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Off The Press Next Friday! Nov. Elections, 1936 Issues An alyzed In Special 'WW'; Order Bundles

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF., MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 1936.

NOT TO OLD

JOSE HUGHES, 73 years old,

For C.P. Campaign

A serious financial crisis in the

a national scale, endangering the

remaining scheduled national

broadcasts, was revealed in a

telegram just received by the

State Campaign Committee from

William Z. Foster, national chair-

man of the Communist Party.

, the telegram follows:

Police Arsenals

Full - McCarty

The Federal Laboratories sales

man who got an order for \$15,-

872 worth of tear gas in the

1934 waterfront strike through

bribery of police officials, could

well afford to pay for that little trip back east for Sergeant Tho-

mas McInerney and ex-cop Gur-

nea, said McCarty. The Federal

salesman, Joe M. Roush, got about \$4000 commission out of

charter rule which prohibited

him from buying the tear gas without taking bids, and ever

without a requisition, charged

Flood Drowns 100

Luzon's northern provinces.

the deal, McCarty claims.

Wednesday.

McCarty.

the Fascists.

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## Spanish Miners Beat Fascists

# MEET ON SPOT

Soviet Note Demands Action Against Aid To Spain Fascists

MADRID-Fighting heroically against Fascist troops armed with every weapon of modern war, workers' militia were withstanding the Franco drive on the Spanish capital and by counter-attacking at strategic points were threatening to crush the drive. Victories were reported on the Huesca front in Catalonia, and the Asturian miners were preparing to wipe out all Fascist resistence at Oviedo in the north.

LONDON.-Right on the spot of international indignation was man of the Spanish non-intervention committee, last Wednesday when he refused to call a meeting of the committee to take action on the Soviet Union's charges of neutrality viola-

is by three Fascist nations in

roper for me to summon a fur-on wage-increases and other demands. er meeting immediately," Lord lymouth told Soviet representatives in disregard of the fact that the Spanish Fascists are daily receiving more munitions warplanes from Germany, Italy and Portugal.

(Cont. on P. 2, Col. 4)

## Spanish People Win Victories

MADRID - While government froops swung forward in a counter-attack against Fascist nes weakened by being spread on thin the People's Front government of Spain reported imdefend democracy against Fas-

Miners from the Asturias were setting an example for all the workers' miliita by making fresh advances in Oviedo, cornering Bridges Addresses Executive Council racks. The miners also smashed a Fascist relief column seeking a Fascist relief column seeking Big King Meeting Seeks C10 Parley to relieve Oviedo, killing or

wounding 1000 Fascists. Government submarines reported sighting two Fascist troop ships near Tangier, off the Atlantic Coast of Spanish Morocco.

In the Toledo sector, government troops hammered the Franco troops back five miles around Mocejon and on the outskirts of Bargas, five miles north of To-

ledo on the highway to Madrid. In this sector, loyalist troops are penetrating through thin Oakland. Fascist lines and are developing

strategic rebel forces. Thanks to donations of food. clothing and medical supplies from the people of the U.S.S.R., Point Lobos frameup to it. the Spanish people were relieved on the economic front, and tem of the Pacific Coast Marine ternationals, state federations, la Tailors and the Amalgamated, cheered the Soviet Union for its Firemen's Union, will give a

OPPONENTS OF FASCISM



AT LEAGUE OF NATIONS assembly in Geneva, Alvarez Del Vayo of Spain (left) and Maxim Litvinov, Soviet Union foreign minister, confer on the continued intervention of Fascist German, Italian and Portuguese governments on side of Spanish Fascists, who seek to overthrow democracy in Spain.

#### MARITIME STRIKE VOTE

THE MARITIME UNIONS struck back at the continued stalling I of the shipowners and the Maritime Commission, when the Lord Plymouth of England, chair- Joint Negotiations Committee unanimously decided to take a strike referendum on those basic demands which involve union principles and the very existence of the unions, such as the union hiringhall, the six-hour day for longshoremen, cash overtime for sea-

This does NOT mean that the unions have given up their justified demands for wage increases. If agreement can be reached on the above-mentioned basic issues, then the unions Spanish civil war. reached on the above-mentioned basic issues, then the unions have a guarantee that a satisfactory settlement can be reached

> The unions are demanding guarantees from the Maritime Commission that these established conditions will not be taken from them; involving as they do the very existence of the unions, they CANNOT BE ARBITRATED.

Once that is established and guaranteed, a peaceful settlement can be reached on all disputed questions, in the opinion of the Vegetable Workers Union. Lit-"All specific complaints unions, if the employers desire peace instead of war. The unions brought against Portgual were have offered and are willing to offer all possible concessions to have peace.

But faced with the continued stalling of the shipowners, who still want arbitration, and the Maritime Commission's demand for an unconditional extension of the truce without any guarantees, the unions for self-protection are now taking a strike referendum in order to be prepared to take whatever action they deem necessary to maintain the union hiring-hall and other conditions gained through the 1934 award.

Should the unions postpone the strike vote until they find out the intentions and authority of the Maritime Commission? The the ever-increasing cost of livanswer is NO, because the problem before the unions is to reach ing, housewives are organizing an agreement on two basic issues before Oct. 26th. Conducting here under the banner of the the strike vote will not interfere with reaching an agreement on these questions, if the shipowners and the Maritime Commission portant victories in the fight to sincerely desire to do so. On the other hand, if the shipowners maintain their uncompromising attitude, then the unions will not be left in a defenseless position, if they have taken an overwhelmingly favorable strike vote and maintain their united front.

SAN FRANCISCO. - Three days before the trial of Earl Conner-Ramsey Defense.

mass meeting will be held in this, before negotiations can be Civic Auditorium Theater in gin, John L. Lewis said.

a pincers tactic to surround the Pacific Coast District ILA, sion of the Executive Council tion, and the relationship of the

J. E. Ferguson, secretary pro-

history of the case.

ought to know by now."

## IMPERIAL VALLEY BROADCAST

C.P. Nominee To Speak Despite Vigilantes

SAN DIEGO.—Imperial Valley, When the C.P. requested a workers, who have staged some broadcast period, the station of the most militant strike strug- manager said: "Come and get gles in labor history, against vigilante terror, will have an op- it, if you feel lucky, but I will Macbeth, leading Negro attorney candidate on the Communist someone should take exception dios, 32 East Micheltorena St., tember.

ticket, E. L. Richardson. KXO, Imperial Valley station, my own hide. on October 23rd, despite vigi-

WASHINGTON. — CIO leaders King, Frank Conners and E. J. have again made it clear that Ramsay has been chosen as the the CIO stands firm for rescindtime for a huge mass meeting, ing of the suspension, and for under the auspices of the King- the continuation of the organization of steel and other basic The Point Lobos murder industries on an industrial basis. frameup trial is set for October The attitude of the A.F.F. Execu-26. On Friday, October 23 a tive Council must be clarified on

Announcement to this effect Harry Bridges, President of was made by Lewis as the seswill be the main speaker. He appointed a committee of three

This action comes as a result bor councils and locals, to the leaders of the strike. Executive Council for its suspension of the 10 CIO unions.

way Clerks, Felix Knight of the and union recognition. Railway Carmen, and Matthew Woll of the Photo-Engravers form the committee appointed by the Executive Council.

#### CIVIL LIBERTIES MEET

SANTA BARBARA. — Hugh ist election program of 1936 from cannot guarantee you any pro- the LaFollette Civil Liberties Into your client using our station. on Thursday, October 22nd. The Richardson will broadcast over I may be busy looking out for meeting is under auspices of the American League Against War flour, fresh pork and beef, mut | persons are homeless as a result "This is no idle jest as you and Fascism, and is open to the ton, salt mackeral, tomato soup, of the flood which swept through

Practically None Of The Strikers Have Deserted Ranks

SALINAS-Tear and nauseatng gas bombs were again used against lettuce strikers by police on Thursday. A picket line of 500 massed before the Union Ice Co. sheds was attacked on the orders of Sheriff Abbott and 43 pickets arrested

Six were charged with "rioting"; 26 with "unlawful assembly" and 11 with violation of the anti-picket ordinance, Abbott deputized more armed

rigilantes Thursday night. The pickets were attacked a second time when they rallied to march through the downtown

streets of the city. It took a jury only an hour to acquit Luella "Happy" Branham, striker charged with hurling rocks Sept. 16. The International Labor Defense defended her.

SALINAS-A whole series of new fake dynamitings marked the past few days of e lettuce workers' strike.

These are more and more being resorted to by the grower-shippers in face of the unshakable "stick-to-it" spirit of the members of the Fruit and tle more than 20 out of over (Cont. on P. 2, Col. 5)

## Women Fight High **Cost Of Living**

LOS ANGELES-Aroused by "Housewives' Crusade" to bring a reduction in food prices.

Pointing out that the food prices have risen 'way above wages, Jane Kerr, film actress, and Helen Garvin have taken the lead in the drive to organ ize housewives against the high cost of living.

"We must investigate these are free Amercians and nobody can tell us to keep silent on a matter that affects us so vitally. Why butter is up to 42 cents a pound and pork is 45c."

Miss Kerr said interested women can get into the fight against high prices by contacting her at 1975 Beachwood Drive, telephone Hempstead 7905.

#### S.F. Tailors Win Wage Increase As Result of Strike

SAN FRANCISCO-More than 100 of the 250 striking tailors will talk on the maritime situa- vice-presidents to negotiate with returned to work Friday, and 150 others will return Monday, after contractors signed an of rebuke after rebuke from in- agreement with the Journeymen

> Wage increases of 10 to 15 per George Harrison of the Rail, also demanded the 36-hour weekcent were won. The strikers

#### Cost Of Living Is Still Going Up

WASHINGTON.Food costs 21.5 were drowned in the Zombales you?" Browder replied: region when floods swept their percent more money now than the average in October, 1932, achomes into the sea near Subic portunity to hear the Community tell you plainly that we at KXO and liberal, will speak here on cording to figures released by Bay. Cholera and dysentery were the Bureau of Labor Statistics, reported spreading among the the 20th Congressional District tection from bodily harm if vestigation here at Clerbois Stu- and 1 percent over costs in Sep-

Higher retail figures are re- medicines were needed desperported for fruits, vegetables, ately. It was estimated 30,000 and dried apples.

Prove Shipowners Stall To Force Arbitration

SAN FRANCISCO - How the maritime unions have made every effort to insure a peaceful settlement of the waterfront controversy is shown in a statement by Mervyn Rathborne, secretary-treasurer of the San Francisco Bay Area District Council Pacific Coast Maritime Federation.

Rathborne's statement follows: but a crack marksman and not "Since the appointment of the too old to fight in Spain in the Martime Commission the unions ranks of the workers' militia, for have made every effort to coopthe defense of democracy against erate with this body to insure a peaceful settlement of the present waterfront controversy. Commission's Threats

"The unions believe they have been unjustly treated by the commission. The commission's telegram of yesterday, threatening reprisals would follow if the unions did not accept an unconitional extension of present agreements, merely reiterated he employers own threats. "On September 23, two days

before the commission was appointed, the unions proposed 30-day extension of existing Fund Need Is Urgent agreements. This action was aken at the request of the Department of Labor.

"Between September 23 and 30 the employers consistently re-Communist election campaign on fused an extension. Lateror tember 30 the shipowners reluclantly agreed to a 15-day extension at the insistence of the Maritime Commission, the Department of Labor and the un

Fundamental Rights Addressed to William Schnei-"A tieup can be easily avertderman, state secretary of the C. ed if the Maritime Commission (Cont. on P. 2, Col. 2)

#### Browder statement reveals erious financial situation. Whole program election campaign endangered. Party must shart re- Nazis Are Told To sponsibility. Alarm Party and non-Party organizations of seriousness of situation. Please send Vote For Landon all funds on hand. Prepare energetically collections in mass organizations, Party units, tag (Cont. on P. 2, Col. 1)

NEW YORK-Nazis in this country know their friends and protector, so they are going to vote for Alfred M. Landon.

Fifty thousand members of German-American Bund have been told by their leader, Fritz Kuhn, to vote for Landon because he is the candidate "most sympathetic to the Nazi regime and Adolph Hitler." SAN FRANCISCO,-Munitions

It is significant that Kuhn for use against strikers are still prices," declared Miss Kerr. "We stacked high in San Francisco made his announcement just police arsenals, charged Ignatius after his return from Germany, McCarty, tear-gas salesman for where he had an interview with the Lake Erie Chemical Co. on Hitler.

## **Browder Exposes** Republican Plot

Another Fascist plot by the ated out of McDonough Bros., Republican Party in its cam- bail bond brokers, was exposed paign to elect the Hearst-Liberty last Wednesday here as the lat-League candidate, Alf Landon, est development in the odorous was exposed last Tuesday by police graft investigation, indi-Chief Quinn ignored the city Earl Browder, Communist candidate for President.

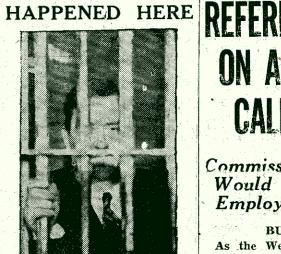
"I have learned," said Browder, "that in Illinois the Republican judges of the Supreme Court have decided to rule the ment on the graft clearing house Communist Party off the ballot in order to be able to claim Joseph Murray and scathed the that if the Democrats win the election it was with Communist votes."

#### Vote Communist! Browder told newspapermen that "we want Communist votes wake of recent developments in

to be cast for the Communist MANILA.—Bringing the death toll in floods and typhons during ticket.' When a reporter asked, "You part of the police as to condithe past week in the Philippine don't want Mr. Roosevelt, do Islands, more than 199 miners

"We are not especially inter to operate for a consideration," ested in Mr. Roosevelt. He does said Atherton. not represent us, but represents the capitalists who are fighting had existed for a long time. him. He represents the very inhabitants, and vaccines and capitalists who are fighting him, he represents their interests better than Landon does. It is not raids were "in the ordinary routhe first time that capitalists tine of duty.'

Patrolmen Murray and David have grabbed too hastily at the (Cont. on P. 2, Col. 8)



EARL BROWDER, Communis

candidate for President, is shown

behind the bars in Terre Haute

Ind., where Police Chief and

Mayor, filled with Hitler ideas

jailed Browder to prevent a

scheduled radio address. Trade

unionists, liberals, and progres

sives throughout the country

protested the Fascist action

Browder is suing Terre Haute

WPA Agrees To Job

Committees

has been compelled to grant rec-

ognition to the Workers Alli-

Recognition was demanded and

gained by the State Executive

Board of the Alliance, which

appeared last Tuesday before the

State WPA Administration here

Full Recognition

Before the session was ended

the WPA authorities had agreed

to recognition of the Workers

Alliance job stewards, job or-

These will have the right to

organize workers on the pro-

jects, to take up grievances

without discrimination, and to

post union notices on bulletin

Representatives of the WPA

(Cont. on P. 2, Col. 3)

boards of the projects.

Reveal \$700,000

Graft "Business"

SAN FRANCISCO.—A \$700,000

pay-offs for "protection" oper-

cating that the longer the inves-

tigation is continued the more

graft prober, confirmed the state-

originally made by Patrolman

police department for its "awak-

ening" to the situation by arrest-

ing some 20 persons in houses

the graft probe, must be con-

strued either as ignorance on the

tions, or as a plea of guilty that

certain resorts were permitted

Atherton said all resorts closed

A Likely Story!

any "crusade," and claimed the

(Cont. on P. 2, Col. 8)

Police Chief Quinn denied

"The arrest, following in the

corruption is uncovered.

of prostitution.

Edwin N. Atherton,

ganizers and job committees.

SAN FRANCISCO—The

ance of California!

authorities for \$50,000.

Commission's Plan Would Play Into Employers' Hands

BULLETIN

As the Western Worker was going to press, waterfront workers were indignantly aroused at reports in the capitalist press that a break in the unions' ranks occurred due to statements issued favoring a postponement of the strike vote by Lundeberg, Sailors' Union Secretary, Aaran Sapiro, sailors' attorney, and Leopold, of the Marine Firemen. The Marine Cooks and Stewards Union is the only one whose membership voted Thursday night to postpone the strike ballot, according to last-minute reports.

A special meeting of the Joint Maritime Negotiating Committee has been called as a result of the resentment of many maritime workers, who fear that such tatements by union officials will e capitalized by the employers, who hope to weaken the united ront of the unions.

SAN FRANCISCO—Refusng to play into the shipownrs' hands by accepting the naritime Commission's denand for an INDEFINITE ruce, the Joint Negotiating Comnittee of the maritime unions ias called for a coastwise referndum to authorize it to call a trike any time after October 28. This proposal, made by the I. .A., was accepted by all the

This was the unions' reply to he Maritime Commission's highlanded edict that it "cannot set any limit of time as to the period of investigations."

Deciding to dispatch Rear Admiral Hamlin to the West Coast, he Commission made its proposal for an indefinite continuaion of the present truce on Puesday.

The unions accepted continuation of the truce for another 10 days-until October 26. The shipowners' coast committee, desiring to stall indefinitely in order to force arbitration of such basic questions as the hiring hall (Cont. on P. 2, Col. 6)

### Supreme Court Has Herndon Case

WASHINGTON. - From the point of view of the rights of labor and of the Negro people, the Angelo Herndon case is the most important on the calendar of the U.S. Supreme Court. The court recently opened its ses-Herndon, young Negro Com-

munist and unemployed leader, a year business in police graft has been sentenced to 18-20 years on a Georgia chain-gang, under an antiquated "slave insurrection law.

The sentence has been appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court, before which the constitutionality of the insurrection law will be squarely placed. Herndon, temporarily free on bail, is candidate for the All-Peoples Party for the assembly, in Harlem, New York.

#### "Voice" Staff Says No Connection With "Mirror"

The WESTERN WORKER s glad to report that the editorial staff of the "Voice of the Federation," organ of the Pacific Coast Maritime Federation, has no connection with the "Maritime Mirror," red-baiting, union-disrupting sheet.

A statement by the editorial staff, printed in the O ct. 15 issue of the "Voice" states that "the board would not tolerate any member of the staff to act in such a capacity."

**IS 1936 BAIT** 

RED'S BAIT STAND

Moss Landing, Calif., Oct. 8,

General Conditions - Rotten,

Strike still on, Heard Radio Ad-

dress, Send me your "Western

Bait or Lure Used-Landon,

Number Taken-Plenty with

gas in Salinas, by the "powers-

Portuguese Ports

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submitted to, and discussed by

the committee October 9th, and

the Portuguese government was

requested to supply as early as

possible such explanations as

were necessary to establish the

The U.S.S.R. note demanded

re-convening of the committee

Blockade the Fascists

MOSCOW.-Blockade of Por

tuguese ports to prevent ship

ment of arms through Portugal

to the Spanish Fascists, was de-

manded by the Soviet Union in

a note calling on the "neutrality

committee" to urge the British

or French navy, or both, to pat-

The Soviet note again pointed

out that the violations by Fascist

rol the ports.

and any free reading.

Lemke and Hearst dope.

## OF WAREHOUSE MEN IS PUT OFF

To Make Further Efforts To Obtain Peaceful Solution

SAN FRANCISCO - Postponement of a vote on strike action was decided upon Wednesday night by the Warehousemen's Union, I.L.A. Local 38-44.

Harry Bridges, Pacific Coast district president of the I.L.A., addressed the Warehousemen's membership meeting at Labor Temple. Bridges urged the Warehousemen to make every effort for peaceful settlement.

A committee representing the Bay Area District Council of the Maritime Federation was also present at the meeting.

No further strike vote will be taken before October 28, and all efforts will be made to reach a settlement by that date.

The warehousemen in commer cial, cold storage and grain warehouses seek wage increases from 621/2 cents an hour to 85 cents, and a 40-hour week. Over 800 men are affected.

## Foster Calls For **Emergency Aid**

(Continued from Page One) days, etc. Send copies of this telegram to all Party units with instructions to read Browder's appeal at next unit meeting.
"WILLIAM Z. FOSTER."

(See Page 3 for the urgent appeal from Earl Browder, Communist candidate for President.) Treasury Emptied

In response to this telegram, the State Campaign Committee immediately forwarded \$500, all funds on hand.

As a result, \$350 is immediately needed by the State Campaign Committee in order to put on the state-wide broadcast by William Schneiderman, state secretary, scheduled for October 29th over the NBC stations of KGO, San Francisco; KECA, Los Angeles; KFSD, San Diego. Funds are also needed to help put Carl B. Patterson, 9th Congressional District candidate, on the air in Fresno.

In addition, \$200 are immediately needed for printing a state wide leaflet on the Communist program in California.

Funds should be raised immediately and forwarded to 121 Haight Street, San Francisco; County Campaign Headquarters, 230 South Spring Street, Los Angeles; or any Communist Party headquarters.

## Shady Counting Of Kern Ballots

By a Worker Correspondent

BAKERSFIELD.-Probabilities of shady counting of the ballots in the fourth supervisorial district of Kern County will be probed through a recount and investigation in the superior court Oct. 20th. In the election the incumbent,

Stanley Abel, was declared winner by some 12 votes. Until the count of the absentee ballots his Epic opponent, Leonard Mc-Clintock, was leading by a narrow margin.

Contesting the election in the superior court, McClintock charged gross irregularities in the counting of ballots in two precinicts, Honolulu and Twenty-

Most Epic workers were convinced that crooked counting was resorted to in order to get the winning votes for the reactionary. In one precinct it is charged that the ballots were inspected before being put in the boxes, that the voting booths were out of sight of the election board, that the ballot box was accessable to others beside the election board.

#### Watch for Absconder

a member of the Young Communist League in San Francisco, has absconded with \$35 in cash from the Party bookstore at 121 Haight St. All comrades in Pacific coast cities are asked to be on the lookout for him, and ex pose him if he shows up.

Blumenthal is approximately 23 years old, about 5 feet 8 inches tall. He is dark complexioned, with dark, curly hair and regular features. When last seen he wore a khaki shirt, overalls, and soiled yellow windbreaker. He was supposed to have come to San Francisco from

Comrades are warned against his attempts to win confidence by the use of the names of leading Y.C.L. members in San Fran-





DR. HARRY F. WARD, who tional peace convention at Brus- sation, that Sheriff Grat M. Hosells, Belgium, where plans were inti-war forces throughout the

## STUFF AT U. C.

Alameda Labor Body Raises The Roof

OAKLAND. - Anti-labor gongs-on in the Reserve Officers Craining Corps at the University of California in Berkeley met a harp protest from the Alameda County Central Labor Council.

The Council's protest demands the Council's protest demands he removal of University intructors in the military science examination encouraging anti-abor sentiment among the RO TC students.

Copies of the protest went to lent Sproul, and to the college paper, the Daily Californian.

The Painters Union took simlar action in a separate protest. The Labor Council selected a ommittee of three to meet with ollege officials.

The examinations referred to nentioned a waterfront strike n which the ROTC, equipped with tear gas, was to be sent against the strikers.

## Show Maritime **Inions For Peace**

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vill guarantee that marine un retain the fundamental ons ights they fought for and won n 1934. These are: Union hirng halls for all unions; six-hour 'ay for longshoremen; eight-hour ay for seamen; cash payment f overtime and habitable living quarters on ships.

"If these fundamental ights can be guaranteed there will be no strike on October

How the shipowners have been stalling in order to force arbiration of such basic demands as he hiring hall and the 6-hour lay was revealed in the unions' oint negotiations committee wire o President Roosevelt:

"The joint negotiating commitee, representing all maritime unions, takes this means of noifying you that they have atempted to cooperate to the fullest extent with the Maritime Commission to avoid a tieup.

"The present 15-day extension granted at the request of the commission has resulted in great inrest on the part of our memsership, due to employers' attitude in refusnig bona fide negotiations. This situation has been aggravated by the commission's latest assumption of authority not yet in effect, when the public and unions were looking to rowly escaped death here last them to take a neutral and paci- Monday when a bomb, believed fying attitude.

"In view of the above and at- Navy airplane during "war and feel jeopardized, the negotiating committee of the maritime unions is submitting to the earth below, failed to explode. memberships a referendum asking full authority to order strike action midnight October 28.

"This action taken to avoid tieup through spontaneous action be made." by our membership and to give commission a chance to correct falst impressions left in the Joe Blumenthal, until recently minds of our members and the public and use their efforts to settle the situation peacefully by As In Tampa, Fla.,

#### Council Postpones New Ordinance For "Border Blockade"

LOS ANGELES-Under pressure from progressive groups, and against the workers and the City Council last Tuesday small farmers. acted to postpone for a week consideration of an ordinance candidate for Congress in the Smelter are expected to join the which would give Chief 'Pea- 9th District, was refused admitnut Hitler" Davis power to res- tance to Pentecostal Hall here lead miners, which has closed urrect his unconstitutional bor- last week for a campaign meetder blockade" against transient ing. The front door was padworkers on the pretext of send- locked, and "no trespass" signs ing L. A. cops to other cities and had been freshly tacked on the national, is for wage increases American League Against War states for "education."

## FOR TB CATTLE TEST, MODESTO

Small Farmers Bitter At Loss of Cattle And Litle Pay

MODESTO-So bitter is the sentiment of small dairy farmers against the compulsory testing of cattle, and the killing of has just returned from interna, cattle without adequate compengin of Stanislaus County has laid for closer team work of announced the hiring of two extra special deputies to enforce the test.

Small Farmers Hit

Under the compulsory bovine uberculosis test, small farmers have been forced to segregate r kill valuable cattle, receiving little or no payment for the cows thus lost. Large-scale dairy corporations do not oppose the test, pecause they are able to bribe esters and also can afford the loss of a few cattle here and

The small farmers do not oppose the test for T.B. in itself. Sheriff Hogin has threatened to make the small farmers pay for the expense of the extra deputies, through a lien on their

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workers from the entire state were present on behalf of the Workers Alliance Board. President Lintner of the California Alliance was chairman of the Al- nations make the "neutrality liance delegation, and Alex Nor- pact" nothing but a screen for al, state organizational secre- aid to the Fascists while the al, state organizational secretary of the Alliance, spokesman.

Spanish government is blockad- Fake Bombings ials were State WPA Director

t would have to be settled in

Washington, as he did in the de-

nand for rescinding of Bulletin

ime due to weather conditions

ecured temporary jobs on pri-

ate concerns had been prom-

Laughlin said that nothing could

be done, due to the program of

Army and navy officials an-

nounced, as usual when their

carelessness has caused an acci-

dent, that an "investigation will

From Use Of Hall

TURLOCK. - Constitutional

rights aren't taken seriously by

the city and county officials here

who interpret them every time to the benefit of the reactionaries

Carl B. Patterson, Communist

Had the bomb exploded, it

o make up for this.

reduction on WPA.

From Bomb For

Mother, Child

"The main supply of rebel arms is carried on through Por-McLaughlin; his assistant Wadstugal and through Portuguese worth; Edward Cooley, of the ports," said the note. "A miniemployment division of the mum urgent measure to put an WPA, and Emily Wooley, state labor relations director. end to this supply and to viola-Comes Off High Horse tion of the non-intervention agree-This was the first time Mcment would be immediate estab-

lishment of control over Por-Laughlin had met WPA workers' tuguese ports. representatives since the start of 'We demand from the comnis administration. mittee establishment of such The Workers Alliance also control. We suggest the enforceproposed that committees be set ment of the control measures ip in each locality for the esbe turned over to the French or ablishment of machinery to put British fleet, or both, acting tothrough this recognition. A com-

mittee of three for each locality vas proposed—one from the BARCELONA, Spain.-A huge Workers Alliance; one from the crowd cheered the Soviet Union Central Labor Council and one here last Wednesday, when the rom the WPA administration. mich with a carbic promised this go of 3000 tons of food and mass character. This is now suming powers with which it is would receive serious considera-

The Workers Alliance raised he question of the national deship, was carried on the shouldnand for a 20 per cent wage iners of the crowd. rease. McLaughlin claimed that

fund being raised here has reach- city limits. ed 26,000,000 rubles (\$5,200,000), vo. 44, forcing workers who lose with a fourth food ship being

Telephone service was estab The Workers Alliance pointed lished direct to Madrid, with out that qualified workers who Julio Alvarez Del Vayo, Spain's foreign minister, thanking Soviet authorities for the food already sed rehiring by the WPA, and sent, in the first call over the his was being violated. Mc- new circuit.

#### **Salinas Defense** Hairbreadth Escape **Meet In East Bay**

OAKLAND - The East Bay LONG BEACH—A mother and Section of the International Labor Defense will hold a meether three-year-old daughter naring at Carpenter's Hall, 763-12th Street, Oakland, Sunday, October 18, 8 p. m., for the benefit of the accidentally dropped from a defense fund of the five Salinas tempting to protect solely funda- games," wrecked their home. lettuce strikers who are being mental issues unions now have Luckily the bomb, which ripped defended by the LLD. after their arrests for strike activithrough the roof and floor and buried itself several feet in the

Luella Branham, who was just freed in a Salinas trial, will be the lettuce strike. Elaine Black, I.L.D. Secretary and labor and progressive leaders will also

would have destroyed many sur-The meeting is one of a series rounding buildings as well, offibeing conducted by the I.L.D. throughout California in defense of the five arrested strikers. The San Francisco district of the C.P. Nominee Barred I.L.D. held a meeting for the same purpose at Druids Hall, Friday night, October 16.

#### 600 Smeltermen To Join Utah Metal Miners Strike

SALT LAKE CITY. - About 600 workers in the Midvale strike of 3000 copper, silver and all Utah mines.

The strike, led by the Mine, and strict regulation of hours. and Fascism.

## VICTORY IN ORE. L.A. BANKER IS HITLER-HELPER Fishing in the political sea, a worker sent in the following postcard to the Communist State C. S. CASE WILL Election Campaign Committee from Moss Landing, filling in the form with his own comments,

De Jonge, Sentenced To 7 Years, Freed On Bail

PORTLAND, Ore.-Dirk De-Jonge, Oregon Communist leader sentenced to seven years im prisonment on a charge of criminal syndicalism, has been released on \$2,000 bail pending appeal of his case to the United States Supreme Court. This is he first time in the history of Oregon, where there have been dozens of criminal syndicalism convictions. dozens of criminal syndicalism prosecutions and convictions, that a political prisoner has been released on bail pending an appropriate the syndical syndic syndical syndic syndical syndical syndical syndical syndical sy

Also imprisoned in Oregon on Demands Blockade of criminal syndicalism charge is Edward Denny, under a two-

Date From 1934 Strike The cases of DeJonge and Denny go back to the police raids during the maritime strike of 1934, when eleven persons were charged with criminal syndicalism in Oregon. A persistent campaign of mass pressure and protest carried on by the International Labor Defense in Portland, is credited with the present victory in the DeJonge case.

dicalism law in Oregon, in which 30 days. scores of progressive organizations are participating. The immediate release of Edward Denny is among the demands raised in this campaign.

The Oregon victory is also expected to spur the campaign for reedom of the Sacramento, California, prisoners, and the fight to repeal the C.S. law in Calif-

## In Salinas

(Continued From Page One) 4000 original shed strikers have

gone back to work. Crude Frame-up Attempts The latest crude frameup at

tempts of the employers include tossing of a "home-made" gas bomb into two strikebreaking trucks; hurling of another crude pipe-section bomb into an automobile near the General Box Factory; tossing of a gas bomb into a lettuce truck, and several other such incidents, which caused no damage.

Picketing has taken on a real medical suplies from a Soviet true of Watsonville as well as not entrusted. Salinas. About 1000 pickets dem-The Soviet consul greeting the onstrated peacefully at Watsonville.

They marched from the Union Hall to the barricaded lettuce MOSCOW.—The Spanish aid sheds half a mile outside the

> The demonstration answered members were leaving this area. Sheriff Abbott and Police Chief Grififn of Salinas used the experts, and increasing police mobilization.

Arrests of union pickets continued, under the anti-picket ordinances recently passed by the Board of Supervisors. Cases of 22 strikers arrested in recent weeks on charges of disturbing the peace, were continued until October 21.

charges" is being hatched.

#### Townsendites Pledge Support To Farmer-Labor Party

SUNLAND — Speaking before the Sunland Townsend Club here October 12th, O. E. Lair, member of the State Continuation Committee for United Political the main speaker and will tell the Action, declared that the only true story of conditions today in way the old people could be assured of an adequate old-age pension was to build a strong Farmer-Labor Party. Lair's explanation of the aims

a Farmer-Labor Party brought enthusiastic response fro mthe club members. Called upon to answer questions on a tentative platform for a Farmer-Labor Party, Lair was assured that members of the Sunland Townsend Club would actively upport such a movement.

#### North Beach Holds Rally For Spain

SAN FRANCISCO. — Italian,

Spanish and English speakers will urge defense of Spain's dem-Mill and Smelter Workers Inter- Beach, under auspices of the 1934 and '35.

## IN AMERICA

Garland, wealthy banker and International Olympic Committee member, took Hitler's approval as embodied in an "honorary degree" from Heidelberg Univer-

Returning here, Garland took Hitler's "line," attributing all strife in Europe, especially in Germany and Spain, to the insidious forces of Bolshevism," instead of to the Fascist war-pro-

Garland also carried his Nazi sympathies into politics upon his arrival taking up the Fascist banner of Alf Landon and attacking the Roosevelt administration for "tolerating Communist propaganda.'

(Continued From Page One) and 6-hour day, set no time lim-

The unions were unanimous in their decision to call a referendum on authorizing the joint committee to call a strike if the committee deems a strike necessarv after October 28.

Admiral Wiley, chairman of the Maritime Commission, indi- Street, San Francisco. cated how the Commission's demand for an indefinite truce would play into the shippers' The victory in the DeJonge hands, when he stated that the case has spurred a campaign for investigation to be made by Rear the repeal of the criminal syn- Admiral Hamlet would take over

Political observers in Washington pointed out that one of the Commission's aims is to jockey matters along until after the Bakas, Jerry Crusas, T. George, elections, when the administration would feel even less constrained than at present to exert ras, M. Koutsantonis, Tom Mopressure on the shipowners to saidis, Pete Charney, L. Lusich, assume a reasonable attitude toward the unions' reasonable demands, which include retaining the hiring hall and the 6-hour day, won as a result of the hard A. Philips, H. Meronia, A Friend, fought 1934 strike.

These the shipowners have seemed determined to abolish. The shipowners, however, have backwatered on their threat:

'Arbitration or Lockout." The unions' announcement in calling for the coast-wise referendum stated that:

"The joint negotiating committees representing all maritime unions at present attempting to negotiate with waterfront em- onasita, V. Pascone, John Stanoloyers and shipowners, met today to discuss the latest wire from the Maritime Commission, in which the commission insists on compliance with its demands.'

"This particular phase of the wire, it was felt, contained a threat, and it was further disclosed and agreed in the discus-

"The joint negotiating mittee also gave serious consideration to a proposal submitted by the Pacific Coast District Executive Board of the International Longshoremen's Association,

which is as follows: "'The maritime unions have growers' propaganda that union notified the Maritime Commission they are agreeable that operations continue under present agreements until Oct. 26, at fake bombings as a pretext for sending to Los Angeles for police authority becomes officially effective. During the extension all unions, with the commission acting as mediators, will attempt to negotiate agreements with the

employers. "'If, despite mediation by the Maritime Commission, a satisfactory agreement is not reached on the fundamental issues of the I.L.A. and the other maritime A frame-up attempt against unions by Oct. 28, will the I.L.A. William Redner, on "dynamiting membership concerned designate the executive board to act for

them as follows: "'Are you in favor of giving namely the Pacific Coast district to call a strike at midnight, Oct. 28, if no satisfactory agreement is reached between the I.L.A. and the employers on the above fundamental issues?""

"This proposition as submitted by the I.L.A. was unanimously concurred in by the representatives of all maritime unions Aggler denied the motion and present at this meeting, who fur; ther agreed that they would submit similar proposals to their membership in order to take simultaneous action with the I.

"If such a referendum is in the affirmative, it will mean that the representatives of the mari- trial, was not in court. time unions will have the authority to order its entire membership concerned to cease work midnight Oct. 28, and not to re- tion, in order to take away some sume until a satisfactory agreement has been arrived at with the shipowners on the funda- tions cannot submit to this as a mental issues as proposed by all matter of principle.' maritime unions. "Most of the fundamental is-

OVER THE TOP LOS ANGELES—Wm. May For SPAIN S

#### Lodi Workers Donate \$90 As Quota Of \$1000 Passed

Over the top for Labor's Red Cross for Spain, and for the second time!

That's the record of the Communist Party of California, which first went over the original \$500 quota and now has gone over the \$1000 quota set. So far \$1050.18 has been raised and forwarded to the national committee headed by David Dubinsky, president of the International Ladies Garment Workers' Union. No Fascist Now!

Lodi workers, many of Spanish descent and one Italian who signed himself "Ex-Fascist," contributed \$90.

Late contributions include: Previously a cknowledged, \$949.18; M. Ressegieu, \$3; Lodi workers, \$90; Comrade from book shop, \$1; A Friend, \$1; Fred Barushok, Stockton, \$6; total-\$1050.18. Further contributions may be sent to 121 Haight

Nick Track and Jim Panigit collected the \$90 in Lodi from the following workers:

Lodi Anti-Fascists John Lapson, Jim Panigit Nick Panusos, B. Davis, J. Johnson, Theo. Plakis, A. Stackoff, John Miches, John Lakas, J. Tuni, U. S. Cigar Store, Woodrof Edwards, Kamal Lodin, Mike J. Mantoff, C. Svetfoff, Wm. Lios, Pete Badaraks, Nick Car-Mike Theodoro, S. Maidoff, A. Dimoff, Jim Bobotas, Andy Asklis, Tom Corak, J. M., Sofis Labukas, Tom Sikiotis, Emil Stack, Geo. Suntos, S. Shabarian.

Tom Syropolos, Mike Ankonoff, J. Manos, T. Velicoff, A. Pappas, J. Christ, H. Chaltas, Lodi Barber Shop, J. Paneff, J. Nauman, John Papas, Pete Scoras, Nick Moshos, D. Moshos, Alex Koleff, Jih Billis, John Johnson, Bill Sparrow, Jim Carras, John Colovos, G. Tartas, Geo. Makedonos, J. Russell, George Makris, P. Onis, G. Buich, L. Giuseppe, G. Pani, J Fredi, ex-Fascist, E. Marino, J. Blana, Rosy C., E. Dimarco, G. Gurano, Leonardo, D. Corado, Samuele, Paolo, John Vano, L. Butolon, Alfonso, Salvatore, F. Manasero, Pitro, Rossi, G. Saro, George McComb, A. Romanoff, C. Roseli, G. Nelion, Nick Track.

## E. Coast ILA Holds Coughlin had snatched off the spectacles from John Barry, for **Up Pact Signing**

WASHINGTON-It has been earned that Joseph P. Ryan. president of the International Longshoremen's Association, when he, Barry, put seve while in touch with the Maritime Commission, told the Commission that the agreement negotiated for the Atlantic Coast I.L.A. would not be signed until the West Coast situation is cleared Graft "Business"

The Commission heard a delegation of I.L.A. members who have been blacklisted by the United Fruit Co. in New York for union activities on that company's docks.

#### Silver Shirter Is Given Sentence In Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES-Silver Shirtto your representative on the er Henry Allen was sentenced joint negotiating committees, last Monday to pay a fine of \$15 or serve five days in jail, executive board, full authority by Munciipal Judge Leo Aggler, before whom he had been found guilty of passing out White Guard anti-Semitic handbills on Los Angeles streets. Allen, flanked by eight or 10

of his sneaky-looking stooges, their jobs. Throughout the probes withdrew his probation plea and Chief Quinn has put on an "inasked for a new trial. Judge nocence" act. passed sentence.

to mention that Allen was not er and politician, to say nothing being sentenced for the contents of many "blue-bloods" behind of the hand bills, but only for the scene. violating the handbill ordinance Attorney Rodney Williams, who defended Allen during the

present controversy by arbitraof the gains made in the past. 'Consequently the organiza-

A union announcement stated the commission's telegram replyocracy at a meeting next Wed-nesday, Oct. 21st, 8 p.m., at California Spanish Society Hall, dustry as a result of the strike Powell and Broadway, in North and subsequent arbitration in the disclosed and agreed in the tices. discussion that the commission

#### 'Bee' Uses Double-Dealing Against Hill's Campaign

SACRAMENTO. - Unscrupuous business methods are also being resorted to here in an attempt to hurt the campaign Perry Hill, Communist candida.

or Congress in the 3rd District. The Sacramento Bee accepted an advertisement on Sept. 25th, announcing a meeting in the City Plaza at which Hill was to peak, but published it only in the first edition and then killed it.

However, the Bee did not notify the Communist Party until Oct. 8th, until after the same trick. Both ads were paid for in advance.

The Sacramento Union pubished the same ad.

## Browder Exposes Republican Plot

(Continued From Page One) mmediate profit so that they lost the long-to ... profit.

"Roosevelt has restored capitalist profits and now that they have their profits again, they want to grab more and throw over Roosevelt, who performed the greatest service to them they ever received."

Ford and Landon DETROIT.—Henry Ford, who sweats every last ounce of work out of his employees in the worst speed-up system in the automobile industry, joined the

ranks of the Fascist-minded industrialists and bankers who are supporting Landon, in a statement issued last Wednesday. F. R. No Pal to Labor President Roosevelt again exposed himself as no fighter for labor when he spoke last Wednesday in Michigan, telling the

industrialists and financiers how much he has done for the latter-"Some of these people really orget how sick they were," said Roosevelt. "I have their fever charts. I know how the knees of all of our rugged individual= ists were trembling four years ago and how their hearts fluttered. . . . And now most of the patients seem to be doing very nicely."

The President quoted concrete figures to show how he has helped the "economic royalists" retain and increase their profits, in contrast to his vague and unconcrete appeals for labor support on the ground that he "helped" the workers.

Hitler Stuff

BOSTON. Six cops are with tear gas guns and arms, guarded the hotel room of Father Coughlin here and refused to let newsmen in to question the priest about his quarrel with a reporter at Providence,

trying to stick your nose into private meeting."

Waving his arms and shouting in true Hitler fashion, Coughlin later ranted: "If I had him (Barry) here, I'd tear him to pieces." Barry said Coughlin's anger was due to a previous interview pointed questions to the pri

## Reveal \$700,000

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Dillon were indicted by the grand jury for bribery. Murray stated that houses of prostitution paid \$500 to \$750 to open up and \$10 a day to operate-under "protection" by the

Pay-Off Joint

The pay-off office for graft was revealed to be a rather shabby bar, just around the corner from the Hall of Justice, a few hundred feet from the office of McDonough Bros. Although the graft investiga-

tion has been going on for nearly six months, no grafting cops have yet been brought to trial. Previously only four cops hi been indicted, and 12 fired fro.

It is believed a thorough graft probe would expose virtually Judge Aggler made it a point every San Francisco office-hold-

#### S.F. Fish Butchers End Strike With Union Shop Won

SAN FRANCISCO.—After 23 days of strike, the dispute between the fish butchers and the wholesale fish companies has been settled with the signing of Among the demands granted

are: union shops and preferential About 100 members of Butch-

"Now it is very apparent that was assuming powers with ers local 15 and 50 teamsters the employers wish to settle the which it was not entrusted."

Were affected by the children. were affected by the strike.

### LABOR AND POLITICS

By John Broman

In the French parliamentary elections last spring, Comrade Blackon proved himself a real shock-brigader as a Communis candidate, surmounting all dif ficulties to carry on an unusual ly successful campaign.

It was a rural and mountaineous territory, yet Comrade Blackon held meetings in every little village and hamlet. Result was the biggest Communist vote in history in his department, and 500 new members for the French Communist Party.

Taking His Example . . . Bessie Keckler, our Commun ist candidate in the 80th Assembly District, apparently has set Comrade Blackon's work as an example, for she is touring the hills of her district, which includes all of San Diego County outside of San Diego City, and carrying the message of our 1936

Recently she and her campaign secretary have made three ment trips through this large territory, and report that they have been received with a whole-hearted welcome and asked to return

"Although in one or two in stances, we were rebuffed at first," they report, "we always

Workers, Farmers Listen . . . County poor farm at Santee, Worker. store to buy literature since."

Their route then went to Hulberd Grove, Pine Valley, to L. A.'s record so far. Oak Knoll Springs, Bulevard and Jacumba. On the way back, they went over the Campo Highway to the big Val Spar mines and mill, from there to Potrero, they distributed 1500 pieces of

On their trips in the mountainous country of Mussy Grade and Ramona, they ran into one who said "you ought to be shot," and a woman who said, "It is a ty our American women can't nd something better to do-I

am (an American citizen." Our Communist shock-brigaders promptly answered back, "So are we, sister.'

At Julian they received a joyous welcome and held a meeting on October 6th.

You don't have to look in a crystal ball to predict that Comrade Keckler will get a big here last Monday. vote for the Communist Party, a big vote that will go a long on a prize trip to the Soviet Un-Labor Party in the 80th Assembly District.

#### "Labor's Champion" . . .

Thomas Maloney, incumbent assemblyman in the 20th District, San Francisco, has got a lot of crust to call himself "Labor's Champion.

Here is a real phoney, a real anti-labor faker, whose record in the State Legislature belies any claim he may make as to being a "labor man."

Maloney voted against labor on nine out of 10 bills in the last session according to the State Federation of Labor's tabulation. Maloney is out campaigning for Hearst's presidential candidate, Alf Landon.

There's only one champion of organized labor running for office in the 20th Assembly District, and that's Sam Jaye, Communist nominee, member of Miscellaneous Employees' Union, Local 110, of the culinary unions, and delegate to the S.F Central Labor Council.

Union members living in this district should vote solid for Jaye as a vote for union labor, should turn out next Tuesday, October 20th 8 p.m., to hear Jaye Mission St.

#### "News To Quinn" . . .

They used to say "it's news when a man bites a dog." The other day, when a vice of the Hall of Justice, Police with himself. Chief Quinn said "it's news to To the average citizen of San

Francisco, it would be NEWS tion to the suspension of the C. if Chief Quinn did not know I.O. unions was voted by the about the pay-offs!

## BROWDER-FORD DRIVE STARTS COMPETITIONS

#### Spirit of Competition In Drive For New Communists

Entering its fifth week, the Browder-Ford Membership Drive is really beginning to roll, with challenges flying right and left for Socialist competition in recruiting new members to the Communist Party.

Harbor Section, Los Angeles, front's challenge in a tone that means business. Goodyear and Downtown sections of L. A. have entered into a hot competition with Mission Section, S. F.

Emma Cutler, Communist candidate for Congress in the 13th District, L. A., has sent a stinging personal challenge to Lawrence Ross, editor of the Western Worker, and insists that Ross accept with a public state-

Let's Hear From San Diego! San Diego comrades are lagging badly, and should take immediate steps, with personal oledges to recruit from Stanley Hancock and other leading

Party members. Bakersfield's early laurels in the drive are being endangered by Merced, which is gainnig by leaps and bounds. The personal The two women started out at experiences of these comrades

where they had an "extra good San Mateo and Santa Clara reception by all there, many are also disappointing in the going to our San Diego book- campaign, but it's not too late. East Bay Gets Going

East Bay just came in with Lakeside, Alpine, Baron Long 25 new recruits to rocket their

All sections are urged to take proper care of their new mempers, and to check up on dues payments. Although recruiting growing, dues payments are Dulzura and Jamul. In four days still lagging. Every comrade is expected to make it his personal task to see that his unit is up to date on its dues.

### **Greyhound Shows** Discrimination

LOS ANGELES. - Showing flagrant racial discrimination, the Greyhound Bus Agency, 544 So Hill St., refused to reserve berth accommodations for Clara Towns.

Mrs. Towns, who was leaving ward building a Farmer ion from the Western Worker applied through the usual channels for berth accommodation and was told by the clerk ir charge that berths were not sold to Negroes.

Fluky Lie

Carrying the matter to a Mr Tibbits, traffic manager, Mrs. Towns was told that there wa no discrimination against Negroe but that no berths were available able until a week from Wednes-

A phone call put through few minutes later revealed that berths were available on every bus leaving for the East every day this week.

Pointing out that refusal or the basis of racial discrimination constitutes grounds for both penal and civil suits, Mrs. Towns declared that legal action would quickly follow this denial of her civil rights.

#### Can Anyone Find An Honest Man In S.F. Police Dept.?

SAN FRANCISCO. — Another grafting cop was turned up here last Saturday when Patrolman Joseph S. Murray allegedly speak on his program, at 1133 signed a full confession he had accepted bribes for giving police protection to a vice resort, operating almost within the shadow the United States to Moscow. of the Hall of Justice.

Police Chief Quinn promptly tried to crawl out from under by saying responsibility for this joint was discovered paying situation belonged with the Cengraft to S.F. cops in the shadow tral Station police captain, not

#### FOR A.F.L. UNITY

LOUISVILLE, Ky. - Opposi-Louisville Central Labor Coun-

Join the Communist Party! Fight for liberty to clear the path to Socialism!

#### APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Name	 	
Address		State
Occupation		
Nationality		3 ( )

Mail application to Communist Party, 121 Haight Street, San Francisco, or to Communist Party, 224 South Spring Street, Room 409, Los Angeles.

## Urgent Message To The Party

By Earl Browder

Millions have already heard our message in this campaign. Never before have we brought the message of our Party to such large numbers. The response to our election policy is most encouraging. The central issue which we have pledged before the American people—the road towards progress or reaction-is being understood by millions,

Even larger sections of the people begin to understand that the next step in the fight against the ever-growing menace of Fascism, for the preservation and extension of our liberties, for even the minimum of economic security, is the accepts the San Francisco water building of the broad front of the common people—the Farm-

> The most advanced workers understand that this united struggle and not empty chatter, is the road that finally leads to the abolition of the system of capitalist exploitation and to

But in examining the work of our Party organziations it is evident that we are not taking full advantage of this growing influence of our Party and the interest of the people in

message.

The whole of our campaign which was organized on the Mired Man, Says basis of a definite budget is endangered by the slowness of the financial drive. Much of what we have done was done by Rep. Byron Scott incurring debts. We can go no further unless sufficient funds are available.

#### Organize Our Forces NOW!

We are entering the final stage of the election campaign. The extent and the quality of our efforts in the remaining weeks will determine the results. I am therefore compelled given at the Fellowship Forum El Cajon, and then went to the should be sent in to the Western to place these questions before you frankly.

The work from now on must be better organized. Every church here October 11th, on the Party organization, every Party member must take up the No. 1. election campaign with full force.

Until now there has been too much reliance on the spon- as a 'Communist' is an onslaught taneous reaction of the masses. Now we must in every fac-Rancho, WPA job 397, Descanso, total to 44, bringing them close tory, in every trade union, in the other workers' mass organi- the rankest and vilest form this zations, organize our forces to win the masses. House-to- country has ever seen, declared house canvassing, distribution of literature, personal talks with the voters, must be organized.

As a definite and most important phase of this organization work we must raise our election campaign fund. If we don't, we will be unable to go on. Our Party cannot afford to let this happen. Our Party is strong enough to come has gone to Europe on a foreign through with flying colors.

#### Immediate Action!

The financial drive must therefore be carried through without delay. This includes:

1. Contribution and collection of the day's wage within

2. Meetings in every neighborhood, city, in organization, for raising funds. Radio parties have proved very useful in

3. More intensive collections through the coupon books, ag days, and other means suitable to the local situation, as a means of collecting funds from amongst our growing circle of sympathizers.

I place the matter squarely before the Party. I urge all organizers of our Party and every member to take individual responsibility for the success of our campaign. I will personally take responsibility for the financial drive, the outcome of which will determine much of the results of our

All of us would share responsibility if we failed to respond behind the drive of the Young lisher of the California News to the needs of the present situation. But we must not fail. Communist League to reach a We must bring our program to every man and woman in the United States.

Let us, rather, assume responsibility for SUCCESS in this man of the Party. most important campaign.

EARL BROWDER.

## **New Pro-Fascist**

LOS ANGELES .- Another pro-Fascist organization has sprung up here alongside of the Silver Legion, Friends of New Germany, and the Klu Klux Klan. It is called the "American War-

Running ads in the Hearst Examiner and Chandler Times, it professes to call "red-blooded" Americans together to prevent the "Reds" from taking bodily

"Now look here, fellas, this is the plan. First, we gotta get rid of the Reds. Now you come I'll tell you how we do it," said at 257 South Spring St., when asked questions concerning his organization by representatives

of the Western Worker. As near as could be learned, the function of the "American Warriors" is to form phoney labor organizations to act as disruptive influences in the growing trade union movement here.

Whether or not the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Association is financing the organization could not be learned, but it certainly has the smell of Hearst, Chandler, the M. and M. and the Chamber of Commerce.

the CIO suspension, is the deto the A.F.L. Executive Council. garding it as a backward step. this job."

#### Lemke Endorsement Actively Resisted By Townsendites

SAN FRANCISCO. - The gress. Townsendites throughout the the Fascist bait of the Coughlin-Lemke Union Party.

This was strikingly revealed here in figures printed in the local press, showing the circulation drop for the Townsend Weekly.

When Dr. Townsend came out five weeks. Later it dropped another 100,000.

Even Townsend leaders see some money. Then we gotta get the whole movement and not a period immediately following it pension ally, and regard Rev. back to a meeting Friday and Gerald L. K. Smith, the out-andout Fascist, in the same light. the stooge in charge of the offices The rank-and-file in California Smith.

#### 'Nix" Is Lathers' Answer to Bosses' 8-Hour Day Plea

LONG BEACH.—With one exception, all lathers employed in the entire harbor district are now 100% signed up Lemke are making a strong bid in the Lathers Union.

The members, all employed, have a 6-hour day, but the Build- sle against Fascism—for the which would har one-man cars ers Exchange has requested the huilding of the Farmer-Labor from the central business district union to amend its rules so as Party. A Young Communist as a menace to public safety HUNTSVILLE, Ala. - Rescind to provide for an 8-hour day. | League of 20,000 will go a long but Councilman Brainard, com-The union is expected to turn way towards insuring the suc- mittee chairman, was goaded mand of the Labor Council here this proposition down flat, re-cessful carrying through of into promising to deliver the

C.P. FOR ADEQUATE RELIEF



THE NUMBER OF THOSE ON RELIEF AND WPA is gradually being cut down. The only party fighting for adequate relief and relief jobs at union wages is the Communist Party. It's also the only party which fights for a system of unemployment and social insurance. Photo shows scene in a relief office. These men want to work, and it's not their fault that they don't.

## Hearst Is Hitler's STORM TROOP

ANGELES. — "William Randolph Hearst is one of the prime liars in American journalism," said Congressman Byron Scott, Democrat incumbent in the 18th district, in an address of Grace Methodist Episcopal subject, "Hearst-Public Enemy

"Hearst's attack on Roosevelt of black reaction behind the banners of yellow journalism-

Hitler's Man "Hearst is paid \$400,000 annually by the German government to act as Mr. Hitler's American correspondent.

"Now "Buy American' Hearst prepare himself for the position he has in mind-America's Hit-

"I call upon all Republicans now to drive him out of that party, and into the political oblivion he so richly merits." Scott, a former Long Beach

igh school teacher, was elected to Congress in 1934 and was victorious in the recent Democratic

In Congress he opposed the Hearst-backed Kramer Sedition
Bill and the Blanton "Red rider."

Negro Newspaper

## Build The Y.C.L **Urges Foster**

Communist Party members were urged to throw full support membership of 20,000 by January 1st, in a statement issued by William Z. Foster, national chair-

Foster's statement follows: "I have viewed with greatest interest the increasingly-important role being played by the Young Communist League in developing broad mass movements of American youth on the basis of the fight for their elementary rights to jobs, education, peace, freedom and pro-

"As a result of this work we country can't and won't swallow have witnessed a tremendous growth in the prestige and influence of the League. But the organizational growth of the Y.C.L. is still out of all proportion to the following developed. "The election campaign is of-

fering the Party the opportunity of bringing its full position to the youth through mass meetings. for Lemke, the circulation drop- leaflets, daily newspapers and ped from 550,000 to 300,000 in through numerous local broadcasts. This opportunity can well be used to bring in thousands of new youth into our League Father Coughlin as a swiper of during the campaign and in the "The Communist Party has a

very important task in this re gard. Side by side with our slo pan for a Communist Party of are particularly bitter against 100,000 we must raise the slogan of a Young Communist League of 20.000 by January 1st. "This task cannot be consid-

ered as a 'special favor' that the Party is extending the Y.C.L. We must look at the task from the viewpoint of strengthening the arm for a progressive youth movement in America. "Particularly now is this im-

behind Landon and his stonge for youth support. The wouth can and must be won for the strug- files on the recommendation.

## Behind Plans

NEW YORK-A plot to organize storm troopers against 'radical influence of Jews and reds," was revealed here last week when one Hubert W. Eldred, an employee of the U.S. Treasury Department, announced plans for a "militaristic veteran reserve corps of 830,000 mem-

Eldred, who was working with the department's procurement division doing WPA work was suspended by T. J. Forde, state procurement officer.

Eldred said his organization had 3000 members after six weeks, and that the men were to be uniformed and trained to be uniformed and trained regularly at rifle practice and Fitts' Patriotic military drills under direction of a Russian White Guard, Vladimir Kusick, "who gives Grand ship. For what reason, save to Duchess Marie as a personal reference."

Eldred said President Roosevelt "had been suspected as a possible radical."

Mrs. Mabel Jacques Eichel national director of the Independent Coalition of American Wo men which sponsored Al Smith's recent anti-Roosevelt speech was named as "very interested" in Eldred's storm-troop idea.

## Flavs Hearst

LOS ANGELES. - William Randolph Hearst and his newspaper syndicate were branded as the worst fomenters of race hatred in the United States by Fay M. Jackson, editor and puband defender of the Negro peo-

"Through the columns of his various newspapers and his world wide news syndicate, he California Reserves Corporation. has, since the beginning of his None of the 10 was ever brought career, portrayed the Negro as to trial. a criminal, a hopeless mendicant, a rapist and the lowest breed of humanity," Miss Jack-

son wrote. "Unless through sheer accident, no Negro picture is ever allowed to appear in any Hearst newspaper showing him in the light of achievement or merit. knew of the letters of a hun-

United States who can read, see. action.' or think, knows the expressed nolicy of William Randolph Hearst towards them and all other darker citizens of the country.'

Miss Jackson berated certain o-called Negro leaders who under the Hearst banner, would try to lead the great masses of the Negro people into support of eactionary politicians.

She called attention to the importance of supporting progressive candidates.

#### One-Man Car Issue Brings Fireworks

LOS ANGELES. - The Board of Public Utilities' half-forgotten recommendation against oneman street cars brought fireworks when it finally came back to the City Council here,

Councilman Christensen round ly flayed fellow councilmen for failing to act against the LA Street Railways as provided for portant when the Fascist forces July 10th.

The council defeated Christen sen's motion that the public utilities committee deliver up the

## LOS ANGELES DOES GOOD WEEK'S WORK IN RAISING FUND FOR C. P. CAMPAIGN

San Francisco Slumps; All Hands Needed To Turn To If People's Chest Is To Be Filled Before November 3rd

Really getting off the dime to raise funds for the Communist election campaign, Los Angeles turned in \$278.16 last week, its biggest total for a week thus far!

San Francisco comrades, who \* had been consistently leading in the drive to fill the People's Chest Against Reaction, fell 'way below their usual standard durbelow their usual standard ing the same period, only turning in \$42.20. Alameda County below average speed, collecting \$49.65.

Bearding the Vigilantes

home of vigilantes, but this doesn't stop the Communist Party members and sympathizers from carrying on a real election campaign. Sonoma comrades collected \$27.50 to continue their

San Jose collected \$17.33 last week, Tulare \$5, San Mateo, \$27.64, Redding \$5; Fort Bragg Treasury Dept. Man \$5, Contra Costa \$5, and Bakersfield \$8.50.

Sprint to Nov. 3rd

Even Los Angeles, however, will have to sprint down the home stretch to raise the necessary funds before election day, November 3rd. In order to insure a rousing campaign to clinch Communist votes in the elections, all hands will have to turn to with enthusiasm and turn in their day's pay and sell out he \$5 collection coupon books.

All donations should be turned in to 121 Haight Street, San Francisco; County Campaign Committee, 230 South Spring Street, Los Angeles; or any Communist Party headquarters.

## Leg" Fails To **Fool Veterans**

LOS ANGELES-Every time Buron Fitts, district attorney, has gotten in hot water over his conduct in office, he has played sick over his "patriotic leg," allegedly shot in the Argonne during the war

become ailing everytime the p. m.; John L. Leech, 17th Cong. heat, was on Fitts, in order Dist. candidate, L. A., KMTR, to win "patriotic" sympathy. Recently, this leg didn't do Oct. 30th-"Mother" Bloor, naany good, and-maybe it means tional hookup, KPO, KFI, 7:45-8 the turn against the L. A. Times' American Legion Hall, Long

Raymond, L. Haight, former corporation commissioner, called 14th Cong. Dist. candidate, KM the veterans' attention to the TR L. A., 7:15-7:30 p.m.; Stancase of one George G. Gregory. Fitts' brother-in-law, one of 10 wealthy men indicted in 1934 after charges were brought in connection with collapse of the

Fitts, then claimed he had a letter from Haight, in which the latter said the men should be exonerated. "That's a lie," roared Haight

"When I was corporation commissioner, I called Fitts' attention to that case. I told him he "Every colored person in the dred or so investors demanding Veterans Boo

Obviously flustered, Fitts tried to think up an answer, and the veterans started booing. Later Fitts tried to blacker

his opponent, Harlan Palmer. by saying that a building owned by the Markham estate, with which Palmer is connected, was one of the most vicious places he had ever heard of. "That being the case." Haigh

And though Fitts shook hi "patriotic leg," the veteranns still booed, drowning Fitts' answer. ANOTHER IOWA PROTEST

flung back, Why didn't you do

something about it?"

CEDAR RAPIDS fa .- By .inanimous vote the Cedar Rapids sional District and 52nd Assem-Federation of Labor called for deferring of anti-C.I.O. action City-Wide Drama Group and until the A.F.L. convention in the Mandolin Club will enter-

Sonoma County may be the 16 Other Communist Broadcasts In California

> The Hitler-like maneuvers of William Randolph Hearst in the 1936 election campaign behind the candidacy of Alf Landon, will be exposed in all their sinister meaning, by Earl Browder, Communist candidate for President, in a nation-wide broadcast next Friday, October 23rd, 7:45p.m. over the NBC chain.

KFI, Los Angeles, and KPO, San Francisco, will release the broadcast in California. Other Communist election

proadcasts are as follows: Hear Ross and Ashe Monday, Oct. 19th-Harold J. Ashe, 14th Cong. Dist. candidate, Los Angeles, KMTR, 7:15-7:30 p. m.; Lawrence Ross, 5th Cong.

Dist. candidate, San Francisco, KROW, 6:45 p. m.
Thursday, Oct. 22nd—Carl B. Patterson, 9th Cong. Dist. candidate, Fresno, KMJ, 10:30 p. m.; Emma Cutler, 13th Cong. Dist. Candidate, L. A., KMTR, 8-

8:15 p. m. Monday, Oct. 26th — Emil Freed, 57th A. D. candidate, L. A., KMTR, 7:15-7:30 p. m.; Archie Brown, 22nd A. D. candidate, S. F., KROW, 7:45-8 p. m.; E. L. Richardson, 20th Cong. Dist. candidate, San Diego, KFSD, 7:15

Oct. 27th—Lloyd Harris, 6th Cong. Dist. candidate, Oakland,

KRE, 6:15 p. m. Oct. 28th—Alex Noral, 23rd A. D. candidate, S. F., KROW, 6:45 p. m.

State-Wide Broadcast Oct. 29th-Wm. Schneiderman, C. P. state secretary, state-wide hookup, KGO, S . F.; KECA, L. Very conveniently, the leg has A.; and KFSD, San Diego, 7-7:15

L. A., 8-8:15 p. m.

p. m.; Charles McLaughlan, 19th man in the D.A.'s office-it was Cong. Dist. candidate, San Berbefore a grou pof veterans in the nardino, KFXM, 7:15-7:30 p. m. Nov. 2nd-Earl Browder, national hookup, KGO, KECA, KF SD, 7:45-8 p. m.; Harold J. Ashe,

ley Hancock, San Diego, C. P.

#### organizer, KFSD, 7:15 p. m. Alas, It's Jail For U.S. Congressman

Caught Grafting! LOS ANGELES - Alas, alas, John R. Hoeppel and his son Charles must go to jail for four months following refusal of the U.S. Supreme Court to review their lower court conviction of conspiracy to sell a West Point appointment to James W. Ives,

Baltimore athlete, for \$1000. Hoeppel, once-upon-a-time congressman from the 12th district, was recently defeated while running on a strong Townsend plat-

#### Young Communists Plan Election Dance

LOS ANGELES. — A youth election rally and dance will be staged by the Jack London Branch, Young Communist League, in support of the Communist election campaign on Friday night, October 23rd, at Brooklyn Hall, 2526 Brooklyn Ave.

Speakers will be Emma Cutler and Herbert Elstein, C.P. candidates in the 13th Congres-

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#### Youth Choose To Fight

OMMENTING on the case of a young unemployed girl recently found starving in San Francisco, a newspaper contrasts editorially this individual case, which because of attendant publicity resulted in many offers of jobs, to "the sullen demoralization of multitudes of jobless youth," whom the editorial writer refers to as mere "statistics."

These 'statistics' are coming to life—in a determination to win education, vocational training and jobs.

The "sullen demoralization" has given way to organization behind the program of the American Youth Congress, for the passage of the Benson-Amlie American Youth Act. This is the program which points the way out for the jobless Youth of America, which seeks to open the road to opportunity for the more than half million American youth pouring out of the schools and colleges each year.

Certainly the dramatization of individual cases resulting in the offers of jobs-as in the case of the San Francisco girl-cannot solve the grave problems faced by the youth of this country. She is one among millions. These millions must organize behind a united front of youth demands—such as is provided by the American Youth Congress.

The Community Party in this campaign supports the American Youth Act wholeheartedly. Its essentials are written into the Communist Party platform. Earl Browder, presidential candidate of the Communist Party, appealing to the Youth of America in a nation-wide radio hook-up last week, described the Declaration of Rights and the American Youth Act, both adopted by the American Youth Congress as "documents" comparable to the Declaration of Independence and the Bill of Rights."

What other road is offered the youth of America? Only that proposed by Gerald L. K. Smith and Father Coughlin—the road of Fascism, of the mobilization of youth into storm troops to be used against the working class.

The American Youth Congress is one of the main barriers keeping the Coughlin-Gerald Smith reactionaries from spreading their reactionary poison among the youth of this for the preservation of the civil liberties of gressman Emanuel Celler (Dem)

We call upon all youth organizations not already affiliated to the American Youth Congress, to do so immediately.

We call upon all young people interested in their future, in the immediate victory of the forces of democracy over those of Fascism, to join that organization which is the driving force behind the task of building a powerful united youth movement—the Young Communist League.

We call upon all young voters to vote Communist November 3rd!

#### Landon and the Unemployed

T ANDON'S much heralded speech on how the Republican party proposes to solve the unemployment relief problem has been delivered—and the upshot of it is to be found in the following words: "It is not an easy problem. But it is a problem which can \_and must\_be solved." Not very encour-

His speech contains a theme song: a varied rendition of an attack on Roosevelt's use of relief administration to build up a political machine. We Communists are the last to say that Roosevelt's hands are clean in this respect. Roosevelt is a capitalist politician. Capitalist politicians build political machines to win or to retain office. The only reason Hoover hasn't been attacked for building a political machine around relief administration is because Hoover didn't administer relief.

The chief and significant note in Landon's address, hidden under a barrage leveled against the Roosevelt administration, was his stress upon the responsibilities of states and communities in solving the relief problem.

While he declares the Federal government must continue to give financial aid, through the states -he hints at certain conditions with which states would have to comply. The first of these, he declares, is that states would have to contribute a "fair proportion" of the total relief burden. What this "fair proportion" is can be judged on the basis of Landon's continual cry of cutting down Federal relief funds, of balancing the budget. No matter how eloquently Landon tries to deny it, this means balancing the budget at the ex-

pense of the unemployed. It means placing most of the burden on states unable to cope with the situation. Already in this speech Landon has come out openly against the continuation of Federal Public Works projects for the unemployed!

A vote for Landon means a vote for starvation for the unemployed.

For jobs at trade union wages, for social security-vote Communist!

#### For Freedom—Join The Communist Party!

VERY READER of the Western Worker knows that that hour is a critical one The Fascist forces are not asleep. With venomous hatred they direct their main fire against the labor movement, the progressive forces, and especially the Communist Party. They are determined to smash the organizations of the workers, destroy the democratic liberties of the people, outlaw the Communist Party and establish the barbarous rule of Fascism in America.

No time can be lost. The present moment demands heroic efforts in the fight against reaction. Every trade union, every progressive organization-all the people who stand for progress, liberty, peace and securitymust unite in a broad American people's front—a Farmer Labor Party. Only such a Representatives. path will effectively defeat the forces of re-

In this fight against reaction the first step is a strong and powerful Communist Party. It is the Communists who have fought most consistently against the Hearsts, Coughlins, Landons and those whom they represent. It is the Communists who have always been in the front ranks to organize the unorganized and build a powerful united American Federation of Labor, based on industrial unionism. It is the Communists who have defended the workers' rights to organize, strike and picket, the rights of free speech, assembly and the press. That is why the reactionaries shout 'Communism' every time the workers begin to back up their fight for these elementary rights by organization and struggle.

If you stand for democracy, if you stand the people, if you agree that man must be freed from exploitation and oppression of capital-your place is in our ranks.

Join the Communist Party and become an active fighter against Hearst-Liberty League reaction. Join the Communist Party and help build an American people's front against Fascism-a powerful Farmer-Labor Party. Join the Communist Party and help to bring about that day when the peoples of America will transform this glorious country of ours into a land of a free people-free from exploitation and oppression—a Soviet America.

#### A "Society Reporter" Predicts

A CCORDING to Cornelius Vanderbilt Jr., the "society reporter," the cabinet Governor Landon will select, in the event of his election, will include the following:

For Secretary of State: William Randolph

For Secretary of Labor: Alfred E. Smith. Whatever our personal opinion of "society reporters' such as Cornelius Jr. is, we must

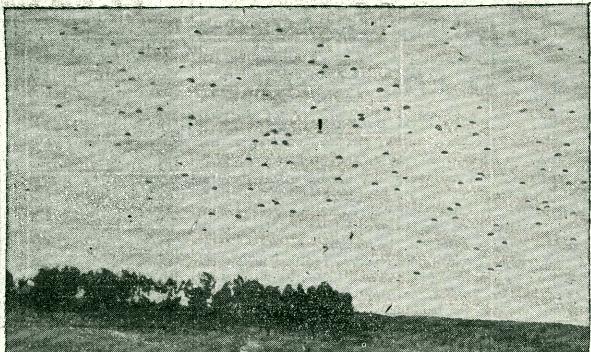
admit that perhaps he knows a thing or two.

Certainly Hearst, chief propagandist for Landon and chief press exponent of Fascism in America, would be excellently qualified to carry the anti-labor plans of the Republican administration into the arena of international affairs. We need only recall Hearst's responsibility for the sinking of the "Maine" and the Spanish-American war; his clamoring against the "Yellow Peril" and for war against Japan, his attempts to stir up war with Mexico, his current vicious attacks

agginst the Soviet Union. And just as certainly, Alfred E. Smith, political white-haired boy of the American Liberty League, could be counted upon to , carry out the labor-smashing drive of his benefactors, the du Ponts, in the office of Secretary of Labor.

Weinstock, Sec'y.-Treas., But it really isn't basically important whether or not these predictions by Vanderbilt are accurate. What we can be certain of is that no matter which persons are actually named to fill these posts in the cabinet should Landon be elected, the policies pursued would be those of Hearst and the Liberty

#### FASCISTS PREPARE WAR—SOVIETS PREPARE DEFENSE



FASCIST WAR PREPARATIONS are aimed first of all at land where workers rule—the Soviet Union. The Soviet masses are prepared to defend their great achievements to the last drop of blood. Photo shows a thrilling new surprise tactic which will greet Nazis or Japanese imperialists should they try to invade the Soviet Union. A rain of parachutes falls from the sky as 1200 soldiers, carrying 10 machine guns and 18 light field pieces, drop to form their lines anew behind the "enemy's" ines after being carried 100 miles by aircraft.

## The Fight For Release Of Labor's Oldest Prisoners

James B. McNamara and Matthew A. Schmidt .

A petition for pardon for their conviction. In point of years have J. B. McNamara and M. Los Angeles Times explosion of During that time, Mrs. Herrick citizens, has been sent to Governor Frank J. Merriam.

The petition signers include trade union leaders, writers, officials, and members of the United States Senate and House of

Among those who initiated the petition were the late Lincoln Steffens and Clarence Darrow, who was counsel for McNamara at his trial in Los Angeles 25 years ago. Steffens was also involved in the defense at that

The following signatures besides those of the initiators, are affixed to the petition which was forwarded to Governor Merriam by registered airmail:

Thomas R. Amlie (Prog.) Wisconsin; Newton Arvin, Instructor, Smith College; Samuel Baron, President, Bookkeepers' Stenographers, and Accountants University; Bruce Bliven, Editor, New Republic; Congressman Dr. Edwin Berry Burgum, As sistant Professor, N.Y. University Usher L. Burdick (Rep.), N.D. James B. Carey, Gen. Pres., Un. Elec. and Radio W. of A.; Con-N.Y.; John Coefield, Gen. Pres. Un. Ass. of Journeymen Plum bers and Steam Fitters; Elizabeth Cristman, Nat'l. Sec'y. Women's T.U. League; Frank W. Davis, Pres., Local 5, I.A.B.S and O.I.W., Washington, D.C.: Prof. John Dewey, Columbia Theodore Dreiser, University: Writer; David Dubinsky, Pres., Int'l. Ladies Garment Workers Union; Congressman Matthew A. Dunn (Dem.), Pa.; Dr. Frederick B. Fisher, Central M. E. Church. Detroit, Mich.; John Fitzpatrick, Pres., Chicago Fed. of Labor: Ben Gold, Man., Furriers' Joint man. First V. Pres., United Tex-Haddock, Pres., American Ra-J. Hendley, Pres., Teachers Un-Amal. Clothing W. of A.; Julius dies Garment Workers Union; Jules Korchein, Nat'l. Sec'y. Fed. of Architects, Engineers, Chemists and Technicians; Lewis E. Lawes, Warden, Sing Sing; Sin-W. D. Mahon, Int'l. Pres., Amal Ass. of Street, Elec. Ry. and Motor Coach Employees of A.; Congressman Vito Marcantonio (Rep), N.Y.; Frank X. Martel, Pres., Detroit and Wayne Co Maury Maverick (Dem.), Texas: Thomas F. McMahon, Int'l. Pres. Un. Textile W. of A.; E. N. Nockels, Sec'y. Chicago Fed. of Labor; Senator Gerald P. Nye (Rep.), N.D.; Hon. Caroline O'Day (Dem.), N.Y.; Julia Peterkin, Writer, SC ..; Amos Pinchot, Counsellor at Law New York; Henry W. Raisse, Pub. Sec.. leveland Fed. of Labor; Dr. M. Schlauch, Ass. Prof., N.Y. University; Upton Sinclair, Writer, released. Measured by prevail Calif.; Congressman William I ing standards the punishmen Sirovich, M.C. (Dem.), N.Y.; Rev. of McNamara and Schmidt ha William B. Spofford, Church already been extremely severe League for Ind. Democracy (Eplard, Editor, The Nation; Louis

The petition follows:

Council 9, Bro. of Painters, Dec-

Holyoke College; Max Zarit-

James B. McNamara and Mat-served, McNamara and Schmidt A. Schmidt. thew A. Schmidt, imprisoned for are the oldest labor prisoners life in California on murder in the world. They have served Governor Frank J. Merriam, charges in connection with the 25 and 21 years respectively. Sacramento, California, 1910, signed by 48 prominent said, every prison in the world has been cleared of labor and political prisoners at one time herewith petition you to gran or another through general amnesties, or individual releases Namara and Matthew A. Schmid and pardones, expect San Quentin, where these two men have tences in Folsom and San Quenbeen confined until a year ago tin Penitentiaries for participawhen McNamara was removed tion in causing an explosion in to Folsom Penitentiary at Re- the Los Angeles Times Building pressa, California. Schmidt is in 1910, during a bitterly fought still in San Quentin.

> The petition, after reciting the geles and vicinity. circumstances of the dynamiting of the Los Angeles Times building, discusses the plea of "guilty" entered by McNamara: "At the time of the trial

growing out of the dynamiting both members of the American of the Times Building an agreement was arrived at between the prosecution and the defense conspirators and particularly one bordering on civil war. that Matthew A. Schmidt and Dave Caplin should never be this combat against the forces Namara to fifteen years in the kept by the then District Attorney John D. Fredericks so long as he was in office. When Fredericks was defeated by Thomas Council, N.Y.: Francis J. Gor- Lee Woolwine for the office of district attorney, the latter, distile Workers of America; Hoyt regarding the promise made by his predecessor, and in cooperadio, Telegraphists Ass.; Charles tion with W. J. Burns, brought Dave Caplin back from Wash-Sidney Hillman, Pres., ington and tried and convicted him of manslaughter. He was Hockman, Vice Pres., Int'l. La-sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary and served the full time of six years and six months. Matthew Schmidt was brought back from New York, tried for clair Lewis, Writer, Vermont; murder, sentenced to life imprisonment in the penitentiary and has now served twenty-one

years. asked for parole to which he is entitled under the agreemen as a result of which he pleaded Fed. of Labor; Congressman guilty, since he feels that to do so would be a violation of hi duty towards Schmidt who was never to be prosecuted if the McNamaras pleaded guilty."

The petition closes: "As neither of these defendants had the slightest intent or desire to take life and have paid by their many years of imprisonment (25 in the case of Mc Namara - 21 in the case of Schmidt) we submit that both Since the turn of the century troubles including great violence

Your Excellency:

We, the undersigned, American citizens in various walks of life a full pardon to James B. Mc who are now serving life senmetal trades strike in Los An-

Not Criminals . These men are not criminals who ruthlessly sought their own personal gain at the cost of society; they are trade unionists

Federation of Labor. Angeles strike, in line with their plead guilty to murder occasion- improve the working and living ed by the dynamiting of the conditions, not only of them-Times building and that J. B. selves and their families, but of McNamara should plead guilty all their fellow trade unionists. to the dynamiting of the Llew The explosion for which they ellan Iron Works. It was further were imprisoned occurred during agreed that J. B. McNamara one of the most acute struggles that there should be no prosecu- in Los Angeles was widely chartion of any of the other alleged acterized in the daily press as

It was during the waging of persecuted if they remained out opposing betterment of wage of the state of California. The earners of Los Angeles that the agreement was broken almost Times explosion was planned at once by Judge Walter Board The Los Angeles Times was one well who sentenced J. B. Mc- of the most bitter opponents of labor organizations in the Unipenitentiary. The agreement was ted States, and was sparing no effort to keep Los Angeles an open shop city. It daily engaged in making most bitter attacks against the labor leaders of the State, and in distorting and maligning the whole of the organized labor movement of the enire country.

In their capacity as strike or ganizers, James B. McNamara of he Typographical Union and Matthew A. Schmidt of the Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America secured dy namite in Northern Califoria James B. McNamara took some of this dynamite to Los Angeles and placed a small charge o it behind some barrels of ink n the vehicle tunnel way which ran from the street through the Times building. The dynamite without any metal casing or me tal slugs of any kind was placed in an ordinary suitcase timed o explode at 1:00 A.M. Saturday morning when the buildin would normally be vacant excep for the operation of the presse n the basement.

McNamara could never have hought that the discharge of this small package of dynamite would cause the loss of humar life. His purpose was to cause large detonation, attract public notice and call public at tention to the vicious hostility of the Times toward the working class.

Different Attitude In those days the principle of the class struggle were no iscopal); Oswald Garrison Vil- there have been many sharp as well understood as today and dynamiting of property was ac Dist between capital and labor in var cepted as one method of fight ious countries and tens of thou- ing organized wealth. The work prators and Paperhangers of A; sands of workers have been im ers felt that such violence as Dr. Mary E. Woolley, Pres. Mt. prisoned in consequence; but was illustrated by Haymarket none have suffered such long and Homestead and Paint and ky, Pres., Un. Hatters, Cap, and imprisonment as the two men ir Cabin Creek, (and which wa Millinary Workers Int'l. Union. question. Though one search all later to be illustrated by Lud over the world one cannot find low) could only be met by vio The petition is the first for another prisoner who has been lence. Workers did not then un mal move made for the freedom imprisoned for his labor activ- derstand that mass action, mass of the two labor prisoners since ity for such a long period as picketing are the proper weapons Is Roosevelt Going Left?

political commentator from Washington, D. C., reporting that

Roosevelt is planning to "balance the budget" by 1937 or 1938, and one of the main items in the budget-balancing will be a one-third

AS WE SEE IT

By BILL SCHNEIDERMAN,

California State Secretary, Communist Party, U. S. A.

S THOUGH IN ANSWER to the arguments against a Farmer 1 Labor Party by some Epics and trade-unionists, that Roose velt would go to the left after the elections, two items of great significance were recently published in the press. One is by a

reduction in the already-inadequate relief appropriations. A second item is the announcement of the New York Times, most important capitalist newspaper in America, that it supports President Roosevelt for re-election because it believes he will follow more conservative policies in the next four years.

Which only proves the Communist Party's analysis, that in the fight to defeat reaction, the workers cannot rely on Roosevelt because he surrenders to pressure from the Right. In order to build up the necessary mass pressure from the Left, to stop Roosevelt's retreat and force more concessions for Labor, a Farm er-Labor party is needed. Independent political action by labor the farmers, and the city middle-classes—an American People's Front—is the only means to guarantee the defeat of the pro-Fascist forces in America.

#### Labor's Non-Partisan League

Fifteen or more international unions of the A.F.L. have gone on record during the past year for a Labor party or Farmer-Labor party. But no Farmer-Labor party was formed on a national scale because the trade unions who favor independent political action are supporting Roosevelt in the presidential elections.

It would be a serious mistake, however, to draw the conclusion from this that there is no need to build the movement for a Farmer-Labor party NOW. Even among the trade union leaders who support Roosevelt, there is a growing realization that NOW is the time to prepare for 1938 and 1948; this is an indirect and tacit admission that reliance on Roosevelt is no assurance that Fascism will not eventually win out.

Labor's Non-Partisan League was formed at the initiative of the industrial-union bloc as a permanent national organization which recognizes the need for independent political action and is looking ahead to future local, state, and national elections. Its New York state section has formed itself into the "American Labor Party," which already has an affiliated membership of 500,-000 trade unionists in that state: Even those forces in the tradeunions that stand to the left of Roosevelt, and that favored an independent national ticket this year, joined forces with the American Labor Party because they see in it an important forward step for the labor movement, in breaking with the traditional "nonpartisah" stand of the A.F.L. leadership, and laying the basis for genuine independent political action by labor in the near future.

The Communists agree with such a step, even though we do not support Roosevelt. We see in it a means of getting the supporters of Roosevelt to develop mass pressure upon him and his policies, to stop his retreat. We see in it a step, although not a sufficient one, in the direction of a Farmer-Labor party. Yes, we make a united front with the workers who support Roosevelt.

Meanwhile, the Communist Party conducts its independent campaign for its presidential and state ticket to further crystallize that movement, and because we cannot accept the responsibility for Roosevelt and his policies, some of which are concessions Their participation in the Los to the pressure from his reactionary opponents. By such an independent role, the Communist Party is playing an influentia that J. B. McNamara should leading objective in life was to part in the fight to defeat Landon and the pro-Fascist forces he 

#### What To Do In California

The movement for a Farmer-Labor party must be strengthened in California, especially in the trade unions. Trade-unionists should disregard and repudiate the false claim by opponents of a seven years and that J. B. Mc- American history. Hard blows Labor party, that it would help elect Landon; on the contrary; it Namara should be paroled at were being struck on both sides would help defeat Landon, and strengthen the labor movement for the end of three years and three and both had recourse to vio- the struggles to come, both on the economic and political field. months. It was further agreed lence. At the time, the situation The battle against reaction will not be over after the elections; it will just begin.

Among the Epics, the movement for the building of a Farmer-Labor party after the elections, is being carried on through the State Continuations Committee for United Political Action, elected at their recent September conference. But this movement has paid too little attention to the trade-unions, and still underestimates the role of the labor movement as the MAIN BASE of a Farmer-Labor party.

The progressive forces in the trade unions have been too timid and vacillating on the question of independent political action, The Communists and other left-wing elements in the trades unions share the responsibility for this situation. Not enough education has been carried on in the unions to show the workers that economic struggles and gains cannot be successful and lasting unless reinforced by independent working-class political action. It is a short-sighted view, and one which will react to the detriment of the unions' strength, to see only the need for militant struggle on the economic field against employer-banker interests, and to strengthen those same interests against which the unions are fighting, by supporting capitalist political parties and their can-

There exists in many cities and counties throughout California, not only a strong sentiment for independent political action, but the beginnings of organization in that direction. Trade Unoin Committees for the promotion of a Labor party; trade union political clubs or Farmer-Union clubs; at least 100 local unions on record for a Farmer-Labor party. There is also an attempt being made to organize Labor's Non-Partisan League in this state. The pogressives in the trade-unions should actively support and participate in such organization.

Municipal elections are coming in 1937; state and Congressional elections in 1938. The State Legislature opens next January. There is no time to be lost in organizing the forces of labor, the armers and the city middle-class for a united front in these elections. The putting forward of Labor Tickets in next spring's municipal elections requires the groundwork to be laid NOW. The building of a Farmer-Labor party in California is the most vital task of the labor movement, if the forces of reaction are to be defeated.

mprove their economic condi-

As has been said, the bomb was timed to explode at one A.M. Saturday morning when it development of the fire resultwas anticipated that the build- ing from the igniting of the oil the press operators. The explo- ers were trapped and unhappily the basement underneath the sulting from the fire, were enplace where the dynamite was tirely accidental. left, and no pressman was killed. At the time of the trial grow-The explosion ignited the oil in ing out of the dynamiting of the the ink and in a very short time | Times building an agreement was building, a veritable fire-trap, as arrived at between the prosecuit turned out to be, was in tion and the defense that J. B. flames. Faulty gas connections McNarama should plead guilty were hooked up to the linotype to murder occasioned by the machines became disconnected dynamiting of the Times buildand the gas pouring from these ing and that J.J. McNarama connections contributed to the conflagration.

Many non-union workers forced by low wages to work overtime

with which, they must fight to | were at the hour of the explosion engaged in getting out certain supplemental sections of the following Sunday's edition of the Times. Due to the unexpected ing would be empty except for and the gas some of these worksion did not stop the presses in lost their lives. The deaths re-

should plead guilty to the dynamiting of the Llewellan Iron Works. It was further agreed

### People's Health

By Franklin E. Bissell, M. D.

(Continuing the series on the health and illnesses of factory workers, written jointly with Dr. Z. Klein.)

Shoe Manufacturing Brings Many Diseases To Thousands

THE SHOE INDUSTRY, which exploits 250,000 working men, 10,000 children under sixteen years of age, furnishes injuries to thousands, and sickness to a great many more. According to Dr. Sternberg, "heart diseases are unusually common among shoe

workers, also scabies, flat feet, varicose veins, hemorroids, and intestinal diseas-In the cutting department, the workers are subject to injuries of the hands. In the lasting department, mercury and wood alcohol are used, also shellac and benzine poisoning takes place. The workers handling these chemicals, being exposed to leather dust, lint, shellac, and other gases, suffer a great deal from lung diseases.

Modernizing machinery in the shoe industry did not decrease the hazards and the diseases therein. On the contrary, the speedup system, particularly with children under sixteen years of age, is breaking down their youthful lungs and preparing them for a future condition of tuberculosis. Shall we mention the two



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martyrs that paid with their lives for attempting to organize the shoe induustry, Sacco and Vanzetti?

#### Workers In Printing Trades Suffer Mainly From Lead-Poisoning and Tuberculosis

THE PRINTING INDUSTRY employs 75,000 workers, of which number 28 per cent are women and over 15,000 are boys and girls under 16 years of age. It is a known fact that printers furnish a high death rate. Out of 27 occupations tabulated by the Census Bureau, printers take a leading place in the number of deaths from tuberculosis.

Every form of printing entails dangers to health, the dust from type metal, type founding, type setting contain lead, arsenic which destroy the fine fibers of lung tissue and prepare them for infection from tuberculosis. Printers suffer from tuberculsis, lead poisoning, digestive diseases, and nervousness. Those who tand at their work are ubject to flat feet, varicose veins, varicose ulcers, eczema of the hands from the turpentine, benzine and other chemicals in removing printer's ink. Night work in the printers' in- can make good, I know I can. dustry is very harmful to the eyes.

It is true that printers are better organized than many other industries, but their shops are usually unclean, unsanitary, have insufficient light and air, are damp and are unprotected against printers dust or chemicals. In spite of the present commuzation the workers pay a big price with their health and Lives.

## Women on the March

By MARY GARFIELD

ADIES, GALS AND WOMEN: put on your dust caps, roll up have no work, no education, no steadily worse. Governor Meryour sleeves and let's go. We've got to get into that City Hall and find out what else they've got down there besides \$15,000 worth of tear gas that they don't know a thing about. the pressure of a generation Women always do the housecleaning. After all, you can't leave which refuses to be lost can enough to die. everything to the boys. Good gracious, there might be something force the passage of this Act in down there that would go off and hurt Mr. Rossi. Or Mr. Quinn Congress, all needy American might step on a box of caps, and be awfully frightened!

We don't want a dirty place like that full of devil's brew, in SAN FRANCISCO, the city that knows how; and HOW!

She knows the sins of commission and the sins of omission. She commits herself to \$15,000 worth of poison gas and omits to keep any record as to how she acquired it.

SANTA CLAUS must have dropped it down the chimney last Christmas.

I havce in mind one elderly gentleman who'd look right smart cute in a Santa Claus costume. He's a strict churchman and he ought to know the whole tradition of the Bethlehem Babe whose life was a forfeit, in those far off days, to the cause of those who were exploited and abused. On the market today, Bethlehem Steel closes higher than Bethlehem Babe.

#### And the Schools Need Attention, Too

WHILE WE ARE at the house cleaning job, we had better go into the school yards and the class rooms.

We hear a hell of a lot about child psychology in our schools these days. The harm that is done to the mind in formation, etc. Yet the children of waterfront men have got to listen to some pinhead teacher make cracks about "REDS" being responsible for the entire waterfront situation today. "No! LADY TEACHER, hear ye, if you happen to read a real newspaper: it isn't "Reds," it's intelligence, it's human dignity, it's determination and courage. It's the place in the onward march in the history of mankind, where those who have built, raise their heads in pride of their achievement.

The school yard is another Red-baiting spot. Here the children have to fight it out. Let some child make a report on Russia through a class assignment (which I admit is very rare, but it does happen), and she or he is often on the spot in the school yard. He's a dirty Communist, he ought to be ashamed of himself to get up and talk about a country like Russia. On and on it will go just like the Hearst front page from which these poor kids get their minds polluted.

'We women are going after these things and we are going to put a stop to them. These are our schools, we pay the teachers to teach. They are not there for propaganda purposes. We pay the Board of Education, we pay Mr. Rossi and Mr. Quinn to run this city the way we want it run. It's our sweat, not Mr. Crocker's whiskers, that should control this beautiful city by the

#### After the Fish Strike Is Won

SOME DAY when we can eat it, try this: Take a potato apiece for each member of the family, and one onion for each four potatoes, peel and slice. To this you add a couple of pounds of fish, like cod, halibut, salmon or bass. You can get it awfully cheap, because you just need scraps. My butcher used to save the trimmings for me sometimes when he fixed up the big fish in labor." the morning. The heads are good and the small piece at the tail. Tie the fish up in a cloth so the bones won't get out. Cover the whole mess of potatoes, onions and fish with water and cook until the potatoes are done. Remove your fish, and look over carefully for bones and return to potatoes. Season with salt and pepper. Add a pint of milk, and serve.

### ACCENT ON YOUTH

By EVELYN JAMES

THE Chronicle ran a story L about a starving girl found in an Oakland hotel, too weak even to talk. She was 18. She had left Salem, Oregon, a month ago, with \$25, and come to California to find work. "I have sisters and brothers—my folks have enough to take care of up there." That's the kind of incident we would write up. But we'd do it in a very different way from the Chronicle.

"The girl was dying," said the Chronicle. "Dying from starvation—dying within a stone's throw of a dozen restaurants. Dying with the odor of food wafting through her hotel room. But no one knew it." . . . "And so Marna Hansen, 18, theatre usherette, Oregon girl, came back from the brink of the grave to food, warmth, care and understanding." . . . to plead, "Don't tell my folks—I don't want them to know. I can make good-I know I can. I'm not licked."

Touching little story, isn't it? In spite of the fact that Marna Hansen, 18, nearly died in an Oakland hotel, all's right with to death, not because she was waste material in an economic million young American people, but because, says the Chronicle, "No one knew it."

As soon as society found out about it, they carried her to a nospital—"easy there, fellah, easy on that end; no, down easy" brought her "back from the brink of the grave to food, warmth, care and understanding." The feel bad because now that society knows about it, Marna mittee, have accepted a tempor-will be taken care of. What's ary truce offered by the domimore, the girl has courage. I nating Neblett-McAdoo faction. I'm not licked yet."

UT readers had better feel bad enough to work hard on measures which will take care of American youth of the generation they call "lost." Because, after the Chronicle had its reassuring little sob story about her, and the hospital had turned her loose—then what is Marna going to do? How make good? There are 8 million of us who want to make good with our lives, and we can't go to school, we can't get jobs. How can we

make good? American youth who want to make good, who see how little and reading with relish reports chance they have to do so if they vocational training, are working for the American Youth Act. If Cotton the appointment as senpeople will be able to go to school, to learn a trade, to work youth projects. Marna will be able to find a job. The 8 million of us who at present neither work or go to school, will get

jobs or education. If American young people don't want to go on rotting with- ately after the elections. This in a stone's throw of jobs and schools, they must act themselves. They can't wait for society to find it out with a burst of tenderness and solicitude, because society knows damn well that American youth is rotting in idleness and poverty. American youth, like Marna, is courageous, but it has a more grounded optimism. "We aren't licked. We're going to pass the American Youth Act."

## Workers' School Opens Nov. 9th In Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES.—With per-haps the finest staff of instructors in its history and its most! complete curriculum, the Los Angeles Workers' School has announced that its fall term will begin November 9.

The term will run for classes from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. \$.50 for unemployed for the and that they'd better go aboard complete course. Prospective students are urged

to register as soon as possible to assure themselves a place on the rapidly filling rolls. The address of the Los Angeles

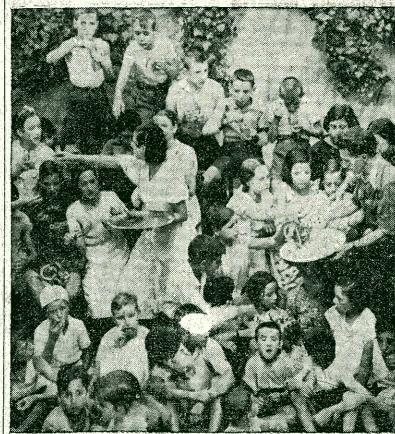
Spring St. A BLOW TO UNITY"

here calls the C.I.O. suspension "a blow to the unity of organized California.

FOR A.F.L. REFERENDUM

NEW YORK-Local 100, Na-

\* MADRID CARES FOR ITS CHILDREN Theater Union To



FATHERS AND EVEN MOTHERS are away at the front fighting to save democracy from the Fascists, but the kids aren't forgotten. Here we see volunteer workers serving them their

## the world. She almost starved to death, not because she was system which has not place for Capitalist Factions Are Sparring

By JAMES G. CRANE

DESPITE the fall campaigns, the undercover political situation in Los Angeles is quiet. Locally attention is centered upon the Los Angeles mayoralty race next spring, while in partisan politics two Republican factions and three Democratic cliques are marking time before resuming their fight for control.

Liberal Democrats under the \* leadership of Supervisor John L. McDonough, Supervisor John Democratic county central com-

Ford's county central committee has accepted offices in the headquarters maintained by the Mc-Adoo-selected Roosevelt campaign committee, but the nationcarried on by the McAdoo group, under authorization of Farley and Roosevelt. The truce is expected to last until election day, after which open warfare is ex-

Ham Cotton, leader of the reactionary Democratic group and defeated. bitter rival of Col. Wm. Neblett, McAdoo's law partner, for control of the "regular" Democrats, appears to be sitting back that McAdoo's health is growing riam is said to have promised

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'liberal" organization immedi- weeks. group will include a number of state and county committeemen who can be bought with federal jobs and who will lend the use of their names in setting up a liberal bloc to challenge Ford's little that's unusual. Best betleadership. The Neblett men ting odds now seem to favor may also start a "liberal" week- Harlan G. Palmer by about 10 ly or take over one already in to 71/2. existence.

#### Republicans

THE Republican party is split I into two factions, one supporting Merriam and the other backing Earl Warren, district attorney of Alameda county. Despite his control of patronage, Merriam seems definitely to have lost influence in his party dent. until it now seems certain that he will fail to receive the Republican nomination in 1938. The present recall against

Merriam (despite what you hear to the contrary) was started by Warren and his ally, Lieut. Gov. George Hatfield, with the assistance of certain Southern California financial interests. The object was not to effect a recall weeks, ending January 15, with at this time, but to emphasize to other Republicans the fact that Tuition for employed is \$1 and Merriam's was a sinking ship the Warren craft.

The strategy was successful, largely because of the manner in which certain liberal leaders, including Raymond Haight, rushed to the support of the recall Workers' School is 230 1/2 So. movement in the hope that the gubernatorial lightning might strike them. Although the recall itself seems definitely dead, NEW YORK-The Joint Coun- you'll find the Warren crowd in cil of Boot and Shoe Workers control of almost every Republican key position in Southern

> The Mayor DEHIND the district attorney

D campaign is a lot of wild Mayor Shaw, Supervisor Gordon the C.I.O.

Chronicle readers don't need to Anson Ford, chairman of the Anson Ford and Carl Wirsching, former head of the department of public works. The Shaw machine is support-

Under the terms of the truce,

Fitts for re-election and it is generally conceded that the defeat of Fitts this fall will mean the defeat of Shaw next spring, since a reofrm district attorney will close down on the source al campaign will continue to be of Shaw's campaign funds. In street. view of his record and the strong possibility that Candidate Palmer will, if elected district attorruption, there is even a possibilre-election if Palmer should be

That possibility puts Super-If Shaw does not run, McDon- 26. A class on Trade Unionism ough wants to run with the and another on "Democracy or backing of the Shaw machine. Fascism?" begin on Tuesday, If Shaw does run, McDonough October 27. History of the Amwants to run with the backing erican Labor Movement and of the more conservative reform | Parliamentary | Procedure start ator if McAdoo should be kind group. But McDonough cannot Wednesday, October 28. A Curget the latter support unless he rent Events class and a course will break openly with Fitts on the Soviet Union start Frinow and support Palmer. If he day, October 30. The Fight for Control supports Palmer now, he cannot Although technically control of get the support of the Shaw supthe party as a result of their porters next spring. Although for trade union wages on useful dominance over patronage, the McDonough is having a tough McAdoo-Neblett group is secret- time to decide whether he's conly much concerned over the in- servative or liberal, reformer or creased strength of the Ford corruptionist. And his political (right-wing Epic) bloc and is future depends on him making taking steps to build up a rival the right guess in the next two

#### District Attorney

THE campaign for district at L torney is proceeding with

Fitts' followers seem hopelessly discouraged and most of the tentiary, past-masters at provocacity's bookmakers are openly preparing to close up shop in expectation of Palmer's election. Fitts however, is putting on an intensive door-to-door campaign and there is a strong possibility that Fitts' apparent discouragement is designed only to make the Palmer leaders over-confi-

Palmer's greatest weakness seems to be the fact that his newspaper, the Hollywood Citizen-News, is an open-shop paper. studios where militant labor ers Relief Fund of the I.L.D. leaders are insisting upon knowing more definitely Palmer's attitude on labor before giving I.L.D. to secure enactment of him support.

Palmer has declared himself

willing to sign a contract at any time with the I.T.U., but insists soners. that he will not discharge two old employes who have worked labor prisoners in San Quentin with him for some years and whom the I.T.U. refuses to ac- Miss Baron include refusal of cept (probably because of some the prison authorities to give earlier difficulties). With the I: the prisoners even simple letters T. U. here strongly influenced of transmissal accompanying by the reactionary L. A. Times- money-orders from the Prisoners dominated John F. Dalton fac- Relief Fund; cutting down of tion, it is unlikely that the union visiting hours for labor prisonwill make any concessions. The ers from the regular hour to Times, most outspoken enemy of one-half hour, and making all the closed shop, supported Dal- their visitors go to the Warden's the auspices of the American ton of the Typographical Union office for cross-examination. No League Against War and Fas- already given \$3,000. for the school board, of which other prisoners are subjected to cism Wednesday, Oct. 21st, at he is now a member.

#### CAL. COUNCIL HITS SPLIT

MODESTO - The Stanislaus tional Federation of Post Office jockying as to who will be the County Labor Council is on rec- United Automobile Workers Un-Clerks, calls for a referendum of reform candidate for mayor next ord condemning the suspension ion is establishing six regional Spanish people, according to day than at any time since the A.F.L. members on the C.I.O. spring. Potential candidates are of the 10 unions affiliated with branch offices outside of De-

## Give 'Black Pit' In Oakland Aud.

San Francisco Theatre Union vill present the powerful labor "Black Pit" Saturday evening, October 17th, at the Oakland Auditorium. The performance is a benefit sponsored by the Machinist Auxiliary No. 97 and the I.L.A. Auxiliary No. 7. Short introductory talks will be given by Harry Bridges and

The Theatre Union has recenty produced before capacity audiences such plays as "Waiting for Lefty," "Peace On Earth," "Till The Day I Die," and "Bury the Dead" These plays forcefully and honestly dealt with such issues as labor unions, fascism,

"Black Pit" is the story of abors' fight to organize in the coal fields of West Virginia. Written by Albert Maltz, coauthor of "Peace on Earth," has been acclaimed as one of the ten cents on the dollar. most stirring labor plays ever

A militant young worker trying to organize the men is framed by the use of a dictophone and forced to apear as a stool pigeon. The play works to a powerful climax where the men finally organize into a real union. sight and force.

Tickets for the Oct. 17th performance may be purchased through the unions or at the door. The time is 8:15 sharp./

## **Teach Social and Political Classes**

SAN FRANCISCO-Thorough courses in labor and social subjects will be available to the public here with the opening of the fall term of the Progressive Labor School at 3490 Mission

Competent teachers will conduct the classes on a plan which includes home study, lectures ney, indict Shaw's allies for cor- and group discussion during which every student will be ity that Shaw may not seek given opportunity to express hi views and raise questions.

Classes in Political Economy and the Principles of Marxism isor McDonough in the middle. will begin on Monday, October

ing taken at the school office which is open every day from 1:30 to 5 p. m. Tuition for each course is \$1.50, if employed, and 50 cents if unemployed.

### Warden Orders Wilson to Design **Clubs For Police**

The latest indignity attempted against a labor prisoner by the authorities at San Quentin penition, is an order given to Martin Wilson, criminal syndicalism prisoner, to draft plans and designs for police nightstickers. Martin Wilson, sentenced to 5 years in the famous Sacramento case, was organizer of the International Labor Defense of the city at the time of his arrest. He categorically refused to carry out the prison order, and reprisals are expected against him from Warden Court Smith.

This was revealed by Rose Baron, secretary of the Prisonwho pointed out the lesson in this experience in connection with the drive conducted by the legislation establishing a special status and corresponding privileges for labor and political pri-

Special discrimination against reported at the same time by this discrimination.

BIG AUTO UNION DRIVE DETROIT—In preparation for ian are announced. big organization drive the

## Seeing RED By Michael Quin

THE COMMDITY VALUE OF PATRIOTISM

DATRIOTISM is the most loudly professed virtue of the Waterfront Employers' Association, the Industrial Association, and their counterpart organizations on a national and international scale. They never weary of praising and flattering themselves on this "noble" quality. Every official utterance or document issuing from these bodies is strongly flavored with patriotic sentiment, and they all maintain active propaganda bureaus for the furtherance of "Americanism."

The motives for this nationalist fervor go beyond love of country and are based on very practical reasonnig. Since the World War, their patriotic activities have netted them in excess of 708 million dollars, for which they have had to expend practically no effort, service or value. (Based on the conservative estimate of Postmaster General Farley.)

From this it is apparent that patriotism has proven an even more profitable enterprise than bonafide shipping.

In a previous column I described how immediately AFTER the war, on the advice of the shipbwners, the U.S. Government built 2,000 merchant vessels at a cost of more than three Milion dollars; and how, on further advice of the shipowners, all but 220 of them were scrapped without ever having sailed the seas; and how these 220 vessels were ultimately sold to the shipowners for

The ability to purchase finished ships at scrap-iron costs accounts for only a fraction of the shipowners' patriotic revenue. Thanks to a very efficient publicity campaign, co-ordinated with vigorous lobbying in Washington, a Merchant Marine Act was passed in 1920 which endowed the shipowners with a gift of \$5,-188,012.66 out of the public treasury. The purposes of the subsidy were stated to be: (1) to ensure transportation of American goods at reasonable costs, (2) to provide a fleet of naval auxil-Maltz has written with rare in- laries, (3) to give employment to American workmen.

The funds were delivered without any government supervision of their disposal and were promptly withdrawn by the shipowners in the form of extravagant bonuses, profits and salaries. The carefully confirmed facts of a recent Senate investigation reveal that neither the quality of maritime service nor the conditions of the crews benefited any from this endowment.

Continued publicity and lobbying resulted in the passage of the phenomenal Jones-White Act of 1928 which endowed private shipping with public gifts of such magnitude and variety that calculation of an exact total of how much it has netted them to date is impossible.

This legislation awarded forty-four contracts for the carrying of American mail and included annual subsidies amounting to more than \$27,500,000.

In addition to these other forms of "industrial doles," the benificent Jones-White Act created a \$250,000,000 revolving fund out of which private shipowners may borrow funds for the construction of new vessels at very low rates of interest. The Dollar Line, for example, was able to borrow \$10,575,000 partly at one per cent and partly at one-fourth of one per cent. Loans of this trivial cost are available for 75 per cent of the construction cost of any vessel the shipowners may wish to build.

The Gov't Paid the Shipowners to Raise Seamen's Living Standard; But Did They?

THESE HUGE SUMS of money were handed to the shipowners I for the express purpose of "maintaining a high standard of living for American seamen." The findings of the very conservative Senate Committee investigation reveal that the subsidies never reached the seamen in the form of benefits, but were diverted into the pockets of the shipowners. As a matter of fact, immediately after receiving these subsidies, the shipowners re-

duced wages. The Committee report further states: "The rate of pay of American seamen is generally higher than that paid by foreign nations, but in view of the many benefits provided for foreign seamen, which are not received by American seamen, it is doubtful if the actual compensation received by the American seaman

is greater than that received abroad." If we also consider the much higher cost of living in America, would come to the conclusion that the real wages of American seamen were less than those of foreign seamen.

All in all, the Senate Committee was unable to find any function performed by the subsidies other than to provide a pleasant and effortless source of revenue to swell the personal fortunes of the shipping magnates. Profits, bonuses and executive salaries were revealed as literally fabulous.

Much as this may appear a contravention of human decency, it did not, however, constitute any transgression of the law or reveal the slightest illegal duplicity on behalf of the shipowners. Though numerous intentions were voiced mutually by government and operators as to the purposes of the endowments, no dictation was included as to how the shipowners should or should not dispose of the funds. It was left entirely to their discretion, and they deemed themselves deserving.

New legislation has now been enacted providing for the distribution of \$100,000,000 in subsidies among the private shipping companies. The Federal Maritime Board has been set up to supervise the scattering of this largesse.

What Will the Maritime Commission Do With the New Subsidy?

THIS NEW SUBSIDY is a key-note in the present waterfront dispute. The demands of the unions are fair and reasonable. The employers are very well able to pay them. The alleged purpose of the new subsidy is to see to it that the shipowners CAN pay decent wages.

It is up to the maritime unions to see to it that EVERY DOLLAR of that \$100,000,000 subsidy reaches the maritime workers in the form of better wages and working conditions. They must demand an accounting from the Federal Maritime Board for every cent of the taxpayers' money. It is the business of the unions to know where that money goes and what it is used for:

The shipping companies are government subsidized and therefore public concerns. It wouldn't be such a bad idea for the maritime unions to demand "joint control" of the employers' "profit halls." It would be an excellent thing to see the salaries and working hours of the employers regulated according to agreement with the unions. Why not put time-clocks in their offices and check up on them? Some of them draw as much as \$500,000

What sort of thing can a man do that is worth \$500,000 a year to his employers? And never forget, YOU are their employers. They are subsidized out of the public treasury.

SAN FRANCISCO - Protest | pledged by Labor's Red Cross against the Fascist war on Spain for Spain has already been will be voiced in three languages at a protest meeting under Hall, Poll and Broadway. Speak- raised through the participation ers in English, Spanish and Ital-

The League will continue the campagin for funds for the tary, although the \$100,000 insurrection.

raised. Of this amount the League in San Francisco has Reid pointed out that even the Calfiornia Spanish Society though the \$100,000 has been

of the labor movement and numerous other organizations interested in the defense of democracy, the need is even greater tobeginning of the Spanish Fascist

## **FASCISTS IN** PLOT AGAINST FRENCH GOVT

Blum Govt. Slow To Act To Crush Pro-Hitler Forces

PARIS—The French Fascists are mobilizing for an uprising on the Spanish border late this fall, plotting to duplicate the bloody attack upon democracy that Franco and Mola committed in Spain.

And they are duplicating Franco's tactics as most suitable for their ends, tightening their grip on French Morocco.

Would Repeat Spain Reliable reports from London

"It must be stated that today, not only in Morocco but elsewhere, indications that a similar putsch from the Right (to that in Spain) is contemplated during this autumn are at least as numerous. To declare on the strength of these indicationswhich in the Spanish case prevailed—that a Right attack on the French democracy is an inevitable event before Christmas would be premature.'

Nazis Finance "Coup" Plot The Communist Party of France has repeatedly exposed the fact that the Nazis are flooding money in torrents in to the Croix de Feu Fascist organization, or, as it is now known, the French "Social Party," of Colonel de la Rocque.

Arms are being shipped from Switzerland and Germany to the French Fascists. L'Humanite, organ of the C.P. of France, has printed proof of more than 100

How far recent government raids on the Croix de Feu will go in impeding the plot is yet to be seen. The Blum government moves much too slowly. and the Socialist Premier only acted at all after strongest pressure from the Co-ordination Committee of the Communist and Socialist Parties.

Just Like Franco Did

Despite the belated removal of Governor Peyrouton, French army officers have been openly recruiting Moorish troops for a march on Paris, and are using the "Heil Hitler" salute more and more.

Actions of some of the Rad cal-Socialist ministers in the Blum government, if continued, become the greatest threat of all. L'Humanite points to the worst example of this. Minister of the Navy Gasnier-Duparc, Radical Socialist, appointed Admiral Darlan—a notorious Fascist—as chief of the French Admiralty.

A Radical-Socialist supposedly cooperating with the Blum government puts the French navy in the hands of a Fascist!

C.P. Warns Jacques Duclos wrote the following warning in the name of the C.P. of France, even before the raids on the Croix de Feu:

"The example of the Spanish rebels and the complicity from which they are benefiting can only encourage the men of February 6th, for whom the terrorist attack at Vienna, which cost the life of the Young Communist Daniel Llaces, is only a sort of prelude to action on a larger

"It is inadmissible that La Rocque and Doriot, who are preparing the coup, should be able to continue their criminal propaganda, and we can understand why the crowds are beginning to shout once more: 'La Rocque in Prison!'

Dissolve the Fascists! "The Fascist leagues, even though camouflaged, must be dissolved. That is what is desired by the people.

"And if the government does not dispose of the legal méans to make harmless those who are railways carried 33.6 millions dreaming of doing in France of freight more than in the first what France and Mola are do- quarter of 1935. ing in Spain, let it ask for them from Parliament, let it ask also for legal arms, if need be, to put an end to the abominable campaigns inspired by Hitlerism which are being carried on by certain papers such as Le Jour, L'Action Française, L'Ami du Peuple, etc.

"Marcel Gitton had occasion to stress (in the Coordination Committee meeting) on the inadmissible policy of certain Fascist officers, who, by hunting down soldiers loyal to the Republic, seem to have adopted the watchword of sabotaging national defense through sympathy for Hitlerism, as is also being done by certain industrialists working for the ministry of war, who are saboting production.'

Meet Organized Labor at QUALITY CAFE 107 West 6th St., San Pedro, Calif.

## US Seaman Fights POPULAR MEET With People's Army Of Spain

Following is a letter received rom an American seaman by nis former shipmates, who gathered up a collection to send him to the People's Army of Spain:

Crew of the S.S. Exeter; Marseilles, France. Dear Comrades: "I am in Barcelona, a soldier

worker here. Thanks a million for the kind help you fellows here. afforded me. I leave tomorrow for the front. You guys carry on the good work in the States. Have to close now; it's late at Affairs asking that popular delenight and I get up early. I can't tell you anything about things ment representatives be admitbecause of the censor.

Your comrade.

#### Britain Turns Down Nationalization Of Arms Industry

LONDON. - Tycoons of the munitions industry don't need to worry in England about proiteering from war. The Royal Commission on the Manufacture of Arms just turned down proposals for the nationalization of 'he munitions industry in peace time, and suggested a "measure of control" by the government. In time of war—when the captalists run the whole workshe munitions industry is to be "nationalized."

PORTERS AND CIO

CINCINNATI - The Brotherhood of Pullman Porters, in convention here, voted full support

## OF AMERICAN PEOPLES SET

Will Precede Buenos Aires Congress Of Governments

MEXICO CITY - A Popular in the Workers' Army. I will Peace Conference may be held carry on in the best proletarian in Buenos Aires next month, just manner. I am the only American prior to the Pan-American Peace Conference, it was announced

> The C.T.M. (Confederation of Mexican Workers) appealed to the Mexican Ministry of Foreign gates as well as official governted to the Pan-American Conference, and also broadcast an ap-"ED SCHEDDIN." peal to all American countries. It has now produced a timely response in Buenos Aires, it is

> > Invite Delegates

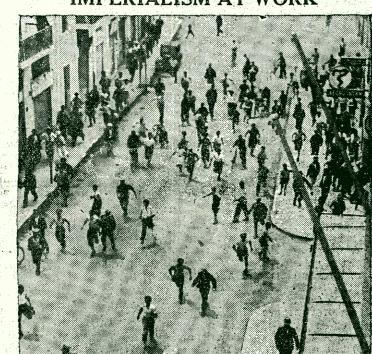
Although the original idea was mpossible due to the fact that arrangements for the official conference were already made, a group in Buenos Aires has organized a committee to prepare an independent Popular Congress, to which workers', liberals' and intellectual groups in all American countries, are being invited to send delegates.

This Congress is to meet Norember 22nd and close just before the official conference opens, so that its deliberations and resolutions can be laid before the official body.

The C.T.M. has accepted the Buenos Aires invitation and is naming a provisional organizing committee for Mexico.

The Popular Congress is expected to have a healthy effect to the C.I.O. and demanded full on the official conference, which instances of arms caches by the membersehip rights for C.I.O. figures to be dominated by United States imperialists.

#### IMPERIALISM AT WORK



"PROMISES" are always surrounded by quotation marks when used by British imperialists, because they never intend to keep them unless convenient and profitable. That's what happened in Palestine, where promises made the Arabs were never kept. Hence, scenes like the above. When the Arabs demanded that the promises be kept, they were shot down by British troops. Recently England sent 10,000 more soldiers to Palestine to "establish

panded toward the goal of a and Turkey as hitherto, nor can

Early in 1935, the railways lations can scarcely be changed

were loading but 50,000 to 60,000 because of the rapprochement

going forward with great strides ported here.

now in rail transportation, which

is being strengthened and ex-

peerless railway system linking

Socialism one-sixth of the

cars daily; now the loadings

have passed the 90,00 mark. Dur-

ing the first quarter of 1936,

In 1936 budgeted capital in-

vestment for railway work is 5.5

billion rubles, with construction

New Progress

The second five-year plan calls

for construction of 14,454 kilo-

meters of railroad; double track-

ing, 9500 kilometers; electrifica-

tion, 6833 kilometers; and auto-

matic block signaling of 8400

kilometers; plus repair or re-

construction of almost the entire

By January 1st, 1938, the So-

kilometers of railway, compared

Turkey Blasts Lies

ment that relations between

Turkey and the Soviet Union

have been strained as a result

of differences at the Monreaux

conference on the refortification

MOSCOW .- Foreign news com-

ence in 1917.

with, 53000 kilometers in exist- tasks."

80,000 new freight cars.

Index of progress is in carload- paper.

world's surface.

Popular Militia Praises I.L.D. Of Spain

MADRID. - The great role being played by the International Labor Defense of Spain, in charge of medical aid for the government forces, is thoroughly appreciated by the heroic People's Army, as expressed in a letter from the Fifth Popular Militia Regiment, printed in Ayuda, I.L.D. newspaper, as fol-

"The militia realizes that there s an institution which cares for them in all respects, is concern ed with increasing their knowledge of health, organizes First Aid Hospitals, where they find noral and material help necessary in order that they may reurn with renewed vigor to the font, and above all, carries on the most beautiful work of all: he Guardianship of Childhood.

"The International Labor Deense has gathered unto itself he sympathy, the gratitude and he veneration-I say this with out euphemisms-of the broad masses of workers, peasants and of all men and women of liberal deas.

"The Fifth Popular Militia Regiment congratulates you for the immense labor already accomplished in such a short space of time, and begs you to continue with the same tenacity, the same self-sacrifice and the same heroism which you have put forth up to now for the benefit of the laboring public of the democratic Republic and for a new, free and nappy Spain. Please accept our cordial greetings. - The Chief Commandant, Castro, For the Committee, the Secretary.'

## Blast Anti-Soviet Lies Of Italy

MOSCOW -Fascist lies to hide their own criminal intervention on the side of the Spanish Fas eists, were blasted here follow ing charges of Dino Grandi, Ital an ambassador to London, tha the Soviet steamer, Neva, had carried munitions to Spain on it: prévious trip.

Captain Korenevsky invited Italian representatives to board the ship, which was carrying 2500 tons of clothing and foodstuffs for the Spanish workers and peasants, and see for themselved that the ship carries no arms. In Plain Sight

On its previous trip, the Neva unloaded its relief cargo in ful view of British, Italian and Argentine ships, with 📝 Italian warship less than one-eighth o'

"The Italians could easily sec unloaded could not possibly have contained airplanes or munitions," said Korchevsky, "Either the Italian captain made an erroneous report or the Italian delegate misrepresented the facts. The only weapon aboard the knife."

cargo donated by Soviet women. an end.

a position where they don't

him as far as trying to get

France to abandon the pact with

Tribute to Barbusse

SVERDLOVSK. - Worker's of

this city recently shipped to Pa-

Socialism Victorious In The U.S.S.R.

they be adversely affected by British government are pro-

the U.S.S.R.

"The same feeling of friend-

all corners of the vast Land of the frank exchange of views Nazi, the British are now in

such as took place at Mon-

"Moreover, Russo-Turkey re-

with Britain, inasmuch as Bri-

tain herself is today on friend-

ability of our submarine sailors

No Opposition To Pact

ly terms with the U.S.S.R."

tic fleet, who said:

ship exists between the U.S.S.R. don.

## Oldest Newspaper IN SABOTAGE In State Hails Soviet Diplomacy

RECENT MEETING of advocates of the French People's

Front, which the Fascists under Col. De La Rocque threatened to

break up. Meeting took place at Poissy, near Paris. Fascists

didn't dare go through with their plan, in face of the strong turn-

Betray Settlements With Workers \* In Mexico MEXICO CITY-A planned

campaign of sabotage has been undertaken by the wealthy land owners to nullify the recent strike settlement, according to reports received here by the C. T. M. (Confederation of Mexican Workers), from the Regional Federation of Workers and Peasants of the Laguna District.

out of workers

Machinery is being systematplantations, and it is feared the owners intend to abandon cultivation of cotton and other crops grown in this rich agricultural but when Russia said she was district.

Just as in Spain

The Nazas River, chief irrigation source of the whole region, is not being used as in former years, adding to the general susocion that an attempt is being that the fragile boxes which we made to produce an artificial criands of workers dependent on the plantations into acute mis-

The Regional Federation has appealed to the C.T.M.'s National Committee to take the Neva was the cook's kitcher matter up with federal authorities and secure employer respect GREATER WAR The Neva then left on its for the settlement signed before second trip to Alicante, Spanish President Cardenas, by which government port, with its relief the recent strike was brought to

diplomacy of the Soviet Union, in its "White Paper" as well as is paid by an editorial in the Stockton Independent, California's oldest daily newspaper, established in 1856. The editorial It is sufficient to recount the stated, in part:

"Western Europe professes to be not afraid of Russia. So the Fascistic despotisms, supported by England, discredit the protest bled parts for 14 airplanes from Russia makes against these Hamburg came from Portugal states secretly aiding the Spanish rebels. They call the protest a bluff. It may or may not be a bluff, but during the last 10 years Russian diplomacy has been about the only open-minded ically withdrawn from the big and dependable kind in Europe.

"Russia backed down the whole world with an offer of complete disarmament. The other nations talked a lot about it, ready to disarm the less sincere nations welched.

"If Russia had ben supported by other nations, Haile Selassie would be on his throne and his country secure against the inva-

by other powers, Japan would respondents who have published now Northern China. . . . Russia's international relations and policies have been the cleanest of any European power the last 10

## NAZIS THREATEN

BERLIN.—Germany will the limit in rearmament," declared Rudolf Hess, minister without portfolio and Hitler's deputy, in a speech last week at Hof, just prior to a conference of key Nazis at Hitler's home at Berchtesgaden, Bavaria.

SAN FRANCISCO-Dr. J. C. Coleman, pastor of the Modern Humanitarian Church of Los the American Friends of the Soviet Union, Southern California, will be heard Tuesday, October 20th, at 8 p. m. at California Club, 1750 Clay Street.

He will speak under the auspices of the San Francisco F.S.U on "Soviet Russia Today."

Dr. Coleman has just returned from an extended trip through "To the friend of the Work- in the marches. The commanding leader of the National F.S.U." tour comprising 57 people. On the platform with the speaker "The work of the parachutists will be a number of San Franrecently from the Soviet Union.

> S.F. PLUMBERS AND C.I.O. SAN FRANCISCO—The local Plumbers Union went on record

## FASCISTS COULDN'T BREAK IT UP SOVIET NOTE DEMANDS HALT OF ALL FOREIGN ASSISTANCE GOING TO SPANISH FASCISTS

USSR Declares It Will Consider Itself Free From Obligation Unless Italy, Germany, Portugal Stick To Pact

Full text of the Soviet note demanding that intervention by Italy, Germany and Portugal on the side of the Spanish Fascists be halted, is as follows:

On instructions of the govern-\* ment of the U.S.S.R., I (S. Ka- origin which were not in the nereby make the following dec- tion.

In notes addressed Sept. 15th to the governments of Portugal, Italy and Germany, the Spanish government protested against assistance and military munitions sent by those countries to Spanish Rebels.

Legal Govt. Blockaded

The Spanish government has forwarded those notes also to other participants in the non-intervention agreement with the request that they adopt measures to halt the situation under which the legal Spanish government has been reduced to actual blockade while Rebels, without any obstacles, are supplied with airplanes and other kinds of munitions from different sources.

In his declaration to the League of Nations, Julio Alvarez Del Vayo (Spanish Foregin Minister) raised the same question before all the members. A long enumeration of the facts, representing violation of the agreement and referring to the latest period was STOCKTON. - Tribute to the cited by the Spanish government

It is sufficient to recount the following facts: Fascist Intervene

On Sept. 10th, 23 freight cars with boxes containing unassemto Seville. On Sept. 20th, 12 big German

planes landed at Tetuan (Spanish Morocco). Later these airplanes were used to transport troops of the so-called Foreign Legion from Tetuan to Seville. On Sept. 29th, the Spanish

government received a report that on Sept. 27th a load of poison gas and military munitions of Italian origin was sent over the Spanish border from Lisbon. A number of eye witnesses

questioned by the committee in London, under the chairmanship of Miss Eleanor Florence Rathbone (British Parliament mem-"If Russia had been supported ber), also many newspaper corng over all personal observations, confirm to a large extent.

bombers of German and Italian in large numbers.

gan, Soviet representative on the possession of the Spanish Army non-intervention committee) at the beginning of the revolu-

Nazi Airplanes

Among airplanes shot down by militia forces were nine airplanes of German origin bearing the manufacturing stamp "Henkel." The Rebel troops are transported via Gibraltar from Morocco to Spain on German and Italian planes. The frontier region of Por-

ugal, from the very beginning of the rebellion, appeared to be the main base of the insurgents. In Portugal, the Rebels are forming their detachments and they receive military munitions from there. Since the formation of our committee, the Soviet government itself put forward the question of an investgiation of Portugal's action in openly violating the agreement, and of

action. The Soviet government fears the situation as created by repeated violation of the London non-intervention pact makes the agreement non-operative.

taking steps toward halting such

The Soviet government cannot consent to the conversion of the non-interference pact into a screen for concealing military assistance to the Rebels against the legal government by some participants in the agreement.

The Soviet government is compelled, in this connection, to declare that if violation is not halted immediately, it will conider itself free from any obligation resulting from the agree-

#### STORM TROOPS CREATED IN PORTUGAL

LISBON. — Fascist Dictator Salazar has ordered creation of storm troopers with all "loyal Portuguese between 18 and 50 eligible for membership.

The new "Portuguese Legion was decreed by Salazar after the revolt of two ships of the fleet last month. Its members are pledged to "give my life and property willingly for its (Portugal's) corporative state."

that the supply of arms to the pended upon the army and navy Rebels via Portugal is continuing to maintain his Fascist dictatorship, but the soldiers and sailors The Rebels possess tanks and are beginning to turn against him

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#### Red Navy Praised ris a monument for Henri Bar-Luza, head of the Czechoslovak-ian delegation, "The Red Army KRONSTADT.—The Red Navy busse, the famed French writer, ian delegation. "The Red Army received high praise for its re- who died this year. cent maneuvers in the Baltic, Outstanding arists designed the is richly equipped with the where it may be called upon to monument, which is made of most up-to-date technique, and defend the Soviet Union from an the best and most precious Ural is, in my opinion, the most adstone. The base is from a single vanced army in the world in of 1400 new ·locomotives and attack from the sea. piece of beautiful black marble this respect. You have invented Angeles, Executive Secretary of The men of the fleet were complimented on their arrival the middle part of a brilliant red new tactics in the utilization of at Kronstadt by Admiral L. M. granite, and the top section tanks in such large numbers."

Galler, commander of the Bal- carved out of onyx mined during the period of Catherine the Sec-"The maneuvers, held under ond, from local sources. On top the most difficult weather con- of the monument is a bronze ditions, are of tremendous sig- statue of Barbusse made in a and I am, therefore, able to see nificance. They have shown the local factory.

The maneuvers assure us that the other in Russian, inscribed: viet Union plans to have 94,000 our submarine sailors will successfully cope with coming ing Class of France, the worthy personnel, the level of its prefriend of the French people and paredness have made a strong The Soviet Navy is chiefly friend of the toilers of all lands, composed of submarines for de- the Herald of a United Front of

The monument carries two me-

the surface at night, during the ri Barbusse from the Workers of the Ural, U.S.S.R." The monument was set up on

Barbusse's grave in Paris on were amazed both by the per-MOSCOW.-The Baldwin Ca- September 7th. of the Straits of Gibraltar, and binet has no present intention or

MOSCOW.—The march of So-| been blasted by the newspaper | assistance pact under the idea | Soviet Union, reports an enthuscialism in the Soviet Union is Cumhuriet in Istanbul, it is re- that thereby Hitler could be got- lastic reception being given by Moscow audiences to two Amten into a new Locarno agreement, it is reported from Lon- erican films starring Charlie resort to dumping goods "at any chaplin—"City Lights" and price, thereby damaging other Although many elements in the "Modern Times."

> Admire Red Army MOSCOW. - Admiration for treaux," commented the news- want to play Hitler's hand for the strength, high technique and would not stop the Nazis. culture of the Red Army was expressed by heads of foreign military delegations who attend- of robbery war. ed the recent military maneuvers in White Russia.

"The fighting preparedness of the troops that participated is really splendid," said General

Mayor-General Weyvell, head of the British delegation, said: British Praise "I knew the old Russian army the successes you have attained. We were seized with admiration and the power of our vessels. tal plates, one in French and at the splendid appearance of your troops and their endurance

impression on us. fense. The submarine traveled toilers against Fascism and Im was wonderful; they gave a ciscans, who have also returned submerged by day and rose to perialist War. To Comrade Hen-splendid spectacle of daring, bravery and good training." Generals Schweizgut and Vil-

lement, of France, declared: "We sistence and dash of the infan- recently demanding that suspentry and other troops and the sion of the C.I.O. be rescinded also on account of relations be- desire to urge France to aban- MOSCOW .- Pravda, organ of brilliant courage of the parachut- and referred to the A.F.L. contween Britain and Turkey, have don the Franco-Soyiet mutual the Communist Party of theists."

## **PREPARATIONS**

Unless Germany is given colonies to get raw material, it will exporting countries," shouted

On rearmament. Hess said privation for the German people "Guns are better than butter." he ranted, for Hitler's program

## Dr. Coleman Will

## Silver Shirt Vultures Thrive on Misery in Atascadero

## DEMAND HORSEWHIPPING EPICS Dope Peddlers Get TAFT EDITOR COMMUNISTS, JEWS, UNIONISTS, ATTACK STRIKERS OF SALINAS

Silver Shirt Leaders of Co-op Spending \$76,000 Resettlement Money While Damning Tugwell as a Jew

By a Worker Correspondent

ATASCADERO-The Silver Shirts are busy here, preying on the poverty of people whose whole history in this area has been one of being swindled.

This is a story of the plans, activity and personnel of this inspired band of would-be killers variously known as the

about the presence of these reds.

This red baiting spinster is Miss

Dorothy Wilcox, political ap-

pointee, and longtime assistant

None Here, Yet

There follows a confusion of

voices. All are in accord with

Miss Wilcox. Many are inquiring,

"Where are the reds? Who, are

they?" As a matter of fact, there

-yet, and only one Jew. Miss

Hanson, one of the militant la-

Club is solid communist, and

that the American Federation of

Government Employees (which

grew from an Unemployed Co-

uncil) is a bunch of rotten reds,

chiropractics in favor of spiritu-

work on some of these "red-

epics". for whom the stockade

itime unions who are defending

A sudden demand for silence.

Aberdeen, and states that Pelley

Redmond, Washington,

concentration camps.

in the county librarry.

Silver Shirts, Silver Legion, and \* Christian Party. It casts a light ero. She wants action. She deon the aims and connections of mands that something be done the head of this organization: the Jew-baiter labor and communist hater and meglomaniac, William Dudley Pelley.

It is already clear that the big Fascist suport is behind the Landon candidacy, which doesn't openly announce its Fascist aims. It has also been disclosed in the Western Worker how the Silver Shirts and other fascist and near fascist organizations have defin- are no communists in this town ite connections with the Republican campaign organizations. In what circumstances do the dies, shrils that the local Epic

Silver Shirts thrive?

Thrive on Poverty

The homes of many Atascaderans have been taken from them, many were turned into the street; others are today paying rent to the Bank of America for the prililege of living in the home which they traded eastern farms or surrendered their life savings. As always, the Fascists are preying upon the hungry and the destitute.

Recently Ernest Rankard, 47 father if two children, collapsed. The doctor said "malnutrition" the Silver Shirts said the "Jews". Rankard with a wrist fractured on a W.P.A. project was refused relief by all agencies, told to pick prunes. After a couple of weeks of hunger he folded up. Neighbors fed the family. The Rankard case is only one. There are many others.

To Misdirect Resentment Them Silver Shirts constantly is to be prepared! Well, Mrs. are at work among these con- Halloway can't convey to her fused, and half-starved people. hearers how she itches to lay Teaching them to hate, not the the horsewhip across the backs capitalist system and the wealthy of the members of the A.F.G.E. into the clean air of the October exploiters who have fattened up and of the Epic Club. on their degradation, but to hate And of Course, the Waterfront therefore howling. But beware the Jews, the communist, the liberals, and the progressive For a time this seemed to be saying they are nuts. Of course minded, all who believe in de- ladies' night. Mr. Morton speaks

standards. The organizational plan of the Silver Shirts is simple and their right to a decent life shrewd. The first Silver Shirt against the onslaughts of ship unit consists of a Safety Coun- owners are "reds, planning to cil. Atascadero has two. One of them gathers at the home of the denounces all unions and says "Chamberlain" Finch, the other they should be broken up. Mr. are stalwart Silvershirts, but at the residence of osteopathic Doctor Maud Mills. Here the a large red "L" over his heart. accordance with a well defined Mr. Morton still is talking. He each week while a "lesson" is expresses gratitude for support read, describing to the credulous given by the American Legion, poor the beauties of the "Christ-but doesn't state the nature of but doesn't state the nature of Fuhrer Pelley promises to his communists are Jews and that legions for promises are indes- al Jews are communists. pensable to Nazi schemers.

The Fascist Promise Here is a speciman: Pelley asserts in his "lessons" that on from Pelley, America's Pocket These men and women were not Party and everything that reprethe first day of the "Christian Hitler. He reads amid awed fascists, they were honest work-Commonwealth" al parents having two children (the Rankards!) will automatically be provided with a lifelong monthly income

of \$287.69! have acepted the belief that the a General Order demanding the bise A. T. A. negotiated a \$76,words Jew, socialist, epic, unionist and liberal, are all one and all fit subjects for murder, they are invited to join the Silver Legion Post. Let us attend a regular Sunday evening meeting of the Atascadero Post.

We enter a large living room and are greeted by Miss Elizabeth Nelson, the frosty young hostess. Miss Nelson is cashier in the First National Bank of Atascadero.

Someone complains that there is a small turnout tonight. There are about twenty Silver Shirts present. They are all ages, and about a third are women. Hit Salinas Unions

One of these ladies takes the floor and shouts out a fantastic story about "a gang of Salinas strikers" beating up a northbound motorist almost on the outskirts of Atascadero. She demands that something be done about "these reds who go about the country beating up peaceful people." The lady ends amid applause. This was Mrs. Peggy Andrews. Her husband sits near

This meeting seems to have no chairman, although Chamberlain Oliva as well as Almoner Finch and Scribe Hawley are all present.

Another woman Silver Shirt is speaking. She quotes from Pelley's Weekly a claim that there are 150 communists in AtascadLettuce Strikers

By a Worker Correspondent
WATSONVILLE. — When
ten dope peddlers came before the police court here on Oct. 10, they were let go with paying fines of \$15 each. Their bail was \$150.

Evidently the police court doesn't think dope peddling is as serious a crime as striking and picketing for better conditions. The same court had 39 Fruit and Vegetable Union members before it recently, charged with "unlaw-ful assemblage," (which of course is not unlawful). Their bail was set at \$300 each.

each county.

"Jew Picked Out!"

Reading of the G.O. is greeted by cries of "Now we can build our stockade!" "I've got my Jew picked out!" "The Chief knows to lead!" vershirts urging him **not to** a red. "wait for the 'Jew-communists' to start the revolution," but to "do something now!" brings another round of applause. The letter ends, and is not signed by Fuerer Pelley after all, but by one of his subalterns, doctor Terry. Nevertheless it was written by the chief's command, and

bears his will. Someone shouts a sage prediction: "Whenever trouble starts and look to us to lead!"

Doctor Terry, "high" Silverand should be run out of town Another voice fills the room. This is the belligerent Mrs. Haldoctor who found himself withloway. She is the wife of Doctor ver Legion Cavalcade" for the Halloway, a retired chiropractor. northwest drive. Doctor Halloway gave up

The Post meeting is by no means over, but will run for a alism. Once a week he conducts a class in that. Silver Shirts full two hours and a half. There attend, and listen while the doc- will be another hour of raving tor, bible in hand denounces the against the Jews, against the Jews-epics-reds, and demands in trade unions, against the liberal the name of the Prince of Peace minded. There will be discussion that these people be wipped into of the evictions set for tomorrow of several Atascadero families by the HOLC. But the fact that Mrs. Halloway is demanding evictions are routine functions that the stockade that the Chief of the capitalist system will not ordered build be built without be mentioned. The "Jew-Comdelay. Would she like to go to munists" will be held guilty, and there will be more demands for shippings, and beatings, and tor-

"But let us get away from these barking psychopaths and out dened by disease, is dying, and A man's voice wins the lead. of dismissing these Fascists by they are nuts, but the same mocratic rights and decent living briefly in support of action. He was said, and is still being said,

says that the San Francisco mar- about their inspiration: Hitler! Absent from tonight's meetings were two of the community's "biggest" Silvershirts: Foxey Charles W. Eisenbise, and equally cautious O. F. Asbury. Both

Mr. Morton still is talking. He plan. Asbury is manager of the Atascadero Trading Association, lo-cally known as "the co-op," and ian Commonwealth" to which the support. He asserts that all Eisenbise, a former drunkard for a new social order, they are were nominated almost unani-Deacon, is Secretary-Treasurer.

Capture Farmers' Organization The A. T. A. was organized in What's up? Chamberlain Finch 1933 by desperate fruit and vegis going to read a message direct etable growers and poultrymen. stillness. The letter is dated from ers and farmers crushed by capnear italism's cyclical collapse.

But today Pelley's Fascist has doubled his gang's member- Bund is rapidly dominating the ship in the northwest since en- co-op. Recently under guidance Once the Silver Shirt recruits tering that area in July. Follows of Silvershirts Asbury and Eisen- liberals of the land think that creation of a County Commit- 000 loan from Tugwell's Resettee. This body to consist of three tlement Administration. Four of members who will in turn appoint Officer for Credentials, Of-Silvershirts. Included are Liteficer for Commissary, and Quar- body, Axe, Asbury, and Eisentermaster. Also provides for bise.

selection of liason officer from Meanwhile Pelley's Weekly

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## **COMES BACK** AT ACCUSERS

Called Him a Red; He Shows Fascism As Real Menace

By a Worker Correspondent.

TAFT-Once in a while a liberal really stands his ground. Here in Taft there is a paper called Westgate's weekly, which began expressing the will of the majority of the people in Taft instead of the Associated Farmers and such people.

He supported a left-wing Epic who ran for supervisor. Pretty Chamberlain soon all the reactionaries began Finch motions for silence, and calling him a red. Of course reads on. The information that they wanted Westgate to fall all Fuherer Pelley has received over himself printing reactionary scores of letters from loyal Sil- stuff trying to prove he wasn't

But he didn't do it. Instead he printed an editorial last week entitled "Fascism is a Real Threat to American Institutions."

Instead of attacking the unions and the workers or the Commuist Party, he really showed who is the menace in this country, He said: "Fascists in th the United States headed by their logical leader, Hearst, will all vigilantes will rally round attempt to wrest the government from the hands of the people and their constituted authorities. shirt, an Atascadean, is a horse They will seek to establish a military dictatorship here and out patients and joined the "Sil- later set up a Fascist ruler. This would mean destruction of the Republic.'

He said also: "Only an awakened, aroused, intelligent and alert public can defeat the Fascist movement in America.

nypocritically attacks "Jew Tugvell," and asserts that the \$76,-000 was "Jew money," while Asbury, Eisenbise, et al, further plans to turn A. T. A. into a fascist treadmill.

At present there are some fifty workers employed in A. T. A.'s fruit and vegetable canning factory. Others are chopping wood. Mostly old folks, these men and women are paid \$1.18 in cash, and given commodities allegedly to the same value for a work day of eight and one half hours. These are the old people for the most part who came to Atascadero with hearts full of faith were wise enough to turn toward

Black Reaction

As elsewhere in America, the Fascists are busy in Atascadero. They are misleading and betraying the already bewildered and angry workers. By means of cunning appeals to race hatred never took place. made so wide as to include as "Jews" all those who cry out trying to lead the impoverished violence against labor, democratic and progressive organizations, against the Communist

Pelley does not tell his follow-Roosevelt, or for Lemke. He assures them that there will be no election! Let the workers and the

cents progress.

WHAT FASCISM STANDS FOR—WAR Labor Prisoners'



HITLER'S MILITARY ENGINEERS work feverishly, rushing preparations for a new slaughter on a grand scale. That's what Fascism stands for-war. Photo shows a new war machine-an automobile which can travel 12 miles an hour across water. It | wine for the office of district atis shown carrying Nazi troops across a lake near Berlin.

## Kern Agricultural Union Will **Meet Alternately In 4 Cities**

By a Worker Correspondent BAKERSFIELD. - With the election of three regular and two alternate Kern County Central Labor Council, Agricultural Workers' Union No. 20289 of Bakersfield is planning a drive to spread the

union all over the county. Meetings will be held alternately in four towns, Arvin, Shafter, Delano and Bakersfield, each town having one meeting per month. This method of meeting is expected to get hundreds of members who would not otherwise join.

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the meals were vastly improved.

(To Be Continued.)

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### Delegates' Business Is To Fight For **Needs of the Men Who Elected Them**

(The continued story of the Alaska Cannery Expedition of 1936.) By An Alaska Canner

The delegates were given a chance to defend themselves. One sire to take life and have paid and make a sworn statement of declined. The other, rather than strengthening his status, only tended to bolster up the case against him. That was one time when silence would have been golden. The more he opened his mouth the deeper he shoved his foot into it.

One of their statements, to the effect that their style was to the bosses, and that was that cramped by the bosses (intimi- the rank and file were beginning dation) was a body blow for to express themselves. We were the reactionaries. We made good | well satisfied with the two electuse of it building a case against ed, in fact the whole weight of the bosses.

I suggested that we have equal them. We now had four good representation as to delegates, rank and file delegates: Soria, on a 2-2-1 ration, that is, two Moreno, Madrigoli and Gomez. of workers have been impri-conscience tells me it is wrong. Spanish speaking and three Engon a 2-2-1 ration, that is, two Moreno, Madrigoli and Gomez. lish speaking. One of the Eng- the food question immediately. have suffered such long imprison- union members are just a bunch lish speaking to be elected from This they set out to do. the Negro brothers who numbered about 45.

some discussion, all of the boss- to the storeroom, but due to the on the promise of security and es talking against it. The bosses pressure from delegates and men ease for their declining years! countered with an absurd pro-In their desperate poverty they posal that we leave it at two the table. Bacon and ham and would always be nagging the pound cubes. Milk was about ally set at four, pending the they saw fit, as opposed to the landing of the third ousted dele- system of having the cook putgate. A fifth was to be elected ting the sugar in the community later. This, I am sorry to say,

I was the third nominated in a field of five. The first two mously. I received 67 votes for farmer and professionals into and 24 against me, which was a very good showing, everything considered. It proved one thing

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"Watch this space for interesting details"

Release Sought

(Cont. from Page 4)

J.B. McNarama should be years and that J.J. McNarama should be paroled at the end of three years and three months.

It was further agreed that there should be no prosecution of any of the other alleged conspirators and particularly that Matthew A. Schmidt and Dave Caplin should never be prosecuted if they remained out of the state of California. The agreeby Judge Boardwell who sentenced J.J. McNamara to fifteen years in the penitentiary.

The agreement was kept by the then District Attorney John D. Fredericks so long as he was in office. When Fredericks was defeated by Thomas Lee Wooltorney, the latter, disregarding the promise made by his predecessor, and in cooperation with W. J. Burns, brought Dave Caplin back from Washington and tried and convicted him of manslaughter. He was sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary and served the full time of six years and six months. Matthews Schmidt was brouht back from New York, tried for murder, sentenced to life imprisonment in the penitentiary and has now served twenty-one years.

Never Asked For Parole J. B. McNamara has never asked for parole to which he is entitled under the agreement as McNamaras pleaded guilty.

by their many years of impri-her evidence. the rank and file was behind cluding great violence between persisted in carrying on in his ment as the two men in question. of nit-wits." Though one search all over the The trial committee brought in world one cannot find another

he was forced to put it out on delegates. They argued that five eggs began to make its appear- entered prison they were young against some of the more promiworker-farmer co-operation. But was an unwieldy number, they ance, as well as fruit. Butter men. They have spent the best now the Fascists are seizing their caused too much trouble and was on plates in quarter of a years of their manhood behind the grim penitentiary walls bosses, etc. This proposal was half and half and sugar was put. Now, with health impaired they also killed. The figure was fin- in bowls for the men to use as enter into the autumn of life It would seem that even the most bitter opponents of their release should be satisfied by such a severe penalty as these two men have suffered.

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STOOL PIGEON GETS TANGLED IN BETRAYALS

P. Kruger Expelled From Workers' Alliance

By a Worker Correspondent.

OAKLAND-Having been exposed as a stool pigeon for govment was broken almost at once ernment "investigators" and convicted of this and two other serious charges, Paul Kruger was expelled, by the membership, from Local No. 6 of the Alame-

da County Workers' Alliance. According to his own admissions he would contrive to miss meeting with the other members of grievances committees and then get get workers to let him handle the grievance alone. This, along with happenings in the union meetings, was turned over to the U.S. investigators.

He has taken up grievances in the name of the Workers' Alliance for people that have never belonged to the union; these grievances were very often not settled and thus these workers were turned against the union.

Conferred With Outsiders The second charge was that he carried union matters to a group of politicians none of whom belonged to the union. While a committee of the county couna result of which he pleaded cil of the Workers' Alliance was guilty, since he feels that to do gathering evidence of widespread so would be a violation of his graft and stealing in the 19th duty towards Schmidt who was and Livingston Streets sewing never to be prosecuted if the project, Kruger persuaded the principal witness to go with him As neither of these defendants to this group of politicians known had the slightest intent or de- as the "Progressve Democrats"

sonment (25 in the case of Mc- The third charge was that Namara-21 in the case of Kruger had persistently acted as Schmidt) we submit that both a one-man grievance committee these prisoners should now be contrary to the rules and pracreleased. Measured by prevailing tices of the union. This was standards the punishment of Mc- very easily proven and in the Namara and Schmidt has already testimony it was brought out been extremely severe. Since the that the Local had passed a moturn of the century there have tion forbididing him to carry on been many sharp troubles in this way over a month ago. He capital and labor in various own manner stating: "If the uncountries and tens of thousands ion passes a motion and my

a fourth charge, that Paul The proposal was killed after The foreman still had the keys prisoner who has been impris- Kruger had, under the name of oned for his labor activity for Sol Fatara, written articles in such a long period as have J.B. the Labor Crusader, a local McNamara and M.A. Schmidt. sheet, that were defamatory to When McNamara and Schmidt the union and actually lies nent members along with two women members.

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## Use of L.A. Police vs. Marine Unions Shows Labor Party Need

## Cops, Equipped With Tear Gas Await Lockout

Object Lesson Showing Need For Independent Political Action By Organized Labor

By a Maritime Worker

Four hundred members of the Los Angeles police force, armed with tear gas, guns and clubs, who were scheduled to move into San Pedro in the event of a maritime lockout, were later held in abeyance until Ocotber 15th.

Since the mayor, who ordered this force to prepare \* themselves, neglected to furnish

Mayor's Provocation

in the city of Los Angeles are

undisguised stooges carrying out

the policies of the big financial

A Light to Labor

to change their minds and come

The memory of our brothers

ive part in building up a politic-

Anyone who opposes this pro-

rank and file members of or-

Will it be necessary to get our

bellies full of tear gas, our skins

in this important lumber area.

workers are epresented.

ttitude toward labor.

neglected.

on was asked by the delegates.

old timers in the Douglas fir belt.

forced to do so.

## the union members with steel sume that we were the prospecsume that we were the prospec-tive targets for the mayor's army of legal vigilantes.

#### Ask Withholding Of Enforcing Anti-Labor Clauses

SAN FRANCISCO — Calling interests of the Pacific Coast. for withholding of enforcement of the anti-labor clauses of the Copeland law, and calling on all unions to take similar action, Maritime Federation Council, Bay Area, has passed a resolu- publican machines in California tion which clearly gives mari-Commission. The resolution cessity for a new program.

WHEREAS: The Ship Subsidy Law (H. R. 8555) enacted (Second Session) makes provision for the appointment of a elements in the State. political body of five men which is known as United States Maritime Commission, and

WHEREAS: The Ship Subtime Commission full authorwage scales and reasonable low a progressive line until and have pledged to them our need did not exist in our comworking conditions for all officers and crews employed on all types of vessels receiving Maritime Federation in San Pedan operating differential sub- ro the Farmer-Labor Party was

ance of the Commission's rulings should break like a sunburst on firemen and enginemen. even though considered unfair the minds of these individuals. by the maritime workers, and

WHEREAS: The Ship Subsidy Law makes no provision tear gas, guns and clubs, to be for collective bargaining between used against us, should be suforganized seamen and their em- ficient incentive for the staunchployers, or for the recognition est opponents of political action of bonafide trade unions, and

WHEREAS: The maritime out in support of a worker's unions and organized labor can and farmer's party composed of never submit to any Fascist-like all the decent elements in the restrictions which will interfere State. with their American Constitutional right to exercise their eco- who died on the picket line in nomic power when all other the 1934 strike is still fresh in means of solving their problems our minds. Their fate should have been exhausted, now there- induce all of us to take an act-

RESOLVED: That we request al party, and in fighting tooth the President to withhold en- and nail to place it in power, so forcement of these anti-labor that we may prevent forever the clauses until Congress shall con- unwarranted intrusion, at the sider amendments to the Ship command of the bosses' political Subsidy Act (H. R. 8555) which stooges, of a military force will adequately protect the in- against peaceful pickets. terests of organized seamen by: (1) Provision for the recogni- gram will sooner or later be sion of bonafide trade unions of before the bar of opinion of the maritime workers.

(2) Provision for collective ganized labor. bargaining with regard to wages, manning scales, and other conditions of employment between full of bullet holes and a cop's organizations representing American seamen, their employers the Maritime Commission.

(3) Provision for the accept ance or rejection of proposed wage scales and working condi-line by organized maritime LONG A DREAM, AND NOW A FACT tions by organized maritime workers before such conditions become effective.

(4) To guarantee the right of American seamen to establish and maintain halls of their own choosing from which to obtain filiates of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters & Joiners of employment on American ships. (5) To guarantee the constitutional right to organize, strike

and picket, and be it further RESOLVED: That we pledge our full support to the maritime unions in their efforts to main tain the rights of all labor which are now threatened by the antilapor sections of the Ship Sub-

sidy Law, and be it further RESOLVED: That copies of this resolution be printed and be sent to the President of the United States, Senators and Congressmen from the State of California and all labor unions in the State of California and Dis-

ntroduced by: Mervyn Rathne. A.R.T.A. No. 60.

trict Counclis of the Maritime

**PROGRESSIVE** 



THOMAS REDMOND, Marine Firemen's agent at Honolulu, a progressive union man.

### This flagrant act of unwarranted provocation on the part of the mayor should be an object lesson to every member that the present and past administrations

Brotherhoods Stand With Colored Labor

Now is the time for those who SHREVEPORT, La.-The strik have vigorously opposed the formation of a Farmer-Labor Party ng railroad brotherhoods on the and those who have naively vot-Louisiana & Arkansas, who went ed for the Democratic and Reout Sept. 19 to enforce their agreements, are in full solidarity to review their previous stand with the Association of Colored time labor's attitude toward the on the question of politics and Railway Trainmen & Locomotive Copeland law and the Maritime see if they can discover the ne- Firemen, who struck at the same

It must make every sensible Spiking company rumors that member of the marine crafts the white workers were discrimrealize the urgent need for a inating against the Negro railby the Seventy-fourth Congress Farmer-Labor Party supported roaders, four high officials of the running trades declared:

by all the progressive and union American Federation of Labor cent of such employes, have try. in Sacramento the question of a never been able to meet Mr. manning scales and minimum have persistently refused to fol- their cause is just and reasonable support the same as they have

In the last convention of the to us." This statement is signed by Vice-President W. L. Carter of whereas: The decisions on gates who refused to concede the H. Smith of the trainmen, Asst. the conductors, Vice-President C. the Maritime Commission have expediency of political action by Grand Chief Engineer O. K. the effect of law, and would the Maritime Federation. Now Hedges of the engineers and and certainly no county officimake compulsory the accept- at last the dawn of reason Vice-President Fred Barr of the al. on in fact, state or national

#### **Potash Union Gets** Four hundred uniformed agents of the shipowners, armed with

LOS ANGELES.—Towne Nylander, regional director of the National Labor Relations Board ordered a hearing which began October 15 when complaints were filed with him charging that the American Potash and Chemical Corporation in Trona. San Bernardino county, had dismissed 14 workers for union activity during August.

A dismal settlement in the heart of the desert, Trona has long been recognized by workers all over California as the scene of miserable working and living conditions.

It is almost entirely owned by the chemical company, and the men are compelled to live in tion by the Maritime Commis- forced to answer for his conduct ramshackle dormitories and eat in a company-owned restaurant. and these at excessive rates. Lack of entertainment facil-

ities are conductive to almost continuous gambling, and professional gamblers are maintainbilly bounced off our collective ed, many charge with the consconces before we realize the nivance of the company, but necessity for immediate action. certainly with their knowledge,

Woodworkers Federation Represents 72,000

Represents 72,000

representing 72,000 workers, or almost double the number of mem-

bers affiliated with the maritime federation. Lumber and saw mill

workers, shingle weavers, plywood and veneer workers, furniture

workers, boom men and rafters, cooperage and box and shook

The workers unanimously condemned Gov. Landon for his

Representation on the executive board of the Carpenters' Un-

Harold Pritchett, Vancouver, B. C., is president of the new

The new federation marks the "coming true" of dreams of

federation, Henry Morris, Aberdeen, Wash., vice-president and E.

B. Webber, Portland, secretary-treasurer. Extensive plans are be-

ing laid for organization of unorganized districts that have been

PORTLAND, Ore.—Patterned after the Maritime Federation of

## L. Beach Bosses **Use Courts to Limit**

LONG BEACH.—Inaugurating

upholds the validity of the ordinance.

Council for the workers, howthe Pacific, the newly-organized federation of non-beneficial afheard October 12. The federation was formed by 625 delegates at Portland, Ore.,

> San Mateo Milk Drivers Nearly

SAN MATEO. - Milk Wagon Drivers Local 226 have virtually completed the task of organizing San Mateo county 100%. Agreement with the employers is now in effect, unionizing

## WHY CITIZENS IT'S ABSOLUTE FIGHT SALINAS ROBBERY OF SF TERROR REIGN FERRYBOATMEN

Head of Welfare 'Dirty' Deal Holding League Shows Dan-Of Award ger of Fascism

SALINAS-The Citizens Welfare League, formed by citizens here who object strenuously to the shipper-growers' and vigilantes' disregard of civil rights, has had to face a lot of slander the growers in this Valley.

Among the slanderers was the Salinas Chamber of Commerce, charged, among other hings, that the Welfare League was not composed of citizens (outside of strikers).

Property Owners George D. Pollack, president of he Welfare League, had this to

"In answer to the question as o how many of those present (at one meeting) were property owners in our district, fully 75 per cent of those present stood up. I might say that I have oberved in the audience members other business people of our community at some of these

"The Citizens Welfare League can produce many hundreds of witnesses if you want them, to prove that gas was thrown and shot on many occasions without any request or order being given award. to the officers using the gas.

Simply because a loud speaker car went around Wednesday afternoon asking everyone to disperse in the name of the State of California is no justification plifying the suit. or excuse for gassing and chasing all citizens along the street "The duly elected and author- and sidewalks where they have \$165 got only \$32 from Deal. ized committee of the colored as much right as any police offi- Another man entitled to \$200 got At the last convention of the association, composed of 99 per cer or anyone else in our coun-only \$96.

Because no one was killed ins dy Law gives the U. S. Mari- Farmer-Labor Party was voted Couch (the L. & A. president) our community, is no legal jusdown through the efforts of the in an effort to adjust their legit- tification for our sheriff or any to establish "minimum Old Guard labor leaders who imate claims. We believe that other official to mobilize a small army of armed men when the munity. **Fascist Danger** 

"Furthermore, even the President of the United States cannot mobilize the citziens into an army without proper legislation being passed by our congress, official should have the legal right to mobilize or corral the military forces of the county, state, or nation; otherwise, we are truly placing into the hands of the few the means whereby Fascism can be carried out or a

dictatorship set up.
"The Citizens Welfare League is also interested in setting itself up as a permanent organization to enable the masses of our citizens who are not privileged to belong to the Chamber of Commerce, the Grower and Shippers Association, the Citizens' Association or the Associated Farmers, to be an organization through which they can be heard by our duly constituted powers that be, who apparently ignore the wishes and attitudes of indi-

the first of what employers hope will be a series of convictions for violation of the anti-picketing ordinance, four union men were found gullty in Municipal Court of picketing the Richmaid Daires' plant last August 8.

The conviction of the four. men, all members of the Intermay wake up one fine day to national Truckmen's and Helpers' find themselves facing a \$500 Union, according to Judge Miller, fine or six months in jail if

for a motion for arrest of judg-America in the Pacific northwest promises to make labor history ment was filed with arguments Son. Sentence of the men was held up pending decision on the mo-

## 100% Unionized

drive began last January 1.

Back Over 50%

SAN FRANCISCO - Highway robber is the word for Deal, reactionary secretary of the Feryboatmens Union.

Deal and lawyer Sharp are olding back over 50 per cent on the part of those tied up with of the \$100,000 recently awarded Ferryboatmens Union members for back overtime pay.

Back in 1928 the S. P., West ern Pacific, and Northwestern erries refused to abide by an arbitration board decision giving he men an 8-hour day. How Case Began

The companies worked the men 12 hours, then 24 hours off, which meant 56 hours one week and 60 hours the next

The men took the case to court, and a district court decision favored the company.

The district court was revers ed by the circuit court of apof your chamber, as well as peals, and the case went back to the original court, which this time upheld the men.

\$100,000 in overtime pay since 1928 was awarded to about 500 men. This was only recently The case had dragged on.

Lawyer Sharp had taken the case for 25 per cent of the Now Deal and Sharp are hold

ing back over 50 per cent of the money. Deal had gotten the men to sign their claims over to him in 1928, for the purpose of sim-

One man whom the company's record shows to be entitled to

"No Protection" Deal refused to give the men

a statement. They had to go to the company to find how much they were entitled to and how much Deal and Sharp had held back.

One ferryboatman who went to the City Attorney was told there is no protection under the law for the union members, and that they could take the case to court "if they could find a lawyer who would handle the case.'

LOS ANGELES.—A picket line was thrown around the Royal Shop, manufacturers of cotton dresses, at Vernon late last week when a strike was called by the International Ladies Garment Workers' Union in an effort to raise wages, better working conditions and union recognition.

Of a force of 150 operators, 96 came out on strike. Reports have stated that about 150 students had been taken into the struck shop from the Frank Wiggins Trace School, but Mrs. Bridges, co-ordinator of jobs at the school, emphatically stated that the policy of the school was opposed to supplying students to plants where workers are on strike. She said, definitely, that no students had been sent to the Royal Shop.

## **Bosses Chisel On** Compensation

LOS ANGELES. - California employers who have been chiseling workers' wages to pay premiums on compensation insurance workers from whom these de-terers Local 337 reacted quickly, firms, and corporations, and ductions have been made will to the anti-picket law menace, report the matter to the State as expressed in the county orever, have a different opinion, Industrial Accident Commission, dinance passed against the Sasays Commissioner Charles A. linas lettuce strike.

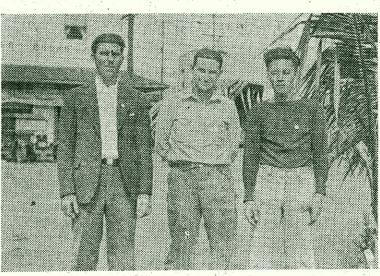
> not only makes it compulsory part: for employers, with few excep. The Hon. Board of Supervisors. tions, to cover their employes by workmen's compensation insurance, but it provides that the cost of such insurance be paid entirely by employers.

"This expense is part of the necessary overhead, inseparable from the conduct of the business, and cannot, in any degree, be transferred to the employes."

FOR SPAIN'S RED CROSS

BUENOS AIRES.—A resolution authorizing appropriation of the drivers. Only a few small \$300,000 for the Spanish Governdistributors now remain outside ment's Red Cross, was submitthe union's fold. The organization ted to Parliament by a group of unlawful for them to express of this ordinance by the Board ordinance and refuse to endeputies here.

THEIR CHARTER INSTALLED SOON



THREE LONGSHOREMEN OF HILO. Hawaiian longshoremen will soon have their I.L.A. charter installed. Charter was voted or at last Pacific Coast I.L.A. convention, held in San Pedro.

## "Point of Order"

(A Trade Union Column)

By Slim

EAVE IT TO A NEWSPAPER in Santa Ana, where tear gassings were a daily event during the recent strike of citrus pickers, to offer the following 'improvement" in defining a scab:

"Those men who have risked their lives by taking jobs since he strike was called. . . who perform more service per dollar

Incidentally, the Santa Ana Register (which doesn't register with anyone who boasts an ounce of sense), turns on its old pal Governor Merriam, and calls him "more dangerous than a Comnunist."

Why? Because Merriam's proposals for settling the Salinas trike called for retaining the union members on the employmen ist, along with 600 strikebreakers.

In a way, that's a sort of compliment to the Communists. whom the tear-gassers regard as "dangerous" because they stand for protection of union men, which Merriam doesn't, as witness is proposal to retain the Salinas scabs.

#### Soviet Designs on Paso Robles

FF YOU READ the little, but noisy Paso Robles Press, you get the idea that the second five year plan has struck a snag in the Soviet Union, and the difficulty can't be straightened out until States Maritime Commission, Soviet Republic of Paso Robles is established.

Apparently the Soviet authorities are going to stop building ocialism for a spell, in order to walk in on Paso Robles. And, if you go by the Paso Robles Press, the Salinas lettuce

strike was only the first step toward annexation by the Soviets of that peaceful little community.

And that, dear sirs and brothers, is the ridiculous length to which the red scare can go, in the open shoppers' drive against

#### I.L.A. Pauses a Moment

THE CITY BEAUTIFUL," is a phrase oft-mouthed by Rotarians, 1 Chamber of Commerce putter-to-sleepers and other openshoppers around the banquet table.

But it's really just three words in the dictionary as far as these birds are concerned. They squeal like stuck pigs when they're asked to shell out a few extra shekels in taxes to beautify significance of this:) It is vital

But the members of the I.L.A. Local 38-79, who have been facing a life-and-death struggle for the hiring hall, the 6-hour day and other vital issues still had time to pass a resolution, asking the Harbor Board to clean up the Embarcadero in San Francisco, between Merchant and Clay Streets, and create a gass plot

If you're looking for real civic spirit, the place to go is among the workers, and not among the open shop hot-air artists.

## The Farmer and The Worker

SYNDICALIST in a trade is a guy who, among other things A syndicalist in a made is a su, ..., thinks the working class ought to regard the small farmers as their enemies.

Syndicalists don't like the idea of a Farmer-Labor Party be cause, they say first, let's confine the struggle to the unions (which means let the crooked old party politicians hold full sway undisturbed); and second, because the farmer is a natural enemy of the worker.

There are syndicalists in the maritime union with these ideas. It won't hurt them to read the following letter, from a Monterey County small farmer, to the San Francisco Chronicle:

"Editor The Chronicle-Sir: Monday when I read the Safety Valve I was very much, shall I say, amused at the letter written by John Bakewell Jr. in which he shows so much sympathy for the poor farmers of Salinas. Possibly if he investigated it he would find that the greater percentage of the lettuce land is either owned or operated by the Grower-Shippers' Association and not by the farmers. One of these same grower-Shippers cleared about a quarter of a million dollars before the strike, so I do not think we need waste sympathy on him, do you?

"Just as average Monterey county farmer (Salinas)."

## Anti-Picket Law Is 'Class Legislation'

MONTEREY.-Operative Plas- fairness or unfairness of persons, Its resolution, addressed to the

Son pointed out that "the law Board of Supervisors, reads in right, therefor, Court House,

Salinas, Calif. Whereas, The Board of Supervisors of Monterey County, did on the second day of October, 1936 pass a certain ordinance known as No. 426; and

Whereas the script of this ordinance was prepared and sponsored by an attorney representing an Employers Association, and

Whereas, This ordinance attempts to control the speech of in. members of said employee as-

"Class Legislation" Whereas, This ordinance would

prevent employes from carrying on Collective Bargaining and Peaceful Picketing, which is their Resolved, That we condemn the

action of the Board of Supervisors for passing this ordinance, That we believe it to be Class Legislation. That we believe it to be Un-

conflict with the Bill of Rights. That we believe it to be unform of government, That we believe that the pass-

tually undermine the institutions paper Guild. of our government if persisted

That for these reasons, above their belief or opinion as to the of Supervisors.

Coneer Rubber Co.Is Plant Tackled By Unionism

PITTSBURG, Cal. - Another news union in Contra Costa County!

Its title is United Rubber Workers Local No. 60. It's para of a fighting international, which has made some glorious pages of labor history in Akron,

Charter members of the new local recently held a meeting attended by Assistant Örganizer Pat Lydon, Viola Cox, secretarytreasurer of the Contra Costa Central Trades Labor Council; E. G. Hocking of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers No. 51, and Olie Olson, president of Chemical Workers No. 20280.

George Roberts, international representative who will come here in November, has authorzed Pat Lydon to look after the cubber workers' interests and hose of the International until at least then.

Pioneer Rubber is one of the main plants to be cracked by organized labor here.

### **Shippers Scatter** Lies About In L.A.

LOS ANGELES.-A sixteenpage, scab-printed pamphlet was being widely distributed among nerchants, and the wealthy class generally, here urging them to support the shipowners in letters and telegrams to the United pending the expiration of "all present awards and agreement"

with the Maritime Unions. The keynote of the whole pamphlet was struck by the following quotation, taken from its last page: "Your reaction your interest will definitely influence results through the powerful force of public opinion?

Filled with distortions downright lies, the pamphlet tosses off such observations as 'More than 450 unlawful strikes and stoppages of work have occurred during the two years of the present awards. The cost of handling cargo has doubled due to inefficiency. (And get the that the Government awards have any effect, must be

Then there are re-prints of series of telegrams between the Maritime Commission and T. G. Plant, chairman Coast Committee for Shipowners, which seek to show that if the crisis slated for October 15 causes a coast-wide tie-up, the blame will fall on the unions.

### **New Elections** In Firemen

NEW YORK. - Showing their desire for unity, the rank and file officials newly elected to the Maritime Firemen over the old Carlson machine of reactionaries have signed an agreement for a new election.

The Carlson machine took their trimming like soreheads and tried to stop the new officials by resorting to the courts. An agreement signed by both

sides gives full recognition to a list of Rank and File agents in the 12 Atlantic and Gulf Coast Under the supervision of the

Southern N.Y. District Federal Court new nominations for officers will be made at meetings on Oct. 19 and Nov. 2. Balloting will then begin in all ports, and if by Dec. 31. less than 3500 have voted, balloting will keep on until Jan. 15, 1937.

judges of the elections and the Carlson group one. In the meantime a neutral man from the ISU will take charge of headquarters affairs.

#### Guild Seeks Repeal Of Anti-Picket Law In S.F. constitutional, and especially in

SAN FRANCISCO.—Repeal of American, and contrary to our the anti-picketing ordinance is called for in a resolution filed with the Board of Supervisors by ing of such legislation will even- the Northern California News-

Until the ordinance is repealed, the authorities are urged to "respect the overwhelming sentisociations, in that it makes it stated, we ask for the repeal ment of the people against this