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LEWIS CLAIMS C.I.O. VICTORY IN STEEL

Frazier-Lemke Bill to Aid Farmers Killed in House

ROOSEVELT FORCES GATHER LARGE BLOC TO DEFEAT MEASURE

WASHINGTON, May 13.—The New Deal rallied its forces in the House today and amid a storm of heated debate defeated the \$3,000,000,000 Frazier-Lemke Farm Mortgage Refinancing Bill. The measure was designed to aid debt-ridden farmers of the country by refinancing their mortgages at 1 1/2 per cent interest.

In defeating the bill the Roosevelt administration joined forces with reactionary Republicans opposed to any genuine relief for the farmers. The most important single factor in swinging the vote against the bill was a last-minute letter from William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, in the name of the Executive Council, urging "friends of labor" to defeat the measure.

Earlier in the afternoon the supporters of the Frazier-Lemke Bill won the first day's test when an amendment they proposed, limiting loans for mortgage refinancing purposes and preventing mortgages based on livestock, was passed 120 to 118.

The Green letter, which was read by Speaker Joseph W. Byrns, urged "friends of labor" to vote against the bill. It declared that the Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor... is opposed to the Frazier-Lemke Act largely because of the inflation feature of this proposed legislation. It also stated that "there are other features of the bill which are highly objectionable," without specifying what these features were.

The Executive Council proposed no amendments to remove the inflationary and "other objectionable" features, but joined with those who are opposed to any aid for the debt-ridden farmers by coming out flatly against the entire bill.

Byrns was challenged immediately by the Frazier-Lemke supporters. Rep. Gardner Withrow, Prg. Wis., demanded "why the speaker didn't get a letter from President J. Edgar Hoover of the American Liberty League."

"The League also is opposed to the bill," Withrow said.

Withrow read a letter from President A. L. Whitney of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, supporting the bill as "aiding in removing farmers from the state of penury they face unless they get relief."

New Deal Bows To Reactionary Attack on Tax Bill to Tax Surplus Profits Already Modified

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 13.—From all indications here today, the Roosevelt administration will make material concessions to the reactionary attacks on the new \$900,000,000 tax bill.

It appeared more than ever likely that the original tax on undivided corporate profits—already watered down to \$600,000,000—suggested by the President would be modified. Only the fundamental theory of the plan to force corporations to pay out income tax in taxable dividends would be retained.

This was the trend of the two-hour discussion before the Senate Finance Committee today, in which Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr., and treasury experts participated.

Although the bill is seriously inadequate from the point of view of taxing the huge corporate surpluses the Liberty League-Hearst-Republican reactionaries seek to block any attempt to reach the storehouse of corporate surplus profits.

Score Wounded As Police Attack Greek Strikers

ATHEENS, May 13 (UP).—Spontaneous clashes between workers and troops and policemen brought wounds to more than a score of persons today as workers held a 24-hour general strike in protest against the killing of striking tobacco workers at Salonika. Clashes occurred here, at Piraeus, the capital's port, and at Salonika.

Working in the coal mining towns of Illinois Larson and Park have mobilized every friend of the Sunday Worker. The results are startling. If applied to the larger centers of population such as Chicago, Detroit, Cleveland and Pittsburgh, the Sunday Worker circulation would be up in the millions.

Here is the record: In Westville and Georgetown, eighty-three subscriptions were obtained. In Zeigler, these perceptive workers obtained twenty-four subscribers in ONE DAY. Belleville and Collinsville contributed twenty-one subscribers. Springfield sent in fifteen and Bend eleven. The total, 184, speaks for itself.

Who can equal this record?

Social Workers Cite Low Relief Paid in Alabama

GADSDEN, Ala., May 13.—Speakers at a meeting of the Alabama Chapter, American Association of Social Workers here brought out the fact that the average family on direct relief in Alabama is receiving only \$8 a month and that the Department of Agriculture calculates the cost of the barest food necessities for a family of four in Alabama at \$16.20 a month.

The special session of the State Legislature appropriated only \$250,000 for a six-month period for direct relief. Even before the wholesale WPA lay-offs conservative officials of the Department of Public Welfare estimated that at least one million dollars was needed to provide a bare living for the unemployed in Alabama for six months.

Builders Push Sunday Paper In Illinois

Southern Illinois is showing the rest of the United States how to do it. Two Sunday Worker builders, Larson and Park, have gone in for subscription getting on a large scale.

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S.S. Roosevelt Held at Pier For Inspection

I.S.U. Strikers Charge Vessel Cleared With Crew Shorthanded

The big passenger liner Roosevelt of the United States Lines, was held at pier for about two hours yesterday morning, through an unprecedented move by the authorities of the United States Shipping Commissioner's office, who flashed a detaining order to the custom officers at Pier 89, following serious charges made by striking seamen that the boat was manned by unqualified seamen.

Appearing suddenly before the chief of the Steamboat Inspection Service, Captain George Fried, a committee of five striking seamen declared that the Roosevelt was preparing to clear this port in brazen violation of the ship's license under federal navigation laws.

The seamen's committee, headed by Peter J. Innes and Irving L. Gold, entered the office of the steamboat inspectors at ten o'clock yesterday morning armed with documentary evidence claiming proof that the vessel was carrying only five of fifteen required experienced "able-bodied" seamen, holding "A.B." tickets. The committee of strikers produced a bulletin taken from the S.S. Roosevelt bulletin board while still en-route to this port on her previous trip from Hamburg, Germany on other channels, listing only five "A.B." seamen and thirteen "ordinary" seamen. The strikers contended that the ships' license requires the full quota of experienced seamen, carrying life-boat certificates, before she can clear port.

Evidence Presented

Captain Fried referred the committee to the offices of United States Shipping Commissioner, John Daly, in the same building. Daily admitted to the seamen that the evidence presented apparently proved that the S.S. Roosevelt was violating the maritime laws. He immediately telephoned the custom officials at the docks instructions that the ship be detained until a thorough inspection of her crew and safety apparatus was made.

Two deputy commissioners from Daly's office, Stewart H. Wearing and George W. Lawson, boarded the ship ten minutes before her sailing time shortly after eleven o'clock. Following the inspection, the vessel was reported to have sailed at 1:15 P.M. with 275 passengers on board. Spokesmen for the company stated that the personnel of the crew was found to be "in order" by the inspectors.

The five striking seamen who preferred the charges which caused the delay and inspection of the S.S. Roosevelt were not permitted to view the inspection. They declared that they would press for further investigation of the incident through more "impartial" channels.

Scab Crews Shipped

The strikers' committee declared that since the waterfront strike started, two months ago, the shipping companies have been resorting to the practice of putting "shore" crews, usually employed to care for the ships while they are at dock, aboard the vessels, sailing them as far as the quarantine station, then

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Earl Browder Hails Farmer-Labor Party Conference May 30

Communist Party Secretary Characterizes Conference as Opportunity to Weld Local, State Groups Into National Movement Against Fascist Menace

By Alan Max

"An important step towards building the people's movement against the menace of reaction in this country."

This was how Earl Browder, general secretary of the Communist Party, characterized the conference to be held in Chicago on May 30-31 to discuss the possibility of a national Farmer-Labor Party this year. The conference has been called by the Minnesota Farmer-Labor Association and by Governor Floyd B. Olson.

Browder was seated at his desk in his office on the ninth floor of the Workers Center at 35 E. 12th Street. He spoke in that same simple, direct manner which won him the friendship of tens of thousands of radio listeners.

"The conference," he said, "has the opportunity of working out a program which will be a clear guide for the growing sentiment in the United States for a national Farmer-Labor Party. It can help stimulate the various local and state movements, and although it will not put up a presidential ticket, the conference can coordinate all of these movements on a national scale and begin to weld them into a people's front against reaction and the menace of fascism."

Browder declared that the conference afforded the possibility of drawing in broad circles of progressives, especially those in the trade unions, into a national Farmer-Labor Party which could elect candidates on a state and local scale.

"Now that the question of a Farmer-Labor presidential ticket is no longer on the order of the day, it is possible for all those who are convinced of the need for independent political action to collaborate organizationally and politically in building a Farmer-Labor Party. The movement has gained sufficient momentum to elect blocs of Congressmen and state representatives who would represent the true interests of the people in the legislative halls of government."

He leaned forward, both arms on his desk.



EARL BROWDER

Union Chiefs Stop Strike Rubber Industry Is Called Off

(Special to the Daily Worker)

AKRON, Ohio, May 13.—The sudden sit-down strike of 5,000 workers in the Goodrich plant was stopped at the last minute by the action of Rubber Union officials.

A number of departments of the Goodrich Factory had already carried through the decision to sit down when the strike was called off by union leadership.

Later at a meeting of the Goodrich Union, Sherman Dalrymple, president of the Rubber Union, asked to be given until next Saturday to settle the union grievances over layoffs.

Progressive workers in Akron feel the company layoff policy is clearly part of the union-smashing campaign. Fears are expressed that this campaign may bring a crisis in the rubber situation late in the summer. Returns from Tuesday's primary election indicate that union candidates who sought places on the two old parties' tickets failed without exception to poll even a considerable fraction of the votes cast.

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Hearst-Liberty League-Republican Plot to Starve America Hits Industrial Centers the Hardest

primary workers stretch relief a few days after May 25. The Carey bonds, plus some credit from the stores, may keep the wolf away from the doors of the jobless up until the first few days in June.

But after June 15 there will be two wolves at every door.

The City of Cincinnati, which recently passed a levy for relief, has unemployment funds for only a few more weeks.

Employers' Drive

The Ohio Chamber of Commerce, the Manufacturers Association and the Public Utilities, basing them-

selves on the program of the Liberty League, through a joint legislative lobby took the position that relief standards were "too extravagant."

Their announced aim is to turn the relief problem over to the counties and municipalities, thus reducing unemployment aid to the supply and charity handout stage of the Hoover era.

In making such a proposal big business is playing ostrich and refuses to face the facts.

A survey by the Ohio Daily Worker Bureau, based on government statistics, shows that one person out of every six in the State

Assembly Kills 3 New York Social Bills

Republican Majority Rejects Measure for State Aid

ALBANY, May 13.—A solid Republican majority of three votes rejected the administration social security bill for the third and last time today just before the legislature adjourned sine die. Even to get this vote in, the clocks had to be stopped a few minutes before they reached the hour of noon, the point fixed for the end of the legislative session.

Despite loud pleas from Democrats and loud acquiescence from Republicans that the measure be "taken out of the field of politics," the fate of the unemployed, the blind, the crippled and others was made a political football throughout the session.

The bill itself was extremely conservative. It provided aid for the future, not the present, and in small quantities. The Republican, and especially the Westchester County millionaire colony group, fought the bill on principle. Their spokesmen contended that it would give the Democratic administration too much control over public funds, and that such things as relief had better be left to private charity and the initiative of the cities and towns.

Doris I. Byrne, Bronx Democrat, one of the two women members of the House, made a lengthy appeal for support of the proposal, contending that the crippled and blind children would be given care under its provisions. She also cited the provision for care of needy mothers, adding:

"I say to you gentlemen that we wouldn't have so many crippled children if mothers were given proper care before birth. This bill provides that care for needy mothers. Bring up a healthy generation and the future will take care of itself."

Assemblyman William T. Andrews, Manhattan Negro, also pleaded for enactment of the measure.

Republicans struck back in a counter attack when the Democratic proponents concluded. Jane Todd, Westchester Republican, opened the Republican debate.

"It'd be the last one in the world to vote against this bill if it was going to take anything away from needy children or mothers," she said. "The County of Westchester has one of the best social welfare services in the state."

Mrs. Lehman, wife of the Governor, sat in the rear of the chamber calmly knitting as the debate raged.

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Mayor of Passaic Becomes Guardian Of Quadruplets

PASSAIC, N. J., May 13.—Mayor Benjamin F. Turner has taken full control of the quadruplets situation here, as he appointed himself "advisory guardian," and signed a newspaper contract for the newly born infants of Emil and Elsie Kaspar.

Already the income of the Kaspar quadruplets for the exclusive rights of a New York newspaper to "interviews" and pictures is \$40 a week, twice that of the salary of the father, who is a \$20-a-week machinist's helper.

It will be much more if the Mayor has his way and gets enough publicity for the quads, Passaic and himself.

Apparently unwilling to live off the income of his less than a week-old children, Emil was worrying about his job with the Erie Railroad. He has not been to work since Friday, the day before the babies were born.

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PRACO, Ala., May 13.—Five hundred union miners struck at the Alabama By-Products Corp. mine here Monday. The strike was called by the United Mine Workers of America local to force the company to rehire ten union men fired last week.

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CONVENTION TAKES ACTION ON \$500,000 ORGANIZATION PLAN

Detroit Unions Plan Merger Within Week

Automotive Industrial and United Workers to Affiliate

(Daily Worker Michigan Bureau)

DETROIT, Mich., May 13.—The long awaited merger of unions in the automobile industry was virtually an accomplished fact today with the announcement by Richard Frankenstein, president of the Automotive Industrial Workers Association, that a committee of sixteen of his union assigned to investigate conditions offered by the A. F. of L. on affiliation unanimously recommended acceptance. Only a formal ratification in the locals is necessary. This will take about a week.

"The merger is now a certainty, in my opinion," Frankenstein said. "The sixteen committee members represent a majority of the locals and they registered a unanimous vote of approval."

Homer Martin, president of the United Automotive Workers, was present at the committee meeting and explained all matters. Accomplishment of unity was the first task undertaken by the new officials of the united to clear away another obstacle to the organization drive.

Puerto Rican Students Ask Independence

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico, May 13.—Governor Blanton Winship today threatened to call out the national guard against a students' demonstration demanding Puerto Rican independence.

The students, joined by many sections of the population, marched through the streets demanding immediate independence for Puerto Rico.

The demonstration was formed last night when some anti-independence forces cut down the Puerto Rican national flag. The students paraded down to La Fortaleza and booted the governor.

Other students demonstrated at the Plaza Grocery and Provision Co., an American concern, responsible mainly for the high price of food. Police, attempting to disperse the students, were driven back. The police chief's motor car was stoned and his tires deflated.

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Browder to Speak at Garden on C. P. Election Position

To Show Need Of Defeating Liberty League

Unionists Invited to Communist Meeting Next Thursday

Announcement made yesterday that Earl Browder, general secretary of the Communist Party of the United States, would discuss the Communist position in the 1938 elections at an open membership meeting at Madison Square Garden on Wednesday evening, May 20.

In addition to his discussion of the Communist position in the coming elections which will stress the vital need of defeating the Hearst-Liberty League set-up, Earl Browder will discuss the present acute war danger and the Ethiopian situation.

Browder will be the only speaker at the meeting, which will start at 7:30 o'clock. The chairman of the meeting will be I. Amter, New York district organizer of the Communist Party.

In addition to the Party membership, the members of the Young Communist League were called upon to attend by both the District Committee of the Communist Party and Young Communist League. Party members and YCLers were also urged to invite trade unionists and members of the Socialist Party of their acquaintance to the meeting.

Amalgamated Rank and File Assail Abuses

Hand-voting and other abuses, which made the recent election in Local 161 of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers a "farce," were denounced by the Rank and File Group of that union in a statement issued yesterday.

"The result of the election," the Rank and File Group stated, "was only made possible by following the old method of hand-voting, which is definitely a violation of the constitution. In such a manner it was possible for three paid officials to mobilize forces to vote for their slate."

"A clear picture can be drawn by those members who were present," the statement continued, "when the officials called upon the members to vote for those they favored and dared anyone to vote for the opposing candidates. Therefore, we, the Rank and File Group of Local 161, protest and condemn such elections, which are nothing else but a farce. However, we state that we will work with all honest elements in the local for the realization of a program that will build the union and any other measure which will be in the interest of the entire membership."

The program, which the Rank and File Group contend is vital for the promotion of Local 161 and the welfare of its members includes "strict adherence to the classification," opposition to wage cuts and the check-off system, for a minimum scale of wages and 50 cents dues, for a secret ballot in elections and opposition to the "white pass" system.

The "white pass" is used by officials to deprive certain members of their union rights. By this method, officials can punish workers for criticism of official policies by putting them in a lower membership classification.

Discrimination in the distribution of jobs is opposed by the rank and file organization, which charged that this is one of the most outstanding abuses in the local.

Riff-Raff Pickets Dismissed in Court

Twelve pickets arrested for protesting against a showing of Riff-Raff at the Loew's Theatre in Coney Island were dismissed yesterday in the Eighth Magistrate's Court in Brooklyn.

The remaining six of the original 60 arrested will be tried today. Members of local labor organizations are asked to be present in the court which is at Smith and Schermerhorn Streets, Brooklyn.

SOCIAL WORKERS PICKET BUREAU



With relief appropriations cut and social workers dropped from the payroll in Fusion's "economy moves," these workers took to the picket line in the demand for their jobs.

Ridder Is Rebuked For Hiring Guards

WPA Head Instructs All State Directors to End Blacklisting of Workers and Spying Upon Organizations on the Projects

WASHINGTON, May 13 (UP).—Works Progress Administrator Harry L. Hopkins today instructed all State WPA directors that they must not employ armed guards and cannot blacklist needy workers who organize.

His action followed a conference yesterday with Victor F. Ridder, New York City WPA Administrator, who employed a detachment of guards to protect his office against demonstrators.

Other state WPA directors have been accused of discriminating against workers who sought to form their own unions.

Hopkins also said that state WPA could not employ their own investigators to "spy" on WPA workers.

His order read: "1. Maintenance of order is the function of local and state governments, and if protection is necessary in connection with WPA activities it should be secured from the regular police force of the locality. WPA funds shall not be used for the employment of armed guards."

"2. Where investigations are required, such matters will be handled by the Division of Investigation of the Federal Works Progress Administration. This investigation service will not be used to spy upon workers nor concern itself with legitimate organizational activities of WPA workers. No investigation will be made for investigators employed directly by state or district offices of the Works Progress Administration."

"3. The use of the 'blacklist' or any other list that may serve to discriminate against individual workers or groups is prohibited. The administration will not permit any discriminatory practices that may operate to work hardship on unemployed persons because of their beliefs, organizational activities, or affiliations."

Unemployed organizations and organized WPA workers have fought long and hard against the many spectacular demonstrations by thousands of marchers against the WPA policies here. Some of these have been attacked, and further storms of protest have gone into Hopkins' office over the attacks and espionage.

The presidential election campaign is undoubtedly involved in not only this order, but Ridder's actions which provoked it, unemployed here feel. Victor F. Ridder, it is said, was appointed by mistake for his brother, Bernard F. Ridder, a Democrat. Victor Ridder is a Republican and it is felt that some of his activities, such as the hiring of the blackjacket squad to guard his office, tend to bring discredit on the administration which it is loath to carry in an election period.

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Otto Richter, Nazi Refugee, Gets Week Stay

Will Speak at Mass Meeting in Rand School Tomorrow

Otto Richter, twenty-one-year-old anti-Nazi refugee, who was to have been deported to Germany May 15 has been notified by the Labor Department that he has been given a one-week stay of deportation. According to the notice he received, Richter is to be deported to Germany on May 22.

Richter will speak at a mass meeting to be held at the Rand School, 7 East Fifteenth Street, tomorrow at 8:30 p.m. The protest meeting is being sponsored jointly by the American Committee for Protection of Foreign-Born and the Ferrero-Sallitto Defense Conference.

Other Refugees to Speak

Joseph Schlossberg, secretary-treasurer of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America and well-known Farmer-Laborite, will be the main speaker on the program arranged to protest the deportation of anti-fascists to fascist countries of Europe. Other speakers include Ludwig Lore, expert on foreign affairs and columnist on the New York Evening Post; Jules Korkein, former national secretary of the Federation of Architects, Engineers, Chemists and Technicians; Jacob Altman, state organizer of the Socialist Party; Walter Baer, civil engineer of Portland, Ore., who faces deportation to Germany; Dominic Sallitto, former restaurant owner of Oakland, California, who faces deportation to fascist Italy.

Protest by Perkins

The American Committee for Protection of Foreign-Born, which has been conducting Otto Richter's defense, requests that protest letters be sent immediately to Secretary of Labor Perkins by organizations and individuals demanding that Richter be allowed to remain in the United States because he faces death or imprisonment in Nazi Germany and separation from his American-born wife if the Labor Department carries through its intention of deporting him May 22.

Draws Gun On Pickets At Ohrbach's

A policeman, apparently infuriated by the partial limitations placed on picket interference with the picket line before Ohrbach's department store on Union Square by Magistrate Jonah Goldstein, drew a gun on a group of pickets and passers-by late Tuesday evening, as he put Sandra Stoker, picket, under arrest. The excited policeman wore sergeant's shield No. 73.

Earlier in the day, Magistrate Goldstein had given four pickets arrested before the Ohrbach store suspended sentences for mass picketing. He stated that there could be picketing before the store in any numbers, provided that there was no shouting and also declared that he could see no reason for the discharge of union members by the concern.

At 5:30 o'clock Tuesday evening, a mass picket line assembled and began picketing without talking. The police, after fifteen minutes, arrested two pickets and broke up the line. At 7:30, forty pickets began a single line march in front of the store. They were permitted to do this for twenty minutes when the police, clearly influenced by the Ohrbach management, rushed into the line and arrested four pickets.

Workers and shoppers, who were passing by, protested these arrests and demanded the release of the prisoners. It was then that one of the policemen drew a gun on the 2,000 people who had gathered to protest the unfair arrests.

Dunckel Bill Protest Asked by Committee For Foreign-Born

The American Committee for the Protection of Foreign Born called yesterday for immediate protest by all labor and progressive organizations against the passage of the Dunckel Bill by the State Assembly in Albany.

The Dunckel Bill requires the registration of all aliens with County Clerks within thirty days after enactment. If the alien moves to another county, they must register within thirty days.

In calling for protests, the committee urges that telegrams be addressed to Irving M. Ives, chairman of the Rules Committee of the Assembly.

Thomas Hathaway, To Speak May 28 On a Labor Party

Norman Thomas of the Socialist Party, Clarence Hathaway, editor of the Daily Worker, and Jay Lovestone, renegade from Communism, will discuss the question of a labor party in a symposium on Thursday, May 28.

The symposium will be held under the auspices of the educational department of Local 22 of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, at Hotel Delano, 106 West Forty-third Street, and will begin at 6 P.M.

Tickets can be obtained from the office of the educational department, Room 508, 232 West Fortieth Street.

Amter Assails Devaney Bill

Israel Amter, New York District Organizer of the Communist Party, yesterday protested against the Devaney Flag Bill in a telegram to State Senators John J. Dunningan and George R. Fearon, majority and minority leaders.

The Devaney flag ordinance requiring a flag five feet by three feet at all meetings attended by fifteen people or more, is now up for its third reading in the State Senate. Amter's telegram follows in full:

"Devaney Flag Bill is a Hearst sponsored measure opposed by organized labor and all progressive opinion. It hides anti-American attack against free speech and assemblage behind the American flag. A storm of protest caused mayor's veto of a similar measure introduced into the Board of Aldermen. This bill makes possible police supervision of all union meetings."

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Lehman Asked to Oppose Move of Electric Firms

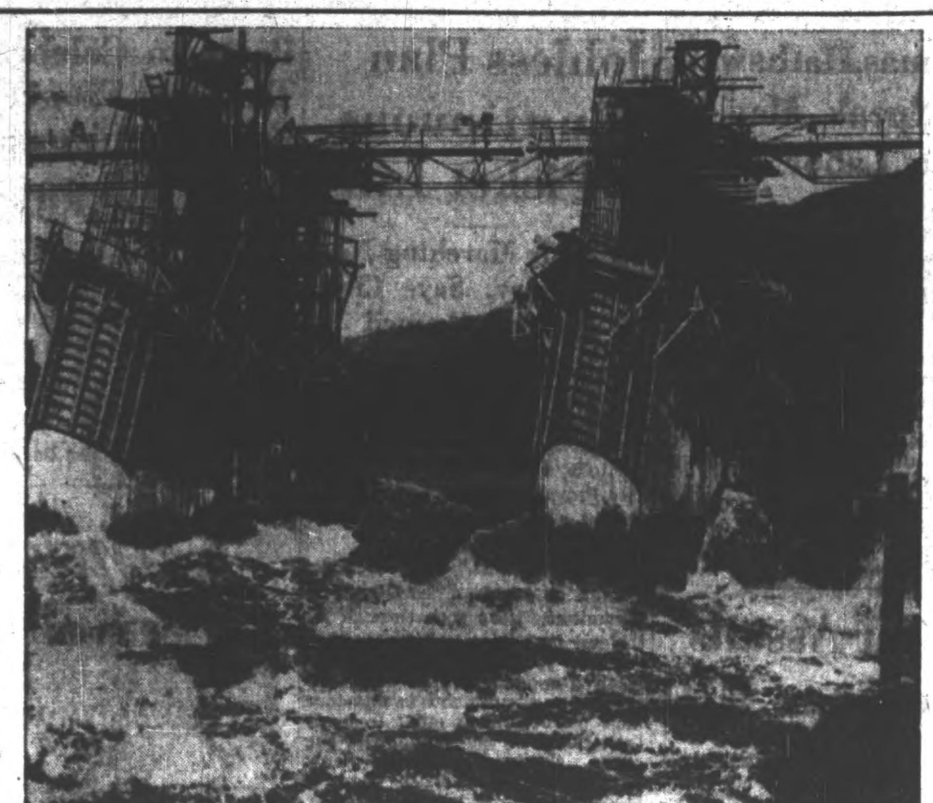
Governor H. H. Lehman was urged yesterday by organized utility workers to veto a bill passed last week by both Houses of the State Legislature which would authorize the Consolidated Edison system to merge its seventeen electrical, gas and steam companies in Greater New York. The protest was based on the conviction that executive approval of the measure would mean the lay-off of "thousands of more workers."

A telegram asking for a public hearing on the bill was sent to the Governor by Martin A. Wersing, president of Utility Workers' Local B-752 of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, a unit of the American Federation of Labor.

Two Pickets Arrested 'For Speaking Loudly' Before Meat Market

Two pickets in the three months strike of the Hebrew Butcher Union, Local 34, against Liebowitz Meat Market, 3311 Broadway, Astoria, were held yesterday on \$500 bail on charges of "speaking in a loud voice." They were asking the public not to go into the shop.

FLOOD WATERS ENDANGER DAM PROJECT



Engineers on the government's new dam project at Bonneville, Ore., wondered what the wild waves of the Columbia river were saying as they dashed against unfinished piers laden with scaffolding. The flood waters, some of them twenty feet high, failed to damage the construction, and now work is back on schedule.

Vargas Protest Committee Visits Consul

Delegation Demands Release of Prestes and Liberals

A committee of representatives of a number of important liberal and labor organizations visited the Brazilian consulate yesterday, as a picket line was demonstrating outside, to demand the release of prominent liberal leaders in Brazil, including Luis Carlos Prestes.

Mass Meeting Tonight Will Protest Brazil Reign in Brazil

Protesting the terror in Brazil, the Joint Committee for the Defense of the Brazilian People will have a mass meeting tonight at Pythian Temple, 135 West Seventh Street. Speakers will include: Congressman Vito Marcantonio, Joseph Brodsky, well-known attorney; David Alfaro Siqueiros, the famous Mexican artist; the Rev. Ralph H. Reed of the Holy Trinity Congregational Church of Belaire, L. I.; Harrison George, father of the murdered boy, and prominent trade union leaders.

Communists Stop Yorkville Nazi Meeting

Force 25 to Fold Platforms and Leave Park

The anti-fascist movement in Yorkville won a decisive victory on Tuesday evening when 500 workers compelled the American National Labor Party, a Nazi outfit, to give up a meeting scheduled for 7:30 P. M. in Carl Schurz Park, Eighth, sixth and East End Avenue.

Fourth Attack Made on Pickets of Cafeteria

Union Member's Condition Reported Serious

In the fourth attack launched by alleged gangsters against the picket line before the Park West Cafeteria, at Ninety-ninth Street and Columbus Avenue, a union member, James DuBois, was brutally assaulted early yesterday morning and is reported to be in a serious condition.

Painters Push Drive To Organize Harlem

Upholsterers Picket in Ittner Strike—Rally Tonight Will Enlist Support for Vermont Marble Strike—Shoe Clerks Picket

The campaign for the organization of the painters of Harlem, one of the new aggressive steps of District Council 9 of the Painters, swung into full movement yesterday as the committee of twenty-five Negro and white painters, formed at the mass meeting on Sunday, began their work.

Geoghan Loses In Frameup Of Pickets

Four Cases Dismissed in Kings County on Technicality

District Attorney William F. X. Geoghan's desperate attempt to aid the management of the May's Department Store, 510 Fulton Street, Brooklyn, in framing up leading pickets in that strike, hit a snag yesterday in Kings County Court, when cases against Jack Small, Dan Klein, Joe Dazzo and Sidney Morris were dismissed on a legal technicality.

Harlem Group Asks Dismissal Of Policeman

While thirteen-year-old Leonard Brown, Negro school boy police victim, lay in Sydenham hospital with a bullet wound in his right temple, a delegation led by the Provisional Committee for the Defense of Civil Rights in Harlem was vigorously protesting the shooting of Brown in the offices of Police Inspector De Martini yesterday.

Farmer-Labor Forum

An open forum on doctors and the Farmer-Labor Party will be held tonight under the auspices of the Committee for Support of a Farmer-Labor Party at Steinway Hall, Room 501, Dr. E. A. Burkhardt will be the main speaker.

Biro-Bidjan Anniversary To Be Celebrated By Icor Saturday

The Icor, organization for Jewish Colonization in the Soviet Union, will celebrate the second anniversary of the Jewish autonomous republic in Biro-Bidjan with a concert at Town Hall, on Saturday night.

WHAT'S ON

- Thursday
- at 8:30 P. M. A.S.P.: Dept. Store Employees Union, Local 1250 A.P.L. For the support of the locked out Orbach workers. Tickets \$2.00.
- at 8 P. M. A.S.P.: "The Jewish Question and How to Solve It" Community Center, 3200 Conny Island Ave., Brighton Beach. Friday, May 15, at 8 P. M.
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| CALAMARES, United Fruit | Santa Marta, May 8 | Malden Lane |
| DUE TODAY | | |
| MANHATTAN, United States | Hamburg, May 6 | W 20th St. |
| GEORGIC, Cunard White Star | Southampton, May 6 | W 14th St. |
| MUNROO, Munroe | Havana, May 9 | W 11th St. |
| NORTHERN PRINCE, Prince | Buenos Aires, Apr. 25 | 63d St. Brooklyn |
| MONTE DE BERMUDA, Furness | Bermuda, May 12 | W 55th St. |
| FORT TOWNSEND, Red Cross | St. John's, May 9 | W 40th St. |
| MUSA, United Fruit | Porto Cabello, May 10 | Morris St. |
| TACHIRA, Red D | La Guayra, May 6 | Chambers St. |
| DUE TOMORROW | | |
| DEUTSCHLAND, Hamburg-Amer. | Hamburg, May 7 | W 46th St. |
| PLAUDSKI, Gdynia America | Gdynia, May 8 | 6th St. Hoboken |
| ORIENTE, New York & Cuba Mail | Havana, May 13 | Wall St. |

A Letter About a Good Time

By LOU LEWIS

PEOPLE have remarked to me that a number of my comments in this space have stressed too strongly the satisfactions and joys of the revolutionary work in which I participate.

Maybe my friends are right. I don't really know. My only answer to them is, "Can I help it if I have a good time?"

You who are in any kind of revolutionary work will bear me out to some degree.

WHAT can I do, comrades? I've been through all that—I'm going through it now in certain work—and so have you.

The point is that in so many of our activities, with all the balking and difficulties, we do get to the top of the hills, little and big.

A Few Tough Spots

SHOULD I write about the comrade who, as the only Communist in a small town, fought singlehandedly against the church, the local press, the vilification of his unknowing fellow-workers?

Maybe I should. But I'll be a blue-eared mongoose if I leave the story there.

SHOULD I tell you about several young men who worked for six months covering a certain night shift in a certain factory without selling a single Daily Worker—without getting their leaflets accepted—without getting one contact?

Or would you prefer to hear about the factory where we had a budding union and a few Communists and where everything was going fine and dandy.

All right, I tell that one too. But I say here and now that the story isn't finished.

This Is No Serialized Movie

YOU all know those movies they have for the youngsters in most local show houses on Saturday afternoon.

Well, writing for the revolutionary movement isn't like writing a movie serial.

NOT that I'm Pollyannaish about it. I agree fully with the claim that revolutionary work is a process where the individual tasks can take on the appearance of a dull grind.

You can figure the answer any way you wish. For my part I choose to look out beyond my section headquarters and see the wide sweep of our revolutionary work.

It will be built, comrades, buoyantly, with lusty young voices singing as they work.

LITTLE LEFTY

Double Mad!

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Bosses' Attack On Seamen Told In 'Labor Notes'

One of the most complete stories of the background and current aspects of shipping interests' attack upon seamen, dockers and other maritime workers, is told in Labor Notes for May.

How employers expect to pass on costs of the old-age pension provisions of the Security Act to workers in the form of increased prices for commodities, lower wages and weeding out of older workers, is told in another article.

Auto workers' wages in 1934 averaged less than \$900 for the year, according to a digest from a recent government study.

Labor Notes sells for 5 cents a copy at local People's Book Shops.

SHOULD I tell you about several young men who worked for six months covering a certain night shift in a certain factory without selling a single Daily Worker?

LEADING NEGRO COMMUNIST PRAISES ALLEN'S BOOK

"For those who no longer wish the platitudes of bourgeois philanthropy and quaint museum pieces on the Negro question, James S. Allen's book, The Negro Question in the United States, is indispensable."

This is the opinion of A. W. Berry, a leading Negro Communist, a section organizer of the Communist Party in Harlem.

Destitute Mothers Offer To Give Up Their Children

ATLANTA, Ga.—According to the local ruling-class press, "Atlanta joined the rest of nations, May 10, in loving tribute to motherhood."

Atlanta who are daily begging the Board of Public Welfare to take their children because they can no longer feed or clothe them.

Georgia is one of three states which have failed to adopt such legislation.

Today, Atlanta and Fulton county are facing one of the darkest problems ever encountered in social service work and thousands of mothers here are hungry and destitute because of no social security legislation.

On the dark horizon there twinkles a bright star—the ever-growing militancy of mothers who are realizing that, despite all the "glowing tributes" paid them by the ruling class, they must fight for their rights and a place in the sun.

NOTE FOR READERS The publication of a special feature on John Brown unavoidably held up the regular appearance of "Books in Review" last Saturday.

Communist Party Branch Gets Noted Hunger Mural

By JACOB KAINEN



ONE of the outstanding exhibits at the Independent Show is the large easel-mural by the Expressionist, Tschachbasov.

What is particularly interesting is that the picture is a departure from the type of mural that has created an unfortunate tradition in revolutionary art.

"Since the Civil War," Berry told the Daily Worker, "countless volumes, written from the presses, the have issued from the presses, the purpose of which was to 'explain' the Negro Question in America.

SPIVAK VOLUME CHOSEN FOR MAY BY BOOK UNION

John L. Spivak's "Europe Under The Terror" is the Book Union's choice for May.

Book Notes

"Crocodile" by Korney Chukovsky, translated from the Russian by the original Russian illustrations can now be had by all boys and girls that visit the workers or peoples book shops in their locality.

The daily growing number of workers dropped by the Works Progress Administration increases this new class of "unemployables."

If Georgia adopted social security legislation, the aid offered desperate mothers could be materially increased.

Two handbooks of conveniently arranged facts, figures and analytical material dealing with social, economic and political conditions affecting labor has just been purchased in large quantities by the workers and peoples book shops.

Support the Frazier-Lundeen Bill for unemployment and social insurance.

Hundreds Visit Soviet Vessel On West Coast

By F. M. O'BRIEN

PORTLAND, Ore.—Several hundred persons have visited the S. S. Kim, Soviet motorship, at Portland, Maine, during the past few days.

About fifty Portlanders attended the May Day exercises on the Kim, which were held in the large crew's dining-room, with its Red Corner, library, phonograph, and piano.

Excellent photographs of the ship and crew, and very fair news stories were printed by both of the local papers.

There are two women aboard the ship, both in the steward's department, Anna Kosorukova, 42, and Eneine Gurechberg, 22.

The Kim is an up-to-date motorship, and was built at Leningrad in 1932.

Program of the Communist International What pamphlet is so rich in pure Marxist-Leninist theory as the Program of the Communist International?

Chicago Plays Stimulate Criticism of Negro Drama

By ALICE EVANS

CHICAGO, Ill.—A decided advance in artistic technique was evidenced in the third preliminary competition evening of the Drama Contest sponsored by the South Parkway Y.W.C.A.

The first play, presented by the Curry Dramatic Players, written and directed by Mr. Curry, dealt with the problems of love in evening dress.

The second play, "The Valiant," which is a standard contest-winner for little theatres, deserves careful consideration because of the competent production given it by the Harrison Players.

The third play, "Honey-Suckle Love," performed by the Negro Drama League, was a blood and thunder melodrama of backward hill people and their mountain feuds.

Questions and Answers

Question: Wouldn't the prospects for the building of a genuine, strong Farmer-Labor Party in 1936 be much brighter if we were to lay the emphasis upon the fight against fascism and reaction, as represented by Hearst and the Liberty League, with but little emphasis of and reference to the faults and weaknesses of the Roosevelt administration?—D. H.

Answer: The main emphasis in the building of a Farmer-Labor Party must by all means be laid on the necessity of combatting the Republican-Liberty League-Hearst combination, which is leading the drive toward fascism.

However, in order to defeat reaction, it is necessary to criticize all those who, by retreating before it, are helping to pave the way for its victory.

At the same time the Communist Party recognizes that millions of people, who agree that the main enemy is the Republican-Liberty League-Hearst gang, still have illusions about Roosevelt.

The Minnesota Farmer-Labor Party has called a conference in Chicago on May 30-31 for the purpose of developing such a broad people's movement on a national scale.

LIFE and LITERATURE

War Clouds Over Mongolia

The sharpening tension in the Far East and Japan's provocations on the borders of Outer Mongolia, make Buryat-Mongolia, price 10 cents, a vital and important pamphlet for all who are interested in world events.

Developing an Idea!

In answer to our suggestion in last week's column about "A Pamphlet Library in Every Home," we have received a number of letters to the effect that there are thousands of working class organizations which have no library, and a good idea would be to start one with pamphlets—with a pamphlet library!

Good! We would like to see action on this idea. And we would like to know the results.

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Proletarian Literature!

A new, special edition of Proletarian Literature in the United States, priced only one dollar, is now available to Party members and sympathizers at all Workers and Peoples Bookstores.

This week's attack by Pope Pius against Communism as the "common enemy" which "has a program of social ruin," while not mentioning a single word about the horrible conditions of unemployment, exploitation and terror which exist in the fascist and capitalist countries, and while uttering not a syllable of reproach against Mussolini's murderous bombing and gassing of the Ethiopian people, reminds us that we must give more attention to the distribution of our pamphlets on the question of religion.

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