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L. A. POLICE JAIL FORD; SMASH ELECTION MEET

Four Arrested, Charged With Criminal Syndicalism; Brutally Beat Many Workers; Thousands in Other Cities Hear Ford

Washington State Convention Places Full Communist Ticket on Ballot; Map Active Campaign

WASH. CONVENTION NOMINATES A FULL COMMUNIST TICKET

Filing Fees Must Be Raised by October 8

SEATTLE, Sept. 30.—The state nominating convention nominated a full communist state ticket, presidential electors, and mapped out an intense election campaign. The following candidates have been nominated, in addition to electors for Foster and Ford. For U. S. Senate, Alex Noral, Seattle.

For Governor, Fred E. Walker. For Congress, second district, W. E. Elbe, Island County.

State Legislature, 44th district, Ballard, Senate Joel Strand; 33rd district, Rainier, Senate Paul Norton, Representative, John Laurie; 37th district, E. Madison, Representative, Hatcher R. Hutchens; 43rd district, E. Lake, Senate C. J. Blaine; Grays Harbor, Joe Shorer for the Senate; Skagit, Senate Iver Moe, Representative Edward Green, Archie Young, Stanley Anderson; Pierce County, Senate Everet Sherman; Thurston County, Senate Slover.

County Commissioners, Seattle district 3, Yetta Stronberg; Grays Harbor, Aberdeen, Darrow; Skagit County, Ray Trafton, Paul Nelson.

While the party goes on the ballot with the holding of the nominating convention, that does not mean that the candidates go on unless a filing fee is paid by the 8th of October. Such fees must be paid as for Senator, \$100, Congressman \$100, Governor \$75, County Commissioners \$36 and for State Legislature \$10 each. The total amount necessary is \$486. Workers are called upon to raise all the possible funds for the short time left, as the election fight in Washington is seriously endangered if the money is not in on time.

Send all funds to Communist Party, 1421 1/2 Eighth St., Seattle, Washington.

OREGON STATE GOVT. TRIES TO CONFUSE WORKERS

Forced to Swallow Petitions Although Party Was Outlawed

SALEM, Ore., Sept. 21.—The 13,000 petitions of the Communist Party were accepted here Tuesday, and the Party will be on the ballot.

The petitions, however, were held up for several days until a decision was reached to "determine if the Communist Party is a legitimate organization, and not coming in conflict with the criminal syndicalism law." Two years ago the Party was declared illegal when Ben Bolfo was imprisoned, charged with criminal syndicalism for mere membership. Secretary of State Hoss declared, however, "no evidence has been submitted to show that the persons now filing under the Communist ticket would come under the ban of state law." (Continued on page 3, col. 3)

1500 IN FRISCO FORD MEETING; 500 AT OAKLAND

Hundreds of Negro Workers Attend Communist Rallies

Fifteen hundred workers, cheering with the greatest enthusiasm, greeted James Ford, Communist candidate for Vice-President, as he was carried into the California Hall mass meeting on the shoulders of a group of workers.

Hundreds of Negro workers were present, the greatest number that ever attended a Communist mass meeting in San Francisco.

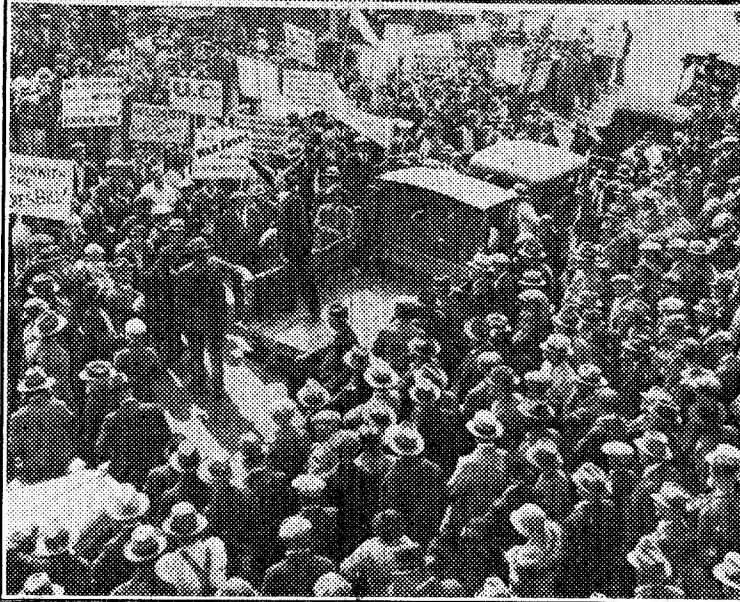
James Maurer, the Socialist Party candidate, who spoke in the same hall a few days prior, had about 300, among whom there wasn't a single Negro.

During the afternoon Ford spoke before a great throng of ex-servicemen under the auspices of the W. E. S. L.

500 AT OAKLAND

More than 500 Oakland workers packed Odd Fellows Hall to the doors to hear Ford. A great section of the audience were Negro workers.

Alameda County Hunger March



Top—Children heading the parade carrying empty milk bottles. Lower—Meeting prior to the march

3000 MASS AT ALAMEDA HALL OF RECORDS FOR JOBLESS RELIEF; SACRAMENTO COUNTY MARCH OCT. 10

Alameda County Board Only Promises Expenses for Fruit Salvage; Children With Empty Milk Bottles Head Parade; Workers Greet State Hunger March Plans

Six More County Marches During Coming Three Weeks; Los Angeles and Santa Clara October 3; Farmers and Hoovervilles Taking an Active Part

SPECIAL TELEGRAM

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 3.—The Red Squad, together with hundreds of police armed with sawed off shotguns continually broke the orderly ranks and the marchers moved slowly to the Hall of Records, where, by 11 o'clock 3000 workers were assembled.

After the march was broken up some supervisors met in an election gesture and offered delegates reception, asking Sheriff Traeger to provide safe escort. Supervisors were silent when city council refused permit, waiting till march was broken up. Eleven arrested.

BULLETIN

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 2.—Intimidated by the Red Squad the owner of the American Civil Liberties Forum Hall closed the doors to Herbert Benjamin, National Secretary of the Unemployed Councils, who was to speak here tonight.

The Red Squad and many police surrounded the hall as early as 6 o'clock and would not let any one near the hall.

As the Western Worker goes to press two more County Hunger Marches are taking place. One in Los Angeles and one in Santa Clara County (San Jose).

The Los Angeles City Council, after originally agreeing to hear the demands of the unemployed, has refused to grant a permit for the Hunger March. The march will take place just the same.

The Santa Clara Board of Supervisors had promised a committee of the Hunger March on September 12 that they will grant a hearing between 10:30 and 12 on October 3.

SACRAMENTO OCTOBER 10
The Hunger March next in line will be in Sacramento County on October 10. Preparations for it during the last few weeks have been very intense, with many meetings in the city and farming districts in the county. (Continued on page 3, col. 3)

S. F. SUPERVISORS HEAR DEMANDS DO NOTHING

The treatment accorded the Hunger March delegation by the Board of Supervisors of San Francisco on September 12, has aroused such storm of indignation and protests that when the delegation returned on Monday, September 19, a hearing was granted, although not without still trying to hammer the delegates down.

The floor was given to three spokesmen of the delegation, R. Lambert of the Workers Ex-Servicemen's League, J. Finegold of the Unemployed Councils, and Archie Brown for the Youth, who spoke before a packed chamber. Lambert started by reading the demands. He particularly stressed that the board should go on record for immediate cash payment of the bonus.

Finegold spoke in detail, describing the conditions of the unemployed workers in the city. He particularly explained the demands that \$10 cash per week be paid for each unemployed worker and \$3 for each dependent be raised by taxing all fortunes over \$25,000, and cutting salaries of officials down to \$3000. That the "move-on" system be abolished, that all work for the city should be paid for at the rate of \$5 per day, and not in groceries, and also that all funds for the unemployed be under the supervision of the workers themselves.

Archie Brown, speaking in behalf of the youth, described the miserable flop houses and soup lines to which the migratory workers are subject. The ire of Supervisor Hayden, the chairman, was particularly aroused when Brown stated that thousands of young girls are forced by unemployment into prostitution houses (Continued on page 3, col. 8)

OAKLAND, Sept. 29.—More than three thousand workers massed at the Hall of Records in support of the delegation of hunger-marchers inside presenting demands before the Board of Supervisors.

The march started from Tenth and Franklin at 10 in the morning, with a huge mass demonstration. It then proceeded down Franklin headed by a contingent of children of unemployed carrying empty milk bottles.

The parade, in which a thousand took part, was marked by great enthusiasm, demands being shouted all along the march.

The police reviewed the banners and took out all pertaining to the Communist Party.

Although the Board of Supervisors had made arrangements to hear the demands of the unemployed, when the delegation entered the chamber they found only two members of the board present.

The reply of the supervisors was that the demands were "unconstitutional" or "humanly impossible." However, they did go on record for federal unemployment insurance, but the leaders of the delegation declared that this was a mere formal endorsement designed to shift the buck to the federal government, and wash their own hands of the relief problem.

They agreed to furnish the Unemployed Council with all ex- (Continued on page 3, col. 8)

FOUR WHO LED ANACORTES FOOD RAID CONVICTED

1000 Farmers and Workers Force Release Without Bail

ANACORTES, Wash., Sept. 19.—Four workers, leaders in the hunger raid on Skaggs chain store here, were found guilty of grand larceny by a hand picked jury of rich land owners. However, the four, Moe, Anderson, Trafton and Wollertz, are at liberty on their own recognizance as the result of a militant demonstration by more than a thousand workers and farmers when the verdict was announced pending appeal. Marshall was found not guilty.

The militant attitude and mass resentment reflected at the trial forced the county commissioners to call an emergency meeting and furnish immediate relief to the starving workers.

The judge denied that starving conditions and other contributing circumstances were admissible as evidence, but the workers, in their closing arguments defending themselves, brought out the class issues submerged by the judge. The judge charged the jury to find a verdict of guilty, even if it appeared any of the defendants were passively present when food was taken.

The International Labor Defense is intensifying the fight for the freedom of the convicted workers, and has the support of thousands of workers and poor farmers.

Goff, Mooney Framed, Sent To Squash New Evidence

I. L. D. Obtains Confession Affidavit; Demand Real Investigation with Right of Defense to Question

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Having failed by ridicule to kill the confession of Paul Callicotte, and compelled by fear of mass indignation to take some action, the San Francisco police sent Charles "Fameup" Goff to Portland, Oregon to try and break down his story.

The selection of the notorious "Fameup" Goff is a deliberate attempt to prevent the Mooney frameup from being exposed. Goff, as admitted by captain of detectives Dullea, has no intention of bringing Callicotte to California. His function will be to "investigate" (third degree) Callicotte, and to state that the whole story is ridiculous.

GOFF IN FRAMEUP CREW

Goff worked hand in hand with District Attorney Fickert, tool of the United Railroads, and Martin Swanson, Pinkerton, spy and tool of the public utility corporations, who engineered the Mooney frameup. Mooney incurred the enmity of the United Railroads when he tried to organize their platform men in 1916.

The I. L. D. at Portland, thru its attorney, Irvin Goodman, took prompt steps to protect the interests of Mooney and Billings by securing in Callicotte's own handwriting, the voluntary admission that Mooney and Billings had nothing to do with the case. This precaution taken by the I. L. D. is highly important and will prevent Callicotte being third degree into "confessing" that Mooney and Billings gave him the suitcase.

DEMAND REAL INVESTIGATION

The Tom Mooney Molders Defense Committee and the International Labor Defense are demanding a real investigation and that Callicotte be brought to San Francisco to be questioned not only by the police but also by Mooney's defense.

It is considered that Callicotte may have the information that will expose the entire frameup, and lead to the instigators of the bomb outrage.

Callicotte voluntarily confessed he was paid \$5 to carry a suitcase from Oakland to San Francisco, which he placed at the spot where the explosion occurred, a few minutes before it happened.

Sklar Released Emery Still In

As we go to press the news reaches us that the Parole Board has approved the job found for Carl Sklar in New York and decided to release him.

The board was maneuvering in every conceivable trick to have Sklar kept in jail or deported, but continually increasing protests from all parts of the country forced their hand.

The only remaining Imperial Valley prisoner in is Lawrence Emery, for whom the fight must be kept up.

YOUNG WORKERS TO HEAR MARY HIMOFF IN ELECTION TOUR

Lead Delegation to Rolph to Free "Mooney Runners"

Mary Himoff, of the National Committee of the Young Communist League, is now touring the west speaking on the subject: "Why Young Workers Should Vote Communist."

One of the high points in her tour will be to lead a delegation of Young Workers from various parts of California on October 8 to Sacramento and demand that the governor release the six young "Tom Mooney Runners" who were given nine months jail sentences for demonstrating in the Olympic stadium.

The Sacramento Young Communist League is mobilizing for a big mass demonstration to greet the delegates.

Mary Himoff's schedule is as follows:

Eureka, October 6, 1418 A St. Sacramento, October 8, Plaza Park.

Oakland, October 9, 727 Washington street.

San Francisco, October 10, 1164 Market St.

San Pedro, October 13. Los Angeles, October 14. San Diego, October 15.

DEMAND SUPREME COURT FREE SCOTTSBORO BOYS

Demonstrations October 8 Throughout World; All Western Cities Plan Huge Protests; Supreme Court Acts on Cases October 10

On October 10 seven lives are at stake. A mighty world mobilization of the working class is planned for October 8 by the International Labor Defense in an effort to save these seven of the nine Scottsboro boys who were sentenced to die on a framed up "rape" charge at Scottsboro, Ala.

IN SAN FRANCISCO

On October 8, in San Francisco, an auto parade will start at the Embarcadero at 12 noon to end at the Civic Center at 12:15 p. m. The parade will halt at other street meetings which will start at the following places: China-

town, Washington Park, 12:15; North Beach, Columbus and Union, 12:45; Fillmore and Post, 1 p. m.; Mission, 16th and Valencia, 12:45 and Mission and 21st, 1:15. Trucks and autos will pick up demonstrators and take them to the central meeting at the Civic Center at 2:30 p. m.

IN OAKLAND

An auto parade in Oakland is scheduled to start from 10th and Broadway at 6:30 p. m. Every negro and white worker and every organization able to furnish cars to take part in this parade are urged to notify the I. L. D. headquarters, room 1, 1020 Broadway, Oakland, so that detailed directions can be sent a few days before October 8. An open air mobilization meeting will be held at 10th and Broadway at 6 p. m.

The auto parade and demonstration (Continued on page 3, col. 4)

Veterans Plan Washington Bonus March for December

RANK AND FILE VETS DECIDE FOR NEW BONUS MARCH

National Committee of 25
Elected to Head March

CLEVELAND, Ohio., Sept. 26.—Unanimously voting to return to Washington in December in another bonus march, 248 delegates to the National Veterans Rank and File Conference, representing 18,000 ex-soldiers, adjourned here today.

Delegates will return immediately to their organizations throughout the country to intensify and broaden the bonus fight with the following program.

1. Organization of minority groups in the Legion and other veterans' organizations for one gigantic united front march on the national capital to present demands for their back pay, called "the bonus."

2. Delegates will begin immediately to organize demonstrations before the city councils of their cities for veterans' relief, and to force the heads of the city governments to endorse the demands for full immediate payment of the bonus.

At the closing session, the Veterans' Central Rank and File Committee of 25 members were elected to lead the struggle. Included on the committee are representatives of the Legion, Disabled American Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars and Workers Ex-Servicemen's League. Headquarters will be opened at Detroit.

James Ford, vice-presidential candidate of the Communist Party was elected an honorary member of the presidium, as was Tom Mooney, the 27 marines who refused to attack the bonus marchers, and Betsey Ross, great granddaughter of the woman who made the first American flag, and who now supports the program of the W. E. S. L.

A telegram from William Z. Foster, Communist candidate for president of the United States, was received with enormous applause. Earl Browder brought greetings to the conference from the Central Committee of the Communist Party.

Following the Rank and File Conference, the first national convention of the Workers Ex-Servicemen's League was called to order.

Western delegates to the conference and convention will report at meetings to be held throughout the west.

NEVADA FARMERS PRESENT RELIEF DEMANDS OCT. 5

FALLON, Nev., Sept. 30.—On October 5 a committee representative of the farmers in Churchill County, will present relief demands before the county authorities.

1. Immediate relief for poverty stricken and destitute, \$10 cash for each per week and \$3 for each dependent. Funds to be raised by tax on rich and all public officials' salaries above \$3000. No discrimination against race or nationality. That Indian and single workers be entitled to relief.

2. No taxes from poor farmers. 3. Prohibition of foreclosures, and no seizure of crops, cattle or implements for debts.

4. That an equal number of representatives be chosen by the unemployed and the United Farmers League, to be placed on the Churchill County relief association.

The above demands have been adopted at a meeting of the United Farmers League held September 14 at Old River Schoolhouse. A committee of action was elected.

Two I. L. D. Branches Formed in Phoenix

PHOENIX, Ariz.—The organizer of the 14th district, International Labor Defense, has reported that two branches, one English and one Spanish speaking, were formed here as the result of a street meeting of 300 workers.

A CORRECTION

In the August 15 issue of the Western Worker, in an article entitled "200 Attend Nevada Communist Meeting," the statement appears that the Methodist Church had invited a Communist speaker. This is incorrect. The comrades contemplated on arranging a meeting with a speaker of the Friends of the Soviet Union at the church.

VETERANS "Bonus Fighter" Out

The official paper of the Workers Ex-Servicemen's League is now on sale throughout the country. Two cents per copy. Get all you want in bundle orders at one cent each. The first number gives a detailed report of the first convention and much more besides. Order from Bonus Fighter, P. O. Box 38, St. D., New York City.

YOUNG WORKERS MAKE CHEST COME ACROSS WITH FOOD

Get a Big Supply of Groceries After Showing Militancy

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—Organizing a standing committee of single migratory workers, the Young Communist League has been successful in leading the fight for relief for young workers.

We went as a body to the Community Chest to demand \$2 a week for room rent and \$2 for meals. Jenkins, the manager, turned us down. He told us to come back in 10 days. We knew that he was mainly interested in avoiding demonstrations while the Community Chest drive is on.

Immediately we held a meeting in the Plaza Park, and on the Skidroad, exposing the Community Chest. The next day we enlarged our committee by 13. They tried to deal with us individually, and then tried to discriminate against certain ones in the committee. When they saw we could stick together, they gave in and turned over to us 9 sacks of oatmeal, 4 sacks flour, 1 sack onions, 2 sacks potatoes, 2 sacks beans, 1 sack rice, 1 case tomatoes, 1 case milk, 1 case syrup, 20 pounds lard and macaroni, coffee, bacon, baking powder, salt, pepper, matches, pears and oranges in proportionate quantities.

Today another group is going to repeat the performance.— Young Worker.

MONTEREY PLAN OF ACTION BUILDS JOBLESS COUNCIL

MONTEREY, Calif., Oct. 1.—A mass meeting called in Monterey to form an Unemployed Council resulted in five joining. The next night these five brought 25 more of whom 19 joined the council.

A delegation was sent to the Associated Charities to demand shoes for two kids, which were refused. The delegation also demanded help for a family of nine children whose father committed suicide. It was later reported that each of the children will receive \$10 per month.

The delegation called the council together again and agreed that they were still numerically weak. Twenty five more contacts were called together and were addressed by James Branch and Dick Durant, who spoke in Spanish. Twenty-one more joined, which now makes a council with 45 members.

The Unemployed Council succeeded in getting a hall donated for meetings, and expects to make rapid progress.

Charlie Luss has been elected organizer and Myrtle Childs is in charge of women's work.

LABOR FAKERS REFUSE HALL FOR JOBLESS MEETING

SAN MATEO, Calif., Sept. 30.—The Building Trades Council here refused to grant the use of the Labor Temple for a meeting of the Unemployed Council.

On September 29 a committee of three from the Unemployed Council came before the building trades with the request for the hall. After an effort to avoid taking up the matter they finally turned the matter over to the hall committee.

The next day the U. C. was informed that the hall was refused. One of the officials stated that the Unemployed Council is too "radical."

3 Wage Cuts in Year

STOCKTON, Calif.—Women in the Stockton Hotel, who received \$75 a month and board, were cut to \$60, then \$50 and now \$45 and board. Several women who were laid off from sickness, have never been taken back. This doubles up the work for the rest of us.

TOMORROW — SCOTTSTOBO

Alabama, Alabama, You have heard The White Workers' word; Let the sound strike the ground Of the South till it covers: THESE NINE—WHO ARE BLACK
GIVE THEM BACK—THEY ARE OURS!
White boss of Alabama, Give them back without a hair Burned upon the bloody chair, Alabama!

White powers of the North, These nine, who are black Are brothers of the two You cannot give back— BUT— THESE NINE YOU CAN GIVE, SOUTHERN SLUT! AND YOU SHALL—THEY SHALL LIVE!
By the crime of Massachusetts, By the black workers' sorrow, Terror for your terror, Scottsboro!

BUILD WESTERN WORKER

Only two weeks left and the weekly will be out. Also the time for getting the thousand new subs will expire.

We still have a long way to go comrades, if we are to carry out the quota of 1000 new subs by October 18. This is how some of the most important sections stand and you can see for yourself:

Section	Quota	P. C.
Los Angeles	100	59
San Francisco	100	59
Oakland	50	36
Eureka	20	30
San Jose	50	24
Stockton	50	22
Fresno	20	20
Nevada	20	20
Idaho	20	15
Washington	50	10

Six More County Hunger Marches

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The work is already bearing fruit in the fact that the city relief agency has been forced to grant relief to many single migratory workers.

SAN MATEO, OCTOBER 17
The San Mateo (Redwood City) march will be on October 17, and promises to be among the best. Good meetings have taken place in San Mateo, South San Francisco and particularly Redwood City, where 300 workers came to hear McKendrick of the Unemployed Council explain the program.

SAN JOAQUIN OCT. 17
In order to give many agricultural workers returning from the fields a possibility to participate in the San Joaquin (Stockton) County Hunger March, the date has been advanced to October 17.

SANTA CRUZ, OCTOBER 24
In order to satisfy the supervisors, who claim that they could not hear the demands on October 7, the original date set, the date of the march was set for October 24 and the board was notified. The march will proceed to Watsonville.

On September 25 a provisional conference to mobilize for the Hunger March took place in Watsonville, attended by 35 delegates representing workers and farmers organizations with over 200 members. The representative character of the conference points to a good Hunger March.

The local press has been forced to give wide publicity to the demands because of the tremendous sentiment for them.

OREGON C. P. WINS BALLOT FIGHT

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The Oregon section of the Communist Party considers Hoss' statement an effort to confuse the Oregon workers with the idea that the Communist Party of today is different than it was two years ago. The section committee declares in part: "The fact is that every conceivable effort has been made to have the petitions refused, as it was mighty difficult for them to swallow the idea. Of the 13,000 signatures obtained, 9000 were obtained in Portland, where the raid took place two years ago. The authorities do not dare to ignore the will of this mass of workers."

The enthusiasm as a result of this first election victory, has been a great impetus in the election campaign of the Communist Party, to which greater masses than ever are responding.

200 at Sunnyvale Protest Meeting

SUNNYVALE, Calif., Sept. 25 —Protesting against the breakup of the Agricultural Workers Industrial Union meeting of September 16, more than 200 workers attended a meeting held on the same lot.

The chief of police and some stool pigeons stood by and listened to being denounced by the speakers, but did not interfere.

This is the first time that Sunnyvale has been opened to open air meetings, which will be regular henceforth.

I. L. D. APPEALS FOR SUPPORT AGAINST TERROR IN L. A.

October 9 Picnic to Rally
Mass Protest on
Scottsboro

The International Labor Defense of District No. 14, Southern California, has issued the following statement in connection with the wave of terror throughout the district:

"International Labor Defense, District No. 14, is defending 18 workers, now in jail, or awaiting appeal on sentences. Five of these have been in jail for 9 months, held for deportation to Fascist Japan and India; as a result of the Long Beach raids, January 15.

"The six 'Free Mooney Runners' are in jail, while awaiting appeal on a sentence of from 9 months to a year.

"In addition, we must fight 19 cases of workers arrested and held for deportation to such countries as Japan, Poland, Greece, Spain, Sweden, England, etc.

"Almost daily the I. L. D. is called upon to defend workers arrested for working class activities. To give these workers adequate defense, to provide attorneys and prison comforts, we need funds.

It is especially important that the Annual Fall Picnic of District 14, which will be held Sunday, October 9 at Joyland Park, Montebello, Calif., be a MORAL and FINANCIAL success."

October 9 is one day prior to the U. S. Supreme Court decision on the Scottsboro case. The picnic must mark a great mass demand for the release of the boys.

WORKERS' ENERGY SAPPED DURING 8 HR. DAY AT FORD'S

WILMINGTON, Calif., Sept. 30.—First about the generous wages of the "great benefactor" of the working class, Henry Ford. The worker is paid \$6 a day, but he earns \$12. Each worker has to start work when the bell rings at 7 o'clock, must be in the plant from 15 to 45 minutes early so that he can get his tools and stock all ready to go like hell when the line starts. The bell rings and they are off. Eight hours at top speed. By top speed I mean just as fast as it is humanly possible to drive men. I have seen men working on the chassis line run at full speed from car to car all day long, dripping with sweat, just to hold their jobs.

At 11 o'clock we are allowed half an hour for lunch. Fifteen minutes of this is spent eating and the other fifteen minutes in replenishing stock. Workers do not get stock on Ford's time. They can, of course, but the penalty of leaving your operation is the one way ticket out. Then for four hours more it is the same maddening race.

If the line stops for any reason, breakdown, etc., that time is made up after the regular quitting time. When breakdowns occur men are kept like prisoners at their posts from fifteen minutes to hours. They are not allowed to use tobacco in any form and there are no smoking rooms to relieve the tension during these shutdowns.

VISITORS FOOLED
Another of Henry's pretty bits of showmanship is the way he slows down the line while visitors are going through. This occurs three times a day. Visitors don't have to be announced. We know when they are coming.

Every ten feet there is an inspector or a straw boss. These are the slave drivers. A man cannot be a boss for Ford if he insists on being a human being. The workers are treated like dumb animals. Goaded and driven ceaselessly. That is the attitude Ford bosses have to acquire. There is so much to be said on the speed up from the workers' viewpoint, that it is impossible to cover it in a letter.

FORD ARRESTED AT L. A. ELECTION MEET

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not stop until he was vomiting blood.

THE CHARGE AGAINST HIM IS BATTERY.
The International Labor Defense has organized a Paul Walton Committee, which has started to give the widest publicity to the case, and will arouse the greatest mass protest, proving this was really an attempt to murder Walton.

On June 26, when Foster was scheduled to speak here, there was a similar occurrence, during which Foster was arrested and beaten up.

500 at San Diego

SAN DIEGO, Sept. 23.—Five hundred workers came to hear Ford here at Woodbine Hall, while Maurer's meeting, held during the same time had less than 200. At the Communist meeting there were 300 Negroes, while Maurer did not have a single one. Ten joined the Communist Party.

Earlier in the day American Legionnaires were distributing handbills for Maurer's meeting. They warned Communist sympathizers that Ford's meeting would be broken up. However, the expected attack did not materialize.

The "liberal" Scripps Howard San Diego Sun made a last minute attempt to demoralize the meeting by announcing that "local party leaders doubt that Ford will be released in Los Angeles in time to speak here."

Many workers later reported that they stayed away on account of that.

2000 at Phoenix

PHOENIX, Ariz., Sept. 24.—Two thousand workers assembled here at East Lake Park, expecting to hear James Ford speak, but were disappointed due to the fact that his schedule was broken up by his arrest in Los Angeles.

More than half of those present were Negro workers. Comrade Carr spoke and explained the situation.

1000 at Tucson

TUCSON, Ariz., Sept. 23.—One thousand workers gathered at Army Park here and waited until 10:30 p. m. for the arrival of Comrade Ford, who was not able to fulfill the schedule, due to his arrest by the Los Angeles Red Squad.

In the meantime the workers were addressed by Comrades Sol Erenberg, the section organizer, Com. Gustandas, F. S. Lowe, M. E. Gehan and Taylor. The crowd responded very enthusiastically and unanimously adopted a resolution protesting the arrest of Comrade Ford in Los Angeles.

Five, of whom three are Negroes, joined the Communist Party.

YOUTH AND BLUE BLOUSES TO TOUR FOR SCOTTSTOBO

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—Speakers from the Young Communist League and the youth branches of the International Labor Defense, together with the Blue Blouses, will start from Los Angeles on October 2 for a tour to popularize the Scottsboro case.

A truck covered with signs demanding the freedom of the nine innocent Negro boys, will transport the young workers.

Special plays will be presented by the group on the following dates: San Bernardino and Ontario, October 2; Santa Monica, October 3; Ventura and Santa Barbara, October 4; Bakersfield, October 5; Pasadena, October 6; Belvedere and Watts, October 7; San Diego, October 8, and Los Angeles on the 9th.

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SUNDAY, OCT. 16—What Next in Germany? Sam Darcy, district organizer, Communist Party, speaker.

A. F. L. Fakers Steam Roller Convention
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naturally nothing could be expected in the daytime.

MOONEY AGAIN—UGH
But Friday was the final conflict and everyone stood in his place. The fakers tried to bury the Mooney resolution again, as they did last year. However, their peace was disturbed by Louis B. Scott of the Mooney Molder's Defense Committee, who after struggling in vain to get the floor for five days, jumped to his feet and shouted: "You have buried the resolution, but you have not killed Tom Mooney's spirit. The spirit of Tom Mooney and the militant working class will haunt you and your fake conventions until you are dumped off the backs of labor."

Here is where the convention responded en masse. Brenner, of Local 68, Machinists, a San Francisco delegate, screamed "Mooney's representative has no more right to be here than a pig in a parlor." Scores of the labor slug-gers pounced on Scott and dragged him out of the hall. Only the prominence of the Mooney issue and desire to avoid too much unfavorable publicity prevented a lynching.

The labor fakers showed their solidarity with the bosses on the frameup system, and placed their seal on the living tomb of Mooney.

6 LEFT WING RESOLUTIONS
There were six resolutions introduced by the militant rank and file of the A. F. of L. through Edward Harris of Local 68, Machinists, San Francisco. Those dealing with the demand for the bonus, wage cuts, recognition of the Soviet Union and on unemployment insurance were referred to the officers' committee, which is a traditional morgue for such things.

The resolutions calling for the freedom for Tom Mooney, against the criminal syndicalism law, and the fight against police brutality, were ordered stricken off the records and to be sent to Harris' local union. This means that not content with rejecting the most vital issues facing the workers, they will take steps to expel Harris.

Harris, being a Communist, and well known among the members of the A. F. of L. unions in San Francisco, declared that he will take up the challenge of the fakers, and will stick by all the resolutions he introduced.

The militant workers in all locals will be called upon to repudiate the decisions of the State Federation Convention.

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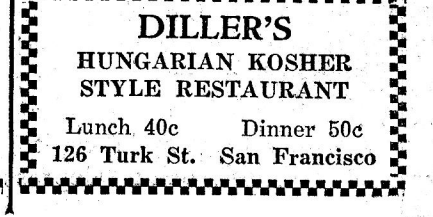
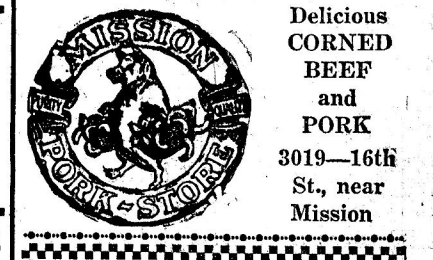
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Editorial Column

GET BEHIND OUR WEEKLY!

It has already been announced that beginning October 18 the Western Worker will appear as a weekly. From the joyous response throughout the west, we feel confident that the enthusiasm of all militants is there, but it needs to be translated into concrete organization.

- 1. This is how you can do it:
- 2. Send in news of what's happening in your territory, shop or farm for publication.
- 3. Send in subscriptions.
- 4. Get bundle orders for distribution in new territories.
- 5. Send greetings to the first issue.
- 6. Have your organizations vote a collective greeting for \$5 to \$10.
- 7. Get advertisements.

The Western Worker supporters carried through a splendid job of establishing a semi-monthly. Now, let's get to work and increase the strength and support for a weekly with the same enthusiastic spirit.

ASK MR. THOMAS

When Mr. Thomas tours the west and as usual shouts off a lot of phrases about "class struggle" and "capitalist crisis" and "workers' interests," ask him these few questions:

1. Is it not a fact that on June 15, 1929, in the New Leader, Mr. Thomas wrote an article called "Is Marxian Socialism Abreast of the Times?" In which he proposed to revise Marxism.
2. Isn't it a fact that in that article he calls Marxism "an outmoded philosophy?" He says that there has been an "arrest in the process which Marx logically thought would lead to recurring crises."
3. Is it not also a fact that in this same article Mr. Thomas says that "a fine case can be made out for Socialism from a consumer's standpoint almost without reference to the class struggle. The appeal to the consumer is something Socialists must remember and emphasize?"

Was Prosperity Ballyhooer

We are citing the above to show Thomas' unprincipledness. In June, 1929, when he thought he could catch a few votes by becoming a ballyhooer for prosperity, he wrote one way, and today, when he thinks he can catch a few votes by becoming a champion against the crisis (which he had predicted only three years ago would never occur again) he writes quite another way.

We also urge those poor workers and farmers who are allowing themselves to be misled by Thomas' demagoguery to ask him about the beating up of workers in Milwaukee by Mayor Hoan, his Socialist Party colleague; about the murder of Steve Katovis under an injunction obtained by Charles Solomon, another of his Socialist Party colleagues. Maybe Mr. Thomas can also explain the stealing of Comrade Foster's acceptance speech by the "American Freeman," one of Mr. Thomas' Socialist Party papers which found the socialist speeches so illiterate both politically and linguistically that they had to steal the writings of Communists and stick in the word Socialist instead of Communist in the hope thereby of confusing the masses.

S. P. Enemy of Soviet Union

Perhaps Mr. Thomas can also explain the action of Morris Hilquit, S. P. candidate for Mayor in New York, and foremost leader of the Socialist Party, in becoming the attorney for the Russian dispossessed white guards and monarchists in a law suit against the Soviet Union to regain their property taken by the Russian Workers.

Maybe Mr. Thomas can also explain the activity of his colleague, the San Francisco City Hall flunky, Cameron King, who played such a despicable role in taking the party of the working class, the Communist Party, off the ballot.

But better yet, the workers, poor farmers, terrorized middle class people and intellectuals should treat Thomas with the same contempt that they treated Maurer by staying away from his meetings and instead use that valuable time in carrying on activity for the platform and candidates of the oppressed masses, of the Communist Party.

IT'S STILL AROUND THE CORNER

How false the claims for return to prosperity are, can be seen from the Associated Press summary of "The Week in Finance" issued for the week of September 17. The electrical output fell from 2,443,977,000 units for the week of September 10 to September 17 to 1,476,442,000 for the following week. In other words, a fall of almost 60 per cent. Carloadings fell from the week of September 3 to the week of September 10, which is included in the above report, from 559,727 to 501,824. Brokers' loans fell from \$433,000,000 to \$408,000,000. A year ago, during the same week, brokers' loans amounted to \$1,207,000,000. Rediscounts fell from \$401,933,000 for the week of September 10 to \$359,023,000 for the week of September 17. New financing fell from \$1,343,000 for the week of September 10 to \$2,426,000 for the week of September 17.

As against this there is the rise of stock and bond sales, but neither of these are sound barometers of anything except speculative activities based on deflation. It is this false and artificial creation of the appearance of prosperity which is being ballyhooed by the capitalist press that the crisis is over. But the basic figures show that even Hoover's maneuvering in the financial fields have not been able to break the continual deepening of the economic gorge which the whole capitalist class from Hoover to Thomas so glibly call a "depression".

"I'll Be As Good a President as Hoover or Roosevelt."—Thomas

By Williams



News Item—Ford arrested, many beaten up, as Red Squad breaks up Communist campaign rally.



News Item—Thomas will speak at the San Francisco Commonwealth Club on Thursday, October 6.

The Horse Shoe

By Loren Miller

Com. Loren Miller, until recently editor of the "California Eagle," Los Angeles, the largest of the western Negro papers, is now in the Soviet Union, and writes while on the steamer "Abbazia," returning from one of the Black Sea Summer resorts.

When the last Czar of all the Russians built a new summer palace near Yalta in the Crimea, he nailed a horse shoe above one of the doors. For Good Luck, Nicolai was a superstitious chap. He kept himself surrounded by priests, ikons, altars and tokens—all of the trappings of the faithful. Luck was with him then. God was with him, too, and Jesus and the Virgin Mary.

The 1905 revolution was only the memory of the thousands who fell before the charge of the cosacks that bloody Sunday. (A fat priest had led them. With the cross of Jesus in his hand). But God and luck and Jesus are always on the side of the powerful. That was a gala summer when the new palace was completed. Nicolai, Czar of all the Russians, must have thrilled with a sense of his power when he walked thru the beautiful gardens. He had luck with him (horse shoe above the door). The slimy Rasputin was there to whisper of the Lord God of hosts. Boastful nobles came to sneer at the mention of revolution. Faithful mercenaries oiled their guns, got ready to shoot the starving who swarmed the land. God, horse shoes, guns, Jesus, battleships, priests, cannons, ikons—all for good luck.

WORKERS REST HOME NOW
Today the horse shoe is still above the door. You can see it when you go to Yalta. Right where the Czar nailed it. But Nicolai, once Czar of all the Russians, is dead. His one time palace is now a rest home for workers. It's a lucky place for them, too. They rest and go out again to build socialism the better to bury the memory of the Czar beneath the towering might of social construction. God wasn't enough. Horse shoes weren't

enough. Brutal mercenaries were not enough. Nothing could save Nicolai. The power of the working class is greater than ikons, horse shoes, soldiers, cannon, priests or good luck.

Solidarity crushed czarism. It crushed capitalism too. Swept it off one sixth of the globe. Turned palaces into rest homes. Gave land to the peasants, factories to the workers. Converted churches into social centers. "A better world's in birth!"

AMERICAN CZARS

Capitalism still lives in five-sixths of the globe. Czars of finance, of steel, of imperialism—Ford, Rockefeller, Morgan, Mellon, Dawes—still idle in summer and winter palaces at Tarryton, Palm Beach, California, the Riviera. Luck is with them, now. The hungry have been choked in their own blood at Camp Hill, Chicago, Harlan, Cleveland, Dearborn, Washington. New Rasputins, named Bishop Cannon, Harry Emerson Fosdick, Father Cox, Bishop Manning, Rabbi Wise—whisper of the power of Jesus, Jehovah, altars, crosses. Secretary Doak breaks strikes—and carries a potato for good luck. The army is ready. The police are ready. The navy is ready. A new manual tells how to shoot protesters in the back.

This will be a gala winter at a thousand palaces. There will be dancing, merry making, laughter, polite conversation, sneers for the mention of revolution, "to hell with the starving." Harry Emerson Fosdick's God, Secretary Doak's potato, Rockefeller's iron police and Kuepke gun thugs are horse shoes above the doors of capitalism. Why worry?

EPILOGUE

Scottsboro. Veterans marching in Washington. Hunger marches. Anti-War Demonstrations. Protests. These are the first faint rumblings of the red storm of solidarity gathering on the horizon. And the Czar is dead. Only his horse shoe remains. Nailed above the door of a workers rest home—for good luck.

Comrade Foster and the 'Socialist' Liars

By GEORGE MORRIS

The Western Worker has received a number of letters from workers inquiring on the truthfulness of recent charges against Comrade Foster in the "American Freeman," a Socialist Party paper, edited by an old time social patriot, Haldeman Julius, now a candidate for the Senate on that party's ticket.

The basis is an article signed by Julius, stating why the "American Freeman" supports Thomas. The article was really an excuse for slandering the Communist candidate, and is entirely devoted to that purpose. The old slander that Comrade Foster sold Liberty Bonds during the war is revived, adding that "he was a rabid supporter of the war" and "may at any moment urge workers to die in the trenches."

The Central Committee of our party answered these attacks (Daily Worker, Aug. 16). The Western Worker dealt with the matter in a recent editorial, and were it not for workers who are still being confused by many scribes of the master class, there would be no further need to deal with it.

It is significant that the Socialists are not alone. They have been joined by every anti-Communist and renegade movement, being swept aside by the advance of the Communists.

The decrepit Socialist Labor Party, in the last issue of its paper, joins the chorus with a full page. As far as the Lovestone and Trotsky sheets are concerned, they are pioneers in this campaign. From them all the blackest forces get their cue. They have been answered many times since 1925.

What is the real basis of this united front of all the Social Fascist elements against the Communist Party?

It is in the fact that at a time when the war danger becomes most acute, and when the imperialists particularly want their treacherous service, that they need such a campaign to fool the workers away from the Communist Party, the leader against imperialist war. The Socialist Party wants to detract the attention of the workers from its own social patriotic past.

HILQUIT, BERGER MODELS
The "American Freeman" refers to Hilquit as a "model socialist," yet a little over a year ago this lawyer took the case of a group of Czarists in the United States to sue the Soviet Government for oil fields taken over by the Russian workers. Whole branches quit the S. P. on that account. Hilquit is still its foremost leader and its candidate for Mayor in New York.

The late Victor L. Berger is given as another example of one who opposed the war. But the "Freeman" neglects to tell its readers that Berger's opposition was on a purely pro-German basis, and this in fact was his main source of support for Congress among the Germans in Milwaukee. He was rather in agreement with his fellow traitors in Germany

who stood by the Kaiser. The "Freeman" does not tell its readers that the Socialist Party leadership during the war, although compelled by the rank and file to adopt a militant resolution at the St. Louis convention in 1917, in practice carried through a pacifist policy, which means support of the Imperialists.

TREACHERY WORLD WIDE
The "Freeman" hopes its readers never heard that the leaders of almost all the Socialist Parties in Europe were most loyal lieutenants of the Imperialists during the war; that the Socialist Party financed campaigns of the Men-

the strike was under Bolshevik direction to overthrow the U. S. government. Comrade Foster was the central target. The main purpose of the Senate committee investigation (its proceedings furnish the material for the charges) was to substantiate these charges. Comrade Foster's mistake at that time was in thinking that if he denied that he was a revolutionist, and against war, and stated that he bought Liberty Bonds, he thereby would protect the steel workers from the assault of the red baiting department of justice under Attorney General Mitchell Palmer. This was naturally an

war Socialist, and for the entire period of America's participation in the war, was jingoistically appealing to the workers for the fight to "save the world for democracy."

This same scoundrel, immediately after the war, to cover his treachery, campaigned for the release of Debs, who was imprisoned for anti-war speeches. It is hardly necessary to go into further details of his long record of demagoguery, and effort to hook on to anything that would yield a profit. This is perhaps best reflected in the contents of his "Blue Books." He is always on the auction block, ready to serve capitalism.

The latest fraud in this gentleman's sheet was stealing Comrade Foster's acceptance speech and substituting the word "Socialist" for "Communist," printing it word for word almost in full, hoping thereby to fool the thousands of workers and farmers rallying to the Communist platform. In stealing Comrade Foster's speech he only omitted references to his yellow party.

HEYWOOD BROWN JOINS JULIUS

This Julius has been joined by Heywood Brown, the "Socialist" Jim Crow advocate, writer for the capitalist New York World Telegram, and last year a candidate on the S. P. ticket.

Brown's latest lie is a statement that Comrade Foster was removed from leadership, and that's why he was not finishing his tour. Comrade Foster is now confined in bed, seized with a serious heart attack. Doctors declared that to continue the tour would be suicidal. Comrade Foster remains the outstanding leader of our Party and is a member of the secretariat of three which heads it. That is why these snakes are hissing at him. This latest of Brown's follows shortly after he announced that the Communist Party will be on the ballot in only 12 to 14 states, and workers will therefore not be able to vote for it. But this scoundrel's trick also stands exposed. Our Party is already on the ballot in forty states, which is more states than the S. P. is on.

COMMUNIST ADVANCE IS CAUSE OF ATTACK

It is significant that the "American Freeman," western organ of the Social Fascists, is particularly devoted to trying to fool the most radicalized workers. They even pretend to be friendly to the Soviet Union. This is because the west never was a fertile ground for the opportunism of the "Socialist" stripe. The S. P. is unable to revive a significant organization in any of the western states. While on the other hand, Communist organizations have of late increased several fold.

The workers know only the Communist Party as the leader in the fight against war, starvation and for Negro rights. Only the Communists face the terror of the bosses, while the Socialists, as in Los Angeles, get the co-operation from the bosses, newspapers, and the police.



WILLIAM Z. FOSTER

Com. Foster has suffered a serious breakdown after a strenuous three months coast to coast tour, during which he addressed 75 meetings, more than all other presidential candidates combined, is expected to return to the stump. The six months in prison for leading the mass demonstration of unemployed in New York, in 1930, contributed to the breakdown.

shevicks, led by Abramovich in Berlin, for intervention against the Soviet Union; that their comrades in Europe murdered the most courageous leaders of the working class, such as Liebknecht, and Luxemburg; that the English Imperialist government, led by "Comrade" MacDonald, ordered the shooting of Indian revolutionists; that their brother party in Japan at this very moment is most active on the side of the Japanese butchers.

If the above facts (and these are only a few of them) are taken into consideration, it becomes clear that the charge is really at the door of the very gentlemen who are now so concerned with Comrade Foster's record.

FOSTER'S MISTAKE LINE OF S. P.

What are the facts basing the charges? Comrade Foster was the leader of the steel strike in 1919 when 350,000 were involved. Old timers can remember the vicious campaign against the workers, financed by the steel trust. Every effort was made to develop a great red scare, to prove that

opportunism mistake, as he considered only what seemed the immediate need of the workers. Comrade Foster has on more than one occasion pointed this out himself.

What was the stand of the S. P. leadership at that time? They praised him to the skies for this very mistake. They considered from this that Foster logically belonged in their ranks, and demagogically tried to win him over. However, this was Comrade Foster's mistake for the moment, but is the entire, permanent, opportunist line of the S. P.

HALDEMAN JULIUS, WAR PATRIOT

Now, a look at Comrade Foster's critic, Julius starting in 1910 by going into the "Socialist" newspaper business, soon owned four papers, which he in time sold at a fine profit. He eventually bought the "Appeal to Reason," but changed its name to "New Appeal to Reason," to avoid the espionage act. He was exempt from the draft because the imperialists needed him here. He was a pro-

International Events and Western Workers

19th Route Army Refuses to Fight the Chinese People; Japanese and U. S. Imperialism Spying on Each Other; Increased Sugar Crop War Preparations

The Nineteenth Route Army, which distinguished itself in the eyes of the entire world with its heroic defense of Shanghai, has again shown its mettle. Chiang Kai Shek, the Nanking butcher of the Nationalist Government, sent this army to fight the Reds. Associated Press dispatches report that after contacts with the Red Army in Soviet territory, the 19th Route Army mutinied. Other divisions in the Nationalist Government were sent against it. Five hundred were shot, 8000 imprisoned and several thousand more disarmed.

The factors which determine victories or defeats on the battlefield are no different from those which determine them among the civilian population. The 19th Route Army, which was so powerful against the Japanese imperialists, crumbled and mutinied when sent against the Red Army. The strength of the 19th Route Army lay in the fact that it executed the will of the Chinese masses in fighting Japan. Its weakness against the Red Army lay in the fact that the sympathies and support of the masses lay with the Red Army.

JAPAN-U. S. ANTAGONISM

Last year, San Francisco newspapers went into a rage over the report of the activities of the small Japanese boat which was following the U. S. fleet and reported to be spying on it. Now reports are that in Japan the capitalist sheets are paying back in kind what they claim is an exposure of U. S. spying upon their fortifications and industries.

"Americans are spying in Japan," splashed out Tokio's chauvinistic "Kokumin Shimbun" last week, exposed the horrid fact that pictures of Japanese business buildings in Tokio, Osaka and Kobe have recently been taken by branch officials of Manhattan's far flung National City Bank.

"Soon several rich Japanese withdrew their deposits from National City's Osaka branch, mobs milled around its doors, branch officials received threatening letters and placards proclaimed: 'Patriotic Japanese employes of this spying American bank must

walk out in a body!"—(Time, Sept. 19, 1932).

While we have no facts to establish the truth of either instance, there is no doubt that this is the smoke which shows fire underneath. U. S. Japanese antagonisms are sharpening from day to day, and the charges of spy and counterspy are reflections of the preparations being made for the outbreak of imperialist war in the Pacific.

FAKE PROSPERITY — WAR PREPARATION

Further evidence of war preparations can be seen in the handling of the beet sugar crop in the west this year. Despite the crisis and lack of market for sugar, there is an increased crop of beets being harvested and processed into sugar. The 1932 crop is estimated at 8,206,000 tons, which is more than 300,000 increase over 1931. This is chiefly in western states. Last year Colorado was first with 2,500,000 tons; California second with 1,060,000 tons, Nebraska, 896,000 tons; Montana, 642,000; Wyoming, 557,000 and Utah 512,000.

How can this be explained? Up to now the chief source of sugar for the western states was the Philippine Islands, and the chief source for the eastern states was Cuba. Four fifths of the sugar used in the United States comes from these two sources. In the eventuality of war, undoubtedly all of the source of sugar from the Philippine Islands will be cut off and probably most of Cuban sugar. It is for this reason that despite the lack of market the beet industry in the west is showing a slight increase.

No worker should be fooled by the agitation in the capitalist press that this is a sign of prosperity. It might be a sign of the letup of the crisis, if there were an available market now for the sugar, but the market is more than glutted, and this sugar is almost entirely for storage.

The working class will pay bitterly in an imperialist war for the crumbs it is getting in employment in the harvesting and processing of this beet crop into sugar.—S. A. D.