The United Front Released Herndon; The United Front Can Free the C.S. Prisoners

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# SEAMEN DENOUNCE THREAT TO PULL CHARTER

# **JAILORS TO AWAIT MOVE** OF OWNERS

SHARP PROTEST RAISED AGAINST THREATS TO LIFT CHARTER

# Confident of Victory OPERATORS THREATEN TO USE VIGILANTE

**ACTIONS** 

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 7.-The situation in the sailors' dispute for the six-hour day on steamschooners, which has resulted in a virtual lock-out of the crews of fifty-one coastal ships, remained practically unchanged as Harry Lundeberg, Maritime Federation president, at a packed meeting of the Headquarters Branch of the Sailors' Union expressed assured confidence that the shipowners would be forced

President Lundeberg denied receiving a letter from Secretary Perkins which urged the sailors to "submit their differences to arbitration," as stated in the Jan. 6 issue of the S. F. News.

to make overtures within a short

The News quoted a letter in RULES AAA OU from Secretary Perkins, aldly sent to Harry Lundeberg, which calls for voluntary submission to arbitration.

The membership elected a committee of five to handle relief for the locked-out sailors and to pro-

#### mote publicity in the case. BRANCH OFFICE SCORED

A letter from V. Olander, International secretary-treasurer, announcing the opening of a "branch of the ISU" in San Francisco, aroused the ire of the entire body and strong protest was ordered sent to the ISU convention denouncing any attempt at charter lifting.

A copy of the resolution attacking any efforts at union splitting was ordered to be read at the next meeting of the Central Labor Council.

#### EAST COAST CREW PROTEST

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 7.-The entire unlicensed personnel of the crack inter-coastal passenger liner, Pennsylvanian, walked off the vessel a few hours before sailing time in hot indignation at the arbitrary renewal of the East Coast seamen's agreement negotated without allowing the membership a chance to voice their opinions.

The strike took place on Saturday, Jan. 4th, at pier 33, following the adoption of a resolution hy a vast majority of the crew deuncing the sell-out tactics of the nestern ISU officials.

A hasty offer of a flat twenty per cent increase in wages to take the ship to New York, was turned down point blank by the crew and the counter demands for West Coast scale of wages and the sign- 534 were Democrats, 243 were Reing of articles to make San Francisco the final port of discharge.

PORTLAND.—The crew of the K. I. Luckenbach walked off here in protest of the virtual sell-out engineered by the officials of the Atlantic Coast unions.

The crew despatched a resolution of protest to the Eastern Dis-Committee and are demandthe repudiation of the signmg of the agreement.

A two-hour protest was staged from world governments, world jority; as a result another ballot on the Matson liner, Monterey, when the company attempted to fire the sailors' ship delegate on the grounds that he was a Com-

The delegate was reinstated (Continued on Page 2, Col. 8) and demand their release.

# PRIZE HOG

This snouty smile seems to in-

dicate that Howard C. Hop-

son, Associated Gas and Elec-

tric Czar, isn't phazed a bit by

a U. S. \$48,551,845 tax lien suit

lodged against his company for

failure to pay taxes. Tax dodg-

ing may have something to do,

observers think, with Hopson's

sturdy opposition to federal con-

Roosevelt Budget to

Slash Unemployed

\*Relief Funds

-The United States Supreme

Court today declared the Agri-

The AAA, by limiting produc-

tion, had liquidated thousands of

small and middle farmers, had

raised prices to the consumer and

had given over to the wealthy

landowners a majority of the mar-

kets available for their produce.

Several weeks ago big business

had been told by President Roose-

velt to "go ahead." The Supreme

Court today has told the wealthy

The AAA had hen in effect

approximately two and one half

years. It was considered by

Roosevelt's supporters as one of

his prize pieces of legislation

and was part and parcel of the

AIDS BIG FARMERS

Anticipating increased sales a

(Continued on Page 2, Col. 3)

Democrats Lead Two

To One in First Day

Democrats signed the books as

Republicans, according to figures

released here by County Registrar

Out of \$20 who re-registered in

the city and county yesterday,

publicans, one was a Socialist, two

clined to state party affiliations.

were Progressives, and 38 de-

All voters must re-register,

whether they voted at the last

Conference Asked to

SANTIAGO, Chile, Jan. 4-The

of Voters W. M. Kerr.

election or not.

here today.

so-called "New Deal."

farmers also to "go ahead."

tutional.

trol of public utilities.

# JOBLESS TO FIGHT L. A.

FOR CASH IN DOLE **PAYMENTS** 

# Plan Demonstration

AFFECTING 15,000 IN

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 5.-Faced with the most brutal relief cuts in the history of Southern California, tens of thousands of unemployed and WPA workers today were rallying behind the banner of the Public Works and Unemployed Union for a program of truggle for the right to live.

Cuts announced by the relief heads as 16 per cent and an additional 10 per cent for "low standard families, such as Mexicans, Indians, Portuguese, Filipinos, etc.," are actually amounting to as high as 40 per cent in a large number of cases due to additional "deductions."

To combat this fascist attack on the living standards of a large proportion of the people of Los Angeles County, the PWUU is calling for demonstrations at all D. P. O.'s, culminating with a gigantic mass demonstration on January 25th.

"We will not starve quietly!" is the ultimatum handed relief officials by the County Council of WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 6. the PWUU.

# UNITY OF ACTION

Unity of action on the part of not only SERA workers, but also of WPA workers and unemployed on the County Charities Department rolls, is the slogan of the organization.

Discrimination against Negroes Mexicans and foreign-born workers is particularly scored by the PWUU as calculated to divide the workers in a further step toward fascism. Responsibility for the relief cuts is squarely placed on the financial "big shots" of

California. Rallying masses of unemployed behind the PWUU program, the "Unemployed Leader" will be off the presses here tomorrow, the fourteenth issue of this fighting newspaper. The last issue, the first to appear in eight pages, sold out 11,000

Yesterday, under order of Roy W. Pilling, county relief director, the "purging" of workers off the rolls because they have not (Continued on Page 2, Col. 1)

#### Re-Registration REACTIONARIES LOS ANGELES, Jan. 3.—In the first day of re-registration for LOSE OUT IN the 1936 polls, twice as many **BARGEMEN UNION**

TED STARR RE-ELECTED TO PRESIDENCY

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 7.— Election results at the Bargemen's Union, ILA Local 38-101,

ly intact. Ted Starr, who successfully guided the union through a victorious strike, was re-elected as president and business manager. J. Delaney was re-elected vice

president. Maroney as patrolman,

Protest Persecution and Holmquist as janitor. The race for the financial secretary's position gave the incum-Continental Labor Conference, bent Sikes, the highest vote of which comprises representatives three candidates, but with no ma- | Service has sent its army of thugs

employers and workers, opened will be cast. Rosendon Naula, Ecuadoran cording secretary without any op-

worker delegate, requested the position. The election results proved a conference to address all American countries on behalf of workers defeat of reactionary elements who agencies in New York, 55 solicit when the crew stuck to their guns imprisoned for political offenses, had carried on a stiff campaign strike-breaking work, according to defeat the rank and file slate.

# Anti-War Front Is Forged in U.S.A.

# RELIEF CUT ITALY PLANES IN MAD TERROR DRIVE

# PILLING ORDERS PURGE FRIGHTFULNESS

RIGID CENSORSHIP KEEPS TRUTH ABOUT REVOLTS FROM ITALIAN PEOPLE

# Trial On in Rome

500 CHINESE STUDENTS BEGIN ANTI-JAPANESE PROPAGANDA MARCH

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 6.-Breathing blood and fire, the Italan Fascist Propoganda Ministry trying anew to rouse the Ital an people to height of war renzy. Internal weakness, seen in the various revolts of soldiers and sailors, and the fact that the stalemate of Italy's drive into Ethiopia is beginning to seep through the rigid censorship of news, has brought panic into official circles.

Although the written instructions to the press by the Propaganda Ministry were abandoned some time ago as the result of exposure by the European anti-fascist press, they have once more been renewed, with orders to print nothing about the trial of mutineers now in progress in Rome, nothing about the new stringent measures of economy, and nothing about the ferocious air-raids other than official communiques, while prominence is to be given to news of anti-British rioting in Egypt.

The savage air-raids, Italy's sole hope in view of the successful counter-attacks of Ethiopian troops, have been increased, and an Egyptian Red Cross unit, to-(Continued on Page 2, Col. 1)

# LATEST STRIKE-BREAKERS HAVE SORDID RECORD

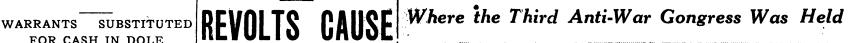
ACTIVE IN STRIKES

The latest strike-breaking agency to be exposed is the A. A. Ahner Detective Agency and its related Industrial Investigators and Engineers, Inc., operating in St. Louis, Mo. Albert A. Ahner, the head of this notorious agency was a recent unwilling witness before

National Labor Relations hearing in St. Louis. Ahner testified that he had been employed to break the strike of the Laclede Gas Light Co., People's Motorbus Co., General Materials Co., and the Kroger Grocery and Baking Co., all located in the Midwest. He also was hired to break the strike at the Brown Shoe Co. in Salem, left the rank and file slate virtual- Mass. This sixteen-million dollar concern recently received a government order for 5000 pairs of shoes for the CCC in spite of the proven fact that the company bired racketeer strike-breakers and had been charged with unfair labor practices by the N.L.R.B.

The other exposed strike-break ing agency has even a more sordid history. It is known that up to the present, the Bergoff Detective against workers in 300 strikes. From 1914 to 1924, its owners de-Mary Sandoval was named re- rived \$10,000,000 income from this racketeering activity. In 9 major strikes, 17 strikers were killed.

Of the 187 licensed detective to the A. F. of L.





More than 3000 delegates from working class and liberal groups throughout the nation gathered here to build a practical wall of united front action against war and fascism. The building is the public auditorium in Cleveland, Ohio.

# WPA WORKER TO BE DISCHARGED

IN LOS ANGELES

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 2.-While the WPA heads still profess blandly that there is no discrimination against organizers on the projects, Alexander Smith, la borer on the Griffith Park Project, a. m. shift spot 3-D, was fired from the job here today for "disributing literature."

The "literature" was organizaproject Tuesday.

Today he was handed a discharge slip, signed by A. James NEW AGENCY IN ST. LOUIS | Haines, foreman, and Eugene O. Royce, project engineer, and told to "see your visitor."

# LEAFLET'S CAUSE SHIPYARDS SEEK NAVY AID TO BALK MACHINIST STRIKE

DISCRIMINATION SHOWN Oakland Local Discusses Similar Action To Force Wage Raise

# BULLETIN

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 7.-Local No. 7 of the Industrial Union of Marine and Shipworkers of America joined the Machinists Union on the picket line, when 600 workers at the Bethlehem Shipyard threw down their tools.

Originally walking out on Monional leaflets for the Public Works the machinists, the shipyard work-Smith handed workers on the when a set of demands were pre- the workers. sented to the employers.

Union hiring hall, elimination of among their demands.

lion at Oakland also joined the

strike when their members, some 500, walked out one hundred per cent at the Moore shipyard.

"Fear" of delay in the completion of the two destroyers-to enforce Roosevelt's "neutrality?"-is given as cause for investigation of the machinists' strike, which day morning purely in support of has shut down all marine shops as

Although practically every shop in the city has acceded to the piece work and a closed shop are Union's demand for the restoration Kai-shek. of the 40-hour week, the marine Local No. 11 of the same Un-shop owners have made no over-(Continued on Page 2, Col. 1)

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 7.—

BUTLER SPEAKS Among the speakers were Gena result of the employers' refusal lafternoon; Angelo Herndon, and und Unemployed Union, which ers made it their strike as well to capitulate to the demands of General Fang Chen-wu, who once

> General Butler told the delegates that the Ethiopian war is but a trial of strength to determine the line-up of nations

# WOULD HERBERT HOOVER LIKE TO RIDE AGAIN?

Probably Not—But He'll Help Direct the Coming Campaign



Ex-President Herbert (Hungry) Hoover looks over the G. O. P. elephant which is being primed with peanuts for the coming political circus. Since his defeat in the last presidential elections, Hoover has retired from public life and has contented himself with blowing a rubber raspberry at the Roosevelt administration from the front porch of his home in Palo Alto. Observers believe he will not attempt to run again but will take an active part in the Republican campaign

# ANTI-FASCIST **CONGRESS MAPS** 1936 STRUGGLE

7000 DELEGATES FROM ALL PARTS OF COUNTRY IN ATTENDANCE

# General Butler Talks

HEARST AND THE LIBERTY LEAGUE ARE SCORED BY DOCTOR WARD

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 6.-'The real fascists are mobilizing." Dr. Harry F. Ward of Union Theological Seminary, New York, told the more than 7000 delegates who attended the historic Third Congress Against War and Fascism held here last week end.

Dr. Ward scored the Hearst press, the Liberty League and the Chamber of Commerce for hypocritical vapping about the Constitution meanwhile carrying on a vicious campaign to pass so-called "gag laws" and other anti-working class legislation.

He outlined the American League Against War and Fascism program for 1936, which will include: Keeping the United States out of the coming world war; keeping oil away from the Italian forces in Ethiin Congress.

The Congress opened Ian. 3 in the morning at the Hotel Hollendon. The first day's sessions ended with a mass meeting at the Public Auditorium where Mayor Harold H. Burton of Cleveland welcomed the delegates.

eral Smedley Butler, who also spoke over the radio on Friday was a candidate for the position of commander-in-chief of the Chinese army now held by Chang

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### *LABOR COUNCIL* STOPS AID FOR JACKSON MINERS

WEST DECLARES STRIKE NO LONGER EXISTS

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 7.— At the first open meeting held in nearly a year the San Francisco Central Labor Council voted to discontinue contributing to the Jackson striking gold miners. - -

The discontinuance of support was urged by Fred West, delegate from the Window Cleaners' Union. He declared that they are no longer carrying on a real strike

In a heated debate over the subject West declared: "For two bits I'd tell a story that would burn the ears of conservatives as well as rank and filers."

Apparently anxious to hear West rave, several quarters were tossed at him. He sat down without further comment.

Several resolutions brought in y maritime delegates were refered to the resolutions committee. A committee was named to attend Gov. Merriam's conference on taxation and revenue at Sac-Iramento, Feb. 3.

CONFERENCE FOR REPEAL OF G. S.

ACT REFUSED SCOTT. RITE HAI!

TOLD THAT AUDITORIUM IS 'BARRED

TO ANY GROUP AGAINST THE GOVT.'

# RAPE OF WAR! INVASION ETHIOPIA OF CHINA

(Continued from Page 1) gether with women and children of an Ethiopian town far from the war zone, was annihilated in airraids reported via London today.

Anti-fascist, anti-war sentiment continues to mount throughout Europe, widespread indignation being expressed as the result of the story told by the sole survivor of the Swedish Red Cross unit to the effect that the attack was deliberate, and that he was fired upon by an attacking plane as he ran for cover in the brush.

SHANGHAI, Jan. 6.—The student movement for National Defense gain impetus daily throughout China. Five hundred picked students, organized as a propaganda army, have set out, equipped with food and bedding, along four routes to the south to rouse the Chinese people to arms against the Japanese imperialist invaders and their "autonomy" movement

CHICAGO, Jan. 6.-More than 1000 Chinese demonstrators marched through Chinatown here yesmy No. 1. The demonstration resulted from a united front agreement between student and fraternal organizations.

ROME. Ian. 6.—The press here today launched an attack upon President Roosevelt as the result of his references to the need for countries" suffering under dictatorships.

This followed a general division of opinion in the European ing the speech, while those favoring collective sanctions to bring the Italian invasion of Ethiopia to an immediate halt regard the speech as containing hopeful signs of American support for sanc-

PARIS, France, Jan. 3.—The internal crumbling of Mussolini's war-machine reverberated loudly around the ears of the world imperialists as a result of the con-

### L. A. JOBLESS TO DEMONSTRATE IN RELIEF CUT WAR

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Fifteen thousand families were reported affected by this action.

# STATE "BROKE"

. SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 5.-Direct relief clients throughout the state are to be paid off in warrants instead of cash, relief officials announced this week.

The warrants, however, may not be honored by the grocery man or the banker. Bank acceptance of individual warrants, according to a spokesman, is a matter to be determined by the individual institution.

The issuing of warrants was necessitated by another of the state's rapidly recurring "financial crises." Governor Merriam is attempting to avoid the calling of and farmers' organizations. Four a special legislative session, mainly for political reasons, it was in- meetings of the Youth Commisdicated in Sacramento.

clared it will be necessary to is-the fight against war and fascism sue approximately 400,000 such were the principal topic of diswarrants per month. Workers on cussion. WPA projects will not be affected, it was said.

Unwillingness of Governor Merriam and the state legislature last year to levy a tax upon the wealthy of the state for the purpose of unemployment and social night the Resolutions Committee insurance as provided for in the report was made, and Dr. Ward, Workers' Unemployment Insur- who was chairman of the conance Bill, is directly responsible gress, made the summation adfor the crisis now looming.

# MACHINISTS' STRIKE GETS GOV'T THREAT

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tures to the strikers. One of the larger shops, the Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corporatempted to use the navy's influence to spike the strike. The government contracts stipulate that the work shall be done by union by Saposs.

Oakland local of the Machinists' Union will meet today to decide on action in line with that of their sister local, against shops that Haight street. Help us build it have not complied with the re- up by sending us books, pamphlets quests for wage restoration.

firmed report of mutiny breaking out among Fascist troops on then way to the heatwracked and warrior infested battle fields of Ethi-

Mutiny, which has been smouldering among the army and the navy, broke out in three different places. At Lugo Di Romagna, Italy, rebellion broke out as infantrymen were preparing to leave for Ethiopia. One fascist officer was killed and several soldiers injured, which was quelled only after a huge army of policemen, apparently anticipating the affair, were called out.

What adds to the worriment of the fastly slipping Mussolini and the anxiety of the Laval "Save Fascism" gang, is the fact that the townspeople joined in the demonstration against war when the militia police tried to suppress the mutiny. Hundreds of arrests were

TRIPOLI-According to reports from the French frontier near Tunis, Africa, native soldiers mutinied against their Italian comterday, carrying banners denounc- mander. The reports stated that ing Japan as Chinese Public Ene- the commander was killed and eight of the native soldiers fled across the French border.

The uprising took place at an encampment where the soldiers had presumably been sent because

of previous display of rebellion. From France also comes reliable report of a mutiny aboard the Italian tanker, Corona Ferrea. curbing "war-like, expansionist The Ferrea had left the Rumanian port of Constanza bound for Somalilard, when the crew revolted

# press, imperialist publicists attack-DECLARES WAR AGAINST WAR

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for a second world war, soon to begin, probably in the Far

The main work of the Congress was done through commissions representing different groups. Scores of trade union delegates rom all over the country, attended the discussions on trade unions.

# **HEARST ATTACKS**

baiting. The local American Legion soldiers' bonus should become a Fascist Italy, on charges of "radi- issued the call for all workers and ised better conditions in the mines, reported on WPA projects or post attacked the delegates as fact this year. whose work has been "unsatis- did the Army and Navy Union. In treating of relief expenditures factory" on WPA jobs, began. The latter group sent a committee the message mentioned the 3,500,of fifteen to the meetings to

> Langston Hughes, noted Negro poet, stressed the struggle for Negro rights as a means of fighting fascism. "Fascism," he declared, "is a new name for that kind of terror the Negro people has always faced in America." He urged a united front of Negroes with those who are fighting war and fas-

The Women's Commission represented a real cross section of American women, with representatives from the Y.W.C.A., trade unions, parent and teacher associations, fraternal orders, clubs hundred delegates attended the sion where the immediate objec-Meanwhile, relief officials de- tives and tactics of the youth in

At 8 p. m. on Saturday a memorial meeting for Henri Barbusse, international leader in the for a speedy and sweeping infight against war and fascism, who

died just recently, was held. At the final session Sunday

# BOOKS WANTED!

The San Francisco Workers School calls upon all friends of workers' education to help us build up the reading library for the use of all students of the school. All books on political, economic and philosophical question, which only recently was tions that you no longer want awarded contracts for the build- should be collected and sent in ing of two destroyers, has at to the library. We need especially several copies of:

Left Wing Unionism, by Saposs. Readings in Trade Unionism,

Short History of American Labor Movement, by Mary Beard.

Misleaders of Labor, by Foster. The library is located at 121

# LABOR PARTY CONFERENCE

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 7.-The first of a series of weekly pen forums under the sponsor ship of the United Labor Forum will be held Thursday, Jan. 9, at 68 Haight st., at 8 p. m. Current events in the labor unions will be discussed by speakers and audience.

William Sanders, chairman of the Conference for Repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Act, will chairman the meeting. The speakers scheduled are: Redfern Mason, United Labor candidate for mayor; Lawrence Ross of the Communist Party; Ben Legere of the San Francisco Council of the Democratic Party, and John Shaw, United Labor candidate for supervisor, I.L.A. Local 38-79.

# GREY BEARDS PUT KIBOSH ON THE AAA

(Continued from Page 1) artificially raised prices the market in cotton and other agricultural products the market in cotton and wheat soared to new heights. Greatest beneficiaries of the Supreme Court's latest decision, as usual, will be the larger producers.

While the Supreme Court was considering the AAA, brought before it in a test case by a New Bedford firm which had gone bankrupt through the AAA processing tax, Roosevelt's budget message was read to the national

Congress now in session here. While not actually estimating the size of the work-relief appropriation, Roosevelt indicated it would be "far less" than the more than four billions voted by Congress last year. The president's message was carefully planned not to "frighten" big business with suggestions for further taxation of profits, in-

comes or inheritances. Instead, Roosevelt hinted that ne employers should bend all heir efforts toward hiring more workers. He indicated that greater purchasing power would result n greater income to the govern-

# "BALANCED" BUDGET

The budget submitted was balnced but did not include a deficit of from two to three billions to be expended for work relief. The Congress brought forth a New taxes were indicated as a ne- tody by officers of the Immigraparrage of Hearst-inspired red-cessity in case the payment of the tion Service for deportation to ternational Labor Defense has jobs after negotiations, which prom-

> ment claims to have returned to work on public works projects, but did not discuss the additional millions still unemployed, many of whom have been thrown back spon the rapidly dwindling resources of the individual states.

Main issues before the Congress part of the vicious campaign of his year are the question of neutrality, which the American people are demanding in ever-increasing numbers; a means of payment of the soldiers' bonus, which also is of prime political importance; the budget and New Deal policies in general.

Circulate the Western Worker in your union and fraternal organizations.

# REGISTRATION STARTS FOR THE OPEN FORUMS WORKERS' SCHOOL ON HAIGHT ST.

# Courses Aimed to Help Workers Prepare For Coming Struggle

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 7.— On January 13th the doors of the Every worker, trade unionist, promore effective participation in the as instructor. day-to-day struggle.

# PRINCIPLES OF

COMMUNISM The course in Principles of Comwill be three classes in Principles | Jan. 13, with J. Wilson as in of Communism-Monday, Jan. 13, structor. with E. Kirby as instructor; Friday, Jan. 17 with M. Carson, and Sunday, Jan. 19 with M. Childe. The course to last for eight ses-

POLITICAL ECONOMY The course in Political Econemy deals with the laws of capitalist development, the essence

of capitalist exploitation, the principal antagonisms between the class. It begins Wednesday, Jan. 15, with G. Mallet as instructor. LENINISM

The course in Leninism, dealing with the theory of proletarian revolution, the dictatorship of the TRADE UNIONISM

The course in Trade Union San Francisco Workers' School Problems, dealing with the preswill open for the new winter term. ent tasks in the trade union field —industrial unionism, the developfessional has something to gain ment and tasks of the rank and from the Workers' School. The file movement, the struggle against courses given are aimed to help the reactionary leadership and for every section of the working pop- a class struggle policy, begins ulation to prepare themselves for Friday, Jan. 17, with B. Reynolds

#### LABOR HISTORY

The History of the Labor Movement, dealing with the rise and munism answers fully the ques- development of the American lation of why Communism. There | bor movement, begins Monday,

# LABOR PARTY

The four-week lecture course in the Labor Party, with Bill Schneiderman, district organizer o the Communist Party, begin Wednesday, Jan. 15.

Among other courses are Principles of Organization, beginning Tuesday, Jan. 14; Labor Journalism, beginning Friday, Jan. 17; working class and the capitalist Euglish, beginning Wednesday, Tan. 15.

> All classes begin promptly at 8 o'clock every evening with the exception of Sunday, when the class start at 2 p. m.

Register for the classes today at proletariat and problems of social- the office of the San Francisco ist construction, begins Tuesday, Workers' School, 121 Haight st. Jan. 16, with L. Ross as instruc- The office will be open every day from 11 a. m. to 8 p. m.

# Miners Face Deportation to Fascist **Countries on 'Radicalism' Charge**

# Part of Vicious Campaign of Gallup-Amer. Indians. Coal Company to Smash Union

Gallup-American Coal Company.

Angelo and Auro Cattaneo, miners, have been taken into cus-

with deportation into the bloody hands of Mussolini, with the pro ccedings against them now pend-

Mike Stavro is faced with deportation to Fascist Bulgaria.

The deportation attempts are the Gallup-American Coal Comhere of the United Mine Workers of America.

Frank Massida incurred the wrath of the coal company when he put up his property as security during the 1933 strike.

Mrs. De Murtas is wife of a ardous conditions.

GALLUP, N. M., Jan. 5.—Facing, Gallup coal miner and mother of where they will certainly be met was active in the Women's Aux- gation. At that time, workers subwith prison camps and death, five liliary during the strike. Basis of mitted 29 grievances which were workers of Gallup are today in proceedings against Stavro is unlignored. grave danger, as result of the known, as he is a retired miner, collaboration of the United States old and in ill health, and has not Department of Labor with the been active in any of the Gallup word has been received from Herlabor organizations.

All five workers have been residents of New Mexico for years. The Denver District of the Inworkers' organizations to protest were made by a government rep-Frank Massida and Mrs. Feli-these threatened deportations to resentative. itas De Murtas, are also menaced Frances Perkins, secretary of labor, Washington, D. C.

# Workers Force Labor Inspectors to Act

DETROIT.—(FP)—So flagrant are violations of state labor laws by Detroit employers that six pany to smash the militant local deputy labor inspectors have been sent into the city to conduct a general mop-up. Conditions under which women and minors are being employed are described by State Labor Commissioner Frank on bonds made for the purpose of B. Wade as "outrageous and depreventing threatened eviction from plorable." The drive is a result their homes of striking miners of increasing complaints from employes about unsanitary and haz-

# COOP LEADER



Dr. Toyohiko Kagawa, Japanese cooperative leader, was principal speaker when 300 delegates from coops, churches and trade unions met in Indianapolis, Dec. 30-31. Appeals to Washington brought a reversal of a decision of immigration authorities to bar Kagawa for eye disease.

### STRIKE CALLED IN COPPER-MINE LABOR DISPUTE

By T. J. Croaff, Jr. (Special Dispatch)

PHOENIX, Ariz., Jan. 3.—A strike halted operations in the Green-Cananca Copper Company mines and smelter in Cananea, Sonora, Mex., according to information received here last night by the Federated Press correspondent. Nearly 100 workers are refusing

to go to their jobs in a continuation of a labor dispute that has interrupted mine operations during the last four months.

Mine company officials are refusing to negotiate with the striking workers, most of whom are

A threatened strike was averted last month when Governor Jesus Guiterrez sent a federal labor in-

There is no federal labor conciliator in Cananea now, and no mosillo concerning action contemplated by the governor.

Workers called a strike four months ago, but returned to their

Most of the mine workers' grievances are directed against the repressive actions of shaft foremen and superintendents, the majority of whom are white Americans. According to reports received here, the strike is under rank and

MOSCOW.—(FP)—Railways, hitherto one of the weak spots in Soviet economy, completed their freight loading plan for 1935 early in December, with total carloadings of 22,995,000. At the same time in 1934, carloadings were

Help distribute 500,000 edition of Dimitroff's pamphlet, "Working Class Unity-Bulwark Against Fascism". Price 5 cents.

# American Legion, believed to be esponsible for the Scottish Rite rescinded. 'gag ruling," the superintendent Reporters Fight

Longer Work Week

controversial subject."

meeting, January 29.

That is the explanation given

Conference for Repeal of the Crim-

A Conference Committee, con-

progressives, who called to pro-

test, did not find anyone in the

building and left, arranging to

half hour conversation with Dig-

nan later in the day, was told that

the hall was barred to any group

"against the government." Told

that the conference represents a

quarter of a million Californians,

On Hearst Papers INCREASED HOURS SEEN AS

PART OF NAT'L ANTI-

LABOR DRIVE

WASHINGTON.—(FP)—Dis continuance of the 40-hour week for editorial employes and mass discharges by Hearst papers are vigorously protested by the Washington Newspaper Guild. It has voted to inform organized labor and the labor press of unfair treatment of its employes by the deportation to Fascist countries, several American-born children. She spector here to conduct an investi- Washington Times, Hearst evening paper, and is investigating a similar situation on the morning

Washington Herald.

A special committee was formed to report on the discharge of 10 employes by the Times. None of them were dismissed on grounds of personal misconduct, but the committee found no special discrimination against Guild members charges, the 40-hour week, which has been loosely observed up to that time, was officially discontinued." All employes are now

working a six-day week. "Your committee recommends that a vigorous protest be made to the management of the Times and Wm. Randolph Hearst, the owner, against the discontinuance of the 40-hour week and mass discharges," says the adopted report. "Your committee regards the mass firings on the Times as symptomatic of post-NRA developments in the newspaper industry as a

whole." The newspapermen voted to inform the Washington Central Labor Union, to which the local Guild has elected fraternal delegates, that "the Times has dealt

unfairly with its employes." On the Herald there was also similar layoff at the time the ive-day week was dropped.

The lengthening of the work ng-week by Hearst papers is seen as part of a national drive to worsen conditions. A situation similar to that in Washington exists in New York and other cities, and efforts are being made to resist the drive with the aid of organized labor generally.

# CARICATURES OF CHIEFS BANNED

TOKYO, Dec. 26.-The Japanese home office has just issued a circular requesting all Japanese newspapers and magazines to refrain from publishing caricatures of chiefs of state. This action is a sequel to the incident in which the Japanese government protested in Washington against a caricature of Emperor Hirohito, which appeared in Vanity Fair.

The press affirms that the circular originated in representations made by the German embassy in and file leaders, can mean but one Tokyo against cartoons of Chan-thing. cellor Adolph Hitler, which were considered an "affront to' the

Italy decreased under Mussolini's pends upon how strong a reprerule from 41 kilos in 1926 to 25.7 sentation the rank and file will eration of Workers of Europe. . capital on January 14th.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 7.— said to write a letter to be con-Scottish Rite Auditorium will sidered by the Board of Trustees... not be rented to any organization of the auditorium and an answer

#### for the purpose of discussing a would be sent. MANAGEMENT STALLS

The letter was sent and despite by John A. Dignan, auditorium numerous phone calls no answer superintendent in refusing to rent was given until George Woolf, Scottish Rite to the California president of the I.L.A. Ship Scalers' Union, Local 38-100, managed inal Syndicalism Act for a mass to contact the superintendent by phone. He was told by Dignan that the Board of Trustees had sisting of trade unionists and acted on the letter and had refue to rent the hall to the conferen

When asked if the Scottish Rite Auditorium would be rented to meet at a later date. The Confer-the American Legion or other ence secretary, however, in a red-baiting organizations, Dignan replied: "Certainly."

Powerful protests should be made immediately to the management of the Scottish Rite Auditorium. Send letters and wires to Dignan, Scottish Rite Audia number far in excess of the torium, San Francisco, demanding California membership of the that the gag-ruling against labor and progressive organizations be

# REACTIONARY PRESSURE

A recent issue of the fascist Marin County newspaper "The American Citizen" denounced the Scottish Rite Auditorium for rentng the hall to left wing groups and posed the question, "Is Scottish Rite hard up for money?" The pressure from the reactionaries and fascist forces has been turned on, and the Scottish Rite manage

All unions and liberal and radical organizations should answer their challenge to protect their constitutional rights of freedom of

speech and assemblage. The Conference mass meeting will be held at Building Trades Temple, Wednesday evening, Feb.

# SAILORS' UNION IS DETERMINED TO SIT TIGHT

(Continued From Page 1) and insisted that there would be no discrimination against

member regardless of beliefs.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 2. -With fifty-one steamschooners in the layoff. It notes, however, Pacific Coast, shipowners maneuvered to stage a fight to a finish attack upon the Maritime Fed-

> eration. resentative, in his efforts to recruit Government aid in smashing the West Coast maritime unions, exhibited an imposing array of "records" to prove that the Maritime Federation of the Pacific Coast was an "illegal con-

spiracy." He demanded that "Bridges and his associates" be prosecuted under the Anti-Sherman Trust Law. The New York Times of Dec. 31st states:

"According to reports received" here today employers on the Pacific Coast virtually have completed a Coastwise vigilante organization to protect their interest in the event that they find themselves unable to obtain redress from the government, should the international unions continue to be unable to discipline their Pacific Coast local unions . . .

"It is a question in labor circles here whether or not the demand of the seamen is not the showdown signal for which the employers have been waiting. The Pacific Coast owners are said to be in constant tours with the Atlantic operators,

it is probable that a meeting of both groups will be held in San Francisco.

"The employers may wait the outcome of the International Seamen's Convention. If the parent body fails to take hold of the West Coast situation and no action is taken by the Department of Justice, the shipowners will be prepared to make

their decision . . ." The fact that operators haveopenly announced the formation of vigilante groups, which was not unknown to Pacific Coast rank

Already Paul Scharrenberg, pelled member of the Sailors' Un-Kanawha Power Co. The latter is pride and honor of the German ion of the Pacific, has sounded the cry for the revocation of West Coast charters. Whether the exec-NEW YORK.—(FP)—Average utive body of the ISU will attempt meat consumption per head in to take such drastic action, de-

# 476 Workers Killed Building Tunnel CORPORATE GREED DOOMS 1500 TO SLOW DEATH FROM SILICOSIS

NEW YORK.—(FP)—A fight vestigation of "the greatest industrial catastrophe in American history"—the Gauley Bridge silicosis workers already dead and an estimated 1500 dying—has been pledged by New York's fighting Congressman Vito Marcantonio.

The cruel and calculating callousness of corporate greed dooming some 2000 men to cough their lives away in the slow death of silicosis rather than spend the few thousand dollars which safety appliances would have cost seemed, on first report, too fantastic to believe.

# DETAILS OF THE TRAGEDY

But further investigation of circumstances surrounding the boring of the power tunnel between 40 miles to Summerville and dump-Hawk's Nest and Gauley Bridge has not only confirmed the dimensions of the tragedy, but has brought into even sharper relief the details of the inhumanly savage Bridge, W. Va., the town held in committee, will take steps to set ing directorate, Union Carbide & cruelty involved.

the affair have been traced from of the living dead."

the rustic New River area, where company foremen, armed with clubs, drove unwilling workers, Negro and white, into the suffocating vault without dust masks or wet drills, to the Wall Street tragedy in West Virginia, with 476 skyscraper offices of some of America's mightiest industrial and

Following the threads, the investigator encounters West Virginia newspapers who dared not (The very word "survivor" carries print a word of the catastrophe, a doctor friendly to the victims who in that tunnel will survive for is being framed on a narcotics charge, relief officials who shun the dying men like plague if they dare sue for compensation, venal courts, a woman who lost four sons and a brother and whose husband is slowly strangling to death, employers for miles around who will not risk giving work to Press. men they know are doomed to die, the bodies of 169 workers hauled field to be covered over without identification or coffins. Incredible? Yes, but the true story of Gauley

Fragments of the story have been printed before, here and there. But the hitherto rather indifferent outside world did not feel the total impact of the tragedy until "The People's Press," new progressive tabloid, broke the story wide open after sending a representative to Gauley Bridge to make extensive investigations and question witnesses and survivors. an ironic note, for few who worked

INVESTIGATION SOUGHT

long. They die in the agony of a disease worse than tuberculosis.) That "never in our history have human beings been so callously and sensationally sacrificed to profits as in the building of the Gauley Bridge tunnel" is the editorial conclusion of The People's

So sensational is the story that at last newspapers are beginning to take note, and congressmen ed into an open ditch in a corn- and U. S. senators have promised tallurgical Corp., which in turn is to act immediately after Congress reconvenes the middle of January. Street corporation—Union Carbide Marcantonio, sitting on the labor & Carbon. Through an interlockthe grip of a great industrial in motion a sweeping investigation, Carbon is closely associated with kilos in 1934, according to the have at the coming international What is more, ramifications of autocracy—"Gauley Bridge, town the testimony of which, he be- the gigantic Central Hanover Bank Labor Chest for Relief and Lib- convention which opens at the lieves, will rival in drama and & Trust Co.

sensation the famous munitions

#### ILLEGALLY BUILT The tunnel was hurriedly built

on a navigable river for power purposes without obtaining a federal license. To save money and to carry the work through as secretly as possible, workers were driven into the project, without masks, immediately after blasting and before there had been opportunity for dust to settle, People's Press charges. The workers inhaled billions of particles of particularly fine silicate dust, setting up billions of focal points of irritation, from which most will die, some after a few months, some after a

The tunnel contract was awarded to Rinehart & Dennis Corp. of Charlotteville, Va., by the Newa subsidiary of the Electro Me-people." a subsidiary of the great Wall

few years.

# Blazing Crosses Scottsboro Defense Less Pork Gag Law Loses Farm Foreclosure Frazier Bill

DETROIT, Mich .- Striking pickets at the Metal Products plant here were greeted by a trail of burning crosses when they came to the plant at 6 o'clock. It is believed the crosses were placed Mere bý a strike-breaking agency terrorize the strikers.

Members of Metal Polishers' Union, Local 1, who are still working, have voted to strike and are awaiting approval of their action from national headquarters.

NEW YORK .- The American Scottsboro Committee, formed in the fall of 1934, has voted to disband. This action was taken following the formation of the Scottsboro Defense Committee, which will henceforth have exclusive charge of the cases. The new committee will carry on the work on the basis of a united front of four or five permanent organizations, with Samuel S. Leibowitz as counsel for the defendants.

WASHINGTON .- According to forecast issued by the Crop-Reporting Board of the Department of Agriculture, the American people will continue to eat less pork, and pay high prices for what they eat. The fall pig crop in the United States is estimated at 20,272,000 head, 27 per cent less than the average number for the five years 1929-33, while the number for the whole year is 5 per cent less than the record low level of 1934.

CHICAGO III.—Municipal Judge McGarry held unconstitutional an ordinance forbidding the sale of any article except newspapers on the streets of the Loop. Charles Rhine, arrested for selling Common Sense, a monthly magazine, was freed by the decision. Edgar

ernhard, of the Chicago Civil berties Committee, was Rhine's

NILES, Ohio.-Five hundred WPA workers voted for strike 30-hour week to a four-day week, working the same numbers of hours a week.

At Sandusky workers assigned to jobs at Camp Perry refused to report to work protesting the \$40 monthly wage scale, which was \$4 less than the prevailing scale in Erie County.

CROSBY, N. D.-Support to the Westby Holiday defendants was pledged at a mass meeting of farmers from all parts of Divide County by ex-Governor Langer of North Dakota; N. Hahn, vice president of the North Dakota Federation of Labor, and others. The defendants were arrested for blocking a foreclosure sale by the notorious Minot Credit Corporation in the fall of 1933. They are charged with "defrauding the government" and conspiring to hold down bidding at the foreclosure sale.

NEW YORK. - Representative Vito Marcantonio predicted that nation-wide action by trade un ions and unemployed organizations would support the Workers' Social Insurance Bill, to be in troduced in Congress by Senator Lynn J. Frazier of North Dakota. The Frazier Bill "contains

fundamental principles of the ..deen Bill," Marcantonio said. The bill, prepared and written by a committee of the Inter-Professional Association, is the broadest, most comprehensive and prac-lissued you at 1563 Mission street. tical social insurance bill yet pro-

# Thousands of Young People Register for

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 5.—Registration of young workers for

and women between the ages of 16 and 25 will be registered by appointment within the next two weeks, said R. C. Elliot, NYA registration officer.

# EAST OF THE ENGLAND AND SHE SACRIFICED HER FREEDOM Rockies THE U.S.A. ARE BRAZIL RIVALS

Ever since 1929 Brazil has been out the frozen balances. The sum short of foreign exchange with of \$21,650,000 is still blocked in which to pay for its imports, accounts of American exporters Firms which have exported goods to Brazil have consequently had to be content with receiving only part of the money due them from abroad. In 1933 a "thawing agreement" was arranged by which the Brazilian government undertook to furnish exchange to pay off amounts then due. Since then, Brazil has undertaken to discriminate in its trade relations, allocating the available exchange to those countries which took the most of Brazil's exports. This policy has favored the United States, a big coffee consumer. Trade treaty between the United States and Brazil signed early in 1935, but not ratified by Brazil until several months later, gave American exporters a further advantage in Brazilian markets since duties were reduced on commodities constituting 23.8 per cent of American exports to Bra-

But the American exporters have waited in vain for the benefits they thought they had gained. Not only did the Sao Paulo manufacturing interests succeed in blocking ratification of the trade treaty until November 18, but Brazil has shown continued inability to meet payments under the thawing agreement, and recently sought to get den resolve of Getulio Vargas' American capitalists to lend Bra- government to complete the nego-

in Brazil.

Brazil has become less dependent upon United States as a market for its products, owing to increased purchases of Brazilian cotton by European countries. In 1934 Brazilian exports to European countries were greater than to the United States, for the first time. Brazilian exports to Europe this vear (1935) have been even larger than in 1934, while exports of coffee, chief article exported to the United States, have been falling off. England, which has as much of an investment in Brazil as all other countries put together, got in ahead of the United States by concluding a thawing agreement in August. Blocked British accounts were nearly as large as blocked American accounts.

Ratification of the trade treaty by Brazil and speeding up of thawing agreement with the United States coincided with revolt last November in eight Brazilian states. Considering the important part played in previous Brazilian political movements by American imperialists who advanced funds to one side or the other in return for economic concessions, the sudzil the funds necessary to thow tiations can easily be understood

RICHMOND, Calif., Jan. 6.-I

am a Negro boy and due to the

so-called depression I and about

180 more, all colored, have been

sent to work on the San Pablo

Dam, seven miles out of Rich-

mond, for \$30 per month of which

We are forced to work in mud

and rain, eat bad food and be

bossed around and discriminated

We realize we are being pre-

pared for war under the guise

WITH NINE

**DEAD** 

By John Davis.

that open the New Year are en-

graved the names of seventy-three

workers murdered during the year

1935, testimony to the deadly

growth of reaction in the United

Two lists, compiled and made

ional Labor Defense, reveal that

at least 49 workers were killed

in strikes and other economic

struggles, while 24 others, all

Negroes but one, were lynched.

dead, however, is incomplete. It

has been impossible to make

final check-up on the number of

share-croppers killed in Alabama

during the cotton strikes. The

names of six Negroes are known,

but two more bodies have been

Of the 49 murdered by police,

deputies, National Guardsmen, and

vigilantes, 33 were killed in strug-

been impossible.

Even this toll of working class

public (Dec. 31) by the Interna-

NEW YORK .-- On the gates

\$25 goes back to our families.

against by white officers.

#### ENTERTAINMENT Negro Workers Are TO RAISE FUNDS Trained for War at FOR 'WAR CHEST' Concentration Camp

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 5.—Cocelebration of the fourteenth birthday of the Daily Worker and the first birthday of the Sunday Worker, will be held here on Sunday, January 19th, at the Cultural Center, 6 p. m., with an elaborate program now being arranged.

Stanley Hancock, Communist Party organizer in the San Diego Section, will be the leading speaker, outlining the role that the workers' press must perform in

building the Farmer-Labor Party. Held under the auspices of the Los Angeles Press Conference, the in protest against the scheduled affair will devote all funds raised change of hours from a five-day, to the current Western Worker forced to do all the dirty work ticipated.

> Entertainment will include popular readings by Harold Hoff, music by the International Work-Mr. Ford," a clever skit on the ing-and the dying. "Gallagher and Shean" motif, by two members of the Rebel Play-

Following the New Year's Eve affairs, throughout the Los Angeles Section, tremendous interest is being aroused in making "war chest" drive for the Western Worker the biggest success ever attained here. The local workers are determined to defeat San Francisco in the campaign and are planning scores of house parties, dances, entertainments etc., to raise funds.

All interested workers are urged to attend the Press Conference meetings every Monday night, at 3 o'clock in the Cultural Center, 230 South Spring street.

#### THERE ARE MORE WAYS THAN ONE OF CUTTING PAY

25 CENTS TAKEN FROM A RELIEF CHECK

By a Worker Correspondent. SAN FRANCISCO.—"A change in regulation eliminates clothing allowances from all budgets. Deduction is made for commodities This explains your reduced check."

The above is the content of a note received by me. But I have never received any groceries from found which are presumably those 1563 Mission street. Yet 25 cents of murdered croppers. Sheriff R. was deducted from my budget, leaving \$4.68 per week. I went to Work Under N. Y. A. Leaving, \$4.00 per week. I went to 450 Mission street to protest this cut and was directed to the paymaster's office.

I explained the above and was jobs to be provided under the directed to go to see my visitor at onal Youth Administration the Tenth street office. I insisted ed here yesterday at the Cali- I was in the proper office. Finally fornia State Employment Service. I went to the Tenth street office Despite the low wages offered, and registered with the clerk. Then thousands of youth are respond- I was sent to see my visitor. I exing. Five thousand young men plained the error to him, but he all. refused to listen and told me to come back next week.

> Meanwhile this will give them a chance to deduct another 25 cents from my check:

# Imprisoned for Her Political Integrity



Louise Todd, No. 58298, at the Women's State Prison, Tehachapi, Calif., one of the three women Communists who were imprisoned in frame-ups last year. Comrade Todd was sentenced to one to fourteen years for violating a minor technicality of the election laws. The other two women in this prison were given the same sentences in the notorious Criminal Syndicalism railroading. They are: Nora Conklin, No. 57616, and Caroline Decker, No.

# **WPA Workers Denied Medical Aid;** Five Thousand Men Hit By Ruling

Wages Expected to Cover Doctor Bills: Transients Also Refused

> By T. J. Croaff, Jr. (Special Dispatch)

PHOENIX, Ariz., Jan. 7.—Mari- workers on relief projects. of getting employment and that, be given free treatment.

as in the last war, we will be Then, as now, they will be sit- such expenses," according to Dr. ances under the FERA program. ers' Chorus, and "Mr. Morgan and ting back while we do the fight- Norman A. Ross, county physician. | County authorities also have come here must take care of their

ALABAMA FIRST Setting the Scene for Murder

American Employers Slaughter 73

Workers During Struggles of 1935

fect more than five thousand

copa county tightened the strings Confronted with the wage scale on its medical relief purse again paid WPA employes in Maricopa that henceforth WPA employes or tion for thousands of destitute members of their families will not families in this state, Dr. Ross admitted that "it will be hard to Wages being received by WPA hit a happy medium in this probthe county to be burdened by than the relief budgetary allow- the country

Dr. Ross said the new ruling is agreed that transient jobless who own medical needs.

effective immediately and will af-

# Lenin's Plan to Build Socialism

# Goal Set Surpassed **By Soviet Union** In 15 Years

Lenin 15 years ago made one of his most famous sayings, "Electrification plus Soviet power equals Communism." On this basis a plan was drawn up to electrify the Soviet Union, and develop a modern industry within the next 15

This plan when drawn up was regarded as romantic toolishness, and clear proof of the alleged "impracticability" of Communism. H. G. Wells, himself an inventor of Utopias, laughed at the idea of industrializing Russia.

#### LENIN'S DREAM REALIZED

Today this dream of Lenin has peen more than realized. G. K. Orjonikidze, commissar of heavy industry, at a recent session of the Central Committee of the Communist Party, gave some figures on the industrial output Lenin hoped to see attained within fifeen years and the actual output

Coal, 62,000,000 tons annually, 108.000.000 tons in 1935; meat, 16,400,000 tons, 18,500,000 tons in 1935; oil, 11,000,000 to 16.000,000. as compared with 25,000,000 tons; pig iron, 8,200,000 tons, 12,500,000 tons last year; steel, 6,500,000 tons, against 12,400,000 tons; aluminum, 9800 tons, against 25,000.

Some 15 years ago Lenin said that 100,000 tractors would convince the poor and middle peasants of the practicability of collectivization and win them to Socialism. Today not only are the vast maority of peasants in collective farms, but Soviet industry each year builds more than 100,000 tractors for them.

# **NEVER EQUALED**

This growth of Soviet industry, foreseen by Lenin, has never been POLICE CHIEF OPPOSED equaled in history. In the past ten years production of electricity grew from 3,400,000 kilowatts per day to 58,000,000. In December, 1925, 12 locomotives, 28 freight cars, 49 tractors, and 7 auto trucks were produced. In December, by laying down a general rule County, a scale that spells starva- 1935, the corresponding figures were 134 locomotives, 10,000 freight cars, 9500 tractors, and 7000 auto trucks.

Thus today, nearly 12 years workers from the federal govern- lem, but the job must be done. after the death of Lenin, the drive. A capacity crowd is an and will be among the first to be ment are "high enough to permit While it is true that WPA work- Soviet Union stands a living tribsent to the front to be shot down such persons to pay their own ers receive only \$44 to \$75 per ute to his memory, the fulfilldoctors and there is no need for month, this is considerably higher ment of the tasks he set before

Photograph of Lenin taken shortly before his death. He is shown discussing a point with a worker on the streets of Moscow. His untiring patience and personal concern for every problem of the workers, however small, was a characteristic as typical of Lenin as his outstanding ability in the field of major

# GRADE CROSSING WPA PROJECT IS STARTED IN L. A.

TO SAFETY PLAN

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 2.—Once rejected by the WPA, the crossng-guard project to protect thousands of school children from traffic hazards was approved here today, and will provide 286 WPA guards for crossings in Los Angeles City and 325 more in other parts of the country.

be \$154,774 for the next four lines of communication.

has been active in the campaign said that everything depends on for this project, but has met the whether Italy will be able to hold Davis and the Police Commission. "White-collar" workers will be imployed on the project.

## 'Capital Doomed," Declares Farmer-Laborite Senator

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 2.—"Inlustrial leaders are turning to Fascism," so spoke Elner A. Benson, delivering his maiden address as U. S. Senator, over a radio broadcast from the Chicago Federation of Labor station, WCFL.

Benson, a former banking comnissioner declared that the "present depression was more or less attempts to form an anti-Soviet permanent condition from which we will not recover unless we do ferment a new and terrible war." something about it. Fundamental changes must be made soon."

A Farmer-Laborite, Benson is en-route to Washington to assume he scat vacated by the death of Poland and Czechoslovakia. A furthe late Senator from Minnesota, Thomas D. Schall.

"Public ownership and production for use must be substituted Polish-German friendship. or capitalism, which is doomed," stated Benson. "I am convinced that nothing short of social ownerhip of key industries can save us."

### Coal Miners Threat Nation-Wide Strike In Great Britain

LONDON, Jan. 4.—A nationwide strike in coal has become almost an immediate prospect here. Barring agreement between coal miners and mine operators, repesentatives of the workers have declared, strike notices will be ssued between January 13 and 20. The strike will be called for

January 29. The workers are demanding a wage increase amounting to about 50 cents per day. Mine operators declare they cannot grant the wage raise without increasing the price of coal to the consumer.

The Western Worker can be obtained at news stands. If your news dealer does not have

# **FOREIGN NEWS Briefs**

Soviet Employment Agency Nazi Farm War Anti-War Congress Ethiopian Adviser Polish Peasants

VIENNA, Austria.—The opposition of the German farmers to the Nazi regime is one of the main causes of the German foodshortage, states a Berlin message to the semi-official Reichspost entitled "The Hidden Peasant War in the Third Empire.'

The farmers who were largely responsible for the advent to power of the Nazis were originally taken in by the Nazi promises to deliver them from "debt slavery," unbearable taxes and so on. Now, however, they find themselves greatly disappointed.

The correspondent cites facts and figures to show that the Nazi policy of prices and taxation is ruinous to the peasantry and leads to a steady decrease in cultivated area and a slaughter of cattle. owing to the high cost of fodder. The farmers express their opposition openly for they feel that no matter how powerful the German secret police may be they cannot plough the farmers' fields, concludes the correspondent.

TOKYO, Japan.-Two Japanese war lords, Generals Araki and Hondsio, and Naval Minister Osumi were given the rank of barons as a reward for their services in plundering North China and Inner Mongolia.

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa.—An anti-war and fascism conference just concluded here adopted resolutions against the partition of Ethiopia. Another resolution demanded the freedom of Ernst Thaelmann from Nazi

STOCKHOLM, Sweden.-After campaign of two months, the Italians have advanced only 60 km., meeting no serious resistance from the Abyssinians, decl at th Swedish general who was formerly military adivser to the Negus, in a recent interview.

Only now are the Abyssinians attacking the Italian rear, he added. Total cost of the project will Their object is to cut the Italian

Touching on the possible de-The Parent-Teacher Association velopment of the war, the general run-around from Police Chief out until next June. He considers this to be unlikely. The Abyssinians will apparently take the first opportunity that presents itself for commencing a large scale-

> WARSAW, Poland.-The need of maintaining friendly relation's between Poland and the USSR was stressed in a resolution adopted at a recent congress of the Peasants Party.

"Without interfering with the domestic affairs of the USSR and while categorically rejecting all interference in the affairs of this country, we," the resolution states, "protest resolutely against any coalition, which would serve to

The resolution also expresses dissatisfaction at the worsening of the relations between Poland and France, as well as between ther protest is made against Polish concessions to Germany and to the recent manifestations of

MOSCOW1 — Approximately 6500 "help wanted" requests for 125,000 skilled workers in various fields as well as for unskilled labor were received by the Moscow Information Bureau (Mosgospravka) from April 1 to Nov. 30. Only a small percentage of these requests could be satisfied. In addition to requests for help received from Moscow enterprises, nany were received from points outside of Moscow.

# Club Women Protest Child Labor in Calif.

PHOENIX, Ariz.—(FP) — Conlemning the practice of allowing children of school age to work in the valley cotton fields during school hours, a vigorous resolution was adopted by the Maricopa County Council of Democratic Women's Clubs at a meeting in the Glendale Women's

Seventy-three workers, Negro and white, were murdered by police, vigilantes, thugs and National Guardsmen during 1935. Here is a typical scene, taken from the great Textile strike, showing the alignment of forces. Another government slaughter nere is being provoked. A smashing vote for Farmer-Labor Party candidates in the 1936 election will force the employers to recognize the right of workers to organize, strike and picket.

E. Woodruff of Hanesville, Ala., Kenneth Eldridge, of the Fruit against an eviction that resulted the cotton croppers' strike. He and Vegetable Workers' Union, in the Gallup frame-up trials. has declared that the total killed was 15. In Lowndes County, the A. F. of L., murdered by vigilantes CALIF. BOSSES KILL 8 terror has been so sharp and at El Centro, Calif.; Sam Childs, LYNCH TOLL INCOMPLETE The list of lynchings is considered entirely incomplete. Many lynchings occur which are not Ass'n, Sam Brandt and Ernest oration in Detroit, Mich. recorded in the press and only Dukes, a Negro, who lost their come to light months later, if at

lives in the Gulf strike.

The last two victims during continuous that a check-up has Negro member of the United Mine the year 1935 were both Social-Workers of America, killed by ists: Joseph Shoemaker, who died three members of the Tennessee of a police-Klan flogging at Tam-Coal and Iron Police at Birming- pa, Fla., and Carl Swanson, killed ham, Ala. There are members of by a scab foreman on a picket the International Longshoremen's line at the Motor Products Corp, state after another. Alabama ac-

Ruling class terror struck down Negro. An organizer of the In- Illinois, Nebraska, Minnesota, Socialist and Communist alike ternational Labor Defense, Fos- Louisiana, Texas and Kentucky, Salomon Esquibel, Communist ter came to Selma, Ala., to in- two each; Mississippi, So. Carogles conducted by the trade un- leader of Gallup, N. M., was killed vestigate the arrests of Share- lina, Florida and Michigan, one lions. There are Paul Knight and by deputies during the protest croppers' Union members during each.

was arrested, killed and secretly Negro and white, Socialist and

Communist, Republican and Democrat. A. F. of L. members and sympathizers, fell before the attacks of the capitalist class as fascist trends cropped out in one counted for nine of the dead; One of the most hideous kill- California eight; New York five; ings was that of Willie Foster, a Pennsylvania, New Mexico, Ohio,

ask him to stock it.

THIS WAS SWEATED OUT OF THE HIDE OF LABOR

And the Artists and Sculptors Didn't Fare So Well Either

# RIP TIDES

# By LeMae

# "All Hands and The Cook"

going to see what it feels like to sail under the new award. It ought to be a lot different than in the old days."

"I'll say it is defferent . . . in your pocket? You'll certainly find it different, alright."

"home", he thoughtfully noticed about in that award." that the winning of an 'award' changes in the ships themselves.

Clambering up a gangway which also had apparently not put it down," Slim motioned. heard about the award, as it flowing unsanitary discharge and spoke up. threatened to douse Slim and this baggage, he noticed the she'll lay here," chimed in a heavy deck chain lashings hang- wiper. ing down to the water's edge. Like a good sailor and with a thought of the heavy mule-haul: boy asserted with a note of miliing to come, he cussed whoever tancy. was to blame for this careless-

Shipping card in hand he struggled up and over the ragged deckload in search of the delegate. Slim recalled a time not mate to whom he would be reporting. "Yep, things were dif-

"Ya' got cha' book?" asked the

"Sure, and my picket cards, too," Slim added, "For both cards covered with dates.

last one out trying to make it crew. out," the delegate informed Slim as he spied a copy of the "award" "If you get back there in time you'll get some chow," the del-

his Federation button was dis- the crew, "Go ahead back to loose deckload.

Or look at the foc'sle and Slim retreated to the messroom. That foc'sle looked like there had even been a strike, let alone an "award."

a leaky steam pipe with a board

"You'll have to wait until a couple of us get through," the messboy told Slim, "Ain't room enough for all at one sitting."

Slim thumbed the "award" pamphlet, speculatively. He eyed his Mills, Russian Jewish head of sweaty hands and then started the Chicago police department's for the wash room. One look red squad, is retiring at the age cided his hands weren't so dirty of the capitalist press. Behind

"I tell you I am going to pile off this tub, she's too damn crummy for me." It was one of the oilers with his hat jammed on his head and a half shut straw suitcase in his hand.

stay aboard of her," argued the in the department. The red squad carpenter, "We have an award, has been notorious for its bruhaven't we?"

from a dozen throats.

did you make, "What do you say, we remind the skipper about that 'award.' " "Oh, he has seen one before," someone volunteered.

> "I said, let's remind him of it." Slim answered evenly.

He drew a pencil and paper out of his pocket and opened the have you got a copy of the award copy of the "award." He checked each paragraph and then wrote something. Finished, he handed With this cryptic remark, Slim the paper, pencil and the award was left to make his way to the to an oiler, "Put down the things pier. As he surveyed his future the chief engineer has forgotten

There were plenty of things hadn't wrought any miracle the oiler had to write. Slim then handed the sheet to the mess-boy "You guys have plenty of beefs,

"Let's take it up to the old man swayed dangerously against the in a body," one of the A. B.s "And if we don't get it, why,

"You're darn right, and if they

fire one, they fire all," the mess-

got one." Slim led the way up | February 20, Kerr said. the railless and greasy ladder.

"Wait a minute." The procession halted, as Slim stopped at so long ago, when it was the number five hatch to speak to from the secretary of state by the longshoremen. "Where's the March 10. gang steward?"

"Right here," spoke up of them.

Slim explained to him what it was all about. Showed him the award and the list of complaints The gang steward nodded his strikes." He flourished two picket head approvingly. "Go right ahead, any arguments about it "We can use that; we wore the and we join you," he assured the

One look at the delegation outside of his cabin door and the in the folds of his union book. old man took off for the port North Van Ness ave., Hollywood, captain's office with the complaint list. A hurried consultaegate waved Slim to messroom aft. tion, and the old man returned He nodded to the longshoremen with a reassuring smile on his death on the rocks 186 feet below. and instinctively looked to see if face. He waved the paper at the crew.

"Yep, it ought to be a lot different sailing under the award."

# RED SQUAD HEAD The rest of the crew was seated at the mess table. That is all RETIRES; ANTIexcept two. They were eating off SEMITES HINTED when they told her what had hap- ers in this period of "recovery"?

JEWISH PURGE SEEN AS NEW LAW IS ADOPTED

CHICAGO.—(FP)—Lieut. Make with bated breath, and Slim de- of 64 amid the fervent plaudits his retirement, due to a new law, lie rumors of an anti-Semitic clean-up in the department. Mills has been in service 39 years.

Questioned on the Jewish angle Mills simply cited the new law, which was, however, specially "What do you mean quit-let's passed to get rid of certain men tality and cruelty to helpless "Yeh," was the derisive cry radical prisoners, most of whom were subsequently discharged by "Well, I'll tell you what," Slim the courts or even freed by threw his coat on the bench, the police without booking.

# Preserving Civilization



"What happens when the riot squad has a day off?"

"There aren't any riots."

### Glorifying the American Rat

"The Pinkerton's National Detective Agency, Inc., has offices in every large city, and yields to none its claim to be the most effective spy bureau

"We have (it says) unequalled facilities through special service in plants, factories and business houses to expose and correct existing faults and abuses such as radicalism, discontent, dishonesty, inefficien-

> Edward Levinson, in Harper's Magazine.)

# All Voters Must Be Re-registered; Mar. 26 Set As Deadline

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 31.—All voters who wish to go to the polls in any city, county, state or national election in 1936 must reregister, according to announcement here by County Registrar of Voters Kerr.

March 26 is the last day for registration for those wishing to vote in the presidential primary in May, while new political parties "We'll take along a copy of the wishing to qualify for the presiaward in case the old man hasn't dential contest must do so by

it possible.

stock market and commodity val-

ues and larger dividends. On the

other we see a huge undiminishing

army of unemployed, all direct

federal relief cut off, the pros-

pect of drastic cuts in the WPA

program in order to reduce fed-

eral expenditures, and the real

wages of employed workers (tak-

ing into consideration average

weekly wages and cost of living)

only about 2 per cent above the

1932 level. (See Dec., 1935, Eco-

L. estimates 11,650,000 unemployed

in October, 1935. We believe a

proper census would show in the

This is what Roger W. Babson,

veteran advisor to capitalists, had

to say before Sales Executives

Club of New York, Inc., on De-

cember 2 last. After predicting

nore prosperity in the business

and speculative markets, he de-

The activity of labor unions, re-

more to automatic and other la-

the blueprint stage. Its effect on

unemployment will not be noticea-

DECLINING STANDARDS

"Pointing out that the standard

of living has been declining steadi-

ly in this country since 1922, Mr.

Babson said that it will continue

to fall in the coming few years in

spite of increased business activi-

ty. . . . Mr. Babson concluded by

stating that stock market revivals,

booming real estate sales and

ecord-breaking retail sales, made

possible through the spending of

public funds, will not solve the

Colonel Leonard Ayres of the

Cleveland Trust Co., in predicting

"modest progress" for 1936 (prog-

ress for the capitalists, of course)

declares: "Nevertheless we are

still a long way from full re-

If we examine the position of

the farmers, here too the in-

evitable conclusion is that the im-

poor farmers. Cash income of the

unemployment situation."

ble until 1936 or 1937."

neighborhood of 15,000,000.

Voters wishing to change political parties must notify the registrar and receive certification

### JOBLESS MAN IN SUICIDE HURDLE OFF L.A. BRIDGE

CAMERAMAN DESPONDENT AS NO WORK AVAILABLE

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 30.-Another unemployed worker chose the "easy way out" here last night, when John Benwell, 33, of 722 leaped from the railing of "suicide bridge" over the Arroyo Seco at Colorado street, Pasadena, to his

Pasadena police said despondency because of his inability to find played prominently enough, as he work, fellows, the office is get employment had driven Benwell, gingerly picked his way over the ting busy right now," he informed an unemployed motion picture cameraman, to end his life. He was the 72nd victim of "suicide

Shouting farewell, Benwell took the dizzy leap. A note behind said, "Notify Mr. King." When police called Mr. King, a girl's voice anpened. "Mr. King" was Frances King, Glendale, Benwell's fiancee.

## ACTORS ACT UP AS WPA WAGES ARE WITHHELD

ADMINISTRATION STUPIDI-TY CAUSES PAY LOSS

WASHINGTON.—(FP)—Unemployed actors didn't have to do any acting to show how mad they were, when a delegation descended on WPA headquarters to protest against unpaid wages and other grievances in connection with the WPA theater project in New York.

Delegates Bernard Kaplan, Clyde Gooden and Dorothy Gillam told Asst. WPA Administrator Jacob Baker that 289 actors went to work on the order of Supervisor Elmer Rice, but were not put on the payroll until from one to 10 weeks later. Their demands for this back pay were refused on the grounds that "no retroactive pay may be issued by the Treasury Dept." The loss to some individuals runs up to \$100 in unpaid wages.

Baker blamed the situation on the "stupidity" of the New York administration, the delegates reported, but said nothing could be done about it. Asked why so few had been put on the payroll out of the quota, he again referred the actors to New York, warning that if the project is not fully developed soon, the money may be assigned to some other kind of recreation project.

The delegation also protested against the number of "G" men used to snoop on the workers. tend to intimidate the WPA workers from organizing. Payment of entire farming population for 1935 the prevailing instead of the "security" wage and relaxation of higher than last year, but at the the order against hiring those not same time we learn that a "Stricton the relief roll, were other de- ly Confidential" report prepared

The delegation was elected at vision of the Farm Credit Admin-

enslave racial minorities.

The peace policy of the Soviet

of it with how the working masses carried out by the 12 Federal Land are faring. On the one hand we Banks which were established supsee soaring profits of corporations, posedly for the purpose of re-ply of idle capital in the United gunfire in the company-controlled double last year in many instances, financing poor farmers threatened States is certainly over-plentiful town of Gallup, N. M. Three fell higher production figures, higher with loss of their homesteads. CLOSE TO CEILING Sober capitalist economists are really large sums of capital re- ha street car strike. not at all as sure of "recovery" as quired for a further large scale Two others were claimed by vigi New Year's newspaper headlines extension of the basic industries. Ilante terror in California's Im

A beautiful gallery—a treasury of art. The \$50,000,000 collection of the late Henry Clay

Frick, coal baron and strike-breaker. Every cent that went into this gallery was sweated out

This is why the Communists say "art belongs to the masses." They created it-their toil made

Since the death of Frick, this collection has been put on display by public inspection in

Capitalism's Pipe Dream

of the hides of the coal miners. The artists who created these works of art starved in attics.

1936 Recovery Prospects;

New York and may be viewed if you make application for tickets in advance.

trast what business is getting out out that the foreclosures are being

would indicate. Colonel Ayres The effective curb, of course, is perial Valley. Four were found says, "If we are ever again to the limited markets both at home dead in the swamps of Alabama have a real recovery and a real and abroad and the fear of another during the cotton pickers' strike. ARIZONA RECEIPTS GAIN prosperity it must come through crash when the present cyclical Police killed two lumber strikers; a large-scale business revival in upturn has worn itself out. We at Eureka, Calif. Various others the durable goods industries." And should state again the important fell in scattered struggles throughthe Annalist, Dec. 13, reached the fact that most of the funds spent out the length and breath of the same conclusion, after pointing out by corporations for durable goods land. The latest victims are Joseph nomic Notes, page 3.) A. F. of that "At the present price level, during the last two years have Shoemaker, unemployed organizer, Arizona state tax commission. however, retail trade is probably gone into labor-displacing machinclose to the ceiling."

Large scale extension of the lower labor costs.

Current "recovery" can be un- period of the preceding year. durable goods industries depends by corporations and reinvestment ern textile workers, killed by Naof corporate surpluses now held in cash, i.e., new investment of thugs. Seven were coal miners. capital not now employed. Sup- two of them victims of deputies'

at present, but, as will be seen in the struggle for a unionized from the following figures, the waterfront at Gulf ports. Two capitalists are unable to utilize the were killed by police in the Omaery or other equipment intended to pa, Fla., police and mobsters, and

# swered the telephone, was quiet employed and unemployed work-REPUDIATES MUELLER, WRITER | Marine Firemen

# Early Book Mocks Theory of Aryan Race, Press Attacks Author

clared: "I am, however, disturbed BERLIN, Jan. 1.—In their head-| scientific backing. as to the unemployment situation. on attack of science, the Nazis A new "Survey of Racial Probhave just repudiated another of lems" by Drs. Junian Huxley and cent social security legislation and their most outstanding men. Max A. C. Haddon, reaffirms Mueller's other administrative measures are Mueller, who was about to be ac- thesis and declares, "There is not, driving manufacturers more and cepted by the Nazis as the world's and cannot be, such a thing as an greatest philologist and ethnolog- Aryan race, since the term Aryan bor-saving machinery. Some of ist, was re-discovered as the author refers to language," this machinery has, already been of "Chips From a German Workinstalled, but most of it is still in shop," published 1889.

The source of the theory of superiority of the non-existent In that book, the scientist had "Aryan Race" is a work by the averred that anyone who used French diplomat, de Gobineau, the term Aryan to apply to ethnic published about 1850. "In the bedistinctions ws an ignoramus, and ginning of the present century," that the adjective was meaningless | Huxley and Haddon explain,-Issue of New York Times, re- for anything other than philolog- "Gustav Kossinna took up the idea porting Babson's statement, read: ical distinctions. The Nazi press and applied it to pre-historic arhas been voluble in its condemna- chaeology, and thus made German tion of Mueller, but the attacks prehistory a preeminently national have been noticeably lacking in science."

# IDLE FROM INDUSTRIES DIVERTED TO FARMS IN ENGLISH VENTURE

In Great Britain's latest plan to a year and the association gives divert the idle from industries them generous preliminary. asinto other vocations, 1200 coal min-sistance. The next year they will ers from the Black Belt of Dur- begin to pay a small rent for their ham have been turned into farm- land.

is on the Bedfordshire estate of ly correct . . . of land of a sort miles from London. Here some the amount of suitable land availaprovement has benefited the rich fifty families, recruited from the ble on which a small holder is They charged that the detectives and well-to-do section and not the mining district of Durham, and likely to make a living and which others former shipwrights from Teeside and Wearside, are at work ments in social and educational is estimated at about 12 per cent on five acre plots, producing fruit amenities, is a very limited quanand vegetables, poultry and live- tity.' stock, and are gaining a good liv-

ing from the land. by the Finance and Research Dition has at present \$5,000,000 in ment work, except that for county general membership meeting of istration shows that a wave of the treasury, available for similar Durham. Among other things, they the Federal Theater Project locals farm foreclosures, unsurpassed ex- projects if similar estates can be had promised to set up 500 partof the New York Project Council | cept in 1932, is sweeping the procured. Terms upon which un- time group holdings in Cumber- tion be publicly announced through country. From January to August, employed might take advantage land if suitable land could be the press and copies of it be sent 1935, inclusive, the number of fore- of this plan to become self-sup- found. Attempt to continue with a to William Green, president of Aircraft Lodge 119, five members

Union is against every attempt to closures completed was nearly three porting are as follows:

Admitting that lack of available The most impressive colony of land was a great drawback, Sir former miners tilling the soil, ac Percy Jackson, chairman of the cording to the latest report from association, said, "Any talk of 'idle the Land Settlement Association, land' in large quantities is scarce-Malcolm Stewart, about fifty there is plenty," he added, "but possesses the minimum require-

Sir Percy explained that the Land Settlement Association had The Land Settlement Associa- agreed to undertake all the settletimes as great as in the same Heads of families draw dole for was hampered by a lack of land, bor, Washington, D. C.

# ROPERS ARE WORSE THAN PLAIN RATS

"The Pinkerton's National Detective Agency, Inc., has offices in every large city, and yields to none its claim to be the most effective spy bureau in the land.

"T. J. Ryan, assistant superintendent of the agency in New York, explains a special strike service: "'We specialize in "ropers."

The "ropers" are a higher grade of men than the ordinary strikebreakers. They dress like strikers and mingle with them. They find out the men who are weakening, who might be argued into returning to work. They work on them, sometimes visit their homes. They send their names to their employer so that he can get in touch with them." (Edward Levinson,

in Harper's Magazine.)

# 33 Killed in Labors Fight To Organize

NEW YORK.—(FP) — Labor's fight for the right to organize and seek an American standard of living cost the movement 33 lives in 1935, a tabulation released by the Labor and Socialist Press Service, ased on statistics of the Labor Research Association, shows.

The list of labor martyrs recalls the outstanding economic struglerstood properly only if we con- Farmers National Weekly points greatly upon new capital issues gles of the year. Three were southtional guardsmen or company

tarred and fatally beaten by Tam-Carl Swanson, auto striker from the Motor Products plant, shot in the back by a scab foreman.

# Score Eastern L.S.U. Gangsters \$166,456.91.

DEMAND ENFORCEMENT OF A.F.L. CONVENTION

RESOLUTION SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 3.-

Aroused by the increased gangsterism being perpetrated against honest rank and file members by hoodlums under the direction of reactionary East Coast ISU officials, the Marine Firemen at their last meeting passed the fol- best farm lands and hundreds of lowing stinging resolution of denunciation:

WHEREAS: The 55th annual convention (1935) of the American Federation of Labor went on ecord, resolving to stop all gangsterism and racketeering within all unions affiliated with the A. F. of L., and

Atlantic and Gulf district of the International Seamen's Union of America have a mob of paid gangsters hired for the purpose of ter- holdings, which are among the rorizing the seamen and brutally beating those showing any signs of militancy, therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Marine Firemen, Oilers, Watertenders and Wipers' Association of the Pacifid Coast goes on record condemning the East Coast officials for their Fascist tactics which they now practice in the operation of Unions, and be it further

RESOLVED: That Oscar Carlson, Gus Brown and Company immediately put an end to their anti-American policies, which re- Manufacturing Corp., East Hartsemble Hitler's, and operate the East and Gulf Coast unions with democratic American principles as contained in the Constituion of the United States and its amendments as referred to in the "Bill of Rights," and be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolu-

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# INCREASED TAX FALLS ON POOR; RICH EXEMPTED

ON SMALL TAXPAYERS

# By T. J. Croaff, Jr.

PHOENIX, Ariz.—Increased taxation is on the agenda of the

The latest application for ficial permission to assess more taxes has been made by the Pima county board of supervisors, who are asking sanction to levy another \$11,000 for emergency ex-

Gleefully announcing an increase n tax collections during the past year, the city commission stated that the total for the year 1935 exceeded the total for 1934 by

Receipts for the past year totaled \$1,001,955.19, of which \$719,-418.41 represented current taxes of real property; \$219,598.26 on delinquent real property taxes and the remainder, current and delinquent unsecured personal property taxes, according to the official report released.

While the taxes on private homes and small farms are rising, the Valley Bank of Arizona, owner of thousands of acres of the homes and public buildings, the most of which were secured through foreclosures, is exempt from tax payments. Mining corporations, which are extracting fabulous wealth from the natural store of resources in this state, have compelled the reduction of assessments against mine properties. Not content with this, the WHEREAS, The officials of the Phelps - Dodge Mining Corporation has filed a suit for an injunction to restrain taxing authorities from making tax levies against its state's wealthiest.

# Reinstatement of Union Men Ordered

WASHINGTON.—(FP)—Reinstatement with back pay of 18 aircrast workers is recommended in an intermediate report to the National Labor Relations Board, in the case of the Pratt & Whitney and Hamilton Propellers Divisions of the United Aircraft ford. Conn.

The layoffs occurred immediately after a protest stoppage of \* which happened simultaneous

both plants on Sept. 16. Although taking back the majority of the employes who stopped work, the company refused to reinstate these 18 men. They include the presig dent and treasurer of Industrial similar program in Cumberland the American Federation of La- of the union's executive committee and other key union officials.

# WAKE UP THE SUSTAINING FUND DRIVE

Paul Scharrenberg wants to yank the charter of the International Seamen's Union on the Pacific Coast. WPA officials and the Federal Government are cutting thousands off work relief and direct relief. Another world war is brewing in Europe and Asia. The Pacific Coast may become the next International battle-ground in another imperialist war for profits.

Hearst is raving at the "Reds." All the capitalist papers take up the hue and cry against anyone who fights for a better life. Vigilante gangs plot in darkness against the working class and its trade unions. The San Francisco police department buys new equipment to use against workers on strike.

These are a few of the things against which we must unite in a broad struggle. The organ of this struggle on the West Coast has been and will continue to be-the Western Worker. The Western Worker lives on the nickels. dimes and dollars which the working class and its sympathizers donate.

The drive for a \$7500 sustaining fund for your paper is lagging. Collections this week, as reported to the Western Worker Campaign Committee, are too few to make a respectable appearing column in the paper.

We on the committee cannot report progress if there is no progress to report. It's up to you in the field to get

RUSH ALL FUNDS AND SUB-SCRIPTIONS TO THE CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE.

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York Post charges in a biting

front-page editorial, which dis-

closes the facts of the case,

'made it clear to his intimates

that this was a deciding factor in

determining him to take his fam-

Less than a month ago, the

Post reveals, a large automobile

overtook the Lindbergh car as

young Jon was being driven to

school and forced it to the curb.

auto and snapped pictures of

Anne Lindbergh, Jon and his

Mrs. Lindbergh is reported

to have thought at the time that

the affair was another kidnaping

attempt. The colonel is quoted

as saying that had he been there

he would have fired at the men.

Despite Hearst's responsibility

n Lindbergh's departure, the pro-

Fascist publisher is now self-

righteously seeking to throw blame

on "cranks, criminals and Commu-

nists"—the latter group including,

in Hearst's eyes, liberals and pro-

gressives such as Lindbergh's late

BOYCOTT HEARST

ADVERTISERS!

ily out of the country."

# LINDBERGH FLED HEARST MEN, IS BRITISH REPORT

NEW YORK .- (FP)-William Randolph Hearst, self-proclaimed upholder of Americanism, played a direct part in forcing the Lind- Photographers jumped from the bergh family to flee from the United States!

A raid by Hearst photographers on the Lindbergh car while young Jon was being taken to school, followed by widespread publication of the picture of the child his panic-stricken mother and a terrified nursemaid in the Hearst press, helped determine the Lind rgh family to leave the country.

The unauthorized picture was printed in Hearst's New York American on Thanksgiving Day with the caption "Exclusive Photo of Famous Flier's Son 'at Wheel' of Father's Auto." The same photo was sent to clients of Hearst's International Photos Service. "Col. Lindbergh," The New

# **Jobless Jottings**

By the Boondoggler (L. A.)

A little bird who is paid post behind a desk at 1206 South Santee has whispered to us that: The honeymoon period of WPA s ended. Starting the first of the year the cracking-down process begins. Heretofore the big problem was to get 'em off SERA and onto WPA with as little confusion as possible. The next step is to find ways and means to divorce them from WPA without oringing about a mass rebellion." To acomplish this the follow-

ng methods are to be used: (1) Work will be speeded up on all projects. (2) Physical requirements will be more exacting. Those classified as unfit, unable or unwilling will be dropped. (3) Transfers to be made to tough obs and obscure locations. (4) Failure to report on the job for a two-day period will mean dismissal. (5) Those "refusing" jobs (even scab jobs) in industry will be laid off until the end of the jeb which was "refused." (6) No political discussions will be permitted on the job. (7) "Radicals," 'agitators," and "trouble makers' will be discharged. (8) Public Works Unemployed Union organizers will be singled out and fired or, where they are fearful of this procedure, will be put at isolated spots. (9) A general reduction in pay is planned a little later. The immediate opening wedges being: (a) The forcing of single men into WPA concentration camps at \$15 to \$25 per

consequent reduction in pay. On top of the package is writ-YEAR," "Be a Good Neighbor," but inside it is empty and the card says, "Profits to the Bosses, Starvation to the Workers. F.

The following bulletin from WPA headquarters speaks for itself and bespeaks the fact that Col. Connolly knows his camouflage. . .

"Bulletin No. 30 . . . ADVER-TISING . . . Distribution of advertising material or printed matter of any kind to workers on WPA projects is hereby forbidden. Project Engineers and Managers will be responsible for the enforcement of this

> "By Direction of "Lieut. Col. Connolly."

"Captain" Eugene Case, Southern California's would-be peanut Hitler and ex-Silver Shirter, was observed with papers in one pocket which he inferred were government credentials, a pint whiskey bottle three-fourths empty in the other, starting the New Year as a provocateur, attempting to get a drunken Marine Sergeant to attack an unemployed worker that Case was "rat fingering" out as a Communist.

Case so far, boot lick as he may, ary War," I replied. has failed to sell himself as a fascist leader to the California port you!" bankers who much prefer to work with National Guard American Legion, vigilante committees, detective agencies, "Red Squads," etc. But the local money bags are not missing any bets, occasionally they toss a few soiled greenbacks toward Gene to keep him on their side. . . Just in case.

Supervisor Gordon L. Mc-Donough is making a trip to San Francisco, "to inquire why the prevailing wage is being paid on PWA projects in that

He could have found out much closer home by asking any member of the Public Works Unemployed Union, who would have answered . . . "They're organized, Frisco's a union

Fellow worker Kitchen while employed at spots one and two on the WPA project in Griffith Park party to combat reaction and Faswrote 125 applications for membership in the PWUU and was doing such a good job getting the workers together that Supervising Engineer Royce of WPA and Supervising Engineer Huddleson of the Park Dept. got together and had him transferred to the North entrance of the park . . . Three miles from any other workers.

There he is supposed to see that the horses on the bridle path and the automobiles on the road . . . don't get together.

Taylor helped build the Biltmore Hotel. Never after its completion was he permitted to enter an ultimatum to the State Relief its portals. Until last week Commission.

# **RELIEF STRUGGLE BRINGS A** THREAT TO DEPORT CITIZEN

Even a Communist Can't Work Two Places At Once, In Spite of WPA Security

levery second. "I want you to un-

"You're just trying to run Fas-

"I'm not a tool of the govern

"Oh, no, it's not my governmen

"What will happen to your

children, growing up in this en-

TRAINED FOR SOVIET

"These children are being train

"You're the only bad case we

have," he said, "I've got to go to

look after some other important

"Smith" said he would see that

got right back on relief and got

grocery order and a "work or-

"This is your last chance!" h

"You're not giving me anything,"

told him. "I'm able to get more

"There's no use arguing with

uch a fool as you," he shrieked,

So, you see, they're going to

By Kay Peters.

by the Appellate Court. This now

leaves the prisoners in the awk-

transcript of the trial proceedings.

case will be interested to know

by the same appellate court. Ap-

peals on contempt charges are

usually granted and are rarely,

if ever, denied. Gallagher was

fined fifty dollars or twenty-five

days in jail by Judge Lemmon

for merely trying to tell the court

that Lee Hung, the lone Chinese

defendant in the trial, couldn't

undestand English very well. Lee

Hung was subsequently acquitted.

Annette Morrow, the University

f California student who was

sentenced to twenty-five days in

ail for selling Western Workers,

is now serving her sentence in

the Alameda County jail at Oak-

land. She surrendered herself Jan.

2nd after the appeal was denied.

Friends and sympathizers should

see that she has visitors and is

supplied with prison comforts.-

East Bay take particular notice.

A wide Gallup Defense Confer-

nce is being held at Albuquer-

Though this conference is too dis-

State Supreme Court.

In an obvious illegal move to tin.

ON THE LABOR DEFENSE FRONT

The courts have again refused Velarde and Manuel Avitia, who

o grant the slightest concession have been sentenced to 45 to 60

o justice in the Sacramento C.S. years at hard labor as a result of

case. A writ of habeas corpus one of the foulest frame-ups in

lemanding that the five self-de- the history of American labor.

endants now in prison be re- Address all comunications to the

leased on bail was denied Leo Gallup Defense Committee, Box

ward position of trying to prepare lagher visited J. B. McNamara at

their appeal without the use of a Folsom prison, where he was re-

hamper the defense, the courts view that the two great issues

have granted but one transcript to before the working class are the

Those who are following the from the outside. He also asked

legal developments of the C. S. that more reading material be

that an atetmpt by Gallagher to ap- material have been cut off since

peal a contempt of court charge in- his transfer from San Quentin. As

curred during the trial was denied a special favor he would like to

Room 410.

Gallagher, attorney for the I.L.D., 1021, Santa Fe, N. M.

as he stormed out of the house.

at my "deportation" hearing!

der you can't turn down."

ernment, too!"

it's yours."

age child."

ver offer!"

By Clyde Champion.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 5.—Be- derstand that you're dealing with cause I am active in organizing the Federal government!" inemployed workers to gain better relief and better conditions cism in on us," I told him, "You're on the WPA jobs, and because I just a tool of the government." am a member of the Communist Party, I am about to be deported ment!" he yelled. "It's your gov or so I have been told by a visitor claiming to be a federal nvestigator.

My great-grandfather fought in the Revolutionary War of 1776, my grandfather fought in the Civil vironment," he demanded, point-War, and I served in the World ing to my four girls. War, but it doesn't make a bit of difference—I am to be deported.

If's all because the WPA messed up my work order. On a Monday ed for the future society," I re-I received a work order dated the plied. "This future society will previous Thursday, and when I be a decent one, made for and by went to the Arroyo Seco project, the workers. These girls will I was turned down. It usually have an advantage over the avertakes a week or ten days for reassignment, but I was sent to a United States Engineering -Department war project in Alhambra within two days.

While working, I received another work order for the Arroyo Seco project, which I was forced to turn down. I worked five days on the U.S.E.D. project-for which, incidentally, only physically perfect workers are acceptedbut my transportation stopped and I couldn't afford 54 cents a day car fare—so I got discharged.

#### NO VISITOR, NO CHECK

Administrator Pilling of SERA agreed not to cut me off relief, month. (b) The re-classification but on Dec. 24th my check didn't of skilled men as laborers with a come, so on Thursday, the 26th, I went to Pomeroy again and he ten "A New Deal," "A NEW agreed to release my check. On Friday, I went to the D. P. O. to demand my check and was told a visitor had gone to my home.

When I returned home, my vife said the visitor had boomed right in the house without even knocking. The visitor showed up gain at 1 p. m., saying he was "Smith," a federal investigator to nvestigate "such types as you."

"You're a Communist and you pelong to a Communistic organization," said "Smith" to me. "If you're referring to the WUU," I replied, "you're all haywire. But if you mean the

Communist Party, yes, it's very much a Communistic organization, and I belong to it.

"Why did you turn down those work orders?"

I didn't turn down the jobs, I just couldn't work two places at by Attorney Gallagher to free the the same time. And, by the way, prisoners on bail will be to carry the world's oldest political pris- M'NAMARA (Russian) BRANCH I don't believe you're any special the writ of habeas corpus to the oner, in terms of years served, agent but just a common visitor. Furthermore, your Hitler-like attitude isn't getting you anywhere." "Are you a citizen?" he deranded angrily.

# A CITIZEN

"Yes, I'm a citizen and my family before me for many generations, back to the Revolution-

"Oh, yeah, we're going to de-

"Where to?" I asked. "Texas?" "You're just running a bluff," said "Smith," gettinb more irate

# NEW PARTY MUST COMBAT FASCISM URGES F. GORMAN

FARMER-LABOR PARTY TO OPEN NATIONAL OFFICE

NEW HAVEN, Conn.—(FP)— Forces working for a Farmer-Labor Party will open a national information office in the near future, Vice President Francis J. Gorman of the United Textile Workers of America told a New Haven audience recently.

Declaring that the federal and state governments are in the hands of "the most powerful representatives of corporate interests," Gorman called for a new cism.

Under the New Deal, Gorman said, wage and salaried workers have suffered losses of 5 per cent to 18 per cent in real wages, while corporation profits have mounted more than 64 per cent during the same period. In the first ten months of 1935, thirteen Democratic and two Republican governors called out armed forces against strikers, he said.

when he was one of a committee of ten who backed up by 300 other workers mass-pressured their way into the Biltmore and laid down

RECORD PROFITS IN PAST YEAR

outside of New York City.

deposits, resources and earnings treatment for an ordinary case was were also recorded than in any previous year, Giannini said. Not only is this bank the larg-

est west of New York City, but is outranked in New York City only by the Chase National Bank, National City Bank, and Guar anty Trust Company,—these are controlled by the Morgan and Rockefeller "big shots" of fi

### Girl in Pie Factory Takes Poison While Working Christmas

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 2.—Do through the PWUU than you can lores Mendez, 23, died here today from the effects of poison which she swallowed while working on Christmas Day in a pie factory at 1720 South Hooper avenue. Unorganized to protect themselves. deport me. Drop in and see me wokers in this industry are terribly underpaid.

Help save Juan Ochoa, Leandre

Last week Attorney Leo Gal-

cently transferred from San Ouen-

building of a Labor Party and in-

sent in. Most of his old sources of

get the New York Times. The

subscription to this is \$15 a year.

Those desiring to help on this

matter please send donations to

the I.L.D., 1005 Market street,

The conference for the Rec-

ognition of the Status of Po-

litical Prisoners has been post-

poned from January 13th to

January 20th. The time is 8

p. m., the place is the California

Club, at California street and

Van Ness ave. Every country

in the world with the exception

of the U. S. grants special rec-

ognition to political prisoners.

This conference is called for the

purpose of winning such rec-

Re-argument in the appeal of

Jim Garrison's case will take place

Friday, January 10th, 10 a. m.,

at the City Hall, in Superior Judge

on charges of "refusing to move

Johnson's court. Garrison was

ognition here.

McNamara expressed the

# New Deal Boosts **Bank Profits to Record Figures**

BANK OF AMERICA REPORTS | Sir:

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 2.—The the simple to the complex, which New Deal" has meant the best I have tried since then. deal in profits in its history for the Bank of America National Trust and Savings Association, largest bank in the United States doctors. This had no effect what-

A. P. Giannini, chairman of the board of directors, announced to- think it is ever possible to don day that the bank has experienced the gloves again and fight the its best year in history, gaining an increase in deposits of \$177,-000,000 and an increase in resources of \$135,000,000.

Greater comparative gains in

# SYCOSIS San Francisco, Calif. back that scurvy had broken out among some Mexicans in the

Health and the Class Struggle

By FRANKLIN E. BISSELL, M. D.

I contracted Sycosis in 1903. It

I had X-ray treatment in San Francisco under the direction of one of the city's leading skinsoever on the hairs of the facethey are very deep-set. Do you | Sycosis?

ANSWER-As pointed out in a previous column, Sycosis is a disease of the beard in which there is formation of pustules. The outlined at that time.

This is a case much out of the ordinary which a number of specialists have unsuccessfully treated. We will wager a set of Lenin's works against a "Red Network" by Mrs. Dilling that the skinspecialist who conducted the Xray treatment did so in a free clinic and not in his private office.

The object of the X-ray treatment is to make the hairs fall out. There is no reason why the treatment cannot be given in large enough dosages to make even deep-set hairs fall out. If you cannot afford to pay for more X-ray treatments, the County should be forced to do so. Then you must keep after them in an organized manner until results are obtained It may be necessary to give such arge doses that the hairs will not regrow, but that is better than

You have not mentioned having peen vaccinated against the germ causing the disease. This is often successful, especially if a vaccine is specially made from the pus in your pustules. Do not be satisfied with the "store-bought" vac- | Home Phone: Lerkeley 3843-W cine, but insist on your, own, Autogenous" vaccine even though more expensive.

having such a skin disease.

These treatments should be used together with the use of disnfectant applications.

> SCURVY Beverly Hills, Calif. Dec. 25, 1935.

Dear Doctor: I read in the paper a while

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transient camps. A friend of mine, would be impossible for me to go another motion-picture star, said over the various remedies, from that this couldn't be so because scurvy had been wiped out long ago. She knows this because none of her friends ever had scurvy. What is the truth about this?

> ANSWER-We are sure that it would be very hard to find scurvy in Beverly Hills or any other place where the inhabitants can eat as much fresh fruit and vegetables as they want, even though they may believe that carrots and turnips grow on trees.

The most likely place to find scurvy in California is among the poorest-paid toilers, the workers in the agricultural fields. When the city population stubbornly refuses to eat fruits and vegetables as it has in the past six years, the growers soon find that they have a large surplus of these commodities on hand. Because of this they allow the crops to rot in the fields, and so the agriculture workers become unemployed. Not being able to buy the fruit and vegetables, the agriculture workers must live on rice and potatoes. They and their children then get the scurvy. This economic process s called "The Overproduction of Undernourishment."

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never received any groceries from

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ng \$4.68. I went to 450 Mission

to protest the cut and was di-

ected to the Pay Master's office.

explained the same to the pay

naster and was directed to go and

see my visitor at the Tenth street;

office. I insisted that this was

he right office as Mr. H. Small's.

name appeared on the said notice.

The pay master said Mr. Small

had nothing to do with the notice,

but that my visitor was the re-

I went to Tenth street and reg-

stered with the desk clerk and

itor. I explained the error, but:

the visitor refused to hear any

nore regarding the matter and

told me to come back on Wed-

So, as the matter now stands,

An unemployed worker.

Richmond, Calif.,

Jan. 1, 1936.

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ourths of the world's lead (re-

fined) is stored in the smelter;

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The workers are all aware of

A Selby Smelter Worker.

Richmond, Calif.

Dec. 28, 1935.

PAPER

Upon receiving the Western

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about the Communist position to

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it myself, I went to a neighbor

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A Shop Worker.

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# The President's Speech To Congress

The press has raved and snorted for several days following Roosevelt's broadcast of last Friday night. They have endeavored to create an impression that it was an earth-shaking challenge -a remarkable revelation. It was nothing of the

11 was a shrewd piece of political strategy. Consisting entirely of generalities, the address contained scarcely a point that the president could

Its burden of vagueries was supported by two

(1) Sentimentalization of "neutrality." (2) An alleged determination to champion the

interests of the poor man against the rich. The latter point was the main crutch in Roose-

velt's original election campaign. The question is, has he done it?

Plainly, he has not. The net results of administration policies have been vast increases in dividends and profits, greater concentration of wealth and business in the hands of monopolies, and no benefit whatsoever to the working class. What slight rises were noted in payrolls were more than offset by rising prices. The unemployed remain the same vast, persecuted, unwanted army they have always been.

As for "neutrality," it need only be pointed out that war preparations under the administration's policies have increased to an extent which breaks all peace time records.

One of the strongest talking points Roosevelt has is the fact that certain of the big financial groups are bitterly opposed to him.

It is true that there is discord in the camp of capitalism and rival factions are struggling for power. But of the two factions most prominent in American Big Business—the faction opposing Roosevelt and the faction supporting him-the Roosevelt faction is far the shrewdest.

Roosevelt bases his strategies on a sharp study of real public sentiment. The faction opposing him (characterized by Hearst) is hopelessly carried away by their own propaganda. They invent a synthetic "public opinion," forget that it is nothing more than their own noise, and go so far as to base their strategies on it.

One of the most significant things about Roosevelt's speech is that in order to court the favor of present public sentiment he was obliged to lean far to the left. He was obliged to don the cloak of "radicalism"—to rave and rant against "financial interests" and "autocratic influences."

A "square deal to labor" is certainly an issue that the Communist Party supports to the fullest extent. But when mouthed by Roosevelt, it is more likely to mean exactly the opposite. Every lash from the whip of capital that has ever striped the back of labor has been applied with the philanthropic slogan of "assisting the poor." And the working class history of America has seen labor's real representatives frequently sent to the penitentiary on framed charges, but never selected as candidates and put in office by the capitalist electoral machine.

After raving in approved "soap box" vehemence against the evils of capital, Roosevelt turned round in his tracks and assured "no more taxation" and "reduced relief appropriations."

When the working masses want a radical president, the capitalists will never fail to hand them one on the end of a stick—that is to say, a candidate who looks and talks radical but can be depended on to boost profits and dividends at the expense of labor as Roosevelt has so ably done.

But labor will not get true representation until it creates its own election machinery-a united front Farmer-Labor Party, runs its own candidates and puts them in office.

# **ISU Convention Must** Ratify Maritime Unity

Roosevelt's speech to the 74th Congress had hardly died away before "Big Business" with tongue in cheek made a thorough survey of the maritime situation on the West Coast and the Gulf and then carefully looked over its war-cargo

Roosevelt's mild "threat" and sanctions and "neutrality" can be discarded in the face of the huge subsidies for war ships and a fleet of merchant ships, which his administration has

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placed at the disposal of congressional committees of appropriations.

Woodrow Wilson "fought" to keep America out of war, yet thousands of workers who took him at his word and who honestly protested war were DISTRICT ORGANIZATIONAL beaten and thrown in prisons.

The threat to war profiteering interests lies where the maritime workers are the most solidly organized. Where the maritime workers have already shown their disapproval of war, by more than mere resolutions passing.

The threat to the pocketbooks of the manufacturers and distributors of "patriotism" lies where the rank and file have true expression. That is the reason the sights of their legal and illegal guns are trained on the West Coast Maritime Federation and its budding offspring, the Gulf Maritime Federation, which is in the process of formation at a convention now under way in

Employers fear and want to smash these units of working class power and find many willing Scharrenbergs to do their dirty work.

With the aid of the "friends of labor," the owners intend to crush the Maritime Federation and isolate the marine unions.

The assistant secretary of labor, always at the beck and call of those who put him in office, has called a meeting of "trusted" longshore and seamen "leaders" for the express purpose of formulating a means to prevent the formation of the Gulf federation and to destroy the West Coast

The International Seamen's Union Convention, which opens on January 14th at Washington, D. C., will find these "trusted" officials trying to carry out the plans of the shipowners.

Already Paul Scharrenberg-Paul can always be found willing to talk especially if one mentions the Sailors' Union of the Pacific—is demanding the "revocation of West Coast charters and the reorganization by the convention."

West Coast, Gulf and Atlantic seamen and longshoremen should know this is not merely more idle frothings from the mouth of a notorious red-baiting shipowner's tool.

Not for nothing has the ISU Executive Board opened a secret "headquarters branch" somewhere in San Francisco.

And the two "organizers," which the Board has appointed for the West Coast, can be more truthfully described as "finger-men"—to single out militiant rank and filers.

The shipowners have bluntly admitted that they are prepared to carry out coastwise activities to smash the Maritime Federation.

Every branch of the International Seamen's Union must send protests of any attempts to split the ranks, to the convention.

Every district must pledge its unity.

All locals of the I.L.A. must also send resolutions of protest at any efforts to split the seamen at the convention.

Denounce any attempts at charter lifting. Protest to W. Green, Secretary Perkins, Andrew Furuseth and to the convention floor.

The Maritime Federation was built on the unity of all crafts. This unity must be maintained.

# Get Busy on the Western Worker Drive—Now

Do you people in the streets, on the farms, factories and along the water- a similar basis. If this is done, ties to build and equip fighting front realize the immense power and organizational value of a workers' newspaper?

We think you do. We know you miss the Western Worker when, for some reason or other, your copy doesn't arrive. We have your complaints to show that you do.

Perhaps some of you do not realize that we are in the midst of a campaign to collect \$7500 as a sustaining fund for the Western Worker during 1936.. Perhaps you do not realize that upon the collection of this fund depends the future of the paper.

It's an open and shut proposition. No money -no Western Worker.

Funds are not being turned in. Actually, there were no collections to report this week. What is

The situation is critical. The Western Worker MUST have this sustaining fund. Now, more than ever before, must there be a workers' newspaper in the field on the West

Collection lists are in your hands. All sections, sub-sections, units, mass organizations and individuals must get on the job at once. There is not a second to lose. Arrange your affairs and

The future of the Western Worker is in your hands, GET BUSY!

"We are free today substantially, but the day will come when our republic will be an impossibility. It will be an impossibility because wealth will be concentrated in the hands of a few."-JAMES MADISON.

It is necessary to turn all our energies to the central task of the period-to the building of a broad, aggressive Farmer-Labor Party in every town and city, in every state and in the whole nation in preparation for the election struggles and for the decisive election of 1936.

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City .....

**Party Life** 

UNIT J-8, HOLLYWOOD SUB-SECTION

DEPARTMENT

Something on the order of a New Year's present to the Party s the giving this week by Unit J-8 in Hollywood of twelve new members to the Party, recruited during the holidays. Ten of these were recruited at an open unit meeting on December 19: the other two having been enrolled during the preceding week. Most of twelve are of rather advanced political status. At least eight of them have been very close to the Party for some time, and under a little "pressure" at the open unit meeting took the long postponed step. Of the remaining four, two are restaurant workers who have been working for the formation of a union, and two are unemployed workers who have been through PWUU struggles. This recruiting feat is added

credit to a unit that has, during the past three weeks, issued no less than twelve leaflets; on a Communist Forum, a PWUU organizational mass meeting, a shop leaflet, and on activities at the Hollywood Workers' Center. The unit in the same time also distributed over three thousand F. S. ering every house in exactly 128 square blocks. The unit had eleven members. To celebrate its work, and as a challenge, J-8 plans a "Stakhanovite Party" for January 11 at the Hollywood Workers' Center. All proceeds will go to pires have sent their representathe Western Worker.

is a model unit in our district, as guns that they will use in shughtconcerned. According to the re- the coming war. sults in the last few weeks achiev-250 units would plan their work demand for more fighting ships. as concretely as this unit, and be The empires that have sent repas successful as this unit in car-I resentatives to London: the U.S. rying out the proper agitation and A., Britain, France, Italy, and Jaorganizational work for building pan, are the Big Five navy powthe Party. In view of the present ers. With the exception of Germembership drive for 500 new many, deprived of a navy under members in our district by March the Treaty of 1919, and of the all unit buros begin to function, bitions or a large navy, no other and start planning their work on nations or empires have the faciliwe are sure that we will go over ships, and no others can afford the the top and recruit 500 members so that we shall have a dues paying and maintain a navy. membership of 3200 members in eur District by March 1.

District Org. Dept.

# UNEMPLOYED TO part at second hand from the Big GET MORE FOR with the 223 fighting ships of It-GAS AND LIGHT

WINTER ONLY

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 2.-Unemployed workers on the rolls of the County Charities Department won a 42.5 per cent increase in gas and light budgets here today, on order of Superintendent of Charities Rex Thomson. The increase will last through the winspring and summer.

Thomson said he ordered the illowances in an effort to reduce the number of colds and other ailments suffered by unemployed great robber empires have sent workers during the winter.

The gas and light budgets everage from \$2 to \$5 a month.

# **NEW WPA JOBS** FOR 3755 TO START IN L.A.

NEW PROJECTS TO BRING WPA TOTAL TO 60,000

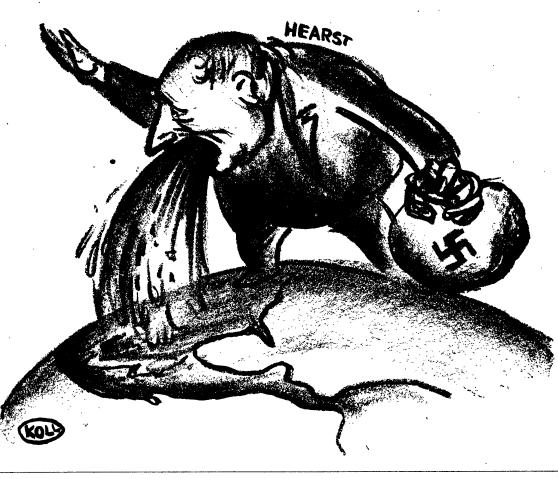
LOS ANGELES, Jan. 2.—WPA projects to employ 3755 "white collar" workers will start within two weeks here, it was announced today. Construction projects for 1884 men will also open at the same time.

Largest of the "white collar' projects will be those of the county delinquency program, board of education, clerical workers, Long Beach juvenile delinquency program, and the Los Angeles Health Department.

The twelve new construction projects will boost the WPA load to approximately 60,000, officials

Not a single square mile of Ethiopia to the fascist Mussolini!

Americanism Defiled



# The Big Five Naval Powers was finally sent in to see the vis-

# U. "Anti-Hearst Examiners," cov-

By Scott Nearing. (Federated Press)

The ruling classes of five emtives to London to discuis the NOTE:—So far, the above unit kind of ships and the size of the far as initiative and recruiting are ering the "enemy" masses during

Since the collapse of the Dised by the unit, it is clear to us armament Conference the imperial that this unit has, first of all, a spokesmen do not refer to the functioning Buro, and is using the London meeting as a conference directives from the District Org. to "limit" navies but to "adjust" Dept. to the fullest extent. This navies. France and Italy are busy proves that if other units had with navy building; the British unctioning buros, they could also imperialists have announced their have similar successes. How quick- intention of enlarging their navy ly our Party could double its to a greater-than-any basis; Japan membership in this district if the is particularly aggressive in her

1, it is more than necessary that Soviet Union, without foreign amheavy outlay required to build

OTHER NATIONS WEAK

Other nations have a few fighting ships, bought for the most Five. But they are not in a class INCREASE GRANTED FOR and the 426 fighting ships of the United States. The "small" natheirs in hundreds.

world are divided into two classes: 1. Five that can afford big work at the Salvation Army sewnavies, and 2. Fifty that cannot ing shirts, nightgowns, etc., and afford them. For all practical pur- are told to observe a set of twelve poses, imperial expansion is virtu- rules terminating with the follow- supplies and utilities is demanded." ter and be reduced again in the ally limited to the Big Five. Other ing statement, "Employes who ruling classes may desire to play fail to comply with these rules attempt to economize on the part the imperial game but they lack will be subject to immediate cen- of the relief organization, is the the ships and the money.

their spokesmen to London to pires take their sides; the fight discuss the capital tools of im- ling ships clear the decks for acperial robbery. Why do they tion; and once more the world is bother to discuss? Why not fight? at war.

PLAYING FOR POSITION

Diplomatic discussion is one method of maneuvering for position. The empires circle each other, during international conferences, as wrestlers circle each other, looking for a chance to The Big Five are preparing for grapple. After each conference war. They are not yet sure which, 'friend" from "enemy."

because there is danger of de-circling one another, looking for feat, and second because of the a hold. When they see their chance langer of revolution. Each ruling to grapple, they will beat the war class seeks to protect itself against drums, and human beings will

Every year since 1919, the Big in the range of the big guns. live have held one or more con- The Big Five are better equipped erences. Each conference was a for war than any of the other nasuccessess" in strengthening friend- tions or empires. Their navies are ships and sharpening enmities. a symbol of this preparedness After a certain number of such The London conference is one of conferences, the lair is cleared; the the necessary preliminaries to the alignment is determined; the em- next world war.

The empires do not fight, first tion. Admirals and diplomats are

PREPARING WAR

There is no more chance, tha peace will come from the London Conference than there is that so-Western Worker, briety will come out of a saloon. the line-up is clearer; each ruling is friend and which is enemy. The plant at Selby in Contra Costa class is better able to distinguish London meeting is helping them County. Every day shipments of to decide this all-important questhis war material is being sent out

> this fact and are already talking again be brought by millions withabout what to do in case of a 🔊 developing in Europe. Laster our jobs, but first we must stop

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# **FASCISTMETHODS USED IN SANTA** BARBARA BY RELIEF OFFICIALS

#### Proper Sanitation Neglected in Attempt of mine who is a member of the To "Economize" left the paper on his porch at

SANTA BARBARA, Cal., Jan. | outstanding examples of the methaly; the 247 of France; the 247 of 4.—In Santa Barbara, one of the ods employed in Santa Barbara. Japan; the 352 of Great Britain | wealthiest cities in California, | women on relief are working un- charge is expected." der what amounts to fascist tactions count fighting ships in ones tics, with relief officials effecting and twos. The Big Five count economy by allowing inadequate sanitation facilities in the build-The nations and empires of the ing where the women work.

The women have been put to The ruling classes of the five missal."

Some of the following rules are women are employed.

If You Don't Speak Now, These Guns Will

"Faithful loyalty to persons in

ments must not be given out by life. So we are going to send a any employe." "Conversation other than nor-

night on my way to work. The next day this man came over to my place and told me about some one leaving the paper at his house and said that it was the best pa-"Newspaper publicity or state- per that he had ever read in his

mal business is absolutely prohibited." "Intelligent, industrious and

pass them on to their neighbors. economical use of time, materials. An excellent example of the sure and result may involve dis- inadequacy of sanitation facilities in the building where the 67

FEDERAL TAXES

419,481 PERSONS' INCOME MORE THAN \$5000

WASHINGTON.-(FP)-A N-Deal in taxation is advocated the People's Lobby, in a statement which declares that "the real test of whether a tax is heavy, is how much the taxpayer has left after the tax."

"In 1934 the 419,481 persons reporting incomes over \$5000 had an aggregate net income of nearly five billion dollars," says the Lobby. "They paid in federal income taxes and surfaxes only about \$474,000,000 and had left an average of \$10,720.

"The total income of this one and one-third per cent of the families in America, was nearly threequarters of the gross income of some 61/2 million farm familiaand nearly five-sixths of the income of around seven million

After paying all taxes on 1934 income, the 32 people with incomes over \$1,000,000 had left an average of \$782,500, the Lobby points

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The danger of a new World War no longer needs explanation. It is clearly recognized by nearly

every man and woman today. The "peace" mouthings of high executives of all capitalist governments become more hysterical daily and less convincing. Armament appropriations today in the United States are the greatest of any period outside actual war. These are invariably declared as defense precautions. But experts agree that there is not one chance in a hundred of the United States ever being invaded. There is only one power that can prevent war; that is a united front of all anti-war forces.

Without this united front, the power of the masses is divided and impotent.

industrial workers."