AGAINST WAR AND FASCISM

AUSTRIA AND FASCISM

Who will live longer, Dollfuss and his butcher system, or the Austrian

The dead workers will live; Dollfuss will die and his name will be for-

gotten. Dollfuss knows this. The dead workers were buried as secretly as

possible, lest their graves become places of honor, and inspiration to courage

among their comrades who still live and bide their time. But secrecy is use-

less. The fighting acts of the dead workers of Austria against Fascist butchery

and slavery are already written into the hearts and minds of the workers of

the world. The muscles in the throats and arms and legs of hundreds of mil-

lions of their comrades of all colors and races have tightened. Tightened not

in "sympathy" that is quickly forgotten, but with lasting comradeship and

determination. The fight they made, braver because hopeless for the time

being, is now an inspiration and a lesson. Workers don't forget. They may

away like plans of battle and ammunition, until the time comes for struggle

against Fascism. The pace quickens as the masses come closer to Revolution;

Driven underground in Austria, the work goes on.

marchers descending on London.

and afraid to keep peace, lest Revolution follow.

a war basis at the earliest possible date.

All over the world workers are marching in protest, in struggle, in battle

The same in Germany, where workers hourly risk their lives to fight

French workers in Marseilles, Lyons, Lille, Nancy and fifty other in-

In England 20,000 reserve police are called out against 2,000 hunger

Mussolini sends fighting workers by acores and hundreds to penal islands,

One-fourth of China is out of capitalist control. Japan is afraid to fight

And in America, Rossevelt, acting to save capitalism's sacred Juggernaut

of 200 billion dollars in IOU's, writes more IOU's to get money wherewith

to hold off farmers and workers from month to month through the AAA, the

CWA etc. The NRA legalizes and assists in the Fascist organization of in-

dustrial monopolies, promotes company unions, breaks atrikes and outlaws militant workers unions. Public Works money is stolen to build up the Array

and Navy. Every attempt is being made to regiment the country, to not it on

Pascism. For a few months millions of them were sold on the New Deal, but

they're finding that their hands are full of the same old deuces and treys and that the employers are holding the same aces and a brand new joker labeled

educate, recruit, organize workers and farmers into solid, disciplined masses

who know what they want and how to get it. The American League Against

War and Fascism organises the masses into that solid United Front. It's time to march, comrades! Now! The lesson of Austria is this: There must be

National Emergency. It's a National Emergency, all right! It's more; it's an International Emergency. The capitalist world is faced with the alternatives of Workers' Revolution or Fascism and War. It's time to

struggle, fight, strength, readiness and-a United Front!

But the workers and farmers have not been sold on the idea of War and

but revolts (never recorded in the press) continue; Italy is garrisoned and

Pascist train guards pull guns when passengers leave the train for a drink

Fascism, already weakened by strikes, sabstage, loss of trade, the quarrel

between Goebbels and Goering for the Hitler spotlight and the contradictions

dustrial towns get ready to break the Fascist attempt to take over the

French government from the trembling hands of Doumergue's cabinet of old

seem to forget, but in the marrow of their bones these things live on, store

workers who died fighting, slaughtered by the panicked ferocity of a dictator-ship, directed and financed by Mussolini and the Austrian ruling class?

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This is for the middle-class woman-the women described. If you did not play the game,

IF THESE MEMORIES have grown dim. then leave your moving picture or your shopping tour or gas range or what not for a day and brush up your memory because the world situation is much what it was in 1914, but worse! The struggle between the Imperialist Nations, then, was for territory and markets in Africa, and for the Balance of Power on the Balkan Peninsula. A mad race in armaments had piled up the benfire that was set ablaze by the shot of an assassin, and all Europe went insane. But, we said, in our smug aloofness, and thousands of highly perfected, long-dis-America will not be in it; all we have to do

is to sit tight and sell them munitions and food England, France, and America have proved and lend them money to fight with and cut to the satisfaction of the military experts that Mobilizing for Imperialist War DO YOU REMEMBER, NOW, how all at teris, and poison gas are being prepared ready once, in church, school, meeting, theater, press, to nour down upon the key cities of the world, once in crossen, across and out, the Germans and you who will be rolling bandages, knitting, 1917, the man who "kept us cut of War" asked in munition plants, will be the first front line tensification of the War danger and the rise and received from Congress the power to devictims. You will not be left alive to wear a of Fascism make it even more necessary for clare War? The "impossible" had happened, Gold Star or take a "jaunt" to the battlefield

Unite-With Workers conscripted for Red Cross, Liberty Bonds, and Again the scramble for markets and terri- of the issues involved in the resignations. "hatred corps," as I once heard a group of tory is on, this time in the Orient; the same

Every imperialist government in the world is getting ready, and America will be dearend in again by the investment venders and the profits patriots-UNLESS YOU MOTHERS in the homes, for whom there will be no escape next time, say IT SHALL NOT BE! Your one hope of saving yourselves and YOUR homes, lies in leaving NOW some of the unimportant daily tasks, some of your trivial amusements, and giving the time to organizing with your sister women in shop and factory. regardless of race, color, creed, or political affiliations, in the struggle against your common enemy-WAR! No government could carry on a War against the solid opposition of a UNITED FRONT of women. The decision can be made by YOU. The hand that rocks the

mad race in armaments; the same "prepared-

ness" bonfires being niled up; the same lains propaganda campaign-this time with Yellow instead of Teutonic HUNS. Let no one fool

you that War for America is "impossible."

I urge you and you and you, before it is too as it should be used, by and for the people, to save us all from utter destruction in the

Imperialist Japan is faced with the alternative of a foreign war for land and militarist reign of terror is in a state of nanisane from dread. That was in the experi- that the Communist party had been "dissolved" three times in as many years.

As we go to press, a few individuals announce their resignation from the American League Against War and Fascism because of what happened at the Madison Square Garden meeting in New York City, despite the fact that the League was in no way involved.

the League and its official publication FIGHT to weld all forces-workers, farmers, professionals into common struggle. The April number of FIGHT will carry a detailed account



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Women and War BY ANNIE E. GRAY

Director, Women's Peace Society and Treasurer, American League Against War cradle is the power behind the throne!

DO YOU REMEMBER the years 1914-1918;

August, 1914, when we rather light-heartedly heard that War was on between England and Germany; the following months when we read, detachedly, of British losses on land and sea: how we almost made a public holiday of it sooth, he "kept us out of War"?

became Huns! Beasts!-so that on April 6. and conscription was a fact; the long mailed where lie the mangled remains of the fruit of arm of the Federal Government reached into your womb! your home and dragged your (almost) haby away for cannon fodder. You, yourself, were

likely as not your woman neighbor blacklisted late, to use every cunce of your influence to you, or bought a twelve-inch butcher knife to bring your fraternal groups into affiliation with stick into you, as mine did, because I was a the American League Against War and Fastraitor, not to my conscience, but to the na- cism. E Pluribus Unum! Let us use this motte tional god. Mara! Your Children Dead and Wounded

SOON THEREAFTER, anxious mothers bewhen a German submarine reached our shore: yan scanning the lists of dead. One hundred how Woodrow Wilson kept reminding us that thousand American sons, husbands, sweetwe owed it to our good citizens of German hearts were sacrificed on the altar of Ameriorigin to be neutral; how he stumped the coun- can investments in Europe! Uncountable numtry and was re-elected in 1916, because, for- bers of wounded, widows, orphans, epidemic victims, and billions in wasted wealth were added; and the end is not yet! At that, America markets or an internal revolution for peace got off lightly! England, the "right, tight and decent working and living conditions. The little isle," that had managed for 200 years to have its wars on foreign soil, now hears the scars of bombing planes. In London, where Last January the New York Times reported buildings were bombed and many persons that 7,000 political prisoners had been arkilled, they lived for years in nightly terror of raids by German planes. People went in- rested in Japan, adding with cynical humor mental stage of the bombing plane.

NOW, MY MOTHERS, there are thousands tance bombing planes, and exhaustive tests in some of them will "get through" the best defense lines. In other words, there is no deselling War Bonds (bonds, indeed!), or working

### FIGHT THE STEEL WORKERS

Mills Into War Factories

Youngstown District Secretary, Steel and Metal Workers Industrial Union

As the clouds of War loom lower and darker done by pushing buttons. This mechanization and ammunition in almost every mill, and the the world over, the steel industry, always deci- not only releases thousands for the bread- proposals only recently made to equip the sive, rises more than ever in importance. lines (and the trenches)-it also makes re- Mahoning Valley steel district with anti-air-Without steel no modern war can be fought, placement of the button-pushers by women craft searchlights and guns. (Of course, these Without steel workers no steel can be made. possible, to release more men for the trenches. examples of militarization are especially

The steel workers occupy a key position. The Steel Trust (used here to signify the industry as a whole) not only makes war materials but also heavily subsidizes war War Department has complete records of the propagands. The Navy League, most powerquantity and quality output of each plant proful propagandist for a "navy second to none," ducing War supplies. From time to time coded had as two of its founders, J. P. Morgan, head of U. S. Steel, and his chief "competitor," Charles M. Schwab, head of Bethlehem Steel. in emergency mobilization and 100 per cent Bethlehem was a heavy contributor to the pool which sent the lobbyist Shearer to the sure preparedness, crews of Army engineers Geneva "Disarmament Conference" in 1927 make periodic tours of inspection of the mills. with the avowed intention of wrecking that conference. For two years afterwards the Trust maintained Shearer in Washington as a Big Navy lobbyist. Rep. Tavvener in 1915 exposed on the floor of Congress the fact that some United States naval officers drew pay simultaneously from the government and the Steel Trust. mill dectors, etc.).

> The Profits in Death Speeding Up

Do these activities pay? Congress answered The significance of this is clear. Today in that question the first week of February 1934 every mill, bosses stand over the men curs- As a whole, today, they are opposed to War. by appropriating funds for 102 new battle- ing and calling, "Step on it. Hurry up or out They remember relatively higher money wages ships. There is no doubt that the biggest you go." Armed company gunmen guard the during the World War, but they also rememportion of these contracts will go, directly gates and patrol the interiors of the mill. ber still higher prices of the necessities of life. or indirectly, to the Steel Trust and its sub- But what if the "pushers," instead of being They remember promises of good jobs when

Selling defective armor-plate to the government is only one angle of war-time profiteering Each U. S. Steel Corp. employee as high as 100 per cent on sales to the gor- " OF GLEAMING BAYONETS! ernment during the War. Its common stock soared from \$40 just before the War to \$500 at the end of October 1915. In the course high-voltage currents), large supplies of arms of the War some "independent" companies made as much as 319 per cent profit on their

"nominal investment." Recent reports from Jones and Laughlin Steel Corp. workers in Pittsburgh state that the Soho works of J. & L. is turning out armor-plate, some of which is being shipped to China. A special high-carbon steel, used in armaments, produced at J. & L. Republic, largest manufacturer of alloys, is supplying material for airplane construction (the New Deal government has recently voted for the first 1,200 of a fleet of 5,000 new war planes). No small portion of the recent pickup in the steel industry can be laid to War preparations, not only in material to be used at

once, but also in speculative buying by companies counting on War orders. But this is only part of the picture. The tremendous mechanization of the mills, already so much commented on that recapitulation here is unnecessary, is another part. Job after job in the mills which formerly required heavy work by skilled workers can today be

preparations for War against the "foe at home"-the workers in the mills.)

Highly significant is the militarization of Onenly aimed at "preventing labor disthe mills. It is already well known that the nutes," the N.R.A. has more and more openly emerged as not only an anti-strike measure. but as an actual strike-breaking machine. The experiences of Weirton, Ambridge, Budd. wires go out from Washington which, when Ford, etc., show this. But what is less comdeciphered in the Steel Trust offices, result monly realized is that the N.R.A. as a giantscale regimentation of labor is not entirely production on "trial orders." To further innew. The labor provisions of the N.R.A. (today a great step toward Fascism) are substantially the same as those of President Wil-Less generally known, but equally important, son's War Labor Roard. Through the N.R.A. is the wholesale rate at which mill bosses, the war-mongers aim to prevent and, if they from superintendents down to lowly "pushers," can't prevent, to crush gently through "arbiare taken into the Army Officers' Reserve tration" and, if this is impossible, to smash Corns and attempts made to recruit the young openly with Fascist terror, any real movesteel workers into the National Guard (often ment of the steel workers for better condidone openly inside the mill by company bosses, tions, especially any real struggles against

> Steel Workers Must Be Mobilized What do the steel workers think about War !

armed only with foul tongues and threats of they got back-and months of fruitless trampdischarge, are armed with guns and bayonets? ing the streets. They especially remember what What if instead of a mere blacklist the mili- happened to their back pay - the so-called tant worker faces also a court-martial? But "bonus." There always are some who say, produced over \$1,400 net profit for the Trust this is what there will be, when War breaks. "What we need is a good War," but increasin 1917 alone. Bethlehem admitted profits of MURREROUS SPEND-UP AT THE POINT ingly there are many who answer such statements sharnly But the most dangerous con-Add to this picture high fences around the clusion to reach is that this "general oppomajor mills (many of them charged with sition" to War is sufficient. All the art and

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AMERICAN BLUE CORPS JEWS POLITICIANS AND MONOPOLISTS

Fascist literature distributed to steel workers at Youngstown, Ohio.



Workers Demonstrating Against Fascism

The World Is On Fire

Whichever way we look we get an eveful.

# TO CRUSH FASCISM

Author of "Indian Summer" "Letters from

2. Flattering the Farmer

characteristics of the peasant or farmer (no

a) Peace and contentment with his let.

(Meaning that he can subsist on very little

for more amenable to the dictates of a



never go Fascist, there isn't any real basis," the following excerpt from a syndicated article by Mrs. Roosevelt is offered as a sign of the trend of the times. "The time has come," says Mrs. Roosevelt, who has a repu- ludicrous, but ultimately dangerous movement tation for being a liberal. "for the good of is to investigate the family records of a good all our people, no matter where their origin many who claim to be descendants of Puritans may lie, we must be Americans in thought or Cavaliers and whose forefathers allegedly and deeds." The newspapers, the clergy, the fought in the American Revolution, An exposé leaders of his industry, have anticipated the will no doubt show that many of these are President's wife by emphasizing the need of descended from Tories and war profiteers and that, running true to form, they have become a "national economy." The numerous Fascist organizations that Tories and hope to become war profiteers have sprung up all over the country have again. Their chief method in achieving these

taken a leaf from Mussolini's tongue-in-cheek aims is to divide the masses into groups and notebook, from Hitler, Pilsudski and others in teach them to hate each other instead of unit-Europe. We can obtain a fair idea of the ing to fight their real enemies, War and direction this Fascist movement will probably Fascism.) take in the near future, as well as the philosophy it will forge as it goes along, from what has happened in Europe. However, it is important to bear in mind that Fascisms plowed under, the farmer is being glorified on already exist in America, but that the masses the theory that he is the conservative element of people, misled by the confusion of aims in the community. In the estimation of Musand policies, do not as yet realize what they solini and Hitler, the following are the chief

In order to fight Fascism and its war- difference between rich and poor farmers is, of breeding tendencies, therefore, it will be nec- course, recognized); essary to exert every effort to crush its subsidiary manifestations. Among these are the

1. Chauvinism

b) Love of the soil. (Hence he is con-The formation of "nursly" American or servative and not inclined to sympothise patriotic societies which exclude the foreignwith revolutionary or international ideas.) born, Negro, children of the foreign-born, or c) He is religious. (And, in consequence, non-Aryans. (A good plan for combating this

church that has already been recruited to support the Possist state )

3. The Creation of Government

Labor Boards This has served as a cloak to weaken the power of labor unions, as was done in Italy and Great Britain, and especially of revolutionary labor unions. Starting as boards of arbitration, these grow into despotic bodies with nower to prevent strikes by governmental or williams interference

4. The Company Union

If company unions are permitted on a wide scale, the government may choose to recognize a number of these as genuinely representing all workers within a given industry; and the employers will then have their own way. In Italy today ten company unions, if they have priority, can come forward as representative of all the workers in a given industry and treat with the Government Labor Board. The government, of course, can choose to recognize only the particular ten it wishes to recognize and so nicely jurgle the question

5. The Relegation of Women to Domestic Life and Motherhe The aim of this policy is twofold: first to pro-

duce as many soldiers as possible; and secondly, to remove women from public and eronomic life so that they may be left in ignorance of society's problems, and thus become incapable of joining with their men in a common struggle against brutality and exploitation. But there is another canny purpose: If women are exiled to the position of inferiors and admirers of their men, the men may become proud of their physical and military prowess. and also their warlike achievements in the field. (In Germany sports have already been segregated: Wehrsport Imilitary sport! for the men; and what may be called "fecundity sport" for the women, that is, games which will develop bodies so that they may be 6t to bear numerous offspring.) It is absolutely essential that this tendency be fought to the limit and that men be not deluded by the specious plea that there are not enough jobs to go around. A reduction of working hours will enable men and women equally to be Although farming doesn't pay, and crops are

6. The Militarization of the C.C.C.

and C.W.A. The danger here is that Storm Troopers, as effective agencies to put down strikes and enforce regimentation, may be created in this fashion. The plea that the American army is a more efficient administrator of these agen-

cies is by no means proved by the facts. 7. The Adoption of Economic Plans Prepared by Industrial Leaders (such as the Swope Plan)

This is an impudent suggestion to put the business leaders, who anticipate labor trouble. in the saddle; in other words, Pascism without even the henefit of a hokum-slinger as politi-

8. A Bigger Army and Navy

The creation of a bigger fleet and army is not the way to fight a threat of Warr a much less expensive way would be to investigate the propaganda of munitions makers, to find out which American banker is financing Japan, most essential war products—lie in as many may specify—and one representative of the what American conditions makens are supply. ing Japan with war materials, what French, British and German interests are financing Hitler, what American bankers are financing Italy. If this were done and the results militantly publicized, and the manufacture of arms, as minds revert, in moments of moody despair, to War Department. These bills, when adopted, well as propagands, restricted, the chance for those 17,000 passports to "prosperity." War would be somewhat lessaned.

9 The Strengthening of Roy Scout

Movements etc. The effort to militarize worth should be fought. In Italy the Balilla organizations of boys are currently being taught to handle rifles and bewomets

10. Anti-Soviet Propaganda

It is quite possible that, should War break out between Japan and Russis, the United States, as a result of anti-Sov t propaganda, might shift its weight and under the influence of Great Britain, secretly support Japan. This policy has more than once been openly expresent by hankers and industrialists. In any case, a Pascist government would be greatly a "Federal Labor Arbitration Commission." influenced to sign a secret treaty with Japan.

11. The Pauperization of Labor Through the NRA

All Passist some and moves and policies are accelerated when labor is pauperized through tricks of inflation and price rises. John Flynn has pointed out that in the original draft of the N.R.A. as drawn up by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, there was not even the pretense of protecting labor at all.

12. Religious and Race Prejudice The danger is that religion may be used as a vehicle for anti-radical propaganda and scapegoat and seek to build up an emotional enemy. The Hitlerite says: "My hatred rises, not from my reason, but from my blood and howels. I know I hate. Therefore I must act upon my hate, that is, imprison, maim, kill, and exprepriate." When such a prejudice comes up, it cannot be fought by reason. It must be fought before it comes up. But the Fascist strategy anticipates even this. Therefore when you ask the products of this new education to be reasonable, they laugh at you and call you Marxists.

The above is only a partial list of the things the anti-Fascist must watch closely and fight when they begin to appear. They must be combated individually as well as en bloc. I am convinced, what with the new flock of Fascist magazines and newspapers in America, that many more items in its ideology and technique will be revealed. If they are rooted out one by one by the intelligent workers, farmers and brain workers, linked co-operatively, the prediction now being heard of a coming age of universal Fascism will be given the lie. Today the fight against Fascism is both militant and

WHO WANTS WAR?

At this instant more than 17,000 fat "ac- Administration, the War Department, the Navy factory safes all over the U.S.A. "Virtual" War Labor Administration!

contracts, that is, only until War is declared. Then the profit begins. Throughout the depression, with the spectre of hankyunter adving master and nearer 17,000 famous in history, have been drafted by the

And there 10,000 tempted minds are the minds of our roling business men-the dollara-year-profiteers, the arm-chair colonels who immediate is not desirable," states the War

need fear no trench duty.

How About the Workers? ous bodies which are to be set up, will be given

(1) Close down "unnecessary" industries and asign these unemployed workers to "necessary" jobs. (2) Determine wage scales.

(3) Set saide any or all of the present laws protecting labor. If dissatisfied, the worker may come before

Very discreetly, the government's plans do not specify what nowers this hody will have What the Arbitration Commission will do is obvious. War always means lower wages, as has been proven in the columns of FIGHT. As wages go down, the Commission will be given the power to "make the workers like it."

A War Labor Administration will be set up. Its first (and main) job is definitely specified in the War Department's plans-"to consider

interfering with war production." Real power over labor will be in the hands Seven Bills mean to the workers-(1) job asof the Labor Division of a War Industries Ad-signments, (2) fixed wages, (3) loss of legal hatred. All Fascist movements envisage a ministration. This "labor" body consists of one rights. The fight arginst the Seven Bills is a esentative apiece from the War Industries Sight against both War and Fasciam!

cepted schedules of production"-virtual con- Department, such other government departtracts for the instant production of the 4,000 ments as the War Industries Administrator Does any worker want war?

Calmly Waiting for Murder

Seven Bills-"Seven Bills" which will be will set up the Fascist system which has been

outlined. They are not yet law "Their enactment at a time when War is not Department, "because such action would probably result in enactment into law of measures so detailed in their provisions and ac-If War comes, the President, through vari- companied by so many restrictive clauses as to be a hindrance rather than an assistance in

> Even the degree of sanity represented in the present Congress would be fatal to the Savan Rills Not Those Seven Rills save the War Department, will "he presented when War is imminent"-when Congress has openly declared for imperialist War. Then they will be-

Smash the Seven Bills When the War Department tried to draft men in the Civil War it met with violent rebellion. Twelve hundred workers died in New York City slone after successfully resisting for nearly a week. The government so modified the draft regulations as practically to repeal the law. BUT, laying its plans beforehand, the War Department easily put the draft across

in the very first days of the World War. This is what it hopes to do with its Seven measures to prevent grievances . . . from Bills. The time to defeat these Seven Bills is now. Tell your fellow workers what these



schile Members of the charged through

### A FIGHTING NOTE FROM AN OLD WOR

BYSTIGHTLINE IOHNSON

The writer of this article is an "old time to Uncle Sam's own Department of Commerce. worker, who used to write stories in the "fight- right, only its getting so the divry is like Old we take? ing days of the LW.W." for the "One Big Butch's sansare meat. "Vun how to you horse Union Monthly" and its successor, "The In- makes a root 50-50!" dustrial Pioneer."

Fellow Workers: A lot of Oregon dew has spilled itself along the sawteeth of the old Olympies and the west slopes of the Green Cascades since I last busted out into print. clanched firt. There is revolution and counter-And by the same Hokey a lot of wrinkles have sone and come again under the place where my France and Austria. Workers and neasants are belt notches have been regularly measuring off pattling for power in China. The German workas to how close old Tightline Johnson has been ers are under the gun of a terror such as to his pork chops. Things have been happennever slanned us in the face. The Jans are ing in the world for better and worse, that's sure in the last ten years

One thing that's been happening is that the plutes have steamed their old system around egain to the point where another War to end if we don't put out the fire. wars is right in the making. The Wall Street wang hasn't decided yet as to exactly who they are going to ask us working stiffs to take for a ride: but one thing is sure, they are goin' to try to make us fight where the gravy is thick for workin' stiffs to go down the line to give and the pickin's are good-for them.

battle to the war-makers at the first whisper of War. I am strong for the idea that we Down in Washington have got to fight 'em early and fight 'em first Hell! They're savin' so every day, Down in and last in our own country. Today I am Washington, D.C., they're a pawin' up the sod strong for plenty of mass street demonstraand a sportin'-More battleships! More cruis- tions as militant as the old Wobbly Spokane ers! More bombing planes! More heavy guns! Free Speech Fight ever was. Yes! Mam More tanks! More machine guns! More- | What we workin' stiffs need is strikes right What I would do would be to get those of More Il Kea-Rist! You'd think old Chisel now and from now right on, in every muni- us who are in or these who could get in to Face Wilson himself was back again keepin' tions plant, every Navy yard, and on every any of the A. F. of L. craft unloss to start as asfely cost of war and in our trundle bunks! dock where munitions are handled for shipment taikin' to their fellow workers about this War samely out of war and in our remains below:

to any capitalist government, but especially to and what ought to be done about it. Members \$5,000,000,000 for industrial wares while a nice our own.

proposin' to do about it.

bit over \$10.000.000.000 went as usual for Yes, here we are today with the same old same thing, or in the Young Peoples' Socialist

will soon he ready to pull on a new War. But this time I think it will be different. For one thing we've got a fightin' program now, and one damped important part of it is the United Front Program of the American League

And havin' got that far, I ask myself, "What do we mean by a United Front Program? How Wob," lumber worker, coal miner, construction The old 50-50 proposition is still workin' all do we organize it? What practical steps do

Well-first of all it naturally seems to me that the first thing for a workin' stiff like me, or an inkalinger, or a brain contortioner

either for that matter-the first thing those of us should do who believe that something Revolution and counter-revolution are fighting has to be done to stop War besides crawl in a it out in Cuba under the sign of Uncle Sam's hole and null the hole in after you-well, the first thing we should do is to join up with the evolution in Spain. General strikes are on in League Against War and Fascism.

How to Do the Joh

But that is the first thing. It don't make erapine off their dumdum bullets and laving no difference whether it's in Pittsburgh or in the TNT and poison gas for another grab Puyallup, the first and main thing is to get a at the Soviet Union, and the U.S.A. is laying little organization all lined up with the Amerthe war utensils out for a lot of us to fry in ican Learne Against War and Pascism. After that according to my idea, we can start build-The question is, what are we workin' stiffs ing on the United Front Program. Now here are some ideas I picked up from practical ex-One point I'm convinced of is the necessity perience tryin' to build the old Seattle United Front, back in the days before the 1919 General Strike and the Longshoremen's strike against the munitions shipments to Kolchak and his White Siberian wolfhounds. Some of these ideas I have thought up myself after recollectin' what we didn't do back in Seattle

in the Socialist Party ought to be doin' the interest and dividends to the plates, according question up before us all again. The zippers Leagus, Others that are hell against drinkin' ought to be in some temperance society and do some talkin'. Those with an eve out for a swell funeral ought to be in some burial outfit. And then there is the Elke, the Earles, and Odd Fellows, and what not. If necessary some of the backsliders ought even be lined up to goin' to church, to church dinners and to what

The Only Way

Now, I say as an old Wob that that simple notion was behind a lot of the high scrappin' we plugs pulled off in Seattle. That is how we got goin'. That was what was behind the United Front on the West Coast against the war on the Soviet Union in 1919. That was behind the monster street demonstration in Seattle when Chisel Face Wilson came down the main stem in a shower of namer streamers which demanded that he withdraw troops from Russia. That was the real outs of the tactics which got tens of thousands of those Seattle horos to nut the ice on Wilson in a way that

Launching newest Destroyer, the U.S.S. Hull, at the Brooklyn Navy Yard as part of the huge War appropriations program for a "Navy Second to None."

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A Story In Pictures By LYND WARD







# UNITED FRONT IN BRAZIL

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The scriter of this article is at present teach against disorder, including the precaution of The committee is a direct descendant of ing at university in Brazil. Robert Morene of Sao Paulo now works with- spices of the Committee, they organized a suppression, this is no doubt because of the out pay building a roadway from Ubatuba to counter-demonstration for the same day, dis- militancy of the United Front of workers, in Taubate. In the broling sun of this latitude tributing leaflets which exposed the role of conjunction with many middle class and proauch an occupation is not undertaken for fun. the Fascists and announced speeches by repre-feasional people, actors, artists, journalists, en-Morena is a political prisoner. His offense is sentatives of a number of workers' organiza- gineers, professors, dentists, lawyers, doctors,

mittee Against War and Fascism. In spite of the persecution of its leader, the Committee Against War and Fascism is legal, albeit under police surveillance. All other branches of the movement are under police prohibition, including even the Theater of Experience, which until recently gave radical shows, on a newly equipped modern stage.

#### United Front Stops Fascists

December it made elaborate plans for a public "Student Vanguard," Socialist University tion in Sao Paulo against the Integralistas parade in the streets of that city, and the po- Group, Union of Workers and Peasants, "The (Fascists), and continues to serve as the loglice co-operated by announcing in the public Freeman" (weekly paper), Brascor, Interna- rallying-point for militant workers and press that all procautions would be taken tional Labor Defense, Federative League, etc. anta.

arresting leaders of Anti-Fascist groups. The the Montevideo Anti-War Conference of workers were not intimidated. Under the au- last year. If it has managed to escape police that he was secretary of the Sao Paulo Com- tions. The Accao Integralista called off its and pharmacists who have signed its manifesto. demonstration. Thousands of workers answer- This manifesto cites the names of Romain Rolland Henri Barbusse. Upten Sinclair, John ed the call of the Committee. Dos Passos, Waldo Frank, Michael Gold, and others who have "placed themselves in the Socialists, Communists Unite vanguard of those who fight against the war The United Front Committee Against Fas- of rapine, conquest, and attack on the Soviet cism includes the following organizations: Anti- Union," and pledge the signers to expose all War Committee of Sao Paulo, Transport Work- wars "masquerading under the name of a false ers' Union, Textile Workers Union, Central patriotism," and to struggle "at the side of the Labor Union of Sao Paulo, Socialist Party of oppressed toiling masses of country and city. Brazil, Communist Party, Socialist Group the first to suffer the devastating effects of the The Accao Integralists, Brazil's Fascist or- "Glacemo Matteeti," Students' Committee organized murder." The committee has just ganization, was formed in Sao Paulo. Last Against War, Young Communist League, carried out its second big public demonstra-

# UNITE AGAINST FASCISM -



- 1. Stacking vifles, prior to the attack on the Austrian workers in their operative apartments at Vienna.
- 2. Workers stoning the police as he later charge crowd in the Place de Concorde, Paris.
- 3. Two peasant soldiers, victims of the Dollfuss Fascist regime, who were na while fighting against their game
- 4. Beaten to the ground during the fighting in Paris, this marker is shouting his defiance of the police.

the dishonesty and demagoguery of lying

propaganda, in the press and in speeches, and

on the radio and in the utterances of govern-

ment officials, in defense of a dying social

In California we are having a Defense

Week. It is supported by the Governor, the

Mayors, employers and owners, and the

Hearst press. The Hearst press blares loudly

every day, with its reproduction of war pic-

tures, that these grim scenes are the result

of unpreparedness. California's Defense Week

has taken up the lie and is blaring it forth

with all the trappings of linguism. More

money for cannons, for tanks, guns, army

planes, C.C.C. camps, deepening our harbors.

system at bay.





- 6. LaGuardia police in New York clubbing Socialist and Communist workers during a United Protest Denonstration in front of the offices of he Austrian Consulate.
- 7. Mussoline's troops marching toards the Austrian Frontier to assist the Dollfuse regime in its fight against
- 8. Hands Up! This picture shows Worker being searched for weapons w the police, at the Place de Con-











# CALIFORNIA VIOLENCE

battleships, cruisers, shells; captions under cotton or cherry pickers at fifteen cents an Fascism means violence. Violence of club and pick-ax handles in strikes, clubbings and grotesque caricatures of human forms which arrests on the picket line. It means the vioshells and bullets and bayonets have slashed lence of our tortured capitalist "peace" as and torn and turned into vulture meat: well as the bestiality of War. And it means THE LESSON OF UNPREPAREDNESS ARE WE PREPARED!

> THESE PERISHED BECAUSE WE Under a picture of a Russian corpse appears

He Died in Vain-This Big Russian sans only one of the countless thousands who paid the price so that a Tear might rule. But the legions who died could not divert the fate which overtook Russia's autocenes.

California's lynch Governor goes his sunny way making speeches for jingoist "defense," but helps not by one cent or one word when

Author of "Red Virtue-Human Relationships in New Russia"

hour strike for twenty cents.

American Hitlers All last year, in a series of seventy-one stribes thirty-five in the agricultural fields. wiolence was used by police and State officials, by ranchers and power and finance company employees. Vigilante groups were formed to terrorize Filipino and Japanese, Mexican, Slav and American workers. In every strike, courageous and spirited strike leaders were beaten, clubbed, gassed, jailed for being spirited and courageous strike leaders, Judge Solkmore of Lodi declared of the grape pickers striking for

a cent a tray more for cutting grapes: "In some places they take men like these out and hazir them. Don't be too sure they won't do it yet, right here . . . the jury system is a relic of medieval times, the recourse of guilty men who want to es-

Another judge remarked: "Castor oil would

not be so bad for Reds." In the San Josopin Valley cotton strike. three workers were murdered, one boy of nineteen lost an arm from a rancher's bullet. many were seriously hurt. The ranchers

charged with murder have been acquitted, although they had openly threatened to "take the law into their own hands," and did it. In the Vacaville pruning strike, six men charged with being workers were taken from fail, beaten, their faces painted red. and left lying on the road. This was gloated over in the press as "giving them a lesson

in Americanism." No one was prosecuted. In Los Angeles a huge "Recognition of Russia" meeting (before Russian recognition) was turned into pandemonium by American Legionnaires, who made the engineer turn



off the lights of the hall at the point of a gun. On another occasion the Red Squad slashed convaces at a John Reed Club exhi-

#### A Dollar a Day Is Enough

Nazis care nothing for art, culture, freedom of speech, liberty, civil rights, or "democratic" forms, either in Germany or in the United States, In California, legal forms and the guarantees of the Constitution have been ahandoned. Federal District-Attorney Pierson M. Hall remarked to two attorneys: "The entire system of the administration of equal justice has collapsed." Workers' attorneys are kidnaped, robbed, abused. The Los Angeles Regional Labor Board is forced to ers can hope to get justice in courts in which the police judge and his wife, who hold four legal positions between them, are large growers and landowners and employers, and no-It is important to remember that this ab. World War: against workers, who, in the words of the ... Before such singular purity of mind one Los Angeles Regional Labor Board, are "comquently not paid by the dishonest contractors Facric Queene Club,

#### Hearst for War and Slavery

Mr. Hearst lives in California, a few hundred miles from this area. He advocates more pedagogue who cannot bring himself to praise money than the \$1,110,500,000 already being a book that is for or against anything can yet spent on America's "woeful unpreparedness." None of his papers have been known to advo- human race," documents that were as barefaced cate the expenditure of one cent for the agitation for a new religion as any propaganda Mexican peon in rich California.

The American people must not be taken in by the base, vicious, hysterical advocacy of War for the defense of private property; Professor Phelps still hate propaganda, will workers, young people, professional men and he lock himself up in the company of books women must see that their fight is against likes only those books which stand for nothing Fascism. Fascism is itself a confession of the and against nothing? Oh! but circumstances failure of capitalism.

War's "Attractive" Side Commenting further on Stallings' book, Pro-

fessor Phelps goes on to say:

ever concected. This hater of propaganda can

yet stand up on his hind legs behind a pulpit

and preach a milk and water Christianity by

And when the second World War comes, will



Headed by President Roosevelt and the Federal Government, War parades and preparedness meetings were held throughout the country during February. (Above) De-lense Week celebrated in San Francisco, reminiscent of the other Preparedness Parade a few months before the World War out of which came the frame-up of Tom Mooney.

## report that "grovers and landowners are polive closes, shrifts and justices of the peace." Propagandists Who and that this system "will operate against inpurious treatment of the worker." This also be the propagand a subject," the subject, the subject of the subjec

Anthor of "The Company"

In a recent issue of Scribner's Magazine I "The pictures are by no means confined to came across the following comment by Profes- horrors; in fact, I suspect that some young toriously of the opinion that one dollar a nor William Lyon Phelps of Yale University people born after the War might find them day is enough for the Mexican field worker." in praise of Laurence Stalling's book The First rather attractive."

rogation of civil law, legal rights, democratic "This book is not propaganda for or against as it may be true, one would think it constiforms, is in defense of the property owners anything; if it were I should not praise it, tutes a damning indictment of Stallings' book.

can, of course, only bow down in awe. What! pelled to drink water out of irrigation ditches." You would indict such a philosophical abstracwhose "latrines tend to produce typhus con- tion as War! You would degrade the sacred ditions," and whose miserable wages are frecertainly are no candidate for the Professor's

> Making Mass Murder Attractive It is gratifying to note, however, that Pro-Speaking of attractive phases of War, The feasor Phelps is not altogether incapable of hatred. If he cannot bring himself to hate Boston Evening Transcript is at present running a series of pictures devoted to the "lighter War, he can still hate propaganda. Oh, what hypocrites, what fools these purists be! This aspects" of the A.E.F. in the last holocaust, This is not done, of course, to counteract the present general attitude of hostility among the masses to War. Not at all. Undoubtedly, the characterize the four Gospels as "the most important documents in the history of the editors of the Transcript, like Professor Phelps, also hate propagands. They merely wish to show the more sociable and civilized aspects of mass murder and destruction.

### Who Is Against War?

This is a shrewd observation and, insofar

But the Professor does not think so. He is

content to praise a book which, in his opinion.

may lead youth to find certain phases of war

'rather attractive." Can anyone doubt that the

Professor himself would find it rather attract-

ive to be knitting socks again for "the boys"

in the company of other hysterical old women?

Down with this fetishism of art that must not soil its skirts in propaganda! We are not fools to mistake a live volcano for Olympus or a bombing plane for Pegasus. Neither are we idiots enough to remain passive when our lives and the lives of our families and comrades are pawns in the hands of imperialist lunatics and ghouls.

Young men of our colleges, on guard! Beware of the impartiality of the professors. He who is not for us against War is for War

# **MOSLEY'S BLACKSHIRTS**

Former Member of British Parliament

resigned from the Labor Party, taking blackshirt army is heavily financed by with him an intimate knowledge of the timid- wealthy British capitalists. The money is ity and sycophancy of most of his late col- being invested presumably with a view to the leagues. He turned on them with a look of services it will be called to render when Britprofound contempt, extended his glance to ish capitalism is driven to drop the threadinclude the Tory benches then reiterated have mask of demogracy, free angech, the again and again, what was then, and still workers' right to organize, or to carry remains, his favorite theme: "GREAT BRIT- through weeping constitutional changes. AIN CANNOT MUDDLE THROUGH THIS Events in Germany and Austria ought to

ley's I am in entire agreement. Consequently, they? Not if the official leaders of the British I find more to alarm me in examining the Labor Party have their way, for the collapse numerically large, avowedly anti-Fascist bloc of social-democracy in Germany has taught that exists in Britain at the present time, than them nothing. They continue to pursue their in any direct growth of Fascist organizations. old course of outlawing militant workers to For British anti-Fascist sentiment is nothing their left and of fraternizing with liberal if not muddled. It includes, however, a small interests to the right, who in time of crisis minority, Communists, members of the Inde- will most certainly choose to defend property pendent Labor Party, and some rank and file rather than democracy. Labor Party followers who understand that onposition to Fascism means a struggle to win power for the workers, and that this power must be consolidated in the transition period workers, who understand that the only answer from capitalism to socialism by a working class dictatorship.

Paving the Way for Fascism

Mr. Arthur Henderson and millions of his moral of European events. It is now a time supporters in the Labor Party also believe themselves to be anti-Fascist. So do millions of English liberals. One of the most difficult tasks in the world is to explain that, although subjectively horrified by and disapproving of Hitler's activities, regarded objectively, these English Liberal and reformist Labor groups seem to be paving the way to the very hell of Fascism which they quite sincerely wish

to avoid. Sir Oswald Mosley is quite clear-sighted on this issue. Nothing would be more to his liking than a third Labor government composed of a confused jumble of Socialists, Liberal reformers and even Conservatives, in fact if not in name, such as constituted the two previous Labor governments. For Mosley knows that such an administration must dissolve into its inherently contradictory parts and collapse even sooner and more ingloriously than MacDonald's Labor government of 1931. Then, he reckons, his chance would

come. Is Mosley right? So far he has had no real place in English politics. The masses don't trust him and the established roling class has had no need of him. MacDonald has been a much more useful decoy. His National government, claiming to be "above party," already constitutes a virtual dictatorship of British capitalism.

weapon or Capitalists Back Mosley graziers who Oswald has a strong appeal to in-

My most vivid recollection of Sir Oswald digent young men, mostly unemployed, of race. Our task is to prevent reformist lead-Mosley is the last occasion on which he the lower middle class. He gives them a uniaddressed the British House of Commons, form, sometimes free meals and sleeping eral-Labor alignments, and to ensure that shortly before the collapse of the 1931 Labor quarters. Above all, he gives them a sense they are headed in an authentically revolugovernment. At that time he had already of status and something to shout about. This tionary direction,

have a profound effect on the mood of the With that particular sentiment of Mos- British working class movement. But will

> Working Class Action -But happily. United Front activities of to Fascism is revolutionary Socialism, are growing apace. Official sabotage is not strong enough to prevent an increasing volume of rank and file workers from understanding the





(Top) The girl on the right, heavily escathed in bandages is a Victim of a fight in Embassy in London where they expressed sympathy for Japan's Imperialist War in the Far East.

### Air Mail Is Mobilized

By CARL DRAKE

But look at it from a standpoint of national defense. If we encourage the airmail lines, not by a subsidy, but by payments for services rendered, just as we pay the railroads, we have the advantage of their 1000 to 1200 planes in operation. We have the advantage of their 700 odd trained pilote. We have their facilities. All can be commandeered in event of war. -JAMES MEAD, Chairman, Postoffice Committee. House of Representative,

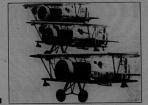
If you read only the many headlines about this air-mail mix-up, you might get the idea that President Roosevelt is cracking the whip over some more bad profiteers who rob the people's government. Upon closer examination, you will discover that the whip is merely making a loud, snapping noise to distract your attention. The air-mail service in this country, born of War on May 15, 1918, is now reverting back to its old basis-preparation for the next

Last year, while Congress was approving the Senator Kenneth McKellar objected too vociferously to the appropriation. The Senate was forced to promise Mr. McKellar a future inquiry. During November the Senate Committee Senator Hugo Black, began one of those long Rooseveltian "investigations," reminiscent of passes its time interviewing big bankers.

"Fraud, Collusion, and Corruption" Some further fascinating information on "How the Rich Get Richer" leaked through the informal revelations of the Black Committee. The aviation industry, an essential, groping "infant industry," has been deluged with paternal cash from Washington, Since 1925, \$1,143,-255,705.30 of the tax-payers' money, from sundry government sources, has dropped into this infant's lap. And this figure does not include the millions for airplanes recently at- of Commerce, for years Secretary of the Amlotted by Congress in preparation for War. erican Bar Association, and lobbyist for over During the years 1928 to 1933, \$86,112,016.74 a dozen air-mail contractors. Whereupon Mr. has been paid for carrying air mail alone. Of this amount, 58 millions had been donated in Col. L. H. Brittin, also destroyed some of the the form of subsidies and gratuities in support of this hungry, growing branch of aviation.

As a result of this flow of gold, the committee is horrified to note, the "infant" acquired sticky fingers. W. E. Boeing, director of United Air-tween the Committee and Mr. MacCracken suc-best method is to build a big Navy and a huge craft, made \$5,512,300 grow out of an investment of \$750 and then ran \$487,000 up to an pages of newspapers for days. other 51 millions. George J. Mead, an organizer for Pratt & Whitney Aircraft, started with \$207 and profited to the extent of \$17,-428,572. F. B. Rentschler, of the National City ing millions through "fraud collusion, and cor- before."

for Army



Bank Rentschlers, invested \$253 which later ruption"? The group of Wall Street financiers proved to be worth 35 millions. And so on. who hold the strings to these puppets and their aged 35% yearly. Chief honors were carried off by the Boeing Airplane Co., which made a profit of 90% in 1982.

Through a process of stock juggling, consolidations, freeze-outs, and lobbying aided by trolling interests. These interests, in turn, are ontrolled by the same "mysterious" moruls of finance who rule over the National City Bank, yearly hand-out to the contractors of air mail, the Mellon Empire (aluminum for planes), the General Motors Corporation, etc.

#### Dividing the Spoils

In a Wall Street office, one afternoon of F. Brown, a member of the Ohio gang carried over by Hoover, met the representatives of another famous committee which pleasantly the air-mail monopolies. They took the map of fighting. A new method of payment for "serthe United States and divided up the 26 routes vices rendered" is being planned in order to reamong the four interests. They forgot all about tain for war purposes the highly trained peradvertising for bids, which is required by law. Later the Black Committee uncovered an implicating letter sent to Andrew W. Mellon by Mr. Brown. However, before the new Post Office crowd moved in. Mr. Brown burned the air-mail files. At this point the Committee shouted, "Fraud, collusion, and corruption,"

In the meantime the Senatorial investigators had subpoensed the personal correspondence of trolling interests. Under a smokescreen of a W. P. MacCracken, former Assistant Secretary New Deal for the people, through an advertis-MacCracken, with the aid of one of his clients relevant correspondence. But the Sanate sleuths would not be stopped. They went down in the basement, fished through a nile of waste paper, and pieced together more evidence against MacCracken. The hilarious by-play be-

Bombing Practice with Mailbags And who is punished for the crime of steal- in a position to dictate disarmame- and not

Profits of the 27 concerns carrying mail aver- air mail companies? Not at all. Mr. Mac-Cracken and the now jobless Col. Brittin were sent to a well-appointed jail for ten days for the crime of contempt of Senate. Mr. Roosevelt through Postmaster General Farley dramatic-American Legion officials, etc., all the air- ally canceled all domestic air-mail contracts, mail carriers fell into the hands of four con- and the Army air force was ordered to carry mail This widely publicized display of "housecleaning" is a temporary measure until the air-mail handouts to the same old gang or some other Wall Street gang are resumed again under a new law to be enacted by Congross. In the meantime, while carrying the mail, the Army air force is given an excellent opportunity to train pilots in actual fiving under conditions similar to that of wartime

### sonnel and technical equipment of the air-mail A War Maneuver

The whole husiness turns out to be a war mobilization maneuver. It indicates a further drawing together of the State and the coning campaign of "ousting the profiteers," the present government is fast organizing its war.

The budding Fascist, Major General Smedley D. Butler, comments on the situation: "Every civilized human being is opposed to War. It is simply a question how best to prolong the period of peace. I am convinced by far the by any other nation. Once we are in possession of this Navy and gigantic air feet, we will be

March

## Britannia's Babies

"Britannia's Baby," a ballad writer in a non- profitable nacture, threatens to aprend through. for continued demonstrations till the prisoners play Irish republican weekly describes Owen the country. The tone of the Agitation is are freed. Significant were the words of Bro. O'Duffy, generalissimo of Ireland's Irish Fasc- sounded by a recent drive in the Leitrim area: Connor of the National Union of Railwayment ist blue-shirt movement. The title is well de- "Land must be divided among the landless men "I have always been a supporter of Mr. Deserved. A father of Irish Passiam is Britain's here," posters proclaimed—and the cattle were. Valera, but if the princeers were not released Major General Sir William Hickey, K.B.C., recovered by police miles away from the immediately the sloran 'Un De Valern' would D.S.O., etc., etc., who in London last summer pasture. asked stanneh British Tories for 30,000 nounds for blue-shirt activities. Hopeful prophecies of Pascist governments in London, Dublin and Belfast are voiced by Oswald Mosley's blackshiet Fascist Wesk which arclaims the "growing strength of the blue-shirts in Ire-

Daily Express hall the Fascists as "Ireland's the blue-shirts is not always directed into the so that a military garrison can be held in the New Empire Party." And who could be loyaller most useful avenues of attack and defense, north for war purposes. And now for war subjects of the British Empire than the wealthy Although it was sweet into nower mainly on purposes -- how else can they serve British imcattle ranchers and brewers who back the an anti-coercion, republican platform, the perialism and the big Irish ranchers and capimovement? "The United Ireland Party (the Flanna Pail government is choking the forces talists?--the Farcist blue-shirts. constitutional wing of the blue-shirts) must of struckle by failing republicans demonstratnot be ashamed to acknowledge its friends," ing against blue-shirts rather than the blue-Senator Sir John Keane advised in the hos- shirts themselves. "Such activity," a resolunitable columns of the London Sunday Times. tion of the County Kerry Executive of the "Get bank orders from British Unionist Figures Fail party states, "has rendered the sources," Sir John urged. (The Unionists seek president's task extremely difficult at the most Washington. Let the fight for national and a union between Irish capitalism and British critical period of his administration." Imperialism - Ed 1

#### The Rich Support Fascism

ists suddenly become concerned over the wellbeing of the rural poor, the unemployed-the very victims of government economies when the personnel of the Fascist wing held power in the form of the Cosprave party, "Against communist anarchism," they cry, and promise a "dictatorship of the Irish people" as a substitute for the present "crazy system which is economically and psychologically unsuitable for this country."

#### Great Unrest in Ireland

For all their hatred of the blue-shirt movement, few of the Irish poor will dispute the "crazinesa" of the present social system, as badly wounded in the Free State as anywhere. The Free State trade balance alone fell over 15,000,000 nounds in 1933 and widesproad discontent is expressed in the ranks of Fianna Fail, the government party which has a following in the countryside. As a delegate to the party's Ard-Pheis (Congress) complained last fall: "Donegal cattle ranchers with thousands in the bank were reducing the wages of their laborers from 15 shillings to 10 shillings a - ex without food." The cattle-drive, an old weapon of the agrarian poor against the graziers who supplent humans with the more

Hence the "anarchy" from which Ireland is . This is no longer an "Irish question" It is to be redeemed by these "democratic" saviors. of vital concern to every opponent of Irish Theirs are ugly solutions: Mussolini's corpor- Hitlerism in America, More: Consider Ireatice state, praised by O'Duffy at his blue- land's significant relation to the war schemes shirt congress; sholition of the labor exchanges; upholding the 1921 "treaty of peace" the treaty which binds Ireland to the British that was enforced by firing squads.

#### United Front Against Fascism

This resolution was the executive reflection Right royally have the Unionist sources in of a great year of protest against the im-Ireland responded. The contributors include prisonment of Kerry republicans, tailed for the patriotic Marquis of Converbam, and the demonstrating against O'Duffy when he tried brewers Bass, Ratcliffe and Gretton, Raided to speak in Tralee, Kerry's protest indicates in the British Boycott movement, this English the real potentialities of the broad anti-Fascist firm had been defended by O'Duffy's guarder movement. Here a conference of Figure Fail branches, sports groups (the county hurling and football teams have big influence in Ireland), labor bodies and trade unions called ism.

With catchwords and wild promises the Fasc-



Owen O'Duffy leader of the Blue Shirte the Irish be changed to 'Down De Valera!"

of the rival British and American empires, For Empire was forced on Ireland for war normones Not without reason then did the Lendon Unfortunately the popular sentiment against. The country is split wide into North and South

#### The Final Struggle

We have had "friends" of Ireland in America before, mainly interested in whipping up anti-British sentiment to serve the ends of imperial social freedom of Ireland be Anti-Reitlabimperialist, by all means! But let American opponents of Fascism teach Irishmen here to distinguish between the dubious friendship of the demarque from the Navy Learne and the firm, sure friendship of the only allies that will mean anything in the final struggle for liberation: The friendship of the men and women in the workshops of the world, the student, the professional, the teacher and farmer -the friendship of all the forces aroused by the American League Against War and Fasc-

froze into the very center of his think tank

so that it never thawed out.

#### Workers Are Fighting Everywhere

Well, here we are and damn little time to

spare. We been takin' it too philosophical for too long. Wars are bein' fought right now against workers who are fighting with guns in their hands for the right to live. Is it time for us to give them a hand, or ain't it?

What about the Chinese workers and peasants who have been battling now for years against the bloody drives of the Chinese Knomintang? Have we done anything to stop the big guns of America's "Chinese River Gunto the ranks of our fellow workers over there?

From our Pacific ports we have been sending airplanes and from Washington, D.C., we have been sending skilled pilots to help bloody Chiang Kai-Shek rain death on the defenseless villages and families of these workers. Yeahhaven't we? We have been shipping wheat and cotton to belp finance this War against our

### volton beathers who today are in the front line trenches fighting our own battles for us.

Well-it's time that we got rearin' mad and tore loose a lot of green fired hell shout it And another thing, I am thinkin' of the

Japanese war threats against the Soviet Union. I am thinkin' of the Japanese workers that are With more than ordinary interest many of us at the risk of leaing his job, demonstrate the fighting under a terror that makes the criminal-avadicatist crack-down us Wobs went through in 1919 and 1920 look like a nicnic. Are we lendin' any kind of a hand to them?

I recall to mind the little brown hove on the winches of the Jan ship Marho Maru when fifteen years and come summer, the Longshoremen's union and the rest of us had our picket line out in Seattle in the fight to stop the shipment of runs and bullets to the White Guards in Siberia. I remember how the doughboys were called in to break that strike and try their hands at helpin' the handful of seahs that could be got for such dirty work. I remember how these little brown seamen looked down the revolver barrels of the Japanese officers and kept right on forgetting how to run a winch. With a revolver in front of 'em and a firin' squad waiting for 'em these were the fellow workers who took the real coff in that strike, and by God they and the others like them are the ones who are needin' our help right new and will be needin' more of it as warlonds of Japan.

So what the Hell! Let's get goin'.

machinery of Wall Street and its agents will he used to drum up War hysteria. "The Huns! Nationalization of women! Defense of Democracy!" etc., will be developed and immobilize the steel workers against War.

While the A. F. of L. officials lobby in fights against all imperialist Wars. Therefore, opposed, it is only natural that we support the American League Against War and Fascism

battle to the death against them.

## **National Guard**

By a Member of the 212th Coast Artillery Anti-Aircraft

in the National Guard are watching the intensi. developing efficiency. fied War preparations. This is evinced by the increased discussions among the men about the events in the Par Fast and in Europe



National Guard Machine Gun Unit pointing the deadly end of a Machine

Battery and company rooms, before and after proved upon. The most vigorous campaign is drill, are turned into forums. Each squad of needed in every mill town today actively to enlisted men, in the degree of its political de-

can be assisted if every man and woman in torization is pointing to the use of this regia steel town will write in and tell the Amer- ment as an arm of attack. Mounted on trucks ican League every detail of War preparations with a speed averaging seventy-five miles an in their locality. The League must particu- hour, and at lower speeds doing rapid artillery reach the National Guardsmen. In the armolarly work to win the membership of the A. fire, the regiment attains great mobility and ries and in the homes of the men and in their F. of L. metal trades unions for its program firing accuracy. The anti-aircraft guns have of fight against War and Fascism, War and been synchronized with sound apparatus and litical education. The National Guardaman is Fascism menace every steel worker. The steel equipped with searchlights capable of throwworkers of the entire nation must unite, re- ing a hundred-mile beam. Actual war mangardless of union or political affiliation, in a cuvers every year at the camp in Oswego. New York, which every man must attend even

#### Fascist Propaganda Moving nictures are used now to interest

the men in scientific warfare. Prizes are awarded for our efficiency. Pro-war pen talks are dished out at every opportunity by the officers. An officer caste is building a military discipline on lines similar to the German Imperial Army. Court martials are on the increase, with heavy fines for even minor offenses the general rule. Mere boys are being hurriedly enlisted and trained. In the new batch of recruits seventeen is the average age. Radically inclined soldiers are immediately discharged. Fascism is encouraged, many of the officers being leaders in Italian and German Fascist organizations

The men are not accepting this state of affairs decilely. In camp, strikes against poor food break out with great frequency. With great courage and militancy the enlisted men organize and expose the corrupt grafting practices of the officers who come back from camp every year much richer than they went. Many of the mutinous leaders, for these struggles are called "mutinies," are marked already for the firing squad when War is declared. The nay for drill, originally one dollar, is about fifty cents now. Taxes and assessments reducethis still more. The resentment against the pay cut is mounting and talks of strike are constantly heard in the company rooms.

### Reach the National Guard!

The National Guardeman knows that he is the first to be called in time of War. He is also conscious of the fact now, that he is used volonment, discusses the coming War interestedly. In the viewpoints expressed I have and trained in Fascist games. However, anti-Washington demanding only that the shells noticed that many are anxious for War, but War and anti-Fascist propagands, when it shall bear the union label, the Steel and Metal the great majority, mainly the unemployed reaches him, falls on particularly fertile Workers Industrial Union uncompromisingly and the factory workers, are fundamentally ground. Special attention must be paid to reaching the National Guardamen. In New York there are twenty-six thousand of them. In such a specialized arm of the Army as the In almost every state there are many regiments 212th Coast Artillery Anti-Aircraft Regiment, of these soldiers. Before Rossevelt was elected But all anti-War activities to date are entirely insufficient. There must be a thousand- ment, which will form the basis, in time of dollars for the Guard. Now this amount has fold increase in the activities of all who War, for the training of thousands of gunners increased tremendously. Exact information is oppose War. Especially must the American among the drafted civilians, is being constantly rarely printed in the press. The New York League plan and carry through a program of perfected for aerial combat. Though ostensibly National Guardemon, an official organ of the concentrated attention upon the key War in- for protecting ammunition dumps, aviation War Department which is distributed without dustries and especially steel. This campaign bases, and strategic positions, developing me-charge among the men, is the prestitute press

> Anti-War publications and literature must shops there must be a ceaseless barrage of po-





#### BY IDA DAILE

The rapid advance of Fascism in Europe and the increased resistance of the masses the intensifying danger of War both in Euwork for the League in various cities. Letters from individuals and organizations, great. There were 172 delegates representing more by increased orders for FIGHT, concrete plans of work, and assignment of definite responsiinto the office

From the Mesaha fron Range; "We must representative from the Communist Party, begin an intensive struggle against War, and one from the Young Communist League, and representatives from the Workers Committee olning this organization, but do my utmost Trade Union Unity League, etc. in organizing a branch of the American town. Send me all particulars and informa-

tion on hand."

hear further from this most important in- etc." us, as soon as possible, information on organ-

Aminet Was and Fassism" Committee: "With the rising tide of Pascist 5 peace societies, anti-War and anti-Fascist War confronting the masses of the world, and and college groups, were among the 147 with the attention of everyone centered on this question, we hope to develop a program the widest support in our struggle against

ties throughout the state at an early date." From the New Haven Committee: "A plan of organization and activity has been adopted, with three semi-distinct sections of work; a) Youth Work, b) Trade Union and Shop Work, c) Work in Cultural and Fraternal Grouns. The comprehensive program for the local League for the month is the sum of adopted: these three plans there being thus quotasfor the League as a whole as to concrete etc.). There is to be competition between fice showing progress made. This office is being looked for now, with some prospects of success. . . . It was decided that the League cifically around the Austrian situation.

From the Michigan Farmers League: "The Michigan Farmers League is calling a mass convention of farmers to be attended also by fraternal delegates from workers' organizations throughout Michigan to formulate a farmers' and workers' tax program, to be held in Grand Rauids on March 23 at the L. S. and D. Hall Grand Rapids. The next day the

our message to every part of the state."

#### Chicago United Conference

From Thomas McKenna, Chicago Secrerope and the Far East, have been the signal tary: "The Conference went off a scheduled mittee, new conferences, and, what is exfort greater vitality expressed in organization and voted to constitute itself a branch of the American Learne Against War and Fascism. bilities to members of city committees pour set up consisting of two A. F. of L. delegates,

"The Executive Roard meets Saturday, at League Against War and Fascism in this which time officers are to be elected and Suggestions for beginning organizational gates on resolutions passed at the conference. work have been forwarded, and we expect to credentials report, requests for co-operation,

### 147 Organizations Unite in California

Twenty unions (8 affiliated with the A. F. organizations, 12 churches, 41 cultural and From the Acting Secretary of the Detroit professional organizations, 15 religious clubs, organizations which united in the highly sucplans for such an all-embracing program League resolutions against War appropria-

Rudie Lambert, delegate from the Workers' Ev-Servicemen's Learne, was given an ovation when he opened his address with the words: "I come here representing twelve mil-

### The following three-point program was

1. To educate ourselves as to the causes of Fascism and War, and as to the best wave nizational results (new organizations af- of fighting these enemies of the human race. causes and of the ways and means to combat

> tions the various tasks of that program, and The first part of this program will be realized through two mass conferences, one in land and the second in San Francisco. The Congress Against War and Fascism, to be

Michigan Farmers League will hold their The Congress was held in the Veterans' state convention in the same hall. We are Memorial Auditorium, with every one of the wondering if you could have a speaker on main floor and balcony seats filled, and with War and Fascism for the evening of March people standing in all aisles and even sitting 23rd. We will also work in a lot of folks from on the balcony steps. The conservative News parade. the city. This is a very important confer- estimated the crowd at two thousand.

### YOUTH SPARKS

Organization against War and Fascism has From various parts of the country we have re-New York City one of the weakest anota

cialist League circle also elected two dele-

have hit on a solution in neighborhood committees, organization in large settlement houses. Several such groups are either functhe War Savines Stamps were sold, recruits

By the time FIGHT is of the press we cessful Bay Region Congress Against War will have detailed information as to the rearound which we shall be enabled to rally and Fastism. A member of the International suits of the Boston Youth Conference. One ongshoremen's Association, representing week before the day of the gathering we learn War and Fascism. We are already laying 5,000 longshoremen, presented the American that 31 organizations have sent in credentials. students, and neighborhood houses. These

Chicago a few weeks ago a special routh sub-

Fascism and War on a realistic program of is being investigated by the Youth Committee and action is on the way. Lest anyone get the notion that this is for the "peacetime" army we want to cite several other war-

> lion pillows. This is already being produced. They're preparing to make it hot for us! At last, word from the West Coast, Los Angeles announces that it is on the man. Do. bates, mass meetings and counter-demonstrations to the fingoistic parades during Detonce West The Lor Angeles Committee die. tributed special leaflets at the preparedness

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