

SPANISH MILITIA ADVANCES ON BURGOS
Court Weighs Death for Trotsky Plotters

MURDER GANG ADMITS GUILT AS TRIAL ENDS

Conspirators Against Soviet Waive Chance to Take Stand

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(Special to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Aug. 23.—The hour of reckoning is fast approaching. The State Prosecutor Andrei Vishinsky, concluding the State's case against Zinoviev, Kamenev and fourteen other accused members of the Trotskyist terrorist group on trial before the Military Collegium of the Supreme Court of the U. S. S. R. for activities aiming at the killing of Joseph Stalin and other leaders of the Communist Party and Soviet Government.

In a four-hour speech, Vishinsky marshaled with relentless logic the acts of the preliminary investigation and the present trial, revealing Leon Trotsky as the real organizer of the terrorist center, working with the aid of agents of the Nazi secret police to plan the murder of Stalin and the betrayal of the Soviet Union.

Holtzman Examination The trial re-opened with the examination of Holtzman.

Smirnov, head of the Trotskyist section of the counter-revolutionary Center, described Holtzman as "the man who was kept most secret in the organization."

In his deposition Holtzman kept to the same tactics as Smirnov. He tried to deny even his participation in the Trotskyist organization, stating that he "accidentally" met Smirnov in the street, "accidentally" found Smirnov in his mother's flat, "did not know" that Smirnov was head of the organization.

Admits Terrorist Role But finding himself incriminated by irrefutable facts, this experienced conspirator admitted that he played one of the most important roles in the terrorist organization.

As a person specially trusted by Smirnov, Holtzman on his instructions in 1932 utilized an occasion when he was sent abroad on business, to hand over a report and code message to Trotsky.

Nathan Lurye Testifies Nathan Lurye, examined after Holtzman, took out citizenship papers of the U.S.S.R. in 1924, in Berlin.

Lurye stated that he arrived in Moscow in April, 1932, charged by the German Trotskyist organization with the task of organizing the assassination of Stalin.

At a secret address given to him in Berlin, he made connection in Moscow with Franz Weiss, an agent of the fascist secret police, who had got into the U.S.S.R. under the guise of "engineer" and who was a man specially trusted by the present head of the Nazi secret police, Himmler.

Weitz gave Lurye instructions about terrorist work and about the concrete tasks of murdering Stalin, Voroshilov, Kaganovich, Ordjonikidze and Zhdanov. During several months under the leadership of Weitz, Lurye and other members of the terrorist groups prepared the assassination of Voroshilov.

Plot Voroshilov Murder With this aim in view he had the movements of Voroshilov watched and intended to shoot him in the street.

But in view of the difficulties, Lurye rejected this plan. Lurye admitted he intended to shoot Stalin during the May 1 demonstration on Red Square, and Ordjonikidze and Kaganovich during their visit to Chelyabinsk Tractor Plant where Lurye was working at the time as a doctor.

Investigations Ordered On concluding these examinations, State Prosecutor Vishinsky made the following statement: "In previous sessions some of the accused [Kamenev, Zinoviev and Reingold] while testifying, mentioned Tomsky, Bukharin, Rykov, Uglanov, Radek, Pyatakov, Serebryakov and Sokolnikov as persons implicated in some degree in their criminal counter-revolutionary activities."

"I consider it necessary to inform the court that yesterday I gave instructions to begin investigations of the accused's statements implicating these persons and the public prosecutor."

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INTENDED VICTIMS OF TROTSKY PLOT



Beloved leaders of the Soviet Union, including (left to right) Dimitroff, Antipov, Stalin and Kallinin, were marked for death at the hands of Trotskyist plotters. The above picture showing the leaders with some child admirers, was taken in Moscow.

Soviet Press Assails Second International's Concern for Plotters

Pravda Brands With Contempt Efforts of De Brouckere, Citrine, Adler and Schevenels to Shield Trotskyist Murder Band

MOSCOW, Aug. 23.—"Whom are you shielding?" demands Pravda, central organ of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, in a scathing reply today to the joint telegram from the Second (Labor and Socialist) International and the International Federation of Trade Unions to the Chairman of the Council of People's Commissars in defense of the Trotskyist-Zinovievist terror gang now on trial.

"According to our information," writes Pravda, "the Council of People's Commissars of the U.S.S.R. does not consider it necessary to answer this telegram regarding the case of the Trotskyist-Zinovievist terrorist center now being tried before the Military Collegium of the Supreme Court of the U.S.S.R."

"The Soviet court will pass sentence on the Trotskyist-Zinovievist gang of murderers according to the due process of law. The telegram from De Brouckere, Adler, Citrine, and Schevenels is a crude attempt to encroach upon the rights and duties of the Soviet court."

Whom Are They Trying to Save? "It is a political demonstration against the Soviet Union, and deserves branding before the face of the working class of the whole world."

"Whom are De Brouckere, Adler, Citrine, and Ch. Schevenels worrying about? Whom are they shielding? Whom are they trying to save?"

"The entire world knows that it is the bitter enemies of the Soviet Union, the enemies of Socialism, a band of provocateurs and murderers, who are now before the Supreme Court."

"It has been proven during the investigation that Trotsky, Zinoviev, Kamenev, Smirnov, and their gang, are closely interwoven in their counter-revolutionary terrorist work with the German fascist secret police, that they have been active agents of the Gestapo. For years they systematically and cold-bloodedly prepared the murder of Stalin, Voroshilov, Kaganovich, and Ordjonikidze, leaders of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union and the Soviet Government."

Aid of Fascists "They did their dirty work with the aid of the Fascists, the slaughterers of the German working class, with the direct aid of the Fascist Gestapo."

"The accused themselves confess."

Farmers Plan Milk Holiday For Price Rise

WATERTOWN, N. Y., Aug. 23.—A farmer's milk "holiday" will begin on Labor Day in up-state New York if demands for a 43 flat rate per hundred pounds are not met by the milk trusts, spokesmen for dairy farmers announced here today.

Demands of the dairymen were presented to Commissioner Peter G. Ten Eyck of the Milk Control Board at a meeting here yesterday.

Mr. Ten Eyck said that the drought justified the demand for higher producer prices. He did not answer demands of fifteen New York consumers' organizations who are in favor of higher farm prices but are opposed to any increase in consumer prices.

Gov. Olson Dies In Minnesota

Browder Calls Loss a Severe Blow to Cause of Progress

MINNEAPOLIS, Aug. 23.—The death of Governor Floyd B. Olson was seen by Earl Browder, Communist candidate for president of the United States, as a "severe loss to the cause of progress in general."

The Communist candidate and general secretary of the Communist Party, who is in Minneapolis as part of his western campaign trip, upon learning of the death of Olson, said: "The untimely death of Floyd B. Olson is a severe loss, not only to the Minnesota Farmer-Labor Party but also to the national movement, and to the cause of progress in general. By force of character and strong working class instinct, Olson had won the admiration and loyalty of all shades of progressive thought."

Stand on Labor Party "It was his personality that came to represent, more than any other, the unity and militancy of policy of the Farmer-Labor Party which impressed the whole country."

"One of his greatest contributions of recent months was his uncompromising championship of the inclusion of the Communists in the Farmer-Labor Party locally and nationally, whereby he delivered a

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Landon Grows Vague On 'American Way'

What is "the American way of life"? Whatever it is, it seems to have become Governor Landon's theme-song as he winds his way eastward in his crusade against the infidels of the New Deal.

"The American way of life" loomed large in Landon's speech at his birthplace in West Middlesex, Pa. But the larger it loomed, the vaguer it became. In fact, the only thing that emerged clearly as constituting the American way of life was that the Republican candidate sends to Crawford County every winter for maple syrup. After Saturday's speech no one can deny that Governor Landon is squarely on record in favor of

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FARM AID KEY ISSUE IN CAMPAIGN

Farmers in Dust Bowl Hear Browder-Ford Pillories Landon

(Special to the Daily Worker)

BISMARCK, N. D., Aug. 23.—Speaking before a crowd of 500, many of them victims of the worst drought in the history of the State, Earl Browder, Communist presidential nominee, urged "the American people to unite against reaction behind the banner of a Farmer-Labor Party."

"Workers today have to think of farmers' problems and support a program that helps farmers," Browder said.

The Communist standard bearer was cheered heartily as he also urged the farmers to support the struggles of the workers and white collar people.

Farmers came by trucks from 500 miles around to hear Browder speak and they applauded throughout the meeting. Many state leaders of Labor's Non-Partisan League in the audience heard Browder stress the unity of all progressive forces in the organized labor movement.

Browder called for farmers in the audience to offer their suggestions to the Communist Party on its farm program, which brought an enthusiastic and friendly response.

Almost the entire drought area was reached by a fifteen minute address made by Browder over station KFYR, while the Communist leader was in this city. This station will be the local outlet for the Browder coast-to-coast broadcast on Friday, Aug. 28, over the National Broadcasting chain.

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Ford Assails Landon CINCINNATI, Ohio, Aug. 23.—Nearly 700 at Parkway Arena here heard James W. Ford, Negro Communist vice-presidential nominee, pillory Landon and Lemke, as the candidates of Hearst-Liberty League reaction, and call for the defense of democratic rights in America.

Ford pointed out that unless a broad people's front—a Farmer-Labor Party—was speedily built in this country the American people run the risk of going through the horrible period of fascism now being suffered by the terror-driven people of Italy and Germany. He referred to the heroic battles of the Spanish people against the fascist rebels who are being openly aided by Mussolini and Hitler. He stressed the

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Fascists Repulsed in Attempt To Relieve Toledo Garrison; Hitler in Parley with Balbo

Lisbon Reports Madrid Bombed by Fascist Air Fleet

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PARIS, Aug. 23.—With Great Britain and France anxiously awaiting the long-delayed reply of the Nazi Government to the proposals made by the Blum Government three weeks ago for neutrality in Spain, Hitler met for a secret conference with Italian Air Marshal Italo Balbo, King Boris of Bulgaria and Admiral Nicholas Horthy of Hungary, at Salzburg in Austria, it was learned here today.

The meeting took place in utmost secrecy at Hitler's chateau outside the town. Roads were guarded for a mile in every direction, and no definite information as to what other countries were represented at the meeting could be obtained.

French Press Neutrality While the fascist powers conferred at the secret Austrian meeting, fresh efforts to save the peace of Europe, threatened by the intervention of Hitler and Mussolini in Spain, are being made by the French Government.

Ambassador Charles Corbin has returned to London to continue negotiations with the British Government. It is felt that assurances given yesterday by the Spanish Government that it will not exercise its right to search British shipping outside of Spanish waters, will facilitate an early agreement, provided no further delays over the proposed pact are created in Berlin or Rome.

Report Madrid Bombed LISBON, Aug. 23.—A fleet of fascist planes bombed Madrid today for the first time since the rebellion began, states an unconfirmed report from the Seville correspondent of the Diario Noticias, Lisbon newspaper.

The planes took off from Tablada airfield at Seville, says the report.

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Marooned Americans In Mexico Get Food

MEXICO CITY, Aug. 23 (UP).—Food was taken today to about 500 Americans marooned along the new pan-American highway near Villa Juarez by floods and landslides.

The Mexican Automobile Association announced that although the Americans, touring the new road which was opened two months ago, were inconvenienced, they were not suffering. The Association said the road would be passable by Tuesday.

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DEFENDERS

Atop a church, these Spanish workers hold off fascists at Sigüenza.

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Defeating a strong force of rebel troops, the government column captured the village of Villareyo, located at the headwaters of the Ebro River and are consolidating their positions preparatory to a new move south against Burgos.

In fierce fighting in northern Badajoz province, a militia column routed the vanguard of an army of Moors and Foreign Legionnaires massing under General Francisco Franco for an attempt to relieve the garrison at Toledo.

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Strong reinforcements of fully equipped militia have reached San Sebastian to support government forces holding the northern port. Both at San Sebastian and the neighboring port of Irun, garrisons of workers' militia, bombarded from land, sea and air, continue to hold the forts dominating the cities.

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Led by the commander Colonel Aranda, the fascists, charging with fixed bayonets, attempted to fight their way out but were met by a murderous fire from the miners, and they broke and retreated into the fort.

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Negro Union To Celebrate A. F. of L. Ties

Pullman Porters Parade Tonight to Be Followed by Public Meetings

Ceremonies over the first international charter ever presented to a Negro trade union will take place at the unveiling and mass meeting of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, tonight at Mother A. M. E. Zion Church, 137th Street and Seventh Avenue.

Greetings have been already received from President William Green, American Federation of Labor; John L. Lewis, chairman of the Committee for Industrial Organization; A. C. Wharton, International President of the Machinists; Daniel J. Tobin, International President of the Teamsters; John Fitzpatrick, president, Chicago Federation of Labor; David Dubinsky, International President, Ladies' Garment Workers; Francis J. Gorman, First Vice President, United Textile Workers; Matthew Wolf, First Vice President, A. F. of L., Rose Schneiderman, National President, Women's Trade Union League, and a host of central labor bodies and federal unions.

A letter of greetings was received also from President Roosevelt.

LaGuardia to Speak

The mass meeting where Mayor LaGuardia will speak will be preceded by a parade through the streets of Harlem tonight, starting at 6:30 o'clock from headquarters, 36 West 135th Street to Lenox Avenue, South to 111th Street, West to Seventh Avenue, and North on Seventh to 137th Street to the Church, Ashley L. Totten, International Secretary-Treasurer of the union said.

Other speakers at the mass meeting will be Milton P. Webster, first international vice-president of Chicago, who is considered one of the ablest labor leaders of his race, and B. F. McClurin, national field organizer, graduate of Brookwood Labor College, who is in charge of Southern field work.

The movement to organize the Porters and Maids started in August, 1925 and survived one of the most severe economic depressions in the history of the world, during which some of the oldest labor organizations were liquidated. The leaders went without salaries, were dispossessed from their homes numerous times, until 1935, when they won recognition from the Pullman Company after the federal National Mediation Board had certified them as the only legal representative of the pullman porter and maid. In an election held by the Board all over the country, according to Mr. Totten, the porters voted three to one for the Brotherhood, the result being 5831 to 1422 for the Company Union.

Brophy and Gorman to Speak

On Tuesday John Brophy director of the Committee for Industrial Organization will speak on "What Does Industrial Unionism Mean to the Black Worker?" M. P. Webster, first vice-president of the Brotherhood will speak on "Influence of the Brotherhood's fight upon the future of Negro workers."

At 8:30 P. M. Francis J. Gorman, international vice president of the United Textile Workers of America, will speak on "The Significance of a Farmer-Labor Party to the Negro," at the headquarters, 36-38 West 135th Street.

On Wednesday the activities will close with a regional conference of the Ladies' Auxiliaries to the Brotherhood, representing the cities in the eastern zone from Jacksonville, Florida, Mrs. R. O. Schneiderman, president of the National Women's Trade Union League, will be the principal speaker.

The public is invited to all meetings.

Cuban Union Leaders Again Under Arrest

A protest to the Cuban government against the re-arrest of Cuban trade union leaders freed recently by the general amnesty of President Gomez was registered yesterday by the International Labor Defense.

Cesar Villar, general secretary of the General Confederation of Labor of Cuba, and four other trade union leaders, arrested by presidential decree, were immediately re-arrested by Colonel Fulgencio Batista, military despot of Cuba, according to the International Labor Defense.

Anna Damon, acting national secretary of the I. L. D., addressed a cablegram to President Gomez demanding freedom of Villar and his fellow unionists and the curbing of the power of Batista.

VIGIL AT MINE PIT FOR TRAPPED MEN



Friends and relatives grouped about the pit-head of the Esry coal mine in Moberly, Mo., while rescue crews frantically sought to save four men 100 feet below the surface. After seventy-two hours in gas-filled chambers, only two of the men, J. W. McCann and Demmer Sexton, were alive when reached.

Mayor Questioned On Leeds' Arrest

I. Amter, Communist Candidate for President of Board of Aldermen Holds Mayor Responsible in Effort to Block Collection for Spain

I. Amter, New York State District Organizer of the Communist Party, in a letter addressed to Mayor F. H. LaGuardia, calls on him to denounce a summons issued to David Leeds, treasurer of the New York State Committee of the Communist Party at the Madison Square Garden meeting where more than \$5,000 was raised for Labor's Red Cross for Spain.

The case against Leeds came up before Magistrate Curran Aug. 21, and was adjourned on the motion of Leeds' attorney, Louis Fleischer, International Labor Defense lawyer, in order to present witnesses and further evidence.

Harry Levin, who is in charge of the Division of Licenses of the Department of Welfare, is attempting to get a jail sentence and \$500 fine meted out to Leeds, the first attempt of this kind ever made by the Department of Public Welfare, to enforce this obsolete ordinance.

Amter urged that workers pack the West Fifty-fourth Street court at 10 A. M. Wednesday, when the case comes before Magistrate Curran.

The full text of Amter's letter to the mayor follows:

"In order to prevent the American people from collecting funds for the support of the Spanish Government in its struggle against fascism, Harry Levin, in charge of the Division of Licenses of the Department of Public Welfare, has preferred against the treasurer of the New York State Committee of the Communist Party, David Leeds, the charge of 'soliciting donations without permit, for refugees from the Communist Party of Spain."

"Obviously, Mr. Levin is trying to confuse the issue. There are no 'refugees from the Communist Party of Spain.' This is an absurdity, since, instead of the Communists being 'refugees,' they are in the front line of battle, and are sacrificing their lives in defense of the Republic of Spain, in the struggle for democracy against fascism.

"However, the Communist Party wishes to raise the question as to the purpose of this ordinance. Its original aim, clearly, is to prevent unscrupulous persons from collecting funds on particular issues and appropriating the funds for themselves. Organizations soliciting funds in this city have not been prevented from such solicitations, provided they were established institutions.

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12th A.D. News Holds Contest For New Name

Communist' Campaign Paper Battles for District Issues

Communist leaders in the Twelfth Assembly District, New York, continuing the work which has won them a wide following in the neighborhood, are conducting a prize contest among readers of their campaign newspaper, to re-name the publication.

Now called the Twelfth A. D. News, five dollars will be awarded for the best name submitted for the four-page newspaper. Replete with election news of immediate interest to the voters of the district, the leading story of the first issue pledges the local Communist group to fight for playgrounds in the neighborhood, to save other children from the same fate that took the life of five-year-old Bobbie Chiarini who fell to his death from the fire escape where he was confined.

Danny Lerner, another neighborhood youngster forced to play on the streets through lack of play areas, was seriously injured by an automobile. "The bankers and landlords who object to spending money to provide playgrounds for our children are directly responsible for the constant menace hanging over our children," Chapman T. Smith charges in the report on these accidents.

The fight of Mark Baum, Communist candidate for state senator, against the politicians in control of William Randolph Hearst, is the people's fight against reaction, the Twelfth A. D. News points out. Baum's opponent in the race is the notorious "witch-hunting" McNaboe, responsible for introduction and passage of the infamous McNaboe bill to squander \$15,000 on an investigation of alleged "red" activities in the public schools of the state.

"An Aid to Fascists

"Is it not clear, Mr. Mayor, that an act of this kind is playing directly into the hands of the most outspoken fascists in the United States, i. e., William Randolph Hearst, who, together with the Liberty League and other ultra-reactionary forces in the United States, are openly espousing the cause of Spanish fascism, as well as of fascism in Germany and Italy, and are doing everything in their power to introduce a similar system in the United States?"

"Mr. Levin was one of our energetic campaigners in the Mayoralty elections of 1934. Are we to assume, therefore, Mr. Mayor, that you adopt the position of Mr. Levin? If not, we ask you to immediately take steps to have the charges withdrawn and also publicly to state your position on the whole matter."

"In conclusion, Mr. Mayor, we wish to ask whether it is not true that several months ago, at Madison Square Garden, you addressed a meeting called by the Italian Red Cross? At that time, an inquiry made of the International Red Cross brought forth the reply that a request for funds had not come from the Italian Red Cross. Perhaps we might also inquire as to whether a permit was issued for this meeting to collect funds."

"Bankers Block Co-Ops

"TIMMINS, Ont., Aug. 23.—Facing the rapid spread of cooperative ideas the banker- and profiteer-controlled school board has denied the use of its high school auditoriums at Timmins and Tisdale to the local cooperative society for its 5th anniversary celebration. All other local organizations constantly make use of the auditoriums.

"Food Prices Soar

"WASHINGTON (AP).—Wholesale prices of farm products and foods reached the highest point since November, 1930, the Department of Labor reports, when on August 8, 1936 the cumulative index stood at 81.1 per cent of the 1926 average. The price rise was attributed to the drought. Fruits and vegetables went up 4.8 per cent while grains leaped 10.7 per cent.

Socialist Party Asked to Spike Trotskyist Lies

Communist Candidate In 6th A. D. Reveals Speaker's Trickery

Charging that Trotskyites newly affiliated with the Socialist Party were spreading reports through his district that the Communist Party was extending covert support to President Roosevelt, Rubin Shulman, Communist candidate for assembly in the Sixth A. D. urged the Socialist City Committee in a letter today to spike such lies at once.

Specifically, Shulman charged that during a recent Socialist meeting at the southwest corner of Rivington and Clinton Streets, a Trotskyite speaker claimed that Roosevelt emblems were being displayed in the Communist district headquarters on the second floor at 44 Avenue C. When one of the audience protested that these pictures were hung in the headquarters of the Slovak Democratic Club, which is on the first floor at the same address, the Trotskyite replied that fake united front organizations were being formed by the Communists to gain support for Roosevelt.

Warning against the use of such "irresponsible and lying statements" by Socialist Party speakers, Shulman requested that a public statement be made by their City Committee which would make clear whether or not such tactics were officially supported.

In sending the letter Shulman made clear that he wished to save the Socialist Party from serious trouble in the future. "In the light of recent developments in the Soviet Union, where advocates of Trotsky have resorted to murder, in connivance with fascists, and a planned campaign of terrorism, the value of the Socialist Party's new allies seems extremely doubtful," said Shulman.

"It is to be hoped that exposure to Trotskyist tactics and doctrines will act as an anti-toxin on the Socialist Party, making them forever immune to such a disease.

"But they should be fully aware of the strength of the venom they have taken into their veins and be prepared to combat it," he concluded.

Non-Partisans Call Labor Day Mass Rallies

Washington, Aug. 23.—Organization of Labor Day political rallies in every State of the Union has been undertaken by Labor's Non-Partisan League.

Major George L. Berry, the League's chairman, in making the plan public, said, "I look for the greatest political spectacle of our time and I feel confident we shall not be disappointed."

State chairmen of the League have been advised from national headquarters to proceed with arrangements for central rallies in each State to be supplemented by smaller gatherings in various localities.

Each meeting will be offered a strong resolution in support of the re-election of President Roosevelt.

Questioned as to whether any progress has been made in carrying through his previously announced intention to contact farm organizations, Major Berry replied that this has been limited to the establishment of friendly relations.

As to definite commitment to a Labor Party, he explained that the League "never indicated any intention to form a labor party."

Berry scoffed at Republican efforts to use the dispute between the Committee for Industrial Organization and the Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor, to win the craft unions for London.

He again repeated that 95 per cent of representative labor leaders, most of them from craft unions, had united against London. Many locals of the Carpenters Brotherhood, whose president, William Hutcheson, has sought actively to divide labor politically along industrial and craft union lines, have endorsed Roosevelt, according to Berry.

Two Killed in Crash At Grade Crossing

NEWARK, N. J., Aug. 23 (UP).—Fog today caused Harry Richman, the singer, and his pilot, Dick Merrill, to postpone a test flight in their plane in which they hope to fly across the North Atlantic. They had intended to fly to Newfoundland on a test cruise.

Merrill said that the two intended to start the flight to London Wednesday morning. Merrill planned to test the plane later today.

Fog Postpones Trial For Trans-Ocean Hop

William A. Coles, 50, and his wife, were killed yesterday when their automobile was struck by a Long Island Railroad excursion train at Southold, L. I. The crash is not protected by signal lights or gates.

Coles was a real estate agent at Southold. The bodies of the couple and that of their dog were hurled sixty feet from the car, which was dragged a mile by the train.

PARIS WAR PREVIEW



These residents of Paris are spending four hours in a bomb-proof cellar designed to protect civilians from possible air raids. In case of war, there would be no place like home for getting killed!

Browder to Discuss Fascist War Plots At Brooklyn Rally

Communist Standard-Bearer Will Detail Role of Fascist Powers in Spain at Coney Island Velodrome Meeting Thursday

The imminent threat of Fascist intervention in Spain, and the position of the American Communist Party, in relation to world events, will be dealt with by Earl Browder, Communist Party presidential candidate, when he speaks at the Coney Island Velodrome Thursday night.

The devoted swinging of the international pendulum on world events will receive the attention of the Communist Party nominee. The role of Great Britain, the Popular Front in France, Nazi and Italian fascist intrigues, will be brought into light in an analysis of the present world situation.

Peter Cacchione, chairman of the Kings County Division of the Communist Party, said yesterday that full plans are being made by the Arrangements Committee in charge of the open-air Velodrome meeting, to provide for an overflow crowd.

Joe Roberts, in charge of entertainment arrangements, announced that a mass chorus of 250 voices, in addition to an eighty-piece International Workers Order band, will be on hand to provide musical entertainment.

One thousand ushers in uniform, Roberts said, will have charge of the seating in the open-air bowl, which accommodates 16,000. The largest gathering ever witnessed in the Borough of Brooklyn, when the Communist Party standard bearer returns from his transcontinental tour, is expected.

The rally is under the joint auspices of the Kings County Committee and the International Workers Order.

The Coney Island Velodrome is located at the corner of Twelfth Street and Surf Avenue and can be reached by the B.M.T. subway, by getting off at Coney Island Station.

General admissions are 25 and 35 cents. Reserved tickets are 49 cents and are procurable at all Workers Bookshops, including the House of Knowledge located on the Boardwalk at Brighton and Sixth Streets.

Air Bureau Asks Costa To Defer Hop

ROOSEVELT FIELD, L. I., N. Y., Aug. 23 (UP).—Joseph Costa was informed by the United States Bureau of Air Commerce yesterday that he should postpone his proposed trans-Atlantic flight to Lisbon, Portugal, until the European situation becomes more settled.

Costa received a letter from J. Carroll Cone, assistant director of regulations of the Bureau, notifying him that the State Department was opposed to such a flight at this time. The letter said in part:

"In view of the fact that the United States does not have reciprocal air navigation arrangements with Portugal it will be necessary for the bureau to request permission through the State Department for you to fly over and land in that country. This matter was taken up informally with the State Department and they advise in view of the unsettled condition of European affairs in the immediate vicinity of Portugal. They do not deem it advisable at this time to request such permission and therefore suggest that the flight be deferred to some later date."

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Coney Drink Tests Show Sea Is Purer

Dishwashing Ordinance Found Violated—Poor Refrigeration

The average soft drink sold along Coney Island's boardwalk contains more bacteria than the sewage-contaminated sea water used by bathers, according to laboratory tests made by Consumers Union of United States, Inc., in New York City.

Twenty-two samples of ice-creams and drinks were tested. Eleven had more than 50,000 bacteria per cubic centimeter, which is the maximum tolerance for Grade B milk under a city ordinance. The high score was for a malted milk with 3,000,000 bacteria; next high was a frozen custard, with 1,100,000. Still more significant was the discovery of B. coli (bacteria from the intestine) in ten of the samples. These included root beer, milk, two kinds of frozen custard, popsicle, malted milk, ice cream cup, sherbet, and chocolate and vanilla ice cream roll.

"In fairness to the manufacturers of these products," says an article in the current issue of Consumers Union Reports, published today, "it must be noted that contamination may have occurred after the products left the factory. Methods of handling foodstuffs at the beach are in general not up to the sanitation standard that a Park Avenue metron would require for the feeding of her second-best Pekingese."

"It may even be said that some of the dispensers go out of their way to collect bacteria for the customer—for example, the technician wrote in the report on an ice cream roll: 'Salesman removed ice cream from wrapper by hand rather than by attached tabs made for this purpose.'"

The sample of sea water also showed the presence of B. coli, but the bacteria count was only 8,000 per cubic centimeter.

Although a municipal ordinance requires restaurant owners and soft drink sellers to scald dishes in boiling water for two minutes, the Consumers Union investigators found that this rule was almost entirely disregarded. Cold or lukewarm water was used in most places visited. One customer merely held the glasses by the bottoms, twirling the rim in two waters for a few seconds—without wetting his hands or washing the inside of the glass.

May Not Be Harmful
The magazine points out that high bacteria counts do not necessarily mean that food is unclean or harmful.

"The only certain conclusion," the article says, "is that methods of handling (such as refrigeration) are not good enough to check spoilage. The risk is that conditions which favor the growth of harmless bacteria also speed multiplication of harmful germs that may be present."

Samples for analysis were bought last July 15, put in sterile containers and taken at once to a laboratory for testing by chemists of the Consumers Union staff.

"Certainly," the article concludes, "none should be denied the thrill of eating a baked waffle with cream cheese, pineapple tidbit, and grape jelly inside—all for a nickel, and the hand that takes your nickel handles the waffle for the next customer. But most of us would enjoy the waffle not one whit less if it were clean as well as exciting. It ought to be possible to get that kind of waffle—even at Coney Island."

Theatre School Session Tuesday

New Theatre School, which has been attracting widespread attention in the world of the theatre as the first school for the training of active people already in drama groups, will conclude its summer session on Aug. 29. It had a record of more than 600 pupils in attendance at the classes at its headquarters at West Forty-fifth Street, within the space of a year, with young men and women from all over the country who have been acting, directing, designing for, and managing theatre groups.

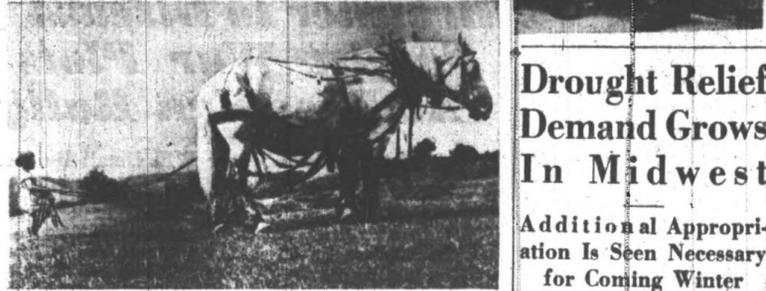
The school's fall term will be open early in October, with more than thirty instructors, and classes which include not only the study of acting, directing, scenic design, and theatre management, but radio work, children's theatres, music in the theatre, voice and body work. Among its instructors have been numbered such outstanding men and women of the theatre as Lee Strasberg, director of the Group Theatre, Philip Barber, head of the New York Federal Theatre Project, John Gassner, of the Theatre Guild, Virgil Geddes, the playwright, Tamara Daykharanova, formerly with the Moscow Art Theatre, and Sylvia, scenic designer of the hit of two seasons ago, "Stevedore," and other plays, and Margaret Larkin, of the Theatre Union.

Hearst Can't Win
Hearst's Chicago Herald & Examiner and Hearst's New York American were the only two dailies in those cities to show less advertising in July than a year ago, according to Media Records, lineage authority.

WHAT'S ON

Coming
SIXTEEN THOUSAND people will hear Earl Browder, Communist Party Presidential candidate, speak at huge open air campaign rally, at the Coney Island Velodrome, on Aug. 27, 8:30 P.M. West 12th St. and Surf Ave. Coney Island Station. Musical program and music. Reserved tickets at all bookshops. Remember the date—Thursday, Aug. 27.
3-DAY BAZAAR and Festival Sept. 16 to 18 at St. Nicholas Palace, 66 W. 66th St. Organizational talks and J. W. O. Branches seek greetings to Bowever Journal, 25 E. 12th St., Room 206, Aug. 28, 10 P.M.

TOO LATE FOR RAIN IN THE DAKOTAS



(Top left) Drought-impooverished Dakota farmers work on a WPA water conservation project. (Top right) It's a fixed habit—while they wait for government aid, these ruined farmers still watch for the rain that never came. (Below) Junior has learned to handle a team early in life, but there's nothing left to till.

Government Sees Smallest Corn Crop in 50 Years

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—The smallest corn crop in more than fifty years is in prospect for the United States, according to the U. S. Government Crop Reporting Board.

This year's corn crop will only be approximately 56 per cent of normal, according to the Board's estimate, while Spring wheat production will be 32.8 per cent of normal. The corn crop will approximate 1,439,135,000 bushels while Spring wheat will be 113,648,000 bushels.

What this curtailed production will mean to American farmers and consumers is clearly implied in the government's report. Meat prices will drop in the near future due to the necessity for marketing large numbers of grain-consuming animals. The small corn crop raises the price of feed beyond the point, at which farmers can profit from the sale of meat-producing animals. On the other hand, wheat prices will skyrocket, producing large profits for those farmers fortunate to have any wheat, while those whose wheat was burned by blistering suns and hot winds will be forced to pay high prices for bread.

In the meantime, the majority of farmers will be left absolutely destitute. With no income this Fall from Spring crops and no income possible until well into the Summer of next year, most of them will have nothing with which to pay interest on mortgages, let alone buy food and clothing for themselves, their families and the necessary animals.

Employers Settling Rapidly In Upholsterers' Union Strikes

Both locals of the upholsterers' union conducting an organization campaign and a series of strikes, reported important victories yesterday. The locals are Bedding Local 140 and Woodworkers' Local 76-B.

Local 76-B is engaged in general strike throughout the city. Yesterday it reported the following shops signed: Standbuilt Parlor Frame Company, Monroe Chair Company, Willow Parlor Frame Company and Brockton Furniture Company.

More employers applied for settlements both of the Parlor Frame, Breakfast Sets and Modern Furniture Shops.

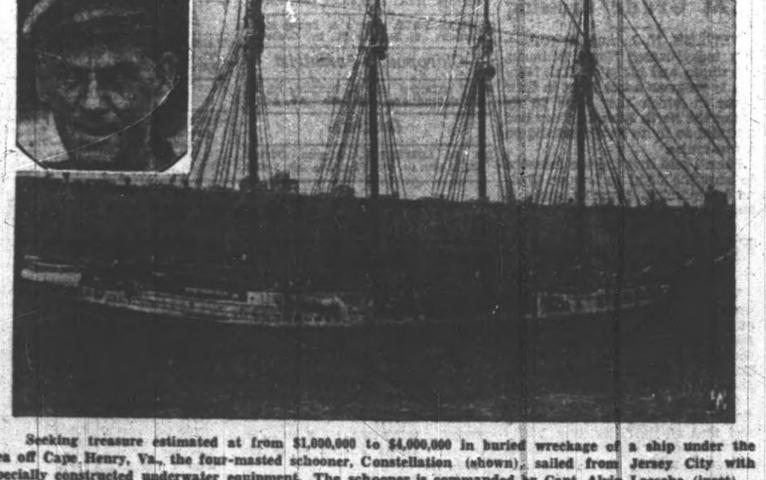
The workers of Crescent Table Company, Lustig Brothers, and Beacon Furniture, joined the General Strike yesterday.

The union is mobilizing all strikers to picket the furniture stores today. The bosses of both the Parlor Frame and Breakfast Sets Trades, attempted to organize associations. The strikers failed as the manufacturers are breaking away and are settling up individually.

35 Signed Up
Bedding Local 140 of the Upholsterers International Union has signed up thirty-five manufacturers within the last few days, it announced yesterday. Officials said that the rest of the union shops are following the line of the newly-formed Union Mattress Manufacturers Association with the union.

In all these contracts, the workers gain wage increases varying from five to thirty per cent, depending on how low the wages were before the contract.

OFF TO SEARCH FOR OCEAN TREASURE



Seeking treasure estimated at from \$1,000,000 to \$4,000,000 in buried wreckage of a ship under the sea off Cape Henry, Va., the four-masted schooner, Constellation (shown), sailed from Jersey City with specially constructed underwater equipment. The schooner is commanded by Capt. Alvin Loesch (inset).

Peace Groups Plan Greeting For Japanese

Cadets and Seamen of Training Ships to Be Welcomed

When two Japanese training ships, the Yakumo and the Wate, dock at New York tomorrow, they will be greeted by a novel sort of welcoming committee—one representing various American peace forces, and calling upon the Japanese cadets and seamen to cooperate with the American people for international peace and friendship.

The committee, led by representatives of the American League Against War and Fascism, the American Friends of the Chinese People, the Japanese Peace Society, and the Bronx and Brooklyn divisions of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, will greet the cadets and seamen of the two ships "in the name of international peace and friendship."

The committee denounces the "untruths and misinformation about the Japanese people" spread by Hearst and his kind. Trying to instill in the minds of the American people the idea that the Japanese are an unfriendly and warlike race, they hope to make Americans suspicious about all Japanese.

"The Japanese are a friendly and peaceful people," asserts the committee. "They disapprove of the immense war budgets their militarists impose upon them, as was proven in the last general election. They, together with the millions of peace-loving people throughout the world, understand that the Japanese invasion of China threatens world peace."

The committee declares its opposition to the war plans not only of Japanese militarism, but also of those of American militarism. It is for "increasing and strengthening our friendly and peaceful relationship with the Japanese people, which would be an aid to world peace."

A statement embodying these principles will be distributed to the cadets and seamen at their arrival. Anti-fascists and lovers of peace are urged to take part in this gesture of friendship for the Japanese people tomorrow.

Actors Get Cue From Children At W.P.A. Play

The WPA Federal Children's Theatre has the unique distinction of being the only commercial children's theatre in New York City. The audience is made up almost exclusively of youngsters, lively, demanding kids who insist upon seeing what they want on the stage.

A case in point is the story of "The Emperor's New Clothes" now playing at the Adelphi, in which the children literally rewrote one scene of the play.

The most exciting scene in this charming fantasy, and the one at which educators, psychologists and those who follow the theatre have marvelled unceasingly, is the one in which the two heroes, Zar and Zan, search for a street sign. As they look for it, bedlam breaks loose in the audience. The children rise from their seats, point to the sign, urge, scream, yell "dope" at the actors, and after several minutes, when the sign is discovered, relax in their seats with a sign of satisfaction.

Originally, it was only a quiet little scene, in which Zar and Zan quietly searched for the sign and failed to find it. The kids then became very restless. A few of the bolder children down front would timidly call out: "There it is—over there."

The actors were nonplussed. They missed their cues and tried to quiet the kids without breaking the continuity of the story. One day, a bold realistic youngster jumped on the stage, grabbed Zar by the arm, led him to the sign, while exclaiming in disgust: "There, it is, you dope."

The energetic youngster almost stopped the show. After the performance, the staff held a conference. It was decided that as originally written, the children were left with a sense of frustration. Therefore the act was changed to allow the audience to take actual part in the play, and the kids have loved the show ever since.

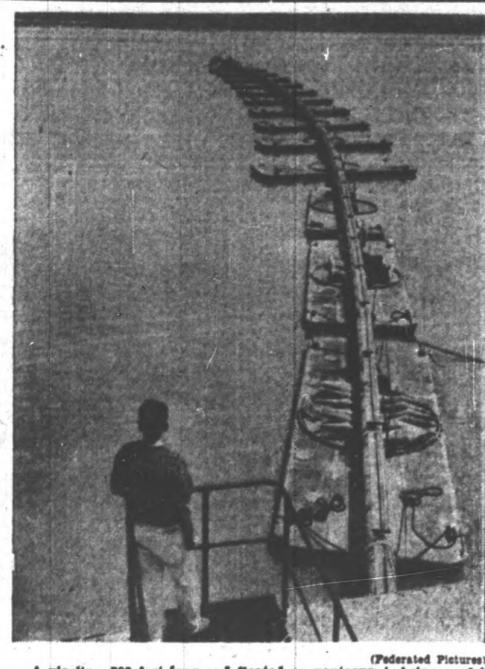
Bronx Boys' Club To Hold Exhibition

The Community Boys' Club of School Districts 19 and 20, the Bronx, will hold its third annual outdoor Arts and Crafts exhibit, beginning today along the fences of the Morrisania Democratic Club. This year, in addition to excellent water colors and prize winning sculpture, there will be exhibited work from the aviation group and girls' crafts.

During the course of the summer, the Community Boys' Club has averaged an attendance of 399 children a day. Activities that were added to the program were block printing, short story, reading for girls and girls' swimming.

Gotten for a Song
ALPINE, Tex., Aug. 23 (FP).—A new high in Texas mortgage foreclosure sales was attained at Alpine, where the Aetna Life Insurance Co. got possession of a 244,895-acre ranch for a quarter of a million dollars.

DREDGING OLD MAN RIVER



A pipeline, 798 feet long and floated on pontoons, is being used by government engineers near St. Louis to keep open the 300-foot channel of the Mississippi River as the depth of the river waters continues to decline. Some 1,500 cubic feet of sand are scooped up every hour.

Technicians Court Ruling Ask Somervell To Halt Firings Is Protested

Dismissals Held Planned in Parks Department Instead of Raises

Charging that the Parks Department is laying plans for wide-spread dismissals among its technical personnel and that instead of wage increases as announced by WPA Administrator Somervell, last week they would receive dismissal slips, J. S. Jacoby, general secretary of the New York Chapter of the Federation of Architects, Engineers, Chemists and Technicians, stated today:

"Every abuse developed on WPA takes its most acute forms in the Parks Department. Eighty-five technical men in the design division were offered transfers to other projects at lower rates of pay and threatened with immediate dismissal if they even hesitated about accepting them.

"These men were employed in the design of the swimming pools of which Robert Moses has had so much to say in the press. They have been worked overtime and in many cases Saturdays and Sundays. Their vacations were cancelled, and they were refused time off due them. Last week they were awarded salary increases. Evidently the Parks Department is regarding them by rapid-fire dismissals without notice.

"Our organization does not object to transfers where a project is about to be completed. We are opposed to the procedure now being used by the Parks Department and we will fight to maintain the status of the technical men.

"We are calling upon Colonel Somervell, administrator of WPA, for an explanation."

Theatre League Plans to Publish New Quarterly

The New Theatre League, founders and publishers of New Theatre Magazine, announces a new quarterly publication, "Theatre Workshop" to appear in September. The purpose of the new publication is to provide serious theatre workers, both professional and non-professional, with full-length technical studies on the practice, theory and history of the theatre arts. It will be edited from the viewpoint of the practicing worker.

"Theatre Workshop" is planned as a 96-page book on one subject for each issue. The initial number is devoted entirely to the art of acting. Two feature essays in this number are: "The Work of the Actor," by I. Rappaport of the Vakhtangov Theatre, and "Primary Elements in the Actor's Art," by I. Y. Sudakov. Lee Strasberg, director of the Group Theatre, contributes an editorial to this issue. Its policy will resemble in some respects that of Gordon Craig's "The Mask."

A unique feature of the magazine is the reprinting of valuable theatrical literature which has long been unavailable to theatre workers. This issue contains two such articles: a chapter from the out-of-print book, "Actors and the Art of Acting," by George Henry Lewes, and an article by Salvini, famous 19th Century Italian actor.

Mark Marvin, national secretary of the New Theatre League, is editor of the new magazine.

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Greeks Protest Deportation Of Countrymen

Demand Froudakis Family Be Permitted to Stay in U.S.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Aug. 23.—Protesting against the ordered deportation of George Froudakis and his family, the Greek Committee for the Protection of the Foreign Born has written Frances Perkins, Secretary of Labor of the United States demanding that the deportation order be stayed. The full letter follows:

Protest to Perkins
"We, the Greek Committee for the Protection of the Foreign Born in Cleveland, representing 1,500 citizens of Greek origin in Cleveland, unanimously protest against the deportation of the George Froudakis family. George Froudakis is one of the workers who came to America to find happiness for himself and his family and contributed his share towards the upbuilding of our great country. The four Froudakis children, all born in the United States, as well as their parents had no part in bringing about the general crisis in the United States, yet are to be made to suffer on this account.

"We condemn and demand the procedure of deportation against this family be halted. You, Madam Perkins, will bear the shame of driving this family from the country of their desire; from their home and friends."

Stay Won
A temporary stay has already been won from the Department of Labor. George Froudakis and his wife may remain in the United States until September 15, when they must report to Ellis Island, ready to sail. Vasiliou and Christina Froudakis have until September 18, to remain in the country.

The family is being defended by Joseph M. Tepperman, attorney retained by the American Committee for the Protection of Foreign Born. Tepperman is attempting to secure a re-hearing of the case.

Labor Heroes Are Honored At Ceremony

Twenty-five delegates of various organizations gathered in Mount Olive Cemetery Saturday to unveil the tombstones of three martyrs of the working-class of New York City—Steve Katovis, Gonzalo Gonzales, Alfred Levy, who were murdered by the police in 1930 while participating in the struggles of the working class.

The unveiling of the monument was timed with the commemoration of the legal murder of Sacco and Vanzetti, who were executed on Aug. 22, 1927. Speakers at the grave paid tribute to the role of these fighters in the struggle of the working class and called for the building of powerful organizations of the International Labor Defense. The graves were beautifully decorated with floral pieces from the State Office of the International Labor Defense, the Gene Debs and Alfred Levy branches of the International Labor Defense, the Communist Party, the Food Clerks Branch 716, International Workers Order and the Women's Council.

The pilgrimage was organized by the State Executive Committee of the International Labor Defense with the cooperation of the above named organizations.

Liberty League Game
WASHINGTON, Aug. 23 (FP).—Colonial Stationery, Inc., of Boston, Mass., has filed suit against the American Liberty League for \$106, the amount allegedly due the concern for merchandise. Included in the bill was a charge for two games of "Monopoly" at \$1.85 each.

Painters Local 51 Votes Against Suspension Of C. I. O. Unions

By a vote of the members of Local 51, of the Painters, Paperhangers and Decorators union, the delegate of that local was instructed to vote against the expulsion of the C. I. O. unions at the next convention of the New York State Federation of Labor, it was reported yesterday.

The local union is affiliated with District Council 9.

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Browder to Speak at Chicago Labor Press Picnic Sunday

Mother Bloor Touring West In Campaign

Minor Scheduled for Talks in Duluth and St. Paul

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 23.—Chicago people are anxiously awaiting the only appearance of Earl Browder, Communist presidential candidate, here Sunday, August 30, when he will speak at Riverview Park, Roscoe and Western Avenues, in the Grove.

The same evening Browder will broadcast a short talk over station WBBM from 10:30 to 10:45 P. M. The Communist leader's scheduled appearance will take place at an all day Labor Press picnic in Riverview Park, in the interest of the Communist Party Election Campaign Committee, whose local offices are 208 No. Wells Street, Room 201.

"Democracy or Fascism" Browder will speak at the picnic on "Democracy or Fascism." Other features on the program include a speech by Frank Mucci, Communist Alderman from Southern Illinois, a performance by the Chicago Repertory Group, a baseball tournament and games, and the awarding of prizes to the best signature collectors in the drive to place the Communist Party on the ballot in this state. There will also be dancing and other attractions. Admission to the picnic is thirty cents.

Minor Bloor in West
SANTA FE, New Mexico, Aug. 23.—Ella Reeve "Mother" Bloor, famous Communist leader, will speak here on Friday on the issues in the 1936 election campaign.

"Mother" Bloor is in the midst of a national tour in the interest of Earl Browder and James W. Ford, Communist presidential and vice-presidential candidates of the Communist Party.

Rally in Phoenix
PHOENIX, Ariz., Aug. 23.—A huge Communist election rally will be held here Aug. 30, where Ella Reeve "Mother" Bloor, nationally known labor and farm leader, will be the main speaker.

Minor to Speak in Duluth
DULUTH, Minn., Aug. 23.—Robert Minor, candidate for Governor of New York now touring the country under the auspices of the National Communist Campaign Committee, will speak here at Moose Temple Hall, Tuesday.

Minor will also deliver a short radio address over station WBBM here, on the same day from 7:30 to 7:45 p. m.

Press Club to Hear Browder
WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 23.—For the first time in the history of the National Press Club will hear a Communist speaker, when Earl Browder, Communist presidential candidate, addresses a special luncheon of the club here Wednesday, at 12:30 P. M.

Browder will speak on the issues of the 1936 election campaign, outlining the Communist position on unemployment, relief, fascism, and other major questions.

Ford Speaks in Peoria
PEORIA, Ill., Aug. 23.—James W. Ford, Negro Communist candidate for Vice-President, will be the main speaker at a Communist election rally here tomorrow night.

The meeting will be held under the auspices of the Communist election campaign committee, which is now engaged in a drive to secure signatures to a petition to put the Communist Party on the ballot in this state.

URGE LABOR DAY RALLIES



Labor's Non-Partisan League will call mass meetings in every State on Labor Day. Leaders of the league (left to right), are: George L. Berry, of this Printing Pressmen's Union; Sidney Hillman, of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, and John L. Lewis, of the United Mine Workers.

Farmer-Labor Rally In Detroit Sept. 4

DETROIT, Mich., Aug. 23.—Farmer-Labor campaign workers and supporters were sent a special call today for a rally Sept. 4, 8 P. M., at Danish Brotherhood Hall. "This rally is to set off the spark for a campaign that will surpass any previous labor drive in Detroit," Louise Scott, executive secretary of the Wayne County Farmer-Labor Party said.

The meeting will hear a report on the progress in the county on the formation of campaign squads in wards and congressional districts. A prominent leader from a Farmer-Labor Party in a nearby State will also speak, it was announced.

Meanwhile from other parts of Michigan came reports of growing interest in the Farmer-Labor campaign. The organization is determined not to permit a split in its ranks because of difference on the national ticket. Oakland, Genesee, Washinaw and Ironwood counties, following conventions, arranged to send mass delegations to the Farmer-Labor State convention in Owosso, Sept. 12. In every case the county organizations voted to take no stand on presidential candidates but to keep the farmer and city workers united behind state, congressional and local candidates.

From the standpoint displayed it is doubtful if Lemke followers can still hope to force their presidential candidate on the Farmer-Labor ballot.

Pittsburgh Ratification
PITTSBURGH, Pa., Aug. 23.—Farmer-Labor Party candidates for the tenth and eleventh districts of Allegheny County and in Westmoreland and Beaver County will be ratified at a conference to be held at Rumanian Hall, West Homestead, tonight.

The meeting was called by the Western Pennsylvania Committee for a Farmer-Labor Party to approve a labor platform for Western Pennsylvania. The committee announced that it will confine its efforts to the ratification of the candidates.

Let Freedom Ring To Play in New Haven

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Aug. 23.—With the first night's performance sold out to the International Ladies Garment Workers Union in New Haven, Conn., for the first time in days run of "Let Freedom Ring" Broadway Theatre hit of last season, are well under way in New Haven and Bridgeport.

The one thing I admire these people for is the fact that they realize and believe America is rich and they desire adequate social security. For the Farmer-Labor Party to blind themselves and ignore the forces for whom Coughlin and Lemke speak, namely, Hearst, the American Liberty League and the Republican Party, would be preparation for political suicide.

Program Analyzed
The program adopted has both certain strengths and weaknesses. In examining it we find that while it speaks at some length about unemployment and the responsibility of the government in remedying this situation, there is nothing about hours being shortened or wages increased. Likewise, there is nowhere anything to be found concerning old age pensions or unemployment insurance.

There is not a word about the problems of youth today or the American Youth Bill. Stranger than fiction is the fact that there is absolutely nothing about the tragic conditions of the farmers mentioned and how they are to be remedied.

There is nothing at all about taxation, inflation or banking though there are passages speaking of "organized wealth," "production for profit." A partial statement is made on defense of democratic rights ending, "We must avoid a repetition of the mistakes which have led to Fascism in other countries." On the supreme court it states:

"A correlative issue of immediate importance is the barrier to progress erected by the supreme court in interpreting the constitution. An amendment to make the constitution a permissive instrument granting to congress full power to deal with economic problems is an immediate issue now obscured in this campaign."

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Detroit Labor Asks Nominees Fight Gag Bill

Farmer - Labor Party Urges Federation to Send Delegates Sept. 12

DETROIT, Mich., Aug. 23.—Though still following the old political policy of the American Federation of Labor, the Detroit Federation of Labor struck a note of progress at its regular meeting when, in endorsing candidates for primaries it noted that all endorsement is conditional upon a written pledge to support repeal of the Dunckel-Baldwin anti-labor gag act.

The Dunckel-Baldwin bill passed in the last state legislature, provides a prison sentence of five years to anyone who "advocates the overthrow of the government by force and violence." Delegates forced through the motion after a heated discussion that followed recommendations from President F. X. Martel's conservative political committee among whom there were at least a dozen former legislators who voted for the vicious bill.

By means of a parliamentary trick Martel ruled out an amendment that called for striking out any of those candidates who voted for the bill. Many delegates pointed out that politicians will promise anything to get endorsement.

The bankruptcy of the so-called non-partisan policy was especially vivid when delegate O'Rourke, chairman of the political committee pleaded with the delegates that "if any of these names there would be anyone left for us to endorse."

Another illustration was that in the list of recommendations there was a member of the Black Legion and another was a scab and well known racketeer. Put to great embarrassment Martel consented to withdrawing endorsement of them.

Farmer-Labor Appeal
A letter from the Wayne County Farmer-Labor Party was read before the Federation appealing that the trade union body send delegates to the Owosso State convention of the Farmer-Labor Party on Sept. 12 to assure that supporters of Lemke will not carry his endorsement at the sessions.

The letter was put over to unfinished business. The Martel machine filibustered on trivial issues and then succeeded in adjourning only by the vote, Martel deciding.

Disgust with the Federation's political policy was obvious among many delegates, and the minority on most controversial questions ranged from twenty-three to thirty while the top vote for the Martel forces was forty.

The Federation voted unanimously that a cablegram of support be sent to the Spanish labor unionists and endorsed the move of the conference for protection of civil rights, for a united labor committee to support the Spanish People's Front Government.

Another decision was to send a cable of protest to the Brazilian government for the imprisonment of Carlos Prestes and other anti-Fascists.

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Detroit Station Bans Browder; Party Placed on Ohio Ballot

Buckeye State Campaign in Full Swing as Petition is Accepted

CLEVELAND, Aug. 23.—With its place on the November ballot assured by Secretary of State George S. Myers' acceptance of petitions bearing 22,460 signatures, the Communist Party of Ohio today swung toward full stride in the election campaign.

Andrew R. Onda for governor, Ben Atkins for lieutenant governor and William C. Sandberg for congressman at large are the Communist candidates now launching statewide speaking tours which will include mass rallies in all principal cities. Those nominees will also stump for Earl Browder, Communist presidential contestant, and his running mate, James W. Ford, named for the vice-presidency, on the slogan "For a free, progressive, happy and prosperous America."

First to file petitions and candidates in Ohio, the Communist Party stated through Sandberg, its state campaign chairman, "We conformed with every rule, but in doing so we protest the \$115 filing fees that unjustly limit the number of minority candidates."

"We demand revision of present statutes to give minority parties the same electoral rights enjoyed by Democrats and Republicans. Concretely, to have a straight ticket as well as representation on election boards everywhere. We support restricting to equalize city and rural voting strength. It is most important, however, to secure real proportional representation that would admit minorities to legislative bodies. We also demand a universal primary ballot in Ohio."

Non-Partisans Claim Six More Roosevelt States
(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)
WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—Six more states were placed in the Roosevelt column for November, according to reports of State chairmen received here by Major George L. Berry, president of Labor's Non-Partisan League.

The State chairmen reporting were Luigi Antonini of New York, P. T. Fagan of Pennsylvania, Louis Mazel of New Jersey, Daniel T. McDonald of Massachusetts, Frank X. Martel of Michigan and John Owens of Ohio.

The Empire State was claimed as in the bag by Antonini despite "reports" circulated by the opposition that New York State is a doubtful state. Antonini contended that the American Labor Party of that State is organizing "with an enthusiasm that is bound to carry everything before them."

"Labor here regards Landon as a positive menace. We oppose Landon for his own record and lack of record and also for the company he keeps," reported Martel from Michigan.

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CAMPAIGN CALENDAR

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EARL BROWDER:
Aug. 26—Washington, D. C. National Press Club Luncheon, 12:30 p.m.
Aug. 27—Brooklyn, N. Y. Coney Island Velodrome.

Aug. 28—National Broadcast, NBC network, 10:15 p.m. (Eastern Daylight Time).

Aug. 30—Chicago, Riverview Park Auditorium. Broadcast: Station WBBM; 10:30 p.m.

JAMES W. FORD:
Aug. 25—Peoria, Ill.
Aug. 26—Toledo, Ohio—Main Auditorium, Roi Davis Building—15-Minute Broadcast.

Aug. 28—Cleveland, Ohio.
Aug. 29—Lackawanna, N. Y.—2 p.m.
Aug. 29—Buffalo, N. Y.—Eagles Hall.
Aug. 30—Rochester, N. Y.—Convention Hall, 3 p.m.

MOTHER BLOOR:
Aug. 28—Santa Fe, N. M.
Aug. 30—Phoenix, Ariz.

ROBERT MINOR:
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Bus Line Tries To Frame Up Akron Strikers

Police Unleash Attack on Picket Cars as Scab Coaches Leave

AKRON, Ohio, Aug. 23.—Kidnapping, frameup and police attack were unleashed upon striking bus drivers here and sympathizing taxi-cab men today when the latter blocked departure of five scab-cooperated busses of the Greyhound lines and a Detroit-Pittsburgh coach was allegedly headed off its route.

After club-swinging cops forced removal of city busses and cabs used to picket the local depot, scab coaches were reported to have broken through to Pittsburgh where the strike has proceeded several days. In Akron fifteen drivers are out in the struggle for union recognition.

Superintendent Lewis Zeno here declared charges will be made in Cleveland Federal court that occupants and the driver of the ascertained "detoured" bus were kidnaped by four strikers.

Blanton Loses Texas Primary

ABILENE, Texas, Aug. 23 (UP).—The 22-year turbulent political career of Thomas L. Blanton of Texas in the House of Representatives during which he became known as the "watchdog of the treasury" was ended today.

He conceded defeat when tabulations of the Texas election bureau showed that in his Democratic primary contest in Seventeenth Texas Congressional District Judge Clyde Garrett of Eastland, Tex. had 28,309 votes to Blanton's 15,649.

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A Letter from Atlanta, Ga.

By JIM HAWKINS

(Investigators for the LaFollette sub-committee, piecing together torn-up letters from the wastebasket of the Atlanta office of the Railway Audit and Inspection Company, one of the largest strikebreaking and labor spy agencies in the country, found instructions to "get" certain labor leaders "out of the way." That instructions of this kind are deadly serious is proved once again by this letter from Atlanta.)

It appears that the reaction in the State of Georgia is beginning to realize that the insurrection law can no longer serve its purpose of keeping the working class apart, so they swung to the well-known barbaric methods of organized terror against individual workers who are active in organizing labor into the Trade Unions.

Those were the words of a worker whom I recently met in Atlanta, Ga.

They came after me, he said, about nine o'clock at night on July 27. It was out.

A big car drove up with five men in it. Three remained in the car and two came up on my front porch.

I have a neighbor on the left side of the house. That lady, neighbor of mine and her son, a boy about fourteen, happened to be sitting on the porch at that time.

They asked my neighbor does a man by this name live here, calling me by my name. She said, "Yes, next door."

Then they walked up to my door. It was late. I had told my wife when I left to keep it locked ever since they so brutally attacked Walter Washburn and his help on the farm. I had an idea that this terror is well organized and directed against any worker who has a record as being active in the labor movement.

They did not knock on the door but shook it, and so my wife came to the door and asked them what they wanted. She did not open the door.

"We want to see your husband. You are his wife, aren't you?"

"Well," she says, "you can't see him because he is not at home." They insisted upon her to tell them where I am and that they have some important business to talk over with me.

"I happen to know my husband's business and I am quite sure that he did not expect to see anyone, especially at this late hour at night," she told them.

Someone walked off of our porch just as they drove up, so after they learned that I was not at home, they had an idea that it was I who walked away, so they insisted that my wife tell them if that was I who just walked off. She did not answer that but walked away and left them at the door.

Peeping through the window she could see them. They hung around a while and drove off. After they drove off my neighbor called my wife and said to her, "Who were those people, they acted funny?"

A KID of mine met me on the way and informed me about it, and that night I entered my house the best way I could.

I was very careful the next day as I was sure they were coming back, so I was prepared for them. I told my wife that I was determined to face them.

I was sitting in the chair reading my daily paper. I was prepared for any emergency. This time they drove up a little earlier. It was about eight o'clock.

As a car drove up I raised my window shade slightly so I could see them. Again five men were in the car; two stepped out, three remained inside. Those two walked up on my front porch.

I'll admit I was frightened a little. I was fully aware that the outcome would be pretty rough if they made an attempt to force the door open.

As they knocked on the door I stood up, ready for them. I felt courageous because I hadn't committed a crime of any kind. I was in my own home; within my right to defend myself.

I STEPPED to the door with my newspaper in my hand. Through the glass I looked at them and they looked at me. They called my name and asked me if I am the one.

"Yes," I said, "that is my name."

"Open the door, we want to talk to you."

"Talk to me about what?" was my answer.

The tune of my reply indicated to them that I was fully aware of their motive.

"Open the door," they continued. "We can't hear you."

"I could hear you pretty well," I answered, and I said, "let me tell you boys, all the talking you are going to do with me tonight will be from behind this door. I don't know you and have no transaction of any kind with you that I know of, so the quicker you leave this door, the better it will be for you."

I left them at the door, moving a little on the side whereby I had the upper hand on seeing them. They finally went back to the car where their companions were. They hung around the car about five minutes, the two men still on the outside of the car. I watched for further development. They finally got in the car and drove off.

Since then they have tried to call me on the telephone at home and at the place where I work, leaving messages but no name.

THE speaker hesitated a while as if deciding whether to say anything else to me or not, because after all I am just an outsider who could only listen to him but suggest nothing. Then he said:

"You see, pal, it is just like this: They may get me yet; they may kidnap me off of the street when I am not expecting them. But you see Georgia is my home. I came here twenty-some-odd years ago just a boy in the early twenties. I married here, raised a family here, contributed my share as a citizen of this State, paid my taxes, served on the jury, therefore I feel I am a citizen of the State of Georgia."

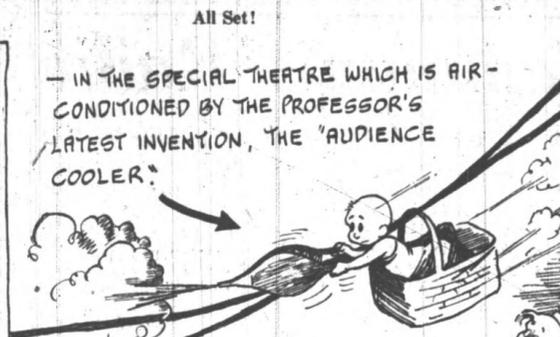
"I have a right to my affiliation with the laboring movement as a worker. The State of Georgia is no exception to the rule; it has its working problems, and as a worker my place is with them, and their problems are my problems."

"I feel that the City of Atlanta owes me protection, although I did not apply for any police protection so far. I did inform my neighbors. I told them of the visit by this gang and the motive behind it. I asked them to come to my aid whenever I call."

"I expect the workers of Georgia to defend me, and I am going to stay in Georgia."

LITTLE LEFTY

All Set!
THE PRIZE-WINNING PLAY HAS BEEN SELECTED, AND LEFTY AND HIS FRIENDS ARE READY TO PRESENT IT—



Conquering the Soviet Arctic

By Prof. R. L. Samoilovich
(Head of the 1935 High Latitude Expedition on the Icebreaker Sadko, which sailed from Archangel July 21.)

EARTH! It appears that there is something else besides ice in the world. Denbar (an associate of DeLong) could hardly believe his eyes when he saw an island in the west. . . . Naturally I dropped everything, ran on deck and actually saw a small island, the first land we have sighted in fourteen months.

This reads the entry made in his diary on May 16, 1881, by DeLong, head of the American expedition on board the Jeannette, which was crushed by ice two months later.

The small island was named "Jeannette." A few days later another island, the "Henrietta," was discovered, and while traveling over the ice fields to the Siberian coast after the ship had been wrecked, a third island was found and named "Bennett."

These three were later named the De Long Islands in honor of the head of the expedition, who perished with its eleven members at the mouth of the Lena River.

Another passage entered by De Long in his diary on May 6 reads: "What the significance is of the existence of an isolated, small island on an icy desert, I don't know and I am not interested."

MANY years have passed since that day and now, in the golden age of scientific research activity in the Soviet Arctic we are extremely interested in these islands. We are going there not only to conduct scientific research work, but to build on one of them a wireless-equipped station which will be the most northern in the Asiatic section of the Arctic. A group of our comrades headed by Order-bearer A. I. Mineyev, will remain on the island.

It is obvious that we find Sannikov Land, north of Kotely Island (northwestern island of the New Siberian archipelago), an Arctic station will be erected there, but who can be certain of its existence?

The high latitude expedition on board the ice breaker Sadko, organized by the Northern Sea Route Administration, will, of course, take all measures to find this land, and on our arrival at Kotely Island we will proceed northeast, in which direction this land is believed to lie.

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By MILTON LUBAN
TAKING its cue from Warner Brothers, M-G-M has turned to Shakespeare with results that should be remembered with delight in years to come. Certainly, the production of "Romeo and Juliet" far surpasses any previous attempt to bring the promising movie writer from Avon before the screen public.

Beautifully acted and photographed, "Romeo and Juliet" is presented in a far more exciting manner than is possible on the stage. When there is swordplay in the screen version, there is real swordplay; not the wooden, half-second lumbering usually supplied on the stage. And when there are love scenes, we have a beautiful garden leading added to the background, a lyrical moon is the background for the music of Shakespeare's lines as rendered with full voice by Norma Shearer and Leslie Howard.

And while on the subject of Miss Shearer—just as there has been many a try at Camille, so will there undoubtedly be many another screen try at Juliet in the future. However, it is doubtful if many will equal—certainly none will surpass—Miss Shearer's Juliet. She is warm, girlish, tender, the very Juliet of Shakespeare's pen. And long will she remain at the Astor.

Mr. Howard's Romeo is not quite the Romeo we had hoped for. Unquestionably he is a fine, polished Romeo where fitness and polish are required. But where the raging, battle-seeking Romeo is wanted, there does Mr. Howard's fitness prove a handicap. A bit more of Mercutio's earthiness on Mr. Howard's part might have rounded out the perfect Romeo.

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In addition to Browder, under the plans of the National Campaign Committee, other speakers will also address the radio audience, including James W. Ford, Communist Vice-Presidential candidate, and our beloved Mother Ella Reeve Bloor, who will speak particularly to the women of the country.

The thought of the possibilities involved cannot fail to stir our Party comrades and the Party's sympathizers.

The opportunity is a golden one, that will reap great results IF the Party members and sympathizers

come forward to support these radio programs quickly and generously.

Each broadcast costs approximately \$4,000. That is not a small sum. It means, however, that every dollar contributed enables the Party to reach 10,000 persons with the Party message from its most able spokesmen.

Each Party member and friend of the Party can ask himself and herself: "What am I doing to permit this great opportunity to be used to the full at this crucial time?" They should answer by their immediate and generous contributions to the radio fund. These contributions are to be sent to Grace Hutchins, treasurer, 50 East Thirteenth Street, New York.

On Friday night we all have a fine chance to speed this work. What can be done then?

First, the Party members and sympathizers can have radio parties at their homes, to which they can invite acquaintances and friends, to hear Browder's address. There and then, after the ad-

dress, a collection can be taken up for the radio fund.

Second, in fraternal organizations, cultural and neighborhood societies and trade unions, special meetings can be held or the regular meetings adjourned at the time of the Browder broadcast, with radios arranged in the halls of the organizations, to hear what the Communist candidate has to say. Again, in these instances, collections can and should be part of the program of the evening.

Third, at these parties and meetings, there is a splendid chance, also, to recruit members into the Party. That chance should not be passed by.

In a word, in these and other ways, our friends and comrades can popularize Friday's broadcast, so that the millions of people in the radius of the stations will know about it in advance and tune in when Browder speaks.

Give the Party the means to reach America's millions!

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Vote Communist!

FOR THIS PROGRAM:

1. Put America back to work—provide jobs and a living wage.
2. Provide unemployment insurance, old age pensions, and social security for all.
3. Save the young generation.
4. Free the farmers from debts, unbearable tax burdens and foreclosures. Guarantee the land to those who till the soil.
5. The rich hold the wealth of the country—make the rich pay.
6. Defend and extend democratic and civil liberties. Curb the Supreme Court.
7. Full rights for the Negro people.
8. Keep America out of war by keeping war out of the world.

The fight for these demands will organize and strengthen the people. It will give them deeper political experience and understanding. It will prepare them for the great decisions to come when it will be necessary to move forward to socialism.

A Courageous Protest

THE courageous anti-Nazi demonstrators who boarded the S.S. Bremen Friday and protested against Hitler's intervention threats to the Spanish People's Front, deserve the acclaim of lovers of democracy throughout the world.

Not only did they dramatically expose the Nazi war maneuvers in the Spanish situation—but they brought home to America a lesson on the true nature of the Hitler regime. A score of the protesters were brutally tortured and slugged by Nazi ship officers, within sight of the Statue of Liberty.

A persistent report that one of the young women demonstrators was injured and kidnapped by Bremen officers and is being taken to Germany, must be looked into at once by the State Department. A wireless message to the captain of the Bremen brought no denial to attorneys of the arrested protesters.

If vessels flying the swastika are to be allowed to come to these shores, and brazenly beat and kidnap American citizens opposed to the Hitler murder-regime, the State Department will have to answer to the American people.

Defeat Spanish Fascism

SOME of the most stolid and conservative cabinet members in London are worried over Hitler's latest outbursts. Even the Berlin Boerse, where the Nazi backers gamble on war, went panicky when Hitler sought to extend his aid to the Spanish Fascists by provoking war against the Soviet Union.

Hitler's slogan seems to be: Transform the Spanish Civil War begun by the Fascists into a World War. The only way to stop this grave danger that faces the world is to do everything in our power to help defeat Spanish Fascism. The sooner the agents of Hitler and Mussolini are smashed back in Spain the earlier will the world breathe easier.

The appeal of President Brouckere of the Labor and Socialist International that "To save world peace NOW we must save the Spanish Republic" should arouse every peace-loving person in the world.

In this instance, weeks, days, minutes count. We cannot rest content with our sympathetic and moral support to the embattled Spanish people. They need a help-

ing hand in the blood-soaked front lines against Fascism. That means money, the stoppage of arms to the Fascists, effective demonstrations to impede the Nazi agents in all countries from helping the Spanish Fascists.

Let us not lag in our activities as the battles continue. Each day should see a growth of the movement in the United States in support of the People's Front of Spain.

Landon's Speech

GOVERNOR LANDON'S first important speech on his eastern trip offers an index to the character of the Republican campaign.

His language was more "folksy" than that of the Liberty League and more temperate than the pronouncements of his political godfather, William Randolph Hearst, but its content was the same:

"The American way of life is being challenged" by the New Deal. The choice before the American people is between the foreign methods of dictatorship represented by the New Deal and the liberty and defense of American institutions represented by the Republican Party.

All of which is hogwash. But it is much more than that. The vague phrases and homespun platitudes of Landon are designed to conceal the real issues in this election and the forces contending for mastery.

When Landon speaks of "the American way of life," whatever his personal intentions, he inevitably speaks for the way of life of those who nominated him and who will control his policies if he is elected—the liberty-strangling way of life of the most rabid fascist in the country, Hearst, and of the fascist-minded open-shoppers at the head of the Liberty League.

That is why the Communist Party calls for the defeat of Landon.

And because Roosevelt has failed to put up any effective opposition to the Hearst-Liberty League way of life, but too often has permitted it to have its way, we call on the people to vote Communist in order to strengthen those forces that will build a real barrier against reaction: a Farmer-Labor Party.

FLOYD B. OLSON

IN the death of Governor Floyd B. Olson the progressive forces of the country have suffered a heavy loss.

He was not only the leader of the Minnesota Farmer-Labor Party, but one of the outstanding figures in the movement for a national Farmer-Labor Party.

Whatever Olson's shortcomings in the past—and the Communist Party has not hesitated to criticize them—it is to his eternal credit that in the recent period he understood better than many of his fellow-radicals the urgent need for uniting the progressive forces of the country to combat growing reaction and fascism.

This reflected itself not only in the policies of the Minnesota Farmer-Labor administration, but in the leading role which the Minnesota party assumed under Olson's direction in the movement for a national Farmer-Labor Party.

It was Olson who signed the call for the national Farmer-Labor conference, held in Chicago in July, though he himself was already too ill to attend. And his last efforts, as he lay dying, were devoted to combatting the election of the Hearst-Liberty League candidate, Landon.

In extending condolences to Governor Olson's family, his associates and the entire Minnesota Farmer-Labor Party, the Communist Party believes that the best memorial to Floyd Olson will be the building of that national Farmer-Labor Party that he actively worked for.

Election Terror

Liberty League Forces Try To Stop Signature Lists in Canton, Illinois

(Daily Worker Midwest Bureau)

CANTON, Ill., Aug. 23.—Liberty League-Landon forces in this town have launched a reign of terror against the workers, and have even tried to steal the signature lists on petitions to put the Communist Party on the ballot, in order to blacklist the workers who signed it. The Party workers protected the signature lists, however, and the terrorists did not get them.

Canton is just outside of Peoria, where five workers were arrested early last week and railroaded to jail on "vagrancy" charges because they held a meeting for the unemployed.

The workers in Canton are very much anti-Landon and the Party workers got 100 signatures on the Communist petition in three hours, before the Chief of Police picked them up. He said he arrested them on orders from the American Legion head in the town.

One of the arrested workers reported the arrests as follows: "We started out to get signatures in Canton, Thursday, Aug. 20. Canton is a town of 11,000. It is under strict Republican control and is a company town. The main factory is International Harvester, employing over a thousand men.

"Knowing our rights, we started on the job and found the sentiments of the workers and unemployed very much anti-Landon. We had been on the job three hours and having good results when two of us were picked up by the Chief of Police. The rest of us (5) were rounded up and were told that he, the Chief, didn't know what it was all about, but we were being held for questioning at the request of one Miles Bidwell, self-confessed Legionnaire and Landon supporter, as the signs of his car showed.

"We soon found out that the Chief knew what it was all about. We had brought a sample petition with us; but refused to let him have those with signatures on them. Mr. Bidwell let out the 100 per cent American remark that if he had his way he'd 'kick all the Communists.'" The Chief, Robert Cook, got in touch with the local editor, the District Attorney and local cops to "guard" us.

Every policeman and district official is a Landon man. There is evidently a strong "Legion" too. But the workers in Canton have learned from the experiences of nearby Peoria and are beginning to understand what Landon represents. The Communist platform plank for a 6-hour day, 5-day week, no reduction in total wages and against company unions made a strong appeal to them.

The five Communist workers are going right ahead with the signature collection task, in spite of this Liberty League-Republican terror.

Young Socialists And Communists Unite in Belgium

(Special to the Daily Worker)

BRUSSELS, Aug. 23.—Belgian Young Socialists and Belgian Young Communists held their unification Congress at Louvain ten days ago. Out of this Congress now comes the United Young Socialist Guard, which is now the single, unified group of Belgian Socialist youth.

Leaders of both groups, who have been holding joint meetings here for the past six weeks, expressed themselves as completely satisfied and predicted tremendous growth for the united organization.

Negotiations for unification began about six months ago and have moved steadily forward since then to the point of actual unity. Even before this Congress several of the local groups, such as that here in Brussels, had been amalgamated. Now, local joint meetings are to be held wherever they have not been held so far, for the election of new leaders and committees.

Belgian student unity, accomplished last November, has been strikingly successful and has served as a spur and a pledge to youth unity. Belgium now joins with Spain in the ranks of countries with unified revolutionary youth organizations.

A.F.L. Gains Over Million

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—Membership of the local, national, and international unions affiliated with the American Federation of Labor was 3,547,858 during the month of July, 1936 according to Frank Morrison, secretary-treasurer. This figure represents a gain of 1,421,062 above the average membership of the fiscal year ending August 31, 1933. No breakdown of the figure by unions was made available.

A CLARION CALL

by Gropper



World Front

By HARRY GANNES

U. S. Catholics and Spain Resent Fascist Label Vatican Spokesmen

CATHOLICS everywhere feel uneasy about having their religion identified with Spanish Fascism. Catholic workers, farmers, students, small business men know their co-religionists are being persecuted in Fascist Germany. Therefore, it is not surprising that from the ranks of representative Catholics both in Spain and the United States voices of severe protest are heard against the Vatican's enthusiastic support to the Fascist cause in Spain.

MOST outspoken from among Catholic ranks in the United States is the Catholic weekly review, "The Commonwealth." The editors deplore the fact that a Fascist victory in Spain is looked upon by certain Catholics as a victory for the Catholic church.

"We cannot see any reason for stridently applauding the present rebels," editorializes the Commonwealth. "The lessons of history are too plain for that."

To identify the Catholic church with the elements in Spain leading the Fascist revolt against the duly constituted and lawful government elected by the majority of the people, point out these Catholic spokesmen, is to tie the modern church to the unsavory history of its past.

"A right social order," they say, "cannot be promulgated from on top. The change must start among farmers, in factories. The yeast of an all-leavening justice must work from the bottom of the dough."

WHEN Rev. Father Juan Garcia Morales, a Catholic priest, broadcast over the Madrid radio station appealing to all Catholics to unite in support of the legal and popularly-elected government of Madrid—elected by an overwhelming majority of CATHOLIC voters—he was roundly berated by an authoritative Vatican spokesman.

We believe the recent heated enthusiasm with which certain Vatican spokesmen have embraced Fascist deeds is not only proving disastrous concerning to Catholics but may ultimately put them at the mercy of Fascist oppressors. We do not think the majority of Catholics favored Mussolini's slaughter of Ethiopian men, women and children in order to plant the pirate flag of Fascist rule over those Christian people. Yet Vatican spokesmen blessed Mussolini's war against an innocent and peaceful people. Reports have not been denied, even, that Vatican money went to buy munitions for that war.

NOW the Vatican is identifying itself with Spanish Fascism on the pretext that the Spanish government, chosen by the majority of that Catholic country, is an enemy of the Catholic religion. Attacks on individual churches and church princes in Spain there have been, like the elemental outbursts of the French revolution when the people stormed the lords of the manors and their spiritual protectors. But the Socialist, Communist and Anarcho-Syndicalist organizations have urged the people to refrain from venting their rage against church property or priests. For example, the New York Times correspondent in a cable just published (Sunday Times, Aug. 23, 1936) reporting from San Sebastian, a city in government hands but ferociously besieged by the Fascists, says that the most thoroughly protected edifices are the churches which have not even been scratched. Burning of churches there has been; but primarily as a war measure, where Fascist priests have taken up arms against the people, using the church as a fortress. "The great masses of the Catholic population too are among the defenders of the Republic," writes Jose Hernandez, editor of Mundo Obrero. For it is a base slander to represent the Republican troops as incendiaries and robbers of churches. The real truth is this: In some cases fascist priests barricaded themselves in their churches, which they had made into storehouses for arms, and fired on the population from them.

In the eyes of the majority of Catholics—who are workers, farmers, hard pressed middle class people—certainly Fascism is not identified with their Catholic religion.

Letters From Our Readers

"Ricksha Race" On the Waterfront

Stapleton, N. Y.
Editor, Daily Worker:
I read with pleasure Mr. LaGuardia's refusal to officiate at a proposed ricksha race of students, and take this means of applauding his sentiment regarding human slavery and exploitation.

In view of this expressed feeling, I would like to invite him to visit the New York waterfront and observe some 100 per cent American examples of exploitation. Let us go aboard the S. S. Pennsylvania and see the stewards and cooks, who are compelled to work 18 or 20 hours a day for a pittance (about the price of your honor's luncheon). Let us watch these "human beasts of burden" as they sweat and groan under heavy crates and bags of ship's stores.

Then, having seen the actuality of



"human exploitation," possibly your honor will attach less importance to "symbols" and may feel impelled to assist the seamen in their struggle against such exploitation.

Britain Watches With Anxious Eyes

Brooklyn, N. Y.
Editor, Daily Worker:
Augur, in the N. Y. Times of Aug. 17, manages to get a whole batch of lies into one single sentence: "Yes,

READERS ARE URGED to write to the Daily Worker their opinions, impressions, experiences, whatever they feel will be of general interest.

Suggestions and criticisms are welcome and, whenever possible, are adopted for the improvement of the Daily Worker.

Contributors are asked to give their names and addresses. Except when signatures are authorized, only initials will be printed.

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The "restored prosperity" Augur speaks of lined the pockets of the rich, but what it did for the masses can be garnered from the fact that illiteracy increased from 54.7 per

cent in 1920 to about 60 per cent in 1930, the largest illiteracy figure in Europe.

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Popular Slogan For the Masthead

New York, N. Y.
Editor, Daily Worker:

Why not run a streamer on the front page of the Daily Worker every day, reading: "COMMUNISM



IS TWENTIETH CENTURY AMERICANISM."

I think it will prove effective ammunition against our enemies, the fascists.

SYMPATHIZER.

MAKE THE RICH PAY!

We demand that social and labor legislation shall be financed and the budget balanced by taxation upon the rich. We are opposed to the sales tax in any form, including processing taxes, and call for their immediate repeal. The main source of government finance must be a system of sharply graduated taxation upon incomes of over \$5,000 a year, upon corporate profits and surpluses as well as taxation upon the present tax exempt securities and large gifts and inheritances. People of small income, small property and home owners must be protected against foreclosures and seizures and from burdensome taxes and high interest rates. We are unconditionally opposed to inflationary policies which bring catastrophe and ruin to the workers, farmers and middle classes and enrich the speculators. We favor nationalization of the entire banking system—Section V, 1936 Communist Party Election Platform.