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UNARMED STRIKER MURDERED BY THUGS IN GULF

A Class Struggle Prisoner Before THE STATE PRISON BOARD C. S. Victim Writes Her Own Story

By Nora Conklin, No. 57616

(Nora Conklin, No. 57616, one of the eight Criminal Syndicalism trial prisoners, writes the following report of her hearing before the State Prison Parole Board which occurred two weeks ago at the Women's State Prison, Tehachapi, Calif. Report of the interview of Caroline Decker, No. 57617, appeared in our last issue.)

"Number ten, Nora Conklin," announced the deputy warden as I followed her through the door.

There is a craning of necks as I enter. There are at least ten or twelve men present and a woman in a rust colored dress. The men are pre-dominantly elderly, all sleek in appearance and well fed. I am reminded of a board of directors' meeting. The room is the comfortable and honey office of our deputy warden. I have been in several times and have been treated in a kind and considerate manner.

But now there is an intangible transformation—some undercurrent. I remember one girl who passed me just before I went in. She was weeping—hysterical. "I couldn't say anything!" she said as she went out.

Inwardly, I am tingling as I face them. I am not weeping, I am not hysterical. I am not begging. I am remembering the more than 200,000 workers and friends who are organized on the outside to help us. I am proud because of their support. I am strong because of their unity. I face with confidence the scrutiny of those before me.

Everyone is watching me. The deputy warden passes behind me and sits slightly to my left.

I am seated at the foot of a long table facing the chairman of the board. Most of those present are on my left. One man is seated at my right.

The chairman speaks: "Mrs. Conklin, you are here on a charge of conspiracy to commit Criminal Syndicalism. Have you anything you wish to say to the board?"

"I can't think of a thing I could say to this board at this particular time that would be of any advantage to me," I reply. "There is a stiffening of attitudes. The man on my right is alert."

"What do you mean?" "What I want, is not within the power of this board to grant," I reply. I am conscious of a mumble, but continue, "I want a complete exoneration, and I understand that is not within your province."

The chairman agrees with me. "How long have you been interested in Communism?"

"About three years or a little more."

"What work will you do?" "What do you mean?" I ask, puzzled.

"What work were you doing when arrested?" "I was keeping house for my husband. I have been married twenty-one years."

"You are listed here as a stenographer."

"Yes. But it has been a number of years since I have had a chance to work at it."

"What work does your husband do?"

"He is an electrician."

"Where is he employed?"

"Nowhere. He is unemployed."

"I understand his political opinion differs from yours."

"What?"

"That's what you told me," says Judge Harvey who sits to my left.

"Well, a difference of political opinion doesn't prevent us from living together in harmony."

My retort is somewhat nettled at the intimation that my husband might be a narrow-minded pig.

"You have some court action (Continued on Page 2, Col. 2)

MASS MEETING DEC. 8 TO AID FOUR SCALERS

ILLD AND UNION IN MOVE TO SMASH MURDER FRAME-UP

Casper Bauer to Talk

TRIAL OF ARCHIE BROWN AND THREE OTHERS OPENS DEC. 11

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 29.—Casper Bauer, official of the San Jose Local of the Butchers Union will be a main speaker at a mass meeting, sponsored by the Ship Scalers Defense Committee, to be held in the auditorium at the Building Trades Temple here on December 8, beginning at 8 p.m.

Four members of the Scalers Union will go on trial Dec. 11, charged with first degree murder. They are Archie Brown, Francesco Jimenez, Natalio Villi and Julio Canales. They are being framed as a result of the death of a member of the union following a fight started by disrupters at a special meeting some time ago. The International Labor Defense is defending the men.

Woolf Is Chairman

George Woolf, president of the Ship Scalers Union, will be chairman of the Dec. 8 meeting. Pete Garcia, vice-president, will talk in Spanish. Other speakers will include Rev. Herrick Lane, a representative of the ILLD and one from the militant youth movement.

The frameup is backed by the employer group, including contractors against whom the Scalers Union conducted a strike for more than three months. The militant workers won the strike, secured an excellent agreement and now are working day and night to free their four brothers.

All sympathizers of organized labor, trade unionists and friends should attend the meeting at the Building Trades Temple. In addition, protests should be sent at once to Superior Judge Jacks, demanding the freedom of these men.

Dr. Coleman of L. A. On Chinese Red Army

SAN FRANCISCO—Political, economic and military developments in the Chinese Soviets will be described by Dr. J. C. Coleman, executive secretary of the Friends of the Soviet Union in a lecture at the California Club, 1750 Clay Street at 8 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 5.

Defeat the Fascist "Disaster" Plan

WORKERS FIGHT DISASTER PLAN

Strikebreaking Plan Protested By S. F. Labor

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 28.—On December 9th, the proposed "Disaster Ordinance" will be taken up by the Board of Supervisors. This will mark the seventh time that this vigilante ordinance has appeared on the calendar of the Board.

Unless strong mass pressure is raised by trade unions and workers' organizations, the chances of this anti-labor, strike-smashing measure going into effect are strong. That the Board of Supervisors did not pass on it at the last meeting, was due more to the fact that Mayor Rossi had submitted a plan somewhat similar, it rather than because of strong protests from labor leaders. Rossi's vigilante plan differs from the one proposed by the American Legion, in that it does not officially include that red-baiting body. "It is directed right at the waterfront workers," is the opinion of more than one rank and file maritime worker.

The Conference for the Promotion of a Labor Party is taking the lead in the fight against this ordinance.

Under the pretext of organizing an apparatus to cope with earthquakes, fires and floods, the Disaster Ordinance is a huge strike-breaking machine, sponsored by the Industrial forces in the guise of the American Legion. No little detail is overlooked, even to the extent of a siren to be established in Jefferson Park.

If adopted this would virtually turn the city over to the forces of the Industrialists and the American Legion. The prospects of an immediate earthquake or "attack from an enemy" are remote but the prospects of future labor disputes are quite obvious and with this in mind there is no question as to the true meaning of the Disaster Plan despite the ready assurance by the American Legion, that this would not apply to Labor.

On Dec. 9, workers and trade union delegations should pack the Board of Supervisors meeting to fight the passage of this proposed ordinance. It is a glaring example of how American Fascism is carried out, disguised as "democratic and constitutional changes to protect its citizens."

More War Shouting Than Thanksgiving

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—The peoples of the world greet this Thanksgiving with little complacent gratitude to their various Gods, but great alarm for mobilization and war maneuvers—that are rumbling throughout all countries.

DEATH

The disease wracked, dust checked, blood-spattered regiments of Italy celebrate a desperate holiday in the wilderness of Ethiopia. Far removed from their supply bases, harassed on every side by sniping and guerrilla warfare, they are tasting the bitter fruits of Ethiopian strategy. Although no major conflict has been fought to date, the Duce's troops are being laced to ribbons by the deadly guerrilla raids of Selassie's forces.

HUNGER

At home in Italy, food shortages and the strangling grip of International sanctions are creating unrest and a smoldering riot of revolt. If Duce thunders from balconies at vast acres of arm lifting, black shirted fascist regimented by the discipline of fear. He seeks to bolster his rapidly sagging popularity by bellowing threats of violence at the nations imposing embargoes.

EMBARGOES

In other countries, diplomats and statesmen, hesitating, uncertain, doubtful of eventualities, announce embargoes against Italy without pressing legal penalties to enforce them. Quickly taking the slogan of sanctions at its face value, the working masses enforce them by the power of labor, walking off trains and ships, refusing to man the machinery of commerce that would feed the Imperialist greed of Italy.

INVASION

In China, 15,000 Japanese troops march with measured tread into the North China provinces, string barbed wire through the streets of Tientsin, mount machine guns on the roofs of buildings.

China is going Red. The Kuomintang (Nationalist) Chinese government can no longer restrain the will of the masses. The vast Communist area of Soviet China expands rapidly. Communist and anti-Imperialist sentiment sweeps over all China.

DEGENERACY

Yin Ju-Ken, newly selected puppet dictator for Japan's new slave state in the Northern provinces, smokes hashish cigarettes and blinks frog eyed at his new domain. For Japan, a new empire to exploit and a broader base from which to attack Soviet Russia. For China, barbed wire, bayonets and hunger. For Yin Ju-Ken, his picture on a postage stamp, and a plentitude of opium and concubines.

POGROMS

In Germany, mass hunger, food shortages, and pogroms. Every economic resource of the country turned into the manufacture of guns. Twenty hungry children mean one more cannon.

Hitler bargains with France and Britain for support of his projected invasion of the Soviet Union. Japan is poised for a simultaneous invasion in the West.

FACTS

In Paris, trains of troops are unloading preparatory to the reopening of Parliament. Premier Laval sits with two documents before him. One is the peace pact with Soviet Russia. The other is the murderous invasion pact of Hitler. Capital, the banks, the industrialists and the French fascist movement say sign with Hitler. The French masses say sign with the Soviets. If Laval did not intend to sign with Hitler, the troops would not be needed.

REVOLTS

In Egypt, mass anger over the Italian invasion has flared a long repressed revolt against British domination into open clashes.

Revolt breaks out in Brazil and is drowned in blood.

Great Britain foams up the waters of the Mediterranean with her mighty fleet and prepares to clamp an oil embargo on Italy. Meanwhile, her capitalist statesmen tread gingerly in their Imperialist maneuvers, eyeing with apprehension a population that will elect a Communist to Parliament.

In the United States, the administration boldly announces embargoes against Italy and is embarrassed when the maritime unions see fit to carry them out.

Hearst Opposes Free Press for His Opponents

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(FP)—Hearst ideas about freedom of the press" stop short of allowing freedom of the streets to such an aggressively independent paper as the People's Press, new pro-labor and pro-consumer tabloid.

After its initial issue, the paper has been virtually barred from street-corner sales in Washington, by action of the Wash. Times, Hearst evening paper. "Newsboys have been told that they will not be permitted to handle the Times if they also handle People's Press."

The new weekly has been assailing Wm. Randolph Hearst and his policies. Its distributors have suffered violence as well as boycott tactics in Chicago.

San Jose Sets Up Council Against War and Fascism

CONFERENCE PLANS FIGHT AGAINST PROPOSED LEAFLET BILL

SAN JOSE, Nov. 27.—Meeting in all day session Sunday at the Labor Temple, the first San Jose District Conference Against War and Fascism laid the basis for future action against war and the preservation of democratic rights. A permanent County Council Against War and Fascism was set up as well as a continuation committee for youth and one for labor.

The conference laid plans for a second and broader meeting to be held in this area May 9 to 10, 1936.

Delegates elected to the Third National Congress, Against War and Fascism, to be held in Cleveland January 4, 5, and 6 were Brother L. H. Burnmaster of Bakers Local No. 24, San Jose, and Mrs. Alice Bodel, Assistant Dean of Women, Stanford University.

The conference took immediate action to defeat the proposed leaflet ordinance, known as Ordinance No. 2482. In a strongly worded resolution the ordinance was characterized as "an undemocratic anti-labor, suppressive, typically fascist piece of legislation."

The conference demanded the defeat of the ordinance and a committee of twenty was elected to be present at the City Council when the measure comes up for hearing.

Forty delegates from thirty-five organizations in San Jose, Palo Alto, Mountain View, Santa Cruz, Watsonville and Salinas attended the meet. Thirteen American Federation of Labor locals, the Santa Clara County Building Trades and Central Labor Council, six youth groups, Epics, Utopians, Communist Party, Townsend Club, German, Spanish and Croatian Fraternal groups and several women's anti-war organizations were represented. In addition, twenty-three registered observers took part in the conference.

Speakers included Rev. N. Studt, Kasper Bauer, Ella Winter and Leo Gallagher. Greetings were read from State Senator Culbert L. Olsen, Assemblyman Paul Richie, Col. C. E. S. Wood, and Sarah Bard Field, Roger Baldwin, Bishop Edward L. Parsons, Elihu Bramson and Redfern Mason.

The meeting was called by the (Continued on Page 2, Col. 8.)

ARMED SCABS SLAY GULF I.L.A. PICKET

MASS FUNERAL PLANNED TO HONOR MURDERED DOCK STRIKER

I.S.U. Bans Meetings

RYAN IN SECRET CONFAB WITH PERKINS AS SELL-OUT LOOMS

BULLETIN

SAN PEDRO, Cal., Nov. 28.—Longshoremen were instructed to unload three Gulf hot cargo ships of the Luckenbach Line here today in a telegram received last night from I.L.A. President Joseph P. Ryan. Two Swayne and Hoyte freighters were not included in the order because the company has not accepted the Federal Arbitration Commission, as has the Luckenbach firm.

Seamen were to picket the ships, however, since their demands that seamen on hot cargo ships be sent back to Mobile has not been met.

"If there is a picket line, our men cannot unload the ships," A. H. Peterson, district I.L.A. organizer, declared.

It is reported the Santos Maru, Japanese liner, was due here today with scab loaded cargo aboard.

HOUSTON, Texas, Nov. 28.—One more striking Gulf longshoreman was murdered and another seriously wounded, as Ryan "discussed ways and means of 'conciliating' the strike of dockworkers in Gulf of Mexico ports, at a secret conference with Sec. of Labor Perkins, which was held in a New York hotel room.

Samuel Brandt, 21-year-old striker was shot and killed, and C. W. Ewan was dangerously wounded, when armed scabs opened fire on unarmed I.L.A. pickets. Feelings ran high amongst the trade unions; a mass funeral for Brandt is being planned. Waves of protest are being sent to the civic officials of the city demanding the removal of all armed guards and scabs from the waterfront.

The S.S. Chetopa, Nelson Line, arrived here from Galveston, manned by the officers and pilot, after the unlicensed personnel had walked off. She is now tied up here, unable to recruit a crew.

I.S.U. Officials Ban Union Meetings

At New Orleans, the company "unions" received a smashing blow, when an injunction was denied to prevent shippers from breaking their contract with them. In the midst of the heat of strike, the following telegram was despatched to the International Seamen's Union at New Orleans from the East Coast District Committee:

"You are hereby instructed not to hold any regular or special meetings until the situation comes back to normal, stop the District Committee assumes full responsibility for these orders as a means of safeguarding the district unions, stop, keep us advised as to the activities of Communists and others; in your port at frequent intervals, send a copy of this telegram forwarded to Secretary-Treasurer V. O. Bond, signed, P. G. Prvor, O. Carlson, G. H. Brown, D. Orange."

Despite this blatant Finkovite orders from the shippers, several I.S.U. crews who were (Continued on Page 2, Col. 7.)

Maritime Convention Resolutions

The following resolutions were adopted by the Emergency Convention of the Maritime Federation of the Pacific:

JOB ACTION

WHEREAS, we believe and have demonstrated on numerous occasions that job action rightly used, with proper control, has been the means of gaining many concessions for the Maritime workers on the Pacific Coast and

WHEREAS, in as much as job action is and should be action taken when any group of Maritime workers desire to gain a concession without openly resorting to a strike, and

WHEREAS, in order to eliminate confusion and insure coordination of efforts in the best interests of all Maritime groups concerned, it is apparent that an organized method of proceeding for job action be laid down by this convention, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the term "job action" shall mean only action taken by any Maritime group in attempting to gain from their employers some concessions not specifically provided for in their respective agreements or awards, and shall also mean action taken to enforce the award or agreement to the best interests of the Maritime groups concerned or to prevent employers from violating agreements or awards, and be it further

RESOLVED, that job action should be confined to a job such as a ship, dock, shop or warehouse, unless otherwise agreed by all Maritime groups affected, and any Maritime group affected or liable to be affected should be notified and the issue in question be placed before them, and be it further

RESOLVED, that a committee of all Maritime groups affected on the job be formed, on

the job to consolidate action and prevent misunderstandings; such committee's authority not to exceed the constitution of the Maritime Federation of the Pacific Coast, and be further

RESOLVED that when job action reaches a point, in the opinion of the majority of the Maritime groups affected by having their members pulled off the job, and that to go further may jeopardize the Maritime Federation as a whole, the matter shall be referred where and when possible to the District Council for further action or adjustment.

RESOLVED, that the Maritime Federation is the fundamental backbone of any Labor Organization, and WHEREAS, the Maritime Federation has been denied collective bargaining in their attempts to change their Awards, and WHEREAS, Arbitration always has proven itself to be detrimental to Organized Labor which was

so clearly brought out in the now infamous Judge Sloss ruling on hot cargo; and

WHEREAS, The denial of collective bargaining is in absolute violation of the Award by the shippers,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That we demand immediate collective bargaining for maritime groups from the shippers, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we request the maritime organizations to give us unanimous support in our just demands for collective bargaining as provided in the Maritime Federation Constitution, in the event that we are forced to resort to drastic measures, realizing that if the seamen lose their fundamental rights of collective bargaining, the other Maritime Unions will also lose theirs.

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The Basis of a
United Front
The defense of the immediate economic and political interests of the working class, the defense of the labor union movement, the defense of the front in all capitalist countries, in order to set the broad masses in motion, such slogans and forms of struggle must be put forward as arise from the vital needs of the masses and from the need of their fighting against the present stage of development.

Look Out for the Crash! - A FL
WASHINGTON—Beyond a possible boom in the next few years, the American Federation of Labor has another and a worse "forecast" in its monthly survey of business, released Nov. 25. It points to the factors—such as profits and production outstripping wages—which are already making for the next crisis.

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I want more information about the Party.
I want to join the Party.

Party Life
DISTRICT ORGANIZATIONAL DEPARTMENT
In selecting a unit anti-pro, very little if any attention is paid to the ability of the candidate selected for this important position.

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To the Industrial Association
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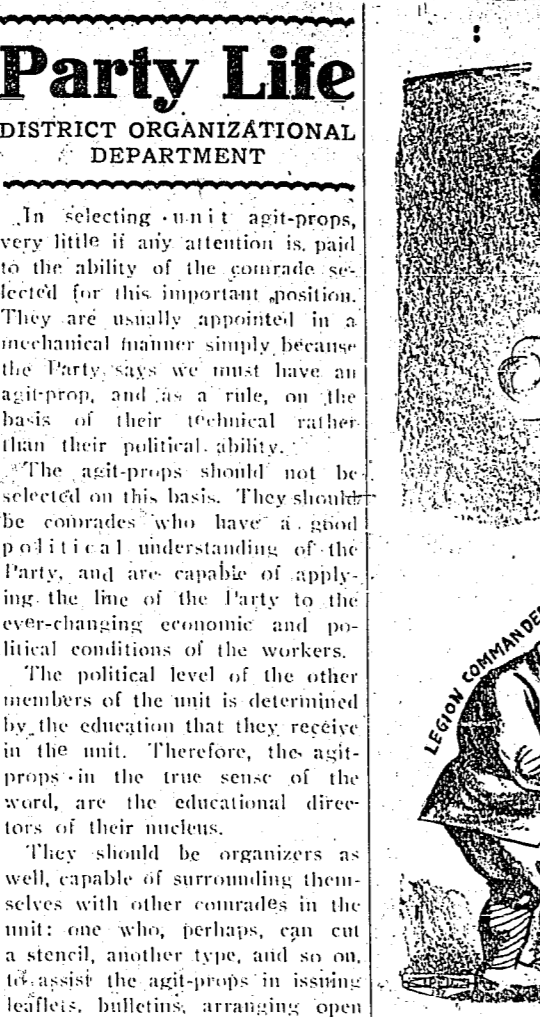
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German to Speak on
Coming Nazi Crisis
LOS ANGELES, Nov. 23.—Nazi Germany is following the lead of Mussolini towards war in order to escape internal disintegration, according to Gerhard Seger, former member of the Reichstag and now editor of the New York Volks-Zeitung.

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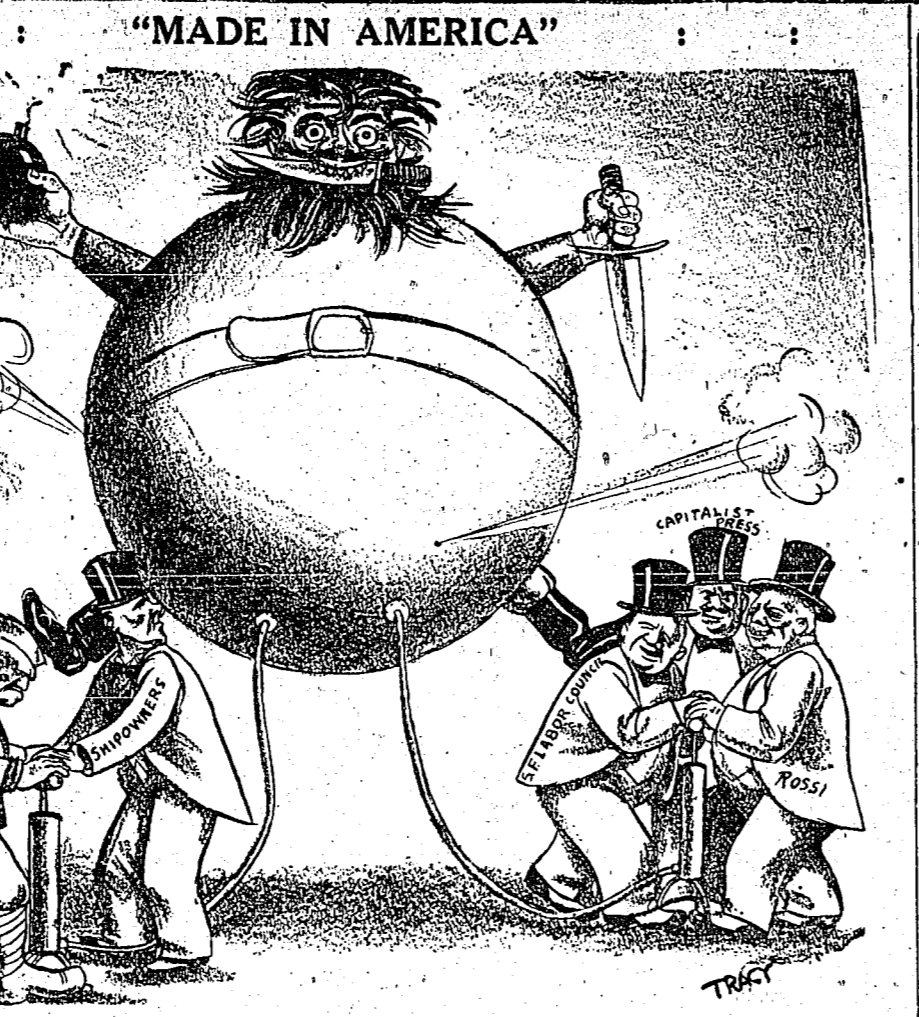
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SCALERS CALL MASS MEET TO RAP FRAME-UP

RIOT SCENE TO BE RE-ENACTED SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 3.—A huge protest mass meeting will be held on Sunday, Dec. 8, at 8 p.m., to fight the frame-up of the four members of the Ship-Scalers' Union, Local 38-100, who are being held for murder on the perjured testimony of Waterfront Employers' agents.

SCABS TESTIFY AT TRIAL OF ALAS. MINERS

JUNEAU, Alaska, Dec. 2.—A directed verdict of not guilty was denied all but one of the 30 union miners on trial for "rioting" in the strike against the Alaska-Juneau coal mine.

SPECIAL SHOW IN L.A. DEC. 8

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 30.—Nothing aside from the regular "outing" developed at last night's meeting of the Labor Council.

UNION OF GAS STATION MEN IN S. F. GROWING

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 30.—The filling station employees' union reported an additional 250 new members recruited and added to the ranks of the union.

STREET CARMEN DIVISION

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 30.—The Street Carmen Division 1004 (Marker Street lines) declared a fast 90 per cent of the men on duty in the city have joined the union.

The Finger of American Capitalism in the Pie of Italian Imperialism

COMPETENT ANALYSIS OF THE INVESTMENTS OF AMERICAN CAPITALISTS IN ITALY

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—The very real interest of American capital in Italy is revealed in a careful and authoritative compilation of figures presented by Harold Ward in the current issue of "Fight" magazine.

According to recent figures, private long-term investments in Italy, as of 1930, are reported as follows: American Exports. And that brings us to the second point: American exports to Italy.

Direct investments of American corporations in Italy. Note these facts, which were set forth in a recent issue of "Fight": The United States normally supplies Italy with 58 per cent of her cotton imports.

That makes a total of \$400,000,000 staked on Mussolini's fascist State by American financial interests—and this is probably a conservative estimate.

Suppose we confine ourselves to Italian bonds issued and outstanding in the amount of \$1,000,000,000. A few of these which have been floated by the same Morgan interests which had so much to do with our "love" of France back in 1918.

Meanwhile the decision of the executive committee of District Council No. 7, at the special meeting of the Council, which will be acted upon, to be sent to the other District Councils of the Federation for ratification.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28. Before the rising tide of military on both coasts, in their refusal to hand over the control of the man ships destined for Italy.

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(Continued From Page 1) ing Day, Ernest Lee Jahnke, another of the three American members of the International Olympic Committee, announced he would oppose American participation in the games.

Victors of Gernag descent, stated that he did "not believe that the German pledges with respect to Jewish athletes" and other so-called non-Aryan athletes, have been kept.

Jahnke, in a letter to Dr. Leval, head of the German Olympic Committee, revealed that the raising of \$300,000 to send the American team to Berlin was meeting with considerable resistance.

Nazi Propaganda. A reaction opposing participation in the Olympics was adopted by the board of the National Assn. for the Advancement of Colored People.

The 1936 Olympic Games were officially made part of the Nazi propaganda, by the appointment of Councillor Wilhelm Bruns of the Reich propaganda ministry to the organization committee. He will be expected to instill Nazi ideas in visiting athletes.

151 Delegates at L.A. Youth Meet

(Continued From Page 1) Continuation Committee from the last year's annual convention Saturday's session with a keynote speech calling for action by the youth for their demands.

The youth for their demands. Despoiled of the man of the first day, and left left behind by the president committee, and A. C. Rogers, secretary of the A. C. D. Federation, Trade and Labor Council, held the chair tonight.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—A peace conference will be held on Sunday, Dec. 22, at the Los Angeles Auditorium.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 2.—Sounding the imminent danger of world war, growing out of Fascist Italy's aggression against Ethiopia and consequent world antagonism, the American League Against War and Fascism today was calling on all trade unions, political groups, cultural and religious organizations to join the Regional Peace Congress to be held on Sunday, Dec. 22nd.

ETHIOPIANS IN COUNTER DRIVE (Continued From Page 1) "show down" that renders it the most crucial point of the whole war crisis to date.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 2.—Notice was served all exporters today by the Lykes Brothers Ripley Steamship company and its subsidiary, the Tampa Inter-Ocean Steamship company that no fuel oil, scrap iron, steel, tractors, trucks, or other equipment be accepted as cargo if consigned to Italian ports.

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JAPAN MOVES IN NO. CHINA (Continued From Page 1) tionalist movement in China that has, up to now, comprised all the backing that the Kuomintang government has been able to muster.

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ENGINEERS HIT 9-HOUR DAY IN TUGBOAT STRIKE

SUTHERLAND MATE TAKEN OFF SHIP AS CREW MAKES PROTEST SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 2.—While the shipowners centered their efforts to breaking the Gulf longshoremen's strike, they were being hit from another source when the Marine Engineers Benevolent Association called its members off on strike on several Bay tugboats in Friday of the nine-hour day now in effect.

AUCKLAND, New Zealand.—The Labor Party won a sweeping victory in the New Zealand elections, gaining 41 out of 61 seats so far heard from. In the House of Representatives, elected in 1931, the National Government held 46 and the Labor Party 24 seats.

BERLIN.—The German government has put a ban on the export of food products such as fats, vegetable oils, and potatoes. The measure is due to the extreme scarcity of these products in the country.

MURDER MATE REMOVED The crew of the Nelson freighter, Sutherland returned to their jobs when the second mate, with a knife in his hand, was removed from the ship.

MOSCOW.—The Stalinar and Khar'kov tractor plants have been setting new production records in November. Built to turn out 100 tractors a day, they are now producing 144 a day.

BOSTON, Dec. 2.—Professor K. F. Mather, noted explorer and geologist, will be the speaker at the American-Katzenbach Institute for Cultural Relations with the Soviet Union.

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Thousands Cheer Anti-Fascists at L.A. Conference for Labor Party Drafts Four-Point Program

General Johnson Not Fit to Be a Member of Union WASHINGTON, D.C., Nov. 28.—General Hugh S. Johnson refused membership in the Washington chapter of the Newspaper Guild on grounds that he is a strike-breaker.

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 30.—Affiant tribute to the heroic underground fighters against German fascism was paid last night at 2000 people packed into Trinity Auditorium to hear M. M. Branting and Otto Katz, leaders of the Los Angeles International Committee for the Relief of Victims of German Fascism.

When Katz mentioned Ernst Thaelmann, former Communist deputy in the Reichstag, and a victim of the Nazis, the crowd gave an enthusiastic demonstration lasting nearly one minute.

General was blacklisted in two separate ballots. The identity of any organization, while all affiliated organizations pledge themselves to cooperate in their action based on this program, each organization is left unhampered to carry on activity based on its full program, under its own auspices.

Adopted, San Francisco, Nov. 20, 1935. Conference for Promotion of a Labor Party 68 Haight St., San Francisco

THE WESTERN WORKER can be obtained at news stands. If your news dealer does not have it, ask him to stock it.

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EAST OF THE ROCKIES

One-Man Locomotives Bankers and Liquor Tailors Arrested Auto Unions Yellow Dog Contract

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# Rip Tides

By Lamas

"Share the system in play... all the words to your affairs... what some of these so-called 'liberals' say... The crew of the Sutherland have a different opinion of what is going on..."

# COP SURPRISED WHEN CROWD REFUSES TO 'SMASH' YOUNG WORKERS ARRESTED AT MEET

TELEPHONE PROTESTS FROM INDIGENT CITIZENS GAIN FREEDOM FOR TWO IN SHORT ORDER

By a Worker Correspondent  
HOLLYWOOD, Calif.—After arresting two young workers for making anti-war speeches in a free speech zone near the corner of Hollywood and Wilcox Ave., Officer No. 413 invited any citizen who so desired to smash their faces against the glass of the jail..."

# Last Resort



As they were leaving the jail Officer No. 413 said to them, 'If I ever meet you when I am in civilian clothes I'll smash hell out of you!'

# New Oakland Union Gets AFL Charter

WORK RESUMED ON LOW LEVEL TUNNEL

By a Worker Correspondent  
OAKLAND, Calif.—Mining operations in the Broadway low level tunnel, which were stopped by the disastrous cave-in and death of three workers more than two months ago, have again been resumed..."

# WHERE TO GO

ORGANIZATIONS Get the word on your affairs. Advertise them here on rates—7c a line, in advance

San Francisco  
—KEEP THIS DATE OPEN—Christmas Eve, a 79 Vallejo Affair, Dance, Entertainment, and Movie..."

# ON THE LABOR DEFENSE FRONT

A Letter From the Four Ship Scalers in the County Jail; Their Case Dramatized

Dec. 8th, 8 p.m., Building Trades Temple, Mass meeting, Protest Ship Scalers..."

# Setting Up Company Unions with Spies

STRIKEBREAKING AS AN AMERICAN TRAIT

This is the second of a short series of articles showing the methods used by employers in their never-ending assault on the living standards of the workers of America..."

# WHAT AMERICAN PROFESSIONALS CAN LEARN FROM A SOVIET FILM

THE PRIVATE LIFE OF PETER VINOGRADOV

The Private Life of Peter Vinogradov isn't so much the life of an individual, but the progress of the Soviet Union..."

# Consumers Research Found Responsible

NEW YORK, Dec. 2—Report of an independent committee on the strike at the Consumers' Research shows that three workers there were fired without cause and the C. R. has since refused to consider mediation or arbitration of the dispute..."

# Stahlhelm to Carry On for Hitler in U.S.

PROPAGANDA WORK TO BE CONTINUED BY NAZIS

NEW YORK, Dec. 2—Hitler ordered the dissolution of the Stahlhelm, a German youth veterans, because of its danger of organized action as a result of increasing dissatisfaction of the masses with the Hitler government..."

# District Council of Maritime Fed. To Aid Musicians

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 28—Although the District Council No. 2 of the Maritime Federation of the Pacific had a lengthy meeting on the subject of the recent Emergency Musician's Union in their efforts to support the Musicians' Union in their efforts to support the Musicians' Union..."

# Artists Against War

AMSTERDAM, Nov. 29—A hundred and fifty artists at a meeting here pledged themselves that in event of war they will refuse to work on the production of armaments or in any way to support the war effort..."

# Have You a Date XMAS EVE?

If not make one for the ANNUAL BALL of the International Hall of the International Workers Order at 121 Haight Street, Tuesday, Dec. 24, 8 p.m. Good Music. Lots of fun. Plenty of recreation.

# Soviets' Newest Industry Outdoes American Plants

Complete the five-year plan in four years. That is the boast of the Soviet Union's youngest industry, the synthetic rubber industry, has set itself..."

# L.A. YCL to Stage Anti-Hearst Party

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 29—'John Voss' in Dirty Work 'L.A. YCL to Stage Anti-Hearst Party'..."

# The Bear Lunch

Food of Superior Quality BEER ON TAP LIQUOR C. D. Bangs Phone UN-9239 1116a Market Street

# Special Performance of "FORMATION LEFT"

Dramatizing the Struggles of Unemployed Workers Raising the Necessity for United Action by Jobless and Social Workers Produced by Contemporary Theater

# Industrial Unionism Will Bring Unorganized Into A. F. L.

COMMUNISTS SUPPORT PROGRESSIVE MOVES NOW UNDER WAY

Unity of action is impossible when the workers are split up within the factory and industry into many craft unions. The proof of this is that in 55 years the Executive Council has failed to organize the millions of unorganized workers..."

# Does Not Express Will of Members

For instance, William Hutchinson, head of the Carpenters' Union, and other industrial union members of the union through the picket line of the Motors Protective Co. strikers..."

# Stand of the Communists

The Committee on Industrial Organization, headed by Lewis, composed of eight presidents of A. F. of L. industrial unions, has declared that its purpose is to unify the industrial unions..."

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West Coast Longshoremen - Be On Your Guard!

The report that Ryan has ordered the working of Luchenbach ships should put the West Coast longshoremen on their guard. Ryan's tactics in the Gulf strike are clear—he intends to sell out the West Coast longshoremen, maneuvering over the heads of the rank and file in utter disregard of their desires and demands.

Therefore, if West Coast longshoremen work Luchenbach ships, solely on Ryan's say-so, they will be obeying Ryan's orders, and the ship owners and will endanger the success of the Gulf strike.

The Gulf strikers have repudiated Ryan's tactics as reported in the DAILY WORKER late last week. The Gulf Committee has demanded Ryan's resignation as president of the I.L.A. Furthermore, the Gulf strikers, to our knowledge, have not repudiated the Luchenbach ships and until they do so these vessels are "hot."

Ryan's latest threat to call a national I.L.A. strike against all Gulf ships means nothing unless enforced on the East and West Coasts, over the head of Ryan and his cronies. Ryan has "threatened" before. But he sent the New Bedford and New York longshoremen back to work after they had refused to unload hot cargo from the Gulf.

From the West Coast longshoremen, from San Pedro to Seattle, should look to the Gulf strikers themselves to determine whether Gulf ships should be worked or not. Let these men, who daily are facing guns and bayonets, say whether or not Luchenbach, or any other ships, are under the hot cargo ban. If they declare Luchenbach ships, or vessels of any other line, are still under the ban, we must stand by them. East or West, are not strikers.

Chain Gangs for Los Angeles Streets?

Fascism creeps upon us in a thousand guises. The request of the Los Angeles Police Commission to Chief of Police Davis to pass upon the feasibility of using a chain gang of forty city prisoners to clean out storm drains, is worthy of attention.

There can be little doubt about Chief Davis' opinion. Chief "Red baiter" Davis—the delight of reactionary society parasites who anxiously debate the fascist means of protecting their privileges—has shown in every possible instance that he stands violently opposed to labor, to the point of openly advocating fascist terror.

What has the Los Angeles Central Labor Council done with regard to the chain gang proposal, for which money has been appropriated, according to the Los Angeles News? This initiation of "Chain Gang" Talmadge of Georgia must be inquired into closely, and decided action taken by all labor unions and other organizations in the Los Angeles area.

"Smash all such barbaric attempts to use forced labor. Bring the City Council and the Chief of Police to realize that all such fascist measures will not be tolerated."

Fight the Proposed S. F. Disaster Ordinance! Repeat the Oakland Measure!

The "Disaster Preparedness Ordinance" is to come up for a rehearing before the San Francisco Board of Supervisors on Monday, Dec. 9th. This thinly veiled fascist measure must not be regarded with indifference. It is the greatest menace San Francisco workers ever yet faced, and it must be countered with the widest possible campaign to muster delegates to denounce the plan at the hearing.

First conceived by the "Communist Club" in 1928, this so-called "emergency plan" was recently revived when a waterfront strike threatened. It is no mere coincidence that its chief sponsors now include the Junior Chamber of Commerce (the fascist mouthpiece of big business) and the American League (stock troops for reaction and anti-labor agitators).

Party Life
DISTRICT ORGANIZATIONAL DEPARTMENT
Unit Check-Up on Protests and News

Regarding unit activities, perhaps the most interesting news item is the fact that the League program does not meet the full requirements of the Communist Party program against war and fascism. It is holding regional conferences throughout the state with a view to crystallizing a full program of action of the broadest possible kind for California.

The American League Against War and Fascism, to which the Communist Party is affiliated in spite of the fact that the League program does not meet the full requirements of the Communist Party program against war and fascism.

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BROWDER ON OUR IMMEDIATE TASKS IN AMERICA
Here are the highlights of the report of Conrado Browder to the recent Plenum of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of America.

DEFENSE COMMITTEE
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 6.—A group of our liberal friends, headed by Anita Whitney, has been formed to help with the defense of our political prisoners.

BOYCOTT HEARST NEWSPAPERS!
The group has appealed for money to pay the \$600 fine levied against Anita Whitney.

TEAMSTERS CALL FOR BOYCOTT OF EAST BAY PAPER
The Oakland Tribune building was picketed today by teamsters.

PLOT TO BLOW OUT PALO ALTO GENERATORS FRAMED BY AGENT
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 6.—Frustrated in their attempt to force the Scalers' Union to reinstate employees, an "impartial" arbitrator ruled the matter not "arbitrable."

L.A. PRESS CONFERENCE ASKS SUPPORT FOR ANNUAL BAZAAR
LOS ANGELES, Dec. 4.—With interest growing in the Fourth Annual Press Bazaar, to be held here on the week-end of December 14, 15 and 16 in the Post Office Building, the first test case of the Wagner Labor Disputes Act is being held in San Francisco.

RYAN RETREATS AS PEDRO I.L.A. SUPPORTS GULF
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 6.—Although a settlement loomed near in the Gulf longshoremen strike, Pacific Coast longshoremen refused to work any Gulf ships loaded with "hot cargo."

SCALERS FIGHT "RIOT" FRAMEUP
VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 5.—The long bitter Vancouver dock strike, which will come to an end on Monday, Dec. 9th, when Union longshoremen who struck on June 4th, will return to work.











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Unwanted Millions;
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Advent of the WPA has taken the form of another campaign of punishment against the unemployed. Newspapers from coast to coast are publishing the swartest proclamations of anathemas. Hence their lack of work "No more, patience! Work or starve!"

Periodically, the captains of finance fit into angry races against America's vast regiments of jobless. Their vengeance rises to such heat that you can almost feel the heat of their breath.

Insincere recovery schemes collapse one after another and their inventors rage in exasperation at the hungry millions whose numbers stand undiminished.

The promise of the WPA to furnish jobs for all unemployed by December 1st has not been kept. Only a fraction of the jobless have received work.

The unemployed have been reasonable at the point of foolishness. No excuse for inadequate relief can be regarded as reasonable or should be considered.

Simultaneously with the present drive to lower relief and "punish" the unemployed, is a drive to force them into private employment at starvation wages.

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The November Plenum Of the Central Committee

In November the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the United States held a plenum that will make history for the working class movement of this country.

Last week we published a few sparse paragraphs from the report, indicating the range of the problems covered and the astuteness and shrewdness of his political statement.

With next issue we begin presentation of a series of excerpts from his speech, dealing with special problems in detail.

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Trade Union Work. In Fresno proper, from 2000 to 10000 workers are employed in the packing houses which are scattered all around. In these packing houses is an A.F.L. union. The secretary of this union is not a bad fellow, but because he does not agree with us on everything, our people refuse to work with him.

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Nov. 6, 4th, 7th, 8th of November—these are the days of the big, and very interesting—movement. We shall go after the work there and, of course, without any payment.

From the general to the specific—this means the program of the discussion of working world problems of fascism, war and revolution.

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L. A. UNEMPLOYED WAR ON "GARBAGE BASKET" RELIEF DIED

WPA Officials Hit SAN DIEGO UNION REPS CRASH GATE AT FEED FOR RELIEF HEADS

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 9.—On their third visit, a group of delegates from the County Equity League, the Public Works and Unemployed Union and the Hungarian Workers' Club finally forced the local board of supervisors to "recognize" the "garbage basket" relief situation.

Food in relief baskets is dangerous to health, since it consists mostly of starchy materials, and is either being thrown away by recipients or traded for other food.

The supervisors promised to "consider" the situation after they have gotten a report from the budget committee.

His WPA. At San Diego, meanwhile, John H. Pratt, chairman of the California Federation for Production by Use Roundly scored the state and federal relief set-up in a statement made public this week.

The state administrator of SRA and WPA, Frank McLaughlin, has just made public an order to the effect that men and women must work or starve, Pratt pointed out.

Violence against the workers was ordered by Knowland, who personally directed the scabs who unloaded paper at the plant and was photographed in the act.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 6.—With the prospect of the most successful bazaar ever held here, final preparations were being made here today by the Los Angeles Press Conference for the Fourth Annual Press Bazaar for the benefit of the WESTERN WORKER and the Voice of Youth.

No jinxes will mark the opening of the bazaar on next Friday, December 13th, when a dinner in the cultural Center Cafeteria will officially launch the three-day affair.

All day Saturday, Dec. 14th, the booths will remain open, as well as in the evening. However, the event of Saturday night will be the Masquerade Ball under the auspices of the Young Communist League. Prizes for the most unique and original costumes will be awarded at the ball, and a "hot" orchestra will provide music for dancing.

On Sunday afternoon a Soviet film will be shown in the Cultural Auditorium and at night a grand finale will conclude the bazaar.

Articles of all descriptions are still being accepted by the Press Conference to be auctioned off.

San Francisco, Dec. 9.—The ban on Gulf hot cargo by Pacific Coast longshoremen was lifted, it was announced by Harry Bridges, president of Local 38-79, on the issue at stake. The two major steamship companies, the Luckenbach and the Swayne and Hoyt, had signed preferential agreements with the West Coast Gulf Strikers' Committee.

An attempt to create a split in the ranks of the Gulf longshoremen, was averted, when an appeal from the New Orleans strikers for the release of all vessels tied up in Pacific ports was delayed until the shipowners agreed to accept the decision of a mediation board on the issue at stake.

The Eastern ports had requested a similar agreement, the settlement between them and the operators before any ships should be released. A settlement was finally effected, when the operators agreed to accept the decision of a federal mediation board, provided that the "independent" (company) union be represented on the mediation board.

Hiring Hall. To preserve the unity of the entire Gulf, in the face of lack of support from the Atlantic ports (Ryan's boys to be but an idle gesture) the Strike Committee had no other alternative and notified the Pacific Coast ports accordingly.

The details of the agreement signed with the Western Gulf ports are not available as yet, but it is understood that a raise in wages was effected with I.L.A. preference through their own hand.

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EMERGENCY PLAN SHELVED IN MAYOR'S OFFICE BY BOARD

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 9.—At a meeting packed with representatives of trade unions and united front labor organizations, the Board of Supervisors indirectly killed the proposed San Francisco Emergency Disaster Plan Ordinance, voting by ten to one to refer it to the Mayor.

During the proceedings Mayor Rossi repeated a statement appearing in the press a few days before, stating his opposition to the plan, on the grounds that there is "too much machinery set up now."

Proving his statement, he forcibly reminded the waterfront workers present of his strike-breaking role in 1934 by declaring: "To those of you who think that under Section 25 of the present City Charter, the Mayor is unable to cope with any emergency, I refer you to the general strike of 1934."

He further stated that under his order a committee has been set up to study the plan and drawing up plans to meet any situation that might arise.

Supervisor Hayden gave unexpected support and interpretation to Rossi's demagogic stand when he declared: "It seems to me that labor should have nothing to fear, as under the present Charter we were Communist Roosevelt's partying words. 'Act this week to help the WESTERN WORKER!'"

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Fillmore Waterfront Still the Life of The Campaign

possible, so that they can be sold at the Bazaar.

Variety Feeds. "There also are Souvenir Programs with space reserved for individual offerings or advertisements of organizations and business available. Collection lists also are placed and I am very anxious to know what amounts have been collected to date.

"And we expect to have several added features this year. There will be a special restaurant which will serve food of the different nationalities. . . . good old American cooking, Russian, Italian, Jewish, and Chinese dishes."

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Trade Unions Swing Into Action on Wide Front

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LOS ANGELES, Dec. 8.—Coming closer to united action against war, representatives of the Young People's Socialist League and the Young Communist League met here today in a symposium on "What Should the Young People of America Do to Prevent War?" at Clifton's Cafeteria.

Increased War Orders Boom Mining Towns

PHOENIX, Ariz., Dec. 5.—Because of increased war orders placed with Arizona mining corporations during recent weeks, the local press gleefully announces the return of better business conditions.

District Council Obtains Results In Job Dispute

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 8.—Continuing its policy of united action, the District Council of the Maritime Federation went into action again, with definite results.

Paterson Silk Strike

PATERSON, N. J.—(AP)—Paterson silk workers on strike for more than a month, have set up a relief committee in preparation for a long siege, if necessary.

YCL Stand on War

A mastery presentation of the Communist position in the International was given by P. M. ...

BOYCOTT THE BERLIN 1936 OLYMPIC GAMES

Lenin's Collected Works, 8 vols. \$8.00 \$6.55 History of American Working Class—Bimba 2.50 1.55 Fascism and Social Revolution—Dutt 1.00 .50 ...

L.A. Furriers Move To New Headquarters Give Banquet, Dance

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 9.—The struggles carried on by the furriers of Los Angeles for the past three years, and the numerous improvements they have achieved in their living conditions, have necessitated their removal to larger and better headquarters.

International Book Shop

170 GOLDEN GATE AVE., SAN FRANCISCO Workers' Bookshop, 224 So. Spring Street, Los Angeles ...

Who's New Deal Was It—Was it Ours or Was it—?

Among those who profited by the New Deal: American Cyanamid Company, profits rose from \$42,028 in 1932 to \$3,665,720 in 1934.

WISCONSIN MOVES FORWARD

MILLWAUKEE, Wis.—A significant step forward in the formation of a Wisconsin Farmer-Labor Party was taken when the Wisconsin Farmer-Labor Party met in a resolution introduced in the 1935 annual convention of the Vermont Federation of Labor by Richmond Trucha of this city...

Juneau Miners Assail "Fair" Trial Judge

JUNEAU, Alaska, Dec. 8.—Trial of the twenty-five workers, most of whom are members of the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, Local 203, and the International Longshoremen Association, upon framed trial charges...

L.A. CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

(Continued from Page 1) Moore was given the floor to speak on the subject of the "unfair list" which was adopted by the local union at its last meeting...

LABOR PARTY FORCES MEET IN EAST BAY

(Continued from Page 1) formation of a labor party. A committee was formed to carry forward the work of the conference, and a financial plan was made...

THE MARITIME FEDERATION RESOLUTION AGAINST WAR

WHEREAS: The recent A. F. of L. Convention at Atlantic City adopted a resolution on the Italian-Ethiopian war situation, condemning Italy as the aggressor...

BRITAIN AND ITALY COMPETE FOR POWER IN MEDITERRANEAN

Britain is willing to de-militarize Malta if Italy will do same in Dodacanese. A third circumstance operating in Great Britain's favor is the fact that last month the Turkish Ambassador in London offered British armed support on condition that Italy be driven from the Dodacanese...

Plan to Picket Medical Board in Fight for Bissell

OAKLAND, Dec. 5.—Despite the fact that keeping Dr. Bissell off the panel of physicians for the East Bay SERRA is a violation of the Medical Board's regulations, the SERRA still refuses to reinstate him. These violations were charged against the Alameda County administration by the East Bay Federation of Unemployed and Allied Organizations...

LABOR PARTY PROCEEDINGS

(Continued from Page 1) progress at the Fred Bissell shop. The District Council also took exception to the language of an article in the Labor Clarion regarding the strike at Benoit's. The District Council also reported that a lingerie manufacturer firm on Market street, which operates with a company union, had dismissed the shop steward on the grounds that he had made unjustified arrests to justify their violence...

Disaster Plan IS DEFEATED

(Continued from Page 1) ing the general strike, and the proposed plan is not aimed at labor as such, as it is aimed at the workers of the shop...

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FASCIST FINDS HITLERISM NOT AS ADVERTISED

By Le Mae. Editor, Western Worker: It may be of interest to fascists as well as anti-fascists to hear that recently a member of "The Friends of New Germany" from San Pedro, went back to Germany...

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UNDERWEIGHT ONLY NINE POUNDS?

By a School Girl. LOS ANGELES.—Do you need a doctor to tell you that you are hungry? Children at Main Street School can not have free lunches or milk unless a doctor examines them and prescribes it. This is what the principal, Mrs. M. McKinley, says...

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No More Relief DAY-TO-DAY PROGRESS OF HUNGER AMONG UNEMPLOYED ON DIRECT AND WPA RELIEF

By a Worker Correspondent. (SAN DIEGO, Cal.)—The vicious circle of WPA cruelties and indignities has begun in San Diego. On one job, 20 miles out of town, to which the unemployed find their own transportation, they are seldom given work during the day...

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Jobless Jottings

By the Boondogger (L.A.). A young man in overall apron, a program book, and a divided coming out of the Mid-night Mission on Main street and made a request for money to buy something to eat.

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Will S. F. Fulfill Recruiting Quota?

100 NEW MEMBERS ALREADY WON LEAVES JUST 29 TO GO. By Lawrence Ross. On September 21st, the San Francisco Section launched its membership drive with a quota of 129 new members to be recruited by the end of the year.

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ON THE LABOR DEFENSE FRONT?

Question: "If Protests Didn't Get the Comrades Moved, Then What Did?" A news radio broadcast Thursday night announced that the I.L.D. had announced their plans to hold a protest which had preceded it.

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Books-Pamphlets IN REVIEW

"William Randolph Hearst on Communism and Fascism, Government, Banking, and Excessive Taxation." (Publisher not mentioned). Nine reprinted editorials by Hearst, all in one pamphlet!

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Define the Campaign
Against Shipment of
War Materials

More than one position where the
whole war situation is so serious that
the workers as a whole must be on the alert.

Also, early next year the question of the
embargo on shipment of war materials for
renewal of the measure in force here.

Bring these questions into the unions and other
organizations without fail.

Mr. Hearst Recognizes
The Stakhanovites

The implications of the Stakhanovite movement
in Soviet Russia is beginning to penetrate the
recesses of that national phoneme, the
Hearstian brain.

1927 - Canton Commune - 1935

Eight years ago, December 11th,
the Chinese working people of
Canton rose in armed rebellion
and attempted to throw off the
yoke of foreign and native exploitation.

The Chinese capitalists with the
aid of Japanese, British and American
warships suppressed the Canton
Commune by the force of superior
arms. The commune was drowned
for many days and more than 5000
men were slaughtered, not in combat
but by cold blooded butchery.

Party Life
DISTRICT ORGANIZATIONAL
DEPARTMENT

Just How to Build
Western Worker
Circulation

At the Western Worker Conference
held in San Francisco on
Nov. 23rd, the following decisions
were made:

1-Each subscription is to select
a Western Worker agent to be
responsible for sending in regular
correspondence to the Western
Worker regarding that particular
sub-section territory, as well as
for promotion of circulation in that
territory.

Missionaries in the
Line of Fire

The problem of the Chinese people is how
to get living wages for their labor and how to liberate
themselves from the yoke of foreign exploitation.

18 Months Jobless,
Wins Cash, Gets Job,
Is Fatally Stricken

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 11—Hearst
attack and death followed among
lucky here last night for Fred
Jung, 65, former unemployed worker.

Lake Seaman Fight
WPA Coolest Relief

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 11—Two
hundred unemployed Lake seamen
threw a picket line on the
transient shelter here, when they
were ordered to take WPA jobs in
campus at fifteen dollars per month.

The Sweatshop of Lies

What is the Stakhanovite movement
which has set not only all
Soviet Russia afire, but which also
promises to become a very large
thorn in the extremely tender side
of the capitalist system?

How It began.

Wages Go Up

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on "lynchers" of free thought
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AMONG WOMEN
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REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF
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THE STAKHANOVITE MOVEMENT IN THE U.S.S.R.

A MINER SETS NEW PACE IN SOVIET PROGRESS
EFFICIENCY DRIVE RAISES LIVING STANDARD

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Union Employees

HAGSTON AND SAFEWAY
TAKE ADVANTAGE OF
COMPROMISE

World
Events
By Emmett Kirby

Oil Prices Jump As
Shipments to
Italy Grow

Though a week has passed since
the story first broke revealing the
deal of the Standard Oil of New
Jersey, supplying oil to Mussolini,
and yet it's hard to talk about these
two gay, humorous, smiling,
serious writers without using this
phrase. For they, having
conquered the Frankenstein of
oppression, unfairness, bitter
and wretched inequalities
blocking the road to real joy in our
world, can afford to laugh at the
foolish and the stupid, and
prides and philistinisms still abroad
in their own rising new world.

Crude Oil Jumps

Standard Oil of California has
raised the price of average
refined, crude oil from 50c a barrel
to 61c a barrel, with a 10c
premium for the standard oil.

Industry that the Stakhanovite
movement represents the future of
our industry; that it contains a
strain of the future cultural and
technical progress of the working
class that it opens before us the
only path along which it is possible
to achieve those higher
results of the productivity of labor
which are essential for that
transition from Socialism to Communism
and the destruction of the
contrasts between mental and physical
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The United Front Released
Herdon; The United Front
Can Free the C.S. Prisoners

Soviet Columnists
VISITING U.S.A.

By Ella Winter

Jobless Asked
To Live on Air
Till WPA Pays

RELIEF CUT OFF, WPA NOT
YET PAYING WAGES,
MEN NOT EATING

Insurance Wage Cut
CITY AND COUNTY PLAYING
BLIND MAN'S BUFF
WITH RELIEF

ILGWU BOARD TO
BACK GROUP ON
INDUST. UNIONS

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 12.—
The General Executive Board
of the International Ladies
Workers' Union, meeting here
last week, voted full support to the
Committee on Industrial Unions
headed by John L. Lewis. The
Board also voted that \$100,000
dollars be organized the cotton
garment industry.

ITALY EMBARGO
PIGEON HOLED

Britain Wants Hasty
Rape of Ethiopia
To Free Hand

Italy Embargo
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Soviet Union, Small
Nations Check Plan
For Disarmament

LONDON, Dec. 12.—Particulars
of the Franco-British peace
proposal which Mussolini is still
pondering over and Ethiopia is
rejoicing to have rejected, would
grant Italy all of the territory
she has now penetrated in the
African kingdom. The proposal
throws a fig of public opinion and
Ethiopian dignity by stipulating
that Ethiopia shall have access
to a seaport.

EPICS SUPPORT
JOBLESS FIGHT

Demands of Jobless
Are Adopted By
L.A. Forum

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 10.—
Demands voiced by the Public
Works and Unemployed Union
relative to "WPA and other relief set-ups,"
received today include the
International Union of Operating
Engineers, Local 59; Oil Workers'
Union, Local 5; Maritime; Inter-
national Brotherhood of Teamsters
and Unemployed Union; Local 2;
PWUU of Oakland.

Oakland Chain
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Union Employees

HAGSTON AND SAFEWAY
TAKE ADVANTAGE OF
COMPROMISE

PRODUCTION FOR USE GROUP
DEMANDS FUNDS FOR UNITS

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 9.—
Demand that the proposed \$4,500,000
cooperation program to build
a California self-help units be
immediately adopted, was
telegraphed to FERA Administrator
Harry L. Hopkins here today by
a group of production-for-use
advocates.

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WESTERN ORGAN OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY, U.S.A.
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SCALERS DEATH TRIAL FRAME-UP OPENS

HERNDON FREED
BY NEW RULING

SLAVE INSURRECTION
LAW DECLARED TO BE
UNCONSTITUTIONAL

PACK THE COURT
INTERNATIONAL LABOR DEFENSE
URGES

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PROGRAM OF ANTI-WAR
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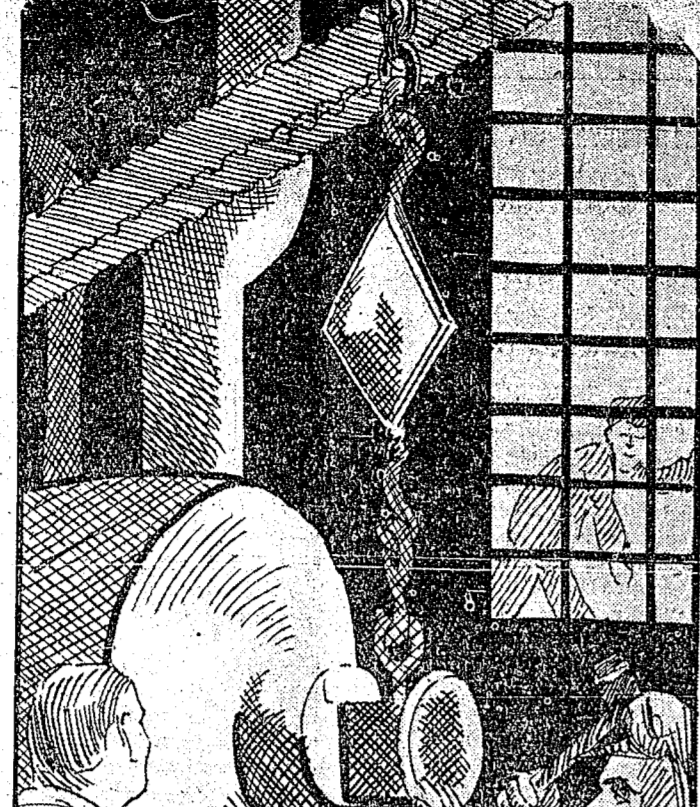






Rip Tides By Le Mae It is the unanimous opinion of the capitalist press, that T. J. Darcy, Gulf District president of the I.L.A., "capitulated to the threat to withdraw his support"...

A NEW "YOUNG PIONEER" - BABY BOY BORN TO VICTIM OF SYNDICALISM FRAME-UP County Doctors Risk Mother's Life By Indifference



Dr. Miyakawa did not. There are methods used by physicians to bring a laborer when it is too long delayed. Professional Opinion. Editorial comment by Dr. F. J. Bissell: It is not possible, usually, to estimate the exact date of the birth of a child...

NO CHECKS, NO WORK; JOBLESS WIN IN STRIKE St. Barbara PWU Leads 30 in WPA Walkout

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MOVIE REVIEWS Dos Passos' Writes One With an Eye-Brow Pencil - Spanish Officer Gets an All Around Run-Around

Two Famous Soviet Writers Visit America (Continued from Page 1) of as the serious union it should be in a country which has now reached sufficient stability for family life to become stable and secure...

Health and the Class Struggle By FRANKLIN E. BISSELL, M. D. OSTEOPATHIC BIRTH CONTROL We have received a couple of severely for a statement made in this column about the book, "Natural Birth Control"...

Just in case you still don't think it is safe in San Francisco, go down to pier 2 sometime around four when the cop command of the best great relief...

WHAT DO YOU BUY WITH IT? By a Worker Correspondent. LOS ANGELES. - No more worry. The crisis is past. All employables back at work, says Pres. Roosevelt...

TRUTH SHOCKS TEACHER, BUT PLEASES KIDS By a Negro Junior Hi-School Girl. LOS ANGELES. - Our home life is a hell. We have the star for the most part. A. A. Tucker, the boys and girls used to take them and work very hard trying to sell them...

WE ARE ALL WORKING HARD PRODUCING NOTHING ON WPA WOMEN'S SEWING PROJECT AN UNHEALTHY FARCE By a Worker Correspondent. LOS ANGELES. - I hastened to my WPA sewing project on Monday morning, I arose at 5 o'clock, to find the project was closed...

Ingoldstad Lecture At 121 Haight St. Dr. Fred E. Ingoldstad will give a living picture of what is happening in transforming the culture of the United States...

The Bear Lunch Food of Superior Quality BEER OR WINE LIQUOR C. D. Bangs, Phone UN-5820, 1115 Market Street, Oakland

ON THE LABOR DEFENSE FRONT A Lesson to be Learned From Herndon's Release From Georgia Chain Gang

PEOPLE'S FRONT PAPER LAUNCHED IN NEW MEXICO IS PRINTED PARTLY IN SPANISH LANGUAGE ALBUQUERQUE, N. M. The first issue of the People's News, organ of the newly launched Labor Party of New Mexico, appeared and was hailed by the workers as the answer to a long sought need...

NEW SOVIET FILM Shows Battle for Collectivization "PEASANTS' OPENS SAT. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 9. - The Soviet film "Peasants" will be shown at the Grand National Theatre, 11th and Clay streets, Saturday, Dec. 14...

Garment Workers Win Closed Shop SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 13. - After an eight-day strike, the International Garment Workers' Union announced the complete victory, when the Joseph Malouf Company, underwear manufacturer, signed a contract with the union...

How the Los Angeles Jews Built a Mass Anti-Fascist Front By M. SILVER. The development in Los Angeles of the Jewish Anti-Nazi League, the broadest anti-front yet developed against Fascism...

Loren Miller Will Conduct Class on Negro Problems Eureka Dockers Foil Blacklist EUREKA, Calif., Dec. 6. - An attempt to discriminate against an I.L.A. delegate here on the part of the Eureka Dockers...

Dr. Fred Ingoldstad, Lecturer, 121 Haight St. The teacher looked a little surprised, but we were glad to hear them tell the truth.

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DR. FRANKLIN BISSELL, Physician and Surgeon, ANNOUNCES THE REMOVAL OF HIS OFFICES FROM THE GRAND NATIONAL THEATRE TO THE DALZIEL BUILDING, 230 S. SPRING STREET, OAKLAND.

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Act Today—Smash the Scaler Frame-Up
In Superior Judge Life Jack's court at the Hall of Justice in San Francisco the shipowners and the Industrial Association are brewing another 'Tom Moe' frame-up.

Unless the working masses of San Francisco are once again convinced it is entirely possible that the capitalist class will use the power of the state to frame up a scaler.

Two things must be done immediately. First—every union must see to it that its organization adopts a resolution demanding immediate and unconditional release for these men.

The "Disaster" Victory Must Be Followed Up!
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The "Herndon" Victory A Lesson to California
The most significant aspect of the latest victory in the fight to free Angelo Herndon is that it has shown the people of California that the vicious Georgia "disaster" law is not inviolable.

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East and West—Squaring Off for Conflict
Even the erratic and garbled reports of international friction appearing in the daily press rate that capitalism is investigating the gas tank of world crisis with a lighted match.

Britain wants peace in the Mediterranean. She is willing to make concessions to Italy and Egypt toward this end. In the case of Italy, however, she wants to make those concessions at the expense of Ethiopia—whom she will find no easy matter.

In plain words, the imperial powers are already harping on the spoils of both China and Ethiopia, and naval power in the Mediterranean. A power with a weak navy might just as well keep out of the conference.

A Sports Center for Trade Union Youth
The San Francisco waterfront unions are doing an admirable piece of work in establishing a sports center on the front.

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Party Life
DISTRICT ORGANIZATIONAL DEPARTMENT
Work of Our Party During Spoma Terror

During the month of August the Spoma Section of our Party went through a period of extreme terror as a result of the Spoma raid.

While we cannot say that we had a sufficiency of these trained forces we were able to hold the party nearly intact. Only a couple of members dropped out of the party as a result of the terror and these we had never been able to draw into much activity even before the raid.

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FALL OF BALDWIN IN BRITAIN AND LAVAL IN FRANCE MIGHT RESULT OUT OF "PEACE PLAN"

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—The position of the United States Treasury, as of Dec. 13, was reported as follows: Receipts \$18,967,425.23; expenditures, \$19,509,629.33.

Naval Conference Flounders in Complete Disagreement—Japanese Bomb China Cities—Sir Samuel Hoare Quits

(Continued from Page 1) brings the oil embargo again to the fore.

PARIS, Dec. 10.—Friction between right and left factions in the French government has been increased over the proposed "peace plan".

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The foreigner naval conference has lapsed into hopeless hickering and is expected to result in a naval construction race.

ANTI-WAR GROUP AID PICKETING OF "WAR CARGO"

CAPTAIN FAILS TO FIND CREW TO REPLACE STRIKERS

FERRYMAN APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP IS TABLED

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—By a unanimous vote of every member of the Board of Maritime Federation, the action taken by the Sailors' Union of the Pacific and I.A.S. 35-79, to hold a half-hour meeting on Friday, Dec. 20, at 1 o'clock, in protest of the framup of the four members of the Sailors' Union.

"Blessed Are the Meek and Hungry"

(Continued from Page 1) there grave another year. When their fathers and mothers strike for better wages, the Chronicle will scream "Americanism" and cry for police and military to suppress them.

BUZZELL CITED

(Continued from Page 1) In a sharp note on Friday night's council meeting, Buzzell admitted of the responsibility by stating that he was only acting under orders from Green.

GREEN'S CIRCULAR

A circular letter from William Green against Industrial Unionism was read to the Council. The letter specifically instructs all Central Labor body officials and officials of their stock of German made goods.

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FOREIGN NEWS BRIEFS

Canadian 'Recovery' War Industry Busy Japanese Deficit Jewish Ghetto

OAKLAND, Calif., Dec. 19.—Much has been heard lately of the East Bay "regional park" located in the Berkeley Hills.

OTTAWA, Can.—(AP)—Canadian consumers celebrated a "recovery" by delivering to the Government an eleven billion dollar deficit.

LONDON, Eng.—(AP)—The British war industry is being urged to speed up production.

Sheffield armament plants, which for years have been working only two or three days a week, are now busy day and night with three shifts, the war reports.

Gov. Landon Strikebreaker

OAKLAND, Calif., Dec. 17.—Governor Landon of Kansas, in a letter to the Tri-State Miners' Union of Kansas, Oklahoma and Missouri, was read to the council.

HONOLULU ILLA DOCK CHARTER

HONOLULU, T.H., Dec. 15.—Although the dockworkers have requested a charter for the I.L.A. over a month ago, to date Ryan's office has not answered their request.

TOKYO, Japan.—The Japanese budget provides for a deficit of 600,000,000 yen during the next fiscal year.

MOSCOW.—The Soviet ship salvaging agency, Epron, has raised the "C-3", a submarine sunk several months ago in the Black Sea.

ONE-MAN CREWS ABOLISHED BY STRIKE THREAT

CHICAGO (AP)—No longer will the mad career of the Burlington road's Zephyr train be entrusted to a lone worker in the engine cab.

WARSAW, Poland.—Creation of a Jewish "ghetto" in Poland was brought about as a result of an order directing Jews to the ghettos.

WPA WRITERS LAID OFF IN BERKELEY, CAL.

(Continued from Page 1) work or are to be put to work in the District of Columbia.

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil.—Increasing Communist sentiment in Brazil is worrying the government.

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L.A. Labor Council Officials Oppose Indust. Unionism

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Kids Become Cops EL CENTRO PREPARES Italy Plan Adopted

EL CENTRO, Calif.—The formation of a boys' police force in this county is being discussed.

Ill. WPA Workers To Strike; Union Wage Is Demanded

GRAND, Ill.—Labor organizations and unemployed units of the Illinois Workers Alliance have been meeting at Grand, Ill.

TOLEDO (AP)—An investigation committee of the Toledo Central Labor Council is reported in favor of industrial unionism.

BOYCOTT HEARD

Masses Must Be Organized for Daily Struggle in U.S.A.

WILL SOMEONE CUT A MELON ON EAST BAY PARK PROJECT?

OAKLAND, Calif., Dec. 19.—The report of Earl Browder to the Central Committee plenum in November, from these executives, is published in full in the December issue of the "Communist", theoretical organ of the Communist Party.

Will Roosevelt Turn To the 'Right' or To the 'Left'?

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COLLEGIANS IN ANTI-WAR PULL AT SAN DIEGO

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Two Workers Killed In Quarry Accident

SUPERIOR, Ariz., Dec. 11.—Two workers were killed yesterday in a slide of rocks in the Laguna mine here.

Scheiderman Talks At Oakland Center

OAKLAND, Dec. 18.—Cradle of the modern movement, district organization of the Communist Party, was the guest speaker at the official opening of the Workers' Center here Saturday, Dec. 14.

FINANCIAL DRIVE QUOTAS FOR EAST BAY LISTED

The annual drive for the WESTERN WORKER sustaining fund opens January 1. The quota for the East Bay is \$475.00.

WAREHOUSE UNIT: No. 1 \$100.00, No. 2 \$100.00, No. 3 \$100.00, No. 4 \$100.00, No. 5 \$100.00, No. 6 \$100.00.

EAST OAKLAND: \$150.00, \$100.00, \$100.00, \$100.00, \$100.00, \$100.00.

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EAST OF THE ROCKIES

Longshore Victory Pa. Greyhound Lines 'Red Salute' Picketed Heron Greeted WPA Union Wages

NEW YORK.—(AP)—Union longshoremen in New York have upheld their right to refuse to handle goods brought by non-union teamsters.

PAIDERSON, N. J.—(AP)—Three high school students, charged with the distribution of a leaflet, were picked by anti-Fascist groups.

NEW YORK.—(AP)—Angelo Herndon, freed temporarily at least from the clutches of the Georgia chain game, was greeted by 3000 Negroes in New Orleans.

CINCINNATI.—(AP)—All skilled workers on I.W.A. jobs in Cincinnati will receive prevailing wages as a result of a settlement of a dispute with the U. S. Employment Service.

NEW YORK.—(AP)—The workers' cost of living advanced 5 per cent in November over the preceding month.

COUNCIL BACKS MESA IN FIGHT FOR AGREEMENT

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**Trade Unions on Trial**  
 In San Francisco  
 A Socialist worker, Carl Swanson, 26 years old and a striker at the Ford Products plants in Detroit is dead. He was shot in the back by police. The murderer has not even been questioned.

**Order Your Extra Bundle of The Birthday Edition Now**  
 The special eight-page Fourth Anniversary Edition of the WESTERN WORKER will be off the press on December 28. It will contain a wealth of special material of interest to all readers on the Pacific Coast.

**They are charged with first degree murder.**  
 That murder was committed has been clearly shown by doctors' testimony during the trial. A man, suffering from heart trouble and other ailments, steps to the roof above a sidewalk, crashes through to the cement and dies many days later.

**Mass pressure and not so-called "legal" proof** is needed to free these men. The employers dare not experienced in the fine technique of legal frames, an experience gained in years of practice, to allow a little thing like proof to halt their legal murders.

**Doc workers and seamen, in a high-hour stop-work protest, are exerting effective mass pressure today.** But the workers' class must exert more pressure than this. Socialist workers, labor unions and trade unions should observe this first simple step in self-defense. Protests should flood Judge "Ike" Jaffe's courtroom in the Hall of Justice. The courtroom must be packed every day.

**The right to organize and strike for better working conditions is on trial in San Francisco.**  
**TRADE UNIONISTS—SHORESIDE AND MARITIME—PACK THE COURT. GET YOUR UNION TO PROTEST OFFICIALLY.**  
**SAVE YOUR UNIONS BY FREEDING THESE FOUR MEN.**

**The Man in the Silk Hat**  
 Murders Six L. A. Workers  
 Charles N. Layman, WPA worker at Los Angeles arm amuck the other day, killing six of his fellow workers on the project. He had been brooding over real or fancied grievances.

**But it is not Layman who is the actual murderer.** The real murderer is the filthy beast pictured in Jacob Burke's cartoons, the profit-fattened, money-mad employer class, the man in the silk hat and spats. The murderer is the capitalist system.

**Shunted from cash relief to grocery order, from pick and shovel to bread line, from WPA to SERA to WPA, fighting with officials for every check, starving, jobless for years on end, is it any wonder that men "crack-up"? Is it any wonder that men who work bread, go crazy, commit murder and suicide?**

**The man in the silk hat—Mr. J. P. Morgan, Mr. Hearst or whom you wish is getting fatter and richer, day by day, month by month. And his victims are becoming more numerous. These "big game" hunters, true to their robber's instincts, now are shouting about "government spending" because they are afraid they may be forced to pay a fraction of the bill.**

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**On a conservative estimate that means about 15000 people who know little or nothing about the militant working class press will become acquainted with it. Proper follow-up on this East Bay edition means hundreds of new subscribers there and thousands of new friends.**

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Britain Is Industriously Preparing for War In the Mediterranean—Japan Moves Against Soviet Union

(Continued From Page 1) ...their populations which is for complete and effective sanctions.

INVASION BLOCKED LONDON, Dec. 25.—Reports from the Italian battle front indicate that Italy is moving in extreme desperation.

THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS The League of Nations is being urged to take the initiative in the Franco-British proposal.

San Diegans Rap Participation in Hitler Olympics GAMES CANNOT BE FAIR UNDER NAZIS, SAYS SCHOOL OFFICIAL

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Dec. 20.—Adding to the growing world-wide protest against holding of the Olympic games in Nazi Germany.

SOLIDARITY AFFIRMED The company offered a concession to the union in the form of increased pay to fifty cents an hour.

JAPANESE INVASION Japanese, in their efforts, to clamp control over the North China provinces are meeting with increasing opposition.

BRITISH CRISIS Great Britain, on the heels of the collapse of the infamous Franco-British peace proposal.

HEARST BEGINS NEW ATTACK ON UNITED FRONT CITES 'SECRET' FACTS FROM PAMPHLET SO OPENLY EVERYWHERE

(Continued From Page 1) ...activity now sweeping the country; Hearst has placed the United Front Congress Against War and Fascism to be held in Cleveland on January 3-4-5.

Schneiderman to Speak at Y. C. L. Meeting in L. A. LOS ANGELES, Dec. 17.—Fearing a report on the Young Communist League meeting.

Seamen Fight For 6-Hour Day (Continued From Page 1) ...a partial victory was scored in the strike against the Finance Office.

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Latin American Republics Hold League Useless

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Soviet-American Trade Increases Over 1935 Level

MOSCOW, Dec. 19.—Sharp rise in Soviet industrial activity, as contrasted with commercial stagnation of all capitalist nations is indicated by the following official report.

Industrial production in the Soviet Union was 23 per cent higher than production for the same period of last year.

Imports from the United States amounted to 46,500,000 rubles. This was 5,000,000 rubles more than exports to the U. S.

Salway Stores Spy Upon Own Company Union THREATENS TO BECOME A BONA-FIDE FIGHTING ORGANIZATION

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RESHUFFLING OF RELIEF SET-UP BRINGS ORGANIZED EFFORT FOR UNION RATES EVERYWHERE

L. A. Unemployed Starve As 10 Per Cent Cuts Jammed Through

completed its absorption process, the relief agencies doubt that their budget cuts can be avoided.

ST. PAUL.—Through the efforts of the Unemployed Councils, a united organization of unemployed, part time and full-time workers, including teachers and technical workers, is being formed.

A conference was called of various organizations, attended by several hundred workers, at which the decision was taken to build one organization in the unemployment field.

The new organization is to be called the Citizens Protective Union and will be organized on a relief district basis, each organization constituting a local. A central leadership will be elected by delegates from the organizations and the union will have fraternal representation at the Trades and Labor Assembly.

A NEGROES PROTEST The national council of Negro churches headed by Bishop R. C. Kannon, of the African Methodist Episcopal Church called at the White House today to demand that the federal government represent the Negro people and investigate C. C. C. policies affecting share croppers and other farm operatives.

POLICE ATTACK OBLESS SAN DIEGO, Calif., Dec. 20.—L. A. WPA officials are now beginning to call upon police to help their pay check fiasco.

MOSCOW.—Prices are tumbling rapidly in the Soviet Union, while in another clash in sugar, the result of the increased productivity introduced by the Stakhanov movement, are going up just as rapidly.

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FOREIGN NEWS Briefs

Japanese Labor Relief for Germans Prices Tumbling

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Scharrenberg Denies Money Aid MODESTO BOYS ALSO REFUSED

Red Scare Used to Oust Official

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—Scharrenberg, Secretary of the State Federation of Labor, but more widely known as the "admiral without a ship and the sailor without a union," member of the State Federation of Labor, discovered a rank and file member within the circle of his ultra-exclusive employee association, and had him expelled from the union.

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EAST OF THE ROCKIES

Florida Murders Injunction Upheld Hungarian Editor











STATE KILLING OFF CATTLE TO DEplete FOOD, MEAT SUPPLY

Nestor Dairyman Brings Suit Against Government for Sabotage

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Dec. 24.—Advancing the contention of dairy farmers throughout the state, that the tubercular control of cattle by state and federal officials is being used to deplete the food and meat supply of the U. S. as an economic policy of the New Deal, a Nestor dairyman, H. C. George has brought suit against state and federal veterinarians to restrain them from killing his cows.

WAR DANGER - GROWING IN ALL NATIONS

(Continued from Page 1) and covering of the live Chinese provinces in the North.

STUDENTS PROTEST

Sections of the railway line were torn up in a drastic attempt to check attack by Chinese Shanghai students protesting the movement of North China separation.

ETHIOPIANS WIN

In Ethiopia, the heaviest fighting of the war, with unceasing efforts estimating 500,000 dead on both sides gave Italian and Ethiopian lives gloriously Christian tasks.

LOS ANGELES CONGRESS TO OPPOSE WAR

(Continued from Page 1) lical and social disease," said Paul Ritchie, Epic Assemblyman in San Diego, and it will be secured only by abolition of capitalism.

SPIES SHOT

Three Eritrean spies, charged by Italian police with giving information to the Ethiopian government concerning the movements of Italian troops in Italian colonies were sentenced today to be shot in the back.

ARCHIE BROWN STATEMENT ON SCALER TRIAL

(Continued from Page 1) a letter opposing the franchise and the Chronicle called him up and wanted "proof." Of course this letter also was not published.

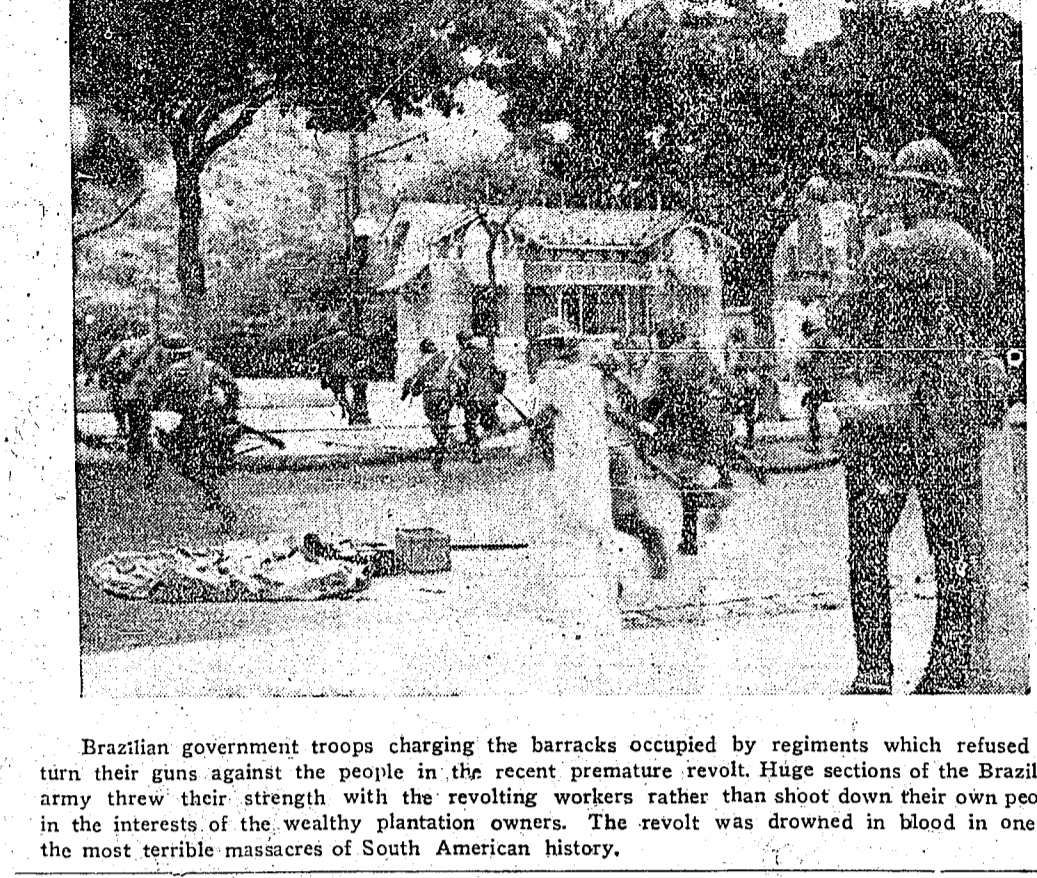
NO MOONEY CASE

"As the trial proceeded the protest increased, as the protesters increased, the prosecution softened its tone, and the prosecution was so impressed by the exposure of the frame-up that they did not want a conviction. The prosecuting attorney stated at the trial, this was not another Mooney-Billings case."

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Revolt in the Brazilian Army



Brazilian government troops charging the barracks occupied by regiments which refused to turn their guns against the people in the recent premature revolt.

HITLER AGENTS Routed in RAID ON WORKER CLUB

NAZIS RECEIVE TERRIFIC BEATING FOR PAINS NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Hitler's "western front" campaign was not only completely routed, but suffered considerable humiliation, when twenty Nazi Storm Troopers who invaded the German Workers' Club in Yorkville.

ROSES AND WINE AND SONG TO COME

There is a rose that never grew, A rare, rare rose of a red, red hue, A hue so red, a scent so rare, Was never dream flower half so fair.

WESTINGHOUSE COMPANY UNION IS TOTTERING

(Rocky Mountain Press Denver) DENVER, Colo., Dec. 20.—Something different in New York. Eve celebrations will be the New Year's Eve ball of the Allied Council of Employed and Unemployed Citizens of Colorado to be held in the huge City Auditorium on the night of December 31 and into the morning of January 1.

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Nazis Murder 5 Communists In New Terror



From a m. to 3 p. m. Ernest C. Estes (above) will continue to hold his job as a railroad gate tender in Auburn, Maine.

WPA SEAMSTRESSES FACE INEFFICIENCY, PETTY GRAFT

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Dec. 24.—There are 120 seamstresses in the sewing shift, and 115 in the afternoon shift, on our WPA sewing project on Madison ave.

HEARST 'EXPOSE' BOOMS SALE OF WHY COMMUNISM

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24.—Dietrich WEAVER's "expose" of Communist activities and his citation of M. J. O'Leary's five-cent "Why Communism?"

WPA Forced to Pay Union Wages

TEN PER CENT OF WPA CONSTRUCTION MEN WIN RAISE (Los Angeles Labor Council) LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24.—The prevailing trade union wage scale has been won for 10 per cent of skilled, semi-skilled mechanics and building construction workers on WPA construction work.

OLSON MAKES OWN ROOSEVELT UNITED FRONT

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 25.—State Senator Cullbert C. Olson had tied himself to the bandwagon of President Roosevelt and attached himself with wild abandon to the coat-tails of the dapper Senator W. W. McCord.

WRITERS BACK FIGHT AGAINST CALIF. C. S. LAW

(Continued from Page 1) in the fight against fascism. "It is good news that 190 organizations comprising 226,000 people are determined to stand together and wipe out the notorious Criminal Syndicalism Act of your state."

Unemployed Plan New Year's Eve Fete in Denver

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PRESSURE PUT ON L. A. WPA

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24.—Added pressure for the demands of organized labor that the Los Angeles WPA pay prevailing trade union wages was prevailing today when State Attorney General U. S. Webb ruled that the state prevailing wage law applies on WPA projects.

Young Socialists And Communists on Same Picket Lines

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 18.—United front picketing movement against the fascist attacks upon the film "Red Salute," 35 young Socialists and Communists showed their united front by picketing the film.

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Beginning the Fifth Year of Service in the Class Struggle

1932 Western Worker 1936

FOUR YEARS OF VITAL HISTORY HAVE BEEN TOLD IN THE WORKERS' PRESS

Perspectives for the Coming Year

UNITY OF ACTION IS NEEDED

The United Front Against Fascism

1935 WILL BE A YEAR OF STRUGGLE FOR THE BUILD THE PARTY! BUILD THE WESTERN WORKER! (Statement of California District Committee, Communist Party, U.S.A.)

The year of 1935 has witnessed the great development of the militant upsurge in the labor movement, the fight for the united front against the capitalist offensive, the fascist danger, and war.

German Papers Quit Under Nazi Blight

Since the advent of fascism in Germany, 1500 newspapers and journals have been destroyed, not counting the working class press.

FEBRUARY

Louise Todd was sentenced to one to fourteen years in the penitentiary for a protest concerning the collection of signatures to put the Communist Party on the ballot.

APRIL

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Since the advent of fascism in Germany, 1500 newspapers and journals have been destroyed, not counting the working class press.

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# The Role of the Press in Mexico

Translation from El Machete, Organ of the Communist Party of Mexico

During the past few weeks the Mexican press has developed a most intense and cruel campaign against the revolutionary and anti-imperialist movement, against the Communist Party and against various revolutionary intellectuals and the Cardenas Government.

During the campaign the capitalist press has used the most vicious lies, intending to create even confusion among the masses, even going so far as to assert that Lombardo Toledano, secretary and member of the Executive Committee of the Mexican Workers' Federation, had called for the "establishment of a Soviet regime on the First of May, 1936."

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**Reply in Workers' Press**

The article made by certain papers in this capital (Mexico City, U.S.S.R.), taking for pretext my participation in two workers' meetings held at the Theater Hidalgo to make known the conditions under which the people live under the Soviets, has given rise to such proportions that I feel myself obliged to beg that you publish the following truths and enlightenment.

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EXCERPTS FROM THE DEBATE AT MADISON SQUARE GARDEN IN NEW YORK CITY

**NORMAN THOMAS**

Those of you who have followed the communally important proceedings of the Communist International will probably remember the candor with which the change to a new line was stated here in the proceedings I finished and I shall not take time to read a frank statement that does credit to any party acknowledging certain mistakes, mistakes in Germany, mistakes in other countries. We rejoice that that statement has been made, but we want to know now just what the new line is and how it is to be carried out. We are confused by the nature and magnitude of the change, the part in it in the work which the pendulum has swung. Much of the change is in favor of cooperation, in favor of discussion of difficulties—all to the good. It may mean the difference between life and death for some of us in this hall. Other changes are less praiseworthy.

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# Wartime Italy

Radio Operator Describes Conditions in Genoa—Common People Do Not Support Murderous Invasion of Ethiopia

**EARL BROWDER**

The Seventh World Congress brought forward new tactics and methods of work to meet the changing world situation, it maintained unchanged the principles of the program of Communism.

The "great mass" of American workers are not convinced as yet of the necessity of Socialism, but sincere Socialists and Communists do agree. Especially do the masses tend to remain skeptical about Socialism when they see the Dollar lines for six years. They are unable even to act together for the things they agree on, in the unions, in the daily burning, in the united working class prepared to cooperate, in favor of discussion of difficulties—all to the good. It may mean the difference between life and death for some of us in this hall. Other changes are less praiseworthy.

**Washington Wary Of Latest Boom**

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Fiscal election votes of a further stock market boom are being carefully weighed, according to Washington advisers. Roosevelt government, says Kiplinger service, "is disposed to welcome such a boom, on condition that it doesn't go too far." That is, they want it to build right up through next year but not to break before the election.

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# A Page of Features, Selected From Four Year File of the Western Worker

CLEARING UP THE "POINT CLEAR" POETRY, TRAGEDY AND SATIRE FROM 4 YEARS OF STRUGGLE

**By Stephen Peacock**

In trying to see the point clear on the "Point Clear" scab ship from Canada loaded with "hot cargo" and picketed by San Francisco maritime workers on Pier 54, we carefully followed the news on the subject as she appeared in the Morning Security, Anderson Belch, and Evening Stench.

After boiling down, straining, filtering and distilling this "news," this is how she looks.

**JUNE 25** (Morning Saver) San Francisco. A new revolution is brewing on the waterfront as Pier 54, where red longshoremen refused to unload the steamer "Point Clear" which arrived today from Alaska with a load of orange juice for the children's hospital.

It is reported that a delegation of doctors, nurses and children is preparing to picket the picketing longshoremen and demanding that the orange juice be delivered to the suffering children.

**JUNE 26** (Afternoon Bell) San Francisco. An unbecoming atrocity is being committed on Pier 54 where foreign sailors are trying to prevent the landing of American longshoremen just arrived from Hawaii on the "Point Clear."

The pineapples were consigned to the Home for the Incurable and great suffering is being caused to the helpless patients by the wild men on the waterfront.

The temper of the American people in California is rising hourly.

**JUNE 27** (Evening Saver) San Francisco. Leaders of the Maritime Federation refused to give any reason for picketing Pier 54, where the steamer "Point Clear" is docked with a cargo of medicine and surgical instruments from the Goodwill.

In view of the epidemic of small pox, scarlet fever and falling arches which is spreading all over the city, the refusal of the longshoremen to unload the steamer is creating a tense situation.

When Mr. Planter, head of the Waterfront Exploiters Union was notified about the picketing, he broke down and wept bitterly.

"What do you want from our young lives, anyway," he sobbed. "Me and the rest of the bosses would give our last shirt to those boys on the waterfront, we mean the loyal and reasonable boys like Scharrenberg, Peterson & Co. We love the boys and the boys love us. So what is it all about, anyhow?"

Mr. Planter, when questioned further, admitted that the boys all wanted to work and would unload the "Point Clear" in a minute if only two or three reds down there were not holding them back. He blamed most of the trouble on Harry Bridges.

"As he uttered the name 'Harry Bridges' Mr. Planter was seized with a terrible fit of apoplexy and the interview had to be abruptly terminated."

**JUNE 28** (Morning Saver) Addis Ababa (Special Associated Gas Dispatch). Emperor Haile Selassie Abyssinia categorically denied that Harry Bridges was to become commander-in-chief of the Ethiopian army, when the contract between the Pacific Coast marine workers and employers expires in September.

"I think I can get along without Mr. Bridges," smiled the Emperor, as he dodged a couple of bombs from an Italian airplane. "Besides," he remarked, "he's adjusted his gas mask, and I shall have faith in justice."

Meanwhile, Bridges' barbarians are still picketing the load of bananas on the "Point Clear."

**JUNE 29** (Afternoon Bell) Oakland, Ontario. As the Djinnie radio broadcast, Dr. Dufco, the ladies' physician, positively denied that the club members of the waterfront is another well-founded rumor that with the vote being taken on the "conservative" issue of unloading scab cargo, and with the approach of the United States fleet of 23 warships and 22,000 men, Bridges is feeling shaky and preparing for Paris unknown.

But, for as I know, the sardines on the Point Clear are still jingling neglected.

**JULY 4** (Evening Saver) San Francisco. Well, folks, we will now present you with a sad little dirty written joint by a certain Harry Bridges and Stench, entitled "At the Walling Wall Where the Weeping Willows Vegetate."

"Then reds out there," Farnsworth and Ryan were quoted as saying, "flag better unfold that better or else."

**JUNE 30** (Evening Saver) Sullana, Turkey. Young Bay, Minister of Interior Refutations refused to comment on the charges that the longshoremen had organized in an industrial union and had been invited by Harry Bridges to join the Maritime Federation.

However, Gouley Bay, minister of labor, spoofed at the whole proposition. "Nothing to it," said Gouley. "The loyal citizens have landed and the situation is well in hand."

It is reported on the best of best authority that a serious situation has developed in connection with the refusal of the longshoremen to unload the "Point Clear" for no reason at all. It seems that the damp weather is having a disastrous effect upon the cargo of canned peaches.

**JULY 1** (Morning Saver) San Francisco. It is relayed from unimpeachable sources that a split is developing in the waterfront union over the failure of Bridges' subjects to unload the cargo of condensed milk on the "Point Clear."

# File of the Western Worker

"For the Glory of Italy" By Colly

A word before you read this piece. It is made up entirely of features that have appeared in previous issues. We don't claim they are as representative as they should be, but to make up a really comprehensive presentation of the best of our files have to offer we would have to put out a small book.

From the year 1932 we have taken the "File of the White Angel," an excellent piece of workers' correspondence, done in a little different fashion than most stories from our readers. 1932 was our first year of publication. San Francisco readers will remember the "White Angel" and the dump of misery she loaded it over. Personally, we doubt if the "Salvation" ever offered her fifty thousand to vacate; more likely it was five thousand.

The short story by Conrad Cooley is from our file of 1933.

Our East Bay readers will remember the tragedy on which it is based. Conrad Quin's poem appeared in the first of the two "terror issues" of 1934. A week after the police and vigilantes raided our offices and smashed our printing shop the Party put out a baby Western Worker in tabloid size. "These are the Class War Dead" appeared in the first of them. (After just two of these issues the paper returned to the regular size, went from a weekly to a semi-weekly and increased to six pages.)

To you remember the "Point Clear" and the legends of it by satirize over "hot cargo." The dispute on that incident is one of the best pieces Conrad Peacock has turned out. It was printed in the ink drawing by Beau Vincent and the political cartoon by Colly speak for themselves.

# These Are the Class War Dead!

Dedicated to the two class war heroes, Nick Coudercastro and Howard Sperry, murdered by the police on the waterfront on Bloody Thursday.

**By MICHAEL QUIN**

Stop in your tracks, you passer by. Uncover your eyes, you crook of fate. The working men are on their way. To bury their murdered dead.

The men who sowed their strength in work. And sowed a crop of blood. Are marching by. The bosses' doom is written in their eyes.

Two coffins lead the grim parade. That stops you in your tracks. Two workers lying stiff and dead. With bullets in their backs.

We want no priests or demagogues. For these were honest working men. Not governors or mayors.

The blood they left upon the street. Was workers' blood and red. They died to make a better world. These are the class war dead!

Stand back you greedy parasites. With banks and bellies filled. And tremble while the working class. Buries the men who killed.

For this is our word to those who fell. Shot down by bosses' gain. We swear to fight until we win: YOU DID NOT DIE IN VAIN. (From issue of August 1, 1934).



(From issue of July 11, 1935)

# ADVENTURES OF A TELEPHONE BOOTH

**By Ronald R. Cooley**

(Reprinted from our issue of February 27, 1933.)

A telephone booth is an unexciting object. No entertainment or adventure within forty rods of it. You step inside, close the door, take down the receiver and drop your nickel. (The nickel is the most important thing about this business.) There's a click and a jingle and Central answers—

"Number, please?"

"Berkeley five-two-three-five."

"Fifteen-three-five."

"Yes, yes! Please, please hurry?"

"There is the click of a receiver."

"This is the Berkeley Health Center."

"Send a doctor quickly! My children are terribly, terribly sick! They roll and cry, terribly sick!"

"What is the name, please?"

"Moreno; Mrs. Joseph Moreno. Send a doctor quickly! The little ones are dying!"

"And your address?"

"Nineteen, nineteen, Fifth street. Oh, please hurry! The children—have you ever received help before?"

"ardon? . . . Si, si! Many times. We have no money to pay. Please send a doctor quickly! My little ones scream and roll with the pain!"

"Mrs. Moreno, we cannot send you a doctor. We will give you an appointment for 2:30 tomorrow. Bring the children down to the clinic and doctor down to the clinic and doctor down to the clinic."

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### EAST OF THE ROCKIES

#### National Gallup Miners' Defense Committee Set Up

TRADE UNION LOCALS JOIN FIGHT TO FREE MINERS

NEW YORK—(FP)—The National Gallup Miners' Defense Committee was set up today by President William F. Knudsen of the Hart-Scott Central Labor Union as chairman and Frank L. Palmer, editor of the Western Worker, as secretary. The committee is being set up to coordinate the work of the Labor Chest for Relief and Liberation of Workers of Europe, headed by President William Green of the U. S. L. M. C. The committee is being set up to coordinate the work of the Labor Chest for Relief and Liberation of Workers of Europe, headed by President William Green of the U. S. L. M. C.

PATERSON, N. J.—(FP)—With the appearance of the first issue of the Paterson Press, a newly-owned "large scale" newspaper, the dream of Paterson trade unionists for a communist paper has been realized. Both Paterson dailies have been under the labor movement since 1919, and when newspaper printers went on strike with the prolongation of the struggle there appeared the Paterson Press, published by the striking printers, and now succeeded by the larger Paterson Press with a more inclusive appeal.

NEW YORK—(FP)—Less than 30 per cent of the workers in metropolitan New York are inspected even once in five years, a survey by the Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Association of the U. S. has just issued to trade union leaders, church groups and fraternal orders to send delegates to this conference, which is under the auspices of the State Board of Pharmacy, in charge of inspection, is also executive of the Pharmaceutical Association, an organization of drug store proprietors, the union charges. In regular inspections to see that registered pharmacists are in charge and proper equipment and drugs used.

LANING, Miss.—(FP)—The Michigan state police will seek the disbandment of the state police in the next legislative session, ending a record of "cock and bull" stories. The Michigan state police are being disbanded. The Michigan state police are being disbanded. The Michigan state police are being disbanded.

WASHINGTON—(FP)—A sharp fight over the 1936 convention of the American Federation of Labor will not be held in Tampa, Fla., unless officials of that city inaugurate a thorough investigation into the killing of Philip Murray, arrest the guilty of the outrage and conduct a proper prosecution in the courts has been demanded by Pres. William Green. National attention has been centered on the city since Shoenaker, trade unionist and head of the United Mine Workers, was kidnapped and beaten so badly that death followed.

WASHINGTON—(FP)—The city system of the Fruehauf Trailer Co. of Detroit seems headed for the auction. A "cease and desist" order has been issued by the National Labor Relations Board following hearings which showed that the company maintains an elaborate gunsmithing plant. The company has applied for an injunction to prevent enforcement of the order, which would be nullified by the action of seven workers fired for union work.

SUPERIOR, Wis.—(FP)—The year's goal of a \$2,000,000 volume of business had been surpassed by the Central Cooperative Wholesale Co. Dec. 1, when the amount reached \$2,048,500, or 24 per cent more than the volume for the first 11 months of 1934. New cooperative stores and increased turnover of old ones account for the rise, reports Manager H. V. Nurni.

## Attend the New Year's Celebration

### Huge Bazaar Opens With a Bang at San Francisco

As this issue of the Western Worker rolls off the press, the 1936 Workers' Press bazaar is getting under way. It will be the most successful event ever staged since the founding of the paper on January 1, 1932. The Bazaar Committee will have a grand gala night that it will put the famous bazaars of Bagdad to shame. The thousands of San Francisco workers who are to attend this affair will find veritable gold mines of furniture, fur coats, silks, and bric-a-brac too many to mention, to which they will be able to purchase at about the cost of only one cent of the "International."

The three defendants, Juan Ochoa, Manuel Avila and Leonardo Vichark, were among those singled out for prosecution following an evasive demonstration in company-controlled Gallup. A revolver and tear gas canisters were directed toward the crowd, killing two unemployed miners and slaying the sheriff himself by the crossfire of his own deputies. The committee has retained the services of William J. Donovan, former assistant U. S. attorney general, to handle appeals.

CONFERENCE CALLED ALBUQUERQUE, N. M.—A conference will be held on Sunday, January 19th, to carry on a national drive to free the three victims of vigilanteism. A call has been issued to trade union leaders, church groups and fraternal orders to send delegates to this conference, which is under the auspices of the State Board of Pharmacy, in charge of inspection, is also executive of the Pharmaceutical Association, an organization of drug store proprietors, the union charges.

How good is your unit working? Do you carry out your unit's program? Do you improve your unit's equipment and proper equipment and drugs used? Do you improve your unit's equipment and proper equipment and drugs used? Do you improve your unit's equipment and proper equipment and drugs used?

KAJUN-KATO, chairman of the General Council of Trade Unions in Japan, was on a speaking tour in America. National Convention of the International Longshoremen's Association was held in New York. Ryan, with the aid of his reactionary machine, squelched all press issues and raised his own salary to \$1800.

INTERNATIONAL LABOR DEFENSE was defending workers arrested both in the Eureka lumber strike and in the American Longshoremen's strike. Acquittals or dismissals were won for all of the Eureka strikers.

WATERFORD EMPLOYERS in S. F. were threatening to lock-out longshoremen because of their refusal to handle HOT CARGO from the British-Columbia strike area, or cargo handled by seals in the barge-men's strike, which was still in progress.

### Pick Out the Affair Nearest to You Make It Your Duty to Attend for NEW YEAR'S EVE. AT OAKLAND Danish Hall, 164 Eleventh St. Starts Early—Ends Late AT LOS ANGELES Take Your Pick WORKERS' CENTER, 2706 BROOKLYN AVE. Or CULTURAL CENTER, 230 SO. SPRING ST.

OAKLAND CELEBRATES, TOO—Oakland will have its gala affair, too, when the New Year's Eve rolls around. Bazaar, refreshments, and a grand program of entertainment has been arranged for the East Bay workers. All workers in this area must make it a point to be there. The climax, of course, will be the Grand New Year's celebration. Do not miss any of the events, or you will regret it. The rapid rate of progress shown by the balance of Soviet industry in the past year.

SOVIET UNION TO ACCELERATE BUILDING RATE HOUSING CONSTRUCTION TO BE INCREASED MOSCOW—Plans for speeding up the Soviet building industry were laid down at a conference recently held here. The building trades have been lagging behind the rapid rate of progress shown by the balance of Soviet industry in the past year.

THE GREATEST part of the increase will go for dwellings, hospitals and schools. Expenditures for these purposes will be four times the amount spent this year. At the conference, workers in the building industry criticized their own shortcomings, and that of the officials. Walter Duranty, famous Moscow correspondent, pointed out in a dispatch to the N. Y. Times that the conference today is an honest, two-sided workman class struggle.

SEPTEMBER The eight victims of the Modesto dynamic frame-up were sentenced to six months to five years each in the penitentiary. National Convention of the International Longshoremen's Association was held in New York. Ryan, with the aid of his reactionary machine, squelched all press issues and raised his own salary to \$1800.

AUGUST Fight for union rates of pay on WPA projects was being taken up and down the coast. Oakland cannery workers, Los Angeles for workers and San Francisco Sealers were still on strike.

JULY Waterfront employers in S. F. were threatening to lock-out longshoremen because of their refusal to handle HOT CARGO from the British-Columbia strike area, or cargo handled by seals in the barge-men's strike, which was still in progress.

JUNE Twenty-five thousand workers paraded in San Francisco and huge demonstrations were held over the whole coast on July 5, anniversary of "BLOODY THURSDAY" of the 1934 marine strike. When two pickets were murdered in cold blood on the San Francisco waterfront by police. These demonstrations combined a commemoration of "Bloody Thursday" with the fight against the threats over the "HOT CARGO" issue.

### HERO FOREIGN NEWS BRIEFS

#### 30-Pound Nugget Colombia Oil Strike Jewish Labor Mayor Nazi Failure Polish Prisoners Nazi Church Boycott Concentration Camp

MOSCOW—Prospectors for gold in the Ural Mountains claim nugget weighing 30 pounds, worth more than \$15,000, the third largest ever found in Russia. About 100,000 prospectors, organized in cooperative groups, are at work in the Soviet Union. They are furnished a grubstake by the government plus a percentage basis on the gold they find. Gold output of the prospectors is estimated at more than \$100,000,000 a year, in addition to the \$200,000,000 produced by the Gold Trust, which operates modern mechanized mines, dredges, and smelters.

Modesto Framed In Appeal for United Defense CONFERENCE SLATED FOR JANUARY 12TH SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 23—A call has been issued for United Defense Conference to be held at the Building Trades Temple, Sunday, Jan. 12th, at 2 p. m., under the auspices of the Modesto Defense Committee. The call has been sent out as a result of the request of the eight victims of the vicious Standard Oil frame-up, who are now in prison pending an appeal, of their conviction on the ridiculous charge of "illegal possession of dynamite."

HELSINKI, Finland—Estonian-Finnish relations have been strained, following the failure of the League of Nations to secure peace in Estonia. Arthur Sink, its leader, who is active in Finland, escaped through the aid of Finnish fascists. The coup is believed to have been planned by German and Finnish Nazis.

WARSAW, Poland—The Polish government, in an attempt to forestall a possible revolution, has arrested 15,000 criminals and political prisoners. This was made necessary because the 50,000 inmates were beyond the capacity of the existing prisons. Many convicted criminals have been released because there was no place to keep them.

NOVEMBER Election month. Labor Ticket pulled a significant vote in S. E., though failed to elect candidates. Sweeping gains in union front. Labor Ticket throughout nation, in many places candidates being elected.

OCTOBER Gulf longshoremen walked out on strike. The Gallup murder frame-up trial ended in the conviction of three innocent miners to 45 to 60 years at hard labor. Furniture workers in Los Angeles and cannery workers in San Pedro were out on strike.

DECEMBER Four members of the Sealers' Union were tried on framed charges of murder and were acquitted. They were defended by the International Labor Defense. Application of the WPA as a character of a vast program of unemployment relief was being taken up and down the coast.

### BLESS JOTTINGS

WHY I WROTE THIS STORY This story is not meant as a cruel or sordid jest. Nor is it intended to show any callousness or indifference on the part of the writer. It is intended to portray the chauvinistic attitude, created in the minds of seamen by just such things as related in this story. In a small way it should serve to explain one of the underlying reasons for the distinct racial animosity too often expressed along the waterfront. To you readers, who have never sailed on such death-ships, this story is an apologetic excuse for the chauvinism that the seamen have in a spirit practiced. To you, maritime worker, this story is nothing new. It is, however, a reminder of need to discard such racial notions, which has in the past years proven to be merely another outlet in the hands of the shipowners.

THE "HELL" they will do for you, mate? inquired one of the sailors. "Well, if it don't get too touchy, you can leave a corner of the hatch open; that'll be enough for 'em," was the indifferent answer. "And so we literally battered down the six hundred and fifty prospective Hawaiian sugar-cane workers, as we prepared for the land, and at best, monotonous run down to Honolulu. The last voyage had been barely driven in the hatch, coming when the icy winds came roaring down from the Straits of Kaunohau. In short order we were rolling on beams under the hands and fifty midship passengers took to their staterooms as the wind whipped the icy seas across the decks.

That night on look-out as I ducked under the sharp corner in the bow to avoid a drenching from the heavy spray, a flaming star swooped downward from the sky, and plunged into the churning darkness of the horizon ahead. "Death—somewhere," I mused as I recalled an old sea lore. As we crawled out of our damp bunk, the old sea lore still held. "One of the Pilipinos went to Davy Jones' Locker," the morning watchman called out. "See him sliding tin plates at the fire!" "Couple of you guys go on up and sew the stiff up. There's a bottle of gin in an offhand way 'as he laid out the day's work."

At WPA headquarters, you are told to report on the job and that there the coordinator on the project will "rate you." On the job they know nothing about a co-ordinator and tell you to "inquire at headquarters." The number of families on L. A. County Welfare rolls have increased from 3,463 in November to 43,727 in December. Two thousand families weekly are applying to S.E.R.A. for aid and half of these applicants being people never before on relief.

BERLIN, Germany—A petition sent to Hitler by Lord Allen of Hurtwood, England, and the release from a concentration camp of Hans Litten, a German lawyer, whose only crime was defending Communists in court, was refused in a message by Joachim Ribbentrop. Hitler's special ambassador, it is reported Litten had been badly beaten in the camp.

GUNS AGAINST DEMOCRACY Appearance of government troops on the waterfront during the San Francisco marine strike proved public opinion was all divided against a General Strike. What, then, does labor think of the recent book of instructions issued by the WPA to all divers, showing them how to operate against strikes? The following is a quotation: "If a tank carriages should ever be used against a mob, nor should a volley be fired over the heads of the mob even if there is little danger of hurting persons in the crowd. Such things will be regarded as an admission of weakness, or as an attempt to bluff, and may do more harm than good."

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## Twelve Months of News - - 1935 High Spots

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## The "Oil Embargo" Policy And the Soviet Union

With the infamous Hoare and Laval Ethiopian "robber pact" on the junk heap as a result of the wide international resentment, the once "definitely tabled" oil sanctions are being revived by popular demand of the working class of the world.

And with the new clamor for the rigorous enforcement of oil sanctions against Fascist Italy, the position of the Soviet Union on this point is of vital interest.

Enemies of the Soviet have consistently condemned the Soviet Union for not single-handedly applying an oil embargo against Italy. The full implication of this demand should be obvious to any who understand its relations to the fundamental forces shaping the world today.

The world is dominated by two vital interlocking conflicts, first, the basic clash between the Socialist world (the Soviet Union) and the capitalist world; and the temporary antagonisms existing between the various imperialist powers.

Merely because certain imperialist powers have hitherto nominally supported sanctions against Italy does not necessarily mean that the war could not very conveniently be turned into a united imperialist crusade against the Soviet.

Obviously then, if the Soviet Union alone attempted to apply an embargo against Italy, Mussolini could escape the blind alley up which a united embargo forces him because it would drive him away from the imperialist antagonists into an open combat with the Soviet Union. For one nation alone to stop sending oil to Italy means a virtual declaration of war. But if all nations entered, such action means opening the way to a speedy peace, because Mussolini cannot wage war without oil. If Mussolini cannot fight Ethiopia without oil, how could he fight fifty-two nations?

The policies of the French and British imperialists hold grave danger for the Soviet Union, because the basic clash is not between Italy and Great Britain but rather between the Soviet Union and the entire capitalist world.

The recent maneuvering of these imperialist powers has shown the correctness of the Soviet Oil Policy. The collapse of the Laval-Hoare plunder proposal—the continued lack of success of Mussolini's campaign of "civilization"—the strong anti-war sentiment of the People's Front of France—all have re-affirmed the policies carried out by the Soviet Union.

To this end the workers of the entire world must unite in a policy of independent labor sanctions. They must unite in support of the Soviet Union's drive for collectively enforcing League sanctions. If there is to be an oil embargo, then make it an embargo enforced by all nations against the fascist war machine, which threatens the peace of the world.

## Over the Top In the 1936 Financial Drive

Elsewhere in this issue the District Committee of the Communist Party outlines the perspectives for the coming year and details some of our political tasks. One of them is the building of the workers' press.

The WESTERN WORKER begins its annual campaign for funds on January 1st. Already a considerable part of the necessary \$7500 has been raised. However, there is always a tendency to let enthusiasm peter out because of such gratifying early results. This must be carefully guarded against. The full \$7500 must be raised if the WESTERN WORKER is to continue on an improved basis. Our need is greater and our tasks are greater. Not only must we build circulation, but we must find means of making this circulation building easier by means of improvements such as can be brought about only with financial means. The perspectives for these changes are good, and certain features of them will be announced as the campaign develops.

The WESTERN WORKER staff looks forward to the coming year with optimism and confidence, seeing possible a more mature and better quality WESTERN WORKER than ever before.

We greet our correspondents in the outlying sections. We greet the builders of the workers' press. Keep up the good work, comrades. Broaden our fields of readers and broaden the material that comes to us. Over the top in the 1936 Western Worker Financial Drive!

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## Whose Merry Christmas, Mr. President?

In delivering his Christmas message to the people of the United States, President Roosevelt remarked upon the "eternal message of peace and good will to all men," and he described the people before him as being "jubilant with joyous expectations."

This is thoroughly in accord with his usual evasive public utterances.

"There is no peace and good will on earth this Christmas of 1935. Death and destruction, poverty and destitution play major roles. It is no merry Christmas for the people being given the run-around by WPA officials, even though charity mongers supplement meagre rations with "Christmas fare" and smug patronage.

The workers of the world have little cause to praise capitalism from which all evils of war, fascism, and hunger flow. Thousands of their leaders and finest fighters have been murdered or jailed throughout the world. War kills and maims thousands of their fathers, sons and brothers. Need stalks through this land of plenty, breeding hatred and despair. Anguish displaces the joy of which the President speaks.

And how have the owners of wealth fared? The report printed on page one of this issue shows that profits for 338 corporations for the first half of 1935 show 500 per cent increase over the same period in 1933.

The President's reference to the happy people was merely wishful thinking; so far as the bulk of the population is concerned. Not so with the rich, whose rising rate of profits causes them to be "jubilant with joyous expectations." They are the fascists who are organized into the American Liberty League, ready to crush those very democratic rights for which Von Steuben, Kosciuszko, Lafayette—the foreign-born American patriots referred to by President Roosevelt—fought during the Revolutionary War.

Paying lip service to prettified sentiment is no solution for problems facing the American people. Not peace reigns, but grim warfare between the rich and the remainder of the population, no matter how this is glossed over by tricks. Idle sentiment, even the "Christmas spirit," has its class connotation. The lesson to be drawn is that of unifying all elements in a powerful front to struggle for peace and progress in a world tormented by contradictions to the point of near self-annihilation.

Christmas, too, with its very human sentiments, is exploited by the rich and their spokesmen. Like everything else, it is their property. "Blessed are the poor," should be countered with the spirit of Shelley's exhortation:

"Rise like lions out of slumber,  
 In unvanquishable number,  
 Shake your chains to earth like dew  
 Ye are many, They are few."

Only Socialism will bring "peace on earth." Only the Russian workers today have real cause to be "jubilant with joyous expectations," because they have abolished capitalism, socially own the wealth they produce, have no need for charity, and feel proud in their stature as free human beings.

## Greetings to the Cleveland Congress.

The Congress Against War and Fascism that convenes in Cleveland on January 3rd represents a tremendous step forward in the building of a mobile organized federation of forces to fight for peace and build a bulwark against fascism. Already, from indications in local conferences throughout the country, broader forces than ever before have realized the necessity for unity in one mighty organization, and they have carefully worked out a program broad enough to meet all needs, this to be finally resolved in thorough discussion by the delegates to Cleveland.

Trade unionists, religious representatives, Socialists, and Communists, Townsendites and A. D. Epics, students and professionals, have learned to work patiently and harmoniously together, foreshadowing the growth of the united front on other, more political issues.

Every successful experience of this kind shows the way toward an all-embracing people's front capable of setting back the forces of war, fascism and political reaction; giving a breathing spell for the patient working out of the best road to social change that is the order of the day.

We Communists realize that the broadest possible front must be built to meet the urgent necessities of the moment. Then, with free and open discussion, we believe that experience will bring the forces of such a movement to the realization that Socialism is the only way out.

War, so long as capitalism lasts, can only be postponed. With the abolition of capitalism comes the pre-condition for the abolition of war and all the concomitants of capitalism such as poverty, fascism and the choking of progressive trends in society.

Greetings to the delegates leaving for Cleveland. All success to the Congress. May its program of action be carried back into every city and village in the United States, killing the war plans of the imperialist exploiters, stemming the ruthless fascist drive of the American Liberty League and other reactionaries.

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## THE TOWNSEND PLAN, GOOD POINTS AND BAD

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### COMMUNIST PARTY POSITION ON THE MOVEMENT

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## UNITED FRONT SOLIDARITY MUST BE BUILT

(Continued from last issue.)

This is the second installment of an article outlining the Communist Party program in regard to the Townsend movement. Material for the article was taken mainly from Comrade Alex Bittelman's recent report to the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the C. P., U. S. A.

The first installment described the fundamental position of the Townsendites and the political significance of the movement, including the Communist position on the McGroarty (Townsend) Bill defeated at the last session of Congress.

The Townsend movement, comprising between seven and eight millions of people many of whom are organized in Townsend clubs throughout the country, is of immense political significance. Because of this it is necessary that Communists pay attention to these people.

What is our attitude toward the Townsend movement as a whole? First, we must demonstrate a general sympathetic friendly attitude toward the masses in that movement and toward the Townsend clubs as such. This friendly attitude is to be based on our endorsement and support of the principle of old-age pension.

But at the same time we must make friendly criticism of the defects of the Townsend Plan. First of all we should point out that the 2 per cent transactions tax will fall inevitably upon the masses. Secondly we must show that the Townsend Plan alone will not take care of the needs of the unemployed nor will it provide adequate social insurance for the needy, even if amended. We must demonstrate the need to fight for a form of social insurance as embodied in H. R. 2827.

**PENSIONS INCLUDE ALL**

We must show that to confine old-age pensions to citizens alone manifestly is unfair because there are millions of people in need who do not fall in this category. Many of these workers have families, grown American families, and to deny them old-age pensions is to deny the benefit these pensions will give to millions of Americans.

The fight for a federal bill will be strengthened, not weakened, by a fight for similar state legis-

lation. The passage of an amended Townsend bill will not abolish unemployment. It will be a great relief but not a cure-all. To achieve a land of actual plenty as envisioned by Townsendites means nothing less than the abolishment of capitalism. And to prepare for this we must work to establish a broad Farmer-Labor Party, including Townsendites. This Party will fight all the forces of reaction and for the preservation of the democratic rights of the American people.

We must demonstrate to the Townsendites that we fully agree with them in their condemnation of the fraudulent Roosevelt old-age-pensions law. But at the same time we must try to show them that it would be folly to depend upon the Republican Party to secure for us the relief we desire. We must show them that the Republican Party in power means nothing less than the Liberty League in power. They will understand what this means.

**FIGHT COMMON ENEMY**

We must demonstrate through examples, that the Townsend old-age pensions bill could not become a law, even if the majority of congressmen and senators could, by mass pressure, be forced into supporting it. Witness, for instance, the fate of the bonus.

We must carry on a sharp campaign against the enemies of the Townsend plan. We must express the reasons for the comparative silence of the capitalist press regarding this movement. We must show the Townsendites that their struggle is part of the class struggle. The rich want the poor to carry the burden of the crisis. Every criticism of the Townsend plan must begin with an attack and exposure of the capitalist system.

Our press, the Western Worker and the Daily Worker must immediately begin to carry news of the Townsend movement, the doings in the clubs, the life of the movement. We must show the Townsendites that the Communist Party press is willing and anxious to carry news of their struggles. We must introduce our Party press to these people.

**CAUTION NECESSARY**

We must avoid any wholesale evaluation of the leadership of the Townsend movement. We must evaluate each leader individually

and correctly. We will criticize when necessary, attack if necessary, on the basis of concrete and specific actions that are harmful to the masses. It also is necessary to point out consistently the ever-present danger of reactionaries and fascists gaining control of the movement in the interests of the monopolists. Especially dangerous is the fanatical power vested in national headquarters, by the convention decision, "to fix the political policy of the coming campaign." No guarantee, unless by referendum of the entire membership, should have the final power to fix the political policy in the coming national election.

The decision of the convention prohibiting participation in local struggle looks good on the surface. Supposedly this will preserve the non-partisan character of the movement and save it from a break-up as a result of local politics. In reality, however, this decision paralyzes all efforts of the Townsend clubs to collaborate with other sympathetic organizations in the struggle for old-age pensions.

We should not now call upon the masses to join or organize Townsend clubs. But when asked for advice by the workers we should advise them to join in the spirit of our general attitude, i.e. to introduce progressive, constructive ideas into the movement.

All Party organizations shall adopt a policy of establishing the closest and friendliest contacts with the Townsend clubs in their territory, of collaborating with them along the above lines of our policy.

It should be the policy of the Party membership in all mass organizations to support the Townsend movement in the above sense, and to establish contact between their mass organizations and the Townsend Clubs.

The Young Communist League has an important role to play. In the resolution on youth adopted by the Townsend Convention the movement makes certain promises to the youth of the nation. The Y.C.L. should initiate a discussion in the Student organizations and the American Youth Congress with a view of having these organizations establish contact with the Townsend clubs on the basis of the policy outlined above.

(To be continued.)

## By Beau Vincent

# World Events

By Emmett Kirby

## Eden Faces New Job Of Helping Save Mussolini

Anthony Eden's appointment as the new British Foreign Secretary has been the occasion of a new blast from Mussolini in which he declares two Italian objectives: The speedy victorious completion of the Ethiopian war, and unification of the Italian nation in a fight against sanctions.

The first one seems to be running into innumerable difficulties—all of whom carry Ethiopian spears and fight like hell. The second is, in the opinion of even the capitalist experts, more bluff than otherwise for the support of the Italian people so far has been the "support" that is given by a man with a gun in his ribs.

The war has already cost the amount Mussolini figured the total would be, and complete victory is as remote as ever. Under the circumstances, the suffering and privations of an already oppressed Italian people can only be increased, and Mussolini's security hereby decreased in proportion. The worldwide protest which killed the Hoare-Laval "peace plan," a frantic effort to save him (as well as to free British hands so she could give more attention to events in China) only made that more increasingly apparent.

Papers now make much of the known personal animosity between Eden and Benito. This is true enough, but Britain, no matter who her foreign secretary is, still remains a capitalist nation, and while Eden will no doubt push for continuation of existing sanctions or even for inclusion of the oil embargo when the League meets in special session January 10, new offers of peace to Mussolini can be expected as usual. If they are not such rank betrayals of Ethiopia as before, they will nevertheless be favorable to Mussolini and aimed at keeping him in power. Class interest is stronger than any idea of international justice, or of inner class rivalry, and both Britain and France fear what would result from Mussolini's overthrow by revolution at home or his defeat in Ethiopia. They have a bear by the tail. And the crash would inspire further advance of the working class at home, and would unquestionably weaken their hold on colonial and semi-colonial countries.

The talk of Eden now forcing the issue, and of the complete reorganization of the British army are mere a club to threaten Mussolini into accepting the next offer—which, because of the pressure of the working class of Britain, France and the rest of the world, can not be so generous in its terms—than they are any move to go to war on Italy.

Eden, when he came back from Moscow months ago on his famous flying tour of Europe to feel out various nations and admitted the Soviet Union strives for peace, got his reprimand then and has no doubt learned his lesson or he would not be trusted with the new job. The sharp protest Hoare's maneuvers brought necessitated a change of men, but British imperialist policy has not changed because of that and Eden, the popular figure at home will be able, it is hoped to make the next effort at betrayal more palatable to the people.

Equally, it was important to remove the justified impression that Downing Street was ready to scuttle the League of Nations, in favor of helping retain bloody fascism in the world, and the appointment of Eden, then Secretary for League Affairs, was calculated to do just that.

The working class of the world, however, is better organized (in united fronts against imperialist war and fascism) than it was in 1914 and has learned considerably, though not yet fully, the lessons of that great slaughter. They are more alert now and the victory scored in the killing of the Hoare-Laval plot can and will be repeated in the future.

This is what makes Eden's job harder than anything Hoare faced, and all the ballyhoo about how "the white knight of Geneva" will carry the sanctions fight to the full against Mussolini is merely trying to help him put over what he is expected to do—get that Ethiopian war settled without getting Britain in or Mussolini out.

## Party Life

DISTRICT ORGANIZATIONAL DEPARTMENT

### 500 New Recruits to Be Signed Up In Two Months

On the basis of the District Committee resolution, the following practical plan of work is laid out, the objectives of which must be accomplished by March, 1936.

- To recruit 500 new members; reduce fluctuation to a minimum, and to have 3200 functioning dues paying members in the Party.
- To raise \$7500 for the Western Worker as a 1936 war chest fund, and to lay a definite basis in the units, subsections and sections for a circulation drive after the completion of the financial drive.

We list below the quotas for both Western Worker and recruiting drives:

	New Members	Western to be Recruited	Worker Quota
San Francisco	100		\$2500
Los Angeles	200		3500
East Bay	50		350
San Diego	24		200
San Bernardino	14		50
Sacramento	12		50
Contra Costa	10		50
San Jose	8		25
San Mateo	8		100
Bakersfield	8		25
Santa Barbara	8		75
Sonoma	8		75
Fresno	8		50
Stockton	8		25
Monterey	6		75
Arizona	6		25
Eureka	6		50
Merced	4		25
Porterville	4		25
Tulare	4		25
Nevada	4		25
At large Dist. 13			175
	500		\$7500

In order to achieve the above major objectives during the next two months, it will require a 100 per cent mobilization of the entire Party and all the sympathizers around the Party. Therefore, the Section Committees, Sub-section Committees and Unit Bureaus, also the Party fractions in trade unions and mass organizations must immediately work out plans on the basis of the directives sent out to the sections.

If every Party member and friend to the Party is given his or her share of this task, with a practical explanation and plan, we can go over the top on the above quotas by March.