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# DUPONTS ARM HITLER FOR WAR

## Madrid Halts Fascist Offensive at Talavera

10,000 New Volunteers Sought as Arms Reach Capital—Foreign Minister in Interview Says Spain Defends Peace of Europe

MADRID, Sept. 17.—An emergency call was issued today for 10,000 volunteers to start training this afternoon for urgent war service.

Every available man under arms in Madrid was mobilized for immediate service on the Talavera front to stop the greatest threat of the civil war against the Government and Madrid.

Storm Guards, National Republican Guards (the re-named Civil Guards) and workers' militiamen crowded the streets awaiting transport southward. For the fourth day, thousands on thousands of men were thrown into the area as reinforcements.

Enrollment of the 10,000 volunteers was made possible only because, it was understood, the Government has obtained an important supply of arms from an unnamed source.

United Press dispatches from Madrid emphasize strongly the

### Fascists Seize Newsman

PARIS, Sept. 17.—John J. Whitaker, special correspondent of the New York Herald Tribune; O'Dowd Gallagher, correspondent of the London Daily Express; Floyd Gibbons, and Hubert R. Knickerbocker of the Hearst press, are reported held under arrest by the Spanish fascists at Caceres. A number of French newspapermen are also reported under arrest, it appears, for simply having known too much about Nazi airmen and bombers in Caceres.

U. S. Ambassador Claude Bowers is reported as intervening to secure the release of the American correspondents.

importance of the shipment. It is possible that part of the supply, at least, may be that taken to Spain from Mexico in the Steamship Magallanes, or that the arms came from Barcelona—if not from a foreign European country.

Foreign Minister Julio Alvarez del Vayo, preparatory to entraining for Geneva to attend the League of Nations meetings, in an interview made an urgent, eloquent appeal for world support of the Government, as engaged in a life or death fight to preserve not only democratic government in Spain but democracy and peace in Europe.

Fascist Offensive Halted

The outstanding fact at the moment is that the fascist offensive on the Talavera front has been halted—far how long nobody knows.

Storm Guards, National Republican Guards and the little-trained ill-armed workers' militia threw themselves yesterday against veteran Foreign Legionnaires and Moors at Escalona under the protection of an airplane and artillery bombardment.

In a fight which lasted an hour and a half, Escalona was retaken. As a result the Loyalist position in the Santa Oiala sector, vitally

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## Bring Down Fascist Planes

MADRID, Sept. 17 (UPI)—Government militiamen fighting in the Estremadura country in western Spain brought down a foreign airplane at Villanueva de la Serena and captured its foreign pilot, the War Ministry asserted today.

Other sources reported previously that peasants seized a single motorized Italian plane which landed at Villanueva because of motor trouble, and shot dead its pilot who had fled to a nearby house. Documents found on the aviator, these sources said, implied that he was of Italian nationality.

The same sources said that the Fascists had lost four foreign airmen, all aces, of whom three were killed and one made prisoner.

## Disaffection Among Moors Spreading

MADRID, Sept. 17 (UPI)—The newspaper Politica alleged today that disaffection among Moors and foreign legionnaires in Spanish Morocco, held by the Fascists, is spreading despite cruel methods of suppression.

Local authorities, the newspaper said, have asked Gen. Francisco Franco to return from Spain to take charge.

Mass executions of soldiers and peasants at Melilla, Ceuta and Tetuan are taking place.

## USSR LAND OF PEACE, SAYS ARMY HEAD

Would Gladly Disarm, But Will Smash Invader, Says Voroshilov

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Sept. 17.—Complete disarmament was proposed to the whole world by the Soviet Union long ago," recalled Commissar for Defense K. E. Voroshilov, speaking at Kiev today. The U.S.S.R. stands for peace, he declared, but will defend her territory if attacked.

"If the capitalists had agreed to disarm we would have been happy to send our soldiers back to fields and factories, proud though we are of the Red Army," he said.

"Our land is the land of peace, as our people, our government and Stalin have proved time and again by their foreign policy. But standing here on the territory of Soviet Ukraine, I declare again if an enemy attacks any part of our country, we will not only stop him crossing our frontier, but we will fight him on his own land."

## French Textile Workers Win

PARIS, Sept. 17.—Lille textile mill strikers smashed through with sweeping victories today when employers agreed to Government arbitration and at the same time accorded immediate six per cent wage increase.

Settlement was reached at 5:30 this evening after all-day conferences between labor leaders, employers and Government spokesmen. More than 35,000 strikers will return to work tomorrow with the employers' threat to wreck the new labor laws definitely crushed.

The strike was provoked by employers refusing to accept the labor laws won after strikes all over France following the People's Front triumph at the polls last April.

## French Ultimatum To Spain Fascists

(By United Press)

PARIS, Sept. 17.—The government sent an ultimatum to the Spanish fascists today, threatening cessation of commerce between the French and Spanish zones in Morocco unless an immediate payment of 300,000 francs (\$19,800) indemnity is made for the execution of a French citizen at Babel Taza. The time limit will be fixed tonight.

The ultimatum came on the heels of a demand for the indemnity as well as apologies for the execution of the Frenchman, M. Aguiard. By late afternoon there was no indication that the money had been paid or "excuses" offered.

## Coming on Monday—A New Daily Worker

Beginning with the issue of Monday, Sept. 21, the Daily Worker will come off the press at midnight every night. This means the Daily Worker every day will now really be a morning newspaper, containing the late news of the date before.

Until now, as you know, the "Daily" came off the press at 6 P.M. every day with the issue dated the following day.

The change means that beginning next Monday morning, you should be sure to buy your "Daily" from your newsdealer every morning. It will not be on sale early in the evenings as heretofore. To make certain of getting it every day tell your newsdealer to keep a copy for you every day.

Or you can give your order for delivery of the Daily and Sunday Worker to your carrier. You'll get the Daily and Sunday Worker before breakfast at your home. Use the blank on the inside page for your home delivery order.

## PROGRESSIVES FORGE AHEAD IN WISCONSIN

Four Communists Are Nominated As Candidates

(Special to the Daily Worker)

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Sept. 17.—Successes of the Farmer-Labor Progressive Federation in Milwaukee, Kenosha, Racine and Sheboygan in the state-wide primary contests offset shortcomings in other cities of the state, labor leaders declared today.

Candidates endorsed by the recently formed alliance of Farmer-Laborites, unionists, progressives and liberals captured thirty of the thirty-three offices sought in Milwaukee.

Four Communists were among the Federation candidates nominated. Many Coughlin-endorsed candidates were defeated.

Although the Federation suffered defeat in Madison, due to sabotage of right-wing forces, the majority of nominations went to the Progressive ticket in Racine, Kenosha, and Sheboygan.

Among the Federation victors were Emil Caselle, Kenosha, state chairman of the Committee for Industrial Organization and candidate for assembly, and Arthur Piper and Hartley Hutchinson of Kenosha and Milwaukee respectively, candidates for state senate.

In contests for progressive nomination for state offices, however, E. Myrwin Rowlands, endorsed by the Federation, was defeated by Solomon Levitan for state treasurer. Harry Jack, endorsed by the Federation for lieutenant-governor, also lost. Orland S. Loomis, endorsed by the Federation, won the progressive nomination for attorney general.

Followers of Governor Philip F. LaFollette rejoiced in the defeat of his two most bitter opponents in the Republican and Democratic primaries.

LaFollette ran without opposition and received 173,000 votes for the Progressive renomination. In the Republican primary, John B. Chapelle, Ashland editor, lost to Alex-

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## F.D.R. Takes Up Relief Critics

WASHINGTON, Sept. 17.—President Roosevelt today urged increased obligation of local charity and at the same time criticized those who are opposed to Federal relief for the jobless.

The President addressed representatives of the 1936 Mobilization for Human Needs, who are here to plan an \$80,000,000 charity fund to fill community chests in 330 cities.

Speaking from the south portico of the White House, the President cited increased national income as "heightening the obligation of every individual" to contribute to private charity and assailed "a small minority who seek to profit from the preaching of fear."

While stressing the increased obligation of local charity, Mr. Roosevelt reaffirmed that "when human distress reaches the point that government assistance is necessary, government up to the limit of its local, its state and its federal resources must and does act."

Striking at the Hearst-Landon forces' attack on the government work-relief policies, the President said:

"I resent, and you resent, I am sure, those supercilious and uncharitable sneers which from a small element among us have been directed against those who are honestly seeking to help those in need."

## Hits Steel Trust



PHILIP MURRAY

## MURRAY HITS STEEL BOSSES

Accuses Companies of Stalling for Time On Wage Boost

(Special to the Daily Worker)

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Sept. 17.—With the eyes of the nation focused in the direction of Steel—new developments yesterday increased the tension that has hung over the steel towns since the Steel Workers Organizing Committee began its drive several months ago.

Replying to an "open letter" issued last week by Benjamin F. Fairless, president of the Carnegie-Illinois Steel Corp., in which the company executive declared that wage-increases will not be granted in the industry, Philip Murray, chairman of the S.W.O.C., took up the cudgels for the workers in a public answer that was broadcast throughout the country.

Steel Trust Stalls

Murray accused the steel companies of stalling for time—with intentions of actually granting wage-increases—but of withholding the wages boost as long as possible.

Pointing out that a \$16,000,000 profit was made by the corporation during the first half of 1936, Murray said that the far-flung steel organization drive would "compel" the companies to raise pay-envelopes. In spite of Fairless' statement to the nation that "a wage increase should not be granted at this time."

The union leader's answering letter also challenged the steel firm to open its books for an investigation by the Federal Trade Commission, to determine the "accuracy or inaccuracy" of the corporation's auditing.

Only \$300,000,000

Becoming sharply caustic about the corporation executive's implied statement that "profits should go

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## U. T. W. Alters Constitution

A day of discussion of constitutional changes at the United Textile Workers Convention yesterday led up to election of officers late in the evening.

The most important amendment in the structure of the organization provided for an executive council to be composed of the international officers and 14 instead of the former ten members elected by the convention. Each of the 14 shall be from a different department or federation and shall be proposed by that federation. The old council was elected at large.

This amendment brings the federations, wool, silk, hosiery, etc., into closer connection with the union as a whole. It met with general approval at the convention.

Thereafter, a sharp difference developed between Vice-President Francis Gorman and Emile Rieve, president of the American Federation of Hosiery Workers, over the question of whether there should be five or three vice presidents. Gorman defended the majority report of the law committee, for five, and Rieve was for the minority report and three vice presidents.

There was great excitement in the convention, with sometimes a score of delegates on their feet at once, claiming the right to speak. The discussion lasted over two hours, and the speakers were vigorously applauded or booed, or both simultaneously.

It is indicative however, of the serious purpose of the convention.

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## ARMY WITH GUNSPATROLS LETTUCE AREA

Two Shot, 800 Gassed as Sheriff Invokes Law to Draft Deputies

(By United Press)

SALINAS, Calif., Sept. 17.—Fifteen hundred citizen-deputies drafted by Sheriff Carl Abbott were armed today with pistols and ax-handles and ordered to patrol this area where 5,000 lettuce pickets are on strike.

No resistance to Sheriff Abbott's army materialized during the morning as 30 trucks rumbled out of the barricaded ice company plant to the fields.

There were no pickets because A. S. Doss, secretary of the striking Lettuce Workers' Union, had ordered all strikers to stay off the streets and to avoid assembling in groups. To do such would mean "wholesale murder," Doss warned the workers who struck for a new wage scale and preferential methods of employment at the height of the lettuce picking season.

Salinas County's \$11,000,000 rapidly maturing crop was beginning to rot in the fields.

Sheriff Abbott invoked provisions of an old California statute.

Old Law Invoked

This law empowered the sheriff, Abbott said, in times of "emergency" to call for volunteer deputies to prevent occurrences inimical to the public welfare.

If any man refuses to respond to such mobilization the law makes him subject to arrest on a misdemeanor charge, Sheriff Abbott explained.

"All able-bodied male citizens of this county are at my disposal," Sheriff Abbott announced, "and I hereby call for volunteers and in case of conscientious objectors they will be subject to penalties imposed by their refusal to obey my command."

Within a few hours 1,500 citizens had responded and gathered at the National Guard armory where they received their equipment. They were to be deployed along the highways and the lettuce fields and stationed in street patrols during the afternoon, when the laden trucks return from the fields late today.

Two Strikers Shot, 800 Are Gassed

Even before the drafting of the whole town population into the army of deputies, violence, by the armed guards of the lettuce field owners had taken a toll of workers' blood. Two lettuce strikers were

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## Bomb Seen Work of Thugs

NORTH TONAWANDA, N. Y., Sept. 17.—A bomb exploded today at the Remington-Rand plant here and shattered hundreds of windows.

Police believed the bomb was intended to wreck a large transformation in the plant where five unions have been on strike since May 25. They sought an Ohio car, seen in the vicinity the past few days.

Unable to break the militant strike by violence against the pickets, the company is now resorting to hiring provocateurs, attempting to lay the blame on the striking workers.

500 Strike Bayonne Doll Factory

BAYONNE, N. J., Sept. 17.—The fourth strike in this city broke out today as 500 employees of the Margon Corporation, doll manufacturers, struck for a 33 1-3 per cent wage increase and a 40-hour week.

Already there were strikes of dress workers, Polish bakers and laundry workers.

The Margon company moved here from New York last March to "avoid labor troubles."

The workers protested a \$10 to \$13.20 a week wage scale for 40 to 44 hours for men and \$9 to \$11 for the same hours for women.

Milwaukee Gas Strike Cuts Off City's Supply

MILWAUKEE, Sept. 17.—A strike for higher wages today at the Milwaukee Coke and Gas Company plant threatened to shut off part of the city's gas supply. Only nine supervisory employes remained in the plant, according to Philip J. Kingsland, business agent of the union.

## FILES SUIT ON TAMPA GAG



EARL BROWDER

## Browder Tells of Suit In Tampa Speech Gag

Communist Party to Ask \$100,000 Damages for Blocking Sunday Meeting; Called Conspiracy of Police, Authorities

"We are filing a \$100,000 suit for damages in Tampa to establish in court the facts and to force the authorities to take a different action on the blocking of our Tampa meeting last Sunday," declared Earl Browder, Communist Presidential candidate, in a press conference here yesterday morning.

A party of metropolitan newspapermen faced the Communist leader as he sat in the offices of the National Communist Campaign Committee, at 50 East 13th Street.

He wore a light gray suit and a blue polka-dot tie. On the desk before him he assorted a small batch of newspaper clippings and documents—the evidence of a conspiracy to block his meeting in Tampa, Fla. Sunday.

He stated the suit would be filed in Tampa "today on the ground of a conspiracy between police, civil and other authorities to prevent the exercise of the civil rights of the complainants."

Talks on Roosevelt and Landon

He said the federal question involved would be taken to the federal courts and presented to the

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## Add It Up Yourself!

By NATIONAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE

We have received a number of letters of inquiry in the past few days. They ask: Is it really true that a nationwide broadcast costs \$4,300?"

We would be glad if it were not true. We would like to have the use of the radio FREE. But here are the figures—they speak for themselves:

First the Basic Red Network:

WEAF New York ..... \$400 WCAE Pittsburgh ..... 128 WEEI Boston ..... 144 WTAM Cleveland ..... 150 WTIC Hartford ..... 112 WWJ Detroit ..... 144 WJAZ Providence ..... 80 WMAQ Chicago ..... 240 WTAG Worcester ..... 64 KSD St. Louis ..... 128 WCHS Portland, Me. .... 64 WHO Des Moines ..... 160 KYW Philadelphia ..... 176 WOW Omaha ..... 128 WFBR Baltimore ..... 80 WDAF Kansas City ..... 128 WRC Washington ..... 80 WBY Schenectady ..... 144 WBY Buffalo ..... 112 WBY Cincinnati ..... 112

Then Basic Group "B":

WHIO Dayton ..... \$ 80 WCKY Cincinnati ..... 112

TOTAL ..... \$2,672

Then there's the Southeastern group of stations, eight stations from Virginia to Florida, which totals \$400. And the Northwestern group—six stations, and \$480. The Red Mountain Group (Denver and Salt Lake City) costs \$176. And the Pacific Coast Red Network (San Francisco, Los Angeles, Portland, Seattle and Spokane)—another \$512.

Add it up yourself. It totals \$4,432! And that doesn't include the \$90 charge for recording each address!

Now we'll ask YOU a question! Can you afford to have James W. Ford fall to speak on Monday night? Now let's have YOUR answer!

## SENATE GROUP BARES LINK WITH NAZIS

Liberty League Backers Swap Plans, Split Gain with Fascists

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 17.—The close alliance between the du Pont company and the Nazis has been exposed by the Nye Munitions Investigating Committee and became generally known today.

A neat pile of profits from the feverish Nazi rearmament mill was raked in by the du Ponts through a close alliance between themselves and German munition and chemical firms. It was shown in the committee's report, based on hearings held two years ago.

The du Pont family is among the most notorious backers of the American Liberty League and were revealed to have contributed thousands of dollars to the Republican campaign fund in Maine to elect Landon-selected candidates. The du Ponts talk Americanism but they mean Nazism.

Agents of German Arms

Through the Nazi-Liberty League tie-up it was disclosed that the du Ponts, who have been paying the fascist partners royalties on arms sold to the U. S. government, are the agents of German arms companies in the U. S. and have been charging the U. S. government exorbitant prices for cartridges and munitions in collusion with the Nazi munition-makers.

A lurid light is thrown on the du Pont transactions with the Nazis by negotiations between Felix du Pont, vice-president of the company, and an international spy known as Giera or Peter Brenner.

Using Holland as his base, Giera entered into a contract with the du Ponts to smuggle explosives into Germany in violation of the Versailles Treaty. William N. Taylor, du Pont family representative, recommended Holland as the smuggling base because Dutch officials never inspected boat cargoes.

The Nye Committee Report brands this agreement as "amazing" in view of provisions of the Versailles Treaty definitely prohibiting any such trade with Germany and states that attempts to camouflage the agreement were pitiful.

One of the most sensational disclosures of the report was to the effect that the du Pont Company is aiding the Nazi firm to evade restrictions preventing the latter from selling their death-dealing wares abroad. The report states that since the World War, the du Pont Company and the Imperial Chemical Industries, British arm firm, also linked with the Nazis, "have renewed close relations with their German competitors" and that "al-

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## Hitler Incites War Fever at Troop Review

WUERZBURG, Germany, Sept. 17.—Glorification of war to be unleashed on the world by Nazi military might keynote a new aggressive outburst by Fuehrer Adolf Hitler when he reviewed the 5th Army Corps here today at the autumn maneuvers.

Declaring "Nazism has achieved its highest aim by creation of a great and powerful army of the whole German nation," Hitler called the troops, "upholders of the power and glory of the German nation with the old army's glorious tradition in the hands of the whole people."

"A new flag is flying over Germany," shouted the Reich Chancellor. "It has nothing to do with cowardice and submission but incorporates the spirit of the German revival."

## Moscow-Leningrad Hop By Soviet Aeroplane Smashes World Records

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Sept. 17.—World passenger plane records were smashed today when Soviet plane ANT 35 tore over the Moscow-Leningrad route in an 800-mile dash averaging 220 miles an hour.

With passengers and crew on board totalling seven, the flight was covered in three hours and thirty-eight minutes. The ANT 35, with accommodation for twelve, can make 250 miles an hour and is equipped to fly under all weather conditions.



### Klan Aid Seen As Witnesses Skip Hearing

#### Suspect Police Hand in Disappearance of Three Men

(Daily Worker Michigan Bureau)  
DETROIT, Mich., Sept. 17.—Detectives today disclosed in the court of Judge Joseph Moynihan, where a trial of 12 Black Legion killers was in progress, that three witnesses for the state, all admitted Legionnaires, were missing for two weeks.

Thus, in the case of Virgil Effinger, national Legion Chief, and "Cool" Isaac (Pegleg) White, who escaped arrest, the hidden hand of the terrorists again stretched out to forestall disclosures and evidence. The three, Luther Glasgow, Elmer Anderson and Emerson Becker, were present at the meeting in Fintler Temple, on the night of May 12, when the killing of Charles Poole was plotted.

The escape of these witnesses again strengthened suspicion that no serious effort has been made to suppress the Legion and that forces in the police department are actually aiding the terrorists.

Stenographers reading from their notes on preliminary statements made by the prisoners immediately after arrest were the main witnesses today. Again the story of the Poole killing as given by the criminals themselves was told and checked in all essentials with the testimony already brought.

One of the statements by John Bannerman revealed that among those he named as members of the Black Legion was Harry Z. Marx, Detroit attorney whose office was used as the headquarters of the Wolverine Republican League, the political camouflage of the Legion. The many threads that connect Marx to the Legion were already exposed in the Daily Worker, but Marx was not even called before the Grand Jury. Marx was candidate for Judge on the Republican ticket and was once head of the "Americanization" Committee of the American Legion. He is one of the prominent red-baiters here.

### Fascist Legion Is Organized By Portugal

LISBON, Portugal, Sept. 17.—Closely modeled on fascist organizations in Germany and Italy, Portugal's new fascist Legion created by reactionary Premier Antonio Salazar will be an integral part of the country's armed forces, a government statement revealed here today.

While revolts of sailors and soldiers in warships and garrisons in various parts of Portugal show the strength of the people's opposition to Salazar's aid to Spanish fascists, the new Legion will be organized to clamp down ruthlessly suppression of all opponents, and particularly working class movements.

"I will repudiate and fight all Communist doctrines," states the oath of the new fascist body. Members will wear military uniforms and be subjected to stiff army discipline and training. They will function in small local groups under the command of a "Leader."

Durante noses into harbor; Met nobility

Jimmy Durante, long on proboscis and short on money, barged in on the Conte di Savoia yesterday. His nose was sighted three-quarters of an hour before the Italian liner docked.

He met the Queen of Spain, Durante said, and she had the common touch. "The Queen is very democratic, except she don't speak to nobody," he told reporters. "This princess that was with her, which they called Princess Torlonia is very gifted. What I mean is she plays the musical saw. She plays it with her left hand and it is very beautiful, like a violin."

Durante will play in a new musical comedy, "Red, Hot and Blue."

### Progressives Forge Ahead

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under Wiley 84,641 to 79,717. By a vote of 85,026 to 59,032, Democrats nominated Arthur Leuck for Governor over State Senator William D. Carroll, vigorous LaFollette critic.

The Communist Party, in a statement on the primaries, points out that victory of the Federation candidates in the fall elections can be assured only by a more vigorous campaign and united front activities to carry out the program of the Federation.

The Communist Party urged also that the Federation be built into a mass people's anti-fascist organization; that red baiting by certain Federation leaders be ended; and that the struggle against the Landon-Lemke forces be sharpened.

DETROIT, Sept. 17 (UP).—Rep. Prentiss M. Brown, New Deal advocate retained a 5,000 vote lead over Louis B. Ward, Father Charles E. Coughlin's Washington representative, as count of the vote in the contest for the Democratic Senatorial nomination neared completion today.

## LaFollette Committee Asks Evidence on Illinois Gag Effort

#### Intimidation Attempt by Legislation Aimed to Bar C.P. from Ballot

CHICAGO, Sept. 17.—The LaFollette Investigation Committee on Civil Rights is prepared to act on the attempted violation of civil rights by the American Legion in Illinois.

Replying to a telegram sent by Morris Childs, State secretary of the Communist Party, protesting the illegal attempt of the American Legion to remove minority parties and especially the Communist Party from the ballot by intimidation and coercion of petition signers, Chairman LaFollette wired that his committee is "prepared to act on the evidence submitted." The Illinois Communist Party is assembling a mass of evidence of attempts at intimidation of voters for the committee.

Childs also wired Governor Harry Horner of Illinois calling to his attention the attempt of the American Legion to eliminate the Communist Party from the ballot "by checking whether signers of their



Sen. ROBERT M. LAFOLLETTE

petition had voted in the April primaries." "The Communist Party stands on its legal rights as guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States

#### Protest Also Is Sent to Governor by State Party Secretary

and of the State of Illinois. We are certain that all liberal, progressives and labor groups will resent the attempt of the American Legion to take the law into its own hands," his wire declared.

"We call upon you as Governor of the State, and upon the Electoral Board to protect the constitutional rights of minority parties to the ballot and take action against any attempt to menace civil rights in our State."

The Communist Party has more than fulfilled the legal requirements for placing its candidates on ballot in the November election, by filling 31,000 duly notarized signatures from 55 counties in the State.

All defenders of democratic elections are urged to send protests to Gov. Horner of Illinois against his attempt to deprive the Communist Party of Illinois, a legal political party, of its right to be on the ballot.

## Spanish Events Dominate Political Scene in France

#### Masses Grow Angry at Swindle of 'Neutrality' Which Aids Fascists

By Paul Nizan  
We publish today the second in a series of letters on the political scene in France, by Paul Nizan, one of the editors of L'Humanite, central organ of the Communist Party of France, as well as a novelist of note.

Paris, Sept. 3, 1936.

THE civil war in Spain is becoming increasingly bloody, and since the most violent battle of the war is taking place along the French border near Irun, France is paying more attention than ever to the situation. The French Fascists openly express hopes that Gen. Franco will succeed, but the protest movement among the people is becoming more and more powerful, against one very definite point: neutrality. Everyone realizes that this is a great and tragic swindle: Great Britain and France are the only ones which are carrying out an effective embargo, while Germany, Italy, and Portugal are sending supplies to the rebels.

Portugal has become a naval base, as well as a control center and an arsenal for the rebels: Italian and German aviators are still debarking at Tetuan and Seville. The Fascist government of Salazar answers all diplomatic representations with the reply that it considers itself free of all obligations if collections are raised in other countries for the republicans in Spain; it is clear that this reply is directed particularly against France, and, in lesser degree, against Great Britain.

The French workers are becoming obviously exasperated with a policy the result of which has been to organize a blockade against the Spanish Republic, and the resolutions of protest took place a few miles outside Paris in the woods of Saint-Cloud and Garches, took on special political importance. Three hundred thousand persons or more participated in a demonstration for Spain, while Marcel Cachin and Maurice Thorez in their speeches defined the policy of the Communist Party. On Sept. 2, Maurice Thorez spoke again, this time before 15,000 workers in the Renault metal works. It is among these metal workers, especially among those who are working in the munitions plants and the airplane factories that the solidarity movement with Spain is most highly organized. It is among them too that the exasperation with the maneuvers of the Blum-Delbos cabinet are expressed with most violence.

#### French Masses in Action

MEANWHILE the demonstrations are increasing in number: on Aug. 30, L'Humanite's traditional festival, which took place a few miles outside Paris in the woods of Saint-Cloud and Garches, took on special political importance. Three hundred thousand persons or more participated in a demonstration for Spain, while Marcel Cachin and Maurice Thorez in their speeches defined the policy of the Communist Party. On Sept. 2, Maurice Thorez spoke again, this time before 15,000 workers in the Renault metal works. It is among these metal workers, especially among those who are working in the munitions plants and the airplane factories that the solidarity movement with Spain is most highly organized. It is among them too that the exasperation with the maneuvers of the Blum-Delbos cabinet are expressed with most violence.

A delegation from the Spanish People's Front arrived in Paris, comprising Marcelino Domingo and Antonio Lara, former Republican ministers, and Dolores Ibaruri, the famous woman leader of the Spanish Communist Party, "la Pasionaria," who is the Asturias deputy to the Cortes. The Rightist press unleashed a violent campaign against the arrival of this delegation, in particular against "la Pasionaria." On Sept. 2, the delegation received the press, and Marcelino Domingo made several brief statements. But their brevity did not prevent them from being of importance, for they expressed a protest against this notorious "neutrality" the result of which is simply to build up a blockade against the Spanish Republic while the Fascist powers continue almost openly to arm the Fascists. That is just the situation which has caused a revolution in the consciousness of the people of France.

Marcelino Domingo, "la Pasio-



Dolores Ibaruri (above) greets American Anti-Fascists in personal note.

naria," and Andre Marty, French Communist leader, are speaking tonight at the Velodrome d'Hiver, and the French People's Front has called upon its members to parade tomorrow on the Place de la Republique in honor of Spain. As the date of the demonstration is Sept. 4, it will have a double significance, celebrating also the foundation of the Third Republic on Sept. 4, 1870. It is believed that virtually the whole of Paris will take part in the demonstration. It should be understood that there is no question of a mere idealistic demonstration, but of mass pressure upon the government to see to it that the legal government of Spain is treated otherwise than as a pariah.

#### France, Germany, Poland

DR. HJALMAR SCHACHT, Director of the Reichsbank and German Minister of Economy, has left, declaring himself quite satisfied with Leon Blum and Emile Labeyrie, Governor of the Bank of France. It is the impression here that he obtained no precise results, but that he told Paris what the Fuehrer told him to say: the two-year military service is not directed against France, but against the Soviet Union; France has nothing to fear, but none the less it would be preferable for it to break its Soviet friendship, renouncing the Franco-Soviet pact for instance. This has not yet been done, but there is a definite feeling that the idea of a rupture with the U.S.S.R. is gaining ground in official circles which considered until now, in opposition to the Right, that this pact, entered in 1935, was one of the surest instruments of peace in Europe.

There is no question that these doubts are not strange to the diplomatic personnel: the Quai d'Orsay (the Foreign Office) is filled with fascist functionaries, and an immediate task would obviously be to eliminate them.

Dr. Schacht left and General Rydz-Smigly of Poland came. At the present time, many people are making trips to France, and the upturn in the tourist trade is being strengthened by increased activity of diplomatic tourists: this is because the European nations are badly in need of money, and France is still a rich nation. General Rydz-Smigly came to request credits from France for the rearmament of Poland; the whole question revolves about what the successor to Marshal Pilsudski can give in exchange. The stake is considerable: Polish policy for years has been directed by Col. Beck, who docilely carries out the policy Berlin dictates to him. A rapprochement between Paris and Warsaw would be a particularly important obstacle to Nazi Germany's plans in the East—and the West—of Europe. No doubt Gen. Rydz-Smigly, worried by German rearmament, wishes to take precautions as regards France; but Polish fascism remains no less hostile to the U.S.S.R. Consequently the problem consists of harmonizing the new Franco-Polish rapprochement with the Franco-Soviet pact. Perhaps a solution is not impossible. Meanwhile Gen. Rydz-Smigly has been taken aboard; he was shown French planes and the

#### Fascists Still Honeycomb French Government Offices and Army

wine-cellars of Champagne; Pres. Lebrun conferred upon him the highest order of the Legion of Honor.

#### The Fascists of France

ON the whole, foreign politics has continued to dominate the horizon. In domestic politics, we must record the election of Jean Chippelle as a deputy from Paris. The former prefect of police who organized the rioting of February, 1934, chose the most aristocratic quarter of Paris, where he ran no risk. In Corsica, however, M. Landry, the candidate of the People's Front, was elected over M. Fraissinet, a Marseilles shipowner and fascist leader, for the seat of Ajaccio, where M. Chippelle had been elected in May, 1936. Parliament invalidated his election.

There is talk of a great administrative movement which would be one stage in the purging of the major State departments; everyone is hoping that the Resident General of Morocco, M. Peyroun, will be replaced; it is time this was done. He has made a fascist base of Morocco, from which the armies of Gen. Franco are receiving supplies, and where the fascist officers are planning to follow in the footsteps of the Spanish generals. There has been talk in recent days of a military plot in Meknes—it does seem that there was some attack. A colonel exposed it in time, but the French people are beginning to feel that they have had to wait too long for these necessary purgings.

The main trump-card of the Blum government is without question the fact that its new economic policy has borne results: department store sales have gone up considerably, and the freight-car loadings are rising steadily. These indices of economic upturn are reassuring the petty-bourgeoisie. . . .

#### Murray Hits Steel Bosses

(Continued from Page 1)  
exclusively to U. S. Steel stockholders in recent years," Murray said. "Mr. Bell's statement in behalf of the stockholders, brings tears to our eyes and makes us hang our heads in shame when we realize the United States Steel Corporation has only given the stockholders a meager \$300,000,000 over and above their original investment since 1927."

The pay-raise issue was brought to public notice in the form of the corporation president's letter, following a series of activities on the part of the company union leaders in the various mills of the firm in Chicago and Pittsburgh areas. Company union leaders, led by George A. Patterson, employee representative, demanded wage increases and a national agreement with the Steel Workers Organizing Committee.

#### Spikes Firing Excuse

Fairless refused last week to meet with a group of the employe representatives, when they called at the Pittsburgh offices of the concern. Patterson and several other representatives were later fired, the formal excuse given by the concern being that they were away from duty "without permission."

The S.W.O. leader concluded his 2,000-word letter to the Carnegie-Illinois president by stating that: "The Amalgamated Association is a free and independent organization. It includes everyone employed in and around the steel industry, without discrimination of race, color or creed. It is financed by the members themselves. Its every effort is spent on behalf of the men employed in the steel mills. Only through their own national industrial union can the steel workers increase their purchasing power. The ability to buy, or the purchasing power of the steel workers, is inseparably tied to the economic welfare of the nation. For upon the purchasing power of the workers of the nation rests the prosperity of the country."

#### New Uniform



Perrez Parras, who is commanding the Catalogue forces in Aragon, shown wearing the new uniform of the Loyalist militia. This uniform is replacing the blue kilt uniform.

### Spain's People Greet Aid of Soviet Women

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MADRID, Sept. 17.—Spain's people are greeting with great enthusiasm news of help from Soviet women who have promised food and medical supplies for Spanish women and children.

At demonstrations in Madrid when letters were read telling of the campaign of Soviet women to send help, thunderous applause showed how deeply Spanish hearts were touched by the news of generous Soviet solidarity.

Alderman Pedro Rico of Madrid in a letter to the Moscow newspaper Pravda has expressed Spain's gratitude, writing: "Friendship and generosity are all the more keenly prized in these days of bloody civil war when fascist brutality and treachery make the world shudder."

"We are deeply moved by the news that Soviet women will help their Spanish sisters. As an Alderman of Madrid, I send Republican greetings to the people of the Soviet Union in the name of Spain's citizens fighting to defend their wives and children in the cause of humanity and democracy."

#### Philadelphia Meeting For Spain Today

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Sept. 17.—A mass meeting of solidarity with the Spanish People in their fight against Fascism will take place here Friday. The meeting is sponsored by the Eastern Pennsylvania Regional Committee of the American Youth Congress. The United Textile Workers Union has officially endorsed the demonstration.

The meeting will be held in the International Ladies' Garment Workers Union Hall, 1008 Cherry Street, donated by the I.L.G.W.U.

#### Lynn Hears Talk On Spain Fight

LYNN, Mass., Sept. 16.—Sixteen organizations called the meeting held in Lynn to support the Spanish people.

The finance appeal brought \$154.83. Three hundred Lynn shoe workers were present.

Joseph Salerno, organizer for the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, told the story of the heroic fight of the people in Spain against fascism. Then a Socialist spoke, from the viewpoint of Trotskyism.

He was answered by Phil Frankford, organizer for the Communist Party. The audience was with Frankford.

#### Boston Meeting Hits Plotters

BOSTON, Sept. 17.—Over 400 workers gave a rousing reception to Communist Party organizer Phil Frankford at the New International Hall here when he exposed the Trotskyist terrorist group, and the events which led up to the trial of Zinoviev and other terrorists in Moscow last month.

Dealing with the historic background of Trotsky and his struggle against the Bolshevik party, Phil Frankford aroused the intense interest of his audience. Many questions were answered and the gathering showed their whole hearted approval by the ovation accorded the speaker at the conclusion.

#### Negro Youth Program To Be Presented Sunday At Cleveland Meeting

CLEVELAND, Sept. 17.—A mass meeting will be held Sunday at the Antioch Baptist Church here to present to the public the aims of the Youth Council of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Outstanding youth leaders will speak, and there will be a drama portraying lynching and other interracial problems. Organizations pitching in to make the meeting a success are the American League Against War and Fascism, Epworth League, Phillips Wheatley Association, American Youth Congress, the Future Outlook League and the Amalgamated Association of Iron Steel and Tin Workers.

## Spanish Leader Tells People's Front Aims

#### Defense of Democratic Republic Unites All People's Parties, Prepared for Long Struggle, Says Jose Diaz, Communist Party Leader

By G. Marion

MADRID (By Mail).—In the office so recently vacated by Number One political leader of Spanish clerical-fascism, Jose Maria Gil Robles, I talked with Jose Diaz, secretary of the largest political party in Spain today, the Communist Party. "I would like you to explain," I began, "what there is in all the talk abroad about a Communist revolution taking place in Spain, or about anarchy reigning here. What is the character of the present struggle?"

"We are fighting in defense of the democratic Republic that has been betrayed by a band of generals who have broken their oath and by all the reactionary and fascist elements in our country, enemies of all human progress," answered Diaz. "The Communists stand in the front rank in the defense of the democratic Republic and of the legal government that arose from the elections of Feb. 16.

#### No Socialist Confiscation

"It is possible that certain measures have been deeply impressed upon people who see things superficially but do not go to the bottom of matters. The government and parties of the People's Front have attached the goods of the rebels who have risen in arms against our country. But that was simply a natural defense measure in the struggle. It was one of the necessities imposed by that very war they criminally loosed upon us."

"Certain premises, property of the rebels, have been utilized as political centers by the parties that compose the People's Front. This very office, for example, belonged to the party of the landlords and the Jesuits. Other buildings that have been attached have been dedicated to public needs: hospitals, schools, libraries, children's shelters, etc. These attachments have been carried out in agreement with the government and are not a measure of Communist character, but a measure of war defense."

"Now, oddly enough," I said, "abroad we hear a great deal of the anarchists wanting to set up libertarian communism. What is the significance of that? Did you mean that not only the parties of the People's Front but the anarchists as well are operating within the limits of the democratic Republic?"

"I repeat that the common denominator today, the thing that binds us together, Anarchists, Socialists, Communists, Republicans, progressives, is the struggle against fascism, against the generals—traitors to their country—in defense of the democratic Republic. There may be this or that difference about questions referring to the reorganization of the life of the country in the future, but we are all struggling in the same cause: to prevent the establishment of a fascist dictatorship."

"Do you expect the fighting to continue long?" "That is difficult to predict. However, we are preparing as for a long struggle. It must not be forgotten that the rising was meticulously prepared by the rebel generals and the fascists, and that this was done in collusion with foreign fascist powers to which territorial advantages were promised in the event of victory. But whether the struggle be long or short, of one thing we are sure: that we will win. All that is sound and decent in our country is for the Republic and against the criminal fascists."

"The rebel generals thought a surprise coup would give them command of the situation. And indeed, at the beginning they had all the arms and all the materials of war in their hands, because they had betrayed the Republic and the people. But from the first moment wherever it was possible to obtain arms, the people hurled themselves against the rebels with courage and daring, inflicting defeat after defeat upon them. The heroism of the armed militia threw the enemy into disorder and enabled the people, after battering them from their positions, to capture the arms necessary to pass over to the offensive throughout the country. Many positions have been retaken from

the enemy traitors, and others are on the point of falling.

A New, Popular Army  
"The traitors destroyed the Army, but we have created a new one, a popular, democratic one. The militia which, at first, oversupplied with heroism their lack of military training, now constitute a regular Army. Together with the part of the Army that has been reorganized, the Assault Guards and part of the Civil Guard, the militia constitute an army of tens and tens of thousands of men, equipped and disciplined, meeting the enemy at the front on more than equal terms in all classes."

"Which side is better prepared for a long siege?" "The defenders of the Republic. Time works in our favor, since dissatisfaction among the rebels grows steadily in the regions dominated by them, where pillage and terror are the norm of government. While they despoil the peasantry of their produce and goods and reduce them to a condition of slavery, the Republic gives land and guarantees decent living conditions to the peasant masses. While the morale in the Fascist camp sinks lower each day and the ambitions of the traitor generals produce rivalries and disputes in their own camp, the morale of the people rises higher and higher and the unity of all anti-fascists is more solid every day.

"On the other hand, our people know that if the military traitors and fascists receive moral and material support from the fascist governments, international solidarity of the proletariat and of all democrats acquires gigantic proportions and continually heartens us."

No Foreigners Molested  
"Are you not afraid that the shameful intervention of the fascist countries on behalf of the rebels may provide the starting point of a new world war? Isn't there any danger of intervention?" "The war is concerned, it unquestionably is concerned, the pretext can as well be the situation in Spain as in any other country. It is well known that German and Italian fascism are openly preparing war. Now, under the pretext of security for their nationals they send warships to our coasts and airplanes to our air-dromes. We know that they do all this to help the rebels. The 'security' of their nationals has not been and is not in danger. The government of the Republic and the people have respected and continue to respect the property of foreigners. I know of no case of detention of a German subject, but if there has been any it has not been because they were Germans, but because they openly fought on the side of the rebels against the Republic and its legal government. And you know better than we do that the fascists of Italy and Germany openly help their allies in Spain.

"At any rate, whatever the purposes of the reactionaries and fascists of Spain and of other countries, they will be responsible for whatever complications of an international character may result; we are fighting in defense of the Republic and its legal government, and our purpose is to live in peace in our country and with all the countries of the earth. To that end we count on the solidarity of all the democrats and lovers of peace in all lands, not forgetting America."



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# SHIPYARD WORKERS HERE IN FRENCH 'SIT DOWN' TACTIC

## Alarmed Firm Opens Parley With the Union

### Lockout Attempt Fails, U. S. Warship Still Sits Unlaunched on Ways

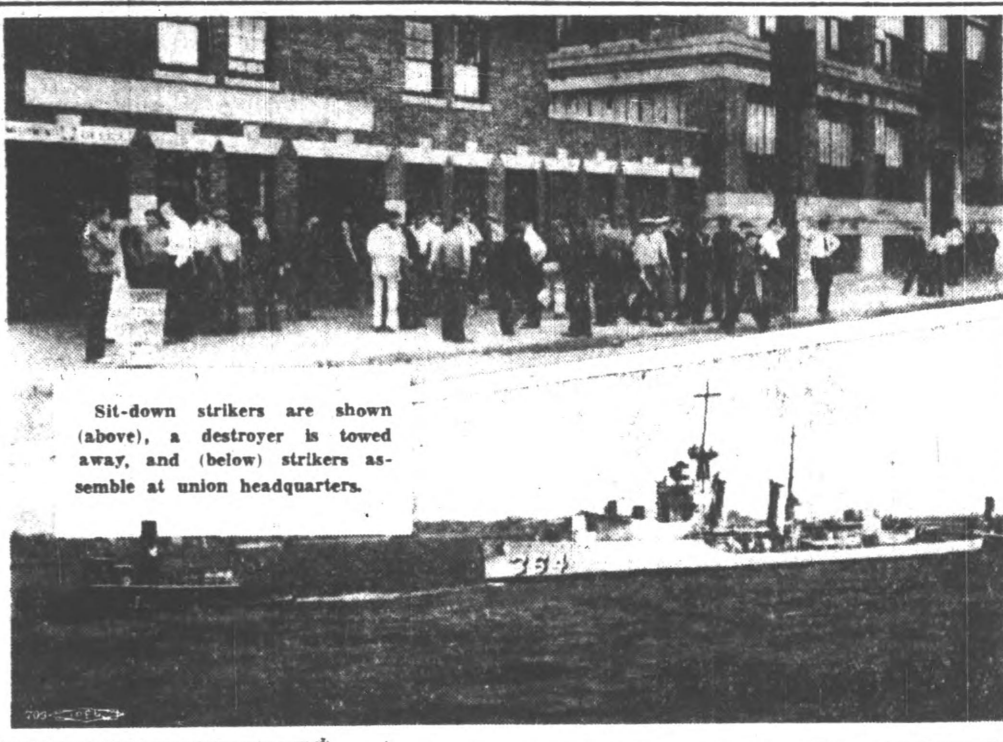
When workers drop their tools, fold their arms, and "sit down," the wheels of industry halt—impotent and lifeless.

The manufacturing tycoons of France learned this fact only recently, when French workers put their hands in their pockets, sat down in the mills and remained there until they got what they wanted. France's vast industries were tied in a knot.

Last Spring, the rubber barons of Akron, Ohio, world's largest center, lost considerable sleep and profits, when 15,000 rubber workers of the Goodyear plant, sat down and folded their arms. They won.

This week, the "sit down" tactic, rapidly becoming labor's popular form of struggle, spread to the industrial East. The workers of the United Shipbuilding Company, Mariners' Harbor, Staten Island—2,000 of them—sat down and refused to budge.

## STATEN ISLAND SIT-DOWN STRIKE HALTS SHIP WORK



Sit-down strikers are shown (above), a destroyer is towed away, and (below) strikers assemble at union headquarters.

"What's that funny noise?" the workers inquired of one another. "Must be testing the boilers," answered a riveter.

**They Sit and Sit**

No amount of pleading or threats by the company stirred the workers. They sat on tool boxes in the cool shadows below the ways and some of them went in for comfort by filling empty cement sacks with machine waste and oakum for pillows.

Up on one of the ways sat the newly finished naval destroyer, the U.S.N. Fanning, all aglitter with her final coat of grey paint, with her sleek nose pointed down the ways toward the water. She was to be launched, amid a dignified atmosphere of naval officers and finger-nailed ladies, the next day.

But the workers continued to sit, and when the end of shift-time came shortly after three o'clock Tuesday afternoon, they calmly rose to their feet and filed out of the shipyard. The new shift came in and promptly sat down. The "sit-down protest" continued. It went on all night.

Wednesday morning, nine-thirty. Shiny limousines drew up to the plant gates with liveried chauffeurs. Seated on the plush cushion were the ladies and gentlemen coming to take part in the ceremonies of launching the navy's newest infantry.

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## With the Unions This Week

Garage men, washers, polishers declared their intention of striking nearly 1,000 garages today, unless demands presented by Garage Washers and Polishers Local Union 272 were met. The deadline was for 9 o'clock today. More than 300,000 autos will be tied up in storage, if the strike is called.

Milk drivers continued their boycott fight against open-shop Bordens in the trade. Support for the organized milk drivers Local 581 continued to grow during the week.

**Waiting—Still Waiting**

The expected loggers and truckers' strike was called during the week by International Union of Teamsters Local 1066 of the Retail Clerks International.

Strikes are in the air—we hear it everywhere—Cleaners and dyers are on the list of unions preparing strike action. A general stoppage is planned in the trade by Drivers Local 185 and Cleaners Local 1323. All the chains are organized in order to back the union. A pro-union with the bosses is planned for Monday, with the drivers warning. The unions have a strike on their hands right now—the Red chain.

**What's It Going to Be?**

National Biscuit Company workers are anxiously awaiting the outcome of negotiations between the Inside Bakery Workers' Union and the company. William Galvin, president, and William Collins, American Federation of Labor representative, promised the workers the other night that a strike vote will be taken in two weeks if the company doesn't come across with an agreement. Workers have been hammering away for negotiations since June and now they want an answer fast.

For fifteen years, the bosses said no—now the meat cutters have forced them to say yes and sign on the dotted line. Locals 663 and 233 of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters got a contract with the Meat Dealers' Association this week.

**Lockout Begins**

Early yesterday morning the shipyard bosses tried a new tactic. As the workers of the morning shift entered the company gates, they were met by a squad of beefy company cops. They were stopped and told to sign a statement declaring that they would work. About two hundred signed, and some eighteen hundred remained out.

Again something strange happened. The two hundred workers went to their posts—and promptly sat down and folded their arms. When the news trickled outside to the other workers, a show of size met the announcement of the solidarity of those who had gone inside.

At union headquarters, leaders issued a statement accusing the company of violating its contract by locking-out the "sit-down" protesters.

**Ohrbach Prays As Girls Work on New Year**

While Nathan D. Ohrbach, owner of the Ohrbach Department Store, leisurely went to worship in the Temple Emanuel-EI on Fifth Avenue yesterday, his Jewish employees were forced to work on the Jewish New Year, Local 1250 of the Department Store Employees Union charged.

Two girls, locked out of Ohrbach for union activity, picketed the temple carrying signs which told of the boss who could worship, but wouldn't permit his employees to do so.

Sam Rosoff, the wealthy subway contractor tore the signs out of their hands, the girls charged. By-standers and police prevented the girls from being hurt, they said. The girls are Lillian Youngelman and Rose Roster.

The pickets were released with their smashed signs after the Temple refused to press charges.

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**Laundry workers—can't live like this—had to strike.**

Out two weeks, the Sutton Superior Laundry workers, are picketing the plant 24 hours a day. Local 280, running the strike, is backing the workers to the hilt. Sam Berlin, manager, said that he will picket firms that accept work from the struck company.

There's a lockout going on now against members of Motion Picture Operators, Local 306, at the Sutter Theatre.

**It's all over now, and they won.**

Out almost a month, 450 novelty mirror workers won their general strike. Seventeen firms signed a pact with the Novelty Mirror Workers Union. Wages are now from \$1 to \$5 a week higher. Only one shop is still out—Columbia Mirror Workers, but the union says that it won't be long now. A unionizing campaign is now on in Paterson, N. J.

**Brooklyn cafeteria workers, members of Cafeteria Local 325, were locked out of 20 Brooklyn cafeterias when the employer tried to force the union to recognize a new bosses' organization, the Brooklyn Consolidated Restaurateurs.**

Some more American Labor Party affiliates.

Among the newest joiners are four local unions—Four Dressers, Local 3; United Hatters, Local 8; Department Store Employees, Local 1250; and Taxi Chauffeurs, Local 1975; are all joined up with the Labor Party. If we've forgotten to mention your union, let us know and we'll announce it. (We'd like to know ourselves, so pass the information along.)

The strike of the Metal Polishers and Platers, Locals 8 and 26 is still on, but many shops have signed up, sending close to a thousand back to work. 1,500 still out fighting for sanitary conditions and better pay.

**Noodles—Matzos**

Wholesale Grocery Salesmen's Union has declared a strike against the Wisniewsky Food Products Company in the Bronx. The company refused a 5 per cent increase in wages. Manishevitz Matzos and Noodle products are distributed mainly through this company. The "kick-back" practice of the firm is also under fire. Grocery Clerks Local 338 and Trainers Local 139 have promised cooperation.

Who—the Painters District Council 9, What—New York City one hundred per cent unionized for painting trade. Drive starts—Meca Temple rally, Saturday at 2 p. m. Go ahead, were with you.

**Talking about police—**

They haven't the right to limit pickets, they haven't the right to give orders just like this. We've known it all the time, but most judges seem to forget it. Magistrate Charles Solomon reminded "our city's finest" of the above a couple of days back in the Coney Island Court. Three pickets of Local 306 Mount Picnic Operators Union had been picked up when pickets were limited to four. It's worth quoting all of Judge Solomon's statement. "The commands of an officer need not necessarily be obeyed. Obedience is due only to his lawful commands. Wouldn't it be a nice mess if these 18,000 policemen issued unlawful commands and expected citizens to comply with them? It would be a case of 18,000 Hitlers and Mussolinis."

Essex County Central Trades and Labor Council of New Jersey has put the Kitty Kelly Shoe Stores on the "unfair list." Local 1268, Retail Clothing Salesmen, has been striking the store for 17 weeks now.

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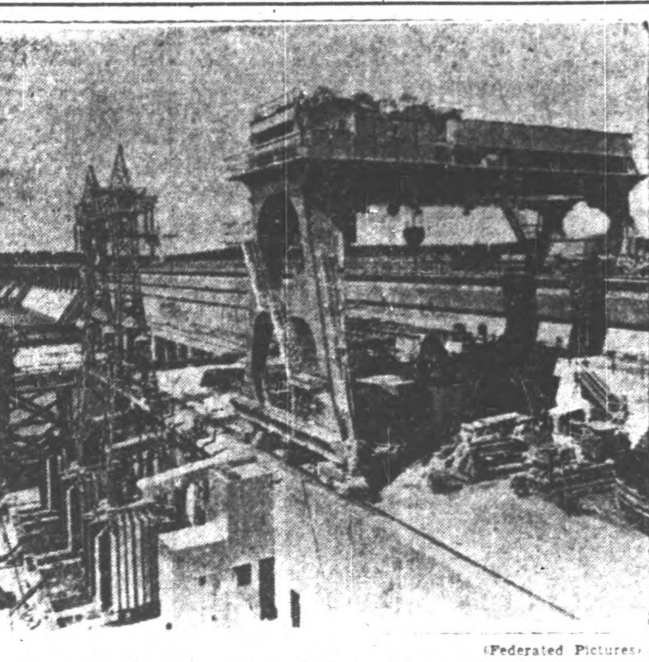
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## WPA Writers Fight Pauper's Oath Order

Faced with discharge of more than 80 from the Federal Writers' Projects through an order by Bretherton Somerville, local WPA Administrator, requiring non-relief employees to take a pauper's oath, members of Federal Writers' Local 1700, City Projects Council, held a regular union meeting in the street in front of project headquarters at 114 East 32nd St., Wednesday in protest.

Leaflets distributed to passers-by declared that the order is in direct violation of an Act of Congress passed by the House Appropriations Committee after carefully considering all the facts.

The legislation referred to is the rider to the Emergency Relief Appropriations Act of July, 1935, which provides: In the employment of persons, applicants in actual need whose names have not heretofore been placed on the relief rolls shall be given the same eligibility for employment as applicants whose names have heretofore appeared on relief rolls.

"The fact that qualified writers are forced to accept WPA jobs at rates of pay less than minimum subsistence is proof enough of need," speakers told the assembly.

**Supervisors Pledge Aid**

A representative of the Supervisors' Council, trade union of supervisors on the Federal Writers' Project, pledged support to the rank and file workers in the name of his organization.

"We also are affected by this order and we plan to work with you shoulder to shoulder in any action you may decide to take," he said.

A motion carried pledged the unionists not to submit to investigation by the Emergency Relief Bureau, designated by Col. Somerville to certify need of writers for their jobs, but to submit affidavits setting forth need for their jobs as sufficient warrant for continued employment. Creation of a "need determining project" within the WPA, to be staffed by workers was passed as a companion motion. A board of three, to include one trade union member, to administer the WPA in New York City in place of the present set-up was urged in another motion adopted, which did not demand exclusion of Col. Somerville from the proposed administration.

**"Walk-in Strike" Voted**

Other action decided was a "walk-in strike" at noon and after work hours, on project premises. If any dismissal orders are carried out, a general strike of all federal projects in case of failure of the "sit down" strike will be considered, speakers declared.

A delegation was elected to present union demands to Harry L. Hopkins, Federal WPA Administrator.

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## Rose Wortis To Preside at Bazaar Tonight

### Dance Interpretation and Finnish Chorus Feature Third Night

Rose Wortis, head of the Trade Union Department of the New York State Communist Party, will tonight open the third successive night of the gala five-day Bazaar and Carnival now being held at St. Nicholas Palace. She will deliver a brief address of greeting on behalf of the New York State Committee.

Entertainment features for this evening include an interpretation of David W. Guion's "Walking to Pasture" by Sophie Salpeter, member of the Bill Matons Experimental Dance Group. In addition the Finnish Workers Chorus under the direction of Uno Pulkkinen will render stirring choral melodies. Dancing will take place on the huge floor of the Bazaar from 8:30 till 3 a. m. to the strains of the Black and White Collective Orchestra.

The Bazaar cafeteria with a seating capacity for 1,000 will be open from 1 p. m. until closing time, with its cuisine in tune with the international aspects of the Bazaar. The Volga Balalaika orchestra, under the direction of Volodya Bukof, will play Russian songs in the restaurant from 8:30 until closing. Afternoon admissions from 1 to 5 every day until the closing. Sunday night will be free. St. Nicholas Palace is located at 60 West 66th Street, and may be reached by the Seventh Avenue Subway or the Sixth and Ninth Avenue Elevated.

**Amer Will Speak in the Bronx Tonight**

I. Amer, Communist candidate for President of the Board of Aldermen, will address a number of street meetings in the Seventh Assembly District, Bronx, at 8 p. m. tonight. He will also speak with three other Communist candidates at P. S. 92, 179th Street and Clinton Avenue.

Ben Gold, candidate for State Assemblyman from the Seventh Assembly District, Bronx; Alice Udren, Congressional nominee in the 23rd District; and Melvin Fishney, running for Justice of the City Court, will also speak.

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# FORD TO BRING MESSAGE TO BRONX NEGROES

## Speaks Sunday At Morris High With M.J. Olgin

### Parade in Tenement Area to Precede Mass Rally on Boston Road

Sunday evening will see the first invasion of the overcrowded, segregated Negro section of the Bronx by a nationally known Negro leader when James W. Ford, Communist candidate for Vice-President, speaks at "Negroes and the Election Campaign" at Morris High School, 166th Street and Boston Road, at 8 P.M.

This district, running along Third Avenue from 165th Street to 174th Street, is composed almost wholly of old-law tenements, rickety fire-traps with toilets in the hallways and no windows. In the last five months there have been eighteen fires in the Bronx, with a loss of five lives.

Segregation has resulted in rents being fifteen to twenty dollars higher for Negroes than for whites in the same neighborhood. Negroes are given a systematic runaround by the relief bureaus in the neighborhood, and their children are frequently abused by the school teachers. There are no playgrounds in this district.

M. J. Olgin, Communist candidate for Assemblyman from the Fifth Assembly District, will speak at the same meeting on anti-Semitism. Ben Davis, Jr., will be chairman. A program of Negro spirituals has been arranged by the Daily Worker Chorus.

Preceding the meeting, a parade through the Negro district will start out from 787 Jennings Street. All Party members with cars are asked to report there at 4:30 P.M.

The Young Communist League will meet Ford at 165th Street and Prospect Avenue to form a guard of honor.

## N. Y. Workers School Begins Term Monday

Anticipating a record registration for the Fall Term, scheduled to open Monday, Sept. 28, the Workers School, 35 East 12th Street, has announced that hundreds of partial scholarships will be made available to members of trade unions and labor organizations in New York City.

An enlarged program of courses giving prospective students a choice of many popular and timely courses, is being offered for the Fall Term. The staff of instructors will include many prominent authorities on Marxism, history, economics and trade unionism. Some of the courses scheduled for the Fall term are: Principles of Communism, Political Economy, Marxism-Leninism, History of the Communist International, Marxism and the Colonial Question, Trade Unionism, Organization, Negro Question, American History, History of the American Labor Movement, Fascist Trends and Tendencies in the U. S.

The Workers School is open for registration daily from 10 A.M. to 8:30 P.M. All inquiries regarding courses should be sent to the Registrar, Workers School, 35 East 12th Street, New York City.

**White Plains Police Chief Stops Pickets**  
The chief of police of White Plains will not permit picketing even though he admits there is no ordinance to that effect in his city. Sam Berland, manager of Local 280, Laundry Workers Union at 143 East 103rd Street, charged yesterday.

Pickets had gone up to the White Plains plant of the Sutton Superior Laundry at 430 East 53rd Street to protest the firm's shipment of unfinished work from the city plant which is on strike. The chief of police warned that no city people would come up to White Plains and start a riot. A letter has been sent to Mayor LaGuardia and Paul Moss, Commissioner of Licenses demanding that licenses be withdrawn from the Sutton Laundry for violating the license law by sending clothes to White Plains.

**What, No Boondoggle? What Will Sun Say?**  
ALBANY, Sept. 17 (UP)—The upstate Works Progress Administration reports the removal of dirt, top soil, sand and gravel in 22 statewide WPA airport projects at a cost "comparable with the lowest quotations of private contractors."

## TRANSPORT WORKERS FIGHTING FOR UNIONIZATION



Transport workers picketing company offices last year, demanding reinstatement of workers fired for union activity. Subway and "L" workers are demanding that unification plan adopted by the city and State Legislature guarantee them the right to organize and decent working conditions.

## City Transit Plan Perils Fare; C.P. To Present Its Own Plan

Opposition to the Seabury-Berle plan of unifying the city's transit lines at a cost of \$436,000,000 will be voiced by the Communist Party in hearings before the State Transit Commission, 270 Madison Avenue, next Tuesday.

A full statement of the position of the party was contained in an analysis issued by the State Committee of the party yesterday. Isidore Begun, representing the committee, has appeared at two previous sessions before the commission and raised the protection of the five-cent fare as the paramount issue.

A plan to recapture the lines to protect the five-cent fare will be offered by the Communist spokesman. **Owners Accept Plan**  
Calling for purchase of the privately owned lines at a gross price of approximately \$436,000,000, the 193-page "Definitive Plan and Unification Agreement" now in the midst of public hearings before the State Transit Commission was drafted by Samuel Seabury and City Chamberlain A. A. Berle, the city's negotiators. Agreement was reached with the private interests on the main outlines of the plan prior to the hearing.

The plan proposes that the city buy the properties of the B.M.T., the Interborough and the Manhattan and merge these with the city-owned Independent system under a Board of Transit Control, a body of fifteen, eleven of whom are to be appointed by the Mayor. Four others are also to be appointed by the Mayor but will be nominated by the private transit interests.

**Union to Make Demands**  
Officers of the Transport Workers Lodge of the International Association of Machinists will present their demands at an early date, probably at Tuesday's session. According to advance reports, the unionists will seek guarantees that the unified system will recognize the right of transit workers to bargain collectively, minimum wages and maximum hours and civil service status.

The position of the Communist Party has already been indicated by Begun. Concentration on the protection of the five-cent fare has been raised as the chief question at the hearing by the Communist spokesman.

**Communist Analysis**  
According to the analysis of the Communist Party—to be presented next week—the following is true:  
1. The purchase price of \$436,000,000 is "exorbitant."  
2. The high price for the privately-owned properties will inevitably destroy the five-cent fare.

3. The city will have less chance of getting revenues from the lines than it has under present contracts.  
4. New transit lines needed by the city cannot be built because "every cent of revenue will be used to meet the preferential payments and prior claims of the company security holders."

Citing figures to prove its contention, the Communist Party will point out that the city is over-paying private interests by \$121,000,000—the difference between the figure offered the companies and the \$315,000,000, which, the Communist Party argues, the properties are worth at best.

**Why Fare Is in Danger**  
This, says the Party, makes an increased fare inevitable, declaring: "The purchase by the city of

practically worthless and deficit-producing company-owned properties must inevitably result in an increased fare, though five cents is an enormously profitable fare upon all city-owned suburbs."

Furthermore, the Party analysis charges, the drafters of the plan are aware of this situation. "Despite hypocritical pretensions to the contrary, provision is made by the plan for such increase in fare, besides an additional charge for transfer privilege," the Party says.

**Loophole in Plan**  
The language in the introduction to the plan lays the basis for a fare rise. It declares (p. 142): "The contract and lease shall provide for a single or uniform five-cent rate of fare... unless until changed by the Board of Transit Control with the consent of the Board of Estimate and according to law..."

This, the Communist Party points out, is a retreat from the position taken in the present contract, where it is specifically stated that "the rate of fare... shall be five cents and no more."

**Little Revenue for City**  
According to the present plan, the city stands ninth in priority rights to revenues from the unified system, the Party points out. The Party analysis says on this point: "To cap the climax, the city stands ninth in the list of priority in application of revenues. This, despite the fact that the city has already invested in the Dual Contracts \$326,000,000; that it has already incurred a deficit in that of \$310,000,000; that it will further invest, according to the proposed plan, an additional \$110,000,000; and, on top of it all, the city will incur its new independent system, costing, when completed, \$800,000,000."

A detailed plan to recapture sections of the lines—which under the

Dual Contracts may be regained by the city—will be presented to the hearing by the Communist representative. In the meantime it urges defeat of the Seabury-Berle plan.

**C. P. Plan for Unification**  
The city will be urged to build connecting links for a unified system prior to giving official notice of one year of intention to recapture, as required by existing agreements.

With recapture and building of connecting links the city will be in a position to purchase the private properties not recapturable. The unified system thus obtained, under municipal ownership, with labor given the right to organize on the lines, decent conditions and representation on the managing board, will give the city the transit service it requires at a five-cent fare, the Communist Party contends.

**Stachel Will Give Talk on 'Industrial Unionism and Elections' to I.W.O.**  
Jack Stachel, an outstanding leader of the Communist Party, will lecture on "Industrial Unionism and the 1936 Elections" on Wednesday, Sept. 23. The lecture will be under the auspices of the Dressmakers' branch, 322 of the International Workers' Order at the Manhattan Opera House, 34th Street and Eighth Avenue at 5:30 p. m.

This will be the first of a series of lectures sponsored by this branch for the winter season. There will be a twenty-cent admission charge.

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## Noted Figures to Speak Tonight at Spain Rally

### Embassy Spokesman, Consul-General, Broun, Correspondent Just Back from Spain Among Speakers at Mecca Temple Meeting

An official representative of the Spanish Government, with leading writers and diplomats and nationally known American figures will turn the spotlight on the fascist rebellion in Spain when they address a mass meeting at the Mecca Temple, 133 W. 55th St., at 8 P.M. tonight.

Jose Gibernau of the Spanish Embassy at Washington; Juan Ramon Jimenez, noted poet and writer; Spanish Consul General Luis Careaga; Heywood Broun, columnist and president of the American Newspaper Guild, and Mrs. Cornelia Bryce Pinchot are among speakers who will speak on the events of the bloody fascist rising.

Robert Neville, correspondent of the New York Herald Tribune, and Francis A. Henson, delegate to the Barcelona Olympics, both recently returned from Spain, will recount their experiences in Spanish cities where workers and fascists fought pitched battles in the streets.

The democratic character of the present Spanish government and its unchallenged support by the masses of Spain will be demonstrated by statements of official representatives of the Spanish government.

Held under the auspices of the American Committee to Support Democracy in Spain, the Spanish Frente Popular Committee in New York and the New York French Front Populaire Committee, the meeting will throw sensational light on the Spanish situation.

## Hearst Blasted At Constitution Day Exercises

Speakers from the church, labor and the Daughters of the American Revolution yesterday at noon sound a warning against William Randolph Hearst as an enemy of the constitution and civil liberties.

Ceremonies marking the 149th anniversary of the signing of the American constitution brought the speakers together under the leadership of the People's Committee Against Hearst, at Madison Square Park, 23rd Street and Fifth Avenue.

Several hundred persons listened carefully as Mrs. Julia Church Knorr, agent for war and descendant of Gen. Philip Church, aide-de-camp to Marquis Lafayette, lashed out at "the man who distorts the constitution and who more than anybody else helped to perpetuate child labor in New York State."

S. R. Solomonick, secretary of the Trade Union Committee on Anti-Labor Legislation told the meeting that the American people were engaged in a great patriotic war when they fought against Hearst and for the defense of the constitution.

"Hearst is an enemy of the constitution and American liberties," Solomonick declared. "The American people are tired of his subversive and un-American activities."

Solomonick brought a solemn moment to the ceremonies when he asked those present to take off their hats in a vow that they would always fight people like Hearst and defend the American constitution. Almost the entire assembly bared their heads.

Other speakers included Eleanor Dordridge Brannon, also a Revolutionary War descendant, and Rev. William B. Spofford, secretary of the Church League for Industrial Democracy.

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SOUTHERN PRINCE, Prince	Buenos Aires, Aug. 29	4th St. Brooklyn
MUNARGO, Munson	Havana, Sept. 12	W. 11th St.
PORT TOWNSEND, Red Cross	St. John's, Sept. 12	W. 90th St.
MUSA, United Fruit	Porto Cortes, Sept. 13	Morris St.

Ship and Line	From	Deck
HAMBURG, Hamburg-American	Hamburg, Sept. 10	W. 44th St.
AMER. FARMER, Am. Merchant	London, Sept. 9	W. 18th St.
STAVANGERFJORD, Norwegian	Oslo, Sept. 8	30th St., Ban.
MONTE OF BERMUDA, Furness	Bermuda, Sept. 16	W. 14th St.
ORIENTE, N. Y. & Cuba Mail	Havana, Sept. 16	Wall St.
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## STAGE AND SCREEN

New and held over... The new comedy, "My Man Godfrey," co-starring William Powell and Carole Lombard, can be seen on the Music Hall's screen this week...

Legitimate... The WPA Experimental Group opened last night at Daly's Theatre in the Valentine Katajev play, "The Path of Flowers"...

Opening Saturday night at the Longacre Theatre is the new John Boruff play, "Timber House"...

Out your way... The screen program at the Academy of Music, starting today, consists of "Girls' Dormitory"...

"A Midsummer Night's Dream" will again appear on Broadway when it opens at the Strand on October 3rd...

Hollywood harbingers... Katharine Hepburn and Franchot Tone will appear together in "Quality Street"...

Bootleg Coal Trade Hit by NY Grand Jury... An attack on the Pennsylvania State and local governments for not driving unemployed miners from the business of "bootlegging" coal is made in the report of the New York County grand jury...

The grand jury was investigating cases of trucking companies and New York dealers arrested on charges of "receiving stolen goods."

Information leading to the arrests came from the big mining companies, who have failed to get the coal "bootleggers" arrested for mining the coal.

Miners laid off in the depression or through use of labor-saving machinery go to the hills and dig coal enough by primitive means, to make a bare living. This is the "bootlegging" that got the dealers arrested.

The Grand Jury estimated 400,000 tons of this "stolen" coal is sold in New York City yearly.

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# NATIONAL DELEGATION OF JOBLESS TO PUT DEMANDS TO F.D.R.

## Strike on WPA In Every City To Back Visit

### Workers' Alliance Maps Drive for a 'Living Wage on WPA'

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau) WASHINGTON, Sept. 17. — A national drive "for a Living Wage on WPA" was announced yesterday by the Workers Alliance of America following the conclusion of its four-day executive board meeting here.

A delegation of 500 representing unemployed and WPA workers from every part of the country is expected to arrive in this city late next month to present to President Roosevelt the organization's demands for higher wages on WPA.

A folded arms strike of WPA workers in cities and towns throughout the nation, a series of large demonstrations and a petition drive for 2,000,000 signatures are expected to lead up to the delegation's visit to the President.

A decision not to support any candidate for the presidency was adopted following a heated and lengthy discussion by the board members.

The resolution on political action declared that "President Roosevelt could not be supported for re-election because he has yielded too much to the pressure of the reactionaries" but also asserted that "even less can we support Governor Landon."

The resolution stated that the organization must place "reliance upon the building of a genuine Farmer-Labor Party."

The nation-wide demonstrations planned by the Alliance will be preceded by a number of state hunger marches. Among the states included in these plans are Illinois, New Jersey and Kentucky.

### Demands of Jobless

The demands which the Alliance will put to President Roosevelt include:

- 1—A 20 per cent increase in wages for all WPA workers now earning more than \$40 monthly and an increase to \$40 monthly for those earning less.
- 2—Payment of trade union hourly rates on all WPA projects.
- 3—The adoption of labor regulations by WPA which will prevent discrimination against WPA workers because of organizational activity.

4—Rescinding of an order which docks workers for a time lost through no fault of their own.

5—The use of a surplus fund of \$1,200,000,000 left over from last year's relief appropriation to put 1,000,000 employable workers now on relief rolls on WPA, or to use the fund to make relief grants to the states.

The executive board meeting recorded decisive gains in the organization of unemployed since the unity convention of the Workers Alliance last April.

A membership of 800,000 was reported by officers of the Alliance and the organization was now declared to be the only one giving leadership to the unemployed and WPA workers.

Unity Brings Gains President David Lasser, who has been associated with the Alliance since its formation, joined with Herbert Benjamin, former leader of the Unemployment Councils, and Arnold Johnson, former leader of the Unemployed League, in citing the achievement of unity as the important reason for recent gains.

One of the notable advances made at the board meeting was the drawing up of an agreement that would make possible the final achievement of unity between the Unemployment Councils of Harlem and the Workers Alliance of New York.

Under the terms of the agreement, a close working relation will exist between the two groups until the national elections on November 3. Following that date the councils will become part of the Alliance.

The New York Alliance had held up affiliation of the Harlem Councils on the ground that its close connection with the All People's Party of Harlem made it ineligible.

Debate on Political Action The resolution adopted on political action was one proposed by James Blackwell of Maryland and David Lasser and amended from the floor, after a substitute resolution proposed by Herbert Benjamin, organizational secretary of the Alliance and Angelo Herndon, young Negro leader, had been defeated.

The resolution which was read by Herndon emphasized the danger that the election of Landon would hold for the unemployed. Although playing Roosevelt's indecisive handling of the unemployed problem, it left the way open for close cooperation with labor groups such as Labor's Non-Partisan League, which are supporting Roosevelt.

The Lasser-Blackwell resolution placed more stress on the weaknesses of President Roosevelt than on the danger of a Landon victory.

The final resolution adopted indicated that Governor Landon's record for the unemployed is even worse than that of Roosevelt.

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## Murray Flays Steel Bosses for 'Fouling'

### Firing of Company Union Representatives for Honestly Representing Workers Becomes Vital Issue as Wage Demand Brings First Victim

(Daily Worker Pittsburgh Bureau) PITTSBURGH, Sept. 17.—Discharge of steel workers for honest activities as company union representatives has become a vital issue since the recent firing of George A. Patterson, employe of the South Chicago Rolling Mills, and chairman of the Chicago-Pittsburgh Representatives Council.

The suspension of Patterson, followed by his discharge for the formal reason of absence from work without notification to his superiors, although he was absent in connection with his duties as employe representative, brought a sharp statement from Philip Murray, vice-president of the United Mine Workers, in charge of the Steel Workers Organizing Committee of the Committee for Industrial Organization.

Accusing the steel company of "hitting below the belt," Murray told the press that "the case of Mr. Patterson deliberately violates the Wagner law, it violates the real meaning of the company's own employee representation plan."

"Management Resorts to Fouling" "We have penetrated the U. S. Steel Corporation mills so far that the management is worried. They are resorting to despicable methods of 'loose-fouling' the workers."

"Mr. Patterson, like scores of other employe representatives who were duly elected by their fellow workmen, tried to carry out his conscientious duties. He saw that duty to his fellow workers lay in forming a bona fide collective bargaining agency. And now we see the penalty."

Through one of its agents, John Wilson, chairman of the company union in the Homestead works, Carnegie-Illinois has attacked George Patterson and also assailed Arthur Jonstrom, a member of the Homestead works committee, who attended the meeting of the Chicago-Pittsburgh Representatives Council on Sept. 15.

At which wage and other demands were made. Wilson described as "real suckers" steel workers "who are joining the Lewis

and paying him \$1 a month dues."

"You don't have to pay the company dues," said Wilson, omitting to add that the refusal of the wage increase demanded by the honest employe representatives saves the company enough money to pay a whole decade of union dues.

Others in Peril The other members of the Chicago-Pittsburgh committee, besides Jonstrom, for whose protection in their jobs mass protest in the mills against such arbitrary discharges is necessary, are Joseph Gilbert and James Stewart, Carnegie-Illinois Steel, South Chicago; Michael Ostrowski, steel (Gary), Stanley Cotton and Leon Shimous, tin (Gary), Elmer Maloy, vice-chairman of the committee, and John Kane, secretary, steel (Duquesne); Louis Smolinski and William Magaly, steel (Braddock); Thomas Moore and John Tarlecki, steel (Youngstown); Paul Esser and John Ryan, tin (Farrell); Peter Bayns and Henry Doyle, tin (Monessen); Art Milnes, National Tube (Elwood City); Joseph Coval, tube (McKeesport).

Continuing his comment on the discharge of Patterson, Murray said: "Steel management despises the use of the words, 'company union,' in referring to the employe representative plan. But who else is to be an honest workman elected by his fellow workmen is summarily dismissed for exercising his rights?"

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Reactionaries Auto Local Gag Federal Leads Rubber Workers' Union Plant Strike

(Daily Worker Michigan Bureau) DETROIT, Mich., Sept. 17.—With reactionaries, under the watchful eyes of representatives of William Green, fully in control, the Fifth Convention of the American Federation of Government Employees last night ended its sessions after having revised its constitution to insure against any future opposition.

A substantial, militant minority carried the fight for a progressive union to the very closing of the convention. One of the last acts of the controlling group, which is closely linked to reactionary Republican circles in Washington and was advised at the convention by Francis J. Dillon and George Goetz, both agents of Green, was to reaffirm expulsion of Department of Justice Lodge 21 because in taking protest action against "G-Man Hoover" for discharging eight employes in the finger-print department the lodge has "embarrassed the government."

Lodge 21 arranged a mass meeting and advertised it with a leaflet. This the executive board termed violation of the constitution which prohibits "picketing."

Old Constitution Scrapped Scrapping the old constitution, the convention jammed through, over stiff opposition from progressives, a clause prohibiting issuance of statements or any material for publication or distribution without the sanction of the national executive council. Fully aware of recall proceedings against four officials now on foot, the convention deleted from the constitution the provision for an referendum recall of officers. This point barely received the two-thirds majority required. After rejecting a resolution which mildly suggested that the A. F. of L. Council do everything possible to arrive at an understanding with the C.I.O. the convention adopted a resolution prohibiting the issue from coming up again, on the ground that "this matter does not concern the A. F. of L."

"I and many like me will probably not have a chance to come before such a convention again," said Delegate Henry Ryan, leader of the progressives. "The last semblance of democracy is being taken out of the constitution."

Stengel Sides With Reactionaries The chairman of the constitution committee explained that the provisions are designed to "stop any wild stuff from flying around." The new president, Colonel Charles I. Stengel, showed that he sides fully with the reactionaries from the minute he took the gavel.

Meanwhile interest centered today upon the Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees who opened their convention at the Book-Cadillac Hotel today. The main question before that organization is to decide if it should continue its affiliation with the American Federation of Government Employees or if it should remain apart. Thus far these locals operated under temporary certificates given them by the A.F.O.E.

Football Player Dies LAFAYETTE, Ind., Sept. 17 (UP).—Tom McCannon of Evansville, Purdue University football star, died today from burns suffered Saturday in a shower room explosion.

## Lemke Forces Defeated at FLP Meeting

### Union Party Nominees Off Farmer-Labor Ballot

(See Editorial, "Stopping Coughlin" on last page.)

(Special to the Daily Worker) DES MOINES, Iowa, Sept. 17.—Despite last minute efforts of a small group of Union Party supporters to stampede the closing session, delegates to special convention of the Iowa Farmer-Labor Party Saturday accepted a report by State Chairman Gus Erickson which definitely eliminated Lemke and other Union Party candidates from the Farmer-Labor column on the Iowa ballot in 1938.

A previous convention decision had "designated" Lemke and O'Brien as the preferred candidates, and who were to be filed on the Farmer-Labor ticket in Iowa. At the time of the acceptance by Lemke he was filed on the Union Party ticket. He consented to withdraw in favor of the Farmer-Labor Party banner.

Strong resentment within the ranks of the party followed; charges of illegal action were hurled by anti-Lemke forces. Many individuals claimed their support would be given to Lemke but they were not in favor of a party endorsement of any presidential candidate at this time. The greatest opposition to the Lemke-Union Party stand by the party came from progressive trade unionists and National Holiday farmers. The Socialist Party withdrew formally from the Farmer-Labor Party while the Communist Party reiterated its position on party unity, declaring its intention of remaining within the party and openly opposing the Lemke endorsement.

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## Campaign Calender

EARL BROWDER  
Sept. 23.—New York Herald Tribune Forum for Women. With other presidential candidates. Starting at 9:45 A.M. (N. Y. Daylight Time). Blue Network, National Broadcasting Company.

34.—Youngstown, O., Central Auditorium. Station WKBN, 10-10:30 P.M.

35.—Pittsburgh, Carnegie Hall.

36.—Terre Haute, State Teachers' College. Broadcast WBOV and WGBF 9:15-10:15 P.M.

JAMES W. FORD  
Sept. 18.—New Haven, Commercial High School, 8:00 P.M. Broadcast WICC 5:45-6:00 P.M.

18.—Paterson, Lazzara's Hall, Cross and Ellison Sts., 8:15 P.M.

19.—Newark, Kreuger's Auditorium, 35 Belmont Ave., 7:30 P.M. Broadcast WNEW 10:30-10:45 P.M.

20.—Bronx, N. Y. Morris High School, 8 P.M.

21.—New York City, National Broadcast, 10-10:11:00 P.M. (N. Y. Daylight Time) Red Network, NBC.

22.—St. Paul, German-American Hall, 444 Rice Street.

MOTHER ELLA KEEFE DLOOR  
Sept. 17.—Portland, Ore.  
18.—Aberdeen, Wash.  
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## Ford Tour Stirs Negro Press As People Respond in All Cities

### Banner Headlines Report Reception of Communist Vice-Presidential Candidate Who Brings Program of Struggle for Oppressed People

By BEN DAVIS, Jr.  
James W. Ford came, saw and conquered.

That is the impression one gets glancing through scores of Negro newspapers which have published friendly and stirring accounts of successful meetings at which the Negro Communist vice-presidential candidate was the principal speaker.

For example, almost all of the 200-odd Negro papers in America have carried stories on Ford's broadcast which takes place over the Red Network of the National Broadcasting System Monday, Sept. 21, at 10:45 P.M. to 11 P.M. New York Daylight Time. Many have played up the story on the front page, citing the long list of stations from coast to coast which will relay the broadcast.

The Guardian, widely read Boston newspaper, made the account of Ford's meeting in that city Sept. 9 its main story. Its banner front page headline of Sept. 12, read: "CROWDS HAIL CANDIDATE J. W. FORD. This was followed by a full column and a half news story on what the Negro leader said, under a sub-head which stated: "FORD HALL PACKED FOR FORD—Colored Communist Candidate for Vice-President Warmly Greeted by Immense Ford Hall Audience."

Radio Ban Protested When the Negro leader's broadcast was banned in Springfield, Ill., the home of "Abe" Lincoln, the Negro people learned of it through blazing headlines in several papers. The Shreveport Sun, one of Louisiana's leading Negro weeklies, carried a front page streamer in heavy black type: "J. W. FORD TALK BANNED ON AIR IN ILLINOIS. The story which backed up the headline, exposed the ban on Ford as a typical act of discrimination because Ford was a "Negro and a Communist."

"Way down in Georgia, where the officials regard their lynching record with pride, the Augusta, Ga., Echo published a lengthy front page release on the denial of free speech to Ford over the Springfield, Ill., stations.

The Negro leader's picture has seen the light of day in the Chicago Defender, one of the three largest Negro newspapers; the Shreveport Sun, which published a large two-column photograph; the Boston Chronicle; the Richmond, Va., Planet; the Pittsburgh Crusader; the Afro-American, nationally read Baltimore paper; the Indianapolis Recorder and others.

Makes Deep Impression Ford's speech in Cleveland left an indelible impression upon the Negro people of that city. It was reflected in the Cleveland Eagle, lead-

ing Negro newspaper, whose editor Ormond Forte, wrote a special story on Ford's address describing his "dignity" and "marvelous in compelling the respect of both Negroes and whites who listened to him."

"CITIZENS PLAN MASS RECEPTION FOR COMMUNIST LEADER," a headline appearing in the Boston Chronicle, Aug. 29, is indicative of the enthusiastic greeting which Ford has received among the Negro people wherever he has appeared.

It is very heartening to the progressive forces of the country to see so many Negro papers prominently displaying the name of the Communist vice-presidential nominee as their Party, — especially when some of them, like the Chicago Defender

and Pittsburgh Crusader, are openly supporting the reactionary Hearst-Liberty League-Landon ticket.

Nevertheless, the fact that the columns of the Negro press are open wider to the Communist Party and its candidates than ever before is due to the wide interest of the Negro people in the Communist Party, its leaders and its struggles in behalf of Negro rights.

Negroes throughout the country are taking to the idea of supporting a powerful Farmer-Labor Party to stop the onward rush of fascism and reaction which threatens their rights most. They see James W. Ford, the nation's most outstanding Negro leader, and his Party, as the best fighters for that Farmer-Labor Party.

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New York Far In Lead With Election Fund Contributions Listed—Standing of Sections in N. Y. Tabulated

Sending \$5,212.63 to the election campaign fund of the Communist Party, New York further increased its lead over the other districts in the drive for \$250,000. The entire day's total of \$5,264.43 brought the complete contributions so far to the mark of \$31,464.50.

The following two lists show yesterday's contributions to the campaign and the New York section standings:

Table with columns: Section, Amount, Total. Lists contributions from various sections like S. C. Ithaca, S. C. Albany, etc.

Table titled 'NEW YORK STANDINGS' with columns: Section, Quota, Ass't, Per. Lists cumulative totals for various sections.

Aluminum Workers Reject Muzzle Rule

NEW KENSINGTON, Pa., Sept. 17 (FP)—I can see reasons for goggles in the plant, but muzzles don't. This was the typical attitude expressed by union aluminum workers when the Aluminum Company of America posted a don't-talk-unionism sign on the company premises.

LABOR NEWS IN BRIEF

C.I.O. Issue Before Illinois A. F. of L.

QUINCY, Ill., Sept. 17.—With a larger number of delegates than ever before in its history, with new unions represented for the first time, with unions that seldom participated before fully represented this time—the Illinois State Federation of Labor convention found itself confronted with the Committee for Industrial Organization issue right on the first day.

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Labor Party Support Seen at Rubber Parley

Endorse Labor's Non-Partisan League Stand on Roosevelt — Pledges Cooperation with Industrial Union Forces

By Sandor Voros (Special to the Daily Worker) AKRON, Ohio, Sept. 17.—The afternoon session of the Farmer-Labor Party resolutions back to committee, recommending incorporating them into one to expedite the debate.

Strong sentiment for Labor Party action, expressed in this morning's debate, gives the impression that the convention will take favorable action.

Salvatore Camello, member of the executive board, presented the minority report stating that this is one of the most important questions before the convention and urged adoption of the resolution.

Thomas Owens Firestone who declared he was for the principles embodied in the local Farmer-Labor Party declaration but opposed endorsement at the present time. C. M. Dickson Goodrich expressed similar sentiment.

Carney supported Camello. "Labor will only get what it fights for. I am sorry for organizers who are sent into territories where there are Republican and Democratic politicians are in office. This is one reason why we must have a Farmer-Labor Party," Carney declared.

"The labor movement must support its own party. If we do not wake up and see the necessity for independent political action we're doomed to a worse fate than Germany and Italy under Hitler and Mussolini," Eagle stated.

The convention unanimously, without debate, adopted resolutions pledging support, co-operation and financial assistance to the C. I. O. in organizing mass production industries, showing how thoroughly every delegate is convinced of the correctness of C. I. O. policies.

The convention went on record urging the abolishment of child labor; barring the sale of prison-made goods; defeated a resolution urging that the International headquarters be moved to Washington.

Before passing on Roosevelt, Lloyd Holmes, Firestone delegate, stated: "When the convention endorses Roosevelt we have to bear in mind we are not endorsing the Democratic Party. We also must bear in mind that we have no guarantee that President Roosevelt will carry out legislation favorable to labor.

Organized labor must bring strong pressure on him and on legislators in Congress who are opposed to favorable labor legislation. This is the reason why our best guarantee lies in organization of a strong Farmer-Labor Party, and sending Farmer-Labor Party candidates like our own Wilmer Tate to Congress who will bring sufficient pressure and protect labor's rights."

Tobacco Workers' International Union sent representative John O'Hara to greet the convention. This is the first A. F. of L. non-suspended international to do so. John Owens, president of the Ohio District United Mine Workers, in addressing the convention assailed the A. F. of L. Executive Council for C. I. O. suspension and stated: "We must organize all unorganized and build up militant trade union convention of the International Typographical Union will be asked to endorse the activities of the Committee on Industrial Organization, Charles P. Howard, president of the union, announced here today.

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Typos to Give Stand On Industrial Unions COLORADO SPRINGS, Col., Sept. 17.—Delegates to the annual

Browder to Introduce Ford on Radio

(Continued from Page 1) Hutchins, treasurer of the National Campaign Committee, 35 East 12th Street, New York City.

The following stations will carry the address of Ford on Sept. 21: WEAF—New York WJLA—Milwaukee WEEB—Boston WJBA—Madison WTIC—Hartford KRTP—Minneapolis WJAB—Providence WEEB—Detroit WTAG—Worcester WDAY—Pargo WGBH—Portland, Me. KFYR—Bismarck WYV—Philadelphia KQYL—Salt Lake City KQY—Ephrata KPO—San Francisco WGT—Los Angeles KGW—Portland, Ore. WBBN—Buffalo WRCO—Seattle WYB—Buffalo WFTL—Tallahassee WYAM—Cleveland WRVA—Richmond WMAQ—Chicago WTAR—Norfolk KSD—St. Louis WFTL—Raleigh WBO—Des Moines WEOG—Charleston WOV—Omaha WUNC—Asheville WDAF—Kansas City WIS—Columbia WRIO—Dayton WISN—Tampa WCKY—Cincinnati WIOD—Miami

New York, Daylight Time—10:45 P. M. to 11 P. M. Eastern Standard Time—9:45 P. M. to 10 P. M. Central Standard Time—8:45 P. M. to 9 P. M. Mountain Standard Time—7:45 P. M. to 8 P. M. Pacific Standard Time—6:45 P. M. to 7 P. M.

Browder Tells Of Tampa Suit

(Continued from Page 1) LaPollette Senatorial Committee for the investigation of civil rights violations.

The complainants, he said, would be the Browder Arrangements Committee of Tampa, the Communist Party and himself. The action is to be filed against the Tampa Morning Tribune, the paper which carried repeated articles inciting violence against Browder and the other complainants; the Concord Baptist Church, the city officials, and the Bay Lodge of Pythias, which had published in the Tribune a statement that "thousands of Tampa people will stop this meeting by force if necessary."

The pastor and officers of the Concord Church published a resolution in the Tampa Tribune on Sept. 9, stating that the Community "should not give them an opportunity to have the meeting unmolested."

The Communist standard-bearer then answered numerous questions about what happened when the United Orders was padlocked by unknown persons in Tampa. Following that he answered queries which led him into a discussion of the relative strength of Roosevelt and Landon in the South, his hour and twenty minutes change of plans in Atlanta, Ga., and his first trip into the extreme South, where he received tremendous ovations in Chattanooga and Birmingham.

Federal Law Violated Browder exhibited two documents which would be used in the legal action, one being a \$20 rent receipt showing that the hall had been paid for and lawfully leased.

"These and other documents and facts prove without doubt that a federal law was violated when the meeting was prevented," he said, plainly answering a wire he received from Attorney General Homer S. Cummings, in which the latter said "no federal offense had been committed."

"In other words, although German munitions companies cannot sell abroad, American companies can sell for them and to our government at that."

Overcharge U.S.A. In short, a duPont Company has an agreement with a German company to overcharge the American government so that large royalties be sent to the Nazi war industry.

The cooperation between the American and Nazi merchants of death is also part of the connection between these companies and the Imperial Chemical Industries, Ltd. of Great Britain.

This company has worked very closely with du Ponts and with D.A.G. on March 6, 1933, Sir Harry Morgan, chairman of the board of I.C.I., wrote to Lamont du Pont: "Our German friends... expect to take a prominent position in the business... and we have in fact kept in mind this possibility."

Later developments revealed that the "German friends" of the du Ponts had indeed taken "a prominent position in the business."

1926 Agreement An agreement drawn up in 1926 between du Ponts, D.A.G. and Koln Rottweiler specified that each party would disclose to the other its inventions relating to explosives and to offer licenses covering the same.

The agreement made at that time was to last until December 31, 1933. In the du Pont files a copy of it is marked in pencil, "Unsigned—in effect as gentlemen's agreement."

The Nye report adds: "The du Pont and German companies are still proceeding under this arrangement."

"The German companies," the report continues, "are entitled to exclusive rights in their own country and in Holland, Poland, Austria, San Salvador and in South America."

"Du Pont receives exclusive rights in the United States and Central America (except San Salvador) and non-exclusive rights in South America."

Connection With General Motors An important fact that should be understood in connection with the agreement between the Nazis and the du Ponts is the influence of du Ponts in General Motors.

The du Ponts control 25 per cent of General Motors. Lamont du Pont is chairman of the board of directors. John Raskob and S. W. Carpenter of the General Motors board of directors are both vice-presidents of du Pont de Nemours and Company.

Not only is there close cooperation between the merchants of death of Germany and the United States, there is also actual partnership.

Du Pont, the British I.C.I. and the D.A.G. jointly own and operate Explosives Industries Ltd., which sells explosives in a number of Latin American countries.

These facts of collaboration between the war lord of Germany and of the United States indicate the field covered by the Nye report.

The proof is indisputable. The du Ponts and the Nazi war industry are closely and inextricably allied.

"These apostles of Liberty League 'Americanism' are aiding the Nazis in their plans to put the entire world under the heel of their bloody dictatorship."

WOMEN OF 1936

—By— ANN RIVINGTON

LATELY, a number of women have written me with questions about the Women's Trade Union League. I have sent to Washington for all possible information about the organization, but meanwhile I want to tell you all I can. The Women's Trade Union League is a group where women can do a great deal of good work, and many of you who have not asked about it, as well as those who have, will be sure to be interested.

The League is about to hold regional conferences. Many trade unions which are already affiliated with it are going to send delegates, as well as many more who have no connection with the League at present, but are interested in joining. Becoming a part of such a large all-embracing organization as this is a way of uniting the strength of many small groups. It will stimulate the movement to organize the unorganized working women.

Perhaps you remember the convention of the League which was held last May in Washington, D. C. I remember mentioning it in this column. It was very significant because of the progressive resolution that were passed, on everything from world peace to the minimum wage.

At that time, the League urged all local Leagues to work at getting trade unions to affiliate, as well as to invite the membership of individuals.

And now for the practical details: The New York League is located at 247 Lexington Avenue, New York City. Miss Rose Schneiderman is president. She is well known in the labor movement. Not so long ago, by the way, she came out in favor of a labor party.

The Chicago League is at 630 South Ashland Boulevard, Chicago. Miss Agnes Nestor is in charge.

The Chicago League and the Wisconsin League have just had a successful joint conference at Waukegan. A hundred delegates were present. Meta Berger spoke at one of the sessions on the need for women to undertake aggressive action for peace.

The New York League is going to hold its 14th annual conference on October 3rd at the League House, beginning at 10 A. M. The subject of this conference will be organizing women under the Constitution.

More information about this organization will have to wait till I get an answer from Washington. But meanwhile it's worth thinking seriously about joining, either with your union, or if you are not a member of a union but are interested in union organization, joining as an individual member.

I must get back for a moment to our Mother Body Section of the Communist Election Campaign Fund. The morning's mail has raised our total from \$3.00 to \$4.50. Thanks to M. M. for fifty cents and to a Houseworker for a bright dollar bill. Nobody has yet claimed Dimitroff's "Letters from Prison" by sending in five dollars.

I AM looking for this special women's Election Fund in honor of Mother Body to begin to pile up pretty soon, like a snow ball rolling down hill. After all, when any worker contributes to the campaign fund, or helps in the campaign in any other way, he is helping himself.

Mail the money directly to me at 35 East 12th Street. I will turn it over directly to the general fund after accounting for it in this column.

The Ruling Claws

by Redfield



"How the hell do you expect me to get along on twenty bucks a week?"

Madrid Halts Offensive

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important because it is the government headquarters for the Talavera front and is on the Madrid highway, was strengthened.

A rebel plane was down in the area, official communiques said, crew dying in its flames, and the bodies of more than 20 Moors were found in the streets of Escalona in addition to others in the fields outside.

Madrid Front Strengthened The victory was important because it is the first rebel halt in days to the savage rebel attack. That the offensive has been permanently stopped, nobody pretends. On the contrary, the government, under its new policy, asserts quite frankly that it believes the rebel attack will get stronger. But it is insisted also that, with its new supply of arms added to its man power, the loyalist army will hold fast.

At the moment the front in the most important sector of the Talavera area—the front west of the Madrid highway—is between 15 1/2 and 18 1/2 miles long, running roughly from north to south, with its northern end around Escalona and its southern end in the neighborhood of Gebolla, 11 miles east of Talavera and 29 miles west of Toledo.

The change in the Madrid situation since the strong new government took office was shown in Foreign Minister Alvarez Del Vayo's interview. At a time when the government's very life is threatened, told foreign correspondents that the censorship is going to be lifted as much as possible. Rubio Hidalgo, chief of the Foreign Office press bureau, was ordered to take charge of the censorship.

"My idea is to give newspaper correspondents absolute liberty so you can give an authentic report of the war," he said. "The government reserves the right to impose individual penalties if that obligation is not respected."

Alvarez Del Vayo began his interview by charging that the rebel resistance was based on outside

YOUR HEALTH

—By— Medical Advisory Board

Hardness of Hearing H. H. Superior, Wisconsin, writes: "A friend of mine is partly deaf. He is thinking of purchasing a mechanical device to aid him in hearing, but would like expert advice on which brand to purchase."

ELECTRICAL hearing aids have not as yet been standardized, from the point of view of serviceability. There is an organization, the League of the Hard of Hearing, 490 Lexington Avenue, New York City, which may have a branch in your city, which assists patients in fitting instruments best suited to them. The organization maintains instruments for demonstration from various companies and helps the patient to actual tests with the instruments, to select the one that seems to give the best aid.

If this service is not available in your city, most companies will be glad to send their instruments for a trial period, so that the patient can determine for himself which instrument suits him best. We advise also getting a device which uses standard size dry batteries.

We also suggest that you communicate with the Volta Bureau, 1537-35th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. This Bureau was established for the purpose of furnishing information concerning education and instruction for the hard of hearing; its services are free. Advice is given as to schools and pre-school training, lip reading instruction, hearing aids, social contacts, psychological difficulties. It was founded by Alexander Graham Bell.

We might finally point out that not all types of hardness of hearing are aided by electrical devices, and the patient should first consult a competent ear specialist or ear clinician to find out if his particular type can be helped by instruments.

Gunmen Patrol Lettuce Area

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down yesterday as police-convoys trucks dashed through the city from fields to the barricaded and guarded packing sheds. A crowd of 800 strikers who took refuge in the lettuce Central Labor Temple were bombed out with tear gas and nauseating gas.

Schools have been closed by order of the superintendent and some stores have closed.

Guards at the ice company plant fired on three automobiles that failed to halt. Afterwards they found out that the autos had scabbers, Central Labor Temple were bombed out with tear gas and nauseating gas.

The American Legion, which preceded the sheriff's mobilization by an attempted mobilization of its own against the strikers, rescinded its orders today. American Legionnaires reported that the strike settlement was high, and the community did not approve of violence against strikers.

State A. F. of L. Backs Strikers The strikers had support from other labor groups. The California Federation of Labor in convention at Sacramento ordered union men not to handle lettuce cargoes picked and packed by strike-breakers. It called for a legislative investigation of the use of the state highway patrol as constabulary. The delegates planned also to picket the California state capitol in protest against the treatment accorded the strikers.

The Fruit and Vegetable Workers Union demands wage scales approximately 15 per cent higher than those which the Grower-Shippers Association offered it when representatives of the groups met for contract negotiations two weeks ago.

The employers offered lettuce workers the following wage rates: Packers, 75 cents per hour; men trimmers 55 cents; women trimmers 50 cents; receivers 70 cents; floor help 55 cents; truckers 60 cents.

The union demanded the following wage rates: Packers 82 1/2 cents; trimmers 80 1/2 cents; receivers 77 cents; truckers 66 cents.

Vigilantes Attack Strikers in Hall Sheriff Abbott had several hundred men yesterday in the battles that raged through the streets, with pistols, clubs, rocks, and fists, and ended finally at the Central Labor Temple where 800 strikers had taken refuge after being driven from the streets.

Tear and nauseating gas bombs thrown through windows and doors, routed them, choking and weeping, into the streets again, where the vigilantes charged once more, dispersing them entirely.

In addition to the vigilantes, Abbott also had the aid of members of the highway patrol, who were stationed in various parts of the city. Their commander, Raymond Cato, said he viewed the situation as one that would eventually need the State Militia to settle.

"There just aren't enough peace officers to control a mob of 1,500 to 2,000 strikers," he said. "I'm afraid the Militia will have to go in. It looks like war to me."

Watsonville, the other large city of the Watson-Gibbons lettuce growing area, which supplies most of the lettuce used in the entire nation, was quiet, but authorities there foisted a "Non-Partisan committee" to keep the city "on even keel in the present industrial troubles, and to work for law and order."

The strike began Sept. 4 when the workers—migratory hands who follow the harvest through California's fertile valleys—deserted the fields as growers had refused their demands. The situation did not become violent until strike-breakers were brought in.

Spain's Scientific Canvassing Subject of Open Meeting Tonight

TONIGHT is the night! Everybody's talking about it! Wilkes-Barre has sent a delegation especially for the occasion. Brooklyn, Queens, Manhattan, Bronx, will be represented. TONIGHT all roads lead to 35 East 12th Street, Room 205, 8 P.M. TONIGHT Louis Spain will discuss creative canvassing with the Daily and Sunday Worker.

Have you canvassed with the Daily Worker? Can you spare some time in the circulation drive? Have you any friends who are interested in the campaign? Are you going out with the Special Election Issue? Then Spain's message is for you! It's for everyone! You're all cordially invited to attend. You'll be missing something if you don't.

Section 1 Behind Former Record WHAT has happened to Section 1, Manhattan, in the campaign for 50,000 new readers?

In the last drive Section 1 was .TOPS! They over-subscribed their quota in half-



SPAIN SPEAKS TONIGHT—This is Louis Spain, author of scientific canvassing with the Daily and Sunday Worker. Meet him tonight at the open discussion of his theories at Room 205, 35 East 12th Street, 8 P. M.

time; conducted socialist competitions; published a weekly bulletin called "Thermometer."

But since May the Daily Worker has become something of a step-child. No meetings have been called to plan out the drive; the Daily Worker Representative is overbur-

dened, few members know there is a drive.

However there are ameliorating circumstances! Most of the units are shop units. The two street units have to contend with hostile elements. The neighborhood is Italian and in recent weeks the Catholic Church has been campaigning bitterly against the Communists. The result is slam-bang doors in the face of canvassers.

BUT difficult problems must be taken up and threshed out. Discussions must be held to map out a plan of work.

We suggest the following: Section and Unit discussions of the campaign. Appointment of a full-time Daily Worker Representative.

Red Builders and Carriers, to distribute and sell the paper between 6 and 8 A.M.

Each street unit to select canvassers to concentrate on the Daily and Sunday Worker to the exclusion of all other Party work. This group to make a special study of Spain's methods of canvassing.



# Contrast of U.S.S.R. And U.S.A.

By STEVE YOUNG

WORKERS marching in Moscow, carrying banners that call for proletarian aid to the heroic workers of Spain. Proudly they marched, heads up, cheered by the throngs that crowded Moscow streets. Two weeks later, back in New York, I see another group of workers marching, this time grim faced, carrying signs that call for a 25 per cent increase in rent allowance, a free dental clinic for the Lower East Side, etc.

The New York marchers are middle-aged women and unemployed single youth. The women, gray-haired, worried lines on their faces, march in a spirited fashion. They march around the Home Relief Bureau.

Curious crowds stand away as the picketers voice their demands. "No discrimination against single unemployed." Any Soviet worker hearing a slogan of that sort would be at a loss to understand it. Discrimination, unemployed, would be words that he would probably have to have explained to him. Neither exist in the Soviet Union.

The cry of "a 25 per cent increase in rent allowance" would be of particular interest to an inhabitant of the Soviet Union. You see, in the Soviet Union workers pay ten per cent of their income per month for rent. Picture the bewilderment of a Soviet citizen trying to understand why workers demand a 25 per cent increase in rent allowance from the government.

WE visited a Children's Preventorium on the outskirts of Kharkov in the Soviet Union. A preventorium is a camp to which workers' children who may be underweight and who show signs of illness are sent.

Some twenty of us are in the group that wander about the grounds and watch the children at play or participating in group activity. I am invited by some of the children to play volley ball with them. One of their number, an eleven-year-old boy, asks me if I understand Jewish. When I tell him that I do, he starts firing questions at me.

"What is the Black Legion doing now?"

"Will Landon get elected?"

"What do American children do with their summer vacation?" the boy wants to know.

He is surprised to learn that powerful auto interests want to keep the truth about the Black Legion from the people. When he learns that children his age spend vacations by selling newspapers and shining shoes, he finds it hard to understand. "Why do they do such things to children?"

While he is asking me these things a group of children gather around us and want to know about things in America. Picture a similar group of children in our country. A typical question from them would be "Have you read about Popeye and the Geep?" "Gee, do ya think the Giants'll win the pennant?"

THE contrast is even greater when one of the children wants to know how many children's theatres we have in our country. They proudly tell me that a group of children in a Moscow Park of Culture and Rest have just been presented with a boat and that the children are being trained to sail the boat by themselves.

A visit to our Central Park in New York furnishes another comparison when I think of any of the Parks of Culture and Rest that one finds in the Soviet Union. Central Park has tired people lying on the grass. If they're not chased by cops, wondering where the next meal is coming from.

Let's look at the Gorki Park of Culture and Rest in Moscow. It only contains a grand opera stage, and a symphony orchestra of 65, out-of-doors, some two or three dance pavilions, four libraries, a lake, two theatres, all the rides that one finds in our amusement parks, plus all the food concessions, a pavilion where folk dances are performed by the visitors to the park; beautiful gardens and last but not least, rowing, swimming and a parachute jump that has anything of the feeble capitalist brains beat seven million different ways.

THE remarkable part is that some 50,000 workers are in the park the night we are there and there is no rowdiness. No shouting, yelling, whistling, all that goes up to make what we consider a "good time" is absent. Instead we find laughter, music, friendliness to an overwhelming degree.

In New York now the authorities are thinking of starting a campaign to keep the streets free from papers, cigarette butts and other stuff. We notice the Soviet cities are kept spotlessly clean by the people. No one throws cigarette butts in the street. A receptacle is generally within reach when one has to discard his cigarette.

The worker in the Soviet Union takes a pride in keeping his city clean. The knowledge that the streets, the buildings and the land are his is shown in everything he says and does.

As for work, most of the Russian workers thought we were trying to be funny when we told them that there are 12,000,000 unemployed people in the United States. "If that is so," they would finally say, "why don't people do something about it?" The Soviet worker does not understand what is meant by unemployment.

And, on the other hand, American workers find it hard to understand how unemployment can be completely abolished as it has been done in the U.S.S.R. But they'll learn.

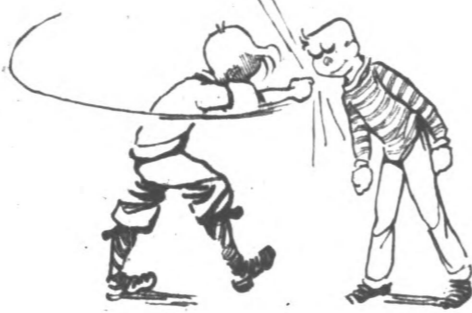
## Alabama's Greatest Son, A New Biographical Pamphlet on J. W. Ford

READY in time for distribution before Sept. 21, on which day James W. Ford will address the nation over a coast-to-coast radio hookup, a new biographical pamphlet of the outstanding Negro leader, James W. Ford: Who He Is And What He Stands For, by Ben Davis, Jr., price 2 cents, will appear and should receive the widest distribution particularly among Negro populations. In order effectively to prepare for mass distribution on Sept. 21, every District should rush its order at once by airmail. Do not delay.

## LITTLE LEFTY

Happy Days!

by del



HARDER! HARDER! HOW DO YOU EXPECT ME TO REALLY BE HAPPY 'BOUT EVERYTHING!?



# Spain Fights On For Freedom

### La Pasionaria's Call; Glimpses of the Fighters for the Republic



#### 'Glory to You Women Anti-Fascists'—the Famous Communist Leader Rallies Spain's Women to the Fight; Daughter and Wife of Asturian Miners, She Was Steeled to Struggle from Childhood

By DOLORES IBARRURI (La Pasionaria)

SHE was a militawoman. Dressed in clothes of blue cloth, she held her rifle so enthusiastically that it seemed she was really holding in her hands a passionately desired toy rather than a weapon of death.

Amid the joy of the militawomen who went smiling to battle and death, she did not speak a word. Serious and grave, her eyes gleaming with keen lightning-flashes that spoke of hatred, of decision, of courage, I approached her.

"Where are you from?" I questioned her.

"From Toledo."

"Why have you come to the front?"

"The reply was several moments in coming. Finally she told me:

"To struggle against fascism, to crush the enemies of the toilers, and to avenge my brother's death."

"They killed him?"

"Yes," she replied. "He was a soldier and a Communist. At the outbreak of the counter-revolutionary movement, they wanted to compel my brother to march, like the others, against his class brothers and to fight against the Republic. My brother refused, and they shot him like a dog."

"I have come here to fill the place he would have taken, and in

addition to avenge his death, to show to the fascist rabble that when men fall, women fill the empty places they leave behind them. We are fighting with the same ardor and the same courage as they, because they taught us how to die. Isn't it true, comrade, that it's better to die than to live in the fascist hell in which the workers of all countries are suffering?"

It seems to me that she is asking this question more of herself than of me, or rather that she is answering a question which has surged up from the innermost of her feelings.

I query her companions. I want to know how she conducts herself in the struggle. They all admire her. She is the first to run to the point of worst danger, to defy peril with admirable serenity.

Brave militawomen!

When, as in all the comrades who defy death on the line of fire and meet her often, there comes to life all the heroines of our Spanish history: Sagunto, Numancia, la Vardilla, Augustina de Aragon, Maria Pita, Manuela Sanchez, Mariana Pineda, who fought against the foreign oppressors with the "commineros," with the "payeses" (Catalan peasants), in the War of Independence, in the War of the Condottieri. These women always play a decisive role—always animating the man in the struggle for freedom, teaching him by their ex-

ample that it is better to die than to submit to oppressors and hangmen.

Women of Spain, all the honor and the glory of the battles which the people are waging against those who wish to asphyxiate our country in the hell of fascism, all this glory is yours.

The mountains of the Guadarrama are proof of the worth of the women who are fighting against a strong and powerful enemy.

They go to death singing gaily; if someone flinches, they bolster her courage, they stiffen her spine—Alto del Leon, Navacerrada, Somosierra.

These places, drenched with the blood of so many nameless heroes, will shine with an eternal flame in the history of the struggles against fascism in our land.

Tradition is being perpetuated, history is repeating itself. In the women who are fighting today upon the front, who are offering their blood to the wounded, who at the head of the beds where the heroes of a hundred fights lie wracked by pain and drained of blood, there is being reawakened our heroines of old, all those who fell with a shout for the love of liberty on their lips.

Before you, dear comrades who accompany the men to struggle, our banners are lowered in an emotion-filled salute.

Glory to you women anti-fascists!

## Description of Life Behind the Lines

By Albert Hensing

WHEN my wife and I arrived in Barcelona, we were surprised above all by the normality of the city's life. The almost idyllic aspect of the border town of Port Bou, where we had had to wait several hours for our train to Barcelona, had only increased our impatience. Bathed in golden sunlight, circled by the green foothills of the Pyrenees, which at this point dip down into the sparkling blue of the Mediterranean, its quiet beauty seemed an anachronism. There was only one exterior sign that it was not the pretty resort spot of normal days: in place of the stiff-collared, brass-buttoned policemen, the armed

malty. There were no public taxis, but busses and trolleys functioned perfectly. Food everywhere was abundant. The market-stalls were laden with every kind of produce, and there were no lines which would indicate any kind of shortage. We never saw a gun leveled, or heard a single shot. The only reminders of the battles being fought many miles away, near Saragossa, were the presence of the militia, the posters, and the little stands which sprang up alongside the flower-stalls, where one could buy the insignia of the various workers' and Republican organizations. These, and the universal priceless friend-

NEXT morning I sat in front of the Hotel Colon, speaking with a woman who had come from England to see the People's Olympics, which had been scheduled to begin on the very day when the uprising began, and who had stayed to give what help she could in the struggle.

While we were speaking, a member of the militia came by stooped and whispered a few words to her.

"Dead?" she asked in a hopeless tone that showed she already knew the answer. "Dead!"

And then she told me of whom they spoke: a young Italian anti-fascist, who had come to Spain as correspondent for an English newspaper. After a few days at the front, he could not restrain himself from dropping that job, and enlisting in the militia. Only a few days before he had distinguished himself in action. Together with Fanny (a Dutch girl who had become one of the crack machine-gunners of the Aragon front) he had pushed ahead during an attack, always occupying the most advanced position, although the two of them had a crew of four. Then, when it became necessary to retreat a part of the way, they were the last to return, while he carried on his slight back every last bit of the precious ammunition. And now he was killed by a bomb as he stood in a quiet village behind the lines—very likely by a bomb from an Italian plane. In Paris, a wife is waiting for him.

The largest group of foreigners serving in the anti-fascist militia consists of the German political exiles who had been living in Spain. The day after we arrived, a small company of them marched off to the front, wildly cheered by the crowds who lined the streets.

ONE evening, I sat at a cafe on the Ramblas, with a group of Germans, including about ten men who were leaving for the front the next day. They were dressed in simple civilian clothes, wearing no insignia to show that they were members of the militia. Their voices were loud and gay, carrying their German speech out over the boulevard to a crowd of several hundred who were assembled nearby, listening to a radio loudspeaker.

People were constantly passing directly by their tables. There was never an unfriendly glance. I thought then of the statement I had read often in the conservative press, that there was an intense hatred of "Germans and Italians"

in Barcelona. On the contrary, the Spanish people, fighting themselves against a militarist-clerical faction, have the readiest understanding for the fact that it is not "Germany" and "Italy" which send bombing-planes to attack them, but the oppressors of Germany and Italy.

They understand also the international significance of their struggle. "We are fighting for you, too," one hears from every man and woman with whom one discusses the situation. And they take it for granted that the sympathy of the great majority in every country is theirs. At the same time, they find it hard to understand why this sympathy cannot find more concrete forms of expression. For, if the value of gifts of solidarity be measured in terms of the blood which will be spared as a result, every cannon is worth more than an ambulance.

There has probably never been any extended military struggle in which the women have participated so actively. They are not merely doing Trojan work replacing men in the rear, and heroic service in the hospitals, but there is still a goodly number of them fighting in the front lines.

On one occasion, a slight young girl, herself wounded in battle, carried back on her shoulders a man who was unable to walk!

I have already mentioned Fanny—a few days after the death of her partner, she herself was brought to a hospital in Barcelona, wounded, though not seriously. And before I left, my English friend told me that a younger woman with whom she had come to Spain had just fallen in battle.

I met one American who was serving as a doctor at the front lines, but had come back to Barcelona for several days. A few days earlier, he had been blown out of his ambulance along with all the other occupants (except one wounded man who was killed on the spot) by a shell dropped from a fascist plane. He has the nose of the shell, a precious souvenir. I hope he will bring it safely back with him to America—without collecting any still more intimate souvenirs.

NO one who has witnessed the street-fighting of the first days can find words enough to describe the splendid courage of the workers, who fought with the finest

arms against the insurgents. Walking across the Plaza Catalunya one afternoon, I found an eloquent testimonial to it. There was a withered wreath of flowers tied to a lamp-post, and attached to it a pen-

ential thirst, the cheerful answer was: "Drink as much as you like. Since the militia have come, the water is free." The only well in town, which had been the property of the landowner, had been made public property.

The hospitality is especially remarkable because the Aragonese peasants have always regarded the Catalonians as their enemies. In one of the villages, a member of the village committee said: "We always thought you Catalonians were our enemies, but now you have come to fight for us. When it is over, and the fascists have been beaten, please come back to us again, and bring us books instead of rifles."

In the cities and the villages, the fight against fascism is combined with the struggle against the ignorance which has resulted from the church's complete control of education.

"There must not be a child in Catalonia who is not attending school in October!" This slogan is thrust before the people in large billboard announcements, and there is not a newspaper which does not report some recent activity of the committee for the new Unified Educational System. For the new school system is not merely to provide the rudiments of education to the masses. To emphasize the opportunity which will be given to every child to pursue his education as far as he wishes, a single system is being established, in which the elementary school, the university, and all the professional and technical schools are combined.

IT is in the villages that one is best able to judge which of the two contending forces (the Fascist or the government) really represents the Spanish people. The rebel army is forced to conduct itself everywhere like an army of occupation, using terror to overcome the sullen resistance of the peasants. When they have been driven out of a village, the militia who succeed them are greeted enthusiastically by the population. They have food and drink thrust upon them. When a correspondent apologized for drinking too much water, to quench a phenom-



enon. Written in the large, crude letters of one not accustomed to much writing, the note said that the donor of the wreath was himself from Valencia, that he would never forget the courage of the Catalonian workers which he had witnessed on this spot, during the taking of the Hotel Colon, and that he himself was about to enter the militia, not to lay down arms before death or victory.

However, courage alone can win only with tremendous sacrifice. The greatest fault of the militia as a fighting body is the recklessness with which they expose themselves to danger, and the eagerness itself in complaints if for two or three days they are held back, from attacking in some sector. The problem of discipline is serious—not as a problem of controlling pillage, because in the villages the greatest friendliness exists between the population and the militia—but as a problem of enforcing simple caution and having adequate coordination of units.



# First Play on Struggle In Spain

By ALBERT BEIN

THIS Sunday, the first American play written on the theme of the Spanish workers' present life and death struggle against Fascism will be presented to American workers. New York will have the good fortune to see it first; but there will doubtless be dozens of similar productions in other cities throughout the country after its New York presentation.

The play is "Who Fights This Battle?" by Kenneth White, a young playwright and poet whose absorption in Spain's struggles for democracy led him to undertake the job of presenting it in dramatic form to the people of America. His enthusiasm, communicated to a large number of other writers, dramatists, actors, stage-technicians and artists, found an overwhelming response. The result will be the forthcoming production "Who Fights This Battle?" at the Hotel Delano Grand Ballroom, 108 West Forty-third Street, on Sunday. It will be given two performances, one at 2:45 P.M., the other at 8:45 in the evening.

On the committee which is producing and sponsoring "Who Fights This Battle?" are many figures well known in the arts. There are the writers, Heywood Brown, Joseph Freeman, John Gasner, Albert Maltz.

There are producers, stage technicians and other theatre people like Adelaide Bean, Sylvia Regan, George Abbott, Charles Friedman, Herman Shumlin. There are two recent arrivals from war-torn Spain—the dancer, Angela Enters, and Muriel Ruckeyser, poet. There are many professional actors, too numerous to name. And as director of the play, there is Joe Losey, who has been widely acclaimed for his staging of "Little Ol' Boy," "Jayhawker," and, more recently, "Triple A Plowed Under" and the current Living Newspaper production, "Injunction Granted."

NOW, why should a capable playwright, a noted director and so many of Broadway's actors and actresses throw their combined talents into the production of a play written, produced and staged as a benefit in defense of the heroic struggle of the Spanish masses against the savage fascist assault now ravaging Spain?

Why should Broadway's theatregoers, New York City's workers, professionals and liberals go to see this collective job for the Spanish People's Front?

What business is it of ours in America if the Republic of Spain falls under the brutal fascist offensive, and a military dictatorship is superimposed on the shattered bodies of thousands of Spanish workers, shopkeepers and peasants?

The answer is not hard to find. The valiant defenders of Spain's People's Front are engaged in mortal conflict with the most deadly enemy of culture and intellectual liberty in the world today. Victory for the forces of decadent, feudal reaction in Spain means a body blow to art, to letters, to that most precious of all heritages—freedom of thought and expression. It isn't just the workers, the artists, the writers, the peasants of Spain who are embroiled in this bloody internecine conflict. It is the world forces of freedom and democracy pitted against the international combine of fascist terrorism. Liberals are prone to miss this vital point. But the arch-conspirators of world fascism are not. At the very outbreak of the Spanish conflict Mussolini and Hitler rushed to the defense of Spain's "rebel" forces with arms, airplanes, ammunition and man-power. Mussolini and Hitler well understand the international character of this struggle.

ACTORS, artists, playwrights and liberals of all varieties might well turn their eyes for the moment to those two countries where the tree of fascism has borne fruit. Germany, for instance. It has become quite clear by now to all who have followed the progress of culture in Germany that the national bonfire of books which ushered in the regime of National Socialism was but a signal light in the battle against thought and culture which is, of necessity, waged by fascism. The cream of Germany's intellectual crop has been driven from the fatherland, because the crumbling rotten structure of fascism cannot stand up under the impact of rich and vital self-criticism which is inherent in any great work of art.

Perhaps the theatre is most hard-hit of all the arts by the sterility of fascism. The drama is the most vivid and most graphic way in which to convey a message to the masses. Therefore, the drama is the most dangerous to fascism when uncured, and the most potent weapon when crushed into the narrow, propaganda mold of fascist "culture."

It is increasingly apparent that the danger of fascism is not confined to European countries. Liberal forces all over the United States have been viewing with alarm its increasingly mature manifestations here. Not only in the brutal onslaughts of open-shop industrialists against the forces of organized labor; not only in the mounting number of lynchings, vigilante marches and Black Legion terroristic bands—but in such basic things as mandatory teachers' oath laws, which strike at the very roots of traditional American freedom.

IT THEREFORE becomes the duty of all defenders of democratic rights, of all friends of culture and the arts, of all men and women, regardless of their walks of life, who would feel the desolation of a barren fascist dictatorship to support this Sunday's benefit given by the Theatre Committee for the Defense of the Spanish Republic. It is symbolic of the struggle which each and every one of us must take part in against the forces of reaction the world over. We cannot turn our backs on the rich heritage of the past. We must turn this cultural legacy into ever more fruitful, ever richer and ever more meaningful expressions of a new and glowing world. Germany and Italy turned their clocks back, but they cannot halt the march of time. Spain and France set their eyes to the future, and the Spanish workers are dying by the thousands to defend their right to a full and rich life in this new future. Patrons of the arts, theatre-goers, actors, playwrights and all professionals, as well as workers, owe it to the future of letters in this country and the world over to support the theatre's contribution to the Spanish People's Front, and in thus supporting it, to register their contempt and horror of all that is implicit in the relentless march of world fascist reaction.



# Col. Frank Knox Takes Up Battle for Hearst in Seattle

### ENTERING UNION SMASHING LISTS, REPUBLICAN VICE-PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE PARROTS HEARST'S FASCIST PROPAGANDA

COLONEL FRANK KNOX, Republican Vice-Presidential candidate, is a good soldier in the army of Hearst. He takes orders from Labor's Enemy No. 1 and carries them out.

In Seattle, the redoubtable colonel entered the union-smashing lists on Wednesday. It is only a short time ago that he was general manager of the Hearst newspapers, and he keeps alive the Hearst anti-labor traditions.

He stopped long enough in the Washington city to issue a call for support to the Hearst-inspired "law and order league," which is set upon destroying the effectiveness of the Seattle labor movement.

Not one word did Knox say in criticism of the Hearst scab-herding tactics in Seattle. Not one word did he utter in condemnation of the unwarranted discharge of the union men at the Hearst newspaper which has led to the news men's strike. Not one word, on the right to picket, which is the issue in Seattle, and the right of the workers to their own union organization.

He was not interested in these things—except to be against them.

Seizing upon the language of the "law and order league," the doughty colonel urged every "law-abiding citizen" to vote for the bitterly anti-union Republican candidate for Governor, Richard H. Hartley.

"He [Hartley]," declared Knox, waxing hot against the union men, "will guarantee you a government that will not submit to coercion from any source."

There spoke the National Association of Manufacturers, which under the cover of "no coercion from any source," has coerced working men into the lowest forms of anti-union degradation. There spoke the anti-labor plank in the Republican Party platform, which was dictated by E. T. Weir, the notorious steel open-shopper.

Knox speaks of "no coercion from any source" at the time that his campaign managers have money in their pockets from Rockefeller, who murdered the gallant strikers at Ludlow; from Morgan, whose Steel Trust has murdered more than Fannie Snellings; from

the du Ponts, allies of war-making Hitler and powerful in the General Motors Corporation, whose apparatus of terrorism is well-known.

But Knox goes further than that: "Hartley deserves the support of every law-abiding citizen who wants his Commonwealth a place of peace and tranquillity and not of anarchy."

In those words, Knox parrots one of Hearst's usual anti-labor editorials. Who has broken the peace in Seattle? It is Hearst, with his firing of news writers for belonging to the American Newspaper Guild. Who has raised the banner of "anarchy" there? It is Hearst, with his thugs of the "law and order league," and his defiance of that "lawfully constituted authority" that he speaks so much about. The people of Seattle elected a Mayor who refuses to take orders from Hearst. Hence, Hearst tries to depose this Mayor, chosen by the people.

It is also Colonel Frank Knox, Hearst's faithful henchman, who bleats out against these same authorities. That is the burden of his entire speech.

Any government that does not do the bidding of Hearst is no government at all. That, in a sentence, is the government-smashing attitude of America's Fascist No. 1. That is the echo uttered by his good servant, Frank Knox.

Hearst is trying to do in Seattle what he has already tried to do with the duly elected government of Spain. Earl Browder, Communist Party candidate for President, was right when he said to the National Press Club in August: "I find the largest part of the daily press in the United States is very actively supporting the attempt to overthrow the government of Spain, the duly elected democratic constitutional government of that country; that the press of the United States is a great subversive force for the overthrow of constitutional government, at least in so far as it relates to Spain."

Hearst and his Fridays, Landon and Knox, are raising the same piratical subversive banner in America. They are against ANY GOVERNMENT ANYWHERE which refuses to bear their pro-fascist imprint.

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### Terror in California

TO THE squalid and hungry lot of the California fruit and vegetable workers, there was added a new terror yesterday.

Open massacre of the heroic lettuce strikers, in the highways of Salinas County, was threatened by Sheriff Carl Abbott, acting for the big farming interests.

For this bloody strikebreaking purpose, Sheriff Abbott proceeded to "draft" every able-bodied man in the county between the ages of 18 and 45, as strikebreakers. Any man who refused to serve was put under arrest. They are to act as deputy sheriffs—to shoot down the lettuce pickers now on strike.

The leaders of the strike were moved to warn the strikers not to appear in public—lest they be killed by the armed and deputized mob.

These workers can make no more than from \$150 to \$400 per year. They live in the utmost misery. Death is now to be dealt out to them by the "Citizens Association" and the murderous thugs who have darkened California's labor history.

This is a case which is the concern of the entire labor movement. Immediate protests should be heard in Salinas County, from the outside world. The California State Federation of Labor should be encouraged to continue the battle for the lettuce strikers which it has begun.

### Whose Constitution?

HEARST and the capitalist press waxed sentimental yesterday over the Constitution. BUT in all their drivelings, they maintained a stony silence on the BILL OF RIGHTS.

These reactionaries want to forget that Bill of Rights. For, it is in these first ten amendments that the guarantees of the people's civil liberties are given. Even the day which was marked by yesterday's celebrations was not the anniversary of the ratification of the Constitution that the United States has today. It was the anniversary of the document adopted in 1787, which did not have these ten important amendments. The constitution as it is today was ratified in 1789, after a battle by the people for these safeguards to their civil liberties. The Hearsts celebrated that Constitution which, without the Bill of Rights, was really rejected in 1787 by the American people.

It was only the Communists who paid tribute to the Bill of Rights yesterday. It is the Communists who are determined that the liberties guaranteed there shall be maintained.

### Hitler in France

HITLER'S conspiracy against the People's Front in France is now beginning to work out.

It is to be seen in the false cry raised this week by a group of French capitalists that the workers plan to "Sovietize the factories." These workers are fighting for the enforcement of the labor laws and agreements, not for any immediate "Sovietization."

Hitler's plotting is again revealed in the reappearance of Count Casimir de la Rocque, descendant of the rotten emigre enemies of French democracy and leader of the fascist Croix de Feu. His thugs have begun to plaster Paris with posters which read as though they had been cre-

ated in the minds of the Berlin circus-masters.

At Nuremberg, Hitler opened war against all democratic countries. Now, that war is being carried through. To the democratic nations, Hitler says: "If you want peace with Germany, set up a fascist government and crush the liberties of your people."

To such an ultimatum, the democratic masses throughout the world should reply with a mighty anti-fascist united movement. The Brussels World Peace Congress was a good beginning; its work must be pressed forward.

### New Jersey "Deplores"

NEW JERSEY'S State Federation of Labor convention ducked the Committee for Industrial Organization "suspension" issue.

"We deplore such misunderstandings," the convention resolution reads, "and call upon advocates of industrial unionism to wage their fight within the framework of the American Federation of Labor."

In such a resolution the Hutchesons and Greens did not have their way. The great number of craft unionists in the convention resisted the reactionaries' attempt to compel endorsement of their splitting tactics.

Members of the American Federation of Labor expect to hear something more than weasel words, however, from a labor body of this character. The question before the delegates was: Are we for or against the illegal suspension of the C.I.O. unions? That should have been met in a forthright way. That sixty-nine delegates voted for a definite condemnation of the "suspension" is to their credit.

Where have the industrial union advocates been waging their fight, if not within the framework of the A. F. of L.? It is the sabotaging executive council clique, incapable of organizing the unorganized, who have initiated the threat of a split.

Unity, which the New Jersey federation evidently wants, can be won only by a strong fight against the illegal "suspension" and by a demand that the entire C.I.O. matter be referred to the full Tampa convention in November. Such unity can only be real if based on organization of the unorganized through industrial unionism.

### Stopping Coughlin

MICHIGAN'S Farmer-Labor Party met and overcame a crisis at its first state convention.

Bus loads of Coughlinites from Detroit invaded Owosso, the seat of the convention, for the purpose of destroying the Farmer-Labor Party. They were intent upon compelling endorsement of William Lemke, so-called Union Party candidate and Coughlin-appointed nominee. They failed in their purpose, the 1,000 delegates voting them down.

Why did the Michigan convention refuse to seat the Coughlinites? Because the National Union for Social Justice has gone on record against affiliation with any political party, and was acting in bad faith in this situation. Because Coughlin has attacked progressives everywhere, and his sole purpose in this maneuver was to hamstring the Farmer-Labor Party by uniting it to the reactionary candidacy of Lemke.

The Michigan decision does not mean that progressives should not seek to influence the rank and file of Coughlin's following. Indeed, progressives have the very important job of educating this rank and file to championship of independent working class political action—and NOT to be stooges for Lemke.

Coughlin gets an added impetus in his destructive activities from the fact that the Progressives who met in Chicago did not expose Lemke. These Progressives can perform a decided service, as they should appreciate, if they let the farming population in particular understand exactly who Lemke is and for what he stands.

### Elections—1936

Letters and Drive Plans  
—Progress of Guilty Conscience Club

FROM A CLEVELAND TRADE UNIONIST

"I'm not a member of the Communist Party, but I feel that the C. P. position in the elections is good, simple, comprehensive. I talked with a number of people about defeating Landon, explaining what he represents. And let me tell you that many who had intended to vote for Landon did so because they didn't understand how the forces of reaction and fascism were huddled around him.

"By making the issue 'Fascism or Democracy' I found a fine approach to the most politically-unlettered workers. None of them wants Fascism. These people know me as a Red, but they liked my approach. Well, the credit rightly belongs to you people for your comprehensive policy and program.

"MY OWN LITTLE PLAN—SIMPLE, BUT IT WORKS"

"I worked out my own little plan for the election campaign. It may be simple, but it works. I got a few trade unionists together at my home last time Earl Browder spoke on the radio, and right then and there we agreed to gather every time he or Ford speaks. Without officially calling ourselves a club, we've worked the following things out, jointly: We've agreed to sell literature in the union, and we intend to propose whenever we get the floor that the union, which has endorsed Roosevelt, organize a symposium of all the candidates, including a Communist speaker.

"I feel we're going to go places."

GUILTY CONSCIENCE CLUB NOTES

Unit S-14, Section 3 (New York) of the C. P. writes:

"We hereby disclaim eligibility to the Guilty Conscience Club. We plan to collect \$40 on day's wage contributions, \$50 on our coupon books. . . . The First Assembly District branch in New York promises to raise \$170, of which \$100 will come from day's wages. . . . and Unit S-13 of Section 3 promises \$60 on day's wages, \$75 on coupon books and \$65 on general collections.

Seems that no one wants to join the Guilty Conscience Club!

TODAY'S NOMINATION FOR G. C. CLUB:

HARLEM DIVISION OF COMMUNIST PARTY

It's a funny organization, our Guilty Conscience Club! Ordinary methods and rules for getting in and being expelled are completely reversed.

You can't get into it automatically.

It's easy to get in. The hard job is to get OUT!

OUR INQUIRING PHOTOGRAPHER

Question: Why do you refuse to contribute to the Radio Fund for Browder and Ford?

Rush all funds for the \$250,000 War Chest Against Reaction to Grace Hutchins, Treasurer of the Election Campaign Committee, 35 East 12th St., New York.

### NOT TO GREEN'S LIKING

by Cropper



### Letters from Our Readers

Story of the Sled and the Wagon  
New York, N. Y.  
Editor, Daily Worker:  
Here is a little story told about a sled and a wagon. Both argued that they move along easily when the horse pulls them. Finally they asked the horse to decide as to who is the best. After listening to their arguments the horse said, "If both of you were out of existence, I would be free to go my own way, without pulling either one of you, for you are both a nuisance."

READERS ARE LEGED 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.

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

Third Avenue live are terrible. They live in fire traps and are segregated in Third Avenue where the "L" points in their flats. Not only that, but they pay higher rent than the white people. Most of them are on relief. M. G.

Help Wanted:  
15c an Hour  
New York, N. Y.  
Editor, Daily Worker:  
The Lous Employment Agency sent out a worker to work for P. W. Vail, Jr. of Milton, N. Y. The man is to pick fruit. His wages are \$1.50 per day for a ten hour day 15c per hour. He gets a free room but has to pay for his board. The agency collects \$4.50 from

the worker, \$1.50 of which goes for railroad fare.

Please expose this spy agency and the lousy conditions on the farm. A.

Who Are The Guilty?  
New York, N. Y.  
Editor, Daily Worker:  
I noticed in the Times that the papal Nuncio has called for a holy crusade against the Reds and Communists. I didn't have time to read the article but I presume the Holy See is calling this crusade because the Reds invaded Ethiopia and murdered countless thousands of its inhabitants, raped Manchuria, and have started the bloodiest civil war in Spain against the legally-elected government, and finally are keeping the new-born boys in jail. Perhaps his Holiness also has in mind the red murderers of Sacco and Vanzetti since the day of his proclamation of the crusade is near to the day of execution of the two labor martyrs. A. H.

### HOW DOES IT ALL ADD UP?

- On Sept. 8, the Jewish Daily Forward published a bitter editorial attack against the French Communist Party for opposing Premier Leon Blum's contribution to the blockade of the Spanish Republic. "Not a single nation has since dared to violate the [non-intervention] agreement," said the Forward.
  - Sept. 16, the Jewish Daily Forward partially reversed its previous stand in an editorial which concluded as follows: "Hitler is helping the Spanish fascists—that has now been proved; and it is very important that the democratic countries of Europe should draw from this fact the necessary conclusions and that they should immediately react in an energetic and proper manner on Hitler's assistance to the Spanish fascists."
  - On Sept. 7, the New York Times editorially denounced the French Communists for their opposition to a fraudulent "neutrality" in the Spanish civil war, praising Blum for his "dignity and calm" in preventing the blockade from being broken.
  - On Sept. 15, the New York Times correspondent in Caceres, Spain, wired that "foreign [German] airmen are literally winning the uprising for one side."
- Do the advocates of "neutrality" and critics of the French Communists stand pat on the question or have they reversed themselves?  
The Forward speaks of "drawing necessary conclusions from the Sept. 15 Times dispatch, but are these "necessary conclusions" any different from those already drawn by the Communist?"
- SOME PLAIN SPEAKING ON SPAIN IS NECESSARY TODAY!

### World Front

By HARRY GANNES

Trotskyites and Fascists  
Enemies of People's Front  
In France and Spain

WHAT must particularly strike American observers of the growingly grave situation in France is the facility with which French Fascist No. 1, Count Casimir de la Rocque, borrows his "arguments" against the Communists from the ever-accommodating Trotskyites.

To be specific: De la Rocque's heaviest assault is against the People's Front. "Wreck the People's Front," is the common fighting slogan of Fascists and Trotskyites alike in Spain, where Civil War is now on and in France, where French Fascism, under the Nuremberg propinquity of Hitler, threaten Civil War.

UP to the present strike of 80,000 textile workers, which has become the political issue in France, de la Rocque was distinguished by his ineptitude of his demagogues. His latest sensational poster, directed against a "threatened" general strike, and timed to appear with the speech of Pierre Tardieu, spokesman for the French textile capitalists, shows de la Rocque has undergone some instructive training.

DE LA ROCQUE has the true Trotsky flavor when he attacks "Stalinism," accusing the People's Front of being a pawn in the foreign policy of the Soviet Union. To show further that he has passed through the usual school of counter-revolutionary demagogues, de la Rocque goes on: "The Communist Party of France has become nationalistic, he cries, and is ready to plunge France into war in order to save the Soviet Union."

It is an accident whatever that de la Rocque's lone inactivity is ended two days after Hitler opened his anti-Communist drive at the Nuremberg Congress. The intransigence of the textile employers, backed by a Fascist threat, aided by Trotskyite assault on the People's Front, is the united Fascist answer to the French workers' insistence that the legally-constituted government of Spain be assisted with arms against the threat of Fascism.

THE textile employers, seconded by the other exploiters of France, now see their opportunity of either pushing the Blum government to the wall or forcing it out.

When the Blum government refused to end the "neutrality" farce, the Fascist elements detected signs of weakness. They saw the masses on the streets, led by the Communist Party demanding aid for Spain. They observed the Blum government retreating. When the workers, then, went out on strike for increased wages, the Fascists glimpsed the opportunity of killing two birds with one stone, defeating the assistance to Spain, and forcing some government action against the striking workers.

When the Communist Party of France aroused the toiling masses to demand a breakdown of the blockade set up by the Blum government, they did not mobilize this movement to weaken or smash the Blum government. Of course, the Fascists hoped this would be the outcome.

NOW that such a hoped-for rupture has failed on the issue of Spain, though the pressure on Blum for government aid to Spain is growing, the Fascists want to force a showdown on the question of the workers' economic demands, particularly the sit-down strikes and the occupation of the factories.

Since they know they will not win out by threats against the Blum government supported by the People's Front, they are trying to smash or disrupt the People's Front line-up outside of parliament.

That is precisely the Trotskyite line. And that is why de la Rocque comes out now in his posters with the position worked out for France by the chief director of anti-Soviet assassins, I. D. Trotsky himself.

As the struggle against Fascism grows more intense, the bandit nature of Trotskyism comes more and more to the surface.

When the Catalonian workers' and Republican parties move closer to Madrid and the People's Front Government—for example, we find the Trotskyite Andreas Nin, giving aid and comfort to the Fascist enemy by fighting against such unity. No wonder de la Rocque schooled himself in the art of Trotskyite demagoguery against the People's Front of France.