, quarrels broke out between the fascists and peaceful citizens who did not want to hear talk of war.

### Uprisings Protest Against Service In Army

San Fernando Valley, reported that the forcing of 1200 workers off relief rolls in that area has worked out very nicely for everybody."

Public Works and Unemployed Union is initiating a campaign against this staystion program, and will also demonstrate on Saturday, October 26, at the WPA headquarters at 12th and Santee streets, to raise demands for trade union wages and hours and for immediate funding of projects under the WPA set-up.

### Australian Writers Union Raises Wages

SIDNEY, Australia, Oct. 5.—Newspaper writers in Australia, by forming their own union, have more than doubled their pay, according to E. Pratt, general secretary of the Australian Journalists' Association. Ninety-five per cent of Australian news writers are now members of the union, and the closed shop has been formed by agreement with all publishers.

BOYCOTT HEARST NEWSPAPERS!

## FOREIGN NEWS Briefs

### Hungarian Airports Hunger Strike United Front Appeal Bowing to Hitler Railroad Losses

GERMANY—The construction of airports in Hungary as a base for German aviation is one of the objects of the proposed air pact between Germany, Poland and Hungary, according to French newspapers. The air pact is aimed against the Soviet Union, Czechoslovakia and Roumania. The prime minister of Hungary, Goemboes, is to visit Germany soon. A German correspondent reported this. It states that German circles are watching with much attention the strained relations between Poland and Czechoslovakia, one of the danger spots of Europe.

SOVIET UNION—Greeting with enthusiasm the recent abolition of ration cards and lowering of food prices, workers in Soviet plants have completed their plans for the year on Sept. 25, with an output of 47.8 million cans of preserved fish, vegetables and fruit. This is the normal pack for several years working at a far higher level than last year. The output of sausages is expected to be double the plan.

ENGLAND—One hundred and fifty welsh miners are on a hunger strike in a coal mine, protesting against the dismissal of 88 scabs at the Nine Mile Plant, one of the largest collieries of Monmouthshire.

The strikers, back in the mine after a one-week strike, had returned to work when the nine owners insisted upon keeping the 88 scabs hired during the strike. The miners have pledged themselves to remain underground until the scabs are fired.

ENGLAND—Some of Great Britain's most prominent trade union leaders and seven Labor candidates for Parliament joined in an appeal to the Executive Committee of the British Socialist (Second) International to urge prompt acceptance of the proposal by the Communist International for a united front of labor and class against war and fascism. Secretary Wall of the London Trades Council reported that the Executive Committee of the London Trades Council had already established friendly relations with the powerful French peoples' front of Socialists and Communists.

POLAND—A Polish-Jewish merchant was sentenced to eight months' imprisonment by a Warsaw court for "insulting the head of a foreign state." According to the indictment, he had returned unopened a letter he received from Germany, with the notation on the envelope, "While Hitler and his gang remain in power in Germany, I request you not to send me any letters." The Polish government is doing its best to curry favor with Hitler by suppressing any anti-fascist sentiments.

GERMANY—German railroads showed a deficit of about 100 million marks for the eight months of this year compared with the same period last year, according to the board of management of German railroads. It is expected the deficit will be increased in the remaining months of the year.

CORRECTION
Portervile, Calif.,
Oct. 10, 1935.

Comrade Editor:

You stated in last issue that the 1935 crop of prunes in Tulare is higher than ever before in the San Joaquin Valley. This is not true. We got $1.50 to $2.00 per 100 pounds in 1927 and 1928. The pickers don't feel the growers are doing them any favor by paying 90 cts. per 100 pounds (the present rate). The average picker can pick about 200 pounds per day by working long hours.

Yours,
C.H.E.

Editor's Note: An identical complaint was also mailed in from Pixley. The workers' statements are correct. Our reporter meant to say "highest prices since the cotton strike," not "highest ever paid."

# Il Duce Secures Scenario Writer In Hollywood

HOLLYWOOD, Calif., Oct. 17. —(Hollywood News Bureau.)— Herman J. Mankiewicz, important writer of Hollywood screen plays and original stories, whose work has been banned in Germany by the Hitler government, has accepted a commission from Mussolini to write a story that will justify the Fascist dictator's program of colonial expansion.

The picture, "Christopher Columbus", in which Frederic March is to be starred, receiving $100,000 for the job, goes into production in April. Mankiewicz leaves Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, from whose chief, Louis B. Mayer, he has received a leave of absence, in two weeks.

☆ Fascist Propaganda.

Mussolini is preparing the propaganda film through a subsidy arrangement with an Italian company, and plans to give the picture world-wide distribution, in an attempt to justify his colonial expansion policy, obviously to demand "the place in the sun" to which, Il Duce believes, Columbus' original discoveries entitle Italy. The film, it is planned also to have a modern sequence to further impart this thought.

Almost a year ago, Mankiewicz entered an arrangement with an independent producer in this country to write the script for an anti-Hitler picture, to be entitled "The Mad Dog of Europe". Hays' office objections were followed by admonitions from the State Department at Washington which finally stopped work on the film, immediately thereafter the Hollywood writer announced that any picture on which Mankiewicz received screen credit would be banned in Germany.

## Portland Engineer Faces Deportation To Fascist Germany

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 15.—Walter Baer, civil engineer of Portland, faces deportation to Fascist Germany unless strong protest is aroused. The American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born has exhausted all legal means to save this anti-fascist fighter from the Nazi jaws.

Baer has lived in this country since childhood, has an American wife and three small American-Born children, but this is of small importance besides the fact that he was in the forefront in the fight of unemployed and workers for better conditions. The legal recourse used is that he had committed "crimes involving moral turpitude," which were committed 14 years ago when he was a boy.

Portland newspapers, including the Oregonian, the Oregon Journal, and the NewsTelegram, have protested editorially against this deportation. Prominent Portland citizens, including Dr. Raymond B. Walker, Oregon prison commissioner, Rabbi Stanley Rev. Atkeson and others have protested this outrage. But unless a stream of protests is directed to the Secretary of Labor and the President, it will be impossible to save Baer

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

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# News Stories and Comment by Worker Correspondents

## INJURED AWAIT AID WHILE DR. MAKES CHECKUP

### MEDICO WOULD LOSE JOB IF HE HELPED OTHER COUNTY'S CASE

By a Worker Correspondent.

SAN DIEGO.—A serious traffic accident which occurred recently on Mountain Springs Grade put into the dispute between San Diego and Imperial county hospital officials, with the result that the injured were left bleeding, wholly without medical care, for several hours.

The seriously injured persons, men and women, were removed from the scene of the accident by private autos and placed on running boards of the floor of the justice court room. Those able to, talk said they would have to be taken to the county hospital in an ambulance from San Diego, 70 miles away, took an hour and a half to show up. There was no doctor in Jacumba. When the ambulance arrived the doctor would do nothing for the injured till he was certain the accident happened in San Diego county, and not in Imperial county. He said his supervisors would fire him if he touched another county's case. He wanted them sent to the scene of the accident to check up and it was proved that the accident happened in San Diego county.

Two hours after the ambulance arrived in Jacumba it started to San Diego with the injured, who had spent all that time and a hot noon-day heat of this bake-oven town unnecessarily.

The workers of Jacumba have been trying to get San Diego county to install an ambulance station and physician in that town. At the same time protest is being rallied at this brutality of the hospital officials against people until it is decided just where they are situated up on the Mountain Springs Grade —which crosses and recrosses the county line.

## ONION GROWERS CUT PAY THOUGH PRICES ARE UP

### JOBLESS DRIVEN INTO FIELDS BY SERA

By an Unemployed Worker.

RIVERSIDE, Calif., Oct. 15.— The wage-smashing, starvation program of the Federal Relief Administration has been put into effect in Riverside county.

Near Romoland, unemployed workers are being forced to work on farms where onions are selling cheaper, the workers were paid eight cents per 100 lbs.

We are attempting to build a strong Public Works and Unemployed Union here to protect our interests and to force higher wages for working in the onion fields and more adequate relief scales.

## Private Armies in England Denounced By Trades Union

LONDON.—The British Trades Union Congress in its September convention adopted the following resolution, bitterly attacking the fascist private armies which are counterparts to American "vigilante" groups:

**"That as a first step towards combatting the menace of Fascism, the government should amend the Unlawful Drilling Act of 1819 to prevent the existence of private armies, with heavy penalties for illegal detention of citizens in so-called club houses or barracks."**

At the same Congress Kershaw of the Weavers' Union reported that fascists were concentrating their forces in Lancashire because of the desperate situation of the cotton workers.

The fascists used the claim that further suppression of Eastern peoples would end Lancashire weavers.

## The Undertakers Appreciate Him

SAN DIEGO.—During President Roosevelt's visit to this city a local business firm inserted a small-ad in the daily newspapers, acknowledging the fact that his recovery program had helped their line of business very nicely.

The advertisement read as follows:

"We Are Proud of You, President Roosevelt.
Keep Up the Good Work.
SMITH MORTUARY,
J. D. & Cora Smith,
2876 ElCajon H. 1214."

## Take Children to Work, Jobless Told

### SERA ORDERS FAMILIES TO PICK WALNUTS

By a Worker Correspondent.

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif.—To maintain profits for the big farmers the relief officials are telling the unemployed to take any job offered, doing any kind of work at any rate of pay, regardless of their fitness for the work.

Workers in San Bernardino have been sent to pick and shuck walnuts at 75 cents per 100 lbs. When the workers tell the SERA and WPA officials that they cannot make their budgets picking walnuts they are told to take their children to work with them.

The workers are naturally split basically from their boss by enforced idleness, they have no protection for their hands and they are usually in a run-down condition from the starvation relief budgets. As a result, many of them are getting dermotitis of their hands due to the chemical irritation from juice of the green walnuts (Dermotitis, in plain proletarian language, means sloughing off skin).

The Workers' Clubs of this county are fighting this set-up tooth and nail and call upon all jobless to organize for higher wages and working conditions in the fields or adequate relief budgets.

Sylvester Cousdle, an SERA worker who was sent to pick walnuts, reported to the Workers' Club here with his hands in a frightful condition from the walnut juice. They were swollen and rotten so he is incapacitated for work for some months to come.

He was taken to a local doctor who signed a statement, as follows:

"Mr. Sylvester Cousdle: This man has severe dermatitis of both hands, sloughing of skin with ulceration webs of fingers, due to chemical irritation from juice of husks of walnuts."

## She Was Happier For Help of WPUU

By a Worker Correspondent.

WHITTIER, Calif.—Racial discrimination was whipped here today as the result of action of a grievance committee of the Unemployed Union.

When Mrs. Maud Toquinto, Mexican worker, was given cast-off, worn-out clothing for herself and two children, the "generous" donation of some church group she went with the P.W.U.U. grievance committee to the D.P.O. of the SERA and returned the useless garments.

"These clothes should make you feel very happy," relief officials told Mrs. Toquinto.

Mrs. Toquinto became happier when she saw the grievance committee acting efficiently and with unanimous close unity to force the authorities to give her a regular clothing order for new garments for herself and two children.

## City Acquires All Public Utilities

AUSTIN, Minn., Oct. 7.—(FP) —With the acquisition of the natural gas distribution system Oct. 1, the city of Austin became the owner of all the utilities within its borders. Water, light, power and gas are now genuine public utilities instead of private, utilities. The city paid $162,500 in cash for the gas distributing system, out of earnings of the municipal plants already in operation.

## "Strike Scene . . ."

BY BEAU VINCENT

## YOU CAN PUT YOUR "BRAINS" IN A GAS MASK OR NEWSPAPER

### BUT IF YOU ARE SMART YOU'LL JOIN A UNION

By Anonymous.

After 15 years' observation of six boys, all of working class parentage, (some of whom are on relief), I give their careers to date. One joined the Navy; the second is in a CCC camp; the third is in the State penitentiary doing a long term. (His technique was crude in a hold-up); the fourth is an experienced truck pusher in a cannery during the summer season—in the winter he is idle.

The fifth is still of "teen age and attending High School. He is also a member of the National "Fine!" I returned," I'm still eating three times a day."

After a short chat on extraneous matters, the subject drifted to employment conditions in the Daily Sewer newspaper office.

The kid reporter began: "I gotta leg it all over town on different assignments, I cover the police blotters, fires, accidents, murders, strikes and so forth. In my spare time I listen to the radio to get material for the sports column, when Fannie Fortune was sick for a couple weeks, I filled her column with sentimental trip."

"You know," the lad continued seriously, "it takes brains to write up for a newspaper."

I admitted, it did take "brains."

"Yes!" he said grievously, "But what gets us newspaper guys sore—we only get common laborers wages, while the linotype operators get fifty odd a week, setting up copy that we have created with our brains. After all printing is only mechanical work."

"Well!" I explained profoundly, "you see, those linotypers should be credited with their brains. They're organized; if you writing fellows were organized, you, too, could demand decent wages."

He pondered over my statement. "Believe it or not," I said, "in the Soviet Union writing is one of the most highly paid professions, in fact being the age of a pensioner . . . Some writers get more money than Stalin, the executive secretary of the Communist Party. That is the difference between 'Capitalism' and Socialism."

"That so!" he gasped in surprise, "Well I've gotta be going home around to the boss one more night and tell us all about it, you certainly know what it is all about."

He backed away, announcing, "I've got to go to . . . street, a bankrupt business man hanged himself in the clothing store. I'll store, I've gotta write it up."

"So-long! Old Scout!" he called over his shoulder.

## Mrs. Scheinberg to Address F.S.U. Meet

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 17.— Mrs. Claire Sheinberg, recently returned from a prolonged visit in the Soviet Union will testify to the fact that the Russians under the Soviet regime are the happiest people on earth. Mrs. Sheinberg, because she speaks Russian and German was able to get intimately acquainted with many families in the USSR.

She will relate her experiences at the next meeting of the Friends of the Soviet Union at California Club, 1750 Clay st., Tuesday, Oct. 22, 8 p. m. Non-members are welcome.

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## Milk Distributors Make Big Profits

CHICAGO.—Behind the Chicago milk strike is the knowledge closely guarded by the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture of the enormous profits of the Blowman, Borden-Wieland and Wanzer dairies, the principal distributors in Chicago. Secy Wallace has never released detailed figures but has said that in five years from 1929 to 1934 the milk distributor's profits in the Chicago area have averaged 25.8c per cent a year. Chicago babies and mothers have had to pay milk prices making these super-profits possible and at the same time the farmers who did the work have had to take starvation pay from the companies.

# Attempt to Split Union is Blocked

FAKERS USE RED SCARE, RACE PREJUDICE

## Quick Action in MCS

RANK AND FILE REJECTS PHONEY PROPOSALS

By a Seaman.

SAN FRANCISCO.—The October 10th membership meeting of the Marine Cooks and Stewards should be a lesson to all rank and filers and Party comrades in the seamen's unions. It shows the importance of intensifying our organizational and agitational work on board the ships, especially off-shore vessels.

The fakers packed the meeting with a group from the big packenger ships who, for one reason or another, followed the leadership of such phoneys as Moriarity and Johnny Ryan from the S.S. Lurline and Monterey. These phoneys had made the men in the steward department on these ships believe their union has been dominated by a "handful of radicals" who have worked to destroy the union.

The ship's delegate on the Lurline has worked on the boys for weeks for a crusade against the "reds" in the union, and told them they must drive out the Negro, Chinese, and Filipino workers to protect their jobs.

"You are going to that meeting tonight and clean up!" this delegate told them, "Don't get too much drunk, but get drunk enough to fight!"

☆ Rank and File Defeat Move.

If the rank and file of the MCS hadn't learned of this and exposed it beforehand an open split between the white and Negro brothers would have been inevitable. However, the joint rank and file group of the Interpacific Seamen's Union issued a leaflet exposing the fakers at the meeting. The statement warned the membership of the MCS that:

"Nothing would please (the shipowners) more than to see one of the two unions split away from the rest, or to see the Marine Cooks and Stewards split wide open. They are seizing upon the racial question in an attempt to do this very thing at present."

At the meeting the fakers got cold feet and kept back their original proposals.

☆ Who Dominates the MCS?

The fakers accused the rank and file of dominating the MCS (1) Moriarity failed in his attempt to get the election vessel brother against those who stayed on the beach and those on the freighters and steam schooners. The entire membership rejected the stupid insinuation that the steam schooner men, by demanding certain improvements, would "drag the offshore brothers into trouble with the big shipowners."

Common sense ought to tell Moriarity and Ryan that the union belongs to the rank and file and that the rank and file is the union and they don't have to dominate it. . .

☆ Fakers' Proposals Fail.

The fakers introduced several proposals to the meeting, on behalf of the brothers on the big ships, aimed to take away from the regular membership meeting and the headquarters the right to hold Burke responsible for his activities and to deprive two militant members of the right to run for office in the union. Another phoney proposal was that all union members who failed to ship out within a period of 45 days should not have a voice or vote in the union.

This would have hit the militant members who have been blacklisted by the companies or are discriminated against by the fakers. It would also freeze out the Negro, Chinese and Filipino workers, most of whom will not be able to get a job for some time because of the present shipping system.

In spite of the old "red-herring" and all the railroading tactics the rank and file were wise to these moves and defeated every one of them.

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

## New Mexico Worker Missing

ROSWELL, N. M., Oct. 17. Lester Turnbough, North Hill Committeeman of the Unemployed Council, has disappeared and not been heard from for over a month. It is feared he has become the victim of vigilantes.

His family can get no word him and are in the most severe distress. It is thought he knew too much of the crooked deals being put over on the workers relief. If any reader knows of his whereabouts address his wife in Camp Ray, this city.

## JOBLESS WON'T TAKE JOBS FOR 5 CENTS A DAY

## SAN DIEGO RELIEF HEAD TRIES TO HELP EXPO.

By a Worker Correspondent.

SAN DIEGO.—Several hundred SERA workers have been asked to work in the California-International Pacific Exposition for 5 cents a day for a ten-day period sweeping streets and gardening, according to a report now before a ticket to the fair which is worth a total of 50 cents.

Harry Foster, big shot in the American Legion and WPA superintendent, thought up the idea and sent out 125 cleverly worded "come-on" post cards. They said "Many former SERA workers who have worked in Balboa Park desire to meet next Tuesday at the Nursery Building. If you worked here before, or if you are interested, please meet with the gang at 10 a. m. that day. (Signed) Harry L. Foster."

At 10 a. m. Tuesday, some 40 men were present and were addressed by a police officer who told them what they were wanted for and what was expected of them—all for a ticket to a crooked Exposition. Two minutes later the entire crowd had drifted away laughing at what suckers they were for wasting car fare.

So Foster sent out some more cards. The response was a little larger and this time he addressed the workers himself. Telling them what he wanted, he ended up with, "And if you do not do this work, I'll have you thrown off relief." Foster actually has no such power.

Twenty men at the most signed up to work, and about a dozen appeared the next day. The rest of the men called his bluff.

The crew of SERA men who were working for nothing on the Harbor Department has split.

## Many WPA Workers Quit Navy Yard Job

By a Worker Correspondent.

VALLEJO, Calif.—The Solano County Public Works and Unemployed Union, against bitter opposition from the secretary and the president of the Labor Council, is increasing its membership right along. The capitalist paper here (the Bibbit Press) refuses to print notices of our meetings, but we have a good attendance anyway.

We are prepared to send delegates to the convention to meet in San Luis Obispo on the 20th.

Many of the relief workers at Mare Island Navy Yard who live in Oakland, Richmond and surrounding towns are quitting the job because of the high cost of transportation. Rather than work on the subbridge it amounts in many instances to as much as $16 a month.

Some Public Works at the Navy Yard claim they have no money for projects, so the jobs are stamped WPA and the relief workers are called upon to do the necessary labor, destroying the wage scale and hurting the A. F. of L.

## WPA Workers Strike

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y.—(FP) —Some 900 WPA workers on the Bear Mountain Park project in Orange County, N. Y., have struck against the Roosevelt wage. The workers are protesting discrimination in the wage scale which bars workers from New York City.

## WHERE TO GO

ORGANIZATIONS! Get big crowds to your affairs. Advertise them here. New rates—7c a line, in advance!

— San Francisco —

DESKS, files, etc.; are needed by the Western Worker. Notify the business manager, when and where to have materials picked up.

HAYS VALLEY NITE, 121 Haight st. Dance under the auspices of Cherry Blossoms. Benefit for Daily Worker. Given by units 4-2 Fillmore. Sunday, Oct. 27, 8 p. m.

DANCE, ENTERTAINMENT at 779 Vallejo st., on Oct. 20, at 8 p. m. under the auspices of the S. F. Section, Communist Party for support of the S. F. Section. Admission 15 cents.

MEMBERSHIP MEETING and Lecture by Mrs. Claire Scheinberg, recently returned from the Soviet Union at California Club, 1750 Clay st., 8 p. m. "Happy Families in the Soviet Union" will be the subject of lecture. Non members cordially invited. Admission free. Auspices, Friends of the Soviet Union.

ATTENTION! SAVE THIS DATE: SATURDAY, NOV. 16, 1935, SO THAT NO COMPLICATION OCCURS.

CHOP SUEY DINNER AND DANCE. Given by Agit-Prop Commission and Unit 5, Filmore. Sunday, Oct. 27. Chop-Suey Dinner at 6:30 p. m. Entertainment and Dancing, 8:30 p. m. Sunday Nite, Oct. 20.

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KEEP OPEN the 27th of October, for the fifth Annual Concert of the Daily Worker at the Mason Opera House.

## SHIPPERS BALK SETTLEMENT OF CANADA STRIKE

PEACE PARLEY HEARINGS NEAR CONCLUSION

VANCOUVER, B. C., Oct. 16. —Hearings in the more than five-months-old strike of longshoremen, here were concluded last night, strikers report nothing substantial was achieved.

Discussions which may lead to a settlement, however, were being held.

Representatives of the shipowners, throughout the hearings maintained a stubborn resistance to all demands of the strikers for union recognition. The Shipping Federation, after first pretending to recognize the Transport Workers' Union, instituted a lock-out, which in turn led to the strike.

Longshoremen do not anticipate any settlement of their strike, at least until the elections and progress are concluded and it is known which party will be in power in the Canadian government.

Meanwhile continued reports of solidarity action taken by seamen in other ports were received here. The crew of the S.S. Wanganella, a Royal Mail packet, refused to ship to British Columbia ports until assured that cargo would be discharged by union workers in Vancouver.

## Workers' School Affair Postponed

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 18.—The Trade Union department of the Workers' School announces that the affair that was to be held on Oct. 19th at 121 Haight st., is postponed. This is being done because of the Dance and Entertainment being given by the United Labor Campaign Committee on the same night at the Druids Temple.

## Books and Pamphlets

PROLETARIAN LITERATURE IN THE UNITED STATES. A Book Union selection edited by Granville Hicks, Michael Gold, Isidor Schneider, Joseph North, Paul Peters, Alan Calmer, with a critical introduction by Joseph Freeman.

Reviewed by A. J. OLGIN

It is in this way that the American Writers' Congress and the League of American Writers could make their appearance and it is because of these developments that the present volume became a living fact. Five years ago a collection of this sort could hardly be realized. Today it is there to be, to read, to possess—a beautifully designed volume filled to overflowing with proletarian stuff—no intellectual stepsister of the college," says this startled toad pigeon. At last" he had caught up with this alien, illegally in the U. S., a fountain of trouble, whose name is (wouldn't you know it) Boris Marvitch. The lean has the floor: "When we give the student intellectual freedom we must protect their minds from the workings of professional agitators."

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literary failure. Some of the works are of a higher literary order than others; some are more expressive of the author's individuality of character, with a deeper inner glow; others possess these qualities in a lesser degree.

But all this without exception is literature of combustion, of stuff in it is excellent, and what is most encouraging is the excellence of the work of a few new men and women of whom we have heard little. Thus, about Tillie Lerner the editors remark: "Tillie Lerner was active in the San Francisco Strike." In the Iron Throat" is her first published fragment." The fragment, it should be noted, vies with the best in the volume in its vividness, rhythm, depiction of life, and revolutionary sympathy for the exploited. The inclusion of revolutionary articles because of which some fragments are no less fascinating than outright fiction, only goes to prove that the line of literature is a peculiarly fit weapon in the hands of the proletariat.

☆ Socialist Realism.

Secondly, the literary production here collected succeeds in being also literature without appearing to be "propaganda." Hardly any critic with a sense of literary values will be able to say that the facts as here recorded by the writers have been so marshalled as to prove a thesis. The editors were particularly careful to avoid the pitfall of distorting reality to conform to theory. They rightly assumed that the life of the proletariat as it is contains enough revolutionary implications. There is a happy avoidance of sermonizing in the volume, and wherever there appears revolutionary action it is well assured that only out of the soil of the workers' lives.

☆ The socialist realism consists in truthfully depicting reality in life by showing the essential, not some accidental or illusory, traits of reality, by revealing the historical tendencies inherent in that reality and by making clear the inevitability of the victory clear the way over the old social forces, then the best of the volume is simply realism. The literary criticism contained therein furnishes the ideological weapon in the struggle for socialist realism.

The Book Union could make no better choice for its first approach to the proletarian readers.

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# MOVIE REVIEWS

## A Pig's Eye View of University Groups Farst-ism In Celluloid—College Submarsuders With Beards and Bombs

**COMING YOUTH",** Universal picture with Chas. Farrell, Ann Sheridan, Eddie Nugent, and Alden Chase.

By L. A.

No doubt this piece of subling stupidity will be heralded as "Frth greatest football picture ever filmed. See the All-Americans smash thru to victory," etc' Plot follows.

College opens. Gals, freshmen, etc. The hero steps out of an R.O. T.C. uniform into a football suit. The villain, new style, is the student movement. A meeting of the Central Committee of the radical Student League for Freedom is in session. They must secretly undermine the morale of the football team.

The radical girl leader seduces our hero. He attends a meeting of the League. He is pleased when asked to speak. The girl friend, tho, is on the spot and tells all delivers a stinging rebuke to the group. Says she, to the hero, "Do you think it's smart to be mixed up in this sort of crowd?" Hero fumbles at the next game and loses by a large margin.

Coach spots his star football player (one hero) at dinner with the radical girl. Aha! He threw the game. So he ups to the dean and tells him. The dean tells him the League of Freedom would show up anything like storms. You must fight it out in your own way inside the skin. At the next day's football practice our hero rebels at the rotten stuff and quits.

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# The Mooney Frame-Up On Parade

## Fickert, Former District Attorney, Now Broken Man, May Spill Whole Story

PART XIV.

**The story of the present habeas corpus hearing in San Francisco, before a state supreme court referee, Attorney A. E. Shaw. Nineteen years ago Mooney and Billings were framed for murdering a man with a bomb. In 936 Mooney demanded a new trial on an old indictment charging him with the murder of another one of the victims of the bomb. The second trial was held and he was acquitted.**

**Now his freedom is demanded under a writ of habeas corpus.**

From a surface point of view the past week has not been a very startling one in the hearings being held before Referee Shaw in San Francisco. Most of the time has been taken up in reading into the record the 1916 and 1917 testimony of Oxman, Rigall, Mrs. Edean, and others in the three trials and in the Oxman hearing before the Grand Jury for conspiracy to perjure. However, this is immensely important for an orderly presentation of the case, and is laying the groundwork for the appearance of witnesses, both new and old, who will build up an unbreakable record of the deliberate framing of Mooney and Billings by the district attorney and his staff and their henchmen on the police force.

☆ Witness "Can't Remember."

The only witness actually to take the stand during the week—except for a brief testimony by Rena Mooney's sister, Mrs. Belle Rammerburg, to identify the copy of Oxman's affidavit in Kansas City, secured by her in 1926—was Frank Tharp, Pacific Coast manager of the Burns Detective Agency, who was on the stand at the end of the week before. This bored

and reluctant witness professed an inability to remember anything except that all his files of the case were destroyed. But he did, under pressure, recognize his own signature on letters sent by him to Mooney when the first attempt to secure Oxman correspondence were made by the defense.

After constant efforts to secure the presence of Frank Woods, who first wrote Fickert about Oxman, and E. G. Wilson, the railroad agent who caught Oxman in a previous perjury, both men have refused to come to San Francisco to testify. Therefore, during the week of Oct. 20, the referee and counsel on both sides will go to Portland, Ore., and Cheyenne, Wyo., respectively, to take the depositions of these men. Mooney and Billings will not accompany them.

☆ To Subpoena Cunha.

In the near future Earl Hutchinson of Woodland, and his wife, who entertained Oxman during the morning of July 22, 1916, and put him on the train that did not reach San Francisco until after the bomb explosion, are expected to testify. A subpoena has also been issued for former Police Chief Steve Timmer, who was very active, in the days of the frame-up. Another witness who will be subpoenaed is Edward Cunha, who was Fickert's assistant in 1916. Cunha was frankly been present in the courtroom, but did not testify.

☆ Fickert Now a Derelict.

The star witness expected to be called by Mooney's counsel will be the chief of the frameup system, ex-District Attorney Charles Fickert himself. Fickert has fallen very far from his mental and physical state of 1916. He is now practically a derelict. There is every possibility that when he gets on the witness stand, under the relentless examination of Frank P. Walsh, without help from his former advisers, he will break and finally spill the whole story of the frame-up. Therefore every effort is being made by the other side to keep him from testifying, even to sending him to Arizona, where he now is—though he was in San Francisco, and even appeared momentarily in the courtroom, and in the war diversion was an attempt to take attention from internal conditions.

## DAILY WORKER DRIVE

NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—Late reports show that $37,325.80 have been raised in the drive for funds to aid the Daily Worker and the Communist Party. The total sought is $60,000. The drive is not proceeding with the speed necessary if we are to build a real working class press. Below we give the returns to date from District 13.

| Section: | Quota | Raised | % Raised |
|---|---|---|---|
| Nevada | $ 5.00 | $ 10.00 | 200 |
| San Mateo | 10.00 | 14.50 | 145 |
| Sap Bernardino | 15.00 | 15.00 | 100 |
| Sonoma | 10.00 | 10.00 | 100 |
| Stockton | 15.00 | 15.00 | 100 |
| Monterey | 15.00 | 12.50 | 83 |
| San Francisco | 350.00 | 280.00 | 80 |
| Merced | 10.00 | 7.75 | 78 |
| Los Angeles | 750.00 | $ 526.91 | 70 |
| San Diego | 75.00 | 37.35 | 50 |
| Contra Costa | 10.00 | 3.75 | 38 |
| East Bay | 85.00 | 32.50 | 38 |
| Fresno | 20.00 | 7.00 | 35 |
| Reno | 15.00 | 5.00 | 33 |
| Sacramento | 50.00 | 11.27 | 23 |
| Arizona | 10.00 | 1.36 | 14 |
| Eureka | 10.00 | 1.25 | 2 |
| At Large, Dist. No. 13 | | 22.00 | |
| Santa Barbara | 20.00 | | 0 |
| Bakersfield | 10.00 | | 0 |
| Porterville | 10.00 | | 0 |
| Tulare | 10.00 | | 0 |
| TOTALS | $1500.00 | $1010.09 | 67% |

San Francisco Sect. Standing— Supplementary schedule:

| Sub-Sect. | Quota | Raised | % Raised |
|---|---|---|---|
| Downtown | $ 50.00 | $ 58.97 | 118 |
| No. Beach | 35.00 | 29.25 | 81 |
| Waterfront | 75.00 | 61.26 | 82 |
| Fillmore | 75.00 | 34.52 | 47 |
| Mission | 75.00 | 17.69 | 22 |
| Marina | 40.00 | 8.85 | 23 |
| At Large, S. F. | | 70.48 | |
| TOTALS | $350.00 | $280.93 | 80% |

## DAILY WORKER DRIVE

A few sections have good records but most of them are still lagging.

District 13 must still raise $489.91. It is up to every comrade and sympathizer to get busy if we are going to beat District 12 with which it is competing. So far District 13 holds a slight lead, but more results will have to be made if it is to retain that lead.

## Long Beach Worker Wins Reversal on Charge of Slander

LONG BEACH, Calif., Oct. 14 —Conviction of Loretta Adams, member of the Long Beach Workers' Club, for criminal slander, was set aside on appeal to the appellate department of the Supreme Court.

The defendant had been sentenced to $200 fine or 25 days in jail for her exposure of a dirty politician in the club called Ethel Parker. This disrupter had tried to seize control of the club at a meeting by stating that there were police present who had informed her 17 Communists were present. A special star chamber meeting was then held which expelled the seventeen alleged Communists.

One of the ousted members, Loretta Adams, investigated and found out that this Ethel Parker came from San Bernardino. On exposing her character to the members at the next meeting on Feb. 20 she was arrested for criminal slander.

The nature of the frameup was so raw that even the court was reluctantly forced to reverse the sentence. I. Allan Frankel was retained by the International Labor Defense to represent the defendant.

## ON THE LABOR DEFENSE FRONT

Organization of Young Defender groups in San Francisco will shortly started by the district bureau, of the International Labor Defense. With eight children as a nucleus, the first big meeting, held by the MacNamara and Alisco branches.

Other branches are asked to proceed in their groups immediately; first by getting one or two members to take charge of the children's groups. The children themselves decide upon their group's name and what political interest they will adopt. Saturday afternoon mail out newspapers for donations to the prison relief fund sent out by the I.L.D. can be some of their activities.

Anita Whitney, who is facing trial before Superior Judge Harris, Oct. 28, will speak on charges at the Election Symposium to be held at Druids Auditorium, 44 Page st., next Wednesday night, Oct. 23, by the I.L.D.

Candidate's views on the criminal syndication act, vigilantism, freedom of speech and assemblage, and constitutional rights of workers to organize, strike and picket, will be aired. Admission free—friends of workers' defense are invited.

The case of Leo Gallagher, attorney, and Elaine Black, district I.L.D. organizer, who are under indictment on charges of "inciting" and also turning the peace has been continued until Oct. 28 for setting of jury trial.—Send protests to Judge Lazarus, Hall of Justice, S. F., demanding the unconditional dismissal of these charges.

## Olympic Boycott

NEWARK, N. J.—(FP)—Following the example of the South Athletic Ass'n of the Amateur Athletic Union in Philadelphia, the New Jersey Ass'n of the A.A.U. has voted to boycott the 1936 Olympic games in Nazi Germany.

## Important Witnesses Refuse to Attend

Two important witnesses refused to attend the hearings before Referee Shaw in San Francisco between 12 and 1 o'clock. This book (which had disappeared since the Lloyd Jury investigation of Oxman) together with the Hatchet's and other testimony, will prove conclusively that the "honest coffee man" deliberately perjured himself in this statement, and that it was absolutely impossible for him to have been at the corner of Steuart and Market streets at the time to have "seen" the Mooneys, Billings, and Weinberg there.

☆ Hearing in New Room.

Judge Steiger, in whose courtroom the hearings have been held the same room in which Mooney's third himself sentenced to hang in 1917) has asked for his room back, as his calendar is becoming crowded. The hearings, starting with Oct. 14, the hearings will continue in the chambers of the Police Commission, also in the Hall of Justice.

☆ Solidarity.

Among the contributions coming in for the expenses of the hearings, one of the most gratifying was a money order for Five Pounds from the Queensland Branch of the Australian Railways Union, which was accompanied by a letter from the State Secretary of the Union stating that the Australian workers would "hear early that he has been released from the prison in which he has been so unjustly confined for so many years."

## TRADES UNION REPORT SHOWS NAZI DECLINE

### BRITISH CONGRESS HEARS CITRINE'S REPORT

LONDON.—The General Council's report to the 1935 Trades Union Congress shows that emotional interest in fascism is definitely declining.

The report, presented by Sir Walter Citrine, pointed out that fascism was depending on militarism for its existence. This is borne out by Germany, with an unemployed army of 600,000, while their industries are such that it numbered nearly one million.

Underground activity is still being carried on actively, and the report, which attended several conferences with representatives for Germany.

One conference at which forty German colleagues were to have attended was blocked by the arrest of twenty-five of them before they had even crossed the border, although the place of the conference was kept secret.

Citrine credited the boycott of the German public authorities between Dr. Schacht, the Economic minister, and the Nazi leaders.

Conditions in Italy he described as more desperate than in Germany, and the war diversion was an attempt to take attention from internal conditions.

## Soviet Film Deals With Farm Workers

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 17.— "Peasants", the heroic film depicting the fierce struggle for collectivization, which was directed by Friedrich Ermler, holder of the Order of Lenin, will be seen at the Grand International Theater, 730 So. Grand ave., between 7th and 8th streets, for a limited engagement starting with the matinee this Saturday, Oct. 17.

"Peasants" has to do with the workers on a Kolkhoz, a collective farm. Among the big and big issues is a Soviet tractor, by whose lack of cooperation is eventually discovered by his wife when he recites her ideas of having their own child raised in the Communist leader. She is astounded to learn her husband's true views, and then recalls that he had left both her and her brother against the executives of the Kolkhoz.

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## The Communists Must Be Heard

"The amazing persuasiveness of Communists is something that needs explanation. Never before has the kept press cried out so fervently: "Please silence the Communists. Don't let them rent halls. Don't let them appear at meetings. Drive them out of the unions. Arrest them. Deport them. Jail them. Kill them. ANYTHING! But PLEASE! PLEASE! Don't let them talk."

"This is difficult to understand.

"If we Communists are any of the terrible things they try to say we are, then the quickest way to discredit us and put us out of business would be to let us talk. If we really preach doctrines of violence and justice, then by all means they should be eager to let us talk. In such a case, it would be very easy to argue us down.

"Mr. Hearst specializes in "exposing" Communism. Yet his is the most frantic voice among all those pleading that we be silenced. If he really believes we are so dreadful, why doesn't he urge people to attend our meetings, read our press and see for themselves. Wouldn't this be the best possible "exposure"?

"Mr. William Green and Mr. Edward Vandeleur and Mr. Scharrenberg are all very anxious that members of the American Federation of Labor be expelled from their unions as rapidly as they join the Communist Party. The voice of a Communist on the floor of a union seems to be an astonishingly persuasive influence, since the gentlemen who wield the gavels cannot compete with it.

"The answer to this proposition is simple and expressive, if not very elegant. It seems that the eminent and distinguished spokesmen of capitalism, when boiled down to their essence, are, ordinary cowards and liars.

"The healthiest thing for any union is to have Communists in its membership. The healthiest thing for any community is to have Communists expressing their viewpoint at public meetings. Before making any decision, before forming any opinion, why should you not be able to hear what the Communist viewpoint is on that subject?

"Are you to regard yourselves as imbeciles incapable of controlling your own minds? Are you afraid to hear the Communists talk because you fear they will convince you?

"We think not. We think you are interested in hearing our voice and capable of judging its logic for yourself.

The spokesmen of capitalism also knew this. And that is why they are afraid of having you hear us.

You have a right to hear us.

These are common rights and we must unite in defense of them.

This is no casual issue. It is serious and important. You are going to need your rights of free speech and freedom of political opinion very badly in the coming years. Fight for them now. It is easier to win them now than it will be to win them back once they have been taken away.

Act as surely as you let them take these things away from you, you are going to have to fight to win them back. And it will be a very bitter fight.

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THOMAS JEFFERSON, when explaining the aims of the University of Virginia: "This institution will be, based upon the illimitable freedom of the human mind. For here we are not afraid to follow truth wherever it may lead, nor to error as long as reason is left free to combat it."

## Deportation—The Last Resort of Numskulls

Thomas Paine, Thomas Jefferson, Abraham Lincoln and Benjamin Franklin, if alive today would be clubbed senseless by the police department if they uttered any of the wisdom for which they are famed.

Their common ideal, freedom of speech, has gagged to such a pretense that employers make free use of police and courts to jail and drive out those whose arguments they cannot answer.

We have the example now of Joseph Curran whom authorities are making every effort to deport to the West Indies for the admitted reason that he taught classes on Marxism, lectured on current topics and spoke in support of organized labor.

The authorities make no effort to conceal the fact that Curran's foreign birth is of no importance to them and is merely being utilized as a means of getting him out of the way.

Branch has been ordered to report for deportation on Oct. 21. The International Labor Defense is filing a writ of habeas corpus in behalf of the union all honest persons to protest to Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins.

If our public institutions have become so corrupt, so soggy with graft and privilege that the honestly expressed opinion of any man can endanger them—then that man should be heard. And you have a right to hear him.

Defend his right to speak.

Defend your right to hear.

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"Labor is prior to and independent of capital. Capital is only the fruit of labor, and could never have existed if labor had not first existed. Labor is the superior of capital, and deserves much the higher consideration."—ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

## Only Honest Votes Will Defend Your Interests

If you try to play a crafty game with the machine of professional politics, you are going to come out with the short end of the stick. That is their game and you needn't think you can beat them at it.

The only thing that you can fight with is straightforward honesty.

A lot of people have been heard to say that they believe Redfern Mason and the United Labor Ticket have the only platform with genuine integrity, and that is truly in the interests of the people. "But," they continue, "The most important thing is to defeat Rossi. Therefore, even though a Uhl is a professional politician with a dubious record, he is the lesser of two evils."

And just as many people are saying: "The most important thing is to defeat Uhl. Therefore, even if Rossi is the tool of the Industrial Association, he is the lesser of two evils —at least he is a known evil and Uhl and his Uhlans might be a thousand times worse."

The lesser of two evils is the worst of all evils and a dishonest vote.

In the first place, the race is not between Uhl and Rossi but between Mason and Rossi. A vote for Uhl or any of the other candidates is a vote for Rossi.

There is only one way to vote that can possibly further your interests or overcome the disgraceful corruption and servitude to Big Business which is strangling Municipal politics. That is, for you to sincerely study the platforms and backing of all candidates. Then vote honestly for what you believe is right.

If you are a working man or woman, whether white collar or in overalls, if you are a small business man or a small property owner, a professional man or liberal, your honest vote can only be for Redfern Mason and the United Labor Ticket.

## Emergency Call In Herndon Crisis

On Monday, Oct. 14, a general alarm sounded through the ranks of every working class organization in America. In hundreds of towns and cities from coast to coast, the wires were flashing. Telegrams were being opened in headquarters of workers' groups. Hands reached quickly for telephones. Meetings were stopped in the middle of business. Other matters were deferred as organizations swung into action on a major working class crisis.

Angelo Herndon had been ordered to surrender to the chain gangs of Georgia within ten days. The U. S. Supreme Court had refused to review the case of the young Negro organizer of the unemployed who was arrested and railroaded by Southern capitalists who invoked an ancient slave revolt law dating back to 1866. A crude suppression Jim-Crow law violating and mocking every principle of freedom and justice for which the Constitution is supposed to stand. So shocking was the corruption that workers in very State took up the cry for his freedom and his name has become a symbol of the working class struggle. $18,000 in small amounts was contributed by workers to bail him out pending appeal to higher courts.

IN THE FACE OF THIS; THE U. S. SUPREME COURT REFUSES EVEN TO REVIEW THE CASE.

Herndon is ordered to surrender on the 24th of October. Between that time and now you must take the following emergency steps:

1—Press the drive for collection of signatures. See that all lists are in the hands of the International Labor Defense, 80 East 11th st. New York City, before that date.

2—Send funds to carry on the emergency drive.

3—Send telegrams to Governor Talmadge demanding he exercise his power to free Herndon.

4—Send telegrams to the U. S. Supreme Court, Washington, D. C., demanding a review of the case.

HERNDON MUST NOT SERVE A SINGLE DAY ON THE CHAIN GANG!

## A Campaign of Rumors On the Waterfront

Certain agents of the shipowners who have squirmed themselves into the ranks of the maritime workers, for more than a month have at their command a whispering campaign calculated to disrupt the unity now existing between the different maritime unions.

They attempt to set seamen against longshoremen—longshoremen against seamen. They put the seamen on the back of one sweater and flatter the longshoremen at another.

They say the longshoremen are "pork chop conscious," and that the seamen are preparing to force the longshoremen into a strike. No rumor is too vile for them to repeat.

In the meantime the shipowners are engaged in a campaign to discredit the maritime workers—not longshoremen—not seamen—but all maritime workers. They want to smash the militant unions and put the fakers back in their jobs as heads of what would be merely company unions.

No one disputes the fact the shipowners have a strong united front. They know what unity means and that's why they fear it in the maritime unions.

The present time is a time for solidarity of all crafts. It is no time to listen to rumor-mongers. Hot cargo will soon be here from the Gulf. The shipowners want us to violate all union principles to work the filthy stuff. We will not do this.

Remember—AN INJURY TO ONE IS AN INJURY TO ALL!

Let's smash those rumors.

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## Party Life

### Recruiting Drive So Far; Complaint From a Unit

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Last week we published a checkup on new recruits from Sept. 21 to Oct. 5. The following is the checkup from Oct. 5 to 12.

During this last week, the following Sections recruited:

Sonoma—One Woman; total 1.
Los Angeles—One shop worker, 2 unemployed; total 23.
San Diego—One Woman, 4 unemployed, 2 farmers; total 8.
East Bay—5 A. F. L., 2 women, 2 unemployed; total 9.
San Francisco—9 A. F. L., 3 shop workers, 6 unemployed; total 37.

The above shows the recruits from Sept. 21 to Oct. 12, with the results of the last week itemized, according to categories.

To date, only 93 members have been recruited since the beginning of the drive. Comrades! This must be speeded up if we are going to make our quota by Nov. 7. More than half of the time for the drive has already elapsed. The following Sections have not brought in even one new member since Sept. 21.

Nevada, Arizona, Bakersfield, Monterey, Merced, Fresno, Stockton, Sacramento, Santa Barbara, San Jose, San Mateo, Tulare.

This means that 12 out of 21 Sections have obviously not made any consistent attempt to bring in any new members in their respective sections. Especially in these 12 Sections, during the next week, every single member in the Party must be mobilized to do daily recruiting. Contacts must be checked on, and systematic attempts made to visit them and recruit them to the Party. There is very little time left. We expect during this next week to hear from every Section in the District that they are doing their part to go over the top in this drive.

### QUERY ON DIMITROFF PAMPHLET

The comrades of this unit feel that there is laxity in the distribution of the speech of Dimitroff, the Daily Worker and the Party Organizer have both told us that one-half million copies of this important document must be sold. There were discussions in the units, everyone was going to make a real distribution of the pamphlet. But where are they? I understand that the Los Angeles Section received 300 copies which were sold out in less than a day.

We here, of course, do not know what difficulties in publication may have been encountered. However, this delay on the Dimitroff pamphlet is not an isolated incident. Lenin's "Manual," an exceedingly important piece which we mention also unfortunately from time to time.

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Agit-Prop.
Unit 1-8—Hollywood Sub-Section

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## Seattle Labor to Boycott War Goods

SEATTLE, Wash.—(FP)—The Seattle Central Labor Council has voted to request all affiliated bodies "to refuse to handle or load any commodities destined for Italy, Eritrea or Italian Somaliland."

THE GOBBLER—

CAPITALISM
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# Industrial Unionism Polls Huge AFL Convention Vote

(Continued From Page 1)
significant achievement by rank and file labor.

**Red-Baiting.**

Although forced by progressives to greatly moderate their red-baiting resolution, the Green faction did manage, to railroad it through in the last day of the convention. It was changed from expelling trade unionists who are Communist Party members from the unions, to barring such members from being delegates to Central Labor Councils. 2

Francis Gorman, president of the United Textile Workers, made a brilliant argument for the Labor Party last Saturday, comparing the Republican N.Y. Deal and increasing industrial unrest as indications that a Labor Party was going to be built by the workers as an economic reactions of which the A. F. of L. might decide on the subject.

**Flat Fight.**

The fist fight occurred between John L. Lewis of the United Mine Workers and William Hutcheson of the carpenters' union during a period when tempers were flaring over attempts of Green and Hutcheson to prevent further discussion on the Industrial Union subject. Lewis, Green and his faction also managed to kill resolutions for the formation of a labor youth movement, for organization of the unemployed and WPA workers, for the organization of cannery and agricultural workers.

By LEN DE CAUX

ATLANTIC CITY, Oct. 3.—No sooner had the American Federation of Labor convention completed action on the craft vs. industrial union issue as a result of general pressure than essentially the same fight flared up again the next day in a jurisdictional controversy between the metal mining industry. In the clear-cut division between the two groups created by the majority and minority reports from the resolutions committee, the advocates of industrial unionism in mass production industries were defeated by a roll-call vote of 18,025 to 10,924.

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# News Stories and Comment by Worker Correspondents

## THE DAILY GRIND ROUTINE IN A RELIEF OFFICE

A "BEHIND THE SCENES" ACCOUNT OF SERA

### Threats and Lies

SOCIAL WORKERS NEED PWUU CONTACT

By a Social Worker.

Request received from Mr. Stewart, Re-employment Co-ordinator, for list of all men who have worked for Ford Company in the last two years. There is a possibility for employment at local Ford plant. As most of my "eases" have been unemployed for longer than two years I can make no list.

"Client" reports that a private job to which he was sent by Re-employment Co-ordinator turned out to be a racket. His future "employer" first wanted him to rent a room at $3.50 per week;—then in case there was any work for him, a commission on the job." "Client's" report verified.

Report was received from County Director which stated that private employment could not be refused by clients, on pain of discontinuance of relief.

☆ **Where's the Job?**

A first batch of WPA work orders are received for delivery. With no exceptions they are all for laborers at $55 per month. "Client" is glad to receive his work orders. He asks me how to reach Coldwater Canyon. I cannot tell him. There is neither a commercial bus line going there, nor will WPA furnish transportation. Next client wants to know how to get into the Santa Monica mountains when there is no transportation, either there or back.

Never mind, be there at 7:30 Friday morning. I think what a good issue for the Public Works Art Unionization would be—how clear that organization would become to the relief workers if it would force ruthless officials to allocate enough funds for competent workers.

☆ **"Take It Or Leave It."**

Client is told he will be thrown off relief if he refuses first work order presented. Social workers themselves have no security. They have no threaten their clients.

**Mr. Shotland, assistant relief administrator, states privately that there is a ten per cent allowance available for transportation difficulties on WPA. But the granting of that allowance is up to the local administrators. It may be ordered in one city and as four work orders before being refused consideration. This is also in the discretion of local officialdom.**

In certain cases, two members of a family may each receive work orders. But the least said about it the better. A husband and wife, seven might decide that $55 per month was insufficient. An attempt will even be made to have one or both boys or girls of a separated family.

☆ **Drive on Foreign-Born.**

A census of the "case load" is being taken to determine the total number of aliens on relief, the number of Mexican aliens, and the number of naturalized Mexicans. Unemployed labor and syndicalistic organizations are the objective.

—Employees of Los Angeles County Relief Administration are warned that nothing can be expected and that nothing can be done about it. Employes are panicky.

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(Signed with the Hammer and Sickle.)

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

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Your task is to give an orderly view of the proceedings and give the reader a clear account of the issues presented by both sides so that he can sit as judge on the matter and come to his own conclusions.

The worst conceivable trial report is one that applies the words "railroading" and "frame-up" without presenting evidence to show wherein and why.

☆ **Main Events First.**

Don't try to tell the story of a day's proceedings by saying: "The court opened at 10 a. m. Judge Jones this and so and so and then proceeded to do this and that" in sequence. Pick the most vital and important incident or development. Make that your lead. Then follow it up with other occurrences in order of importance, introducing them with: "Earlier in the day," or "Immediately following," or "The morning recess was on," to give the reader some idea of when in the proceedings the thing took place.

The coverage of a trial of any importance requires a great deal more than just sitting in on the sessions and reporting what occurs. It means that the reporter must study the case, familiarize himself with similar trials and all possible background material so that he can include references to such things in his stories.

☆ **Feature Stories.**

Feature stories, biographies of defendants and prosecutors, side-lights that occur in the court all must be presented to enable the reader to obtain a full picture, picture of the trial and a complete understanding of its background.

Constantly study your reports to date and ask yourself, "Can the reader, from these accounts, get a full understanding of what is going on?" You are right on the scene. It is your job to determine what feature articles are needed. In the case of long trials, periodically prepare summaries of all proceedings to date for the sake of readers who have not read previous reports.

Get around among the visitors to the courtroom and get as many statements and opinions as you can.

Wherever possible, quote actual dialog and remarks of attorneys, witnesses, judge, etc.

☆ **Information Not Opinion.**

Remember, what the reader wants to know is WHAT HAPPENED; NOT WHAT YOU THINK ABOUT IT. He wants the material with which to form an opinion, not advice as to what his opinion should be. It is perfectly all right for you to cite as the opinion of others, but your material as you please in order to help him come to the opinion you believe is correct. But never kid yourself into thinking you are accomplishing anything by saying, "This is just another one of those cases of employers framing up workers." The reader doesn't know whether it is or not and certainly will not take your word for it. I have to let you in on Sept. 28, Mr. Smith, general manager of the Blank Company called up Attorney Williams and told him he had only one such case. From such specific information, the reader can see the corruption for himself.

Always work in close cooperation with the defense attorneys and the workers on trial. They can supply you with most important observations that would escape anyone else.

By a campaign one usually thinks of a political campaign. But a campaign to get 10,000 Herndon signatures, "congresses such as those against war and fascism or the Criminal Syndicalism Law, and even strikes are campaigns.

The first thing to think about when organizing a campaign is to get publicity. The best publicity for this is the forming of a publicity committee, which must study the various newspapers to be used and decide what they will print.

Before sending in your publicity for, say, a Criminal Syndicalism Congress, consider the position of the Western Worker editors. They are too busy putting out a paper to dig up your news for you. But they don't want to fill the paper with a lot of repeat stuff.

☆ **"Dead Stories."**

If you send in a story saying a C. S. Congress is going to be held, great interest is being shown, and it tells about the nefariousness of the law, and repeat the same story each time, the readers will lose interest, the paper will lose interest, and the campaign will lose its pep.

The one rule to observe in writing up a campaign is that you have a NEWS ANGLE TO BEGIN EACH STORY. Dig up and expose some particular fake angle in connection with the law, for instance the Labor Ticket campaign in San Francisco, a story revealing some particular piece of graft, or what crime Rossi committed ten years ago, will give an interest to your publicity that will compensate for repetitiousness. Or, if you have had a period of months your call to vote Labor or join the C. S.

☆ **Dig 'Em Up.**

If you have no new angle at present, you've got to dig one up. In getting organizations to back your campaign, you will run all sorts of human interest stories. What the union members say about joining the C.S. fight; what the preacher, the lawyer, who try to sabotage your movement, may make an interesting story. An interview with some leader of the working class whose opinion carries weight is another way to bring a news angle into your story. By following these suggestions, you will avoid the dryness which is the fatal defect of most labor papers.

## FIVE AND DIME STORES BEGIN TERRIFIC SPEED-UP CAMPAIGN

### MEN IN F. W. WOOLWORTH WAREHOUSE "COMPETE" FOR BONUS OF TEN CENTS PER DAY

(Story from Labor Journalism' Class of S. F. Workers' School)

SAN FRANCISCO,—F. W. Woolworth's new plan to speed up workers is herein exposed! Plan instituted at warehouse at 333 Bryant street is nothing but a petty larceny bribe. Men are forced into cut-throat competition for a bonus that amounts to 10 cents per day more. For $3 a month they plan to speed up the workers. Under this plan the weight and item quotas of various departments will skyrocket.

## Which Comes First In Renting Home?

### SERA HAS NEW VERSION OF HEN AND EGG GAG

BERKELEY.—The following case reveals the stupidity and inefficiency with which the SERA is run. Mr. G. asked his social worker to close his case in June as he had found a little work and didn't want relief if he could possibly get along without it.

In October, he asked to have his case re-opened, as the work had ended. He had tried to get other work, hoping to keep off relief, and didn't give in until his last cent was gone.

His social worker promised him a call within 48 hours at the address of an acquaintance on which he was imposing for a place to sleep. However, she failed to appear. Mr. G. applied to the Public Works and Unemployed Union for assistance, and a committee accompanied him to the SERA office, 1703 University Ave. His social worker attempted to evict the committee, saying that she had personal business with Mr. G.

However, the committee handled his business, and, with the supervisor, Miss Stone, guaranteed an immediate home call.

This time the social worker arrived. But she informed Mr. G. that he could not be given an allowance in his budget to cover rent because he was not renting a place. She informed him cheerfully that when he rented a room he would be given an allowance to cover this item.

When Mr. G. protested that he could not rent a room until he had some money to rent it with, the social worker replied brightly the SERA rules state that no one can be adjudged more destitute he is actually paying, so it was clear that, according to SERA rules, Mr. G. could not be allowed aid.

Mr. G. has again called on the PWUU for assistance. The PWUU will take the matter up with the SERA supervisor and insist upon an intelligent flexibility in SERA rules.

## WHERE TO GO

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**DESKS, files, etc., are needed by the Western Worker. Notify the business manager when and where to have materials picked up.**

**HAYS VALLEY NITE, 121 Haight st. Dance under the Cherry Blossoms. Benefit for Daily Worker. Given by units 4-2 Fillmore. Sunday, Oct. 27, 8 p. m.**

**ATTENTION! SAVE THIS DATE: SATURDAY, NOV. 16, 1935, SO THAT NO COMPLICATION OCCURS.**

**ELECTION NITE DANCE and ELECTION RETURNS BY RADIO, at 121 Haight st., Nov. 5th, 8:00 p. m. sharp. Auspices: Music Club and House Committee.**

**SECOND ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION BANQUET. Auspices of Greek Workers' Educational Club, 364 Third street. Sunday, Oct. 27, 8:00 p. m. Admission 50.**

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**Workers forum, 230 S. Spring St., L. A. Every Sunday night—8 p.m. Admission ten cents.**

**HALLOWE'EN COSTUME PARTY and DANCE, on Saturday, Oct. 26, at Workers' Center, 2900 Brooklyn ave. International Union Orchestra. Prizes will be given. Auspices: I.L.D., Section 1.**

**CELEBRATE 18 YEARS SOVIET POWER—Support Soviet Peace Policy Against War and Fascism. Mason Opera House, 127 So. Broadway, Thursday, Nov. 7th, 7:30 p. m. Great musical program — pantomim speaker. Admission 25 cents. Auspices: Communist Party of Los Angeles Section.**

**KEEP OPEN the 27th of October, for the 50th Anniversary Concert of the Daily Worker at the Mason Opera House.**

## Workers Gypped By Contractors At Hetch Hetchy

### PWA JOBS SOLD IN S. F. BY MURRAY AND READY EMPLOYMENT OFFICE.

By a Hetch Hetchy Worker.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 17.—Waiters on San Francisco's famous Hetch Hetchy dam project paid 60 bucks per month for a 14-hour day. And they buy their jobs out of Murray and Ready's here in an open racket at 25 per cent of their first month's pay.

In addition, they are charged $3.15 transportation going and coming. The job is completely controlled—put out to private contractors.

A hack is taken out of their pay every 12 days for fees to a doctor whom they probably never see, although they stay on the job until certain conditions force them to quit.

An average of $2 per month is taken off their pay for "sales tax" on food which they cannot help getting under the heading of board and room.

And the particular job under discussion is contracted by Kahn and Co.

Conditions on the job are rotten. Men are quitting every day. Contractor has been using the cat-o-nine-tails on the workers.

The writer points to the record Gallagher made, first in 1933 when he polled 70,000 votes for municipal court judge in Los Angeles and more recently when he received 242,313 votes in his campaign for associate justice of the California supreme court, this time without benefit of funds, any sort of campaign, or even the support of Upton Sinclair, as a testimony of the deep impression he has made by his methods.

ANITA WHITNEY.

A judge who has risen rapidly from the ranks of obscure lawyers to a place on the superior court bench by the route of "Merriam appointment" will hear the case of Anita Whitney on charges of perjury, it now appears.

Miss Whitney will appear before this judge, Elmer Robinson, on Oct. 29 to have the date of her trial set.

Judge Robinson was one of Governor Merriam's campaign managers in the last gubernatorial election. He was appointed to the municipal court bench when the late Governor Rolph died a month ago and was promoted to the superior court just one month ago.

NOTE: Protests in the Whitney case should be sent to Hon. Louis Sturnier Judge Elmer Robinson, Hall of Justice, San Francisco.

I. L. D. members and sympathizers who have been staying away from the Tom Mooney hearing at the Hall of Justice because of the lack of seats at the outset will be interested to know that there are plenty of seats available now. They should be filled at every session to let the world know that there is no slacking of interest on the part of the workers.

Elaine Black, I. L. D. secretary, went to San Quentin Thursday to see Jim MacNamara but was denied admittance by Warden Holohan, who said MacNamara had been transferred to Folsom, for three months "He is getting along swell without visitors," the warden put in, "and can stand a couple more months."

Miss Black then was given permission to see Henry Silva, one of the Modesto boys framed by the Standard Oil company, and she urges all comrades to put these men on their mailing lists for they are anxious for news from "outside."

The I. L. D. urges that all friends and members, as well as working class readers keep abreast of protests to Warden Holohan and the Prison Board demanding the restoration of all rights to Jim MacNamara (pledged first to no one in the world from point of time served in prison) as well as the recognition of the status of political prisoner and rights for the Sacramento C. S. victims, the Modesto boys, etc.

To bring about a mass campaign for the recognition of status of political prisoners for all workers who are imprisoned because of their working class activities—the San Francisco City Committee of the I. L. D. is planning to call a conference in the month of November of all liberal, union, professional organizations and individuals—a national campaign is also being launched by the National Committee of the I. L. D.

BOYCOTT HEARST NEWSPAPERS!

# AMERICAN FASCIST MOVIE IS DISGUSTING EVEN TO PAPERS

## "Red Salute" Called "Most Embarrassing Chauvinism" by New York Times

SAN DIEGO, Calif.—Even the capitalist newspapers are beginning to the dictates of the awakening American masses and find themselves forced to tell the truth about such rotten pictures as "Red Salute." The New York Times, a conservative paper, calls it "one of the weirdest exhibits to come out of Hollywood since that wartime masterpiece, 'The Beast of Berlin'."

This latter film pictured German soldiers marching poor American soldiers to the walls of barns and tearing sweet nurses to pieces. The Times has to admit that "Red Salute" has the subtlety of a steamroller and the satirical finesse of a lynch mob."

Other quips are "the film goes in for some of the most embarrassing chauvinism of the decade," "it subscribes to the delightful conceit that one redblooded American can lick ten foreigners any day in the week," "'Red Salute' emerges as a burlesque of the Americanism for which it is presumably battling," and it has the interesting economic theory that prosperity will return to the land upon the deportation of the university insurgents."

Andre Sennwald, the movie critic of the Times, declares that the director of "Red Salute" made the radical, Hardie Albright, be the "most disagreeable villain of the season," and the student group peopled with extras who are in every way disagreeable. The mockingly picture is advertised in the newspapers as "The grandest comedy shows on Broadway! You'll roar with laughter at the amusing difficulties of these two young lovers, etc, etc."

But the picture is not humorous at all. Instead it is vicious and lying, a filthy slander on the youth of America. The picture is being picketed with success in New York which must be done in every town and city it plays in to stop the motion picture industry from continuing its sneaking attempt to encourage Fascism in this country.

## U. C. Students Hold Symposium on War

BERKELEY, Calif., Oct. 17.—At a symposium on War in Wheeler Hall (U. C. Campus) on Tuesday evening, four members of the debating team of the University of California, Franklin Bronte, Morris Hertzing, Nathan Gilbert, and Harley Spitler, conditions in Soviet Russia were compared quite thoroughly to those in Italy, Germany and other capitalist nations.

The four speakers agreed that Russia is the only country desiring peace and opposed to war, and also that all other major countries must have foreign markets in order to survive. The conclusion reached was that the desire for markets would inevitably embroil the world in another war. At the same time the speakers pointed out that Russian people have plenty of material things and are satisfied to continue peaceful work to build their Communist state.

Harry Spitler closed with a plea for a United States of the World and for international peace.

# ON THE LABOR DEFENSE FRONT

By Peters.

Newsdealers were bewildered by the speed with which the current national liberal weekly disappeared from their stands until they noted that it featured an article on one of California's most widely known lawyers, Leo Gallagher, able attorney for the International Labor Defense. The writer, Carey McWilliams, is himself a young Los Angeles attorney.

McWilliams relates, unequivocally, opponents of Gallagher who seek to discredit him by maintaining that he is "politically minded without education or training." Not only does he point out that Gallagher has a law degree from Yale but also that he has taken a doctorate in philosophy from the University of Innsbruck, one of the two finest institutions at which to study, in all six years preparing for the priesthood.

**One of the many sidelights contained in the article is the fact that Gallagher, who later successfully defended Tom Mooney on one of the old indictments that had never been dismissed, was a rookie in a unit which took part in the famous Preparedness Day parade in San Francisco. He was convinced then that Mooney was guilty. Gallagher himself says, "I defended Tom Mooney on a frame-up was."**

McWilliams reviews Gallagher's long career which includes office as assistant city attorney of El Paso, Tex., his family home, war service and years of teaching in law school, and concludes that Gallagher is not a "mouthpiece" for criminal lawyers. The charge that "Gallagher convicts his own clients," is absurd, he says, because in reality he has ruined a number of cases whose clients he refused to quit.

Gallagher's work in the world of labor is characterized by the statement that "Gallagher does not flatter the courts by assuming their impartiality, but by bringing class issues into the courtroom and never permits judge, jury or audience to ignore them. In Sacramento, for example, he drove home to the world from point of time served in person) as well as the recognition of the status of political prisoner and rights for the Sacramento C. S. victims, the Modesto boys, etc.

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## Books—Pamphlets IN REVIEW

**The Communist, October, Published monthly by the Communist Party of the United States of America. Price 20 cents.**

With the exception of the first light section, the entire October issue of the Communist is devoted to reports given at the Seventh World Congress of the Communist International.

The Threat of Fascism in the United States, by George Dimitroff, jumps together all references to this country made by Comrade Dimitroff in his by now world famous report. It is by no means a substitute for the entire report, which is now out in 5-cent pamphlet form, but it is valuable in that it treats directly of our own country.

William Z. Foster contributes an article on Fascist Tendencies in the United States, which is extremely pointed and answers such questions about Father Coughlin, Hearst, the American Legion and various other would-be fascist gentlemen. Comrade Foster also satalizes the mistakes our party has made in its work of combatting the fascist menace in America.

Four important World Congress resolutions are reprinted as is the speech by Blas Roca, Cuban delegate to the Congress.

Max Bedacht contributes a valuable and timely article on The Next Steps in Alabama and the Lower South. His is a statistical report, showing the increasing misery of the lower classes in the Cotton Belt and the struggles they—both Negro and white—are making against the landlord and the industrialist.

## Southwest Workers School Started by L. A. Sub-Section

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 15.—A struggle against fascism in Oregon and white workers was provided here this week with the establishment of the Southwest Workers' School, on a site set between 31st and 32nd sts., by the Belvedere Sub-Section of the Communist Party.

A book shop and reading room will also be available for workers on the southside. Courses to be taught in the school include History of the American Working Class, to be instructed by Keith; Principles of Communism, to be taught by Freed, and Political Education.

Subscribers are sponsoring the school to the extent of a voluntary monthly contribution of $15, having been aroused to the urgent need for such a school for the workers while attending similar classes last spring in Hollywood.

# 25 DAYS IN SAN QUENTIN

## A True Story

### By Craig

Through the great gates of the West's famous prison. Across the beautiful yard and into the Prison office. Steps, not weary, not springy, but anxious. What is it like?

Name, age, and is that all? How many times have they asked name and age? A machine; or instruments tell the physical secrets of the prisoner. But questions—hundreds of them day after day for over a week are asked.

A picture is taken—then front and side view. Then a pair of barber clippers greedily shave the head, Two more pictures of the prisoner are taken. Then issue of prison clothing. A march to the cell. The two cell bunks immediately within and clean. The cell, seven feet long, clean so clean there seems to be no life at all. The other prisoner, initiated long ago into the prison routine, is at work somewhere in the confines of the prison area.

Out in the yard, all new inmates are to be allowed a week or so to get used to the "feel" of San Quentin, Taken again to the office. More questions. Your father and mother? Your early life? Boyhood, young manhood? Your trade. Union man? Just a million questions. Back to the cell.

Four o'clock. The thousands of prisoners file into their cubby-hole "homes."

Four thirty: supper. What is it like? Not good, not bad. One days' issue from the commissary once a month.

Guards line up on the walls look exactly for any misdemeanor. What? Oh, they shoot from the high places on the wall. To kill. No. Shots ring out. Screams and a prisoner, or prisoners, grab at bleeding legs. Bullets tear at flesh and bone. Commotion, loud talking, hurried, muffled whispering. Then dead silence. What happened? The searching eyes of a guard saw the beginning of a fight. Bullets ended what might have been a riot in the report goes.

Back to the cells. Reading and talking till nine. Lights out.

Up at 5:45 a. m. Breakfast at 6:15; to work in the jute mill at seven.

The jute mill. They have Pat Chambers, "Al" Holmgardy, "Jack" Crane, there. Now they have Canadaes from Jackson, Amador Counties; Mexicans from Los Angeles; Negroes from Sacramento; Italians from San Simeon ranch near San Luis Obispo.

But a number of important factors in connection with the story be given credence. First, Hearst's latest tie-up with the Warner brothers, though professive at the moment, will not prevent these pictures, is not out-and-out Fascist enough to suit the publisher; second, dwindling circulation of all Hearst newspapers due to the working class boycott makes it imperative that the "master" mind of Hearst begin to wish for top editors and advisors; third, the impending European imperialist war which Hearst is fostering with his usual regard for the national economic unrest, calls for new Hearst tactics which must be handled from the East; fourth, internal factional fights within the Hearst organization demand his immediate attention.

☆ **Estate Worth $25,000,000.**

As a matter of fact, the San Simeon ranch has not been at ease for the past few months. Hearst sporting of his time at the "Wyntoon" ranch which holds the "little Bavarian village," at the foot of Mt. Cloud near Shasta. This ranch was formerly owned and used by Hearst's mother, Mrs. Phoebe Hearst. San Simeon, which covers an area of 1250 square miles, is said to have a value of $25,000,000, including the famous collection of paintings, silverware and objects d'art.

# Hearst's Vast Propaganda Machine Upset by Boycott on Movies and Papers

## Sultan of San Simeon Consults With His Lieutenants on Emergency Measures

Hearst is certain today that, if he does leave the West Coast, his affairs will be in excellent hands. One of the Hearst henchmen here is Clarence Lindner, who more than any other one man, broke the General Strike on the Pacific Coast. He called all newspaper editors and publishers into a strike-breaking conference. Lindner was once business manager of the Detroit Times during which time his circulation methods succeeded in getting the paper banned in Canada. Following that job, he went to the New York American.

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But, it must be realized that up till now, because of his control of the press, Hearst has been able to force film producers and distributors to his bidding.

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## Angelo Herndon Is Your Business

One of the traditional creeds of this country is that Americans 'mind their own affairs and let the next fellow look after his." We pride ourselves on never "butting into anybody else's business."

When a young Negro can be arrested in the South for leading a demonstration of Negro and white unemployed, when he can be brought to trial on an ancient "slave revolt" law dating back to 1866 and sentenced to 18 to 20 years on the chain-gang; that is more than his business. That is a challenge to every decent minded citizen in America.

We spent our school days pledging allegiance to the American flag and chanting that it stood for "One Nation, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

When the wealthy, property owning section of the populace can use the courts as instruments of suppression and intimidation against the working class, then the word "indivisible" becomes a myth.

When a case like that of Angelo Herndon can occur right under our noses, "liberty and justice for all" becomes an insulting mockery.

This is very much your business.

A great deal more than "national pride" is involved here. The Georgia capitalists who want to jail Herndon, are not hateful against him as an individual. To them he is a symbol of organized working class power which challenges their absolute domination. They are not concerned with what Angelo Herndon can or cannot do. They are vitally concerned about what the entire working class of America can or may not do. They are challenging, not his rights as an individual but our rights as a class.

The U. S. Supreme Court has refused to review the case and has ordered Herndon to surrender to the chain gang on Oct. 24.

The voice of capital has spoken through the legal apparatus they control.

It is now necessary that the voice of the American people speak directly from homes, shops, offices and fields.

Wire or air-mail your protest immediately to the U. S. Supreme Court, Washington, D. C. Demand that as servants of the people, they review the case and reverse the decision of the Georgia Courts.

Also protest to Governor Talmadge, Atlanta, Ga., demanding that he use his authority to free Herndon.

"A nation has the right to change its form of government since the people who constitute a society or nation are the source of all authority in that nation."—THOMAS JEFFERSON.

## Arbitration

Arbitration, in principle, is wrong. It is a weapon of the bosses.

The capitalist system, too, is wrong in principle. Just as it is sensible people would advise suicide as a means of avoiding the unpleasant features of a system that is wrong in principle. Class-conscious workers organize and when the time is ripe they take the system over the side, as the Russian workers did in 1917.

The shipowners have refused to grant the Seamen a single one of the amendments to the award suggested three months ago by the I.S.U. negotiations committee. But the shipowners do not ask for arbitration of these amendments because they know that whatever happens, the Seamen stand a gain ourselves.

The shipowners ask for arbitration only when they are certain the results will be favorable to them. They organize for arbitration.

**On the other hand, the Seamen have not yet achieved that coast-wise unity which would guarantee solidarity of action in case of a major strike. The A. F. of L. bureaucrats, working hand in hand with the shipowners, have done everything in their power to prevent this unity from becoming a fact.**

For the present, to refuse even to request arbitration at this time would be neglect of opportunity and would be playing into the hands of the shipowners who certainly have shown by their actions these last few months that they do not necessarily fear a strike.

Furthermore, the Seamen have nothing to lose by arbitration since it is the amendments, and not the award itself, that would be arbitrated. The basic gains won last year still stand.

Arbitration is a bosses' weapon but there is nothing to prevent us from using this weapon against the shipowners to win at least a part of our demands.

Arbitration is a necessary evil which we accept provisionally. Meanwhile we must intensify our work in building our ranks more solidly, in preparation for future struggle.

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## Reality Crashes the Gate Of the A. F. of L.

The reactionary crust of the American Federation of Labor officialdom is beginning to crack under the strain of enormous pressure from below. Hitherto, the undisputed gavel of William Green banged a mechanical, meaningless tattoo, punctuating the carefully rehearsed platitudes and pompous blustering of "professional" labor leaders.

Today the annual convention at Atlantic City must face and digest controversial and vital issues under the watchful eyes of millions of rank and file workers throughout the nation. New forces are entering the ranks of officialdom and the insistent demands of the men cannot be ignored.

Is the power of organized labor to increase, to go forward, to adopt new forms to meet new needs, or to protect itself in the political as well as the economic field?

The millions who constitute the rank and file of the unions, say YES.

The old line, "professional" officials like Green, who follow the line, "The interests of the employer and the interests of labor are the same," say NO.

The fight centers on three main issues: Industrial Unionism, the Labor Party, and the Redbaiting.

The convention polled 10,924 votes for Industrial Unionism against 18,025 for Craft Unionism. This by no means represents a defeat. To the contrary, it indicates the rapidly increasing strength of the movement toward more effective organization—more power. It represents a tremendous set-back for the reactionary forces which for years have maintained control over the conventions.

Efforts of the reactionary bloc to boom the redoubtable Matthew Woll, one of the most notorious red-baiters in the A. F. of L. was forced to resign from the "National Civic Federation," an organization devoting itself to suppression of radicals.

Reports now indicate that reactionaries will be lucky if they can railroad through even a vague resolution "deploring Communism."

A dozen resolutions favoring a Labor Party have been introduced and it is expected these will result in heated controversy between progressive and reactionary factions.

Outstanding among developments at this convention is the support given by several "old-line" labor leaders to the progressive factions. Chief among these are John L. Lewis of the United Mine Workers, and President Charles Howard of the International Typographical Union.

Whatever motives might underlie this support, the fact remains it is indicative of the growing power of progressive forces.

## Forty-Five to Sixty Years For Organization

There are cases recorded in the annals of ancient "justice" of men being beheaded for leading chickens.

Civilization had to advance to 1935 to record the case of three miners sentenced to virtual life imprisonment for organizing a union.

You haven't read anything about it in the capitalist press. A cautious conspiracy of silence was thrown around the shameful trial in Aztec, New Mexico.

The laws of America are still too liberal to permit the open prosecution of working men for exercising their constitutional rights. So three men, together with seven others, were arrested and charged with murder in connection with the shooting of Sheriff Carmichael during the confusion which resulted when authorities broke up a demonstration. Two unemployed workers were also shot at that demonstration. None of the workers were hit. The bullets that killed the officials were traced to the guns of his own deputies who had been firing right and left carelessly.

601 workers were arrested after the affair. All were released but ten, the leaders and organizers of the union that waged the Gallup mine strike in 1933. The town is owned and controlled by the Gallup American Coal Company.

No effort was made in the trial or preliminary events to conceal that these men were being prosecuted for their working class activities. Representatives of the International Labor Defense, which defended the workers, were kidnaped and beaten. Vigilante terrorism was waged against all workers who raised their voices in protest.

No evidence was presented at the trial to show that these men had murdered anyone. Yet sheerly on basis of prejudice and hysteria, three convictions were obtained. Ochoa, Avitia and Velarde have been sentenced to 45 to 60 years in the penitentiary. Five of those acquitted are to be deported. The other two are still held on charges of "trying a prisoner to escape."

The International Labor Defense immediately filed notice of appeal and calls on all organizations and individuals to send protests to Governor Clyde Tingley, Santa Fe, N. M., demanding release of the three miners. Protests should also be made to the Department of Labor, Washington, D. C., to halt the deportations.

Funds for the appeal may be sent to Frank L. Palmer, secretary-treasurer, National Gallup Defense Committee, 41 East 20th st., New York City.

"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 center the masses poor and dependent."—DANIEL WEBSTER.

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# Party Life

## Importance of Better Work Amongst the Women

### RECRUITING WOMEN INTO THE COMMUNIST PARTY

The recruiting drive in which we are now engaged marks a definite advance over the drives which have hitherto been conducted. We are not blindly "getting members," any kind, anywhere. On the contrary, our quota have been set carefully on the basis of "what KIND of people we must draw into the Party, which groups it is most necessary to win over to our program.

Particularly important is the necessity for broadening our work amongst the women and bringing them, especially the working women, into the revolutionary movement.

The percentage of women in our Party is very small, and yet we find our women comrades are amongst our most active and effective workers.

Large numbers of women are found in the industries and the trade unions, often doing the same work, under the same conditions but at much lower wage levels than men. And it must be remembered that in the event of war women play an important role through their work in munitions plant and factories.

Many of the trade unions, as, for example, the laundry workers, have a membership predominantly composed of women. In addition to this, large numbers of unions have "Women's Auxiliaries," in which we will find the wives and sisters of the trade union members.

Obviously, it is necessary that their influence should be used for the advantage of the trade union and working class movement. It is preferable that these women should play an active and constructive part during strike struggles, rather than that they remain passive, or, worse still, actually hinder the activity through lack of understanding.

This is true not only of those women whom we will find in organizations, but of all housewives. By bringing them into our Party, we win more than single recruits. We are strengthening our work amongst the men, and opening up a channel of approach to the youth.

In order to do this effectively, it is necessary that careful consideration be given to the best methods of reaching them on the basis of their own particular problems and involving them in struggles. Our section committees, our units, our trade union groups must discuss this question—not mechanically, but in a constructive manner.

In San Francisco Section, a certain number of women will be contacted during the United Labor Ticket Campaign. This issue in itself is an excellent base for starting organizational activity amongst them.

### HOW THE Y. C. L. CAN HELP THE PARTY

Three weeks ago the Downtown subsection of San Francisco Section assigned all comrades under 25 years of age to help in the Young Communist League work and build the Y. C. L. into a real mass organization. We gave them names and addresses of those comrades. What happened? Did they attend any of the Y. C. L. meetings? Were they contacted? Were they assigned to units? No! The Downtown organizer checked the Y. C. L. up and found that in all of the three weeks not a single comrade had been contacted by the Y. C. L. to find out what is the matter and why these comrades are not assigned to their posts.

Comrades, this is not the same as they gave two years ago. A little political speech and insulting remarks about somebody else but not a single word of solicitation and a real check-up on the unit bureaus and especially the section committee to have a responsible comrade in each unit who is willing to do such a job.

I realize that the Y. C. L. is very important not only to the Party but to the whole working class. To fight fascism we must have a strong Y. C. L.

My opinion is that not only should the Party cooperate with the Y. C. L. but the the Y. C. L. should also cooperate with the Party.

—D. T. Sub-Section Organizer.

# The Three Gallup Victims

*Biographies of Workers Railroaded by the Coal Operators*

The Western Worker presents the first of three biographies of the three Gallup workers, convicted of second degree murder, and sentenced to 45 to 60 years at hard labor, in spite of the jury's recommendation of clemency. The strike of New Mexico, acting in the interests of the coal operators, railroaded them to jail after the killing of a sheriff by his own deputy when firing into an orderly crowd of workers at an eviction trial.

### JUAN OCHOA

If there is a single Gallup working class leader whom the "authorities" are specially determined to railroad to a life term or, the electric chair, it is Juan Ochoa. Perhaps this is the reason why all the Gallup workers' leaders. He speaks perfect Spanish and perfect English, has a lively intelligence that detects immediately the subtling and confusion tactics of the capitalists and exposes them to the rank and file, is fearless in struggle, is in the most responsible position (acting section organizer of the C.P.) for effective leadership of the workers.

Ochoa was born in Hillsboro, N. M., a mining town, in 1909. His father was a miner, his mother a New Mexico ranch woman. He got his education at the public schools of Kelly, N. M., as a weichman for the Ozark Company, and soon after became a pumpman's helper for the Empire Zinc Co., at the age of 16. In 1918 this company shut down, and Juan went to Albuquerque. There he did odd jobs for a time and then got a pumpman labor for the local water company. In 1919 he was working in the railroad shops at La Junta, Colo., and the following year was a common laborer in the rail mill of the Rockefeller steel plant, Colorado Fuel & Iron Co.) in Pueblo, Colo.

## WORKERS' OPEN FORUM

### SHOULD WE LOWER THE ☆ FLAG?

San Fernando, Calif.

Editor, Western Worker:—At our last meeting we had quite a long discussion in regard to price of Western Worker. It was the decision of LI that the price should be three cents instead of five. We believe we can increase the circulation of the paper more with the set the reduction in price and at the same time get the paper to a greater number of workers, which is very important.

Comradely yours,
W.H.D.

### LEFT-WINGERS WELCOME!

Oakland, Calif.,
Oct. 19, 1935.

The readers of Western Worker.
Dear Friends:

We, the newly elected board of officers of the Philosophers' Club of California, wish to extend a special invitation to all left-wing and progressive organizations to cooperate with us in maintaining an open forum for free speech.

We invite you to send speakers to our meetings to present your views. Communicate with our secretary and we will fix a date and advertise them. If you are a plain rank and filer and wish to be heard, come and take pot luck with us.

The Philosophers' Club advocates the fight for FREE SPEECH, FREEDOM OF ASSEMBLY AND FREEDOM OF THE PRESS, and all meetings are democratically conducted. Regular meetings every Sunday, from 1 p. m. to 5 p. m. at 11th and Grove sts., Central Trades School, Oakland.

The following new officers have just been elected: Chairman, W. B. Thurber; treasurer, J. Schwartz; secretary, Mildred Miller. Directors, C. Roy Miller, Carl Anderson, John Little and George Kanyack.

Yours Sincerely,
Mildred Miller, sec'y,
1009½ Lincoln ave., Alameda, Cal.

# World Events

## Canadian Vote Was Reaction Against Conservatives

The debacle of the Bennett Conservative government was the worst in the history of federal governments of Canada. Only 41 Conservatives were elected to a House of Commons of 245 members, or less than one-sixth of the total, compared with four-sixths elected in 1930.

But the result was only to bring back to power Mackenzie King and the Liberal Party, who were thrown out of office in 1930 by a depression-worried electorate by a vote only slightly less emphatic in its verdict than the recent judgment of the Bennett regime.

While the Liberal Party secured the great bulk of the votes, the left-wing organizations made large gains. The Communist vote grew five times, to 30,000. About 300,000 votes were cast for various labor candidates. The reformist Co-operative Commonwealth Federation worked with the Communist Party, in local united fronts, but it lived to regret that it turned over the people from one reactionary-side scale until the last minute.

### ☆ Change of Heart.

J. S. Woodsworth, Cooperative leader, in his final tour from Vancouver started out denouncing the Communists. By the time he reached Toronto he was saying, "We welcome the assistance of the Communists." But this change of heart was too late to change the results of the vote.

Travesty, certainly. But the Cooperative Commonwealth Federation, a reformist-labor group, could not have formed a government if all its candidates had been elected. Only eight of them were.

The Reconstruction Party, formed by Harry Stevens, expelled member of the Bennett cabinet, to defend small business men, polled a respectable vote for its 174 candidates, but Stevens alone was elected. The new Social Credit Party cut deeply into the Alberta and the Conservative territory of the C. C. F. and elected 17 members.

How interpret the popular vote? It would seem a vote of resentment, protest, dissatisfaction—the expression of a mood to hit back at the government and hurt—an emotional vote.

### ☆ No Constructive Policy.

The Liberals had no real constructive policy, no offer of a way out of the people's dilemma. Essentially a King declared in his campaign speech, "Let's get back to normalcy." Let's get back to the days of prosperity when there was plenty for all. Let's get back to the days when we had no unemployment problem. Let's get back to the days when we had no relief problem. Let's get back to the days when we had no problem of starvation wages and sweatshop conditions. Let's get back to the days when we had no problem of child labor. Let's get back to the days when we had no problem of the high cost of living. Let's get back to the days when we had no problem of the farmer losing his farm because he could not pay the mortgage. Let's get back to the days when we had no problem of the workers losing their homes because they could not pay the rent. Let's get back to the days when we had no problem of the workers losing their jobs because they joined a union. 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## Workers Singing Is Crime in Michigan

DETROIT.—(FP)—Sen. Dunckel, whose anti-labor bill became law in Michigan a few months ago, is on the carpet again. He charges that girls at a Michigan Young Women's Christian Ass'n summer camp in 1932 and 1933 sang workers' songs, and seeks to have the camp placed on the blacklist. The girls sang the International and Solidarity Forever from officially printed Y.W.C.A. song books, Dunckel charges.

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## New District Organizer to Speak at Banquet Oct. 27 at 121 Haight st.


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# I.L.A. REPUDIATES HEARST-ROSSI-VANDELEUR

## STATE SUPREME COURT REFUSES TODD HEARING

PETITION CIRCULATOR IS ORDERED TO SURRENDER FOR IMPRISONMENT

### Herndon Deadline

BRANCH AGAIN RELEASED ON BAIL; TO GET NEW HEARING

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 21.—Louise Todd, framed and convicted of perjury charges on a minor technicality connected with collecting signatures to put the Communist Party on the ballot in California, has been denied a hearing by the State Supreme Court. She has been ordered to surrender to imprisonment tomorrow morning.

Sentenced to one to fourteen years in the penitentiary, she has been out on bail furnished by the International Labor Defense.

Arrest and conviction of Louise Todd was part of an unsuccessful conspiracy to bar the Communist Party from the ballot. It was charged that she had not personally witnessed the signing of all names on a petition which she circulated.

The I. L. D. has announced its intention to re-petition the Court for a hearing and mass organization and individuals to send protests to the State Supreme Court, San Francisco, Calif.

Anita Whitney is due to face trial on the same charges on November 22. She will appear before Judge Elmer Robinson, appointee of Governor Merriam.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—Angelo Herndon, 20 year old Negro

### Vandeleur Reputed.

"This is a ridiculous move," declared Edward Vandeleur, president of the San Francisco Labor Council. "Labor consistently opposed all the candidates and unanimously endorsed Rossi."

In the same radio address, Mr. Vandeleur lashed the "misguided" efforts on the part of Mayor Rossi.

### Rossi's "Human Side."

"Human" Mayor Rossi allowed murderous attacks on unemployed workers, he said.

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## CANNERIES SIGN WITH STRIKERS

### All But One Cannery Signed Up by San Pedro Union

SAN PEDRO, Calif. Oct. 23.—Triumphant solidarity of workers in the Fish Cannery Workers' Union of the A. F. of L., today had forced all canneries but one to grant their demands just two days after they went out on strike.

Only "hold-out" is the California Packing Company, which is expected to settle with the union within 24 hours due to the fact that a large and perishable catch is anchored just off the breakwater here.

Demands of the union were recognition of the union and base wages of 40 cents an hour for women and 45 cents an hour for men. These demands were met by the French Sardine, Seaside, Southern California Packing, and France-Italian canneries. Improved working conditions were also won by the union.

Unorganized workers are being brought into the struggle with the aid of the Young Communist League, and it is expected that the success of the San Pedro workers will influence the workers in the Wilmington and Long Beach fish canneries to organize to win these demands.

The workers struck yesterday at 8 a. m. at all canneries which did not meet their demands. The strike was voted last Friday night, Oct. 18, in an overwhelming vote of those present at the meeting, 250 to 9.

The largest fish cannery on Terminal Island, owned by the Van Camp company, signed an agreement with the union before the strike became effective, granting all demands.

## Banquet Sunday in S. F. to Greet New District Organizer

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 25.—A banquet to welcome the new District Organizer for District 13 of the Communist Party, Comrade Bill Schneiderman, will be given at 121 Haight st. on Sunday, Oct. 27, at 7 p. m.

Admission will be 50 cents. This will be the first chance San Francisco workers have to greet our new District organizer, who will be the principal speaker at the banquet.

Sympathetic organizations are urged to send greetings to the banquet in the name of the organization.

For those not wishing to attend the banquet, admission will be exchanged for the cost of 25 cents for employed and 10 cents for unemployed.

Comrade Schneiderman was for a District organizer and active Communist Party in various Eastern districts. He was active in organizing the packinghouse workers and textile workers.

In 1927 he was a delegate to the American Federation of Labor convention from a Federal local, and an active rank and file delegate to the Los Angeles Central Labor Council.

## Four Arrested As Police Break Up Anti-War Meet

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 21.—Protesting against a street meeting of the Young People's Socialist League was broken up here last Saturday night at the corner of Broadway and Seventh st. Four Park ave., and four members were arrested. Approximately 25 were in attendance at the meeting when police dispersed it.

The police action came while Nancy Bedford-Jones

# "NEUTRALITY" IS THE WRONG WAY TO FACE THE WAR ISSUE

## Editorial.

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We must approach the question in its most important aspects as it concerns ourselves as well as the peoples of the nations at war. We are therefore interested for two reasons. Will prolongation of the war bring other nations into it? Which group will win and whose defeat do we desire?

The first question is already answered by the crisis the principal European powers find themselves in as they bargain and haggle over protection of their own colonial gains. They seek to maintain peace after a fashion while wishing to control Italy's colonial adventure; at the same time individually preparing for war as a last desperate resort. Furthermore, as capitalists they wish to end the war without endangering fascist rule in Italy, and it is largely because of popular anti-war mass pressure that they take any serious collective steps that however timid, embarrass both the economic and financial boycott.

The second question resolves itself into this form: is the war in the interests of the working masses, or popular with them? The answer is in spite of the fascist-controlled press, decidedly no! The opposition of the masses is the fact that the Ethiopian people are fighting for their national independence—a cause that merits our deepest concern and active support, not our "neutral" indifference.

Our course is plain. We must fight for joint international action to bring about the defeat of fascism and the victory of Ethiopian national independence, utilizing even capitalist forces to that end by imposing our effective mass methods on them.

**How, then, to defeat Italian fascism?**

Not by neutrality; not by declarations of condemnation without acting to back them up; not by a boiler than thou attitude to wards other known militarist powers. Neutrality is at best an article-like policy, avoiding the issue.

The only way to defeat Italian fascism is for the working forces of every nation to unite in wide movements demanding concrete measures such as stopping shipments of munitions and materials turning materials to Italy and her possession, the closing of the Suez Canal to Italian ships, and the rigid enforcement of all economic and financial boycott measures for all nations. And all the forces in the United States working for the preservation of peace must unite in this policy, seeing to it that the

## SEAMEN REFUSE TO LOAD WAR CARGO ON SHIP

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Italian Government in the present war of agression on Ethiopia.

"The San Francisco local of the I.L.A. believes that the wholehearted sentiment of the people of San Francisco and the United States is against the unwarranted and aggressive attack by Mussolini and his troops on Ethiopia, which may easily lead to another bloody World conflict.

"We emphatically agree with President Roosevelt that the United States should do all in its power to prevent war material being shipped to Italy to aid the German Government in this unrelated war of aggression. Although we expect the Waterfront Employers' Association to maintain that the refusal on the part of the members of the I.L.A. to load cargo on this ship technically constitutes a violation of our present agreement, we believe that the Award of the National Longshoremen's Board, handed down in 1934, does not contain any phrase or clause to over rule any proclamation of the President of the United States.

"Therefore our position is, that we believe that the Italian motorship Cellina is loading cargo that is destined to be manufactured into war material or to be used to aid Mussolini's war of aggression, the Local I. L. A. has reason to force his men to work on these ships until such time as this cargo is established. We are therefore standing until the owners and operators of the Italian motorship Cellina and the United States Government declare that the cargo being loaded aboard the ship is not contraband or war material. Upon receipt of this information or proof of same, there should be no difficulty in our membership in longshoremen to continue work as usual."

## SOUTHERN CAL. MEET RALLIES FIGHT ON C. S.

### 12 UNIONS, 3 CENTRAL LABOR BODIES AMONG THOSE REPRESENTED

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 24.—Marching two abreast, 1,500 Local People's Front, workers and workers' organizations throughout Southern California are busy setting up machinery to push through mass action on the part of the workers, farmers, liberals and radicals to that end.

The delegates and their organizations are looking forward to building an even stronger representation from Southern California to the State Congress for the Repeal of the C. S. Law, to be held in Sacramento at the time the appropriations bill goes to committee for enactment. Up steps one Ethiopian to continue work as usual."

## FIREMEN WANT MASON, LEGERE AS ARBITRATORS

### GALLAGHER AND ANDERSEN ALSO SUGGESTED

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 25.—Joe Gallagher, Redfern Mason, Ben Legere, and George Andersen last night were suggested by the Marine Firemen's Union here as arbitrators are disputes which resulted when shipowners refused to allow a Seafarers' Union delegate aboard a ship tied up here.

Previously the shipowners had suggested Judge Lazarus, Roach and several others, all of whom were overwhelmingly voted down by the Firemen at last night's meeting. The position to be filled is similar to that held by Judge Sloss on the Longshore Labor Relations Board and the name of the arbitrator is final in all cases.

Meanwhile three ships are idle here as crews refused to sail on the delegate's pass is retained by him. The Seamen's Labor Relations Committee has been unable to arrive at a settlement.

The Marine Firemen concurred in a resolution passed at a recent joint meeting of the I.S.U. in which organized job action was stressed to take the place of individual action. A coast-wise ballot is to be held on the question of supporting the longshoremen in the event they are locked out for refusing to handle hot cargo from the Gulf where a longshore strike is entering its fourth week.

## THREE-POWER IMPERIALISTS IN MOVE TO CARVE ETHIOPIA

## S. F. Consulate to Be Picketed Oct. 30; Huge Peace Parade Sat. in New York

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tenth anniversary of "march on Rome," when the fascist hands, aided by Italian and American finance, took power and smashed all working class organizations. It is presumed that Monday will see a "reverse attack" for the defeat suffered by Italian troops here in previous campaigns.

General De Bono is reported as having laid plans for a fifty-mile advance, cutting important trade routes and laying the basis for a final drive into the heart of the country.

### NAVAL ACCORD

PARIS, Oct. 24.—France will aid Great Britain with her fleet in the event the British fleet is attacked by Italy while supporting sanctions, Premier Laval told the foreign affairs committee and the Chamber of Deputies today. It was also stated that neither France nor Great Britain are likely to accept Mussolini's fascist peace terms, which include a protectorate over the Eastern half of Ethiopia, disarmament of the Ethiopian army, and an international protectorate over the remainder of the country.

### TO PICKET CONSULATE

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 24.—On Oct. 30, a picket line will be formed at the Italian Consulate, according to the American Friends Against War and Fascism. A delegation will present a resolution to the Consul demanding the withdrawal of Italian troops from Ethiopia.

### IMPERIALIST ACCORD

(Via Daily Worker.)

LONDON, Oct. 23.—Consenting on Sir Samuel Hoare's speech on foreign policy, Major Attlee, leader of the opposition in the Labor Party, declared that the Labor government opposition held the greatest distrust of the government in this dispute." He further stated that they must be "no carving up of Ethiopia to settle the dispute."

**Lord Hardinge, a noted tory, opened the way for public support of Mussolini's fascist piracy in the House of Lords that "the sooner Ethiopia is handed over by mandate to a civilized power, the better for Ethiopia and the rest of the world."**

Anti-imperialist protest continues to mount here, with the Communist Party forming a united front in agreement for support of anti-sanctions, but sharply criticizing the attempt of British imperialist to utilize League sanctions for imperialist ends.

### CLOSE SUEZ CANAL!

GENEVA, Oct. 22.—Major Hunter and Captain Dumont-Against the World Committee Against War and Fascism now in Addis-Ababa, today cabled to the League sanctions committee demanding the closing of the Suez Canal as a sure means of ending the war. The message reads:

**"We appeal to the toilers of the whole world, war veterans and the League of Nations to take their stand for stopping the war of Italian fascism against Ethiopia as a crime against mankind. We insist upon the closing of the Suez Canal as the only effective means for ending this war which has already continued for two weeks."**

## SIMMONS PLANT OPENS; STRIKERS VOTE ON UNION

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 24.—Between 450 and 500 Simmons Bed Company workers who have been on strike for more than seven weeks, are to go back to work tomorrow.

At the same time they are to vote on which union they wish to represent them in matters of collective bargaining, a company official announced. But the Waterfront Employers' Association and Joe Ryan appeared in many several pages of paid advertising in the Chronicle today, urging the Simmons workers to join the Vandeleur and the 'Union Labor Party' join with them in urging their re-election as Mayor Rossi.

### Vigilantism.

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## LONGSHOREMEN REFUTE CLAIM THAT LABOR SUPPORTS ROSSI

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ion men during the 1934 maritime strike. It was the Democratic side of Mayor Rossi which helped break him to allow police cars and ambulances to act as scab strike-breakers through the picket lines," the letter to Superior Judge Jacks, signed by the entire C. C. Plant, president of the Waterfront Employers' Association, the Los Angeles Employers' Association, the Los Angeles Merchants and Manufacturers' Association, in which Mr. Plant complained that the employers were spending much money for the protection of strikebreakers, referring to San Francisco, Mr. Plant said:

"HERE POLICE IN AMPLE NUMBERS ARE SUPPLIED WITHOUT COST TO US, AND WE HAVE ALSO HAD TO PAY FOR GUARDS ON HOUSING SHIPS."

"It was the 'human side' of Mayor Rossi which was responsible for this unprecedented and evident approval when his police officers were loaned into the International Longshoremen's Union Hall while doctors were dispatched to observe to our 'gassed, clubbed and wounded members who lay suffering on the floor.

"It was our 'human' mayor who condoned the clubbing and shooting of women.

### Rossi Gives Orders.

"When members of the Joint Marine Strike Committee, on the fateful day of July 5, 1934, called on Mayor Rossi in his office to protest against the police violence, Rossi replied: 'The police have their orders.'

**"The police, following these orders, acted. Two workers one of Edward Sperry, a member of our union and a war veteran were killed in cold blood not on the picket line nor anywhere near the docks, but within the inner sanctity of the entrance of our union hall. It is regrettable that the blood of our brothers has hardly dried when photographs appeared in the daily papers showing Mr. Vandeleur and Mayor Rossi on the back.**

"Rossi has supported the open shop, the notorious anti-labor Industrial Association, the Chamber of Commerce and the notorious Employers' Association. He has cohabitated with strike-breaking employers and the Hearst newspapers. He has done the bidding of the masters well. Now these anti-labor organizations are supporting the candidacy of Mayor Rossi and Mr. Vandeleur and the 'Union Labor Party' join with them in urging their re-election as Mayor Rossi.

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### UNIONS URGED TO PACK COURTROOM IN FRAME-UP TRIAL

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strong. Every union that is affiliated when they pass 50 years. They go down from store managers to night watchmen working 12 hours a night for $672 a month. Editor.

### Clerks and Vigilantes.

It seems the East Bay Grocery Clerks' Union is getting too strong to suit some of the larger chain stores and they are resorting to gangster methods to stop its growth. Last week one new store in City immediately. Persons who have not yet signed petitions should write their names on pieces of paper with the words "Free Angelo Herndon," and mail them in at once.

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 22.—The International Labor Defense is calling upon all workers' organizations, churches, liberal and radical groups to join in an emergency Herndon Conference to be held Sunday, Nov. 3, at 2 p. m., in Music Arts Hall, 233 South Broadway, Room 433.

This emergency conference is expected to map out the form and scope of the Herndon defense work throughout Los Angeles and surrounding territory, and to give practical aid to the Georgia prisoner. "My only hope is the united strength of the militant protests of the millions of workers."

### Fascist Italy.

Fascist Italy, under the demagogy of bringing civilization to Ethiopia, is attempting to enslave and rule that land, to exploit its free and independent Negro nation. England, fearing that her colonies and trade routes are threatened, is forced to oppose Italy. England, of course, has acquired her territory in same manner in which Italy is attempting to acquire it, through the enslavement and exploitation of weaker nations and peoples. The same holds true for all other capitalist nations. "Temporarily they may be for peace, but in the end they are for imperialist aggression, which means WAR.

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## 1,000,000 PEOPLE MUST SIGN TO FREE HERNDON

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Herndon, young Negro leader of the unemployed must surrender to Georgia authorities for imprisonment in the chain gang tomorrow. As the deadline approaches, petitions with hundreds of signatures are pouring into the office of the International Labor Defense here. The Herndon Defense Committee is preparing to present Governor Talmadge of Georgia with a million signatures demanding the freedom of Herndon.

The International Labor Defense urges all persons and organizations who have lists to complete getting signatures and forward them to the National office, 80 East 11th street, New York

## S. F. MECHANICS RETURN TO WORK IN 5-DAY TRUCE

### INT'L. VICE PRESIDENT INDULGES IN SOME RED-BAITING

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 24.—The Auto Mechanics, Local 1305, met on a special order of business Tuesday night, Oct. 22, and voted a 10 per cent assessment on the earnings of all members except those working in the shops affiliated to the Motor Car Dealers' Association (new car dealers.) This assessment to take effect if and when the men in the new car shops assume the strike.

Between 400 and 500 men will be involved in any new walkout in these shops, according to Union estimates. The total membership of the Auto Mechanics is 2,000. The strike action of the Mechanics has been agreements with the used car dealers, the Truck Owners' Association and the various repair garages; the new dealers are the only holdouts.

### Vandeleur Unpopular.

**At this meeting Brother Adams, a rank and file leader, objected to an omission in the minutes of the Saturday meeting where the return to work vote was taken. Adams wanted that there be inserted in the minutes the statement made by President Vandeleur of the San Francisco Labor Council, who intervened to with draw the support of the Council if the Auto Mechanics did not accept the proposal to return to work for a 5-day period while negotiations were under way.**

Applause greeted this motion and those who wanted to defend Vandeleur were thoroughly booed. An amendment "to phone Vandeleur and have him state his case" was carried. But the Mechanics could not be reached, and the whole question of accepting the minutes was never settled.

### Lists on Negotiations.

The Auto Mechanics voted to return to work with the understanding that the demands would not be submitted to any arbitration board, but that the principle that if nothing definite was accomplished after five days of negotiations, the strike would be resumed.

The report at this meeting concerning the progress of negotiations by the Labor Conference was satisfactory. The officers claimed they had won the important demand of elimination of piece-work. Otherwise they had been evasive.

Business Agent Castleman, Assistant Business Agent Elmire and International Vice President Nash, who have been active organizers of Machinists are among those representing the union in the negotiations. Nash serving in a fraternal capacity.

### Nash—a Red-Baiter.

Nash read to the membership a leaflet put out by a rank and file group of the Auto Mechanics, attacking it as a piece of "scandalous literature." He was unable to make much headway against the arguments contained in it, having to admit the leaders' stand was correct on the point that no demands could be changed without the vote of the union. He ended by condemning it as a "political trick" because it urged union men to vote for Rolfern Mason for mayor on the United Labor Ticket and condemned Mayor Rossi as an enemy to Labor.

Nothing definite was said about a renewal of the strike or a walkout on Friday, and of the 5-day grace period, to settle the question.

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SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 22.—Nov. 7, anniversary of the Russian Revolution, will be celebrated in the under the auspices of the Nov. 7 Celebration Committee, which will be composed of organizations desiring to participate in the big affair, it was announced today.

A feature of the celebration will be the 18 years of Socialist construction in the Soviet Union.

The celebration will be held in Scottish Rite Auditorium, Bush and Schneidelman, district organizer of District 13, will be one of the main speakers.

OAKLAND, Oct. 22.—The November 7 celebration in the East Bay will be held at Odenheim Hall, 1319 Tenth street, Berkeley. Main speaker will be Harry Carlisle, editor of the Western Worker.

LOS ANGELES.—The 18th anniversary of the Russian Revolution will be celebrated at the Mason Opera House, 127 So. Broadway. Prominent speakers and a good musical program will be presented. Admission is free.

## L. A., East Bay and San Francisco to Celebrate Nov. 7th

### MEETING WILL SUPPORT PEACE POLICY OF SOVIET UNION

On Nov. 7 the working class throughout the world will celebrate the 18th anniversary of the Russian Revolution.

This date is of peculiar importance also today, because it brings sharply to the front the Foreign Policy of the Soviet Union in contrast to the Imperialist policies of the capitalist countries.

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## EAST OF THE Rockies

## Few Jobs on WPA Teachers' Oath Schools Closed Educational Centers Standard Oil and Italy

WASHINGTON.—The latest report of the Works Progress Administration shows that 3,500,000 jobs by Nov. 1 cannot possibly be attained. With 13 days left, the number working was 2,180,000 short of the goal planned. The number then employed by the Roosevelt work plan was 5,010,750. This, however, included 568,548 members of the CCC camps, so the actual total is much lower.

BOSTON.—Nearly 6000 Massachusetts teachers cheered as the law requiring an oath of allegiance from educators was bitterly attacked at a meeting of the county teachers associations.

Harvard University was severely criticized for its recent ruling which had promised to fight this censorship provision had backed out on their words. William Mc-Andrew, former superintendent of schools in Chicago expressed the sentiment of the teachers by saying, "Dear old Harvard, manned by conservatives turned out." The President of the United States has to take such an oath, and so do other public officials, but their duty is to swear to the law, while a teacher's business is to teach the truth."

CHICAGO.—The depression has affected school children in Illinois, as well as in the rest of the country. The per capita cost of educating Illinois children dropped from $119 in 1931 to $91 in 1933. In Chicago high schools the school day was changed from a five to a six-class basis in order to get more work out of the teachers for less money.

In the whole country 2400 schools have been closed since Jan. 1, 1934 for lack of money. One out of every four teachers will receive less than $750 this year; 40,000 rural school teachers receive less than $450 annually.

## ARREST OF TWO JOBLESS DRAWS WIDE PROTESTS

### SAN FERNANDO WORKERS PERSECUTED FOR LEAFLET DISTRIBUTION

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 23.—Resentment at the inhuman treatment accorded unemployed workers in the San Fernando Valley by SERA officials, is crystallizing here into organized activity under the leadership of the Public Works and Unemployed Union as the result of the arrest of two workers on Monday in Van Nuys for distributing leaflets.

The leaflets were advertising a PWUU meeting yesterday in Pacoima to protest the forcing of entire families off relief to work in the agricultural fields for starvation wages.

### Courtroom Jammed.

When the workers, John De Grotte and Ray Contreras, were arraigned in a police justice court yesterday in Van Nuys on their fellow workers jammed the courtroom and voiced strong protests as they were bound over for trial in the Superior Municipal Court in Los Angeles, on Nov. 1.

Saturday morning the PWUU County Council and trade union delegates will meet together at the WPA headquarters at 12th and Santee streets to demand prevailing trade union wages and other concessions.

Hundreds of workers in the San Fernando Valley have been cut off the SERA rolls, and forced to work for the rich farmers, demanding exploitation wages, in violation of the right to organize, guaranteed by the International Longshoremen's Association and the International Seamen's Union, A. F. of L., of the United States.

## Manchurian Arrests

MOSCOW, Oct. 25.—News has been received here that Soviet citizens in Manchuria have been beaten and thrown into prison without charges being brought against them.

## Payrolls Lower

MADISON, Wis.—(FP)—Wisconsin manufacturing payrolls dropped in August to 74.3 per cent of normal after touching 76.2 per cent in July. Jobs fell to 90.4 per cent from 92.3 per cent in July.

Wages averaged $20.88 a week in August in Wisconsin factories and in Milwaukee the average was $22.76.

## Vancouver Dockers Vote Down Shipper Strike Settlement

### EMPLOYER TERMS DO NOT GRANT SINGLE DEMAND MADE BY STRIKERS

VANCOUVER, B. C., Oct. 21—(Via Labor Press Service)—The end of the strike made by the Shipping Federation, were turned down by longshoremen and other maritime workers here, who have been out for more than four months in an attempt to win recognition of their union.

The strikers, after voting not to accept the shipowners' proposals, set up five conditions upon which they will return to work. These are:

1—That there be one hiring hall on the waterfront;

2—That the Vancouver and District Waterfront Workers' Association be the recognized union;

3—That the former agreement with the V. & D. W. A. (which the shipowners broke) be reaffirmed;

4—That there be no discrimination by employers;

5—That the men now working be eligible to join the V. & D. W. A. subject to approval of that union.

The proposals made by the shipowners include the right of the Shipping Federation to select the gangs and to form the gangs from the men it chooses; that the Federation have its own hall in addition to the one operated by the strikers; that qualification for employment "be based on merit and ability, also cooperation with and loyalty to employer and fellow-workmen."

Meanwhile the strikers have applied for information regarding the taking out of charters in the International Longshoremen's Association and the International Seamen's Union, A. F. of L., of the United States.

# United Labor Ticket Urges C. S. Law Repeal

★ One to Fourteen Years ★

# Candidates Voice Firm Opposition

## Redfern Mason Gives Views on Calif. C. S. Law

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 24.—Affirming the uncompromising stand of the United Labor Ticket for the coming Municipal elections against the California Criminal Syndicalism Act, Redfern Mason, labor candidate for Mayor declared this morning:

"The fact that the Criminal Syndicalism Act has never been used toward any other end than arresting and imprisoning labor leaders for organizational activities is strictly within their rights as citizens, is ample evidence of its purpose. It is a corrupt device which enables employers to imprison workers, not for any real crime on their part, but merely for holding a political or social opinion. The presence of such a law on our statute books, as long as there is even one C. S. prisoner in the jails, is a negation of every decent principle upon which the nation was founded."

### Role of Labor Ticket.

"It is my hope that labor, by electing its own representatives through the United Labor Ticket will be able to put an end to these in the courts and prevent them from being used as instruments of capital.

"The United Labor Ticket, representing 60,000 San Francisco voters, is firmly on record for repeal of the C. S. Act and freedom of the eight young people who are now serving penitentiary sentences because they were brave and honest enough to uphold and fight for principles that are the very essence of working class integrity."

### Opinion of Attorney.

George Andersen, local labor attorney prominent for his defense of arrested workers in the courts, and candidate for Municipal Judge on the Labor ticket, declared:

"The C. S. Law is needless legislation. It kills our constitutional privileges guaranteed under the Bill of Rights and Declaration of the United States. It is class legislation. It was put through by Big Business and the Power Trust of California. It is un-American and should be repealed. It is only used against labor when labor seeks to get a square deal in wages.

"To my mind this law has never been used except as a strike breaking weapon."

### Vote-catching Hypocrisy.

Only one other candidate has pretended opposition to the Criminal Syndicalism Law. That is Adolph Uhl who, when speaking before a meeting of the Labor Council declared it to be a "vicious law that should be repealed." However, later, when speaking before the Parent-Teachers League changed his stand and declared that the penalty was too great (one to fourteen years) and should be reduced to not to five years.

That Uhl's pretense of opposition to the law is sheer vote-catching hypocrisy is apparent in the fact that it is nowhere included in his platform and he never makes any definite statement on the subject, merely voicing vague sentiments. While on the Board of Supervisors, he not only voted against a resolution to memorialize the Legislature for repeal of the Act, but introduced another resolution calling upon the Federal government to enact a C. S. Law on a national scale.

## New Pamphlet Bares Particulars of C. S. Trial

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 24.—The International Labor Defense, Northern California Section, has announced that a pamphlet giving the complete history of the infamous Sacramento Criminal Syndicalism railroading will be off the press early next week.

Entitled, "CRIMINAL SYNDICALISM—The Courts Accuse Labor", it will sell for 5 cents and will be used by the California Conference for United Action Against the Criminal Syndicalism Act, a United Front representing scores of A. F. of L. unions, political organizations and liberal groups.

### Power Trust Involved.

The I. L. D. reports that the pamphlet traces all connections, linking interests, and the railroading of the eight C. S. prisoners now in San Quentin and Tehachapi penitentiaries. The role of the capitalist press in aiding the frameup and a detailed analysis of the trial are treated fully.

Significant in the pamphlet's revelations is the fact that virtually all of the witnesses against the defendants were on the payroll of the Power Trust, the Associated Farmers, and three vigilantes. Witnesses for the defense were all labor men, with the exception of two over to Cornell, Cornell, a Trotzkyite, visited these workers, and urged them to join the so-called "Workers of the World Party," the Trotzkyite group.

The prosecution's case was damned, since the I. L. D. has announced that the transcript of the Sacramento trial, which is expected to result in affirmation of the appeal of the convictions of the eight C. S. prisoners, is now in the hands of Attorney Leo Gallagher, and the script was held up for many months on the request of the prosecution.

All efforts are now being taken to speed the legal procedure as much as possible.

Norman Sprowman, prisoner—No. 57618, is now out on bail supplied by the I. L. D. Wife of a worker in Arbuckle, Calif., she was about to be deported to Italy. After a long and persistent fight by the I. L. D., her release on bail was at last permitted by authorities.

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## STOOL PIGEONS DISRUPT FRESNO JOBLESS UNION

### TROTZKYITES GET HELP OF BOSS' PAPER IN ATTACK ON REDS

FRESNO, Calif., Oct. 24.—One stool pigeon, the uncompromising foe of Communists in Fresno, headed by E. R. Martin, Gray and Cornell (brother of Lillian Monroe) have enlisted the aid of the capitalist Fresno "Bee" to slander the Communist Party and its members. In the columns of that paper they have published the report of a meeting of five Communists from the local Public Works and Unemployed Union, of whom two of the reports, which are extremely abundant in Italy, has doubled.

Once before Lillian Monroe, who had been expelled from the Communist Party, used the columns of the "Bee" to attack and slander the Party.

### Renegade Group.

Recently Martin was elected president of the Union after unseating Mr. Van Wy who is now signing that position. (Van Wy is in no way connected with the Van Wyck brothers who have not joined the union because of the presence of Martin, Gray and Cornell in it. Gray, who recently was thrown out of the International Labor Defense because he was unable to disrupt it with his red-scare talk, has been in the habit of turning names of PWUU workers over to Cornell, Cornell, a Trotzkyite, visited these workers, and urged them to join the so-called "Workers of the World Party," the Trotzkyite group.

The pamphlet contains statements by Reuben Mason, John Strachey, Lincoln Steffens, Harry Bridges and many other prominent labor leaders. Introduced by a brief writer by Michael Quin, reporter at the trial for the Western Worker and Daily Worker.

Obtainable by addressing the International Labor Defense, 1085 Market street, Room 410, San Francisco, or through your nearest Workers' Book Shop.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 24.—The I. L. D. has announced that the transcript of the Sacramento trial, which is expected to result in affirmation of the appeal of the convictions of the eight C. S. prisoners, is now in the hands of Attorney Leo Gallagher, and the script was held up for many months on the request of the prosecution.

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## Final Election MASS RALLY

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## FOREIGN NEWS Briefs

### Italian Unemployed Toronto Strike German Censorship Soviet Industries Lutheran Minister

ITALY.—Any lingering illusions that war means prosperity are rapidly disappearing from the minds of the Italian workers, Although more than a million men have been called to arms in the past six months, and war industries are booming, official figures show the number of unemployed in Italy was 689,000 on October 1. At the same time food prices have soared.

The "Lavoro Fascist" writes, "Facts cannot be ignored. Prices of food-stuffs have trebled in a very short period. Even the price of bombers, which are extremely abundant in Italy, has doubled."

TORONTO, Canada.—(FP)—Signed agreements with the owners of 11 Toronto shops have been obtained by the Shoe and Leather Workers' Industrial Union after a 3-week strike. The arrangements, which will go into effect in January, call for a 44-hour week, a minimum wage of 55 cents an hour for skilled workers and 40 cents for unskilled.

GERMANY.—Minister of Propaganda has forbidden German newspapers to make any reference to the abolition of the ration system in the Soviet Union, the lowering of food prices, or the great successes of Soviet trade, according to reports received in Prague. The contrast between dwindling prices in the Soviet Union and the increase in prices in Germany is said to be causing the German workers who are rapidly becoming disillusioned in the Hitler regime.

SOVIET UNION.—September set several new records for Soviet industry. For the first time in the history of the Soviet Union over 10,000 autos and trucks were turned out in a month, exceeding the plan by 186 per cent. The plan for tractor production was fulfilled, 9258 being turned out. The Kharkov plant, which was designed to make 144 tractors a day, has turned out more than 152 daily during September. The Chelyabinsk tractor plant, which makes caterpillar tractors, is also exceeding its capacity of 16 tractors a day by turning out 113 the last of September. Production of such articles as freight cars, locomotives, copper, cement, steel, and many others during the first nine months of this year exceeded the same period in the last year by from 30 to 164 per cent.

### Party Faces New Problem

**SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 24. —Reports in Hearst's Examiner here state that Communist Party has been established as grounds for divorce. Local observers believe that this may cause some little difficulty in Party ranks. It is predicted that millionaire parasites who marry and divorce as a matter of habit once a year will now seek membership in the Communist Party instead of flying in airplanes to Reno and Mexico.**

## Postal and Mackay Radio Are Put on Unfair List Here

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 23.—The Postal Telegraph and the Mackay Radio Corporations were put on the unfair list at the regular meeting of the District Council of the Maritime Federation held here last night.

Both firms have been out of considerable number of men, members of the American Radio Telegraphers' Association. Western Union Radio was put back on the fair list.

The council voted a $50 donation to the United Labor Campaign. The Maritime Federation of the Pacific here is backing the United Labor Ticket to the fullest extent.

There was some discussion regarding the docking here of the Italian motorship, the Cellina. Shipowners have announced the vessel will not take on ammunitions or other war cargo.

Should the Cellina however, make an attempt to load this kind of materials, the longshoremen will refuse to work, in line with action taken by the District Council several weeks ago.

## NOTICE!

### ALL UNITED LABOR TICKET CAMPAIGN SUPPORTERS

THURSDAY NIGHTS

All campaign workshops report to their district headquarters every Thursday night at 8 p. m.

RADIO BROADCASTS.

Every evening, between 7:15 and 7:30 o'clock, Ben Legere, United Labor Ticket candidate for Sheriff, will broadcasts, over Station KGGC (1420 on your dial). Legere will be the reporter of the air for the Labor Ticket. He performed the same service for the Sinclair-Downey campaign of last year. These broadcasts will be held at this same time every night during the campaign with the exception of Sunday. The Sunday broadcast will be between 11:45 a. m. and 12 noon.

Every supporter must make a special effort to popularize these broadcasts. Arrange parties in your home to listen to them and inform your neighbors to listen in.

FINAL MASS RALLY

**On October 30, the United Labor Campaign Committee will hold the big final mass rally in Dreamland Auditorium. Nationally prominent rank and file labor figures and speakers from sympathetic mass organizations will be present to contribute to the program.**

# Rip Tides · News Stories and Comment by Worker Correspondents

By LaMar

What a farce is this reactionary babble about keeping trade unions out of politics . . . Just to show how hypocritical these old-line A. F. of L. conservatives are . . . Back in 1892 old Andy Furuseth had the entire membership of the Sailors' Union out canvassing votes for the election of Judge McGuire who was running for Congressman.

But this week's surprise came when Old Andy jumped to his feet at the American Federation of Labor Convention in Atlantic City and let out a furious blast against the finky Wagner Labor Disputes Act.

The Legislative Committee had recommended State Federations work for the passage of similar legislation on a state-wide scale . . . And Andy opined that the Act would be declared unconstitutional and that if it was allowed to stand, then all trade unions might as well fold up.

Maybe Old Andy learned something while he was visiting with the class-conscious seamen out here on the West Coast.

That Wobbly-inspired resolution voted down in the Sailors' Union was too much for the old-time seamen who remember back to 1921 when the militants did everything but get organized in the lakers, including finky Paul Scharrenberg, moved in on the union.

There's a lot more to it—than "being militant" stuff than just getting up on the floor at meetings and shouting your head off.

It's damned peculiar, to say the least, how many shore-side workers are flocking to the I. L. A. this week, hoping to get a permit to work with the longshoremen.

And all along we had an idea the longshoremen's union was "unAmerican," dominated by Joseph Yosser in a United Front with Australia.

Is it possible the "Moscow policy" of insisting on decent working conditions and a living wage and of organizing to get 'em has an appeal for red-blooded Americans?

Let's Annie Laurie and William Hearst explain that one.

Scharrenberg ought to be on the front now—he used to sit up nights thinking up names to call the Waterfront Worker and the Seamen's Lookout at next Friday's Central Labor Council meeting.

Now, in addition to these there's the Beacon, the Maritime Worker, a rank and file Ferryboatman's paper and the Masters, Mates and Pilots are out with one, too.

**Hearst's Examiner, Tuesday morning's edition, reprinted quite a long slice of an editorial from the Waterfront Worker. About the only way a Hearst man can get the waterfront news now-a-days is by reading the Western Worker and the rank and file bulletins.**

Smiling Ed Vandeleur, as we see is doing his finest—with the help of Little Fink Rossi—to sell the Auto Mechanics down the river . . . Ed's campaign slogan: "Vote for your pal—Mister Vandeleur.

SHORT STORY: Please, Your Honor, I was just telling m' pal here how I'd worked for the Dollar Line twenty-five years and never had to join no union—and then a truck hit me.

W. J. Lewis and Pedro Pelt found they were skating on pretty thin ice when they walked into the Ship Scalers' Hall. Lewis suddenly discovered he has a meeting somewhere else."

Peterson couldn't understand Spanish and it's lucky, in a way, that he couldn't. But he, too, was stood well enough when a rank and file mover had to bring charges against him.

## Banquet to Welcome District Organizer

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 18.—A banquet to welcome the new District Organizer for District 13 of the Communist Party, Comrade Bill Schneiderman, will be given at 121 Haight st. on Sunday, Oct. 27, at 7 p. m.

Admission will be 50 cents. This will be the first chance San Francisco workers have to greet our new District organizer, who will be the principal speaker at the banquet.

Sympathetic organizations are urged to attend or send greetings.

**Fight for unity of employed and unemployed organizations.**

## How Doctors Get Patients Out of County Hospitals

MAN SUFFERING HEART TROUBLE CAREFULLY MADE MISERABLE

By a Worker Correspondent.

OAKLAND.—One method doctors use to cut down expenses at the Fairmount Hospital is to make conditions so disagreeable for a patient who requires a long period of treatment that he is forced to return home.

This happened recently to a friend of mine who was taken to the Highland Hospital for emergency treatment for an incurable and a serious case of rheumatism, and who was then transferred to the Fairmont Hospital for five or six months of continued treatment.

The doctor gave him shots for a few weeks until he was able to walk a little and then started bawling him to "I" ward. Other patients had warned my friend, when he began to walk around a little, that he was to be sent to the "I" and into the "I" ward, and they had advised him to fight against it.

However, a sick man without money is powerless to help himself if an institution doctor decides not to do shy more for him.

**Old Folks in Misery.**

Ward "I" is crowded with incurables, most of them extremely old men who are suffering from senile dementia and have been herded into this ward to die because they can't be kept in the old people's home. Many of the patients have horrible running sores.

The beds are so close together that one patient can feel the breath of the one next to him. However, it is impossible to sleep with a little one that the nurses let in the room holler and whistle all night. One man who got overheated during the night stripped off his night clothes and ran out into the yard naked, where he could be heard calling and whistling to the birds.

There is no nurse service in the ward. The patients have to take care of their own beds as best they can; and at meal-times they are brought in, around which the patients crowd and dish out their food.

**Healthier Outside.**

My friend was afraid of losing his mind if he stayed in this ward for any length of time, and he knew that his heart condition would get worse; so there was nothing for him to do but leave.

When he told the head nurse that he was forced to leave because the conditions made the ward, she answered, "Oh, you want to go home? All right."

When he told his doctor that he was leaving and why, the doctor did not seem surprised. It was alright with him, too, and so he didn't offer to put my friend in another ward.

A little later the doctor passed him while he was waiting for a bus, and his only remarks was "Well, haven't you gone, yet?"

## Big Business Tells Fear of Organized Unemployed Workers

NEW YORK—The fear of big business over the success of organized workers is expressed in the following quotation from the WALL Street Journal of Sept. 28, 1935:

"The bargaining power of the unemployed has been demonstrated. . . . If Congress, or the country, is the question, the union organization has counteracted in the field—and won the day . . .

"This is a matter of great significance. The failure of the estimated totals of unemployment to come down since the depression officially became a thing of the past is ominous enough. But this bogey, showing the unemployed to bargain collectively and enforce their demands for certain relief scales casts an even darker shadow across the national social and economic structure. There are already more voters on relief than there are on the federal income tax rolls—and political dynamite is in the making."

## SCharrenbergKeeps 'em Out of His Union

### APPLICATIONS ARE CALLED "VERY UNUSUAL."

### Has 30 Members

SAILORS' RENEGADE GOT IN WITHOUT TROUBLE

By an Office Worker.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 21.—About three months ago I applied for membership in the Office Workers' Union (A. F. of L.) here. This is the same union into which the discredited Paul Scharrenberg blasted his way after he had been booted out of the International Seamen's Union.

They took my application and told me they would act upon it. A month passed and nothing happened so I went up to the headquarters to see why I couldn't become an organized worker in a bona fide American Federation of Labor union.

They told me the investigating committee would have to act upon my application and that one member of the committee (Scharrenberg) was at present in San Diego attending the State Federation of Labor Convention.

**You Can't Get In!**

A man by the name of Miller met me at the door. He showed me a list of some 25 applicants—all of whom had been attempting to get into the union (Scharrenberg) except a girl who had been there two weeks after, he had made application).

Miller gave me a long story about "Communists trying to get into the A. F. of L." He said they wanted to "bore from within," and that they wanted to "wreck the A. F. of L." "They are against the United States Constitution," he stated.

He declared the union considered it "very unusual" that so many unsolicited applications should be made at this time. He told me that many of the members of the union were state, and city employees.

**When I insisted that I actually wanted to get in he told me that "the boss is a tyrant and if you join the union and he finds it out, he probably will not strong enough to give you much help if you get into trouble."**

**What Kind of Investigation?**

I left after that but he promised to "investigate" me. Not a single person ever came to my place to "investigate," however, and last week the union sent me a letter stating that my application had been "acted upon," and that it had been voted down.

I understand the union has about 25 or 30 active members. Scharrenberg dictates its policies from beginning to end. The night he was voted in he got himself elected to the so-called "investigating" committee.

And I have talked to several office workers who had the same experience as I did in attempting to join this union.

BOYCOTT HEARST NEWSPAPERS!

## "Lynching . . ."

BY BEAU VINCENT

## HIGH SCHOOL BOY DESCRIBES CHILD LABOR CONDITIONS IN OAKLAND SANTA CRUZ CANNERY

### MEN DO 140 HRS. A WEEK AT STRAIGHT TIME OF 35 CTS.; STARVATION PAY FOR WOMEN

Oakland, Calif.

Dear Editor:

I was working at the Santa Cruz Cannery this summer and hope that I will never have to work there again. I did not know about the warehousemen strike until three days after it was called. I was not working in the warehouse so therefore I did not know.

The wages at the Santa Cruz is 40 cents for men who worked there before and 35 cents for the new hands. I do not think this is fair because we all do the same work and we all should get the same pay. I was working on the night shift and we would work sometimes 13 to 16 hours a day with only 15 minutes to eat our supper in. We would stop sometimes about 9:30 p. m. and get back to work at 9:45 p. m. Sometimes we would have half an hour.

They make you work fast as anything and there is always a boss yelling or swearing at you when you make a little mistake. They have children working under these conditions. There is one girl I know who was working there at the age of 12 years. They tell you to come to work at 4:30 p. m. and you sit around sometimes for 45 minutes to one hour and sometimes longer. You do not get paid for this but still you were told to be there.

**Short Pay Checks.**

If you make, let us say $4.72½ they do not count the half a cent on your pay check. When you work overtime you don't get are always short of some money. I know I was short twice but I was scared of losing my job. I didn't say anything. I did that would have all kinds of odds to show that I was wrong, but I know I wasn't because I kept track of my time. The working conditions are terrible. You have to work in a puddle of water all the time. If you catch a cold it is your tough luck.

There is one man who is head boss of the cannery, his wife is head foreday, and his son is a boss, and his nephew got a good job. I think that it is time the cannery workers were organized. The women who do the canning get 35 cents per hour for a certain number can with 12 or 24 cans to a tray. The gallon cans are five to a tray; the pay is 4 cents a tray. Then there are others that come on a conveyor; the pay is 20 cents per 100 cans. The cutters get 3½ to 2½ cents per box while the pitters get 4¼ to 5 cents per box. The forelaides get 33½ cents an hour up to eight hours and then they get 40 cents an hour.

The men get 35 cents an hour no matter if they worked 140 hours a week.

I think the Santa Cruz took off their night shift they wanted all of us high school boys to take the strikers' jobs in the warehouse. My friends cannot get a job and we could not get another job there. But many young boys who did not know what strikes are for took the jobs and became scabs.

One boy came up to me and told me and some other boys to go and work in the warehouse with him. I said, "No, I don't want to be a scab."

"You won't," he said. "Those guys won't get anywhere by standing on East 14th street."

"No, because boys like you take their jobs and scab on them, that is why they can't win," I said and walked away.

**We Don't Think So.**

If I was working in the cannery during the strike am I considered a scab? Remember I was not working in the warehouse.

I know a girl only 15 years old who went after her pay check. She was stopped at the door by the forelady who told her that Union girls can't work in next summer because she would not scab in the warehouse. She did not know what to do so she told the forelady she would report to work on Saturday. Now you know how they get the boys and girls to scab on the union men.

I hope you will print this so the people who read it will get a worker's side who has worked in the cannery. If you do, please do not use my name because my father does not want me to express my opinions to the public like this. He said some day I am going to get into some trouble. I am only 18 years old.

If you print this letter I wish you would put under it

A SYMPATHIZER OF THE MARITIME FEDERATION.

(See Page 6 for editorial comment.)

**Communist Party members, write in about anti-activity.**

## FORCES RELIEF STANDARD DOWN

PETALUMA, Calif.—Beginning Aug. 1 of this year and continuing until after Aug. 26 a reign of terror was carried on in Sonoma County. Its purpose was to destroy organizations of unemployed and agricultural workers.

To destroy labor organizations means the forcing down of wages or the acceptance of relief of the lowest standard.

When members of the Public Works and Unemployed Union came here to organize a union the SERA officials told the workers that if they joined the union they would be cut off relief. The unemployed, goaded by fear, dropped away from the union, under the terror and threats of the SERA officials. On Oct. 17 this idea appeared in the Petaluma "Argus-Courier":

"Petaluma's Poor Need Bed Clothes—Appalling conditions in the homes of some of Petaluma's needy families have been called to the attention of Mrs. Rose Nelson . . .

"Mrs. Nelson found one family of eight that had no clothing sufficient for only one bed. Good-hearted Petalumans are urged to assist the church in providing . . . discarded bed linen, blankets, comforters, etc."

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## WHERE TO GO

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### — San Francisco

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ATTENTION! SAVE THIS DATE: SATURDAY, NOV. 16, 1935, SO THAT NO COMPLICATION OCCURS.

ELECTION NITE DANCE and ELECTION RETURNS BY RADIO, at 121 Haight st., Nov. 5th, 8:00 p. m. sharp. Auspices: Music Club and House Committee.

SECOND ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION BANQUET. Auspices of Greek Workers' Educational Club, 361 Third street, Sunday, Oct. 27, 8:00 p. m. Admission 50.

ON NOV. 7, 1917, THE FIRST Link of our fetters was shattered forever. Circolo Galileo (Italian Workers' Club) 779 Valencia street, San Francisco, invites you to a brotherly Banquet and Entertainment, celebrating the event, on Nov. 10, 1935, at 6:30 p. m. Price 35c.


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### — Oakland

BIG EA. BAY CELEBRATION! NOVEMBER 7. Many organizations are participating on this 18th anniversary of U.S.S.R. program numbers contributed from various groups.

DO NOT MISS the outstanding S. F. speaker:

HARRY CARLISLE,

New Editor of Western Worker Housing, good union music, . . . Comrades Hall, 1819 - 10th st., Berkeley, Thursday, 8 p. m.— Admission 10c.

Benefit at Western Worker and East Bay Communist Party.

### — Los Angeles

Workers forum, 220 S. Spring St., 8 p.m. Sunday night—8 p.m. Admission ten cents.

CELEBRATE 18 YEARS SOVIET POWER—Support Soviet Peace Policy Against War and Fascism. Mason Opera House, 127 So. Broadway, Tuesday, Nov. 7th, 7:30 p. m. Good musical program — prominent speaker. Admission 25 cents. Auspices: Communist Party, Los Angeles Section.

KEEP DECEMBER 21 OPEN! Christmas Concert and Dance, closing drive for funds for political prisoners. Grand Hotel, Gallup Defence Committee, will speak. Auspices: International Labor Defense, 6 Bitural Center, 230 So. Spring st., Los Angeles.

KEEP OPEN the 27th of October, for the fifth Annual Concert of the Daily Worker at the Mason Opera House.


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## Labor Turnover on Bay Bridge Job

OAKLAND.—A short time ago the Carpenters' Union took over to the WPA as they had been notified that some jobs were available. I was sent out to work on the Bay Bridge as a rough carpenter for Barrett and Hilp.

At 10 a. m. two carpenters who had been working just as well, or better than myself, were laid off at 12 o'clock my partner and I were laid off.

The foreman didn't give me a reason but if we hadn't been on relief to give him a guy off he might not have turned our jobs over to men who would.

Barrett and Hilp are famous for their turnover of workmen. I wish that other workmen who have had the same experience as I did in attempting to join this union.

## 1000 Reasons for Voting The Labor Ticket and Defeating Hearst's Rossi

### Vigilantism, Murder and Strikebreaking Under Municipal Authority—This is the Record Of the Man Who Proclaims He Has 'Kept His Promises' and Whose Campaign is Supported in the Hearst Fascist Press

The clearest answer to the popular question, "Why a Labor Ticket?" is to review the unprovoked violence of police under direct Municipal authority in San Francisco during last year's maritime and general strikes.

The following account of over 1000 persons shot and beaten by the Rossi police at that time represent only a fraction of the total number of victims and covers the period only from July 1 to July 20, 1934.

The following list was reported by the police themselves:

July 2—Harry Zacchi, 174A Hanford street, lacerated lip.

July 3—Eugene Dunbar, clubbed; Walter Kroft, clubbed; Frank Webb, strike leader, clubbed; Caesar Clement, clubbed; John Petersen, gassed and clubbed; Harold Odion, clubbed; five unidentified strikers, scalp wounds; Augustus Riley, of Los Angeles, seaman, clubbed, skull fractured, died in harbor emergency hospital; George Roberts, Seaboard Hotel, broken nose; John Suggnichi, 1316 Stockton st., broken nose; Van Stanton, 130 Stewart st., scalp lacerations; Peter Macrides, head injuries; George Carlson, 115 Stuart st., lacerations of scalp; Sam Carl, lacerations of chest. These were only a few of the many injured in this battle in which the police attacked the picket lines.

**Bloody Thursday.**

July 5.—A general battle between police and strikers resulted in approximately 500 injured and three dead. The police reported thirty-six dozen available. Howard Sperry died from bullet wounds in the back. Nick Coundoerakis died from bullet wounds in the back. Richard Pesarich, shot in arm. Edwind Norman, longshoreman, shot in thigh. Leslie Haskell, mechanist, Oakland, shot in arm. Ivan Peterson, 68 Burlingame st., trampled by crowd. Albert Lodborg, both legs broken. Robert Chambers, baker, back injuries. Steve Manoeck, clubbed, head wounds. Albert Simmons, fracture skull from clubbings. Joe Cammarato, head cut open by gas bomb. Steve Kiesle, gassed. Nels Larsen, head wounds from clubbing. John Krice, shot in back. John Williams, seaman, shot in left knee. Paul McDonahue, longshoreman, gassed. Joe Silva, seaman, deep scalp wounds. George Williams, seaman, lungs affected by gas, cut by glass. John Pilkoss, lacerated scalp. Thomas Henderson, seaman, shot in arm. William Warren, seaman, shot in right forearm. Ernest Hay, striker, shot in leg. Richard Pressack, shot in left arm. Al Anderson, shot in back and arm. Philip Palmeros, seaman, clubbed on head. David Del Posse, 69 Langdon st., beaten by clubs, skull fractured, died. Geo. Colvin, shot in arm. James Engle, seaman, skull fractured by gas bomb. Gene Olsen, striker, beaten on head and back. Edward Hodges, unemployed, shot in stomach and right hand. Jim Morales, stevedore, shot in back and abdomen. Nick Nicholas, striker, skull fractured by gas bomb. Clayton Miner, striker, shot, critically wounded, assailant released. Jerry Hart, 909 Guerrero st., shot in leg. William Wilson Cook, 920 Montgomery st., shot in hip. James O'Reilly, 755 Varemes Place, shot in back. Leslie Steinbach, 1000 Grove st., shot in head. John Sullivan, shot in ankle. Jack Beovich, 343 California ave., shot in neck. Vassih Zakhareff, 1377 Fifth st., beaten by clubs and by police. Steve Hannock, 82 Market st., head battered, arrested. Iaccaro Beals, cook, head gashed by police.

July 8.—Milton Weber, striker, 1200 Treat ave., cut when bricks were hurled through window by vigilantes.

**Vigilantes Aided.**

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# MOVIE REVIEWS

## Fascists Financed by Munitions Makers—Army Officers Who Frame Boys—Imaginary Invasions

By Michael Quin.

THE MARCH OF TIME

The camera is no friend of reaction. It photographs whatever you point it at with frank indifference.

News-reel cameramen long ago learned not to point it at anything more vital than a polar bear bathing in the zoo or a bathing girl contest. The editors of "Time" magazine haven't learned this yet. They are trying to disseminate fascist propaganda through the news-reel medium in a series called the MARCH OF TIME.

Well known for their inside information and their cynicism, they are also the editors of "Fortune" magazine, a lavish dollar a copy journal for millionaire executives. Cooperation of government authorities in preparation of these films is apparent to a degree more than obliging.

The most striking thing about these films is that everything you see with your eye contradicts what you hear with your ear. The voice of the announcer boosts the fascist viewpoint and the honest lens of the camera reveals the Marxian viewpoint.

One of their films was devoted to glorifying the "Croix de Feu," a French fascist army being mobilized for the admitted purpose of smashing the united front of Socialists and Communists. Slick-haired young fascists were shown speeding around in expensive cars. The result of the huge financial support was plain in every camera shot. Scenes of police and military exhibiting down enormous demonstrations of workers were thrown in as the reason for the fascist organization. In conclusion, a panorama of the vast Schneider-Creusot munitions works is thrown and the information thrown in that the funds to build the fascist troops were being supplied by the firm.

Another series was a tribute to the CCC camps. The voice of the announcer was lavish in his praise. But what you see on the films? Revolts against bad food and military training; the fact that the military authorities in charge cannot compete with the C.C.C. camps openly admits that the boys have done nothing outside their rights and that he cannot discipline them. Then he proceeds to show how he goes about getting rid of them.

He gives the whole camp an overnight leave to go to town. Then he is shown riding in a car with the Chief of Police, pointing out the boys for wants arrested on the sidewalks. The chief obligingly by arrests them on pretexts and holds them for a week, long enough so that the lieutenant can give them dishonorable discharges for being "absent without leave."

As stinking a little frame-up as you could imagine.

The "trouble makers" are, picture after picture, boys.

In conclusion, valuable construction projects are shown and it is explained that these cost an absolute minimum, having been carried out with CCC labor. It is even boldly admitted that men who were employed at living wages could not have done the work turned over to the CCC.

Another series devotes itself to jingo enthusiasm for the U. S. Army. Details of elaborate plans for mobilizing forces to save industrial centers was the theme. How these plans have been worked out and rehearsed down to the last detail was portrayed. The proclaimed purpose of these maneuvers was, "to repulse an invasion." In conclusion, a shot of Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins was shown and it was announced that these experts proclaim there is not the merest possibility of an invasion of the United States from any foreign power. In this subtle manner, the inference that all these mobilization plans are directed at possible internal strike was put over.

The question is, whether the shooting eyes of Mr. and Mrs. Average Citizen will be open to the reactionary points which defeat the whole fascist purpose of the films. But what is the effect is to peddle fascism under a cloak of impartiality. They strike an attitude of "The World," Whither Bound?" and then go on to forget being the aloof observers, they try to push it where their employers want it to go.

# ON THE LABOR DEFENSE FRONT

By Peters.

There was a little difference of opinion between two gentlemen of the bar in court last Monday but the difference to Claire Gordon, still bewildered by her arrest and two-day imprisonment, spelt freedom and relief.

While distributing leaflets for the Labor Sports Union, Claire met on Fourth street last Saturday night, Claire was challenged by a man who asked derisively, "Do you think Roosevelt is going to have a chance?" Claire did, so naturally she stayed to talk it out with him for a moment.

Continuing on her way, she stopped for food in a nearby restaurant only to be accosted again by this same man. This time his question was an accusation. "Did you take my watch?", he asked.

Well, she told him "no," forthwith and he let her go but followed her. After two blocks of this, he called a policeman to arrest her. She went to jail and, being unable to raise enough for set bail, stayed there until Monday morning when her case came up in Judge Schoenfeld's court.

Here the witness for the state heard something "click" while he was talking to Claire in the beer parlor but thought nothing of it until he missed his watch after she left.

As for Claire, she said she knew nothing about it and, could only repeat "I assure you of the innocence of the charge. One moment though! To be sure, there WERE some questions concerning the actions put to the plaintiff by George Anderson, International Labor Defense attorney, for which he had no satisfactory explanation.

And now, the final upshot:

The prosecuting attorney looked at the judge, who merely waved a "Your honor, I'm sure she took it!"

Judge Schoenfeld looked right back at him, not the least bit impressed. "I'm not sure. I'm sure she didn't! Case dismissed. Next!"

Now, children, you insist I point a moral? Well, I must—however! her this: the World is not yet safe for little Red Riding Hoods if they have United Labor Campaign buttons pinned on their baskets. So better travel in twos so you'll have someone to help you stand off Johnny Wolf, the incipient fascist, if he decides he wants to gobble you up!

**Prison Relief.**

The prison relief committee is carrying on its office for clothing and other discarded articles which will be sold to provide Christmas relief for political prisoners and their families. Bring your donations to 1005 Market street, Room 410, between 9 a. m. and 6 p. m. any day except Sunday.

In the October Educational bulletin, just issued by the Nat'l L. L. D. and available at branch meetings, the moral effect of showing prisoners and their families that the working class remembers them is pointed out. "It is of inestimable importance in sustaining their courage, and, besides this, people are drawn into the movement at branch meetings later. Register for the classes now.

Elaine Black, veteran "self-defender" in capitalist courts, will lead the class in self-defense.

From Victor Johnson, No. 58032, Kilby Prison, Alabama victims, the following letter was received by Comrade Ida Roth, who visited him some time ago:

"The Miss Roth: Of course I remember your visit, and I appreciate your interest and that of your organization immensely.

"I regret to say that no information on the outside since this case offers such an excellent opportunity for a victory that can be held before the state and the public.

"As you surmised, we have been watching the front rather anxiously, until today we learned from some of the defense committees who were over to see us that all is well. How it is going when the Fifth Circuit comes in?

"A fast one the fakers pulled about the Modesto defense, eh? And Vandeleur and his 'Union Men' have taken a nose-dive, I can't resist an opportunity to fink. A fine day of judgment when they face the awakened labor.

"All the boys are in good spirits and quite confident as to the outcome of the appeal. Personally I should like to see the case eventually Standard Oil a little more—I understand that it is not doing badly—before again coming to trial. Their plans to bury us have failed miserably. Like, to give them a little jab for their intentions anyhow.

"With the best wishes to you and your organization, I am,

"Fraternally yours,

"Victor Johnson, No. 58032."

## 8-Week Strike Ends

WEBSTER, Mass.—(FP)—An 8-week strike at the Webster mills of the American Woolen Co. ended Oct. 14 when 1000 workers returned to the plant following settlement of differences between workers and management by the Massachusetts Board of Arbitration.

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## Notes on the Soviet Union

### Industrial Output in First 8 Months of This Year Increased 20.1 Per Cent

PROSPERITY NOTES

General industrial output for the first eight months of the current year in the Soviet Union increased 20.1 per cent over the same period last year, indicating the year's plan will be overfulfilled. The record was even better during the summer months. The seasonal decline in July (owing to vacations, inventory taking, and plant repairs), which occurred in the past two years, and the increase in Aug. over July was much higher.

Especially notable is the increase in the purchasing power of consumers' goods, which increased 23.3 per cent in August over July.

☆ **Foreign Trade.**

Foreign trade for eight months amounted to 3747 million rubles, with a favorable balance of 61.2 million rubles.

Retail sales gained 34.9 per cent in the first months of this year, in spite of decreases in prices of many commodities.

☆ **Transport.**

Water transport is beginning to improve as rapidly as the rise of production. From the beginning of the navigation season till the first of September, 32.5 per cent more freight was transported on river waterways than last year, and 14.7 per cent more freight by ocean transport. August's plan for river freight was fulfilled 109.9 per cent, 53.1 per cent more freight being carried than in the same month last year.

Railroads are systematically overfulfilling their plan. Daily carloadings were 17.2 per cent more for the first nine months of this year than in the same period last year; in August the gain was 28.8 per cent.

☆ **Labor Productivity.**

While industrial productionincreased 20.1 per cent, the number of workers increased by only 6 per cent, indicating a rapid increase in labor productivity, while the technical and engineering staffs increased by 9.8 per cent, the number of clerks and office workers by 4 per cent.

☆ **Wages.**

Wages in industry in the first months of this year were 27.1 per cent higher than the same period last year.

☆ **Agriculture.**

The tremendous strides made by agriculture are shown by the rapid fulfillment of the plan of grain sales to the state. By September 10 this plan was fulfilled more than three-fourths, while some 40 per cent more grain collected than at the same time last year, and 50 per cent more than in 1934.

The victory of collectivization is shown by the steady flow of peasants into the collective farms. On Oct. 1, 1935, 83 per cent of the peasants in the Soviet Union were in collective farms, the proportion in the Ukraine being 91 per cent.

☆ **Hot Dogs in Moscow.**

Plans are under way to open 510 "hot dog" stands throughout Moscow. Because the output of sausages is to increase to 1,200 tons daily, lunch-rooms in factories, theaters, stations and institutions are immediately to open establishments and start popularizing the hot dog among Moscow residents.

☆ **Collective Farm Purchases.**

The collective farms of the Lugansk Region in the Kharkov Province of the Ukraine, having fulfilled its plan of grain sales to the state, is now selling its surplus to cooperatives. By the middle of September they had sold 1900 tons of grain. With part of the returns they have already purchased 12 tractors, 151 bicycles, 26 carloads of lumber, 6 tons of cement, 5.5 tons of nails and other articles.

## SERA SEEKS TO PUNISH DOCTOR FOR MILITANCY

### WOULD PREVENT BISSELL TAKING RELIEF CASES

OAKLAND, Oct. 24.—Because of his militant activities in obtaining medical service for the unemployed in Alameda County and finding the SERA guilty of it, the relief authorities now seek to put Dr. E. E. Bissell (who conducts a medical column in the Western Worker) off their staff of relief physicians. Only doctors who are on this panel may take SERA patients.

The circle given by Dr. Adams of the SERA for this is that Dr. Bissell was "unethical" because he examined a patient who had a relief order to go to another doctor. This worker had been a patient of Dr. Bissell's before and had asked for an order on him.

Dr. Bissell, who has consistently fought for the right of all East Bay SERA workers to choose their own doctors and to have adequate medical and dental service, has never hesitated to demand and fight for hospitalization for his patients when they needed it. For this reason many workers, particularly members of the Public Works and Unemployed Union, have frequently shown a preference for his services.

When interviewed, Dr. Bissell said, "This action shows that the Roosevelt Government does not stop at terrorizing workers but also tries to hammer professionals into submission by cutting off their means of support."

## A. F. L. Affiliation Loses by 35 Votes In Newspaper Guild

NEW YORK.—(FP)—Lacking just 35 votes to reach the two-thirds approval necessary the American Newspaper Guild will not seek affiliation with the American Federation of Labor at the present time.

Just 65.4 per cent of the members voted favored affiliating with the federation. The poll had been ordered at the annual guild convention in Cleveland some months ago.

Pres. Heywood Broun of the guild, in announcing the results of the poll, stated that application for affiliation could not be made before March. Palmer's next convention, but added that "a large majority of the guild has given a clear mandate for the conception of a democratic business organization and part of the labor movement."

## Books—Pamphlets IN REVIEW

**The Communist-International, No. 16: Organ of the Executive Committee of the Communist International. English-edition. Price 25 cents.**

Many Communist Party members still are reluctant to break with the old sectarian "holier than thou" attitude which characterized Communist activities before the 1929 debacle. This is particularly true in the United States where we have just begun to reach the masses of the people, where there is moving forward to greater struggle against the ruling class.

Comrade Earl Browder contributes an extremely pertinent review of activities in the United States during the few years just past. First he analyzes the specific features of the special kind of depression into which we in the United States have entered. He shows what actually has happened to the famous "American standard of living," and how profits were restored to the ruling class at the expense of this so-called living standard.

And he declares: "The time has come, however, already to broaden and deepen this whole conception of the Labor Party . . . The Communist Party's crisis' as was met in 1776 by Tom Paine and Patrick Henry, in the crisis of the slavery question by John Brown and the Abolitionists, that is, with a practical program of action for the broadest masses, a program of unity for the masses of the nation . . ."

Comrade Manilsky reports on Engels and the struggle for revolutionary Marxism. M. Eucoli discusses problems of the United Front and J. Peters' article on some pointers on the imperialist war clouds with particular reference to the rape of Ethiopia by Mussolini.


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### Revive the Anti-Vigilante Campaign!

The Sonoma County vigilantes are at it again. Feeling that popular hostility to their fascist activity has died down somewhat, and encouraged by the deliberate apathy of State officials, they have magnified their red-baiting forces anew.

Representatives of American Legion posts, Kiwanis clubs, and Chambers of Commerce have renewed their campaign to drive all "subversive elements" out of California, to deny the Communist Party a place on the ballot and make it unlawful for any citizen to belong to the Communist Party.

Does any liberal or progressive thinking individual believe for one moment that these utterances can be separated from the main struggle of the day—to maintain a decent standard of living, to preserve democratic rights, to actively oppose fascism and war?

**"Suppression of the Communist Party" means—25 cents an hour or less in the agricultural fields, and the provision of scab labor by closing relief rolls!**

**"Driving out subversive elements" means—chasing labor organizers out of the field!**

The American Civil Liberties Union is bringing pressure to bear on authorities to force immediate prosecution of Fred Cairns, secretary of the Healdsburg Chamber of Commerce, who has been identified as leading the "tar-and-feather" mob. Many other have been identified. But State officials side-step the issue, in deliberate connivance with local officials and the war-dreelers of rich agricultural capitalists.

**What has happened to the campaign by labor and liberal groups to see this issue through in order to check fascist growth in California?**

**What has happened to the resolution against vigilantism passed by the State American Federation of Labor convention at San Diego recently?**

"Eternal vigilance is the price of freedom," said one of our most famous statesmen. Shall we let "pernicious vigilantism" suppress freedom—freedom to organize, strike and picket; freedom to join any political party of our choosing; freedom to exercise the most constitutional rights and democratic principles?

Revive the campaign against the vigilantes! Raise the issue in liberal and progressive organizations, in trade unions and fraternal bodies. Take action, now, urging the formation of a huge joint body to fight actively against all fascist groups and tendencies!

Make it, a "Committee Representing 100,000 Anti-Vigilante Citizens!"

Demand immediate prosecution of those responsible for the barbarous attack on civil liberties in Santa Rosa!

### Job Action—Chaos or System?

Job action, organized as a lever to force concessions from the shipowners, in the case of seamen and longshoremen, has more than demonstrated its effectiveness during the past year. Job action, more than any other single factor, forced the shipowners to a certain extent to live up to the terms of the agreements won through the great Maritime Strike of 1934.

**There is, however, a fundamental difference between organized job action and chaotic quitting of ships by one department while the rest are left aboard, confused and very often antagonistic.**

During the past year the shipowners have themselves built up a powerful united front of employers, involving not only the maritime industry but also the Chamber of Commerce, the capitalist newspapers, the Industrial Association, to say nothing of an unknown number of fascist and semi-fascist vigilante groups.

**Isn't it reasonable to suspect that we, the workers, will not get far unless we, too, are more strongly organized.**

There are fundamental beefs upon which the whole coast easily could be united. One of these is each department first overcoming instead of easily broken promises of time of the port. This is one of the amendments to the award asked by the seamen.

Here we must be organized to win this demand. The first step in this organization is the formation aboard every ship of a Federation Ship Committee composed of representatives from every department of men from every union affiliated to the Maritime Federation of the Pacific. Then there will be no possibility of one department quitting the ship, risking isolation and possibly creating a split in the badly needed unity of all maritime departments.

**A District Committee of the International Seamen's Union is being formed ashore. Let this committee coordinate the economic and organizational activities of the men aboard the ships. Let this committee keep the men on the ships informed of all latest developments and act as an advisory board.**

If job action is organized in this manner the various ship's departments and unions will gain solidarity, unity of outlook and unity of action. The shipowners will be unable to isolate and play one craft against another. We'll win our demands.

**And we will build the Maritime Federation of the Pacific into an organization that by its might, will force recognition from the shipowners.**

### Women and Children in California's Canneries

If you would be interested in some first-hand information on child labor in California we refer you to the story on Page 4, Column 6 of this issue, wherein an 18-year-old, high school youth says he say rather pointedly:

"The conditions in the Oakland Santa Cruz Canneries are not exceptional. It is quite safe to say it is an average example of work and wage conditions in the canning and packing industries throughout the State.

Children work in all of them; women are expected long hours at low pay; men work 14 to 16 hours days at 30, 35 and 40 cents an hour—straight time. The workers in these plants suffer many injuries and contract colds, rheumatism, bronchial troubles and other ailments from overwork in the drafty buildings, standing in pools of water on the floors.

There are laws on the books, commandments in the Bible, and the dictates of common-sense and humanity which say all these things are wrong. Yet truant officers never invade the canneries to take the child workers to school, the workmen's compensation act seldom aggravates the boss in the interest of an injured cannery worker, and wages stay in the same rut regardless of NRA or any other piece of demagogy.

And what's become of the minimum wage law for women?

These questions are not settled on a basis of right and wrong. They are adjusted to suit the requirements of the class which holds the balance of power. Labor can, by action of the unions—in the political as well as the economic field—enforce the existing laws designed to protect labor and also put new ones on the statute books.

Rank and file union men in public office on a Labor Ticket could rally the strength of their union to put the children in school where they belong and get decent wages and working conditions for their parents.

Answering the boy's question 'was he scabbing while the locked out warehousemen picketed the warehouse?'

It would have been rather pointless for him to walk out of the cannery single-handed and alone. When one loyal to the interest of the workers finds himself in such a position he should stay on the job—to do all possible to organize the balance of the cannery workers to walk out with him.

The Young Communist League attempted to bring out these cannery workers and did get about 100 to take strike action. But there was not sufficient organization to keep them out or to bring the others out with them, and the whole thing collapsed. The Y.C.L. did not do its work thoroughly here. The East Bay comrades should take the work of the Y.C.L. in San Pedro where 1500 cannery workers are not only organized and taking strike action but are winning their demands.

"A nation has the right to change its form of government since the people who constitute a society or nation are the source of all authority in that nation."—THOMAS JEFFERSON.

### Why the Communist Party Supports the Labor Ticket

The Communist Party sincerely supports every movement and every measure that is in the interests of the working class. Any move that can better wages and conditions or strengthen the organized power of the working class, is in line with Communist principles.

We do not believe that the workers of America or any other country can solve their problems within the shell of capitalist society. We believe that the working class will ultimately be forced to abolish capitalism and establish socialism. And we believe that this can only come about through the workers as a class exercising their organized powers in their own class interests.

The labor ticket represents a strengthening of working class power. It means strong unions—100 per cent union shops. It means that labor will be in a better position to defend and advance its interests.

Perhaps you have read the Communist Party line" of Communist Party policy? You don't have to be an expert economist or an advanced theoretician to understand what this means.

If it is beneficial to the interests of the working class, you know that the Communist Party will support it.

If it is harmful to the interests of the working class, the Communist Party will vigorously oppose it.

That is the fundamental principle of Communist tactics.

### Back the A. F. of L. Boycott Of the Olympic Games

Wide support should back the action of the recent national convention of the American Federation of Labor, which voted to boycott participation in the 1936 Olympic games in Berlin. This action followed the sending of a strong letter from Pres. Jeremiah Mahoney of the American Athletic Union to Pres. Theodor Lewald of the German Olympic committee, charging discrimination against Jewish athletes.

The persecution of a defenseless minority is an inexcusable crime under any circumstances. It is especially out of keeping with the idea of the Olympic games, which are built on good sportsmanship and the friendly competition of athletes of every race and nation.

No sane person can put any trust in Nazi promises that there will be no discrimination. As Mahoney wrote:

**"If Germany today has no Jews of Olympic caliber, it is because she has denied them adequate facilities for training and competition and has forced them into exile or suicide."**

Every sports organization and every trade union should adopt resolutions to be sent to the American Athletic Union, demanding that the United States refuse participation in the forthcoming Olympic games.

**"Whenever the people of this country grow weary of the existing investment, they can exercise their constitutional right of amending, or their revolutionary right to overthrow it."—Abraham Lincoln.**

## Party Life

### Shock Troops Should Be Used in Party Recruiting

The following is a check-up on the new recruits in the Membership Drive from Oct. 12 to 21:

San Francisco: 3 A. F. of L., 2 unemployed, 1 woman, 1 miscellaneous.

San Bernardino: 4 unemployed, 1 woman; total 5.

East Bay: 1 A. F. of L., 2 unemployed; total 3.

Los Angeles: 8 A. F. of L., 1 Spanish, 12 unemployed, 1 Negro, 6 shop workers.

This makes a total of 37 new recruits since Oct. 12.

Comrades, how about the other sections? Are you going to wait until Nov. 7 is over, or are you saving up cards in your sections so you can turn them over all at once?

Every Party member should make a report to the next unit meeting on all contacts he or she has, and if the comrade individually thinks he is unable to sign these contacts up, then a shock troop of two or three leading comrades from the unit must be assigned to approach these people and make a special effort to see that each one is asked to join the Party.

Group meetings of contacts should be held regularly in every unit, with a leading comrade to explain the role and purpose of the Party, and also explain the reasons why workers should join the Party.

Especially (and this is most important) the fractions in all trade unions, and mass organizations must get all the sympathizers in their organization together, and discuss with them the question of joining the Party.

Application cards must not be held-up, but must be turned in to the Section Committee immediately the comrade is accepted.

### DRAFT RESOLUTION Adopted Oct. 19.

This enlarged meeting of the District Committee together with active Party members from the sections instructs the District Buro and the Section Committees to:

1. Start a broad campaign popularizing the 7th Congress decisions by developing a thorough discussion among the district, section, and unit functionaries and the entire membership through:

a. Discussion in the units,

b. Study circles.

c. Linking up with classes on other subjects.

2. Bringing the explanation of the Congress decisions to the non-Party masses through:

a. Mass distribution of Dimitroff pamphlet and other literature on the Congress.

b. Open meetings, forums, etc., with Socialists, trade-unionists, etc., are invited. One of the speakers at the Nov. 7th meetings should speak on the Congress.

3. Western Worker to contain material on the Congress, linking up with the main issues facing the workers in this District.

4. Special attention to reaching our concentration points with this campaign.

5. The District Buro and Section Committees are to work out proposals on the application of the Congress decisions on the following questions:

a. Developing and strengthening the united front for the building of a Labor Party.

b. Strengthening the trade union work of the Party, building of functioning fractions, and bringing every eligible Party member into the trade unions.

c. Improve the mass character of our agitation and propaganda, with special emphasis on strengthening our work of the workers' classes and schools for the training of new forces, and developing political education of the membership.

d. Make a decisive change in our attitude to the youth, giving them concrete political guidance and organizational assistance, and eliminating the contemptuous attitude of Party comrades toward the youth comrades.

e. Make serious efforts to strengthen our mass recruiting and overcome the enormous fluctuation.

The solving of these immediate problems facing the Party can only be carried out if every comrade realizes the importance and necessity of putting the Congress decisions into life as a means of overcoming our weaknesses and shortcomings and fulfilling the great tasks placed before us.

## NAZIS SEEK TO CONFUSE THAELMANN CAMPAIGN

## SPECIAL "PEOPLE'S COURTS" TO TRY HIM

## MISLEADING INFORMATION IN OFFICIAL NEWS

THE CASE OF THE STATE AGAINST THAELMANN

The tremendous difficulties of ascertaining the situation of ernst Thaelmann arising from calculated attempts of the Nazis to disturb and confuse the worldwide campaign for his release—were explained by Rudolph Breda, representative of the International Liberties Committee of Paris, in an interview just granted to the Western Worker.

The Nazis, Breda stated, have learned a lesson from their defeat in the Reichstag fire trial and in the case of Dimitroff, Popoff and Torgler are trying to avoid by all means a situation which, according to all indications, would become equally disastrous for them.

The Nazi conception of the procedure necessary under the circumstances is: Secrecy, speed and intimidation. They try to withhold all information. The little news that is released has proved to be many times worse than anything. There is the fact, for instance, that the approximate date of the Thaelmann trial has been repeatedly announced officially and semi-officially only to be changed again and again. This is partly due to the brief fear of the "Thaelmann manoprozess".

It is caused by a deliberate tactic to confuse the international campaigners.

**" Brand New Nazi "Courts."**

According to every reasonable expectation, the Thaelmann trial will be very different from the Leipzig trial. The Nazis have created an entirely new institution, the "People's Court" in order to establish a basis for the extraordinary procedure planned.

The "Court" accordingly is composed of "old and tested" members of the Hitlerite storm troops, who according to the Nazi have "special merits in the defense of the new state." Those merits may be acquired by some illegal murders, which in consequence of the protest of the civilized world have created embarrassing positions for the Nazi officials.

The reception is obviously that murder committed under the cloak of legal procedure is more likely to escape embarrassing to the German government. There is no appeal against the sentence handed down by these "judges". There is no public hearing. There is no counsel for defense of the defendant's own choice. Even Nazi lawyers are intimidated and frequently arrested if they try to "meddle in" into the carefully guarded court procedure.

**Unpublished Charges.**

The case of the state has been heretofore not published. It never will be. The public cannot know the charges against Thaelmann, except the very general accusation of high treason. What they do know, however, from official and semi-official announcements, is the main viewpoints in the case of the state. They are briefly important and characteristic.

The state will want to corroborate the high treason charge by proving that it is the fault of Ernst Thaelmann that the movement against war in Germany. This move is important from the angle of the self-defense of the Nazi state at a time, when the struggle of the masses against war is deepening.

The state will demand the conviction of Thaelmann because he is the leader of the United Front of all anti-Fascist forces, which are the greatest menace to Nazi domination.

**Case for Anti-Fascists.**

Thaelmann's condemnation is sought because he is a "servant of the Jews" (Judenknecht). Here the Nazis have been forced into quoting Thaelmann's speeches in defense of national minorities and against the barbarous anti-semitic creed by the Nazis—a dense cogwheel weapon. The fact that Thaelmann was a staunch defender of democratic liberties and especially of the freedom of the trade union movement, in the ranks of which he was working 32 years, will be used against him in order to bring out the strongly adverse position of Thaelmann's life work to the national socialist principles. It will be also revived against him in order to corroborate his permanent efforts to save the rights of the German Reichstag against the Hitlerite usurpation and efforts to eliminate it when Papen, Schleicher and finally Hitler-Hugenberg paved the way for the establishment of the Nazi dictatorship.

It is clear that the Thaelmann trial is a case for the anti-Fascist united front movement. It is also clear that a worldwide alignment of all anti-Fascist and liberty loving forces is necessary in view of the extraordinary major battle centering around the defense of Ernst Thaelmann and around the opening of the gates of Germany's prisons and concentration camps.

## Manuel Avitia—a Faithful Picket in Miners' Strike

### Second Biography of Three Gallup Victims

**This is the second of three biographies of victims of the Gallup frame-up which the WESTERN WORKER will present. Manuel Avitia, together with three other workers of that New Mexico coal mining country, were convicted of second degree murder and sentenced to 45 to 60 years at hard labor.**

Like most of the other Gallup defendants Manuel Avitia began as a child laborer, hauling ore with mules at the age of 14. At 19 he was a track worker with the Santa Fe Railroad. Later that year (1927) he began digging coal at the Mutual mine, Gallup. He quit when the bosses would not pay him for cleaning up a huge rock fall, and went to the Southwestern mine where he had steady employment till January, 1929. Then he returned to the Mutual. In February, 1933, the darkest time of the crisis, he lost his job.

Meanwhile he had married his wife, Teresa, who bore him two children, one of whom died. The other is now nearly five years old. Teresa, due to seriously defective eyesight, was restricted in the kind of work she could do. At the time he married her she was a domestic servant in Gallup. She joined the Women's Auxiliary of the National Miners Union after the strike of 1933. But her eyesight became worse still and by the end of the April 4 shootings she was almost totally blind and had to be led about the streets.

**Strike Activity.**

When he lost his job at the Mutual, Manuel worked for a time at a garage in Gallup, but soon left it to help run the small sold himself for less in the eternal bargaining of unorganized wage slaves. Then Manuel cut timber for a concern in McGaffey, N. M., till shortly before the 1933 strike.

At that time he found a job at the Southwestern mine. As soon as the opportunity came, he voted to organize in the National Miners Union, and afterwards came out on strike. He became a faithful picket and acted as messenger and errand boy for the strike committee, walking peacefully to go on the early picket line, etc., once going two nights without sleep to carry out his duties.

In October he was thrown into the military stockade as a result of a frame-up by scabs who attacked him in town without provocation and then believed for soldiers to come and arrest him.

**On Relief.**

Manuel was then working at the Southwestern mine, which had settled the strike by granting the National Miners Union's demands in full.

He remained there till March, 1934, till a chip damaged his eye. He received no compensation for the injury.

When his money ran out, Manuel and Teresa went on relief. But they remained members of the National Miners Union, and favored the move, early in 1935, of the miners to join the United Mine Workers of America.

## World Events

### By Emmett Kirby

### France Backing Gives League Boycott New Strength

France, so dilatory in backing League of Nations sanctions, has at last given a full and affirmative answer to Britain last week.

Laval's stubborn reluctance to take the definite steps against Mussolini, demanded if the League sanctions were really to be effective, was so great as to hint very strongly that a secret treaty exists between France and Italy. But the consistent pressure of the workers of France against imperialist war and fascism, plus British hints that cooperation with the League now was her only safeguard against a future Hitler attack, forced her hand. After all, the new election last Sunday, in addition to the sweeping victories gained by the Communist-Socialist working class united front early in the summer, Laval's government of power in Austria by the fascist leader, Prince von Stahremberg, a agent friend of Mussolini, came at a critical juncture to help Laval make up his mind.

Even despite a right about face, Laval became cool in total number of votes cast in the senatorial election.

The Front Populaire of Communists and Socialists, despite peculiarities of the French voting system which allowed only 35,000 voters eleven years ago, to vote, scored higher votes for five candidates.

Of the two were Communists, Marcel Cachin, editor of L'Humanite and one other. Seven more have Communists sat in the Senate. And the Socialist members of the Front won four seats, increasing the S. P. total to ten.

The fascists were everywhere thoroughly beaten everywhere; and the vote was a tremendous proof of the people's desire for sanctions against Italy.

**Sanctions Oct. 31.**

The result is that the League boycott—economic and financial—is scheduled to become effective on Nov. 31. And with French support. This will mean the end of participation in the boycott but also the important point of participation in backing up the boycott was pledged.

France agrees to replace every British ship which may be withdrawn from the Mediterranean under the new agreement between Mussolini and Britain, with a French warship. And equally important is the candid warning that at Toulon, some 200 miles from Genoa and the base at Bizerta to British and other war-ships of the League.

Britain already has agreed to withdraw a few of her smaller cruisers from Gibraltar in ex change for a like number of destroyers. But the presence of thousands of troops concentrated in Libya, Italy's colony, constituted a threat against British interests in the Sudan and Egypt.

**Tropical Fever.**

And already that foe which is equally to be feared with the Ethiopian soldiers, the climatic conditions, is beginning to bring discontent among Italian troops along with the spread of tropical fever in their ranks. All has not been the glory the official communiques report.

Supposedly in the full flush of victory, the men in increasing number are wondering among themselves why they are in Africa to murder illequipped or unequipped Ethiopians and when they are going home. Encouraged on by the Communist Party of Italy to expose the reason for Mussolini's war, they certainly will have more and more effect as time goes on.

Any additional prolonging of the war can but bring in its train other than great burdens which Mussolini's government will be unable to meet. Right now France and Britain would no doubt raise no serious objection to letting him keep what he has taken. But whatever the outcome of the Ethiopian war, every day from now on will bring closer the day of his fall. For a continuation means a further drain on the working class of Italy as well as the world boycott, of the League goes into effect. And those working classes are already more restive than a decade of fascism, driven to a point of starvation which is not many steps removed from revolt.

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## NATIONAL DOCK STRIKE TO AID GULF ON NOV. 1

### STRIKERS ARE INJURED AS POLICE ATTACK PICKET LINES

### Maritime Meet Looms

### JUDGE DENHAM REJECTED AS PERMANENT ARBITRATOR

HOUSTON, Texas, Oct. 28.—"Next Friday, Nov. 1, your brothers in the I. L. A. in New York and maybe on the Pacific Coast, are going to start giving you 100 per cent support," Joseph P. Ryan, president of the International Longshoremen's Association, told approximately 200 strikers here at a mammoth mass meeting held last Friday.

Ryan also told the strikers no agreements with shipowners had been signed on the Atlantic Coast and that the I. L. A. there would notify the New York Steamship Association that "they will do no business with us until the South has been satisfied."

Several strikers were injured by police thugs over the week-end at Galveston, Tex. Emile King, a Negro, was slashed on the shoulder and several minor attacks upon picket lines were reported.

Longshoremen along the entire Gulf Coast are striking for recognition of the I. L. A. and for improved working conditions. Sympathetic action by crews of West Coast ships has been reported on several occasions. Seamen are cooperating with longshoremen on picket lines.

Ryan arrived in New Orleans Sunday after making an inspection tour of several Texas ports.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 29.—Joseph Ryan's statement to Gulf longshore strikers to the effect "maybe the Pacific Coast" would support them on the hot cargo issue Nov. 1, was interpreted here as another of Ryan's vicious attempts to undermine the strike and shorten the rest of the ports.

Ryan repeatedly has refused to answer requests from the West Coast for a clear statement regarding the handling or not handling of cargo from the Gulf strike area. On San Pedro docks he ordered longshoremen back to work in New Bedford after they had refused to load a ship loaded with hot cargo from the Gulf.

Longshoremen here meanwhile, have waited in vain for a statement from their union officials regarding the issue. William J. Lewis, Paddy Morris and Peterson have remained suspiciously silent. And this in spite of the fact that a Luckenbach ship is due in San Pedro Nov. 7 with hot cargo from the Gulf.

Rank and file longshoremen, however, are lined set against handling this cargo. Knowing this shipowners delayed the arrival of a ship from the Gulf, hoping Ryan would be able to smash the strike there before the rank and file, on nation-wide scale, forced him to take definite action.

Meanwhile, Robert Donner, seaman aboard the American Merchant

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### Fur Workers Strike Against Sweat Shop

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 29.—As the worst sweat shop in town, while the entire industry is working under the 35-hour week and the minimum wage scale, the Fur Doctor continues under the 48-hour week and the most miserable conditions.

Two workers were framed on trumped-up charges, Sat. while on peaceful picket duty in front of the Fur Doctor's stores on 11th and Market streets.

The International Fur Workers' Union, Local 79, affiliated with the A. F. of L. and the San Francisco Labor Council is determined to carry this strike to a successful finish, pickets declare.

## Bridges, Others At Final Labor Ticket Meeting

### VANDELEUR SLINGS MUD AS ROSSI OUTFIT GROWS FEARFUL

### Mason Support Grows

### DEMOCRATIC UNION CLUB SCORES ROSSI GANG AS ANTI-LABOR

**SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 28.—While the Angelo Rossi for Mayor gang this week looked to the Industrial Association for further guidance, the rank and file of San Francisco prepared to pack Dreamland Audit. Wednesday night, Oct. 30.**

The occasion—FINAL MASS ELECTION RALLY OF THE UNITED LABOR CAMPAIGN. Rossi will not be there. Neither will his pal "Smiling" Ed Vandeleur appear on the platform. Adolph Uhl and the little Uhlans have not been invited.

But Harry Bridges, fighting president of the International Longshoremen's Association here, will be a main speaker. Redfern Mason, United Labor candidate for mayor will talk. Ed King, Pacific Coast Secretary of the Marine Firemen's Union will speak as will Democratic Assemblyman Jack Shelley. Other speakers include Ben Legere, "two-gun" candidate for sheriff on the United Labor platform; Miss Tanna Ales, United Labor candidate for supervisor; A. C. Rogers, secretary of the San Diego Federated Trades and Labor Council (A. F. of L.), and Lawrence Arnold, district organizer of the Communist Party.

**Vandeleur Howls.**

Mr. Vandeleur in Sunday's Chronicle is quoted at length in a slanderous statement, packed with mis-information, intended to drag the Democratic Union Club into connection with the United Labor Ticket. Vandeleur is head of the so-called "Union Labor Party," which this week continued in its capacity of a 'Union Party' searching for a union.

Vandeleur's blast, however, was anticipated last Thursday, night when the Democratic Union Labor Club passed a sizzling resolution scoring his pernicious activities endorsements for Rossi and condemning Rossi as anti-labor and ultra reactionary. The Democratic Union Labor Club is experienced in practically every American Federation of Labor organization in San Francisco.

**Backs Mason Ticket.**

On the other hand, the Club reiterated its endorsement of Redfern Mason and the United Labor slate as "the only ticket in the present municipal election which actually represents labor and San Francisco voters in general."

United Labor Campaign workers were in the field again Sunday and Saturday additional pro-Mason sentiment. Everywhere canvassers were greeted enthusiastically by workers and their families.

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## S. C. Pamphlet to Appear This Week

SAN FRANCISCO.—Workers and organizations are urged to place their bundle orders at once for the pamphlet on the Criminal Syndicalism trial in Sacramento. This 32 page pamphlet by Mike Quin, who reported the trial for the WESTERN WORKER, will give a full story of the frame-up of eight workers, for the crime of leading agricultural workers in the fight for better living conditions. It will be out by the end of the week and will sell for five cents.

## ALIEN RELIEF "PURGE" IN L.A.

### Foreign - Born Face Exclusion From Relief Rolls

LOS ANGELES, October 25.—Coincident with the fascist drive against foreign-born workers throughout the United States, 20,000 unemployed workers on the SERA dole were today threatened with "purging" following an order of Roy W. Pilling, relief dictator in Los Angeles County, cutting off all workers "subject to deportation."

At the same time Pilling declared: "Other aliens on the relief rolls, numbering 21,804, might be cut off relief.

"They are eligible for WPA jobs and for relief as long as the federal government gives relief. But they cannot receive aid when the SERA [the relief setup] is in the county charities department."

However, Superintendent of Charities Rex Thomson claimed that aliens as well as citizens are eligible for county and state aid.

Indicating the lengths to which the charity dictators intend to go in the persecution of the foreign born, Mrs. Martha Tidd, social service director for the county relief administration, has made an appeal to "study" the citizenship status of all relief clients.

This study will be turned over to Judson F. Shaw, in charge of the Los Angeles office of immigration and naturalization service in the department of labor.

"I promise full-cooperation in tracking down persons illegally drawing relief funds from taxpayers," said Shaw, indicating that the federal apparatus is deeply involved in the fascist drive here.

All workers and workers' organizations are urged to send immediate protests against this fascist attack on the people, direct to President Roosevelt, Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins, State Relief Administrator Frank Y. McLaughlin, Pilling and Shaw.

## L. A. HERNDON CONFERENCE ON SUNDAY, NOV. 3

### LIBERALS JOIN MOVE TO FREE NEGRO LEADER OF UNEMPLOYED

### Todd Hearing Set

### ANITA WHITNEY TRIAL ON NOV. 22 BEFORE JUDGE ROBINSON

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 29.—Hearing on a motion for probation of Louise Todd, framed for perjury on a technicality connected with the circulation of petitions to put the Communist Party on the ballot, will be heard Nov. 8 at 9 a. m. The hearing will be before Superior Judge Harris, but will take place in the courtroom of Judge Robinson at the Hall of Justice.

Anita Whitney will go to trial Nov. 22 on a similar charge. Protests should be sent to the trial judge, Elmer Robinson, at the Hall of Justice, San Francisco.

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 29.—The drive to free Angelo Herndon from a Georgia chain gang is gaining headway here, as signatures are being collected for the petitions to Governor Talmadge of Georgia, demanding his immediate release.

**An emergency defense meeting has been called for next Sunday, 2 p. m., at 233 So. Broadway by the International Labor Defense, in order to rally all possible forces in this area to free this gallant working class leader from a horrible death.**

**Protests Sent.**

Among prominent Southern Californians to express their indignation over the decision of the United States Supreme Court, which refused to hear Herndon's appeal, was Oliver Thorpton, manager of the Pasadena Progressive News".

The official publication of the United Organizations for Progressive Political Action, who made the following statement:

"Georgia is far from California in miles. But the case of Angelo Herndon is very close to all of us. The persecution of Herndon on a chain gang death for Herndon occurs, it will be an indelible blot on the South and the entire nation. Furthermore, it will be a signal for further onslaughts by reactionary officials and courts against labor and liberals. He of has committed no crime—not by any strength of the imagination. His fight for decent relief deserves recognition from every man who is working to make life in America more decent. That recognition must take the form of the demand that the State of Georgia and that the U. S. Supreme Court that Angelo Herndon be paroled."

Rube Burrough, regional vice chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee for Los Angeles County, stated, "Within a few days Angelo Herndon, a young Negro, is to be delivered over to the Georgia chain gang to begin serving an "18 to 20 year" sentence. The U. S. Supreme Court has just declined to review his case. This must become the sig-

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# Germany Beats War Drums; Follows Italy's Bloody Lead

### SOVIET UNION FIGHTS FOR PEACE ON 18TH ANNIVERSARY EVE

### Successful Year

### HIGHER LIVING STANDARD CONTRASTS WITH DECAY UNDER FASCISM

MOSCOW, Oct. 29.—The approach of the 18th anniversary of the Russian revolution—Nov. 7—finds the Soviet Union facing the danger of war from the combined aggression of Germany, Poland, and Japan.

Latest move in Hitler's war game is the massing of troops on the Lithuanian border, near Memel, seaport over which the League of Nations has given Lithuania sovereignty. The taking of this city by the Nazis, bringing German armies a step nearer Moscow, awaits the favorable outcome of Italy's Ethiopian adventure.

Lack of serious opposition to Italy's aggressive moves would be interpreted as permission to Hitler to do likewise.

However, this year finds the Soviet Union well prepared to defend herself. Agriculture has had its most successful year, with record grain, sugar beet and cotton crops, and a large increase in livestock. The result has been the abolition of the ration cards and lower food prices.

Industry is booming. Steel, chief war material, is being produced at the rate of 37,000 tons a day, a third more than last year and three times more than in 1928. Other industries have shown even greater increases.

In contrast to this Germany under Hitler is adopting ration cards, and cutting imports of food. Prices are rising and the population is beginning to grumble, by giving up butter so Germany can have more guns.

The contrasts between the Soviet peace policy and the Nazi war moves; between higher standards of living under Socialism and lower standards under capitalism will be pointed out by the world valid reasons to celebrate the 18th anniversary of the Russian Revolution on Nov. 7.

### NOV. 7 CELEBRATIONS

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 22.—Nov. 7, anniversary of the Russian Revolution, will be held this year under the auspices of the Nov. 7 Celebration Committee, which will include all organizations desiring to participate in this celebration of 18 years of Socialist construction in the Soviet Union.

The celebration will be held in Scottish Rite Auditorium. Bill Schneiderman, district organizer of District 13, will be one of the main speakers.

OAKLAND, Oct. 22.—The November 7 celebration in the East Bay will be held at Metropolitan Hall, 1818 Tenth street, Berkeley.

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### Ready to Defend the Soviet Union

**These young reservists are only a few of the millions of Soviet citizens ready to defend the workers' republic from the attacks of outside imperialists. Hitler's threat to seize Memel by force increases the danger of an attack on the Soviet Union.**

## HUNG JURY IN ELSINORE CCC JIM-CROW TRIAL; KLAN ACTIVE

### Vigilantes Pursue Defense Attorney as Frame-Up of Negro Worker Results in Divided Jury, Six to Six

ELSINORE, Calif., Oct. 26.—Vigilantism broke out in Riverside County last night, following a hung jury in the trial here of Alonzo Townsend, young Negro worker, accused of disturbing the peace in a frame-up engineered in the La Cresenta 9jim-Crow" CCC camp by the Army officers in charge.

Grover Johnson, attorney for the International Labor Defense, Townsend, young Negro writer, Lee Evans, and six other workers in two cars were chased throughout Riverside and San Bernardino county by a fleet of 30 car night-by three cars of vigilantes, and Ku Klux Klansmen.

**Evaded Vigilantes.**

Finally, after three and one-half hours of pursuit by the vigilantes, the workers eluded them and reached San Bernardino from here, ordinarily an hour's ride.

Two of the pursuing cars contained Klansmen in the traditional "sheets."

The other car was a "spotter" and three times passed the workers' cars to identify them.

The trial of Townsend, which ended in a hung-jury, 6 to 6, and will be re-tried on Nov. 8 here, established a notable precedent in the history of the Jim-Crow territory of Southern California, the L. L. D. forced the including of a Negro worker on the jury. This was accomplished after a delay of a half in court, the trial starting last Wednesday.

The attempted frame-up by the Elsinore CCC officers of this segregated camp, who related the discrimination and intimidation of the young Negro worker in the camp, is quite historian.

**Frame-Up Related.**

Townsend related that when he first come to the camp, Capt. Ralph Williams of the U. S. Army called the boys together and spoke to them as follows:

"If you want to play horse, you'll find I'm a good rider."

"I'm going to make a damn good plantation out of this camp and I'm the toughest cowboy that ever rode a horse. I was raised with you fellows. I suckled at the breast of a black mammy. I know what's good for you and what you need, and that's what you're going to get."

On Sept. 23 last, after he had been at the camp about three weeks, Townsend was transferred from a job driving a caterpillar tractor to a road gang, Edward Coady, "Jim-Crow" superintendent, sent him back after two sloping bars, and when Townsend had to wait for the lookout clerk and was late getting back to the job, Coady yelled at him: -

"Get a move on you—you move as though dead lice were falling off you. You've got a long lay-off coming. You'll be through at the end of this week."

Townsend knew that Coady then sent him to barracks and the next morning refused to let him go out on the project. Later Townsend was summoned to the camp captain's headquarters, where Coady was present with four "Uncle Tom's", against Negro boys otherwise identified as stool-pigeons for the camp.

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VATICAN CITY, Oct. 26.—The Pope is praying for peace.

## Communist Party Urges Support Of Gulf Dock Strike

### REFUSE TO HANDLE HOT CARGO!

"On Nov. 1 all longshore work in New York and other ports will stop on vessels from the Gulf."

This is the pledge made by President Ryan in Galveston on Oct. 25 to the striking longshoremen of the Gulf.

Every longshoreman should back up this statement and give full support to their brother union members in the Gulf who are fighting for recognition of the ILA and for a union agreement.

The strike started in New Orleans, Mobile, Jacksonville and Savannah because the shipowners refused to negotiate or recognize the ILA. The Texas longshoremen, who have union recognition, came out in support with the rest of the Gulf a week later when the shipowners continued to refuse to negotiate and tried to use scabs to break the strike.

Negro and white longshoremen are fighting side by side in a militant struggle. The ship-owners are now trying to smash the strike by murdering and wounding our brave members. Also, in the Texas ports they have recognized and signed agreements with a "company" union.

If the Gulf strike is defeated, the ILA will be smashed throughout the Gulf—the open shop will be established—and the power of the ILA in the East and West Coast will be weakened. United action of seamen and longshoremen will be more difficult to achieve. EVERY UNION MAN, EVERY LOCAL OF THE ILA AND ISU, IN EVERY PORT OF THE COUNTRY, MUST COME TO THE SUPPORT OF THE GULF STRIKE!

The West Coast District of the ILA weeks ago voted and is now refusing to work scab cargo from the Gulf. The Philadelphia ILA local has voted for solidarity action. The West Coast ISU has instructed its members not to sail or ships carrying hot cargo. NOW PRESIDENT RYAN HAS PLEDGED THE SUPPORT OF THE EAST COAST!

Every longshoreman should welcome this statement of Ryan's, which was in the minds of the longshoremen for some time. But it must be remembered that Ryan pledged support at the beginning of the strike, but postponed action until the Coastwise agreements expired Oct. 31. There must be no more delays! ACTION IS NECESSARY!

Longshoremen, endorse the call for solidarity. Every local vote to refuse to handle hot cargo from the Gulf on and after Nov. 1.

NO DELAYS IN SOLIDARITY ACTION UNLESS VOTED BY THE MEMBERSHIP.

REFUSE TO LOAD OR DISCHARGE GULF CARGO, UNTIL THE ILA IS RECOGNIZED IN THE GULF AND AN AGREEMENT SIGNED THERE.

Some locals of the ISU have shown their disapproval of the do-nothing policy of the District officials by calls for solidarity action

# BUSICK, NOTED RED BAITER, TO FACE CHARGES

### UNION FUNDS USED FOR LEAFLET ATTACKING RANK-AND FILE

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 26.—Bill Busick, reputed socialist and "Educational Director" of the International Ladies Garment Workers' Union here, was exposed as a "red-baiter" and enemy of trade union unity here this week, when he was charged with attempting to split the rank of his own union.

Formal charges are being brought against Busick by members of the union on a charge that he circulated leaflets in parody of a rank and file meeting, and then accused two rank and file workers of issuing the leaflets.

Following a rank and file meeting of Local 60 of the I. L. G. W. U. last Tuesday night, Busick mimeographed this leaflet with union money and on union time and distributed it on Wednesday.

This infamous leaflet, which is stirring up the wrath of workers in all four locals of the union, reads as follows:

"Crash and Vile Committee Meeting Tonight.

"Order of Business:

"1. Defend Raisin Hell.

"2. How to Raise Hell.

"3. Building the Comicalist Party.

"4. Union wrecking.

"5. Russia's shipment of guns to Fascist Italy.

"6. How to discredit everybody.

"7. Tactics of slander and lies.

"8. How to delude workers to join the Comicalist Party.

"9. How to make our committee ranker and viler.

"Signed by, We are ashamed of our names."

Caught passing on these leaflets to union members, Busick attributed the authorship of them to two militant rank and file members, who, when they learned of Busick's slander, protested with anger.

"It's just a joke!" crawled Busick, not denying that he issued them.

This pseudo-socialist has shown his true colors by the statement that Ethiopia, now valiantly defending her freedom from the Italian Fascists, is "just a slave kingdom."

Recently Busick remarked to several of the I. L. G. W. U. members, that "The more I see of Communists, the more I like Red Hynes!"

The Executive Committee of the union refused to accept charges preferred against Busick, saying that they had no jurisdiction inasmuch as he was appointed and is paid by the International.

T. Lundeberg, International vice president of this area, also refused to take any action against Busick.

The issue is being brought up in all four locals of the I. L. G. W. U., and a storm of protest is expected from the rank and file in opposition to this "labor faker."

## L. A. CONFERENCE ON HERNDON TO MEET SUNDAY

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nal for a nation-wide movement of all progressive and liberal elements to win his release. If Governor Talmadge of Georgia is half the friend of the working man he claims to be, he must pardon Angelo Herndon. Nothing less will do."

**Every Protest Needed.**

Roby Wentz, associate editor of the "United Progressive News," stated that, "If Angelo Herndon is thrust on a Georgia chain gang, it will mean his death in a short time. That is certain. Everywhere certain is the deplorable blow to every move for social justice which such a crime against justice would inflict. Every protest is needed—to Governor Talmadge of Georgia, and to the U. S. Supreme Court. Herndon must be saved."

The Los Angeles Chapter, Interprofessional Association for Social Insurance, sent the following telegram to Governor Talmadge of Georgia:

"Members legal medical engineering and six other professions assembled as an emergency meeting Los Angeles chapter Interprofessional Association call on you to prevent fearful misuse justice by pardoning Angelo Herndon facing chain gang tortures. Indignation widespread among professional at prospect chain gang death Herndon committed for obsolete discriminatory slavery statute. Act immediately.

The following letter was sent by Fred Rogers, assemblyman from the 68th district, to Governor Eugene Talmadge of Georgia.

"I have been advised that the United States Supreme Court has refused to grant a retrial to Mr. Angelo Herndon, and that unless you intervene, Mr. Herndon will have to serve a sentence in the State prison. Would it be unseemingly for me to urge you to show clemency in this case? I understand many people complain that there are two codes of justice—for the rich and the poor—and this appears to be the latter. Herndon's offense was that of organizing the unemployed.

"Our own famous case—that of Th. J. Mooney, who has served 18 years in the penitentiary in California upon perjured testimony and whose only crime seems to be his activity in the labor movement—labor, is a similar case it would of course, lend color to the justice mentioned above. Therefore, I respectfully urge you to give your most earnest consideration to this case that justice may be served and yet no stigma of bias may be rendered by Mr. Herndon or his supporters."

## Nov. 7 Celebrations

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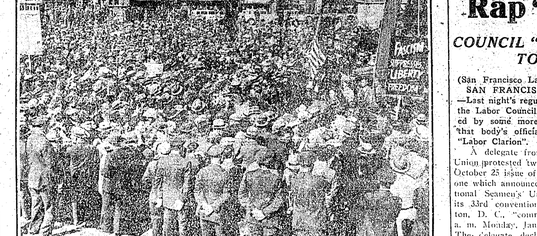
Main speaker will be Harry Carlisle, editor of the Western Worker.

LOS ANGELES.—The 18th anniversary of the Russian Revolution will be celebrated in the Mason Opera House, 127 South Broadway. Prominent speakers and a good musical program will be presented. Admission 25 cts.

## Il Duce Jeered in Columbus Day Protest



Thousands of anti-Fascists in New York celebrat ed Columbus Day by assailing Mussolini's war campaign in Africa. The demonstrators felt cops' clubs on their heads when they scrapped with Mussolini supporters gathered just a few hundred yards away—but they kept right on with their meeting.

## REMOVAL of DR. BISSELL IRES EA. BAY JOBLESS

### UNEMPLOYED FEDERATION TAKES UP ISSUE

OAKLAND, Oct. 28.—The Alameda County Federation of Unemployed and Allied Organizations is demanding that Dr. F. E. Bissell be returned to the SERA panel of physicians. Dr. Bissell was removed from the panel recently for his persistent and militant fight for better medical service for SERA "clients."

The SERA Medical Advisory Committee, appointed by the County Medical Society, charged Dr. Bissell to be "unethical" on the basis of lies told them by Dr. Adams of the SERA Medical Division and the fascist politicians out to even give him any sort of hearing.

The County Federation of Unemployed points out to the SERA administration that they are themselves unethical in sending patients to doctors other than those requested by the patients and also in their practice of taking patients away from the doctor who

## ROOSEVELT NOT POPULAR IN L. A.

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 26.—President Roosevelt is not popular in the Central Labor Council here, reactionary-led as that body is.

When Labor's Newsreel was shown to the council at its regular meeting last night, the film of Roosevelt's recent visit here was shown, and when a close-up of the President was flashed on the screen, two delegates attempted to stir up enthusiasm by feverish handclapping.

But the other delegates sat without appreciable emotion.

The caption on the film was "100,000 Wildly Cheer President."

A "Corp and Hatmakers" local was granted representation to the Council last night, and a delegate from a Meat Cutters' local was seated for the first time.

President Sherman announced that a dance sponsored by the Union Labor Post of the American Legion would be held on October 30 at the "IV Hall."

All trade unionists are warned that the "IV Hall" is the Turnverein Hall, headquarters of local Nazi organizations.

The need of trade unions securing aid from other organizations friendly to labor was brought forward by a delegate from Bakers' Local 37. Reminding the delegates that the Langendorf bakery is still on the "unfair list," the delegate asked that the Council Secretary be ordered to request help from Epic, Upton Sinclair and end groups to aid in the boycott of this firm.

The "Labor's Newsreel," produced by the Electrical Workers' Joint Publicity Committee, also showed scenes from the State Federation of Labor convention in San Diego. The convention of no mention or of any photograph of Harry Bridges was noted by many delegates.

## Longshore Strike

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chant, was reinstated in the union on Nov. 1, but only after he pleaded guilty for walking off the ship on the East Coast.

Sailors prepared to investigate Frank Wheeler, patrolman, who is suspected of lining up finks in the union. The seamen refused to accept Judge Denman as permanent arbitrator but will accept him in that capacity for the present dispute over revoking of a delegate's pass by the shipowners.

## Scab Paper Sued for Libel By Guild Head

NEW YORK, Oct. 25.—Heywood Broun, noted newspaper columnist and president of the American Newspaper Guild, has sued the Amsterdam News, which locked out its Negro editorial workers, for $250,000 for libel.

The suit arises from alleged "false and malicious statement" in an editorial in the semi-edited American News, claiming the Newspaper Guild was "an outlaw, dues-collecting organization."

## Voice of Youth Asks Funds for New Paper

SAN FRANCISCO.—The eight page VOICE OF YOUTH is to appear on Nov. 1, but only if $1,500 is raised within the next week. Every YCLer who is employed should turn in a day's pay to the Voice of Youth Drive fund immediately. The editorial staff is prepared to begin issuing the new paper this month, but there isn't sufficient money to guarantee the regular appearance of the paper. Rush funds immediately to 121 Haight st., San Francisco.


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## Profits and the Advance of Capitalist Economy

Phoenix, Ariz.

I have encountered a controversial question in the study group discussion. This question is placed as follows: "Do profits increase or decrease in the aggregate with the advance of capitalist economy?"

T. J. C.

ANSWER: The answer to your question hinges directly on the theory of the rate of surplus value, which Marx himself declares to be the key-stone to the whole theory of the exploitation of the proletariat.

In explaining surplus value, Marx shows that the value of the raw material and the wear and tear on machinery in production are carried over into the value of the finished commodity without change. The value of his theory of power which the capitalist pays out in wages (sufficient money to pay for food, clothing, shelter of worker for one day plus support of his children) is, however, only a very small fraction of the value created by a worker in a day. This explanation can be found in Marx's Capital, under the theory of surplus value.

As Marx goes on in this theory of surplus value, he explains that the RATE of surplus value is determined by the amount of the capital that goes into wages (variable) as compared to the whole capital, including variable and constant, or in the capitalist's words, rate of profit. Now the rate of surplus value depends upon the wage-level—low wages, high profits. But the entire business depends upon the market for the product of the capitalist, and if the wages are so lowered that the workers cannot buy, the profits decreases.

As soon as the profits begin to drop, the capitalists force the wages more, hoping to keep up the profits by increasing the degree of exploitation. So a great race to destruction ensues, in which the capitalists hang themselves with their own rope, and eventually the country's economic condition is so poor that the bosses are forced to seek new lands to exploit in order to find the starving workers from uprising—even as Mussolini is being forced into his ruinous move to invading Ethiopia, in order to distract the Italian workers from their miserable living conditions by holding up promises of new wealth for the "nation" in rich Ethiopia.

Since the profits in capitalism depend entirely upon the exploitation of the workers, and the workers can be exploited only so far short of out and out starvation, profits must drop, and continue to drop, until Capitalism ceases to exist.

We shall be glad to answer any further questions on economic theory or other correlated subjects. We have literature on hand covering the subjects thoroughly, if you care to send for any.

Comradely yours,
Agit-Prop Commission,
Communist Party, Dist. 13.

## Sailors, Mechanics Rap 'Labor Clarion'

### COUNCIL "SHORT OF FUNDS" REPLY TO MOONEY APPEAL

(San Francisco Labor Council)

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 26.—Last night's regular session of the Labor Council was enlivened by some more criticism of the Hay Scudderers reported the lone hold-out firm, in Oakland, had finally signed up.

**Mooney Funds.**

In a lengthy report the Executive Committee gave its stand on Tom Mooney's appeal for funds for his defense committee. According to the committee the Council's funds are too low to permit any contributions and it was recommended affiliated local unions be circularized on the appeal for them to send donations to the Council to be forwarded to Mooney's defense.

Donations to the State Federation fund for Mooney's defense were acknowledged, as follows:

Waiters No. 30, $25; Bakers' No. 24, $30; Cooks Helpers No. 110, $50; Chauffeurs No. 265, $25. Donations received for the Modesto frame-up victims totalled $70.

Action on the Communist Chest's appeal for a donation was deferred to next week.

## 400 Wecome New District Organizer

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 28.—More than 400 workers attended the banquet yesterday to greet Sam Darcy, the new district organizer of the Communist Party.

The enthusiasm which greeted the speech by our new district organizer on the subject "The Party in Action" was a sight to behold. Comrade Schneiderman will prove a worthy successor to Comrade Darcy when he leaves the Party to new and greater successes.

Other speakers included Leo Gallagher and Lawrence Ross, who introduced Comrade Schneiderman. A collection of $83.64 was taken at the banquet.

## N.Y. DOCKERS TO STRIKE UNITED FRUIT ON NOV. 1

### RECOGNITION OF I.L.A. TO BE MAIN DEMAND

NEW YORK, N. Y., Oct. 26.—The meeting of the company union of the United Fruit Company, the so-called "Human Handlers Association," of 90 Wall Street, which was held last Tuesday evening, turned into a fighting assemblage of the longshoremen, who decided to strike for recognition of the International Longshoremen's Association on or about Nov. 1.

The company union, at the opening of the meeting, presented an alleged contract with the United Fruit Company, which called for 75 cents per hour as a basic wage, an 8-hour day and a maximum 40-hour week.

Rank and file militants immediately pointed out the fake nature of the contract which was all in favor of the shipowners and not drawn up in the interests of the workers. The opposition was so strong the company union officials called for a vote and lost a single hand was lifted in favor of the contract.

The officials then announced that despite the lack of endorsement they would sign the contract which they proceeded to do. They at the conclusion of the meeting the majority of the 350 men present continued discussion and the result was a vote for strike action in favor of recognition of the I.L.A.

## Union Men Acquitted In Oakland Frame-up

OAKLAND, Oct. 28.—After five hours of deliberation a jury in Superior Judge Woods Court last Friday brought in a verdict of not guilty in the trial of Paul Heide and Bob Moore, members of the Warehousemen's Union.

The two were framed during the lock-out of the warehousemen at the Santa Cruz Cannery. They were charged with tampering with a derailing switch on the spur track, stipulating in their work ticket into the plant in an attempt to wreck a train.

In police court it was proven that a Southern Pacific switchman had opened the switch and locked it open, as it is necessary to keep it so at all times except when a train is actually passing over it. In spite of this exposure of the frame-up the two workers were held over for trial in the Superior Court.

## Flash

August J. Alger, 3594 21st Street, disappeared last night. He was last seen at 364 3rd Street, when he addressed a mass meeting held under the auspices of the United Labor Ticket. This morning his car was found near his home in a vacant lot where he usually parked it. His hat, in a battered condition was found under the car.

Mr. Alger, candidate for the 26th Assembly District last year, on the Epic Democratic ticket, has been very active in the United Labor Campaign, and no doubt for that reason, an attempt has been made to eliminate him from the scene. He is a member of the San Francisco Democratic Council and the Utopian Society.

Police have been notified of his disappearance and are conducting an investigation.

## E. BAY JOBLESS DEMAND PENSION FOR BLIND VET

### NEGRO WORKER DEPRIVED OF ALL SUPPORT

OAKLAND, Oct. 28.—The Alameda County Federation of Unemployed and Allied Organizations is renewing the fight to have Mr. Green of Berkeley, the Negro veteran who lost his sight while in service, put back on the state blind pension. Mr. Green had his sole means of support, the pension, taken away from him because he is a Negro.

As the state claims that Mr. Green is not really blind the Federation made a thorough investigation with the help of its doctor and is completely satisfied that Mr. Green is totally blind.

The county board of supervisors must recommend a person for the pension, so the Federation is taking the case before that body on Tuesday morning, Nov. 5, at 10 a. m.

The board meets in the Hall of Records at Fifth and Broadway, Oakland. The Federation urges all those interested in Negro rights to attend.

Arthur H. Young, U. S. Steel labor relations expert (that's what they call him) denies that there's any company stool pigeon system working in Pittsburgh.

Just as Hoover denied the de-

## UNION WAGES DEMANDED BY L. A. COUNCIL

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 24.—Prevailing trade union wages on all WPA projects were demanded of Col. Donald H. Connolly, "czar" of the county WPA administration, here today by resolution of the City Labor Council.

Three councilmen were designated to draw up the resolution to present to Connolly.

On motion of Epic Councilman Will H. Kinding, the council voted for the resolution after being assured that the establishment of union wages would not endanger federal relief allocations.

Passage of such a resolution was originally asked by J. W. Buzzell, secretary of the Central Labor Council.

Officials at the WPA headquarters refused to comment on the resolution. After being told by State Administrator Frank Y. McLaughlin that he could decide for himself as to the prevailing wage rate, Connolly immediately issued an edict that the "security wage" based on 120 hours per month, would prevail in Los Angeles County.

## Press Conference Plans W.W. Bazaar

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 29.—Plans are now being made for the annual WESTERN WORKER Bazaar, to be held Dec. 27, 28, 29, and ending with a New Year's Eve ball, Dec. 31.

Elaborate plans are being made by the Press Conference which met Friday for the first time. Organizations are asked to send delegates to the conference meetings, every Friday at 7 p. m., at 121 Haight street, to help build the WESTERN WORKER and make the bazaar a success.



## TRIAL OF NEGRO WORKER RESULTS IN HUNG JURY

### JIM CROW CCC CAMP RUN BY ARMY OFFICERS

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officers.

Cody then charged that Townsend's attitude was "not right," that he was a chronic "disturber" and had "cursed him the day before."

**Pugnicious Medical Officer.**

"Townsend said he replied to these charges by pointing a finger at Cody and saying: "You damn liar—why don't you tell the truth?" After demanding to work or to be discharged, Townsend said he walked out and leaned against a tree. Soon Lieut. Shires, the medical officer, approached him saying, "Come on in the hospital and I'll examine you."

"Just a minute," Townsend said he replied without turning around, "but I'm not going to address an officer," said Shires.

"Well, this ain't the regular army either," countered Townsend, whereupon Shires sputtered as though to hit the Negro boy, who promptly squared off to defend himself.

Then, testified Townsend, "three or four of those Uncle Toms told me to go the barracks. I did and started to pack my stuff, when the civilian officials. One of the things I transferred was a pocket knife. I checked in my barracks bag, and when I left Uncle Tom grabbed me around the head and said I was going to jail, taking the knife out of my pocket. Then another Uncle Tom pressed a file knife against my ribs and said, "Are you going to give up and get in the truck or not?" I said I'd get in the truck."

At this point in the testimony Townsend stood up and pointed a dramatic finger at the CCC company officials: "There's Captain Williams right there, and he knows what I'm saying is true!"

**Captain Contradicts Witnesses.**

Townsend said he was then violently dumped into the truck and taken to jail, from where he was bailed out by L. L. D.

Captain Cody, C. O. Fee, Camp Clerk Roy Wallace and George Holland, an "Uncle Tom," and previously "testified" that Townsend "pulled out a large knife on Holland. Capt. Williams then perjured these "witnesses" declaring that he had not been pulled from Townsend's pocket.

"The army officer," who brags about being a "Southern gentleman," testified as follows:

"This trial is the aftermath of efforts to rid the La Cienega CCC camp of Communists. After a CCC camp radical disturbance, we expelled three members of the camp who had been instigators of the trouble. Townsend was one of them. He left after cursing and drawing a knife on a member of the camp. He was turned over to the sheriff when he bolted the official headquarters and entered and caused a disturbance. Ninety-nine per cent of the members of the camp always stood by the officers of the camp and have aided in eliminating these radicals. It is only a very small group that has caused all the trouble. Williams expected three young Negro workers after they organized more than 100 of their fellow workers in a demonstration in favor of the shipowners and not drawn up in the interests of the workers. The opposition was so strong the company union officials called for a vote and lost a single hand was lifted in favor of the contract.

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## LABOR TICKET ELECTION MEET ON OCT. 30TH

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wives. School kids in the Fillmore District Saturday organized the United Labor Campaign parade and were active in distributing campaign literature.

Wednesday night's meeting at Dreamland Auditorium will climax an intensive campaign of several weeks' duration. It will afford the people of San Francisco a further opportunity to see their candidates and to hear them speak.

Less than a week remains before election and all persons who are interested in seeing a real people's municipal government elected in San Francisco are urged to report for voluntary work at the United Labor Campaign headquarters, 747 Market street.

## EAST OF THE Rockies

### Widow Seeks Justice Labor Conference Peace Parade Strikers Call Bluff

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## Vigilante Mob In Minneapolis

MINNEAPOLIS, Oct. 24.—A vigilante mob raided the headquarters of the Communist Party here, breaking a typewriter and stealing records. The raid carried out threats published in the Minneapolis Star two weeks ago.

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## SHIPPERS LOOSE TERROR AGAINST HAWAII SEAMEN

### HEAD OF INSTITUTE IS GANG LEADER

HONOLULU, T. H., Oct. 24.—Attempts to organize first the seamen and later the longshoremen in the islands have been brought their quota of frame-ups, beatings and gangster terrorism, instituted by the local business interests in conjunction with the shipowners.

The Sailors' Union of the Pacific already has established a branch in the islands. Firemen, Oilers, Watertenders and Wipers Union.

Attempts to organize the longshoremen brought a sop from the shipowners in the form of a wage increase of 10 cents per hour, making the new basis of 50 cents, with 60 cents per hour for overtime. Compensation for gang foremen and winch drivers also was granted. Several official classifications were created to receive 75 cents per hour instead of 65 cents.

Charles W. Posta agent for the Marine Firemen, Oilers, Watertenders and Wipers Union, has been in the islands several months. Following his arrival, the seamen have been subjected to a campaign of terror. Pro-fascist gangsters were brought from the mainland to beat up militant workers. Among those who have been attacked are Archie Brown, Julio Canales, Francisco Jiminez and Natalio Velle.

## RECOGNITION OF UNION ASKED BY TRACY STRIKERS

### STOCKTON LONGSHOREMEN AID SUGAR WORKERS

TRACY, Calif., Oct. 28.—Nearly 300 workers at the local mill of the Holly Corporation are on strike, demanding recognition of their union, safe working conditions and installment of lockers, change and wash rooms and clean toilet facilities.

Instead of granting these demands the company recently spent some $30,000 to build a fence around the plant for the purpose of keeping pickets away.

The union, the Sugar Mill Workers' Union, recently had been granted by the American Federation of Labor and delegates were accepted by the Central Labor Council at Stockton.

The first open meeting of the union was held at the Labor Temple here Wednesday, Oct. 23. Several representatives of the Independent Sheetings Workers' Union will depend action by mill officials on their proposal to secure an injunction forbidding all forms of strike activity. The strike, which involves, 200 workers, has been on since the middle of August.

**The red-baiting campaign in the unions must be defeated. Keep the fakers on the run.**

## SHIP SCALERS REJECT FINK STRIKE SETTLEMENT OFFER

### Contractors Push Frame-Ups; Garcia and Espinoza Arraignment Oct. 29

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 28.—Ship Scalers, who have been on strike here for several months, this morning rejected proposals of the contractors that they go back to work under conditions which they already had rejected.

Meanwhile the, employers continued to push the frame-up of four members of the union indicted on phoney "murder" charges and of two others held on a fake charge of "assault to commit great bodily harm."

**The latter two, Pete Garcia, vice president of the union, and Pablo Espinoza were to appear Tuesday morning, Oct. 29, in Judge Alden Ames' court for arraignment.**

Ames, along with District Attorney Matthew Brady who is pushing the murder frame-up, are both seeking re-election to office at next Tuesday's municipal elections.

**The International Labor Defence urger that telegrams and letters of protest against the murder frame-up be rushed to Brady and to Superior Judge Jacks, who will preside at the trial which is slated to begin Dec. 9.**

Meanwhile, it has been pointed out, a campaign to broaden support to smash the frame-up, must be started among the other unions, both shore-side and maritime. Without the mass support of the organized labor movement, the Industrial Association will be in a position to send the four men to San Quentin and may be able to invoke the death penalty against them.

The four who face murder charges are Archie Brown, Julio Canales, Francisco Jiminez and Natalio Velle.

# Future Victory Of Progressive Trend Forecast

## Great Increase in Strength of Militants and Achievement Despite Fact That Green Faction Still Controls

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Oct. 24.—(FP)—The American Federation of Labor executive council, completing its post-convention session at Atlantic City, rejected a resolution in support of the Workers' Unemployment Insurance Bill.

**Red-Scare Alibi.**

Pres. Will. Green charged that the measure was drafted by Communists and was not worthy of the support of organized labor, in spite of the fact that it has been indorsed by scores of city central bodies and state federations of labor. The bill, which was defeated in committee at the last session of Congress, calls for immediate payment of unemployment insurance to all jobless, with provisions for higher awards to those with dependent families.

The council also passed a resolution sponsored by Hugo Ernst of the California Federation of Labor calling for expulsion from membership of proven radicals "attempting to destroy the government and the American Federation of Labor."

ATLANTIC CITY, Oct. 23.—Outstanding feature of the 55th annual convention of the American Federation of Labor which convened here for two weeks, adjourning on Oct. 19, was the great increase in strength of progressive forces. Vital issues which this faction introduced and fought to a close vote, made it the most important convention on record.

The main issue which overshadowed all others was the fight for Industrial Unionism, which lost by a vote of 18,025 to 10,924. While Craft Unionists scored a voting victory, Industrial Unionism made that the fight is not over. Demand for this more effective type of organization is increasing rapidly and it is predicted they will score a later victory.

**Legal Defense.**

Legal defense for trade-union rights is an issue that aroused a sharp debate on the floor of the A. F. of L. convention. A report for the resolutions committee was referred back to it, after a number of delegates had criticized the committee for evading the issue.

The committee sought to dispose of a resolution of the United Hatters for establishment of a Legal Defense Dept. by merely recommending that the executive council give attention to the functioning of the pregent Legal Information Bureau.

Julius Hochman of the Int'l Ladies Garment Workers and other delegates described the report as an "evasion" and received the support of Pres. Mahon of the street railwaymen's union. Delegates Ernst of California and Martel of Detroit pointed out that the Int'l Labor Defense is "always on the job" when strikers get arrested, and that if the A. F. of L. wishes to keep defense work out of such hands it must start a department of its own.

Pres. Green finally agreed that the report should be referred back to the committee, and a motion to that effect was carried.

**Reactionary Control.**

Despite the presence of increased progressive forces, the reactionary faction headed by William Green still controlled the convention and the election of paramount importance to strengthening the position of labor were voted down one after another.

The reactionaries were boomed heavily by the Green faction and used as a cover-up for the killing of vital issues.

The Labor Party, resolutions were voted down despite strong sentiment in their favor.

**Many Issues Killed,**

Organization of the unemployed and of agricultural workers, formation of a youth movement, and a stiff anti-war resolution were killed, usually with the excuse that such steps were in line with Communist activities.

Faced with powerful opposition from the floor, the Green faction were forced to moderate their anti-radical resolution which was finally passed in a toned down form. However, after adjournment of the convention, the executive council, in private session, revived their original resolution and put it through in the absence of the larger body.

Vital resolutions approved by the convention covered four points: Continuation of the fight for the 30-hour week; a renewed boycott drive against Nazi Germany; continuation of Mussolini war plots, and possible affiliation with the International Federation of Trade Unions.

These measures, however, were confined to resolutions of general policy and no specific plans were made for carrying them forward.

The 1936 convention will be held in Tampa, Florida.

## L. A. DELEGATION DEMANDS PROPER JAIL TREATMENT

### TO PROTEST PERSSECUTION OF POLITICAL VICTIMS

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 23.—The "talking shop" will be interrupted again Wednesday, Oct. 30, when a delegation headed by the Unemployed National Labor Defense will present a strong protest to the continued brutal discrimination shown political prisoners in the Lincoln Heights jail.

Previous delegations to the City Council have found the "city fathers" sagging in their padded chairs but still refusing to take action. Workers' organizations are urged to send delegates to participate in this protest committee.

Harold Hendricks, James McShann, and John Sanders, all convicted a police frame-up following the June 1, 1934, "charity riot," have been repeatedly refused literature such as magazines and newspapers, and the first two workers have been denied proper medical care.

The committee will demand of the City Council that private physicians be allowed to care for McShann, suffering from back injuries received from police clubs, and for Hendricks, suffering from incipient, tubrculosis. The removal of Capt. Shand, Lincoln Heights jailer, the immediate release of these political prisoners will also be demanded.

Joseph Toth, convicted in the jurnes frameup, finished his term three weeks ago, but Sanders will not be released until March 25, 1936; Hendricks, March 25, 1937, and McShann, January 25, 1937.

## L. A UNEMPLOYED WOMEN EVICTED FOR THIRD TIME

### PERSECUTION RESULT OF UNEMPLOYED ACTIVITY

LOS ANGELES, October 27.—Persecuted by "peace officers" because her husband was a militant leader in the unemployed demonstration of June 1, 1934, which resulted in his frame-up conviction, Mrs. Jean Hendricks and her seven-children, Nell Hutton, was evicted from their home at 727 South Ronnie Beach in Belvedere yesterday.

It was the third time they have been evicted within the last year and a half, and the same officers have done the evicting in each case.

Mrs. Dutton has a 4-year-old girl and an 18-months old boy, and Mrs. Hendricks has a 6-year old boy. Both families are on relief—and the women workers are still active in the movement for adequate relief for the unemployed.

Hendricks is now serving in Lincoln Heights jail as a result of his conviction, and has been denied even medical attention, although the International Labor Defense has offered to provide it. The latest news is also in Lincoln Heights jail on similar frame-up charges.

## SEATTLE LABOR COUNCIL BACKS FISHER STRIKE

### TEAMSTERS' AND DOCKERS AID WAREHOUSEMEN

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 28.—The Seattle Central Labor Council at a recent meeting voted to organize a committee of 100 to aid the Warehousemen who are struggling against the Fisher Flouring Mills company.

Teamsters and longshoremen already have given their support to the strikers and many other A. F. of L. unions here are lining up in back of the Warehousemen.

Picket lines are solid around the Fisher plants, and efforts by the employers to make deliveries by using trucks manned by strike breakers and protected by armed guards. Meanwhile armed thugs and scabs for a week have been busily engaged constructing barricades and other defense apparatus within the plant.

More than 75 per cent of the workers at the plant are organized in the Warehousemen's Union and the rest, about 50 in all, belong to the company union. The latter organization is the only one the firm will agree to recognize.

## Equal Shipping Voted By Marine Cooks, Stewards

### RACIAL DISCRIMINATION ON STEAM SCHOONERS IS ABOLISHED

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 28.—Equal shipping rights, for all union members aboard steam schooners and freighters, regardless of race or color, were voted by the Marine Cooks and Stewards at a regular membership meeting here last Thursday night.

The question of shipping rights aboard the large passenger ships was deferred to a special meeting which is to be called soon. At the same time it was recommended that men of one race be shipped by departments on these ships.

It was brought out that in spite of a recent government ruling to the contrary, the Dollar Lines still carry approximately 800 Chinese workers, shipped out of Honkong at starvation rates of pay.

Following the latest minority, who has been an active disrupter at many recent meetings, was completely discredited at Thursday's meeting. He attempted to read a petition which would have forbidden a militant rank and file member of the union from ever holding office in the organization. The petition was overwhelmingly defeated.

James Tracy, candidate for supervisor, on the United Labor Ticket, spoke on various aspects of the campaign and was given a big hand by the membership. Recently Tracy was fired by the Union Ordered the United Labor Ticket and elected delegates to the committee.

## Five Gallup Workers Face Deportation

In the Gallup, N. M., frame-up of ten workers charged with murder, of the seven who were acquitted five are being held for deportation, two to Spain and four to Mexico. This is an additional illustration of how the frame-up system and the anti-labor legislation laws go hand in hand in the efforts of the employers to destroy the organizations of the workers. Recently the Spanish Government attempted to deport some of the workers who were needed as witnesses for the defense. Now it attempts to deport five acquitted defendants who are needed as witnesses in the defense of the others in the appeal of these cases to higher courts.

**BOYCOTT HEARST NEWSPAPERS!**

## 'LABOR ADVISERS' BURO FAILS TO INCLUDE RANK AND FILERS

### Los Angeles WPA Head Names Reactionary Labor Officials, Industrialists

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 26.—

# Rip Tides

By LaMac

Admiral, Pacific Steamship and United Fruit Lines are all back in the running again . . . Poor old United Fruit, limping back, beaten but not licked, after months and months and months of "labor trouble." Same old United tho, mulct subsidy and all . . . same old ships, those ungrateful seamen from the Admiral Senn, causing Mister Dollar and Mister Fleischacker all that trouble . . . same old boat, less nights Mister Dollar must have spent patting the 25 or 26 rooms of his million dollar apartment and spending sleepless nights tossing on a feather mattress beneath a silken spread . . .

Such careless truck drivers . . . It's come to such a pass now a decent fink can't stick his nose outside the swinging doors without getting run down . . . What's the Embarcadero coming to these days.

Cops and fakers have a united front dedicated to hating the WESTERN WORKER. On each of those flatfeet who makes his living chasing maritime workers away from the fence down on the front, forced a newsdealer to take the WESTERN WORKER off his stand . . . the newsdealer wasn't organized so he had to obey . . . If the cops and fakers liked the WESTERN WORKER it would be time for us to start worrying . . .

SCENE—Embarcadero. TIME—12:15 p. m. Thursday. Cops in front of the Ferry Bldg. four cops in a bunch talking to some other hound . . . cops in the middle of every block . . . COMMENT—Some day, maybe, the cops will decide a fink was about to take a stroll along the Front, and might need protection."

Congratulations to the crew of the Norwegian boat, the Britta, for refusing to take on oil at Peiho consigned to Liad Degt Mussolini and his war-crazed black shirted General of Slaughter . . .

And the first hot cargo ship, the Katrine Luckenbach from the Gulf strike area is due in Redondo September 18. . . . September 7 is the 18th Anniversary of the Workers and Farmers Revolution in Russia . . . And that event still gives the shipowners a big headache . . .

## HONESTY IS THE BEST POLICY

Frank Gregeo, New York sandwich man who sprang to fame when he found and returned bonds worth $45,000 to a Wall Street securities house, is living in a 25c a-day room and looking for a job.

Pertinent Questions—How many times has Little Fink Rossi spoken on the waterfront during the last month? What's Candidate for Sheriff Murphy going to do with the 21 permits he says he'll take away from deputies? Whose beef squad beat up a newsboy last week for selling the "United People's Press," the paper put out by the United Labor Ticket?

Suggested material for another industrial expose Association—Junior Chamber of Commerce advertisement in Hearst's Examiner, taken from a Senate investigating committee's published report: "The American Steamship Owners' Association in 1932 created a Committee on Shipping Information, with a membership budget of $18,300. The program which was carried out included news releases and popular illustrated articles, direct correspondence with newspaper editorial writers, radio, speeches before commercial organizations, congressional educational campaigns . . . and the publication of a book. The committee employed a director at a monthly salary of $800, an assistant director at a monthly salary of $300, four stenographers and a 'publicity agent.'

Still quoting from the report: "The shipping interests have operated through many agencies without disclosing their activities to the general public. They have received financial aid to interstate associations and organizations scattered over the United States some of which were innocently, and some of whom with their own knowledge and active cooperation, have been made the instrumentalities of insidious propaganda."

The funny part of it is that it took an investigating committee appointed and financed by the United States Senate to "discover" what any seaman and longshoreman has known for the past ten years.

# MIKE CASEY ON GUARD AGAINST ANY PROGRESS

## BEEF SQUAD STOPS ALL DISCUSSION

## 18 Men Kicked Out

MEN ORDERED TO LEAVE JOBS, TAKE RELIEF

By a Teamster.

SAN FRANCISCO.—At the end of the maritime strike of 1934 there was a shortage of men on the waterfront, and the I. L. A. sent to the different unions in town for their unemployed men to come to the waterfront and take up the extra work.

The unemployed teamsters were invited to go to work on the waterfront. On accepting this invitation they were brought into contact with the method the longshoremen used in their hiring hall, and seeing the fairness of this method attempted to introduce it into the teamsters union. But they did this they felt the strong arm of the reactionary fakers, Mike Casey, the president and international vice president, and Al Langlois, secretary.

These fakers have a beef squad and use it to intimidate the workers who attempt to introduce anything in the line of fair dealings along the lines of what they have learned on the waterfront.

### Hiring Hall Opened.

Certain teamsters attempted to build up the same system of hiring hall and dispatching in the teamsters' Union that the longshoremen have. After about three months they got a hiring hall opened.

Shortly after it was opened the question came up in a meeting of the Teamsters' Union about the waterfront celebration of "Bloody Thursday" (July 5). One of the progressive teamsters asked Casey what action the teamsters were going to take in regard to the July 5 celebration, and stated that the longshoremen were not going to allow anyone to go on the waterfront that day.

Mike Casey called a recess of the meeting for five minutes, and approximately six men jumped on this brother and beat him up. The meeting was resumed, and the next man attempted to leave the hall. Seeing that he was in a dazed condition, Secretary McLaughlin advised him to stay until the meeting was over. The brother stayed and was beaten again after the meeting was over.

### Booted Out.

Not long after that all the unemployed teamsters were advised not to work on the waterfront any more. They were told to go on relief if they couldn't drive trucks and Casey would see if he could get them up for at least $50 a month.

Then men were making an average of $150 to $170 a month and refused to work on the docks. Casey mailed withdrawal cards to 18 of them. Under the constitution of the teamsters a withdrawal card means only one thing—it is requested by the member. Thus Casey has deprived these 18 men, some of them having been members for over 20 years, of their sick and death benefits in the Teamsters' Union.

### Union Stagnates.

The work of these progressive brothers had caused the attendance to rise from about 25 to close to 200. Immediately after Casey drove them out of the union the attendance has dropped back to the usual 25 or 30 members. This undoubtedly prevented the teamsters from introducing the method of hiring used on the waterfront. The reactionary leadership for the teamsters hiring hall Casey used for his own purposes.

Jack Crily, leader of the gangsters who beat up the brother, spent most of his time at the city hall pointing out the left-wing longshoremen. He has been expelled from the longshoremen's union as a traitor and police agent, and now is acting as head of the beef squad at $30 a week.

Scientists have just developed a new magnetic compound capable of lifting an object 60 times heavier than its own weight.

The business men ought to get hold of it.

It sound even better than the scheme of lifting us out of the depression with ballyhoo.

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Oakland, Calif.

Comrade Editor:

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Which he agreed to do. "I'm old enough to find out something of what it's all about," he said.

As I surely will disconntinue the Examiner after the first month it looks like a good deal, with Mr. Hearst getting a nickel and the WESTERN WORKER a new subscriber.

Sincerely,

I. R. T.

# AFL Fights Fascists

CHICAGO.—(FP)—A. F. of L. locals of machinists, carpenters and bakers have joined the anti-fascist association of Italian-American democratic organizations in Chicago. The musicians have OK'd a gift of music.

# Italy Gold Reserves

ROME, Italy.—During July and August more than 100 million dollars in gold was drawn out of Italy, reducing its gold reserves from 41 to 29 per cent. The Bank of Italy had on hand some $384,000,000 in gold, about a third as much as in 1928.

# "Jungle Scene . . . American Style"

BY BEAU VINCENT

# Elks Anti-Red Drive Hits Snag in South

SANTA MONICA, Oct. 21.—A skeleton rattled in the closet of the Santa Monica Lodge of the red-baiting Order of Elks here today.

Despite a conspiracy of secrecy by the members of the lodge it was learned that all is not calm and harmonious in relation to the Elks' red-baiting and "American-ism" campaign.

Two members have been "fired" from the lodge for objecting to that part of the Elks' program which demands that all school teachers take an oath of loyalty to the constitution.

Names of the expelled members could not be learned.

# Wires Protesting Frame-Up Refused By Western Union

NEW YORK.—(FP)—When the Politics Club of the College of the City of New York spoke to send a telegram to Judge McGhee in Aztec, N. M., protesting the arrest of the ten Gallup miners, Western Union turned thumbs down. The company informed the club that "it is against our policy to handle such messages."

Western Union's refusal to carry protest messages to judicial officers is based on a verdict by a Chelsea, Mass., judge, who termed protests wired as an accessory to the act.

BOYCOTT HEARST NEWSPAPERS!

# History Pupils Taught to Hate Reds—Strikers

By a Worker Correspondent.

LOMITA, Calif.—The Narbonne High School is breeding fascism.

A history teacher is telling her pupils all Reds should be beheaded. She tells the students about the National Guard and the Militia being trained to take the places of strikers.

And she gloats over this because she declares she is against strikes and strikers.

# RELIEF OFFICES REFUSE HEARING ON GRIEVANCES

## OFFICIALS DISREGARD INSTRUCTIONS

SAN FRANCISCO.—When officials at relief station 3, at 22nd and Valencia, refused to receive a committee from Public Works and Unemployed Union Local 1 the members of the committee got up and read a letter to the relief client present, authorizing them to represent grievances to the officials. The crowd present cheered the committee, which used the occasion to tell them about the Union, which meets Friday, Oct. 25, at 8 p. m. at 226 Guerrero street.

The committee had been given the run around by Miss Wilson, district supervisor, who refused to receive them. Mr. Small, the WPA administrator, said the district office would settle all grievances, and then gave orders for the district not to see any committee.

This was in direct conflict with the orders of Mr. Aandenaes, advisor of Labor Relations, written in answer to a letter from the PWUU presenting certain demands. The letter stated, in part:

"It is assumed by the relief administration that the unemployed have a right to organize and be represented by leaders of their own choosing. As citizens they may present grievances to the proper Administration and advise with Relief officials."

The PWUU is determined to force the relief officials to receive their grievance committees in accordance with instructions from Washington.

to demand my just right as an American) "citizen—and this includes the right to fight against discrimination and discrimination against members of my race.

### Shut Up!

At this point the superintendent of forestry, who was acting as prosecutor, told "A" to "shut up," called "A" a "red," a "Communist" and said that he had only come to the camp to start "trouble."

The rest of the "trial" was simply railroading. They gave "A" no opportunity for defense, and threatened him with a penitentiary sentence for "mutiny" and "communist agitation." A Negro stooge, one of the camp leaders, who threatened to beat up "A" was encouraged to do so by the superintendent—after "A" had left "government property." In this case the stooge was urged to "ham-string" him.

As a result of this "trial" "A" was discharged from the camp. While he was packing his things, getting ready to leave some of the other boys pointed out to him that "A" exploited the importance of fighting against the Jim-crow camps and against segregation and discrimination generally. He pointed out that they had been successful in getting one boy re-instated who had been discharged, and that they should continue to carry on similar struggles.

### Keep Up the Fight.

He advised them not to leave the camp, as some of them had wanted to do, but to stay and fight for better conditions inside the camp and against segregated camps. The people on the outside must be made to know the conditions in these segregated camps so that they can also carry on the fight outside.

"A" also pointed out the mistake he boys made in not sticking together solidly. This allowed the camp officials to separate him and victimize him, and they can always do this in the more outspoken boys, if the others are afraid to back him up.

# "Mutiny" in a Jim-Crow CCC Camp

## MILITANT NEGRO YOUTH LEADING FIGHT ON GRIEVANCES IS EXPELLED

By Robert Harrison.

LOS ANGELES.—Here in Los Angeles County we have Jim-crow CCC camps. The relief officials tell you that the camps for Negroes are run just the same as those for the white boys, that the treatment is just as good and so on. Well, I was in the CCC camp I was at, and you can judge for yourself whether or not what they say is the truth.

I was at La Cienega Camp in the Marshfield district. All the boys in this camp were Negroes. On Wednesday, Sept. 18, we were called on to fight a fire in the woods about 80 miles from camp. We got to the place where the fire was about 10 p. m.—having had a lot of trouble with the truck. At 10:30 p. m. they gave us "supper"—beans, grapes and coffee—all we'd had to eat since lunch-time. Then we went right out and fought fire until 7 a. m. the next morning. About 2 a. m. they gave us two sandwiches and two apples.

### No. Time Off for Negroes.

At 7 a. m. they gave us leave to go back as the fire was under control. One hundred white boys came to relieve us. There had been only 26 Negro boys fighting the fire. We asked the white Boys if they got any time off from work for fire fighting. They told us that they got two days off for every night they fought fire, and one day off for every day they fought fire.

We Negro boys had gone 24 hours without any sleep—which included the time that we had been fighting the fire, and we got no time off.

The next morning they pulled us out to go to work just the same. Some of the boys protested against this. One of them spoke to the superintendent of forestry about our getting time off.

He said: "Hell, no! You don't get any time off. Get on that truck and go to work!"

### Suggestions for Action.

On the way to work we discussed ways and means of getting the time off that was coming to us. Some of the boys suggested that we should play sick. One suggested that we should stand up like men and demand our rights—and if we couldn't get the time off that we would not go to work. He was unable, however, to convince the other boys that this was the best method, and so we decided to play sick. Twenty-four of the boys agreed to do this.

When we told the project foreman that we were sick and would not work he gave us a long lecture about the dear old Constitution, and what a swell guy Roosevelt is, and how we shouldn't bite the hand that is feeding us. When this line didn't go over he told us that our actions constituted "mutiny" and that the penalty for this was a long prison term, and in case of leniency, a fine.

### Really Were Sick!

He threatened to take us back to camp for a medical examination, and if it was found that we were not sick that we would be punished. This scared some of the boys, and they said they were willing to go to work. But ten of the boys stuck. These ten were taken back to camp for the medical examination. Five of them when examined had temperatures which were from 99 to 104 degrees.

Nevertheless, all of them were brought up for "trial." There was one boy who had earned the particular dislike of the camp officials because he had led the boys in a successful fight to get one of the boys re-instated who had been expelled from the camp for a minor infraction of the rules.

This boy's name begins with "A". On all the other charts at camp his name was first on the list. But at the court he was placed at the bottom of the list. They did this deliberately, because they knew that this boy would not take his "punishment" lying down, and they were afraid of the effect that his action would have on the other boys.

### $3 Fine.

All the efforts of the officials to get the boys to tell who was the instigator of their actions met with distance failed. Naturally, the officials assumed that the boy "A" whom they had already spotted was the leader. They tried the other nine boys first, and fined them three dollars each. They got through with these boys in a hurry, and asked them very few questions.

But they took more time with "A." The following are some of the questions that he was asked:

Q.—Why did you sign up for this camp?

A.—Because I wanted to see if it was really true that the segregated camps gave the Negro boys the same conditions and treatment as the boys receive white boys. Also, I was destitute.

Q.—What don't you like about this camp?

### Grievances.

A.—The captain in charge of the camp is a white southerner, and an habitual drunkard. There are no recreation facilities provided for the boys. The sanitary facilities are very inadequate—there is not even hot water for the shower. Half the time there is not even any light in the barracks, because the government won't put out a little money to have the power plant repaired. The camp is way out in the country, far from any town, and the boys have no place to go on the day have no off. These are all very good reasons why I don't like segregated camps.

Q.—Are you trying to tell the government what to do?

A.—It is my constitutional right

# LAW IS EVADED BY EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES HERE

WORKER SUGGESTS NEED OF FEDERATION OF CULINARY CRAFTS

By a Worker Correspondent.

SAN FRANCISCO.—Cooks, waiters, hotel-workers—the unorganized majority of them—are at the mercy of the sweatshop exploiter. They work 12 to 14 hours per day, mostly from 5 a. m. to 2 p. m. and again from 5 p. m. to 8 p. m. Seven days a week is the rule.

Wages are from $12 to $30 a week, which makes the average about $21 a week for 90 hours of work.

It is easy to see one reason why there is so much unemployment. The hotel and restaurant business is the fourth largest industry; and at the prices they charge they can well afford an honest day's pay for an honest day's work. Eight hours a day should be enough work for anybody.

However, it is a cozy matter for the bosses to send to an employment agency where the workers are defrauded of their money in the following manner. The law is explicit enough, stating no job shall be deemed steady unless lasting 90 days or more. The law is avoided by stating the job is to last indefinitely. In this way the agency sells just lasting seven to 15 days as "steady jobs," charging the full fe, $5 to $15. This can be proven from their own books.

It is known to the State Labor Commission, which will do nothing the full fee, $5 to $15. This ion No. 44 can do nothing but sit and wait.

The only possible relief would be a militant industrial union of the workers, now about a "maritime federation" of all hotel and restaurant workers?

# Organization of Filipino Workers Hampered by Cops

By a Worker Correspondent.

OXNARD, Calif.—For the last two months, the Filipino workers in San Nonyx have been rendered helpless in demanding higher wages by police terrorism and the lack of a determined, concentrated effort to better conditions.

Like their fellow workers in Oxnard, Fresno, and Bakersfield, the Filipino workers are forced to live under intolerable conditions at the wage rate of 25 cents an hour.

They are as yet unaware of the general strike, but are organized body to fight for better conditions. Organization can not be started among them unless some workers from this or other organizations come to their assistance.

Although several attempts of Trade Union leaders to defend the police terrorism and the threat of vigilantism, the agricultural workers will follow correct guidance in organizing themselves. The Filipino and other agricultural workers can look forward to strong organization and 40 cents an hour as their goal, and will in their fight against the severe exploitation of the landowners.

# When Labor Faker Turns Politician

By a Worker Correspondent.

EUREKA, Calif.—Mike Berns, secretary of the Eureka Federated Trades Council and Labor Clerk, barred the San Bernardino Workers' Club, a rank and file organization of fishers, from meeting in the Labor Temple as they have done heretofore.

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# MOVIE REVIEWS

## Man Drowned Dead Comes Back to Annoy His Acquaintances Titillation For Tired Business Men

"THE SCOUNDREL", by Ben and Hecht, with Noel Coward and cast of people famous for other things than acting.

"The Scoundrel" now touring the neighborhoods, is a fine example of the empty, feverish effort to avoid realities which passes for art in America's upper-classed literary circles. Ben Hecht has ransacked all the stock hokum of Grimm's fairy tales, old-time melodrama, Oscar Wilde's smartysmartics, and the more incredible parts of the Old Testament. These gleanings are strung together in a plot which shows how much bourgeois intellectuals dislike one another, and why.

The result is dished up on the screen by a cast, headed by Noel Coward, which includes such literary lights as Alexander Woolcott and Alice Duer Miller, and an off-stage voice who must surely be that important figure in world literature, God, the author of Genesis. The performance is not one which should add to the prestige of any member of the cast.

Anthony Mallair, a publisher, (played by Dear Noel) leaves on the bottle for another, both of whom cry a few tears when he jumps off the girls in the high school senior class play. Cora, the second blonde, has a childhood sweetheart who tries, unsuccessfully, to shoot Mallair, and then takes to drink and goes to "the dogs," as the mannerplayed in flop-houses are called. Mallair leaves Cora in the speakeasy, (Dorothy Parker, or Is it Dorothy Parker?) and tells her, "Only a truly woman she knows who is more shallow than he is." Cora, the blonde lady, calls on Mallair to ask for $5000 to keep her childhood sweetheart from Sing-Sing. He refuses, and departs by airplane for Bermuda in pursuit of the female unconscious followed by Cora's best wishes for a stormy trip and an early death.

Cora gets her wish. The plane is lost at sea, and Mallair with it, to nobody's regret except the delight and amusement of everyone who knew him. So completely unwept was Mallair that God gives him fifteen days more on earth to find some one who would shed a tear for him, so he could rest in peace. He turns up in his office, clutching a wisp of wet seaweed, and scares the haunted man.

All his acquaintances consider it rather tiresome for him to be going about looking so distracted, knives—to the meeting at which the fatal accident occurred.

Another note: The mouthsoiling unkindness that laid against Arthur for speaking in Dolores park has been dismissed.

### Facts Wanted.

The I. L. D. office in San Francisco wants to establish a file on J. B. MacNamara so all information about him can be had at San Quentin or who have corresponded with him about his life or trial, are asked to write what they know and if possible to return his letters in their possession over to the San Francisco office.

Material for the Christmas drive for relief for political prisoners and their families is now on hand at the I. L. D. office, 1005 Market street.

Books of tickets, in five, ten and 25-cent denominations, subscription lists filled with names of subscribers and leaflets listing the long-term political prisoners are to be had by those who wish to enlist in the drive.

The years against the names of these prisoners—83 men and six women—add up to 2,000 years.

Help get their freedom. Give them your support!

# Italy Limits Papers

ROME, Oct. 25.—Financial difficulties preventing the importation of paper have led the Ministry of Press Propaganda, Italian censorship authority, to limit daily papers to six pages, effective Nov. 5th.

# Dance League in L.A.

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 24.—A unit of the New Dancer League has been formed here. It is soon to bring a series of lecture-demonstrations led by Lester Horton, Paul Shaw, Benjamin Zemach, Michio Ito, Norma Gould and Warren Leonard. Merle Armitage is the chairman of the series.

# Brand New Club Of Rich Patriots To 'Expose' Reds

## $100 BUYS AN HONORARY MEMBERSHIP IN THIS OUTFIT

By John Broman.

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 28.—Desperately striving to halt the leftward swing of the masses, the capitalist class has added one more organization to their now numerous list of "patriotic" groups—the American National Club, advertised as a "non-profit, non-partisan civic organization."

In a leaflet, the "club calls attention to the "greatest problem" that has arisen since the Civil War, "the preservation of fundamental American principles, now being jeopardized by subversive propaganda and activities." Hence the formation of a "group of Americans" headed by J. R. Oliver of New York City, National Chairman.

"Communism," reads the leaflet, "has been condemned on the front pages of almost every newspaper in the country; it is being discussed at meetings of civic and fraternal organizations, and has been subject to investigation by the United States Congress. Yet, in spite of this, and curiously enough, this insidious menace is gaining a foothold in every phase of our political, social, and economic life. It is spreading like the germs of disease in a body."

"Why?"

**The American National Club answers this perplexing question by saying that the Communist Party of the United States is "perhaps the best organized organization in the world!" Also: "Another reason why communism is making headway within our borders is the fact that in its attacks against the prevailing social order it points to the defects of this social order—and unfortunately there are many."**

Therefore, to explain the horrors of communism, the new Club is going to mail, free, a monthly magazine to each member, which is to be secretly read and learn. American citizens are eligible to active membership at $1 a head, but a single one-time fee of $100 will give the privilege of membership. "Honorary" memberships are at $100 a throw. One million members is the ambitions goal of the American National Club.

The National Board of Directors lists J. R. Oliver, New York; Mrs. John Sloane, Hollywood; Leslie Hubbard, Los Angeles—to be increased to 15 directors. Oliver is listed as "Managing Director, R. E. Rolland & Co., noted writer and authority on political economics and international affairs."

The California State Committee lists the following:

Leslie E. Hubbard, prominent attorney general of Colorado; Wm. Neil F. McCoy, Los Angeles attorney; Thomas Cochran, attorney; W. E. Porter, Oakland, business man; Mrs. Mabel Evans, Holtville, Imperial county; Kathryn Humphrey, clubwoman, also of Hollywood; Harry B. Lind, mine owner; Mary Lee Fraley, clubwoman; C. C. Lowe, manager of Prcoque estate, treasurer Abner Legion Stadium, formerly manager Citizens National Bank; Mrs. John Troy, Hollywood writer and wife of Governor Troy of Alaska; John J. Atwater, Jr., Hollywood realtor.

"This new "United Front" of the capitalists gives fresh evidence of the drive toward fascism as the last four line of defense against the workers, farmers and middle-class people, as they realize that the oppressed classes are more and more entering into the revolutionary way out of the crisis.

# "Moscow Laughs" Shows in Berkeley

BERKELEY, Calif., Oct. 28.—"Moscow Laughs", Soviet Russia's first musical film, comes to the Strand Theater, Berkeley, for two days starting Monday, Nov. 4th. There will be a matinee daily and an evening performance.

The production is unique in several ways. For the first time in Soviet motion pictures the players are given "star" billing. Second, the film is said to have perfect sound. And it is a musical comedy.

It traces the story of a shepherd who has musical ambitions and is accidentally mistaken for a famous conductor and gets his chance. The opportunity is miscarried somewhat by his sheep and cattle following him into the mansion where he is supposed to conduct. From there the hair-brained story storms its way to Moscow.

# Theater Group to Present "Formation Left" in L.A. Nov. 5

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 24.—Giving political direction to the sufferings and privations to the sufferings of unemployed in the country, the Contemporary Theater will open the first play on the dole here on Tuesday, Nov. 5, in the Musart Theater, Figueroa at Pico.

The play is "Formation Left," the original production by Jeff Kibre and Mildred Ashe, both of Los Angeles.

Director is Max Pollack, formerly of the Theater Guild of New York and well known as a Hollywood director.

The play combines a documentary record of relief days in Los Angeles with the historical perspective of relief through all stages of the depression, and brings home strikingly that only through organization can the unemployed hope to gain a higher standard of living.

The cast includes about 30.

# Rebel Players Announce Schedule

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 28.—The Rebel Players of Los Angeles, devoted to the fight against War, Fascism, and Censorship, presents short plays of merit on a mobile basis. The group is amateur in standing, fully cooperative, non-political.

The following tentative production program has been outlined for the immediate future:

"Daughter" (from story by Erskine Caldwell); "America, America" (by Alfred Kreymborg); "Making Road" (by Emi Siao); "Take My Stand" (by Elisabeth Engstand); "Waiting for Lefty" (by Clifford Odets.

The Rebel Players, who have their own stage and office at 230 So. Spring st., Phone MA-5885, invite anyone who is interested in drama to contact them at the above address, either personally or by phone or letter. Lend your support to the vital new drama of today!

It looks as though Hitler will have to play ball with himself at the Olympics in Berlin in 1936.

# Canadian Expert Cites Progress Of Soviet Farms

## SOVIET FARMING METHODS WILL LEAVE CANADA IN THE LURCH

By C. Campbell, Federated Press.

OTTAWA, Can.—"My impression, summed up in a sentence, is that Russia within five years will be in a position, if it desires, to flood the world market with wheat, and most wheat, at a price no other country can touch."

So, after a visit to Russia, said Miss Cora Hind, famous agricultural expert of the Winnipeg Free Press, whose estimates of the Canadian wheat crop have frequently been more accurate than those of government officials.

Her general impression was that the Russians were going somewhere in a hurry and that they knew where they were going—which is more than people of some other countries do.

She saw some "sloven-looking" farms, 'state and collective, "slovenly operated." But she saw other state and collective farms which were operated with evident efficiency.

Miss Hind urged the Canadian government to send a commission to Russia to study agricultural developments there, "lest Canada be left in the lurch." She was greatly impressed by the Soviet "Institute of Plant Industry." The institute, "The work accomplished is absolutely incredible unless scientists work 20 hours a day," she said.

Stepping ; ahead of Dakota cultural experiments, the Soviet scientists have bred a perennial wheat by crossing with certain grasses—wheat that grows perennially like grass. This hybrid plant produces only thin ears of wheat and the only claim made for it is that it may become important for cattle fodder. Whether further culture will result in a perennial wheat-grass producing a quality of wheat suitable for human consumption on a commercial basis remains to be seen.

Miss Hind was frequently surprised, as by the importance attached to children and the collective bringing-up of their care and wellbeing.

The British bankers' and business men's explanation of that big coal strike in Wales is probably that the miners had no fund of the depression they hated to see it go.

# Books—Pamphlets IN REVIEW

## LEANDRO VALERDE—MILITANT COAL MINER FRAMED IN GALLUP

### BIOGRAPHY OF A NATIVE-BORN SPANISH WORKER

Special Issue of the Communist International.

The next issue of the Communist International, No. 11, will be a double issue containing over 200 pages. It will be a comprehensive report on the Seventh Congress. The contents are listed below. The issue will be of special interest to Party Members and especially functionaries and foe Workers' Schools, containing as it does between two covers the main speeches and resolutions of the Seventh Congress.

It may be obtained at your Workers' Book Shop.

1. G. Dimitroff—Conceding Fascism.
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3. G. Dimitroff—The Fascist Offensive and the Tasks of the Communist International in the Fight for the Unity of the Working Class Against Fascism. (Abridged Report and Concluding Remarks.)
4. Manuilsky—The Communist International and the Fight for Peace.
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14. Resolution on Manuilsky's Report.
15. Composition of the Leading Organs of the Communist International.

RIFLE RULE IN CUBA, by Clayton Beals and Clifford Odets, Provisional Committee for Cuba, New York; 31 pp., 5c.

Immediately after the Machado regime in Cuba was overthrown by the people the Rebel Artists and Writers' Association—a protective organization of workers who were being mulcted by State Senator Trafficante—planned trips to Cuba on which most of the unemployed miners of Gallup had built their homes, basing themselves on authentic reports—valid in New Mexico.

Valérde was the first Chihuahuaite to receive an ejection notice (Victor Campos was the first actually evicted). He immediately appealed the case. Before the appeal was heard, the April 4 shootings occurred. Leandro was left unable to make any payments, but his family has not been molested, as yet.

In 1925, Leandro Valerde married Teresita Valencia. One boy was born in 1926. The wife and child are now staying with Leandro's father.

In the hills and mountains of California there resides a constant menace to the lives of the American people the Black Death!

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The Black Plague, more scientifically called the bubonic plague, is a disease which assumes two forms: the bubonic type and the pneumonia type. The bubonic type results in swelling of the external lymph glands and a general poisoning of the system with the plague germ and its products. Around 90 per cent of all those becoming down with this variety of the disease die.

The pneumonic disease is the same that visited the entire known world many times during ancient times and the middle ages, each time killing huge sections of the population and disrupting all civilized life. Such was the case during the Great Plagues of the 14th Century which killed almost half of Europe when Europe was thinly populated. About half the entire population of England died during this epidemic.

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# Health and the Class Struggle

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## BLACK DEATH IN CALIF.

(A Series of Three Articles.)

I.

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Then there is an epidemic among the rats. In human dwellings that contain rats the human residents are almost certain to be bitten by fleas from these animals. This is the way in which an epidemic among humans gets started.

Particularly dangerous is the pneumonia type of the disease, not only because nearly all those infected die, but also because this type can spread directly from man to man, exactly as does the "flu".

(To Be Continued.)

# Big Capitalists to Waste Fortunes on Propaganda Movies

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 18.—Indicating financing of big capitalists, Edwin Carewe, once well-known film director, yesterday announced that he will carry on a campaign against "subversive" propaganda through the showing of anti-Red films in churches and schools.

Under this program, churches and schools will be supplied free sound film projectors to the extent of 1

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## The United Front to Smash the C.S. Law

California people are rapidly awakening to the fact that the time to defend your rights is while you still have them. It is much harder to win them back once they have been taken away.

By "people," we mean the workers, the rank and file of the unions, professional and middle class people, church people, liberals—we mean every decent and sincere element of the population.

One hundred and one organizations participated in the recent Los Angeles conference for repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Law and for the freedom of the eight Sacramento Criminal Syndicalism trial prisoners. They represented 196,147 workers, farmers, liberals and middle-class people.

Wealthy agricultural interests, the banks and the Power Trust openly sponsored the railroading of the eight C. S. victims to the penitentiary in order to silent their voices. The desire of a ruling power to silence the voices which it cannot answer, is nothing new in history. When a scoundrel loses an argument he reaches for his knife. The Criminal Syndicalism Law is the knife of California capitalism.

The people of California have awakened to the urgent necessity of disarming a belligerent and disorderly brute.

Capitalism no longer attempts to meet the working class in open debate. It has learned too well that logic and truth are allies of the proletariat.

Capitalism takes the form of thugs and waylays challenging voices in dark streets. It uses its power to prohibit unions and working class groups from using radio stations. It intimidates hall owners into refusing to rent their properties to working class groups. It sends highly financed lobbies into the Legislature to pass suppressive laws. It has leaders arrested and charged with Criminal Syndicalism.

Capitalism is an unworthy foe but a vicious one. The voices it wants to silence are the voices that must be heard.

The Los Angeles conference represented an awakening of the people to these realities. Those delegates were not there out of sheer humanitarian sympathy for unjustly imprisoned workers. They were there because they realized that the C. S. railroading represented a challenge to their own liberties and rights—their right to organize—their right to speak—their right to hear every viewpoint.

The C. S. Law must be repealed.

The C. S. prisoners must be released.

Toward these two objectives, every labor and liberal element in the State must unite and carry forward a determined, practical fight.

(See that your organization orders a bundle of the pamphlet, "Criminal Syndicalism—The Courts Against Labor," published by the International Labor Defense. Order from your nearest Workers' Book Shop.)

## Longshoremen Must Force Ryan to Act

Joseph Patrick Ryan gives lip service to the embattled longshore strikers of the Gulf Coast. He is upset over conditions as he finds them and declares he will authorize a nation-wide boycott of Gulf ships beginning Nov. 1.

**Cargo is being loaded in the Gulf by strikebreakers protected by thugs with submachine guns, rifles, pistols, shotguns and clubs. The shipowners, depending upon Ryan as usual, have declared from the start they will not recognize the International Longshoremen's Association.**

On the Pacific Coast Ryan's yes-men—Lewis, Morris and Peterson—are equally as lukewarm as their master. But the shipowners have announced a Luckenback ship with hot cargo from the Gulf will dock in San Pedro on November 7. And curiously enough it is the shipowners who also announced they felt certain the Pedro longshoremen would refuse to work this ship.

**What is needed now is a unified policy regarding the hot cargo issue. Ryan, Lewis, Morris and Peterson must be forced to come out in the open. The rank and file longshoremen, who will refuse to become scabs, will put meaning into the statements Ryan already has made.**

Meanwhile every longshore local on this coast should immediately pass resolutions demanding that the district ILA committee—and Ryan—take a definite stand on this issue. If these officials continue to stall the rank and file should demand a nation-wide referendum in support of their brothers on the Gulf.

Otherwise Ryan will sell the Gulf strike down the river and national ILA unity will be sabotaged. The Gulf will remain open shop.

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## How Can You Prevent War?

Pompous newspaper editorials and statements of government officials sentimentalizing America's determination to keep out of another war have been the forerunners of every war America has fought in. The present epidemic of alleged "neutrality" proclamations can be regarded as a warning signal. Lavish professions of virtue are the surest expressions of a weak and guilty conscience.

War is an excellent thing for the Industrialists and big investors. To every person who works for a living, it means a gold medal pinned on an empty sleeve; it means a hat full of pencils lifted in your face by a legless man; it means death—acres of graves.

You might as well look at the problem plainly. Are you going to stop war or fight in it?

Alone, you can't do anything. Organized with others, you command a power that can stop war before it can cock a rifle.

The task of preventing war cannot be separated from other issues and regarded as a special struggle, complete in itself.

Only one thing is making for war and that is the power of capital. Only one thing can stop war and that is the organized power of the working class.

The most important steps in all anti-war work is to strengthen that power—support the struggle of organized labor, support the struggle for rank and file control in the unions, assist in the drive to organize the unorganized.

The next important step is the United Front. There are hundreds of working class and liberal organizations that are kept divided for a variety of differences of opinion. There is one point, however, on which they are uniformly agreed. They all want to prevent war. They must unite their forces on this point; they must unify their struggle and work together. Trade Unions, professional groups, churches, political groups, fraternal groups—all must be drawn together in common determination.

There is not a single issue where the working class is carrying on an organized struggle against the employing class, that is not vitally concerned with the prevention of war.

To prevent war, you must prevent the breaking of strikes by armed violence.

To prevent war, you must prevent vigilantism.

To prevent war, you must prevent frame-ups against working class leaders in the courts—you must demand repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Law and freedom of the eight C. S. prisoners, you must demand freedom of Herndon, the Scottsboro Boys, Mooney, Billings, the Modesto dynamite frame-up victims, the Gallup miners, the Jackson miners, Archie Brown and scores of others.

The fight against war means the fight against capitalism. It means a fight to preserve and strengthen the organized powers of labor. It means building the United Front.

Join the American League Against War and Fascism!

Have your organization or union participate in the United Front which the League is sponsoring.

Support every struggle of organized labor, not just in sentiment, but by giving every practical aid of which you are capable.

Vote the Labor Ticket in the coming Municipal elections in San Francisco. Strengthen the power of labor.

## Why Young People Should Vote the Labor Ticket

When capitalism gets generous, it means somebody is going to get hurt. A young man was describing yesterday how the firm he worked for promoted him and raised his pay. They fired the man in the job ahead of him who was getting $175 per month, promoted this young man to the desk, raising his wages from $100 to $125.

If these workers were organized in a union under rank and file control, this sort of thing wouldn't happen. They could defend their interests.

The main slogan of the Labor Ticket is "100 per cent unionization of San Francisco."

It is the youth, more than other element of the population that has taken the worst beating in this "depression." They have graduated from school by the hundreds of thousands only to find that America has no employment for their abilities. They have roamed the highways and travelled on freights by the thousands, hungry, ragged, driven fro place to place, searching for work.

They have been herded into transient camps and CCC camps and jails. But a chance to live, to work at their trades and professions, to shape some kind of tolerable existence for themselves has been denied.

The humiliation of dependency on parents, the knowledge that when they do find work, older men are fired in order that they can be hired in their places for lower pay—.

When these conditions are corrected, they will be corrected by those who are suffering from them. The future of the youth is the future of the working class. It is the only future they have.

The youth should vote the Labor Ticket because it offers them the only avenue of using their democratic rights to better their own conditions and defend their interests. It will strengthen working class power. It means that the working people of San Francisco are tired of being made the dupes of professional politicians and have decided to place officials in office who are rank and file people of the working class, who have proven by their past records in trade unions and in the service of labor, that they can be depended on.

## My Job

By Tom Anon.

If I could toss up one poem
With a glow to it like a hot rivet
And hear it driven into the girders
Of revolution
With a tightening, satisfying sound—
That would be a proud day for me,
And I'd be happy when I walked away
From the job,
Talking shop with the best of them,
Saying: And tomorrow, comrade,
Is another day . . .
I'll see you in the morning,
Comrades . . .

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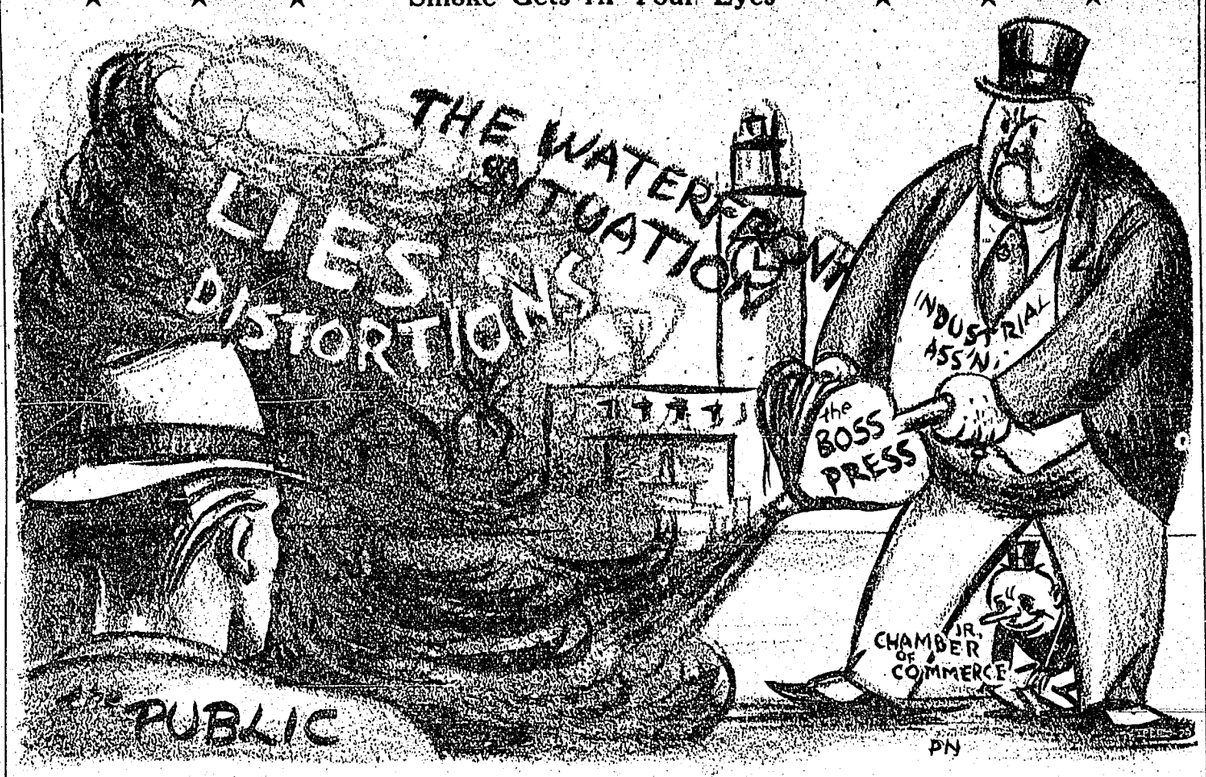


# Party Life

## We Must Strengthen The Unemployed Organizations

Now, more than ever before, the possibility exists throughout this District of building the unemployed organizations. Thousands of unemployed in the cities and small towns have been thrown off relief, and forced by conscription into the San Joaquin Valley cotton fields, and the San Fernando Valley vegetable gardens. The coolie-wage scale which has just been announced by the WPA is another opportunity for struggle on a state-wide scale. Then we have the fact that there are many hundreds of cases of rank discrimination against unemployed workers, when no relief of any sort is being given.

These attacks on the living standard of the unemployed workers in California must be met by a strong offensive on the part of our unemployed organizations. In many cases, however, our unemployed organizations are at present either too weak, or are non-existent, to lead militant struggles against these bad conditions.

However, if our unemployed organizations are not awake to what is going on, and do not organize strongly enough to fight back, there is little hope that we will be able to organize even a small percentage of the unemployed in California under our leadership.

### For Living Standard.

While several militant actions have been organized by the unemployed organizations against these attacks in many places, nevertheless these actions have been spasmodic, while the attacks still continue. Every attack on the standard of living must immediately be fought back by our unemployed organizations. Only if this is done, will we be able to keep what present organizations we have among the unemployed, and at the same time, organize large new masses of hitherto unorganized unemployed workers.

Now we come to the question of building the Party from our unemployed organizations. First, the Section leadership must check over every unemployed local in the Section to see that the fractions are not only meeting regularly, but that they are functioning correctly. Once this is accomplished, the fractions should go over the membership of their organizations very carefully and decide which workers should be brought into the Party.

### Party Recruiting.

Certain fraction members should then be appointed as a "shock troop" to approach these more militant elements and ask them to join the Party. The recruiting drive is almost over now. Very few organized unemployed have yet been recruited. Some sections did not even set quotas for recruiting from amongst the unemployed.

It is not yet too late to remedy this weakness. Even if your Section leadership did not set a quota for unemployed, the fractions should call upon the Section to help them work out such a quota, and follow it up with a systematic campaign of education and personal contact, with the final objective of recruiting as many of the unemployed as possible.

# United Front Platform Against French Fascists

## Joint Action Taken By Socialists, Communists

With fascism victorious in Germany, Italy, and other countries, the workers throughout the world are beginning to realize that they must unite to fight the spread of fascism.

The possibility of stopping fascism has been shown in France, where a united people's front of Socialists and Communists has been formed. The result has been victory for the workers in every election held; last year in the municipal councils, and recently in the elections to the Senate. France has shown that it is possible successfully to defend democratic rights against dictatorship of the capitalist interests, with its attendant crushing of trade unions and other workers' organizations.

We print below the platform of joint action of the Socialist and Communist Parties of France, so the reader may know on what basis this successful fight is being carried out.

### THE PLATFORM

The big capitalists are doing everything in their power to place the burdens of the crisis on the shoulders of the labouring masses, whose situation they have made considerably worse.

These conditions have been further worsened by the emergency decrees of the Laval Government, which do not merely affect the workers in the service of the State, the ex-soldiers and, indirectly the masses of the wage-earners. The decrees also injure the whole of the national economy by reducing the purchasing power of the masses and endangering the currency.

Such a policy of plunder and poverty must be fought. The workers' bread must be defended.

By the restoration of wages and salaries;

By withdrawing the emergency decrees, which so cruelly affect the position of workers in the public services, of pensioners and small rentiers, and persons drawing relief of all categories;

By putting an end to the absurd and unjust policy of deflation, which is forcing down the standard of life of the labouring masses, worsening the desperate situation of the peasants, and furthering the paralysation of industry and the ruin of trade;

### Safeguard Wages.

By consistent and methodical action to increase the purchasing power of the working class consumers, as the sole means of mitigating the effects of capitalist economic crisis.

The workers' bread must be defended by safeguarding all standard wages and universally introducing collective agreements under the control of the workers.

The peasant's bread must be defended by assuring them of an adequate price for their produce, particularly through the establishment of public agricultural offices, through the development of co-operative sales agencies in conjunction with the consumers' co-operatives, through the adaptation of tenancy agreements and rent to present economic conditions.

The bread of the unemployed must be defended through the foundation of a national unemployed fund and the introduction of a more humane system of relief.

### Reduce Hours of Work.

Unemployment must be alleviated through the reasonable distribution of available work among the workers collectively;

By systematically reducing hours of work and introducing a 40-hour week with adjustment of wages;

By prolonging the period of apprenticeship for young workers;

By organizing retirement of workers over 60 years of age who command adequate means of subsistence, and, improvement of the social insurance laws;

By increasing the opportunities of work; a policy of large-scale public works of social and collective value, financed at the expense of large fortunes, which offer security for loans.

### Defend Peace.

Peace must be defended, and Laval's foreign policy, which hypocritically and two-facedly is more and more withdrawing from the system of collective security and mutual assistance, making universal disarmament possible.

Peace must be defended by forbidding the private manufacture of and private trade in armaments;

By more vigorous action against militarism, the colonial system, armaments credits and secret diplomacy.

Freedom must be defended:

By disarming and disbanding the fascist organizations;

By maintaining and further developing the democratic rights of the municipalties; trade unions for all citizens;

By defending the secular schools;

### Financial Rule.

By freeing the State from the yoke of financial rule through the establishment of the sovereignty of the nation over the Banque de France and the abolition of the board of directors; by undertaking the nationalization of the big capitalist monopolies which, without being regarded as an element in the introduction of socialism, is possible within the framework of the existing social order; by attacking the forces of big capital in all key positions from which they control the entire life of the country.

By organizing action against the Laval Government on the basis of this joint platform, the Communist and Socialist Parties claim the honour of leading this struggle and their example will make it possible to summon the various political and trade union organizations to joint action under the most favourable conditions, and enable each to retain its own program.

The Communist and Socialist Parties believe that in this way they will contribute to the success of a great popular movement which will be in a position to bring about a change in the political situation and in Government activity.

Communist Party of France.
Socialist Party of France.

## Bread, Civil Rights, Peace Defended By Front

# WORKERS' OPEN FORUM

### AN OPEN LETTER TO MR. ZARITISKY

**Pres. Int'l Cap and Millinery Workers' Union.**

Mr. Zaritisky.

As one of the young millinery workers belonging to the Millinery Workers' Union, Local No. 48, I must condemn the policy you are allowing to be carried out in our union.

Never before have I seen such destructive tactics as you are using. Who ever heard of building a union, especially right after losing a strike, by NOT calling a single meeting for months? And no meeting being prepared for months to come?

Why do you appoint the executive board in the union? Do you think that we workers do not mind that you act so dictatorially? But how can we object if there is no meeting?. Nevertheless, you are not fooling the honest union members, even though many of the millinery workers are losing faith in the union if such tactics are continued. You had better stop them before it is too late!

I, and hundred of workers with me, demand that you change these conditions. Let us build our millinery union in the true democratic manner which years of experience of the labor movement have proven to be effective and honest. We shall build our union into an honest, progressive rank and file movement.

—Young Millinery Worker,
Local No. 48,
Int'l Cap and Millinery Workers' Union.

### BALLOT OR REVOLUTION

San Francisco, Calif.
Oct. 21, 1935.

Comrade Editor:

In the U. S. A. we talk about democracy, ballots and political freedom. What do we mean by such phrases? They sound good. But do we enjoy them? They are nice things to talk about, but they would be much nicer to have. One shudders at the thought of revolution, but we will never be able to enjoy the former without experiencing the latter.

By ballot? When we here in San Francisco voted 3 to 1 to rid the city of one-man-cars—on May 22? Five months later we still have one-man cars on our streets and more are being put into use every day. No!

One judge was able to file an injunction against this vote to allow the company to operate the one-man cars. If a judge in a city is able to acomplish this, what power has the Supreme Court of the U. S. A.

And if this can be acomplished, what good are ballots? Just a blindfold to confuse the minds of the workers.

Comradely,
A. L.

**BOYCOTT HEARST NEWSPAPERS!**

# World Events

**By Emmett Kirby**

## 30,000,000 Demand Boycott of 1936 Olympic Games

"The sportsmen of this country will not tolerate the use of clean, American sport as a vehicle to transplant old world hatreds to the United States."

Thus Avery Brundage, president of the American Olympic Committee tries to settle the question of American participation in the 1936 Olympic Games scheduled for Berlin.

What type of sportsmanship it is that Brundage professes will be advanced by giving this whitewash to Hitler's, oppressions and mass murders of Jews and working class in Nazi Germany, he does not say.

But his ridiculous whitewashing brush had made no more than one sweep when a deluge of renewed protest reached him, showing his and Brig. Gen. Charles Sherrill's statements opposing the boycott as lies.

### 30,000,000 Protest.

Thirty leaders of national organizations with more than twenty million followers or members immediately flung his bigotted statements back in his face.

They include women's clubs, churches, universities, track coaches and athletes, politicians, such as Favor La Guardia of New York and most important of all, the recent convention of the American Federation of Labor.

Brundage would have the world believe that the whole matter has been cried on and settled. He declares that no discrimination exists in Germany. Much was made in the papers some weeks ago concerning Helene Meyers, former Olympic fencing champion and now student and instructor at Mills College having been sent an invitation to represent Germany as she did last time. But on the repeated word of the lady herself no such invitation has been received by her, and none expected since she and all other Jewish members were expelled from their sports clubs when Hitler came into power. Many like herself had to flee the country. That was not enough; now the Nazis try to use her for lying statements pretending lack of discrimination.

### Send Protests Now.

The case is too obvious to be confused by Brundage. But he can, as president of the Committee, declare the matter settled unless a renewed flood of protest compels him to re-open the question. Every individual and organization must take action on this at once if the most effective immediate blow against Nazi atrocities is to be struck. A resolution, letter, or wire to Brundage, New York City, will reach him.

The reaction against fascism beyond the ranks of the militant working class is daily increasing the longer Mussolini continues his attack on Ethiopia.

Outstanding in the week's news is the French elections, wherein the Front Populaire led by Communists and Socialists scored a great victory for sanctions against Italy and the fascist candidates were overwhelmingly defeated.

### Scandinavian Elections.

This victory against fascism as a breeder of wars was reflected in the Scandinavian countries, where, to the great discomfiture of Hitler, the "Pure Nordic" races inhabiting Sweden, Norway and Denmark gave election victories to militant leftwingers. Liberal trends are growing also in Poland, anti-fascist sentiment developing rapidly despite the official friendliness to Hitler.

And, of course, the voice of the workers of San Francisco who refused to touch cargo of the Italian ship Cellina until assured by the Federal government that there was no war material or contraband for Italy aboard will set an example to be followed in other ports of the world.

Thos. Plant of the shipowners did not like it. Neither will other capitalist agents round the world. But the people of the world are showing in a variety of ways that they are back of anything that will strike a blow at fascism.

Do your part by demanding boycott of the Olympic Games.

**You have to admire the way in which Mrs. Mussolini hides her emotions with her sons and her husband away fighting the Ethiopians.**