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BROWDER BROADCAST SUPPRESSED ON COAST

PWUU PROJECT LEADER IS FIRED; SIX ARRESTED

Can Organize On Job

ALAMEDA JOBLESS UNION SIGNS UP MANY IN PROJECT STRIKE

By John Broman.

LOS ANGELES, March 4.-Coldly violating definite promises nade to 3000 workers who struck n the Saluson-La Brea storm drain project Monday, Project Supervisor W. D. Lomax yesterday fired 39 leaders of the strike, and caused the arrest of six of them. After promising that no leader of the strike, which was called by the Public Works and Unemployed Union job committee, would be fired for union activity,

terday morning. Aroused at this betrayal, a grievance committee of 75 workers went first to Lomax, then started out for the project headquarters, but were stopped halfway by police and six workers

Loman fired Louis Goolsey,

PWUU project leader, early yes-

ere arrested. Goolsey, Aaron Johnson, Roderick McKenzie, Harry Grain, Orval C. Sweat, and Duge Galloway were arrested and taken to the Wilshire station for "questioning." They were later released without being booked.

In quick response to this attack, the PWUU immediately is- New York City recently. An an- ber of the American Legion and tion of capitalist countries. Revsued leaflets today calling for a meeting tomorrow of all workers and anti-communists were picketon the project to take action ing the radio station scheduled to against the mass dismissals.

Colonel Donald H. Connolly, czar of WPA in Los Tngeles County, issued the following statement "explaining the trouble": (Continued on Page 2, Col. 2)

PICKET LINE HOLDS SOLID **AT IRON WORKS**

SHIPYARD WORKERS ARE FIRM DESPITE ARRESTS

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 5.-One arrest today and four Tuesday morning on charges ranging from "spitting on the sidewalk" to assault and battery and disturbing the peace marked police attempts to help smash the strike of shipyard workers and machinists against the Union Iron Works. A majority of the workers still re striking, and are picketing the ards, in spite of a sell-out "agreement" by Boilermakers' Union of-

ficials. Frank Bardara was arrested Tuesday, along with three others on disturbing the peace charges and violation of an anti-picketing ordinance. Mario Grosctti, Jack Furro and John Rodin were the other three. All are out on bail. Thursday Bardara was arrested again, charged with "spitting on

Thursday approximately thirty men who had passed picket lines maintained by the Industrial Union of Shipbuilding Workers and Machinists Local 68, refused to continue their strikebreaking ac-

the sidewalk."

'ty and attempted to persuade e others to do likewise.

Captain Christiansen of the Potrero street police station is call-Union Iron Works.

JOB STRIKERS Gagged

SAN FRANCISCO, March 5.-'Mr. Browder will now step to the microphone.'

With this announcement at the close of the "March of Time" program on the Columbia network at 7:45 Pacific Coast time last night, all western stations and several New England stations of the network switched-not to the 15minute speech of the secretary of the Communist Party, but to momentary silence, then to records and other programs outside of the scheduled talk.

This is the most effective reply to the liberal dailies and spokesmen who rebuked Communists gently but firmly for anticipating such arbitrary censorship. Numerous stations adopted the Hearstian standards of free speech-not for Communists. They hid their repression behind the old excuse of "time sold to advertisers." The "March of Time" program

dramatized the speech of Earl Browder at the Seventh World Congress of the Communist International last year; staged a replica of the stormy scene in Congress during the debate earlier on the day over the broadcast. when reactionaries like Kramer (Dem., Calif.) demanded suppression of Browder's talk and almost came to blows with Marcantonio the attorney general's office at state by force of arms. (Rep., N. Y.), a progressive who Sacramento and demanded an in- He declined all responsibility employed in a demonstration in ber of Commerce. Aram is a mem- cay, confusion and degeneranouncement stated that fascists bring Browder's speech to the milions eagerly awaiting the first national radio talk of a Communist spokesman.

The almost breathless suspense created by "March of Time" dramatic technique ended in a miserable anti-climax for Western hearers. A valuable lesson was taught. Its real lesson, however, will be derived from Browder's speech, which we expect to reproduce in full or in part in next issue of the

KRAMER PRAISES HEARST'S ANTI-LABOR CAMPAIGN

Western Worker.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 5.—William Randolph Hearst's anti-Communist, anti-labor campaign found a ready backer in the House here yesterday when Representative Kramer, Democrat from Los Angeles strongly praised the publisher.

Kramer is author of several so-called "sedition" bills now before Congress. He has established a reputation as one of the most rabid red-baiters in Con-

Opposing Kramer was Representative Vito Marcantonio, Republican of New York. Subject of debate was Browder's scheduled talk on Communism over the Columbia Broadcasting System Thursday night.

Representative Blanton of Texas demanded that reporters for the Daily Worker be "kicked cut" of the press galleries of Congress.

FORCED FINGERPRINTING

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Mar. 5.ed "Mad Dog Christiansen" be- San Diego County this week ining and yelling at the cops sent as fingerprinting of more than attended. to help him smash the picket line 1700 county employees was begun. at the Third threet plant of the Fingerprinting took place, signif- I. L. A. Local 231, compared the tempts to get the I. S. U. to of-

RAILROADING

FRAME-UPS AND VIOLENCE ARE BOASTED DURING WEEKLY LUNCHEON

Investigation Asked

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IS - CRIMINAL-SUBVERSIVE, ATT'Y CHARGES -

SAN FRANCISCO, March 4. the Sacramento Criminal Syndied, issued from the bragging mouth of Charles Mariner, representative | Party of the U. S. S. R. of the State Chamber of Commerce who "talked too much" at a weekly luncheon of the Hi-Twelve Club in San Jose last month.

According to Alfred Aram, a San Jose attorney who attended the luncheon, Mariner boasted that during the past year the State Chamber of Commerce spent \$50,-000 on labor suppression, 'framed' labor leaders and sent them to the penitentiary when sufficient evidence for their conviction was lacking, and attacked them with vigilante violence when other methods failed.

INVESTIGATION ASKED was arrested for leading the un-vestigation of the State Cham- of the U.S. S. R. for the demilitary pilot during the World

> Text of Aram's letter follows: ',On Feb. 7, 1936, I attended, the weekly luncheon meeting of my service club in this city. Mr. Mariner of the California State Chamber of Commerce was the guest speaker of the day. He spoke of the various activities of that organization and solicited support of all 'thinking and pat-(Continued on Page 2, Col. 1)

WPA OFFICIAL COMMUNIST CIVIC LEADER BETRAYS L.A. Speech BRAGS ABOUT IN GERMAN AND POLISH PAPERS

Hearst Headlines On China Communists Proven False

League Peace Parley Will Try to Halt African War

The Soviet Union commanded public attention on a world-wide scale with the simultaneous pub--Confirmation of the fact that lication in the press of most nations of the interview between calism prisoners and the Modesto Roy W. Howard, of the Scrippsdynamite case prisoners were fram- Howard newspapers, and Josef V. Stalin, leader of the Communist

The conversation was headlined in practically every country with the significant exceptions of Germany and Poland where it was suppressed by government authority.

Reason for this unusual interest is attributed to the recent ratification by the French Chamber of Deputies of the Franco-Soviet mutual defense pact and the critical situation arising from Japanese aggressions on the border of the Mongolian People's Rep-

SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW Stalin affirmed that the Soviet

Union will tolerate no invasion Outraged by the high-handed of the Mongolian People's Reparrogance of this bragadosio, At-, ublic by Japan and is prepared to torney Aram filed a protest with defend the integrity of the smaller

emphasized, are sclely the concern of the people of those countries. If the people of any nation want to alter or abolish the capitalist system and establish a form of society similar to that of the Soviet Union, that is their business, he asserted.

He clealy differentiated between the so-called "National Socialism" of Germany and Italy and the socialism of the U.S.S.R. Fas-(Continued on Page 2, Col. 3)

New Orleans Dockers Defy Ryan As **Locals Endorse M aritime Federation**

NEW ORLEANS, Mar. 2.—In days of America, when the looseship of Joseph P. Ryan, local their own protection. longshoremen have fully endorsed the Maritime Federation of the clared, "when the workers on the Gulf and elected three delegates waterfront, the I. L. A., the I. to its convention here on March | S. U., Teamsters, and all must

tional president, threatening to lift | the shipowner." the charter of any local supporting the charter was read at the meeting of Local 1226, by its president, Darcy.

Darcy called for all those in favor of the Federation to move to the left sire of the meeting hall. Chairs and all moved as the men vociferously expressed their sentiments for affiliation.

Local 1226, is the white local. The colored local, 231 has already elect its delegates at their meet-

UNITY UNQUALIFIED Following the endorsement of cargo, they would still have charthe Gulf Maritime Federation a ters for many years to come.

mass meeting was staged. Delegates from I. L. A. locals in New 5, New Orleans A. R. T. A. raphists' Association. Unofficial expect support from "leaders" cause of his hysterical club-swing- stituted a new drive against labor file of the Seamen's Unions also a year and live like shipowners.

licantly enough, at the County jail. present situation to the colonial ficially endorse the Federation.

complete defiance of the dictator- ly knit colonies had to unite for

"The time has come," he deunite, regardless of race, color or A letter from Ryan, Interna- creed to fight our common enemy

> Smith referred to the conditions on the West Coast gained through their Maritime Federation. When he referred to the leadership of Harry Bridges in the Pacific Coast I. L. A., there was a storm of applause. HOT CARGO VS. CHARTERS

Gilbert Mers, of Corpus Christi (I. L. A. Local 1224) spoke of the enthusiastic support of both white and colored longshoremen pledged full support and is to of this city. He stated that if Ryan was as long taking away the charters of the I. L. A.'s in the Gulf as he was in boycotting hot

J. E. Croney, secretary of Local Orleans and Corpus Christi, Mas-pledged full support of his organiters, Mates and Pilots' Associa- zation to the Gulf Federation. He tion, and American Radio Teleg- pointed out that workers could not delegates elected by the rank and such as Ryan who drew \$15,000

Rank and file seamen's dele-Smith, speaking for the colored gates pledged to cooperate in at-



Little Communists demonstrating in Paris with upraised fists. This photograph was taken on the occasion when 200,000 Communists, Socialists and liberals joined in a united front protest demonstration against the attack on Leon Blum, Socialist leader, by royalists. The Hearst press used this photograph but softened its significance by declaring the children to be Socialists. Their fists clenched in the Communist salute tell a different story.

JAMES FARLEY SAVES MONEY BY STARVING POSTAL CLERKS

Roosecelt's Campaign Manager Sets New Record As Patronage Dispenser

James Farley, postmaster general and campaigner for Roosevelt in the election campaign, will be much in the limelight during the next few months. Therefore, it might be instructive to look at Mr. Farley's past, if for no other reason than to discover what sort of men Roosevelt picks to surround him.

Al Smith, now a Liberty League® mouthpiece, gave Farley his start | 😵 when he appointed him to the New York State Athletic Commission in 1924. He must have been satisfied with Farley for he reappointed him four times. So in reality, Farley got his start in politics on the basis of a flood of free passes to athletic events. He resigned the commission job only to take his oath as Postmaster

DESERTS AL

Mr. Farley deserted Al Smith when the latter was defeated in 1928. He adopted Roosevelt. Before the convention he was given the job of lining up delegates to back his new patron. After the convention he became campaign office job. Once in, he soon became the Roosevelt Administration's chief patronage dispenser. Jobs were traded for votes in favor of Roosevelt legislation.

He appointed the late Pat Malloy, Tulsa, Oklahoma, oil king, as assistant attorney general. He gave the assistant secretary treasurer's job to L. C. Roberts, Jo. Robert's former engineering firm in Atlanta was found to be receiving an overriding commission of 1 per cent on a public works project for

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ALAMEDA MAY Get New Mayor IN RECALL

ALAMEDA, Calif., March 6 .--A mass meeting of ten thousand ers are receiving abnormally low citizens here last night pledged to recall Mayor Hans Roebke, City Manager C. Ray Fritz and Councilman Charles Broyles and Bruce Munro. Thus the adults have decided to finish what 4500 students started when they struck against removal of School Superintendent Wm. G. Paden from his manager. His reward—the post position by the corrupt political ring in this city.

One of the speakers at the meeting lauded the strike of the concluded that the student walkout "was a gesture of protest, but it has now served its purpose." The youth shouted down that

The Alameda Voters' League, during the past year, circulated a recall petition against Mayor Roebke. But the mayor got around them by putting in a new city petition when presented to him. Do it today.

Landon On the Pan AND HEARST TOO

Prof Query Does It

A. Davis, secretary of the American Federation of Treasurers, in panying letter filed, but the progtelegram endorsed by two other prominent educators, has asked Governor Landon of Kansas if his "balanced budget for the state was Maritime Unions" at the expense of education and human relief."

Landon is being plugged by Hearst as a possible Republican candidate for president this year. Official reports show that many Kansas schools have been forced to close, that thousands of teachsalaries and that educational facilities for thousands of school children have been seriously restricted.

In conclusion, the telegram to Landon declares:

"Doubtless you know Hearst's efforts to place the schools under control of reactionary forces; to reduce federal relief of human need, and to cripple the power of the American labor movement. Doubtless you are aware of the just Characterization of Hearst as students and the recall move, but one of the worst subversive influences in America, made before the American educators' gathering in St. Louis by your fellow Kansan, Dr. George S. Counts, now of Teachers College, Colum-

bia University." Landon, to date, it is reported,

has not answered.

Have you donated to the \$7,500 clerk,—who refused to certify the Western Worker Sustaining Fund! side unions and the general public

LETTER OF INDUSTRIAL UNIONISM TO APPEAR IN LABOR JOURNAL

Casey Charges Read

RED-BAITER ATTACKS SAN DIEGO 'PROGRESSIVES IN LONG ARTICLE

(Alameda County Central Labor Council)

OAKLAND, Calif., March 3.-Last night's meeting of the Labor Council was mainly devoted to intense debate on "orders" from, William Green and whether or not to support the progressives in the San Diego Council and also the Committee for Industrial Unionism.

In response to the council's letter to Joe Casey, A. F. of L. organizer, asking him to explain his actions in dissolving the San Diego Federated Trades and Labor-Council he sent a copy of the San Diego Labor Leader, A. 🕏 of L. organ there which Casey controls. A long article in this issue, setting forth Casey's attempted justification of his acar tivities, was read.

In the article Casey charged that Professor Steinmetz, president of the San Diego body, was a proven Red, inasmuch as he supported the Public Works and Unemployed Union, the Amer. Youth Congress and the League Against War and Fascism.

Joe Casey further claimed that the San Diego Council had violated the rules of the A. F. of L. in demanding a closed shop at the San Diego Expo-

It was further revealed that Wm. Green, president of the A. F. of L. is prepared to withdraw the charter of the Office Workers' Union if it officials do not abandon their legal actions against s representative, Casey! BUREAUCRAT

Heated debate followed the reading of this article, during which President Fee ruled several motions out of order. "It don't make any difference what any delegate thinks," shouted Fee, "This council will not make any decisions against officials of the A. F. of ST. LOUIS, Mar. 4.—George L. while I am chairman!" He tried to order the article and accom-(Continued on Page 2, Col. 5)

Plan Mass Meeting To Arouse Public

PLOT TO WRECK UNIONS IS UNCOVERED IN NORTHWEST

SAN PEDRO, Calif., Mar. 5. Declaring their 4-day strike a demonstration of strength the crewnot the Panama Pacific Liner California agreed to sail the ship back to the home port, New York City and take up the fight there for a new wage and working condition

agreement. An attempt was made by the operators to enlist the aid of the Federal government in breaking the strike on the grounds of "mu-

Similar such absurd charges werd made during the 1934 strike by the shipowners, without any success.

MASS MEETING PLANNED SAN FRANCISCO, Mat. 6.-Plans are being arranged for a mass meeting by the District Council No. 2 of the Maritime Federation to acquaint the shore.

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San Jose Attorney Demands Investigation Of State Chamber of Commerce

(Continued from Page 1) riotic citizens.' The speaker said that during the past year the State Chamber of Commerce had interested itself in labor disairbances, both in industry and tericulture, and in its activities and spent about \$50,000. He elaborated on the nature of its activities and with pride and satisfaction informed us that in several instances where the evidence was not sufficient to convict the persons involved in these disturbances they were framed.' In other instances some were dealt with by physical violence. He clearly implied that the purpose of such physical violence was to bring home to the persons involved she pressing necessity of choosing between physical safety and constitutional rights.

"The fact that the representative of a responsible and powerful organization, such as the State Chamber of Commerce, felt safe to speak, and on the basis of such activities solicit support, ought to make us pause and think. Is i not fair to conclude that the State Chamber of Commerce has as sumed the role of invisible government? Is it not a fair assumption that the State Chamber of Commerce has arrogated to itself the right to determine who shall enjoy constitutional guarantees or when physical violence or fraud shall be substituted in the places of constitutional guarantees, fair trial and due process?

... "As a citizen and as an attor ney I deem it my duty to call on you to investigate these bold and criminal usurpations of the functions of government. Moreover, it may be open to question whether the corporate charter of the State Chamber of Commerce shall not be revoked in quo warranto proceedings for acts which are not merely ultra vires but are criminal and subversive, striking at fundamental American institutions so necessary if orderly society and representative government are to survive.

"Very truly yours, (Signed) "Alfred Aram." Aftorney Aram's demand for indressing a mass meeting in San Francisco in the interests of the Modesto dynamite case prisoners.

"It comes at a time when these same influences are preparing a Eastern newspapers.

Tt comes at a time when they Tare making every effort to have

'An investigation of these "Cali-

Not Safe, It Seems ONE-MAN CAR

A one-man street car, "more safe than the two-man cars," according to the Market Street Railway officials, yesterday ploughed into an automobile at Seventeenth street and Van Ness ave. So., injured a man passing in front of the automobile and narrowly missed crushing two children accompanying him.

The automobile had halted. bawaiting the "go" signal. The Then it was pointed out that one-man car, with the conductor many timekeepers and tool-house busy at one of his many tasks, men are assuming too much auamashed into the back of the thority and issuing orders that automobile. The car was a No. I should only come from those above. 35 on the No. 1 run.

Painters' Union here, was crossing that this practice must stop at the street in front of the auto- once.

Scores of platform men were of them up in the union. the strength of it ever since. | four days.

fornia Dictators" is certainly in

honest individual. What is more, it points to the

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Labor Party.

JOBLESS WIN EAST BAY AND L.A. STRIKES

(Continued From Fage 1) **EXPLANATION**

men on the job, Figueroa street and Moynier Lane, threw down CHINESE REDS their tools and walked off because we had discharged Louis Goolsey. He was implicated in the disturbance on Monday.

"The 75 started a march on the project headquarters at Slauson ave. and La Brea street. Police were notifed and met the demontrators about halfway to the head-

"Half of the men returned to the job and went to work after istening to the officers. The other half did not and as a result police questioned Goolsey, Aaron Johnson, Roderick McKenzie, Harry Grain, Orval S. Sweat and Duke Galloway.

"Johnson and McKenzie were inent in the Monday affair when rocks were thrown at those who grave danger, and inferred that wished to keep on working after a since "no word had been heard small group of agitators quit in a demonstration. Work on the job proceeded uneventfully during the remainder of the after-

"The "small group of agitators', to correct Connolly, were 3000 militant, striking workers, and the only stones thrown were by stool pigeons and provocateurs in the private, as well as public employ of the WPA.

OAKLAND PWUU WINS

OAKLAND, Calif., Mar. 6,vestigation comes at a time when Because of militant strike action these same Chamber of Commerce taken on several WPA projects could render them immune from demanding increased embargoes influences are openly demanding here last week the local officials stray shrannel. But the last thing against Italy. Should the imdismissal of two University of are beginning to recognize the the Chinese Reds would want to pending peace discussion fail, It-California teachers, Prof. Max Public Works and Unemployed do would be to harm peaceful aly is expected to withdraw from to 27. Radin and Harry Conover, for ad- Union as a force to be reckoned foreigners in any way. It would the League and proclaim an al-

Last week action by workers and in no way further their inwas taken on five different projects. The men protested against working 8 hours per day—two more Regional Park Board.

Last Wednesday, after about attorneys who defend Communists 2500 men had worked their regin the courts disbarred from prac- ular six-hour shift they walked off the project. A few days later a large committee called upon Mr. Koetitez, district administrator. with a long list of grievances and found him in a conciliatory mood.

JOB STEWARDS It was proposed that job stewards be put on every job in order to assure proper organization and it was agreed that the PWUU should organize such a system at once. So that the union can keep tab on orders going out to foremen, a request was made that a copy of all orders relating to working conditions be mailed to the PWUU office. This was ordered done

Complaint was made against Superintendents Cortiss and Sheridan of the Wild Cat project. Charges are to be filed against these two slave drivers and a promise was made to investigate. A bulletin was immediately or--Costello, business agent of the dered sent out with instructions

ordinance prohibits onceman cars about 400 new members have the firm got out an injunction and | joined the Public Works and Un- regular employees, Farley perhas been operating these cars on employed Union during the last suaded his patron, Roosevelt, to 80 East Eleventh street, New York ordinance, deleting the paragraph other delegates attacked Green's in your organization. Get your been arrested since the strike

Organized Vigilantes Have Control of EAST COAST I.S. U. OFFICIALS Crockett Union by Terrorism

INTIMIDATION RIFE WITHIN RANKS OF AMER. FED. OF LABOR LOCAL

A striking illustration of how fascism works with the ranks of the

trade unions is offered in the pres-Refinery Employees' Union, No.

urgent necessity of a Farmer- functioning openly as a company union, headed by "reliable employes." At the conclusion of the 1934 strike, contact between members of this company union and the militant longshoremen and warehousemen aroused the demand for a bona fide A. F. of L. union among the sugar workers.

Sensing this the company union leaders took the initiative and ap- dared to run for officer in the unplied for an A. F. of L. charter. ion on a rank and file program, This was granted and the same was actually beaten up by this

CROCKETT, Calif., March 2. of the borta fide union.

far more odious.

FASCIST RULE This is the background of the situation. But the inside story is

Within the ranks of this union s a well trained group of vigilantes, who actually drill under the supervision of fascist-minded officers.

Up until a short time ago, one of these "drill masters" was none other than the editor of the vigilante sheet, American Citizen, Major Sanborn. Completely intimidated by the

fascist group, the rank and file members of the union are absolutely cowed. One member who

So complete is their control, the tics of the company union officials union is not even affiliated to the with the result that a man who State Federation of Labor or even had only been in the mill a short the local Contra Costa Central time deliberately attacked him. Labor Council.

INTIMIDATION FREQUENT

Stool pigeons are exceeded in number only by the vigilantes. Any worker who has the misfortune to utter a single remai. which could be construed as a progressive idea is immediately set upon and beaten up. If he is not fired on top of it, he is considered fortunate.

One member who has worked in the refinery for years and been on the battle against this two a tax paying member of the community for years was fired because he had become engaged in called and at this meeting the a "fight." Actually the member complete facts of the whole unhad consistently opposed the tac- savory condition will be exposed.

Deciding that it takes two to

make a fight the company fired the worker. The provocateur disappeared and has not been scen since. The man who has his entire life's earnings invested in the and with no chance of gaining one in the company-controlled

Black as things are however, there are a few workers with enough spirit and fight to carry edge enemy.

A public mass meeting has been

war on the shipowners into a war on the rank and

have no need to worry about demands for a na-

tional uniform agreement.

Browns and Scharrenbergs.

must fight for this.

this referendum.

name of "unity."

the seven self-appointed dictators.

If successful in this effort the shipowners will

Seamen must fight against this. If anybody is

East Coast men! West Coast men!-The I. S. U.

Follow in the footsteps of the Pacific Coast

Marine Firemen and the Sailors' Union of the

Pacific who have demanded a rank and file

conducted referendum on the decisions of the

Convention. All branches, locals and districts

Demand the I. S. U. Executive Board institute

Such action will defeat the aims of those who

Fight for the return of the charter to the Sailors'

would destroy the rank and file unions under the

to be ejected from Union halls let it be the Gus

belongs to the membership. It does not belong to

Editorial

Seamen On All Coasts Must Fight for National Unity Clearly the I. S. U. officials seek to turn a

Despite the charter-jerking action of the reactionary-controlled International Seamen's Union Convention the ranks of the Sailors' Union of the file. Pacific are one hundred per cent solid. Already 5300 members have signed cards pledging loyalty to their Union in its fight to regain the charter and A. F. of L. standing.

But the shipowners' puppets have not given up their original intentions to smash the rank and file control of the Pacific Coast maritime unions. On the contrary they have renewed their efforts. The scene of activity for the moment has merely been shifted to the East Coast.

The reactionary I. S. U. officials aim to kill two birds with one stone. They seek to stifle the unanimously expressed demand of Eastern reamen for militant action in the fight for improved working conditions and are now maneuvering very clearly for a sell-out agreement.

In the same breath these hirelings of the shipowners are attempting to turn the Atlantic seamen against their West Cost union brothers.

I. S. U. officials.

Already West Coast seamen have been eject-

ed from Atlantic Union halls by order of the

Union of the Pacific.

(Continued From Page 1) ressives forced a vote. However, the motion to file carried by 51

After the vote a delegate rethe San Francisco local that loses its charter Scharrenberg will be out of luck," he said, "For he couldn't get into any other union."

GREEN DEFIED

A long communication from the Committee for Industrial Unionism was ordered printed in full in the East Bay Labor Journal. This was done despite a letter received from Green last week "ordering" the Council to have nothing to do with the Committee.

The American Student Union was branded a "Communist controlled" organization, in a letter from Green who cited Edward Vandeleur, president of the State Federation of Labor as his authority: The Council was "advised" it should not seat fraternal delegates from the students. A dozen angry delegates demanded the floor to answer this.

Said one, "I am not a Communist and probably never will be one, but as long as the Communist Party is legal in this state we have no more right to bar anyone from membership in this Council because he is a Communist than we have to demand that he join the Republican or Democratic parties." Another remarked, "It looks like Vandeleur is taking his orders direct from dirty Willie Hearst."

Chairman Fee ruled all motions to seat the student delegates out of order. He declared that Green's letter constituted an order, and he might jerk the Council's charter if defied.

A committee was appointed to gather facts concerning the A. S. U. to forward their findings to Green with a statement that the Council considers him in error and asking him to reconsider. DISASTER PLAN

Secretary Spooner reported that is Roosevelt's campaign manager his conferences with the city attorney on the Disaster Prepared-(Note: Material for this article ness ordinance have resulted in a

Women's Day at S.F. Open Forum, Mar. 8

ed Labor ticket. Admission is free.

power to declare an emergency exists and would add an amendment specifying that labor disputes cannot be considered as disasters under the plan.

draft a resolution expressing the men other than members of the Council's confidence in and the esteem it holds Professor Max I. L. A. Local 38-79 at its last Radin of the University of California, victim of a red-baiting attack by District Ateorney Cleary of Stanislaus County.

(For editorial comment, see Page 6.)

L. A. LABOR COUNCIL

LOS ANGÈLES, Mar. 4.—William Green and his local stooges in the Central Labor Council took a drubbing here at the regular meeting of the council last Friday night, when delegates launched an attack on Green's letter warning against industrial unionism.

"Why, I represent a union that leading the attack on Green's let-

"Further than that, I come from Butte, Montana, where the unions organized along industrial lines and were able to whip Anaconda Copper and the Standard Oil Company!

of being labeled a 'Red' every time I speak in disagreement with the leadership of the American Federation of Labor and of the Central Labor Council!"

Delegate Horn, of the Brewery Workers' Union, also spoke vehemently for the principle of in dustrial unions, stating that he belonged to the oldest industrial

which gives the committee the position.

SEEK TO STIFLE DEMAND OF SEAMEN FOR FIGHT ACTION

Rand and File Call for Militant Stand to Gain Original Demands Made

NEW YORK, March 5.—Despite the overwhelming vote of the East Coast seamen against the renewing of the old agreement and the majority sentiment for a definite line of action against the shipowners, the reactionary District Committee of the I. S. U. re-opened negotiations by asking for a \$62.50 wage scale instead of the original 20 community is now out of a job per cent increase which the membership have demanded.

To Recruit Coast In Charter Fight shipping and improved condi-

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with the position of the maritime unions and to press the demand for a Congressional investigation of the shipowners' plot to smash the unions.

The date of the mass meeting has not yet been set. A statement by a representative of the Chamber of Commerce at a luncheon in San Jose emphasizes sharply the need of such an investigation. (See story on Page 1. Col. 3.)

Bellingham I. L. A. Local 38-98 has also adopted a resolution supporting the demands of District Councils No. 1 and 2 for the

Congressional investigation. PLOT UNCOVERED NORTH

Seattle capitalist papers have (Continued on Page 2, Col. 1) been running advertisements for an "unlimited number of seamen." Investigation by alert maritime leaders reveals the fact that plans have been made to attempt to replace union men with scabs imelections.

The new mayor does not take office until June, which will make it very simple for the employers to use armed thugs and vigilantes without fear of political repercussion.

The plan is being drawn up by the outgoing strikebreaking mayor, C. Smith, representatives of the Washington Indus-

The expose of this plan confirms the findings made by the San Francisco District Council of a coast-wise plot to work the maritime unions.

I. L. A. REFERENDUM SAN FRANCISCO, March 2.

-Realizing the serious consequences that might arise in the event the International Seamen's Executive Board together with the shipowners attempt to give The secretary was instructed to 1. S. U. membership books to Sailors' Union of the Pacific. general membership meeting requested that the Pacific Coast District Committee of the I. L. A. institute a referendum vote on this vital issue

The ballot will decide if the membership of the I. L. A. shall work ships manned by seamen other than bona fide members of the Sailors' Union of the Pacific, for picket lines if necessary. Its as defined under the terms of the demands that a deadline be set, in 1934 arbitration award, pending which time the shipowners must restoration of the Sailors' charter and depending upon the outcome of their appeal in the courts.

in readiness and taken if and when the Pacific District I. L. A. is called upon to furnish men to work with other than members of the Sailors' Union

No vessel manned with other than the bona fide members of the Sailors' Union of the Pacific would be worked by the Pacific Coast I. L. A. pending the

The demand for the proposed referendum was presented in a resolution introduced by Harry Bridges, local president, which, Sailors' Union of the Pacific leadership in the past few months, nevertheless points out clearly that it is the duty of the Pacific Coast longshoremen to back the sailors, who fought together with longshoremen on the 1934 picket slightest concession. lines, against any shipowner-inspired dual organization.

Deliberately retreating from the shipowners instead of maintaining Frisco ILA Moves a fighting policy, this change in demands was reported without, even consulting the rank and f On top of this the demands for overtime pay, union control of

> tions are being pushed into the background. I. S. U. PILOT POPULAR

In an effort to counteract the tremendous influence and popularity of the rank and file-issued I. S. U. PILOT, which has been a tremendous factor in building unity and offering a progressive program for the men to follow, the I. S. U. is publishing a bulletin known as the Seamen's Journal, Atlantic and Gulf Supplement.

Its very fine first issue is .a. shining example of strike-stifling propaganda, Praising V. Olander for "his good offices in reopening negotiations," the sheet then launches into a full spread against any militant plan of action to insure the seamen of their demand-

LYNCH IS EDITOR

The rest of its contents are devoted to a rabid attack upon the rank and file. Particularly against the Sailors' Union of the Pacific. Strangely enough, the editor is a member of the Sailors' Union of the Pacific. His name is Carl Lynch, former editor of the now. mediately following the March 10 defunct American Seamen, which earned the wrath and boycott of practically all West Coast seamen because of its red-baiting and Federation attacking policies.

Under the heading "Warning issued to Pacific Sailors" is a statement which declares that an International office has been established on the West Coast that only members of the Sai.

Union of the Pacific who have signed a pledge card issued by the I. S. U. of A. will be recognized by the East Coast branches. Seeking to split the ranks of

the West Coast Sailors, the arany member of the Sailors' Union, of the Pacific who leaves their ship within the jurisdiction of the Eastern and Gulf Sailors' Union, may transfer "after proper examination and by pledging themselves

loyal to the I. S. U." MILITANT FIGHT URGED

No member of the Sailors' Union of the Pacific will be al- 🧔 lowed at East Coast Union meetings and they will also be banned from the hall, according to the statement. In sharp contrast to this ranksplitting policy, the I. S. Ur PILOT calls upon all seamen to support the Sailors' Union

> of the Pacific and protect their West Coast brothers from being victimized by the tactics of the District Committee. The PILOT also calls for a militant stand on the original demands by the East Coast seamen, to the extent of preparing

Above all the rank and file paper stresses the absolute need of unity between the West and East Coast to protect the seamen from any attacks by the shipowners

GENERAL STRIKE THREAT MADE BY NEW YORK UNION

NEW YORK, N. Y., March, 5, -A general strike in New York

The threat was whispered by union men here today as the Realty. Advisory Board refused demands of striking building service emwhile citing several mistakes of the ployers, after more than 14 hours of negotiation with leaders of the

> Union officials went so far as to consent to arbitrate most their demands, but the emplo. stubbornly refused to make the

Mayor LaGuardia's police continued to make arrests as pickets militantly battled for their rights, against imported scabs and gun Promote Western Worker sales thugs. Sixty-seven strikers have went into effect Sunday.

Smacks Automobile

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 5.-

mobile. The one-man car shoved As the committee was about the machine into him, injuring his to leave a group of unorganized head, shoulder and hand. His two WPA workers appeared with a grandchildren were discovered be- grievance. They had lost a day's neath the automobile, uninjured. | pay while being transferred to an-«The Market Street Railway last) other project and charged discrim-Summer started operating one- ination between two gangs. The there were 30,000 vacancies-full brain cars on several streets here, committee took these workers in contending they could not afford hand and after winning a partial to perate the two-man variety. victory for them, signed several Mead Bill providing a minimum

thrown out of work. Because an As a result of these actions for postal substitutes and a mini-

order and Attorney Aram's demand should receive the support ent situation existing in the Sugar of all California labor and every This organization was formerly

"Shortly after noon about 75 officers were retained as leaders gang of vigilantes.

SLANDERED BY HEARST PRESS

(Continued from Page 1) cism, he pointed out is aimed a the suppression of the popular will and the preservation of capitalism. The Soviets, on the other hand, suppress capitalism, socialize industry and agriculture, and

conform with the popular will. CHINESE COMMUNISTS Hearst papers blazed with scare headlines on March 3 proclaiming "AMERICANS PERILED BY CHINA REDS." The story announced advances of the Red Army of Soviet China in Shansi mong the men who were prom- province, declared thirty-four American missionaries were in

> ready be annihilated. On the following day, other newspapers announced safety of the Americans in small inside stories. The Hearst press refrained from commenting.

from the group," they might al-

Constant authoritative state ments from China affirm that the Chinese Communists are neither murderous nor bandits and in no from the invasion without humiliway imperil missionaries. A war ation, and that she may offer is being fought between the Chi- peace on the condition that she nese Soviets and the mercenary retain att of the territory at preof Chiang Kai-shek. Should the sent occupied by Italian troops. churchmen choose to count their rosaries in the line of fire, no one as public opinion in all natoins is

LEAGUE OF NATIONS violent attack against the San than the regular amount-in order and Italy to participate in peace Musolini strives to achieve some

sentiment at home, is eager to find some way of withdrawing East Bay Labor **Council Ired By Orders From Top**

The situation is tense, inasmuch liance with Nazi Germany

other fascist states. Meanwhile, all the most horrible weapons of modern war are being Willingness of both Ethiopia exerted on the African front as

Francisco maritime unions and to make up for hours off because discussions with the League Coun- significant victory to serve as a openly flaunting their plans in of rain. The largest project is cil are reported. It is believed basis for demands at the peace the Wild Cat Canyon job of the ltaly, pressed by revolutionary discussion. Farley Cuts Post Office Expenses But Makes Substitute Mail Clerks

Work Twice As Hard for Less Wages

(Continued from Page 1) the University of Georgia. Reactionary Henry Woodring, Farley made assistant secretary of

Farley's own boast is his economical administration of the post office business. Economies were made at the expense of the post office workers. The New Deal's deduction for the retirement fund. ers' income. Salary cuts, enforced vacations, retirements, suspension the hole. of promotions and failure to fill vacancies after July 1, 1932, accounted for \$80,000,000 of the \$100,000,000 savings for the fiscal

\$6 PER WEEK

year ending June 30, 1933.

Meanwhile some 20,000 substitute postal workers, on the list anywhere from four to eleven years, were attempting to exist on wages of less than \$6 per week. They couldn't get relief because of their "connections" with the government. But in 1933 time jobs-waiting to be filled. And when Congress passed the of 100 hours of work per month

Farley made profits from stamp collectors by dubious methods of printing deliberate 'phonies' (printers' mistakes) and a wave of commemorative issues. And at the end of his first year in office he announced a surplus of \$12,000,-000. But the real expense of the post office department has always been the millions spent for frankfirst gift to these government ed mail (mail sent at government workers was a 15 per cent cut in expense), air and ship subsidies, wages. Then came a 31/2 per cent and second class mailing rates, set below cost because of pressure Both together, these represented from publishers. Farley ignored a 25 per cent cut in postal work- these little incidentals, but they put the post office \$52,000,000 in

the postal employees to adopt a militant program of struggle. Farley instituted a reign of terror, dragged the red-scare into the picture in approved Hearstian style, and fired three active St. Louis unionists for loitering five minutes each. Postal workers in New York City were disciplined and threatened with dismissal for protesting against working conditions and circulating literature for their organi-

Miserable conditions forced

At heart Farley is a political mobsman. And don't forget—he

was taken from Labor Notes for resolution which will be presented mum wage of \$15 per week for February, published monthly by to the city council on March 5. ical Union dared to speak against the Labor Research Association, The resolution would amend the industrial unionism, while many City.)

SAN FRANCISCO.—On Sunday evening, Mar. 8, the Open Forum conducted each week by trial Council and Alfred Lundin, the San Francisco Council of the former chairman of the "Commit-Democratic Party at 68 Haight tee of 500." street, will observe International They have also worked out Women's Day, which is being plans to use scabs to replace celebrated all over the world by longshoremen and lumberworkers ticle also informs the reader that women's organizations, social and as well. marked Green better be careful political groups. The speaker will be Miss Tanna Alex, San Frangot its charter jerked. "If it's icsco attorney and recent candidate for supervisor on the Unit-

really shows what an industrial union can do," said Delegate Gillette, of the Musicians' Union, in

"Furthermore, I'm getting tired

union in the United States. Only Dalton of the Typograph-

The referendum is to be held of the Pacific.

outcome of the referendum.

union brothers to subscribe.

Queer Dough in Jail WAR-PROP BURO Opening of People's Front Congress

A Prisoner Tells of Counterfeiting in San Quentin

INTRODUCTION

This is the first of a series of articles written exclusively for the Western Worker by a man who has just been released from San Quentin penitentiary. We regard it as one of the most vital and important series we have ever run. In view of the current scandals involving American prisons and the increasing practice of financial interests in using the prisons as a weapon against political movements, it deserves the widest possible reading. The series throws

interesting light on the causes To crime that should open the eyes of every honest thinking per-

The cab drivers were checking in for the day. Among the cash turned in by one was a strangelooking ten dollar bill. The boss looked at it closely, turned to the driver, "Wait," he said, "take this one back, it's phoney.

"Hell." the driver said. "I know one. I'll go to him right today and get a good one for it."

"No you won't," the boss rea chance to look this over first."

The Federal men looked at the Taccustomed to looking at so can" is their creed. many queer bills) a trifle crude.

was good and it had been rum- hustlers. On the one hand, it pled enough to make it look like nearest growler.

THE MAKERS

Now it is quite one thing t pass counterfeit money (called shoving queer in the criminal jargon), but it is far more serious to be caught making it. To pass queer money the passer, upon con viction may not receive more than two years for his act. But to

e it-ah-that's a far more seas offense. The makers generally get from ten to twenty-five years for their trouble, and when they do get out the Federal men watch them constantly.

This explains why the first ex-.con coughed up his guts and told where the dough was made. He probably received a "proposition" from the G-men and knew h would catch hell if he did not give them the information they wanted. So he told them it had been made within the walls of San Quentin, in the photograph department and that there was still a lot more either already made or could be made at a moments notice. That statement made it clear to the G-men that the plates used in the process were still in the prison, and, possibly, a large cache of phoney bills waiting to be "flown" out.

PRISON GUARDS

They came to the prison, questioned the Warden, got his permission to examine the photo gallery and found the entire plant. But not without trouble. For it was necessary to shove out of their way several guards and officials (including the captain of the prison yard) in order to get to the places they wanted, and talk to the cons that were in some way implicated in the caper.

. That they found everything and -what is infinitely worse-found the capitalist class. The advent forgetful-with the incarceration things the prison officials and guards could not find, is well as the liberation of the workers, of the three factions, with social-

wn. True, their findings made a laughing stock out of the guard force of the prison who should have known that such things were sult that under the new regime going on. The ignorance of guards there were two masters for every is so well known that they can be outwitted and outguessed by a child. How then could they expect to cope with convicts who are accustomed to out-maneuvering coppers who (despite their low level of intelligence) are far smarter than the average prison guard. Throughout the prison, convicts went about with a smile on their faces. Whenever a guard approached, one could be heard asking another, "Hey, when can I get the next batch of tens?" The -1 within hearing, either ig-

form of government, and its sub- and picketing brought the anarchthe remark or snatched the stitution by a socialist regime. convict by the coat and whirling him about would search him, then and there.

CAUSE OF CRIME

Mainly, we are not concerned with the disposal of the cons who with the disposal of the cons who asset their rights, tangent and left and action to oppose the machi- turias, bent on a reign of sup- did its best to stop the dissolution ments of meetings held every- aciated, tortured, half dead men Yes; it can happen here, too



ing millionaires. For as long as capitalist America must keep fifteen millions living in squalor and misery, as long as a million felons must be kept under lock and key, just that long will there the guy well that gave me that be millions of young men willing to take a chance with the law, rather than take the crumbs swept off the table by the capitalists. plied, "let's give the Federal men Nothing strange about that. Working class movements (in the opinions of criminals) are too slow, bill closely. It was, to their eyes wherefore "get yours while you

The significance of the "queer-But, exchanged in the dark it dough-caper" (as it was called) ruld pass easily. For it had the goes deeper than the simple arel" of good cash, the printing rest of three or four hot-shot sends its roots clear into the the latter.

TOM MOONEY

Ever heard of a fellow called Tom Mooney? Sure you haveand who hasn't? California (and forces which have kept the mil-San Quentin especially) would be lions of unemployed in misery for glad to get rid of the Mooney case. Many guards and officials to snow a good number of those wish there was some way Mooney accidental criminals that they have could be done away with and save the wrong viewpoint, that indithem the embarressment which vidual lawlessness is wrong and they are subjected to. Not one, useless, and that only by getting but many guards are frequently back into the working class and asked by their friends, "Are you taking part in the class struggl Mooney locked up when you know about a system where stealing he is innocent?" This puts the will not be known or necessary. guard on a spot. Either way he To that end I dedicate these aranswers he commits a blunder.

Possibly we are going to absurd lengths in mentioning Tom in the same article with queer dough. But it is well known that if the guard force had given as much time to searching for counterfeit plants as they did to searching the cells of Mooney, Mc-Namara, the Sacramento and port such work.

E. Alvarez.

proletariat fought without success

the domination and terrorism of

ter. The monarchists merely

changed their face with the re-

The workers in Spain were di-

vided. A large percentage dreamed

under the banner of anarchism.

Another part worked under that of

socialism. A smaller, though com-

pacter one, plowed steadily under

the red flag. There was one basic

thing in common between these

three factions: they belonged to

the exploited class. There was

and there is one aim in common

between them: the total eradica-

BITTER EXPERIENCE

one of the old set-up.

was only a slight change of mas- ists in the lead.

Syndicalists Won Elections

For long years the Spanish illustrated with the deaths of thou-

of the Republic, which some hailed of over thirty thousand leaders

Spain.

tion of the exploiters and their terms for the crime of striking

Modesto prisoners, Harry Donlan and the rest of the class war prisoners, it is certain they would have spent their time in far better pursuits. It is within their realm is practicing the goose-step in of disciplinary measures to search the open these days. for guns, knives, contraband, queer dough and other things, but when they spend most of their time pestering and pushing about our comrades who have given up forts have been afoot for the last their freedom that the working class movement might go on, then it IS OUR BUSINESS. And not for one moment are we going to let them forget that our comrades are not to be subjected to searching, probing, snooping ac- for war time hysteria. tivities of the San Quentin "red quad." Not a week passes but what the "Red Squad" makes its rounds of all the cells of our comrades searching for (what they call) red literature. All the classwar prisoners are known by sight to the Red Squad. When the Red Squad is a little off its feed, they stop one of the class-war pris oners going through the prison vard and search him. Hougardy almost got into serios trouble when he told them, "Don't disturb that machine gun in my watch pocket." The sillvness of their meth-

MY PURPOSE

to be laughed off.

I am going to give the read used money. Of course, the G- class struggle in the exposure of ers of the Western Worker quite questioned the cab driver, Fascist tendencies within the walls a few articles on the prison and found his "friend" of the previous of the world's largest prison, and, its bestial methods of torture, its night and tossed him into the on the other hand, it shows clear- definite tendency towards the ly the class and type of men the same brands of fascist terror which state entrusts with the lives of are being practiced in Germany, thousands of men, who in many Austria, Poland and other nations cases are in prison for offenses where the fascists must keep their which would draw them a five or power by jailing or killing everyten dollar fine in other states, I one who objects. I want you to while in this state they usually read these and understand them get five or ten years-more often for it may be your turn next, and I want you to know just what you can expect if you do go to prison either for labor activities or any thing else. I feel that the criminal has been de-classed by the same so long. And it may be possible one of those who are keeping with the workers can they bring

> (Next Issue: "THE BAGLEY M'NABB CAPER.")

Effective organization of unemployed will aid in maintaining union scales of pay. Demand that your union officials sup-

republicans a cruel, bitter lesson,

sands of their best members, and

epilogued-in case they became

Meantime, and for years, the

Communist Party had preached

the necessity of a UNITED

FRONT. No; the syndico-an-

archists were absolutely opposed,

by doctrine, to any class of gov-

ernment. They didn't believe in

the ballot. The socialists were

jealous of the growing ascend-

ancy of the Communist Party of

UNITED FRONT

But the massacres of workers

and the threatened death penalties

to hundreds of those in jail and

the meting out of savagely long

ists, the socialists and the Com-

munists together. The anarchists

JINGO FACTORY In Mexico City; 700,000 Represented

WESTERN WORKER

IT IS AGAINST THE LAW TO LIKE THE ENGLISH IN FASCIST ITALY

HOLLYWOOD (FP)— The motion picture industry, never known for its pacific tendencies,

The building of a motion picture reserve unit, to be affiliated with the Signal Corps, has at last been formally and publicly okayed by the War Department. Though eftwo years to develop a propaganda machine for the films, military men have been hesitant about revealing their intention of using the movies' vast p ropaganda possibilities as a basic preparation

UNDERWAY

Maj. Gen. Paul B. Malone, commanding officer of the 9th corps area, has visited Hollywood and set up the necessary apparatus for enrolling writers, actors, directors, technicans and every other sort of movie worker into a propaganda machine which at a moment's notice will be ready to flood the screen of the country with jingo

LABOR ANGLE

Nor, Hollywood observers beods is laughable at times, but the lieve, is it unlikely that in cerseriousness of the situation is not tain special cases the unit will turn out propaganda pictures for political or social forces, particularly useful when it comes to breaking strikes.

> HOLLYWOOD, (FP)-Word reaches Hollywood that Mussolini's latest edict is one that forbids the showing on Italian screens of any films showing Englishmen in a sympathetic light. This fol-Italy and Britain on the Fthopian

STRICT BAN

Not only are all Englishmade films banned from Rome, but such American pictures as David Copperfield, Mutiny on the Bounty and Captain Blood (although this was written by Sabatini), are due for exclusion.

Mussolini will see to it that his people think the way he wants them to, even if he has to make the possession of a brain a crime against the state.

BUTCHERS ON STRIKE

TIA IUANA, Mexico, Feb. 29went out on strike against low wages paid by the Municipal Packing Company. The principal strike demand is a 100 per cent increase in wages. The effectivness of the strike was seen when the pince for slaughtering doubled immediately following the walk-

Help build Western Worker Routes in your neighborhood and

THE UNITED PEOPLES FRONT IN MEXICO



This photograph was taken on the day when 100,000 Mexican workers and liberals turned out in a united front demonstration aga inst the return of Dictator Calles to the country. It was held in Mexico City where t he present People's Front Congress is now

The New Soviet Hollywood

IT IS NOT TO BE A CREAM PUFF NIGHTMARE

By George Bell. (Western Worker Moscow

Correspondent)

MOSCOW .- The chief fact that being emphasized here about lows on the friction between plans for the new Soviet Hollywood is that it will not bear any striking resemblance to the "papier mache" film city in Southern California.

> Boris Shumayatski, Soviet film chief, recently returned from a visit to the United States with his head bursting with brand new ideas about movie technique, but all of these ideas have nothing in common with the chief basis for Hollywood's existence, namely fabulous profits for the giant film corporations.

SOVIET FLORIDA

The new Soviet Hollywood will be located in the south of the ion's "Florida," in that semi-tropical climate where thousands of workers and collective farmers spend their vacations where formerly only the parasitic hordes Romanovs lolled away their nonetoo-precious time.

An official of the Soviet movie industry recently made these observations:

"What will our cinema city be like? It will be a city flooded with sunshine. But our cinema city will not resemble the American Hollywood.

"Our cinema city will be full of space. It will be a genuine city of art, imaginative in its architecture, with nothing clumsy or imitative. The houses will be sparkling, the streets broad. There will be small separate cottages for art workers, a big hotel where people can come and live comfortably, botanical and zoological gardens, polyclinics, clubs and theaters."

In'fundamental respects, say the Soviet film leaders, they cannot copy the Americans, "for with be needed at the new studios. them everything is built for profit."

EVERY FACILITY

Here, on the other hand movie directors, authors and actors are assured that they will have at their disposal all the equipment, materials and other aid that may U. S. S. R., in the Soviet Un- be needed in conformity with their capabilities.

have a new theater, seating from 4000 to 6000 persons—and it will have none of the garish vulgarity that followed in the trail of the of "Grauman's Chinese" in Los Angeles . . . There will be a cincma museum which will provide a living history of the work and achievements of Soviet and world

UNIVERSITIES

film academy, schools and universities where workers in the films may perfect their skill, or, as the Russians are fond of saying, "improve their qualifications." A magnificent sports stadium (not the commercialized Los Angeles "Bowl," mind you) is also planned film city.

An indication of the great scope of this new enterprise is seen in Boris Shumayatski's statement that more than 110 film directors will

NOT INCLUDED The new Soviet Hollywood will

1. Million - dollar executives

whose chief job is to degrade the latest aesthetic taste of the masses in the interest of profit. 2. Lavish "spectacles" costing huge fortunes where byzantine mummeries conceal the sordid realities of life in a land of deep

3. A grave yard where talented young authors are bribed and corrupted in the service of cheap scenarios that are false to life.

"Our cinema city in the U. S. S. R.," a Soviet film man said recently, "will be a beautiful palace of art which will evoke the envy Soviet Hollywood, including a films in the entire world."

1200 Delegates From 635 Organizations In Giant Meet

MEXICO CITY, Mex., Feb. 26: (Special to the Western Worker)

-With 1200 delegates, represent ing 635 different organizations and more than 70,000 people, the great Congress of the People's Fronts Against Imperialism opened today at 11 a. m. in the Hidalgo Theater

The theater was decorated with posters reading: "Down with War and Imperialism!" "For fraternization between the people and the soldiers!" "Long live the Confederation of Workers of Mexico!" "Demand the dissolution of the fascist 'Gold Shirts!'", etc. On the back wall of the stage hung huge paintings of Emiliano Zapata and Ricardo Flores Magon, leaders of the 1910 revolution. Above the stage were similar portraits of two leaders of Mexico's War of Independence, Benito Juarez and Maria Morelos. All of these portraits were painted by artists belonging to the Mexican League of Revolutionary Artists and Paint-

HONORARY OFFICERS

Eugenio Mendez (one of the three Mexican delegates to the Cleveland Congress Against War and Fascism) presided over the opening of the Congress. Officers were elected including as honorary presidents, Ernst Thaelmann and George Dimitroff, "The most prominent representatives in the fight against fascism and imperialist war." Jose Benitez, a railroad worker, was elected president of the Congress.

Jose Albarran (also one of the delegates to the Cleveland Conby the creators of the new Soviet gress) welcomed the delegates in the name of the organizing com-

CONFEDERATION DELEGATE

A tremendous ovation was given Pedro Morales, peasant delegate and member of the Executive Committee of the newly-formed Confederation of Workers of Mexico. Morales, in sandals and peasant clothes with a bright-colored serape slung over his shoulder told the delegates: "We peasants have come to this Congress inspired by the example of one who died in the struggle to give land to the peasants—Emiliano Zapata!"

One of the greatest ovations of the day was given to Hernan Laborde, general secretary of the Mexican Communist Party. Laborde began his speech by saying that the Congress of the People's Front was taking place in a period of the sharpest struggle of of the West. Such a cinema city popular and progressive forces will be built, and we shall come against fascism and reaction. Re-Excellent cultural facilities are to it and give all our creative ferring to the unification of the included in the plan for the new strength to making there the best proletariat under the Confederation of Workers of Mexico, Laborde described this as "the most important political event in the history of Mexico." After analyzing the forces of reaction and particularly warning against the fascist "Gold Shirts" Laborde closed his speech with a statement of the tasks of the People's Front: the continuation of the Revolution of 1910; the confiscation of lands of the big landowith ers, both foreign and Mexican; the raising of the standard of living of the working class; the carrying through of the revolution to a higher stage; the fight to achieve the socialist state when the opportune moment arrives.

scare campaign.

Over the radio, in the newspa-

El Socialista, official organ of

end of December, unable to de- ers to win the electoral battle. It lay the issue any longer, the cap- was a wave as big as an ocean italists entrenched in the Gov- | set on its end, and with no intenernment began their usual red- tion of spending itself upon an empty sand.

Throughout January the campaign fund for the United Front was swelled to an incredible amount. "Gold from Moscow," screamed the reactionaries. It was not from Moscow. It was from the poor workers. If we consider that even the thousands of prisoners went on a diet and voluntarily contributed to the campaign what was saved in food, we may have an idea of whence the money came and of the spirit that animated the Spanish proletariat.

The day of reckoning dawned. As it had been predicted by the left newspapers the workers won through their UNITED FRONT. This despite intimidation, abuses, frauds..

LIBERATION Immediately all prosecution of

workers, and soldiers who had fraternized with the revolution in ers' Party will open San Quenthe Socialist Party, and La Lib- 1934, had to stop at the benest of tin and all the jails of the counertad, a very leftist organ of the the victorious UNITED FRONT. try to pour out the criminal syn-Left Republicans had to give The jails, penitentiaries, the dun- dicalism victims, the Modesto extra space in every issue to pub- geons had to open wide their frame-up victims, the Scottsboro

who had been held in jail for nearly sixteen months, many without trial, many about to be sentenced to the scaffold. Joy, Happiness, tears! The tri-

umphant victory of the rugged miners, the mothers, the sweethearts. People embraced on the streets without ceremony, without previous acquaintance. They kissed each other on the cheeks, on their dark hair, on their foreheads, and shouted: "Did you hear the news? The United Front won." The red flag waved for days imposingly with a north wind atopthe 'Consejerias' and woe to he who attempted to furl it. Mighty UNITED FRONT, what next?

IT CAN HAPPEN HERE, too. A united front under the banner of the Farmers and Work-

THEY MARCHED HOME AGAIN United Front of Communists, Socialists and



This photograph shows a column of miners, led by one of their wives, surrendering to the police after the disastrous uprising of 1934. Many of them have lain in the dungeons of Spain ever since that time. With the victory of the People's Front in recent elections, they were all released and carried home triumphantly on the shoulders of their friends.

dropped their objection to the bal-The tragic happening of Oc- lot, the socialists their fears and nations and terrorism of both the pression and slaughter. tober, 1934, with its rivers of the UNITED FRONT BECAME monarchists and the rightist re-

At the request of this united blood wherever the workers, un- A BEAUTIFUL REALITY. It publicans. It was the answer to front the Government had to disorganized and disunited, tried to was a union of class conscious the capitalist class of Spain, in- solve the Cortes, and issue a call assert their rights, taught social- workers—revolutionary in spirit ebriated with the blood of As- to new elections. This Government lish the thousands of announce- doors to pour out stumbling, em- boys, the Tom Mooney's, etc.

THE VICTORY OF THE SPANISH PROLETARIAT A Lesson for America in the Experience of The Spanish Working Class

and the call. Of no avail. At the where in Spain exhorting the work-

PROPAGANDA

pers the announcers and the headliners shrieked: "We are under the red terror." Nightly, hundreds of fascists went out distributing their papers (similar to the 'American Citizen' of San Rafael) in which they poured lies against the workers, against the United Front. As usual, they called themselves the patriots, the saviors, the flagwavers.

In answer, the UNITED FRONT put out their own leaflets and poverty-stricken mimeographed sheets educating the workers, reminding them of October. 1934, of the 30,000 in prison and of the danger of similar occurrences if they did not win the

THOUSANDS OF MEETINGS

DISTRICT ORGANIZATIONAL DEPARTMENT

What Party and YCL Members Must Do In Youth Work

For some years we have suffered from an epidemic of "noncooperation" between the Party and the Young Communist League. Without going into the merits of the case, and in the light of the current changes in the policy of the YCL, there are certain facts which must be considered seriously by the Party members in the YCL.

With the broadening of the YCL into a mass youth organization, in time, a number of YC "L'ers well be joining the Party. Their mass work will still be youth work, and there will be no question of loading them up with routine Party assignments if the Party units are clear as to their position. Youth work is not different from other types of mass work which the Party considers of major importance. However, this cannot be clearly understood by the average unit member unless the present Party members who are doing youth work are also active in their Party units.

Leading YCL Comrades in the past have been in the habit of only attending their unit meetings once a month. The unit, naturally, has felt that youth work mand of the North American was completely dissociated from Loan Company, have by force Party activity, and have taken no and violence perpetrated this act interest in its development. Those of vandalism. young Comrades who went into YCL work as a result of the recent decisions on this point, and who have continued to attend organization first, and Party mem- the people of the neighborhood.

if the building of the new youth of youth work.

NUMBER 13

There are still between two South Flower Street. and three hundred members who have not registered for their 1936 membership books. If you yourself have not been registered, or an official of the Red Cross, the if you know of any other worker who hasn't his 1936 book, please immediately inform the District month's rent. The crowd and the Org. Dept. direct, 121 Haight Street, San Francisco.

Party member who recruited three by a group of people some of or more members since the beginning of the Drive, January 1, to send his or her name, Unit number and City, direct to the District Org. Dept. We want these names so that we can use the experiences of these Comrades to help other units and sections to improve their recruiting.

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Party Life Jobless Unions Fight for Homes for Evicted Families WHERE TO GO WORLD WAR VET AND FAMILY OF

SEVEN THROWN ON STREETS IN SOUTH GATE, CALIF.

By the Los Angeles Boondoggler. SOUTH GATE, Calif., Feb. 29.—You have heard it said, "Radicals wish to destroy the American home."

Well, I and many others saw a home today that was in the process of being destroyed. A modest home, to be sure. The home of Owen and Elsie Hollenbeck and their six children at 9511 San Vincente ave., South Gate: Calif.

The furniture had been taken in rough hands and flung into drove by, looked at us, and gave the street. Three of the younger children wandered dumbfounded through the scattered, dusty furnishings thrown helter shelter into the gutter. A fourth child, a little girl-who was threatened with pneumonia—lay feverish and frightened at the home of a poor but friendly nieghbor. The pregnant mother, suffering from nervousness, hunger and exhaustion. comforted her husband as best she could.

He is a shell shocked veteran who gave the best years of his life in the service of "his" country and even now still were frayed army garments and a Legion button as he lay on a davenport where he collapsed screaming and sobbing.

Members of the Los Angeles Sheriff's office, acting at the com-

WORKERS TAKE A HAND

A crowd of men and women start gathering. The majority of ley, the products of which I pedthem wear prominently displayed dle in Hollywood. My clientele Party meetings, find that the unit a button that reads, "JOIN THE is about 200 or so, and I have members have youth contacts, and P. W. U. U." Also present and are more than willing to help in lending active support are memrecruiting them to the YCL, YC- bers of the local Epic Club and L'ers must get away from the at- a few friendly members of the titude of being members of a mass American Legion, supported by

A calm young man, elected for upon keeping my sympathies un-This situation must be changed the job by the crowd, mounts a chair and explains the situation. organization is to progress. YCL He tells how this family, whose members who are sufficiently de- breadwinner is working on WPA veloped should be recruited into at \$55 per month, has been evicted lation, I think that the Spanish the Party, and the present YCL three days before their rents is due. speaking workers should be given members in the Party must re- He announces that a committee a column or two in each issue. cognize their position and edu-las just talked with Mrs. Hollen-The Spanish workers have been cate the Party on the question beck and that she has agreed to deplorably neglected. They cerplace the case in their hands and tainly should be considered a A. P. W. (San Francisco YCL) is willing to support them to the vertebrae in the back bone of the role in the creation of the new extent of taking her family along Party. TO ALL UNITS IN DISTRICT while they move the furniture into the relief headquarters at 741

VICTORY But then he reports that house has been found and that relief station being closed, has been forced to advance one family think they should accept the house. The pieces of furniture We also want to have every are lifted carefully aboard a truck whom are classed at police headquarters as dangerous radicals who seek to destroy the American

> An ambulance is secured and the sick girl is on her way to the General Hospital, followed by a committee of three to see that she is admitted. The committee comes in handy, for the hospital admits her only under protest.

They have won. The committee turns to go. I note one wears in his button hole a pin of the American Legion. The lapel of the second carries a button of the Public Works Unemployed Union. The third wears no button of any kind but I look more closely and see on his left hand a ring which bears some kind of an emblem. A he moves his hand there flashesto my astonishment and complete satisfaction-A Hammer And Sickle.

WHERE WAS THE MAYOR? The mayor of South Gate where this eviction took place is Mr. Pomeroy who is also assistant relief administrator of the Los Angeles County Relief Adminis-

tration.

The people here say he utilized their confidence as a stepping stone to a higher position and forgot what he promised them. In dividuals are running for office whom they call "Pomeroy Puppets," and workers' groups are determined to defeat them by puting their own Farmer-Labor candidates in the field.

Herman Nesbitt and Joe Ham- had his left leg amputated. Out man will be their candidates for of the hospital, sick, hungry, he city councilmen, and Mr. Vogler could find no way to feed himfor city treasurer. All three, who self or his wife and son. So he are militant members of the South turned to robbery. Easily captured, Gate Epic Club, were at the cvic- he was rushed to trial. A "mercition and did their part to help ful" judge sentenced him to "the the Hollenbecks.

say: "The people with big cars will his wife and son?

no help. You people came and helped us and I'll stick to you. When we vote to put our own people in office we won't be thrown out of our homes into the street, humiliated and treated like we were animals. If a Labor Party will help I'm for it One-

Mister and Missus IN COMPETITION

Hundred percent."

Van Nuys, Calif. My dear Comrade Editor:

This week I secured six Western Worker subscriptions.

You may wonder why and how I work. I have a small poultry ranch in the San Fernando Valgiven myself the task of trying to educate those "birds" into our noble creed.

One of these subscribers, a professional man, said, "My bread, to a great extent, is dependent disclosed." Another, a small but influential movie person, is in the same position.

While on the subject of circu-

By the way, my wife and I have a contest for new subscribers since the drive began. She has, to date, six and I have seven. I would like to know if that can be duplicated by any household in the section? That is, no consideration for subscriptions gotten at bazaars or any like function.

I suggested to you some time ago that the women comrades everywhere should insist that their service men, such as milkmen, paper collectors, and divers peddlers who call at their homes, become subscribers to the Western

That is my wife's forte. On to a Soviet America. Comradely yours,

W. I. D. NOTE: Portions of this letter relating to his means of getting subscriptions for persons unwilling to be exposed, have been deleted. They are simple and evidently effective as his record as a subgetter shows. And how many comrades milkmen, etc., as his wife does?-

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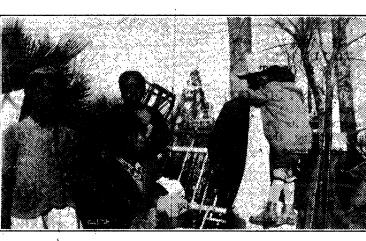
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HE MUST EAT

SAN DIEGO, March 2.—Charles Sisson, 42, unemployed, recently term prescribed by law." Now Mrs. Hollenbeck has this to he'll have three meals a day. But

HOMELESS IN SAN BERNARDINO



Lee Washington, his wife and four of their seven children. Mrs. Washington is holding their baby on her lap. Behind them lies their furniture where it was dumped by sheriff's deputies when they were driven from their home on an eviction order. This picture was taken by a member of the Public Works and Unemployed Union, the jobless organization which arrived on the scene immediately and took a hand in the affair.

Waterfront Unit Turns in \$7.50 to Take Lead in Western Worker Drive

Are Out After Subs

A set of the Collected Works of Lenin will be awarded the winning unit. The competition, part of the drive to build a \$7,500 paign: sustaining fund for the Western Worker, started March 1 and will end April 1. The best "shock brigader" of

each unit will be awarded a copy of Earl Browder's latest book, 'What Is Communism?" Unite 2 and 7 of North Beach Sub-section are following closely

on the heels of the Waterfront "Stakhanovite" unit. They are second with \$5 each turned in for the first two days of com- Quota\$2500.00

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 4-| petition. Othed units responding Unit 1, Waterfront Sub-section, to the call early in the competitook the lead in San Francisco tion are: Unit 21. Waterfront, \$3; sion, 70 cents.

Soviet Women's Role is Portrayed

SAN FRANCISCO, March 5. -Soviet films win new laurels with the production of "Three Women," L. Arnshtem's highly praised film based on 'women's Russia. The production will open its Western premier engagement at the Grand International Theater, 730 So. Grand ave., Los Angeles, Friday, March 13.

Russia in 1914, during the great war, the revolution, and the bloody civil war that followed in its wake, serve as the settings for the very human and dramatic story of "Three Women."

"Happy Youth," newest Soviet featurette, will also be on the program with "Three Women," at the Grand International.

Farmers Realize Worker Need for Unity of Action

FRANKFORT, Ind. (UNS)-Farm sympathy with labor efforts for industrial organization is expressed by Edward A. Stinson, State secretary for Indiana, of the Farmers' Education & Cooperative Union.

"What would a farmers' union could get subscriptions from their look life," he asks, "if we organized the wheat growers in one group, the corn, potato and vegetable growers in separate groups?' Previous to his three years of organizing Indiana farmers, Stinson worked for fifteen years in factories and shops, he relates, and learned the "futility" of trying to organize such industries into crasts.

"It was the Farmers' Union in Clinton County that sent a truckload of food to the strikers in Terre Haute last summer," he says, in a letter to the Committee for Industrial Organiation.

BORIS PASLOVSKY

unit competition when it turned Unit 4, North Beach, \$2.15; Unit in \$7.50 for the first two days of 2 Downtown, \$2; Unit 3, Mis-The following is the latest report of the San Francisco cam-

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ARIZONA BACKS LEWIS TUCSON, Ariz., Mar. 5.—Arizona's unorganized need the type of unionism advocated by the

Committee for Industrial Organization is the opinion of John J. Durkin, editor of the Southwestern Labor Record and secretarytreasurer of the Tucson Central Trades Council. "There are 25,000 workmen in

this state who really need a powerful union," he said. "We have made every attempt to use the present forms of unionism to interest them, but we seem to lack

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TWO SICK CHILDREN AND NURSE ON SIDEWALK AS LAW TAKES COURSE IN SAN BERNARDINO

By a Worker Correspondent.

SAN BERNADINO, Calif., Feb. 29.-A Negro family, namely Lee Washington, his wife and seven children have lived in this community for ten years, coming here from Arizona where they had lived as good, quiet citizens. Washington is a farmer by occupation,—that s, when occupied. For the last four years this family has been on relief in this county.

left them, family of nine an allowance of \$39 a month with we find the sum of \$4.33 for each of them. Seeing that this would not feed his family Washington failed to pay the rent.

As a result he was evicted. At the time of the eviction two of his small children were sick in bed with tonsilitis. A nurse, furnished by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., was with them at the time. Since the nurse was waiting on the children when the law showed up to evict the Washingtons she was put on the sidewalk with her patients.

A committee from the Public Works and Unemployed Union, Local No. 1 of San Bernardino, SRA with demands that the family be given shelter. The committee explained the case thoroughly to the SRA heads, and after five days of waiting it was necessary for the Washingtons to enter the home of another family. HOUSING PROBLEM

The question of housing enters the matter at this point. The shortage of houses in this community is so acute that if something is not done very scon many persons will find themselves in the street. For five days the PWUU and SRA visitors looked for a home for the Washingtons until another household generously took them

And we have such a situation

Out of their allowance of \$55, while at the same time tens of \$16 was needed to pay rent. This thousands of workers are used on non-productive relief "projects'.' when the PWW mentioned which to buy food and clothing. this to the relief officials and Dividing this into nine equal parts asked why men are not building homes they shrugged and answer-

ed, "What can we do but obey

orders from Washington."

Color Technician To Talk at Forum In Hollywood Sun.

HOLLYWOOD, Mar. 5.-Robert Edmond Jones, foremost American scenic designer and color expert on the first all-Technicolor production, "Becky Sharp," will be a main speaker at the Contemporary Theater symposium to be held at the Masonic Temple, called upon the officials of the 6840 Hollywood Boulevard, Sunday night, Mar. 8 at 8:30 o'clock. The symposium, entitled "The

American Theater Today-Force or Failure," is the first of its kind to be held here. Other speakers will include Clifford Odets, Jean Muir, Warner star; Peggy Wood, outstanding star of musical comedy and drama; the Gleasons, famous Broadway personalities; and Herbert Kline, theater magazine editor. Emanuel Eisenberg, Broadway writer and critic, will be chairman.

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ing another protest demonstration. | luctantly. Very much so. Led by that militant group of seamen whose name has passed for good measure-were tossed into the workers' history, the into the wagon. Half unconscious meeting was being staged in the from club blows in the kidneys tiny square at the foot of fish where it don't "show." market opposite the Anchoragepurported seamen's refuge.

to the wood stove and peered as they trailed off to the station nervously out the window of his house. little shack. The phone rang. The few seamen sitting around the stove hung on the words of the peeves. Sailors and Unions. When crimp as he repeated through he got a Sailor up for Union one fireman—okay, send them to town. right over."

"Ain't gonna ship 'em yet," he declared in answer to the inquiring to Judge S---'s Court. looks about him. "Goddam Bolsheviks are at it again." He added in a warning tone for the benefit were "Disturbing the peace and of the few hopefuls, "Them guys have been chased off every ship trouble."

suddenly wakening up from a long excursion trip down the bay. sleep. He looked the crimp square in the eye, spit on top of the the street.

ture shipping reference.

w shipmates along the railing satiric cartoon of himself. at the end of the pier. The shipbetter send some men down, chief. again."

stairs, stuck his head through the blasting. window of the government fink hall in the rear. Several"dehorns" were passing a bottle around. A up. few seamen rushed hopefully to the window. "You fellows keep tered "guilty." away from that gang out there it you want to ship out of here." The window slammed down again | House News." He delivered the in their faces.

gy from Eastern avenue station

flatfeet spewed forth. In a man-swept his hand towards the jury. ner that spoke of oft repeated "There's the ones that found them expeditions they waded into the guilty."

South Broadway was witness-| mass. The seamen gave way- re-

The speaker—and two others

Some one retreived a "We want

Judge S---- was well known to Seamen. He had two pet e mouthpiece, "Two A. B.'s and trouble then hizzoner really went

all "disorderly conduct" cases got

The trial of the three seamen began. A jury trial. The charges attacking officers."

closest to a rotten lousy old ship

graph bulletin "Dog House News" stove and then stomped out to flooded the courtroom. In it his join the milling crowd across honor came in for a biting blast. He was cited as a tool of the Two doors down, the US ship- employing class. He was denouncping agent looked from his of- ed as only the mimeograph sheets fice windows on the second floor, of those days knew how. A copy noting faces in the crowd for fu- found its way to his honor's bench. His face turned black, blue, The little ferry nosed into her and then purple as he stared at lip. More seamen joined the fel-, what was unquestionably a very

ping agent went to phone. "You trial, just before the verdict was where the schools, newspapers, rendered, another issue of "Dog radios, and churches are controlled Soap Box square is filling up House News" cluttered the court by the capitalists, they have led room. The Judge got another the women to see things their The agent climbed down the copy- and in it another vitriolic way.

> The jury filed in like sheep and sat down. The foreman got

> hand was the latest copy of "Dog

A siren sounded. The black bug- ligerently at rows of tanned faces. "Listen you fellows that print

phine Herbst. Published by the

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Josephine Herbst has done a

good piece of reporting in this

small pamphlet. It is a breath-

less summation of events, atti-

tudes, feelings and of life in gen-

eral under the Nazi flag. Many

things are told that do not get

into the capitalist press, either

For instance, the jokes the work-

ers tell about Hitler, or the

strikes, large and small which are

not reported. There is a short

section on underground activities,

which are growing in scope and

The German people are becom-

ing tired of Jew-baiting, but due

to the terror under which they

live, they are yet a bit afraid to

come out openly with their senti-

ments. The latest Hitler pogrom,

against Catholics and others, has

created lots of anti-Nazi senti-

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Teach the Masses-Learn From the Masses.

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Britain, by Harry Pollitt. The Expulsion of Torgler fron THE FINAL CRISIS, by Allen held by the Lumber Workers' In Communist Party of Germany. the Behavior of Comrades Ta-

gev and Popov at the Leipzig Our Behavior at the Leipzig cial development during the last will be undoubtedly piled up by

Trial-Declaration of Popov and hundred years. Describes how the lumber workers. social crises in the past were solv-Tanev. ed within the framework of cap- ening the position of the organi-Review of the Daily Worker

for October, 1935. England, Italy, Ethiopia, by a solution is no longer possible question of improving working Richard.

Relief" sign, placed it on his The crimpherder huddled close shoulder and joined the others

The red squad saw to it that

The jury was composed of 12 in the harbor-always making people who freely admitted the One fellow got up as though they had ever been was a Sunday

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He gulped twice and then mut-

The judge rose. Clutched in his sentence and then looked bel-

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Some Things We Have Done and What New You By We Must Do in Organizing Women

Discussion Article by Member of S. F. Women's Commission.

Either the working class has the toiling and exploited women as allies or the bosses have them. On the concluding day of the | And because we live in a world

> What work have we done in our District to help the women gain their immediate demands, and to see that their only road to freedom lies in close cooperation with the working class?

Certainly the best piece of mass

work was done in Los Angeles last year, in the meat strike in Boyle Heights, for which the ground-work was laid by four conferences against the high cost of living, culminating on March 8th, International Women's Day. Then block committees were formed three weeks before the strike, and two mass meetings were held. The second was on Saturday, from which the audience marched directly to the picket line, closing most of the shops. A broad, elected strike committee of 50 met every night and worked all day assigning pickets, meeting with the packers and butchers, and getting out the daily bulletin, Women's Voice of which 1000 copies were sold daily. Hundreds of women were on the picket lines and additional thousands participated by not buying meat. The strike was won with a 5c cut per

AGAINST C.S. LAW

S. F. White Collar

Unions Organizing

SAN FRANCISCO.—The Cul-

tural Projects Union, Lodge No.

236 and the American Federation

of Gov't Employees are calling

upon all WPA workers on local

recreation projects to join and at-

tend meetings of the Cultural

Projects Union at 83 McAllister

street on the 2nd and 4th Mon-

Since WPA plans to remove

10,000 WPA workers per month in

this state, beginning in March,

will be possible to insure that the

On A.F.L. Merging

VANCOUVER, B. C .-- Voting

for affiliation to the United Broth-

erhood of Carpenters and Joiners

of America (A. F. of L.) is being

With sentiment strong for the

Once the final task of strength-

conditions will be tackled next.

dustrial Union members.

days of each month.

as is now planned.

are falling. Hitler is preaching WPA projects will not be closed

a barber with the request he do LWIU Members Vote

of the major turning points in so- A. F. of L. merger a huge vote

now being carried on in Los An- and is helping to rally all the geles is the broad Women's Com-Against War and Fascism, which improve working conditions first of winning the women. includes members from 40 women's organizations, who work in and contract. their own groups to enlighten the members there and to lead them to take action against war-like maneuvers and fascist tendencies. They sent a large committee to Tehachapi to discuss with the victims of the Criminal Syndicalism Law what relation it had to fascism, and as a result the Women's Committee is cooperating in the broad united front in Los Angeles for constitutional rights and igainst the C. S. Law.

Among other activities which are being carried on, the conference to get a Federal Housing Project, and the auxiliary to the Firestone Public Works and Unemployed Union, should be men-

There has been a failure to get lasting organizational results from the good campaigns carried on. The recent step to have a Women's Commission to coordinate the work should help correct this.

WORK IN SAN FRANCISCO

In San Francisco the work has been primarily organizational through fractions working in women's organizations, helping them to carry out their own individual program, while at the same time working to have the members understand their position in relation to the whole working class. A rank and file bulletin has appeared

Another good piece of work | which is enthusiastically received | day problems. members to call for action on the by living up to the union by-laws

> One of the leading auxiliaries has overcome its petty squabbles by carrying on a successful membership drive, and broadening its activities to include educational and social evenings. Although the drive is bringing in a number of new women each meeting yet

> there is no reason to be satisfied. for there are hundreds of women who are still eligible for membership. The auxiliary is doing good work in extending a helping hand to any group of women who want to start an auxiliary.

> MOTHER BLOOR DINNER The dinner in honor of Mother Bloor was a real success. Itirallied lorces for the Conference on Inernational Women's Day, in which numbers of organizations are paricipating. The dinner also raised \$27 for the new magazine, The

Woman Today. In San Francisco we must now use what organizational strengtl. we have to start one real piece of for auxiliaries.

The work we have already done s sufficient to show that very good opportunities are waiting for us in every part of our District. What are some of the weaknesses which have prevented us from using them?

WEAKNESSES

1. A lack of understanding that women must be approached in a

2. Not enough forces because our Party as a whole does not mittee of the American League part of their well-paid officials to realize the life and death necessity

> 3. An indifference that amounts to neglect, by the Party men in unions, to the building of auxiliaries.

4. A fear to launch out or broad mass campaigns.

Some of the steps we can take to remedy our weaknesses, are:

1. Carrying on discussions in he units, the trade union fractions, and those of other mass or ganizations, among both men and women on the need of supporting all women's work, and recruiting he most active elements. Popularizing our women's literature particularly Zetkin's "Lenin of ine Woman Question," and the magazine "The Woman Today"

and "Health and Hygiene." 2. Setting up Women's Com nissions, with both men and women on them, in the larger sections, and having one responsible for his in the smaller sections.

3. Having one member of every

4. In each section choosing on kind of work to begin with

5. In our women's organization activities, excursions, educational and singing, besides the busines. (we have much to learn from the churches and women's clubs in this respect).

These steps will help the wom en to see the need for the United Front and draw them into buildin one of the women's unions, personal way, on practical every- ing the Farmer-Labor Party.

WORKERS' OPEN FORUM

WITH OUR APOLOGIES San Jose, Calif. Editor, Western Worker:

Let me register my wholehearted disapproval at the consistently phoney "continued on page 6, column 2" business in the last few Workers. Suggest that whoever is responsible be instructed to come to work sober.

In a recent Worker there is NOT ONE front page article the question of job security and which is continued where it should the continuation of WPA are mat- be. In addition to this the mysters of paramount importance. The tery of searching for the reunions feel that if all on cultural mainder of the article is enhanced projects join in the campaign it by the fact that wherever it is continued it is under some other 'neadline, which may-or may not -remotely relate to the original. .

> There may be some of our readers who enjoy this little game of "try and find it," but I am not on the job. one of them, and have heard unfavorable comment from other less this fact. One Mexican with heart playful readers. So, please make trouble was sent out on the job up your mind where you intend to and died. Another man died from continue your article and let us poison oak under their treatment. in on the mystery.

> > Comradely,

PWA WORKER INJURED SAN DIEGO, March 4.-Peter Kramer, 46,, a PWA worker was critically injured yesterday when a steel rail fell on him and fractured his arms and legs and crush-

italism and indicates, how such zation is accomplished the vital ed his chest. embankment gave way. GOING TO EXTREMES

Los Angeles. Editor, Western Worker:

Visitors to the Griffith Park zoo were given a demonstration of war time camps, a la fascist, the other day. Drunken doctors lined up four hundred men for examination for the U.S. Engineering Department. They had hese workers half naked in full view of women and children visitors to the park.

When some of the men came over to protest, one of the doctors said, "Go on, you are all Bolsheviks."

It is a well known fact that the doctors on this job are always drunk. And there are also rumors from inner circles that the firstaid men are official stool pigeons

The results seem to substantiate Sincerely, Editor, Western Worker:

GUN, TAR AND FEATHERS From Santa Rosa comes a news-

paper clipping, as follows: "Santa Rosa local of the Hotel and Restaurant Employees' International Alliance and the Bartenders' International League of America received its charter here

eration of Labor.

L. A. Film Group Begins Class in Cinematography

LOS ANGELES .- "The New Film Group" has opened registration for the mid-winter term o its film school. The school was originally established to answer the demand of its own membership and of many other people in the film industry interested in Cinematography. A great deal of interest in this school has al ready been evidenced by many people in the film industry. The present term, which started February 24th features three inte grated courses based on "The Cine ma As an Art."

The first course is conducted by the internationally known di rector and "special effects" cinematographer, Slavko Vorkapich Mr. Vorkapich made his first hi in the old "Fu Manchu" series as a "special effects" eman for

"Tom Campion was elected pres ident of the new Bartenders' Un

With it a brief note: Santa Rosa, Calif.

Tom Campion, who is president of the Bartenders' Union was very prominent in last summer's raid: as a vigilante, being equipped with a revolver in the first raid and very important in the second

Combination subs for the Western and Sunday Workers are The rail fell when a concrete yesterday from the American Fed- coming in nicely. They cos

Health and the Class Struggle

By FRANKLIN E. BISSELL, M. D.

dues to private insurance com- out of work. panies who in turn supply them with a certain amount of medical

However, we are certain that his statement to the effect that therefore, "the compulsory health nsurance system does not work," is absolutely incorrect.

It is possible as was the case in Germany for instance, to have a little hurt. We have failed in a system of compulsory health our revolutionary duty. This is insurance administered by the proven by the fact that the miser-Government. And it is possible, of course, to have such a system Citizen," hasn't yet 'exposed" us administered by the workers. This might not be as advan- Sanborn?

In the February issue of the tageous as health insurance paid New Masses," Dr. Summer cor- for from tax funds, but it would rectly takes a stand against the be a tremenduous advance over health insurance plan as in op- the present system where workers eration in England. Here the are unable to pay for their mediworkers are often forced to pay cal care and many doctors are

STANDARD OIL

A recent addition to the nose-drops placed on the market is "Mistol Drops." It is manufactured by Standard Oil. We call upon our readers to boycott this product.

PERSONAL NOTE

We are deeply ashamed and not

able fascist rag, "The American

in its columns. How about it, Mr.

WE WOMEN WORKERS

CONDUCTED BY MARJORIE CRANE

(The following is from the clothes were not neat. Extra curricular talks will be New York Herald Tribune, Sept.

By Joseph E. Phillips MOSCOW-The training of

Soviet children in the amenities especially in relations with their parents, and the discouragement of "hooliganism" were accented in in order issued by Joseph V. Stalin and V. M. Molotov, chairfamily ties. nan of the Council of People's Commissars (Premier) for the school term now beginning.

In a summary of the orders sures for increasing disclipline len of the classroom work reductext year in the schools of Mos-| ess of half an hour. and Minsk, and later at other

TO COMBAT ROWDYISM

The new orders say that the ode of behavior should teach the hildren strict observance of disipline, a courteous attitude toard their teachers, fellow pupiland elders, and responsibility toward school and government property. Special measures to comine of attack will be to teach rade union commission responsible he children to scorn a number talistic ehtics, such as "One's lations within the family, and shirt is nearest one's own skin" useful ways of occupying their 'nd "One man is a wolf to an-

of conduct printed on them. The from any sort of humiliating phys-Commissariat of Education also ical or moral punishment. posters intended to awaken con-

and keep their shoes, shined.

TO SHOW CLEAN FACES An official of the commissarwhose "shining morning faces" of the R. S. F. S. R. (Soviet vere not up to standard or whose Russia proper) this year.

the principal method by which the children will be instructed in the new rules of conduct and matters of courtesy, respect for their elders and parents, kindness to every one, and kindred subjects, in line with the current stress being placed on the development in the Soviet state of appreciation of lasting

Balancing the introduction of stricter discipline and training in courtesies, the Soviet pupil this oublished today, many new mea- vear will have some of the burwere revealed, such as a system of d. Beginning with the present egular report cards with rules term, only four lessons a day may of conduct printed on them and he given before the fifth grade and decision gradually to put all five a day in the higher grades.

school children into uniform. The Previously the average was seven iniform is expected to have a a day. Lesson periods will be liscliplinary effect and will be iorty-five minutes long, with three ntroduced at the beginning of ten-minute recesses and one re-

cow, Leningrad, Kiev, Kharkov PARENTS RESPONSIBILITY While the children will be train-

ed in the schools to show greater respect for their families, the responsibility of the family toward the child and school also is being increased. Parents and guardians are made responsible for the attendance of children in school. Radio lectures for parents, giving them lessons in home training party. Special measures to com-bat rowdyism are ordered. One These will tell the parents how they can help the school in trainof old Russian poverbs which ing children in the qualities of a Soviet citizen, the proper re-

spare time. This type of systematic home The report cards which will instruction is advised instead of contain space for marks in ac- punishment. Although the Soviet ordance with a new system of authorities are now accenting disgrading beginning with "I" for cipline, they have not withdrawn 'very bad" and progressing to their standing instructions to par-'5" for "excellent," will have rules ents to "spare the rod" and refrain

s preparing a series of educational In a preamble to the list of orders, many defects of the edusciousness of children to polite cational system are attributed to behavior. Some of these exhort | "the stupid anti-Leninist theory he children to wash their faces that school is dying out." As a necks and hands, brush their teeth matter of fact, the inauguration of new schools, not only in Moscow but in many other parts of the country, was one of the feaat said that some schools also tures of International Youth Day would try regular daily inspec- in September 1, and 3,000,000 new ions, sending home children pupils entered elementary schools

HIS MIND MAY BE GEARED FOR COMMON LABOR—MAYBE NOT

(Letter from a student who came to the Los Angeles Workers' School from Nevada to study for two semesters and then went back to Nevada.)

Dear Comrade Bonner:

Enclosed find a Postal Money Order which I turn over to you 'th Power of Attorney to do with as you see fit. I consider results in my case. his amount, together with the fees hat I paid the Workers' School very bad depression price for the tuition of the two semesters thich I attended. For my individ ial satisfaction I consider my elf very fortunate in having had he opportunity to attend a workers' school. I am far better equiped to help carry on the revolu-

ionary movement, I have several here interested n a class in history which I inend to start about the first of he year as it will take that long for me to prepare the lessons. I un writing my lectures so I can read them if nothing else. I havn't very good use of the English

cult to express myself, and also my mind seems to be genred up for common labor; but if I don't overcome it, it won't be because I didn't try. My education consisted of grammar school and hard knocks before I went to Los Angeles, but am confident that the efforts of the Los Angeles Workers' School will produce

I am now selling my labor power forty-eight hours a week at forty-five cents per, so with my studies, agitprop work, and trying to keep up with the news I am very busy.

Wishing you a perfect batting average in the health and happiness league, I remain Comardely yours

—J.H.

San Francisco Units!

The success of the \$7,500 Western Worker Drive depends upon you. Visit your contacts for donations, arrange house parties, language, that is, I find it diffi- take up collections in your mass

EDITORIALS

The Voice of the Soviet Union

The ragged, underpaid newsboys of the world shouted headlines in a score or more languages on March 4th proclaiming the uncompromising stand of the Soviet Union. Their voices echoed through the depression-haunted streets of nearly every world capital, save those of Poland and Germany where the embarrassed hand of government authority quickly stifled all mention of the incident.

An American newspaper man sat for an hour ir a room in Moscow, discussing world affairs with a calm, genial, unprepossessing man named Stalin. Ten minutes later the telegraph nerve system of the world was vibrating with excitement.

What the Soviets have to say is important. The very newspapers which have continuously reported for years that the 'Russian experiment' is a failure, seized upon the interview with frank admission of its importance. It is the word of the most powerful, most stable country on earth and the only one that remains totally unaffected by internal depression or crisis.

What Stalin had to say was simple, direct and quickly told. The length of the interview was accountable only to the reiterated questions of the

He explained that the Soviet Union would make war on no nation, but that any attack either on the U. S. S. R. or the Mongolian People's Republic would be resisted by the most powerful army in

He disclaimed all responsibility of the Soviets for the instability and chaos existing in capitalist countries, pointing out that revolutions in other countries were the business of the peoples of those

He refuted the ridiculous comparison of socalled "National Socialism" in fascist countries with the very real socialism of the U. S. S. R.

. That was the sum total of the interview. Recent ratification of the Franco-Soviet pact had a lot to do with creating interest in the interview. But there is another factor of even greater moment.

Seventeen years ago the working people took lands and factories away from the capitalists in Russia and said they would run them for the common good and not for private prifit. Capitalists of the world were alarmed but unconvinced. They adjudged the working people incapable. They constantly waited for the collapse of the "experiment." BUT IT WORKED. It worked so well that today the Soviet Union can face the world with confidence and security:

And within every one of these capitalist nations the voices of the people are rising, demanding a similar social order to that of the U.S.S.R.

The Soviet Union is far more dangerous to the capitalist powers as a living example of the victory of socialism than it could ever be as a potential military aggressor. Troops and artillery can be combatted by troops and artillery. But with what are the depression-wracked capitalist nations to fight the clear vision of a sensible society?

The Rulers of **CALIFORNIA**

When Charles Mariner stood up before the Hi-Twelve Club in San Jose last month and bragged that the State Chamber of Commerce has sponsored violence against labor unions and had 'framed' leaders and sent them to San Quentin, he expected ringing round of applause. No doubt there were plenty of men of his own calibre there who regarded him as a hero. But there was Attorney Alfred Aram present who recognized him for what he was. (See story, Page 1, CIVIC LEADER BRAGS, Etc.)

Attorney Aram's indignation is the normal reaction of a decent-minded citizen awakened for the first time to a realization of the fact that the State government is controlled at will by financial interests which respect neither laws nor common decency. A good section of the populace has known this ever since the conviction of Tom Mooney, and their information has been confirmed by scores of railroadings since.

What Attorney Aram apparently does not know is that the very man he is appealing to for an investigation, Attorney General U. S. Webb, is one of the chief henchmen of these financial interests. During the Santa Rosa tar and feather scandal of last year when prominent civic leaders and public officials openly committed mob violence, Attorney General Webb flatly refused to investigate the affair.

During the Criminal Syndicalism trial at Sactamento, Attorney General Webb openly supported the State Chamber of Commerce and the Associated Farmers who instigated the railroading in order to imprison the organizers of the Cannery

and Agricultural Workers' Industrial Union. No one single act of violence could be cited against the defendants in that trial or against their union To the contrary, all the evidence revealed violence on the part of the employers. Nevertheless, eight young people were sent to San Quentin for terms of one to fourteen years.

Attorney Aram has taken the correct step in demanding an investigation. But his demand wil have no effect unless supported by similar demands from every union, liberal or working class group ir the state and from honest individuals. Such demandshould be addressed to the attorney general and the governor immediately.

(Read the pamphlet "THE C. S. CASE AGAINST LABOR" for a complete account of the infamies of which Charles Mariner has

The Seattle Elections Teach The Value of the United Front

Lowell Wakefield, Communist candidate for the City Council of Seattle two weeks ago polled 6694 votes in the primary elections. He ran eight in a field of eighteen and missed the nomination by only two places.

Russell Fluent, Washington Commonwealth Federation, supported by the Communist Party, I'll ship scabs and I'll break your ranks, won the nomination for Corporation Counsel. Ton Smith, Federation candidate and also supported by the Communist Party, missed the nomination fo mayor by only 1200 votes.

But the Socialist Party refused a united front with the Communists and ran candidates in opposition to those of the Commonwealth Federation. The Socialist candidate for mayor received 265 votes. Socialist candidates for the City Council polled one-third as many votes as the Communists.

The lesson is a simple one. A united front of ALL labor and liberal or left-wing forces could have gotten immediate results in Seattle. Such a united front is an immediate necessity throughout the United States. Let those who refuse this united front ponder a bit on the Seattle elections.

CELEBRATE International Women's Day

Next Sunday, March 8, is International Women's Day, long since established to annually celebrate woman's struggle for equal political rights, against war, for protection of women in industry, for social reforms specificially benefitting women and children, and for complete emancipation from cap-

According to Grace Hutchins' book, "Women Who Work," nearly eleven million women were employed in industry in 1930. Although the trend is to absorb more women in industry, capitalism at the same time displaces them It's my world; it belongs to me, through speed-up and technical improvements.

Women are vitally concerned with the problems of minimum wage laws, protection against occupational disease, unemployment relief and social security measures. Women are natural allies of men in strikes and in struggle against vigilantes and fascist moves. They are strongly involved in all questions of war. As to the home, the risin cost of living makes housewives ready to break away from the old parties in still greater numbers if an anti-Sales Tax, cheaper food program is brought to them in simple, logical terms and linked up with independent political action-with the Farmer-Labor Party.

The decision of the New York Court of Appeals declaring the minimum wage law for women un constitutional forcefully points the issue. Few states have even primary laws protecting women, and where these exist they need amending and strengthening. For this and other reasons women can be persuaded to enter demands in progressive political Philosopher"

Long neglected, women as a special problem is rapidly becoming a live national issue. It is therefore gratifying to note the appearance of a new, attractive magazine for women. The March issue of "The Woman Today" contains articles by Sonia Branting, Margaret Cowl, Mary Van Kleeck Meta Berger, Ann Barton and others, with a range of subjects calculated to appeal widely to all women. Selling for ten cents, it is on sale at all International and Workers' Book stores. It must against strikers. But Alf M. Lan- Kansas—mine strikers and WPA "sit tight and have faith." When associated with Ameria's embryout the middle or strikers and with a strikers and with a strikers. be widely circulated in all women's circles as a means of drawing them into the united front move-

Celebrate International Women's Day by selling or distributing "The Woman Today"-in neighborhoods, at meetings, in your organization.

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City State

The Awakening of Barnacle Bill

By Michael Quin.

Who is knocking at my door? Said the rich shipowner. What's this noise and what's it for? Said the rich shipowner.

> I want good grub and I want more pay, Said Barnacle Bill the sailor, And more time off and a lot more say, Said Barnacle Bill the sailor.

> > I've sailed your scows Through wind and fog, I've made you fat As a corn-fed hog, And I'll live no more Like a hungry dog, Said Barnacle Bill the sailor,

['Il tell Scharrenberg on you, Said the rich shipowner. I'll tell Green and Furuseth too, Said the rich shipowner.

Make up your mind and make it up quick, Said Barnacle Bill the sailor, We're rank and file and we'll make it stick, Said Barnacle Bill the sailor.

> We've set our sails And charted our course; We've bet our shirts On a union horse; To hell with your Vigilante force, Said Barnacle Bill the sailor.

Said the rich shipowner. I'll call troops and they'll bring their tanks. Said the rich shipowner.

You'll do your worst, so do as you like, Said Barnacle Bill the sailor. But don't forget the General Strike. Said Barnacle Bill the sailor.

> Your bloody threats May come to pass, But union men Are a solid mass. And you can't defeat The working class, Said Barnacle Bill the sailor.

You're a Red and a Communist, Said the rich shipowner. You're a bearded Bolshevik, Said the rich shipowner.

> There's plenty of grub and goods for all, Said Barnacle Bill the sailor. Yet jobs are scarce and the pay is small, Said Barnacle Bill the sailor.

We want our share Of bread and cheese, And a decent shirt So a man don't freeze. You can call it anything You please. Said Barnacle Bill the sailor.

Said the rich shipowner. You've no right to dictate to me, Said the rich shipowner.

"Homespun

Loves the People

for a presidential candidate. There

are plenty of governors in this

quick to realize might be of par-

ticular importance in a presidential |

Millions of people are troubled.

Millions actually are existing on

starvation diets. The forces of re-

action and fascism are hammering away at the organized labor

movement. The Liberty League

would stifle every spark of pro-

test against things as they are

And Alf Landon, who sent Na-

on his subscription lists.

KINDA VAGUE

Landon has a program, too.

"What this country needs," says

Alf, "is recovery." And he con-

tinues, "When in doubt balance

the budget." He doesn't think it's

quite fair to throw all the burden

of taxation on the common peo-

candidate at this time.

You're a parasite and a swindler too, Said Barnacle Bill the sailor. The world don't need the likes of you, Said Barnacle Bill the sailor.

You've sucked the blood Of the working guy's, But millions of men Are getting wise, And we'll take no more Of your tricks and lies, Said Barnacle Bill the sailor.



I am culture and civilization, Said the rich shipowner. Banish me and you wreck creation, Said the rich shipowner.

> You're the profiteer who starves our kids, Said Barnacle Bill the sailor. Your capitalist system is on the skids, Said Barnacle Bill the sailor.

Your day has come, You've met your fate. V'e'll launch a better Ship of state, We'll vote a Farmer-Labor slate, Said Barnacle Bill the sailor.

I'll beat drums and declare a war, Said the rich shipowner. You've been fooled that way before, Said the rich shipowner.

> If you start a war, you'll fight it too, Said Barnacle Bill the sailor. We'll spill no guts for the likes of you; Said Barnacle Bill the sailor.

We'll take the mills. The ships, the land; We'll guide them all With labor's hand; Your rule will fall, And ours will stand, Said Barnacle Bill the sailor.

Woe is me, it's the end of man, Said the rich shipowner. I'll kill all of you I can, Said the rich shipowner.

> If blood must be, it's you, not me, Said Barnacle Bill the sailor. Who'll bear the guilt for the blood that's spilt Said Barnacle Bill the sailor.

> > law was declared and even elect-

ed township officials were yank-

ed from office if they showed

make them mad. It makes 'em

VIGILANTES

At Fort Scott, Kansas, vigi-

sympathy for the strikers.

You've run the show In your own mad way; It's the workers' turn To have their way. We're nearing the dawn Of a better day, Said Barnacle Bill the sailor.

How Governor Landon

Stands on Strikes

nistoric visit to "horse sense" Alf. said, "It's good for the masses to

hard-rock miners who were on lantes used tear gas and clubs

sands of workers of their jobs in described as "a doer of things,"

the mines and replaced them with did nothing for these strikers.

nated by the Eagle Picher Mining | New Masses that he had noticed

Co. with main offices in Cleve- a tendency for a united front of

at the request of the mine op- sociation of San Francisco.

do things."

Our old friend, Willie Randolph | ple, but he has very vague ideas | erators, sent the militia. Martial

Landon thinks it's good pub-

don, governor of Kansas, has strikers-say the Capital stinks the people of Kansas got fighting

peculiarities which Mr. Hearst was ever since "Dirty Willie" paid his mad at their governor, Landon

SMELLY RECORD

Back in June and July of 1935

he sent the militia against the

tional Guardsmen against strikers land, Chio. The company fought reactionaries to suppress all civil

During the strike two sheriffs

were forced to resign. One, the

second one, was appointed by

Alf Landon himself. But the

strike, it seems, could not be

broken by sheriffs, so Landon,

What is Landon's history?

can afford to pay.

Hearst, need not have gone all when it comes down to a realistic

the way to Kansas in his search policy of taxing those who best

country who have sent National licity when Hearst visits him at

Guardsmen with drawn bayonets the Capital. But the people of

in 1935, is a self-made "home- the strikers by organizing a com-

spun philosopher." Landon "loves" pany union. Only mine owners

Hearst, especially when they are this union. Dues are \$1 per month

represented in healthy numbers collected at the place of work.

the common people—and so does and officials can be officers in declared.

Seeing Red

By Michael Quin

CIVILIZATION BY TORTURE AND TERROR The recent wave of scandals regarding American prisons and the graft, brutality and degeneration which thrives in them have constituted one of the severest indictments of a so-called "enlightened" civilization that has ever been flung in the faces of a populace. The American people are accused of taking these flagrant exposures of decay of their nation with cynical indifference.

It is not so. America is doing a lot of thinking. It all stacks up and some day the American people are going to voice their indignation in an overwhelming storm of protests and action.

The San Francisco Chronicle has published an editorial in its February 26th edition which would discrace even a tribe of cannibals. It brags of the cruelty of Alcatraz Island. It advocates the soul-killing horror imposed on prisoners as the only means of dealing with rime. It revives the brutal theory of ancient torture as a means of ounishing law-breakers.

When a civilization becomes so bankrupt-so helpless to cope with the rise of crime-that it must resort to the blind, futile inquisitions of the middle ages, it is time for the population as a whole to take notice. The prisoners have long been used by ruling powers, not merely to punish crime, but to persecute their political opponents as well. The presence of the eight Criminal Syndicalism prisoners in San Quentin for no other act than organizing a union is clear enough example of that.

The Chronicle says nothing of the counterfeiting scandal, the "mistake" hanging of Rush Griffin and other infamies which have occurred in California prisons, 1 says nothing of the corruption revealed by the razor murder of Richard Loeb in an Eastern prison. That incident uncovered the fact that homosexuality was tolerated in the prison, the fact that Loeb and Leopold had private bathrooms and ate their meals in their cells, the fact that the power of outside money made these two young perverts a privileged aristocracy with special privileges and plenty of advantages, to offer other inmates as bribes for degenerate acts.

WHITEWASHING

The Chronicle is shocked in no way by the corruption, brutality and irresponsibility of American prison officials. Instead it vents its fury against the prisoners themselves and offers the argument that the more horrible you make the prisons the more crime will decrease.

In America the criminals are locked in iron cages under the pitiless domination of rough-neck guards. The psychiatrists, brain specialists, sociologists and other men who might be able to cope with the problem of crime are confined to the universities.

"NO PRETENSE" The Chronicle brags: "Alcatraz was not intended to be a pleasure resort. It is one prison that makes no "pretense of reforming the men in it." In the Soviet Union, the prime

And Hearst

Likes His Scab

Herding Methods

purpose of a prison is to re-condition, re-educate and prepare criminals for a new life as useful citizens in society. It is the one nation of the world that has made real progress in combatting crim-Noted scientists and criminolog all over the world have visited the prisons of the U.S.S.R. and voiced unreserved praise and admiration.

CRIME FACTORY

But the real place to fight crimo s on the outside and not within the prisons. A society that has seventeen million unemployed, that offers no security to its people, that offers a bitter, greedy contest for profit instead of the opportunity to perform useful work, breeds more crime in its slums and in the cynical slews of upper class society than its prisons could ever

A workers and farmers' government could really control and eliminate crime. The capitalist system is helpless to meet the situation and this bold advocation of "torture prisons" is ample evidence of its incompetence. Crime waves are an integral part of + decay of capitalism. They are expression of capitalism itself.

3HIP SUBSIDY COMPROMISE UP TO U.S. SENATE

SALARIES OF OPERATORS WOULD BE LIMITED TO A MERE \$25,000

WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 2.—Government participation in profits rather than any defr purpose is the aim apparents the compromise subsidy bill based on the Copeland Bill offered the Senate by the Commerce and Postoffice Departments.

The compromise provides the Government and the shipping companies would share equally on all profits above ten per cent of the ship operators' original capital. Salaries of shipping line executives would be limited to \$25,000 a year. There is nothing forbidding an executive accepting a "bonus," however.

The salary "limitation" is merely a feeble effort to answer the indignation expressed by maritime union leaders at the enormous salaries drawn down by executives who, while pocketing government subsidy money, were bewailing the fact that they could not pay. the "outrageous" demands of the maritime unions.

While the compromise aims at. limiting the profits and salaries of the shipowners, the bill leaves untouched the administration plan to give huge direct subsidies to the shipping interests in the place of present indirect subsidies through ocean mail contracts.

It also provides for setting up maritime commission of five which would enter contracts with the snipping lines on an operating and construction subsidy basis. The president's power to cancel ocean mail contracts expires

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wants to share the fascist glory important struggles of the working class in the economic and po Strike and the period of vigilante terror which followed it. Similar records of the strikes in Eureka and other parts of the coast make these volumns essential for the library of any student of labor history.

FASCIST GROUP

Some prominent leaders in the Republican Party, as well as ir ers, but he advised the strikers to the Democratic Party are closely March 31. An effort will be made, to rush the compromise bill through before then. fascist group, the Liberty League Hearst has not yet put forward Western Worker the slogan of "Heil Alf Landon." But we may safely assume the sentiment is there. A long time ago Hearst had presidential ambitions of his own. He was licked

scabs. The mining field is domi- Landon told a reviewer for the do Hearst's bidding.

San Diego Chamber of Commerce a detailed history of the many "I deplore this tendency," he Hearst is organizing "Landon of the Los Angeles Police Depart-Clubs" all over the country. There ment. At their last meeting, they fields, during the last two y Failure to pay means loss of a are several in the Bay area. One passed a resolution congratulating Contained therein are valuable was formed in Palo Alto recently, Chief Davis on the establishment records of the great San Francisco under the no doubt expert guid- of the "Border Legion" and urgance of Samuel T. Bush. Mr. Bush | ed its continuation.

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