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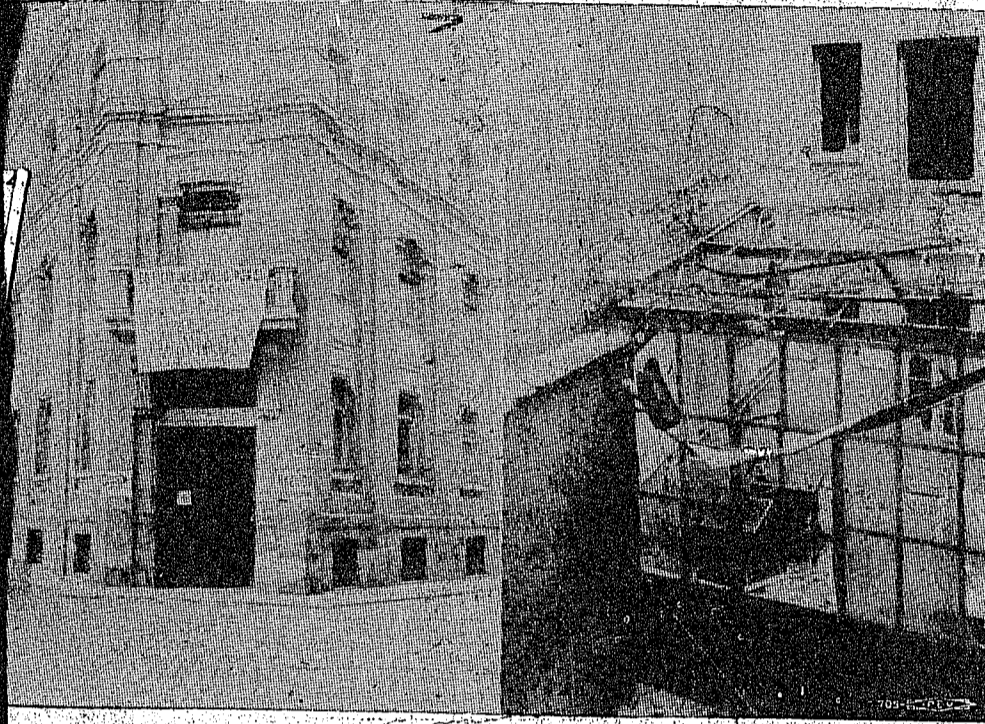
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MARITIME UNIONS MAP FIGHT ON FINK BOOK



AS TIDE IS STEMMED Against barbarous Spanish Fascists whose handiwork is shown at left (the "Drop of Milk" children's home as it looked before and after Italian and Nazi Fascists bombed Madrid). Center photo, women trade unionists march to the front, the defense of Madrid. At the right, loyalist militia men making their way up one of the peaks of the snow-clad Guadarramas mountains, north of Madrid.



A LABOR IS RALLYING TO SACTO. MEET

ions Are Electing To Legislative Conference

LOS ANGELES—Labor and progressive forces are rallying here under the banner of California People's Legislative Conference to combat effects of the California Manufacturers' Association to jam through an anti-social program at the coming session of the Legislature.

Hint at Little NRA, in F.D. Words

WASHINGTON—In what is regarded as a possible plan to nip a little NRA, President Roosevelt on Tuesday called for abolition of child labor, long working hours and low wages.

Fascists Blasted By Spanish Miners

MADRID—The heroic miners of Asturias—"dynamiters"—again led the way for the defense of Madrid against the Fascists when they led government militiamen in a clean-up of Basuro, on the outskirts of the city, last Wednesday.

F. R. HITS AT AID TO SPAIN

WASHINGTON, D. C.—President Roosevelt in effect aided the Spanish Fascists last Tuesday when he attacked the sale by Vimalert Company, Ltd., of Jersey City, of \$2,777,000 worth of airplanes and motors to the Spanish government.

Plan to Shunt L.A. Jobless Into Camp

LOS ANGELES. Single and unattached workers, who have been forced by circumstances to accept relief from the County Charities Department, are to be shunted into a large camp if plans recently approved by the County Bureau of Budget go into effect.

American-Haywire Quadrupled Profit For the Year 1936

SAN FRANCISCO—American-Hawalian S.S. Co., one of the "poverty-stricken" Big Four lines blocking maritime peace on the West Coast, earned in net profits of \$1,315,104 for the 11 months ended November 30, 1936.

L.A. Blockade of Jobless Definitely Out This Winter

LOS ANGELES—Who says mass pressure and indignation has no effect? Sheriff Eugene Biscailuz of Los Angeles County now definitely announces there will be no "bum blockade" in Los Angeles County this winter.

SHOW WARREN AS ATTORNEY FOR WALLACE

Miscalled 'Defendant' Is Placed at Door of Slain Man

OAKLAND—George Wallace, "defendant" in the ship murder frameup of Earl King, E. G. Ramsay and Frank Comer who is in reality a part of the frame-up machinery, was not "some distance away" but at the door of George Albert's stateroom at about the time the killing took place.

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Copeland and Arbitration Acts Menace

Set-Up Like That On Railways Would Hog-Tie Unions

SAN FRANCISCO.—A new danger looms for maritime unions in the coming session of Congress, with the report that introduction is planned of legislation which would either extend the railway labor act and mediation board to the maritime industry, or else establish a similar act and board for the maritime industry.

Ryan Personally Directs Police

NEW YORK.—Five striking seamen here told of an assault on them by five thugs, who jumped out of an automobile and beat the strikers with clubs.

Simpson Home, Joined the Strike

NEW YORK.—Lawrence Simpson, Pacific Coast seaman jailed for over 17 months in Nazi concentration camps and prisons, is back.

Federation in Seattle Endorses Bridges

SEATTLE.—The Northwest joint strike committee unanimously adopted a resolution Wednesday expressing full endorsement of the leadership of Harry Bridges.

Plan March on U.S. Capitol By Youth

CHICAGO.—A march on Washington between Feb. 20 and 22 is planned by the American Students Union to secure passage of the American Youth Act (the Besnon-Amle bill), which provides aid for American youth.

Ask Venue Change For Scottsboro 9

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.—The change of venue is asked by the Scottsboro Defense Committee, in a letter sent Governor Bibb Graves.

EMPT TO FRAME NEGRO LEADER FAILS

Pettis Perry Beaten In Los Angeles Police Station

LOS ANGELES—Beaten, cursed and accused of molesting women after he had been arrested while walking along the 2600 block on Shawnee avenue, Huntington Park, Pettis Perry, long known as an honored leader of the Negro working people, was released without any charge of crime when it was found that not a scrap of evidence existed to warrant holding him.

Perry, who was a full-time organizer for the Communist Party, was turned over for booking to the sergeant, lashing out with stage-gestures as he was taken away.

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Negroes in Soviet South—And Full Equality

THEY are the children of the South, the Negroes in the Soviet Union, where they enjoy full equality with all others. The youngsters here shown are named Abash, Shami Chamba and Tsiba Chamba.

DESCENDANTS of African slaves brought to work on plantations of the Caucasus 300 years ago by Turkish lords, the families of these children today belong to a collective farm in the Caucasus, where they enjoy full equality with all others.

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S.F. ALLIANCE FORCES RAISE WPA WAGES

10% Increase Given In Monthly Wages For Laborers

SAN FRANCISCO—Approval of a 10 per cent increase in monthly wages and increase of hourly rates for common labor from 51 cents to 75 cents an hour has been granted by the W.P.A. in San Francisco and approved by the state office.

75 Per Cent Benefit

A new hourly rate is effective only for heavier type of labor. Workers assigned to special light work on account of inability to perform heavier tasks will be raised to 60 cents an hour, approximately 75 per cent, however, will come under the 75-cent rating, according to Alex Noring, state organizer of the Workers' Alliance.

NEUTRALITY TO FACE CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, D.C.—With the world closer to war than at any time since 1918, three major proposals for expanding the U.S. neutrality law during the current session of Congress have been advanced.

UNIONS' STAND IN NEGOTIATIONS

Firemen Ask Changes In Tentative Agreement

SAN FRANCISCO—The continued stiff-necked attitude of the shipowners' negotiators in the firemen's strike is being pointed out by Harry Gray, union secretary.

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Santa Barbara Shows the Way by Raising 85% of Its Quota Ahead of Time; Letters Show Workers Approve

Western Worker, "Find enclosed \$3. for one year's subscription. I don't like to be without your paper. This is a small town, but if you will send a sample copy, I will send in the funds immediately. I think they would send you for a subscription. I have expressed my task to the Soviet Union and the Farmer-Labor Party. Long live the workers."

How many other sections reach the half-way mark by January 7?

Table with columns: County, Quota, Raised Per Cent. Includes Santa Barbara, Merced, Sacramento, San Bernardino, Los Angeles, Fort Bragg, Eureka, Contra Costa, Alameda, San Francisco, San Diego, Santa Clara, Santa Mateo, Stockton, Monterey, Alameda, Fresno, Arizona, Y. C. L.

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Special Maritime Strike

DGES PUT IT ALL OVER LAPHAM DEBATE BEFORE THE PUBLIC IN LOS ANGELES

LOS ANGELES—The workers in the maritime unions did not strike and they resorted to it in sheer desperation 10 months of fruitless negotiations with the shipowners.

FURNITURE COUNCIL OF N. W. TO AID

Expresses Its Fullest Support to the Maritime Strike

HOQUAM, Wash.—A strongly worded letter, which learned the value of work from the Maritime Federation of the Pacific, has pledged its fullest support to the maritime strikers of the West Coast.

DEFENDANT' IN Arbitration Law TRIAL EXPOSED Looms as Menace

LOS ANGELES—As the public becomes more and more aware of the fact that shipowners have proclaimed far more than \$17,000,000 have been stolen and granted by the shipowners.

Auto Union's Last Call to Gen. Motors

DETROIT—Auto workers' leaders from 10 cities will meet at Flint Sunday to map out the United Auto Workers' union drive for collective bargaining with General Motors.

Friends of Soviet L.A. Arrange Series of Lectures, Concerts

LOS ANGELES—As the Los Angeles area is being cut through by a series of lectures and a concert, the Friends of the Soviet Union are being organized.

Oakland Lenin Meet

REACTION OF PICKETS ON THE WATERFRONT TO VICIOUS S.U.P. BULLETIN WAS ONE OF DISGUST

A Sailors Union Member Interviews Men on the San Francisco 'Front and Gets Answers Condemning Attack

Entering the eighth week of the maritime strike found picket lines, hotel lobbies and the relief kitchen humming with a new issue. Stevedores were asking sailors if they were breaking away from the Federation.

PEDRO MEN GET PICTURE OF E. COAST

Shout For Bridges At Wilmington Bowl Meet

By a Member of the Sailors' Union

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**100,000 Garments for Spanish People!**

FOR 20 SHOPS, with more to be set up, New York trade unionists are preparing the sheepskin coats for the Spanish workers' militia, fighting the Fascists to a standstill. Fur-lined helmets for Spanish loyal aviators and warm clothing for Spanish women and children in Madrid are also to be provided (100,000 garments in all). Donations to aid should be sent to the Committee for the Manufacture of Clothing for Spain, with headquarters at International Ladies Garment Workers Union, Local 10, 63 West 33rd Street, New York, N. Y.

**It's Time We Work Among The Youth, and Help YCL**

(By Frank Spector, S.F. County Organizer, Communist Party)  
 "The problem of the youth is not only a Y.C.L. problem. It is a problem for the entire Communist Movement." (Dimitroff at 7th World Congress of Communist International.)  
 To work among the youth, we must know its problems. How many of our youth are in the Y.C.L. because of their fitness for this work, or any other, dealing with youth? How often do we discuss the problems of youth in our Y.C.L. groups? We must know the answers.  
 In undertaking work among the youth, we must take advantage of the Youth Week, January 3-10, designated by our State Committee. The week preceding all units will have unitedly conducted a discussion based upon material prepared by the County Educational Department. Including in this material is a series of proposals for the youth, which are being forwarded to the Y.C.L. as a basis for discussion and action. These proposals include in its literature, the "Champion of Youth," the "Young Communist Review," as well as pamphlets dealing with the youth.  
 A County Youth Committee has already been set up by the Party. It will be responsible for initiating and coordinating the Party's youth work. It will work closely with the San Francisco Y.C.L. As a beginning Youth Week, January 3-10, should be fully used to obtain the results of our youth work. We must not stop at completing this quota. Enrolling youth into the Y.C.L. must be a continuing process. We must be responsible to eliminate the abnormal disproportion between the growth of the Party and that of the youth. We are going to hold our County Convention in February. There is no better time for us to bring to our attention a report on real accomplishments in helping to build the Y.C.L. in influence and strength.

**S.F. GETS ITS SECOND WIND IN COMMUNIST RECRUITING**

(By Organization Dept., Communist Party, California)  
 San Francisco comrades have gotten their "second wind" now and are going to work with goal with steady and powerful steps. Any day now you may see a banner announcing their fine achievements of recruiting their Party membership. And from the rumors that we pick up here and there, it is clear that they are no longer talking of 500, but have their aim set for 600 new members by Jan. 21.  
 Well, it seems that Communist workers' organizations will be the best of the Y.C.L. But not limited to our work within the Y.C.L. Our best aid to the Y.C.L. will be our work among the other youth groups of which there are hundreds in our city and dozens in our neighborhood. So let us take steps and make certain that every new Party member is a result of our work among the youth. Only three weeks of our "Broader Front" campaign have passed. If you haven't a single recruit to your credit, there is no time to lose now. The weeks go by quickly.  
 "Bring Into the Party at least ONE new recruit by Lenin Memorial Day."

**No Eulogy Here**

ARTHUR BRISBANE, Hearst's chief editorial writer, is dead. And every capitalist paper writes thousands of words mourning the loss of what they term a "great journalist."  
 We cannot join with these mourners in reciting a eulogy to Mr. Brisbane. Mr. Brisbane's talents—and if the introduction of sensationalism into editorial writing can be called a talent, he had it—was always at the beck and call of the most reactionary forces at home and abroad.  
 If all the slurs and slams at organized labor, at the Soviet Union, at everything progressive, that ever flowed from the pen of Arthur Brisbane were laid end to end, they would make winding sheets for every capitalist over to make a good-sized flag flying left-half mast for that dying capitalist system which Brisbane zealously defended.  
 The creator of the Nightmarer Editorial is dead, but there are plenty of other pen nibs ready to do Master Willie's bidding for a price.

**Skidoo for Foes of Strike in Norfolk**

NORFOLK, Va.—Striking seafarers ousted court U.S. officials from their union hall and sent agents scurrying for cover. The examination is that of youth and unemployment.  
 Agents to be investigated, says Jack Robertson, survey commissioner at Dallas, are "inability to obtain an education, lack of home environment and the associations in social life. How these will be overcome will be determined as soon as the survey is completed."  
 As the seamen marched in a body to the building, Fred Sorrell, a seaman, was arrested and turned in a police riot call. Police on arriving, however, found Sorrell and his companions in possession of their union property. Sorrell later announced that he was "going away on a long vacation."

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**AS WE SEE IT**

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

**Labor Faces 1937**

THE NEW YEAR which we are entering brings the prospect of new and significant advances for the labor movement to build an American People's Front against Fascism and war. Big struggles are looming, on the one hand which will depend on the question: Fascism or democracy?  
 If strike struggles, of which the present maritime strike is the forerunner, are coming in the mass production industries, auto, coal mining, etc. Sitdown strikes in the "feeder" plants, the auto industry have thus far been successful, and sitdown organization drive, but the big auto magnates will not surrender to a struggle any more than the Steel Trust. G.L.O. are increasing their tempo; in the steel industry, recruiting is beginning to gather speed. In the coal field, coal operators are challenging the United Mine Workers' demand for an increase in hours without a corresponding increase in pay. By spring, all these issues will come to a head and may converge in another big strike wave such as in 1936, but on a higher level and having much greater political content.  
 Despite the boasted increase in business to new high capitalism cannot find jobs for an estimated 10 to 12 million. Already attempts to "balance the budget" by cutting down on W.P.A. expenditures has completely failed. The unemployment rate, once more, miss struggles of the unemployed are we against this threat, and more can be expected.  
 The opening of Congress and State Legislatures brings before the most burning demands of the masses, in the fight against labor legislation and progressive legislation, preparing for big battles on some of these issues are already in progress. The extent to which the movement will abandon the old "lobbying" methods, and to independent political action, backed by mass struggles, will determine in large measure what labor can expect from legislation. The fight for progressive legislation can become a struggle to stimulate the growth of the Farmer-Labor Party now on a local and state scale, laying the basis for the establishment of a national Farmer-Labor Party.  
 The question: "War or Peace?" may also be answered in Fascism is showing its teeth everywhere; Spain emphasizes the struggle all over the world. The threat of Fascism against democracy throughout the world has aroused alarm of millions and has even reached into high official circles. The speeches of Roosevelt and Hull in Buenos Aires, the urgent need for building a mass people's movement for the world, the fight for the League of Nations, the fight for freedom, happiness, and prosperity. It bids us to speed building of a People's Front, the fight for which will be nearer to the goal of Socialism. The fight for a free, happy, prosperous America will make great strides forward in 1937.

**Sacramento Labor Gets Behind Strike**

SACRAMENTO.—The Sacramento Labor Council, pledged full support to the Maritime Union at its last regular meeting here.  
 Two speakers from the Maritime Federation made a dramatic appeal for moral and financial support and stressed the need for solidarity of all organized labor in the present crisis.  
 After they had finished, President Elected, urged the chair and urged all delegates to give all possible support to the Maritime Union. It was decided that the entire labor movement depended upon the success of this strike.  
 As a result of this meeting, Local 38-118 of the I.L.A. Warehouse voted \$200 to the relief fund.

**San Pedro Condemns Scurrilous Attack on Harry Bridges**

SAN PEDRO.—"Mar Strike News," the joint bulletin, reflected rank and file opinion here when it stated about scurrilous attack on Harry Bridges.  
 We regret the appearance of this scurrilous bulletin. San Francisco, California, is a city of honor and respect. Investigation of B. May's attack on the Voice, and his attack on the editor, has resulted in a most vicious sort of release by his friends and supporters. This is a brother who has been frequently investigated by the members and to retaliate by issuing derogatory material does not clarify the points at issue.

**U.C.L.A. Committee Fights Scab-Herding**

SAN PEDRO.—The San Pedro strike committee has received communications from groups of University of California at Los Angeles students no "anti-strike breaker" campaign is being carried on on the campus. In past industrial disputes students have frequently been recruited to scab on strikers.

**A SPECIAL NEWS PAGE ON THE ACTIVITIES OF YOUNG PEOPLE**

**YOUTH IS AIM OF COMMITTEE OF L.A. YOUTH**

AN Campaign for Youth Measures In Election

LOS ANGELES.—Political union members of the Communist Party are carrying on a campaign for youth measures in election.  
 The promotional committee is made up of youth leaders interested in formulating a common program and unity of action among young people, through the Communist Party, to elect a youth measure in the coming election.  
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**Foremost Task is to Build American Students' Union, Joseph Lash Tells Annual Convention in Chicago**

(Special to the Western Worker)  
 CHICAGO.—In his annual report to the convention of the American Students' Union, Joseph Lash, national secretary, declared that the foremost task of students today is to build their union.  
 Lash declared that this should be done not solely on a peace program of political action, but on the struggle for all the economic and social problems that confront the student.  
 The opening day of the convention was also marked by a tremendous ovation given to Tsel, representative of the Chinese student movement, when she appealed for unity with the Chinese students. A resolution pledging support and solidarity was adopted.  
 Among delegates were two A.S.U. organizers from California, Edw. Alvarez, of Berkeley, and Vivian Levin of Los Angeles, and delegates from the branches at the University of California, Stanford University, and several California high schools.  
 Greetings were read from Gray of the National Negro Congress, Margaret Styer of the Emergency League for America, and the question of independent industrial democracy and Paul Rasmussen of the Workers' Alliance.  
 Outstanding issues to be discussed by the congress were expected to be the question of organization, the peace program and the question of independent political action.  
 "We plan to form the nucleus for a statewide union sports program," Brown declared yesterday, "embracing all union teams which wish to enter into competition."  
 One conference for the formation of such a league has been called for January 10, Los Angeles.  
 February 15th: Arrive San Francisco afternoon, San Mateo Junior College; night, radio program.  
 February 16th: Afternoon, Stanford University; night, San Jose.  
 February 17th: Noon, Sather Gate; University of California; night, San Francisco, Dreamland Auditorium.  
 February 18th: Redwood of Sun Valley.  
 February 19th: Oakland.  
 February 20th: San Leandro.  
 February 21st: Sacramento.

**Carlson Applauds Youth Page in Western Worker**

Dear Comrades:  
 I take great pleasure in greeting the appearance of a youth page in the Western Worker.  
 With the growth of the youth movement in California the need for a medium of expression for progressive young people has become ever more urgent.  
 This can be no doubt but that such youth page arising from reflecting the developments in the progressive youth movements on the West Coast, will be of invaluable aid in giving it direction and content and in mobilizing to support the labor movement in its struggles, progress and socialism.  
 I believe I express the sentiments of the progressive youth of California when I extend to you my hearty appreciation for this step taken by the Western Worker.  
 I have no doubt that the Young Communist League members of California will do their utmost to help bring the Western Worker before the young people of the West Coast.  
 Comradely yours,  
 Frank Carlson, State Secretary, Y.C.L.

**Maritime Juniors Out for Closed Shop on Front**

Spurred by the success of the Christmas campaign, the Maritime Juniors will do their utmost to help bring the Western Worker before the young people of the West Coast.  
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**U.C.L.A. Publishes Pamphlets**

U.C.L.A. publishes pamphlets for the purpose of spreading the Communist Party's program among the youth of California. The pamphlets are available for distribution throughout the state.

**TWO LABOR COUNCILS NAME DELEGATES TO CONFERENCE**

SACRAMENTO.—A representative from the Promotional Committee for the California Labor Council, named delegates to attend the conference of the Young Communist League of California in San Francisco, Jan. 9 and 10 in San Francisco to draw up a California Youth Act. The council followed the lead of California youth groups and already selected delegates to attend the conference. They are the culinary workers and bartenders, the plasterers, and plumbers unions.  
 A local committee has been formed to publicize the forthcoming assembly.  
 (Note: Previously published were announcements of support by the Alameda and Santa Clara County Central Labor Councils which will meet Jan. 9 and 10 in San Francisco to draw up a California Youth Act. The council followed the lead of California youth groups and already selected delegates to attend the conference. They are the culinary workers and bartenders, the plasterers, and plumbers unions.  
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**ANTI-FASCIST IN MEXICO**

MEXICO CITY.—Otto Richter, anti-Fascist who was deported to Germany, is now in Mexico, where he was allowed to go by Dept. of Labor authorities.  
 TOURING THE U. S. and Canada to plead their country's cause with young and old alike are (left to right): Luis Simarro, wounded militiaman, and his wife, Maria; 19-year-old Josefina Ramirez, who narrowly escaped death when her home was bombed by Fascists; and Eugenio Imaiz, from the editorial staff of the California Review, Cruz Raya. Their itinerary is being planned by United Youth Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy, 20 Vesey St., New York City. They will be in California in February.

**YOUTH ASSEMBLIES IN LOS ANGELES & SAN FRANCISCO Will Draft Youth Act**

**C. P. TO HOLD 'YOUTH WEEK' JAN. 3 TO 10**

EDUCATIONAL PERIOD, Organizational Aid Planned

Immediate Needs to Be Tabulated by Delegates

(See Picture Below)  
 Four young representatives of the Spanish Youth Front will arrive in Los Angeles February 10th and in San Francisco on the 15th, according to tentative schedule announced by the United Youth Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy.  
 The representatives are Josepina Ramirez, Eugenio Imaiz, Luis Simarro, and Maria Simarro.  
 Straight from the battle field where Spanish Youth are fighting for the democracy of the world, these four leaders will speak for all sections of the Spanish People's League to America. They will be in Los Angeles and San Francisco for the educational period, Organizational Aid Planned.  
 During this week the Communist Party will devote its educational period to a discussion on the needs and problems of the young people and on how to rally them for activity. Special attention will be paid to the problem of helping the Young Communist League in its work and how the Party can aid in building the League. Every unit and branch of the Party will take part in the week's activities. Besides using the time for educational purposes, the Communist Party has pledged to recruit many young people into the Young Communist League and to use its literature during the week.  
 The task is especially important for those communities where there is no Young Communist League. In these places, the establishment of a Youth Week has brought the problems of the youth movement to the fore and it is expected that many new youth groups will be formed.  
 Wounded in Battle  
 Luis Simarro, 21, military commander of the United States Labor Council Leaders in action with serious wounds received in battle. He is accompanied by his wife, Maria.  
 None of these four are past 23 years of age, and are only examples of the leadership youth is assuming in Spain. Another example is the Communist Order in Madrid, Santiago Carrillo, who is barely 22.  
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**SAN JOSE YOUNG PEOPLE AIDING IN AGRICULTURAL ORGANIZATION**

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**Pageant to Honor Three Leaders**

NEW YORK CITY.—More than 200 Y.C.L. members go into production this week for a giant pageant to honor three great labor leaders: Lenin, Liebknecht and Luxemburg, Jan. 15. The pageant, written by Norman Rosten, youthful New York poet, and directed by Theodore Sorday of the Theatre Union, will have a singing chorus of 125 and a Greek chorus of 12. The pageant will not only commemorate the three great proletarian leaders but will also initiate a broad program of dramatic cultural activity among Young Communist League members.  
 February 16th: Afternoon, Stanford University; night, San Jose.  
 February 17th: Noon, Sather Gate; University of California; night, San Francisco, Dreamland Auditorium.  
 February 18th: Redwood of Sun Valley.  
 February 19th: Oakland.  
 February 20th: San Leandro.  
 February 21st: Sacramento.

**Would You Like a Regular Page For Youth in 'Western'**

In anticipation of Youth Week, to be celebrated by the Communist Party in California January 3 to 10, the Western Worker is publishing this page of youth news, edited by a committee of young people.  
 The wide basis already built up by the two forthcoming California Youth Assemblies in San Francisco and Los Angeles indicates that young people are ready to organize and campaign actively for their own youth page. If so, the youth page can be continued as a regular feature of the Western Worker.  
 What is the answer, Y.C.L. members?  
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 NEW YORK.—Though he is being ordered deported, Cuba because of work-class activities.

**Four Touring Spanish Youth Leaders to Speak Here**

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### SIMPSON TO ADDRESS BIG MASS MEET

Wires I.L.D. Thanks for Work in Helping to Secure Release

NEW YORK—Back from 17 months in Nazi prisons, Lawrence Simpson, American seaman, will address a big mass meeting Jan. 6 in St. Nicholas Arena.

The meeting will be under auspices of the International Labor Defense, the Committee for Defense of Political Prisoners, and the striking seamen.

Simpson wired the I.L.D. and the Committee for Defense of Political Prisoners, before his arrival.

Accept plan for meeting for Jan. 6 and wish to thank you for your work for my release. And thank you that I am alive today. Send greetings from our comrades in Germany. Build the work front. Hold the fort!

NEW YORK—No sooner did Lawrence Simpson land than he registered for picket duty in the East Coast seamen's strike.

Simpson returned Sunday to the S.S. President Roosevelt, after 17 months in Nazi prisons, following his arrest in the S.S. Manhattan in Hamburg harbor.

Angering the S.S. police after his arrival and "concerting" a demonstration to greet the West Coast.

The reception gave President Ryan of the I.L.A. occasion for a "fraternal" address to the strike.

He said the seamen's strike would "cease all decent seamen" and that the strike was "a disgrace to the nation."

General Strike in Motors Co. Looms

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been mobilized to forcibly repress the sit-down strikers were determined by the strikers.

Sheriff Wolcott and his men were sent out of the plant and the sit-down strikers died an injunction.

Closed

General Motors plants have already been struck in Atlanta, Kansas City, Cleveland, and the Detroit Division at Anderson, Ind., employing 11,797 men, will be closed down this week.

30,000 workers are out.

The power to call a general strike was voted as a result of the sit-down strike.

Chiang Kai-Shek Gets Pardon for Chang On Kidnaping

NANKING, China.—A 10-year sentence, imposed for his kidnapping of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek, was lifted from Marshal Chang Hwang-Ling last Monday by a pardon from the Nanking government.

### NO INJUNCTIONS L. A. ALLIANCE DEMONSTRATES ON JANUARY 9

Big Action Will Hit Plan of Layoffs On WPA Projects

LOS ANGELES—In a militant wave of protest against recent mass layoffs on W.P.A. and the obvious intention of President Roosevelt to ask for a tremendous reduction of funds in carrying out the works progress program, the Workers' Alliance of Los Angeles has called a mass demonstration for January 9, which will be held here in the Plaza, historic meeting place of workers.

Charging that reactionary forces within and outside the national administration are gaining the upper hand in the effort to break down the relief issue to the point of abandoning it entirely, the W.P.A. demonstrators point out to all workers that this is vastly more than an attack upon the unemployed.

Who Backs Move

It is clearly illustrated that the move is backed by the United States Chamber of Commerce, National Association of Manufacturers, and other organizations of the business firm.

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### WAREHOUSE SET UP FOR FOOD FOR SPAIN

NEW YORK—A new warehouse for the collection of canned foods, condensed milk, apples, children's articles, and other supplies for relief in Spain, was set up by the North American Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy at 151 17th St., New York City.

Donations may be sent there. With 14,000 square feet of space, the warehouse is as large as the former warehouses.

### "One Man Lobby" In Sacto. Limits Labor's Chances

SACRAMENTO.—The "one man lobby" of the State Federation of Labor Unions, headed by Edward D. Vandewater, arrived here for the opening of the state legislature with a program including halting of private arrears by employers, prohibiting operation of State Highway Patrol in strikes, a 30-hour week bill, and repeal of the "communist" law.

Repeal of the criminal syndicalism act is also part of the program. The Federation's legislative program is also part of the program.

John A. O'Connell also arrived here, as legislative representative of the San Francisco Central Labor Council.

By limiting the scope of activities, the Federation officials have injured the chances of success for labor's program.

With demands for continuation of W.P.A. for a 20 per cent increase, the Federation is also demanding a 20 per cent increase in the W.P.A. program.

Under the slogan of "for security and a decent standard of living," the Workers' Alliance calls workers from all over the state to join this demonstration at 10:30 a. m. at the Plaza at three o'clock the afternoon of January 9.

### Vital Legislation

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Important legislation was to come up in the near future before the U.S. Senate, according to reports received last Monday.

The legislation included a hearing on the New York unemployment insurance case petition, the unemployment insurance tax provisions of the federal Social Security Act, Washington State Minimum Wage Law, and provisions of the 1936 Revenue Act.

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Workers Alliance Calls on All Progressive Organization to Aid Financing Jan. 15 Demonstration

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### FORECLOSE ON FARMS, IS THREAT

Moratorium Law in Cal. Expires Feb. 1

WASHINGTON.—A wave of farm foreclosures will sweep the middle west and Pacific Coast unless Congress acts to drive the re-enactment of the farm mortgage moratorium laws.

The debt relief laws expire in California on Feb. 1 and in Arizona on March 4.

Foreclosure Grow

Farm Research Inc. figures show that already foreclosures are increasing rapidly.

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### STARVED ON 50 CENT WAGE, HE HELD UP A MAN

SAN JOSE.—William De Long, aged 33, was starved and he held up a man for \$5.00. He hadn't yet learned the way to get a job.

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The Italian Fascist dictator recognized the Franco "government" when he thought the Spanish Fascists would be able to do the same...

Hitter called a meeting of Nazi military and other leaders to take up the situation in Spain...

Mexican Gov. Ousts "Diplomats" of Spain Fascists

VERA CRUZ, Mexico. — Expelled by the Mexican government for "illegal political activities" on behalf of the Spanish Fascists...

Anti-Nazi Worker Is Given Secret Death Sentence

BERLIN—Johannes Eggert, an active anti-Fascist worker, was sentenced to death by the infamous "People's Court"...

Madrid Defenders Given Help by Famed Surgeon

MADRID—Dr. Norman Bethune, famous Montreal surgeon, has the Canadian blood transfusion service operating at the front here for the Spanish government forces...

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French C.P. Organ Doubles Circulation

PARIS.—Circulation of "L'Humanite", organ of the French Communist Party, has doubled within the last year...

Mexico Labor Hits Asylum for Trotsky

MEXICO CITY.—Defining exactly its attitude toward Trotsky, the Confederation of Mexican Workers (C.T.M.) has issued the following statement:

Workers' Program Opposed

This program (Trotsky's) is opposed by the great majority of the Mexican working class...

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SEEK BIGGER NAVY—SOVIET NEWS BRIEFS

Cheer Lenin's Widow; Vacations With Full Pay

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FASCIST TALK BY PRIEST IS FLOP IN L.A.

Mexican, Italian and American-Born In Protest

By a Worker Correspondent. LOMITA.—I am sending you an article I wrote for me by one of our Mexican comrades. On December 29th, in Los Angeles, a group of Mexican Catholics, headed by their Catholic priests, paraded on Main Street in front of the Catholic Church.

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# L. A. Painters Council Starts Labor's Political Ball Poll

## Calls Conference Jan. 10 of Unions for City Elections

LOS ANGELES—Starting organized labor's political ball-polling, District Council No. 36 of the Painters' Union of Los Angeles and vicinity has sent a call to all organized labor bodies for a conference by labor January 10th on the coming municipal elections.

The call follows:

To All Trade Unions:

Organized Labor has, through the coming Municipal Elections, a splendid opportunity to assert its power as an influential body in the civic affairs of our Los Angeles City Government.

For too long a time we have been denied a real voice in the affairs of our city. We have been given only the choice of voting for candidates advanced by parties or groups who have no interests in the problems we trade unionists face.

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### SCORE ONE IN FIGHT AGAINST PICKET LAW

Stockton Agriculture Union Triumphs Over Vicious Law

STOCKTON—The Agricultural Workers' Union Local No. 2022 of Stockton has won an important victory in court by defeating the anti-picket ordinance which the Stockton Growers-Shippers Association used against workers when they demanded higher wages and better conditions in San Joaquin County.

### Women's Trade Union League Drafts A New Bill of Rights

WASHINGTON—Formulation of a charter of women's rights and development of an organization to push for the adoption of the charter through law and administrative agencies, was announced here by Elizabeth Harrison, secretary of the National Women's Trade Union League.

### EXPLOITED

Plantation worker on Hawaiian sugar plantation exploited under contract labor system.

### POOR JUDGE OVERWORKED

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LOS ANGELES—Enemies of labor were worried about Superior Judge Ruben Schmidt because he had issued so many injunctions against strikers.

### Pa. Central Labor Condemns Nazi Troops in Spain

McKEESPORT, Pa.—The Central Labor Union here has passed a resolution condemning the Nazi troops in Spain by the Central Labor Union.

### L. A. TIMES & CHILD LABOR

"Voluntary Work for Free Youth"

LOS ANGELES—"Child slavery, no, never. Voluntary work for free youth, yes, everlastingly, yes."

### Caninery Union In Pedro Tops 200

LONG BEACH—Caninery Workers' Union of Southern California and Long Beach initiated 25 new members in the Labor Temple.

### Truce in Martinez Laundry Dispute

MARTINEZ—A 30-day truce has been signed at the Martinez Laundry dispute.

### Union Did Well In Pacific Rubber Co.

OAKLAND—Following a smashing victory under the militant guidance of the Rubber Workers Union Executive Board member, Robert Popov, Pacific Rubber workers returned to work last week.

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NEW YORK—Gustave Strelgel, general organizer of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America in the up-state area, has been named temporary director of the American Labor Party in New York.

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LABOR SLATE SET FOR L.A.

On appearance of the next morning more evidence was brought out when R. Smith, another I.L.A. member, identified...

Unions Organize for City Elections

OAKLAND—Practically all trade unions in Alameda County will be represented next Saturday, January 16, at a conference...

Bosses Obstinate, Bag Workers Solid

By S. BALTRUM (United Textile Workers' Union) SAN FRANCISCO—The strike of the bag workers is over two months old. We met with the...

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2500 L.A. Jobless in Demonstration

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Over 50 Unions at New Labor Aid Youth Assembly

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Toller Speaks in S.F. on Wednesday

PARIS—Unless the Spanish Fascists quickly quit Germany, France will occupy the territory, and British military and naval support. It was reported here...

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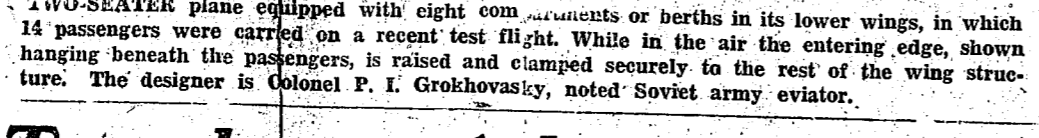
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14 passengers were carried on a recent test flight. While in the air the entering edge, shown hanging beneath the passengers, is raised and clamped securely to the rest of the wing structure.



A TWO-SEATER plane equipped with eight compartments or berths in its lower wings, in which hanging beneath the passengers, is raised and clamped securely to the rest of the wing structure.

Trotsky an Adventurer Said Great Leader Lenin

(Lenin memorial meetings will be held throughout the country from Jan. 21 to the end of this month. Preceding Lenin Memorial Day, Jan. 21, the WESTERN WORKER will republish extracts and quotations from the works of the great revolutionary leader of the Russian Revolution.)

TROTSKY ASSAILED AS FOE BY TRADE UNIONS IN MEXICO

MEXICO CITY, D. F. — Announcement of the decision of the Minister of Foreign Affairs to give asylum in Mexico to Leon Trotsky has aroused a storm of opposition by the powerful of Mexico's trade unions and political parties.

Reactionaries Praise Him. At the same time the most reactionary circles have suddenly begun praising Trotsky's "revolutionary" and "Catholic" views.

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The Negro People Face the Future To the Memory of Lenin

By PETTIS FERRY (Communist Party Organizer, Goodyear Section, L. A.) Since the beginning of the world Communist movement, the Negro people have felt the brutal tyranny of capitalism more than any other race in the United States.

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"FRANCO WILL LOSE," SAYS NEWS WRITER

Jay Allen Declares Fascists Doomed Without Nazis
SEATTLE, Wash.—Unless Hitler sends an expeditionary force of 100,000 to the aid of General Franco, the Fascist rebellion in Spain will be crushed, declared Jay Allen, famous European correspondent visiting the Pacific Northwest on his return from Spain.

Another Fade-Out by Witness Ducavay of Police Draft Fame

SAN FRANCISCO.—The case of the missing witness, an unrepentant Fascist, who was the local police draft probe-delegate Thursday was re-narrated here last Thursday when Edwin N. Atherton, chief of the local police, announced that Abel Ducavay, key witness, had disappeared again.

Hitler, Mussolini and Japanese War-Makers Are Muscling In, Fast To Grab Off Brazil

By OCTAVIO BRANDEA
The government of Brazil is a government of martial law of emergency orders, of systematic provocation!
The foreign policy it joins forces with the enemies of peace, the provocateurs of the new world war: the fascists of Germany and Italy and the imperialists of Japan. To this end all its measures tend, whether economic, political, or cultural.

Stalingrad People Fete Liberation Anniversary

STALINGRAD, USSR.—Seventeenth anniversary of the liberation of their town (then called Tsaritsyn) was celebrated here January 3rd by the people of Stalingrad.

Role Played by Stalin

The museum shows the whole history of the Red defense in this area, and the Red offensive that followed and swept the White Guards into oblivion.

Culinary 110 Chose A Progressive Unamuno Found Out He Betrayed Spain

SAN FRANCISCO.—Albert "Missouri" Carpenter, who stands for a progressive program, has been elected to succeed Al Mason as business agent of the Culinary Workers Union.

His Aim is to Hitlerize Cuba

GEN. FULGENCIO BATISTA, Cuban army chief (at right) forced Pres. Gomez to resign in order to further Fascist Cuba in the interests of American imperialism.

SOVIET UNION WORKERS AND FARMERS BUILD SOCIALISM AHEAD OF THEIR SCHEDULE

Production for 1936 Goes Over the Top in Commissariats of Heavy Industry, Food Railroads and Light Industry
MOSCOW.—Scheduled production in 1936 was not only surpassed by the four leading People's Commissariats, but surpassed ahead of time, it is shown in reports made to V. M. Molotov, chairman of Council of People's Commissars, and to Joseph Stalin, general secretary of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union.

Local Industry of the Russian Soviet Federated Socialist Republic Largest of the 11 Republics Making up the Soviet Union, Completely Fulfilled its Plan for 1936

Local industry of the Russian Soviet Federated Socialist Republic, largest of the 11 republics making up the Soviet Union, completely fulfilled its plan for 1936.

Value of heavy industry products during the first 11 had a half month of 1936, according to statistics carried by the press, is 20% ahead of plan.

Irish Committee to Aid Spain Formed in New York City

NEW YORK.—Prominent Irish leaders here are organizing an Irish Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy.

Italy Gives 10,500 Troops to Franco As "Volunteers"

LONDON.—Mussolini has sent 10,500 more troops to the aid of the Fascist armies in Spain, it was learned here last Monday, causing great alarm in the British government.

Soviet Union Takes Its 3rd Census

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Fifth Regiment, Organized by Communist Party of Spain, Is Steel Framework of Many New Govt. Brigades
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LABOR AND POLITICS

John Broman and decrepit politician the American Federation of Labor... "Reward your enemies" ending of the WPA budget, by J. V. D.

HE OUGHT TO READ THE U. S. CONSTITUTION

WPA Superintendent Denies Rights to Women Worker
By a Worker Correspondent SAN FRANCISCO.—Mr. Davis, superintendent of the women's sewing project at 450 Geary St., while admitting that he was not obeying the rules of the WPA...

Waterfront Picket Urges Protest to Discusses Old-Age Pensions

LOS ANGELES.—On framed up charges of forming a picket line, the waterfront, the Los Angeles County Relief Administration in calling for her arrest is plainly part of the repressive treatment of those who militantly protested their dismissal.

Bank After Still Bigger Profits

SAN FRANCISCO.—Not satisfied with its most profitable year with its 32-year history, the Bank of America National Trust and Savings Association, the Chairman is largely satisfied with the earnings of the bank on a national scale.

16,000 Cheer Spain Ambassador at New York Mass Meeting

NEW YORK.—Sixteen thousand cheering Spaniards in New York City, Spanish ambassador to the U. S., at a mass meeting...

2 FREE TRIPS TO THE SOVIET UNION

WIN A TRIP TO MOSCOW
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CHICAGO.—(Newspaper) publishers in Chicago who have been stalling on an agreement with the union...

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Special Appeal

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OFFICERS ARE CHARGED AS RACKETEERS

Expose New Scandal in Liquor Laws Enforcement
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Pismo Meet Hits Field Wage Cuts

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# 'If You Can't Gag 'em Expel 'em'

## TAYLOR'S OUT IN SAN DIEGO

### He Favored Strong, United Organized Labor Movement

SAN DIEGO.—Dan Taylor, progressive delegate from the Retail Clerks International Executive Association, was expelled from the reactionary San Diego Trades Union Council simply because he was a registered Communist at the Courthouse.

Taylor said, "I've been registered Communist for half a year and the reactionaries have known it for many months. That doesn't make me a member of the Communist Party, but why should working people fight Communists? All the gains working class has ever made has been through radicals."

Reason for Taylor's expulsion were because the progressive element in the Labor Council had swung enough of a vote to elect Dan Taylor as mediator into San Diego to settle the differences of labor.

Taylor said, "I have a healthy sentiment for the organization, and against the reactionaries. The present council is an organization of reactionaries. American seamen who returned after 18 months in Nazi prisons."

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## TALE OF E COAST SPLIT IS FALSITY BY SHIPOWNERS

### Strike Committee Shows Up United Press Story As Fabrication

NEW YORK.—Newspaper stories of a split between the leadership of the East Coast seamen's strike have enraged the strikers, because the stories are absolutely false.

(The United Press sent out a long story to the effect that a "Federated Trades Union" over-throw Joseph Curran.)

The Joint Marine Strike Council has issued a statement, pointing out that the "United Press" story was a fabrication.

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A meeting held Wednesday, which the United Press reported for the purpose of "ousting Curran," was actually a meeting to welcome Lawrence Simpson, American seaman who was returned after 18 months in Nazi prisons.

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## OIL DRIVE BLAST FRAMEUP RIGHT IN SCENE

### Unions Called on to Help Shape Labor Legislation

SAN FRANCISCO.—Trade unions, language groups, progressive organizations, all group in person the progressive and labor legislation, have been especially urged to support the California People's Legislative Committee, which will meet in Sacramento on January 17-17, in a circular letter issued by the San Francisco People's Legislative Committee, headed by A. F. Gaynor, of the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks.

Call to Unions.

The local call which accompanied the general state-wide letter, reads as follows:

"The enclosed call to California labor groups is being distributed to be held at Sacramento on January 16 and 17, may already have received your support. We are sure that you will be glad to send your delegates to the conference to discuss the success of this vital importance to the people of this country. We call upon you to see that no trade union, liberal, progressive, fraternal organization fails to send a delegate."

"I endorse the People's Legislative Conference."

"Send two delegates to Sacramento."

"Formulate its own legislative program and representation to the original Los Angeles Conference and a trained staff of speakers to explain your bill. Speakers to explain your bill and the bills presented will be furnished upon request."

"Whereas, by mutual assistance the laborers and workers can combat special privilege and achieve social justice and economic independence, and..."

"Whereas, certain resolutions passed at the recent Farmers' and Fruit Growers' convention called for legislation curbing the arbitrary power of courts in labor cases..."

"Saprio Exposes Frameup." The main speaker was Aaron Saprio, attorney from San Francisco who severely criticized Curran for his red-baiting tactics in the Modesto frameup. He then attacked the reactionaries and Standard Oil for their part in the frameup, charging Cleary and Devore with subordination to the Standard Oil interests.

Cleary took the severest scolding in his life, being told that he could not be believed that he had been a tool of the Standard Oil and that he was supposed to represent the interests of the people of Stanislaus County.

Saprio read part of stool-pigeon Scudder's statement to his case charges. Saprio outlined the frameup and the entire case telling how Scudder was coached in his perjury by the reactionaries and the "United Press."

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## SPANISH YOUTH LEADER SPEAKS JAN. 28

### Druid-Surprise attacks by the British

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When the Central Labor Council authorized the launching of a campaign by the American Federation of Labor to repeal this ordinance, we greeted this action. But what happened was not what we expected. Time is getting short and the wheels are moving slowly!

We ask Vandeleur, O. C. (Continued on Page 2, Col. 2)

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NEW YORK.—Formed by a group of outstanding trade union writers and authors, the Technical Aid Society for Spain has been organized in New York City.

The society's main purpose is to provide technical assistance to the Spanish Republic in the fight against the fascist forces of Franco.

The society's members include many prominent labor leaders and writers, including Harry Brown, George Maynard, and James Shipp.

The society's first meeting was held in New York City on January 15, 1937.

## NON-PARTISAN LEAGUE AIDS SEA PICKETS

### Newark, N.J.—New Jersey's Labor Non-Partisan League

NEWARK, N.J.—New Jersey's Labor Non-Partisan League, with 117 delegates at its first annual convention, adopted a resolution condemning Mayor Hague of Jersey City for prohibiting picketing by the East Coast striking seamen.

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The drive is being organized by the union's Women's Auxiliary.

The auxiliary's members are being urged to donate knitgoods to the Spanish people.

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## BAITENDERS NEW SCALE

### San Francisco.—San Francisco Baitenders' Union

SAN FRANCISCO.—San Francisco Baitenders' Union, starting Jan. 5, has obtained further information on a \$4.75 minimum wage scale. Old scale was \$5 and \$6.

The union's members are being urged to support the new scale.

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## WAGE WORKERS GET 40-HOUR WEEK, AND 10% RAISE IN S. F.

### San Francisco.—Union agreement with the Pacific States

SAN FRANCISCO.—Union agreement with the Pacific States for a 40-hour week and a 10% wage raise.

The agreement was signed between the union and the employers.

The agreement will be effective starting on January 15, 1937.

## SCAB CREW RUNS S.S. SANTA ELENA AGROUND OFF CANTAGENA SHORE

### From San Pedro Point Strike Bulletin

NEW YORK.—The "Santa Elena" was ashore off Cantagena for 6 hours and then being refloated, had to dock for repairs in the Panama Canal. This is the first time the Panama Canal has been closed since the Panama Canal was opened.

The "Santa Elena" was a cargo ship that was used to transport goods to the Panama Canal.

The ship was damaged by a scab crew that was hired by the reactionaries.

The ship was refloated and is now in the Panama Canal.

## STRIKES SOLID IN BAY AREA

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SAN FRANCISCO.—In addition to the maritime strike, the following strikes are still going strong in the Bay Area:

Shipyard strike in three Bethlehem plants—3000 workers, for wage increase, against company union, etc. AFL craft.

Kroehler Manufacturing Co.—109 workers, for wage increase, against company union, etc. AFL craft.

U.S. Battery Co. Oakland, 100th day. Federal local leads 110 workers for wage increase, etc. AFL craft.

Forty-six cigarmakers remain on strike in two firms; strike is 105 days old.

## RAIL UNIONS MEET ON WAGE INCREASE

### Chicago.—Representatives of five leading railway brotherhoods

CHICAGO.—Representatives of five leading railway brotherhoods will meet here Jan. 12 to discuss demands for a wage increase, it was learned today.

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Halt U.S. Aid to Hitlerism!

WHO BEHRRS most by the action of Congress bearing shipment of munitions to the legal and friendly government of Spain...

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HOW MANY of the 15,387 people in the 27th Assembly District who elected Jefferson E. Peyster on November 3rd approved of the bill Mr. Peyster introduced...

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AS WE SEE IT

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

Red-Baiting in the Unions

The small group of discarded reactionaries in the unions, who have been laying low in wait for more opportunities, are raising their heads once more on a campaign against the Communists in the unions...

Lenin First Showed Need For System in Party Work

Lenin's anniversary occurs this month. On January 21, the people of all lands and nations will commemorate the thirtieth anniversary of Lenin's death...

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SEEING RED

WHO IS BLOCKING peace in the present maritime controversy? Well, let's see. There is no denying that the employers have made strenuous efforts to 'settle' the matter...

Honor Lenin by Aiding Spain

LOS ANGELES - The Los Angeles Young Communist League will celebrate the Lenin, Liebknecht and Luxemburg Memorial with affairs given for the benefit of Spanish Loyalist Fighters...

Unions of San Pedro Have Learned How to Organize Sports Activities

Until recently one of the most important phases of the organized labor movement has been neglected; that is, sports and recreational activities. This has been true for several reasons...

Spanish Delegates Reception Planned

LOS ANGELES - Preparing for the public meeting to be addressed by the Spanish Youth delegates, the provisional committee to aid the embattled Spanish people in their fight against Fascism has announced a conference...

L.A. Building Trades Dance for 'Western'

LOS ANGELES - As part of the annual 'Western' dance, the L.A. Building Trades Union will give a combined party of the \$120,000 Workers Press Drive, Building Trades Union, and other organizations...

Screen Actors Join in Boycott of L.A. Unfair Store

LOS ANGELES - Delegate Audrey Blair of the Screen Actors Guild reported that the Screen Actors Guild and other unions have joined in a boycott of the L.A. Unfair Store...











### AIDS DEFENDERS OF DEMOCRACY IN SPAIN FIGHT

#### Communist Party of Cal. Lists More Donations

MADRID—Short food supplies and a lack of warm clothing for the defenders of Spanish democracy was revealed here today, giving emphasis to the need for more support from international friends of democracy.

#### Have YOU Helped Spain?

SAN FRANCISCO—Further donations for the aid of the Spanish people were reported last week by the Communist Party of California, which immediately forwards all funds to the North American Committee for Aid to Spanish Democracy in New York City.

Previously acknowledged, the fund lists: Mrs. F. F. Bokstorf, \$5; Los Angeles County, \$25; A. Friend, \$1; Mrs. J. J. ...

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### They Haven't Read the Hearst Press!

#### British Steps to Snare U. S. for Next War

LONDON—The ground work for drawing the United States into the next world war is being prepared by Great Britain, which is systematically involving American industry in its rearmament program, from industry to industry.

British tactic is the same as it was in 1916, when the presence of American industry was made dependent upon British munitions. A remarkable growth in English orders for American metals and aircrafts came the last three months in 1936, machinery exports to Britain also rose 30 per cent during last October, as compared to October, 1935.

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#### Italian Soldiers Mutiny Against Order to Fight for Spain Fascists

MILAN—Population of this Italian city is still seething with the news of the sensational revolt some weeks ago of 500 Italian soldiers who mutinied against their order to fight against the Spanish democratic government.

#### Pres. Roosevelt's Expedition to South America

By HARRISON GEORGE  
With the prestige of an electoral victory of overwhelming proportions behind him, President Roosevelt began his trip to Buenos Aires under the most auspicious circumstances.

And he used his advantage to the full. What the outcome may be yet to be seen. The results of the Inter-American Peace Conference are later reckoned up.

When Dr. R. Went ... The motive of Roosevelt's trip was, of course, to advance and defend the interests of imperialism. It is his good fortune that the interests of the imperialists for which he speaks are at this moment being served by a policy of peace, of "good neighborhood," and democracy.

It would be equally wrong to fall to see this imperialist move as only a step toward a more complete advantage. It is a step toward a more complete advantage, as much as possible, the political and economic conditions of the world.

The Latin American peoples have had enough of the imperialist "Colossus of the North." Mexicans still remember the Mexican Revolution and the whole southwestward march of the U. S. was from Mexico, by armed conquest; nor the invasions by U. S. troops and the bombardment of Vera Cruz about 20 years ago.

The people of Cuba, Haiti, Puerto Rico, Nicaragua, know and hate the sight of the bayoneted and the hanging of the Rio Grande but has lived in apprehension of the imperialist.

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### Like a Vacation!

#### San Francisco Worker Writes Experiences Working in a Soviet Union Factory

KIEV, U.S.S.R.—I am at present in the Soviet Union working in a factory here, together with 4000 workers. Would it have been in San Francisco at present I would be out of work, for the far season is long over and I would have to wait until enough profitable orders have been received in order to be given a chance to earn my livelihood.

Out here it was given work immediately. There is no unemployment. On the contrary, I was told they could employ all the turners of San Francisco.

No Straw Bosses! And, strange as it may sound to some American workers, there is no "boss" in our factory to be feared by Roosevelt.

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#### Sunday Worker Issues New Map of Spain

A new map of Spain, showing the areas held by the loyalists and the areas held by the fascists, has been prepared by the Sunday Worker and sold in large numbers.

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### Hitler Incites Fascists to Insurrection Against Govt. in Czechoslovakia

#### Germany Plots Direct Intervention Country to Take It Over Under Cover of Fascist-Instigated Civil War

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia—Hitler is inciting this country to launch an insurrection against the government. The Prague correspondent for International Correspondence.

The correspondent quoted from the manifesto adopted by the Central Committee of the "Czechoslovak Communist Party" last October.

"Fascist Germany, which is carrying on a war of intervention in Spain against the lawful government, which is intriguing and plotting in all parts of the world, is preparing to deliver a blow against Czechoslovakia."

"The Heineken Party—Hitler's secret agents in Czechoslovakia are forming secret shock troops, collecting weapons and preparing for an insurrection and the overthrow of the government."

"At the same time, the Communist Party has agreed to check the German and German agents on the basis of a solution of the international question on the part of the population be freed from the influence of Hitlerism as for the defense of the nation."

Nothing Like This in U. S. For myself, I am no more a foreigner, because foreign workers have equal rights here. There are no fascists here to be feared by Roosevelt.

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#### Worker Names Rats; Union Organized And Will Stay

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It is also well in mind that the principle of the candy workers' union is to prevent any one man from being a stoolie.

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### Tricks Fail to Stop East Bay Auto Workers

#### Chevrolet Heads Try "Bait," But Men Won't Be Fish

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### Laundry Workers Fight for Rights

#### By a Laundry Worker

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### Goodyear Workers Learn From Akron Struggle to Get Organized into Union

#### Los Angeles Rubber Workers Are Getting Set to Fight Speed-up, Low Wages, Stoolies and Company Unions

By a Rubber Worker  
LOS ANGELES—Although the Goodyear Rubber Plant here is long way from Akron, the management had to go all the way back to Ohio to find a newspaper suitable for posting in the California Plant (Wm. Hearst and scabby Times, take notice).

The full page ad in the newspaper says plaintively, "How Much More Must Akron Lose?"

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### Guild's Very Presence Aids

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RALPH BATES, NOTED BRITISH WRITER, STIRS L.A. AUDIENCES, TELLS OF HEROIC SPAIN FIGHT

Direct From Ranks of Peoples Army, He Tells of Fascist Barbarism; Need of Gas Masks; Big Sum of Money Raised

By T. L. STEWARD

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PUT DEMANDS OF WPA WOMEN

Alliance Fights for Dismissed Mothers

LOS ANGELES.—Demanding that 2,000 mothers who were dismissed from WPA sewing projects be given employment by the State Relief Administration, the Women's Committee of the Workers' Alliance met with the Los Angeles Citizen's Relief Committee Monday night.

Chairman Young of the Citizens' Committee met the women and urged the usual evasion, but the California Workers' Alliance organizer and spokesman for the women told Young:

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Young would give them no direct answer. He "hemmed and hawed" and said he would have to "deal with individuals on their own merits."

38,000 Now Out In Flint Gen. Motors

DETROIT.—The General Motors strike is spreading, following the prevention of negotiations on collective bargaining by the company.

The Buick Plant in Flint and the Pontiac plant in Battle more are the two latest units closed by the United Automobile Workers' Union, CIO affiliate.

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Another Display of Fascist Barbarism

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Accion Democraata Espanola Banquet Is Success

SAN FRANCISCO.—Accion Democraata Espanola, which maintains headquarters at 1896 California St. in the Spanish section of the city, collected \$1087 for the defenders of Spanish democracy at a banquet last Sunday 17. Additional funds are expected from the sale of tickets. The Alaska Cannery Workers' Union donated \$25.

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CALIFORNIA FARMERS AGAINST DESTRUCTION, NO REPAYMENT

SAN FRANCISCO.—The tuberculin test law in Stanislaus, Kings and Merced Counties has been declared valid by the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals here.

The law provides for destruction of tuberculin-infected cattle to this part the small farmers who sought to invalidate the law have lost their case.

What the object is, and strenuously, is the fact that valuable cattle are destroyed by tuberculin tests.

James L. Royle, Fresno attorney representing small dairy farmers in the Joaquin Valley, announced the decision of the Circuit Court will be appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court.

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I am enclosing one dollar and fifty cents for the W. W. drive and fifty cents for the Western Worker. I would like to send some more, but I am positively out of work. I will send more as soon as I can.

AGRICULTURAL WORKER (He did not even sign his name. He was not looking for personal credit.)

FIGHT E. BAY PICKET LAWS

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Ruling by Circuit Court Filled With Dangerous Implications for Organized Labor Movement's Future

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#### For a Progressive Bloc

THE PROGRESSIVE assemblies which attended the California People's Legislative Conference were no doubt impressed with the determination of the delegates to see to it that the elected representatives of the people in the Assembly act in the interests of the people generally, and not for the small but powerful anti-democratic, open-shop group of the Democratic Party kite.

#### What Happened at Youth Assemblies - What's Ahead

By FRANK CARLSON  
 (State Sec'y Y. C. L.)  
 The Northern and Southern Youth Assemblies held on January 21 and 22 in San Francisco were of great importance. They were the first of their kind to be held in California. They were held in the city of San Francisco, and they were held in the city of San Francisco, and they were held in the city of San Francisco.

#### Will Mr. Buzzell Oblige?

RECENTLY we asked Mr. Vandeleur, editorially, for a reasonable explanation of attacks against the People's Legislative Conference. The answering editorial in the latest issue of the "Labor Clarion" failed thereby to give such an explanation. And Mr. Vandeleur himself registered at the Conference as an observer, and asked that it support several measures proposed by himself—which the Conference, of course, was glad to do.

Now we want to address the same request to Mr. Buzzell of the Los Angeles Central Labor Council, who, in a circular letter to the unions dated January 15th, also attacked the People's Conference as being the "greatest danger" to the passing of pro-labor legislation.

We do not know whether Mr. Buzzell reads the Western Worker. The chances are that he does—as do most trade union officials on the Pacific Coast, either openly and honestly, or surreptitiously. Anyway, to make sure, we wish some one would direct Mr. Buzzell's attention to this editorial. We would like a reasonable explanation as to why Mr. Buzzell attacks this conference. We are sure thousands of Los Angeles trade unionists would also like to know.

Certainly all of the measures proposed by the Conference are to the interests of organized labor. Why doesn't Mr. Buzzell welcome the organization of a People's Conference—representative of 56 trade unions and six Central Labor Councils as well as other progressive organizations—to fight for pro-labor and pro-people's legislation? Is it merely the old red herring being dragged out of its dusty bin and across the trail again?

#### Support Resolution on Copeland Bill

ALL POSSIBLE pressure should be brought to bear upon Congressmen to support the House Resolution introduced by Representative Strovich, asking that Congress set aside the objectionable, blacklisting features of the Copeland Bill for six months. During this time, the necessary campaign can be waged for the bill amended to eliminate those features.

#### Congratulations to Alameda County

THE LAUNCHING of a labor ticket for the municipal elections in Oakland marks a big step forward in the awakening of organized labor and other progressive forces in California to the need for independent political action.

### As Nazis Speed Toward Provoking New Slaughter

FRANCE HURRIES fleet to Morocco as response to reports that thousands of Nazi troops have landed in Spanish Morocco, Africa, and that Hitler plans to grab off big portions of North Africa to be handed over by General Franco and Spanish Fascists.

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## IRISH PEOPLE REPUDIATE O'DUFFY FASCIST BRIGADE TO AID FRANCO IN SPAIN

**Patriot Priest Compares Spanish Fascists To Black-and-Tans; Leaders of Dublin Brigade, IRA, and Republicans Speak**

DUBLIN—Ireland is not Fascist—the Irish people repudiate the Duffy fascist volunteer brigade that went to help Franco in Spain.

Proof of the feelings of the Irish people is given in a series of articles, speeches and statements by leaders of the Church, of the old Irish Republican Army, and of the Labor and National movements.

Those who have spoken out include the Patriot Priest Rev. Michael O'Flanagan, Frank Ryan, Left Wing Republican leader, and Thomas P. Irwin, of the Dublin Brigade, IRA, and the Worker, of Dublin, recently reported their statements as follows:

In the course of a powerful indictment of Fascism at a great meeting in the Engineers' Hall, Dublin, on January 17, 1937, O'Flanagan, the distinguished patriot priest, said:

"The fight in Spain is a fight of the rich privileged classes of the world against the poor oppressed people of Spain. The cause being fought for in Spain is nearer us than is the cause of any other people in the world. It is the Black and Tans and we did not help the Black and Tans in Ireland."

"The government of Spain was elected by the votes of the people, and the other side is the army of rebels, mostly the old army."

"They are just the same type as our own General Dwyer and Carson at home. The people who are calling the Spanish rebels 'patriots' have proved to be very bad judges of patriots in Ireland."

"When we had real patriots fighting in Dublin they were called 'loafers' and they were sent to the pay of Germany. We had an editorial in our newspaper alluding to Murphy's independence, asking for the death of two of the noblest patriots in the history of Ireland—Connell and Sean McDermott."

"It is in the Red Republic of Russia that nationalities similar to those of Spain have got their fullest freedom."

"We have had the experience," Father O'Flanagan continued, "of seeing the church of the Black and Tans, even clerics who were true to their duty, being spurned by the ecclesiastics of their time, who deplored the glorification of these patriot priests. I hope the people who will judge the British government in the future will have monuments erected to these patriot priests. I hope the people who will judge the British government in the future will have monuments erected to these patriot priests. I hope the people who will judge the British government in the future will have monuments erected to these patriot priests."

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Interviewed by a Dublin Worker representative before his departure for Spain to take command of the Irish section of the International Column, now commanded by General Kleber, Frank Ryan, the outstanding Left Wing Republican leader, said:

"The Irish contingent is a demonstration of revolutionary solidarity with the gallant Spanish workers and peasants who are fighting for freedom against Fascism, and the intervention of the Irish Fascist rebels."

"It is to aid the revolutionary movements in Ireland to defeat the Fascist menace by means of the Irish Republic, and finally and not the least, to establish the closest fraternal solidarity between the Irish and Spanish democracies of Ireland."

**20,000,000 Copies of Stalin Reports Sold**

MOSCOW.—Twenty million copies of Stalin's report on the new Soviet Constitution have been sold already. No reprints are being prepared. Millions of copies are to be printed in every language used by all Soviet nationalities. The Constitution was adopted by the 17th Congress of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union in Moscow, Dec. 25, 1936. It was the victor of innumerable jailings un-

## Greek Communist Leader Railroaded To Fascist Prison

**NIKKO ZACHARAEV**

ATHENS, Greece.—Nikko Zachariev, general secretary of the Communist Party of Greece, was sentenced to nine years in prison on frame-up charges for which he has just been tried.

The military dictator, John Metaxas, wanted to kill him. Legal groundwork was laid for a death sentence. Among charges that in 1924 he killed an agent of the Greek government, he was accused of being a provocateur while fighting to defend the offices of the Greek Communist newspaper Rizospastis.

Only protest from liberals and labor organizations throughout the world caused the court to falter in its intentions, and the severe prison sentence was rescinded and replaced by the death penalty.

## Communist Party of Germany Rallies Aid for Spain Govt.

BERLIN.—Slipped secretly from hand to hand, left in writing bins in factories, pasted over the walls of homes, and suddenly found the stairways of the Berlin suburb, read with both eyes open by Storm Troopers—this thin paper leaflet is flooding the Third Reich.

Workers, farmers, soldiers, and sailors are being urged to help the German government in the fight against the Hitlerite government in Spain. The leaflet says that the German government is the only one that has not broken its word to the Spanish people and that the German government is the only one that has not broken its word to the Spanish people."

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## INTERNATIONAL COLUMN WILL LIVE IN THE HEARTS OF SPANISH PEOPLE DEFENDING DEMOCRACY

**Famous Anti-Fascists From Many Nations Fight to Save Madrid From Franco and His Nazi, Italian Allies**

MADRID—Forever in the heart of the Spanish people and friends of democracy, will live the gallant members of the International Column, who came from all over the world to defend the constitutional Spanish government against Fascism.

The International Column has played a stirring role in the defense of Madrid, and it symbolizes the international solidarity of the democratic people with Spanish democracy.

Commander of the column is General Emilio Kleber. Born in Austria, Kleber was drafted into the Austrian army and later found himself fighting as an officer against the Red Army of the U.S.S.R. Kleber deserted to the Red Army.

Kleber fought with the Red Army and then went to Canada, where he became a naturalized citizen. When the Spanish Civil War started, he offered his services to the government, and was accepted by the Red Army.

The military dictator, John Metaxas, wanted to kill him. Legal groundwork was laid for a death sentence. Among charges that in 1924 he killed an agent of the Greek government, he was accused of being a provocateur while fighting to defend the offices of the Greek Communist newspaper Rizospastis.

Only protest from liberals and labor organizations throughout the world caused the court to falter in its intentions, and the severe prison sentence was rescinded and replaced by the death penalty.

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## Farmer-Laborites Support People's Peace Program

**MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.**—A people's peace program was unanimously adopted by the Hennepin County convention of the Farmer-Labor Association meeting here, for submission to the coming state convention of the Association.

The program included demands that the embargo on sale of war materials to the Spanish government be lifted.

Building a broad people's peace movement, as recommended by Secretary of State Cordell Hull in his recent speech at Inter-American Peace Conference, was proposed, to be based on the trade unions, farmers, organizations, churches, women's clubs, youth groups and other social organizations, "to exert collective influence on the foreign policy of the government in the interests of the people to check war-makers, combat Fascism, and make the United States an outstanding world force for peace."

**Cooperation With Soviet Union**  
The program called for development of a unified people's peace program on keeping out of war by cooperating to keep war out of the world, requiring strengthening of collective security by collaboration with the League of Nations, the Soviet Union and with all forces throughout the world against the war-mongers—Germany, Italy, Japan.

**Disarming the Monroe Doctrine**  
In defiance of small American nations, and granting of full independence to the people of the world, the program called for the disarming of the Monroe Doctrine.

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## Stalin Is "A Real Man," Says Former German Authority

MOSCOW.—"My first impression when I saw Stalin is clear to me. He is a real man, a man of directness and in the course of a conversation lasting many hours he is not excessively nervous. He is a single person who could be called a 'strong man'."

**Bigger Income Means More Comfort and Culture Planned**  
MOSCOW.—Figuring a budget for 1937 is far different from that of 1936 in the United States, where hundreds of thousands of workers face loss of WPA jobs and a big slash in relief.

"New sources of income and greater-than-planned success of Soviet industry and collective farms, permitted expenditures last year in excess of the budget, the Soviet Union Central Executive Committee reported, and this year's income will still give greater gains for the Soviet people."

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## Room for You!

More room for more correspondents! With this issue, all advertisements have been moved off this Workers' Correspondence Page to take care of the increased news being sent in by our correspondents in farm and factory, throughout California.

So let's have your story in right away! And ask for a bundle of the issue it appears in, so you can circulate it among your fellow-workers and friends (rates 2 1/2 cents per copy to correspondents). Then ask the readers if this paper isn't worth donating to, and get contributions for our \$12,000 financial drive!

Remember—broke prizes of great value are still being offered to the writer of the best story of the week. Latest winner comes from the Chevrolet plant, over in Oakland, where great struggles are looming as the auto industry is organizing under the CIO. He receives "The Coming Struggle for Power," by John Strachey, but before we can send him the book, he'll have to send us his address.

Lenin's "Imperialism" is the prize for the best story in this issue and the next. The prize for the following week will be "Spain in Revolt," by Harry Gannes and Theodore Repair.

Write YOUR story today! Address Workers' Correspondence Editor, Western Worker, 121 Haight Street, San Francisco.

**San Francisco Recruiting Conference**  
(By State Organization)  
San Francisco Party Builders were proud at their Conference Jan. 9 when they heard County Organizers Spectator announce the County recruited 517 new Party members since Sept. 7, with lowest prizes for aiding.

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## CLEANERS WON BY INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATION

**Over 100,000,000 Heads to Count**  
By a Worker Correspondent  
SAN FRANCISCO.—Many probably wonder still as to how the cleaners were able to organize their ranks in the industry so suddenly, with such little apparent effort.

In the past the Cleaners, Dyers and Pressers Union found its membership now increasing and then decreasing. Many members had given up hope. They suddenly found an explanation, the thing was done. Thomas and Alex's largest plant in town, they signed up after a two-day strike, very little effort.

Prize to the election of the new set of officers, the union was carrying on a battle on two fronts—both the rank-and-file and the bosses. Those of the old set that were progressive found barriers and obstacles within the organization. These obstacles were diehards functioning as leaders.

**Reactionaries Removed**  
Becoming a union is a fight that the progressives put up together. (Attempts were made to split the union by transferring the drivers to the teamsters.) As time went on, the rank-and-file became aware of the necessity to remove those leaders who had retarded the growth of the union. So in a new election this was done. Those that were progressive were reelected, and those that were not were replaced.

**Single Jobless Will Meet to Get Organized**  
By a Worker Correspondent.  
SANTA ROSA, Calif.—A group of workers of California are to meet in Sacramento February 2-4, for the purpose of demanding cash relief and other help.

**SONOMA COUNTY LABOR ENEMIES**  
Santa Rosa Paper and Rural Press Want for Profiters  
By a Worker Correspondent.  
PETAUMA, Cal.—I am again tempted to write and draw your attention to certain events of the past and present that will help bring to the workers and yourselves a clear-cut picture of the reactionary element fighting labor under the name of law and order and otherwise misrepresenting the true facts which I will state briefly.

**ALASKA UNION REPORTS UNITY**  
Negotiations for 1937 Will Start Soon With Packers  
By a Worker Correspondent.  
SAN FRANCISCO.—In accord with reports made recently by Brother George Woolf, president of the Alaska Cannery Workers Union, this union and the sister union, the Alaska Cannery and Farm Laborers' Union of Seattle, are practically one.

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## LIVELIHOOD IS TAKEN AWAY, FARMERS ARE NOT COMPENSATED FOR TREES ORDERED CUT DOWN

**State Grange Tries to Help Poor Farmers Near Redlands Get Cash for Trees Hit by Peach Mosaic Disease**

By a Worker Correspondent  
SANTA BARBARA.—Last September I visited my brother-in-law in Yucaipa Valley, seven miles from Redlands in San Bernardino County, California. This valley has long been well known for deciduous fruits—wonderful peaches, apples, plums, etc., it being in high altitude, too cold for citrus fruit. My brother owns 14 acres, mostly peaches, some apples.

Not long before I was there it seems the government horticulturists on the operation of machines known as sprayers, which are being used to ascertain the exact number of inhabitants of the Soviet Union. With a thorough-going system of child and maternal welfare, population increases fast.

**VETS' BUREAU 'CONTACT MAN' IS VIGILANTE**  
Veteran Tells About Bad Conditions at Soldiers' Home  
By a War Veteran.  
ROSEBURG, Oregon.—C. R. Christie is a Legionnaire ex-serviceman who led a vigilante mob on the Burke Bigg last year in Seattle, Wash., where social science school was being conducted.

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# Oil Workers' Organizing Drive Must Be Prepared by Labor

### PRASE MARINE UNIONS' AID TO PICKET DRIVE

**Building Council In S.F. Pledge \$2000 To Aid Repeal**

SAN FRANCISCO—The San Francisco Building Trades Council has pledged \$2000 to aid the campaign for repeal of the San Francisco anti-picket law which will be on the ballot March 9.

Secretary King of the campaign committee organizing carpenters and the maritime unions for aid they have given in the campaign for repeal of the ordinance.

### Furniture Unions Conveno on Drive

LOS ANGELES—To lay plans for a drive to repeal the anti-picket law throughout the country's unorganized districts, five thousand furniture workers will meet in Los Angeles, January 28, in the fourth convention of the Advisory Council on Furniture Workers.

Along with the United Brotherhood of Carpenters, of which the Furniture Workers is a chartered member, the union has chapters in many districts on the West Coast. The organization where all workers must carry a union card in order to work in a furniture factory.

### Map L.A. Drive For Theater Employees

LOS ANGELES—To plan organization of users, cashiers and other theatre employees, the executive board of the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees, powerful film industry union opened its first meeting in Hollywood in six years on Monday, January 26.

### Culinary Internat'l Will Back Drive On Taverns with \$10,000

SAN FRANCISCO—The Culinary Crafts Alliance is preparing to seriously tackle the job of organizing the White Log Tavern restaurant chain in the most vicious open-shop outfit.

### Civil Liberties Is Topic In East Bay Labor Forum

OAKLAND—"Civil Liberties" is the subject of the Labor Forum of the Central Labor Council to be held at the Carpenters Hall, Sunday, January 31, at 8 p.m.

### A Labor Bill of Rights in L.A.

LOS ANGELES—Councilman Parley P. Christensen of the ninth district has introduced a resolution to the Los Angeles city council providing for "collective bargaining" and to provide against violence and public disturbance in connection with labor disputes.

### Kern County Labor Council Elects

BAKERSFIELD—Nomination of officers for the 1937 term was completed by the Labor Council, and election and installation will take place Tuesday, January 26.

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# Buzzell Tries To Knife Idea Of Labor Laws

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There are popping up a number of organizations under various names, the California Peoples' Legislative Conference, League for Constitutional Rights and others, who label themselves as "Labor" and who are submitting or proposing to submit to the legislature certain measures, and, in order to secure or establish some respectability for their claims, are presenting Labor representatives.

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# Long Beach Meeting Reveals Danger of Reactionary Move

By TOM PATTERSON

Most striking of the public announcements coming out of the recent meeting in Long Beach of the international executive council of the Oil Field Gas Well and Refinery Workers of America was one by President Harvey Fremming that the drive to organize a million oil workers would be started about April first to forestall the growing movement of organized labor toward independent political action in Los Angeles, reactionary Secretary of the Central Labor Council, J. W. Buzzell, brands the California Peoples' Legislative Conference as unrepresentative of labor.

It is an announcement that oil workers everywhere have greeted enthusiastically. Highly important also is the fact that Fremming included in this number of workers' undertakings without thousands employed in service stations, who for the most part have had to organize themselves in federal locals heretofore. The Oil Workers' Union has jurisdiction over them.

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SAN FRANCISCO—On Jan. 21 the strike of the 100 Kroehler men when plant in Inglewood, near Los Angeles is also struck.

### L.A. Box and Crate Makers Join the Family of Unions

LOS ANGELES—A charter has been granted to a newly organized Box and Crate Makers Local in Los Angeles by the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America.

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### CONSTITUTES BIG VICTORY FOR UNION

Pedro Unions Back Stand (No Referendum Until All Unions Are Ready); East Coast Unions Win Labor Board Hearing

SAN PEDRO—The Central Strike Committee of San Pedro has voted unanimously to concur with a resolution from the Coast Joint Labor Committee to the effect that no striking union take a ratifying vote on tentative agreements until all unions are ready to do so.

### ARSENAL FOUND IN HOLMAN NEST AFTER COPS RAID

Many Things Arrested, By Holman's Outwitted

SAN FRANCISCO—The San Francisco Police Department has announced that it has broken up a "nest" of Communist agents in the city.

### NEWS BRIEFS

LOS ANGELES—Labor's Conference for the Municipal Elections composed of over 42 local trade unions, announced Friday, January 22, a tentative platform for the coming spring elections.

### SENATE BILL TO HURT STRIKERS

SAN FRANCISCO—Only after a marathon union delegation had talked turkey to Police Chief Quinn, following the shooting of an I.L.A. member by Lee Holman's gun-thugs Friday, did the police finally take some action against the "imported" strike-breakers of Holman.

### THE STRIKERS MUST HAVE THE HELP OF THE WESTERN WORKER

LAST WEEK THE WESTERN WORKER gave an extension on the bill of a group of striking Crockett workers who have been paying for and distributing a bundle for more than a year.

# Western Worker

WESTERN ORGAN OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY, U.S.A. (Section of the Communist International)

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LOS ANGELES—The Trotsky Ring has announced a drive to aid democracy in the coming spring elections.

### LEWIS, IN AUTO STRIKE, DEMAND F. D. AID UNIONS

OAKLAND—Half of the working force of the Chevrolet-Fisher Body plant here was out on strike here after two hours of picketing by the United Auto Workers.

### LONG BEACH CO. ALLIANCE GOES 400 MEMBER

LOS ANGELES—The Long Beach Co. Alliance has announced that it has gained 400 new members.

### ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS!

Members of the Western Worker are urged to attend the upcoming meeting.

### THROW OUT FINK BOOK, BILL SAYS

SAN FRANCISCO—C. W. Sanders of the U.S. Bureau of Navigation arrived here today to supervise distribution of the continuous discharge book.

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# East Bay Labor Goes Full Speed Ahead For Labor Pa

## "MUST BE PARTY TRULY, WHOLE-HEARTEDLY REPRESENTATIVE OF ORGANIZED LABOR, FARMERS"

Such a Party is in the Making, Says the "East Bay Labor Journal," Organ of the Central Labor Council

OAKLAND—Going ahead full speed toward building organized labor's own party, and definitely committed to run a Labor slate in the April municipal elections, the attitude of Alameda County organized labor is best expressed in a recent editorial in the "East Bay Labor Journal."

## SANTA CLARA LABOR HATES MUSSOLINI

### Red-Hot Letter To Mayor Rossi For Fascist Invite

SAN JOSE—Santa Clara County organized labor means full well what Fascism really is like. The unions here don't like the invite extended by Angelo Rossi to Premier Mussolini, Italian blackshirt chief, to send his representatives to the Golden Gate Bridge opening in San Francisco this coming May.

The Santa Clara County Central Labor Council has plenty to say to Mayor Rossi of San Francisco on that score. Its letter follows:

San Jose, Calif.  
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, Mayor,  
San Francisco, California.  
Dear Sir:

The Central Labor Council of Santa Clara County regrets your invitation to Premier Mussolini to participate in the celebration proposed at the conclusion of the Golden Gate Bridge construction.

It is the opinion of the Council that Premier Mussolini stands for principles so alien and antagonistic to the ideals and institutions of American democracy, that to so specially honor him on an occasion of a great democratic achievement, like the Golden Gate Bridge, is to say the least an unfortunate choice.

In no way is this letter to be construed as derogatory to the Italian people, here or elsewhere. Respectfully yours,  
J. J. ANDERSON, Secy.

## Fight to Amend Copeland Bill

(Continued from Page 3) rights for the seamen which were not recognized nor established in previous statements of Mr. Weaver, or in the Bill itself.

It can be said that these rules, if enforced, would constitute some safeguards against the Bill and Discharge Book from being used as the vicious anti-union measure it was intended to be.

But at the best these are only partial guarantees, forced by the mass pressure of the seamen, and undoubtedly the representatives of the seamen today in Washington will press for immediate action by Congress on the Sirovich resolution to postpone enforcement of the Copeland Bill; for consideration by Congress of the amendments sponsored by the unions; and for every possible guarantee that would protect the rights of the seamen and prevent the Permanent Discharge Book from becoming a weapon used to destroy their unions and worsen their wages and working conditions.

The delegation in Washington had the backing of the tens of thousands of maritime workers out on strike. They must also have the backing of the trade union movement; of the general public and of all those interested in genuine legislation to promote safety at sea. The enforcement of these bills would pave the way for anti-labor legislation in other industries, it would be a blow against the democratic rights of American people. Rally to the support of the maritime workers by:

1. Having every organization, and even individuals, send telegrams today to their Congressman demanding immediate and favorable action on the Sirovich resolution, and that he support the proposed amendments of the seamen.
2. Rallying greater support for the maritime workers in order that they can bring their strike to a successful conclusion.

The "Journal" is the official organ of the Alameda County Central Labor Council. The editorial stated in part:

"For the same reason that Roosevelt was overwhelmingly elected, in face of the fact that powerful interests did not want him, it follows that if the majority of the American people now resolve that they want to launch a new third party, that will more truly represent their interests than do either of the two old parties, they not only have the numbers but they have demonstrated in the election just held that they also have the intelligence and independence to stand together no matter how desperately the most cunning politicians may seek to divide them.

**Controlled by People**  
"Any third party move, having no higher motive than spoils of office is unworthy of consideration. Any new party which is dominated by the same kind and type of politicians, as having been in control of the two old major parties will be wasted energy for the reason that these two old parties are both honey-combed with politicians, who are merely the instruments of special interests.

**The only kind of a third party, which can merit the support of the American people is one that is so organized, controlled and managed, that it will reflect the interests of the majority of the people.**

"Who are the majority of the people?"  
"The answer to this question is easy and self-evident to anybody who is willing to admit the truth of things that are. There are two main groups composing the total population of the United States, which combined constitute an overwhelming majority of the American people. These two groups are the wage-earners, who earn their livelihood by working for others, and the farmers, who themselves till the soil of their own or rented farms.

**"Worth While Experiment"**  
"Any third party, which would faithfully and truly represent the best interests of labor and of the farmers, would be the most worth-while political experiment, which could be made in the elections, which lie immediately ahead of us. But it would have to be a farmer-labor party in reality and not merely in name. It would have to truly represent the highest and most advanced interests of these two groups.

... So long as this fundamental foundation of any third party movement is understood, and observed, it matters little what name may be given to such a party.

**"It matters not whether such a new party is named Farmer-Labor party, or any other name, but if it is to accomplish and achieve the greatest need of the hour, now confronting the American people, it must truly and whole-heartedly represent labor and farmer interests.**

"Such a party is in the making and the more active a part the real workers, on the one hand and the genuine farmers on the other, actually take in forming and managing such a new third party the more faithfully will it reflect their interests."

## New S.F. Chamber Head's New Tactic

SAN FRANCISCO.—The new president of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce evidently realizes the unpopularity of that open shop organization.

He is J. W. Howell, who as general manager of the Haslett Warehouse Co. helped to block peace in the warehousemen's strike for a long time.

Knowing that a new line is necessary, even though the Chamber remains the same strikebreaking collection of open-shoppers, Howell said on assuming his post, "The problems we have here are not going to be settled by business men alone. They are going to have to work with labor organizations."

## LABOR'S MAN



LET'S HOPE we'll have men like John H. Bernard (above) in Congress from California in the near future. Congressman Brenard of Minnesota, Farmer-Laborite, is fighting in Congress for labor's rights. He's the lone Congressman who fought for the right of the legal Spanish government to purchase arms in this country.

## JUDGE RUEBEN'S AT IT AGAIN

### A New Injunction Is Handed Down in L.A.

LOS ANGELES.—Extending his drive against labor to include newsboys selling the Los Angeles "Citizen," Judge Rueben S. Schmidt, found Gardner Wells guilty of contempt of court and sentenced him to five days or \$10 fine.

Wells was selling the "Citizen" in front of scabby Maurice Ball's Fur Establishment, one of the many Merchants' and Manufacturers' Association supported stores that has secured anti-picketing injunctions from Judge Schmidt in the past few weeks.

The fight against the injunction is being carried on in court by the International Fur Workers Union. Meanwhile, strikers are determined to continue their fight against the exploitation of Maurice Ball.

## Board Brings Greyhound to Time

LOS ANGELES.—The National Labor Relations Board has handed down its first decision in which the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers is involved.

The decision orders the Pacific Greyhound Lines, Inc.—a passenger bus company owned by the So. Pacific Railroad—to offer "full reinstatement with back pay" to the two motor coach operators who were discharged because of their activities in the Brotherhood.

Withdrawal of all recognition from the Drivers' Association—a company union formed by the management when its coach operators began joining the B. of L. F. and E.—was also ordered.

**Sought Union Protection**  
The two men were discharged last summer. Earlier, about 100 of the Greyhound's drivers went to San Francisco officials of the Firemen and Engineers and asked to be taken into the Brotherhood.

As the Pacific Greyhound Lines is owned by a railroad and transports passengers who otherwise would have traveled by rail, the Brotherhood agreed to admit these men. The Greyhound management immediately launched a coercion campaign and forced most of them to drop out.

Two drivers, however, remained active in the Brotherhood and later on succeeded in organizing a majority of the Greyhound operators. This brought about the discharge of the two volunteer organizers.

The Brotherhood filed a complaint with the Regional office of the NLRB and the latter handed down its decision this week.

## Santa Clara Labor Condemns Rossi

SAN JOSE.—The Santa Clara County Central Labor Council has passed a resolution condemning the frame-up of King, Conner and Ramsey in the ship murder case.

A resolution was also adopted condemning the attack on Harry Bridges by Mayor Rossi over the radio recently.

The Council went on record for a state-wide paper, to be printed by the Union Printing Co. here and to be used as the official organ of the Committee for Agricultural Organization (CAO).

## SHOW-DOWN LOOMS AS NATIONAL CONVENTION OF STEEL UNION NEARS; STEP-UP IN CAMPAIGN

### Lid Is Off, New Lodges of Amalgamated Association Set Up Right and Left; Industry Nearly 50% Organized

PITTSBURGH (UNS)—Swinging into the New Year, the steel unionization campaign takes on another phase: With the membership now over 125,000, lodges will be formed everywhere preliminary to a gigantic national convention of steel workers in the near future.

The show-down with steel management is not far away. Events which marked the end of the first six months of the campaign show that the unionization of steel is near an actual fact.

Enrollment in the union is continuing at a rate which will soon make the entire industry more than 50% organized; in many plants and steel towns that mark was passed long ago.

The "bolt" of company union representatives from 42 steel concerns which took place recently in Pittsburgh proves that the employe representation plan is on its last legs.

**Company Union Doodled**  
And the evidence already written into the records of the National Labor Relations Board in Washington shows the inevitable dissolution of company unions of the Carnegie-Illinois Corp., because they violate the labor relations act.

The forthcoming national convention of union steel workers was decided upon because of the speed of organization. It has been the policy in some sections of the country to refrain from setting up lodges, even where membership is strong. This was done for reasons of strategy.

But the lid is off from now on—and lodges will be set up. From the lodges delegates will be named to attend the convention.

Philip Murray, chairman of the Steel Workers Organizing Committee, told a meeting of Pittsburgh business men that "the job of unionizing steel" will be completed in 1937.

He also announced that there are now more than 150 lodges set up and by convention time another hundred will be functioning.

## Aircraft Campaign Speeds in S. Diego

SAN DIEGO.—Encouraging success is featuring the campaign to unionize employees of the airplane manufacturing industry here, it was announced this week by officials of Aircraft Lodge No. 1,125 of the International Association of Machinists.

Hundreds of men and women have joined within the last few weeks and spokesmen for the union predicted that the balance of the 3,000 eligibles will be signed up in a short time.

**Union Only Remedy**  
Low wages and other undesirable working conditions are prevalent.

"The workers realize that this situation can be corrected only through labor organization," the union said in a formal statement reviewing the progress of the organization drive. "The present low wage scale barely enables a large percentage of these employees to meet their living expenses.

"Certainly the hundreds of men receiving 40 cents an hour are forced to adopt a very low standard of living. Here in San Diego hundreds of workers in other industries are receiving twice as much pay as the aircraft employes get for doing identical work.

"The reason for that is that the higher-paid men are members of organized labor. On unorganized jobs, common laborers get 50 per cent more an hour than the minimum wage in the local aircraft industry. The same applies to skilled labor.

"The wide difference in wage rates certainly shows the need for unionization of the aircraft industry here."

## CONCILIATORS ACTIVE

TOLEDO, O.—Federal conciliators conferred here over the strikes of workers in the Libby-Owens-Ford (glass) and of gas workers.

## TO PROBE FLOGGING

WASHINGTON.—The La Follet Civil Liberties Committee will investigate the flogging of Prof. Joseph Gelders at Birmingham, Ala., by a vigilante mob. Gelders fought for civil liberty rights.

## THEY'RE THUGS



LOADED TO the gills with tear gas bombs, cartridges and gas masks, these Flint, Mich., cops engage in some vain boasting while sit-down strikers stay inside Fisher Body (General Motors) Plant No. 2. Farmer-Labor officials would halt use of cops against unions.

## PROUD RECORD OF A CIO UNION

### Rubber Men Grow 10 Times in Year

AKRON—The rubber industry presents an outstanding example of successful organization of a mass-production industry along the lines advocated by the Committee for Industrial Organization, according to a summary by Pres. S. H. Dalrymple, United Rubber Workers, of gains made during the past year.

Formed in the fall or 1935, with 3,500 members, the United Rubber Workers increased its membership in 1936 to a total of over 36,000. Chartered locals have increased from 38 to 62, of which nine are 100 per cent organized, Dalrymple states.

"The six-hour day and the 36-hour week have been achieved and maintained in practically all of the plants that are organized,—manufacturing tires and tubes," he says. "Wages have been increased so as not to reduce the weekly earnings due to the reduction in hours.

"Collective bargaining has been established and seniority rights have been recognized. Unjust discharges have been eliminated in all of the plants where we have established local unions, and paid vacations have been won for our members in a large number of the organized plants.

"Since our first annual convention in September, 1936, and since the establishment of five district offices, 17 new locals have been chartered and collective bargaining established.

"Sixteen strikes have been conducted by the United Rubber Workers, without violence, and all of the strikes have been concluded, with concessions gained, to the satisfaction of all striking members.

"We find that our affiliation with the C.I.O. has played a major part in the above-mentioned accomplishments."

"I am enclosing a copy of a letter (referring to Laughlin's letter) which is self-explanatory. This camp was inspected today and favorable conditions were found. We believe that a complaint should be issued by your department if you see fit to do so, as the violations cover certain items beyond our jurisdiction. If it is at all possible to have Mr. Rugg or Mr. Mott handle this, we would be very much obliged as there is an undercurrent of unrest in the Mexican labor group which might lead to a strike."

## Propose Joint Drive To Aid Campaign In Orange County

LOS ANGELES.—An attempt to organize unorganized workers in Los Angeles and Orange Counties has been submitted in form of a proposal to Central Labor Councils of these counties by J. W. Buzzell, secretary of the Los Angeles Central Labor Council.

In a letter sent to secretaries to Labor Councils in Los Angeles and Orange Counties, Buzzell proposes that:

"The secretary of each Council shall immediately begin cataloging the various industries in their respective cities in an attempt to arrive at the approximate number of people employed in each one, and the opinion of the secretary concerning the opportunities to organize them."

Immediate incentive for the formation of this Council for Industrial Organization was disapproval of the Battery Workers Union, an American Federation of Labor federal union, over failure of AFL leaders, to extend financial help in the sit-down strike at the Electric Storage Battery Co. plants here.

## Philadelphia Unions Set Up a CIO Council For Organization

PHILADELPHIA.—Ten Philadelphia labor unions, forming a local branch of the Committee for Industrial Organization, laid plans to obtain organizers to push the CIO movement in mass production industries in the Philadelphia area.

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## AGRICULTURAL UNIONS SAN DIEGO ANSWER VICIOUS SYSTEM BY STRIKE

### Two Bonus Plans Are Designed the Unions; A Weapon to Keep Workers Always in Line

SAN DIEGO.—The Independent Agricultural Union (American, and Filipino) of San Diego County took last week in retaliation to the Growers' refusal to offer an agreement for the harvest of the celery and other vegetables grown in the county.

**Growers Fearful of Unions**  
The Celery Growers, fearful of the recent organizational drive initiated by the unions, have announced that they intend to initiate the bonus system in the fields, attempting to disguise it by calling it a 5c raise.

**A Vicious Weapon**  
The bonus system has proven one of the most vicious of the California growers' weapons, the growers using it in two ways. One is the yearly bonus paid only at the end of the season, by each individual employer to all employees who have worked steadily for the Association and only for them during the entire year.

In agriculture, this means that after a worker has been working for any one grower for a month or so, and a slack in the work comes, as a result of an immediate crop, the worker may not seek employment elsewhere if he wants his bonus at the end of the year.

It is used as all bonus systems, of course, to hold over the workers' head a weapon in order to keep him in line and to prevent him from going out on strike. It was against this vicious system that the citrus workers in Orange County struck last year.

**In Union There is Strength**  
In this first type of bonus is meant to forestall strikes the second is supposed to break strikes. This was initiated in Salinas, when the growers, during the lettuce strike, offered a 25c per day bonus to scabs. Those workers who were taken in by this promise have not to this day been paid, and they never will be. The agricultural workers are learning fast and realize that the strength of their organizations is their only protection.

Following this letter, Mr. Garrigan wrote to A. E. Monteith, Chief of the Division of Immigration and Housing in Los Angeles.

**Terrible Conditions**  
A letter addressed to J. D. Garrigan, sanitary inspector of Santa Maria, from Deane Laughlin, of the Santa Maria sheriff's office, reads in part:

"A complaint was handed in to me this morning regarding the above named party (Serferino Beccara) who runs a boarding house, just back of the Dan Tognazzini place about a mile and a half on the Guadalupe Road. This complaint was from Frank Montez, who is at the head of the Mexican Labor Union in this Valley, and Mr. Montez informed the living conditions and everything else attached to this boarding house are terrible."

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## Talk Guild to San Jose News Writers

SAN JOSE.—Howard Hill, of the San Francisco Newspaper Guild outlined the objectives of the American Newspaper Guild to a representative gathering of San Jose and vicinity newspaper men at the Labor Temple recently.

Hill denounced anti-Guild propaganda that has appeared in certain sections of the press and explained that the Guild is devoted exclusively to the fraternal and collective bargaining principals that guide other trade unions, affiliated to the American Federation of Labor.

After pointing out that the right to organize and bargain collectively with employers through organizations formed by their own initiative and through representation of their own choosing is guaranteed to all wage earners by federal law. Hill said that the Guild seeks at all times to maintain amicable relations with employers. As proof he told of agreements reached with all metropolitan newspapers of San Francisco without friction of any kind.

Representatives of the Central Labor Council attended the meeting and pledged full support of their organizations to any efforts of the editorial department employes to form a branch of the association here.

A great deal of interest was displayed by those who attended the meeting. Tentative committees were named to collect data and through which further meetings may be called to give those interested further information concerning the Guild.

## Santa Ana Rejects Anti-Picket Law

SANTA ANA.—The Grand Jury's suggestion that the Santa Ana city council pass an anti-picketing ordinance similar to the one passed by the County Board of Supervisors against the recent Mexican agricultural workers strike didn't go over. The city council turned the idea down flat.

Make the Labor Party Western Worker's of, by and for organ

## GORMAN LABOR PARTY A VITAL

### 1937 Message Fight on

By FRANCIS J. GORMAN (Vice-President, United Textile Workers)

The Textile Workers' fight their greatest in the year 1937. On the last September most progressive laid down a course of determination of mill before equalled of the organization.

We spoke out against war and Fascism, the Fascist coup in support of the movement forces who are glorious battle against odds.

We hammered out economic and political program with emphasis on the formation of a Labor Union of the United States, and our position with the for Industrial Organization.

We resolved to push legislation and measures in Congress to increase vigor.

These declarations, others, we are now into real action on.

We want and demand support of our friends and sympathizers in our crusade for democracy and justice.

## Decision in Case Coming

GALLUP, N. M.—An awaited argument on the Gallup prison case, Manuel Avila v. Velarde, was heard at the Supreme Court, Mexico on Saturday.

The appellants were over a year ago of the murder in the so-called "riot" on April 4, Sheriff Carmichael.

His case has well the New Mexico because the three were so obviously their union activity part in the strike of 1935.

The appellants were by Attorneys W. Simms, of Albuquerque, John L. Simms, State Supreme Court argued that Ochoa, Velarde were denied constitutional rights at in Aztec, N. M. in O and that since the of them was first denied Judge James B. M. in error in allowing bring in a verdict of free. He asked that prisoners be released penitentiary.

The court room seventy-two persons with some 125 tense and people, mostly Spaniards, eager to see to their courageous for.

The decision of the Court is expected soon.

## Carpenters in Jose Get-Tog

SAN JOSE.—United and carpenters in a County will have a on Feb. 6th at Elks. The union members served a banquet. The be dancing.