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LEWIS, KNUDSEN CONFER ON AUTO STRIKE

Hallgren Withdraws from American Senate O.K.'s Slashing WPA By 600,000

Only \$655,000,000 Is Allotted to WPA-This May Be Reduced by Flood Relief -- House Passes Offices Appropriation Bill

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—The deficiency bill which calls for slashing 600,000 unemployed off the WPA rolls by July 1 passed the Senate today. The House has already approved it, but its form has been slightly modified, and it will have to be re-passed in both houses after a joint conference of committees.

At the same time, the House passed an appropriation bill \$1,-046,000,000 to operate more than 30 government offices, including the Social Security Board, during the 1937-38 fiscal year.

The deficiency bill carries \$933,-000,000, of which only \$655,000,000 is allotted to WPA, and some of that may be taken for flood relief if President Roosevelt sees fit. Another \$95,000,000 goes to the C.C.C.

This bill has to go to conference because the Senate added a \$50,-000,000 seed loan authorization to the House total of \$899,000,000 and lopped \$1,000,800 off the Resettlement Administration's fund of \$80,-

The \$655,000,000 WPA apropriation provided in the deficiency bill cial message today placed a will permit carrying the present "long range plan" of public rolls of 2,200,000 persons on WPA during February. In Morch the first slash of 50,000 jobs will take Congress. The plan, however, falls place. Another 150,000 will be far short of past expert recommendropped in April, 200,000 more in dations to the government.

May and 200,000 in June, bringing The President's propose the rolls down to 1,600,000 by June

"PAUPER'S OATH" ASKED

A five-hour debate was precipi-tated by the proposal of Sen. Josiah cluding a \$116,000,000 flood control program in the inundated Ohio and W. Bailey, North Carolina Democrat, Mississippi River Valleys to require cities to submit to a The President made it clear, how-"pauper's oath" that they had ex- ever, in his message which accomhausted their own resources and panied the report that the list of thus needed federal funds.

Bailey's attack on relief ap- advisory. propriations was echoed by Sen. Millard E. Tydings, Maryland Democrat, and Sen. Arthur H. Vandenburg, Michigan Republican. Administration Democrats taunted down of the proposed projects by Vandenburg, telling him he was the tories of Congress. trying to put the Republican relief

appropriation measure before the made by Congress.' present Congress, is \$59,703,218 He made it clear

larger than that of last year. \$254,600,000 FOR SECURITY

Social security, which got \$254,-600,000, an increase of \$66,800,000 over last year, and the Veterans trol plan of the resources commit-Administration, which received \$585,832,000, a decrease of \$3,895,000 from last year, took the major share control propects costing a billion of appropriations.

The following appropriations were

Executive office (including salaries of President Roosevelt and Vice-President Garner) \$494,478; Civil Commission, \$75,502,000; Federal Communications Commission, \$1,525,000; Federal Trade Commission, \$1,981,000; Interstate Commerce Commission, \$7,939,000; Labor Relations Board, \$785,000; Rural a step, forward if carried out, but Electrification Administration, \$31,-520,000; Securities and Exchange Commission, \$3,895,000; Home Owners' Loan Corporation, \$30,000,000; Public Works Administration, \$10,-000,000; Federal Housing Adminis-

Mr. Felix Morrow, Acting Secretary, American Committee for the Defense of Room 511, 22 East 17th Street, New York, N. Y. Dear Sir:

Mississippi Valley Flood

Control Falls Short

Of Peoples Needs

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.-

President Roosevelt in a spe-

public works submitted in his

budget message would be "wholly

TRIMS FOR TORIES

The tone of his message indicated

submit to considerable trimming

"The National Resources Commit-

PROBLEMS NOT MET

tee falls far short of the plan sug-

gested by the Mississippi Valley

Committee report of 1934. Flood

dollars for a period of 20 years were

does not meet the immediate prob-

lem presented by the floods.

It has become necessary for me to clarify my position with respect to the Moscow trials and particularly with respect to Trotzky's relation

Maurice Hallgren is at present a leading

editorial writer for The Baltimore Sun. Until

recently one of the editors of The Nation.

He is the author of a book on the unemployed

called "The Seeds of Revolt," as well as of a

recent book on Roosevelt called "The Gay

Leon Trotzky,

Since joining your committee I have given deep and earnest thought to the whole problem here involved. I have examined, so far as they have been made availabl ein this country. all of the documents bearing upon the case. I have followed closely all of the news reports. I have consulted some of the reports made by non-Communists who attended the first trial. I have carefully studied the published arguments of the partisans on both sides. And I have just as carefully restudied the writings of Trotzky concerning his case against

Stalinism and his theory of the permanent revolution, that is, such of his writings on these questions as have been published to date.

Trotzkyist 'Defense' Committee

I believe when I joined your committee, and I still believe, in the right of asylum for persons exiled because of their political or other beliefs. Trotzky has been granted asylum in Mexico and this part of the committee's task would seem, therefore, to have been brought to a close.

Second, there was in my mind at that time sufficient doubt concerning cetrain aspects of the Zinoviev-Kamenev trial to lead me to suppose that the trial was not entirely genuine. This doubt hinged upon the possibility that, while Zinoviev and his associates had been taken in conspiracy (for I have never seen any good reason to doubt their own guilt), they had been promised mitigation of their sentences in return for a public confession that would implicate Tortzky as well in their crimes. In view of this doubt I was glad to join with the committee in endeavoring to provide Trotzky with an opportunity to answer the charges brought against him. This was not because of any desire to be "just" or "liberal" in the meaningles ssense that those terms are usually employed by Amer-

World Peace"-Ford to Speak on Attitude of

Mexican Workers Against Shelter for Assassin

ing the fascist-Trotzkyite conspiracy.

The Garden meeting will expose

in America, with their Fascist

world plans, as disclosed so clearly

Browder will show how the Trotz-

kyites here, as elsewhere are the

best servants of the Fascists, and

how they are at this very moment

wrecking the Socialist Party of

It will not be surprising to the

people of New York, who know

Hearst as the friend of Hitler, and

the enemy of Freedom, to concretely

James W. Ford, outstanding Ne-

e recently returned.

at the trial.

Earl Browder, general secretary of the Communist

ican liberals, but simply because I would have regarded it as hardly less represensive and dangerous to the future of socialism for Stalin and his colleagues to be perverting Soviet justice to their own personal ends as for Trotzky to be plotting to overthrow the government of the only socialist republic in the world.

Very soon after the first trial, Zinoviev and his associates were executed. It has been asserted that they had been promised lenient treatment if they would for their part publicly accuse Trotzky of having conspired with them to overthrow Stalin and the Soviet government. In truth, it was largely upon this supposition that rested the contention that the first trial was a "frame-up." But now that the men were put to death Trotzky and his adherents declared that they, the defendants, had been "double-crossed." To the Trotzkyists this was further proof of their contention that the first trial had been "framed." To the disinterested student, however, it might just as easily have proved the contrary. After all, it is one of the simplest rules of logic that one cannot use a premise to prove a thesis and then use the denial of that premise to prove the same thesis. Logically, therefore, one should have loked elsewhere for an explanation of the executions, and the only other possible explanation was that the men were actually put to death in the regular course of justice and for the single reason that they were guilty of the crimes charged against them. Still it was possible, despite the rise of this counter-doubt that they had been "double-crossed."

Now we have come to the second trial. What

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The President's proposals are listed in a report of the National Resources Committee in which there is outlined some \$2,750,000,000 worth

City Thought Safe but Waters Peril Cities Down-Stream

-The crest of a 'super flood' pushed in vain against the that the President is prepared to stout walls of Cairo tonight and began pouring itself harmlessly into the Mississippi-

of six years is arbitrarily chosen Dusk apparently brought victory the Fascists, conspired against the appropriation bill that and can, of course, be made to fit to the 6,000 men behind the walls

> 'is not to be regarded as fixed and The Mississippi Valley flood con-

> > Believe New Madrid Is Safe

suggested for the Mississippi Valley alone by the Mississippi Committee. The Mississippi plan presented by the President, while proposing of Army engineers, considers imconstruction of 13 much needed pregnable reservoirs on the Ohio tributaries,

A six-year program involving a cost of \$116,000,000, as presented by the resources committee, would b The President's message on the projects was not a forceful on e. There was no militant ring in it as should be expected when the nation

Frisco Waterfront

terms of settlement, which met valuable special auto pages each with virtually every demand of the week. We cannot let down now, strikers, indicated a conclusion of week. We cannot let down now, strikers, indicated a conclusion of Anna Damon, acting national section of the walkout, the biggest in history. Anna Damon, acting national section will be made by Whitney North gas when she awake shortly before other districts and sections.

First Comrade Guss pushes up his percentage of the fulfilled quota

The auto strikers now.

Ithe auto strikers now.

So pitch in and help the Daily his percentage of the fulfilled quota his p

Herndon to Attend **High Court Hearing** Angelo Herndon, young Negro gro attorney who defended Herndon Communist under sentence of 18 to at his trial in 1932; Bennett Cerf

Supreme Court is not usual.

Officials of the striking unions Defense, which is conducting his de- Seymour, noted constitutional attor- 7 a. m. She awakened her son, Fred, Foster and Browder in the Daily Worker emergency drive."

Worker emergency drive."

No class conscious worker would Now that's our idea of challenging think of relaxing his efforts to help think of relaxing his efforts to

day, when argument on his appeal "I Want To Live"; Gifford Cochran, utes, but all six were left seriously against this conviction on a charge secretary of the National Commitof "inciting insurrection" will be tee for Defense of Political Prisonheard. The presence of a defendant ers; Chester A. Arthur, Jr., grand4, and his sisters, Marjorie, 5, and The vote was secretive, but the at a hearing in his own case in the son of President Arthur; and a large Hilda, 7; Alice Greaves, 16, her group of attorneys who have been brother,

reality interests refusing to sign

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bert T. Wechsler, Walter Gellhorn, boy, son of Mrs. Helen Gregory, a

Thousands to Rally BOARD Against Trotzkyism TO RESTORE'32 CRESTPASSES Friday at Garden CITY PAY CUTS ASK SEI

Committee Named to Study 8-Hour Day for Hospitals

In an atmosphere surcharged with political tension, the Board of Estimate yesterday unanimously voted to restore by July 1 \$9,000,000 Browder's presentation will show how the detailed in pay cuts to city employes, slashed by emergency legislation in 1932.

The resolution, introduced by Comptroller Frank J. Taylor, promised the salary restoration on the basis of improved city finances.

At the same meeting a step was Civil Liberties Committee \$50,000 made toward the placing of all city to continue investigations into labor hospital employes on an eight-hour day when Mayor LaGuardia appointed a committee of three, including himself, Taylor and Aldermanic President William F. Brunner, to work out plans to institute Strategists of the New the new system between July 1 and York building service strike August 1 of this year. continued marking up vic-

SPECIAL MEETING

tories yesterday when they The resolutions were adopted at struck 13 commercial and a special meeting of the Board upon apartment establishments, winning the receipt of a communication all within a few hours, and bring- from Governor Lehman asking aping in four additional union con- proval of a special message to the tracts from other buildings a few state legislature clearing the way hours after the walkouts took place. for salary restorations.

Technically, the resolution of the James J. Bambrick, president of Local 32-B, who directed the gen- Board requested the legislature to eral tie-up last Spring, told news- adopt two bills permitting the city tion regarding the General Motors papermen that the Building Ser- to reopen the 1937 budget and ask-vice Employees Union intends to ing an emergency message from the a strategic war against Governor. Cooperation of the Gov-

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Deadly Coal Gas Fells 6 Children Asleep in Home

Deadly coal gas that leaked from furnace in the apartment build-Police and hospital emergency

Theodore 2, and John Gregory, 12.

Ouster Order Delayed for Conference

10,000 Pickets Mass Outside Plants as Zero Hour Nears - Women Join Men to Await Sheriff-Workers Pour Into Flint

MURPHY PROPOSALS ARE REPORTED

Militia Bayonets Surround Plants, Machine Guns Are Trained on Them — Pinkerton Thugs Reported Coming in to Be Deputized

FLINT, Mich., Feb. 3 (UP).-City Manager John M. Berringer said tonight that vigilantes, "adequately armed," were assembling in three places in Flint.

He said they would include members of the American Legion, the Flint Alliance and other groups opposed to the United Auto-

FLINT, Mich., Feb. 3.-Thousands of Dodge and Chrysler workers from Detroit began to pour into Flint late tonight as another huge demonstration was forming at Fisher Plant 1 for an all-night

At Detroit negotiations, reported as progressing, continued tonight. Representing the union, John L. Lewis was flanked by Homer Martin, while William Knudsen, together with the corporation's attorney, John Thomas Smith, represented General Motors.

A mass meeting of more than 3,000, under the auspices of the Women's Auxiliary of the union, joined the picket demonstration after adjournment.

> By George Morris (Daily Worker Staff Correspondent)

FLINT, Mich., Feb. 3 .- When 3 p.m., the deadline for evacuation of Fisher Body plants, as set in the injunction of Judge Paul V. Gadola, struck today, stay-in strikers in greater numbers than ever before held to their posts while more than 10,000 pickets and demonstrators lined the large

FOR \$50,000

Additional Funds for

LaFollette Inquiry

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 .-

conditions in the automobile industry. It summoned Senator M. M.

Backed by John L. Lewis, the Neely resolution calls for a thorough

inquiry into the financial, corporate

do all possible to sabotage the pro-

resolution by Rep. Clare C. Hoff-

man, duPont stooge, and Michigan

Republican, to require the Depart-

ment of Labor to furnish "informa-

strikers and their activities.'

its labor policies.

posed investigation.

Fisher plants armed with clubs ready to meet Sheriff Thomas Wol-

> There was no picket demonstra-tion at Plant 2 which is in the area cordoned off by the National Guard and resembles a war zone Machine guns along Chevrolet Ave. and on rooftops were trained on Chevrolet Plant 4 and Pisher

In place of the planned eviction here was an unofficial postponement of action to carry through the eviction order, while John L. Lewis, William Knudsen, executive Labor Committee Favors vice-president of General Motors, Governor Murphy and Labor Conciliator James Dewey conferred in an effort to arrive at an eleventh hour basis for negotiations.

MURPHY ORDERS DELAY

The Senate Education and According to Sheriff Wolcott, he Labor Committee today re-Murphy not to attempt to carry ported favorably a resolu- out the eviction order while negotion to give the LaFollette tiations are in progress in Detroit. The Governor was also reported to tion will be permitted. The crucial moment expected to-

Neely, D. W. Va., to a hearing on day is thus only postponed a day his proposals to investigate the if an agreement is not reached General Motors Corporation and sometime tonight. Sheriff Wolcott announced today

that he will take action to evict strikers "if he gets a court order," which is the step that must follow if an injunction is violated. But he said, "I will not ask for it.

and labor set-up of the corporation. A sharp senate opposition bloc, Let General Motors do so.' dominated by G. M., is expected to General Motors attorneys were closeted for hours with Judge Ga-dola in an effort to find a way to The House Labor Committee at carry through the injunction order the same time threw out another Lewis' arrival in Detroit this

norning was greeted by thousands of members of the United Automobile Workers with cheers and labor songs. Withholding statements, (Continued on Page 8)

Flint Strikers Appeal To Governor for Aid

FLINT, Mich., Feb. 3.-Grimly determined sit-in strikers in Fisher Body plants 1 and 2 tonight telegraphed Governor Murphy their intentions of "holding the fort" and not evacuating the embattled factories. The telegram from plant one follows:

"The stay-in strikers of this plant now appeal to you on the basis of public statements, that you have repeatedly made, that there shall be no violence or bloodshed in connection with the strike in Flint.

"It is only because of the coercion, intimidation and dastardly acts on the part of the General Motors Corporation, including incitement to violence, discriminatory discharge of union men, hiring of armed thugs and the use of company police, that have led us to take the extraordinary measures for self-protection of carrying on the stay-in

"SQUARELY UP TO YOU"

"We are advised that it is intended to have us ejected through the use of guns and force. This will mean that the blood of workers will be shed. You have publicly expressed your sympathy of views with the right of the working men to organize into independent unions. This assurance is now at stake. Is General Motors Corporation going to be permitted, in spite of its unfair, illegal and murderous tactics, to force the workers out of the plants through the use of military force? The issue is now placed squarely up to you, as the chief executive of

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(Continued on Page 8) For Attention of Every C. P. District For the attention of every district of the Communist

Party we print the following wire just received from Section Organizer A. Guss, Buffalo, New York: "Received your letter regarding

Daily Worker drive. Already moved from 36 to 43 per cent [of quota in 'Daily' Drive]. Will have over 50 per cent Monday. Check

"Urge all sections to answer immediately appeal of Comrades Foster and Browder in the Daily Worker emergency drive."

other districts and sections.

then he calls upon the other districts to do their share.

What about it? All of our readers have seen the of this page has been a trying bur-

and promises more activity, and we can make up our next auto page. the four-mile-front Embarcadero. Ben Davis, Jr., Atlanta, Ga., Ne- and Carol King, of New York.

Browder to Give Main Address, "Trotzkyism and

CAIRO, Ill., Feb. 3 (UP). Party, will speak at Madison Square Garden Friday, Feb. 5th, at 7:30 p.m., on the question of "Trotzkyism" unravel-

platform over. Sen. Hugo L. Black, tee submits a six-year program, headed toward a new battleground at New Madrid, Mo., and Hickman, two the electoral votes of only Public Works," he said. "The period Ky. confession of the plotters and the based on selection and priority of two the electoral votes of only Public Works," he said. "The period Ky.

passed the House, the second major into annual future appropriations and levees at Cairo. The water unity of the working class, against stood at 59.59 feet on the 63-foot the Peace of the world, and against He made it clear that the list of wall that rises between the town the Soviet Union, the symbol of projects involving the use of water and a raging river. peace, Freedom and Democracy.

That gave Cairo three and a half precious feet of safety against what would be disaster if the river ever definitely the role of the Trotzkyites broke through and poured water on the town, 15 feet below the top of the wall in places.

New Madrid, Mo., is protected by main line levees of the type which Maj. Gen. Edward Markham, chief

Contrary winds which would kick (Continued on Page 3)

hear why Hearst is the most vigorous defender of Trotzky. gro Communist, will speak on his experiences in Mexico, from which I. Amter, State Organizer of the Communist Party, will be chairman.

Union Men Burn Their Picket Shacks Along

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 3 .- The end of the 95-day-old maritime when ballots of 40,000 members of the seven unions, comprising the powerful Maritime Federation of the Pacific, headed by Harry Bridges, are counted.

strike on the Pacific Coast was expected to be announced late tonight
will be among the spectators in the
pected to be announced late tonight
will be among the spectators in the pected to be announced late tonight will be among the spectators in the dom House, which, on March 1 will United States Supreme Court, Fri- publish Herndon's autobiography, crews revived them after 20 min-

Accompanying Herndon will be interested in the case.

Hic Jacet McNaboe John Shays, Purger of 1786

By Harrison George

VOU could use \$15,000, I no doubt. So could the State of New York. It could pay for many lunches for too starved to learn.

But, neither you nor the school kids can get the benefit of that \$15,000. State Senator John J. McNaboe has spent it-and without visible result-in a still hunt for "Communism in our schools. True, he got a college directory of Cornell, and for a couple of days made the front page with the alarming news that Cornell had a few Communist students

whom the faculty declined to de-

capitate. But that college direc-

tory could be obtained free. So

what about the \$15,000? Somebody figured out that it War, a sum something like \$1,500, if my memory serves. But here is McNaboe, with \$15,000 spent and only five Communist students dis-The ratio of cost to victims is dreadfully high. And, mark you, his costly committee has never

All gone! 'Twould discourage a lesser patriot than John J. Mc-Naboe. But he will shrink not while the schools of New York are endangered and the State Treasury is solvent! Not he! He wants some more money, and not just a miserably "meager" \$15,000 The peril is great, the price to dispel it is great! McNaboe demands big money. And his "investigation" revived and extended Who knows? Maybe he can find five more Communist students!

If Communists were only financially minded, the Daily Worker might end its drive, providing McNaboe would agree. Communist students could demand, let's say, \$1,000 reward apiece for discovering themselves. The cost per head would that way be lessened and the wear and tear on the Mc-Naboe nerves be minimized.

DECAUSE today is the D one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the final crushing of Shays's Rebellion, it is

well that we call attention to it. In a special article in yesterday's Daily Worker (page seven), the writer exposed the mendacious falsehood of the N. Y. Post in its Monday editorial which presented Revolution as one of sweet harmony, in which there was no such thing as treason and traitors allied to foreign spies. "Democracy Needs No Purges,"

the Post asserted, flatly defying America's infancy. were Bendict Ar-Burrs, Conways, isons, who out of spies resorted to treason to our young republic, there were also high-souled champions of the people who could not endure passively the intolerable exploitation of the masses by the rich.

Daniel Shays was one of such And Shavs, could he but speak today, would certainly point out that the democracy of his times, after the Revolutionary War in which he won high honors as a fighter for independence, most assuredly "needed purges" of the gross abuses suffered by the common people.

Shays, who won citations for personal bravery and received from Lafayette a gold sword in recognition of his valor in fighting for his country, was among the farmers of Massachusetts who were victimized beyond endurance by feudal landlordism, exorbitant usury, debts a unequal taxation. debts and impossible

In 1784, no less than 4,000 farmers in Worcester County, which had only 50,000 population, were hailed into court for debt. And in those days one could be imprisoned for debt. Everywhere farms were foreclosed. The people were furious at the courts that sold their lands and homes, the lawyers who grabbed fat fees from mass misery, the Massachusetts Senate, controlled by rich landlords and usurious bankers who

heaped taxes all upon the poor. Daniel Shavs rallied an armed force that packed the courtroom at Worcester when the General Sessions Court intended further foreclosure decisions. On Christmas Day, 1786, Shays led 1,110 armed men in assault upon the Springfield arsenal, but because an armed force of 1,200 soldiers under General Benjamin Lincoln were prepared for the attack, Shays's men were defeated.

So alarmed did George Washington become at the movement,

that he wrote: "It was but the other day that we were shedding our blood to obtain the constitutions (Note: The constitutions of the several states are meant, as the U. S. Constitution was not then adopted and the country was united under the Articles of Confederation)and we are unsheathing the sword

to overturn them.' Fourteen leaders of the Shays Rebellion were sentenced to death, but were later pardoned, while Shays escaped with a price upon his head. He, too, was pardoned later, and died as he had lived, in

This poverty was shown by the list of his property in 1820: "One mare, an old saddle and bridle, an old axe, hoe, table, three chairs, an old scythe, a pail, and an old Bible-total assessed value,

Champion of the people, Shays wanted independence something, as one of the men of that day expressed it in a letter

to George Washington "Their creed is that the property of the United States has been protected from the confiscation of Britain by the joint exercise of all, and therefore ought to be the common property of all."

Column Left! Mauritz Hallgren Withdraws from the American Trotzkyist 'Defense' Committee

is the situation? The men now on trial cannot

possibly be under any delusion as to their fate They must know and they do know that they will be put to death. Despite this they do not hesitate to confess their crimes. Why? The only conceivable answer is that they are guilty. Surely it cannot and will not be argued this time as well that there has been a "deal," for men like Radek are obviously not so stupid as to believe that they are going to save their lives in that manner after what happened to Kamenev and Zinoviev. It has been said that they have been tortured into confessing, But what greater and more effective tortur can there be than knowledge of certain death? In any case, the men in the courtroom have shown not the slightest evidence of having been tortured or of being under duress. It is said by some that they have been hypnotized into confessing, or that the prosecution, working upon its knowledge of Slav. psychology, has somehow trapped these men into confessing deeds of which they are not guilty. For example, the unanimity with which the men have been confessing is taken as proof that the confessions are false and have been obtained by some mysterious means. Yet these assertions rest upon no tangible or logical proof whatever. The idea that some inexplicable form of oriental mesmerism has been used is one that sound reason must reject as utterly fantastic. The very unanimity of the defendants, far from proving that this trial is also a "frame-up." appears to me to prove directly the contrary. For if these men are innocent, then certainly at least one of the three dozen, knowing that he faced death in any case, would have blurted out the truth. It is inconceivable that out of this great number of defendants, all should lie when lies would not do one of them any good. But why look beyond the obvious for the truth, why seek in mysticism or in dark magic for facts that are before one's very nose? Why not accept the plain fact that the men are guilty? And this fact, if accepted with regard to the men now on trial, must also be accepted with regard to the men who were executed after the first trial.

I now see no valid reason for believing that the defendants in the first trial were unfairly dealt with. Certainly it cannot now be maintained that they were "double-crossed," for that contention falls of its own weight when we stop for a moment to consider the fact that the Soviet government has brought a second group of men to trial on the same charges. Since the government could not hope to induce the second group to confess under the pressure of false promises, it is reasonable to suppose that it did not rely upon false promises in the first case. Moreover, I am now completely convinced that the defendants in the first trial were given every opportunity to clear themselves, that they were denied none of the rights of impartial justice It is significant that those who contend that this was not the case have offered no evidence at all, apart from their own unsupported allegations and suspicions, in substantiation of their contention. On the other side we have not only the court record, but also the unsolicited reports of non-Communis observers who were present at the trial.

One such statement has been presented by D. N. Pritt, English lawyer and a Labor Party representative in the House of Commons. Mr. Pritt can by no means be accused of sympathy with the Communists or with Stalin. He has, indeed, stood with the right wing of the Labor Party. But he has also been trained in law, while, moreover, unlike Walter Citrine and others who have charged that there was a gross miscarriage of justice, he was present in person at the trial in Moscow. He reported later that he was "completely satisfied" that the trial was "properly conducted" and that the accused were "fairly and judicially treated." He added that their appearance and demeanor were such as to indicate the "absence of any ill treatment or fear." He declared that there was "no ground for insinuating any unfairness in form or substance." His view has been confirmed by all other non-Communist observers at the trial whose reports I have consulted. To be sure. Trotzky has now taken to denouncing Pritt for having rendered this "service" to "Stalinism." But Trotzky has produced no evidence at all to show that Pritt was in any way prejudiced in favor of the Stalin government. Indeed, if I may repeat, while the evidence that the men were fairly tried appears both substantial and convincing, the counter-charge that they were not fairly tried is backed up by no evidence of any kind, convincing or otherwise. The same can be said for the conduct of the second trial so far as that has been reported

It is a curious fact, which seems to have escaped liberals both in this country and in England, that the Soviet government is hurting itself far mare than it could possibly help itself by holding these trials, especially at this time. The very fact that this event, the very fact that this defense committee has been formed, reveals the great extent to which th Soviet Union is being harmed. What has Stalin to gain by taking action that is tending to alienate these elements? It is obvious that he has nothing whatever to gain. On the contrary, he stands to lose a good deal. At the moment there is grave danger of intervention. The Soviet government needs all the support it can get from workers and liberals and democrats in other countries. Without such support the rising tide of fascism might soon engulf Soviet Russia-whereupon, of course, Stalin and his government would inevitably

Shall we suppose, then, that Stalin has stupidly thrown all caution to the wind merely to wreak vengeance upon his personal enemies? Shall we suppose that he is anxious to have popular fronts erected to help guard the Soviet Union against an external danger and at the same time is so blind as to take action that might destroy these popular fronts in order to satisfy some purely personal whim or ambition? Shall we suppose that he is so thickheaded as not to appreciate the gravity of this external danger not only to the Soviet Union but to is stupid. Even the Trotzkyists complain that the menace of "Stalinism" lies not in stupidity but in diabolical cleverness. It must follow, since the Stalin government is apparently risking a good deal by holding these trials, that it has detected an internal danger hardly less grave than the external danger. In short, it must follow that the government has uncovered a conspiracy against itself, the evidence of which is so abundant and the peril from which is so apparent that it dare not withhold its hand, even though in destroying the conspiracy it may alienate its democratic support abroad and so increase the external danger.

Until now we have considered only the conspirators in Moscow. Little has been said of Leon Trotzky. Is he guilty, too? The conspirators say that he is. He denies it most emphatically (and brings other charges of equal gravity against Stalin). We have the Moscow evidence. Where is Trotzky's evidence? One may grant that he has not had his day in court. And one may grant that toward the end of his stay in Norway he was literally held incommunicado. Yet he has been out of Norway now for several weeks, and still no tangible proof of his contentions has come from him, no documents, not even anything in the way of circumstantial statements. He has issued nothing but negative denials. Even some of these denials are of a questionable sort. His gratuitous attack upon D. N. Pritt, offered without any supporting facts, certainly did not help him. His statement that he had never heard of Vladimir Romm, a leading Soviet journalist and for years a stellar correspondent for Tass and later for Izvestia, is simply incredible and goes far, indeed, toward discrediting Trotzky. But this is the sort of "proof" he has been cabling to the New York Times, the Baltimore Sun and the Manchester

If Trotzky is innocent and has the documentary proof of his innocence that he says he has, why does he not produce it? The Hearst press would be only too glad to publish it and pay Trotzky fabulously well for his documents. The New York Times, the London Times, and other bourgeols journals would likewise be only too happy to give space to his documents. The Manchester Guardian has stood by him through thick and thin in the last several months; it would not desert him now. It has been said that he intends to put his proof into the new book he is writing on Stalinism. And it might also be argued that it would be better for him to put his proof before the projected internahal commission that is to give him a hearing. But consider the absurdity, the astounding cynicism, of such an attitude. Here are men awaiting death on charges that Trotzky says are utterly false and here is Trotzky who contends that he can prove that they are false-and yet he withholds this indispensable proof for the sake of a book, or for the sake of an international inquiry not yet arranged! And here are countless liberals and Socialists who earnestly believe that justice is being destroyed at the command of Stalin, but who have not a shred of evidence to support this belief apart from their own fears and suspicions, and here is Trotzky who has the essential evidence-and yet he falls to produce it when it is most needed.

Consider one thing further. Trotzky has in recent years written many books and pamphlets expounding his doctrine of the permanent revolution and purporting to expose Stalin and Stalinism. He contends, not once but again and again, that Stalin must be overthrown if the revolution is to be saved. Now either Trotzky's arguments and exhortations are wholly passive and academic, in which case

they should be acted upon. It is obvious, however, that Trotzky is playing no passive role, that he is consciously the agitator, and that he regards himself as the active leader of the movement against Stalin. That stands out from every line he has written on the problem and it is apparent from all his activities. But how is Stalin to be overthrown? It is clear, even to Trotzky's followers, that there can be no hope of provoking a popular uprising within the Soviet Union. It could only be done by foreign intervention, or by a conspiracy within the Soviet government, or by a combination of the two. Through whom might such a conspiracy be undertaken? Obviously, through persons within the government who have had experience in such work in the past. Even more obviously, by old conspirators who believe, or once believed, in Trotzky's doctrine. And what have the Moscow trials revealed? They have revealed precisely this kind of conspiracy. They have revealed the very sort of plot against the Soviet government that Trotzky's

To be sure, this in itself does not prove that Trotzky has conspired with the Moscow defendants. Yet the reasonable man is compelled to agree that, given Trotzky's known disposition to action and his forceful presentation of his own case against Stalin. the circumstantial evidence against him is very strong indeed. It might well be said, and it cannot be denied, that the Soviet government's case against Trotzky is not perfect. It has made mistakes. It has made assertions that are apparently contrary to fact. But then, there has never been a controversy in which the facts on one side have been all black and those on the other side pure white. One must judge these matters, not by any rigid or absolute standards, but by weighing the evidence. And in the present instance the preponderance of evidence is on the side of the Soviet government and clearly against Trotzky.

I readily agree that Stalin has his faults. I am far from agreeing with everything that the Soviet government and Comintern have done or are doing. Yet every fair-minded person must concede that under its present leadership the Soviet Union has made remarkable progress toward establishing socialism. It is only among the Nazis and Fascists and reactionaries in other countries, among a few groups within the Second International, and among the Trotzkyists that it is contended that the Soviet Union under Stalin and his associates is moving, not toward socialism, but toward capitalism or Bonapartism or something called "Red fascism." Persons acquainted with the facts must and do consider these allegations preposterous. One who has an understanding of economics can readily see that it is socialism and nothing else that is being developed in Soviet Russia. To make any statement to the contrary is, in view of the established facts, mere wish-thinking-or deliberate distortion. This being so, any attack upon the Communist leadership in the Soviet Union, imperfect though that leadership might be, that has for its purpose the overthrow of the Soviet government must be regarded as a deliberate and malicious attack upon socialism itself. This does not mean that I regard the Soviet government as being above criticism. Far from it. But it does mean that I regard dishonest criticism or any effort to go beyond criticism (for example, an effort to destroy rather than to aid in the development of socialism in the Soviet Union) as a betrayal of socialism. And that, quite apart from the outcry against the Moscow trials, is the objective purpose of Trotzky's writings and agitational activities. If one is inclined to doubt this, one has only to compare Trotzky's writings on "Stalinism" with the Webbs' study of socialism in the Soviet Union.

Let us now sum up the situation. On the one hand we have the confessions of the Moscow defendants, the court record, the statements of disinterested observers at the first trial, and the reports on the second trial of such reputable journalists as Walter Duranty. These provide us with an abundance of evidence tending to prove that the defendants were fairly tried and that their guilt in conspiring to overthrow the Soviet government has been established. They also tend to prove that Trotzky participated in the conspiracy, or that he at least had guilty knowledge of it, though the direct proof of his part in the crime is not so substantial as that involving the men on trial. However, we also have his writings and they tend greatly to strengthen the presumption, if not of actual guilt, at least of moral responsibility. On the other hand, we have nothing concrete with which to offset the charge of conspiracy. We have only the unsupported allegations of Trotzky and the unverified fears and suspicions of numerous liberals and

Possibly Trotzky can support his allegations. He should certainly not be denied the opportunity to produce the proof he says he has. But his reluctance or inability to produce his proof when it is most needed must count against him. Moreover, and this is a point of extreme importance, it has to be borne in mind that Trotzky is not a disinterested party. He does not come into court with clean hands. He is a sworn adversary of the Stalin government. It must be presumed, therefore, that he is at least equally as much interested, and in all probability far more interested, in carrying on his campaign to destroy the Stalin government as he is in obtaining abstract justice for himself. Let him state that it is justice alone that he desires, and then let him publicly promise that, in the event he fails to substantiate his allegations against the Soviet government, he will promptly cease his efforts to destroy that government. If he refuses to bind himself in this particular, the reasonable man must conclude that he is using his demand for justice solely as a means of enlisting additional support for his campaign against socialism in the Soviet Union. Chronologically, indeed, the evidence on this point is already against him. The outcry against the Moscow trials first came from the Trotzkyists. It was they who first raised the charge that Soviet justice was being hamstrung by Stalin. It was not until later that certain disinterested liberals took up the cry. There can be no question that the Trotzkyists knew, when they shouted "persecution," that they would win the sympathy and perhaps the active aid of these liberals. And there can be little question that this rather than justice was their true objective. Surely if they really believed, as they asserted, that the Stalin government knew no law and no justice, then they could not have expected the liberals to help obtain justice from the Stalin government for them. And as they still maintain this position, it is only logical to suppose that their real purpose in appealing to the liberals was not to win justice for themselves, but to win liberal support for Trotzkyism, that is, for Trotzky's campaign against socialism in the Soviet Union, and to do so in the name of that holy but meaningless liberal principle known as abstract

In any case, at least until Trotzky comes into court with his own hands clean, I shall remain convinced that the present liberal movement to win justice for him is nothing more than a Trotzkyist maneuver against the Soviet Union and against socialism. I am equally convinced, as I must be under the circumstances, that the American Committee for the Defense of Leon Trotzky has, perhaps unwittingly, become an instrument of the Trotzkyists for political intervention against the Soviet Union. Indeed, apart from the considerations cited above, it is abundantly plain that the whole approach and phraseology of the committee has been radically altered since the committee was formed. For example, those who were invited to join were asked to do so in order to provide Trotzky with the fullest opportunity to state his case." But now the committee's literature talks of "working for a complete and impartial investigation of the Moscow trials." The implications of this change in attitude are too obvious to need emphasizing here. It is the liberal who would give Trotzky an opportunity to be heard, but it is only the Trotzkyist (or someone else with an ax to grind where the Communist Party is concerned) who would demand the sort of political intervention that would be required to undertake "a complete and impartial investigation of the Moscow trials." This is nothing but propaganda. It shows all too plainly that the Trotzkyists have captured the committee

Perhaps the liberal members are not aware of the real nature of the committee. But that cannot true of the political members, of the Trotzkyists and others, who have but one purpose and that is to use the committee as a springboard for new attacks upon the Soviet Union. I do not intend under any circumstances to allow myself to become a party to any arrangement that has for its objective purpose (whatever might be its subjective justification) the impairment or destruction of the socialist system now being built in Soviet Russia. You will, therefore, withdraw my name as a member of the

It may be unnecessary to point out that I speak for no party and no faction. I do not now belong and have never belonged to any political party or political organization. I speak for myself alone.

It is, however, necessary to add that I am putting copies of this letter at the disposal of certain individuals and groups who no doubt will be interested in its contents

MAURITZ A. HALLGREN.

Glenwood, Md., January 27, 1937.

Hallgren's Letter-Sharp Challenge to Those Defending Trotzky

Mauritz A. Hallgren's letter to the so-called "American Committee for the Defense of Leon Trotzky" is a challenge to all liberals.

It is in particular a sharp challenge to those liberals who have permitted the use of their names as members of that committee.

In withdrawing as a committee member, Hallgren definitely charges -and proves his charge-that "the Trotzkyites have captured the committee," to use it as a catspaw for "Trotzky's campaign against. socialism in the Soviet Union."

Will the members of that committee continue to serve as catspaws for this vicious campaign of counter-revolution? Will they continue to be "an instrument of the Trotzkyites for political intervention against the Soviet Union?" Will they thereby continue to give encouragement to the fascist mad dogs, the allies of Trotzky, in their determination to plunge the world into war?

These questions are now put up squarely to the committee members. Hallgren's letter makes it incumbent upon them to answer unequivocally: "Yes" or "No."

One of the tests of an honest liberal at this hour is whether he or she will fight against fascism and against war. The Trotzkyites are the proven agents of the hideous forces of fascism, whose whole bloody objective is world war. Their leader, Trotzky, as Martin Anderson Nexo has said, "should be considered as enemy No. 1 of the whole of humanity and democracy." Those who aid the Trotzkyite propaganda under the cover of "defending" this leader of "this gang of criminals"—as Nexo states in such a forthright manner—"become accomplices of their crimes."

Do the liberals whose names are now connected with the so-called "Committee for the Defense of Leon Trotzky" wish to be placed in such a position? Hallgren is one who refuses "to become a party to any arrangement" which will aid in the "impairment or destruction of the socialist system now being built in Soviet Russia." Do other honest members of the committee wish to be a party to such an arrangement, any more than Hallgren does?

That is what they are called upon immediately to answer.

What does Hallgren state so strongly in his letter of withdrawal? First, from the court record, from the confessions of the defendants and from "the unsolicited reports of non-Communists who were present at the trial," Hallgren declares the "plain fact" is that the defendants in both the Trotzky-Zinovievite terrorist center and

-AN EDITORIAL-"parallel center" trials are guilty of the gross crimes with which they were charged and to which they openly confessed.

Second, Trotzky's teachings lead to such a conspiracy with foreign powers as was proven at the trials. To quote Hallgren's exact language, the trials "have revealed the very sort of plot against the Soviet Government that Trotzky's teachings call for!"

That is something for honest liberals particularly to ponder. What is the entire "reason for being" of Trotzky's writings? What is the motivating object of the continuing Trotzkyite movement, discredited in the eyes of the labor movement of the world as it is? It has one object, as Trotzky's writings reveal over and over again: To overthrow Socialism in the Soviet Union.

This is the pernicious purpose of the entire Trotzkyite counterrevolutionary movement, proven out of the mouth of Leon Trotzky

Third, "The Soviet Union has made remarkable progress toward establishing Socialism" and any attack upon the Soviet Union, such as the Trotzkyite conspiracy, is a vicious attack upon Socialism itself. On this Hallgren says emphatically: "One who has any understanding of economics can readily see that it is Socialism and nothing

else that is being developed in the Soviet Union." Yes, it is "Socialism and nothing else"-and it is Socialism and nothing else that the Trotzkyites are bent upon attempting to destroy, joining logically with the vile fascists in order to seek to accomplish

It being true that Socialism exists in the Soviet Union, "any attack upon the Communist leadership in the Soviet Union . . . that has for its purpose the overthrow of the Soviet Government must be regarded as a deliberate and malicious attack upon Socialism itself." Those

are Hallgren's cutting and correct words. Do the liberal members of the "committee" not understand what this statement of Hallgren's means—supported as it is by the testimony of the whole thinking world and specifically by such studies as those

It means that the thing for which the workers and liberty-loving people of the world have looked forward to with such expectancy for so many years is realized in the Land of Socialism. What a hideous crime is that which attempts to hamper or destroy this great echieve-

The Soviet Union stands out as the greatest democracy in the world today, through its new Soviet Constitution, the product of the genius of Stalin.

Finally, as we have stated in the beginning, Hallgren charges that the "Committee for the Defense of Leon Trotzky" is nothing more nor less that a tool of the Trotzkyites in their continued violent counter-revolutionary assaults upon the Land of Socialism.

From the very first day, it was obvious that such was the role of this committee. Trotzkyites were carefully sprinkled through the committee-men like Max Eastman, who had shamelessly and brazenly used the committee platform to call for counter-revolution against the Soviet Union. The secretary of the committee is a Trotzkyite, and also the acting secretary.

More and more brazenly do this gang of conspirators use the committee's name for dirty, loathsome lies against the Land of So-

Mauritz A. Hallgren will have none of this. He demands in no uncertain words: "You will, therefore, withdraw my name as a member of the committee.

What will the liberal members of the "committee" do? Will they continue to aid the Trotzkyite conspiracy? Will they continue to aid the fascist war-mongers? Or will they courageously do as Hallgren has done-refuse to allow themselves to be used for any such vicious

Liberals have the serious obligation to stand with the forces of democracy and peace; against the widespread fascist conspiracies against peace and democracy. They have the obligation to join in rejoicing at the triumph of Socialism in the Soviet Union-which brings into the world scene the most powerful force for peace and for the defense of democracy.

They can serve neither purpose by membership on this so-called "Committee for the Defense of Leon Trotzky." To the contrary, in lending their names to that committee, they give aid and comfort to the forces which are making for war and which have extended their vile conspiracies into democratic Spain and against democracy in

These trials and verdicts against the Trotzkyite conspirators have been a force for peace and democracy throughout the world. They have called attention in a sharp and serious way to the vile tactics to which the fascist and war-mongering agencies will resort, in their

Honest liberals must now speak out. They must take their place AGAINST fascism, against war and against the vile agents of the fascists and war-inciters, the Trotzkyite conspirators.

mad designs upon democracy and peace.

Seamen in Rally Assail **Trotzkyites**

Vow to Drive Them Out of Whole Labor Movement

More than 300 seamen, at an open meeting of the Communist Party seamen's unit in New York, unanimously passed the following resolution following a thorough discussion on Trotzkyism and the trial of the Trotzkyite plotters in the Soviet Union:

"Whreas, the Moscow trial of Radek, Piatakov and 15 other Trotzkyites not only revealed these people as counter-revolutionists who united with the stool-pigeons and agents of fascism for the purpose of murdering Kirov and others, and plotting further murders for the purpose of plotting war upon the Soviet Union, but it also exposed the fact that on a world scale the Trotzkyites are the agents of fascism and reaction in the ranks of la-

"Whereas, the facts revealed by the Moscow trials, and the lessons that are to be learned from the trial are fully confirmed by our own experience with the few Trotzkyite rats that exist in the marine industry, therefore be it

"Resolved, that we greet and endorse the punishment ordered by the workers' republic, the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics, calling for death for 13 and imprisonment for the others, as punishment fully deserved by the betrayers of the world working class, and a blow against world reaction and fascism; and be it further

"Resolved, that we pledge ourselves to exercise the same vigilance as the Soviet workers in helping to expose the Trotzky agents of reaction and fascism and drive these rats out of the labor movement; and be it further

"Resolved, that in order to

help the American workers to understand the role of the American branch of the Trotzkyites and to prevent any of the Trotzkyite influence to penetrate into our ranks, we recognize that this can be done only if we systematically study the teaching of Marx, Lenin and Stalin, and especially at this time to read and discuss thoroughly the testimony and speeches made at the trial, as well as articles appearing in the Daily Worker:

and be it finally "Resolved, that copies of this resolution be sent to the Daily Worker, to the leader of our Party, Comrade Earl Browder, and to the greatest living leader of the world working class, whose devotion to the cause of the world working class has won him the hatred of the fascists and Trotzkyites of all the world. and the love and confidence of all the workers, Comrade Stalin."

Imprisoned by Nazis For Distributing Aid For Needy Workers

HAMBURG, Feb. 3.—The Nazi government's stone-hearted determination not to permit under any circumstances the use of funds collected by labor abroad for the relief of suffering German workers and their families has been demonstrated anew in the case of the president of the (dissolved) Shoe and Leather Workers Union of Gernany, Matthias Lex.

Matthias Lex is kept in the no-torious concentration camp Dachau since September, 1934, for the 'crime" of having distributed small amounts sent to him by the International Shoe Workers Secretariat at London, England, to needy unemployed members of his union. Lex is a very sick man and now almost completely blind. All efforts of the International Shoe Workers Secretariat, affiliated with the International Federation of Trade Unions, to regain his freedom have

proven unsuccessful Maestro Dies

FLORENCE, Italy, Feb. 3 (UP). Manlio Mazza, 48, outstanding authority on music and one of the directors of the Florence Opera,

died today of heart disease.

Trotzkyites Openly Aid Nazi Agents in Czechoslovakia

Internal Rebellion in Franco's Ranks Confirmed As Bodies of Moors Slain by Fascists Are Found Near Espinosa by Advancing Government Force

MADRID, Feb. 3 .-- All fascist counter-attacks today, designed to win back the extensive gains made by the People's Army south of Madrid yesterday, were repulsed. The extent of yesterday's victory for the government

INCREASED

Living Standards Drop

as Military Preparation

Is Speeded Up

LONDON, Feb. 3 .- The Nazi gov-

ernment is to spend this year \$5,-

355,000,000 on military preparations

for its attack on democratic coun-

tries, experts of The Banker, a lead-

ing British financial magazine es-

This is four times the amount

spent for such purposes in 1934-35.

the Nazi Party, that Germany would attack the Soviet Union in

The Banker's experts calculate

that since Hitler came to power,

Germany will have spent, by the

This year's military budget is

In arriving at these figures, the

man sources of information have

been used. From the figures 1

draws the conclusions that the Ger

man masses will pay heavily in th

shape of wage-cuts and worse liv-

conditions the existence of so large

"The means of control in a totali-

power of the government to nip

ernment could quite easily refuse to

"All this does not mean, however

that Germany is not paying and

a steady decline in the living stand-

ards of her people and growing

economic isolation from the rest of

To Report Sunday on

C.P. Congress and

Fight on Trotzky

James W. Ford, member of the Cen-

tral Committee of the Communist

ers at a mass meeting on Mexican

affairs at the Park Palace, 110th

St. and Fifth Ave. at 3 P.M. Sun-

Hathaway and Ford have just re-

In addition to a report on the

Congress itself, the speakers will

discuss the general political situa-

tion in Mexico, and the struggle

QUINTANA CHAIRMAN

Another speaker will be Jose San-

tiago, chairman of the Lower Har-

lem section of the Communist Party

under whose auspices the meeting

Frank Quintana, section organ-

"In view of Trotzky's presence in

Mexico, the internal affairs of that

country and the fight of the Mexi-

can people against all the fascist

forces lining up in an anti-People's

Front, are of direct interest to

against Trotzkyism

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Party, will be the principal speak

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end of 1937, about \$15,000,000,000.

timated today.

appears to grow as more details are reported. It was an important turning movement@ army, which hurled the Fascist troops back from Sesena to Valdemoro. This Loyalist advance, from the South, almost hooked up **BUDGET IS** with the recent gains by the Loyal-

drid, from the north and East in the region of Cerro de Los An-The net effect of the gains so far is to further protect roads from Madrid to Valencia, and to menace

ist forces advancing from near Ma-

the Fascists' lines of communica-FASCIST SORTIE HALTED

Fascist artillery at the Getafe airport opened a vigorous bombardment of Vallecas today.

Loyalist artillery returned shell for shell against the Fascist bat-From the University City area,

on the west, came a brief rifle and machine gun attack as activity was resumed all along the line. Meanwhile, Loyalists tightened

their net of steel around an estimated 1,000 Rebel troops besieged in the Hospital Clinico. A sortie late yesterday by insur-

gent troops who attempted to relieve the Clinico garrison was turned back with heavy losses by the strongly entrenched Government

The Rebel forces appeared in the late afternoon on the only road open to the hospital, accompanied by a detachment of tanks and some Moorish cavalry. They were stopped by Loyalist machine guns and artillery within a block of the hos-

Dissention in Fascist Ranks Confirmed

By MAXWELL C. CRANE

(By Federated Press) VALENCIA, Spain, Feb. 3 (by fire inside Teruel and Cordoba, in- this danger can be ruled out.

dicating the apparent outbreak of tarian state are so complete and so internal rebellion in the Fascist powerful that it is well within the In further confirmation of dissension in Fascist ranks, government grant rediscounting facilities, thus Volunteers Answer Call forces advancing to Espinosa de los transforming bills into a kind of found 80 dead Moors, killed by Fascists during internal fighting. Rumblings of growing will not have to pay a price. That strife among Franco's forces was price is the rapid depletion of the

noted as long ago as Jan. 19 when resources inherited from the past the "A.B.C.," published in Fascistheld Seville, reported the crushing of a rebellion near Vallabarrero. At Caspe, on the Aragon front 150 persons escaped from Saragosa to the Loyalists. They decalred that whole families have been exterminated in Saragosa. About 800 prisoners were executed, one fugitive stated, while he was imprisoned there. Eight prisoners went insane.

The priest of the Saragosa cemetery

and Manuel Sancho, a teacher, were

shot for protesting against the atro-

cities of the Fascists. On Jan. 20, the Seville A.B.C. printed an editorial which stated: 'The population of Oviedo has not responded to the patriotic call for volunteers. Not more than 1,500 replied." Such evidence of disaffection among Franco's troops, now piling up, emphasizes the lack of mass support for the Fascist cause among the Spanish people in territory held by the rebels. Therefore they must depend upon continued aid from the Fascist rulers

Fascist Trawlers Halt Discharge Danish Ship

of Germany and Italy.

GIBRALTAR, Feb. 3 (UP) .-Spanish fascist trawlers today arrested the Danish steamer Nancy and took it to Ceuta where its cargo was discharged and confiscated. It gress of the Communist Party of Mexico. was understood that the cargo was intended for the Loyalists.

Nazi Ships Accompany Franco's Fleet

GIBRALTAR, Feb. 3 .- Two German warships were in the same fleet with several Spanish Fascist war vessels when the fleet sailed from Moroccan waters Malaga, Loyalist port which the Fascists have announced they will bombard again. The Nazi ships were identified as the "pocket battleship" Graf von Spee and the cruiser Koeln.

Franco Says, Will Follow Mussolini

SALAMANCA, Spain, Feb. 3 .-General Francisco Franco, Fascist workers everywhere, and especially chief, in an interview today with to American workers," the Lower correspondents, supplemented his Harlem Section said in calling answers to the Scripps-Howard the meeting. papers yesterday by declaring:

'A military dictatorship is A dictatorship, the length of which no one can posprophesy at this time-it might be a year, three, or even ten years, if absolutely needed. Who

affecting national life)."

Militia Tightens | Trotzky's Own Words Confirm | Names and Deeds | Net on Foe's Lines | Trial Evidence, Says Troyanovsky | Cited in Czeck

pen and above-board, Soviet Ambassador Alexander Troyanovsky declared today, adding that Leon Trotzky, by his own admission, confirms the death plot against Josef Stalin.

Troyanovsky's views were set forth in a copyrighted article signed by him and published in yesterday's New York World-Telegram and other Scripps-Howard papers. It was in reply to one published by the (Scripps-Howard) newspaper chain Monday, signed by Trotzky, in which the latter alleged that the confessions at the trial were obtained by torture methods.

Troyanovsky quoted Trotzky's published statement that the only way to get rid of Stalin was by assassination. Surely, Troyanovsky added ironically, it cannot be said that Trotzky-(now in Mexico, 5,000 miles from Moscow)—had this confession wrung from him!

"The trial in Moscow exposed the most treacherous and insidious counter-revolutionary or ganization," Troyanovsky wrote.

The complete text of Troyanovsky's article in the Scripps-Howard papers is reprinted here in full, by permission of the New York World-Telegram, by whom it is copyrighted,

By Alexander Troyanovsky (Ambassador of the U.S.S.R. to the United States)

The Soviet government has been compelled to repulse many counter-revolutionary attacks. In fact, the October (1917) revolution itself was hastened by (General) Kornilov's uprising, which opened the eyes of the masses of the people to the dangers of reaction.

Revolutions often are apt to be careless and trusting. When they adopt extreme measures It calls to many observers' minds these are usually called forth by the violent rethe revelation at the recent Moscow trial that Trotzky was told by sistance of the forces of reaction. Rudolf Hess, second in command in

In Spain we have a fresh and striking example of the contempt of reactionary forces for democratic methods. This sort of thing can happen anywhere. Even under a Democratic regime, the political struggle may include violent

It is not amazing that the counter-revolutionary attempts to undermine or overthrow the over two-thirds of the total budget. Soviet government have occurred throughout its and will pile up an additional \$2,existence. In some of them, former Social Revo-000,000,000 deficit for the governlutionists and former Social Democrats par-

> MOST TREACHEROUS ORGANIZATION But the trial in Moscow exposed the most

for Technical Aid-

Offices Open Today

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CLEVELAND, Feb. 3 .- Two hun-

dred Cleveland workers today filed

applications to work for the forces

The applications were issued at

the headquarters of the American

Society for Technical Aid to Span-

sh Democracy at the Public Square

More than 300 persons answered

ndustries of Spain and thus aid the

The rush to file applications was

squad of police who drove many

"Despite the police interference,

the office will resume taking applications tomorrow," said Frank Rogers, representative of the socie-

Rogers said that steel workers

Childs to Speak Feb. 10

ta Capitol Building

Mass Meeting

CHICAGO, Feb. 3. - A protest

meeting against the Trotzkyite con-

spiracy with Hitler and Japan to

by Chicago workers at the Capitol

Morris Childs, state secretary of

the Communist Party, will be the

main speaker at the meeting and

will expose the anti-working class

activities of the Trotzkyites in Chi-

CHICAGO, Feb. 3.—"Trotzkyism

and Fascism" will be the subject of

a lecture by Sol Larks, instructor

cago in recent months.

Building, 159 N. State St., on Wed-

nesday, Feb. 10.

On Sunday

of the applicants from the lobby.

wages, are especially desired.

of democracy in Spain.

ight against fascism.

Clarence Hathaway, editor - in - telephone and telegraph repairmen, truck drivers and bakers, all of whom will be paid trade union

only members of the ruling party, but they had occupied high positions in the government and had the confidence of the leaders. Platakov and Sokolnikov were in the central committee

It is true that some of them belyears ago to the open opposition called Trotzkyists and were expe party. But soon afterwards th themselves loyal to the government and to the party and were restored to high public positions and welcomed back to friendly reations with our leaders. But they were traitors and continued their counter-revolutionary activities, plotting assassinations, the wrecking of trains, the betrayal of their country.

and incredible. But real life sometimes presents situations more fantastic and incredible than any imagination can create, particularly the imagination of people who know very little about the passions and hatreds of war and

CITES PREVIOUS LENIENCY

After the leniency shown to these people,

I personally witnessed the kindness Stalin himself showed on many occasions toward Piatakov, Sokolnikov, Radek and others. Any imputation of personal vengeance and of any low action of the court is undeserving of answer and can be inspired only by enemies of the Soviet Union and by conscious or unconscious

Overwhelmed by the case against them, the defendants confessed. They were not exhausted by long years of imprisonment, they were not forced by any unlawful pressure or deceived by any promise. They were fully aware of the implications of their action and of their own fate. All of them were arrested in October or November of last year. Piatakov and Sokolnikov had never been arrested before under the

There were testimonies and documents, of course. The documents were not very numerous, because in a conspiracy of this kind the actors naturally do not keep such things lying about. Besides the confessions of the defendants, we have a confirmation of Trotzky

Music on 'Trotzkyism: a Social Menace';

Will Deal With Latin America

the Daily Worker, will speak.

revolutionary Trotzkyism, the meet-

ing will hear Hathaway on "Trotz-

kyism: A Social Menace." It will

Music, 30 Lafayette Street.

Gelders Asks

Investigation

Wesley Johnson Murder

Investigation Urged

by Flog Victim

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Feb. 3 .-

to start an immediate investigation

to apprehend the lynchers of Wesley

Johnson, 22-year-old Negro youth,

y Joseph S. Gelders of the National

committee for the Defense of Po-

Gelders, who himself was flogged

'Urge you institute vigorous in-

who lynched Wesley Johnson. These

"Previous unpunished cases of

The recent trial of the Parallel

Workers School at the

men must be tried for this murder.

criminal violence invited this addi-

tional horrible crime. This lawless-

prosecutions and convictions.

by steel company thugs in this state,

litical Prisoners.

war on the Soviet Union will be held ness will not end until there are

wired the governor:

Of Lynching

lished in the New York American on January 26, of this year, he set forth the following:-

"Inside the (Communist) party, Stalin has put himself above all criticism and above the state. It is impossible to displace him except by assassination. Every oppositionist becomes, ipso facto, a terrorist. This is the logic of

Some people may say, "Fantastic! Incredible! I don't know who tortured Trotzky and extorted this confession from him. Perhaps it

NO TRIAL OBSERVER EXPRESSED DOUBT The trial was open. It was attended by hunone of those present has expressed a doubt of by the well-known independent liberal newspaper of the the fairness of the trial. None of the defendants protested against any incorrect conduct in the trial. Many present gave the opinion that the trial was very fair and the decision of the court was based on indisputable evidence. court was based on indisputable evidence. could quote from the accounts of Mr. Duranty, of the New York Times; Mr. Phillips, of the New York Herald Tribune, and other corre-

It is interesting to give the opinion of an English Socialist, Dudley Kollard. He admitted, "My sympathies were even with the defendants and this made me defiant toward the Stellar and this made me defiant toward the Stalin government. But, after the proceedings, a radical change took place in me, and I state it sincerely." In his opinion, "They would certainly be convicted and sentenced to death in any country in the world."

I could quote other impartial observers.

ANTI-SOVIET CAMPAIGN WILL FAIL

Elements hostile to the Soviet Union express dissatisfaction that Radek, Sokolnikov and two ernor and the legislature is assured, others were not executed. They insinuate that since the motion was undertaken in Radek and Sokolnikov escaped the death pen- agreement with Albany. alty because they were well known abroad and had foreign connections. They omit to mention that Piatakov also was well known abroad. nancial condition rendered by Tay-For several years he served as Soviet trade lor. According to the Comptroller's representative in France and he was chief negotiator for various trade agreements in France, Italy and Germany. crease in general fund receipts this

The judges of the court and most of those in year-an increase, which, Taylor inattendance, after a few days of the trial, reached dicated, was not entirely foreseen the conclusion that the defendants were guilty when the budget was drafted last of the most serious crimes. But the chorus of year enemies of the Soviet Union and some of their naive companions have sought to cast a shadow of doubt over the trial and to use all possible means to create prejudice and hatred against budget was drawn up last October the country of Socialism. This fresh campaign another \$4,500,000 is necessary to against the Soviet Union is bound to fail, as

Brooklyn workers will protest against Trotzkyite terrorism against Soviet Union workers at a mass meeting threats to Hickman and New Ma- danger to the city's financial strucwalls and levees would be the chief

> MEMPHIS, Tenn., Feb. 3 (UP) .-An influenza epidemic has devel- the year 1937, and that such being oped among flood refugees in Mem- so, complete salary restoration can phis, the Red Cross reported today. as of July 1, 1937," he said. More than 1,000 flood sufferers are in hospitals with flu. A majority of the 2,500 housed in school buildngs were suffering from colds. Red Cross physicians said that eight of every ten refugees now arriving have influenza.

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil, Feb. veyed the wrath of the Ohio and 3. — Approximately two-thirds of Mississippi Rivers at their height the 230 defendants charged with tonight and promised speedy, thorparticipating in the Brazilian ough Federal aid without "red tape."

commission which came up the rising Mississippi from Memphis Tenn., described conditions on the lower Ohio as "very acute" in some sections and promised "absolute coordination among Federal, State and Municipal officials in the rehabili-

The Weather Bureau forecast rain late tonight and snow by Thursday All the proceedings are prepara- Mississippi Valleys, but said the tory to the trial of Luis Carlos precipitation "probably will not be heavy enough to complicate the flood situation."

PADUCAH, Ky., Feb. 3 (UP). -Guardsmen and

Argentine workers to the people of two coal company yards and a dairy stable, killing 30 head of cattle.

lermo Patterson y de Jauregui at

Cited in Czech Liberal Paper

Anti-Fascists Betrayed to Gestapo-Known Nazi Spies Connected with Leaders of Trotzkyist Clique—Stoolpigeon Roles Admitted

(Special to the Daily Worker)

PRAGUE, Feb. 3.—Smashing proof that the German Trotzkyists are stool-pigeons and provocateurs in the hire dreds of people, Russian and foreigners. No of the Nazi Gestapo is given in an article just published

Committee Named to

Study 8-Hour Day

for Hospitals

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Favorable action on the cuts was

based on a report of the city's fi-

figures, funds for the restoration

are available from general fund re-

ceipts and from an estimated in-

MORE MONEY FOUND

Since \$4,500,000 was set aside for

a 50 per cent restoration when the

to the General Fund.'

alty elections.

yesterday.

ture, the Comptroller added.

without in any way endangering

the city's financial structure and

without increasing the tax rate for

be provided for and should be made

UNION BATTLE CITED

Passage of the resolution was

For instance, Lidove Noviny cites the cases of emigrants from Nazi

city of Brno, Lidove Noviny.

The Lidove Noviny points out

Germany who have established relations with the Trotzkyists in Czechoslovakia after having worked for the Gestapo in the Third Reich. TROTZKYISTS AID NAZI SPY Written statements have been

obtained from many of these emi-grants to the effect that they were in the service of the German Ges-For instance, a certain August

lished for evident reasons, was active in the Communist Party of Germany until January, 1933, when Hitler came to power. He was arrested during 1935, but was later released on Jan. 11, 1936, in Hamburg, after he signed a declaration stating that he would put

the Lidove Noviny, though not pub-

-, whose full name is known to

his experiences as an illegal functionary of the Communist Party of Germany at the service of the He soon appeared in Prague,

where he worked in collaboration with the Trotzkyists.

TROTZKY SPY IN SOVIET

bring city salaries back to the 1932 Another German "woman-Com evels. Pointing out the source of nunist," M. W., was bired by the revenue to cover the restoration, Soviet Commercial Bureau in Berin in the summer of 1933 as a "Considering the increase in the

stenographer-typist. In January, 1935, she was threatcash balance, the increase in the 1936 receipts over estimates made ened with loss of her German citiin the fall of 1936, and an estizenship if she did not enter the mated increase of \$2,235,000 in service of the Gestapo. When she General Fund receipts during 1937 gave her assent, she furnished conas compared with those of the fidential reports of the work of the year 1936, there appears to be Soviet commercial experts to the available for complete restoration

of salaries on July 1 an amount In March 1936 she was sent to of \$4,048,000 over the amount es-Prague by the Gestapo. Here, timated as being available at the though she admitted her betrayal time the budget was prepared. openly, she established relaitons The remainder needed may be with the Trotzkyists.

At the head of the German obtained from unapplied balances Trotzkvist group stands Oskar pold and a certain Wollenberg. The Salary restoration constitutes no German refugees living in Prague have been greatly aroused by the relationship between Seipold and one Erwin Metzger, a proven Ges-"The Comptroller believes that these restorations can be made

tapo agent. This Metzger, a typical Hitlerite spy, who had free access to and rom Trotzkyist headquarters in Prague, denounced some 100 antifascists to the police in January 1934 in the Kreuzberg section of Berlin. Severe sentences were later

meted out to these anti-fascist foes

OPENLY ADMIT LINK Metzger, while dwelling in Prague,

redited in civil service circles to two factors: the persistent fight for corresponded constantly with a restoration waged by the Teachers Union and other municipal work-The Trotzkyist Seipold maintained ers' groups, and the coming mayorconstant connections with Metzger until the Nazi spy left Czecho-Taylor and the Democrats will slovakia.

undoubtedly seek to make capital Seipold also maintained relations out of the restoration in much the with the Gestapo agent Kurt same fashion as Tammany did in the past, political observers said Czech police in April, 1936 as a Nazi Tammany administraspy and expelled from the country. tions in years gone by, it was re-The Lidove Noviny writes: "The called, regularly voted wage inexamples we have given hardly creases in election years to insure prove coordinated political cooperatheir hold on the 140,000 city emtion between the National-Socialists and the Trotzkyists; but they do

ployes and their friends. LaGuardia's resolution on the city hospitals was, observers agreed, in part a counterweight to Taylor's action. It was generally agreed that yesterday's action to rescind the pay cuts, forced on the O'Brien adinistration in 1932 by the city's bankers, will play an important part in the fall campaign. LaGuardia will undoubtedly point to the economies made by his administration as being the basis for the restoration, while the Democrats will insist that the rescinding was care solely to the fact that their party brother was the city's cheif financial officer.

UNION PLEASED Skeptical civil service leaders

smiled when told that Comptroller Taylor had reported that he did not Springfield Avenue, Friday night at know last October that there would be sufficient available for salary restorations. While happy to get their salary back at the 1932 level, ican Marxist, and secretary of the Fire menaced this nearly-deserted al were unanimous in pointing out Argentine Communist Party, was in city today despite patrolling by Na- that there was little altruism and man of the Communist Party, and Coast much of political expediency in the Ralph Bates, noted English author Comptroller's action. 'We thank you," and "we told

you so," commented Charles J. Hendley, president of the Teachers Union. Mr. Handley's statement fol-

"The Board of Estimate resolution asking the State Legislature allow them to reopen th budget so they can restore the pay of municipal employes sounds like strange news. Members of the Teachers Union find themselves in a conflict of emotions. We want to shout to the Board of Estimate, 'We thank you' and

We told you so. 'We are grateful that the city administration has at last admitted that salaries can be restored to the 332 level. We now

against Stalinism, are capable of cooperation with the Nazis. They openly admit this, declaring that the end justifies the means.' Foster to Speak

demonstrate that the Trotzkyists

enraged by their bitter hatred

For Spanish Aid Friday in Newark NEWARK, N. J., Feb. 3.-Workers of Essex County here will rally to

the aid of Spanish democracy at a mass meeting at Laurel Garden, 457 8 P.M. to raise funds to send American workers to Spain to replace native workers who want to join the

will be the main speakers at the rally which is under the auspices of the local Committee for Technical

feel that the restoration will at last be realized. We feel vindicated on the arguments we presented to the Board of Estimate last fall. "We will now devote our

energies to other reforms that are long overdue; ratification of the Child Labor Amendmen!; State appropriation of \$10,000,000 for the relief of needy children in the schools; tenure for teachers upstate; repeal of the Ives Loyalty Oath, and other urgent measures.

Coast Guard Air Base Contract Is Awarded Larks to Speak WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 (UP) .- A

contract for construction of bar-'In any event, the future state of racks, hangar and garage for the Spain will be a corporativa state Coast Guard Air Station at the of the Chicago Workers School, on (the name adopted by Fascist Italy Floyd Bennett Airport, New York, Sunday, 8 P.M. at the Central Loop for Premier Mussolini's organiza- was awarded today to the Graves- Forum, 330 S. Wells St., Suite 610. tion of control over all matters Quinn Corp. of New York. The This is one of a series of lecture amount of the contract is \$399,800. sponsored by the Friends of the

The treason trials at Moscow were entirely

To some of the people, all this seems fantastic

and the readiness of the Soviet leaders, especially of Stalin, to assist them and to save them from falling into the abyss of counter-revolution, it is impossible for an informed person to believe that they were indicted without a thorough investigation and without solid evidence.

sympathizers with reaction.

TROTZKY CONFIRMS CONFESSIONS

hape of wage-cuts and worse living conditions, saying: "It is true that under normal conditions, valencia, spain, Feb. 3 (by cable).—For several days, Loyalists have heard cannonading and rifle-layed and Cordobs in the Germany of today this danger can be ruled out. WORK IN SPAIN Monday in Brooklyn HOLDS; FLOOD TO AID ARMY Daily Worker Editor Will Speak at Academy of

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on Monday night at which Clarence Hathaway, editor of drid.

One of a series of country-wide rallies against counter- Flu Epidemic In Memphis

Hopkins Surveys CAIRO, Ill., Feb. 3 (UP) .- PWA

Administrator Harry Hopkins and other members of President Roosevelt's special flood commission sur-Hopkins, heading the four-man

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 (UP).

Fire destroyed three dwellings

From London to U.S.A.

pointed Cuban Ambassador to the United States, Secretary of State Rafael Montalvo announced today He will succeed Ambassador Guil-

Washington, D. C., who was transferred to Mexico City. Martinez Fraga at present is Cuban Minister

Pre-convention discussion for the Young Communist League na-

Articles on the issues that confront the convention will be pub lished hereafter on Mondays and Wednesdays.

be held at the Brooklyn Academy of Hathaway, who recently returned from Mexico where the counterrevolutionary Trotzky has been call sent out by the society for slandering the Soivet Union despite olunteers for technical work in the the protests of Mexican workers in the Confederation of Mexican Worekrs, will discuss the attitude erminated by the sudden arrival of towards Trotzky in the Latin Amer-

'SpecialTribunal'Rigged Disaster Area to Try Prestes, Ewart and Ghioldi Later

people's revolt in November, 1935, have been hailed before the drum head court martial "special tribunal" here, it was announced today.

The judges, military and civil, appointed by the tyrant President Getulio Vargas, issued a statement tation work to follow the floods." Gov. Bibb Graves was today asked claiming that a Communist state was to be set up, though all the Slight Rain, Snow evidence shows that the movement Is Forecast was a United Front attempt to secure a merely anti-imperialist, democratic regime.

Prestes, and Rudolpho Ghioldi. vestigation to identify individuals Prestes, often called the George Washington of Brazil, is president Fire Menaces of the National Liberation Alliance. Flooded Paducah Ghioldi, most famous South Amer-Brazil only after the revolt; he Guards. came to bring the greetings of the

Center in Moscow will be discussed Prestes. Ghioldi and Arthur and Trotzky's role today and in the Ewart, German anti-Fascist, have Cuba Transfers Envoy past will be fully elaborated by the not been brought before the court

YCL Pre-Convention Discussion Regins Tomorrow in Daily

tional convention which will be held in New York beginning April 3. will start in the Daily Worker tomorrow.

HAVANA, Cuba, Feb. 3 (UP). Pedro Martinez Fraga has been ap-

WE WANT JOB SECURITY FOR

Wives of Auto Workers LOCAL 25

Not Half of Louisville Horror Has Been Told, Letters Say

Getting Food, But Cops Get Plenty

How the surging Ohio River flood waters have affected the million homeless workers in the devasted Midwestern areas is told in a number of letters which have come to the Daily Worker from readers in the flood districts. Two letters follow

Only Rich Get Enough Aid in Louisville

Louisville, Ky. Just a line to let you know a few of the conditions facing the workers of Louisville after the flood.

Nine-tenths of town covered by water. Thousands of workers walking the streets with desolate look territory. faces. Hundreds of policemen imported from more than twelve states. Many workers are being cities; many will be unable to re-Thousands of families forced best of food such as caviar and chicken being served.

Fire Department pumping water out of big business houses and banks while workers who are forced

"Have 100 Beds For Whites Only"

(Special to the Daily Worker) ST. LOUIS, Feb. 3.—"We have a hundred beds-for whites only.' That flash broadcast over the radio here in the midst of the wide flood area was the answer of one Negro-hating merchant to the appeal for shelter and beds

Discrimination against the Ne gro people in giving flood aid has been rife in many states along the surging Ohio and Mississippi Rivers. The Communist Party here has protested racial discrimination to relief agencies.

to live in flooded houses must wait until all big business and banks are cleaned out first.

Coal is being issued only on doc tor's prescription, while such places as big hotels are able to get all coal No electricity for lights for at least ten days. Coal oil being issued on orders from drug stores one quart a day. Food being obunemployed on ration cards only after waiting from five to

Would suggest that workers in other parts of country instead of to Red Cross money and clothes that these be sent direct to the Workers Alliance, 406 S. First St., Louisville, Ky.

join the Communist Party in fact I am preparing a list of people whom I have talked to and are willing to join the Party.

Horror of Flood Has Not Been Told

Louisville, Ky.

Being a reader of your paper let me express the sorrows of this city.

No doubt you got your papers full of information of the distress as I see the local papers, consisting of two sheets, telling of the horrors, but to my knowledge it is not quite black enough so let me put the

People are straying the streets with desperation all over their faces and entire bodies lacking for food, in spite of the headline that plent; of money is flowing into relief. One thing we are not short of is of people to restore law and order. Police and soldiers from all over the country, besides people with a piece of rag around their sleeve, a tag hanging from the lapel or a badge, have got full authority to knock anybody's block off at will.

Law and order didn't forget to separate Negroes from white at feeding places. The catastrophe came down on

the states of Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky like a black cloud out of the clear sky. The consequences was loss of lives, devastation of property, disease, starvation and eaving thousands homeless for a

Is there an element, party or an individual to be blamed for it? To for it. A great deal of the calamity could be diminished by prompt action and applying for assistance to other states and to Washington.

Battery Strikers Turn To and Aid Flood Sufferers

(By Federated Press)

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 3 (FP) Eighteen hundred sitdown strikers at the Electric Storage Battery Co. 19th and Allegheny Ave., plant in Philadelphia demonstrated that they were both willing and ready to help the flood victims of the west.

Calling off their "folded arms" technique for the necessary length of time, these Exide battery workers got to work and charged three 65. 000-watt batteries that were badly needed in flood-ravaged Cincinnati The batteries had been ordered and manufactured before the strike was called; they had to be charged and packed and shipped out, which is what the strikers gladly consented

Poor Have Difficulty Flood Control Need Urged in Letter

Immediate Action for Completion of Mississippi and Missouri Reservoirs Is Stressed-Program of Education on Issue Suggested

The vital need for immediate steps to enact flood control legislation in Congress is stressed in the following letter to the Daily Worker on the Midwestern flood disaster:

health, and property of millions of workers and farmers living in the sue. valleys of the Mississippi River and its tributaries. Flood control should be a political issue dear to the hearts of the people of this immense

"But comparatively few of the people of this country know that floods can be controlled. They are to a large extent thought of as 'Acts of God.' We must correct this situato exist on meager food supplies in this matter. A small beginning has been made. Especially good is best hotels and clubs, with the article by Harry Raymond. "But the people, especially of the

Central States, must have more concrete information on the meaning and function of reforestation, land reclamation, soil conservation, water power, reservoirs, etc. They should know the costs, the square miles of reforestation, etc., the number and size of reservoirs, the number of horse power to be generated, the amount of water involved, the geographic location of each item, the ength of time to construct, etc., etc. There should be maps, sketches, statistical tables, official reports of government agencies, etc. published

"Articles by progressive and class onscious engineers, scientists, and should be featured in the Party "Bulletin," In other words we must Technicians. launch a huge educational and agi-

"Floods are taking toll of the life, tational campaign to make flood and water control a major political is-

"At the same time that we raise the broad issue of flood control costing several billion dollars and taking perhaps a decade to consummate) we must immediately launch a struggle for the completion within the next year or two o certain key portions of the genera plan for flood control. For instance we may raise as an immediate political issue requiring immediate action the construction of certain specific reservoirs, say at the headwaters of the Mississippi and Missouri Rivers; the planting of so and so many millions of trees in certain counties of Minnesota, Wisdefinite stretches of levees; the dredging of certain sections of cer-

tain rivers; etc., etc.
"In other words, let us get down to earth. Let us decide on a definite plan for flood control to be fulfilled within the next twelve months and turn heaven and earth to force the state and federal governments to

"As a starter I refer you to a ver good two-page article entitled 'Water Control' written by a class experts on the various subjects conscious chemist in the April, 1936 We must get down to 'brass Architects, Engineers, Chemists, and

Philadelphia Relief Sit-inners Hold Firm

Workers Alliance Delegation Leaves for State Capitol to Push Demands for Appropriation of \$260,000,000 for 2-year Period

hundred relief clients led by the received from Karl De Schwenitz, Workers Alliance have entered the Relief Administrator for the state fifth day of a sit-in strike at Philaelphia County Relief Board Head- he could not meet their demands

lown their demands to Dorothy C. the sit-inners, and they voted that Kahn, Relief Administrator for "the strike goes on until Philadelphia County, medical aid to ceive a satisfactory reply. unemployed people, and the immediate distribution of coal and winter clothing to relief clients. They are also demanding supplementary

Miss Kahn referred the demands to Harrisburg by telegraph immediately, and asked the committee led by Eugene Gallagher, an organizer for the Workers Alliance, to go home and come back Monday when the reply from Harrisburg

Miss Kahn addressed the sitnners, to the effect that their demands were forwarded to Harris-burg, and that it would be uncomfortable to stay in at Relief Headquarters overnight. The strikers

Saturday morning a reply was of Pennsylvania, to the effect that and that they should wait till after Friday afternoon a committee laid May 31. The answer was read to "the strike goes on until they re-

> A telegram was sent asked the Governor to intervene. been supplying the sit-inners with Two newspaper reporters do-

> nated for playing cards. strikers led by Charles Spencer, secretary of the Workers Alliance in Philadelphia, left for Harrisburg to testify on relief conditions before the Joint Legislature on the Relief Appropriations, where they will present their demands for adequate relief appropriation. The Workers Alliance of Pennsylvania is demanding \$260,000,000 for the next

Aberdeen WPA Mine Union Jobs Won Back Calls Parley After Strike OnAgreement

Workers Alliance Leads Proposals and Policies livity. Fight for Workers Dismissed

ABERDEEN, Wash., Feb. 3. — A WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 (UP). Harbor County local of the Work- icy Committee to meet here Feb. my estimation the officials of the ers Alliance has brought reinstate- 12 to draft proposals and policies states and cities are to be blamed ment of all discharged WPA work- to be presented to Appalachian bithe projects in a strike against the Feb. 17.

> WPA workers in the country were laid off in December. The Alliance, of which 65 per cent of the project workers are members, protested, formed picket lines. When Alliance men quit work, many of the projects vere shut down.

The Alliance is now campaigning for reinstatement of WPA workers fired because they are eligible for not being paid, and the workers are left without income. A partial victory was won on this issue also, reief being promised to all unemployed eligible for pensions but not

A demand is being made by the local for payment of wages to a large group of men employed on the Moon Island Project, near Hoquiam. The project was suspended and the men were not fired, but their wages have not been paid.

Trade unions, including the Cenral Labor Council and the Timberworkers Union, have supported

to Be Given Operators in N. Y. Feb. 17

militant struggle carried on for The United Mine Workers Union more than a month by the Grays today called its International Polers, including those who walked off tuminous operators in New York,

President John L. Lewis, Vice-Approximately 40 per cent of the President Philip Murray and Secretary-Treasurer Thomas Kennedy signed the call for the meeting. "This meeting will give considera-

tion to matters of the most pro-found importance," the call said. Presidents of all districts signatory to the present Applachian Agree-

ment were ordered to send their district scale committees to Washington along with executive officers executive board.

Canadian Strikers Convict Manager as Vagrant; Oust Him that has hit this district.

ing the same kind of justice they had been taught by employes, 500 rench-Canadian strikers at the War Department investigation of Johns-Manville Co. arrested C. H. the barge which took more than 25 Shoemaker, plant manager, as a lives of levee workers was asked by vagrant threatening to disturb the peace of the town, took him to city hall, found him guilty, placed the finding of ten more bodies yes-

About 3,000 workers at the St. Louis Chevrolet-Fisher Body plan t went on strike on Jan. 13 at part of the nation-wide movement of the United Automobile Workers of America to get union recognition and an end to the speed-up in the plants. As in other cities, women took an active part in picketing and demonstrations as above photo shows. **FULL SUPPORT**

Calls Flint Injunction Unlawful, Worst **Ever Granted**

Denunciation of the injunction isthe worst in the long history of this terror-ridden Hoosier town. courts, clearly unlawful, an incite- hall which a company incited mob ern Indiana, the Studebaker workattempt to destroy the United Au-Friends and sympathizers have acting national secretary of the In- beat up U.A.W.A. organizers, atternational Labor Defense. At the tacked gram to the sitdown strikers pledg-Tuesday a delegation of four ing the full support of all the resources of the organization to their tary withdrawal of sit-down strik-

yond the court decisions in the Danbury Hatters case, which has gone down in history as the most infamous instance of the use of the courts to destroy a trade union, Miss Damon said, "He has against all law and all democracy set dam ages against every member of the union, sufficient to wipe out their homes and savings, before any damage is done. He has told the eco-nomic royalists of General Motors that they have the court's OK for any violence they commit. He has told them in advance that General Motors violence and murder will be assessed against the strikers. He has added shotgun 'conspiracy' visions to the injunction with the intent to outlaw every union ac

Tennessee Prisoners Are Thinly Clad As They Labor on Dikes

SOUTH MEMPHIS, Tenn., Feb. 3. bag dikes with shackles around their in \$2,790,551,400 in the same year of other areas and the international legs despite the constant danger of flood waters, it was learned.

Shackled prisoners from the Shel-DROWNING PROBE ASKED

NEW MADRID, Mo., Feb. 3.-A

Anderson Firm---CHURCH GROUP Until G. M. Settles SEES COERCION Auto Union Local Answers Vigilante Campaign in

Hoosier Town-Pledges of Solidarity Received From Unions and Studebaker Plant Workers

ANDERSON, Ind., Feb. 3 .- "Until G. M. settles nationally-Anderson stands firm!"

Thus an overflow mass meeting of Local 146, United sued by Judge Gadola against the Automobile Workers of America, tonight answered the sit-down strikers in Flint, Mich., as vigilante campaign of the General Motors Corporation in mobile Workers Union and of "com-

ked the first public appearance expressed today by Anna Damon, the connivance of local authorities, the headquarters, and smashed a picket line around the struck Guide Lamp plant. The antiunion violence followed the volun-

ers from the factory by terms of the "Lansing Agreement. The morale of the striking workers was good as they listened to

the singing of union songs. Great tomobile Workers of America," was Jan. 25, when strikebreakers with ment that the Studebaker workers would demand that the Governor protect workers' rights in Anderson or they would help protect them themselves. (Gov. Clifford M. Townsend, who

ST. LOUIS AUTO Auto Union to Cut Fog of G.M. WORKERS PICKET Propaganda at Sunday Meetings

was elected on a labor platform, Saturday, promised 75 deputies approved by the Union. The following day he took back his prom-

All committees have been re-esunion organizers, Jimmy Rowland tablished and the union apparatus of Toledo, and Leslie Tourier of is again functioning smoothly, lead-Flint. Pledges of solidarity were ers stated.

Chicago Open Shoppers Attack 6-Hour Day on Railroads

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 3.—The Illinois Manufacturers Association, notorious open shop outfit, denounced the sixhour day for railroad men as an attack on privately owned railroads, in a statement released to the press Sunday, Jan. 31. It charged that the six-hour day without a reduction in pay was "unreasonable, @

Income Reported

same month in 1935.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 (FP)

-Reports from 138 selected class I railroad showed a net income

of \$119,214,258 for the first 11

months of 1936 compared with a

deficit of \$25,122,715 for the same

period of 1935, the Interstate

Commerce Commission said. The

carriers had a net income of

\$30,083,410 for November, 1936,

compared to \$9,979,535 for the

Pittsburgh Communists

Egan, city secretary, reported on

"How the Party Can Assist in the Steel Drive" and "How the People

unfair and economically unsound" \$119,214,258 Railroad and that it was an effort to bring government ownership of railroads through the back door and bring it apstairs." They objected because he increased cost of rail transportation "would be saddled on industrial shippers, agriculture and the

At the same time, the open shoppers showed how hopelessly inefficient private ownership of railroads is, by admitting that they could not find out how much money was spent on freight charges in the country. All they know is that Illinois railroads took in \$168,000,000 -Negro chain gang prisoners here in freight revenue in the poor year are being forced to work on sand- of 1935, while Class I railroads took

The wealthy manufacturers wailed that improving railroad men's conditions would "increase the cost of by County penal farm dressed in living," and "interfere with sales of thin overall pants and coats have manufactured products, retard input in long hours carrying sand dustry and reduce factory employpags despite the freezing weather ment." This is the same song they have sung every time any group of workers asked better conditions.

Troops' Barring of Food To Sit-Down Strikers

Use of troops to prevent delivery of Our State Can Secure Progresof food to sit-down strikers at the sive Legislation Now.

Congregational Council

Employees of Fisher Chevrolet

on STRIKE

Be an American

Dont be a Strikebreaker

United Auto Workers Local 25

Asks LaFollette to Investigate

anti-labor decisions of American The gathering was held in the received from the miners of south- works council" were revealed in a their right to organize, so that they preliminary survey of the General may bargain as equals with management to violence and in effect an raided and wrecked a week ago. It ers of South Bend, and others, amid Motors labor dispute made public ment in seeking fair wages and vesterday by the Council for Social Action of the Congregational and Christian Churches of America.

As a result of this survey by its industrial relations secretary, Frank W. McCulloch, the Council appealed nity comes ahead of the selfish the Senate sub-committee on Civil Liberties and Labor Relations headed by Senator Robert M. La Follette, to make a thorough investigation into the situation to discover whether these reports of antimion activities are true.

"The stated reason of General Council stated, "is the refusal of the strikers to give up the two plants that are still occupied by striking workers. It will be recalled, however, that the withholding of these two Fisher Body factories occurred only after three other plants had been evacuated and after it then suddenly appeared that General Motors had agreed to 'deal' with the business men and workers opposing

SEE COERCION AND ESPIONAGE

"Our preliminary survey has re-

vealed that this Flint Alliance was set up with a degree of cooperation and assistance from General Motors opposition and discrimination accorded the efforts of the union to organize. Conditions tantamount to coercion of employes to join this alliance are also reported in some Moreover, it is now privately admitted that this agency is not constituted in such form as to be capable of representing General ent or practical manner. Nevertheless, the company has continued to insist on keeping the lines of negotiation open with the Flint Alliance, and that organization likewise continues with its demands to epresent the General Motors emloyes who wish to return to work. To Hold Open Meeting and full disclosure of the facts of his situation, which only an im On Sunday Afternoon partial and authoritative outside gency can provide.

"Our first survey has also revealed surprising indications of espionage City Committee plans the largest directed at the union and of company domination of the existing works council. It may well be that open Communist Party membership meeting in its history here on Sunthere is no legal justification for the withholding of the plants by the Hundreds of sympathizers of the strikers, but if there is esplonage discrimination and company domi-Party and YCL have been systematnation, is there not a practical deically visited and invited. Enthusnial of the right of collective bariasm ran high at a preliminary gaining on the part of the commeeting of functionaries last Fripany which is impliedly if not expressly, protected in the Wagner Labor Relations Act? . . ." day evening at which over 80 unit functionaries were present. James

Mother and Son Die As Fire Destroys Farm

Lewis and Broun Are Scheduled to Speak in Cleveland

MEETING PUBLIC

City Councilmen Are Urged to Attend By Union Chief

CLEVELAND, Feb. 3. - As the Fisher Body Corporation appealed to the courts to break the strike of the UAWA in Cleveland, the Union announced plans to take its case to the public in two meetings scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 7.

Fifteen hundred organizations in the city this week will receive an invitation to send representatives to a "people's conference" called in South Hall "A" of Public Auditorium at 2:30 P.M. Sunday. Simultaneously arrangements were

being perfected today for a gigantic public mass meeting in the main hall of the auditorium at which Heywood Broun, nationally known the American Newspaper Guild, and himself a member of the C.I.O. will

John L. Lewis, head of the C.I.O has been invited to head the list of speakers. In case Lewis finds it impossible to come to Cleveland Sunday, it was said at UAWA headquarters here that other high C.I.O. and auto workers' leaders would speak at the meeting

At city council meeting last night Louis F. Spisak, president of Fisher Body Local and a committee of the union formally gave the councilmen an invitation to attend the afternoon conference.

TO CUT PROPAGANDA FOG

This conference will deal largely ith the public issues involved in he local and nation-wide strike of General Motors Workers.

ssues of this strike and thereby simply and factually clarify those issues in the minds of the public,

'Towards this end you are asked to take part in discussion of the fol-

"(1) How can Cleveland citizens help protect peaceful and lawful picketing from the violence of hired thugs and professional strikebreak-This question is raised now in view of the fact that Cleveland people, proud of the liberal tradition mit Cleveland to become another

terror-ridden Flint. "(2) Shall workers be protected in

nealthful working "(3) How can Cleveland citizen bring to the attention of General Motors Corporation the fact that the welfare of the entire comm of any one company or individual.

Members to Celebrate the Anniversary at Concert

The International Workers Order in New York City will hold a city-Irving Plaza Hall.

This date also marks the Seventh Anniversary of the I.W.O. in this city and its growth from an organ-

labor organizations in the city with a membership of more than 35,000 Delegates from all English branches and from language secto the convention which will review the work of the past year and plan for 1937

The members of the I.W.O. will celebrate the anniversary at a gala oncert at the Hippodrome on Feb by outstanding artists. The concert will also display the

cultural work of the I.W.O. featurng its own Symphony Orchestra, Mandolin Orchestra and Theatre

Tickets for this concert are available at all I.W.O. branches, at 80 Fifth Ave., at the box office and at the following I.W.O. Community Centers: Brownsville Community Center, 381 Rockaway Ave., Brookyn, Brighton I.W.O. Community Center, 3200 Coney Island Ave. Brooklyn, Bronx I.W.O. Community Center, 2075 Clinton Ave., Bronx.

Canadian Railwaymen Consider Strike Vote OTTAWA, Ont., Canada, Feb.

(FP) .- The conciliation board, dividing 2 to 1, has declared against a wage increase for Canadian railway employes. Railway brother-As soon as the strikers learned that Cincinnati's generators had been damaged by the flood and replacements were needed at once to meet the power emergency, they meet the power emergency, they meet the power emergency, they meet the power emergency and the power emergency and the powerful bat-him on an outgoing train, and told terday in the lcy waters of a 131,000 by the American Civil Liberties out the full membership of the week, P. P. Bartleman, head of the company's employment bureau, was in the spillway while carrying Missigned by Harry F. Ward, chairman, and Roger N. Hall, 37 Miller Street, Sunday, at him on an outgoing train, and told therday in the lcy waters of a 131,000 by the American Civil Liberties out the full membership of the Out the full membership of the Union in a telegram to Governor by the American Civil Liberties out the full membership of the Out the full membersh

Rayon Profits Pile Up in Cumberland as Workers Die

Poisonous Fumes in Celanese Plant Wreck YOUNGSTOWN 150,000 Recruited TEXTILE UNION Health of Workers on Chemical Processes C.L.U. ELECTS In Steel Campaign VOTES \$1,000

Union Comes to Allegheny Mountain Town Where Cotton Firm and Kelley Springfield Tire Co. Hold Sway-War Industry Developed There

This is the first of a series of articles by Beth McHenry, Daily Worker staff writer. Miss McHenry has been sent to Cumberland, Md., by the Daily Worker to obtain first-hand reports on the workers

By Beth McHenry

CUMBERLAND, Md., Feb. 3.-Lloyd Twigg, a 28-yearold worker from the Celanese plant, lay in a bed at the Allegheny Hospital here with thick yellow medicine on his face and body and heavy bandages across his eyes. He was in too much pain to want to talk when I went to see He did manage to whisper

Twigg, who is a process worker

degree" on his body and "2nd degree" on his head when a panful of acetic acid dropped dropped from above on him the other day. precipitator leaking acid which dropped



that was only supposed to hold oil The acid grew heavy in the pan and

So Lloyd Twigg got a bad break. chemical department have gotten. Along the narorw streets of this old impression of having been hewn from rock, you can pick out the fellows who work in "CA." Their eyes give them away first-reddened and fast blinking, as a rule. Often they look like holesful of smoke. One worker told me, "you see great big beautiful rings around lights.' He said also, "you don't have to be past 22 before you lose your teeth. The CA men's teeth fall out fast and regularly and some of them make wagers about how long a new fellow's teeth wil last.

man is by the "acetate cough." The fumes of acid in the chemical department are death on a man's lungs. It's sulphur dichloride fumes that cause a lot of the trouble. The ventilation in most of the departments is very poor and there is no pressure to blow back the fumes. So the acetate cough is with the them die off from pneumonia. They say first your lungs tighten up, then you spit up blackstuff, and after that it's only a couple of days' work for a pneumonia bug to finish you off.

TIRE PLANT, TOO

The Celanese plant here is an ernormous mass of heavily guarded buildings six miles out from town. Like most of the other big rayon plants in America, the directorship of the plant is foreign, in this case English. Dr. Camille Dreyfus, the president of the corporation, collects a modest salary of \$107,500.22 Dreyfus, ekes out the family income acting as vice-president at \$107,000.22. All the others on the long list of directors and advisors receive correspondingly high salaries for the use of their names in this 28 million dollar corporation.

Cumberland itself is an armful of The Potomac River rushes by, bring power to the industrial plants. to the spinning department. (Apart from the Celanese Corporation, there is a Kelly-Springfield Tire factory here which employs

Cumberland is not a company town in the sense that the workers' houses are corporation owned, or that trading must be done in company commissaries. The company is "Chamber of Commerce run." This doesn't fool anyone. The work-

them air-proof and tight as a drum. chants, the rayon industry has an Williamsport, Pa. even more significant possibility. With no trouble at all the plants can be transformed into manufactories of gun cotton—the explosive part of shells. The process is identical with that used in producing rayon yarn, the sole difference resting in the kind of acid to be combined with cotton. Instead of making Cellulose Acetate, as in rayon manufacture, in time of war the patriotic Celanese Corporation would turn to the making of Cellulose Nitrate, which is gun cotton.

HUGE CAPACITY

The same process is also used to make aspirin, so that if the company had no market either for

the Celanese Corporation losing its other fellow'll tell you, once you a thick fog from the open pans campaign to organize the whole in- nual convention in Tampa, Fla., on

which is 62 per cent of the entire in "CA"-the Chemical Acetate Rayon manufacturers are safe and Department—at the big rayon plant smug gentlemen, with an international agreement that fixes prices for this highly monopolized industry. Most of the big corporations are closer than kin, with interlocking directorates and joint stockownership and international financial interrelationships. So it's all love and kisses and brotherly love among the multi-millionaires who dominate this international industry in whose employ workers average less than twenty dollars a

yarn at the Celanese plant is called the "dry method" to distinguish it rfom the "wet method" used by the Viscose Company, which has huge plants in Pennsylvania. Virginia and Virginia. The difference lies in the material form of Just as hundreds of others in the the acid-treated cotton when it reaches the spinning room. Here it is in dry fibre form. At Viscose, mountain town that gives you the it reaches the spinning room in moist form.

> Roughly, the process for the manufacture of synthetic yarn, the "Celanese Corporation" way, is as

Cotton is brought to Cumberland from the South, mostly from Memphis and Mississippi. It arrives in bale form and is placed first in the "Cotton House," where it is through Willow machines, which break the cotton into small pieces. In the Cotton House also a light acid treatment is applied Another way you can tell a CA making the cotton wet and more pliable. The broken and slightly damp cotton is then sent to the 'Pre-Treatment Department." There, in revolving machines more acid is mixed with the cotton and the chopping up process is fur-

Next, the cotton goes to the 'acetylizers," where the addition of cotton to a taffy formation commonly terned "dope." After leavacetylizers, the dope is carried to the ripening rooms, placed in big copper pans which hold about 800 pounds and left for a period of from 48 to 60 hours. It is tested repeatedly until it reaches the right degree of fermentation, then taken to the precipitators. The precipitators are large, vat-like machines where the acid is removed from the in Cumberland. The poorest kind

TEXTILE PROCESS

When the dope leaves the precipitators it is sent directly to the drya year, and his brother, Dr. Henri ing department, where it is washed, blended and dried until it emerges as "dry paste," in small sizes but all kinds of shapes. After this initial drying process, it goes to another department to be dried further and chopped up into a fine powder which is placed in 100-pound sacks but it sure does seem a waste of and taken to the Acetone Recovery money to put down your dough for 150-year-old buildings nestled in an Department. Here acetone treat- them. Most of us wear an old suit ment is given, then removed by to the plant and then change into large presses, before the fibre goes our work clothes. But just hang-

spinning department in large pipes under tremendous pressure, which forces the material through graually smaller pipes until it reaches the spinning machine and is forced metal with holes in them). When the cotton paste reaches the botcontrol is more indirect. The town tom of the spinning machine, it is thread. From now on, the process becomes a "textile operation." The ers say the Chamber of Commerce thread is spun on to bobbins, then is the companies' good little doggie. sent to the Bobbin Stores, where It does all the things that Celanese it is segregated and checked and and Kelly-Springfield tell it to do. removed from the racks. Later it The Celanese Corporation has a is re-examined and placed on differhistory that goes back to the war, ent spools for various types of when the Dreyfus Brothers manu- "jobs." It is then shipped to plants factured "acetate dope" here for the all over the United States, where war department. It was used to rayon silk is woven from the paint airplane wings and make synthetic yarn. Celanese Corporation does practically none of this, But for the international war mer- having only one weaving plant in

Not many of the nine thousand workers in the Celanese Corporation plant are old people. The average worker seems to be somewhere In Department 9, where the cotton under thirty. In the chemical department you have to be twentyone to get a job, but how long you can last depends upon your condition. A tall young CA worker with two teeth gone in the front and were often the victims of chlorine bloodshot eyes told me he had been trying to get a transfer from CA sick generally, and their lungs were to another department for two years with no luck

"LOOK AT ME"

"Look at me," he said, coughing. 'I'm an example of what happens rayon or ammunition, it could still to a fellow who stays too long in dope goes through a ripening procmake pills. In making aspirin, the that place. My lungs ain't fit to ess is thick with acid fumes. only change would be to substitute hang onto a tree and still they won't temperature is kept high and there give me a transfer. I've asked them is no circulation of air to carry



Typical of the workers who come to the Celanese Corp. in Cumberland, Md., is this young mountain lad. These mountain people are of purest English stock, their ancestors having come to this country in the 17th century and settled here. Isolated from the rest of the world by the mountains, they have until recently kept the mannerism and the speech of Elizabethan England.

won't never transfer you."

There's Earl Kroll, for instance, worker of about 30. Kroll is a CA man whom the plant physician recommended for a transfer because Kroll's family doctor also examined him and said he must be transferred. transfer has ever come through. The company officials insist it is not important. They said the commatter of a slow heart which keeps him short on his oxygen supply and damp anyway. alone one as sick as Kroll.

The average wage for a CA worker is about 22 dollars for a 40hour week. Rent and living is high of a house costs at least 25 dollars a month, and that's on the outskirts of town. Food is high and clothing is a heavy factor in the budget of rayon workers and their families. CA workers' shoes only last a few weeks at the most. The acid eats the leather and burns holes in the rest of their clothing. A CA worker said you just don't know what to do when it comes to buying clothes.

"You got to have them, of course. ing there makes that suit you wear The now "dry dope" goes to the back and forth smell sour and it gets eaten away pretty fast, too."

"THE WORST FUMES"

In the department where sulphur dichloride is mixed with acetate through small jets (round pieces of (the cotton dope in paste form), the fumes and smell increase with the speed of the machines. The temperature is supposed to be kept at 30 degrees. If it were, the smell would not be so bad, the workers say. But with the company pushing production as it does, the temperature stays a lot higher.

"When sulphur dichloride fumes come down and a person gets a good whiff of it, he coughts for a worst kind of fumes we have to contend with."

The acid fumes do more harm to the CA workers than just cause them to cough. The workers here will tell you the fumes make you light-headed and dizzy. None of them feel "as peppy as we should." dope goes through a bleaching process, chlorine water was used up until a year ago. The chlorine would bubble up and escape and the workers in that department poisoning. They grew weak and affected, just as the lungs of soldiers were affected by chlorine gas in the war. Now a powder, sodium hypo-chlorate, is used instead of chlorine water, as a bleaching

The department in which cotton find a fellow "that's not in." The position that too many employers It has an installed get in CA you got to die or quit. of ripening dope. About a year ago | dustry.

There ain't no other way out. They some new rooms, air-conditioned, were built for this part of the process, but four of the old rooms are still being used. The air conditioning is still not adequate, but compared to the old rooms the new "smell like perfume," workers will tell you.

HEALTH DANGERS COMMON

pany doctor didn't report Kroll to high percentage and a d ngerous be in great danger, it is just a little nature. In almost every department of the Celanese Plant, acid Kroll's difficulty in getting oxygen juries are so frequent as to go al- an Executive Board which is more Lawry, West Homestead; B. K. previousy mixed acids changes the is enhanced by his work in acid most unnoticed. The girls and men fumes. He has to wear a respirator in the textile department, as well that is a wet sponge under a mask, as the CA workers, know what it so that all the air he breathes is means to meet daylight with eyes The worker who that "see things that aren't there." me about Earl Kroll said All of the spinning and twisting breathing damp air isn't going to and coning is done under heavy do a healthy man any good, let light in otherwise dark rooms. A girl who works in the textile department said, "the eye-strain near kills your sight. You have to wear tinted glasses. You have to watch for every little speck of dirt. When you examine, say four or five hundred bobbins a day, your eyes are tired.

But it is the CA workers who face the most dramatic and persistent danger in their daily occupation at the Celanese Plant. Apart from industrial accidents, caused commonly by outworn equipment and lack of safety regulations, the men who work in the chemical department live day in and day out in the most penetrating fog of acid fumes. Fumes that burn their eyes and sear their lungs and make old men out of them before they are

"All for what?" one worker remarked yesterday. "All for less than twenty-five dollars a week. Most of us working in the CA blocks don't get that much. We average along about twenty-two dollars and twenty cents. Sometimes it don't look to me like it's worth the sacrifice of your health, and that's a fact."

THE UNION COMES

We were talking up at the Union Headquarters and he looked around at his union brothers and sisters who were doing a lot of things at once in the office. One of them was vision by refusing to bid on the cochalking a notice of a meeting on the blackboard. Another was runing off a leaflet on a mimeograph ouple of weeks," a worker in this machine. Still others were filing department told me. "That's the and typing and talking to new members, signing them up and advising them.

The CA worker touch I his face with his fingers, thoughtfully, and said as an afterthought, "Maybe I oughtn't to talk so downhearted to you. We got raised, most of us. after the strike last month, and the Union's been able to do a lot about settling grievances. We won real recognition, and we got our com mittees in every department. We'll get more from the company yet. though I must say it breaks their hearts to give it to us." The Union has "really come" to

long before, but its membership was small compared to the thousands tile Workers at the Celanese Plant here. It's getting so it's hard to Synthetic Yarn Workers recently separate federation became within the U.T.W. Now they have their own organizers in the field,

PROGRESSIVES

GOP and Reactionaries' Grip Is Broken in Steel Center

sively defeated the most reaction- on the South side in Pittsburgh, Party on the local trade union movement, thus completing the job

the reactionary incumbents that Harry Zigmier, Electrical Workers business agent and president for the past year refused to nominated the progressive candi-date, Andy Hubbard, business agent of the S.W.O.C. in the J. and L. of the Carpenters Union. Hubbard mills there, while the Ambridge was elected by acclamation a year meeting had as one of its aims ago by only four votes.

came in the race for secretary in pany. which John Morley, Plumbers' business agent, Republican Party State Committeeman and arch-reaction-

Union was elected vice-president without opposition, and for treasurer the Congress re-elected for the 25th consecutive year Michael J. Lyden, streetcarman and president of the Ohio State Federation of

The progressive slate for Executive Board was weaker and less well organized with the result that two of the worst reactionaries slipped in, Zigmeier and Russell Bowen, Paint- Burgess P. J. Caul and Joseph Beers. But the executive board, with cek, President of the City Council. all its weaknesses, is definitely an improvement over the last Board and it is expected that the decisive Grievance committee and others of the Fraternal Orders Committee, will be far stronger than ever be-The Executive Board, in addition to the officers who serve au- | Miners to Get Report tomatically, include Dougal Cook (Plasterers and Sign - Writers): James Bisbee (Machinists) and Ed The health hazards of all work- the compromise progressive slate.

and organize a definite left-wing Sunday, Feb. 14, at 2 P.M. within the broad progressive movement that will be capable not only trict 4, U.M.W.A., recently hurt in of bringing effective pressure upon the auto strike; Burgess Richard moderate and liberal than really progressive, but also of leading the fight for unity with the C.I.O. Ski board member of the miners' and liberal than really progressive, but also of leading the Orders Conference; Joseph Yablon- a questionnaire for use in the suras and rallying the support of the whole organized labor movement here to the S.W.O.C. drive to unionize the mills. It is a perculiarity of the local situation that there is not a single steel delegate in the C.L.U. since none of the newly formed A.A. lodges have affiliated

ARMS FIRMS FIGHT WALSH HEALEY ACT

Attempt to Defeat the Labor Clauses in U. S. Contracts

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 .- Copper magnates, who had launched a "bidders strike" against the government in protest against required adherence to the 8-hour day and 40-hour week labor provisions of the Walsh-Healey Act, agreed today to sell metal for the Navy's ship and gun program.

The Walsh-Healey Act sets forth minimum labor hours for all employes working on government contracts amounting to more than \$10 .-000. Copper and steel interests had attempted to defeat the labor protracts advertised by the government.

The Navy Department today, however, revealed that the "bidders strike" had apparently ended and that bids were received on 1,035,000 pounds of copper in response to bids for 2,735,000 pounds of metal. Metal merchants, observers

pointed out, are continuing their fight against the provisions of the Walsh-Healey Act and have assured the government they will not block the war program.

DANCE MUSIC. Amplified from swing records. \$7.00 per evening. White, SC. 4-4449. The Walsh-Healey law impores a

"Little NRA" on successful bidders on government contracts by forcing them to observe certain labor reforms including maximum hours, minimum wage, prison and child labor standards. Organized labor forced its enact-

Cumberland during the past six ment after the U.S. Supreme Court months. The local had its charter killed NRA. Industry, which fought the bill before both Houses of Congress, carried on its opposition afnow belonging to the United Tex- terward by refusing to bid on government contracts. Labor, it was understood, took the

were escaping the hours and wage restrictions of the law as long as the contract figure was fixed at \$10,000 But there is very little danger of and asked them. But it's like the away the acid fumes which rise in and they are carrying on an intense of Labor went on record at its an-\$2,500 figure.

Anti-Labor Policy of Jones and Laughlin Scored A MONTH TO CO at Meetings in Pittsburgh by Golden, Director of Drive-Predicts Firm Will Sign Pact

(Daily Worker Pittsburgh Bureau)

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 3.-More than 150,000 workers have already been recruited into the steel union, Clinton YOUNGSTOWN, Onto, Feb. 3.- S. Golden, Northeastern regional director of the S.W.O.C., Progressive forces in the Youngs-town United Labor Congress (the Central Labor Union here) deci- this vicinity. The first meeting was held in Lithuanian Hall

ary section of the Building Trades with about 350 present, the second Council which has had a strangle- in the Junior High School in Amhold on the Congress for the past bridge with 700. Both meetings year. At the same time they were arranged under the auspices smashed the grip of the Republican of the Fraternal Orders Committee. Golden declared that every steel

So strong were the progressive of organization, and that within forces and so weak and cowardly two months the job of organizing this monster industry will be completed. He paid particular attention to risk defeat and declined the nom- the anti-labor policy of Jones and

ination for president and himself Laughlin. The South side meeting reaching the J. and L. workers in The one real test of strength the Aliquippa mills of that com-In proving his point that Jones

and Laughlin would sooner or later ran for reelection against he cited the fact that the company be forced to sign a union contract, Hogg, Letter Carriers has not only recognized the U.M.W., Union, the Progressive choice. Hogg but has only recently checked off a mutual good of the unions and auxspecial assessment which the miners are donating to help organize He said that the last time he

spoke in the Junior High School in Ambridge, a J. and L. spy had been hidden in the movie projection booth in the auditorium to take Indicative of political changes in

city officials addressed the meeting, Pat Hannaway, organizer for that B. K. Gebert, chairman

On Steel Drive

BROWNSVILLE, Pa., Feb. 3. Miller (Carpenters), all elected on Clinton S. Golden will be the main speaker at a mass meeting to give The progressives, jubilant in their the miners a report of the steel victory, must now proceed to mould drive in the Strand Theatre here on leaves the rent is raised. In many homes there are not even sinks, and

ski board member of the miners' vey, based on previous work of union, and Margaret Cowl, of the magazine "Women Today" are other and a WPA survey. speakers. The meeting, to which the public is invited, is sponsored by the International Workers Order.

Connecticut Waterway Commission Asks 2 Years More of Study

HARTFORD, Conn., Feb. 3 (UP). The governor's special commission to negotiate compacts with New York and New Jersey to prevent pollution of waterways common to the three states reported today to the legislature that it would require an additional two years to determine an acceptable program.

831,095 Are Employed In Civil Service Jobs

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 (UP) .-The Civil Service Commission reported today that 831,095 persons were working as regular, permanent or emergency employes of the executive branch of the Federal Government at the end of 1936. The total did not include more

than 325,000 enrollees in the Civilian Conservation Corps, or any of the employes of the judicial legislative or military branches of government.

mill in the United States and Can-ada has already some framework

Women Plan Campaign national by the mandates of the last on Housing While Aiding Union

GARY, Ind., Feb. 3.—For the first time in the history of labor a Counof Auxiliaries of the Amalgaand Tin Workers of the Calumet area met in the offices here of the Steel Workers Organizing Committee and took up matters for the

Mrs. Mineola Ingersoll, director of women's activities in connection with the steel campaign in the Calumet area and official organizer of the Steel Workers Organizing Committee, reported on union-building

PLAN HOUSING DRIVE In the course of working out a

Ambridge in recent months, two Steel Women's Bill of Rights based on the Women's Charter, acting on the premise that all women are entitled to a home, the women decided to begin work at once on a housing program. It was decided that the seven auxiliaries of the and National Women's director of Calumet Area will open this hous- the National Negro Congress, will ing campaign with an intensive sur- speak for the Domestic dations can be based and immediate action in demands on the landlords for repairs and reductions in Temple, 247 E. 84th St., tonight at The landlords have threatemed to raise the rents May 1. Many of them refuse to give leases to raise the rents May 1. because housing is so short that the turnover pays. As each tenant

> there is an apartment house with The South Chicago Auxiliary re-

in one house in the Negro district

Illinois Labor Research Association AID NEGRO GROUPS PARLEY The Gary Auxiliary reported that

they had already considered the housing problem and had decided to call a conference for the middle of All the auxiliaries reported that

they were working on sending delegates to the conference of Negro organizations to discuss the steel drive, which is called for Feb. 6 in Pittsburgh.

The project of a printed paper was also discussed as well as raising money to carry it out. Greetings were sent from the sisters to the sisters in the auto strike together with a letter of solidarity

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Gorman Is Named New President to Fill McMahon's Place

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3 (FP) .-Contributions of \$1,000 a month to the general campaign fund of the Committee for Industrial Organization were voted by the executive council of the United Textile Work-

The council also formally filled he office of president, left vacant the appointment of Thomas Vice-President Francis J. Gorman to the post. The council unani-mously voted its united support to President Gorman.

"As president my policy will be the policy laid out for our Interbiennial convention," Gorman said involves the launching of an immediate nationwide campaign to organize the unorganized textile workers. It involves an energetic drive to pass the National Textile Act at this session of Congress.

"It involves the activizing and drawing into collective leadership the members of the local unions themselves. These are some of the many others.'

Filling of posts on the executive council were laid over until the next meeting of the council. Plans organization of textile workers and steps taken to exert all possible ressure on Congress for passage of the National Textile Act.

Thyra Edwards to Speak To Domestic Workers

Thrya Edwards, well-known Chi-Union, Local 149 of the Building International

from a six-month tour of Europe where she investigated the conditions and organizations of domestic workers. The successes of the Euand their methods will be the topic of her address at the open meeting of the Domestic Workers' Union.

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Lehman Indicts Roosevelt on Relief

 The present Federal unemployment relief policy is both "unfair" and "inequitable."

It is not a statement of the Workers Alliance from which we quote, although that organization of the unemployed has made such charges firmly and frequently enough.

It is not a statement of the Communist Party, either, although the Party and the Daily Worker have definitely and scorchingly emphasized the double-cross of the unemployed involved in the Roosevelt "relief"

These words - "unfair" and "inequitable," applied to the Roosevelt WPA cuts -are used by Governor Herbert Lehman, outstanding Roosevelt supporter, in his budget message to the State Legislature.

Upon what does the Governor predicate such an indictment of Roosevelt's policy?

Upon the showing-which the organized unemployed have driven home for monthsthat the Federal government is NOT taking care of all the employables who are out of work through no fault of their own.

Quite to the contrary, Lehman stresses the fact that the WPA cuts, without rhyme or reason, are throwing thousands on the home relief rolls.

Let the Governor speak for himself: "There are today on home relief rolls not only the needy unemployables . . . but, in addition, countless thousands of needy employables for whom it was contemplated work would be given on WPA projects."

The Federal government has stated specifically that it would provide, through WPA, for all the needy employables who are out of work. President Roosevelt underscored this pledge in a dramatic manner in his Madison Square Garden speech, on the eve of the

While he was so speaking, his own orders were flagrantly violating this pledge. In the year 1936, 851,000 WPA workers were ladi off by the administration, thrown back on stark destitution or on the crumbs of home relief. It is the New York portion of these 851,000 to whom Governor Lehman

But the state of affairs is becoming even worse. "More are being added (to home relief)," the Governor states, "as they are be-

ing laid off WPA projects." More are being added to home relief rolls ... and WPA Administration Harry A. Hopkins cynically tells Congress that 600,000

will be cut off WPA in the Spring! The Roosevelt retreat before the Hearsts and the Liberty League stands indicted in the strongest light by what Lehman stated to the New York Legislature, considering the source from which it comes.

But what will Governor Lehman do about this serious double-cross of the unemployed? What action will he resort to, in addition to his strong words?

He has remained silent for a long time on this issue. He raised no voice against the cuts on WPA and on the sub-standard wages the administration introduced when

these were in full swing in 1936. Will he support the progressive bloc in the House of Representatives in their demand that this double-dealing with the unemployed be halted?

There is one thing certain: That what a chief supporter of the Roosevelt administration has admitted so freely is a condition to arouse the entire labor movement of the

The trade unions can no longer be silent on this scandalous treatment of the unemployed. They can join hands with the Workers Alliance and other progressive groups to fight against the Rooseveltian double-cross. They can cooperate with the progressive bloc in making this a major issue before the American people.

Obituary: McNaboe's Red Baiting 'Probe'

· Albany reports that the McNaboe redbaiting "communism in the schools" investigation is apparently killed.

Senator John J. McNaboe, Hearst's little white-haired boy, had rushed a resolution through the State Senate, extending the investigation until March 15.

In the Assembly this resolution had a different fate. There it has been referred to the Ways and Means Committee, which is understood to oppose its passage. There are indications that the resolution will remain buried in that committee.

If that proves to be the case, then New York's reputation for common sense and common decency will be somewhat enhanced.

During the existence of this committee, McNaboe distinguished himself as the prize jackass in New York State. The chief product of his "investigation" was a broadside against Cornell University as a "red nest of communism." The accusation was so stupid that McNaboe was greeted with loud laughter by the people of the State.

But it is a mark of the jackass that he does not know when he is so labelled. The faithful stooge for Hearst continued to try to get his hands on the \$15,000 voted for the red-baiting expedition. It is encouraging to learn that he has probably failed.

The McNaboe "invesifgation" had one object in view: To blacklist progressive and union members of the teaching profession. It was a witch hunt of the crudest sort. When it was initiated by the last legislature, it was correctly denounced by liberal organizations and the trade unions as an assault upon civil liberties.

That it has been defeated, to all appearances, is an event that should encourage opponents of the "teachers loyalty oath" legislation in other States to redoubled efforts against these un-democratic measures.

"Lynched by a Mob Of 100 Men"

"Wesley Johnson, 22-year old Negro youth, was oday dragged from the county jail and lynched by a mob of approximately 100 men."

Such was the wretched news yesterday from Abbeyville, Ala.

What a world of horrors is condensed in that one dispatch! What a picture of the tortures of this youth, merely because he was a Negro! What a bitter recollection of the crucifixion that goes on and on in allegedly democratic America against the Negro people!

The degenerate sadism of the mob was shown by their gross and cowardly act in riddling the body of the victim with bullets, as he hung dying from strangulation.

While this and other like crimes go on against the Negroes of the South, the Congress solemnly blocks Federal anti-lynching legislation. Senator William Borah, the sham - liberal Senator from Idaho, talks at great length about the "sacredness of the Constitution." He and others like him hide behind those words, to cover up their disregard for the sacredness of human life. Behind it, they oppose the sole way by which the lynching crime can be halted-through Federal legislation.

The blood of this Negro youth, so cruelly murdered, cries out to the progressive forces in America to move with speed and determination for the passage of this legislation.

Headlines for Franco-Journalism of Capitalism

· You can judge a newspaper by what it considers "news."

The New York World-Telegram last Tuesday thought it had gotten a sensational scoop when it learned what was evident from the start, namely, that General Franco's program is patterned after Hitler's fascist dic-

tatorship. So elated was the World-Telegram with the Fascist propaganda that it accommodated General Franco by giving his solicited anti-democratic screed a display they have never thought necessary to give to the American workers struggling for bread and union

On one day, Roy Howard, president and editor of the World - Telegram, jealous of Trotzky's articles that appeared solely in the Hearst press, prominently displays the anti-Soviet attacks of Hitler's Spanish agent.

And very soon thereafter, Roy Howard goes into journalistic raptures because General Franco has kindly allowed the World-Telegram to print as its main story, most blatantly displayed, what a paradise the Fascist butchers of the Spanish people plan if they can conquer democracy.

Nothing daunted, the pseudo liberal, Roy W. Howard, has "requested" Largo Caballero to "reply." One must wonder: How does it come about that the Fascist propaganda machine is so well-greased and geared to the World-Telegram as to give response instantaneously?

Did the World-Telegram have to donate nearly an entire page of its newspaper to allow General Franco to wipe his bloody hands and feet on in order to prove its "liberality?"

An averagely intelligent person, knowing the fact that Hitler and Mussolini were solidly behind Franco, did not need the Spanish Fascist's own excuses to realize fully that the purpose of the Civil War against the legitimate government of Spain initiated by the most reactionary and corrupt forces of the dying feudal order of Spain was to establish a fascist dictatorship on the ruins of Spanish democracy.

Is it in the interest of "journalism" or in the interest of Fascism that the World-Telegram suddenly becomes a press so free that those who would destroy all liberty are given the greatest liberty to express them-

World Front

By HARRY GANNES -

· France's adoption of a defense budget is the most telling answer to the Nazis' intensified war preparations. Particularly, it is a reply to Hitler's war-threatening fourth year anniversary speech. In that harangue, the Nazi fuehrer not only did not change a jot of his "Mein Kampf" war program but he increased his assault on that great instrument of peace, the Franco-Soviet mutual assistance pact.

When the Franco-Soviet agreement was first



signed, its most virulent opponents, appropriately enough, were Hitler and Trotzky. Since then there has been somewhat of a division of labor between these two enemies of Franco-Soviet co-operation. Hitler, for example, has moved the diplomatic heaven and earth to wreck the Franco-Soviet treaty. Trotzky, simultaneously, sought to destroy the People's Front of France because this anti-fascist united front is

forging the Franco-Soviet instrument into one of the strongest bulwarks of defense against Nazi Fascism and to insure the world's peace by more than plous

Bitterest opposition to the \$885,000,000 four-year defense budget proposal came from the French Fascists, who have a well-defined understanding with Hitler against "Bolshevism." The fascist gangs of the 200 rich families of France see in French unity against Hitler's war plans one of the greatest obstacles to the fascization of the world.

French capitalism desires peace because it is convinced that war initiated by Hitler, assisted by the world fascist bloc, must result, if France stands alone, in the slicing up of French territory.

Whatever the trepidations of French capitalism, the Franco-Soviet pact with sharper teeth in it to preserve peace, is a menace to Fascism whether in France, Germany, Italy, Spain or Japan.

To see how comparatively small, how completely defensive is the French budget one has only to glance at Germany's latest astronomical war finance figures On the very day France adopted its defense budget, the February issue of the Banker, a British financial magazine, published the most amazing figures of Hitler's war expenditure. As against France's four-year expenditure of \$885,000,000 for defense, Hitler's London financial friends state that the 1936-1937 expenditures in Germany for WAR will be \$3,500,000,000—three times the Nazi war budget of 1934-35-and, for one year, more than four times what France has provided for a four-year term of defense measures,

The staggering size of the Nazi war preparations is most startlingly told by the most complete figure yet issued, published in the Banker. By the end of 1937, German Fascism will have poured 31,000,000,000 marks, or the gigantic sum of \$12,400,000,000 into preparations to plunge the world into a welter of

And yet the Trotzkyist agents of the Fascists would have the French people, who are joined in a struggle for peace with the Soviet Union, disarm themselves and instigate the Nazis to war by making it easy for them to cripple France while attacking the U.S.S.R.

There is no quicker way of stimulating Hitler to war than to allow him to believe that the anti-Fascists, and all those who do not want war, cannot successfully resist a Nazi aggression made ready on their very

Just recently "Republique," a newspaper in Strasbourg, where Hitler's troops are all set to march against France, reported feverish fortifications on the left bank of the Rhine. "The [Nazi] authorities," declared Republique, "have ordered the evacuation of 14 villages and townlets in the districts of Trier and the North Palatinate. The population must leave by Feb. 24 at the latest. They are to be sent to Mecklenburg, where land is promised them. It may be assumed that the evacuated territory will be converted into a huge fortification, intended to bar access to the Rhine completely at about Bingen.'

The Banker further warned: "It would be a mistake to believe that Germany will shortly be forced by financial considerations to reduce armament expenditures."

Hitler first tried to win France away from its collaboration for peace with the U.S.S.R. When he was convinced of the futility of that tactic, he tried to blackmail and threaten France by intensified preparations for aggression.

So long as the Franco-Soviet pact exists, together with a strengthening of the People's Front, particularly of the Socialist and Communist Parties, Hitler knows that if he goes to war against the land of Socialism, he must, at the same time, face a united French people who recognize war against the U.S.S.R. is war against them.

The Trotzkyists, who sabotaged the Soviet Union's defense activities and plotted the murder of Joseph Stalin to speed Hitler's war ambitions as well as their own, most perniciously attack the defense plans of France. Here again they agree with another section of Fascism, this time the de la Rocque species in France. There is nothing Hitler likes better than to have his mammoth war preparations answered exclusively with words, however revolutionary-sounding. What Hitler dreads is such collaboration of the peace forces of the world, which is capable of keeping him from war, by demonstrating to the Nazis that a fait accompli of a new world war would surely wreck Fascism through arms and not with words,

The French people not only passed a big budget of defense, but took pains to see that their capitalists do not profit by it or sabotage the anti-Hitler peace measures. Plans are being discussed in France for the nationalization of the munitions industries, especially the Schneider-Creusot interests, formerly a financial reservoir for the French fascists.

Letters from Our Readers

Miners of Scotts Run Collect Funds for Spain

Osage, W. Va.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The International Workers' Order, Branch No. 3128, held a dance on Jan. 16, 1937, for the benefit of the Spanish People's Front. The miners of Scotts Run all thought it a good idea and helped in every way they

The total collected was \$72.36. This money was sent to the International Labor Defense for the Spanish People's Front.

The response of the workers to the urgent demands of the heroic Spanish people was met here with enthusiasm-a fitting example for all workers.



People's Front Stabbed in Back by Socialist Call's Trotzkyite Thesis

By A. B. Magil

The Socialist Call has been publishing a series of articles prepared by its editorial board, on Perspectives for the Socialist Party. They are evidently intended to formulate a program for the Socialist Party on the basic questions of our day Two of the subjects dealt with in the articles are "The Fight Against Fascism" (Jan. 9), and the "The Fight Against War" (Jan. 16).

Just what the official position of the Socialist Party is on these questions it is difficult to say. The Socialist Call, with its strong Trotzkyite influence, seems, in fact, to have supplanted the National Executive Committee as the political leader of the party. It was the editorial board of the Call, and not the N.E.C., which issued an analysis of the elections (Nov. 21 issue), and now again it is the editorial board which attempts to outline Socialist policy on the crucial issues of fascism and war.

TYPICAL TROTZKYIST FOR-MULATION

The article on "The Fight Against Fascism" is subtitled "The People's Front or Class Struggle." This is a typical Trotzkyite formulation expressing without reservation Trotzkyite opposition to the People's Front and the slander that the People's Front represents an abandonment of class struggle policies. Behind this formulation the Trotzkvites everywhere seek to conceal the fact that they themselves participate in the class struggle on the side of the most reactionary enemies of the people.

Yet despite its general Trotzky-ite conception, it is significant that the article, under pressure of the healthy elements in the Socialist Party, attempts to revise the party's disastrous election policy which suffered such an overwhelming de-

In the election campaign the Socialist Party denied that the immediate issue facing the country was democracy or facism, progress or reaction, as pointed out by the Communist Party. Instead it raised the slogan of Socialism versus capitalism-not for the future, but as the central immediate issue of the

PRETENSE EXPOSED

This happened to be the same slogan that the Hearsts and Liberty Leaguers were raising, with the difference that they substituted Roosevelt for Norman Thomas as the standard-bearer of Socialism. It is not surprising that in the practical application of this false slogan the Socialist Party constantly played into the hands of the Republican reactionaries, with Norman Thomas winning high praise in the Hearst and Republican press.

Does the editorial board of the Socialist Call now acknowledge the incorrectness of this slogan? at all. It tries to put one over on the members and sympathizers of the Socialist Party by pretending that its revision of the slogan is actually the original. The article

"The work of educating labor to the need for Socialism must therefore proceed tirelessly. The propaganda slogan: Socialism versus capitalism must be emblazoned on the Socialist shield.

"A mere desire for Socialism, however, is not sufficient to enable the working class to end capitalist slavery. The working class must be prepared to deal concretely with the specific problem of the struggle for Socialsim in the face of the crisis, war and

"PROPAGANDA" SLOGAN

Note that "Socialism versus capitalism" is no longer put forward as an immediate slogan of action, but

(elsewhere it is described as an 'educational slogan"). And the Call points out the necessity of dealing "concretely with the specific problem of the struggle for Socialism in the face of the crisis, war and fascism.'

Though the Call goes no further.

we may add that the specific probthe struggle for Socialism today is the problem of defeating reaction and fascism which threaten those gains that the masses have won under capitalism. In other words, it is the problem of creating the anti-fascist people's front. This is a far cry from the state-

ment of Norman Thomas, in his speech at Madison Square Garden on the eve of the election: "The immediate demand of So-

cialists is for Socialism." Were the Socialist Call really making a sincere effort to climb out of the ditch into which the Socialist Party drove itself, we could welcome this attempted revision, however unclear and inadequate it may be. But evidently it is only tipping its hat to a correct policy. The rest of the article slides back into the muck of Trotzkyite phrasemonging and bitter opposition to And on the the People's Front. question of the slogan, "Socialism versus capitalism," the Call in the concluding sentence of the article,

goes into reverse: A SCHOOLBOY ESSAY

"To the Socialist Party falls the task of fighting reaction on the class struggle front around the slogan: Socialism versus capitalism! through the most militant and aggressive forms of action."

Here "Socialism versus capitalism" is no longer a propaganda slogan, but one of immediate ac-

The main body of the article, like the others in the series, reads like a schoolboy essay. But what may be precocious in a schoolboy is juvenile in what is supposed to be the grown-up organ of a responsible political party. Dressed up in phrases remembered-very badlyout of Communist documents, confused and contradictory, with much theorizing and "revolutionary" posturing, the article boils down to Trotzkyite hostility to the united front and the People's Front.

Discussing the instability and vacillation of the middle class, the article states: Leadership must be given the

middle class by either the working class or the capitalist class. The capitalist instrument for rallying the middle class is-fascism.'

TROTZKY'S TIN SOLDIERS

What, then, is the workingclass instrument for rallying the middleclass against fascism? The supertheoreticians of the Socialist Call, taking a big swallow of Trotzkyite hasheesh, deposit the following: "Basically, there are two main

lines of working class strategy in the struggle against fascist reaction: the People's Front or the Class Struggle! They then present a glib caricature of the People's Front and de-

clare, without troubling to supply proof, that the policy of the People's Front drives the middle class to fascism "Popular Frontism strengthens

the fascist mass base," proclaim these tin soldiers of Trotzkyism. Hearst and every reactionary declare that it is the People's Front that makes fascism necessary. The Trotzkyite attacks on the People's Front thus fit neatly into the

strategy of the Hearsts and Fran-

"Popular Frontism strengthens the fascist mass base." Why, then, editors of the Socialist Call, do you

as merely a propaganda slogan profess to be aiding Spain-the government of the Popular Frontin its fight against fascism? Is it one hand for "solidarity" and the other for the stab in the back?

SILENT ON FRANCE, SPAIN

What distinguishes this article, as well as the others in the series (four have thus far appeared), is the method by which it arrives at its conclusions

Nowhere is any attempt made to base these conclusions on concrete facts. Nowhere does this article, in attacking the People's Front, cite the People's Front in France and Spain to support its views.

Why this silence on France and Spain, editors of the Socialist Call?

Is it because the facts DIS-PROVE every one of your contentions? Is it because in France, the Socialist Premier, Leon Blum, despite his failure to carry out the People's Front program in a number of important respects, the united working class front and the anti-fascist People's Front have resulted in tremendous gains for the French workers, have within one year increased the membership of the Socialist Party three times, of the Communist Party four times, and of the trade

unions five times? Is it because in Spain it was the People's Front which prevented the fascists from coasting into power last February, and which has united the vast majority of the Spanish people in the heroic struggle to crush the fascist rebel-

A VICIOUS LIBEL

Compare what is happening in Spain with this statement of the Socialist Call:

The sum total of Popular Frontism: the fascist movement grows; the working class loses allies and strength; the 'democratic' capitalist allies' paralyze the workers and pave the way f fascist conquest of

No friend of Spanish democracy can read this vicious libel on the People's Front without disgust and anger. No honest Socialist can read without blushing for shame that could appear in the leading organ of the Socialist Party.

This is on a par with the cartoon published recently by the Akron, O., Young People's Socialist League, showing the Spanish workers being stabbed in the back by a hand labeled Popular Front. Both the cartoon and this statement have been dredged out of the same political stream—the filthy stream of counter-revolutionary Trotzkyism.

ATTACKS ON U. S. LABOR And this is the poison which the Trotzkyites are trying to inject into the entire American labor movement. On the West Coast they attack Harry Bridges, leader of the maritime strike, in language surpassing even the tirades of the shipowners. In Indiana they set up an unemployed organization in oposition to the Workers Alliance. Everywhere, in the name of "class struggle," they do the dirtiest work

of reaction. The Trotzkyites have alleady succeeded in infecting the Socialist Call and large sections of the Socialist Party. Will the honest sincere elements in the Socialist Party continue to tolerate their vicious anti-labor activity? Will they continue to tolerate the Socialist Call's doubledealing toward Spain?

The Socialist workers will strengthen their party, strengthen the struggle for Socialism if they purge their manks of these Trotzkyite wreckers and saboteurs, whose every act brands them as the Benedict Arnolds of the labor movement

Union Calls Hospital Guilty For Nurse's Death in Fire

Grand Jury Hears Charges of Criminal Negligence Against Israel Zion Administration-Says Other Homes Are Firetraps

Charges of criminal negligence in connection with the fire in the nurses' home of the Israel Zion Hospital were presented yesterday to the Kings County Grand Jury by Claire Rex, business representative of the Association of Hospital and Medical Professionals.

Anita Drummond and injury to five others. Investigation by Building Commissioner Edwin Thatcher revealed that the wiring had been debeen ordered to vacate several other

Energetic demands by the union for a complete investigation and permission to testify resulted in Miss Rex's appearance before the Grand Jury. Before going into the jury room, Miss Rex declared that the union's purpose was not only to press charges of criminal negligence, but to demand an investigation into other nurses' homes throughout the borough to prevent similar occurrences. 'We have asked for an open

hearing to fix responsibility for this tragedy," Miss Rex said. "All evi-Zion Hospital in this case. The Association and union members in the hospital protested to the administration against the firetrap before went unheeded. We cannot permit this investigation to be sidetracked. There are still plenty of other nurses' homes in Brooklyn which

TALK AT PARLEY

Myrtle B. Powell, Negro Y.W.C.A. leader, will address the Southern Negro Youth Conference during its two day sessions in Richmond, Va., Feb. 13-14, it was announced here yesterday. She will speak on "Youth | Without Color.'

Congress in Geneva, Switzerland, to attend.

FUND IS CUT

on Projects-Officials Are Worried

Disclosure of a 25 per cent cut in the New York WPA budget for construction materials yesterday dence points to the responsibility alarmed workers and city officials. of the administration of the Israel Drastic layoffs on local projects were feared.

Col. Brehon B. Somervell, WPA administrator, revealed that the the fire occurred, but the protests 1936 monthly average expenditure for materials was \$3,900,000. In January it was reduced by \$1,000,000. City officials are worried because the federal budget reduction foreare firetraps and similar tragedies shadows possibility that the city must be prevented." government may have to provide funds to make up the difference. Cost of materials is shared by most municipalities where WPA projects

Park Commissioner Robert Moses announced that the shortage of materials in his bureau had set back the schedule by six weeks. Somervell replied that there were three or our million dollars worth of materials in warehouses that could be

Moses said that WPA project. under his supervision might have to be shut down. When Somervell was told that Moses hinted that WPA park laborers would soon have work relief from every possible nothing to do, Somervell said, "Then we'll take them somewhere else."

The Richmond conference will be held under the auspices of the Youth Department of the National Professional Assembly of the Y. W. C. A. and attended the World Youth Congress in Geneva Switzerland from Southern states are expected.

PUSHKIN Commemoration Sunday af-ternoon, Feb. 7, at 2 P.M., Manhattan Opera House, 34th St. and 8th Ave., IWO Symphony Orchestra. Opera Singers. So-

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YOU cannot afford to miss Carl Brodsky's lecture on "Trotskyism—Menace to the Working Class," at Brownsville Workers School, 105 Thatford Ave., Brooklyn, on Sunday, Feb. 7. Adm. 25c. 8 P.M.
THREE Eye-Witnesses report on Spain in Defense of Freedom. Anna Louise Strong, Robert Minor, and Ralph Bates, with Malcolm Cowley as chairman, speak at Mecca Auditorium, Wednesday evening, Peb. 16. Joint auspices of New Masses and American Society for Technical Aid to Spanish Democracy. All seats reserved. Tickets on sale at all Workers Bookshops. EAMUEL SEIDMAN, comments on the news of the week every Thursday, 11 W. 18th St. Ausp.: Tom Mooney Br. ILD. Adm. free. All welcome. 8:45 P.M. SCOTT NEARING, "The Age of Labor," Labor Temple, 242 E. 14th St. Adm. 25c. 8:30 P.M.

HEAR Chester Arthur, grandson of former U. S. President, discuss "Fascism in the South." Crown Heights Center, 1218 Union St., Brooklyn, cor. Nostrand Ave. Ausp.; Bedford Br. H.D. Adm. free. 8:30 P.M.

SEX AND YOUTH—Free lecture by Dr. Harry Beller, Medical Advisor of "Health and Hyglene." Immediately after short regular business meeting at the Utica Center, 914 Montgomery St., near Schenettady Ave., Brooklyn, Ausp.; Utica Center, 8:30 P.M.

Tomorrow

ANGELO HERNDON, flying from U. E. Supreme Court, reports on his case. Brownsville Community Center, 381 Rockaway Ave., Brooklyn. Adm. 10c. Ausp.: Brownsville and East New York Br. ILD. 8:30 P.M.

LOUIS F. BUDENZ, "The Labor Struggles of 1936-37," Franklin Manor, Franklin Ave., bet. President and Union St., Brooklyn. Ausp.: C.P. 11 A.D. 8:30 P.M.

Coming DANCE RECITAL presented by Lazar Galpern, Sylvia Marshal and Sador Jenette assisting artists. Tickets in advance. Ausp.: Prospect Workers Center, Br. 248 IWO, 1157 Southern Boulevard, Bronx. Friday, February 5th, 8:30 P.M. OLD MOVIE NITE. Charlie Chaplin comedy. A William S. Hart Western thriller, and Carole Lombard in Mack Sennett comedy. Peanuts, popcorn. Chilean Workers Club, 127 Columbus Ave. (66th St.). Adm. 55c. Ausp.: Supporters of Anti-Nazi Seamen. 8:30 P.M. Friday, Feb.

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DANCE to Girl's Rhythmic Jazz Band.
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14th St. and Ave. A. Ausp.: Parents Association. Subs. 25c. February 6. 8:30

NEW MASSES Studio Party with dancing, refreshments—and entertainment by the Convulsionaries—Eaturday evening, Feb. 6, starting at 8:30 P.M. At Stein-way Hall, Studio 503. Adm. 50c.

SWING Your Lady (or your man) to the tunes of Maurice Hubbard's Miami Orchestra at the most attractive affair of the year. For the benefit of the Dally Worker. The Inter-Professional Group will greet you at the Hotel Hamilton, 73rd Street, East of Broadway. Refreshments served. Adm. 50c. Saturday, Feb. 6. 8:30 P.M.

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House.
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Br. 607, IWO. Proceeds to Daily Worker,
9 P.M. Saturday, Feb. 6th.

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ORGANIZATIONS Please Note! March ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION. Excellent entertainment. Ben Giles in "I Can't Sieep." Folk dancing presented. Waits contest. Refreshments. 8:30 P.M. Saturday, Feb. 6th. Auspt. Lincoln Br. Awp. 105 Tapscott St., Brooklyn. Saturday. Studio 604; Sunday, Studio 503, Auspt.: Get Acquainted Club. Sub, 35c, STOTF and Nonsense—Intimate evening of Socialities, featuring, Therese Glebse, John Latouche, Magnus Henning, of Erika Mann's Peppermill Review, and Tom Frank, Baritone, Eddie Kogan, Monologist. Saturday, Feb. 6, 9:30 P. M. American Artists School, 131 W. 14th St. Sub. 35c, Special lecturers, Saturday, Feb. 6, 9:30 P. M. American Artists School, 131 W. 14th St. Sub. 35c, Special setting in the substitute of Fascism." by Sam Don, Abraham Markoff, Register on W. 98 Fourth Ave., Brooklyn. Time School, 131 W. 14th St. Sub. 35c in adv. (at the School): 75c at door. Special lecturers, Sturday, Feb. 6, 9:30 P. M. American Artists School, 131 W. 14th St. Sub. 35c in adv. (at the School): 75c at door. Special lecturers, Sturday, Feb. 6, 9:30 P. M. American of Fascism." by Sam Don, assistant editor of the Daily Worker, Sunday, Feb. 7th at Classes, 52 E. 8th St. \$1.00 per month.

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ORGANIZATIONS Please Note! March 27th reserved for Defense Ball for the benefit of the Harlem International Labor

500 in ERB Jobs Slated For Firing

Union Calls Membership Meeting for Tonight in Irving High School

More than 500 ERB investigators, clerks, and other administrative employes are slated for dismissal within the next two weeks, the A.W.P.R.A. Council of State, County and Municipal Employes reported

A mass membership meeting has been called for tonight at the Drastic Layoffs Feared Washington Irving High School to protest the dismissals. Protest action occurred all day yesterday, reaus sent mass grievances committees to protest the order. Picket lines will be set up before many of the bureaus this morning.

A joint negotiating committee of the union and the Supervisors Association will meet with Charlotte Carr, executive director of the ERB today at 3 p. m.

"These dismissals are being carried out despite the announcement of Miss Carr that there are 5,000 more families on the home relief rolls than there were a year ago," Abram Flaxer, general manager of to bear in mind is that but a the union charged.

conditions of the home relief pre- years of age; (b) in long-neglected cincts throughout the city as evi- dental cavities; (c) under cavities dence of the need for more, rather already filled. On the other hand than less ERB workers. The threat- a greater effect may be expected ened dismissal of 90,000 WPA work- (a) in the teeth of young persons ers, who will re-apply for home re- and (b) in new cavities. lief, also indicates that no ERB worker should be fired now, he said.

A decrease in the investigating Flaxer charged. "This is a false economy move and apparently was provoked by the reactionary fanatics seeking to hit at home and

(Daily Worker Harlem Bureau)

An announcement that a mass delegation of Harlem citizens would methods to lessen pain. Dentistry seek an appointment with the can be made no more unpleasant New Singers. The baling exhibi-Board of Education this week "to talk turkey" on the serious situation in Harlem schools was issued yesterday by Theodore Bassett, chairman of the Grievance Department of the Permanent Committee on Better Schools.

Bassett, an active leader in the successful fight to remove childbeater Gustav Schoenchen from the principalship of P. S. 5, said that the Permanent Committee had asked for an appointment with the Board of Education to present charges of overcrowding, discrimination and brutality in the Harlem public school system.

Tickets on sale at all Workers Bookshops.

BRONX COUNTY Young Communist League invites you to its sensational, intriguing Inaugural Dance on Lincoln's Birthday, Feb. 12, at the Grand Plaza, 821 E. 160th St., West of Prospect Ave. subway station. Dance to Percy Dodd and his scintillating swing tunes and be thrilled by outstanding entertainers. An evening spent without regrets. Subs. 49c. NOTHING but fun! Dance and entertainment. Dick Cawroll and his famous radio orchestra. Broadway stars of radio, stage and screen. Benefit of the Daily Worker. Irving Plaza, 18th St. and Irving Place. Ausp.: 3rd, 5th A.D. Daily Worker Committee. Adm. 65c in adv., 75c at door. Tickets on sale at all Bookshops. Also at 230 7th Ave. and 410 W. 48th St., Saturday, Feb. 13, 9 P.M.

GALA Carnival Dance. Amateur Nite and Negro History Week. Hy Clark and his Missourians. Angelo Herndon will autograph his book "Let Me Live." Ausp.: Sec. 16, Kings County. Adm. 50c in advance, 65c at door. Saturday, Feb. 13, 8:30 P.M.

DAILY WORKER Dance. 41 W. 124th Met. County Cou The charges were embodied in a verdict of "guilty" found at a mass verdict of "guilty" found at a mass trial of the Board in the Abyssinian historians, had obliged by turning Group should publish three remark-Baptist Church a week ago. An audience of more than 1,000 which readers will recall as one of the big the man and his work, by as many packed the church, unanimously agreed on the verdict and decided upon a mass delegation to the Board of Education, to present the findings last Saturday.

MEMBERS ABSENT

vance, 65c at door. Saturday, Feb. 13, 8:30 P.M.

DAILY WORKER Dance. 41 W. 124th fit of the Daily Worker. Entertainment, St. James Ford Hall. Ausp.: Unit 418. Live Swing Band. Feb. 13. 9 P.M.

SAVE.SATURDAY, Feb. 13th for a hot session with Everybody who is Anybody at a Harlem affair. Save 65c too. It's the Third Annual Red Cabaret, for the benefit of the Daily Worker. Dunbar Palace, 2389 7th Ave., near 139th St.

BROWNSVILLE is proud to present James W. Ford, outstanding leader of the Communist Party, who will speak on "The Road to Freedom for the Negro and White People" at Brownsville Workers School, 105 Thatford Ave., Brooklyn, on Friday, Feb. 19th at 8 P.M. Adm. 25c. Ausp.: Frederick Douglas Br. C. P. Sec. 8.

NEVER BEFORE—This unexcelled combination of Rhythm Kings—Abe Lyman and Vincent Lopez, centinuous dancing; brilliant night club revue; Sid Gary; Broadway stars; Fourth Annual Celebration, Wholesale Dry Goods Employees Union, 71st Regiment Armory, 34th St. and Park Ave., Saturday eve., Feb. 13.

KEEP this date open. Surprises and entertainment. Also Hy Clark and His "Although usually there on Satur-Barnumism in a big way these days in at all.

"The Hundred Years" has gone Mr. Wi days, the Board members managed be conveniently absent last over the top like a shot out of oblige us in this little matter, hav-Saturday," Bassett charged yester- hades.

Among the delegation of 50 rep-resenting the Permanent Commit-another great historical work tee, Parent-Teachers Associations, the Teachers Union and other organizations were: Charles Hendley; Hall Bolin, Jr.: Ruth Cohen: E. L. Dimitry: Janet Shapiro: and Dr. John Robinson, Emmett May, and Bassett, officers of the Permanent Committee who led the delegation.

At the meeting with the Board sought this week, the Permanent middle-class popular historians have to Pushkin's manuscripts and to Committee, among other demands, reached a sorry pass when the best learn from the author of Evgeni urge: that Mabel Thresher, they can do is go in for impres- Onegin' his tremendous creative anti-Negro principal of P. S. 90, be sionism and color, for costume removed; that discrimination in Wadleigh and other schools be the apotheosis of Alexander Korda, abolished; and that Harlem fire- who brought Hollywood to England of his activity. KEEP this Date Open! Surprises and entertainment. Also by Clark and His Band. Dance all nite! Bedford Ball-room, Bedford and Atlantic Avenues. Ausp.: Professional Alliance of Brooklyn. Adm. 55c at door. Benefit Daily Worker. Saturday, Feb. 20. 8 P.M.

KEEP this Date Open! Surprises and entertainment. Also Hy Clark and His trap school buildings be replaced with modern up-to-date safe structures.

abolished; and that Harlem fire-trap school buildings be replaced and taught us how to understand an historical epoch in terms of a couple of beheaded women.

The second thought arises with reference to Mr. Guedalla's treats of the apolicosts of Alexander Korda, who brought Hollywood to England and taught us how to understand an historical epoch in terms of a couple of beheaded women.

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STAGE AND SCREEN NEWS Your.... Health

In Dentistry

P. R., AKRON, Ohio, writes: 'Some time ago I read in a newsinvented which made drilling of to know if this product is in use anywhere and if it is really pain-

PAIN IS A SIGN that there is something wrong in the body. It may be due to a disease or it may be due to nervous disturbances. But who feels it. Very many dental a certain amount of pain and nervous, the thoughtful dentist will prescribe something to quiet the patient, before treatment, to lessen When Dr. Leonard L. Hartman

of Columbia University announced to the public a new method of eliminating pain in the treatment of lic proved convincingly that fear of pain is an important reason why people neglect the care of their teeth. Dentists have different opinions about the value of the Hartman solution. It has been found by some that the age of the patient, as well as the type and location of the dental cavities determine the effectiveness of the solution. For children than in adults. The thing slight effect can be expected (a) in Flaxer pointed to the crowded the teeth of persons over thirty

Dentists in Chicago have found the Hartman solution 64 per cent staff would result in an increase in May 1936 bulletin of the Second the case load from 50 to 75 per cent, District Dental Society in New York reports a much lower percentage of cases painlessly treated. Students at the University of Maryland obtained 38 per cent good and 15 per cent mild results. This indicates that there is a marked difference of opinion about the reaction of the Hartman solution. But we must remember before accepting or rejecting these results, that the way the solution is used, and the type of patient on whom it is used, influences the results ob-

SPECIAL SHOWING

Warehouse Workers

17th St., on Friday, Feb. 12.

in "The Hundred Years."

the party politics begin. Or better

Mr. Wilson ought to be able to

ing recently attempted an essay on

Pushkin himself and set himself up

Zeitlin writes, for instance:

who think that a correct political

stand and interesting observations

persistence, his artistic ideals.

contemporary writers in all aspects

Is this what Mr. Wilson means by

"Stalinism" in Russian literary

Lunacharsky wrote: "The artist-

Is this what Mr. Wilson means by

To Give Concert

are volunteers.

BOOKS of the DAY

- By EDWIN SEAVER -

Hollywood successes of several sea- Soviet critics. Amusing, because I

And it came to pass that this was so! Accompanied by one of the Lunacharsky and Vinogradov and

WHEN ALL THE shooting and can by themselves assure high ar-

shouting is over, however, and the tistic value for a literary production,

dust of ballyhoo settles a bit, two Those who think so-and there are

thoughts remain in connection with not a few of them in our literature

Mr. Guedalla's book. First, our -would find it beneficial to turn

drama and charming tripe. This is Pushkin remains the teacher of our

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New York Times Book Review sober Chernishevsky and Dobrol-

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However, the dental patient who has found by past experience that his teeth are unpleasantly painful can be comfortable in the thought will be given by the warehouse that the dentist has other means workers of the North American of almost completely doing away with the pain of dental treatment. If the patient will explain his fear to the dentist, the dentist can cooperate by using other necessary than any other kind of health tion will be given by workers who treatment.

finding yourself right.

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Writing on Philip Guedalla's

noisiest ballyhoo campaigns in re-

cent book publishing-and our pub-

Does this mean that "The Hun-

"Gone With The Wind"-in the

affections of a million readers? It

looks that way.

I stated that Mr. Guedalla, having that

Pushkin Show Ercoli Writes On Civil War

Jack Oakie (below) looks on a bit bewildered at the

At New School

Author's Centenary Marked

by Show From

One of the most varied com-

memorative exhibitions of books,

centenary of the death of Russia's

has come from Moscow, will be

when the poet died in a duel.

Since Pushkin inspired more mu-

sical compositions than anyone else

symphonic compositions and songs

and prose and his shorter lyric

ductions of his works in the opera

late Prince Troubetzkoy, Russian

sculptor well known in America.

exhibition will be a series of water-

color paintings by Soviet school

children illustrating scenes from

operas based on his works.

idyllic scene of Fred MacMurray and Gladys Swarthout

in "Champagne Waltz" at the Paramount.

Waltzing on Champagne

Gives a Profound Analysis of the Struggle of Spanish People

ERCOLI'S profound analysis of

OF 'ETERNAL MASK' the Spanish Revolution renders an "The Eternal Mask," Swiss film now in its third week at the Film-National Board of Review as the first film to be seen at its annual National Conference. It will be conference, Thursday morning, Feb. dously toward an essential under- kin. 5th. After the showing, Dr. A. A. standing of the character of the Brill, noted New York psychiatrist, Spanish Revolution and the class forces in struggle in Spain, thus problems brought up in the film, facilitating our task of rallying a mighty mass support for Spanish American Pushkin Committee, which democracy in the United States.

Ercoli tells us in the most convincing manner that the struggle A concert and exhibition of baling of the Spanish people bears definitely the character of a national revolutionary war. This reveals a Committee to Aid Spanish Democdeep and correct understanding of racy for the benefit of the Spanish the present historic stage of the Spanish Revolution for the obvious reason that the Nazi and Italian On the program will be the New fascist aggressions menace the na-America String Quartet and the tional integrity of the Spanish peoacute for the Catalonians, Basques and Galicians who have been na- features a collection of the scores are still giving their lives that their tionally oppressed and are now de- of most of the grand operas, ballets, country may live. termined to throw in their lot with the forces of the people as the best guarantees of securing their national freedom through the victory of the realistic and fantastic tales in verse

The people of Spain are in the pieces, representing the most noprocess of solving the bourgeois table achievements of Borodin, IF YOU CAN'T wake up and find | War, or the Paris Commune, or the yourself famous, or wake up alone Chartist movement, or Bolshevism. democratic revolution. "The work- Glinka, Rimsky-Korsakof, Rach-No wonder Mr. Guedalla becomes ers, peasants, intellectuals and lower maninoff, Stravinsky, Dargomuizhand like it, there's at least some sour to the point of biliousness middle class people, and even cer- sky, Lyadoff and Prokofieff, not to cold comfort in waking up and whenever he refers to Karl Marx tain groups of the bourgeoisie, have mention numerous contemporary taken their stand in defense of composers. freedom and the republic," says | Ercoli. It is primarily a struggle exhibition will be notable for its IT IS AT LEAST amusing that "history"—"The Hundred Years"— some ten days before publication, told us—in the "New Republic" against the remnants of feudalism collection of originals and reprowhich hinder the further development of the country, enslave the himself and the outstanding scenes "Russian literary criticism made himself the Noel Coward of runs to party politics, just as French people and condemn them to a in his dramatic and tragic life, but backward economic, social and cul- also many scenes from stage proout another "Cavalcade," which my able studies on Alexander Pushkin, tural life.

This task is being carried out in houses and theatres of Moscow and a new way. In the fire of the war Leningrad. Among several portrait against fascism, the people organ- busts of the poet will be one by the should like Mr. Wilson to go ized a people's army. They confis-through these essays by Zeitlin, cated the property of the landlords and the capitalists who sided with Another outstanding feature of the tell us where the ideas leave off and counter-revolution, all this is proceeding in the midst of armed lishers seem to be going in for still, where the party politics come struggle.

> A FURTHER SPECIAL characteristic of the Spanish Revolution available for visitors to the exhibi- run at the Wallack Theatre, W. is the forging of working class hegemony. For the first time in Spanish history, great contin-Pushkin is the best cure for those gents of anarchist and anarchosyndicalist workers are learning, in the fire of civil war, the great Marxist-Leninist teaching of breaking away from disastrous "neutrality" to the political struggles of the proletariat, and from opposition to the People's Front Government Much of the weaknesses revealed since the outbreak of the counterrevolution is to be ascribed to the harmful preaching of "collectivization," "abolition of money" and "organized indiscipline" which weakened the solidarity and unity of the Peoples Front.

The analysis of the condition of the Spanish peasantry and their position in the present struggle, is another valuable contribution made by Ercoli. The entry of the peasants into active struggle and with it the unfolding of the agrarian revolution-is inevitable. That this revolutionary ally of the proletariat is moving in this direction is shown by the guerrilla warfare being carried on by the peasants in Galicia.

"party politics" in Russian literary Ercoli's pamphlet helps us to understand the historical signifi-Vinogradov writes: "The creative cance of the Spanish Revolution. In permitted Mr. Guedalla to use the development of Pushkin was by no my opinion, the Spanish Revolution position of the sun at dawn as the means some sort of imminent procshould be studied and read together unifying element in his section de- ess, as has been maintained by with Gannes-Repard's book "Revolt in Spain," as the latter supplies a history. Marxism would not have His creative genius was a living great deal of valuable material permitted him to palm off a tre- matter, a weapon of defense and mendous hundred years of history attack, a means of realization of dealing with the historical backas the big parade, a delightful, de- the environing social life and his ground of the present heroic struggle of the Spanish people.

would not have permitted him to make such a wretchedly foolish by lack of ideas in Russian literary lishers, 5 cents.)

Ambassador Praises Film

De los Rios Tells of His Reactions to "Spain In Flames"

"Spain in Flames," the first feature length documentary film of the week at the Cameo. It shows the heroism and fortitude of the Spanish people and is a "must" for every supporter of Spanish democracy.

the power that has prevented Spain from falling prey to foreign and the People's Army which has defended Madrid from Franco's imported mercenaries. And you will feel proud that the workers and peasants of the land have conducted such a glorious and brave defense against the fascist invaders.

Ferdinand de los Rios, Spanish Ambassador to the United States, feels very strongly about the film.

The naked fact can never correspond to words: it must be seen and it must be felt. In America headlines have been read, and stories of the intense suffering of the Spanish people who have willingly sacrificed everything in their heroic struggle for freedom. The war news daily reveals again and again that suffering and that sacrifice. But words are cold in the When I saw, alive and moving,

"Spain in Flames," the motion picture record of the heroic struggle of the Spanish people, when I saw the heart-rending evacuation of the children from Madrid, I realized more intensely than ever the chasm between words and living reality. It is one thing to tell how hundreds of men, women, and children have been crushed to death under the shattered buildings of Madrid: but to see only one such life smothered out of existence, is to pass from the realm of cold statistics into that

foundly moved by the vision of "Spain in Flames" is not to be School for Social Research, as a dry-eved the massacre of thousands of my countrymen, the brutal destruction of our cities and their century-old cultures, the attempted to those to whose hearts and interof Spanish freedom and the tragedy of Spanish suffering is not unimportant. However foreign Spain may be, as a nation, its people share ican Russian Institute. It will re- lives that are lost to Spain are lost to humanity main open until the 12th, thus

I am glad that America has at comprising the actual date of the last been given the opportunity to centenary, Feb. 10, the day in 1837 see the faithful and actual story of Spain's struggle for democracy. I know that America must feel, as I feel, the magnificent courage of those who, confronted with one of in all literary history, the exhibi- the most brutal tragedies in the histion will have as one of its main | tory of civilization, have given and

MUSIC SCHOOL which have been based on his IN THIRD YEAR

The Downtown Music School, organized in Jan. '35, has successfully started the third year of its existence. To its regular curriculum, which includes private instrumental instruction, as well as theoretical subjects, it has added Pictorially and artistically, the some very interesting classes. The course in the Social Backgrounds of music and literature examines the ductions depicting not only the poet social foundations of art, and the relation between the artist and society about him. The results of this analysis are then applied to the closer understanding of art and artists of various epochs. The instructor is Joseph Machlis.

> "THE GENERAL" AT WALLACK

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this state, to protect the lives of the workers who are engaged in this stay-in strike to protect our families and our jobs.

"We, the workers in the plant, are completely unarmed, and to send in the military armed thugs and armed deputy sheriffs who will have absolutely no sense of responsibility for life, will mean a bloody massacre of the workers in the plant,

"This responsibility cannot be avoided by you. We express our appreciation for your excellent attitude to date, and your efforts in our behalf. We shall continue to look to President Roosevelt and yourself for support against the arrogant and selfish policies of the General

"FISHER No. 1, SIT-IN EMPLOYES OF GENERAL MOTORS."

PLANT No. 2 WIRE

Another categoric statement was telegraphed from the heroic sitin strikers of Plant 2, notifying the Governor of the strikers' intentions to battle to the bitter end, if need be. The Plant 2 telegram stated

We have carried on a stay-in strike over a month in order to make the General Motors Corporation obey the law and engage in collective bargaining. Our struggle is to maintain the American standard of living and to secure to us the right of collective bargaining. Freedom from discrimination, coercion, intimidation and violence,

General Motors has violated the laws and shown its contempt for the President of the United States, as well as yourself. The injunction issued today seeks to oust us and give General Motors Corporation an advantage it does not deserve. We have good reason to believe that General Motors is so armed to oust us that it will use force and violence to put us out.

We feel it is proper to recall to you assurances that you have given many times publicly that you would not permit force or violence to be used in ousting us from the plants.

Unarmed as we are, the introduction of the militia or police with murderous weapons will mean a blood bath of unarmed workers. The police of the City of Flint belong to General Motors. The sheriff of Genesee County belongs to General Motors. The judges of Genesee County belong to General Motors.

Only yesterday the judge who issued this injunction said of you, "To hell with Governor Murphy!" It remains to be seen whether or not the governor of the state also belongs to General Motors Governor, we have decided to stay in the plant.

We have no delusions about the sacrifices which this decision

We fully expect that if a violent effort is made to oust us many of us will be killed, and we take this means of making it known to our wives, to our children, to the people of the State of Michigan and to the country that if this result follows from the attempt to eject us you are the one who must be held responsible for our deaths. THE STAY-IN STRIKERS OF FISHER NO. 2 PLANT.

Lewis and Knudsen Parley on Auto Sit-in

Fisher 1.

Guardsmen patrol the area for a

correspondent had to shrow a mili-

tary pass to 16 individuals before

With movie cameras and machine

their dissatisfaction with the \$2.25

a day for freezing and staying away

In a statement today Robert

rumors which he charged eminated

strikers are ready to evacuate the

that they stand ready to fight to a

FLINT, Mich., Feb. 3.—"Sit-down"

strikers in the Chevrolet Plant

No. 4 kept an alternating shift of

of National Guardsmen, who en-

circled the area, that the strikers

had a plentiful supply of cigarets,

but no matches. Fires are banned

in the occupied plant, so the system

of maintaining a "light" was de-

Word came out through the lines

cigaret smokers on duty today.

Smokers on "Shift"-

Matches Give Out

finish against any attempts to oust of big business.

he could reach the two plants.

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Conferences understood to have been initiated through the President's intervention are held in strict secrecy, but from Washington sources it was reported that the Governor aims to obtain a cation with the union was cut off. guarantee from General Motors Marching boys with bayonetted that the plants will remain closed during negotiations for a contract on wages and hours, and that the corporation will not deal with any other organizations on these questions. Also that the corporation enter new negotiations with the union when the contract expires.

PICKETS PARADE CITY

The plants meanwhile are to be

When the zero hour for evacua- from home. They have been here tion passed by at least two hours for more than three weeks. and Sheriff Wolcott had not yet youth, however, wondered, "when I would be to be a second or sec appeared, the cheering pickets are we going to get some action." through the heart of the city, but Travis issued an emphatic denial of returned to strengthen the picket line tonight and maintain a con- from General Motors sources that tirmal watch.

Today was Women's Day in Flint. plants "at the mere invitation of Hundreds of wives of strikers wear- Governor Murphy without ample red berets and armbands guarantees that General Motors marked Emergency Brigade of the will not doublecross them." They Women's Auxiliary", were rein- say "that they stand by their teleforced by a large number of women grams of last night to the Goverdelegates from other strike cen- nor," Travis said.

The Detroit divisions of over 100 wore green berets and bands. The women opened the day with a parade through downtown Flint.

Then they marched to the Fischer Plant 1 where the men they armed themselves with sticks and led the Tonight they held a mass meeting

at Pengalley Hall with such speakers as Mary Heaton Vorse, labor writer, Margaret Cowl, women's organizer of the Steel Organizing Committee, Mary Hillyer, wife of Paul Blanchard, New York Commissioner of Accounts, and others. One of the interesting features in the great mobilization today to see that Sheriff Wolcott's deputies "do not pass" is the steady arrival of hundreds of carloads of workers from other automobile centers.

At Toledo, workers of the City Auto Stamping Company forced the firm to close the plants today while they jumped into cars for Flint. Autolite workers may do the same Several departments at Kelsey Hayes in Detroit knocked off and

PINKERTONS ALSO ARRIVE

many cars, but the steady stream still continued tonight. If the emergency sharpens the U.A.W. may release upon Flint its heaviest artillery, the well-organized workers in the plants of the Chrysler Corp. On the other hand the union is investigating reports that "Pineapple Pinkertons" are also pouring into Flint to be deputized by Sheriff Wolcott for the eviction job, Robert Travis, directing organizer of the union announced today

The steady upswing in the popular tide for the strikers has also snowed under the vigilante Flint Alliance. George Boysen, its leader, remained silent. His office announced that the proposed march of \$20,000" anti-strike workers upon Lansing was postponed. It is evident that the march if attempted would have turned out a flop.

National Guard headquarters was moved from the Armory to the Flint Court House, just two blocks from union headquarters. This brought National Guard patrols with rifles and bayonets into the very heart of Flint's business district.

STRIKERS EAGER FOR NEWS



No Sissy Stuff On Court for **Union Lassies**

Girls in Game for Spain Promise Thrills-IWO Play Furriers

By MIKE KANTOR

When that triple-header court carnival takes over the Hippodrome on the 19th for Spain, the big-shots will be the pros. But the preliminary games promise concentrated thrills that may even outdo the more polished and greater developed court technique of the professionals

There's that girls' game, for instance, between the lassies of Local 22 and Local 91 of the I.L.G.W.U. The ladies are beginning to take over some of the monopolized spots in labor sports held by the males. Basketball is one field which the girls know plenty about and the spectators will see action aplenty when these two fives battle it out

TUCKER TO PLAY

For Local 22 there's Dorothy Tucker, famous female athlete who travelled to Barcelona for the People's Olympics last summer, who will be holding down right forward. To keep her in place will be Jeannette York, steady guard for Local tions.
91. Bolstering up the 22's are Sadie "W Kravitz, Dorothy Nee, Willie Washington and Ivy Beckles—as slick a group of court femininity that ever graced a hoople. They play the game up to the hilt too and right now there isn't a college combination of bloomerites who could give them any basketball lessons.

The 91 lassies have been burning up the women division of the Garment league and figure to be pretty rough for their polished oppo-The Olszewski sisters-Mitzi and Wanda—use their close kinship unfair," he commented, "If a man to swell advantage on the court, or woman knows athletics, why radius of at least eight bolcks. Your to swell advantage on the court. For center there's always sweet Sylvia Butler who jumps as if she means it. Corrine Mason and that York girl wind up the quintet-and it's not going to be any quiltin' guns trained upon them the Fisher party for their sister unionists.

LONG RANGE

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years ahead, declaring:

2 men sat quietly, ready to meet The lads take over the other the Sheriff's forces. All communipreliminary assignment with two of the cracker-jack labor fives in la- Negro rifles was all they could see along deserted Chevrolet Ave. The workers eagerly asked questions on lat- to dampen the I.W.O.'ers who pass against the promoters of the Louisest developments when your cor- a mean ball game. The animal Pastor fight, for misrepresentation. respondent indicated friendship, and clippers are sure to play a hard, Joseph said he bought a \$16.50 were mainly impressed with the in- aggressive, close - guarding g a me formation of the large crowd at which means that the fraternalities National Guard boys, too, asked and cutting-which all makes for questions and most did not conceal swell basketball.

'Daily' Team in Harlem The Harlem Bureau of the Daily Worker has presented to the sports world, a group of sensational basketball players in the Harlem area to represent the Bureau during the court season.

These boys, formerly members of the Salem Crescent Athletic Club, have within their capacity a keen knowledge of basketball and have expressed anxiety to meet any logical opponent. The aggregation is captained by Vernon (Lefty) Parker and

is managed by James Butts, well known Harlem reporter and Daily Worker Sports Staff Correspond

Coast A.A.U. Head Starts Reforms

The first concrete steps taken by he AAU in their campaign to give the game back to the athletes was taken by Lorrin Andrews of Los Angeles, chairman of the committee to revise the rules of the AAU. Andrews, President of the Southern Pacific Association of the AAU, bent on destroying many of the vicious setups existing in the track and field game today. To this end he has sent out a circular letter to every association in the country, asking athletes to send in sugges ions, complaints and recommenda-

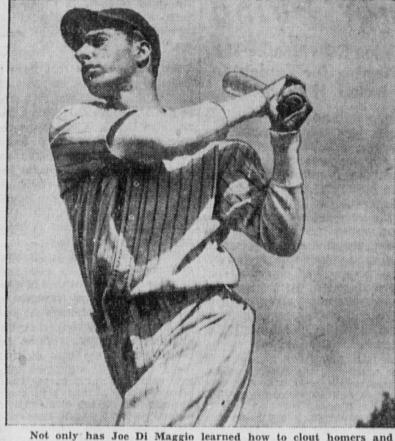
'We want to know what they want," he said, "not what the officiaols want." Andrews said there was no

justification in "bumping Jesse Owens out of the amateur athletic scene just because he 'might' turn pro or was 'thinking' about it." Such a ruling was "ridiculous" the West Coast AAU leader said. Andrews also spoke against the

uling forbidding amateurs from capitalizing on their athletic knowlshouldn't he or she be allowed to follow a trade in which they are

Fan Sues Garden

Somewhat of a sensation was caused by Joseph Bostic, a young journalist at yesterday's bor sports tossing the oval around. meeting of the N. Y. State Athletic The Furriers with its Ackermans Commission. Bostic, a fluent talker, and Stetkowicz's will be hard put announced that he is bringing suit



Not only has Joe Di Maggio learned how to clout homers and snare flies but he's caught on to the hold-out angle too.

Millrose Opens Track Season With Real Bang

The Millrose Games Saturday will be the test of two of America's best Negro sprinters aiming at a comeback. Ben Johnson, the former Columbia speedster, showed that he's still

edge to work for sport firms. "That's got plenty of spring when he placed ⊛ second last week at the Boston K. Chambion is the logical choice in of C. games. He takes the spotthe first trial heat.

light in the second sprint with Walker as his opposition. Eulace Peacock, national sprint and broadjump champion before he broke down in 1936 has a much more difficult assignment. In the fourth heat he races

against Marty Glickman and Eddie O'Sullivan, both sizzling down-thestretch men. The first heat will give the fans plenty of opportunity to judge whether Herb Weast, Col-

The fans will get the main treat in the Wanamaker Mile, main fixture of the Millrose and perennial thrill producer. Don Lash, Indiana's pick for track fame, will try to take his place along with such other Wanamaker winners as Joie Ray, Pavo Turmi, Llyod Hahns, Ray Conger, Glenn Cunningham, Venzke and Joe Mangan, winner last year.

One of the tracksters who helped to make the Labor Games at Randall's Stadium last year a success Perrin Walker of Georgia Tech, takes the place of his more illustrious college-mate, Forrest Townes,

Rookie Learning Fast Braddock's Boss Insists on Louis

Says Doc:

The Best Laid Plans

(Poet Burns to Schmeling)

Of Mice and Men

Oft Gang A'gley

Gould Stuns Solons by Sudden Shrewdness-Wants Chicago Fight Signed Before Anything Else

By Joseph Smith

The expected fireworks in the present Schmeling-Braddock-Louis muddle failed to come off yesterday at the Boxing Commission. The Schmeling issue, long on the fire, was figured to be busted wide open at the hearing. But Joe Gould who has made his mind up not to let the champ go through with the

Help Wanted

Volunteers (male or female) are needed to help on the "Game for Spain" committees.

Readers willing to assist are asked to see Joseph Raskob at the North American Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy, 381 Fourth Ave., Room 212, or Daily Worker Sports Dept., 35 E. 12th St., 8th floor. Apply all week between 11 A.M. and 6 P.M.

start the pow wow off right by Lazzeri Wants asking that the champ's \$5,000 forfeit be handed back to him and To Cash In smelly Schmeling contract, but nothing happened. At Gould's office at the Mayflower it was said

Tony Lazzeri, the slender San until the Chicago papers are signed. Francisco foundry worker with the This will take at least two weeks remendously strong wrists, wants \$16,000 for his 1937 second basing. Tony knows what it's all about.

Schmeling stinks from herring. As He was thirty-three years old last December and an infielder hasn't much longer to go when he hits that mark. The strain of eleven years sprinting, pivoting and sliding began to take its toll two years ago and he was called pretty near through. Seemingly realizing that he was

fading (something unusual for an athlete), Tony rallied last year and amazed the baseball world with a swell season. Who can forget that week in Philly when he went home run crazy, smacking seven in three

Not Tony-or the Yankee own-ers-or the baseball writers. The latter gentlemen created some wee for Ruppert by announcing their choice of Tony as the player of the year and the star guest of a dinner Sunday night.

March 1."

what he did last year.

to start his 'Good Will Tour' on Meanwhile out in Chicago there seemed to be just as much conidence and determination as here.

Schmeling washout at the bowl or

July 3 and have him meet Jud

Louis on June 16 at Chicago in-

stead, failed to put in an appear-

ance for the showdown at the com-

mission. So did Jimmy Johnston,

the Garden's master mind. Only

Joe Jacobs was there, cigar and all.

But he remained in the ante-room

dollar offer from Chicago still ring-

ing in his ears, was expected to

that Jim be released from that

that he would make no move here

affair right now and you can take

your choice. The commission thinks

far as the fistic fathers are con-

cerned, Braddock will fight Der

Mox boycott or no boycott. Nobody

has come before them officially and

asked to call the fight off-and the

thing unless it's brought before

commission doesn't recognize any-

Out in the ante-room, Jo-

Jacobs was supremely confident

that his Nazi Man would meet

Braddock as scheduled, "Schmel-

ing," he said, "was not in the least

worried about the boycott and he

will leave Germany on the 15th

contract is a contract even if

Gould, with that half million-

and was never called in.

A Louis-Braddock match is expected to draw at least a million and a half and they are not going So-Tony wants to cash in on to let this little goldfish out of their

buildings which had not settled and renewed contracts giving their em-Agrees to Limit Its 10 Cent Monthly Charge which a charge had been paid for two years would be exempt from

(By United Press) The Public Service Commission phone Co. had agreed to limit the vice.

The Commission reported that after April 1, all hand phones on

further payments. After Jan. 1 the charge will be removed on phones in yesterday notified Gov. Herbert H. use for 17 months, the Commission said, with new phones being charged Lehman that the New York Tele- only for the first 18 months of ser-

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LET'S GET OUT O'HERE 511P5 - LOOK OUT PROFESSOR - IT'S GIVING ME THE JITTERS /

Send in your ideas for a name for the kide paper - There are 5 prizes of tickets to "Marching Song" out- of-town winners

WIN THOSE SEATS TO "MARCHING SONG", the new Theatre Union Show by John Howard Lawson opening Feb. 17th, or cash to out-of-towners. Simpy mail in your suggestion for Lefty's paper together with your name and address to Little Lefty Contest, 50 East 13th St., N. Y. City.

Nazis Arrest reemphasize his recent government reorganization recommendation to Ship Line Head Congress. He said: "In a previous message, I have As 'Smuggler' suggested a permanent planning agency under the chief executive in order that, among other things, all public works proposals may filter

ties for our people

economic depression.

which can be utilized in periods of

Roosevelt utilized the report to

BERLIN, Feb. 3 (UP).-Arnold Bernstein, head of the Arnold from the many individual depart-Bernstein-Red Star Steamship Line, ments and bureaus to a central is being held by Nazi authorities "on a suspicion of devisen (foreign exchange) smuggling," it was reported LITTLE LEFTY

Four other officials of the line, which operates between New York and Antwerp, were arrested with Bernstein in Hamburg, but later were released

Captain Thor Eckert, vice-president of the Arnold Bernstein-Red Star Steamship Line, said tonight he understood Arnold Bernstein was under arrest in Hamburg in connection with an application by the company to move its offices from Hamburg to Antwerp.

Teamsters Certified By Labor Board as Bargaining Agency

Local 200 of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters has been certified by the N.L.R.B. as the proper bargaining agency for drivers, drivers' helpers, dock men, and Wives of strikers at Fisher 2 and dock men's helpers employed in Chevrolet 4 have not seen their Milwaukee County by the Motor husbands for three days now, as Transport Company.

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Joseph said he bought a \$16.50 ticket for the fight and all he saw was a footrace. This was brought umbia's latest sesnsation and holder will have to do plenty of shooting about, he claims, by Pastor's man, of the world's indoor 100 meter recager who instructed his man not ord, is a likely successor to Jesse trious college-mate, Forre to mix it with Louis Owens. Eddie Mason, I. C. 4-A. who will not be on hand 26-Hour Sit-In | IFT IININN

Fordham Alliance Leads Fight at ERB Bureau— Aged Faced Eviction

s facing its greatest flood calamity. The telegrams to the Governor He did not demand that Congress A 26-hour sit-in, with continuous were sent shortly after the Gadola act immediately to stop floods. He picketing outside, won relief for two injunction was made known, and presented the plans, told Congress emergency cases which Administold the Governor emphatically to study them, but indicated he was trator Eva Abramson of the ERB ready to conciliate to the demands office at 178th St. and Webster Ave. had refused to consider.

His message stressed the idea of the government compiling a list of The sit-in and picketing were conducted by the Fordham Workprojects to be held in reserve for ers Alliance, with 22 heads of fami-"Through the formulation and lies, led by Sophie Gruin, participatannual revision of a program of all

types of construction, revision and One of the cases was that of a adoption of the program by Congress and appropriations under regular budgetary procedure timed

needs, we can provide for the or-Miss Abramson had been giving derly development of our resources the two families the run-around for and the provision of needed faciliweeks, the Fordham Alliance The plan is supposed to provide reservoir "of selected projects

When the Alliance took up the cases, the supervisor called police. Mrs. Gruin, head of the Alliance Committee, pushed past the police and obtained an audience for the two families.

Venezuela Sends Flood Aid CARACAS, Venezuela, Feb.

Wins Relief QUALKS For Families

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contracts, by striking a series of buildings each day.

Local 32-B to strike and keep fought the Spring general strike within control daily enough estab- bitterly and hired hundreds of the father with ten children, two of lishments to carry through its most notorious underworld crimthem seriously ill, and the other program of signing up the key bus-

The 13 buildings which were

24th St.; 118 W. 27th St.; 122 W 27th St.; 126 W. 27th St.; 209 W 38th St.; 344 W. 38th St.; 222 W 37th St.; 421 W. 37th St.; 159 Madison Ave.; 945 West End Ave. 90 West Broadway; 1 Hudson St.,

The four additional buildings

By yesterday morning, Bambrick announced that there were still 155 Monday.

Strategy of Striking Few **Buildings Continues Ef**fective, Say Leaders

The maneuver of the union has so far proven successful, enabling

charged, and had refused to keep struck yesterday and signed up in appointments. and 160 W. 95th St

which voluntarily came to Local 32-B headquarters at 570 W. 7th Ave., and signed contracts without being struck are located at 27 E. (UP).—The Venezuelan government 22nd St., 16-20 W. 32nd St., 155today donated 50,000 Bolivares (\$12,- 157 Wooster St., and 130 Cedar St.

ployees union conditions. With the subsequent settlement of 17, already mentioned, later in the day, the figure was brought down to 138 STRIKE TO CONTINUE Local 32-B reported that one of

those establishments which signed a contract, located at 160 West 95th , gave its employees wage raises of \$18.00 per month. The building hires seven attendants and is a

fourteen-story structure. Organizers at Local 32-B headquarters pointed out as significant that fact that the only employers who have hired and used professional strike breakers in the present walkout are the Tishman Realty Company, owners of four of the struck buildings. The Tishman concern, organizers stated, are the only members of the Reality Advisory Board involved so far in the walkouts. The Reality Advisory Poard

inals, as strike-breakers. was that of an aged couple facing iness and resident buildings in the continued, President Bambrick said, until approvimately 240 office, reseident and loft buildings in the garment, commercial and residintial centers of the city have signed

British Ace Abandons Flight to Cape Town

officer David Llewellyn returned to Croydon Airport today, abandoning an attempted record flight to Cape Town. Accompanied by Mrs. Wyndham, he was forced by bad weather to turn back at Marseilles. He hoped to make another attempt

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