

War on Ethiopia Would Explode World Conflict



MUSSOLINI WANTS WAR HERE

Capitals See September as Date for Attack—Mussolini Has Mobilized Million Men for Desperate Adventure

By Harry Gannex
(This is the first of a series of six articles dealing with all phases of Italian Fascism's preparations for war against Ethiopia. Tomorrow's article will deal with mutinies in the Italian army, the growing anti-war sentiment and mass discontent, as well as the basic causes for Mussolini's drive to war in Africa.)

Ethiopia, ancient land of the black race, symbol of the sovereign Negro independent country, faces the most momentous events of its long history.

Today that Negro land's fate is interwoven with the future of the workers' revolution against European capitalism, especially Italian fascism.

War on Ethiopia may well mean war in other parts of Africa, war in Arabia. An African war may ignite the powder magazine of European capitalist conflicts.

And war against Ethiopia is certain. So declare the Italian fascist leaders. Mussolini, aping the arrogant Japanese militarists, insists war in Africa against the Ethiopian people must come—unless the demands of Italian fascism are met.

In London, Paris, Berlin, the press cold-bloodedly calculates the date for the war as around September. That is when the rainy-season ends in the territory Mussolini has picked for the battlefields.

War must come, we say—unless the Italian masses, with the support of the toilers and oppressed everywhere, can finish with the warmakers.

The shameless demands of Italian fascism summed up read: death to Ethiopian independence. Mussolini wants to slice the country in two so that he can more easily subdue it and digest its wealth.

Mussolini flatly tells the Ethiopian people, that proud race whose culture is more ancient than Rome's, that it must make way for fascism's colonial ambitions.

Ethiopia, Mussolini has decreed, must become a right-of-way for an Italian railroad connecting the fascist colony to the north of Ethiopia (Eritrea) with Somaliland, the Italian colony to the south.

The prospective railroad (like the South Manchurian Railroad of unsavory memory) would run through the heart of Ethiopia. Its steel rails would be a magnet for the trade of the Negro country. To "protect" it, a fascist military guard would remain there permanently, guarding the 18-mile strip over which would fly the fascist flag on the Negro land.

The trains would carry out of the country the wealth and labor of 15,000,000 people. It would bleed Ethiopia of its economic resources and of its political independence. It would strangle the political existence of the country, slate it for the doom of Manchuria.

Acceptance—Or War
If these demands are not met, Mussolini bellows, the bombing plane, poison gas, artillery fire, machine guns, the weapons of a superior fascist civilization will force Ethiopia to enter the sphere of modern fascist culture—and to pay for it through the nose.

Mussolini and the fascist-controlled press speak definitely, quite positively of war.
"Italian newspapers have recently begun openly speaking of war," writes a man who knows what Mussolini wants the world to hear. That's what Arnaldo Cortesi wired to the New York Times (for whom he acts as correspondent though he should be paid by Mussolini) on June 8, 1935. "War is now accepted as a perhaps unpleasant but certainly inescapable necessity."
Mussolini has mobilized 1,000,000 soldiers in Italy for this "unpleasant necessity." Reports from Italian revolutionary sources estimate some 250,000 of them are now camped near the future battlefields in Africa.

\$60,000,000 More for War
Besides the regular war budget that comes out of the hides of the poverty-stricken Italian toilers, Mussolini has spent an additional \$60,000,000 for war against Ethiopia

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PLAN STRIKES ON COOLIE PAY

DRESS BOARDS TO ACT TODAY ON WALKOUT

Merchants End Parley, Refusing to Limit Contractors

The executive boards of eleven local dress makers' unions on the Dress and Waist Makers' Union affiliated with the International Ladies Garment Workers' Union, will meet in Webster Hall tonight to act upon a strike.

Peace Parleys End
David Dubinsky, president of the I. L. G. W. U., in a statement made at the I. L. G. W. U. camp in Forest Park, Pa., yesterday, indicated the end of peace negotiations. He said that J. Louis Dubrow, executive director of the Merchants' Ladies' Garment Association, announced that his organization would refuse to sign any agreement with the cloakmakers except on the basis of wiping out the clause limiting the number of contractors to which a jobber may give his work.

The situation is a result of negotiations begun two months before the last agreement expired June 1. This agreement was extended to June 15 by consent of the union and the merchants' association "to afford opportunity for further discussion of issues." This truce was re-extended "for a few days" after June 15, in the hope of a peaceful settlement. These hopes were shattered when the merchants' association defied the will of 40,000 cloak makers organized into their union, the I. L. G. W. U.

Strongly Organized
As the cloak making industry is almost 100 per cent unionized, a strike would mean complete paralysis of the production of fall garments. Truck drivers in the industry are also organized as an

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Young Republicans Put New Sauce on Old Hoover Stew

ALEXANDRIA BAY, N. Y., June 23.—Though served with a salad of more radical phrases, the platform of the Association of New York State Young Republican Clubs, adopted here yesterday, is essentially the same warmed-over dish of Hooverian "gold and individualism" philosophy as the platform of the Republican "grass roots" conference in Springfield, Ill., June 11.

The much-advertised "left-wing" revolt proved to be only a pop-fly and the openly reactionary right-wing took complete control of the convention.

While declaring in favor of "providing the unemployed, not only with their bare material needs, but their requirements for living according to American standards," the platform made no criticism of Roosevelt's \$19 a month coolie base rate on public works.

Though the platform gives lip-service to unemployment insurance, old age pensions, collective bargaining, abolition of child labor and sweat-shops, and minimum wage and maximum hour laws, the convention opposed an amendment to the Constitution for legislation for a maximum 40-hour week, abolition of child labor and improved working conditions.

Unit to Organize Bushmen
PHILADELPHIA, June 23.—All bushmen have been urged to attend a meeting called by Local 56, Journeymen Tailors Union, A. F. of L., Monday at 8 p. m. at Union Hall, 1321 Arch Street, Room 811. A special representative of the union has been sent here to assist the local organization in the drive to organize the bushmen in the ready made and department stores.

Dies Calls for Nationwide Drive Against Foreign-Born

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 23.—In an effort to stem the rising demand for real unemployment insurance and higher wages to meet higher living costs, Representative Martin Dies launched a nationwide campaign here yesterday to create a division between foreign-born and native workers by calling for the deportation of six million foreign-born.

As part of the campaign Dies would develop an organization to be called "The Americans," ostensibly to bring pressure on Congress for the passage of the Dies' deportation bill.

Garment Workers Call Unity Against Bosses Best Answer to Green

National Rank and File Leaders of I. L. G. W. U. Urge Locals to Fight Anti-Red Edict—Knitgoods and Fur Leaders Act

The best answer to the red-baiting drive of William Green and Matthew Woll, it was pointed out yesterday by the National Committee of the Rank and File Groups of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, is to "establish firm unity in our ranks of all workers regardless of political beliefs, on the basis of a program of action against the bosses and for trade union democracy."

While the membership of the I. L. G. W. U. should welcome the statement of President Dubinsky disassociating himself from Green's statement, more positive action should be demanded of him, the National Committee declared, especially in view of Dubinsky's position as a member of the Executive Council of the A. F. of L. The membership of the union which is now in the midst of strike preparations, is called upon to pass resolutions against all persecution of militants within the I. L. G. W. U.

Knitgoods Leader Scores Green
At the same time, a statement was issued yesterday by Louis Nelson, manager of the Joint Council Knitgoods Workers Union, A. F. of L., condemning Green and Woll for an attitude that "promotes disunity" and calling for the removal of Woll "because of his affiliation to the National Civic Federation... an open capitalist, anti-labor outfit."

The statement of the National Committee of the Rank and File

Japan Plans Chahar Drive

Japanese Army Officer Says Nanking Pact Will Be Made

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)
TOKYO, June 23 (via Shanghai).—While the Japanese press is loud in declaring the demands of the Japanese army heads in North China have been fully satisfied, the facts and certain newspapers here tell a far different story.
The Japanese officer, Lieutenant-Colonel Takahashi, in Peking, informed foreign correspondents yesterday that an official agreement between Japan and China will be signed shortly in Nanking, according to the Evening Post here. But simultaneously the same paper declares that the conflict in Chahar is far from solution, notwithstanding the decision of the Nanking government to dismiss Sung Che-yuan, governor of Chahar, and to accept the four demands made by the Japanese.

The Japanese general, Kenji Doihara, has already announced he considers these demands insufficient, the newspaper Shunsho reports. A statement by Lieutenant-Colonel Takahashi, published today, says that the solution to the Chahar problem will depend on the result of a conference to be called shortly in Kalgan, with the participation of Sung Che-yuan, his successor, Tain De-chung and the Japanese Colonel Matsui.
Although the Peiping political council has ordered Sung Che-yuan to bring one of his divisions from Chahar to Shansi, up to the present there is no information that the order was carried out.

Consumers Force Down Meat Prices in St. Louis, Mo.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., June 23.—Consumer pickets forced the price of meat down 4 1/2 cents a pound in three stores here. The butchers signed an agreement with the Consumers League and placed signs in their windows stating that they had settled.

Among the organizations active in the fight against high meat prices is the American Workers Union, which is concentrating on the non-kosher stores. The stores that settled with the Consumers League sell kosher meat.

A conference against the high cost of living is scheduled to be held in the Cabanne Branch Library, Cabanne and Union Streets, Monday evening, July 1.

Meatless Week in Paterson
PATERSON, N. J., June 23.—A meatless week, which will last from July 1 to July 8, has been declared here by a consumers' committee which is leading the fight against high meat prices.

Y.P.S.L. HEAD ASKS OUSTER OF STIRLING

Central Labor Body of Everett Also Demands Admiral's Removal

EVERETT, Wash., June 23.—The Central Labor Council of Everett, at its last regular meeting, voted to send resolutions to the authorities at Washington, D. C., demanding the removal of Admiral Yates Stirling, Jr., whose anti-Soviet war mongering has aroused the entire labor movement.

At the same time, the Council demanded the release of Angelo Herndon, young Negro Communist, sentenced to 15-30 years on the Georgia chain-gang.

(Daily Worker Midwest Bureau)
CHICAGO, Ill., June 23.—The dismissal of Rear Admiral Stirling from all official positions for his alliance with Hearst in war incitements against the Soviet Union, was demanded here today in a strong statement of condemnation by Arthur G. McDowell, national chairman of the Young Peoples Socialist League, and in a letter to President Roosevelt by Florence Curtis Hanson, secretary-treasurer of the American Federation of Teachers, affiliated with the American Federation of Labor.

Arthur G. McDowell, speaking in the name of the Y. P. S. L., declared that "it is time to step hard on such vermin as Willie Randolph Hearst and his most recent purchase, Rear Admiral Stirling, Jr. There is surely enough civilized opinion left in the United States to force the President to do some of that stepping. This public opinion and particularly that of labor must be mobilized and applied at once."

"It was maddening enough," McDowell continued, "that the flower of youth of mankind should be made to pay the price for the gold braids of the bankers and industrialists; but it is revolting beyond endurance that anyone should advocate the slaughter of the youth on behalf of the decaying civilization of capitalism in a maniacal attempt to crucify the hope of mankind that is bound up with the attempt to lay the foundations of a new and progressive social order in Soviet Russia."

Teachers' Leader Protests
Miss Hanson, head of the A. F. of L. teachers union, with thousands of members all over the country, in letters to Roosevelt, and Congressman Mitchell and Byron N. Scott, strongly urged an inquiry into the activities of Stirling and assured support for the House resolution calling for Stirling's dismissal if the charges against him are substantiated.

"In behalf of the organized teachers of America," wrote Miss Hanson to Roosevelt, "the American Federation of Teachers desires to register its protest against the action of Rear Admiral Stirling in publishing articles in the Hearst press advocating an attack against a nation with which we are at peace."

"No condemnation can be too great," continues the letter to Roosevelt, "for a high government official who lends himself to the nefarious..."

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Roland in Moscow Plans Tour of Soviet Union

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)
MOSCOW, June 23.—Romain Roland, famous French writer and professor of music, arrived in Moscow today. He will tour the Soviet Union in order to have direct contact with workers and with Soviet culture. Roland especially intends visiting Maxim Gorky, with whom he has been corresponding for more than twenty years.

Flour and Milk Prices Slashed in Soviet Union

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)
MOSCOW, June 23.—The reduction of flour prices by 15 to 20 per cent throughout the Soviet Union, announced yesterday by the Soviet government, was followed today by a second decree, slashing the price of milk in all industrial centers by 15 to 30 per cent. The price of potatoes was also cut by 30 per cent.

For the first six months of 1935 the Soviet food industry has fulfilled its program 102 per cent, it was stated today. Only prevented from soaring ahead of all other nations in gold production by lack of sufficient equipment, gold mining in the Soviet Union has nevertheless outstripped the rich fields in South Africa in production.

Drive to Break Lumber Strike To Open Today

Armed Forces Ready for Attempt to Reopen Oregon Mills

PORTLAND, Ore., June 23.—A concerted strikebreaking drive, led by Governor Martin, will be launched here tomorrow against lumber workers. City, state and county armed forces have been mobilized to protect saws when the lumber plants attempt to reopen and operate tomorrow.

Governor Martin has declared he will call out the national guard to break the strike, if necessary. Numerous labor organizations have protested against the governor's strikebreaking terror.

The employers have been advertising in the newspapers for a week, seeking strikebreakers to begin work tomorrow.

The strikers' representatives are meeting today in Aberdeen to consider the situation, and lay plans to strengthen the strike.

The strikers are demanding 75 cents an hour, a thirty hour week, and union recognition.

3,000 Canadian Relief Strikers March to Capital

OTTAWA, June 23.—Three thousand relief strikers from Winnipeg and Regina, demanding wages and unemployment insurance, were on their way to the capital today.

Yesterday a delegation of eight, representing 2,000 western relief workers were told by Prime Minister Bennett the "government will not be taken by the throat" and that the strikers must return to their camps and not trespass on the railroads.

Arthur Evans, leader of the delegation, stated that the Prime Minister "didn't know what the hell he was talking about" and that he was "not fit to be a Prime Minister of a Hottentot village."

Herndon to Address NAACP
ST. LOUIS, Mo.—A mass delegation will greet Angelo Herndon when he arrives here on Tuesday. Herndon has been invited to address the 8th Annual Conference of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People here on Wednesday. A reception for Robert Minor on Wednesday will be attended also by Herndon, who will address a mass meeting on Thursday evening.

Send protest cables against the terror in Cuba to Colonel Fulencio Batista, Havana, Cuba.

PARLEY SEEKS TO ORGANIZE ALL PROJECTS

Capitol Meeting Calls A.F.L. to Aid Fight on Relief Jobs

(Special to the Daily Worker)
WASHINGTON, D. C., June 23.—"If they say \$19 to \$24—we'll fight," declared Phil Frankfeld, speaking for the National Board of the National Unemployment Councils at the National Emergency Conference to protest and organize against the coolie wage proposed for government work projects, which opened two days of sessions at noon, Saturday, in Painters' Hall.

The program adopted by the delegates today calls for strike action against the \$19 to \$24 work relief wage scale and plans to call upon the executive committee of the A. F. of L., building trades councils, local unions and central labor bodies for unity with workers and unemployed organizations in the struggle.

Call For One United Organization
One hundred and twenty delegates, representing close to 500,000 organized workers in trade unions, jobless relief workers and whole-collar organizations, heard Herbert Benjamin, national organizer of the Unemployment Councils, give the keynote address, and call for one united organization of the unemployed and relief workers.

Representatives of trade unions from Chicago, Paterson, N. J., New York and other cities, spoke, as well as delegates from the American Workers' Union, relief workers' organizations and jobless groups. Organizations in New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Wisconsin, Ohio, Tennessee, and from scores of cities were represented.

Three Points Outlined
Calling upon unemployed and relief workers to organize under the banner of the American Federation of Labor, Phil Frankfeld, only recently released from prison, after mass protest forced parole on a long sentence in Pennsylvania, outlined three main conditions upon which this step must be, and is already being, taken.

Defeating the anti-red moves of William Green, low dues and initiations, and rank and file democracy, were the points outlined. Speakers from various sections of the country told of how these conditions had been worked out in actual practice in the localities.

Local struggles and a movement everywhere toward unity of all unemployed and relief workers' organizations with the trade unions of the A. F. of L. must be the present program, it was indicated, after proposals for a nation-wide strike were shown to be beyond the power of the present conference to put

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Tanker Men Picket Ships in Launches

Picketing of the Cities Service Oil Tankers continued unabated as all efforts by the International Seamen's Union to contact responsible company officials failed over the week-end. It is expected that contact will be established today and negotiations begun.

In Port Arthur, Texas oil port and strategic sector of the strike, seamen maintained a 24-hour picket line in launches. The three tankers tied up there are anchored at Sabine Pass, 12 miles from Port Arthur proper, out beyond the channel and breakwater.

"Line ships have been tied up thus far and picketing is being conducted in Port Arthur, Philadelphia, New York, Providence and Boston. A strike has been called to force recognition of the International Seamen's Union and to raise wages to the scale prevailing on other oil tankers.

Coast Strike Ends
SEATTLE, Wash., June 23.—The several month old strike of oil tanker seamen on the Pacific Coast was officially called off. This action was taken upon the recommendation of the executive committee of the Pacific Coast Maritime Federation.

The ship owners absolutely refused to deal with the striking seamen and refused to abide by any decision handed down by the arbitration board set up by the government.

Official Whitewash Given After Mob Lynchings Negro

WIGGINS, Miss., June 23.—Using the time-worn excuse of "attack on a white girl" a mob led by local "citizens" kidnaped two Negroes here Friday night, lynching the first, R. D. McGee, and taking the other into the woods nearby where he was whipped for "insulting a white woman."

The body of McGee was riddled full of bullets and left to hang on a tree until 11 a.m. yesterday morning when it was cut down by police who had been conveniently absent during the lynching.

Columbus Unions Voting Support of Packing House Strike

Mass Meeting Called to Aid Camden Strike

Lynn Shoe Union Votes To Fight Any Attack Upon Their Wages

COLUMBUS, Ohio, June 23.—Despite police terror and attempts by Mayor Wooley to raise the "red scare" American Federation of Labor locals here are continuing to take a vote on actions in sympathy with the Columbus Packing House strike now in its tenth week. Communist support for the strike has been reported.

Proposals of the Mayor's arbitration board were voted down 160 to 14 by the strikers and Mayor Wooley, a former Socialist, is rapidly losing ground among the workers. The Central Labor Council has denounced him and prospects for the election of a united front candidate are reported to be good.

The arbitrary arrest of workers and students in connection with the film "The Road to Life," was reported at City Hall by I. O. Ford and W. C. Sandberg, candidates for Governor and U. S. Senator on the Communist ticket in the last election. Following the protest Sandberg was kidnapped and after being terrorized in a police station was taken outside of the city and warned not to return.

Relief Heads Refuse Aid

CAMDEN, N. J., June 23.—Government relief authorities are cooperating with the New York Ship Building Company in an attempt to starve out the 4,600 shipyard strikers. Relief officials of Camden, Gloucester and Woodbury counties are denying relief to many strikers. Those who finally get relief are given as low a level as possible. Strikers report that officials of Monroe township have openly declared they will give no relief to shipyard strikers.

Workers in Camden, South Jersey and Philadelphia are mobilizing for the support of the shipyard strikers, now in their seventh week of strike.

The workers' organizations are conducting a series of "bustion days" and are visiting local union and other workers' meetings to raise funds for the strike. Petitions are also being circulated.

On Wednesday a huge mass strike meeting will be held in Convention Hall, Camden. The Joint Action Committee of Labor in Support of the Shipyard Strike is arranging a parade through the streets of Camden.

Shoe Workers Vote to Fight Pay Cuts

LYNN, Mass., June 23.—Shoe workers of this city, members of the United Shoe and Leather Workers Union, have gone definitely on record for a fight against any wage cuts that the bosses may attempt. In a referendum vote, in which 1,178 members of the union participated, 965 voted their determination to fight back against the offensive of the manufacturers.

Metal Workers Strike

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., June 23.—The workers of Janney Oylider Company, the majority of whom were locked out when they joined the Machine, Tool and Foundry Workers Union are on strike here. The workers demand the reinstatement of every man without discrimination, a 15 per cent increase in pay, recognition of the union, increase in the deficiency allowance from \$ to 15 per cent.

Thus far, the company refuses to negotiate. The men, however, are determined to fight the strike to a victorious end. The Unemployment Councils have issued a leaflet exposing the scabs in the neighborhoods in which they live.

A mass meeting of strikers is being called by the strike committee to be held Friday.

Workers who want to assist in picketing should report at strike headquarters, 7401 Torresdale Avenue. Financial contributions should be sent to Carl Bering, national secretary-treasurer, Machine, Tool and Foundry Workers Union, 3412 North Front Street.

Food Workers Out

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., June 23.—Protesting the firing of one worker and the threat to raise hours from 54 to 70, all workers of George's Home Lunch Chain are continuing their strike picketing.

The food workers walked out Tuesday as unorganized workers. Now they are part of the Hotel and Restaurant Workers Independent Union. They are demanding union recognition, six-day week, reinstatement of fired workers, and general improved conditions.

Cleveland Home Owners Fight Against Writ In Eviction Struggle

(By Federated Press)
CLEVELAND, June 23.—In court for violating an injunction against the Small Home and Landowners Federation of Cleveland, A. E. Schmitt asserted that he and other members of the organization would continue to break the injunction until it is withdrawn. He was sentenced to ten days in jail and fined \$200 and costs by Judge Walter McMahon, notorious injunction judge.

About 300 small homeowners crowded the courtroom during the trial.

Hopkins Forced to Call Probe of Alaska Colony

Families Sent to Northern Relief Colonization Project Report Widespread Sickness and Price Gouging by Food Profiteers.

(Daily Worker Michigan Bureau)
DETROIT, June 23.—Increased deaths and reports of disease and misery from Matanuska Valley, Alaska, which was pictured to 2,000 impoverished farmers and unemployed workers there at a "promised land," finally forced an announcement from the office of Harry L. Hopkins that an investigation will be made. It was reported from Washington yesterday.

Letters from Michigan families, among those who consented to go off relief rolls to search for the New Deal in Alaska, and fell for the glittering promise of 40 acres of farm land, who have just reached their destination, describe an almost intolerable situation. The Michigan families which include 153 children, write that disease has broken out and now affects most of the 2,000 persons that have gone there, with only one doctor and one nurse and an epidemic is feared as medical supplies are inadequate. None of the promised houses or roads have been built and the settlers must live in tents; the necessary tools and food promised by

the government have not been delivered; food prices are exorbitant and in place of the promised free groceries until they are self-supporting, purchases are charged against the settlers to be paid in the future; milk is very scarce and is not available to older children and a struggle has developed in the camps as a result of the favoritism and mismanagement on the part of officials. Protests of the Michigan families have reached the Michigan state capital, but officials of the rural rehabilitation division have dismissed them as merely "grumbling" and that "these people were told it will not be a picnic." The settlers are not paid in cash but wages for laboring in clearing land and building houses will apply on the \$3,200 debt to the government for the 40 acres. The possibility of farming the valley profitably under present circumstances is very much questioned, as there are on an average 219 days a year when the temperature is 33 degrees, the freezing point, or lower. Freezing weather continues as late as June 1, and starts as early as August 26.

Garment Workers Demand Unity

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the local administrations of the I. L. G. W. against the splitting work of Green and Wolf. "While the membership of the I. L. G. W. should welcome the statement of President Dubinsky disassociating himself from Green's statement, the membership, nevertheless, must demand more positive action on the part of the General Executive Board and Dubinsky, especially, in view of the fact that Dubinsky is a member of the Executive Council of the A. F. of L. The entire membership of our Union must be mobilized against the splitters—Green and Company. We call upon the membership of our union to pass resolutions in the shops and at local union meetings demanding unity in our ranks, and that all forms of discrimination and persecution of militants in our Union be immediately stopped.

"It is not sufficient to speak against the statement of Green and Wolf while in practice the call to war upon the militants is being carried out in our Union. In Local 10, the cutters' local, a member, Dave Schneider, was suspended for a year for distributing a leaflet. Dubinsky supported the suspension. In Chicago two militants were suspended for two years from the union. At a recent meeting of Local 60, the pressers local, Julius Hochman, the manager of the New York Dress Joint Board, made a speech calling for war upon the 'reds.' The same is true in many other locals of our Union.

Unity Must Be Answer

"The signal given to the bosses by the decision of the U. S. Supreme Court for a drive against the workers, is being fully taken advantage of by the bosses. Throughout the country hundreds of thousands of workers have their hours of work lengthened and the wages cut. The workers are answering this campaign with intensive strike struggles. In the needle trades, the bosses are preparing to smash the gains won in the 1933 strikes. The cloakmakers are on the verge of a strike, the dressmakers are preparing for a strike in the coming months. The bosses must and will be defeated. Unity and militancy will be the weapons with which the workers will fight. This is the answer which we must give to Messrs. Green and Wolf. The example of the furriers should be followed by the membership of the I. L. G. W. U.

"LONG LIVE THE UNITY OF THE WORKERS!"

"NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RANK AND FILE GROUPS OF THE I. L. G. W. U."

Chicago Fur Leaders Protest

(Daily Worker Midwest Bureau)
CHICAGO, Ill., June 23.—Following the statements of leading A. F. of L. trade union leaders who rebuffed the attempt of William Green to split the fur workers' unions and initiate a new wave of expulsions, leading officials of the fur union have declared that Green's threat violates the overwhelming sentiment of the workers.

Joe Jones, head of local 45 of the A. F. of L. International Fur Workers Union, in an interview with the Daily Worker yesterday stated, "The workers in the fur trade are headstrong for unity. They feel that such unity would help them greatly to improve their conditions. Naturally, we cannot act yet without instructions from our main office. But unity is the sentiment of the fur workers."

"Green Aids Employers"

A. Finegan, head of the large fur local of the former Fur Workers Industrial Union, declared emphatically, "The statement of William Green, which is an opposition to the overwhelming sentiment of the fur workers, helps, not the workers, but the employers. Conditions in the fur trade in this city are bad. The workers know that they can be improved by unity. It is clear that whoever stands in the way of unity is hindering the improvement of the fur workers' conditions. The employers are doing their utmost to block unity now

Dress Boards To Act on Strike

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affiliated part of the I. L. G. W. U. Even if some garments are produced by scabs, it will be almost impossible to ship them out. The first week of July marks what under ordinary circumstances is the beginning of seasonal activity in the trade. The membership of the cloak makers' union, as reflected by the sentiment expressed in the market, is determined to fight for the clause limiting the number of contractors, for acceptance of responsibility by the jobbers for the conditions in the contracting shops, where work is placed by them, for the 30-hour week, and for a 20 per cent increase in wages. The workers expect immediate concrete action from the meetings of the executive joint board tonight and of the board of directors Wednesday night to gain time and prevent the jobbers from stocking up in the meantime.

"The ultimatum of the jobbers issued to the workers to give up limitations of contractors," said President Dubinsky upon hearing of the merchants' association's latest announcement, "is forcing a general strike on the cloak and suit industry. In the light of the past two years, it is preposterous to say that limitations of contractors was a failure.

Strike Vote Seen

The 49,000 cloak workers in New York City, we are convinced, will in the next few days, through a referendum vote, declare to the jobbers that they do not intend to go back to the old system of misery and exploitation in the contracting shops owned and operated by these jobbers.

Samuel L. Deitch, president of the Industrial Council of Cloak, Suit and Skirt Manufacturers, said Saturday that the breach between the Merchants' Association and the union had not affected the relationship between the latter and the Industrial Council. He pointed out the unprecedented spectacle of a decidedly different position between two employers' associations.

that the workers face the problem of new agreements. "We are sure that we will achieve unity with local 45 and unite our strength against the bosses. Threats such as Green's and Wolf's are a threat against militant, forward-looking workers throughout the whole organized labor movement. All workers must unite against such splitting policies."

'Rank and File' Traitor Scored by Coal Miners

By TONY MINERICH

The coal miners of District 5, United Mine Workers of America, had an opposition slate in the elections in December. This was in opposition to the slate of the Lewis machine. The rank and file candidates were selected at a rank and file delegate conference in California, Feb. 4. Amongst the candidates was Joseph Yablonski.

When the election was over the rank and file was counted out. Only one was declared elected. He was the one that received the smallest vote. This was Joe Yablonski. He is now a part of the Lewis machine.

Yablonski made many speeches against the Lewis machine. He called Lewis, Pagan and the others many names. "I changed my mind now," he tells the miners. "We don't think so."

How He Got on Ticket

Many miners want to know how it is possible that a fellow like Yablonski could get on the rank and file ticket. Some point out and say that "We knew that he was no good" and many of these miners voted for the rank and file slate with the exception of voting for Yablonski.

Labor Defense Files Appeal In Deportation

Threat Made to Send Tampa-Born Worker To Death in Cuba

TAMPA, Fla., June 23.—In an effort to save Octavio Pons, militant worker of this city, from the stocks and from subsequent deportation to Cuba, where he faces death at the hands of the Mendiatela Batista government, the International Labor Defense has appealed to the Circuit Court of Hillsborough County for a writ of habeas corpus.

Pons, who has been active in organizing the unemployed of West Tampa, and who is a Daily Worker carrier, was arrested on a "vagrancy" charge at his home on June 1, held in jail for two days without benefit of counsel and brought to trial still without benefit of counsel—in the Municipal Court. He was sentenced to serve fifteen days at hard labor in the city stocks, and the authorities now threaten to turn him over to Immigration Inspector Hopkins. When an attorney finally reached Pons, the jail authorities refused to permit any private conversation between the lawyer and his client.

Although, like many of the Latin-American workers here, Pons speaks very little English, he is a native American, having been born in this city.

The I. L. D. has asked that protest be sent to Chief of Police R. G. Fitzworth and to Inspector Hopkins, Immigration Department, Government Building, Tampa, Florida.

55 Spanish Rebels Face Execution On False Charges

MADRID, June 23.—Fifty-five Spanish revolutionists faced possible death sentences and long prison terms at a military court martial for participation in the October uprising at Oviedo. The government placed emphasis on the atrocity tales told by a Turon grave-digger and another "witness," the son of one of the hated Civil Guards, who had been killed during the October revolution.

A spontaneous demonstration took place in the court-room when the malignant falsehoods of the "witnesses" were unfolded by the fascist prosecutor. Oviedo workers recalled that even in the midst of the October struggle against fascism sections of the bourgeois press admitted that all the atrocities had been committed by the rascals and the Civil Guards.

Abraham Feldman, Newark Communist, Dead at Age of 51

NEWARK, N. J., June 23.—Comrade Abraham Feldman, financial secretary of the Communist Party/Section 6, Newark, died Saturday morning in the Beth Israel Hospital after a short illness.

Comrade Feldman was one of the oldest and most active members of the Communist Party in Newark. He took part in the work of the International Workers Order as secretary of Branch 98, in the Fredrick Geesans Verein, in the Carpenter's local union, and other organizations.

The funeral ceremonies will take place Tuesday, starting at 4 p. m. from the I.W.O. center, 516 Clinton Avenue, Newark.

Comrade Feldman died at the age of fifty-one. He is survived by his wife and two children.

Shenandoah Jobless Will Picket Mines

Demand End to Hiring of Out of Town Employees

SHENANDOAH, Pa., June 23.—The Unemployment Council here announced that all collieries that import men from distant points to work in the mines will be picketed.

"The question of men coming to work from distant points is a very serious one to the unions," said Vincent Kurchinsky, secretary of the Unemployment Council. "These men are unable to attend union meetings and thus the base for price cuts is made."

At the meeting where the decision to picket was made a resolution was also passed protesting against discrimination in the employment of men on relief jobs. "The resolution said, 'should be given to those who are in need and also of ability, instead of being used for political purposes.'"

The council endorsed the rally against war and fascism held today in White City Park.

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ious war-promoting policies of the Hearst press.

"An immediate investigation of Rear Admiral Stirling's activities and inquiry into his fitness for his position, in our opinion, called for; to be followed by his dismissal if the facts as we understand them are substantiated. For the maintenance of world peace, we hope that immediate action condemning such war-provoking conduct will be taken."

A pledge to enlighten college and high school students in the campaign against Rear Admiral Stirling and all other advocates of war against the Soviet Union, was made in a joint statement issued yesterday by the National Student League and the Student League for Industrial Democracy.

The statement, which was sent to Secretary of the Navy Swanson and to President Roosevelt, characterized the rebuke which Swanson was forced to administer to Stirling, as "entirely inadequate," and demanded the immediate dismissal of the admiral.

At the same time, a resolution for Stirling's dismissal was sent to Roosevelt and Swanson by the Educational Discussion Group of New York City.

Text of Statement

The statement of the National Student League and the Student League for Industrial Democracy, the two student groups which led in the organization of the anti-war strike on April 12, follows:

"The National Student League and the Student League for Industrial Democracy herewith demand the immediate dismissal of Rear Admiral Yancey Stirling. We consider Secretary Swanson's mild rebuke entirely inadequate.

"Stirling's articles were more than a criticism of a friendly rival power; they were a direct incitement to war against the Soviet Union, openly calling for intervention by the imperialist powers under the leadership of Nazi Germany. For this reason the National Student League and the Student League for Industrial Democracy, which are leading a large section of the American student body in the struggle against war and fascism, are taking a definite stand in favor of the dismissal of Admiral Stirling from the Navy Yard in the Brooklyn Navy Yard.

"We pledge ourselves to use our influence to enlighten college and high school students from coast to coast in the campaign against Stirling and all other advocates of war against the Soviet Union."

At Stockdale a resolution on this question was introduced. It also called for a big campaign to organize all of the miners in this section into the United Mine Workers. Yablonski was present. He was against the resolution. "We have no right to speak about the American Legion," he said. "Besides, the mines in the coke regions do not want to join the U. M. W. of A." he added. He further stated that he was for a bill in the state legislature that would license the miners, "In this way we would make them join the United Mine Workers." This is the program of the newly elected and appointed Yablonski. The coal miners have had Yablonski before. Alex Howatt was known as a rank and file fighter. He later carried a gold badge and was an immigration inspector, stool pigeon to us. Cappellini was at one time a rank and file fighter. Now he fights the rank and file miners and goes to jail for wife beating, burning houses to collect insurance and d making counterfeit money. 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Toledo Central Labor Union Endorses Youth Congress

Votes to Send Two Delegates To Detroit Drive Is Pushed Among All Organizations in New York

TOLEDO, Ohio, June 23.—Toledo, which through the 1934 Auto-Lite strike and the recent Edison power strike set the working class inspiring examples to follow in resisting wage cuts and employers' attacks, is again setting the pace by its support of the Second American Youth Congress to be held in Detroit, July 4, 5, 6 and 7.

The Central Labor Union, delegated body of American Federation of Labor Unions, at its meeting Thursday, unanimously endorsed the call to the Second American Youth Congress and elected two delegates to the Detroit congress.

This decision followed an appeal made by Louis Perlmutter, representative of the Youth Section of the American League Against War and Fascism, which is also supporting the congress.

The workers of Toledo, who have gone through some of the most militant struggles in recent labor history, know from their own experiences the need of organizing the youth into a militant movement as that of the American Youth Congress.

ETHIOPIA'S FINAL ARGUMENT



One of the thousand new machine guns bought by Ethiopia to defend the independence of the Negro country against Fascism's war plans. The photograph above shows Emperor Haile Selassie examining one of the machine-guns just arrived at the railroad station at Addis Ababa.

Mussolini's Robber War on Ethiopia May Set Off a World-Wide Explosion

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in the past few months. All the silver and gold and foreign currency and bonds in Italy are being sequestered and commandeered for a long-drawn out war.

The whole tolling population has been ordered to participate in military drill Saturday afternoons.

Every day new contingents of men and boys are conscripted for the "unpleasant necessity."

The number of ships passing through the Suez Canal and down the Red Sea, filled with soldiers and war supplies, has broken all records. Since May of this year more than 70 made the necessary stop at Port Said as against five, the usual number in this period.

Italian Fascism's drive to enslave Ethiopia must not be looked upon as an isolated or separate question in Africa. It is part of a new drive for the re-shifting of African colonies.

independent nation of Africa, but the bigger one of the re-shuffling of the whole African continent.

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Why Ethiopia First

Why was Ethiopia picked by the Fascist rulers of Italy for their main assault?

First, Ethiopia is the last remaining important country in Africa not already in the grasp of some capitalist power. Liberia, although nominally independent, is under Wall Street hegemony, particularly of the Firestone Rubber Co.

Second, Ethiopia, larger than Texas, Pennsylvania, New York, and New Jersey, is the richest, unexplored and untapped country in the world. It has not only gold, copper, silver, and other unmined minerals, but Mussolini has secret reports of vast oil fields. Italian Fascism lacks fuel, especially petroleum.

A Vast Market

Fourth, Ethiopia could be a vast, exclusive, controlled market for Italian capitalism. Under the grip of Fascism, Mussolini knows that the native handicrafts industry could be destroyed, as it was destroyed in all colonies that come under the sway of the world market, and the imperialist homeland. Then, by stopping any further development or progress of the country, Mussolini could force the infiltration of cheap factory goods. In return, Ethiopia would have to sweat and groan to pay for the blessings of capitalist trade.

LL.D. Wins Release Of Negro Jailed In Cleaners' Strike

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., June 23.—Russell Watson, militant Negro leader in the general strike of cleaners and dyers here last year, was released Friday after a few weeks of a nine months sentence following the announcement by the International Labor Defense that a mass campaign should be organized for his release.

WHAT'S ON

- Philadelphia, Pa.**
The Annual Picnic of the District of the Communist Party will be held this year on Thursday, July 4th at Schuylkill Park, 3rd and Tincum Aves. An elaborate program for the day has been planned. New Theatre Studio, dance orchestra, sports, etc. Plenty to eat and drink. Directions: Exit No. 27 Subway, 3rd and Tincum Aves. Get off at 3rd and Tincum Ave. Arrive at Park, 10c.
- All working class organizations are asked to connect with the Daily Worker by planning any other affair on Sunday, August 9th, when the Daily Worker will publish the "Further details will follow."
- Chicago, Ill.**
Anti-War Rally and Huge Picnic. Thursday, July 4th at Birney Square, Archer and 79th St. Free showing of "The Life of Lenin." New Theatre Studio, dance orchestra, sports, etc. Plenty to eat and drink. Directions: Exit No. 27 Subway, 3rd and Tincum Aves. Get off at 3rd and Tincum Ave. Arrive at Park, 10c.
- Bureau's New York Troupe of anti-militarist puppets in Chicago, June 23rd to July 4th. Scheduled performance at the cool Sky Room, Majestic Hotel, 14th St. and Broadway, 10c. Tickets at the New Theatre Studio, 26 W. Jackson St. To arrange the Buntin Puppets phone Bu. 5-1111. Open dates are June 29th to July 2nd inclusive.
- Reserve Sunday, July 21st. All language and music groups are urged to reserve Sunday, July 21st, for the Daily Worker. Bu. 5-1111. Silver Leaf Grove, Milwaukee 26.
- American Workers Delegation to the U.S.R. will report at two meetings on Wednesday, June 24, 10 p.m. at 133 North Ave. South Side, 645 East 4th St. Supp. Friends of the Soviet Union.
- St. Louis, Mo.**
Robert Miller, labor leader, will speak in St. Louis, Wednesday, June 26, 8 p.m. at Assembly Hall No. 1 of the Municipal Auditorium, 14th and Market Streets. His topic will be "The Color Line." Mexican Frontiers Against Labor.
- Newark, N. J.**
State Picnic, District 14, Communist Party, Sunday, June 24, 10 a.m., Grove, G. Wood, N. J. Dancing, singing, sports games, good food at the Club, New Jersey, June 25. Elizabeth: Sports 30 to Cedar St. Garwood and then follow signs.

Class Unity and Militant Struggle for the Rights of the Workers

By V. J. JEROME

As the smoke of the Supreme Court decision clears away, two alternative lines of political action appear with increasing sharpness before the working class. The policy of dependence on the parties of capitalism, or of independent class action through a mass anti-capitalist Labor Party.

The top leaders of the American Federation of Labor are now, as at the launching of the N.R.A., appearing before the working class with new praise for a new version of a still newer Deal. Having risen from their kneeling over the wreckage of the Blue Eagle, the chiefs of the A. F. of L. are now strutting forward with the pomp and circumstance that none so well as lackeys can muster, to usher in a new spell of an amended Constitution.

Constitutional Amendment
Now, let us say at the outset: We are not against an amendment to the Constitution which would open the way for needed social legislation and which would curb the power of the Supreme Court. We are not against using the very instrument of bosses' government to wrest gains for the workers. We welcome and stand ready to support any project for removing obstacles in the way of the workers' struggle for social legislation. It is we who have initiated and consistently led the struggle for social legislation. It is we who have initiated and consistently led the struggle for social legislation. It is we who have initiated and consistently led the struggle for social legislation.

rected at strengthening illusions in constitutionalism—now, at the very moment when two years of the N.R.A. have pretty well disillusioned the masses in the Roosevelt regime. It is directed at having the workers drag behind the politics of the bourgeois parties for another ten years pending the outcome of the Amendment issue, at keeping them supine under the demagogic oppression of another "New Deal" regime.

What the A. F. of L. Top Leaders Propose
As for the Green-Wall leadership of the A. F. of L., what lies back of the amendment that they propose? The amendment, these gentlemen have in mind cannot be dissociated from the legislation they support. It cannot be dissociated from the open-shop, company-union Wagner Act; from the mine owners Guffey Bill which is obviously designed to bring about company union control and compulsory arbitration in the coal industry. It cannot be dissociated from their enthusiastic sponsorship of the hypocritical N.R.A.—the most far-reaching anti-labor measure ever perpetrated by the American ruling class. See the deception with which the head of the American Federation of Labor speaks of the N.R.A.:

"The death knell has been sounded to one of the greatest experiments for social justice which our country has ever undertaken," Green, in the latest issue of Liberty befalls the wrecked N. I. R. A. which has left fifteen million people unemployed—in the face of the bombastic promises to reabsorb them into industry; which insolently decreed a coolie work relief wage scale of nineteen dollars a month minimum (read eventually, max. min.)—a signal for a general wage slashing offensive by private business. "As for the workers of the country," Green's pride rises, "they have learned that they are entitled to certain conditions, and have learned to an increasing degree that they have a voice in that government which, in the long run, will determine what those conditions are to be—their voice—in a government that yielded to 402 corporations in the first half of 1934 profits at the rate of 600 per cent in excess of 1932, while real wages, as the conservative A. F. of L. figures admit, fell six per cent;

Fascists to seek a way out by war. They met unforeseen difficulties and obstacles. In turn, the extended war preparations, (far beyond the costs originally planned) have since still further sharpened the economic crisis.

A vicious circle develops. The economic crisis speeds the drive to war; the drive to war worsens the economic crisis. As a result, anti-fascist, anti-war struggles are beginning to sweep Italy. Mussolini, unable longer to hide the truth, is forced to expel some of his former best friends, the capitalist correspondents from other countries.

Even the New York Times (organ of Wall Street) becomes too "radical" for the nervous, worried Fascists, who feel the slightest breath may blow a dangerous storm.

Anti-Fascism in Italy
In future articles we shall show the catastrophic conditions within Italy that are driving Italian fascism to a new bloody adventure, and how this affects the living conditions of the Italian people.

We shall deal with the growing anti-fascist, anti-war struggles in Italy, giving details of mutinies, anti-war demonstrations, of wholesale arrests of Italians who express themselves against Mussolini's terrible war adventure in East Africa.

We shall take up in the intricate imperialist contradictions in Europe developing over the African venture.

The threatening war in Ethiopia has its reverberations throughout the Moslem lands of North Africa; are heard in the Hejaz, Arabia, are felt in Washington, London and Paris.

It is a known fact that Mussolini did not begin his present ventures with his present ardor without first obtaining partial agreement and permission from British and French imperialism. This was written into the now famous Rome pact of Jan. 9, 1935.

Mussolini's detailed war plans for Ethiopia will be given. His concrete proposals and demands on the Ethiopian people for submission to Rome if war is to be averted will be described.

The special role of the British imperialism, Mussolini's "ally," will be explained. Britain, though "supporting" Mussolini has not failed to follow its old double-crossing policy, playing both ends against the middle and profiting both ways.

Future articles will also deal with the position of France, whose Somaliland protectorate holds the only port-entry to the capital of Ethiopia, the Djibuti-Addis Ababa railway, owned by the French government.

The Arab Question
The struggle for domination in Ethiopia involves, furthermore, the whole Arab question; the fight for the domination of the Red Sea coast from the Straits of Bab El Mandeb to the north coast of Eritrea, as well as the fate of the Arabia Felix of the Koran, the Arabia Felix of ancient Rome, Yemen on the coast of Arabia, opposite to Eritrea.

Without an understanding of the imperialist line-up in Ethiopia and the problems of the revolutionary struggles in Italy against Italian Fascism, as well as the position of the Ethiopian government in its preparations for defense and the chances for and against it, there can be no clear program of the most effective assistance to the Ethiopian people.

Miners Move for Unity As Walkout Date Nears

By MILTON HOWARD

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., June 23.—Strike sentiment is smoldering in the coal fields of Southern Illinois, as July 1, the dead line of John Lewis's second "truce" approaches.

While the top officialdom of the Progressive Miners Union, (independent) takes refuge in silence when it is not attacking the Communist or offering agreements to the operators, and while the national officials of the United Miners are whooping it up for the strike-breaking Wagner and Guffey Bills, the rank and file of both unions is busy at work cementing unity for strike on July 1.

Back Unity Conference
Already more than twenty delegates from six U. M. W. A. locals of Sub-district 3 of District 12, have been elected to go to the July 30 united mine conference to be held together with delegates from the P. M. A. locals.

The Provisional Committee of the United Mine Workers in the fields around Westville and Danville has distributed more than 2,000 leaflets calling for joint strike action of P. M. A. and U. M. W. A. miners on July 1 for the 86 scale, six hour day, and five day week, and for a fight against the Guffey and Wagner Bills.

In addition, resolutions are being introduced in the United Mine

New England Shoe Workers Demand Action

Emergency Convention Asked to Beat Back Bosses' Attacks
By F. G. BIEDENKAPP

During the past weeks one district after another in and around Boston has been faced with the demand from the manufacturers for a 15 to 25 per cent wage reduction. In Boston the question developed into an internal union fight, resulting from the class collaboration policy of the Zimmerman-Wilson leadership of the United Shoe and Leather Union.

Leonard Ford of Haverhill, who sold out to Zimmerman in the last election by silently accepting his being counted out of the election as general organizer, was the chief advocate and promoter of the twelve and a half per cent wage cut forced upon the Haverhill workers some three months ago and which the manufacturers have now declared to be permanent after the workers were tricked into voting for an extension.

As a reward for his silence on the last election steal, Leonard Ford was appointed by Zimmerman as General Executive Board representative in Haverhill—ostensibly to keep the Boot and Shoe Union from coming in. Ford, therefore, fooled the workers into believing that unless they accepted the twelve and a half per cent wage cut extension, the manufacturers would either move out of town or call in the Boot and Shoe Union.

The With Chamber of Commerce

In this scheme of putting over the 12 and a half per cent cut, Ford was ably assisted by Brother Sweeny, the father-in-law to be to Mr. Conlon, who is a city council member of Haverhill, and who recently introduced the infamous city lotting bill to stop picketing.

Here we have the link between Zimmerman and his G.E.B. and the Haverhill Chamber of Commerce. Ford is Zimmerman's man, Sweeny is Ford's man. Sweeny is also City Councilor Conlon's man, and Conlon takes orders from the Chamber of Commerce, and the Chamber of Commerce takes orders from the Haverhill Shoe Manufacturers. In this manner one hand washes the other and the workers get the dirty water.

For a few weeks Zimmerman and the G.E.B. thought everything was coming out all right—then came the explosion. The Unity Shoe Company of Boston employing some 500 workers packed up over night, without any signs of warning, and moved into Haverhill. Why? Answer: twelve and a half per cent wage reduction.

Action Demanded
The Boston shoe workers demand action. They ask what kind of a union have we? What makes it possible for manufacturers to move from one organized shoe center into another organized shoe center and prosper on a wage cut at the expense of the workers? Where is our uniform agreement and price protection? Why did not the G.E.B. stop the Haverhill twelve and a half per cent cut?

As a result of the complete failure to give leadership on the part of the G.E.B., Zimmerman and Wilson outfit, the unity and confidence between Joint Councils of different districts has been seriously weakened and threatens to penetrate into the ranks of the membership of the locals. Everywhere the active rank and file condemns the G.E.B. for its failure to call an Emergency Convention and condemns Zimmerman for his class-collaboration policies.

It is thanks to the militant left-wing action of the shoe workers that the United Shoe and Leather Workers Union is not sinking to the level of a company union, under a bureaucratic, reactionary leadership which seeks to hide its misdeeds by sham decisions pretending to oppose wage cuts but which offer no solution.

The shoe workers of New England have repeatedly demanded an Emergency Convention to prepare on a united basis for a general fight throughout the entire shoe centers for wage increases, for the 30-hour week and full union recognition in all factories. The indications are that unless the G.E.B. calls an immediate convention, the locals and district will hold over the heads of Zimmerman, Wilson and the G.E.B.

21 Questions to Be Given Gallup Probe on Kidnaping

SANTE FE, N. M., June 23.—The Gallup Defense Committee has prepared a list of twenty-one important questions to be presented to the grand jury which, it has been announced, will investigate the kidnaping a month ago of Robert Minor and David Levinson.

The questions, according to the defense committee, are aimed to reveal the existence of a plot to cripple the defense of the Gallup miners through the kidnaping of the two leaders of the defense forces.

Among the questions to be asked by the miners' defense are:

"Why did Bill Fry, foreman for the Gallup American Coal Company, drive up and park in a dark blue coupe alongside the Sante Fe plaza in Gallup, directly opposite the scene of the kidnaping a few minutes before the kidnaping occurred?"

"Why did Tom Dooley, outside foreman of the same company, drive up to the same place at the same time in a brown sedan and remain parked with his car lights on?"

"What was Dr. Watson of the Gallup American Coal Company, in company with Dr. Travers, doing in a brown car parked at the end of the west sidewalk of the Harvey Navajo Hotel, apparently watching the entrances and exits of defense staff members?" (Watson of Gamero was the physician who attended Salomon Esquibel who was reported in hospital charts as "improving" as noted by the Gallup Independent on April 11. In this issue the announcement was made that defense attorneys were comparing notes at the hotel. Nick Engle and a large group of other tough-looking characters also disappeared from the lobby?"

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HOME LIFE

— By —
Ann Barlow

THREE New York children have shot a homeless man to death. One held a loaded gun that the three had stolen for their venture. "This is a holdup," they said, talking out of the sides of their mouths. And when the man tried to shoot them away, the boys shot the bullets into his body. Then they calmly wiped the gun off with their handkerchiefs so there would be no fingerprints, and walked away nonchalant and proud.

WHOSE fault is it? Do we have to look much further than our noses to see where those children got the idea of killing a man, of wiping fingerprints off the gun? Take the movie "G Men," which has been so widely advertised. Can a child put a value upon life after seeing it? Will he learn anything about life, society, and crime? Or will he leave the theatre remembering the applause which greeted the machine guns mowing down the criminals? One tabloid referred editorially to these scenes as "lovely killings." How many widely touted movies and newspapers teach sadism, depravity? William Randolph Hearst is the standard bearer here. There are the comic strips that the youngsters pour over. These are full not only of present day murder and vengeance but of diabolic new ways of slaughter that will exist in the 50th century!

EVERYWHERE around the child is the basic doctrine of the capitalist system—the theory of "rugged individualism," as opposed to collective working and living. The child is made to want to "get ahead," outwit his group for his personal advantage—outsmart the world in general. And now, in addition to this basic anti-social teaching is this plague of glorifying brutality. Isn't this fascist propaganda just another device in preparation for a boss' war where the workers will have no real reason to murder? Isn't this part of a program to brutalize men in order that the masses will fight those against whom they have no grievance?

I AM not shocked when such things occur. Life under capitalism breeds such things. I am not shocked, only bitterly angry against the whole set-up of capitalist society that corrupts childhood.

Like a pure tool in use comes the realization that in one sixth of the world society provides a different kind of life for the children. For the many, not the few, there are built cultural centres, playgrounds, nurseries, theaters. From early childhood they are taught that the individual's welfare is dependent upon the welfare of the group. The Workers' Society does all it can to develop the child, to raise this cultural level; not to degrade him.

How can such things as this tragedy affect us other than to make us want with all our might to "Change the World?"

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From Factory, Mine, Farm and Office

Florida Preachers Incite Lynch Spirit Against Militants

By a Worker Correspondent

TAMPA, Fla.—This is a report on the activities of A. Smith, and Ben Morris, preachers of the Gospel Tabernacle of this City, organizers of the Christian Alliance and K. K. K. and two of the most fanatical, rabid and hysterical Anti-Soviet propagandists, Jew baiters, and inciters to mob violence in the entire South or perhaps in the entire country, if we judge them by the vicious, venomous and slanderous nature of their rantings.

For some time now Smith has been conducting a slanderous campaign of the most dastardly sort against the Soviet Union and the Communists at his Gospel Tabernacle. To "prove" his atrocious lies and remarks about the Communist Party and "Red Russia" he conducts a sort of film exhibit during his talks. In it are to be seen the "Reds" burning and bombing the Capitol in Washington, numerous quotations from Party statements all of which are distorted and falsified to serve his purpose. By means of the most absurd and ridiculous lies and by playing on the passion of his audience this man and his assistant are inciting the men, women and children who come to his meetings to mob violence against the militant workers and Communists, calling upon them to spy on all Communists and is thus attempting to build up some sort of support for the murderous activities of the K. K. K.

But the height of brazenness was reached when last Tuesday night his colleague, Ben Morris, conducted a "lecture" at the Public Auditorium under the auspices of the Police Department, with the Chief of Police, R. G. Tiltzworth, as master of ceremonies. His talk, which was illustrated by films, was sprinkled with such statements as these: "Since the recognition of Red Russia by the U. S. all we have had in this country has been riots, destruction, strikes, attempts to overthrow the American government of our forefathers." And again, "the Communist Party wants racial intermarriage between the whites and Negroes... all the Reds want is destruction, murder, violence... what are you red blooded Americans going to do about it? If you

remain indifferent, then everything will be lost. You must wake up. Our lives are in danger, our government is in danger. We must do them out of Florida. We must do with them what they would do with us. The Communists have on their death list all who do not agree with their views. Let's get them before they get us. And all this comes from Red Russia. Over these women are slaves. The state owns everything. Their children are taken away from them and some of them never get to see them again...."

About the crisis: "The love of money is the root of all evil," said Lincoln. "All the money, all the gold is controlled by an international Jewish clique with headquarters in Red Russia." "You good Americans should join a patriotic organization." At this point, the film shows a meeting of the K. K. K. Morris bellowed: "Join the K. K. K., they are doing wonderful work for the South, and for America and the Constitution."

At another point, "Tampa has a wonderful and efficient police department." "If you see any suspicious character, any of these Reds, just call up the Police Department, and you'll get action. These men are efficient and you'll get action." "Let's drive away the foreign trouble maker," he shouted, as the film exhibited a young man, foreign born, standing against a brick wall with guns pointed toward him.

I think I've told you enough about this. The low intellectual level of this man's rantings should not cause us to ignore what he is doing. The crowd estimated at about 1,100 gave him some applause. And the Chief of Police, R. G. Tiltzworth had the gall to refer to this man's rantings as "valuable facts." This sort of thing must be stopped and stopped quickly. We are going to prominent Jews. Socialists and all kinds of honest people here in an effort to form a committee broad enough to make effective protest.

The newspapers have not printed a word about it. Apparently it is too crude and raw for publication, as yet.

The Ruling Claws



"I can hardly wait for the new war—it was such fun last time knitting socks and wrapping bandages."

100,000 Membership Is Objective Of I. W. O. in Recruiting Drive

The International Workers Order is now making preparations for a fifth anniversary membership drive. This drive must bring the total membership of the Order to a minimum of 100,000 by Jan. 1. The drive was decided upon by the convention.

The objective of the drive is not merely the addition of a certain number of members to the ranks of the Order. It is organized with a view of contributing to the Americanization of the Order. This is a most important problem. Because of the history of its origin the Order was built in its initial stages mostly of foreign language groups. This was of great value to the Order. These groups brought with them some experience in the practice of proletarian fraternalism, but that very experience must direct the attention of the Order as a whole at the present moment upon the effort to win masses of native born American workers.

The proletarian character of the Order requires of it that in its fraternal practices it is guided by working class interests. These working class interests must guide the Order also in its organizational policies. It must put a definite objective before these policies. The Order cannot allow itself merely to grow. It must grow in a certain direction. It must grow into definite organization.

A challenge to Capitalist Leadership

It was ever the objective of the founders, leaders and active members of the Order to become an American mass fraternal organization. This aim grew out of the desire of these founders, leaders and active members to challenge the capitalist leadership over millions of workers in the fraternal movement. In the language fraternal movement such a challenge was not absent altogether in the past, in the pre-I. W. O. past. It is true, this challenge lacked system, lacked unity, but it was there.

In the American fraternal movement

Exposition in San Diego Delays Paying Workers

By a Worker Correspondent

SAN DIEGO, Calif.—The following is the experience of only one man who worked on the exposition, but it probably is also the story 1,500 to 2,000 other exposition workers could tell.

This man was on the S.E.R.A. working in the park on projects which were directly benefiting the exposition. Came the week before the Expo was going to open, and a call was sent out to 1,500 of the S.E.R.A. workers to work for the Expo overtime on a 24-hour basis, in an effort to get the grounds all cleaned and shipshape for the Grand Opening.

Some nights he put in from 4 p.m. to 4 a.m. at straight 50 cents per hour time. Other workers put in even longer hours, and then also worked daytime on their S.E.R.A. projects. These workers did this heroic work not only because of the money end of it, but because they sincerely wanted to see the Expo get off to a good start. They had been given the idea that the Expo is going to bring back prosperity, and they wanted to hurry it along. Many have changed their minds now, though.

Well, this is what happened after the Expo opened with a lot of ballyhoo and publicity, when these workers went to get their pay. The Expo opened on Thursday, Well, Friday night a small group of about 15 to 20 workers went to one of the gates and demanded their pay. They were told to come back the next day, but they said they would wait there until they got what was coming to them. The gatekeepers were in a spot. Well dressed tourists were passing through the turnstiles and this group of dirty workers gave the beautiful setting a black eye. They called the cops, and Harry Foster, the big shot American Legion man who does all the hiring and firing and buying for the Expo.

The cops and Foster talked to the workers but they wanted their pay, so the cops tried to use persuasion of a different sort, but they had to go easy, since this was right in front of the main entrance to America's Exposition, in view of all who were paying admissions.

So Foster got mad as a hatter and went over to the Expo treasurer and got all the cash he could get hold of and came back and paid off the men, without even checking up on what was due them. He told them: "This means a black-eye for you fellows. You'll remember this!" And other words to that effect. Foster could do that, because there were only a few men, and he figured it a shrewd move.

But the next day it was a different story. There were about 2,500 Expo workers waiting for their checks. They waited all day. The man who is telling this story waited

from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. that Saturday. The officials then told them to come back the same night at 7:30 p.m. and the checks would surely be there.

This man came back at 7:30 p.m. but no one was paid off, because there was nobody around there to pay them off. It had been only a stall to get them away. This worker, however, was made of different stuff than the others who finally went away. He stuck around and finally saw a chance to climb over the fence. Inside the grounds he hunted up Harry Foster, the big shot, and demanded his pay. Foster soft-soaped him, and told him to come back and see him the next day, Sunday. The worker said: "All right, how am I going to get in—I can't pay 50 cents. Are you trying to kid me?" And Foster of course said no, but he finally made out a personal pass for the worker, so that he could come back the next day.

The next day he was passed through the grounds, and he immediately went to Foster's office. Mr. Foster was not in. So the worker began to hunt around for him. He spent all day looking for Foster and didn't find him.

Monday, the Expo officials made an innovation. They must have felt the fitters when they saw that crowd of 2,500 workers so close to the Expo grounds Saturday, so they moved the pay-off office way out in the woods behind the Naval Hospital, and as a precaution practically the entire police force seemed to be there. Twenty-five hundred workers waiting for their checks, and it seemed there were nearly as many cops and plainclothes-men. The workers waited all day, but no pay.

Tuesday, the worker had to stay in line until noon before he was able to get a check for only part of his pay. Some workers who had as high as \$200 checks coming, got only a small part. Other workers were told to come back at 3 p.m. for their checks. Still others stood from 3 to 6 p.m. when they were told there were no more checks.

Wednesday, the worker got the balance of his pay, but he had to stay in line until noon to get it. All these workers were hired directly by the Exposition administration, not by the private contractors. That is why these workers were at first all pepped to believe that the Exposition was going up on what was due them. He told them: "This means a black-eye for you fellows. You'll remember this!" And other words to that effect. Foster could do that, because there were only a few men, and he figured it a shrewd move.

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Chinese Restaurant Swindle Bared

By a Worker Correspondent

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—Luther Lee, manager of Golden Gate Restaurant, 1210-12 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, now closed, who exploited his workers without paying them.

When a restaurant was opened in 1928, he promised each waiter \$50 wages per month. However, beginning from December 1931, he stopped paying his workers on the pretext that the business was declining as a result of the depression. Then he started cutting wages step by step, until in May 1934 the only income of the waiters consisted of tips.

He had promised them a meager 5 per cent commission, but even that he stopped paying after two weeks. While the workers were slaving 14 and 16 hours a day without getting any wages for their work, Luther Lee became rich.

With his ill-gotten money, he established a new Chinese restaurant called Sangway, at 49th Street, near Broadway in New York. Later he established other new restaurants in Philadelphia—One Chinese Village, 34th and Walnut Streets; and the other, Chinese Caravan, North Broad Street and Olney Avenue. Each new business he established under the name of some of his relatives and friends in order thereby to evade the law.

When the workers in the Golden Gate demanded their money, he asked them to "deposit" the money, their back pay, in the restaurant, and promised to pay every penny he owed them later on. However, on June 12 he suddenly closed Golden Gate Restaurant without warning. Thus he deprived his workers, waiters and cooks, of more than \$20,000 in wages. Now the workers are penniless while he is taking actual charge of his new restaurants which he established under different names.

The workers have now started suit against him in court. We will

Police Captain Defies The Constitution

By a Worker Correspondent

BROOKLYN, N. Y.—Some time ago, I was on a mass picket line at the Aerovox Radio plant in Brooklyn. It was raining very hard but we kept up our spirits and slogan shouting until the police began collaring us one by one, with the intention of eventually getting us all.

A great many were arrested. Seeing that something had to be done, we stopped in the hallway of a cafeteria to decide what further action we should take. While we were there the police captain rode up.

In a "sweet" voice he asked what was wrong, and then went about excusing his men. Some young girls there argued with him and indignantly pointed out that all workers have a constitutional right to picket. He argued and we demanded the release of those who had been arrested.

When he said there was nothing he could do, we threatened to picket the station house.

"Go ahead and try it," he said, "and see what will happen."

We again referred him to the constitution, whereupon our public benefactor promptly replied, "Just you try it and see how good the constitution is!"

not stop our struggles against him until we get our wages back. We urge our fellow workers in his new restaurants not to believe his promises. They should get their wages every week. Otherwise they should quit work immediately lest Luther Lee cheat them out of their money. We also urge our American friends to boycott Luther Lee's new restaurants. Please don't patronize his business. Your boycott is a direct help to us to get what is due us.

Boycott Luther Lee!

A GROUP OF FORMER GOLDEN GATE RESTAURANT WORKERS.

Military Discipline In Marine Hospital

By a Worker Correspondent

ELLIS ISLAND—A few nights ago a man in full military uniform came into Ward 23 of the United States Marine Hospital, and forced all the patients to stand at military attention.

I did not get up at once when he entered the room. He then came to my bed and used abusive language, demanding that I arise.

This military minded man I later found out to be Dr. Robert A. Mee. I was told that he was

well known in all the wards for his insistence that sick patients get out of their beds and stand at military attention when he comes for inspection.

JOHN UJICH.

New Soviet Theatre

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

PETROVKA, North Caucasus, June 23.—This little town has just completed the biggest theater of any village in the North Caucasus. Supervised by the large collective farm surrounding the village, it is provided with reading rooms, recreation facilities, and the latest movie and theater equipment. The theater has a capacity of 750.

Macy's Bars Fire Drill In Speed-Up Efforts

By a Macy Worker Correspondent

NEW YORK.—The total disregard for the health and safety of their employees was again exposed when Mr. Perve, supervisor of the receiving room of the seventeenth floor of R. H. Macy and Co. stopped the fireman when he attempted a fire drill last Thursday.

Shouting: "We're too busy here to bother with fire drills," he made the fireman move on and prevented the periodic fire drills which are a necessary procedure under the laws of the State Labor Department.

Periodically a fireman with a fire department badge comes around and rings a gong at which time everyone stops work, and goes to his or her station. The entire procedure takes about three minutes, and everyone is back to work. The store is so undermanned that even with the terrific speed-up practiced in the store, departments are forced to forego these fire-drills to keep up with the work.

So greedy for profits are the bosses that State laws become just so much "paper" when they interfere with production. And so powerful a political power do they wield that even the orders of a hiring of the bosses, a mere supervisor can order a City fireman to forego his duty, and he meekly accedes.

His eagle eye trained on the men

NAACP Leader Decries Interest in Communism

By a Worker Correspondent

ATLANTA, Ga.—I was at a mass meeting called by the N. A. A. C. P. last Sunday. The wealthier Negroes ran the show.

They expected a large crowd of the workers but there were only about fifty present.

The speaker was Attorney A. T. Walden. He said he could not understand why the Negroes did not come out there. Then he said that if he were there to talk about Communism, he supposed the church would be packed.

Every one who spoke was a boss class Negro. The pastor of the church where the meeting was held, has been fighting the Communists.

he supervises, Mr. Perve did not see the fireman come in, and one gong had already been sounded when he jumped up and stopped the drill. The men looked on in surprise as the fireman walked out. One man remarked on how tough Mr. Perve was. Another wryly fixed Mr. Perve with the title of "one-gong" Perve. The name sticks, and among themselves the stockmen refer to Mr. Perve as "one-gong" Perve, the fireman killer.

Mexican Communist Party Backs Cuban United Front

STATEMENT OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF MEXICO

To the refugee leaders of the Cuban Revolutionary Party and the party of Young Cuba, now in Mexico, the Central Committee of the Mexican Communist Party has appealed for the immediate establishment of the united front with the Communist Party of Cuba throughout that island.

The General Secretary of Mexico's Communist Party, Hernan Laborde, addressed the following statement to Messrs. Fernandez de Velasco, Deynaldo Jordan, and Pedro Torrado:

Gentlemen:

The murder of Dr. Antonio Gutierrez, the imprisonment of numerous followers of Gutierrez and of Grau San Martin, of Communists and other anti-imperialists, the summary trials and brutal sentences dictated against the Gutierrez prisoners and handed down by the War Council, the destruction of trade unions and the bloody repression of every attempt to struggle against the colonial regime of Caffery-Mendiat-Batista in Cuba demands the immediate concluding of the united front of all the people's forces in the struggle for Cuban Independence.

The proposal of the Communist Party of Cuba, repeated the day following the murder of Gutierrez, in a letter sent to the Executive Committee of the Cuban Revolutionary Party and of "Young Cuba" answers this necessity. If "Young Cuba" and the party of Grau San Martin desire the liberation of Cuba, they cannot ignore nor refuse the sincere proposal of the Communist Party to constitute the people's revolutionary alliance which enfolds all the sections of the Cuban people, workers, peasants, colonos, students, intellectuals, etc., in a great mass movement, the only way to defeat the regime of terror of Caffery-Batista-Mendiat.

Communists Sincere

The sincerity of the Communist Party cannot be doubted, as it has already promised to suspend all criticism against the parties which accepted its proposal, while they accept and realize in practice the conditions of the united front. The Party has undertaken the struggle for the liberty of all the imprisoned Autenticos, Gutierrezes, Communists and Anti-imperialists, for

the respect of the university autonomy and of all the advantages acquired by the students, for the respecting of all collective contracts of labor, for the ending of martial law and the abolition of the death penalty against the revolutionists, for the withdrawal of the military supervisors from the public offices, work places, and schools; for the legality of the Cuban Revolutionary Party, "Young Cuba," Communist Party, National Agrarian Party, trade unions (National Confederation of Cuban Workers, Railway Brotherhood, Trolleyman's Union, Factory Unions, etc.) and organizations of peasants, students, and professionals for the complete equality of negro and white, against the terror and for democratic liberties; for the overthrow of the military dictatorship of Batista-Mendiat; for the national liberation of Cuba and for a People's Anti-imperialist Government.

It is indisputable that this program takes in all the most burning and present demands of the Cuban people in total, and that the acceptance or the refusal of these proposals today means to pro-

nounce oneself for Cuba or against Cuba, to take part for the Cuban People or for their oppressors and murderers.

The proposal of the Communist Party was ratified again recently in a letter sent by the Central Committee of the Communist Parties of Cuba and the United States to the Cuban Revolutionary Party and to "Young Cuba." A committee of both Communist Parties tried to interview Dr. Grau San Martin in Miami, when he refused to receive them, declaring that he would place the proposal of the Communist Parties in the hands of the Executive Committee of the P. R. C. (Cuban Revolutionary Party).

Also, among the members of the P. R. C. and the "Young Cuba" grows the desire to accept the proposal of the Communist Party and the masses to realize the united front in practice.

It is because of this that we address you, asking you that you declare yourself for the united front and try to convince the leadership of your party and influence that of the P. R. C. for the acceptance of the proposal of the Communist Party.

Must Work with Masses

You cannot ignore that the Communist Party and the National Workers Confederation of Cuba led a movement of hundreds of thousands of workers who have struggled for years against imperialism and its lackeys, that this mass movement was a decisive factor in kicking Machado out of Cuba in August, 1933, and that it will be equally a decisive factor in kicking out Batista and Mendiat. There can be no doubt that to achieve the liberation of the Cuban people it is indispensable to work with the great masses of workers and peasants, who will know how to go at an opportune moment from strikes and demonstrations to armed insurrection.

The C. P. of Mexico, which at the beginning of 1934 organized the

sending of Mella's ashes to Cuba and undertook energetic actions of the masses in solidarity with the Cuban Revolution, today makes the proposals of the Communist Party of Cuba its own and offers to you the active support of the revolutionary movement in Mexico for the struggle which the whole united Cuban people must let loose and will surely let loose for the liberation of their country. This offer also binds all the Communist Parties of Central and South America, and that of the United States, which for a long time has been showing in different forms its solidarity to the people of Cuba. We have initiated work tending to develop a wide people's mass movement for a Free Cuba in Mexico.

To discuss the question in more detail we ask you to receive a Commission from the Central Committee of the Party.

We await your answer.

For the Central Committee of the C. P. of Mexico, (Section of the C. I.) HERNAN LABORDE, General Secretary.

YOUR HEALTH

— By —
Medical Advisory Board

Because of the volume of letters received by this department, we can print only those that are of general interest. All letters are answered directly and are held confidential.

What Do You Do When Ill?

IN EVERY phase of his existence, the worker of this country is faced with exploitation. When he is sick, even many members of the medical and dental professions, hospitals, druggists, as well as the drug manufacturers, take advantage of the workers to gain undue profits. One of the most important functions of Health and Hygiene is to protect the worker against unscrupulous practitioners of dentistry and medicine. This lusty infant has grown into adolescence. In every issue will be found articles that tell exactly how a worker should proceed when ill.

Superstitions purposefully sponsored by capitalist advertisements of the large drug houses which would force the truth into the open are exploded by the facts printed in this magazine. Drugs, whose usefulness are limited and sold over the drug counters as cure-alls, medical fancies trailed to the public as "scientific truths," quacks, whose existence causes untold misery, are attacked and exposed systematically in Health and Hygiene.

St. Vitus Dance

M. W. of the Bronx, writes:—"I was very much surprised to read in the May issue of Health and Hygiene, in the article on 'Sterilization as a Fascist Weapon,' that chorea is a hereditary disease. I am very interested in knowing more about this disease, as I am, or was, a subject to this disease, having had it when I was a child."

The disease usually known as chorea (St. Vitus Dance) is not a hereditary condition. It is the result of infection and is closely allied with tonsillitis and rheumatic fever. It is a disease of early life. We doubt that the condition will recur with you nor does your son stand any risk whatsoever.

Hereditary chorea is a much rarer condition which comes on at middle age and is incurable. Hereditary chorea sometimes known as Huntington's Disease, is an abnormality determined by a dominant gene (an extremely small and special part of the creative cells). Consequently, the children of a parent with this gene may show the abnormality in the ratio of three abnormal to one normal child.

May we again reassure you that your letter clearly indicates that you are not suffering from the hereditary type and need not worry about yourself or your child.

Injections for Hernia

S. F. of B'klyn., writes:—"Kindly let me know your opinion of the ambulant treatment by injection for the cure of hernia. I was told it was being advocated by the Doctor writing the Health column for the Bronx Home News."

The injection treatment for hernia is still in the experimental stage, and has not yet been accepted by any large responsible hospital or clinic. Since operation is, in the wide majority of cases, eminently successful in the cure of hernia and at the same time attended by very little risk, we do not believe in the need for trying a new unproven method.

Besides, injections of hernias with strong solutions necessary to cause adhesions of the tissues is attended by a considerable risk of complications as well as failure of treatment. For these reasons we do not advocate the method.

Building Trade Workers In Boston Plan Fight On Coolie Relief Wage

(By Federated Press)

BOSTON, June 23.—Unless regulations governing wages and working conditions in the federal work relief program are changed, a joint meeting of the Boston Building Trades Council and the Massachusetts State Building Trades Council will be called, it was decided at a special meeting of the local building trades council recently.

"FRESH AIR FUND" of the MEDICAL ADVISORY BOARD 50 East 13th St., New York City. I enclose \$... as my contribution towards sending children of unemployed workers to Camp Wood-chi-ca.

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Fatherland

By Karl Billinger

Chapter II Columbia

BEHIND us we could hear the card-playing troopers thumping on the table. Messengers came and went. Guards were relieved and flung themselves down on the cots. The telephone rang incessantly. Every telephone conversation began and ended with "Heil Hitler!"—even if it was only an order for more beer.

Fresh prisoners were brought in a never-ending stream. Most of them entered silently; a few clicked their heels, flung up their arms and tried their luck with "Heil Hitler!" No one answered them.

The second man to my right began gasping softly. I tried to get a glimpse of him without moving my head. He was a sturdy fellow of twenty-five or so—a worker, to judge by his clothing—and his face was livid green. A few minutes later he started away, then suddenly collapsed. Our guard was just then talking to the card players and did not notice the incident. A trooper who entered the room at that moment caught sight of the man lying on the floor.

"Think you can get a good day's rest here, do you, you son of a bitch?" He seized the man on the floor, pulled him to his knees, and struck him a terrific blow in the face. Blood spurted from the man's mouth and nose. Our guard rose from the card table and came over. "You're drunk, you bastard," he said. The two guards kicked the groaning man in the stomach, back, and face.

Dragging himself to his feet, the man tried to stand up. His head drooped, his legs refused to support him. To keep himself from collapsing again, he dug his fingernails into the plastered wall. You could hear the nails crunch and break off as he dropped again like a sack to the floor.

TOWARD noon we heard a commotion in the corridor outside—loud talking, shouting, running back and forth. Finally the door burst open to admit a number of Black Shirts.

"Here's the bastard who rode with the driver." From the confusion of questions and answers it was possible to glean the information that a



Drawing by Boris Gorelick

"He seized the man on the floor, pulled him to his knees, and struck him a terrific blow in the face."

truckload of illegal literature had been seized by the Secret Police.

"Damn it all, I know that fellow. You've been here before, haven't you?"

"Yes, sir," came the reply in a clear, boyish voice.

"What were you arrested for the first time?"

"I was accused of distributing pamphlets."

"And this time?"

"I was standing at the corner of Mueller- and Seestrass, and a chauffeur offered me five marks to help him drive his load."

"Never mind the fairy tales. You knew perfectly well what was in those boxes."

"No, he didn't tell me a thing. And I didn't ask any questions, either. I was glad enough to earn the money."

"Now look here, my boy, what did you do it for?" It was the voice of an older trooper speaking. "Now they won't believe what you told them before, either. You're done for now."

"I've been unemployed since I left school. They wouldn't accept me for the labor camps because I'm a Communist. What am I supposed to do?"

One of the troopers in the group surrounding him replied with a blow that knocked the boy to the floor. "Leave him alone, Max," said the other man quietly, apparently unable to suppress his pity.

THE pamphlets were passed from hand to hand. A trooper started reading aloud from one of them:

ENEMY PLANES OVER BERLIN

An Important Message to all Germans

by Dr. Joseph Goebbels

"What a bunch of bastards!" another cried. "Just turn the page."

The first man gasped as he went on reading:

The Brutal Slaughter of Reichsbanner and Red Front League Comrades in Nowawes by Hitler's Brown Murder-Hordes

A Documentary Report Issued by the Berlin-Brandenburg District of the Communist Party of Germany

In a fresh access of rage they began again to beat the boy, from whose lips not a sound broke.

We continued to stand at rigid attention until seven that evening, chins in, heels together, eyes fixed on the white-plastered wall. To prevent dizziness I picked out a small black spot on the wall in front of me on which I focused my attention.

At seven one of our torturers snarled, "Company, about-face! Right-face! Forward-march!"

(To Be Continued)

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LITTLE LEFTY

Good Riddance!

by del



Why Dr. Roetter, Attorney for Ernst Thaelmann, Was Arrested and Thrown Into a Nazi Dungeon

Traditional Right of Independent Defense Done Away With

By LEON LAMBERT
Attorney, Paris

A STATE which proclaims itself to be in power and which does not serve the interests of the nation, can exist only at the cost of abolishing all liberty. This is why National Socialism (Nazi-ism) has transformed penal law into a fortification behind which it takes shelter. The Hitler government has made a clean sweep of the traditional guarantees assuring the accused of an independent defense, coming face to face with the powerful state apparatus with which it must deal. Very recently, the German law academy praised principles abolishing the last vestiges of the so-called liberal legal guarantees.

At the rate and to the extent to which this fascism of the law is proceeding in Germany, the position of the attorney has naturally changed, his role in the judicial apparatus has been modified, above all as concerns criminal defense. The defense can be serious and valid only to the extent that the law and the constitution assure the defender certain fundamental rights which guarantee his independence of the judicial and governmental apparatus and permit him to fight effectively against the accusation.

This principle once abandoned, the defense of a political prisoner has lost, properly speaking, all sense in the Nazi state.

"The dangerous ground (for the lawyer) is that of defense, and especially of political defense. If the lawyers do not learn to understand that the ideal of liberty has changed completely, if they do not make this new conception of liberty the very basis of their professional activity, a basis so natural for them, so well absorbed in their minds, that they instinctively act upon this principle in the most difficult situations, they are through with practice at the bar and with all liberal professions. IN HIS IMPASSIONED DEFENSE OF THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE, THE ATTORNEY MUST CALL, IF NEED BE, FOR A VERDICT OF GUILTY TO CROWN THE ACCUSATION." (Radolf Dix, "The Totalitarian State and the Liberal Profession of Law," in the Journal of German Jurists, volume 24, page 234.)

THESE words sound the funeral knell of liberty before the German bar. They condemn the attorney to the role of an instrument in the hands of the prosecution and of the Minister of Justice. The defender of the accused thus becomes the defender of the prosecution, and turns against the prisoner who has entrusted him with his cause.

The Nazi state cannot, in short, tolerate at the bar anyone who does not place above everything the in-



ERNST THAELMANN

The beloved leader of the German working class, Ernst Thaelmann, is still lying in one of Hitler's torture houses. Every voice must be raised in a powerful protest demanding his release.

terests of the Nazi party, or to put the matter more simply, anyone who does not bow before the wishes of the dictators.

The majority of German lawyers have bowed before the Nazi terror and refused to defend anti-fascists on trial. Where the court drafted them to conduct such a defense, they sought to excuse themselves for doing their duty. Thus, during the trial which took place at Dusseldorf in September, 1933, when the court condemned ten workers to death, a "defense attorney" rose immediately after the speech of the prosecution and made the following statement in the name of four other lawyers:

"I wish to emphasize that, in conformity with paragraphs 140, 144 of the code of criminal procedure, the German lawyer does not have the right to refuse a defense to which he has been officially assigned, without rendering himself liable for a serious infrac-

tion of the honor of the bar and of his professional duties, conforming with paragraph 38 of the rules of the bar. THE DEFENSE UNDERSTANDS AND APPROVES THE ANGER OF THE COURT WHEN FACING CRIMINALS AND REFUSED CATEGORICALLY TO MAKE COMMON CAUSE IN ANY FORM WHATSOEVER WITH THEIR CRIME, OR TO DIGNIFY IT. IN OUR CAPACITY AS GERMAN ATTORNEYS WE SHALL NOT PERMIT ANYONE TO PLACE US IN THE SAME CATEGORY AS THE FORMER COMMUNIST DEFENSE ATTORNEYS, WHOM, AMONG OTHERS, WE HAVE ALWAYS DISCLAIMED.

The "Westphaelische Landessetzung" (Westphalia Journal) adds the following comment to its account of the trial of 28 anti-fascist workers, which took place before the Court of Assizes at Hagen, in September, 1933.

"We wish specifically to call attention to the fact that the defenders of the accused Communists have not undertaken this defense voluntarily. In conformity with the present code of law in force at the Court of Assizes, every accused person must have a defense attorney. That is why the tribunal saw itself under obligation to name for this duty attorneys who had expressly asked not to be so designated. These defense attorneys were thus obliged to act in this capacity."

IN conformity with the law on the Tribunal of the People, only lawyers who have been admitted to defense practice by the President of the Tribunal can conduct the defense of accused persons. But even when the authorization has been granted, the Tribunal remains free at any moment to recall the attorney, even while he is in the midst of his plea. This detail has the

Roetter Indicated He Really Meant to Defend Thaelmann

effect of giving to the defense of accused political the character of a judicial farce.

On February 2, 1935, we read in the "Review of the Academy of German Law" the following remark, which gives some idea of the role of the attorney under the Third Reich:

"The attorney must undertake the defense with wisdom and with discernment. That is why we read in the Instructions Set Forth by the Chamber of Justice of the Reich, for the exercise of the profession of lawyer: The lawyer may not identify himself directly nor indirectly with tendencies hostile to the people and to the State. When a lawyer finds himself under obligation to defend an evil-doer guilty of a crime against the State or the people, he must never lose sight of the interests of the German people. It is not the question of knowing that the defense is conducted that matters, but rather the question of knowing how it is conducted."

Thus we are told, without any evasion, that if the lawyer undertakes his duties as defender with any degree of seriousness, when he is defending an anti-fascist, he becomes guilty of high treason in giving his services to tendencies hostile to the State.

THE recent arrest of the attorneys

Roetter, Wolfing and Hammer, doctors of law, shows that this principle is no dead letter in any sense of the word, but is applied daily by the Nazi authorities. Dr. Roetter, an irreproachable lawyer, member of the Nationalist Party of Germany, and of the Nazi association of jurists, declared himself ready to defend Thaelmann. He showed the intention—incompatible with the Nazi principles—of really defending the accused and not the accusation. The result was his arrest, the confiscation of his papers, and his disappearance into the dungeons of the State Political Police.

Free and independent defense has definitely been abolished by Hitler in Germany. The lawyer does not defend the interests of a political adversary on trial, but instead fulfills a judicial formula which has remained in force.

German fascism has not only undermined the very basis of justice by abolishing the traditional guarantees of the German defense attorney. It has at the same time undermined the entire structure of European jurisprudence. That is why the defense against the danger menacing the international bar must be undertaken by all lawyers who do not wish to be reduced to the ranks of servants of the hangmen.

Leningrad Workers Send Book and Personal Greetings As Collective Present to Daily Worker and Red Builders

"WE ARE WORKING FAITHFULLY," is the title of the book from whose flyleaves this picture was taken. Full of photographs and facts about Socialist Construction in the U.S.S.R., it has been sent as a collective present to the Daily Worker Red Builders from a group of more than sixty workers in Leningrad.

The Russian workers send greetings in English to their American comrades, and, in bright blue and red ink, sign their names to the greetings.

"To the best Red Builders of the Daily Worker:

"Dear Comrades!

"Our best greetings and congratulations with your splendid achievements in the struggle for enlarging the circulation of the Daily Worker.

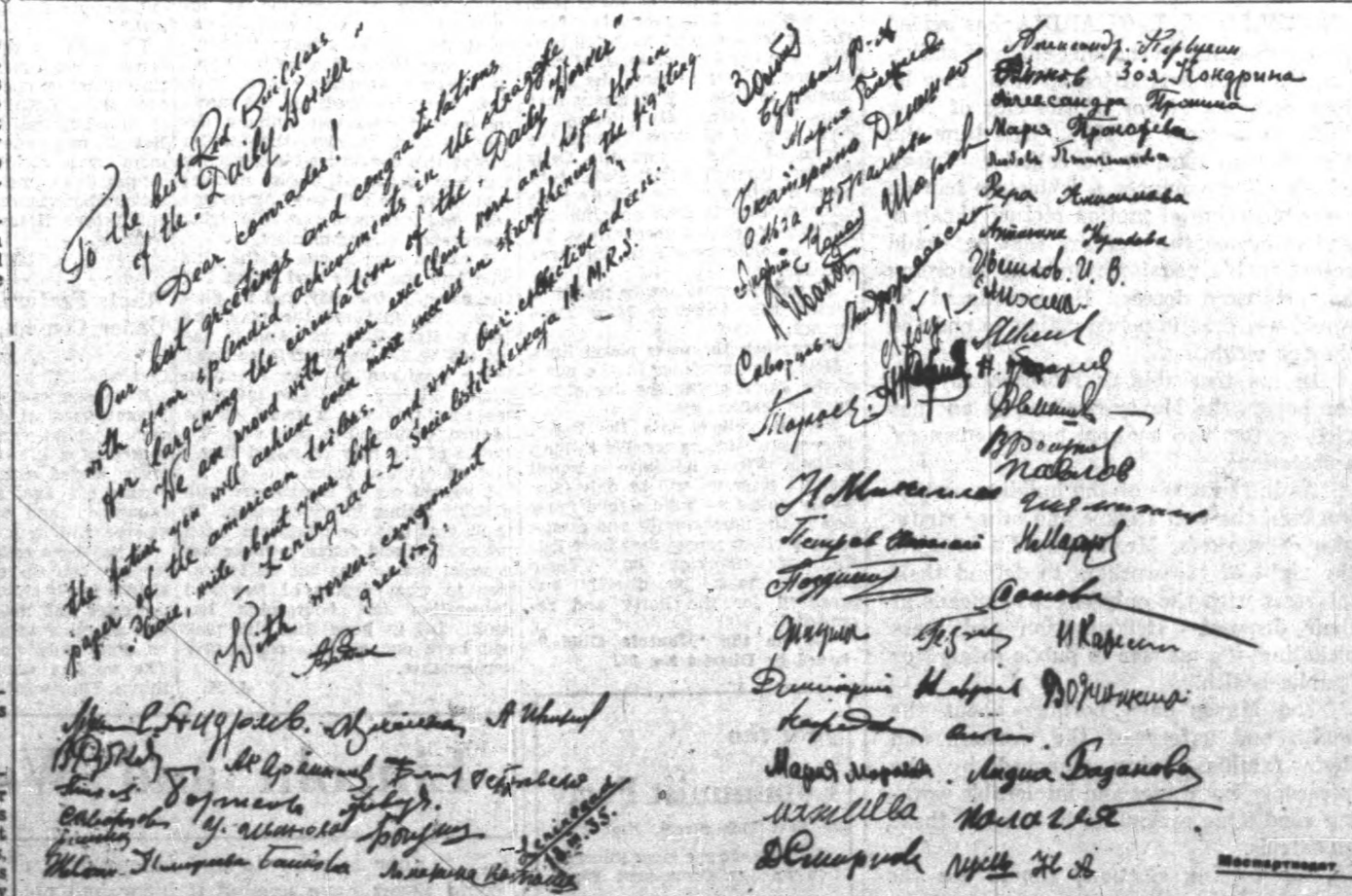
"We are proud of your excellent work and hope that in the future you will achieve even more success in strengthening the fighting paper of the American toilers.

"Please write about your life and work. Our collective address: Leningrad, 2 Socialisticheskaya, 14 M. R. S.

"With worker - correspondent greetings."

Then follow the sixty-odd signatures, many of those of women, names like Maria, Alexandra, Vera.

"WE ARE WORKING FAITHFULLY" is a large book, over a hundred pages long, with pictures on every page illustrating Soviet progress: Sweeping grain fields, tractors, threshing machines, herds of cattle and sheep, alert healthy faces of workers and their children. They refute graphically all the distortions and fabrications about the Soviet Union which have been stuffing the Hearst press.



Daily Worker Red Builders will be encouraged and stimulated by this evidence of international solidarity and sympathy. Socialist builders thousands of miles away are eagerly interested in the fight being waged here to increase the circulation of the Daily Worker, to heighten its prestige and influence. This tribute from the Soviet Union will reinforce the fighting spirit of the Daily Worker Red Builders all over America, who will achieve even more success in strengthening the fighting paper of the American toilers.

Questions and Answers

This department appears daily on the feature page. All questions should be addressed to "Questions and Answers," c/o Daily Worker, 50 East 13th Street, New York City.

The Strike Wave

Question: Is it true, as the capitalist press claims, that the present series of strikes is the result of the progress the United States is making toward recovery?—J. Z.

Answer: The strike wave started back in January, 1933, when the workers began to fight back in increasing numbers, against the lowering of their living standards by the bosses. Since that time the strike wave has steadily risen to greater heights, as the working masses have resisted the efforts of the capitalists to make the workers bear all the burdens of the crisis.

The workers are striking because they have not shared in what the capitalists call "recovery." The bosses are enjoying the highest profits since 1930, but the workers find their living standards constantly lowered by the rising cost of living. Thus the Research Division of the N.R.A. recently admitted that the profits of the employers were 130 per cent of their total profits for 1926, while wages were but 60 per cent of the 1926 level.

Even the top officials of the A. F. of L. concede that the lot of the workers is worse today than at the beginning of the "new deal." Wages have gone up 8 per cent, they say, but the cost of living has gone up 14 per cent, so that real wages have been slashed by 6 per cent.

Thus the workers are striking to improve their conditions—to beat back the offensive that the capitalists and the Roosevelt administration have launched against their living standards. The "recovery" that the capitalists and their apologists speak of, has been an increase in their profits obtained by the greater robbery of the masses. There has been no genuine solution of the crisis. Instead, the very measures taken by the capitalists, while they have temporarily strengthened their position at the expense of the masses, are leading to an intensification of the economic and political crisis of the capitalist system.

On the Screen

Poisonous Anti-Labor Film

STRANDED, based on the story "Lady With a Badge" by Frank Wead and Ferdinand Reyher; screen play by Delmer Daves, with additional dialogue by Carl Erickson; directed by Frank Borzage; a Warner Bros. production.

Reviewed by SAMUEL BROY

FOLLOWING on the heels of the vicious anti-labor film "Black Fury," the brothers Warner have exploded another malodorous bomb. It is, in every respect, considerably less convincing and more muddled than its infamous predecessor, if that is possible.

"Stranded" is one of those film stories that defy synopsis. It is so utterly rambling, incredible and distorted as to sound nothing short of fantastic when set down in print. Even the New York Times critic gave up the attempt. However, the sake of being as objective as is consistent with the patience of a long-suffering film fan, I will quote a section from the synopsis released by the press department of Warner Brothers.

"There is plenty of action on the bridge building job which Brent is superintending when Barton McLane, a labor agitator who picks up foreigners as they enter the country and drags them into his labor racketeering, tries to force Brent into paying a monthly protection fee. After the death of one of Brent's steel workers falling from the bridge while drunk, caused by Barton McLane's agitators supplying the men with liquor, Brent decides to clean up the situation himself. From then on there is plenty of he-men action, fast and furious, which builds up to a breathless climax when the entire force decides to quit.

"Consequently (sic!), everything is straightened out including the affair between Brent and Francis when Francis learns of the men's decision to walk out on the bridge, tries to persuade them that Brent is doing the best he can for them and that the agitators are at the bottom of all the trouble."

THE boss is a swell guy. The job is fine, paying eleven dollars a day. The union is not particularly objectionable. The men are satisfied. But there are agitators on the job paid one hundred dollars each by a gang of racketeers to foment trouble, get the men drunk and force the boss to pay protection money. The racketeers and agitators fail, of course, because the workers are sensible, American and hear the truth from the bosses' charming sweetie in her last desperate dash to the union hall to save everything.

Roll up your sleeves, fellow-workers, and get ready to give "Stranded" the reception it deserves when it gets to your neighborhood houses. With pickets, leaflets and a determined delegation to the theatre owners, make "Stranded" justify its title.

TUNING IN

- 7:00-WEAF-Gould and Sheffer, Piano
- WABC-Sports Talk-Stan Lomax
- WJZ-Bunch 'n' Andy-Sketch
- WABC-String Orchestra
- 7:15-WEAF-Scores of the Black Chamber
- WOR-Lum and Abner-Sketch
- WJZ-Tony and Gus-Sketch
- WABC-Savitt Orchestra
- 7:30-WEAF-Rhythmic Songs
- WJZ-Marshall Bartholomew
- WOR-Matheson Wells, Songs
- 7:45-WEAF-Uncle Eric-Sketch
- WOR-Gabriel Heatter, Commentator
- WJZ-Dangerous Paradise-Sketch
- WABC-Boaks Carter, Commentator
- 8:00-WEAF-Rhythmic Orchestra
- WOR-Lone Ranger-Sketch
- WJZ-The American Adventure-Basil High, Narrator
- WABC-Fray and Briggs-Sketch
- 8:15-WEAF-Erwin C. Hill, Commentator
- 8:30-WEAF-Gladys Swarbrick, Soprano; String Orch.; Mixed Chorus
- WOR-Eddy Brown, Violin; Solomon Finkels, Composer
- WJZ-Braine Chamber Music Festival, Unit. of Cul-
- forma Campus
- WABC-Bonnie Orch.: Pie and Pat, Comedians; Theo Karle, Tenor
- 8:00-WEAF-Coryell Orch.; Jan Pierce, Tenor; Yale Quartet
- WOR-Variety Musical
- WJZ-Minoriel Show
- WABC-Six-Gun Justice-Sketch
- 8:30-WEAF-Music at the Haydn
- WOR-Studio Musical
- WJZ-Tumbled-Sketch
- WABC-St. Louis Justice-Sketch
- 8:45-WEAF-Newslet: Sound
- 8:00-WEAF-Eastman Orch.; Lullaby Lady; Male Quartet
- WOR-Cora Cob Pipe Club
- WJZ-Say Knight's Club Hour
- WABC-Ted Rio-Sito Orch.
- 10:30-WEAF-Louise Seiler-Sketch With Max Bass
- WOR-Variety Musical
- 8:30-WEAF-The Night Breeze
- 11:00-WEAF-Talk-John B. Kennedy
- WOR-News; Dance Music
- WJZ-Stars Orchestra
- WABC-Hamilton Orchestra
- 11:15-WEAF-La Ferte Orch.
- 8:30-WEAF-Kaiser Orchestra
- WOR-Dance Music (To I. A. M.)
- WJZ-Dance Music (To I. A. M.)
- WABC-Smith Orchestra
- 11:30-WEAF-The Hoodlums-Sketch
- 12:00-WEAF-Dance Music (To I. A. M.)
- WABC-Dance Music

Nazi Chief Boasts in Hearst Press Navy Pact Aimed at U.S.S.R.

ROSENBERG, HITLER AID, CALLS ON ALL CAPITALIST NATIONS TO JOIN ANTI-SOVIET WAR FRONT; BITTER AT SOVIET PEACE POLICY

LEAVE it to Hearst to print the official Nazi view of the Anglo-German naval arms treaty.

From his close friend and collaborator, Alfred Rosenberg, head of the foreign political department of the Nazis, Hearst has just received a cabled article. It makes a swell companion piece to Admiral Stirling's call for a united front of imperialist powers (under Hitler's leadership) for war against the Soviet Union.

Rosenberg's anti-Soviet article is entitled: "Rosenberg Sees Anglo-Teutic Navy Pact Bar Against Menace of Bolshevism."

Rosenberg cannot conceal his joy over the London pact, encouraging Germany's naval armament of war against the Soviet Union.

"Germany and England have given to the world," writes this chief Nazi foreign propagandist, "an example of how on the basis of good will difficult problems can be mastered, and we have hope that this agreement will be followed by others..."

He crudely admits that the naval treaty provides for Nazi domination of the Baltic—aimed primarily at the Soviet Union.

Rosenberg holds up the Anglo-Nazi treaty as a model for other nations.

Then, very much in the spirit of the Trotskyists who attack the Franco-Soviet pact, Herr Rosenberg vents his spleen against the Soviet's peace efforts. He considers France a renegade to capitalist nations for

signing the mutual assistance pact with the dictatorship of the proletariat.

"Chancellor Hitler," wails Rosenberg, "proffered his hand to France after the Saar plebiscite. He repeated this action in later demonstrations, but on the side of France no answer has been given so far indicating the will to peace."

"On the contrary, malicious voices from Paris have continually shaken a growing confidence and the Franco-Bolshevik military pact threatens to lead to immeasurable consequences, a discussion of which would be in the interest of all civilized nations in the world."

How like two peas in a pod, are these phrases and

the Trotskyist attack on the Franco-Soviet mutual assistance pact.

The Nazis are encouraged to speed their war plans against the Soviet Union by the British naval action. They rightfully see their biggest immediate stumbling-block in the Franco-Soviet, and collateral pacts. The Trotskyists want these pacts destroyed—just as the Nazis do.

Rosenberg, Hearst, Stirling want the Roosevelt government to come out openly for the anti-Soviet war front.

Answer the new threats of an anti-Soviet war front! Rally support for the Soviet's peace policy! Demand: Stirling Must Go! Defend the Soviet Union!

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include workers other than those of one employer.

The Wagner Bill aims to prevent strikes, and turns over to an employer-controlled board power to regulate unions. The workers should fight it tooth and nail, and prepare a real fight against the wage cuts now going on.

Smash Lynch System

ANOTHER Negro lynched. Another fiendish crime against the Negro people. Again the "rape" cry and the old familiar whitewash: "death at the hands of unknown parties."

But the parties that lynched 25-year-old R. D. McGee in Wiggins, Miss., are known. They were incited by the same white ruling class which is trying to legally lynch the nine innocent Scottsboro boys on a similar trumped-up charge.

They are the tools of those same slave masters who want to send Angelo Herndon, heroic young Negro worker, to slow death on the barbarous Georgia chain gang for having organized Negro and white workers to fight for relief.

The fight to free Angelo Herndon and the Scottsboro boys is a fight against the entire system of lynching, mass starvation and national oppression of the Negro people.

The world-wide protest movement has forced the U. S. Supreme Court to grant for a second time a new trial to two of the Scottsboro boys. This must be followed up.

At the same time the widest support must be given to the campaign of the L.L.D. for 2,000,000 signatures to demand the freeing of Angelo Herndon.

Smash the lynch system! Get behind the fight for Herndon and the Scottsboro boys!

Miners! Strike July 1!

COAL miners in seven mines in the Greene County area of Western Pennsylvania have terminated their strike, under the slogan of preparation for a broader strike July 1. The men struck against the "truce" of John L. Lewis which extended an unsatisfactory agreement until June 30.

The local unions of Western Pennsylvania and other bituminous fields are preparing for a strike July 1 for the six-hour day, five-day week, the \$6 a day scale, and a referendum before any agreement becomes final.

The Green County strike proves the dissatisfaction of the miners with Lewis' kowtowing to the coal operators. Every local union should now get behind the movement for the broadest strike July 1, and should elect local union strike committees without delay.

LaGuardia's Picket Ban

PIRELLA H. LAGUARDIA has added another link to the long chain of strike-breaking acts committed by him since he took office as Mayor of the city of New York on January 1, 1934. This time the Mayor, who likes to be called a "friend of labor," pronounces a wholesale ban on mass picketing of motion picture theatres and informed the workers that he would resort to his usual methods in enforcing his arbitrary decree. He announced he would use drastic police action to end the theatre picketing.

In his true role as representative of the bosses the Mayor chalked up another victory for the motion picture owners' associations.

As in the cases of the building service workers, the taxi strikes and other struggles of workers, Mr. LaGuardia "found" the right of the workers to defend their interests with the only effective means at their disposal—strike action and mass picketing—"a menace to public safety" or "public health."

The Mayor says nothing about the health and safety of the workers and their families being menaced by the miserably low wages and intolerable working conditions prevailing in most of these industries.

The coming elections should see the workers of this city and their sympathizers behind a labor party ticket based on the trade unions, the unemployed, the workers' political parties and other workers' organizations.

About Those Taxes

BIG Business doesn't seem to be at all frightened by the big bad wolf of Franklin D. Roosevelt, who the other day dressed himself in his new tax program and said: "Boo."

"By itself," writes the June 21 issue of The Annalist, Big Business organ, "the proposal to share the wealth through heavy inheritance taxes is not especially alarming."

It might be mentioned in passing that Roosevelt did not propose heavy inheritance taxes nor heavy taxes of any kind. Trust him to know better than that.

Just what may be expected from Roosevelt's radical talk about "encouraging a wider distribution of wealth" was indicated by the man who can beat Roosevelt at this game of "share-the-wealth" demagoguery, Huey Long. In a letter to the President, offering to support him in 1936, this fascist demagogue says frankly that Roosevelt had made similar promises before, but had broken them.

The Roosevelt idea of "encouraging a wider distribution of wealth" resulted in 600 leading corporations increasing their profits more than 500 per cent in 1934 over 1932. Meanwhile, real wages in the past two years have declined more than 5 per cent.

The Communist Party demands not electioneering gestures designed to sidetrack all demands for genuine social legislation, but HEAVY and IMMEDIATE taxation of the rich to finance IMMEDIATE social legislation such as:

The Workers Unemployment, Old Age and Social Insurance Bill (H. R. 2827), the Farmers Emergency Relief Bill (H. R. 3471), the Marcantonio Bonus Bill (H. R. 8365), and the Workers Health Insurance Bill (H. R. 5549).

For the Cuban Workers

A SEND-OFF demonstration for the Commission to Investigate Social Conditions in Cuba takes place Wednesday evening at Park Palace, 110th Street and Fifth Avenue.

Let us give the Commission such a send-off as will inspire the workers and peasants of Cuba when they hear of it. Let us help them to go on with and strengthen their struggle against their Wall Street oppressors.

Fill the Park Palace Wednesday night with thousands of New York's workers!

An Aid to Company Unions

WILLIAM GREEN continues to misrepresent the Wagner Labor Disputes Bill. Green, following the passage of the bill by the house, again declared it to be "Labor's Magna Charta." A small part of the truth about this company union bill is beginning to filter into the press. The Nation of this week carries an article which admits that the bill, as passed, lists unfair labor practices in such vague and general terms as to make enforcement, especially in the courts, extremely difficult.

Francis Biddle, head of the now defunct National Labor Relations Board, declared his disagreement with Green's endorsement of the Wagner Bill. "The act does not prevent a company union," he said, adding that the workers should "do their own fighting."

The Wagner Bill actually aids the company union. It declares that a Roosevelt-appointed board of three shall decide upon the form of the union in each factory. The Wagner Bill declares that no representative unit for representing employees shall

Party Life

Washington Lumber Strike
Party Bulletin Reviews Work
Build Solid Party Core

THIS week is witnessing the first really intensive efforts throughout the territory to break the strike.

During the first week the comrades did excellent work in helping to pull out the mills and camps and spreading the strike. In the next weeks, however, where the main tasks centered around building rank and file groups, getting rank and file strike committees elected and helping them wrest control out of the hands of Muir and the other strike-breaking misleaders, our comrades have not done so well.

Let us try to find out the errors that are responsible for this and correct them.

1—Many of the comrades, even some of the leading comrades, in the sections, have not been reading the "Voice of Action," the Daily Worker or the Party District leaflets, with the result that they themselves are not familiar with the developments and are weak in explaining things in such a way as to convince the strikers. To say that they are too busy is a foolish excuse, as no matter how busy a person is he must always take the time to find out whether he is working in the right direction.

2—The opportunistic tendencies dealt with in our last MONTHLY GUIDE are still robbing the comrades of the results of their otherwise good work. Although there has been considerable improvement, the opportunist hanging-back, avoidance of boldly taking leadership and official positions, and of carrying out the Party line still continues. It has crystallized in the expression, "I don't want to be put on the spot." What do the comrades mean by this? They intend to say that they don't want to become isolated from the rest of the workers. But if the Party line would result in this, then the line would be wrong. The carrying out of the Party line will not isolate our comrades from the workers but will put them at the head of the workers and will make them stand out as leaders of the workers.

3—We also discussed in the last GUIDE the mistake of some comrades trying to find a short-cut to doing things, by trying to do them without the participation of the masses. This is also showing itself in the strike in a most dangerous form—the idea that the rank and file should clothe their activities in secrecy. It is correct that meetings of local rank and file groups should be kept strictly among the members concerned; but the general activities of the rank and file in the strike must receive the widest publicity.

EVERYWHERE else, we run across mistaken tendencies among the rank and file to keep the actions of the rank and file strike committees, and their own activities, secret from the strikers. Remember, the rank and file leaders must have full confidence in the determination of rank and the strikers to carry the strike through to victory! This means they must keep them fully informed at every step, of all plans, through the "Voice of Action," and the Daily Worker, through public statements, mass meetings and especially leaflets. Secrecy is good only for the misleaders' sell-out negotiations, but it is absolute poison to the rank and file.

All support must now be mobilized behind the Aberdeen Mass Conference.

Strengthen the mass picket lines. Hold mass meetings in the name of the Party, giving the line of the Party in leaflets, etc.

Recruit strikers into the Party! This is still lagging terribly in most sections. We do not have to repeat that all successes will be only temporary unless we build a solid Party core in the unions, mills and camps. Many sections report they have lists they are "working on." These prospects must be directly approached for the Party and recruited.

—From the "Monthly Guide," issued by District No. 12.

Comrade Editor:
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After listening to a strange and fantastic nightmare, it suddenly dawned upon me that the group of rehearsing actors were trying to simulate a Communist meeting (all that was needed was Laurel and Hardy). In the midst of this fantastic Communist meeting an individual enters, and without any particular reason attacks Communism, free love and what have you. And then in sweating ecstasy hurls down upon the leader of the meeting a wild oratorical outburst defending God, country, the family; ending this convulsive "lathering in the best approved fascist manner that there are still good Americans who will extirpate the vile lying propaganda of Communism."

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I walked out of the theatre with a sickly feeling in my stomach. To think that this vile mixture of hate, provocation and fascist garbage was a social drama was but an indication to what depths of fear and desperation the bourgeoisie has sunk. Let us hope that this play will have one glorious consecutive performance.

J. K.

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DEATH AT THE HANDS OF "PARTIES UNKNOWN"



Letters From Our Readers

'Hate Planters'—Digs In Fascist Garbage

New York, N. Y.

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Herriot Denied Soviet Famine In Hearst Press

Waukegan, Ill.

Comrade Editor:
While going through some old junk I came across a copy of the October 1, 1933 Herald & Examiner, containing an article by Edouard Herriot, former Premier of France, who had just returned from a visit to Russia, saying:

"...the whole campaign on the subject of famine in the Ukraine is being currently waged. While wandering about the Ukraine in different directions, I saw nothing of the sort."

I thought it very interesting because it was printed at the very time when certain Hearst articles now claim 6,000,000 people starved in the Ukraine. This article from Hearst's own paper by such a prominent man as Herriot completely refutes this damnable lie and fabrication about famine in the Ukraine, and proves Hearst for the rat he really is.

METAL WORKER.

Wants Feature of Real Life Under Communism

Cincinnati, Ohio.

Comrade Editor:
Every one wants security, a steady income, medical care when needed and hospital care without being robbed of a life's savings or hopelessly loaded with debt, vacations, secure old age, etc., all the thousands and one benefits that can be had in a Socialist world.

It has been estimated that every worker can have an income of \$20,000 yearly if waste is eliminated and processes and machinery developed and all other things done that can be done only under Communism. The workers want to know these things. They want to know how they

Suggests Tribute to Memory Of Yossel Cutler

Plainfield, N. J.

Comrade Editor:
In the sad passing of Comrade Yossel Cutler I was happy to be at the funeral and witness the beautiful tributes paid to him. The manner in which the funeral was conducted was sufficient proof to the thousands of workers what Yossel Cutler meant to the proletarian movement and that his name will linger in our memory. I was wondering, though, about the abundance of flowers and whether it did not represent an outlay in cash that could have been spent in a way that would have better expressed Comrade Cutler's wish. I feel that now, with all the tremendous work before us, the best expression of love of a revolutionary fighter would have been through an action that would carry forward the struggle. A gift, for instance, to the political prisoners, through the Prisoners' Relief Department of the International Labor Defense, would have been such an expression.

I hope that such a tribute may still be made by some workers' group.

R. B.

World Front

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BY HARRY GANNES

Ireland and War De Valera Does His Bit China's Bankruptcy Crop

IRELAND figures large now in Britain's preparation for a new imperialist war. For some time the De Valera government has been assuring the colonial slaveholders in London that they can count on its support in the next imperialist slaughter.

It was not, of course, put as badly as that. But the De Valera government assured the British masters that Ireland would not allow itself to be used as a base for war against Britain. London was further assured that there would be no struggle, during such a war, or before, to win Ireland's complete freedom from British domination.

Now the latest Dublin cables tell of a new treaty between Britain and the De Valera government embodying these ideas. It is no accident that the Anglo-Irish pact is rushed to completion right after the Anglo-Nazi naval agreement. Ireland is a strategic naval base for British military operations. Successful rebellion in Ireland during an imperialist war involving England would scuttle British sea plans.

BRITISH imperialism is tightening its war machine all around. The rear door is barred, with De Valera as the gate-keeper for the British oppressors. The Nazis are encouraged to fill the North Sea and the Baltic with submarines and ships for war against the Soviet Union.

The new treaty with the Irish Free State proposes two points: 1) The Irish government will not allow the establishment of an absolutely free and independent republic, without a "plebiscite." (That is, without the delay required by Britain to kill all efforts at freedom.) 2) The Free State will always defend Britain "from aggression," and will not permit itself to be used as a base of operations by an enemy of Britain. Of course, no imperialist country ever goes into any war, if you read its very own official press, except against an "aggressor."

Thus with the help of De Valera, the British imperialists not only get a promise of a bloody suppression of any Irish uprising for freedom from England, but are assured active support in the next imperialist war.

CHARLES DONNELLY, member of the Irish Republican Army, writing in International Press Correspondence (No. 24) on "De Valera and Britain's War Plans," declares:

"There can be no question of neutrality until Ireland is free. Any settlement made with Britain on the present political basis, involving, as it would, the identification of the Free State with British war interests, will be repudiated and fought not only by the Republican movement but by everybody who wishes Ireland to escape the horror of participation in an imperialist war in which she has no interest."

"The agents of the Free State Government today has its main items: Capitalism in the Economic War, surrender to the war plans of British imperialism, and increased suppression of the revolutionary advance."

In return for some measly economic concessions, De Valera is pledging Irish blood for British imperialism, and brutal suppression of the fight for a free Ireland.

THE largest textile factory in Hankow, with 90,000 spindles and 3,000 workers, has closed down. A large rubber factory has shut in Shanghai. All Canton rubber factories have gone bankrupt.

"During the past 30 days more than 200 Tientsin shops have permanently put up their shutters.

In connection with the wave of bankruptcies there is an epidemic of suicides. There are usually from 600 to 700 suicides a month in Shanghai alone, but this number is being exceeded. A family of six persons threw themselves from a six-story roof. Another family of petty-bourgeois trades all poisoned themselves with opium.

THE 15th Anniversary of Poland's winning of an outlet to the sea was celebrated with ambitious imperialist declarations. It was marked by a congress of the Polish "Right Seas and Colonies League" in Danzig. General Grzizich Drescher, president of the League, in a long speech, told of Poland's need for colonial expansion. Under the influence and promise of the German Nazis, the Polish chauvinists look forward to sharing the colonial crumbs of Hitler's promised exploits.

Lincoln and Webster on Labor

"Labor is prior to and independent of capital. Capital is only the fruit of labor, could never have existed if labor had not first existed. Labor is the superior of capital, and deserves much the higher consideration."—ABRAHAM LINCOLN

"The freest government cannot long endure when the tendency of the law is to create a rapid accumulation of property in the hands of a few, and to render the masses poor and dependent."—DANIEL WEBSTER.