

eratic convention who understand the necessity of having local Farmer-Labor parties in the field in November.

These same delegates want to see

These same delegates want to see a "production-for-use" plank in-serted in the Democratic platform. But they are not very hopeful of getting a hearing. I visited the headquarters of the delegation from the state of Wash-ington today and interviewed 'County Commissioner Louis Nash of Seattle and State Senator Mary Terroires on State Senator Mary Farquarson. These people represent the most progressive position at the convention. There are a few more like them scattered throughout the other Pacific Geast and mid-western delegations. But they have no con-tact with one another.

tact with one another. They are at one end of the wide range of political thought and in-

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Empire Gone. Eden Tells today. Lemke will visit national head-Haile Selassio ers' Union officials, state officers

Worker Electrocuted

ROSSVILLE, Ca., June 24 (FP) --Charlie H. Moomian, worker at the Richmond hosigry mill, was elec-trocuted when be touched a short circuit. Fellow-sporkers said the short has been (known to the mill officials for some time. Moorman leaves a wife and two children.

Committee chairman of the Union Party with evident pleasure.

always wanted to run a Presidential campaign," he said. The immediate problem of Burdick and Lemke is to effect a coalition with Father Charles E. Cough lin's Union for Social Justice, Dr. Francis E. Townsend's Old-Age Pen

sion group, and the remnants of Huey Long's Share-the-Wealth Or-ganization, headed by the Rev. Gerald L. K. Smith.

Coughlin already has pledged upport of his organization. Support of the other two appeared learer after a conference attended by Lemke, Burdick, Townsend and mith

Support Pledged KANKAKEE, Ill., June 24 (UP) .---

the ground out from under the United Electrical and Radio Work-The National Farmers' Union will support the Union Party and the candidacies of Rep. William Lemke of North Dakota for President and Thomas Clark O'Brien of Boston for

quarters here to confer with Farmpicketing.

eting and wanted to limit the field

of activities. Local 103. United Electrical and Radio Workers of America, 9,000 strong in this plant, leads the strike. When the walk-out started yesterday noon there were nearly 12,000

week, vacations with pay.

ers, ended yesterday when President sarnoff slammed the door in the Workers and trade unionists in Vice-President, Union officials said

ling.

Boss Hague

other cities by the company, were unable to cover the extensive pick- Asks Forming order—as Marx called them are also the builders of a new life. **Of Vigilantes**

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 24.--J. Edgar Hoover, the chief of the "G-Men" who caught Dillinger but who has done nothing about the workers in the huge plant, owned Black Legion killers-wants to or-

by Radio Corporation of America, ganize vigilante committees David Sarnoff, president and Gen-eral Hugh Johnson, labor advisor. In a speech made today before The workers demand 20 per cent the Kiwanis international convenwage increase, recognition of the tion, the head of the Department union and closed shop, 35-hour of Justice called for the organization of "Law and Order" commit-

Days of bargaining, and double-crossing by the firm, which tried to build its company union and take build its company union and take flat-footed policiemen and politically controlled pardon boards," Hoover suggested the formation of vigilante

face of the union representatives many sections of the country have and refused to deal further with felt the lash of just such "Law and Order" bands, which the leading

The strikers are using two sound trucks through which they not only keep the town acquainted with all strike news, but also direct the city.

"We are meeting under the shadow of menacing fascism and

war," Foster says. The placards on the balcony mirror the story. You see the trim respectable rows of crosses on Flanders Field labeled, "War Under Capitalism." You see the smiling faces on Soviet workers, labeled "Peace Under Socialism."

Jim Crow elbowed Jim Farley a the Democratic convention. A great percentage of the delegates here are Negroes, interspersed among the whites in the hall. The placards show Jim Crow in the saddle: "Lynching Under Capitalism." Counterposing that you see the various peoples of the U.S.S.R. in fraternity: "Equality Under Social-

Over all the slogan, "For a free, peaceful, prosperous, happy Amer-ica." Dimitroff's statement on the red banner draping over the plat-form: "Let the clarion call of Marx

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The old order has the seal of death upon its forehead. But it is not willing to die. It fights desnerately to maintain itself and its power over the people. It risks all to keep up the fabulous profits to the level of the period of its prosperity. It throws the cost of the crisis onto the shoulders of the poor. Seeing the people rebelling, it frantically seeks to cancel the democratic rights and civil liberties of the people, prepares civil Black Legions, Ku Klux Klans, and self-styled Liberty Leagues. It takes refuge in an irresponsible oligarchy - the Supreme Court-which it hopes is out of the reach of the people. It prepares to throw the whole world into a new and more terrible war which threatens to blot out civilization.

Union.

and peace.

lions of the people, the majority, black and white, to the path of

socialism so brilliantly illuminat-

ed by the Soviet Union under its

great leaders, two of the greatest

names in human history, Lenin

We do not stand aside from the

daily problems and struggles of

the millions of the people until

the majority has been won for so-

cialism. Our program, which we have formulated from the accu-

mulated experience of American

life and revolutionary traditions

which we have enriched with th

teachings of Lenin and Stalin.

leads to socialism by facing, and

solving, one by one, the problems

of daily life, the fight for bread

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Convention

We do not stand aside from the

FASCISM AND WAR

We are meeting under the shadow of menacing fascism and war.

Millions of our people are awakening to our dangerous situation. Millions are becoming aware that the old order is dying.

The high-point of convention enthusiasm was reached at the con-clusion of Browder's keynote speech. abolished and socialism has been built, where a new constitution, The entire audience arose like one man and applauded and cheered the greatest victory of democracy in all history, has just been profor fully twenty minutes. Then the claimed-that is the Soviet delegates grabbed their state standards and started marching around The Communist Party sets itthe hall, concluding with enthus-iastic singing of the "Internationself the task of winning the mil-

Following Browder's speech, Gil Green, national secretary of the Young Communist League, gave a report on work among the youth, and Krumbein spoke on the training of leading personnel. In the evening the convention committees held their meetings.

The 751 delegates represent every state in the Union. Of these, 325 are regular delegates, 136 are al-

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Demand Made Chiana Sever With Japan

HONGKONG, June 24. South-western China will go to war un-less Generalissimo Chiang Kaishek's central government at Nanking severs diplomatic relations with Tokyo and resists Japanese agression by force of arms, a high Can-

An examination of the platform committee discloses the following James M. Pendergast of Miss

David T. Wilentz of New Jersey, Secretary of Commerce Daniel C.

What friends of labor! . What defenders of liberty! Mayor Frank Hague was app

ed to settle the dispute that arose over the contending factions in the Minnesota delegation.

naming of Generoso Pope to notify

Five demands on Nanking were drafted by the Southwestern Polit-ical Council, which controls Kwang-tung and Kwangsi provinces. Un-iess they are adopted the South-west will refuse to attend the July 10 meeting of the central executive committee of the Kuomintang (Na-tionalist Party) at Nanking. Further, rejection of even one de-

Further, rejection of even one de-mand will be the signal for the outbreak of hostilities with General Chen Chi-Tang, Canton overlord, leading the united forces of the

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its decision to maximist Italy Eden Nations sanctions against Italy Eden called at the Ethiopian Legation at the request of the Emperor. He told the Marus, the Daily Ex-press said, thus he must resign himself to the Italian conquest of Ethiopia since the League of Na-tions is unable to take further action. was here that the foundations of our forefathers were laid." What a motiey crew applauds these words! Close your eyes and all is almost fine. Open them, giance about at some of the faglance about at some or the initial faces and you get that sink-

past traditions. There, too, these, are being used to cover up the slum spots of the nation.

Backley's Keynote

nator Albert W. Barkley waxed poetic at the conclusion of his con-vention keynote speech and de-claimed:

"We meet here within the shadow of Liberty Hall, in this city of broth-

were told to seek alms by the town officials.

How Hague must have applauded easily he forgot the barrage of rot-ten eggs and tomatoes that his henchmen let loose at a self-styled Jeffersonian Democrat Jeff Burk-hardt who dared campaign against Boss Hague on the streets of Jersey Citter City

There is Mayor Frank Hague of Jersey City. He is the undisputed boss of Hudson County and the Democratic machine of New Jersey. He played ball with the Republican governor, Harold Hoffman, in block-Th ere are others, too. Governor Bibb Graves of Alabama must have found plenty to cheer. Hear his lusty shout as Barkley says "the fight for freedom in the past three governor, Harold Hoffman, in block-ing relief appropriations, in the State Legislature which resulted in of a race."

LONDON, June 24 (UP) —Foreign Secretary Antheny Eden has ad-vise Emperor Halle Selassie that there is no here of Editoria, the political correspondent of the London Daily Express reported today. After the Educes of Commons yesterday gave the government an overwhelming vote of confidence on is decision to abolas League of Nations sanctions against Haly Eden called at the Entiopian Lagation at the request of Key Emperor. But in Alabama nine Negro boys languish in prison, symbol of the chains that still enfetter the people Lincoln was to have freed. In Ala-bama lynchers go unpunished. In Alabama the Downs Sedition Law "mutiny" when the seamen struck and unobtrusive at the convention. On the capital in 1932 to ask for Daniel C. Roper, whose cries of Alabama the powers solution Law "mutiny" when the seamen struck and unobtrusive at the convention. On the contrary, they are up there in the limelight, serving on the most important committees, helping to draft the planks. "mutiny" when the seamen struck on the S. S. California were so unmakes the possession of two pieces of working class literature punish-able by long imprisonment. founded that the Departm And here is Governor Graves shouting himself hoarse at a convention that dares speak in the

name of Jefferson! Martial Law Executive

Here is Governor Paul V. McNutt of Indiana. He is the state execu-tive who declared martial law in

Vigo County (Terre Haute) for several months.

several months. Keynoter Barkley proclaimed "the freedom of the workers to collective bargaining." And McNutt halled Barkley's speech. Still, there are others. Senator J. Still there are others too

walk.

ent of

Justice dared not press the charges. James M. Pendergast, master of the names: corrupt political machine strangling Missouri whose gift to the Liberty League is Senator James Reed, one of Al Smith's companions of the The Farm Issues

Of all the issues before the convention Barkley dwelt at greatest length on the farm problem. Gov-

Browder Report Gives Answer to Issues Facing American People

TASKS FOR STRUGGLE AGAINST WAR AND FASCISM, FOR POWERFUL TRADE UNION MOVEMENT, FOR DEFENSE OF LIBERTIES PRESENTED

WHITHER America?

The momentous question facing the American people this year has been answered.

The real representatives of the builders of America, miners, steel workers, seamen, longshoremen, farmers, were there to hear the answer.

Not in the smoke-filled rooms of Philadelphia was it given, nor at the Hearst-controlled vaudeville show in Cleveland. It was given at the convention of Communists, the bravest defenders of the rights of the common people. It was given by Earl Browder, General Secretary of the Communist Party, in his report at the opening of the party's ninth national convention.

The report was as different as its audience. No weasel words" here. No artificial oratorical flourishes. Straight from the shoulder the leader of the American

Communists, a son of Kansas, presented the problems of the American people and pointed to their solution.

Clearly and simply he laid bare the dangers that beset the people and sounded the call for an effective fight to defeat the enemies of the people. It is a call dircted not only to the Communists but all who would enlist in the battle for peace, freedom and prosperity.

Here, in Browder's report, are the tasks of all progressive persons in the present campaign:

1. The chief enemy of the peace, freedom and prosperity of the American people is the Republican Party and its reactionary allies. Defeat the Landon-Hearst-Liberty League-Wall Street alliance!

2. Roosevelt and his administration are retreating before the attacks of reaction and surrendering position after position to the main enemy. Stop the surrender of our rights and interests in Washington!

3. The Socialist Party, after breaking loose from its reactionary Old Guard, is moving into the backwater of doctrinaire sectarianism, drifting out of the mass currents of American life. Win the Socialists for the people's united front, for the Farmer-Labor Party!

"4. The Farmer-Labor Party is rapidly growing in states and localities, it is organizing itself on a national scale. Support the program and platform of the Chicago Farmer-Labor Conference, build the Farmer Labor Party!

"5. The Communist Presidential ticket is the only banner in the national elections rallying and organizing all the forces of the people against reaction, fascism, and war, building the peoples' front in the United States. Vote the Communist-Presidential ticket!"

Browder's report went beyond the elections. The

tasks in the every-day struggle against war and fascism, for the creation of a powerful trade union movement. for the defense of the liberties of the people, for the creation of a mighty people's front were presented.

It is a message directed to all sections of the population feeling the lash of Wall Street-to the workers. farmers, Negro people, the youth, professional people, all who love liberty and hate war and fascism.

There were not merely listeners at that convention. There were those who will put these policies into life, help shape the destiny of our country in the present crisis.

Every worker, every farmer, every liberty-loving person should become acquainted with Browder's speech which is the guide in the battle to save our country from the horrors of war and fascism!

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A Yawning Chasm

IT WAS a bold speech Keynoter Barkley delivered at the Democratic convention. It was in the Roosevelt tradition.

But what a yawning chasm there is between the bold word and the timid deed!

The Senator from the Blue Grass country did not pull his verbal punches at the Supreme Court. He invoked the shades of Jefferson, Jackson and Lincoln.

But he could not invoke the name of President Roosevelt! It is all right to shout nos, but where was Roosevelt when the snipers in the nine black robes picked off bit after bit of his legislative program? It is all right to talk now but where was action when action was needed?

No, gentlemen of the New Deal, your testimony would be more telling if you came before the people with clean hands. The Senator asked some rhetorical

questions. He omitted the answers. Let us fill in. He picked up the Republican challenge

that the New Deal had abrogated the freedom of the people. In a tremulous voice he asked-

Is it the freedom of workers to free collective bargaining?"

es, Senator, it is. Ask the close to five million workers fettered in the company unions. Ask the workers who faced the hail of bullets aimed at them by governors who cheered themselves hoarse at your speech.

is it the freedom of farmers to escape by land and produce speculators?" tes, Senator, it is. Ask the 13.028 farmers whom the Federal banks foreclosed in 1935, the largest number since the middle of Hoover's reign in 1930. Ask the 200,000 sharecroppers driven from the land during the AAA. Ask the embattled tenant farmers in Arkansas, the home state of your fellow keynoter, Senator Robinson.

questions will be very embarrassing to answer! **Blood in Steel** BLOOD flowed before the great Wheeling Steel Corporation plant at Portsmouth,

not act immediately to stamp out the

growing fascist terror in America-those

Ohio, on Tuesday, as company thugs opened fire on the pickets and the strikers defended themselves. Far across the country, at the same time, the steel workers of the Eastern Rolling Mills at Baltimore were massed on the picket lines in their walkout.

These first skirmishes in the great battle for the organization of the steel workers throughout the nation give eloquent indications of the spirit and determination of the workers. The steel men are more than ready for the great national organization drive.

For more than a month, the 5,500 strikers in Portsmouth have stood out militantly against the company union and for recognition of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers. Their example and that of their fellow-workers in Baltimore should encourage the speeding up of the great steel drive.

In the company union elections, the same spirit and desire for unionism demonstrated itself in the victory of the progressive forces.

The steel workers are on the march. It is up to the organization forces of the Committee for Industrial Organization to take advantage of this fighting spirit of the men at the furnaces and in the rolling mills. Let the tempo of the campaign be speeded. The hour is over-ripe.

'Freedom' for Jobless

O^{NE} of the Al Smith quintuplets who walked out on the Democratic Party convention, at the behest of the American Liberty League gang, is Daniel F. Cohalan of New York. On June 4 of this year, the said Cohalan delivered a speech before another pro-fascist organization, with the high-sounding name of "Defenders of the Constitution of the United States."

On that occasion, Cohalan declared that

Party Life -By CENTRAL ORGANIZATION-DEPARTMENT Some Experiences in

Building the Party in Strategic Electric Plant

COME directly from those workers who carried on the historic and vital fight against the largest and most strategic electrical plant in the world. Swope and his stooges were determined never to allow the workers of this plant to organize. They put up a very stubborn fight, but underestimated the strength of our workers and the power of our well organized affiliations. I would like to relate some experiences in conducting struggles in this plant. A mass meeting was held, at which it was unanimously voted that a two-hour sit-down take place as a protest against the mad speedup and price chiseling, and in solidarity with another group of sitter-downers in another shop. The workers won not only the grievances on wage cuts and speedup, but most important of all, union recognition. which is a death blow to the company union, the so-called Workers Council, which we like to term the "Workers Scoundrel." This is not the only victory we have won from the company recently. Because of the work of the Communist Party in the union, which changed many of the union's policies, we were able, for the first time, to participate in the company union elections, and elected 42 out of the 108 seats in the Workers Council. . . .

AS YOU all know, the exploiters are always searching for new means and devices of squeezing more profits out of us. An incident occurred in one of the units of this plant, one which boasts of being the largest machine shop in the world. In this instance a very in-genious machine, called the Micromotion camera, which analyzes every single motion that the machine op-erator makes, was introduced. These films are then taken to the price setters and the usual results-more speedup and less pay. When this monster was introduced in the de- Cash Register 'Prosperity' partment, we immediately contacted the chosen victim on whom it was first to be used. We convinced the worker, on whom the machine was to be tested, not to permit them to experiment on him. At noon time Dayton, Ohio, a General Motors the men were rounded up and it owned city and the Home of the was decided that if the camera was National Cash Register, boasts of put in operation the machine would be put out of operation, This machine never appeared in the de-



Letters From Our Readers

by Gropper World Front By HARRY GANNES **Devaluation in France?** The Fascists Howl And Bankers' Plot

> WHAT the French workers won by strikes coupled with the People's Front parliamentary victory the Parisian financiers are now working overtime to wipe out by currency inflation.

> The bankers' proposed curative for increased wages and lower hours, however, is not to be exclusively an economic remedy. By the lever of devaluation of the franc, the French shylocks hope to pry the proletarias away from its petty-bourgeois ally, especially the peasantry.

> TALK as they will about raising prices to meet the wage boost, the French exploiters can never gain the edge in that see-saw/process. The governmental power used to help the striking workers and assist them in passing advanced social legislation can as effectively be employed against price manipulators. Price-meddling alone won't work, the French bourgeoisie knows.

> FOR after all, the strikes were r inspired by the confidence the proletariat had that for the time being the usual strikebreaking arm of the bourgeois state was paralyzed by the Peoples' Front parliamentary control.

True, the fascists would have loved to see the great strike wave become a clash between the Blum government and the toiling masses. Instead, however, the interaction of the masses on the streets and in the factories and the parliamentary deeds of the Peoples' Front brought the proletariat of France not only unheard of economic gains but a step forward in the struggle for the final Socialist victory.

WHILE the fascists agitate on the streets and plot in the backrooms of saloons, the money changers | cooperate by trying to force financial panic and inflation. Pierre von Passen, Paris correspondent of the Federated Press, in his latest article informs us: "The fascists are howl-ing calamity and the 'patriots' are ship ing their cash from the country by the millions."

Your words are fine, Senator. Your record is not quite as good.

Your attack on Hearst and the Liberty League does not negate your yielding to these forces.

The American people want an uncompromising program of struggle against the sinister forces of reaction whom you named. They are not finding it in your party. They are forging their own reliable weapon, the Farmer-Labor Party.

The Lynch Rope

WHEN the bourbons of the land of cotton unleash their terror against the workers - it vies with the murderous Black Legion. The lynch-rope and the brass studded mule strap is the answer of the southern bankers and landlords to the demands of the cotton pickers for the right to organize and an increase in wages from seventy-five cents to a dollar and a half for working under a blazing sun from dawn to nightfall.

Roosevelt's speech in that State last week actually encouraged the lynchers. He eulogised Arkansas as the "Wonder State" while fully aware and informed of the terror against the strikers.

Made bolder by Roosevelt's vote-enticing atterances, the southern press has come but openly this week for violent fascist tactics against the Negro and white agricultural workers. Says the newspaper Entermise of Earle, Ark .: " . . . a few foreign agitators representing the Southern Temant Farmers Union have felt the sting of a backhand applied where it will do most good . . . '

The American people will ask Roosee pointed questions when he comes velt so up for election. If the government does

II some people "must for the time being depend upon the gift of public funds, then laws should be passed immediately which would prevent the participation by such citizens in any elections to be held within a year."

Here we see, brazenly expressed, the proposal to disenfranchise the unemployed and to reduce them to the status of a helot class. Such is the program, now more and more openly urged, of the supporters of the Hearst-Landon-Knox reactionary ticket.

It was in the name of "liberty" and "freedom" that Cohalan made this vicious proposal. The words, in true Liberty League style, ran through his whole profascist address.

"Freedom" to starve and "freedom" to be robbed of citizenship constitute the Cohalan program for the jobless.

In this connection, may we ask Norman Thomas: Does he not appreciate where the Al Smith-Coughlin-Hearst-l'epublican alliance is heading for? Can he still persist in blithely ignoring the concrete dangers involved in the program of these reactionary interests?

Strikebreaking

WHAT has become of that proposal, supported by the A. F. of L., for a law against transportation of thugs over state lines?

Isn't it time for New York labor to. take an interest also in more direct methods for stopping the shipment of strikebreakers?

The RCA plants in Camden are on strike: 12.000 men and women are fighting their first battle for a small wage raise in. an underpaid industry, and for closed shop and recognition of their own union.

RCA offers them a company union and has imported 300 strikebreakers.

Labor in these cities has a duty to the Comden strikers-the duty of seeing that the "detectives" get a taste of picket line when they start out from their home office, as well as when they hit Camden.

And we want that law pushed through, to stop interstate commerce in strikebreakers.

partment again. The manager later ton is, for the most part, too low told us that all they wanted to do to allow a decent standard of livwas to define the meaning of mo-

. . . COMMUNIST PARTY members in cents per hour, and nothing for overtime, and every moulder is comportance of building the Party there.

We might safely say that our get ting into the union a few months ago and carrying out the correct line and methods of work, was a turning point in the life of the union. raise in wages, he is told that he we can also safely say that our is working for a company that em-

activities in the union had a lot to do with the recent victory. We have pledged to increase our

three months following the National self lucky. Convention of our Party to be held this week. We want also to call out all the units of the New York District, as well as nationally, into Socialist competition to do likewise these three months; and ask them to take up the challenge now. We want all the units, especially in the important and basic industries, to join us in one big step forward to root our Party among the decisive

sses of this country. I would like to bring back to the comrades in my plant the message that the shop units in the New York District, especially those in marine transport, metal, as well as all others, have accepted our challenge We are absolutely convinced that ced that altogether, in true Stakhanovite fashion, we can, during these three months, advance the vanguard of the working class, the Communist Party, to degrees that will guaran-tee the united front of the working class and the People's Front of this country. Let us all together make this a telling step to sharply lessen the years that we will have to con-tend with companies and bosses, company unions and other mon-strosities, and liberate forever the masses of people of the ted States.

-From a Speech to the New York District Convention.

Not in the Pay Envelopes Dayton, Ohio

Readers are urged to write 1, the Daily Worker their opinions, impres-sions, experiences, whatever they feel will be of general interest. Sugges-tions and criticisms are welcome, and whenever possible are used for the improvement of the Daily Worker. Correspondents are asked to give their names and addresses. Except when signatures are authorized, only initials will be printed. Editor, Daily Worker:

being a comparatively prosperous To the New York Painters city. Yet the wage level in Day-As They Go to the Polls ton is, for the most part, too low New York, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker: ing. The Malleable Iron Co. pays On the 27th of June, the painters

of New York go to the polls in order their help an average of 35 or 40 pelled to put in a stipulated num-

further. ber of hours overtime. The work-Louis Weinstock has shown in his ers are not organized, and if an employe, individually, asks for a of its grafters.

is working for a company that employs steadily the year round, without the menace of being laid off and because of this he should be

membership by 50 per cent in the contented and even consider him-Another instance to prove this

low wage level is the Superior Castings Co. Besid is the fact that they pay the same low wages, they pay only once a month. The employes only once a month. are thus compelled to buy their food and clothing on time and conse-quently are forced to pay any price emanded, no matter how exor-

alone.

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We Propose to Curb

"We propose to curb and control the orces of special privilege who are operating through the American Liberty League, the National Chamber of Commerce, the National Manufacturers' Association, the Hearst interests, etc., and their existing counterpart in the form of the Black Legion, Law and Order Leagues, Vigilante Committees, etc., whose desire and intent is to destroy civil liberties, freedom of speech and assemblage and the right to full livelihood and the pursuit of happiness, and whose further desire is to establish a fascist dictatorship in place of these democratic and inherent rights of a justly governed people."-From Declaration of Principles of Sum-mit County (Akron), O., Farmer-Labor Party

No Relief-Forgot to Keep 'Bills' on \$44 a Month Herrin, Ill. Editor, Daily Worker:

I am not much of a writer, but want people to know how relief is carried on in Herrin.

GROPPLE.

This incident relates to two single people who had been unem-ployed six years. When the WPA came into effect, they received work, one for six months and the other for three and a half months, at \$44 a month.

One month after the layoff they applied for relief. At the relief stathat, having got rid of the terror of tion, the investigator told them the vote-snatching Zausner gang, they could not receive relief until they may declare their intentions they produced bills and receipts showing how and where the money was spent. If the investigator found few months of administration that the bills satisfactory, then all right,

he can rid the District Council No. 9 if not, no relief. These people, not having thought of keeping the But the membership should know while they were working, will find

that not everything is settled with it impossible to show any bills. the election of Weinstock and the These people are no Communists rank and file candidates. The yet it showed them that the people speed-up still continues, the men in Herrin and around must organ-still work under the prevailing ize to win their demands. Wilbout ize to win their demands. Without wages, for the shop stewards are good organization, the people wi get nowhere. UNEMPLOYED. will still appointed by the boss and spy

on the workers. For the time being only the "good boys" work who Suggest That We Write don't dare to complain when their pay envelopes are short, and with It on the Sky them the boss spies. Only when

New York, N. Y. the rush is on, will the so-called Editor, Daily Worker: "trouble makers" get a chance to I have a suggestion

Why not have one or two acroas a commander cannot win a battle planes 50 sky-writing, say one hour daily, until the day of the meeting? if you choose the path of militant Why not try this modern method of THE object of the inflationists

zation and struggle. MEMBER OF LOCAL 892. cheaper in the long run. M. S.

Very strange, too, is the attitude of Wall Street financiers on French finances. They insist that inflation, which they regard as poison now for the U.S., would be nourishing food for the France of the Peoples' Front. American bankers hope that Blum and Finance Minister Auriol will at

the most plunged over the precipice of inflation.

PLUGGING for inflation in France, the confidential Whaley-Eaton service in its most recent issue tells its banker and other wealthy clients: "All Europe is watching France, as the key to the new European order

. . .

in government and finance." The Chicago Daily News, organ of the First National Bank of Chicago, controlled by Republican vicepresidential candidate, Col. Frank P. Knox, prominently recently print-ed a cable from Paris expressing irritation over the fact that the Communist Party of France remain against inflation

"That the new cabinet under Leon islum has not saved itself and created a temporary prosperity by deval-uating the franc is one of the strangest paradoxes of this period of surprises," writes the otherwise well-informed and clever Mr. Edgar Ansel Mowrer, "The Commu have economic theories of their own such as that increased wages will not make increased prices."

Mr. Mowrer and the French profit-grabbers believe in the There is a need of cooperation, just Square Garden on June 28th. rise in prices. Conclusion? Don't

fight for increased wages.

more effective and 15 per cent general wage rise of the French proletariat with a 25 per cent decrease in the value of money. The boss would thereby gain a 10 The boss would thereby gain a to per cent advance over all, and the peasantry would find its money hoard sliced by 25 per cent. But acting against this sconomic theory of panic and Fasciam is:

(1) Peoples' Pront control of the government: (2) Unprecedented rise in union strength; (3) Knowledge of the workers that the government new Worker with of the workers that the sovernment-now works with them; (4) Political effect of the strike, creating desire for the "lexality" of socialist prop-erty; (6). Tremendous gain of the Communist Party and the desire of the French toilers to crush Pas-cism forever in the only way it can be done finally.



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KRUMBEIN WELCOMES DELEGATES, HANDS GAVEL TO FOSTER; ITALIAN COMMUNIST PARTY GREETS NATIONAL CONVENTION

AT THE CONVENTION

Hails Return Tom Mooney Sends Greeting Of Leader Of Solidarity to Convention To Active Work

Foster Declares C. P. "Will Free All Slaves in the Country"

Amid the blare of band music and thunderous cheering from dele-gates and visitors, Charles Krum-brin mounted the speakers' plat-form in the Manhattan Opera House yesterday morning to make the opening speech of the Ninth National Gorvention of the Com-munist Party Krumbeins welcoming speech coming from the forty-eight states

Krumbeings welcoming speech coming from the forty-eight states of the United States, after which he of the Uniter states, after which he presented is the convention William Z. Foster, chairman of the Commu-nist Party, to formally open the sussions. Krumbein handed to Foster a gavel on behalf of the Vir-ginia delegation, explaining that it was made by a former slave out of his scritch.

his scythe. In accessing the gavel, Fostar

'I am proved to accept this gavel made by a former slave, on behalf of the Communist Party, which is going to free all the slaves in the country. Krumbein's welcoming speech

follows:

"In the name of the New York State organization of our Party and its hundreds and thousands of friends and sympathizers from the factories and sympathizers from the factories and shops the ships and the docks, the farms, the white collar wolfers and professionals, we extend to you the welcome and

hearty greatings of our city. We as indeed proud and de-lighted to have our national con-vention held in our city. We hope vention held in our city. We hope as a result of the work that we have carried on to give much to the con-vention in these deliberations and designed with the condecisions shat it makes. We hope to

learn much more than we did from these defilerations and decisions. "Now I would like your undivided attention for just one moment-hold everything please until I am throughi

"It is my honor and great pleas-"It is my honor and great pleas-ure to then over the gavel to a com-rade. Delived and respected by mil-lions, a comrade who has been a leader and is a leader of tremendous class basiles in this country; a com-rade who was our standard bearer, the presidential candidate in the years 1826, 1928 and 1932; a comrade, who due to severe illness has been out of active participation for a little

a little while. "He is back with us, he is active again, he is with us—Comrade Fos-ter, the phairman of our Party."

Green Presents Anti-Soviet Plank

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terests to be found at this conven-tion. The other end is occupied by the existence right-wingers like Senators Harry Byrd and Carter Glass of Virginia-pals of Al Smith who have decided not to go walking with him but to stay at home in party to do their dirty work.

William Z. Foster, Chairman; Earl R. Browder, General Secretary-Central Committee Communist Party,

Manhattan Opera House, 311 West Thirty-fourth Street, N. Y. C. To you one and all I extend the hand of proletarian fellowship in militant solidarity. May your deliberations prove of great benefit in furthering the best interests of the working class.

I give you my pledge to keep the working class flag flying until the end whether it will be within these gray walls or put there in the great fight with the rest of you.

I greet you in your onward march to complete working class victory. I know you will let nothing prevent that working class unity which alone can win our every fight and defeat our every foe.

I send you all my most affectionate comradely greeting from this fighting proletarian heart.

Foster's Speech

Tom Mooney-Tom Mooney Molders Defense Committee.

build the American labor movement with its organizations, from the days of illegality to its great promise of today, when, for the second time, it challenges its

second time, it challenges its greatest enemy, the Steel Trust. At the same time our Party is international. Our greatest pride is that we bring to the American people the accumulated wisdom and knowledge of the toiling peo-ple of the whole world, that we units our growing strength with the rising movement of the toil-ing people throughout the world, that we are a section of the World Farty of the toilers—the Communist International.

THE CRISIS TODAY

Today, the American people face a crisis, deeper and more far-reaching than those of 1776 and 1861. We have the most com-

plete confidence that our people

will meet the test of this crisis in the spirit of its best revolu-tionary traditions. This Ninth

Convention of the Communist Party of the United States repre-

sents the vanguard of the Ameri-

can people, come together to dis-cuss the difficult problems of our

working masses, and to find the best, the quickest, the least pain-ful way out. Our decisions will be

our own, as the fight is ours. We will be encouraged and strength-

ened by the knowledge that all

over the world, our brothers and

sisters are finding their way also

Along this path we will find the way to unite the toilers of Ameri-

ca against their enemies, the mo-nopolists and bankers of Wall

Street, and all their agents. Along

this path we will find the road to a better life. Along this path we will unite with our friends of all

lands to maintain peace in the world. Along this path we will

along the same path.

ward socialism.

Much business at hand.

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millions who do not yet under-stand socialism, the new order, and the road by which it must be

We take our stand, shoulder to shoulder with the masses of the people, and in the front line of all their struggles. Our program is one of immediate unity of these masses, in the daily fight for bet-ter living conditions, maintenance and extension of their democratic rights, and for peace. Our pro-gram is for the people's front against reaction, fasciam and war -for peace, freedom, and pros-perity for our country. In this immediate task, also, histofry hes already given us proof of the correctness of the Commu-nist program. The glorious vic-tories of the people's front in France, its electoral triumph and its immediate translation into better wages and working condi-tions, more complete and solid or-We take our stand, shoulder to

tions, more complete and solid or-ganization of the masses, espe-cially in the trade unions, its re-pulse of the reactionaries-these are the first fruits of the Communist program when followed by a majority of the people, even when only the first steps of this pro-gram are accepted by the ma-jority. PATH TO VICTORY

The triumph, of the people against their oppressors, in par-tial and temporary fields of struggie or in the final struggle for socialism, is gained only where the program of the Com-

American life and revolutionary traditions. We inherit and con-tinue the traditions of 1776, of the Declaration of Independence, of the birth of our nation in the fires of revolutionary upheaval. We inherit and continue the tradition of Lincoln, of the Emancipation Proclamation, of the revory Civil War.



Delegates Honor Class War Victims

The proceedings of the morning session of the ninth national convention of the Communist Party were halted for a moment yesterday to permit delegates to stand in silence as a tribute to fallen working class heroes in many countries.

The resolution honoring class war victims follows:

"Since the last convention of the Communist Party, working class heroes have died for the working class in the dungeons and concentration camps of Germany, China, Brazil, Spain and Austria and other countries, as well as on the picket lines in the United States.

"Let us pledge to carry on their work and never rest until the final victory of the working class will be their monument of triumph. Let us rise and honor our heroic dead!"

Honorary Presidium And Presiding Committee Elected at Convention

forge a mighty people's front against reaction, fascism and war The Ninth National Convention ter, Max Bedacht, Rose Wortis, Ben -a Farmer-Labor Party. Along of the Communist Party at its Gold, A. Trachtenberg, Charles nist Party has been carried out by morning session yesterday elected a Shepard, Margaret Cowl, L. Toth, a great family of peoples, where presiding committee and an hon-orary presiding committee. The members of the honorary Harry Haywood, M. Childs, Ella new constitution, the greatest victhis path we will march on to-I now declare that the Ninth presiding committee follow: Joseph Stalin, Georgi Dimitrov, Ernst Thaelmann, D. Z. Manuilsky, N. Sparks. Reeve Bloor, Tony Minerich, B. K. tory of democracy in all history, has Gebert, J. Eagan, Pat Toohey and just been proclaimed—that is the r committee Ionov. i Stalin, Georgi Dimitrov, Gebert, J. Ezgan, and haeimann, D. Z. Manuilsky, N. Sparks. o Thorez, Harry Pollitt, Wan Thorez, Harry Pollitt, Wan Name Blas Roca, Tim Buck, William Schneiderman, William W. Wreinstone, John Williamson, An-the Communist Party "does not wreinstone, John Williamson, An-the Communist Party "does not stand aside from the problems and struggles of the millions of the the majority has been Wilhelm Pieck, M. Ercoli, Jose Diaz. Maurice Thorez, Harry Pollitt, Wan Ming, Okano, Blas Roca, Tim Buck, William Schneiderman, William W. Hernan Laborde, Luis Carlos Weinstone, John Williamson, An-Prestes, Evangelista and Tom gelo Herndon, A. Murphy, Bob Hall, Mooney. Those elected to the presiding Ross, B. West, H. Puro, J. Strong, L. Allender, M. Rapport, L. Wofsey. Maurice won for Socialism.' "We take our stand," he said. committee were: William Z. Foster, Earl Browder, James W. Ford, Jack Stachel, Clar-ence Hathaway, Roy Hudson, Gil Green, Charles Krumbein, I. Am-Sharp and D. Webster. "shoulder to shoulder with the among them but Americans all. masses of the people, and in the front line of all their struggles They built this country . . . they have earned the rights of citizenship. Names like Foster, Browder, Ford, Johnstone, Mother Bloor, Our program is one of imr unity of these masses, in the daily fight for better living conditions, Stachel, Shepherd, Minerich Schneiderman, Trachtenburg. **Close Your Eyes and All Is Fine** maintenance and extension of their democratic rights, and for The delegates from the shops keep peace. Our program is for the people's front against reaction, fascism and war-for peace, freemarching in, bouquets in hand; Bronx hospital unit; dress shop af-At the Democratic Convention ter dress shop; restaurants, like the dom and prosperity for our coun-Gay Nineties now on strike: heavy try. industry like the New York Central (Continued from Page 1) interested in a progressive program Blonde lad in shirt-sleeves, fore-People's Front Victory Cited the vice-presidential nominee. Mr. Nash of Seattle and State Senator Foster cited the great victories of the people's front in France as proof arms tattoed, speaks for the seamen. Says the Party's prestige has Pope is the publisher of an Italian Mary Farquarson of Washington of the correctness of the Communist fascist paper in New York. Who favor loval Farmer-Labor par- program. He declared that the gained greatly here on the Eastern That's the crew on Roosevelt's ties. They have some progressive pro- Communist Party of the U. S. A. seaboard since the recent strike. ship. Corrupt politicians, labor possis to make but are very pes-hating officials, southern lynchers-simistic of getting a hearing. Their traditions of 1776 and 1861 as well simistic of getting a hearing. Their traditions of 1776 and 1881, as well all are there. All are applauding pessimism is a sign of the impos-and hailing the fine sounding prin-words about fine sounding prin-ciples. as of the traditions of the great struggles that built the American labor movement, "from the days of illegality to its great promise of to-The ovation to Browder lifted the It is clear through this brief ex-To Whom They Bow day, when for the second time it roof again. The man from Kansas When one looks at the "honest amination of the men who compose intelligent faces," to borrow an ex--Landon comes from there too, you challenges its greatest enemy, the Steel Trust may have heard-delivers the keypression from those assembled, one understands some of the strange wanderings of the Roosevelt admin-istration. "Today the American people face note speech. Communists oheer a crisis, deeper and more far-reach-ing than those of 1776 and 1861," Foster said. "We have the most complete confidence that our peo-ple will meet the test of this crisis with a vim . . . no artificial ovations like the Republicans and Democrats organize. The delegates quiet down when the speaker gestures for order. Are these the people who will Labor Party Needed fight Hearstism? Are these the peo-ple who will fight the Liberty Because of its motley composition, it is possible to retard their retreat in the spirit of its best revolution But if you were here you could ary traditions. "Along this path we will find the way to unite the tollers of America against their enemies, League? Are these the enemies of before reaction by pressure from see the profound veneration in which the rank and file hold these reaction? the left. The policy of Lewis and Pendergast, Governor Graves, Governor McNutt, Generoso Pope. others in the ranks of labor is veterans of the class-struggle. From Krumbein on-Foster, Mother Bloor, ruinous, it merely greases the Roose the monopolists and bankers of Wall Street, and all their agents. Big business representatives are not as much in evidence in Philavelt sliding pond. Only the threat of a real Farmer Browder, Herndon-every one ther Wall Street, and all their agents. Along this path we will find the road to a better life. Along this path we will unite with our friends of all lands to maintain peace in the world. Along this path we will forge a mighty peo-ples' front against reaction, fas-cism and war-s Farmer-Labor Party. Along this path we will march on toward socialian." The conclusion of Foster's speech was again greeted with applause and the singing of the "Interma--the love is genuine. The real Mcdelphia as they were in Cleveland. But those who bow to it, are here. Labor Party could jolt these gentle Coy. Nobody pumped up the demon-strations for them. men into any semblance of actual opposition to the march of the How can John L. Lewis or any I won't go into detail on his Liberty League. In the last analysis, however other labor leader place his full con fidence in a general that commands such an army?A fleet does not move working men, farmers, small busiany faster than its slowest vessel. ness men-all those who shudder at That's an old axiom. Roosevelt certhe thought of war and fascismtainly cannot move any faster than will have to rely on their own forces ceived at its close was unequalled. It spoke in the name of the Cenall these old coffin crates in his fleet. And, as an old navy man, he to defeat these twin evils. The Democratic Party convention, with all knows it! Indications are that a program sounding more "left" than the original New Deal will be drafted. Labor Party and the exertion of all tral Committee and it lay down a line of inestimable value to the deleits elequence, is most elequent in and the singing of the "Interna-showing the dire and immediate tional." gates from all parts of America, It Herndon Named was a key to their problems. It charted the road to a free. The convention then organized it-self, electing a credentials commitbut that's where it will end, merely efforts to elect a bloc of Farmer-Labor Congressmen who will fight in the and a presiding committee. As the interests of the people in the secretaries of the convention there next Congress. vere named Angelo Herndon, heroic sounding more "left." Progressives There are people there genuinely next Congress,

Group of Reading Socialists Women Ask: Sends United Front Greetings Aid in Fight

"Earl Browder, General Secretary-"Communist Party of the U.S.A.

"New York, N. Y. "Dear Comrade Browder:

"As a group of Socialists of Reading, Pa., we send our hearty congratulations and good wishes to the Ninth Convention of the Communist Party of America.

"Believing that Socialists and Communists should stand and fighttogether in the common struggle against the capitalist class, we send these greetings to your convention in the fervent hope and expectation that a powerful united front of all workers will be realized in the very near future.

"In Germany, Italy, Austria we have observed the results of the working class remaining divided in the face of fascism; whereas in Spain and France in recent months the workers ride to victory due to united action. And in the Soviet Union we have witnessed the complete triumph of the workers and farmers, because in that happy land they are in power.

"In the United States, the primary task facing the Socialist and Communist parties is to achieve a united workers' and people's front in order to wage a successful struggle against the forces making for war and fascism.

"Toward that end we hall your efforts at this convention and pledge our own wholehearted support of a united front policy and program."

Browder Receives Rousing Ovation

young Negro workers facing a 20-

year sentence on the Georgia chain

on the stage, carrying bouquets of roses. Several of them "poke 1 few

words of greeting. The following committees were set up: Platform and Resolutions, Trade Union and Unemployed, Ne-

Women, Youth, Press and Publicity,

Assails Liberty League

gro, Organization,

By A. B. Magil (Continued from Page 1)

gang, Anita Whitney, long active in the California labor movement and once indicted under that state's ternates, 78 fraternal delegates from Party organizations, and 192 frater-nal delegates from trade unions and criminal syndicalism law, and A. Onda, a leading figure in the Cleve-

national organizations. land unemployment movement. More handclapping and cheering Among the fraternal delegates are representatives of the Communist Parties of Canada and Mexico. broke forth when delegates elected by workers in various shops trooped

The convention opened at 11 A.M. with a wecoming speech by Krumbein, who then introduced Foster. In accepting the gavel, which was presented by the Norfolk, Va., delegation and made by a former slave from the wood of his scythe, Foster

"I am proud to accept this gavel made by a former slave in behalf of the Communist Party which is going to free all the slaves in the Waves of applause rocked the hall as Browder arose to make the address which will form the basis for the discussion of the entire conven-

country." In his speech Foster pointed out tion. In a masterly speech lasting two and a half hours this man from Kansas, who has become the the collapse of the old capitalist order and its desperate attempt to maintain its existence through the outstanding leader of the party that suppression of democratic rights and is the vanguard of the comm civil liberties, the organiz ration of ple of this country, analyzed the po-litical situation and pointed out the "Black Legions, Ku Klux Elans, and self-styled Liberty Leagues," and resteps that must be taken if the liance on "an irresponsible oligarchy —the Supreme Court—which it hopes is out of the reach of the peogathering against them. Emphasiz-

"The program of the Communist Party offers the only way out," Fos-ter said, "the only possible solution spoke in clear, direct language that struck to the core of every question. of the crisis into which the whole Pointing out that "the world is world is plunged. This has been torn between two main directions of proved beyond question by the fact -a world-shaking fact-that crisis development," those forces that are seeking to maintain democratic and decay, misery and reaction, rule the world except on that territory where the program of the Commu-

OnLiving Cost

Branches and Units Wire Greetings to C.P.

Sessions

Greetings from the underground Communist Party of Italy were read yesterday morning to the delegated and visitors to the Communist Party convention. Other greetings were sent by the Progressive Women's Council and from Communist Party units and branches throughout

ountry. Among the greetings were the ollowing

"In the name of the Communis Party of Italy, engaged in a hard struggle against fascism, we send our fraternal and sincere greetings to the Ninth Convention of our brother Party.

"We are with you, heart and soul, in the valiant fight that you are waging against reaction and for the building of a broad people's front that will break every fascist at-

"No one understands better than we do that to defeat fascism and reaction it is necessary to have a strong party, cleansed of all rem-nants of sectarianism, and equipped with steeled personnel. "We are sure that the delegates

to your convention will pledge themselves as one man to work actively for the building of a power-ful mass movement that will raise ever higher the flag of the struggle against fascism.

"We thank you for the financial help that, with a spirit of true international solidarity you have recently extended to us, and we assure you that our Party will relentlessly struggle until the overthrow of fascism which is dishonoring and humiliating with its crimes our beloved country.

We are sure that the Bolshevik decisions of your Convention will meet the expectations of the toiling people and will contribute to the realization of working class unity, the unity of the Italian workers and the workers of other nationalities living in America, for a more effective struggle against fascism and

"Long live the Communist International!

"Long live the Communist Party of America and its foremost leaders

-Foster, Browder, Ford! "Long live the fight against war and fascism and for the defense of the Soviet Union.

Women's Council Greetings American people are to defeat the "Greetings to Ninth National forces of fascism and war that are Convention. Looking forward to your aid in combatting the high abrupt, decisive gestures, Browder women," said the telegram from the **Progressive Women's Council**

Foster Greeted

A message of congratulations to William Z. Foster, chairman of the Communist Party, on his return to forces of fascism headed by Hit-trial unit of Jamestown, N. Y. Bessemer Telegram

ler fascism, that are trying to wipe The telegram from the Bessen out popular rights and to plunge the world into a new war, Browder de-Branch, Youngstown Section read as follows:

"Communist Party Branch Besse "In the United States this camp ner, Youngstown Section Cleve District sends revolutionary greeting delegates national convention. Greet return Comrade Foster to our ranks. Confident decisions convention an other historic milestone attaining our goal. Under banner our party led by Foster, Browder, Ford, Stachel confident rapidly follow footsteps brother party France." Greetings from Cleveland A greeting from metal workers in Cleveland said: "Industrial Unit F 23, Section two, Cleveland composed workers from National Acme and General Electric send revolutionary greetings to Ninth Convention our Party. Our unit which has more than doubled its membership since January first composed of metal workers mem bers of MESA pledges full support to all decisions of convention."

The Platform

The platform, as it finally emerges will not constitute the Re-publicies Liberty League ideas of Glass and Byrd. Glass was urged withous success to sit on the Reso-lutions Committee. Louis Nash and Mary Farquarson, on the other hand, won't be able to stick their nose into the room where the plat-form is being ironed out. Although Nash still believed in

the good intentions of Roosevelt, he recognized that terrific pressure was being prought to bear on the Presi-dent from the right. For that rea-

dent from the right. For that rea-son, Nash said, he would like to see a blog of Farmer-Laborites in the next Congress. When a fellow-delegate interrupt-ed to say that "we shouldn't try to go too fast," Nash answered sharp-ly that "we have to start some

evelt keeps his ear to the "Ro ground," he went on. "If he heard some lond rumblings from the left, it would help him go in the proper direction."

In addition to "production-for-In addition to "production-for-use," Nach said that as a member of organized labor, he was very anxios to see the civil rights plank propose by the Civil Libertles Union, incorporated in the Demo-cratic relationm. (Nash was organ-izer of the first local of the Retail Cierks Union in this centry at the turn of the century, and still car-ries at A. F. of L. card.) Halls Soviet Charter He appressed his enthusiasm for the new constitution of the Soviet

the new constitution of the Soviet Union "It will win many friends for the progressive movement." he

for the progressive movement," he said. Schemal blocks away the Califor-nia Schemal blocks away the Schemal which appens when a progressive group within the Democratic Party attempts to go "too far." The Epics, under Upton Sinclair, actually held the Dalifornia Democratic organ-instima in their hands---until they were bit over the heads by the re-actionary Republicans from one side-side by the Jim Farley ma-ching on the other.

dn the other. dn the other. desy the California delegation dontains only a handful of people of whose presence the spation is not even aware. Spatiale, back 3,000 miles away. Baies are joining hands with other progressive groups for inde-professive political action. A lesson has been learned at great cost,

We inherit and continue the tradition of gen-erations of heroic struggle to Party of the United States is open,

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ternational ring out loudly: 'Workers of the World, Unite. This is the setting: the business suits it.

Just From Jail

Charles Krumbein, just out of prison, opens the convention. He gets a hand Jim Farley could never get. He presents a gavel symboliz-ing the struggle: the Norfolk, Va., party brought it here. It was given them by a former slave, made of

his soythe. 'I am glad to accept this," Foster

says, "to fight for the liberty of all." His ovation raises the roof. "We do not stand aside from the

We do not stand aside from the millions who do not yet understand socialism," he says. "We take our stand, shoulder to shoulder with the masses of the people and in the front line of all their struggles." He summarizes our program: The people's front against reaction, fascism, and war-for peace, freedom and prosperity of our country. He speaks of steel, close to his

heart, this hero of the 1919 strike: "We inherit and continue the tradition of generations of heroic struggle to build the American labor

movement with its organizations, from the days of illegality to its great promise of today, when for the second time, it challenges its greatest enemy, the Steel Trust." Born in Taunton, Mass., this American expresses the pride of

the Communists at their member-ship in the World Party of the sing in the vorid Party of the I wont go into detail on his tollers—the Communist Interna-speech. Its elsewhere in this issue, proves it. Glance at the list chogen: liver and it was a landmark in the Stalln, Manuilsky, Russian; Thael-history of the American revolution-mann, Pieck, German; Erooll, Ital-ary movement. The ovation he re-

ian; Pollitt, British; Wan Min, Chinese; and so on, Forty-sight states are represented here, Jack Johnstone, beloved labor veteran, tells the delegates. "Canada from the North, fighting Mexico

from the South" also send fraternal delevates.

prosperous, peaceful happy America. One hundred thirty million Amerierners, Westerners . . foreign born cans are vitally concerned.

- I have been a set we we have the said the requirement

"Been reading about the French sailors taking over the ships, running up the red flag. That's the day I'm looking forward to." Ovation to Browder

is headed by the dominant leader ship of the Republican Party, with its allies of the Liberty League, Hearst, Black Legion, Ku Klux

clared:

Klan, Coughlin and others. "The camp of progress and peace finds its stronghold in the Soviet Union, the country of Socialist prosperity. To its banner are rallying all the growing armies of those who would resist fasciam and war."

Warns of Fascist Forces

"The Republican Party, headed by Landon and Knox, is unquestionably representing the full reactionary program," Browder said. "William Randolph Hearst has formulated that program with greatest clarity, has pursued it with the most vicious and obstinate energy. Hearst named the Republican ticket already in Au-gust 1935. Morgan, the du Ponts, Mellon, all the most reactionary circles of Wall Street, are fully be-

hind Landon and Knox. The plat-form of the Republican Party, be-hind a thin amoke-screen of tepid, liberalism, contains all the essentials of Hearst's program, including its "The Communist Party decia

without qualification, that " the Landon-Hearst-Wall Street ticket is the chief enemy of the liberties peace and prosperity of the Amer-ican people. Its victory would carry our country a long way on the road to fascism and war. "Roosevelt and his administration to train to manual a middle administration

are trying to pursue a middle course between these two opposite funda-mental directions of policy. On the one hand, they try to keep mass support by certain small concessions to the needs and demands of the people. On the other hand, they an-swer the pressure and attacks of the reactionary forces by greater con-cessions in that direction. Especially in the last year, Roosevelt's course has been a series of retreats before the offensive of reaction. His ad-ministration is allowing itself to be dragged more and more onto the path of Hearst.

Points Way Ahead "The Communist Party declares that it is a fatal mistake to de-pend upon Roosevelt to check the attacks of Wall Street, or to ad-vance the fundamental interests and demands of the masses of the people. "Where, then, can the people turn to find a motociton assingt the re-

to find a protection against the re-actionary force: that assail them? "With full knowledge that the great majority are not yet prepared to turn to Socialism as repre-either by the Socialist Party

Communist Party, we Commun come forward with an immediate rogram which the masses are ready to support, to point out the path along which the people can main-tain and advance their fundamental interests and rights." Lists Aims of C. P.

Browder listed five fundamental aims of this program, which he said "is essentially covered by the platform adopted by the Farmer-Labor Party National Conference, held in Chicago on May 30-31, on the call of the Minnesota Farmer-Labor Party and Governor Floyd Olson." Browder pointed out the growth of the movement for a Farmerof the movement for a value Labor Party and the support and sympathy it was receiving even among trade union circles that are backing Roosevelt nationally. The Communist leader sharply condemned the reactionary planks

presented to the Republican con-vention by William Green, president vention by winnam Green, preservice of the American Federation of La-bor. He characterized this as "one of the most shameful pages in American labor history."

American labor history." Browder contrasted "the old pa-ralysis of the reactionary A. F. of L. Executive Council" with the "renaissance movement in the trade unions," led by the Committee for Industrial Organization. Referring to the great organization drive in the steel industry, which has been launched by the CLO, he said: "Nothing so heartenning has

"Nothing so heartening has "Nothing so heartening has been seen in the labor movement since 1919 when the chairman of our Party, Comrade Poster, eng-ried through the first great or-ganizing campaign in sized which culminated in the great sized strike,"

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Browder Calls for Building of American People's Front To Halt Rising Menace of Fascism in the United States

Landon-Hearst Ticket Is Branded Chief Enemy Of the American People

Coughlin's Union Party Product of Wall Street Liberty League Intrigue with Program of Half-Fascist "Radical" Phrases

the Manhattan Opera House. vanced elements of the working class against the forces of reaction,

COMRADES, the Ninth National ivention of the Communist of the United States meets situation of deepening crisis capitalist world, and at the of the most fateful election since the Civil War.

our Central Committee meetclusions as our starting point, to November 1935, we adopted a plunge immediately into the cen-based upon the analysis and tral concrete problems of the day, ions of the Seventh World the answers to which determine our ss of the Communist Inter- attitude toward all minor and secal, which our Party had ac- ondary questions.

I Struggle Against Fascism and to Maintain Peace

world is torn between two around which is rallied the growing I stain directions of development; armies of progress and peace. It Supreme Court; maintain and ex-on the one hand, stand those forces requires the recognition of the role tend democratic rights and civil ng to maintain the rights and of the Soviet Union, and full utilistandards of the masses in zation of this great power.

and to maintain world pesce; on the other side are the forces of ing point for their defeatism, fatal-, striving to wipe out popular rights and throw the full burden of the Soviet Union as a great power the crisis onto the masses, driving for progress and peace; some of ple's organizations, through a broad d a new world war.

camp of fascism, of the warers, is mighty and menacing. It maded by Hitler fascism, the world has ever seen. It contains se hands drip with od of Italians and Ethiopians alike. It includes the military-fasvernment of Japan, which is ing a new empire out of the more clarity, more defea s of the Chinese people. In capitalist country, its forces organizing, backed and inspired the monopolists of finance cap-But the united people's are preparing with all energy. ssness, and demagogy, to seize i of government. In the United States, this camp is headed by the ing the doubts and hesitations of the dominant leadership of the Repub-Party, with its allies of the it will, win the majority of the toilrty League, Hearst, Black Ra, Ku Klux Klan, Coughlin, Hearst, Black ing people of every country.

The country of Socialist pros-the country of Socialist pros-the country of Socialist pros-the country of Socialist pros-To its banner are rallying growing armies of those who upon its mighty strength, the

mental machinery, moving toward a full-fiedged fascist regime, in "American" and "constitutional" Earl Browder, general sec-retary of the Communist Party, yesterday submitted the report of the Central Committee to the Ninth Na-tignal Convention in session at vays. 5. Develop extreme jingoist na tionalist moods among the masses; drive toward war under cover of American isolation" and "neutral ity"; support to and alliance with Hitler and other fascists, preparing the new world war.

he text of the report fol- gathering the still scattered parts of the coming people's front in

nove toward an opposite set of fundamental alms, which can be stated In this convention it is not neces as follows: sary again to review the basic dis-1. Restore and raise the living cussions that were held around the standards of the masses, by higher Seventh World Congress. They are already so fully interwoven into our wages, shorter hours, lower prices extending the trade unions to the daily life, in thought and action, so he that our country has wit- fully proved by experience to be corbasic industries and all workers through militant industrial union rect, that we can take their conism; secure the farmers in posses

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democracy ever seen. Complete adult

self-determination of the constitu

all offices, including judiciary, by secret ballot; full guarantee of in-

dividual rights, including the rights

of personal property resulting from individual labor; free speech, press,

and assemblage made concrete by providing the masses with printing

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ent nationalities; direct election to

voters; guarantee of the right of

of Socialist

minimum standard of life. Consolidate and extend social and labor legislation, with guarof a minimum standard of life for all, financing this with sharply graduated taxes on incomes, property and accumulated surpluses abolition of sales taxes, balancing the budget at the expense of the

3. Curb the usurped power of the liberties; dispersal of reactionary bands, abolition of the use of lega nidst of capitalist crisis and The confusionists and panic- machinery to suppress the people' mongers all have one common start- movements; extension of population control over government.

civil rights; create the storm troop of reaction, Black Legions, Ku Klux

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The other chief direction of pos-

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theories and hatreds; others, like the whole world to restrain the war-Norman Thomas, because they are makers, to keep America out of war bloody and bestial reaction the filled with doubts, reservations, by keeping war out of the world. hesitations, unclarity. Wherever this How do the various parties and groups stand in relation to these influence, in whatever degree, prevails among the masses, there we two opposite and fundamental sets have more division instead of more of objectives?

unity, more confusion instead of more clarity, more defeatism and demoralization instead of the growth The Republican Party, headed by Landon and Knox, is unquestionably representing the full reactionof a militant united movement ary program. William Randolph Hearst has formulated that pro-

But the united people's front is gram with greatest clarity, has purwhere not already in winning the masses more and more sued it with the most vicious in every country. It is overcoming obstinate energy. Hearst named the the demagogic slanders of the counter-revolutionists, it is dissolv-Republican ticket already in August 1935, Morgan, the du Ponts, Mellon, all the most reactionary circles of Wall Street, are fully behind Landon and Knox. The platform of the Republican Party, behind a thin smoke-screen of tepid liberalism. essentials

We will have a special report to Hearst's program, including its The Communist Party declares

without qualification that the Landon-Hearst-Wall Street ticket is resist fascism and war. Re-pon its mighty strength. the SPEAKS AT CONVENTION

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Highlights of Report

The Communist Party declares without qualification that the Landon-Hearst-Wall Street ticket is the chief enemy of the liberties. peace and prosperity of the American People. Its victory would carry our country a long way on the road to fascism and war. . .

Roosevelt's course has been a series of retreats before the offensive of reaction. The Communist Party declares that it is a fatal mistake to depend upon Roosevelt to check the attacks of Wall Street, or to advance the fundamental interests of the masses of the people.

With full knowledge that the great majority are not yet prepared to turn to Socialism, as represented either by the Socialist Party or the Communist Party, we Communists come forward with an immediate program which the masses are ready to support, to point out the path along which the people can maintain and advance their fundamental interests and rights. That immediate program arises out of the five fundamental aims of the masses of the people, which I outlined as the opposite of the reactionary program, which is the program of a people's front, a program for democratic rights, for prosperity and peace.

... Our independent ticket will be placed in the service of creating that broader unity, the People's Front, it will promote the Farmer-Labor Party in every way possible, it will base itself on the growing mass movements in the states and Congressional districts for Farmer-Labor tickets. Our campaign will be primarily on behalf of the program of the People's Front. At the same time we will carry on a mass campaign of agitation on a scale never before attained, to teach the broad millions the meaning of Socialism, of the working class revolution, of the full Communist program which is the only final solution of the problems created for the population by a dying capitalist system.

of the Committee for Industrial Organization, in supporting Roosevelt for re-election. . .

The Communist Party declared that it seriously disagreed with this policy of depandence upon Roose-velt. We did not, however, withdraw from full participation in this rapid-ly growing movement for the Farm-Labor Party. We are fully prepared to continue and develop our united front relations with those who support Roosevelt, reserving our disagreement on this question. Our united front with these organizaions and groups has the solid foundation of complete agreement with them that the Republican Party with its Hearst-Liberty League allies, is the main enemy that must

be defeated at all costs. The Farmer-Labor Party move ment is a rapidly growing national political force. The Chicago conference was thoroughly representative of it, with the exception of the Wisonsin movement, and some national trade unions which refrained from participation because of their tie-up with the new Labor's Non-Partisan

league for support of Roosevelt. Even in this latter case, however the Chicago conference showed its influence and vitality by the friendly connections with the progressiv trade unions exhibited in the greetings and good wishes sent the conerence by John L. Lewis, Sidney Hillman and David Dubinsky. There is every reason to expect the Farmer-Labor Party to emerge in the 1936 elections as a major influence in American political life.

If we can record with pleasure the increasingly progressive role being played by the trade unions of the Committee for Industrial Organization, in political life as well as in trade union questions, the case s the opposite with the Executive Council of the American Federation

of Labor, representing the craft union forces, and led by Green, Woll and Hutcheson. These gentlemen are following the logic of their reactionary opposition to industrial and move to the right mionism also in politics. One of the most shameful pages in American labor history was the appearance of William Green at the Republican convention to urge inclusion in the platform of such openly reactionary planks that even the Republican Party, which will surely follow that line, considered it bad politics to openly admit it now before the elections. Green's advocacy of deporta-tions, of breaking relations with the Soviet Union, his opposition to curbing the power of the Supreme Court and to minimum wage laws, constituted acceptance of the most reactionary course in American political life.

In view of the absence of a Farm-er-Labor Presidential ticket this year, an additional importance is assumed by the question of developing our united front relations with the Socialist Party, Our fundamental conception of the Farmer-Labor Party is that it will include also the Socialist. and Communist Parties. Wherever it is developing on a mass scale," it does include both parties in one form or another. Where the Socialist Party has stood aside and resisted its growth, they have been isolated and reduced to the smallest of sects. In spite of these lessons the Socialist Party is still confused in its attitude toward the Farmer-Labor Party. The resolution on this question adopted at its convention was a half-hearted compromise, and even against this a substantial voted on grounds of opposition in principle. This opposition to the broad political united front against reaction is a dangerous feature of Socialist Party development, threatening to shunt it into a sectarian sidetrack. The Socialist Party convention registered some advances. It de-feated the worst section of the Old Guard, which has now split away. This was a defeat of Hearstism, of anti-Sovietism, of resistance in principle to the united front. That means progress, movement to the Left, towards a working class policy. It tends to improve our relations with the Socialist Party. The convention, while approving a united front with the Communists on separate and isolated questions, rejected, however, any move toward systematic development of more united action on the most important questions of the day. At the same time it took a most reactionary step in accepting organic unity with the counter-revolutionary Trotskyites. We must warn our Socialist comrades: Be careful, you are about to swallow a deadly poison, which we know from sad experience. Better prepare an emetic, for surely you vill soon be in convulsions from severe internal political disturb-We hope you will recover from the illness which you are guaranteeing for yourselves. We proposed to the Socialist Party, since the broader unity of a Farmer-Labor Presidential ticket was no longer possible, that our two parties should try to attain the next most desirable unity in the elections, with a joint Presidential ticket. Our Socialist friends, however, rejected our proposal without even a dis-cussion. Their sharp internal strugcussion. Their sharp internal strug-gles, and the deep differences of opinion in their ranks, makes it difficult for them to face and dis-cuss any policy except rigid ad-herence to established formulae, while drifting with the winds of political circumstance.

Roosevelt Middle Course And Consistent Retreat Will Not Check Reaction

Hails Emergence of New Progressive Forces in A.F.L.-Scores Green-Woll-Hutcheson **Clique's Anti-Labor Policies**

for the narrower gain of a united hold labor and progressive forces front with the Socialist Party. Our from breaking away. Therefore

own independent ticket is not a even from the narrow viewpoint of matter of rigid principle with us; using Roosevelt against Landon, is we can maintain and advance our is absolutely necessary to build the views even more effectively, under independent organization of labor the conditions now prevailing in and progressive forces for indepen-America, in face of the threat of dent action — the Farmer-Labor and peoples' front.

That means that our independent of the program of the peoples' carry on a mass campaign of education, on a scale never before attained, to teach the broad millions in a swamp of opportunist confusion the meaning of socialism, of the working class revolution, of the full

Communist program which is the only final solution of the problems created for the population by a dying capitalist system. We must frankly face and answer

the question as to why, if the Landon-Knox ticket is the chief enemy. we do not come out in support of Roosevelt as the practical alterna-tive this year. When Major Berry of Labor's Non-Partisan League was asked by the newspaper reporters staged "liberalization" of its Cleveif he was inviting the Communists land Convention. He thus renders to go along in their support of Roosevelt, he answered: "Let their conscience be their guide." Well, we have consulted both our conscience and our understanding; both join in counseling rejection of any reliance upon Roosevelt to dethe reactionaries. Let us be feat very clear on this question. Our answer is not dictated by dogmatic rejection in principle of the idea of supporting a bourgeois candidate under any and all conditions. Lenin long ago taught us that such doctrinaire policies are not revolution-ary. He taught us when, how, unwhat conditions, Communists could not only vote for but even

enter into alliances with bourgeois candidates and parties-as against a threatening attack of overwhelming reactionary forces. Let me give you a quotation from

Lenin, written in the early years of the century, which contains one of the clearest formulations of our guiding principle on this ques-Lenin said: tion.

"Can a class-conscious worker ignore the democratic struggle for the sake of the Socialist struggle, ignore the latter for the sake of the former? No, a class-conscious worker calls himself a Social-Democrat [That was when the Communist Party was called Social-Democratic Labor Party.-stands the interrelation betwee the two struggles. He knows that there is no other road to socialism but the road through democracy, through political liberty. He therefore strives for the complete and consistent achievement of democracy for the sake of attaining the ultimate goal-socialism. Why are not the conditions for the democratic struggle the same as the conditions for the socialist struggle? Because the workers will necessarily have different allies in those two strug gles. The workers wage the democratic struggle together with a section of the bourgeosie." (Selected Works, Vol. III., p. 153.) 1. /.

rampant reaction and war, within Party; to support Roosevelt is to the broader unity of a working class invite him to make even further retreats. Third, in order to have an alliance ticket will be placed in the service with the liberal bourgeoisie against of creating that broader unity, the the reactionaries, to preserve demopeoples' front. It will promote the cratic rights, it is necessary for the growing mass movement in the workers and their more permanent states and Congressional districts allies (farmers and impoverished for Farmer-Labor tickets. Our cam- city middle classes) to have their paign will be primarily on behalf own independent party, which at the same time prepares and conducts front. At the same time we will the struggle toward socialism. The two sides of the struggle must be developed together, or both are lost

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or a desert of sectarianism.

That is why we do not support Roosevelt, although we direct the main fire against Landon. We have nothing in common with the approach to this question of the Socialists, of Norman Thomas. Out friend Thomas sees the world through peculiar spectacles; he cannot see the fascist direction of the Republican Party, but rather accepts at its face value the crudelyunwillingly but nonetheless effect tive aid to Hearst's demagozy. At Well, the same time he proclaims the main issue of this election is socialism; and says of Roosevelt that he is probably the best thing possible under capitalism, that "if you want reforms, better stick to Rocsevelt." From these premises he concludes it is a matter of indifference to the workers as to what kind of regime results from the election. We must describe such confusion as nothing

but opportunist sectarianism. Fourth, we must clarify the question, is socialism the issue that will be decided in this election? The war-cry of the reactionaries is that Roosevelt's New Deal is socialism or even Communism. "Norman Thomas gave some aid to this idea in 1933, during the honeymoon of the New Deal. Carried away by his enthusiasm be belied it as his enthusiasm, he hailed it as "a step toward socialism," as "a revolution." Now he swings just as far in the opposite direction, and sees tle difference between Roosevelt and Landon, even while praising Roosevelt's liberalism. We must declare Roosevelt's policies are not socialism, nor a step to socialism. He at most tries to smooth out some of the worst abuses of capitalism, in order to give it a longer life. The reactionary cry of "socialism" is directed to two ends; first, to alarm all peooperty

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The new Soviet Constitution, pubth. Seeing in it a powerful stre protector, the small nations of lished in the last few weeks gives us whose existence is threat- some measure of the greatness of these achievements. For the first who find less and less asfrom the great capitalist time in human history, a govern-turn to the firm peace pol- ment can write into its basic law sistane icy of the Soviet Union, as their the guarantee to every citizen of a refuge. Even those great education, work and leisure. That is ruled by the imperialist is the outstanding feature of the oisie, like the U. S. A., who new constitution, which is unique. reli are which has no counterpart or fore heir own special reasons ady for war, who want to runner. That is the fruit of Sotain the status quo, at least for cialism, of the rule of the working ate, must turn, even though class, of the First and Second Five-apply, toward collaboration Year Plans for Socialist industrialwith the Soviet Union. The op-presend nations look to it for inspi-riculture, of the great Stakhanov pressed nations look to ration and leadership. Within each movement for increase st country, all forces for productivity. That is the fruit of and especially the workers the genius of Lenin and Stalin. capft peace, and especially the workers and farmers, are beginning to see It is upon this solid foundation in the policy of the Soviet Union, the philef hope of peace and prog-ress in the world. of working class rule and Socialism, that it was possible to erect the superstructure of the most complete

. . are voices which shout of 18; equality of representation for the menace of fascism and war, even in radical and "revolutionary" phrases, but which cannot find anything to say about the mighty sowing forces for progress and Such voices come from confupeace. Such voices come areas, who sionists and panic-mongers, who consciously or unconsciously are the advance-agents of fascism, spread-ing defeatism and demoralization g the masses, disarming them amon the enemy.

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The Fascist Menace in the U. S. A.; Issues Π. and Parties in the 1936 Elections

THESE are two chief and opposite directions of possible develop-ment is American political life in the 1955 elections. All parties and groups must be judged by their relation to those two fundamental political tendencies. One stems form agriculture, trans-from the most reactionary circles forming them into propertyless of finance capital, Wall Street; its workers. is toward fasciam and war.

2. Wipe out social and labor leg-slation, balance the budget by and war in America.

people were able to gather reat Front Populaire, which back the first assaults of Roosevelt and his administration

Soviet Union, which have made posare trying to pursue a middle course ad- sible its rapidly enlarged role in between these two opposite funda

mental directions of policy. On the one hand, they try to keep mass support by certain small concessions to the needs and demands of the people. On the other hand, they answer the pressure and attacks of the reactionary forces by greater conces sions in that direction. Especially in the last year, Roosevelt's course has been a series of retreats before the offensive of reaction. His administration is allowing itself to be dragged more and more onto the path of Hearst.

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The Communist Party declares that it is a fatal mistake to depend upon Roosevelt to check the attacks Wall Street, or to advance the fundamental interests and demands of the masses of the people.

Where, then, can the people turn to find a protection against the reactionary forces that assail them? With full knowledge that the great majority are not yet prepared turn to Socialism, as represented either by the Socialist Party or the Communist Party, we Communists come forward with an immediate program which the masses are ready to support, to point out the path along which the people can main-tain and advance their fundamental interests and rights. That immediate program arises out of the five intal aims of the masses of fund the people, which I outlined as the opposite of the reactionary program, opposite of the reactionary which is the program of a people's front, a program for democratic rights,

ghts, for prosperity and peace. This is not a program of revolutionary overthrow of capitali can be realized within the frame-

work of the present economic sys-tem by a people's government backed by the organized masses, de-

backed by the organized masses de-termined to fight to keep Wall Street and its fascism out of power. This program is essentially cov-ered by the platform adopted by the Farmer-Labor Party National Con-ference, held in Chicago on May 30-31, on the call of the Minnesota 30-31, on the call of the Minnesots

The direct issue of the 1936 elections is not Socialism or Canitalism but rather Democracy or Fascism. At the same time we emphasize and will always emphasize that a consistent struggle for democracy and progress leads inevitably and in the not distant future to Socialist **Revolution**

The Chicago Conference laid the foundations for a National Farmer-Labor Party in 1936, the foundations for the People's Front which can halt the forces of Fascism and War in America.

It is possible to defeat the fascists and warmakers. It is possible to move toward progress, to maintain peace. But to do this requires that we recognize and make use of all factors, even the smallest that work toward this end, even temporarily. It requires a great drive toward one united international policy around which is rallied the growing armies of progress and peace. It requires the recognition of the role of the Soviet Union and full utilization of this great power. . ..

The new Soviet Constitution, published in the last few days, gives some measure of the greatness of these achievements. For the first time in human filstory a government can write into its basic law the guarantee to every citizen of education, work and leisure. That is the outstanding feature of the new Constitution which is unique and which has no counterpart of forerunner.

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Powerful dynamic forces have arisen, have found a leadership and a program above and below, have broken loose from the old paralysis of the reactionary A. F. of L. Executive Council, have struck out on new paths which open up great perspectives of power and progress for American labor. The struggle for a united, strong American Federation of Labor requires today a concentration of all forces to halt the splitting plans of the Green-Woll-Hutcheson group heading the Executive Council.

The Communist Party must use the opportunity of this election campaign to smash once and for all the superstition, which has been embodied in a maze of court decisions having the force of law, that our Party is an advocate of force and violence, that it is subject to laws. (Federal immigration laws, state "criminal syndicalism" laws). directed against such advocacy. The Communist Party is not a conspirative organization, it is an open revolutionary party, continuing the traditions of 1776 and 1861; it is the only organization that is really entitled by its program and work to designate itself as "sons and daughters of the American revolution." Communists are not anarchists, not terrorists. The Communist Party is a legal party and defends its legality. Prohibition of advocacy of force and violence, doe not apply to the Communist Party; it is properly applied only to the Black Legion, the Ku Klux Klan, and other fascist groupings, and to the strikebreaking agencies and the open-shop employers who use them against the working class, who are responsible for the terrible toll of violence which shames our country.

The Farmer-Labor Party in 1936 into the Presidential elections this will concentrate on state and Con-yresional elections, in an effort to send a bloc of real people's Con-gressmen to Washington, to fight for the fundamental program of progress. The data long been the borne of our particle had bestering with the old the borne of the fundamental program of the fundam

Togress. It had long been the hope of our parties, had decided to follow the Party that we would be able to go policy of the big progressive unions.

From all this it is clear that it is not our choice if this Ninth Con-either, because roosevent himself is either unwilling or unable to con-duct a serious struggle to this end. He is retreating before the attacks of reaction within his own party, place in the field its own indepen-as well as from the Republicans. place in the field its own indepen-dent ticket for President and Vice- He is bound within the limits of the

President. We would gladly sacrifice the advantages of our own independent ticket, in favor of the ticket selected by a broad people's front against reaction, fascism, and war. We was propared to agoing a second to the de-

Applying these principles to the United States in 1936, we reach certain conclusions on which our policy is based. We will review some of these conclusions in detail. First, workers are interested, it is not a matter of indifference to them, as to which of two bourgeois cialism. parties shall hold power, when one

Thus, we conclude, that the direct of them is reactionary, desires to issue of the 1936 elections is not sowipe out democratic rights and social legislation, while the other in cialism or capitalism, but rather democracy or fescism. At the same some degree defends these progressive measures achieved under capitime we emphasize, and will always emphasize, that a consistent strugtalism. Thu., we clearly and sharply differentiate between Landon and Roosevelt, declare that Landon is gle for democracy and progress leads the chief enemy, direct our main fire against him, do everything possible to shift masses away from voting for him even though we can-not win their votes for the Communist Party, even though the re-sult is that they vote for Roosevelt. This is not an example of the policy of the "lesser evil," which led the German workers to disaster; we specifically and constantly warn against liance upon Roosevelt, we critany re icize his surrenders to reaction and the many points in which he fully the many points in which he have agrees with reaction; we accept no responsibility for Roosevelt. Second, while we are not indiffer-ent to the practical result of the election, we cannot support Roose-velt even as a means of defending determine and second left democratic rights and social legis-lation which are seriously threatnself is ened, because Roosevelt him

inevitably, and in the not distant future, to the socialist revolution. . This leads us to a concrete phase of the fight to defeat fascis America, of utmost importance namely, by what means to combat and overcome the influence of the reactionaries among the broad masses. We identify the fascist trend with Wall Street, the Liberty League and the big capitalists; that is absolutely correct. At the same time, these fascist forces, playing upon the most backward instincts upon the most backward instincts and moods among the masses, and even utilizing some of their more positive characteristics, exert tre-mendous and growing influence pre-cisely among some of the most suf-fering and deperate strata of the population. Hearst, with his chain of demagogic newspapers, is the classic type. Father Coughlin, with his radio supeals to the common classic type. Father Coughlin, with his radio appeals to the common people and his Union for Social Jus-tice, apes closely the technique of Mussolini and Hitler. Huey Long, before his death, was a veritable American Hitler in embryo, with his Share-the-Wealth Clubs and wild demans. All appeal to very real demagogy. All appeal to very real grievances among the masses, they touch the sore spots of a suffering population, they rouse popular pass sions—only to direct them away reactionary Southern landlord in-terests, which control the Solid

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toward fascism; second, to discredit socialism among the masses by identifying it with the failures of the New Deal. Between the two major parties,

"socialism" is not an issue, but merely a demagogic war-cry of reaction. For the broad masses also, socialism is not the issue today, but rather the issue is, whether to move on the reactionary road toward fascism, or to struggle to maintain democratic rights, living standards, and peace. For the Farmer-Labor Party movement the issue is not between socialism and capitalism, but whether to move on the reactionary or progressive roads. nists, throwing our lot in with the Farmer-Labor Party movement agree to fight for the road of prog ress under capitalism, together with those who are not adherents of socialism as we are; while at the same time we point out that the only final guarantee of progress is to

abolish capitalism and move to so

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Unity of People in Struggle to Maintain Peace Will Save Humanity from Fascist War-Makers

COMMUNIST LEADERS AT CONVENTION

Soviet Union Chief Hope Of Peace and Progress For Toilers of World

New U.S.S.R. Constitution Marks Victory Socialism-Guarantees Right to Work, **Education**, Culture and Leisure

established sympathetic contacts with Townsend's followers, where they are being won to the Farmer-Labor Party. Thomas's slogan, so-cialism instead of old-age pensions, where the statement of the statement of

only drives them quicker into the arms of the reactionaries who prom-

A tremendous ferment is going

on among the masses. Only a small part of it is already organized in the Farmer-Labor Party movement.

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By no means is the rest of it all in the Coughlin and Townsend move-ments. Look, for example, at the famous EPIC movement in Cali-fornia, started by Upton Sinclair.

After its first spectacular success in "capturing" the state Democratic

Party, the EPIC movement went through a year and a half of varied

and bitter experiences. Out of this,

and out of the advice and criticism

of the Communists who adopted a

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learned lessons that have gone deep.

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tinued from Page 3) real criminals, the Hearsts Morgans, and against "the ankers," against the foreign orkers, against the Negro "the Reds," the Protestan against the Catholics and vice-versa w above all they cry out against the "Communistic New Deal" and Roosevelt, until the elec-

One of our sharpest criticisms gainst Roosevelt is that he has me and again given ammunition tionary demagogues. Tore is the greatest danger Townsend movement for ty for the aged is socially ve, may be swung into the eactionary channel, into support for Landon, precisely because t followed up a miserly "seaw by allowing without procurity' shameful attack against the old-age pension movement in the mal investigation commiteagerly Hearst, the Chi-T ibune, the Republicans, forward to comfort Dr. sprans , and inspire his denuncistic dictator. ation of the White House, his slogan "Appone but Roosevelt" which means "Nobody but Landon." The fire that puts steam into Father reactionary engine is real grievances against built of and his retreat in face of reaction that Coughlin that ver

The if-styled "Union Party", secretly manufactured in the labora-Coughlin and Lemke, and ipon the world full-grown, tory of all the earmarks of a Hearst-Landon-Liberty League intrigue clearly but a stooge for His program is a typical Landon ist hodge-podge of radical sounding phrases without any defittment on a single concrete issue before the country. It dishonest than the is even Republic in platform. It is a great mistake, however, to dismiss Lemke as a bad joke, just as it was a miser Hitler only a stupid clows in the Germany of 1931-32. When millions of people have rievances, when Roosevelt rom even his own inadequate and miserable relief and security standards, when the Socialist Party is only repeating sectarian formulae instead of helping organize a broad Farmer-Labor Party, when the big progressive unions hesitate to organize politically the discon-tented masses—then all these things -then all these things make the masses desperate and lays the mercy of the fascist them at demagogs who are free with promises of all things to all men, but

Union.



bur Eighth Convention we did not dustry, in its first days, has been be won to alliance with the labor important part in building the fully foresee the rapidity and com- the unexampled series of elections pleteness with which the trade in the company unions, of the very union movement was to be transleaders of the drive for real trade formed. That is why, together with unions, from the our entirely correct general policy, workers in the mills. we also envisaged the possible rise may think this is spontaneous. That of an independent federation of la-would be a great mistake. It is the may think this is spontaneous. That bor which did not take place. Very first large crop of the fruits of the soon after the Eighth Convention Communist Party work to win the we saw that the new currents were unions for real trade company so strong and deep as to involve the This work we started for unionism entire trade union movement, and the first time in a systematic fashtherefore dropped the idea of the ion at our Eighth Convention two. possible rise of an independent fedyears ago. We had to overcome the prejudices and traditions of years Now, at our Ninth Convention, among the trade union leadership.

er-Labor Party in California, that will be a major Party in the State. In Washington the same process is going on; the Commonwealth Fedonly a little more than two years We had to combat the hostility or later, we have such a new, and such scepticism of almost everyone outeration in that state (not to be cona promising, development in the side our own ranks. The fused with the small group of the trade unions such as few would have nist Party was the only organization same name in New York headed by dared to predict in their most opti- that took up this task, stuck to it Bingham), has now captured the mistic moments. What has taken through years, and from small bestate Democratic Party and at the same time is establishing links with place is truly a revolutionary trans- ginnings brought forth the great formation of trade union life in our movement that greeted the decision the Farmer-Labor Party movement of the C.I.O. and the Amalgamated country. Association to finally open the great Powerful, dynamic forces have

The slogans of these varied movewisen, have found a leadership and organizing campaign. We are trans-"economy of abundance," "social justice," "economic justice," "share-thea program above and below, have oken loose from the old paralysis signed by the great Steel Barons as wealth," "social security," etc., all reflect a strong mood of disillusionof the reactionary A. F. of L. Executive Council, have struck out on new the first strongholds of the new paths which open up great perspec- steel workers union that is rising ment with and criticism of the capitives of power and progress for before our eyes. And by this we talist system: they show an under-American labor. standing that our country has abun-

eration.

dant material resources for a good At the head of this renaissance movement in the trade unions stands never forget. searching for a new way of life and the Committee for Industrial Ora willingness to try out new paths. ganization, with its group of ten They are all potentially revolutionunions, including three mportant ary, they can be and must be won of the most powerful in the A. F. of L., the United Mine Workers, the for socialism. But this can be done. Amaigamated Clothing Workers, unions. The success of this effort and the International Ladies Gar- is a basic necessity upon which denot by abstract preachments about the glories of a new society, but by the struggle today to improve life, ment Workers. by organization of the masses for this struggle, by systematic educa-While we meet, the Committee for

Industrial Organization is launching tion through experience, and by the the second great crusade to carry concrete example of a real socialism trade unionism into the open-shop citadel of monopoly capital, to the Soviet half-million slaves of the Steel project. Trust. Nothing so heartening has

Let us summarize this examinabeen seen in the labor movement division within the official leadersince 1919, when the Chairman of ship of the A. F. of L. over the tion of parties and issues in the our Party, Comrade Foster, carried question of industrial 1936 campaign. 1.-The chief enemy of the peace, through the first great organizing unionism for the mass production

freedom and prosperity of the Amer-ican people is the Republican Party in the great steel strike. industries, should lead to a general industries, should lead to a general polarization within the labor moveican people is the Republicant a with the aid of the C.I.O. the ment. That is exactly what we be and its reactionary allies. Defeat. With the aid of the C.I.O. the ment. That is exactly what we be happening. With craft unionism the sabotage of the A. F. of L. Exe-wall Street alliance!

tion are retreating before the at- sions in their own ranks, and built ordination to the most reactionary tacks of reaction and surrendering the United Automobile Workers In- bourgeois political circles. Thus position after position to the main enemy. Stop the surrender of our members and driving forward to or-Republican Convention with fascist ights and interests in washing after 3.—The Socialist Party, after With the aid of the C.I.O. the rubrights and interests in Washington! breaking loose from its reactionary Old Guard, is moving into the back-water of doctrinaire sectarianism, reaucratic regime set up over them drifting out of the mass currents of by Green, established their own the C.I.O. forces, while still support-the c.I.O. forces, while still support Old Guard, is moving into the backdrifting out of the mass currents of by Green, established their own American life. Win the Socialists elected leadership, won a great strike ing Roosevelt, yet organizing themfor the people's united front, for the struggle, brought the majority of selves independently, conducting a Farmer-Labor Party! rubber workers into their union. 4 .-- The Farmer-Labor Party is . . . rapidly growing in states and localithe C.I.O., make a great drive to organize the hundreds of thousands Labor Conference, build the Farmerof cotton slaves of the reactionary Solid South, and establish in life by their own power that trade union organization that was promised and then stolen from them at the con-clusion of their great strike in 1934. The marine workers of the whole country, responding to the lead given by the Pacific Coast and their example of unification and militancy, have emerged as one of the bor movement. They are demon-

movement. To do this requires that Youth Congress movement and the labor movement take up and formulating its program and acadvance the demands of the farmtivities. Working modestly, lovally rank-and-file ers which are not inconsistent with and energetically, the Young Com Some people the interests of the working class, munists have won a myriad of That is why the Communist Party, friends and a secure place in the which will the to win the farmers movement, to support its ultimate program of as a model as a model for the older generation socialization of agriculture, today can give its full-hearted support to younger /generation, the progressive

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by representatives of the farmers' organizations and endorsed unanimously by the Conference. This Section reads: III. Farmers: Recognizing that a farm family's labor constitutes prior claim to his farm, home, chattels and livestock, we propose securing farmers against evictions or property seizure by long moratoriums; government refinancing of farm debts so as to reduce the interest rate to one-and-one-half per cent. We stand opposed to the policy of crop reduction and advocate an increase in the production of farm products to meet the food requirements of the nation with government guarantees of average cost of production. For the widest possible extension of democratically controlled farm cooperative enterprises under a program which protects the interests of farmers and consumers alike.

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forces.

Around this program it is posthe farmers' organizations and quickly win the majority of farmers, especially the most impover-ished farmers. This must be the central idea in our work in the countryside and among the various farm organizations. The growing agricultural workers' trade union novement should be more closely linked up with the progressive movement among the farmers, thus strengthening its political activity. and serving as a link between city and country. In every state there is a considerable agricultural population; it is the duty of our organizations everywhere to establish connections there, and proceed to build most seriously the united

Stresses Building of C.P. To Strengthen Forces Against Fascism and War

Development of Leading Personnel Is Central Problem of Party Building-Simplification of Party's Organizational Form Urged

on the same scale as the youth, A united labor defense movem movement. It is the task of our is becoming a pressing necessity Party to find and develop those with the growing attacks upon the women with the capacity of creatng and leading such a movement. The Negro People are an impor-tant section of the workers, the farmers, the youth, the women. But they have another characteristic, in that they are an oppressed na-tionality, suffering double oppret-We can never allow this to sion. be overlooked in any field of work. It creates a special task, to rouse and organize the Negro masses for their own protection, and win the

white masses to firm solidarity with the Negroes in this struggle. Significant progress has nade in building the united front Their work can serve of struggle for Negro liberation. The National Negro Congress, which met In this great movement of the in Chicago in February and established a permanent organization, found the correct road to a broad unity of the varied progressive forces among the Negro people and their friends. It is a broad peoples movement, which at the same time has a firm working class come of union and working Negro trade class leaders. Communists and all progressives can well continue to give it their energetic and stead-fast support. doi: to terms, who leel the daily need of united forces in the fight for civil rights.

ity in this big movement, have earned an unchallenged place in War and Fascism is one of the outof the Scottsboro boys, of their de-Another great victory for the Communists have done to save a representation of mass organizaunited front among the youth was them, of our part in bringing into tions of the most varied kind with

> has not become acquainted with ment, over does not know something of the understanding of this exemplary Communist? The position won by our Party

united youth league standing on the among the Negro masses carries with it corresponding responsibilities. The Negro people have learned periences in many places, especially to expect and demand from Communists the greatest sensitivity to united youth league may arise as their problems, the greatest energy in their defense, the closest soli-This should receive darity in their struggles. We are proud of this position, we are proud of our pioneering work in the dark ment has served to awake the trade regions of the Solid South, we are proud to be spoken of as "the Party

work among the youth. The reso-lution on this question at the last and advance this position at all American League, and indeed outhardly be caused by the issues stand-

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sound a note of warning to our young people, however, that their path will not be so smooth in the next period as in the last. The reactionaries are organizing their forces for a big drive to win the Only in struggles can the youth organizations be kept on the progressive path, a struggle that will affect the inner life of every Communists, while a small minor mass organization. The leading personnel of the youth movement must gird itself for the battle, its weapons of social and political understanding, train itself for Negro rights. What Negro in peoples' front organized around organizationally, consolidate its America is there who does not know

the successful unification of the National Students League and the Stu- that now promises to tear them This included trade unions, mostly dent League for Industrial Democracy into the new American Student Union. In both these youth organizations,

arious political affiliations are unitible to rally a growing number of ed on special youth problems. There is now being felt more and more the need for a united political movement of the most advanced youth, political platform of the peoples front, the Farmer-Labor Party. Exin Minnesota, suggest that such a the junior section of the Farmer-Labor Party. serious examination and discussion. The rise of a broad youth moveunions to the necessity of special A. F. of L. Convention was an important step in this direction. It must be followed up systematically.

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Our Eighth Convention placed the

the leading comrades of the ILD. will agree with me when I declar that we are willing to meet all groups interested in a united labor defense movement, and work out a platform and plan of organiz acceptable to all, upon which all can unite. I am sure that such a united movement will have the enthusiastic endorsement of Tom Mooney, J. B. McNamara, Scottsboro boys, Herndon, the Alabama and Arkansas sharecropper and tenants, the Sacramento prisoners in California, and the thous sands of workers everywhere who are suffering longer or shorter pris on terms who feel the daily need

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of the toiling population. The In-

ternational Labor Defense is une questionably the outstanding and

most effective organization in this

field. It has a fine record of

achievements. But it is still too

narrow to meet the needs of the

day. Many forces which must be

united do not yet accept the LLD.

as their common organ. I am sure

it by their services in the struggle standing examples of a broad issues affecting the whole popula held in tions. Its Third Congress, fense by the I.L.D., of what the Cleveland last January, registered existence the broad united front a membership of over three million from the clutches of the Alabama A. F. of L., comprising about 20 per lynchers? What Negro in America cent of the organized labor move-600,000 members the rame of Angelo Herndon; who local committees and district conferences have involved even broader heroism and clarity of vision and masses. Its program has brought the beginnings of clarity and unity into the chaotic peace movement of

the United States. It is impossible to speak of the American League and its work, without noting the outstanding contribution of its tireless and devoted chairman, Dr. Harry F. Ward, Such selfless and consistent service to a progressive cause, as Dr. Ward has given, will always receive the unstinted recognition and support of the Communist Party.

It is a matter of regret to us that the Socialist Party, nationally and side of any organized movement against war and fascism. This can

National unification of the uneming between Socialists and Commuputstanding achievements of the nists on the war question, as

Section III of the Chicago Farmerforces got the jump on the Labor platform, which was written tionaries and fascists. We must

who are ically in the pay of Wall Street and the Liberty League, in the service of the Republican Party, What is necessary to head off the Lemke-Hearst-Coughlin Union Par-ty, is a more serious movement toward unity of all the truly pro-creasive tennes a unity that will gressive forces, a unity that will give tangles promise of an effective Farmer-Labor Party this year, laying the basis for making it a major contender in 1940. The Communists will support every serious effort to unite the progressive forces against eaction.

The only way to save these masses from the actionaries, is to go smong them with a program of im-mediate straggle to remedy their grievances now, to show them that he real progressives and the revolu- ticket is the only banner in the nationists are the best fighters for their immedia ate interests. Norman Thomas has rebuked us, because we followed such a course with the building the peoples' front in the Townsend movement. We reply, that United States. Vote the Commuit is there where we Communists nist Presidential ticket!

III. The United Front and Trade Union Unity

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main line of policy toward all other problems of the united front. It will be necessary briefly to review some of the most important of these problems, herever, and especially the problems of the trade union movement.

Since our Eighth Convention, a little over two years ago, there has been a profesind transformation in the trade union movement and in our Party's position in relation to

For years before our Eighth Con-rention, the trade union movement seemed to be frozen in a paralysis of reactionary policies and leader-hip. Stirrings, movements, strug-les, seemed 50 be impossible under glas, seemed to be impossible under the dead hand of the American Federation of Labor leadership which stood like a blank wall in the path of progress. The masses which en-tered into battle despite this, almost always had to find their organiza-lion and leadership outside the offi-ciath measurable the despite the offi-

ties, it is organizing itself on a national scale. Support the program and platform of the Chicago Farmer-

Labor Party! 5.-The Communist Presidential tional elections rallying and organizing all the forces of the people against reaction, fascism, and war,

WHAT we have said about parties W and issues in the election cam-paign, and sur policy of the united front there is already gives us our day in the trade union movement. The first year of the New Deal had Truly, these developments open

witnessed a great influx of new an entirely new page in the history members into the A. F. of L. unions, of trade unionism in America. mostly from the mass production And just as truly we can say that ic industries and containing this transformation would have a high proportion of semi-skilled and unskilled workers. The presbeen impossible without the energetic, persistent, well-planned and sure of unemployment and crisis conditions, the change in the comwell-directed participation of the conditions, the change in the com-position of the membership, and the political upheavals taking place am on g the masses, had finally broken the old paralysis of reaction in the unions. Our Eighth Conven-tion signallised this fundamental o h an g taking place, shifted the center of gravity of our trade union work with great emphasis to work within the mass unions of the A. F. of L, and raised sharply the ques-tion of bringing the independent unions to an amalgamation with the American Federation unions. Communist Party and its followers

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This deep-going change in the direction of our trade union work could be carried out all the more reports and discussions in this con-

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The Committee for Industrial Or-

ganization has taken up the task of

organizing all the mass production

of America in

pends the future of the American

labor movement in all other re-

spects. The Communist Party un-

conditionally pledges its full re-

sources, moral and material, to the

complete execution of this great

It was inevitable that the sharp

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sharp struggle against the Republicans, not endorsing the Democratic United Textile Workers, backed by the national Farmer-Labor Party movement, and in many cases throwing their forces actively into local, Congressional, and state Farmer-Labor efforts.

The struggle for a united, strong American Federation of Labor requires today a concentration of all forces to halt the splitting plans of the Green-Woll-Hutcheson group heading the Executive Council.

Their desperate determination to suspend the progressive unions, more than one-third of the Federamajor progressive forces in the la- tion, to deprive them of the right to vote in the Convention, and therestrating what can be done, even in by secure the necessary two-thirds ote required to expel them, is clearly a violation of the Constitution of the A. F. of L., as well as a reactionary crime against the work-

ing class. If the progressive forces stand steadfast, if they call up the support of all those in the craft public enterprises for youth from nions who are progressives, then 18 to 25 years, at regular wages. surely a smashing defeat can be 2-Wages in such public enter-given the splitting reactionaries, and prises shall be equal to prevailing the unity of the labor movement be the unity of the labor movement be trade union rates for the work per-maintained and extended to new formed, but in no case less than millions of workers long outside. \$15 per week. One lesson that is vital to the rogressive leadership in the C.I.O.

unions, already partly learned but still neglected in some quarters is the necessity of democratic pro-cedure and methods of work in the inner life of the unions and in dealing with the unorganized. Only broad streams of the mass life of if the progressive unions become models of working class democracy,

America. Some people unacquainted with the situation may think we are boasting when we speak of decisive contributions by our Communist Party to this great mass movement. can their full power be thrown into the fight to defeat the undemocratic and reactionary executive council. The united front of all progress

sive forces in the trade union movement is the foundation and driving force for all forward moveilon and leasership outside the off-cially recognized trade union move-ment of the American Federation. The result has been the rise of a sectes of interpendent unions, in membership, of which the most significant group were united in the Trade Union Entry League. If was in these independent unions, the new path with important most of the Communist activity had been concentrated for several years. He is true, however, that even in

we tention as never before in history. entire Party. The results since then, dustrial Union, already with 50,000 saw William Green appear at the mathematical proposals. With industrial gainst the conditions imposed up-try. With the aid of the C.I.O. the rub-With the aid of the C.I.O. the rubber workers have broken the bu- form, moving in the direction of the U.S.A., contrary to the experience guidance and aid to young people of the population. It is precisely the future of America.

we witness the broadest progressive population, and a very energetic and Soon we may expect to see the Party, keeping friendly contact with united front which has risen under active half. Yet we do not see this the banner of the American Youth recognized fully. Among the youth, Congress, involving the majority of there is an awakening to this fact, important youth mass organizations with the girls playing an important from church bodies to Communists. and growing part in the movement The Declaration of Rights of the from top to bottom. Elsewhere we

Young Generation, adopted at the lag behind. In work among the Second Youth Congress last July, women we must admit to our is a basic program to organize the shame, that the reactionaries are youth of our country against fas- more active, and work more intelligently, than do we and our friends. cism and war. Yet we have examples that could

A cornerstone of this broad proteach us, if we were willing, of the gram is the American Youth Act, a enormous importance and great legislative proposal which the Youth achievements possible in organizing Congress drew up and caused to be the women, in developing leading introduced in Congress by Senator Benson of Minnesota. This Youth people among them. Examine, for instance, the great political victory Act contains eight basic features, with which our whole movement of the election of Mary Zuk to the city council of Hamtramck, Michishould thoroughly familiarize itself. These features are: gan. Mary Zuk became an impor-

1-Providing a system of vocaindustrial suburb of Detroit, but national training and employment on tionally: she leads a movement that plays a decisive role in the life of her community. The starting point of this achievement was a movement of the women to struggle against the high prices of meat. The women acted on a small issue of daily life; they did not allow their action to remain isolated; they 3-All needy high school students are to receive governmental assis reached out and involved the trade unions, the fraternal orders, the

college students, paying not less than \$25 per month -The Act is to be administered

by joint committees composed of representatives of labor, youth, and onsumers' organizations. 6-The benefits of the Act extend to all youth without discrim-ination because of nativity, sex,

fruitful activity? race, color, religion, or political opinions or affiliations. 7-No youth shall be disqualified

7-No youth shall be disquaring of women in the trade unions, there because of past or present participa-tion in strikes or refusal to work for are multiplied numbers in industry less than trade union wages. These measures are to be fi- of women in mass organizations of

Building of a real peoples front against reaction and war, composed of the great majority of the Ameri-can people. Farmers constitute the largest and most important group which must has from the beginning played an the set of the Party.

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united front since our Eighth Convention. We Communists were the pioneers in this, as in many other fields. The unemployed movement dates from the great nation-wide temonstrations of March 6, 1930, called by our Party, for which we paid the heavy price of prison terms This Convention must begin an even for Comrades Foster, Minor, Amter, and Raymond. These demonstra-Who wins the youth wins tions gave birth to the National Unemployment Council movement Women are at least half of the in July, 1930. When later other forces entered the field, notably the Socialists, and a multiplicity of organizations sprang up, it was the Communists who raised the slogan of national unification, fought for

costs.

it consistently, and finally brought about the merger of all into the Workers Alliance which is now a broad, all-inclusive national organization of the unemployed movement. Let us remember the central rol played in this unification by the fight for the Workers' Unemployment, Old-Age and Social Insurance Bill. This bill was first worked out

by the Communists, introduced in Congress by the Farmer-Labor Congressman Lundeen, and later amplified and perfected in its present form, the Frazier-Lundeen Bill, tant political figure, not only in her by the Inter-Professional Association and the Joint Committee for Social Insurance. The Congressional hearings on the Workers' Bill, which won a favorable report from the Labor Committee of the House and 52 votes for the bill on the floor of Congress, will for long stand as the authoritative handbook on unemployment insurance problems in America. The campaign for the Workers' Bill taught the progressive movement its most basic lessons in effective mobilization of the masses for social aims.

whole community. Why has our Party not taken this outstanding example of achievement among women, in drawing women into leadership of a great mass movement, to study it and apply its lessons everywhere? Why do we continue going around in the same old direles reneating the old marie This report will not deal with the multitude of practical problems now facing the unemployed movement. There will be a special report on this subject. It will suffice at this point to emphasize the importance the central role, of the unemployed old circles, repeating the old magic movement, the necessity of constant attention to help work out its prob-lems, to strengthen the leading performulae, when we have such rich experiences to guide us to more There are hundreds of thousands

American League program does not attempt as yet to answer these controversial issues. Indeed, the Socialists have not seriously criticized its platform. Within the League the Communists are a very small minority. We can hardly be expected to take seriously the proposal from Socialist and Lovestoneite sources, that the League should dissolve itself in the dim hope that something broader would thereupon magically spring upon the scene The League is already a great mass movement. We will be glad to cooperate in making it even broader than it is The Third Congress in January adopted a special resolution to this effect. There are read sons to hope that in the next period, serious re-enforcements will join the League. We ask our Socialist friends, can they afford to continue their isolation from this great movement? . . . The coming World Peace Congress, called for Geneva in Septemher to which the American League Against War and Fascism is sendin a delegation in common with most

of the other peace societies in the country, including the National Peace Conference and the League of Nations Society, should be the occasion for an all-round strengthening of the League in every locality, in organizational support, in activity and personnel. The World Peace Congress movement comprise the bulk of the peace movement of Europe, including the great trac union federations and the most important Socialist and labor parties. It is an unexampled opportunity to face and solve the problem of working out a single united international peace policy, in which the special American angles can be brought forward and solved in consultation with the rest of the world.

Summarizing this outline of the most important problems of the united front and trade union unity, we can say:

Since our Eighth Convention the mass movement for unity again the forces of reaction, fascism a war has registered a great upsu In most fields, especially in trade unions, our Party corresonnel in this work, and constantly to maintain its vital connections with the whole labor movement, with the whole peoples' front: The next stage of the movement, which will involve the whole peoples' fold progress must be made. The front, will add to the issue of un-is no room for satisfaction, for res ing on our oars. Weaknesses an shortcomings in our methods o work, clumsiness and routine han

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Runaway Fur Shops in Pennsylvania Organized in Drive

In Many Shops, **35-Hour Week**

Other Unions Watch Developments in **Fur Trade**

(Special to the Daily Worker) EASTON, Pa., June 24.-All of the runaway fur, dressing and dying shops in the State of Pennsylvania. which has been for years the refuge for sweatshops from New York, d today, as the out stood unioniz

stood unionized today, as the out-come of one of the most successful organization drives carried on for sometime in this state. The campaign of Locals 88 and 85 of the International Fur Workers Union has resulted in the capitula-tion to the union of the four large out-of-town shops which have been resisting unionization. The Bay-bone Fur Dressing and Dyeing Company at White have, the Queens Premier Fur Dressing and Dyeing Company in this city, the United Fur Breeders in Bethlehem and the Van Dye Way concern at Copley agrees this week to the union demands.

the Hollander concern, which are located in two cities in New York, at Newark, New Jersey and in Paris,

France. "We are taking steps to call the attention of the French labor movement to the Hollander shop in Paris," representatives of Local 88 stated in jubliant determination to-

Other Unions Watch Drive The outcome of the Pennsylvania fight has had an immediate effect on wages for workers in the entire industry, union representatives

industry, union representatives stated. The rapidit dressers in Local 85 have immediately taken steps to demand an increase in wages, which will amount ite about 75 per cent above the present wage scale. The tactice of the union fur work-ers in tackling the runaway shop evil, have been watched with deep interest by other unions, largely concentrated in New York, who have been plagued with this evil. The carrying of the fight to the communities themselves in which the shops are located has led to the success that has been gained.

Win 35-Hour Week

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., June 24. -Union scales, 35-hour week and recognition of the International Fur Workers Union Local 71-was gained from the wholesale furriers and fur manufacturers organizations here after a considerable period of negotiation. More Marris and M. M. Mandl, international vice-presidents of the union were called in to con-clude the bargain.



On the left are some potential American storm troopers go and hailing. But few people turned out for the exercises in th from which labor groups have frequently been barred.

union demands. Wages Doubled Under these agreements, the union succeeded in gaining the 35-hour week, the union (closed) shop, and in many pases the wages of the workers were doubled. The Pennsylvania successes com-plete the organization of the unor-ganized dressing and dysing shops throughout the country, with the sole exception of the chain shops of the Hollander concern, which are

A.F.L. Executive Council on July 8

By Henry C. Fleisher

(By Federated Press) PITTSBURGH, June 24.—A constant stream of veteran labor organizers, sleek salesmen and hard-bitten men from Pennsylvania coal mines and steel mills is pouring into the

crowded offices of the United Mine Workers of America district office in Pittsburgh. By the beginning of July that stream will be diverted to the Grant Building, Pittsburgh's finest sky-scraper, where the Steel Workers policy of cream and vinegar. While Organizing Committee has taken headquarters. But even without an on the one hand new compromises in the shape of small wage boosts and plans for new recreational canoffice of its own and a slate of 200 organizers far from filled, the ters are being offered to thwart the "streamlined" steel campaign has drive, Sunday plant operations have been shoved into high gear in an effort to produce every possible acbeen started, apparently to kee workers out of range of the organ complishment before the American Federation of Labor's executive council meets in Washington July 8. izers' voices. Both the Alleghen Steel Corp. in Brackenridge and the National Tube Corporation in Mc-Keesport kept their plants at work the day the campaign mass meet-At that time, it is predicted, the

council will once again ask the ten union affiliates of the Committee for Industrial Organization to with-draw under definite threat of suspension from the federation. From the speeches of the steel campaign

ings started. But the radio, the press and the pamphlet, in addition to the speeches of organizers and the word-of-mouth advertising of union leaders and from general talk in Pittsburgh, however, it seems hardly members will bring the union cam-paign to thousands of workers. probable that they will comply From the hopeful, pleading expres-Meanwhile, the organizing commitsions on the faces of the audience tee is anxious to present a strong and successful record for the early at the Brackenridge and McKeesport meetings, the campaign will meet an enthusiastic response dedays of the campaign to answer spite attacks and provocations by possible criticism and threats. Significant of the fear of the the rulers of the nation's most steel bosses is their newly adopted powerful industry.

Tobacco Companies Pay Packer Bootlegs Meat

West Virginia Jobless Hold Convention

Adopt Plans for Unified State Organization of **All Unemployed**

(Special to the Dally Worker) OHARLEBTON, W. Vs., June 24.

Ninety-eight delegates represent--Ninety-eight delegates represent-ing the unemployed from nine counties of this state wound up a two-day convention here after adopting plans and electing a tem-porary State Committee for uniting all the unemployed of the state into the West Virginia Workers Alliance. The convention was opened by Brant Scott with a report on the settylifies of the past year. David Lasser, national chairman of the Workers' Alliance, and Arnold John-son, National Board member, adson, National Board member, ad-dressed the delegates.

Responding to the call to action, he convention marched down to the State Legislature, which was meeting in special session. He put the demands for relief, unemployment insurance, wage scales and jobs squarely before the legislators. It was a new event in the life of

Returning to the convention hall, the delegates adopted an organizational plan for unifying the unemployed of the entire state in a convention to be called in two to four wention to be called in two to four months. A part of the State Com-mittee was elected, including B. A. Scott, George Harris, George Glass, Lawrence Conway, Joe Blankenship, S. C. Dean, Roy Tayler, Sesco Vick-ers, Earl Fanning, Tom Riley, Mal-colm Dayton and Frank Toland. These committee members represent the central and western tricts and the northern panhandle of the state. The other State Com-mittee members are to be elected from other sections of the state.

Brant Scott of Charleston elected temporary chairman and Joe Blankenship of Huntington temporary secretary of the committee. Resolutions were adopted de-

manding passage of the Frazier-Lundeen Bill and the Marcantonio Bill, against war and fascism. for the Freedom of Angelo Herndon, Tom Mooney, the Scottsboro boys and other class war prisoners, and for a Farmer-Labor Party.

Auto Mechanics Win Settlements In Seattle Strike

SEATTLE, Wash., June 24 .- Five fealers broke the employers' ranks n the third week of the auto me-

chanics' strike here and granted the union demand for ninety cents an hour. Salesrooms and shops of all other members of the Seattle Auto Dealers' Association are pick-eted and doing very little business. The Washington Industrial Counthrough an anti-picketing ordinance, but an equally determined applica-

Permanent Proposed Charter Of U.S.S.R. Hailed Employment **Census** Asked

'Running Inventory' of Rise and Fall in Employment Proposed

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 24 .-A census of unemployment and an inventory of employment through out industry in order to establish definitely the extent of unemploy ment and the status of employme was seen as the first objectives of a Council for Industrial Progress committee which today complete

a tentative program of research preparatory to drafting a report to be submitted to industry and the government. The suggestion was made that basic inventory of employment and population be taken at the earliest possible date to determine how many people are employed and at what tasks. The records acquired would be the foundation for a run-

would be the foundation for a running inventory of employment in which the rise and fall of employ-ment in various categories would be recorded as percentages of the level state stablished by the inventory. The committee, which met at the

call of Industry Coordinator George L. Berry, considered a proposed census of all employed in industry and trade at least every five years and that every year there should be a partial census of representative samples, or cross-sections, to establish trends and give a substantial basis for current yearly estimates

It was further proposed that these figures be supplemented by an ex-pansion of the monthly reports now obtained by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Inventor Protests Cotton Floggings In Arkansas Strike

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (FP) .- "I have heard of men being beaten and killed fr Eastern Arkansas because

of their activities in the Southern Tenant Farmers' Union, but now that these outlaws have turned to beating women. I can hold my peace no longer," John Rust, inventor of the Rust cotton picking machine has written President Roosevelt. He urged that steps be taken to stamp out violence such as that suffered by Willie Sue Blagden when she vestigated the reported murder of

striking Negro sharecropper by planters.

Thomas Wires Robinson Norman Thomas, Socialist candidate for the Presidency, sent a telegram to Senator Joseph T. Robinson, keynote speaker at the Democratic national convention, chargall, an employers' organization, tried ing him with protecting "exploita-to have the City Council rush tion and terrorism" of sharecroppers in his native state, Arkansas Thomas is the head of the Emergency Committee for Strikers' Re-

J. Anthony Marcus Sees New Soviet Constitution Made Possible by Phenomenal Achievements in Country

By U.S. Specialist

EDITOR'S NOTE: The author of the following article, J. Anthony Marcus, now en route to New York after his 11th visit to the Soviet Union, presents his impressions of the proposed new Russian constitution. In 1933 President Roosevelt appointed Marcus a Russian specialist and advisor on foreign trade problems. Previously he served as interpreter in the Immigration service at Galveston. He has served in the Departments of Labor and Commerce.

By J. Anthony Marcus (Copyright, 1936, By United Press)

LONDON, June 24 (UP) .- The new Soviet Constitution, which will doubtless be adopted November 25, will mean much for world peace.

It will cement the entire country into a single powerful unit, standing for the right to exist without any interference from outside powers.

worked in many foreign countries:

"I have lived and worked in the

United States, England and Ger-

Women are jubilant because of

The middle aged are happy be-

No Discrimination

Section 123 of the constitution

It is difficult to imagine the joy

Nowhere in the capitalist

The United States should be hapconstitution makes me want to sing py to see its own Declaration of Independence brought to a high and dance. I am consumed with a desire to work harder, now." of perfection in a most unex Women Jubilant pected quarter-the former Land of A laborer, sixty-two, who has

the Czars. We should rejoice that a pupil has outstripped his teacher. **Phenomenal Victories**

The new Soviet constitution was many. OT an accident. It was made poscountries is such a constitution to sible by the phenomenal victories of be found." the past nine years in industry, agriculture, science, education and cultural development. The Russian the constitution's special provisions for their welfare and for granting them absolute equality with the people minded. have been made socially

men. The aged are jubilant because their old age is bright before them. A month before the proposed constitution was given to the press a high Soviet official told me it cause they are freed of the agony of job hunting. The young are juwould guarantee "the right to earn a living, the right to rest and recbilant because educational opporreation and the right to receive the tunities are guaranteed. Men and women of minority races and na-

best in education. What the constitution now tionalities have the additional satvouchsafes actually has been in exisfaction of knowing that their auistence for some years. Having tonomous existence is assured, their found their aims realized in praccultural and economic development tice, Soviet officials saw NO reason why they should NOT be incorpoaided and NOT hindered by more powerful races and nationalities. rated in the basic law of the land.

What the Workers Say declares that "the slightest direct Here are a few random remarks by persons of all ages in the Land of the Soviets: or indirect restriction of rights and privileges for citizens because of

An old worker in an iron and their racial or national status is steel plant: "For thirty-two years I subject to legal prosecution. have been working in this plant, that must be experienced by every under old and new conditions. Soon I will be too old to work. But that Jew in the Soviet Union. The Jews, toes NOT frighten me. I am NOT for instance, now find that the basic law of the land protects them threatened by hunger, as was my father before the revolution. Sec-NOT only against the violence of tion 120 of the Constitution says Jew baiters but against the mere preaching of racial hatred. One must know the Russian character to that citizens of the Soviet Union have the right to be taken care of in their old age." n their old age." realize how literally the constitu-A sheet metal worker: "The new tion will be lived up to.

Labor Day Parade in Boston aren't you? You American Reds are as cowardly as your contemptible To Be Largest in City History

BOSTON, Mass., June 24 .- Boston of the Central Labor Union intend is to have the largest Labor Day to do everything possible to mobilize Parade and celebration in its recent the largest number of workers to the tion of pressure by the Central La-bor Council and the Metal Trades lief which has been giving aid to history, according to plans made by parade this year. Banners contain-

Action Asked **On Midwest Fascist Groups**

Page a

Theatening Letters And Cited by Kansas Church Leader

KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 24-Having secured actual proof that the Black Legion and other such terroristic bands are active in this city, Dr. L. M. Birkhead, prominent minister, sent the following wire demanding a Federal investigation of the fascist organizations here to President Roosevelt yesterday:

"The Liberal Center, the Unita-rian church of Kansas City, Mo-with a constituency of 1,000 per-sons, by unanimous vote instructed me to convey to you a request for a Federal investigation of the so-tivity of Fascist groups in the Middle West. At least nine organizations are active in this vicinity, opanly declaring themselves Fascists and exploiting the literature provided for them by the Nazi party of Germany. These Fascist groups have disclosed plans to set up a dictatorship in the United States and have declared themselves in favor of terroristic methods. Their recent increased activity warrants an immediate? investig by the Federal government."

Cites Fascist Threat

The subject of threatening phone calls and letters since he began his investigation of the Fascist groups, Dr. Birkhead stated yesterday that he was determined to continue his probe. "My investigation," he said, "has convinced me that the sime, methods and purposes of all thes fascist groups are the same. All that is necessary to have a strong Fascist movement in America is the rise of a Hitler to unite them."

As proof that the Black Legion closely connected with other Fasda organizations Dr. Birkhead offered a letter recently received by him from George W. Christians, come mander-in-chief of the White Crus saders, military auxiliary of the American Fascists. A part of the letter reads:

"Some of the boys, like the Black Légion in Detroit and quite a few other places, have been getting a little too impatient for their own good. Revolutions are not very nice are they? Before this thing is over the Black Legion may have reason to be ashamed of itself for being such a piker."

Lists Plans

The letter, mailed from Chat-tanooga, Tenn., includes literature giving detailed plans for the setting up of a fascist dictatorship by the American Fascists. Another letter, mailed from the Midwest headquarters of the American Fascists, located in this city states:

"Afraid to print more about us aren't you? You American Reds are cousins in Moscow."

Dr. Birkhead's investigation has proven that at least seven fascist organizations, including the Black Legion, are active here. While none of the legion's leaders has none of the legion's leaders has been exposed it is known that they are particularly active around the Ford Motor plant



Manager Now **On Relief Rolls**

Edward Proper Given **Run-Around for Clothes** -Losing Battle

rom bank manager to the Bow-is the new sags of American ress helped along by the up-ing hand of the Home Relief

rag hold New York. Soward F. Proper, 48, was manager the Safe Deposit Department of Metropolitan Trust Company. Fifth Avenue, at \$3,000 a year 1927.

day his address is Arcadia Ho-317 Bowery, with the kind as of the local Homeless Relief reau, 376 Lafayette Street. ill trying to preserve his ng self-respect, still hoping for eback, still looking for yesterday went to the H.R.B. Broadway asking for som

ook at my suit, look at my s." Reluctantly they looked, suit was patched. His toes were through his shoes and even a dirty gray hat was stitched with arse black thread. I'm humiliated to walk down the

t looking like this. I can't even for a dishwasher's job with clothes." he said.

The Run-Around

We're sorry but we can't do any-ng here; go to 924 Broadway." decamped from the Hotel Plymouth 924: "We're sorry, you better Tuesday evening after a mass picket AL 924: eack to Lafayette Street and see case worker."

All I want is some clothes noweven try to forget the bedbugs the filth at the Arcadia Hotel the two rotten 25-cent meals at he Y. M. C. A. they allow me.' Proper came to the Home Relief Sureau in April, 1935, after eight itie years in trying to find a peranent job, with age in a spee industry counting heavily nst him. After learning he had h making \$3,000 a year the H. B. gave him \$5.50 every two sks for food and \$8 a month for

couldn't buy sheets or pillowhazor, why I couldn't even buy sab. That's what they called 're-shilitation,'" he said. I could hardly afford to buy

When he tried to supplement the adget by two days' work as a dish-sher, the Home Relief Bureau k him off the rolls and put him Homeless Relief. gage,

Patriotic Speaker

During the war Proper was a Four-Minute Man of the United Sintes Government Department of ads and "Making the world safe Democracy" to the American He was also secretary of ple. He was also secretary of Four-Minute Man Committee of Fifth Avenue Association and Post Deputy Grand Chief Ranger, Grand Court, State of New York I talked my head off during the

for the government," he said, N. J. i now look what I got." Tho

For a Mass Farmer-Labor Party! me to the National Nominating Convention of the Communist Barty, Sunday, June 28, at 2 P.M., Madison Square Garden!



Former Bank Scrap Metal Workers **Food Yields Open Union Campaign** One Third At Rally Tomorrow As the first step in unionization of the junk and scrap material in-dustry here, the union organization committee has formulated demands for a forty-hour week, 7 to 15 per cent wage increases, pay for over-time and two weeks' paid yacations, **Of Sales Taxes**

Figures Taken from pay when sick and recognition of the union.

the Ohio 1935

Tax Report

(By Labor Research Association) According to the Annual Report of

the Sales Tax Section of the Tax

Commission of Ohio, 1935, the sales

tax paid in that state amounting to \$47,848,866 for the year, was divided

32 per cent from groceries and meats, 18.36 per cent from general merchan-dise, 13.86 per cent from sutos and accessories, 10.37 per cent from apparel and accessories, 3.52 per cent from jumber and other building supplies, 3.32 per cent from furniture and fix-tures, 21.46 per cent from miscellane-outs and unclassified.

These Ohio figures bear out those

According to the National Asso-

ciation of Margarine Manufacturers (who are naturally looking out for

their own profit interests), enact-

in the recent Congress, would lay a tax of 10 cents a pound on marga-

rine. At the present rate of con-sumption, this would mean a tax of

\$38,000,000 a year. There are also state bills which threaten to add to

ecretary of agriculture, is quoted

as saying that this tax "is a cruel

imposition upon the users of marga-

rine who are the under-privileged

afford the dairy man a profit. When

the need for fats is realized, when

the distress of some 25.000.000 Amer-

ican citizens is duly considered, the

margarine tax becomes a grave of

Mass Meeting

Called on Ban

Of Sanctions

address a mass meeting to protest

Great Britain's scrapping of sanc-

tions, tonight at eight o'clock at the

St. James Presbyterian Church, 141st Street and St. Nicholas

fense against humanity."

butter at a price which will

class of American citizens unable

ment of the Culkin Bill, intro

mong the following items:

ous and unclassi

this amount.

There will be a meeting tomorrow at 8 p.m. at 78 Thatford Avenue. Brooklyn, to discuss these plans. All workers, Negro and white, in the junk iron, metal, rubber, paper and rag shops are urged to attend.

> As Clerks **Picket Hotel**

Six Members of Union iven in Labor Fact Book III, which show that in Michigan, in 1934, food Arrested and Released and wearing apparel together repin Lawyer's Custody resented 35 per cent of the total sales tax collection.

Samuel Rivin, seventh vice-president of the Retail Clerks International Protective Association, who has taken such arbitrary steps to impose henchmen of the discredited Hyman Nemser on the membership of Local 1006 of that union, hastily

line of the union members had marched before the hotel.

The police took a hand to aid Rivin, arresting six of the pickets and breaking up the mass line. Among those who were taken into custody are Morris Bershad, financial secretary of Local 1006, Vice-President Abe Windmill of that union, and Milton Mann, Henry Avent, Milton Daniels and Samuel Bookman. After being booked at the 18th

precinct, the arrested union mem-bers were taken to the Fifty-fourth Street Night Court and released until trial in the custody of their counsel, Sidney Cohen.

After the arrests, two pickets continued to patrol the entrance to the Hotel Plymouth. Rivin, who had been out during the picketing, returned to face the two pickets, went into the hotel and hastily departed a short time later with all his lug-

U.S.Vice-Consul Drowns Cruising in Sumatra

Avenue WASHINGTON, June 24 (UP) .-The American Consulate at Medan, sociation for the Advancement of Colored People, and the Reverend Sumatra, reported to the State Department today that William B. Thorne, U. S. Vice-Consul, was William Llovd Imes will be among the speakers at the mass meeting drowned while cruising in the Slak which is being held under the aus-River. He was a native of Trenton, pices of the United Aid for Ethi-

Thorne, 28, was a graduate of Peddie School at Princeton, N. J. He entered the diplomatic service in 1931. Before his assignment to Medan, he had been connected with the American Consulate in Singapore.

opia and the Caribbean Union. A delegation which protested to the British Consulate in New York against Great Britain's betrayal of union activities of the company. One Ethiopia's struggle for independence The British Consul will report. General has been invited to attend the meeting and explain his gov-

DAILY WORKER, NEW YORK, THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 1936



Even "sandwich men," familiar figures on Paris boulevards, joined he strike which with the aid of the People's Front government won higher wages and shorter hours for half a million French workers. Here are strikers grabbing forty winks of sleep in union headquarters. their advertising posters serving as blankets.



Longshoremen's President Refuses to Organize Banana Handlers Saving Contract Runs to October-Find It Ends Within Week

The alleged "contract" between the company union and the United Fruit Company, which has been given as the excuse by President Joseph P. Ryan of the International Longshoremen's Association for not organizing the banana handlers, will expire within a week, the Daily Worker learned yesterday.

union at a banquet on May 23, has insisted that the company union "contract" runs until October of this year. The progressives, who have been conducting a battle for unionization against great odds, have discovered that the expiration date is Roy Wilkins, of the National As- in reality the first of July.

is entrenched.

This information has intensified spread the union fight on Pier 7, where the great anti-union company Four discharged men marched be-

day, with signs exposing the anti-The locals which will choose their union activities of the company. One of these signs read: "The United 1011, 905, 442 and 261. The rank Fruit Steamship Company gets \$16,-000,000 in subsidies from the United there is and file movement has slates in all

"House of Knowledge" Peace Strikers Sign Writers Presents Exhibition Will Elect Of Mackey Cartoons Inspire Student A complete exhibit of the car-toons of Mackey is now on display Demonstration **On Saturday** at the House of Knowledge "on the boardwalk" at Brighton Sixth St., **Discrimination Charged** Brooklyn. The exhibit can be seen Administration by

by all those who visit the free theatre and book shop now being operated in the House of Knowl-

"Rank discrimination" against those who protest against the pol-icies of the administration in Local cultural center on the boardwalk cultural center on the boardwalk. 230, Sign Writers Union, of the Hearings Start involved in the April 22 who were Brotherhood of Painters was charged with the United Progressive Group in that union yesterday, as both administration and United Progressive forces issued statements on the issues in the local union

Over Unions'

ILA and AMWU Both Claim Crews Belong to Their Organzaton

point program begins with the demand "to set up a system whereby The hearings, started yeseterday every brother is assured of his shard to determine the jurisdiction of either the International Longshore-

The administration forces, on men's Association or the Associated their part, under the name of the Marine Workers Union over the on men's Association or the Associated crews of the Russel Brothers Towa purported program which calls for "100 per cent unionization of the entire sign of industry" and morning at the Federal Court.

"trade union democracy." They'de-clare that their meetings in the have been "enthusias-that both Joseph P. Ryan of the captain William A. clare that their meetings in the campaign have been "enthusias-tically supported" by the member-ship, in support of John Scotti for business agent and Albert Hyman attempting to induce the crews of the Russel Brothers barges to join their respective organizations.

Russel exhibited a letter sent by

clared yesterday that these items in the administration program were Ryan claiming that Captain Maher 'pure demagogy" and that "trade was an expelled member of the Asunion democracy" has been inserted sociation of Masters, Mates and Piin the administration program to offset the demands of the United Progressive Group. Discrimination in the distribution of jobs has in the customary manner, "across killed all democracy in the union, the table," Ryan continued, the International will be forced to call a boycott of tugs of the company.

A letter from the Marine Workers

the proposal "to organize a sociation and since the International was not a tow boatman's in New York City," for democracy field in which it has neither claim nor jurisdiction.

Vacation Pay Seen For Substitute Teachers

Vacation pay for substitute teach-

ers in New York schools became a distinct possibility, the Teachers "less secretive" and "familiarize Union announced yesterday, as a the membership" with the union's result of the campaign on that subresult of the campaign on that sub-

The candidates of the United Progressive include Louis Seipel, for minating in a conference last week recording secretary; Earl R. Loucks, of Education. financial secretary; Maurice Okun, warden: R. J. Brandes, trustee; Nathan Chudsid, lay member, Joe ably disposed" to the inclusion of Ostrov, delegate District Council 9: vacation pay for substitutes in the Phil Kahn, delegate to the Central

The program of the administration reechoes the demands of the

involved in the April 22 peace strike receive their diplomas. Starting at 8 o'clock in the morn-Jurisdiction Dr. Hein has refused to grant five

peace strikers their diplomas unless they sign statements recanting their participation in the April 22 strike. The five students have rejected this Itimatu When parents and students come

Picket to Demand Dip-

loma Awards at James

Monroe High

As graduation exercises take place

this afternoon at James Monroe

High School, members of the Amer-

to the graduating exercises at 1 P.M. they will be met by a mass meeting which will be addressed by teachers, parents and members the American Student Union.

Shoe Chain Strikers Win All Demands

After five months of intensive picketing, the striking salesmen of the Julius Grossman's chain shoe stores in Manhattan and Brooklyn returned to work yesterday with their demands won.

At the office of the Retail Shoe Salesmen's Union, Local 1268 of the Retail Clerks International Protective Association, it was stated yesterday that a minimum wage of \$35 per week have been agreed upon by the company in surrendering to the union.

The 48-hour work week and full recognition of the union are in-cluded in the gains made, with job guarantees to union men. Men who scabbed during the strike have been discharged.

The strike committee yesterday requested that special thanks be publicly expressed to the Daily Worker for its "cooperation during the long strike."

An American People's Front! This will be the program around which the impending Ninth Con-vention of the Communist Party will be built.

Greenwich Village I.L.D. ject carried on by the union cul-Presents MOTHER BLOOR - JOSEPH BRODSEY NATIONAL STRING QUARTET with President Turner of the Board MAXWELL BODENHEIM, Poet ANDRE CIBULSKI, Tener Turner stated that he was "favor-ANN RIVINGTON Chairman at the budget for 1937, but that he could ROSE PASTOR STOKES not see a way to grant such pay MEMORIAL for 1936. The committee showed however, that there are funds avail-Thursday, June 25, at 8:30 P. M. Irving Plaza, 15th St. & Irving Pl. To Benefit Milk Fund and Stokes Rest Home ADMISSION 25c

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week

Draws Near **For Painters** evidenced yesterday among the rank

the efforts of the progressives to and file painters in the various local unions affiliated with District No. 9, as election day for district secretarytreasurer and business agents drew near. The holding of local union elections in four locals tomorrow

fore the United Fruit docks yester- night added zest to the general cam-

Great interest and activity were the sessions of the executive board

they asserted. Ten-Point Program Their "fighting 10-point program" includes, in addition to the basic de-mand for a just distribution of been expelled from the Masters Aspowerful, all inclusive union drive

in the inner life of the union which they assert is now denied, for organization of an educational plan in the union, to build up at once a policy of membership participation in the affairs of the local, to work toward a closer relationship

Progressives

election set for Saturday. As a result of favoritism to machine supporters, the United Pro-

gressive declared, "some members work steady and even overtime

do not work a few days a week, some do not work at all." The lack of regulations governing the distribu-tion of work has led to a "spoils

Administration Schemes

Progressive Committee, have issued

a purported program which calls

system," they asserted. Their

of work."

with the Brooklyn, Long Island and New York district councils, to make

financial condition.

work.

Trades and Labor Council; and E. A. Deaney, business agent.





Child Welfare Services

ALBANY, June 24 (UP) .-- Attor

ney General John J. Bennett, Jr.,

today held New York can partici-

pate in the child welfare services

of the Federal social security pro-

gram despite failure of Governor

Lehman's social security bills in the

In an opinion requested by State

Welfare Commissioner. David C. Adie, Bennett said the Federal act

did not require the matching of funds by the state. He estimated that at least \$48,000 would be

granted New York for promotion

"The failure of the recent legis-

lation to provide expressly for added

machinery herewith to operate in these broader fields of social wel-

fare activities does not in any man-

grants and performing such functions within the presently operative statutes," Bennett said.

"No requirement of matching

funds or other raising of money by the state is therein observed. The

offer or grant is for use by a state public welfare agency in develope

ner bar your department's read

legislature.

Officials Ban WPADiscussion On High Court Repare Strike Plans New York ToFederal Aid Censorship Seen Aim Executive Boards of 3 Locals Elect Chairmen Attorney General Holds State Can Participate in

as Symposium Is Cancelled

An attempt to censor free discussion on a controversial political issue was seen by Brooklyn educators yesterday in the cancellation by the administration of the Adult Eduthree New York and Brooklyn locals of the union Tuesday cation Division of the WPA of a symposium on the Supreme Court. night. which was to have been held last night in Public School 167 in Brooklyn. The symposium was cancelled despite the fact that all political points of view were to be repre-

sented in the discussion. The Democratic Party was to have been represented by Dr. Frank Serri, a lawyer; Harry Raymond of the Daily Worker staff was to speak for the Communists, and former Municipal Judge Charles Garside was to represent the Republicans. A repre-sentative of the Socialist Party was also scheduled to talk. The faculty of the school, in an-

nouncing cancellation of the dis-cussion, stated that "since all eduport, one of the leaders of the rank cational programs . . . of this na-ture must be approved by the adand file group, now united with the other groups, was unanimously elected to the office of union orministration, we are compelled to go through with the cancellation." ganizer of the New York and

Brooklyn area. Meeting Eve of Strike Today all workers in the helper

To Open at Noon 16 Manhattan Avenue, Brooklyn, near the Flushing Avenue station of the Broadway line.

On July 2, there will be member-ship meetings of Knitgoods Local Bay Park, Unionport, N. Y., by the New York District of the Commu-nist Party on July 4 will begin at 155 and 2085 of the United Textile Workers. noon and continue until midnight.

All of these meetings will take up An unusual display of fireworks, a the demands and specific problems concert and dancing are on the of the locals, and will make ready for another great mass meeting July 14, just on the eve of strike. In addition, the two leading teams The meeting of the executive boards of the locals stressed the fact that while attempts to nego-The New York District's canditiate an agreement without strike would be continued, these attempts themselves depended for their success on the fullest and most com-

plete strike preparations. The executive boards promised to keep the membership fully informed about the situation from time to time and to report fully at the meetings.

Elect Committee Chairmen New York is to be divided into

eight districts, and a strike hall will U. S. Admirals Shifted be secured in each. The executive boards at their SAN PEDRO, Cal., June 24 (UP)

last meeting set up the following committees and elected the fol-The two-year term of Admiral Joseph Mason Reeves as commander-in-chief of the United States lowing: Chairmen of the general strike

committee, David Dubinsky, vice chairman of the general strike com-

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Action by the executive boards was the result of a mandate given mittee, Louis Nelson, manager fo the Joint Council Knitgoods Workwas the result of a mandate given them to take strike action if neces-sary when 3,000 members of the union met in an enthusiastic meet-ing last Thursday at Cooper Union. At the membership meeting it was ers Union; secretary of the general strike committee, Thomas F. Mc-Mahon, president of the United Textile Workers of America; Hall committee-Louis Levenson, chair- granted New Y man; law committee-Jack Babits, of child welfare. reported that the employers association refuses flatly so far to nego-tiate a new agreement. President David Dubinsky of the Internachairman; general picket commit-tee—Sam Siensky, chairman; outof-town committee -William Schaftional Ladies Garment Workers and President Thomas F. McMahon of the United Textile Workers spoke er, chairman; finance committee-Harry Spindel, chairman; Relief Committee-Abe Amdur, chairman; at that meeting and pledged the speakers committee-Fannia Cohn, full support of the two internationals to which the locals of the chairman; unemployment committee-Al Rosner, chairman; organiza-Knitgoods Workers Union belong. tion Committee-Jack Babits, chairand, symbolic of the new unity among the membership, J. Rappo

> As its Ninth Convention, the Communist Party will go forward in its fight to retain the liberties and to promote the welfare of the American people.

> > BUS TRIPS

ing an approved plan for the gen-eral purpose of child welfare pro-motion chiefly in rural areas." BUS TRIPS

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With the Gothic tower of the Woolworth Building as their background, New York firefighters cut fancy capers in mid-air to demonstrate their skill on haif a million dollars' worth of new equipment just shoved into service. The smoke eaters are cavorting on eighty-five foot extension ladders

to sandblast almost all of his walls to mase embarrassing messages to him from passersby or his own Dickstein Helps Pass 400 Answer a number of places scrawled in black orayon upon the grey con-crets walls of his poison pen factory are the defiant words "Vote Red." The person who put it there wanted everyone to know it and scribbled **Toy Workers' Deportation Bills** everysets to know it and schooled in his name too. On another spot along the South Street side are the words in Italian, "Morte Mussolini" which means "Death to Mussolini." 3,400 "Hardship Cases" of Foreign Born First Day of Walkout ther person summed up his

Threatened with Deportation-Many to Terror in Fascist Countries

Thirty-four hundred "hardship cases," foreign-born men and women who are being separated from their families and threatened with immediate deportation to various 18230 of the American Federation countries-including those of the fascist persuasion-ought of Labor yesterday morning, as of the International Workers Order to send bouquets of brickbats and Bronx cheers to a gentleman named Samuel Dickstein, 306

East Broadway, New York City. He is a member of the House of **Plans** Completed Congressional District and is chair-For Delegates man of the House Immigration Committee, Dickstein's district is on

Plans for transporting and hous-ing New York's delegation of 150 young people to the Third Ameri-can Youth Congress in Cleveland, July 5 to 5, have been completed, the New York City Council of the American Youth Congress said yes-

The special round trip bus rate arranged by the Youth Congress for the delegates from New York is \$1250. In addition, delegates are advised to reckon upon the total expenses for the three days, the between five and six inclusive of the lodging avers dollars

cost. Credential forms should be sent directly to the office of the Amer-ican Youth Congress in Cleveland at 1102 Public Square Building, towith reservations for either 50 cents, 75 cents, \$1 or \$1.50 sleepcommodations. Notification the intention to participate in the diveland conference should also be sent to the City Council of the American Youth Congress.

ments on Wall

By Sam Roberts

that Hearst would find it necessary

feelings about Hearst by very care-

fully and painstakingly printing the words "Hearst stinks" on a spot near

People who go to art shows or exhibits of fine writing are begin-ning to drift down to South Street

sajoy what is likely to become of the most interesting outdoor so of belles letters, fine arts and

entrance to the building.

public opinion in the city.

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All erganizations or individuals ave cars available for transwho have cars available for trais-portations of delegates to Cleveland are requested to communicate with the Argenican Youth Congress at 22 East Seventeenth Street. The Youth



four roll-calls.

Dickstein Condemned

mittee.

Dickstein showed his solicitude for his constituents and for the foreign-born generally in two ways as the Seventy-fourth Congress faded to its close. He jammed through the House last Thursday a series of vicious alien deportation

bills, the most dangerous of which provided for the deportation of any alien who "engages in the promotion or dissemination of propaganda Instigated from foreign sources or who while in the United States engages in unlawful political activities instigated from foreign sources." Failed to Act

the gentleman from New York was so busy crawling before Hearst and the Ku Kluxers that he failed to act in time to prevent the deportation of the 3,400 "hardship

A group of progressives had inroduced a resolution empowering the Department of Labor to hold up these deportations till next Apri A similar resolution was passed last

year, but it expires in August. Dickstein was so taken up with his pet deportation bills that he did nothing about getting this resolu-tion on the floor. On the insistence Vito Marcantonio

Featured by Mass Picket Line More than 400 girls and three men responded to the strike call of the Doll and Toy Workers' Union, No.

picket lines were thrown around thirteen shops in the Greater New the I.W.O. Band will furnish music.

session on Saturday Representative doll wig trade."

ers are young girls of many national extractions, including Spanish and Negro girls, making the mass picket line this noon a veritable "League \$42,000,000. Speaker Bankhead, who of Nations."

human beings, recognized Doughdistinct gain can be made toward the complete unionization of the in-

the necessary two-thirds vote on his motion. He then went to O'Con-Hold Symposium nor-the same who two days before had said it was too late to convene **On the Labor Party** his Rules Committee. O'Connor gave him a rule, which enabled Doughton to bring the bill out on Tomorrow Night the floor, where it was passed after

> Murray Baron, general manager of the Suitcase, Bag and Portfolio Workers Union; Elmer Brown, secre-

schedule for the day.

The first day of the walkout was date for Governor-Robert Minor East Seventeenth Street, which con- the leading speakers to be heard at tinued for two hours during the noon the picnic.

there to the park. The great majority of the strik-

had refused to recognize a motion to suspend the rules in order to hold up the deportation of 3,400

ton's motion to suspend the rules to provide a \$42,000,000 pork-barrel. dustry here at the present time. Doughton failed, however, to get

Congressman Marcantonio, in an interview with the Daily Worker yesterday, was sharp in his con-Typographical Union No. 6; and demnation of Dickstein and also Saul Held of the Doll and Toy

Communist Party Strike Call July Fourth Pienic and most exploited workers, will meet at 5:30 p. m. at Royal Palace, Brooklyn, Brookl The picnic to be given at Pleasant



of the local, stated yesterday evening Artitute, and base and the state of the first state of the "walkout was very effec-tive and is a proper answer to the East 177th Street, Unionport car to \$6 a week wages prevailing in the the end of the line, and buses from the state of the line, and buses from However, about 3 P.M. of the final

Doughton of North Carolina, another administration stalwart, came in with a piece of pork-barrel legislation, the Shenandoah Park Bill, which would cost the people a cool

of Christmas toys just opening, the union expressed confidence that a distinct gain can be need to a the United States reeded by Vice-Admiral Arthur J. Hepburn. FRANK JARMAN CUSTOM SHOES FRANK JARMAN PEGGED SHANK



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ChicagoWomen Block Trust Taxes Grab \$100.000.000 Return of Processing Levy Is Protested

(Daily Wester Midwest Bureau) CHICAGG, Ill., June 23.-Chicago women moved today to block the meat trust mits to get back \$100,-000,000 in processing taxes. The United Conference Against the High Cost of Living and for Repeal of the Sales Tax began its campaign of letter writing and delega-tions to federal authorities to pretions to receive an entry setting this money, which the women say, came out of their family budgets, and should not be grabbed by the meat nal profits.

trust as additional profits. Swift and Company, and Gudahy have already filed suit to collect the money they paid in as processing taxes under the AAA. The other taxes under the AAA. The other packers are expected to follow suite in a few days. The total demanded by these statis will run close to \$100,000,000. Forty million of proc-essing taxes have already been re-turned to companies that paid them

in. The Chicago women's organiza-tion hopes to make the campaign against returning this money na-tional, with protests from all parts of the country going to the special hearings, which will be held in Workington

Washington. The women's organizations he proposed last February, after AAA was declared anconstitutional, that the processing taxes be used for the unemployed, for hospitalization and other public meeds. The government has said it will

fight the case all the way to the Supreme Coist

National Tube **Company Union Elections Held**

LORAIN, Chio, June 24.—The National Tune Company he'd its company unser elections here last week, and returned to office in general the nominees of the company "workers representatives." unorganized attempt to boycott the did not succeed, since mill foremen and the superintendent overly threatened the

hreatened them. Many blank ballots were cast, but since the candidates were unop-posed, the tellers, dompany men, counted all blanks for the regular slate.

The company union here is run by a board of thirty appointed rep-resentatives of the company and thirty "workers' representatives" just re-elected.

Chicago Furriers Picket Kramer Shop

Midwest Bureau (Daily CHICAGO, 11., June 24.-Krame Fur Co., on State Street, locked out ten of its workers, and the other six walked out with them on Mon-dáy. The Furriers' Union put a picket line on the place immedi-ately. One effort to intimidate the pickets was balked, the first after-noon and me further efforts have noon, and no further efforts have been made. The union demands reinstatement of the entire working force and proper enforcement of the contract in the shop.



This huge tri-motored American Douglas airplane is being given once-over by aviators and curious citizenry at the Moscow airport. It's being placed in service on the new Moscow-Prague commercial travel line.

Terre Haute Police Terrorize Pickets

Vigo County Central Labor Union President Arrested with Business Agent of Retail Clerks Loal-Black Helmet Ranks Are Active

(Special to the Daily Worker)

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., June 23 .- Police and vigilantes of the Law and Order League, intensifying their campaign of arrests and terrorism against the local labor movement, directed their attack against President M. B. Link of the Vigo County Central Labor Union this week and toward intimidation of sympathizers with »-

Link and Frank Lohman, business agent of the Retail Clerks Interna-the arrest of Link, a special edition

that nine pickets were taken into was out on the streets and in the custody for passing handbills.

the strikers were also questioned by police at Max Schuler's restaurant, the police compelling all who were in the place to give their names and addresses. The order to do the link-up between the police and An this, police stated, was sent out-"the fascist or Nazi organization over the radio presented to the police department by the Law Order League for particular use

against the labor unions. Organizer Ordered to Leave The reign of terror reached new high point here when Warren G. Desepte, president of the Retail Clerks International Protective Al-

liance, was ordered to leave the city, this step being followed by the beating and kidnaping of active nation's cattle stock is suffering an-Communists here.

and ordered to leave town.

desertions. The kaleidoscopic split-

become ever more solid and funda-mental. Even the most incorrigible

gossips have ceased of necessity to

speculate about divisions in our

This is because Communist Party

unity is based on the teachings of our great leaders Lenin and Stalin.

There are people who profess to find in our unity and discipline an

argument against the Communist

Party. They describe it as mechani-

labor declare.

CHICAGO, Ill., June 24 .- The other disastrous raid, as slightly

bombed and other labor organizers Fighteen thousand head of cattle were taken to police headquarters poured into the Chicago yards on one day alone-June 22.

Representatives of the central body charged that the police are ranchers, especially poorer ranch-working hand in hand with the ers, to ship their underweight cat-Black Helmets, Indiana's terroristic tle to market, without benefit of auxiliary to the Black Legion, in cornfeeding. Heavy cattle come in the persecution of the labor unions. normal supply and these drought Upon that organization rests the routed cattle are surplus. This sitresponsibility for these many acts uation is not expected to cut into of violence, spokesmen of organized the cattle stock as heavily as the

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orated by Lenin:

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The unions are not permitting the reduce supplies considerably.

the group known to the profession Dr. Jerome Davis of the Yale Divin- as "advertising dentists." They are ity School will preach. Sunday afbarred by the American Dental Asternoon will be devoted to a general sociation and have been legislated business session during which res- against by many states. Their indrought did a year ago, but it will olutions concerning policy and or- terest is not in the patient's health but in his money.



by Redfield

WOMEN

OF 1936

- By -

By Ann Rivington

VESTERDAY, I published the prize I winning song for the children's dance at the picnic. Here is an-other song that is so good it made the decision hard for me.

THE workers make a cloth

Round and around the world, The workers make a cloth.

Round and around the world. That cloth will be red.

Twill be a workers' flag, Twill be a workers' flag-Round and around the world,

world

seem

"M. S.'

Twill be a workers' flag.

Let's all weave the flag,

Let's all weave the flag-

Round and around the

Let's all weave the flag.

Our flag shall be strong, Our flag shall be strong-

Our flag shall be strong.

. .

maid, and though it would

Listen to this:

Round and around the world.

BUT better even than the song is the letter that came with it.

rather impossible to come in con-tact with people to spread Com-

about spinach that should be

"Speaking of spinach, I wonder

"Put spinach into large pot of

the process until no more sand is

found at the bottom of the pot-

HAVE had several requests for

the mimeographed sheets on

"How to Organize a Women's Aux-iliary to a Union." One reader

writes: "Your column of the 12th

answers a question that's been on

my mind for some time. . . . Being

the importance of organizing wom-

en. So inclosed you will find the

stamps, and please rush the mimeo

sheets along as soon as possible.

Even though you don't get much

wife of a trade unionist, I feel

from three to five times."

"I am at present working as A

"That cloth will be red.

That cloth will be red



ductor WEVD-Undercurrents of the WEVD-Undercurrents of the News." Bryce Oliver
 8:15-WOR-Talk-Fred G. Clark WEVD-Travel Talk
 8:30-WEAR-Democratic Convention WOR-New York Philharmonic Sym-Dome Orchester Linguishin State. 8:30-WEAF-Democratic Convention WOR-New York Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra, Lewischn Staddium; Jose Hurbl, Conductor WJZ-Same as WEAF
9:00-WEAF-Show Boat Concert WOR-Democratic Convention High-lights-Gabriel Heatter WJZ-Death Valley Days-Sketch
WABC-Gray Orchestra; Deane Janis, Songs; Walter O'Keefe
9:10-WJZ-Goldman Band Concert, Pros-pect Park
WABC-Democratic Convention
9:30-WJZ-Goldman Band Concert, Pros-pect Park
WABC-Democratic Convention
10:00-WEAF-Dorsev Orch.: Bing Crosby. Songs; Bob Burns, Comedian
WJZ-Shield Orchestra
WABC-Dedith Orchestra
WABC-March of Time-Drama
WEVD-Swing Low Choir
10:30-WJZ-Nickelodeon Musicale
WASC-March of Time-Drama
WEVD-Mark Eisner, Talk
10:45-WASC-FT o E Announced
WEVD-News; Alfredo Orchestra
WJZ-News; Morgan Orchestra
WJZ-News; Morgan Orchestra
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WASC-Bacter Orchestra

WOR-News; Alfredo Orchestra WJZ-News; Morgan Orchestra

Remember to inclose five cents in stamps. And keep me in touch with

from Detroit for your column, we often discuss it. Some of these fine days, you'll hear from us.' I hope that fine day will be very

soon. And that many more women write in for the auxiliary sheets.

Browder Calls for Building American People's Front in Report

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(Continued from Page 4) dling of problems, remnants of sec-tarianism, still hold back the move-ment. The solution of these prob-

IV. Building the Communist Party

ranks.

IN WHAT direction are we moving | Communist Party.

and what is our tempo in the question of building the Commu-Democratic, and Socialist Parties are nist Party as the mass party of well known. The A. F. of L. lead-

the American toilers? We can abtain a rough measure-ment by a somparison of our posi-tion, in numbers and certain indices of the quality of our work, at going through serious convulsions the Eighth Convention in 1934 and and its leadership is sharply divided.

the signin convention in 1934 and and its leadership is sharply divided. today at the Ninth Convention. At the Sighth Convention, the membership of the Party was ap-proximately 25,000; of the Young Communist League about 5,000, or a total of 30,000 organized Commu-California has serious divisions and nists.

Today at the Ninth Convention, tings and reunifications among the the Party membership is around Trotskyite groups defy description. 40,000, the Y.C.L. about 11,000, or Even that old mummy, the Socialistover 50,000 organized Labor Party, revived sufficiently to This is an increase of suffer a major split that gave birth a total of Communist 66 per cent in two years, or 500 per cent imprease since 1929. The first test of the quality of our become ever more solid and funda-

Party work is the unity of the Party. At our Eistin Convention we could already speak of the final liquida-tion of past divisions and factionm which had cursed the previous history of the movement. This Ninth Convention registers a unity of higher quality, forged in the fires of two difficult and compli-cated years in which rapid and fun-damental medius ments of molecule mental readjustments of policy and tactics, carried through sucand tactice, carried through suc-ossfully with great gains, have cre-ated among our members and sup-porters a deep confidence in the Party line and our ability to exe-cute it in life. Our Party today not only understands the value of its unity and discipline: It knows how to guarantise that unity in the spirit to guarantee that unity in the spirit of Lenin and Stalin.

In this year of political ferment and upheaval, it is of interest to record the fact that every important (and maise an unimportant) politi-cal party and grouping has suffered serious inner struggles and splits-with the single exception of the

"Iron discipline in the Party is

tably transformed into trifling phrase-mongering and empty gesimpossible without unity of will and without absolute and comtures.' What our critics have in mind.

ganization will be considered.

plete unity of action on the part of all members of the Party. This and discipline, is usually their opdoes not mean, of course, that the possibility of a struggle of opinposition to decisive action to carry ions within the Party is thus excluded. On the contrary, iron disreally defend is the unlimited freecipline does not exclude, but presupposes, criticism and struggle of opinion within the Party. Least of dom of discussion without ever comall does it mean that this discipline must be 'blind' discipline. On the contrary, iron discipline inner-party life of the Socialist active elements, potential leaders, does not exclude but presupposes conscious and voluntary submis-Party, which we do not envy them, are not systematically brought forwhich we have no wish to take over. sion, for only conscious discipline can be truly iron discipline. But Our discussions must always be diafter the discussion has been closed, after criticism has run its course and a decision has been made, unity of will and action of all Party members become indis-pensable conditions without which to irresponsible gossip with a red-Party unity and iron discipline in the Party are inconceivable." The same thought is further elabtual admiration circles. "How is the discipline of a revo-

lutionary Party of the proletariat maintained? How is it tested? How is it reinforced? First, by the our work of building a mass Party in struggle and under the enemy's on these principles of Lenin and persecution. Stalin?

class consciousness of the prole-tarian vanguard, by its devotion, by its firmness, self-sacrifice and heroism. Secondly, by its ability to heroism. Secondly, by its ability to link itself with, to keep in close touch with, and to a certain de-gree if you wish, MERGE ITSELF WITH THE BROADEST MASSES of adequately prepared officers to 3.—Ability to make decisions, to lead the mass army which we are find the correct course indepenof adequately prepared officers to recruiting

OF TOILERS, primarily with the proletarians, BUT ALSO WITH THE NON-PROLETARIAN TOIL-ING MASSES. Thirdly, by the correctness of the political leader-ship exercised by this vanguard and by the correctness of its po-litical strategy and tactics, pro-vided that the broadest masses bein Party building, at a moment come convinced of this correctness BY THEIR OWN EXPERIENCE. to our side, when in the shortest We must finally learn, throughout possible time we must transform the Party, that speaking and writ-these masses into an iron army of ing well are of importance only Without these conditions, disci-pline in a revolutionary party that is really capable of being the the revolution. Party of the advanced class, whose mission is to overthrow the bour-

this problem in a desultory, unor-ganized and mechanical fashion, study the human material with without thinking out the problem fundamentally. The result is the slow growth of our Party, and the still high losses from among our their capacities of development. We must their strength and their weakness, still high losses from among our new recruits, the still low quality when they attack our Party unity of much of our work among the

masses. Is there any shortage of potential speak for "democracy," what they our needs? Not at all. Among the new tens of thousands coming into our ranks we have all the forces we ing to a binding decision, the free- need. But we are not using them dom of factions and factional strug- adequately. Our leading forces tend gle, and the right of irresponsible to petrify in closed circles of the gossip—three characteristics of the oldest Party comrades. The new

ward and trained for their tasks. Unless we remedy this weakness rected toward a decision which binds in our work, we will be unable to us all; without this there is no true accomplish the next task, that is, organization within our Party which the building of a Party of a hundemocracy. We tolerate no factional dred thousand members of even destroys the Party's capacity for ac-tion We burn out any tendency Party of fifty thousand.

What are the main points of a hot iron: criticism means the right consistent personnel policy? Comto openly raise questions in the rade Dimitroff gave the four lead-Party units and committees, it ex- ing thoughts on the question of the cludes the gossip of the small standards to apply in selecting and promoting leading personnel. These points are:

1.-Absolute devotion to the work-What is the central weakness in ing class, loyalty to the Party, tested 2.-Closest possible contact with

The best policy in the world turns initiative. out in life to be no better than the people who must execute it, who in the struggle against the class

ed upon the

who are coming to us. We attack To select and promote leadership officers."

> . . . At the present moment, a first con-

sideration in promoting new forces, is to find capable native Americans. From top to bottom of our Party the predominance in leading personnel must belong to the native people most closely corresponding to the composition of the masses of the population among whom we are working in each particular city, factory, neighborhood, or mass organization.

WOR-Barnet Orchestra

WJZ-Press-Radio News

WABC-Press-Radio News

Systematic guidance, assistance, and training must be given to the leading personnel selected for promotion. Every leading Party member must assume this task as part of his daily life, not only in Party schools, but in all our work. The special problems of each person must be considered, his preferences and qualifications must be consid-

ered in assignment of work, and special help given to overcome special difficulties.

Finally, the whole Party life must be organized on the principle of making every Party member into a leader among the masses. Every member must assume the task of leading and educating at least one worker outside the Party; he shall

consider himself a real Bolshevik only when fifty to a hundred workers regularly look to him for guidance and leadership in the problems of the class struggle.

We must do away with the reluctance to advance new forces to leadership. We are in a revolution-ary epoch, which Lenin pointed out is to a Communist Party what wartime is to an army. Lenin told us: "We must extend the ranks of our army, transfer it from a peace to a war strength, mobilize the reservista, call up all those on furiough, organize new auxiliary corps, units and services. We must not forget that in war it is inevitable and necessary to fill ranks with less trained recruits, very often to put rank-and-file soldiers in the place of officers, and to speed up and simplify the promotion of soldiers to the rank of sions having the force of law, that officers." our Party is an advocate of force we must guide the great recruit-and violence, that it is subject to

workers in basic and key industries. tive organization, it is an open revo-To better adjust our Party to its lutionary party, continuing the tra-mass work, there is now required a ditions of 1776 and 1861; it is the mass work, there is now required a only organization that is really ensimplification of our Party structure. Districts must be based upon titled by its program and work to designate itself as "sons and daughstate lines; sections must conform with the established political subters of the American revolution. Communists are not anarchists, not divisions within the state. The units must be formed with a view to the terrorists. The Communist Party is conditions and tasks confronting a legal party and defends its legality. them. The dues system must be Prohibition of advocacy of force and violence, does not apply to the Comchanged to eliminate unnecessary bookkeeping and routine, and to munist Party; it is properly applied only to the Black Legion, the K lighten the burden on the mem-Klux Klan, and other fascist groupbers; monthly instead of weekly dues ings, and to the strikebreaking agenmust be the rule, and the amount cies and the open-shop employers who use them against the working to be paid by those in the lower categories of wage-rates shall be reduced. The international asses-ment, now paid monthly in a sum terrible toll of violence which shames

equal to the weekly dues, shall be changed to quarterly and equal to the monthly dues.

We now must popularize our press and literature, in contents and cir-culation, more decisively than we

have done heretofore. We have made certain improvements, but not enough. Our Sunday Worker, with a regular circulation of 120,000, is dle classes.

our greatest single achievement. But it is far from sufficient. The number of local papers is increasing, and their quality improves; but this also does not keep pace with the developments among the masses. Circulation of books and pamphlets in 1935 reached almost two and a half million coppies, compared to slightly more than a million in 1934; but clearly the five million mark must be the minimum for 1936. Press and

literature is the fundamental weapon of mass education. Above all, in our speeches, leaflets and literature, we must more and more learn to speak the lan-guage of the masses. We must speak

in terms of the concrete current problems, of the immediate strug-gle for a better life. gle for a better life.

We are going into the 1936 election campaign to win the masses to the peoples' front against reaction, fascism and war. Our program is directed to maintain peace, and to advance the economic interests and democratic rights of the work-

our country.

dle classes. This is a fight for liberty for the masses of the people. We are the party of socialism, of the proletarian revolution, of Soviet power. The doctrinaires of all shades should against us, that to take, up the for liberty is to abandon the fight for socialism; such people would make of socialism a product of the study room and laboratory. But socialism will come out of life, out of the class struggle. Only by rous-ing and organizing millions of ing and organizing millions of people in the fight for liberty, can we bring these millions to the fight for socialism; only that Party which

is the vanguard of millions in their first struggles, will lead these mil-

gie for a better life. The Communist Party must use the soportunity of this election campaign to smash once and for all the superstition, which has been embodied in a maze of court deci-

dently, to take responsibility and

must apply it to the thousand vari- enemy, as well as against all deviaable conditions of daily life Appli- tions from the correct Party line. cation of policy among the masses Some of our comrades, who in the is first of all a problem of securing past have thought of the qualities a high quality of leading personnel, of leadership largely in terms of This becomes our central problem speaking and writing, will be astonished to find these qualifications no when great masses are swinging over mentioned in these four main points

the revolution. We are not adeugately providing a leading personnel to these masses Dimitroff. when they are develop

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It is the insufficient number of the masses; only if the masses ac-politically trained and technically skilled leading people, the shortage Party do so.



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ORKY often left his residence m Italy to visit igresses of the Bolshevik Party, which, because of its illegal state of the movement in Russia, held in various cities of Europe. He also ored a training school for Russian revolutionary kers on the island of Capri, and it is from those thers who were recruited from various industrial rs of Russia that he learned many details of vorkers' life. Throughout all this time he also up his activities as editor which began with organization in 1904 of a publishing house in a under the name Life. This publishing house non-political collections of stories and poems realistic and revolutionary nature, in opposito another publishing house which issued colns of stories and poems mostly of a symbolistic non-revolutionary character. Gorky also cond to write essays on various problems. During s period he wrote his famous challenging pamph-The City of the Yellow Devil, in which he deces American capitalist civilization, and La France, in which he ridicules money-mad ch "democracy." In these and similar pieces Gerky created a new kind of literature, a vigorous plending of artistic description with journalistically ed political indignation, a caricature made elibly real, a social protest clothed in the most tirring images, a bombshell thrown by a master

Throughout all this period Gorky exhibits the liar traits of his talent: love for the human g; love of life; craving for beauty that is not e; a profound belief that human life can be ade humane. "It is not true that life is gloomy, says in the story Peasant. "It is not true that e's nothing in it but wounds and moans, pain tears. There is in it not only the trivial but the heroic, not only the filthy but also the hit, the beautiful, the enchanting. There is in everything man will wish to find and man has power to create what there isn't in it. There much of that power today, but it will grow orrow.'

It is in quest of that beautiful life that Gorky writing his works, a life made beautiful by the nce of exploitation and darkness.

Back to "Old Russia"

FEW years after the revolution of 1905, Gorky's accumulated store of class struggle experiences as to have been exhausted. Gorky was a stranger the life that surrounded him; nor did he live the of Russia. He tried to write a number of tches of proletarian life in Italy, later published a separate volume as Naples Stories; they were il of light and color and permeated with a great niration for the heroism of the workers in work struggle. But obviously Gorky's giant talent ald not feed on these experiences. An artist of maller capacity would have suffered in his creaeness. Gorky did the only thing left for him: he back on the experiences of his boyhood and uth. He turned his artistic searchlight on preolutionary Russia, which he knew better than any other Russian writer.

What now appears in his maturer work is no re the Russia that he depicted in his early etches. He takes the thickest of the actual life is it existed prior to 1905, he tries to recreate the very fabric of that life. "Old Mother Russia" as existed under the old regime growing out of nturies of darkness and oppression. Gorky does not idealize this Russian past any more. He is tical. He is sober. He is realistic. He takes the atomist's scarpel and dissects old Russia limb, by nb, tissue by tissue. He puts everything under he scrutiny of a keen artistic eye; he brings out haracters and scenes, collisions and defeats that and out as something to be studied by future enerations. Everybody in Russia attempted to deict the old crude Russian life; everybody criticized pression and darkness. But very few approached that old life with the X-ray of the class conception. wny, erial talent, the works created in this, the fourth eriod of his activties, stand out as of paramount alue. Quite often Gorky is plainly autobiographical. Childhood, which opens this series, actually depicts he writer's early trials and tribulations. The Town Okurov is in many respects the town of Gorky's ildhood. The Life of Matvey Kozhemyakin is of he same nature. Old Russian towns. Mean. Filthy. e priest is ruling. The merchant is the master of iffe. Ignorance is ravaging the masses. There is tremendous amount of energy stored up way bev, but until this energy has found the channel the revolutionary movement, it spends itself in tuous and not always inspiring ways. There are attles between clans and groups. There are feuds. here is drinking. There is wildness. People beat nd maim each other for no reason except their at-up fury. There is cruelty. A great amount of cruelty. There is injustice mitigated only by its ppiness. Somewhere there is the great dream a beautiful life. And nature is always beautiful in could be beautiful.



Rose Pastor Stokes, || Comrade Jim, A. B., Revolutionary

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By Ann Rivington HE memory of one who has fought and fallen in the long

battle of the workers against hunger and war and reaction is more than work, but she came to understand memory. It is a signal fire, leadthat by no such tinkering with the ing us forward and giving us coursurface of poverty could its roots be removed. She took up the fight for age.

Today, an ever increasing multisoman's suffrage and for birth contude of women raise the strength trol, for the right to strike and to organize, for Negro rights. For many years, she was the field orof their voices and their actions against war and the threat of fas-Democracy. She became a fiery speaker, and toured the country sev-eral times. tism and in defense of their own and their children's needs. An increasing multitude seek the freeing of womanhood in that economic and

political equality which can happen only in a Socialist society. One of the outstanding women War, she was arrested by agents of in America to join in this fight, to the Department of Justice after a speech in which she denounced give it leadership, and to compre-President Wilson for having behend this purpose was Rose Pastor trayed his peace pledge by forcing the United States into the war. Stokes, who died three years ago this 20th of June.

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ROSE PASTOR STOKES was a strike, the New York shirtwaist daughter of the working class. strike, and the Paterson textile Her girlhood was nurtured on the suffering known only in the home of workers. In later life, she never forgot the loyalties of that proletarian girlhood. York.

By the time she was eleven years old, she was working in a tobacco factory, helping to support her large family of brothers and sisters. In later years, she looked back with pride to her first strike at the age of sixteen, when she helped to drive out the scabs, and remembered the joy she had felt at having a part to play in this fight for decency and justice.

educated herself by reading and study in addition to her work. She learned to write so well that she became a newspaper columnist. It was through this position that she became acquainted with J. G. Phelps

Stokes, the wealthy Socialist whom she carried. It might almost have been ex-

pected that when she found herself removed in this way from personal necessity and suffering, she would have forgotten all about the struggles in which she had taken part. But this did not happen to Rose Pastor Stokes. Her understanding was too deep and personal her honesty too great for this to

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happen. She remained forever identified with her class, and always championed its cause. The City of New York **Delivers** the **Body** POR some time after her marriage. of Anthony Rugolo she was interested in social

Anthony Rugolo, age 47, was one of the seventeen workers killed in the collapse of a Bronx building June 18. By SAM ROBERTS

Here is your husband madam Where shall we put him-he's dead

A building caved in madam, too bad, too bad. Eight children remaining? so sad. so sad.

Bury your husband madam, It's no use making such fuss. We're going to investigate madam We're covered, you've nothing on

She was active in many strikes. among them the New York hotel Your children are hungry, you have to feed eight? dam, now isn't that great!

> son, and which will be known by her name.

It is very fitting that Tom Mooney, vho derived great inspiration from

her friendship during her life, is the first to have registered his name to go to this home. He plans to re-gain his health there, when he is released from prison, so that he may come back renewed to the struggles of the working class.

Germany in search of a cure. It was there that she died. From deathbed, she wrote her comrades in America that she continued to talk to all those who came near her in behalf of the cause for which she had always spoken and lived.

WHAT manner of woman was this fearless and beloved leader of working class struggle? She was beautiful, and her presence was full of dignity and strength. She was not interested in the trappings of wealth. Her personal tastes were simple, and she dresed as plainly as

a working girl; but whatever she had was always at the disposal of any worker or comrade who needed assistance. Her sympathy and understanding were wide and unfailing. She brought many talents to the cause which was the controlling

motive of her life. She was an or-ganizer, a translator, a poet, a dramatist, an artist and an expert housekeeper. Above all, she was a

been in action without let-up ever By John Meldon since," he declared proudly. He has been a seaman for thir-"THIS is the first national convenvention of our Party that I've teen years, and the tang of the salt water is still about him. He's a attended. I've been in the Party for husky lad, with arms browned and two years, and have seen it grow sinewed with iron, and the hair on into a splendid movement along the his chest is bleached from working West Coast, but it takes an event half naked on simmering decks un like this Ninth Convention to give der the hot sun. "But I'm a full time organizer for a fellow a real understanding of the Party on the Seattle waterfront

Talks About Party

the growing power and sweep of our now," he grinned. "Sometimes Party. It makes a fellow feel so get a hankering for the sea again good that he wants to shout and and I was glad to get the chance to sail to New York after being 'on the beach.''

These words came from a seaman delegate who spent twenty-nine "ITTELL," he continued. "some days at sea and traveled five thouand do the work. We can't all ship sand miles to get to the convention out. -from Seattle, Washington, to this "but a guy does get a hankering for a deck under his feet again." city.

"I would've worked my way around the whole darn world if necessary to get here. It's an event of a lifetime. Since arriving, I've hard to remain on shore and been talking to delegates from all the hard, steady plugging for the

parts of the country-to Party com-rades from the steel mills, sharecroppers who have to walk miles up back roads at night to dodge the lynchers; comrades from every in-dustry you can think of—and they all feel like I do—our Party is growing and it won't be long until

we are a real mass Party. We're Party has carried through. all proud of what work we've done us fellows from the West Coast are to help built it." a little bit removed from the rest of the country, but we're damn . WELL call him Comrade Jim, be-cause he's a working seaman proud of our work out there." Jim declared emphatically.

and has to get a ship back to Seattle. The big-shots of the seamen's union would "turn him in" Finally, Rose Pastor Stokes went to the shipping lines if his real name were used. "Do you know," he told the Daily

ment.' Worker, and his blue eyes sparkled Jim came into the Party during when he said it, "do you know that the the sailors on the boat I came strike. around on held meetings in the movement on the map from Seattle to San Pedro. And the Hammer and Sickle is inscribed on the hearts toc'sle to discuss the Ninth Party Convention?

of the Pacific maritime workers," he told the Daily Worker. Delegate Jim and two other members of the Communist Party organized the meetings. They talked "OUR Party has greater opportuniabout the Party, its program--"they were especially interested in our fight for a People's Front-for a fore. It seems to me that we Communists are good workers in about real Farmer Labor Party." everything but the most important

Some of the crew had recently been in France-others had "laid over" in Spain. They saw the Communist Party of France in action. They saw, the powerful People's no excuse for the situation. We're Front sweeping the nation into a united front against war, fascism think in dozens when it comes to and oppression.

recruiting for the Party. We can think and act with hundreds of "We talked for hours when off thousands of workers-in big strikes, watch about our Party and its work. They showed a keen interest and in campaigns-but we still think in seamen will tanding. The



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Question: Doesn't the fact that Communista agitate for local representation committees in France, while Leon Blum proposes to instill in the people a respect for republican institutions, indicate that Communists basically do not believe in parliamentary government and use elections only to further their efforts to set up extra-parliamentary machinery? If this is true, what does it mean to defend "bourgeois democracy"?-I. N.

Question: What is meant by People's Front nittees such as are being organized in France? - M. L.

Answer: Communists believe in using every means to improve the conditons of the masses. Within the framework of capitalism, Communists fight to defend bourgeois democracy against the attacks of reaction, against fascism. We use parliamentary institutions as far as it is possible to improve the conditions of the ma ses, but we know that these institutions are very limited in this re spect.

It is for this reason that Communists always strive to develop the activity of the masses themselves, making known their demands outside of parliament as well as in, giving support to their representatives in parliament and putting pressure on legislators and government to meet their demands.

The greater the activity of the masses, the greater the democracy. The highest form of democracy is Soviet democracy, in which social ownership of the means of production is combined with the most complete participation of the masses in all processes of government.

The People's Front local committees are mass organizations bringing together all those who support the People's Front, which is a coalition of the Communist, Socialist and Radical-Socialist Parties which, while united in the election campaign, remained separate as organizations, providing 'no means for organizing their members into a unified body on the basis of the People's Front program, and for actions in support of it.

In a recent interview, published in the New Masses, Maurice Thorez, general secretary of the Communist Party of France, said in response to the question whether the People's Front local committees would continue in existence:

"The Socialists do not agree with us in this policy. They propose to set up merely skeleton political organisations, but the People's Front was never purely a political organization. We asked for, and the people approved, mass units which include not only the voters but also the women and youth. The Radical-Socialists want no organization at all. Meanwhile these committees have grown spontaneously in strength and number. The masses are determined to keep alive the organization which saved their liberties. Victory at the polls is only the beginning. A few weeks hence the Paris district will hold its first Congress of the People's Front Committees."

News of Workers' Schools in the U.S.

WORKERS SCHOOL EXHIBIT AT NATIONAL CONVENTION

As part of the exhibition showing various phases of revolutionary activity, the Workers School will display a whole series of graphic material including charts, graphs, maps, bulletins, publicity materials, etc., describing the progress and growth of the Workers Schools throughout the country as well as the strides made by the central school in New York since its establishment in 1923.

One of the most striking items in the exhibit will be the graph showing the steady rise of the number of students attending the Workers School and the strikingly rapid growth during the past few years. The very rapid increase in the enrollment, which is an important indication of the growing interest in Marxist-Leninist theory, has now made it necessary to plan for new and enlarged quarters to accor of ate bundreds students. Through this graphic presentation delegates and visitors will be able to view the many-sided aspects of Marxist-Leninist education carried on by the Workers Schools.

strike. Not long before her death, she was arrested for picketing with the needle trades workers in New WHEN the great test came, she went with the side of the Leninists in that historic split through which the Communist Party of

America was born. Not long after this she was again arrested, together with William Z. Foster, Robert Minor, Charles Krumbein, Max Bedacht and other Party leaders, in a police raid on the Com-Though she had so little oppor- munist Party meeting in Bridge-tunity for formal education, she man, Mich. At this time, she wired her husband for bail. He wired "Yes, if you give up the Communist Party." She indignantly re-fused. Not long after this, she and her husband were separated.

. . . ROSE PASTOR STOKES was not only a charter member of the Communist Party but a member of the Central Executive Council of the Party during the early days of terror and underground activity. In 1922, she went on a mission to the Soviet Union.

She was active, especially during the famine period in the Soviet Union among the American masses, devoting herself heart and soul to work of the Friends of the Soviet Union.

She was one of three who wrote the first report on the American Negro submitted to the Communist

The undertaker did a pretty good sanizer of the League for Industrial job, madam sing!" became a fiery Pay no attention to the patch on his head. She was never afraid to be in the front of the fight. She was arrested many times. Shortly after the United States entered the World

I Know the Horrible That Is Real". THY do I depict all this misery? Gorky asks himself in one of his stories. "Why do I tell about se hideous things? In order that you may know sout them, gentlemen, because they are not the sast, they are far from being the past. You like ms of things fictitious, you like horror tales eautifully told; the fantastically horrible stirs you. on my side know the horrible that is real, the rrible that is commonplace, and it is my unniable right to stir you unpleasantly by stories out it in order that you may know how people We live a mean and sordid life, that's is" (People).

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Long before Gorky started his literary survey old Russia he knew the corroding joy of hatred. the occasion of the sentencing of revolutionary dents to serve in the army ("for correction") he ote to the poet Bryusov: "My mood is that of a d dog who was beaten up and leashed to a chain. you, sir, love man, I hope you will understand You see, I feel that to send a student to the my is hideous: It is a brazen crime against his resonal freedom. It is an idiotic measure of adrels oversated with power. My heart is boilover and I would be glad to splt into the shameugs of those man-haters who, when reading Flowers of the North give you gracious praise t then they praise me too. This is revolting and rable to such a degree that an inexpressible ed is surging in me against everything.

This inexpressible hatred Gorky brings into his w stories of the old past. This hatred makes it sable for him to become one of the greatest lists bordering on naturalism. At the same time ses nothing of his colorful manner. His even bolder. His approach more etsive. His figures stand out in sharp outlines at he produces becomes monumental.

(To Be Continued)

Florence Nightingale THE WHITE ANGEL. A First National picture with Kay Francis, Donaid Wood Ian Hunter, Egon Brecher. Directed h William Dieterle. At the Strand.

By LAUREN ADAMS

ENCOURAGED by the reception "The Story of Louis Pasteur" received. Warner Bros. yesterday at their Strand Theatre presented an-The other worthy if not quite so masterly an effort when they unreeled which took her life four years later. "The White Angel," a succession of highly romanticized episodes in the bedridden illness, she did not forlife of Florence Nightingale.

The picture carries this daughter of an aristocratic London family from the time in the early 1850's, when she becomes interested in lospital reforms and the introduction of women nurses, to the day she is decorated by Queen Victoria for heroic work during the Crimean War.

Between the opening and ending appear scene after scene showing the appailing callousness of the medical societies and physicians medical societies and physicians who, alarmed by the exposure of their lack of progressive ideas, fight the pioneer woman nurse's determination to succeed in introducing new and more scientific methods of treating the sick and wounded.

That the nicture doesn't arous That the picture doesn't about a more sympathy in the spectator is due to a large degree to the reaction of the undoubtedly brave nurse corps in the midst of devastating suffering on the battlefield. They have one idea in mind-namely, to get the wounded patched and back in the fight.

such gay sadness. They don't come to the logical conclusion that important as may be the correct nursing of the sick in the Federal Theatre of the WPA a London hospital, the better way to stop suffering among the wounded on the battlefield is to stop the battle. have learned that "Lights O' London" was first produced at the Royal Princess Theatre in London on September 10, 1881 and was given a warm reception by the "critical gentry." It was played in America

While in "The Story of Louis Pasteur" one feit that historic ac-tions were taking place, the heroics in "The White Angel" don't quite hold our interest, due a great deal to the story and the far from ade-quate acting by Kay Francis. The balance of the cast is all right, except that they are inclined to the to the strutting and mugging that many actors can't resist once they encased in the envel ed in the enveloping gar-the middle of the last William Dieterle's direcare er entury. tion is excellent and the production as a whole is fully up to the stand-ard set by "Louis Pasteur."

ing to the veteran Japanese Communist, Sen Katayama, was thought of very highly by Lenin.

OFTEN during her lifetime, Rose Pastor Stokes faced the clubs of the police. In 1929, in an antiimperialist demonstration in de

fense of the Haitian people at the City Hall in New York, she stepped forward to protect a youth from the upraised club of a policeman. club fell on her in his stead. That blow induced the disease During those long four years of get the ca's for which she literally had given her life. She could not get out of her mind those other working class fighters who are injured or exhausted in their service to the cause of progress, and are in need of Test and care. She in need of West and care. She are following and will follow the planned a rest home which is soon path of progress, peace and social-to be opened at Croton-on-the-Hud- ism.

NEW PLAY

Melodrama of 1881

THE LIGHTS O' LONDON. A melodram. written by George R. Sims and revises and directed by Earle Mitchell. Pro duced by the Federal Theatre. WFA a the Palm Garden, 52nd Street nea Bighth Avanua.

By THEODORE REPARD

With a little faster pace, greater

extravagance and sharper bits "Lights O' London" could be an-

other "Sidswalks of New York," that other war-horse of Dion Bou-

cicault revived some years ago with

The kind researchers attached to

at the Union Square Theatre dur-

ing the following season and ran

for 450 nights. Its last American

liam A. Brady gave it an all-star cast including Holbrook Blinn,

Douglas Fairbanks and Doris

Since then, until Tuesday

production was in 1911 when

night of this week, it's been in

Keane.

storage.

lighth Avenue.

brilliant and fiery speaker. Rose Pastor Stokes has become

the symbol of that unconquerable spirit which belongs to America's militant, class-conscious womanhood. In contrast to the spiritual senility of the D.A.R.'s, here was a living, summoning Daughter of the American Revolution-the real revolution that will liberate all the oppressed from the despoilers of America.

In the present, growing fight of the women of America against fascism and war, for the defense of the Soviet Union and the support of its peace policy, for economic equality, and in defense of the gains already won by all toilers through struggle, we hold dear the militant, working-class traditions which she helped to build up. The men Jim said. of Rose Pastor Stokes is a beacon to light the way for the many who

ing and crooked nephew does him

dirt when he returns to make peace

home,

ome day hold down the front-line trenches in the class-struggle ---world they're the best guys in the once they get organized and have a program worth fighting for," he continued.

"But there's one serious weakness in the work of our Party among the seamen. We've done some swell work in the maritime trade unions -but we still don't play enough of a role as Communists, on the high seas. Aside from the trade union activity, which is very good, we don't conduct enough independent political action as a Communist Party. We've got to organize more units on the shins. The Ninth Convention will certainly take this important matter to heart," Delegate

IIM came into the Party two years ago, during the San Francisco General Strike.

"I came in in action, and have

Soviet Notes By American Friends of the Soviet Soviet National Theatres THIS summer, several national

which has already von great popularity in its own republic will shortly open its season in Moscow. Whereas the Kazak people had no theater of their own before the revolution, at present there are 22

theatres in Kazakstan. The Kazak State Philharmonic Society organized its own national inquiry show: (a) In the plant: On this average orchestra consisting of 50 musicians. The Turkmenian State Theatre named after Stalin which was created in 1922 has also just arrived strumental in saving our hero, in Moscow, During the years of its On this particular day (which was

plays included "The Robbera" by

the German Schiller and "In the Kara-Kum Desert" by the Soviet the theatre, 500 went to the movies ns. playwrights Charyev and Kakilov, and 25 visited museu

twos and threes when it comes to building the Party." Jim leaned over and poked a sun-

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body's got to stay on the beach

Then he added, thoughtfully

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"Maybe

When a man sails the seas for

his hat and feel at home in Shang

hai, Port Said or Santos, it's pretty

"But our Party teaches a seaman

What's the biggest achievement of

the Communist Party? Jim thinks

the work of the comrades in help-

ing build the Maritime Federation of the Pacific is the best work the

"I think the unions on the Pacific

Coast are the best organized and composed of the best fighting ma-

terial in the country," he said "And our Party out there is a first-

class factor in the whole move-

now historic 'Frisco general ke. "That strike put the labor

ties to grow now than ever be-

job of all-recruiting and building

"This convention will certainly

have to take the matter up. There's

growing, to be sure-but we still

the Party," Jim said seriously.

the things he needs. Discipline especially," Jim said.

thirteen years and can hang

Party, day in and day out.

rowned stubby finger at the Daily Worker reporter. "Isn't it a fact that there's about a million ized workers, professionals and so on in organizations close

sympathetic with the Party? Well. then, why don't we recruit about fifty thousand of the best of them into the Party? Isn't it a fact that hundreds and hundreds of unions are very close to our Party? Aren't there hundreds of local union leaders who actually look to Why de our Party for guidance? Why don't we bring them in. We're working hard among the seamen and mari-time workers-and we're building the Party. But it's not being done fast enough." "This convention'll do away with

all that business, I think. There ought to be a serious motion passed that every month or so there's a check on every Party member to see what they're doing about re-

cruiting. "This convention," Jim hally, "will be the biggest said finally. forward step our Party has taken in years. My personal opinion is that the Ninth Party Convention brings our Party to the cross-roads—to the new road leading to a real mass Party surrounded by a growing People's Front movement. We must have a perspective of bringing scores of thousands of new members into ^a theatres of the various republics our Party-and millions into the of the Soviet Union will perform in Farmer Labor Party. That's the only answer to all our problem Build, build and build some more!

Working Day of a Soviet Worker

THE factory newspaper of the Kharkov Agricultural Machinery plant, "The Sickle and Hammer," conducted an inquiry as to how the 2,500 workers of this plant had passed one ordinary working day, March 21. The first results of the

working day, 25 workers brought proposals for improvement in the work which will yield an annual saving of 75,000 rubles.

in Moscow. During the years of its existence the theatre has staged a of the savings bank received 2,034

es to its shelves. (b) In the evening: Out of 1,000

vorkers, 145 men and hundred men and women

Nine (90 per cent) had on this particu day the leigure to read either ; litical or other literature.

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NEW YORK WORKERS SCHOOL

The course in Public Speaking to be offered during the Summer Term is of special importance since it is designed to be of aid to speakers during the coming election campaign. It aims at training workers in proper organizations of speech delivery, voice control and effective agitation and propaganda. Another course of great interest is Social and Political Forces in American History. The course will begin with an examination of the European background of American history and concludes with the Civil War. Among the other topics treated are colonization, the American Revolution, the adoption of the Constitution of the United States, and the role and importance of the frontier, and the history of the American labor movement up to the Civil War.

Current Trade Union Problems will deal with practical trade union problems of today, Special attention will be given to the specific problems and concrete tasks facing the trade unions. Current questions such as industrial vs. craft unions, the trade unions and the Farmer-Labor Party, trade union democracy, problems of strike strategy and similar questions agitating the American labor move ment will receive special consideration.

Registration is on daily at 35 East 12th Street, Room 301. We urge students to register early and not to wait till the last day. The term begins Monday, July 6.

BOSTON WORKERS SCHOOL

The Friends of the Boston Workers School are ? starting off the summer activities by giving their first annual outing, to be held at Riverside (adjacent to Norumbega Park) on Sunday, June 28, 1936. There will be sports, games, dramatic readings and a surprise speaker. Subscription will be 25 cents and proceedings will start at 12 noon. Since its inception, the Friends of the Boston

Workers School has held two meetings. At the first meeting, an open one for friends and sympathizers, large crowd of about 40 interested people at-This large attendance on a warm June tended. night indicates the widening interest in the Boston Workers School. School Director Levin addressed the group on the aims of the school, its growth in the last four years, and the necessity for a much larger school and further extension of its influence. An internationally known dramatic critic and long a friend of the Boston Workers School, followed, with a delightful talk on his travels through Europe. The meeting closed with a short talk by a well-

A series of scientific and cultural lectures by outstanding people will begin in July. Meanwhile, the campaign for \$1,500, a new headquarters and five hundred students for the Pall Term is going full

theatres of the various republics customers are packing up to go Moscow. The play, written by George R. The Kazak Musical Theatre, Sims, and revised by Earle Mitchell, is played straight by the actors with the result that some of the mothball moments are highly hilariou

What with the hissing villian and hand-clapping the hero, a lot of hilarity can be had if you feel in

the mood for it. The acting is on the whole competent with William McGurn as the heavy looking the part but taking too little advantage of his mous-

tache, and Donald Foster as nero, good-looking but a tribie Gordon Hamilton as Seth Preen, a poacher who is most inshakes a mean shudder.

In common with most WPA plays, the sets are very handsome and number of excellent plays by Soviet rubias in deposits. The plant library added 88 new

One of the nice things ab "Lights O'London" is that tables and chairs take the place of theatre seats. Drinks are served. There is

Through five acts, the story unfolds of the son of a rich English music during intermissio When the pace is speeded up and some cutting is done, "Lights of London is going to be rich enter-tainment. The Usbek State Academia The-atre will perform "Hamlet" as well as "Shat-Name" by the Soviet Dubanan, squire who gets himself disowned some cutt by running off with the lodge London is keeper's pretty daughter. A schem-

with his father by having the old man slugged to death and robbed. Our hero is charged with the foul play and is sent away for seven years. Down but not out, Harold Armytage escapes, is rescued in a snow storm and finally turns the tables on the villian just about the time the