

State Unity Convention of Unemployed Assembles Saturday in Los Angeles

All Petitions for Repeal Of Criminal Syndicalism Act Must be In July 20th

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VIGILANTES FAIL TO HALT ORANGE STRIKE

PROBLEMS OF RELIEF, WPA TO BE SOLVED

Mass Firing of Workers From Relief and WPA Jobs, Is Central Question for Delegates

LOS ANGELES.—Faced with the problem of fighting against mass firing of unemployed workers from relief and from WPA jobs, and against forcing relief workers into the agricultural fields at starvation wages, the State Unity Convention of the California State Federation of Unemployed and the Workers' Alliance will be called together here next Saturday, July 17th, at 10 a. m., at the Cooperative Auditorium, 842 So. Main st.

A gigantic public mass meeting at the Epic Auditorium, 123 North Lake street, will precede the convention on Friday, at 8 p. m., where the tasks before the convention will be outlined by Alex Noral, present state organizer for the Federation, and by a leading member of the Workers' Alliance.

Leading questions before the convention will be the achieving of unity between the Federation and the Workers' Alliance, in accordance with the national unity convention called last spring by the Workers' Alliance of America; wages and conditions on WPA projects; direct relief situation; tremendous slashing of relief rolls and forcing of the unemployed into the agricultural fields for meager wages.

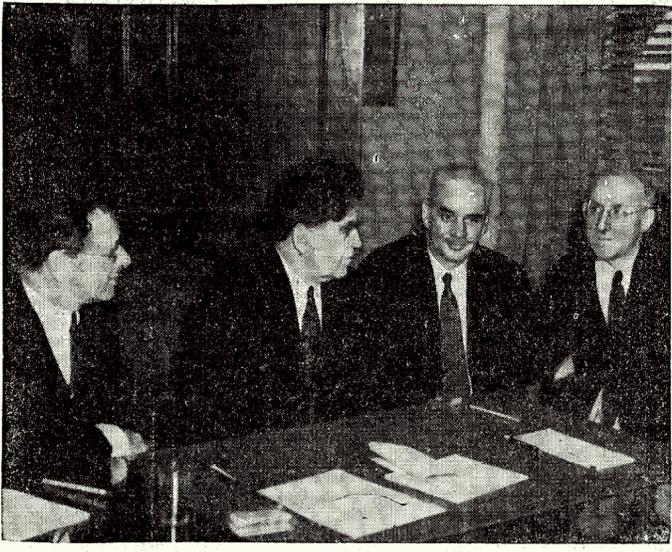
Other vital questions are social and unemployment insurance, as embodied in the Frazier-Lundeen Bill; the Marcantonio Relief and Works Standards Bill; the 30-hour week and relations with the A. F. of L.; the 1936 election campaign, and the election of officers for the ensuing year.

HUGE RELIEF SLASH
"Since June 1935, to the end of June, 1936, 131,736 unemployed have been forced off relief and WPA, a 47 1/2 per cent cut," declared Alex Noral.

D. R. CAPITULATES
"This is a vicious and bold attack on the unemployed of this state, in an effort by the national government to ease criticism, in capitulation to the Republican - Hearst - Liberty League forces at the expense of the

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C. I. O. Leaders Defy Green, Speed Organizing in Steel



MANY conferences such as this have taken place recently in getting the steel workers' organizing campaign started under the leadership of the Committee for Industrial Organization unions. From left to right: President Sidney Hillman of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers; John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers and head of the C. I. O.; Vice President Philip Murray of the miners' union; John Brophy, C. I. O. director.

AFL COUNCIL DEBATES CIO

Auto Drive Booms; Foster Shows Up Green Misstatement on Steel

WASHINGTON, D. C.—With the A. F. of L. Executive Council about to make its decision on expulsion of the unions affiliated with the C. I. O., a conciliatory group in the Council moved to obtain postponement of the decision. George M. Harrison of the Railway Clerks is leader of the conciliatory group.

From Detroit the United Automobile Workers' Union, affiliated with the C. I. O., reports that it is taking in new members at the rate of 300 a day, under the impetus of the steel organizing drive.

NEW YORK.—Refuting the claim of William Green that the A. F. of L. top leaders had supported the 1919 steel strike, William Z. Foster, leader of the 1919 campaign, stated that they had contributed only sabotage, just as they are doing in the present steel drive headed by the C. I. O.

"I wish to characterize Green's claim as a brazen falsehood," said Foster. "The fact is that the A. F. of L. did not give a ten-cent piece to start the organization work; it did not make the slightest effort to raise any money. After the campaign got under way, in spite of the A. F. of L. top leadership's indifference and sabotage, gradually we managed to wheedle out of them a few organizers, largely of the chair-warming variety."

"The right wing of the A. F. of L., represented in 1919 by Gompers and in 1936 by Green, never could or would organize the steel workers."

Holiday Ass'n. In Drouth Aid Fight

ST. PAUL, Minn. — Drouth relief meetings have been called in heat-parched Minnesota and North Dakota by National Pres. John Bosch of the Farmers' Holiday Assn.

"Rents must be sharply reduced and in the drouth-stricken territories tenants must be allowed to rent free," Bosch said. "Where there is no farm income there can be no rent collected."

Also included in the Farm Holiday Assn. program are demands of no forced sales, foreclosures or evictions; no profiteering in feeds, as was done in the 1934 drouth; no feed collections and seed loans; and cash relief at high enough standards to support farm families in comfort.

WARNING Against BARNEY MASS

This adventurer is operating under several different aliases in the San Francisco Bay area. When a member of the Young Workers (Communist) League of Detroit in 1926, he had to be removed from responsible posts for financial irresponsibility and disruptive activity. In 1929 he was expelled from the Communist Party in Detroit for counter-revolutionary Trotskyism. In 1930 he served a year's jail sentence in the state penitentiary at Jackson, Mich., for robbery. Recently he was expelled from an unemployed organization in California for disruptive activity. He now poses as a newspaper man.

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BROWDER WILL TOUR IN WEST

Communist Candidate for President Will Be on Coast in August

NEW YORK.—Earl Browder's first extended tour in the Communist Party's 1936 presidential campaign will take him through the Far West.

Tentatively the following dates have been set. From Denver, Colo., scene on August 5 of the first speech of the western tour, to Seattle where Browder speaks on August 16, radio broadcasts will bring to millions the Communist Party's program which includes the plank for putting America back to work by providing jobs and a living wage; for unemployment insurance, old age pensions and social security for all; for defense and extension of civil liberties and curbing of the Supreme Court; for keeping America out of war by keeping war out of the world.

L. A., AUG. 9; S. F., AUG. 12
Browder will speak in Salt Lake City on Aug. 7; from there he will fly to the Pacific Coast. Large meetings will greet him in Los Angeles on Aug. 9; in San Francisco on Aug. 12; in Portland on Aug. 15; and in Seattle on Aug. 16.

On his return eastward the Communist presidential candidate will speak in Butte, Mont., on Aug. 18, following this with two big meetings in North Dakota and Minneapolis.

While Browder tours the West, James W. Ford, Communist vice presidential candidate and nationally-known Negro working class leader, will tour New England, opening in Boston, and taking in Concord, Mass., rich with American revolutionary traditions. Barre, Vt., scene of the months-old marble workers' strike, Portland, Maine, New Haven and Bridgeport, Conn., and various Pennsylvania and New York cities will also hear Ford.

REGISTER COMMUNIST TO BUILD UNITY OF THE WORKING CLASS!

COPELAND ACT SETS UP PLAN OF PASSPORTS

Continuous Discharge Books To Contain Photos, Entries Of "Misbehavior" for Blacklisting

SAN FRANCISCO.—Had the Copeland-Bland Act been in force from 1934 up until recently, the shipowners would have found no difficulty in having Joseph Curran and the crews of the S.S. California and S.S. Texan convicted of "misbehavior." This is the charge made in the Voice of the Federation, official organ of the Maritime Federation of the Pacific.

CREW UPHELD
When the 22 members of the crew did leave the ship, and came for their wages, they were denied their money on the grounds that refusal to continue with the vessel until termination of the voyage meant that their wages were forfeited.

Suit was brought by the crew, and both a federal judge and the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the crew. This established the fact that a crew's refusal to carry out the orders of the master while the vessel is safely in port does not constitute mutiny.

The Copeland Act now places a new weapon in the shipowner's hands, states the 'Voice.' Certificates can be suspended or revoked, under the Act, for "misbehavior, negligence, or unskillfulness."

The 'Voice' charges that when a ship's delegate demands that the master carry out all the provisions of an agreement made with the International Seamen's Union, and persists in this demand the master can charge him with "misbehavior," on the grounds that the making of repeated demands "destroys the discipline of the ship."

BLACKLISTING SYSTEM

The provisions of the Copeland Act calling for continuous discharge books opens the way for a blacklisting system through entering in the books such "violations" as demands that agreements be lived up to.

The fact that a photograph must be attached to the continuous discharge book establishes a sinister passport system, violating the elementary rights of the American citizen.

The books called for under the Copeland Act are compared to the blacklisting continuous discharge books forced on the seamen from 1920 until 1934. The hatred toward these books grew so great that in San Francisco alone, 4000 of these books were burned by the seamen at a public bonfire.

A nation-wide petition campaign of maritime workers against the carrying out of the Copeland Act is getting under way, and it is planned by maritime labor to enlist the support of organized labor in general in the fight against the Act, which is of danger to all organized labor.

The People's Front stopped fascism in France. An American People's Front in the form of a Farmer-Labor Party can stop it here.

Fascist War Pact!

AGGRESSIVE NATIONS PROCLAIM ALLIANCE FOR EUROPEAN WAR OF CONQUEST

A frankly aggressive war alliance has been openly proclaimed uniting Germany, Italy, Poland, Austria and Hungary. This fascist bloc was forecast over a month ago by the Western Worker, at which time it was pointed out that the powers would wait until the present League of Nations session had evolved into a deadlock before openly announcing their agreement.

In the interim, Germany's move to seize Danzig, and continued Nazi agitation in Austria created momentary friction which was smoothed over by concessions on the part of Germany.

Finland, Bulgaria and Jugoslavia are likewise reported as part of the fascist alliance, but this remains unconfirmed. The combined military forces of the nine nations comprise 2,750,000 men under arms and 7,000 fighting planes. This is not counting reserves and present commercial facilities which could be converted over night into the machinery of war.

PLAN OF CONQUEST

The alliance makes little effort to conceal its purpose which includes conquest of the smaller nations of Europe and Asia Minor, and invasion of the Soviet Union. Re-establishment of pre-war boundaries, is the language in which the fascist nations put their intentions.

Well authenticated military agreements between Tokyo and Berlin include Japan in the fascist war machine. A Japanese attack on the Soviet Union in Siberia is planned simultaneously with the fascist attack from Central Europe.

For the past many months, Japan has been loading troops and armaments into Manchukuo and Inner-Mongolia on an unprecedented scale and constructing war bases and aerodromes that could have no other purpose than an attack upon the Soviets.

'Hurry to Repeal C.S. Act!' Is Call As Petition Filing Deadline Looms

"HURRY!"

This one-word message was issued here by the California Conference for Repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Act, as the deadline of Thursday, July 23rd approached for the final filing of initiative petitions to place the repeal of this anti-labor statute on the November ballot.

All petitions should be filled from top to bottom with signatures and turned in to the two central offices of the Conference by next Monday, July 20th, so that they can be precincted and prepared for filing on Thursday, July 23rd.

Central offices are: California Conference for Repeal of the C. S. Act, 68 Haight street, San Francisco. Southern California Councils for Constitutional Rights, 129 West 2nd street, Room 326, Los Angeles.

BRIDGES' VOTE WAS 7,150 IN I.L.A. DIST. PRES. POLL; THURSTON 2,550

SEATTLE.—Elected president of the Pacific Coast District of the I. L. A., Harry Bridges received a total of 7150 votes, as against 2550 for Cliff Thurston of Portland.

Dewey Bennett, secretary of the Seattle I. L. A. Local, announced the coast-wide totals. They showed that Bridges won by an almost 3 to 1 majority, while Matt Meehan, progressive

STRIKE GROWS DAILY DESPITE NIGHT RIDERS

Vigilantes Attempt to Smash Struggle of Pickers With Violence Under Cover Of Darkness

BULLETIN
LOS ANGELES.—Scabs have been armed in the orange groves of Los Angeles and Orange counties to terrorize the striking orange pickers, it has been announced by the Sheriff's office here.

SANTA ANA, Calif., July 14.—Night riders have made their appearance in this and surrounding orange towns.

All the terror of the Ku Klux Klan and the Black Legion is masquerading under the cover of darkness.

Tear gas bombs, clubs, machine guns, in fact anything that assumes the shape of a deadly weapon, has been utilized by the American Legion vigilantes who have taken the law into their own hands in a mad attempt to break the Mexican orange pickers' strike, now entering its fifth week.

However, the strikers are growing daily in militancy and solidarity.

Early today the masked riders attacked a peaceful gathering of strikers at Placentia, hurling tear gas bombs and bringing clubs down on the heads of the workers.

VICIOUSLY CLUBBED

One injured man was unable to walk, and after the strikers had been driven away with tear gas bombs, he was removed to the county hospital for treatment.

Nothing is being done by the police towards the arrest of the lawless night riders.

Police Chief Gus Barnes, of Placentia, gave the usual reply when questioned about the possible arrest of the leaders of the masked band.

NO CLEWS!

"There are few clues to their identity," said Barnes, "but I hope to make some arrests shortly."

Notwithstanding this statement from Barnes, he and every other police chief in Orange county, as well as the average citizen, knows the identity of the American Legionnaires who lead the lawless assault on the strikers.

Their meetings during the past week, in which members of their vigilante mobs have been selected, have been public gossip in this county.

While the nightriding Legionnaires continue their reign of terror in the hours of darkness, literally hundreds of thugs, recruited from "skid rows" and strike-breaking agencies of Los Angeles, harass the strikers with rifles and sawed-off shotguns.

SPRIT OF STRIKERS

The spirit of the strikers is stronger than at any time since the strike began, leaders say.

Regular pickers are not to be found in the groves in any number. Most of the picking is being done by school boys now on vacation from their studies.

MEETING PLACE SMASHED

ANAHEIM, Calif., July 10.—A band of night riders rode down upon the Abdalla Anton Salvador market building here early this morning and ransacked the place, smashing windows, benches and equipment. Strikers have been known to use the building for a meeting place. (Continued on Page 2, Col. 7)

'BEAT HEARST-LANDON--VOTE BROWDER-FORD'

Schneiderman Reports on C.P. 9th National Convention At Banquet; Others Report

SAN FRANCISCO. — "The Hearst-Landon-Knox is the main menace in the 1936 election campaign, and the defeat of this fascist ticket is the main task of the American people.

"While the victory of the Republican ticket would speed the development of fascism, the Communist Party cannot believe in the hope that the Roosevelt forces or the Democratic Party would halt the development of fascist forces.

VOTE COMMUNIST!

"The Communist Party calls on the working men and women of the United States to defeat the Hearst-Landon-Knox ticket, to vote for Browder and Ford, the Communist ticket, as a guarantee of the most militant fight against reaction and for the unity of the working people of our country!"

This summary of the Communist campaign in the 1936 elections and its relation to the other political parties, was given by William Schneiderman, California organizer of the Communist Party, to 350 who crowded the banquet hall at 121 Haight street here last Saturday night, July 11th, to hear reports by local delegates to the recent national convention of the Party.

LEWIS MOVES LEFT

Schneiderman revealed a vital radio speech made by John L. Lewis, head of the Committee for Industrial Organization in the A. F. of L., which was not published in California newspapers. In attacking William Green, A. F. of L. president, for his reactionary catering to the fascist elements in the Republican Party at its convention, Lewis stated: "Green did not speak for the organized labor movement when he spoke for withdrawal of American recognition of the Soviet Union. The A. F. of L. Convention never gave him any such authority. Now that the new Soviet Constitution has been published in this country, we who see how the Supreme Court invalidates labor legislation, can learn something about democracy from the Soviet Union!"

Brilliantly analyzing the class forces at work in the present elections, and on the industrial scene in the organizational drive being conducted in the steel industry by the C. I. O., Schneiderman called for the building of the Farmer-Labor Party movement, "which has swept into its ranks labor leaders who are against Communism and the Communist Party, but who are forced to recognize the Communist Party as an important force in the labor movement of this country."

NATIONAL FORCE

"Our Party is now a national political force in labor and in politics. Ours is the only program which answers the needs of the masses of working people. "Our national convention was a cross-section of the American labor movement, showing the power of a rising purpose of a class that some day, in the not far distant future, will be the ruling class as it is today in the Soviet Union."

Lawrence Ross, San Francisco County organizer, pointed out: "There is only one guarantee to withstand the attacks of the reactionaries, and that is to build in the trade unions and all mass organizations of the working people, a strong Communist Party and a mass Communist Party."

'GREATEST EXPERIENCE'

Anita Whitney, state chairman of the Party, referred to the national convention as the "greatest experience in my long life." She spoke on the necessity of organizing women to fight against war, fascism, and reaction, and of the vital need to place repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Act on the November ballot.

A member of the Sailors' Union of the Pacific and a member of the International Longshoremen's Association, Local 38-79, both delegates to the national convention, also gave brief reports to the banquet.

Dorothy Gray, Negro student at the Bay Area Training School

'New John Brown of Ossawatimie'



EARL BROWDER, Communist candidate for president, shown delivering the keynote speech at the recent 9th Convention of the Communist Party, has been likened to the old fighting abolitionist. The issue in the present campaign is democracy versus fascism fostered by Alf Landon and the Republican-Hearst Liberty League reactionaries for whom he stooges.

SENATOR NYE TERMS HEARST 'THE SPEARHEAD OF AMERICAN FASCISM' IN SPEECH IN L.A.

By G. Schaffer.

LOS ANGELES, July 11.—"War is the greatest issue, the most intense challenge, confronting the people today," Senator Gerald P. Nye of North Dakota, recent chairman of the Senate munitions investigation committee, warned 6500 people at the Shrine Auditorium here last night.

"The world is as near another war, or nearer, than that hour in 1914 which started the last war," said Nye. "Today, 18 years later, we observe madder preparations for war than ever, nations spending more freely for war purposes than ever before."

Speaking under the auspices of the American League Against War and Fascism, Nye berated the war mongers and munitions manufacturers, declaring them to be "racketeers engaged in a racket that is jeopardizing completely the life and future of 125 million people."

"What a picnic these racketeers have when they get us wrapped up in sweat under national defense, while they swell at the public trough. If we don't agree with them on their 'National defense' plans, they shout that we should be deported to Moscow, all of us."

ROUND AND ROUND

"The public works program instituted by the Federal government has given to the United States Navy 231 millions of dollars to build more ships for another war," said Nye, "so we can have another depression to have another public works program so we can build more ships to get into another war."

Nye urged the dramatization of peace and the staging of huge peace parades as one way of fighting against war. A resolution was adopted unanimously

LABOR COUNCIL INVESTIGATES STRIKE TERROR

LOS ANGELES.—The Central Labor Council voted to investigate the brutality of hired thugs and the campaign of terror instigated by the night-riding vigilantes in Orange County, at its regular meeting on Friday night, July 10th.

The motion was supported by J. W. Buzzell, secretary of the council.

A proposal to protest to Sheriff Logan Jackson, of Orange County, the gassing and shooting of orange strikers met bitter objections from Harry Sherman, conservative president of the council.

calling for a People's Peace Parade on August 1st, International Peace Day. All present were urged to have their organizations support this parade on the anniversary of the outbreak of the World War.

Two constitutional amendments were advocated by Nye. One to take from the President and Congress the power to declare war without first submitting it to a vote of the people and the other to draft capital in time of war.

Prior to the meeting, at a press conference, Senator Nye, although elected as a Republican, reiterated again his belief in and advocacy of a Farmer-Labor Party.

"A Farmer-Labor Party is inevitable but the time is not here yet, possibly by 1940," Nye said. Asked if he thought the Farmer-Labor Party would stop the threat of Fascism the Senator answered:

"Yes, I think it would. The possibility of Fascism in this country is a 1000 times more dangerous than Communism. Fascism should be fought with education, more energetic organization and protection of minorities. Labor can't do it alone."

Hearst, the Senator said, could be termed the spearhead of American Fascism. "I shall never under any circumstances support a war in going thousands of miles away," Nye declared. "But under attack I would want to be up in the front lines with my sons."

The Senator said he would not interest himself in partisan politics this election for he plans exclusively to devote his time wrestling with relief and drought problems.

Reverend Floyd Seaman of the Grace Methodist Church was chairman of the Shrine Auditorium meeting.

Many other prominent civic and liberal leaders were on the platform including J. G. Wenk, chairman of the Utopian Society; Mrs. Margaret L. Clark, member of the board of education; Rev. Glenn Phillips, First Methodist Church of Hollywood; Loren Miller, labor attorney; Edward McLarty, chairman of the Epic Continuities Committee; J. R. Conliffe, Epic; Clarence Johnson, Pullman Porters' Union; Mrs. Alice Gilbert, Women's International League for Peace and Freedom; State Senator C. L. Olson, and Councilmen P. P. Christensen, Gordon Bennett and Will Kindig.

The collection, to go to furthering the election campaign of the Communist Party, was \$103 in cash and \$150 in pledges.

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SAN FRANCISCO POLICE CHIEF MAY BE FIRED

Mayor Rossi Makes Up 'Mind' To React to Demands of People; Alameda Arraignments

SAN FRANCISCO. — Finally reacting to the wide people's demand for a clean sweep-out of all graft in the police department, the City Hall gang may fire Police Chief William J. Quinn and one or possibly all three members of the police commission, it has been indicated.

According to reports, Mayor Rossi has made up his "mind." Quinn and at least one police commissioner are practically "out" on their respective ears.

It was also announced definitely that three of the 14 police stations in San Francisco are to be abandoned in the near future.

OUT OF HAND

The "behind-the-throne" scene showed Utilities Manager E. G. Cahill, Controller Leonard S. Leavy and Chief Administrative officer A. J. Cleary finally convincing themselves and "hizzoner the mayor" that the people's indignation at the police graft situation was getting out of the hands of the ward-healers.

Rossi was told that the people of San Francisco would react to throw him and his gang out of office if he didn't act, and so finally Rossi decided he would have to abandon his pals and fellow-grafters among the police department.

GRAFTERS BAIL OUT

ALAMEDA.—Indicted by the Alameda County grand jury following a liquor control investigation of five weeks, two of three men are out on bail, with the third held in the County Jail in default of bail.

Police Judge George W. Hickman, of Albany, and Michael Connolly, former head of the State Board of Equalization office in Oakland and in Los Angeles, furnished bail and got out. Hickman posted \$4000, and Connolly \$2500. E. N. Bergsten, former enforcement agent in Oakland, was held in lieu of bail.

They are charged with extortion.

Meanwhile, the grand jury resumed investigating graft, going into the Alameda city administration. Mayor Hans W. Roebke, who is threatened with a recall move, was first witness of a dozen to be called, according to District Attorney Earl Warren.

Arraignment on perjury charges was scheduled for B. Ray Fritz, fired as city manager, and B. O. Bryant, former superintendent of the Street Department in Alameda. Both of them were caught in the graft investigations which have gone on throughout the state since an Assembly committee started probing into graft in liquor control administration.

Postpone Workers' Press Picnic Until Sunday, August 2

SAN FRANCISCO. — Because of the mass meeting for Tom Mooney to be held on July 26th, the annual Workers' Press Picnic has been postponed until Sunday, August 2nd at Skipper's Park, six miles southwest of Five Points, Redwood City, on Woodside Road, near Searsville Lake.

Barbecue, dancing, games, huge campfire, international food — all are promised by the arrangements committee for the affair.

Transportation for the round trip will be 25 cents with trucks leaving 121 Haight street from 8:30 a. m. until noon. Admission will be 25 cents.

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BROWDER TO SPEAK AUG. 12TH IN S.F.!

SAN FRANCISCO BULLETIN!

Earl Browder, Communist Party candidate for President of the United States will speak here at Dreamland Auditorium on the night of Wednesday, August 12th!

If sufficient funds are raised—\$1000 is needed—Browder will speak over a major San Francisco radio station reaching all of Northern California, between 9 and 10 p. m.

Comrades and sympathizers of the Communist Party, all who want to hear the 1936 election program of the Communist Party, are urged to mail or bring in donations immediately in order to insure the broadcast. The donations should be sent to Alfred Mullet, San Francisco campaign director, 121 Haight street, San Francisco.

C.P. CAMPAIGN DONATION LIST

SAN FRANCISCO.—Contributions to the Communist State Election Campaign were reported here by George Maurer, state campaign manager, as follows:

Los Angeles\$ 17.70
Pasadena 2.00

TOTAL\$ 19.70

Previously acknowledged\$271.69

Total to date\$291.39

All contributions should be mailed or brought to Anita Whitney, state campaign headquarters, 121 Haight street, San Francisco. Funds will be chiefly used for radio broadcasts by Communist Party national, state, and local candidates, and for other publicity.

Ryan Calls Off So. Atlantic Strike

SAVANNAH, Ga.—Forced by rank and file sentiment to call a general strike of southeastern longshoremen, Joseph P. Ryan, president of the I. L. A., later rescinded the strike call and postponed the strike indefinitely. Postponement came after Asst. Secy. of Labor McGrady stepped in.

About 10,000 men in the ports of Wilmington, N. C., Charleston, S. C., Savannah, Ga.; Brunswick, Ga.; Miami, Jacksonville and Pensacola Fla. were to have been affected by the strike, the longshoremen demand union recognition and higher wages.

Wages in the South Atlantic ports average 35 to 40 cents an hour, and hours are as long as the shipowners choose to make them.

The longshoremen's unions have been seething with discontent. In June a strike order was issued at Miami, and longshoremen began to walk out. But within 10 minutes the strike call was cancelled.

Numerous cases of discharge of men for joining the I. L. A. are reported on the Clyde-Mallory, Lykes Bros. and Bull Line docks.

Both Democratic and Republican governors send the national guard against organized labor on strike. Build the Farmer-Labor Party.

For higher wages, against the high cost of living!

Fascist Nations Form Alliance for Coming European War of Conquest

GERMANY, ITALY, JAPAN, POLAND, AUSTRIA, HUNGARY IN BLOC

(Continued from Page 1) or later the war will engulf them, and that eventually the fascist nations are the greatest menace to the British Empire.

OTHER DEVELOPMENTS
Meanwhile, fascist provocations within France are increasing steadily. Followers of the Croix de Feu fascist group are rioting in the streets shouting pro-Italian and pro-German sentiments. Events are progressing steadily toward a showdown between Right and Left forces. The Socialist-Radical government of Premier Blum is making every effort to preserve peace and order in the face of bitter sabotage and incitement from France's

capitalists.
With the coming of the rainy season in Ethiopia, native forces are re-opening their defensive war against the Italian invaders. The Italian Army has been obliged to return to a war footing.
Fifteen of the officers involved in the military assassinations last February in Japan were executed by a military firing squad.
Civil war is raging in China between the troops of dictator Chiang Kai-shek and the army of Kwangsi which is demanding a united front of all Chinese forces to oppose Japanese invasion.
(More foreign News on Page 5.)

AFRAID IF HE DOES; AFRAID AFTER DOING

SRA Administrator Has 11 PWUU Committee Members Arrested; Wants 'Em Out on 'O. R.'

SAN FRANCISCO.—Afraid to have the workers arrested; afraid after he had them arrested. That was the position of John Small, State Relief Administration head of San Francisco County, last Monday, July 13th, when a grievance committee of the Public Works and Unemployed Union insisted on its right to present grievances and to have them acted upon.

ON THEIR 'O. R.'

As a result 11 members of the grievance committee were arrested on charges of "disturbing the peace." But after they were arrested, Small dashed down to the jail and said he wanted the workers released on their own recognizance, or else he would not prefer the "disturbing the peace" charges against them.

The grievance committee demanded relief for workers and their families on the verge of starvation, to which Small replied that the cases "should be taken up by the visitors."

"If I refuse," asked Small "what will you do?"

George Parker, spokesman, immediately replied: "We intend to stay here until you take action on these urgent cases."

"That means you refuse to leave, and I'll have to call the cops?" asked Small.

Parker stated that the committee was going to stay and get its legal rights.

VANDELEUR RENIGS

Small then called Edward Vandeleur, president of the Central Labor Council and secretary of the State Federation of Labor, asking him if he recognized the PWUU.

Vandeleur replied "no," although William Green, president of the A. F. of L., has officially recognized the Workers' Alliance of America, to which the PWUU is becoming affiliated this weekend in its Los Angeles state-wide convention.

Still vacillating, Small said: "There is nothing I can do. But I recognize your union. Why don't you write me a letter about these cases?"

The workers were held for about an hour in the police station, and several were bulldozed into being fingerprinted. When Elaine Black, of the International Labor Defense, came to deposit bail for them, Small was there, all in a sweat.

"I don't want them bailed out," he said. "I want them released on their own recognizance."

SAN FRANCISCO.—While wrangling was going on over erecting nets under the Golden Gate bridge, the 23rd worker to die in the construction of the Bay Bridge was W. Aguado who plunged to death from the top deck of the bridge.
Authorities have not talked of erecting a net under the Bay bridge.

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Strike Grows in Groves; Terror Faces Strikers

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When Anton reported the wanton destruction of his property police told him there were no indications of the identity of the raiders

FRAME STRIKERS

SANTA ANA, Calif., July 10.—Thirteen strikers arrested on the flimsy charge of "inciting to riot" and "riot", were arraigned here today before Superior Judge Allen. All pleaded not guilty and asked for a jury trial. Trial was set for next Wednesday.

Atmosphere was tense today in the Yerba Linda, Richfield, La Habra and Atwood districts as hundreds of armed thugs prepared to deal murder, if they considered it necessary, to striking orange pickers.

Merchants, ministers, and professionals have protested to authorities against the wave of lawlessness that is sweeping this county. Their protests fall upon deaf ears.

Labor unions, churches, liberal, progressive, and fraternal organizations throughout Southern California, are planning a conference for tomorrow to decide what action shall be taken to smash this newest manifestation of Fascism.

McLAUCHLAN RAILROADED

FULLERTON, Calif., July 10.—Charles McLaughlan, Communist candidate for Congress in the 19th district, was found guilty of trespassing, in connection with the citrus strike, here yesterday. He was sentenced to 60 days in the county jail.

Notice of appeal has been filed by Attorney Grover Johnson, of the International Labor Defense.

Johnson charged that the only reason for McLaughlan's arrest was because he was a Communist. Others, he said, had walked in the precise place where McLaughlan was arrested.

The jury, composed of growers and their friends, were out less than 40 minutes.

LOS ANGELES.—Yielding to the demands of a delegation from the County Council of the Public Works and Unemployed Union, 61 families of striking orange pickers have been placed on relief by the Los Angeles County Relief Administration. Investigation will be made some time during the next week, LACRA officials said.

Problems of Cal. Jobless at Meet

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victims of unemployment. Among those suffering are the foreign-born workers, 120,000 of whom have been or will be cut off relief, according to WPA officials.

"The unemployed convention has the task of dealing with the question in an aggressive fashion working out ways and means to combat such a program."

The convention will represent seven county-wide organizations, approximately 110 locals, with a combined membership of 18,000 dues-paying members. It is expected that more than 300 elected delegates will be in attendance from all over the state.

On Saturday night, the delegates will be guests of honor at a dance to be held at the Music Arts Hall, 233 So. Broadway.

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EXPECT 15,000 AT CONVENTION OF PRISONERS

Townsendites Face Danger in Move to Endorse Fascist "Union Party" of Coughlin

CLEVELAND, O. — Approximately 15,000 delegates are expected to convene here Wednesday, July 15th, for the national convention of the Townsend Old-Age Pension Clubs, with ex-Senator Frank Arbutkole of Angeles, chairman of the first Townsend convention a year ago, considered likely to be picked again as chairman by the Board of Directors.

Suprise move by the convention might be submission to the American people of an amendment writing into the Federal Constitution the Townsend \$200 a month pension plan.

It was indicated that this proposal would be brought before the convention.

'UNION PARTY' DANGER

Paramount question before the convention will be whether it goes on record in support of the Father Coughlin-William Lemke "Union Party," which has definite fascist tendencies, and whose launching was inspired by the Landon-Liberty League Hearst ticket with the express purpose of weakening Landon opposition and the Farmer-Labor Party movement.

Many California Townsend leaders, such as Sheridan Downey, have expressed their opposition to any such line-up, as being the very thing which will defeat old age pensions, as well as opposition to Dr. F. E. Townsend's present association with the Reverend Gerald L. K. Smith, "share-the-wealth" who formerly was right hand stooge for the late Huey P. Long. Smith has been placed by Townsend on the national board of directors.

Townsend, however, is reported to be on the very verge of supporting the Coughlin-Lemke "third party" along the line of his slogan, "Anybody but Landon."

Rally to Ratify C.P. Candidates

SAN FRANCISCO.—Bringing forward the candidates and platform of the Communist Party in San Francisco, a huge elections ratification rally will be held here at 121 Haight street on Thursday night, July 29th.

The meeting will start with the Communist Party election leaders and supporters of the various Assembly Districts marching into the auditorium under their own banners and with their own slogans.

Candidates speaking include Anita Whitney, Communist candidate for Congress in the 4th District; and Lawrence Ross, candidate for Congress in the 5th District.

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LANDON WANTS WOMEN VOTES
TOPEKA, Kas.—Governor Alf M. Landon, Hearst's nominee for President on the Republican ticket, is drafting strategy to entice women into voting for the G. O. P. in November.

Landon will confer with Miss Natalie Couch, New York woman lawyer, to develop lure for women voters.

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Heywood Broun in Praise of Platform Of Communist Party
Heywood Broun, president of the American Newspaper Guild, recently wrote in his nationally syndicated column, the following:
"Indeed, if Roosevelt, Landon and Lemke want to see a platform which is a model of brevity and definite statement of policy, I think they will do well to examine the document drawn up by the Communist Party of America. And although Earl Browder is a candidate for President, I have yet to see any photographs of him romping with his children, in spite of the fact that he has three who are at the cute age."
This comment concluded a satirical treatment of the publicity methods of the other three presidential candidates.

NO \$2,000 FOR HITLER GAMES

Progressives Fight Expenses For Multi-Millionaire to Deliver Official Flag To Berlin

LOS ANGELES. — When Adolph Hitler gets his bloody paws on the official Olympic Games flag, it will be from the well-manicured hands of William May Garland, local banker and American Olympic official. But Garland will have to wait for the \$2000 expenses he wanted if he ever gets it.

Mass indignation at the mere thought of appropriating \$2000 from city funds to pay Garland's expenses on the flag-delivering expedition forced the City Council here last week to postpone any action and as a result Garland had to leave in order to catch the boat to Berlin.

The banker had the flag with him—but he didn't have the \$2000.

Leading the fight against the appropriation were Councilman Parvey Parker Christensen, Epic candidate for the Democratic Congressional nomination in the 13th District against the reactionary Charles Kramer; Leo Gallagher, famed labor attorney and Communist endorsed candidate for Superior Court against the reactionary Arthur Crum; and Herbert Biberman, of the Hollywood League Against Nazism.

GALLAGHER FIGHTS
"Why, we could get a man to carry the flag to Nazi Germany for \$500!" declared Gallagher. "Whom will this money go to? I understand that Mr. Garland is a multimillionaire and how he can accept \$2000 for his trip is more than I can understand. This money could be used to buy 20,000 quarts of milk for Los Angeles children or 40,000 loaves of bread for hungry families."

Councilman Cunningham, reactionary, interrupted: "Mr. Gallagher is not to the point." "I am too," challenged Gallagher. "Your allocation of \$2000 would be an act of political banditry, to send money to a government condemned by every liberty-loving person in the world."

Rube Burroughs, liberal editor, stated: "This action will constitute an affront to a large portion of our own population and no good will come of it." David Gokowsky, editor of the Jewish Community Press, attacked the allocation as "unthinkable."

"Mr. Garland is going to Berlin anyway, having received notice from Heidelberg University that he has been made a doctor of laws," said Gokowsky, "and as one of few Americans who have been seduced by a Nazi decoration, he can well afford to pay his own way."

Mrs. E. Cuchman, Epic, declared: "Gentlemen, you can take this as a promise or a threat—if you allocate this \$2000, you'll be making alibis the rest of your lives. And you might as well change signs on all your public buildings to read 'Abandon All Hope, Ye who Enter Here; The Public Be Damned!'"

UNCONSCIOUS
Councilman Evan Lewis, a Chamber of Commerce man, unconsciously provided humor when he remarked: "We are getting off cheap at \$2000, because if the Mayor took the flag back it would cost us between \$10,000 and \$20,000!"

The Central Voters' Council delegate stated: "We have an ambassador in Berlin who never says anything wise and who never does anything foolish—I suggest that we ship the flag to him to give to his friend Hitler."

The council postponed action until Monday, July 13th.

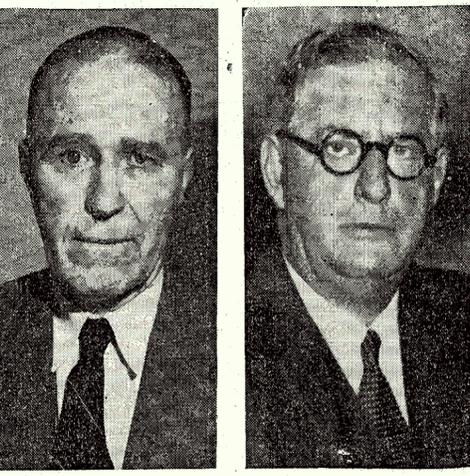
At the close of the session, a woman in the audience demanded that the city appropriate \$1.50 instead of \$2000, to send the flag to the Nazis parcel post!

Doctor Branded As Ambulance Chaser

LOS ANGELES.—"Ambulance chasing" was laid at the door of a resident physician at the Los Angeles County General Hospital here on information supplied by Arlie Goodale, 54, who reported the doctor had recommended a lawyer to him after he had been taken to the hospital suffering from traffic injuries.

Investigating officers said numerous patients were induced to turn damage cases over to "picked" lawyers, who presumably split fees with hospital attendants.

Fascist Aides to Hearstman Landon



WILLIAM LEMKE (left) and Thomas O'Brien are the presidential ticket of Father Coughlin, with the expressed purpose of taking away votes from Roosevelt in order to help the Hearst-Liberty Leaguers elect the Republican candidate, Alf Landon. They are running on the "Union Party" ticket.

Communist Candidate Refused to Do War Propaganda, Left Pulpit

LOS ANGELES.—When nearly every pulpit was being used as an instrument for war propaganda in 1917, James A. Ayres, trained for the ministry, left his pulpit rather than advocate the mass murdering of American working people for the benefit of Wall Street.

This is the Communist candidate for the Assembly in the 46th District.

Born in Deadwood, South Dakota, in 1886, Ayres was raised on a cattle ranch and attended high school and a theological college, becoming a minister. When he left the ministry in 1917, he became a homesteader, during which time he joined the Workers' Party, which became affiliated with the present Communist Party. In 1924 he moved to Denver, Colorado, where with Mother Ella Reeve Bloor and others, he was arrested at a street meeting and thrown into jail.

BROTHERHOOD MEMBER
Since then Ayres has worked at railroad building, construction and railroad work. For more than two years he was a member of the Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks. He became a charter member of the Denver Branch of the International Labor Defense, and in 1926 was a delegate to the national convention of the I. L. D.

Ayres was secretary of a campaign to save Sacco and Vanzetti, and also had an active part in the movement to free Tom Mooney and Warren K. Billings.

He was a member of the Inglewood Epic Club for more than a year, and served as a delegate to the January, February and May Epic State Conventions.

Ayres has been arrested here in Los Angeles for participation in working class activities.

He is married and has six dependent children. His wife is a sculptress of sufficient prominence to be published in Who's Who.

Publicity Man Would 'Serve' C.P. Candidate

OAKLAND.—Prestige of the Communist Party, rapidly increasing in the decisive sections of the working class, is also becoming recognized in some rather odd quarters, as witness the postcard received by Franklin Bissell Jr., Candidate for Alameda County supervisor, recently.

The postcard reads: "Dear Mr. Bissell Jr. 'It is public opinion that decides a candidate's campaign success or failure. Public opinion can be molded to suit the needs of every individual through the medium of constructive exploitation.'"

"May I offer my services in your forthcoming campaign as one trained in the building of public opinion."

"Sincerely yours, Arthur M. Olsen, Public Relations, Publicity."

His "services" were not accepted, since the Communist Party depends upon scores of workers to enter the campaign activity and to publicize its candidates and their platform.

Build the circulation of the Western Worker.

PROFITEERING IN FLOPHOUSES

Unsanitary Firetraps Provide "Housing" for Workers, With "Comforts" Non-Existent

By A Worker Correspondent
SAN FRANCISCO.—Another illustration of how one of our chief necessities of life is being commercialized for profits, is the shelter of workers. Our in famous flophouses, also called hotels and rooming houses, are arranged in order to squeeze as much profit out of the workers as possible. Many of them are firetraps.

The buildings are divided into partitions, in such fractions that it is impossible to divide any more. Inside rooms are half dark or completely dark with poor electric or gas light to be used night and day. All rooms are unsanitary.

Renting prices on these dens range from \$1 to \$2.50. I lived for at least two months in such a room at \$1 a week, and it exactly answers the name "sleeping room"—that is, all the 6 by 8 space is taken up by the bedstead and you cannot turn around or do anything else.

NO COMFORTS
No running water or washing basins, and no hot water—these rooms are intended for a working man who gets up at 6 a. m. in a hurry, splashes some cold water on his face, and runs. No bath rooms to be mentioned—no tub or shower bath. They change your bed linen once in two weeks.

For \$2 a week there might be a little more space to turn around, a little dresser in the room, but still only a sleeping room. The management provides an electric globe of the lowest possible voltage, so the workers cannot read or write anything.

For \$2.50 you get a gas plate in your room. You can have clean bed linen and a bath once a week if you ask and insist on it.

Teacher Fights 8 Years for His Job

SAN FRANCISCO.—Charging he was dropped from his position in 1929 because he refused to falsify his teaching records, Leslie S. Tromanhauser 38, has continued his eight-year fight for reinstatement as a teacher of agriculture in the Porterville High School here by filing a writ of mandamus in Superior Court asking the State Board of Education for a reinstatement hearing.

Tromanhauser was authorized a special hearing before the State Board of Education by the legislative Senate committee on education last May. His fight has already reached the State Supreme Court once.

WANTS FAIR HEARING
"This is what I have been seeking vainly for years," said Tromanhauser. "All I ask is a full, fair and complete hearing. Maybe now I'll get it."

"Before I was ousted, county authorities asked me to certify to 324 more hours of teaching than I had given. This would have resulted in the county receiving approximately \$800 of federal funds more than it was entitled to. When I refused to make such a report, I was fired in spite of eight years of satisfactory teaching."

"ONLY BUMS ARE HANGED," SAYS BANKER

SAN FRANCISCO.—"Justice is a purchasable quantity," charged George Van Smith, former prison board chairman and banker, here last week at a luncheon club.

"Only bums are hanged," said Van Smith. "I can't point out one single person hanged in California in the past 30 years, who had more than \$10,000 assets or some influential friends. That is why justice is becoming known as a purchasable quantity."

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Brinkley Endorsed For Supervisor by Communist Party

LOS ANGELES.—A worker since boyhood, active in working class struggles, is William T. Brinkley, non-partisan candidate for supervisor in the 4th District here. He is endorsed by the Communist Party.

Born on a small Tennessee farm in 1900, Brinkley left the farm in 1922 to work in oil fields and factories until three years ago when he was thrown out of employment and forced on relief.

Brinkley has also headed committees to the present Board of Supervisors, demanding that the unemployed be given sufficient relief to live on, and against use of armed force in breaking strikes.

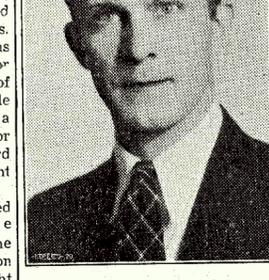
He was active in collecting funds and food in the 1934 maritime strike for the San Pedro waterfront workers and served on the picket line at the General Motors plant at South Gate, and on the P. W. U. U. picket line at WPA headquarters.

Brinkley has a wife and two small children. At the present time he is active in the campaign for the repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Act, and for the building of a Farmer-Labor Party.

Leckrone Is C.P. Assembly Nominee In 56th District

LOS ANGELES.—Clifford Leckrone, Communist Party candidate for the State Assembly in the 56th District, was born 32 years ago in a little Dunkard (Quaker) community in southwestern Ohio.

When he grew up, he worked in brick yards, offices, in a foundry, and on section gangs. Six years ago he came to California, and has supported his family by digging ditches, keeping



CLIFFORD LECKRONE Communist candidate in the 56th Assembly District.

books, and working in a packing house.

Leckrone lost his packing house job because he made a remark to the effect that the plant's company union was boss-controlled, and for objecting to wages of \$3 to \$10 a week.

MOVE TO DRIVE ALL CHINESE FROM MONTEREY

MONTEREY, Calif.—Business interests are behind the move to drive the Chinese out of Monterey.

Besides the hatred of the Chinese people inculcated by the business interests, a reason behind the move is an attempt by the business men to take over the Chinese quarter for their own profits.

The business interests behind the move are cloaking the attempt against the Chinese in sanctimonious terms. They falsely state that the Chinese quarters consist mainly of gambling houses, and that this causes an unpleasant situation for tourists.

Pressure is being put on owners of property in the Chinese section to raze the present structures, and build new buildings. The bait for a "more substantial revenue" is being dangled before the property owners.

BROWDER WILL SPEAK IN CAL. FOR PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN

Gigantic Mass Meetings Being Arranged in San Francisco And Los Angeles; Broadcast Fund Donations Sought; James Ford and Others to Speak in National Election Campaign of Communist Party

Earl Browder will be in California during the month of August to speak for his presidential candidacy and for the platform of the Communist Party!

Gigantic mass meetings will be held both in Los Angeles and in San Francisco and Browder's speech will be broadcast to the entire state. The Communist campaign committees in both cities are already making arrangements for the meetings, and for collecting funds to make the radio broadcasts possible.

Working people wishing to donate to the radio broadcast funds are urged to contact George Maurer, state campaign manager, 121 Haight street, San Francisco; or Harold J. Ashe, campaign manager in Los Angeles County, at 230 1/2 South Spring street, Los Angeles.

James Ford, famous Negro leader and Communist candidate for Vice-President, as he was in 1932, will also be on the Pacific Coast to speak in either September or October.

Other nationally famous Communist leaders to speak in this district during September and October include Ella Reeve Bloor, known far and wide as "Mother Bloor"; Clarence Hathaway, editor of the Daily Worker, national Communist organ; and Roy Hudson, member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party.

Huge mass meetings will be arranged for these leaders, as well as for Browder.

U.S. Soviet Union Trade Agreement Is Extended Again

WASHINGTON.—The United States trade agreement with the Soviet Union has been extended for another year, according to announcement by the State Department here.

The agreement provides for the purchase by the Soviet government of another \$30,000,000 worth of American goods during the year beginning July 13th.

In the past year under a similar agreement, the Soviet government has exceeded its allotments, and has purchased an amount that will total at least \$37,000,000 said the State Department.

The agreement provides substantial trade concessions for the Soviet Union, similar to those granted other nations in reciprocal trade agreements.

In previous years the annual American exports to the Soviet Union have been only \$12,000,000, stated the State Department, indicating satisfaction with the practical operation of the trade agreement.

LINCOLN'S KIN STARVING IN A K.C. BASEMENT

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—While stuffed-shirt politicians pretend to carry on the heritage of Abraham Lincoln, one of the few living relatives of the great President is starving in a Kansas City basement.

He is Thomas Lincoln, a second cousin of the "great emancipator." He eats through the kindness of neighbors who give him food. He is still waiting for an old age pension from the State of Missouri.

"I think my record entitles me to a pension," the aged man said to an interviewing reporter. "I've worked hard all my life. Just as soon as I was big enough I went to work as a farmhand."

He applied for a pension a year ago, but like thousands of other aged Missourians, never received one. The pension would amount to only \$8 or \$8 a month.

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Methodists Favor Repeal of CS Act

ASB SAN FRANCISCO.—Repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Act was supported by the annual California Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and published in its Social Service Report, as follows:

"We regret that men and women have been imprisoned merely for leadership in industrial disputes, and record our belief that class legislation having this effect should be repealed, especially the Criminal Syndicalism law."

The report also expressed support for the constitutional rights of the people:

"We affirm our faith in democracy, in the value of unfettered discussion, and in the civil rights of free speech, press and assembly. We reaffirm our traditional approval of the right of employees and employers alike to organize for collective bargaining."

The report urged that a committee on social education and social action be set up in each church.

RE-HEARING ON ONE-MAN CARS SET FOR AUG 1

SAN FRANCISCO.—Federal Judge Harold Louderback, the man who voided the people's vote against one-man streetcars, has set August 1st as the date for consideration of the city's petition for a re-hearing of evidence to determine constitutionality of the ordinance prohibiting operation of one-man cars.

The Market Street Railway Company filed a formal objection through Attorney William Cannon, contending the Federal Court had no jurisdiction since the city has appealed his decision to the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

The California Agricultural Strike Must Not Be Lost!

All the open shoppers in Southern California, led by the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce and the Los Angeles Times, are endeavoring to smash the heroic strike of nearly 5000 orange pickers in Orange County and near Whittier in Los Angeles County. And they're not choosy about their methods.

Every weapon of intimidation and terrorism is being trained by these fascist-minded reactionaries, and their tools such as Sheriff Logan Jackson of Orange County, against the strikers, chiefly Mexicans and their families who have endured incredible hunger and privation in the fields and groves of California.

Prompted by these forces of reaction, Sheriff Jackson has issued orders to "shoot to kill" to his 400 special deputies, and the Orange County Board of Supervisors voted funds to purchase an arsenal—no less—of tear gas, pistols, shot guns, and other lethal weapons for the expressed purpose of strike-breaking.

Encouraged by growing public sentiment against the terror and in favor of the strikers, the Orange Pickers' Union is standing its ground and carrying on mass picketing, despite the fact that 150 of its members are now in jail on charges of "rioting" with a threatened penalty of two years in prison and \$2000 fine.

This strike can be won for the orange pickers if these heroic workers receive the active cooperation and support of all labor throughout the state. Don West, representing the recent State Agricultural Conference held at Stockton, has left San Francisco for Santa Ana and the strike zone. It is the be urgently hoped that this means that the State Federation of Labor will aid the strikers in every way possible, and will begin concrete activity to organize ALL agricultural workers in California.

Loss of this strike would hurt the movement to organize the field and orchard workers—it must not be lost!

Some Things to Keep in Mind About the C.I.O. And William Green

In case any member or any honest official of organized labor is still in doubt, it is well for them to understand that the existence of the Committee for Industrial Organization in no way violates the constitution of the A. F. of L.

It should also be clearly understood that the A. F. of L. Executive Council has not the slightest right, under the A. F. of L. constitution, to expel or suspend a single international union. That right belongs only to the convention of the A. F. of L., and can be exercised only by a vote of the majority of affiliated unions.

The sole purpose of the C. I. O. is to organize the mass production, basic industries, on the industrial basis of every worker in the industry in one union. The only reason why millions in such industries as steel, automobile, rubber, electrical manufacturing, and other vastly important industries have not come into the A. F. of L. has been because they have feared that they would be divided up into 10 or 25 different craft unions, and be unable to fight effectively against the strongly united and trustified employers, for better conditions and wages.

Because the United Mine Workers is an industrial union, and takes in every man in and around the mines, close to 500,000 miners have been assured, through the C. I. O., that they will not be split up into crafts, they too are be-

ginning to flock into the A. F. of L. unions.

What William Green and his craft union colleagues stand for was more than amply shown the other day, when Green attacked the drive to organize steel, and gave air and comfort to the Steel Trust. Before that, Green had given instructions to all unions that no support is to be furnished the 12,000 members of the United Electrical and Radio Workers, on strike in Camden, N. J., against the Radio Corporation.

Why no support? Because they had adopted the industrial form of organization.

The Road Ahead For FRANCE

American newspapers are busy drawing comparisons between the situation in France today, and the situation which preceded the rise of fascism in Italy. They make bold predictions of a fascist dictatorship in the near future. These predictions are based more on wish fulfillment than on logic.

The situation in Italy was one of syndicalism. The workers seized the factories and tried to operate them. They waged their struggle solely on the economic front and virtually ignored the government. Unity was lacking between working class groups and practically no effort was made to win the great sections of the middle class as allies.

Today, in France, labor has exerted its strength simultaneously on economic and political fronts. Unity has been established between the working class parties and with the middle class. The factories have not been seized in anarchistic fashion, but were the scenes of giant "sit-down" strikes. The ranks of the Army and all police forces are being democratized and all pro-fascist elements weeded out.

The time will come when the present Socialist-Radical government must go forward to Socialism or sink backward into capitalism. French capitalists are counting on that moment for their final effort to shackle the nation with a fascist dictatorship.

They are going to find the workers ready.

In Germany and Italy, the military forces, under capitalist domination, remained neutral and permitted the fascist gangs to wage armed attacks against the workers.

In France, the armed forces are not only being allied to the workers' cause, but the workers are preparing themselves to repulse any armed attack of reaction.

Government to Foreclose More Mortgages in 1936

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Plagued by the drouth, American farmers will be given additional misery by Federal Land Bank officials. Federal Land Bank Commissioner Goss announces that he expects farm mortgage foreclosures to be more numerous this year than in 1935. The drouth is largely responsible, he said.

"In abnormal times like this," he added, loans will be based on whether the farmer will have a reasonable chance to work it out under normal conditions."

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2. Provide unemployment insurance, old age pensions, and social security for all.
3. Save the young generation.
4. Free the farmers from debts, unbearable tax burdens and foreclosures. Guarantee the land to those who till the soil.
5. The rich hold the wealth of the country—make the rich pay.
6. Defend and extend democratic and civil liberties. Curb the Supreme Court.
7. Full rights for the Negro people.
8. Keep America out of war by keeping war out of the world.

How Can We Build Unity With Epics Townsendites and Other Groups?

Speech of Wm. Schneiderman, Calif. State Secretary, at National Convention, Communist Party, U. S. A.—June 26, 1936

On behalf of the California delegation I want to express our conviction that the report of Comrade Browder will prove a powerful weapon to mobilize the masses on the West Coast, as well as throughout the country, for a united people's front, under the leadership of our Party, against the danger of fascism and war.

The struggle for the united front and a Farmer-Labor Party in California is an especially difficult and complicated one for us, because of the existence of a number of left political movements which have grown up and gained considerable support among the workers, farmers, and middle classes.

But experience of recent months has shown that with a correct approach by our party toward these groups, especially the Epic and Townsend movements, they can be won over to the united front, and eventually to a Farmer-Labor Party.

Comrade Johnstone in his report has already dealt with some of the most important recent developments in the Epic movement in that direction. I want to deal with the united front tactics of the Party in the coming primary elections in August, and the final elections in November.

EPIC HOPES

We are confronted with a situation where the Epics are moving rapidly to the left, bringing forward new leaders and throwing off old ones. But while they are bitterly disappointed in Roosevelt and hostile to the Farley-McAdoo Democratic machine, they are not yet ready to completely break with the Democratic Party and Roosevelt. They still have the hope that by remaining within the Democratic party they can capture the nominations for state and Congressional offices for Epic candidates.

While they favor the idea of a Farmer-Labor party on a state and even national scale, they are still committed to the support of Roosevelt in the 1936 elections. Our problems as it was so clearly explained in Comrade Browder's report is to adopt such a tactical line as to build the united front with the supporters of Roosevelt so as to win them to a Farmer-Labor party on a local and state scale, and eventually on a national scale.

When the Epics called a State united front political conference on May 10th, our party saw that the immediate formation of a Farmer-Labor party at this time, would have been a most serious mistake. FIRST of all, there was a still insufficient trade union base for such a step. Only about 100 local trade unions in California have gone on record, in one form or another, for a Labor Party or local Labor tickets. Not all of them, not even the most progressive unions, would actively support the immediate formation of a Farmer-Labor party.

WOULD HAVE MEANT SPLIT

SECONDLY, the Epics themselves would have split, because the entire membership has not yet been won to such a policy, and the right-wing leaders are working for such a split. It would have isolated the militant left-wing forces that are now coming into the leadership of the Epic movement.

We therefore urged the Epics to agree to a united front in the coming state elections, since it was premature to organize a Farmer-Labor party immediately. This line was followed by the left-wing militants and endorsed by the Epic united front conference on May 10th, and resulted in the desertion of the Epic movement by a group of leaders who are attempting to form a Progressive party.

In various assembly and Congressional districts, the Epics invited the Communists to join with them in supporting Epic Democratic candidates in the primary elections. Had we done this, we stood in danger of sacrificing the independent role of the Party and its program in the election campaign, as well as to make impossible a mass Communist registration for the primaries and an independent election campaign, in this the first year that the Party is officially on the ballot for the primary elections.

ANTI-CAPITALIST MOVEMENT

At the same time, we cannot confuse the 100,000 Epic voters with the Democratic party machine and its platform. We must look upon them as an essential anti-capitalist movement, a potential force in the building of a united front against reaction, and vigilatism, in California.

Our election tactics must therefore have in view the winning of the Epics to a Farmer-Labor party, while assuring the independent role of the Communist Party. We are entering a full slate of at least 40 Communist candidates in the primaries, for state Assembly and Congress, and working for a mass Communist registration. To workers who are registered Demo-

crats, we say to them, to support the nomination in the Democratic primaries of Epic candidates who will fight for the united front, for a Farmer-Labor party platform, to demand of their candidates to take a clear stand on every issue affecting the economic and political interests of the masses.

If any such Epic candidates who support a Farmer-Labor party or a united front platform are nominated on the Democratic ticket, we are prepared to throw our support to such a candidate in the final elections, in order to defeat the Republican-Hearst candidate of reaction.

MUST DEFEAT KRAMER

We have a special problem in the 13th Congressional District, of Republican Congressman Kramer, the author of the Anti-Sedition Bill. There our Party has raised the slogan of a united front to defeat Kramer. This campaign has developed wide popular support. Opposing him will be Parley Parker Christensen, Los Angeles city Councilman elected as an Epic Democrat, and former Farmer-Labor presidential candidate in 1920. Christensen has made a militant fight for some of the most important workers' demands in the L. A. City Council, although he has not committed himself for a Farmer-Labor party. Although our party has entered a Communist candidate in Kramer's district in the August primaries, we have declared that we stand ready to form a united front in the final elections, if Christensen wins the Democratic nomination, and mobilize all forces behind him for the defeat of the fascist Kramer.

With such a policy in the primary elections, our party will appeal after the primaries to the Epic forces, in those districts where the Epic united front candidate was eliminated in the Democratic primaries, to mobilize the support of the Epics for the Communist candidates in the final elections, as the only candidates who fight for the united front and a Farmer-Labor Party.

We have every possibility of winning such support, of strengthening the fight for the united front and lay the basis for a Farmer-Labor party, while at the same time assuring the independent role of the Communist Party in the elections.

Into this united front movement we have attempted to draw the Socialist Party. But our repeated appeals to the Socialist Party for a united front in the elections have been rejected. The state Socialist leadership of militants surrenders to the Old Guard and Trotzkyite influence. But even the Socialist leaders, fearing isolation, have recently affiliated with the Epic united front movement. They forgot that only a short time ago they were calling us opportunists for advocating such a policy.

TOWNSEND MOVEMENT

Regarding the Townsend movement, Comrade Johnstone has already dealt with the situation in these organizations. Not only are they undemocratic, but they do not allow any other subject but the Townsend Plan to be discussed in their meetings. A Townsend Club that recently invited a

speaker from the American League Against War and Fascism had its charter revoked, and its leaders removed. But even here, it is not impossible to win them for the united front. For instance, a Los Angeles District Conference of Townsend Clubs representing 90,000 members, endorsed the signature campaign to place the repeal of the Criminal Syndicalist Law on the November ballot. In view of the new Coughlin-Townsend-Lemke alliance, the winning of the Townsend roganizations becomes an even more important and vital task.

MARITIME INDUSTRY

I want to deal with some of the problems of the Party in the maritime industry. The role and influence of the Party has steadily increased among the 35,000 maritime workers in the recent period. We now have 200 Communists on the San Francisco waterfront. (Applause.) It is because the correct policy of the Party was translated into action, answering the needs of the masses, that it was possible for the maritime unions not only to hold on to the gains made, but to strengthen and consolidate their positions, to ward off every attack, to know when to make temporary retreats, and to go forward to new gains.

This required a continuous struggle, because the unions are under the constant and repeated attacks of the shipowners, who have not given up their attempts to smash the unions and their militant leadership, and wipe out the gains made by the workers. Three major lock-outs in the past year have been defeated. The maritime workers have not only set an example for militancy, unity and solidarity, but their struggles and victories have been a most powerful influence and impetus to the rest of the labor movement on the Pacific Coast, and to the maritime workers throughout the country, especially to the struggles on the East Coast and the Gulf.

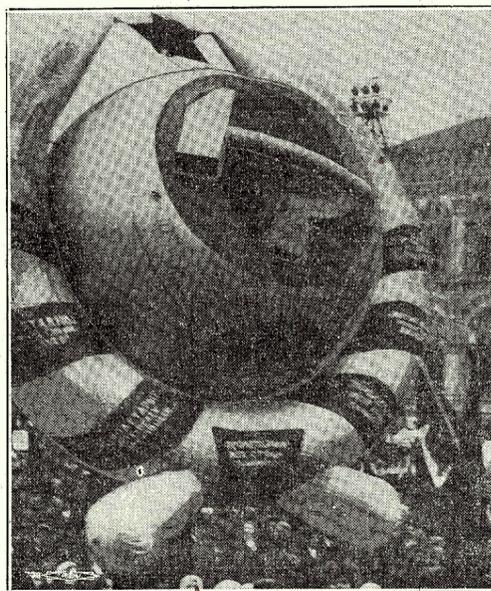
But there are a number of serious problems arising in the course of the struggle, which must be solved if the movement is to go forward. The Communists and other militants in the maritime unions have proven splendid trade union leaders who have won the confidence of the masses, and the militant rank and file program has entrenched itself so strongly, that even the reactionary officials who have not yet been completely eliminated are forced to pose as militants and do not dare openly oppose a rank and file program. This makes it more difficult to expose those officials who ride along with the tide in order not to be completely discredited.

(To be Concluded Next Issue.)

SOLIDARITY FOR RICHTER

TORONTO, Canada.—In the full traditions of Thomas Jefferson, the second convention of the Eastern District of the German Workers' and Farmers' Association of Canada, meeting here, protested the unjustified imprisonment of Otto Richter by American authorities on Ellis Island, and the attempt to send the young anti-Nazi to his death in Hitler Germany.

Symbol of a "Down to Earth" System



THE BALLOON in this parade of Soviet workers may be full of air, but the Russian achievements in their struggle for Socialism certainly are not. The hammer and sickle of the Communist Party is a symbol of what must and can be done to get the workers of the capitalist world a decent standard of security.

Hearst's Treachery in Sinking of Maine Shown

U. S. NAVY HUSHED UP INVESTIGATION

It is gratifying to know that according to a survey by Fortune magazine, 43 out of every 100 persons in cities with Hearst newspapers regard their influence on national affairs as bad. It is especially good to know that the distortion and misrepresentation of news-events and people, which is the life-blood of the Hearst yellow press, not taken seriously by many Hearst readers. Apparently even the backward person, the typical patron on the Hearst papers, senses that Hearst is a fascist propagandist and is the enemy of democracy and everything decent.

Bearing in mind that next to the American (anti) Liberty League, the chief fascist menace in this country is William Randolph Hearst, the American League Against War and Fascism, New York City Division, has fittingly set aside July 4th, Independence Day, as anti-Hearst-Day.

"REMEMBER THE MAINE!"

It is generally known that Hearst is the outstanding author of Red-scares in the United States and the chief war propagandist. It is also generally known that Hearst, through his lying, sensational press was responsible for the Spanish-American War. What is not generally known, however, is the true story of the sinking of the Maine, which Hearst played up to drag America into war with Spain.

We shall let General Smedley D. Butler, retired commander of the U. S. Marines, tell the story. General Butler is the only person ever to receive twice the Congressional Medal of Honor for bravery under fire, and is a veteran of more front-line fighting than any living U. S. military officer. In ex-coriating Hearst, whom he accused as being principally responsible for the war against Spain, General Butler declared:

The slogan by which thousands were lured to fight in Cuba was "Remember the Maine," the battleship presumably blown up by the Spaniards. But now the jingos want to forget the Maine. For when some years later it was lifted from the bottom of Havana harbor, it was discovered that the steel plates had been blown outward, not inward.

Clearly this demonstrates that an inter-explosion sank the Maine. We are now convinced that this was caused by the smokeless brown powder, about which must less was known then than now, becoming overheated in the glare of the hot Cuban sun.

Had the explosion been caused by a Spanish-planted mine, the plates would have caved in. But this fact was hushed up by the U. S. Navy, which refused to permit photographs of the resurrected Maine, and then towed it to 6500 feet of water and sank it where the whole truth can never be learned.

The Maine never had any business in Cuban waters, no more than our navy has any business now fooling around the coast of Japan. But when it was accidentally destroyed, the Spaniards were blamed, and the sinking of the Maine became a pretext for grabbing Cuba for the benefit of American sugar planters.

BOYCOTT HEARST ENTERPRISES!

I. L. D. Demands U. S. Probe Of Black Legion Activity

NEW YORK.—Demands for a U. S. Dept. of Justice investigation of the Black Legion have been sent to Attorney General Cummings by the International Labor Defense.

The demand follows a thorough legal investigation of the Legion by the I. L. D.'s attorneys. They gave six bases for federal probe of the Legion, "each constituting a separate federal offense."

The fascist black-hooded terrorists, according to the investigation report, violated federal statutes prohibiting night-riding (civil rights law); kidnaping; sending threatening communications; interference with tl. federal relief administration; fraudulently obtaining federal aid given to rifle clubs, etc.

The Communist Party has set a goal in the Western Worker circulation drive which calls for doubling the number of readers before the end of 1936. Is your unit conducting house-to-house work, selling at street corners and workers' meetings to build the circulation?

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Germany Moderates Policy in Austria and Danzig To Gain Fascist Allies

Mexican Communist Hits New Pan-American Parley

WALL STREET TRYING TO CINCH CONTROL

NEW YORK.—Hernan Laborde, general secretary of the Communist Party of Mexico, in his recent speech before the Eighth National Convention of the Communist Party of the U. S. A., warned American labor of the Wall Street scheming which underlies the Pan-American Conference to be held soon in Buenos Aires on the initiative of President Roosevelt.

"The conference," said Laborde, "expresses the purpose of bettering the commercial relations of the United States with the Latin American countries, above all in the sense of increasing the exports of North American industries to the countries of South and Caribbean America, displacing as much as possible, and, if possible, totally, the rival imperialisms, in the first place, England.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS
"In the conference it will be also attempted to take our countries out of the League of Nations, drawing them nearer politically to Washington and placing them under its direct and exclusive influence, possibly through a Pan-American League of Nations. In this form, Yankee imperialism attempts to fortify its continental economic and political base, not only for the struggle for the markets and for economic world predominance, but also with the foresight of new imperialist wars and even the new imperialist world war."

MONROE DOCTRINE
Laborde urged all Communist Parties on the American continents to campaign on the Pan-American Conference. He urged a policy against the abandonment of the League of Nations, against formation of a separate, isolated League of Pan-American nations, for abolition of the Monroe Doctrine, which enables the United States to interfere and intervene in Latin American countries, and abolition of unequal commercial treaties.

ITALY LOADING UP WITH ARMAMENTS FOR ANOTHER WAR

WASHINGTON.—Indicating further conquest plans of Mussolini, Italy has leaped into the American munitions market since the official arms embargo was lifted. During the last ten days of June, the Fascists bought \$140,200 worth of war materials, chiefly airplane parts.

In all, \$1,807,743.96 worth of munitions and arms went to the rest of the world from the American munitions trust according to statistics revealed by the State Department.

The Chinese Kuomintang government bought \$299,820 worth of war materials during June for use against the Chinese Red Army, but Japan bought only \$4,487.75 worth because it is capable of producing its own war implements.

For defense against Japanese and Nazi Germany aggression, the Soviet Union bought chiefly airplanes and parts worth \$187,878.82.

OPEN SHOPPERS

NEW YORK.—Labor-hating employers, according to the magazine "Common Sense," contribute generously to the Crusaders, fascist organization.

President Walter Chrysler of the Chrysler Motors gave \$876; Sewell Avery, chairman of Montgomery Ward, \$5000; E. R. Crawford of McKeesport Tinsmith, \$5000; Irene DuPont, munitions king, \$5000; Pres. Seubert of Indiana Standard Oil, \$3000; William Wrigley of the chewing gum Wrighleys, \$5000.

All are big open shoppers.

Fascism Felled By French Fists



French seamen in the streets of Marseilles believe that the only way to stop Fascism is to STOP IT. When it leads with its chin, reply with your right. The Croix de Feu (Cross of Fire) fascist in the center of the picture will be wearing a pound of beef steak on his eye before morning, when the seamen get through with him. During the strike of the seamen, the fascists ran riot in Marseilles but were quickly sent scurrying to their holes by the workers' street cleaning brigades.

Colonial Policies of French Government Alarming Great Britain and All Other Imperialist Powers

REFUSES TO USE MILITARY FORCE AGAINST THE PEOPLE IN COLONIAL COUNTRIES

PARIS, France.—Indications are that the Colonial policies of the Blum government may create a serious crisis for British Imperialism. As long as French capitalism was in the government saddle, French colonial possessions were held in subjection by military force.

The principle of the newly created Socialist-Radical government, together with the influence of Communist deputies in the Chamber, are strictly opposed to any use of force to suppress foreign peoples.

MAY FREE SYRIA

Syria, which is held by France under a mandate from the League of Nations, has waged a long and bitter struggle for independence from French rule. Premier Blum has already set up a committee in Paris to lay plans for terminating the mandate and granting Syrian independence.

The Syrian independence movement is closely knit with the Arabian independence movement as a whole. When France grants freedom to Syria, it will seriously embarrass Britain who is suppressing the independence movement in its own spheres of influence by force of arms. It will be particularly awkward for the British in Palestine, where the Arabian independence movement is closely related to the Arabians in Syria. Cooperation of France is suppressing the Arabian people and maintaining imperialist strongholds is almost essential to Great Britain. However, as long as the people of France maintain their say in the government, it is certain that no armed force will be used in the colonies.

ALL IMPERIALIST POWERS

In fact, France's "square deal" policy in dealing with her widespread colonies will inevitably cause difficulties for every Imperialist power which has been ruling by force and telling its population at home that no other course is possible. French

liberalism will plainly expose the imperialists as exploiters and robbers.

Not only Africa and the Mediterranean, but the Far East is affected where France is considering granting independence to Indo-China, Cochin-China, Tonkin, Anam and Cambodia.

The effect this is going to have on the population of India, which is already stirring resentfully under British rule, can well be imagined.

SITUATION AT HOME

Meanwhile, the prospects of French capitalists regaining control of the government become dimmer daily. That one last, bloody attempt to repeat the fascist coups of Italy and Germany will be attempted, is considered probable. However, the French workers, fully alive to the danger, are making every preparation to repulse such an attack.

The present Socialist-Radical government headed by Blum is rapidly approaching the point where it must go forward to Socialism or backward into the degeneration of Capitalism. When that point is reached, the danger of a fascist attack will be at its height. And the workers of Paris are laying their plans accordingly. Unity between Socialists and Communists is strengthening rapidly. Democratization of the armed forces and nationalization of munitions industries will deprive French capitalism of its most serious weapons and help to assure the victory of the people in the decisive struggle.

UNPOPULAR SALES

NEW YORK.—Sales tax laws have been dropped by 7 of the 28 states which adopted them, according to the Tax Policy League.

Eleven of the remaining 21 state laws are to expire in 1937. There is also the possibility that the unpopularity of the tax may force its repeal in some of the states where it was adopted as a permanent measure.

ALASKA AIR

WASHINGTON, D. C.—A new war preparation is the War Department's selection of a special board of three army officers to select a suitable site for a huge outpost airport near Fairbanks, Alaska.

The new airport is authorized by Congress under the Wilcox Bill. It is to handle at least 1000 army planes. Other similar sites are being selected in various parts of the U. S., notably on the Pacific Coast

Hitler Softening Foreign Policies to Please Allies

COMPROMISES DANZIG AND AUSTRIA RIFT

BERLIN, Germany.—Importance of reaching military agreements with neighboring semi-fascist nations has forced Hitler to make strategic retreats in Germany's aggressive foreign policy. Agreements are all but concluded between Germany and Austria providing that Germany will recognize complete Austrian independence, refrain from interference in Austrian affairs, and disavow the Nazi movement in Austria. Draft of the past was drawn up by Colonel Fritz von Papen, Reich Minister to Vienna, and Austrian Chancellor Kurt Schuschnigg on July 11th. It needs only the signature of Hitler, who has already approved the terms.

This agreement will likewise clear the way for complete accord between Italy and Germany. It follows months of negotiations during which the semblance of accord had been reached and was later endangered by friction over continued aggressive activity of the Nazis within Austria.

DANZIG DIFFICULTIES

Meanwhile, Germany's move to seize the free city of Danzig has met with firm resistance from Poland and created a dangerous rift between these two powers. Already Germany has backed down to the extent of permitting Poland to represent Danzig in foreign affairs and maintain her influence in the disputed territory. Direct annexation of Danzig by Germany will be withheld, although to all intents and purposes, Germany has the upper hand and is in control of the city.

Germany needs the cooperation of Poland and Austria and Italy for her projected war of conquest. At the same time, swaggering spectacular demonstrations in World politics are necessary to keep the German populace distracted from its pressing economic difficulties.

HYSTERICAL CIRCUS

To create hysteria and enthusiasm, and the impression that Germany is going places in a big way, the Nazis have done everything but shave off Hitler's mustache. The constant circus of events have included burning down the Reichstag, chopping off heads, repeated waves of anti-Jewish pogroms, enormous re-armament, re-building of the German Navy, re-militarizing the Rhineland, Nazi activities in Austria, and the seizure of Danzig. It is only by extreme pressure that Hitler has been forced to back down and the latter two demonstrations.

In addition to pumping up nationalist hysteria among the German people, Hitler's aggressive moves have had the purpose of systematically wrecking the League of Nations and all World War treaties. In this enterprise, he has had the cooperation of all other fascist powers and even of Wall Street, which was particularly anxious to weaken the League and its influence over South and Central American affairs.

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War Means You



That seems to be what this Japanese soldier is pointing out. And the picture would indicate that even dogs are endangered by the ghastly clouds of gas that will be released in the coming war. "Coming" unless the peoples of the world organize and stop it before it gets under way.

French Communists Vow Loyalty to the Masses

"FOR A FRANCE, FREE STRONG AND HAPPY"

PARIS, France.—A crowd of 80,000 attended a recent Communist mass meeting at Buffalo Stadium here to celebrate the victory of the United Front and successful conclusion of hundreds of strikes.

Speakers proclaimed, "The unity of action between the Communists and Socialists is unbreakable. Our next step must be the formation of a single party of the Proletariat."

FISTS UPRAISED

At the conclusion of the meeting, the Communist deputies, who were present, and the entire assemblage, raised their fists and repeated an oath:

"We, the deputies and militant Communists, swear to fight for the greatness of our nation and in defense of the International Proletariat. We, the deputies and militant Communists, are entirely in the service of the toiling masses of France, united in a People's Front of struggle for bread, peace, and freedom.

FREE—STRONG—HAPPY

"We joyfully submit to the discipline of our Party. We firmly believe in its tireless advancement and swear that we will do everything possible for the unity of the French nation and the establishment of a France, free, strong and happy—which the Communists want and will establish."

NAVAL OFFICERS IN SPAIN MUST CEASE SOCIAL SNOBBERIES

MADRID, Spain.—A Spanish naval officer, attending a banquet in an African port, praised fascism and told army officers present that it would not be long before fascism seized power in Spain and restored military officers to their privileged positions of authority.

As a result, Minister of Marine Jose Giral has issued an order that all distinction of rank and hierarchy are henceforth abolished throughout the Spanish navy at all social functions. In the future, officers must refuse invitations to affairs unless a goodly number of rank and file sailors are also invited.

The purpose of the order is to put an end to the practice of officers leaguering together in snobbish exclusiveness and encouraging fascism. The presence of enlisted men is calculated to curb the tongues of the officers.

Reichstag Degenerated Into a Millionaire Club

NO CONSTITUTION FOR GERMAN PEOPLE

BERLIN, Germany.—While the Soviet Union is adopting the most democratic Constitution ever conceived on earth, Hitler has expressed himself as doubtful whether Germany should have any constitution at all. This opinion of the Fuehrer was reported by Lammers, chief of the state chancery at a Berlin meeting of the 'Friends of the German Academy.'

The Reichstag, once the highest legislative institution in the land, is the only thing remaining of Germany's Weimar constitution. During the entire period since Hitler's rise to power, this body has only met five times and the only persons who spoke were Hitler and Goering. The 740 deputies are no longer elected, but appointed by Nazi authority.

A RICH MAN'S CLUB

These deputies comprise Germany's leading millionaires, the leading members being Fritz Thyssen, head of the largest steel trust in Europe, and Eicke, head of the concentration camp at Dachau which is noted as one of the most bestial torture institutions of the Nazi regime.

Forty of the deputies are aristocrats of the old royalty, princes, counts, barons, etc. A large proportion are officials of the Nazi party and Storm Troop commanders.

RULE BY FORCE

Today no constitution is operative in Germany which is ruled by unwritten laws of capitalist exploitation and fascist suppression.

There are 100,000 wealthy men in Germany, 2000 of whom are millionaires. There are 150 multi-millionaires.

The ex-Kaiser Wilhelm II remains the wealthiest man in Germany. His land possessions alone are estimated at 200 million marks. He is followed by a whole row of landowners, former princes, who own enormous estates and millions of income.

During the years of Hitler's dictatorship, government statistics show incredible increases in corporation profits. During the last half of 1935, profits showed an increase of 98 per cent over 1933.

CITIZENSHIP DENIAL OF RELIEF CLIENTS THREATENED IN S.F.

SAN FRANCISCO.—The hearing of F. J. McConnel's petition for citizenship will be postponed until Monday, August 3rd, at the request of the Immigration and Neutralization Service which needs more time to complete their investigation of the applicant. As a result of the protest entered by the Subversive Activities Committee of the American Legion seeking to deny citizenship to McConnel on the grounds that he had advocated repeal of the C. S. Act, the Inter-Professional Association passed a resolution at their last membership meeting, presided over by Mr. John D. Barry, declaring that such activity did not constitute just grounds for the denial of citizenship.

The American Civil Liberties Union, through the local director, Ernest Besig, has promised to appear in court in support of its position that "Citizenship papers should not be refused to any alien because of the expression of radical or pacifist views which may legally be held by a citizen."

"PUBLIC CHARGE" ISSUE

Mr. Paul Armstrong, assistant district director of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, announces that his Bureau has not yet decided to oppose McConnel's petition. There is reason to believe, however, that the issue of a "public charge" will be raised in view of a recent decision in New Orleans, June 16th, where four aliens were denied citizenship because they were on relief and "were unable to contribute to the support of the Government."

At the preliminary hearing on McConnel's petition before Neutralization Examiner Stanley Johnston on May 26, Mr. Johnston raised the "public charge" question and cited a court decision denying citizenship to a charity case. Mr. Johnston also stated at that hearing that he considered all forms of direct relief and emergency work projects to be charity, including the WPA and the SERA.

RELIEF EXPERIENCE

McConnel was on direct relief in San Francisco for several months while his petition for citizenship was pending.

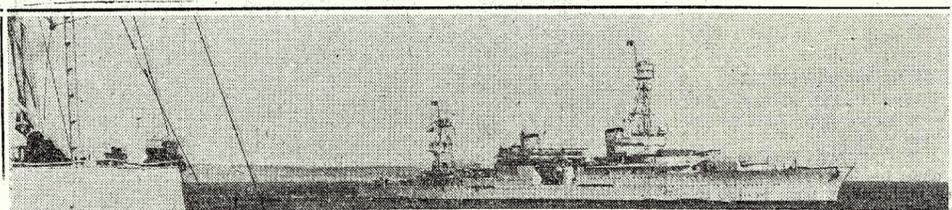
All WPA workers and unemployed on direct relief should resist every attempt on the part of the Department of Labor to classify them as charity cases and use this excuse to bar aliens from citizenship.

PROTEST URGED

All Unemployed and WPA workers' organizations are urged to take immediate action on resolutions protesting against the classification of project workers and unemployed on relief as "public charges," and demanding that no unemployed worker who is willing and able to work should be denied citizenship because he is unemployed or because he is a recipient of relief in any form.

Resolutions and letters of protest should be addressed to Edward Cahill, district director, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Appraisers Building, San Francisco, and to Frances Perkins, minister of labor, Washington, D. C.

U. S. Navy the Most Powerful Sea Force in the World



The U. S. S. Houston riding at anchor in San Diego harbor. America not only commands the greatest navy afloat, but financial appropriations throughout every branch of war preparations far exceed the spending of any other power. Yet Lloyds Insurance Co. at London, one of the most accurate information bureaus on earth, reports that there is not one chance in a hundred of America ever being invaded. It is to protect Wall Street investments abroad that America has plunged into the world armaments race.

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READERS SAY

FARM LABOR SITUATION

Dear Editor:
The California State Chamber of Commerce through the Committee on Farm Labor made this statement in regard to labor requirements in California agriculture, on June 10, 1936: "Even with every able-bodied man in the state available it may be difficult to avoid a labor shortage."
A few months ago there was a labor shortage in one of the valley districts, so a large grower who normally used only 40 workers to harvest his crop, advertised for 400 men at 30 cents per hour. As a result, about 600 to 1000 workers showed up at the ranch to find that only 40 men were needed and that wages would be 15 cents instead of 30 cents an hour. The workers began driving off in large groups so the manager said the wages would be 18 cents, but the workers continued to move off. Finally, the manager raised the wages to 20 cents per hour and got his 40 men.
The Chamber of Commerce in its bulletin further states: "Mr. Frisselle, on behalf of the state-wide Farm Labor Committee, is anxious that the County Committees anticipate labor needs as far in advance as possible and communicate immediately with the government employment agencies."

ON PRESS CENSORSHIP

L. A., July 4, 1936.
To the Western Worker:
Paul Goebbels (Hitler's Minister of Propaganda) says: "We did not abolish freedom of the press, but only press anarchy. What is called 'freedom of the press' in liberal countries is really the worst tyranny, that is exercised anonymously."
What that Knight of the Sorrowful Countenance means by 'press anarchy' is nothing but the disliked criticism of his sober-minded squire, the German worker, who is only trying to make him realize that he is not up against conquerable giants of by-gone days, but immovable, solid windmills of the present.
It was during periods of free expression when Germany produced her greatest thinkers and poets. All of them liked sharp criticism and advocated freedom of thought. But such geniuses will never spring up in the Third Reich.
Compare present German literature and philosophy with that of the glorious past. Nietzsche's lament that German ingenuity and eagerness for real worthwhile thought had been swallowed up by politics, that self-sufficiency and conceit had caused the downfall of German philosophy, could be applied rather now than in his day.
At present one can hear only one voice crying out of the wilderness of Germany. It is not the voice of Jehova or Wotan, but the voice of Goebbels, who firmly believes that in the beginning there was the Word and the Word was with Goebbels, and the Word was Goebbels.
He is much worried about those 14,000,000 class conscious workers who have been deprived of their right to have their own independent organizations, and is trying to convert them to the idea that the problem of the workers is not a problem of the stomach, but a problem of the Soul, and that Socialism does not mean "economic equality" but merely the "spiritual unity of the Aryans."
No wonder the German workers get tired of listening and tune in on Moscow. Nothing then gets him more out of temper. He himself gets so automatic in his speeches that he does not have to think any more what he is going to say. That reminds one of those Tibetan Llamas who, like old Buddha with folded arms and legs, can sit there motionless day and night and never get tired repeating over and over again a million and a billion times their "Ommane padme hum."
Comradely,
Louis Grandi.

MAYBE HELL CHANGE HIS MIND

Dear Comrades: Please send to this Republican working stiff the Western Worker for six months—also the book, What Is Communism. Please wrap this so it will not be classed as first class mail, since it does not need extra postage and the wrapping makes a big difference in postage of 20 cents.
The "New Reader" says that it is all right to read the opposite of opinions in daily papers. This man feels convinced we will be just as bad off with a Fascist dictator or a "Communist dictator."
Comradely yours, S. W.

SECOND ANNIVERSARY OF PURGE OF JUNE 30, 1934.

Some 500 of the followers of Adolph Hitler were assassinated by order of Der Fuehrer on June 30, 1934, only a little over a year after he came to power. Among those who had evoked the displeasure of Hitler and were liquidated in the Purge of June 30th were Capt. Ernst Roehm, at that time chief of the Storm Troopers, and First Lieut. Heines, terrorist and commander of Division III of the Storm Troops.

TELLING FACTS

The Russian National Revolutionary Party, or Russian Fascists, in a recent meeting in Hollywood, displaying a black swastika flag, introduced as the main speaker Herman Schwinn, head of the Friends of New Germany in Los Angeles.

Complete Draft of the New Soviet Constitution; Greatest Freedom, Security, Democracy on Earth

Herewith we publish chapters V, VI, VII, VIII and IX of the draft of the new Constitution of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics. This completes the printing of the complete text of the document, all others of the 13 chapters having been published in previous issues.
Throughout all the Soviets, the Constitution will be discussed by the public before it is submitted to the All-Union Congress of Soviets for adoption on Nov. 25. It represents the highest level of democracy, security and human rights ever achieved by man. Why not hold a discussion in your own home or club? Lay it side by side with the U. S. Constitution. After the discussion, write us what you think of it, and what your neighbors think of it. We will publish your comments in the Western Worker.

CHAPTER V.

Organs of Administration of U. S. S. R.

Article 64: The supreme executive and administrative organ of State power in the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics is the Council of People's Commissars of the U. S. S. R.
Article 65: The Council of Peoples Commissars of the U. S. S. R. is responsible to the Supreme Council of the U. S. S. R. and accountable to it.
Article 66: The Council of People's Commissars of the U. S. S. R. issues decisions and orders on the basis of and in fulfillment of laws in effect and controls their execution.
Article 67: Decisions and order of the Council of People's Commissars of the U. S. S. R. have obligatory force and must be carried out throughout the entire territory of the U. S. S. R.
Article 68: The Council of People's Commissars of the U. S. S. R.
a) unites and directs the work of the all-Union and Union-republic people's commissariats of the U. S. S. R. and of other economic and cultural institutions under its jurisdiction;
b) takes measures to realize the national economic plan and State budget and to strengthen the credit-monetary system;
c) takes measures to ensure public order, to defend the interests of the State, and to safeguard the rights of citizens;
d) exercises general direction in the realm of relations with foreign States;
e) determines the annual contingent of citizens subject to be called for active military service and directs the general up-building of the armed forces of the country.

COUNCIL'S VETO RIGHTS

Article 69: The Council of People's Commissars of the U. S. S. R. has the right in respect to those branches of administration and economy which fall within the jurisdiction of the U. S. S. R. to suspend decisions and orders of the Councils of People's Commissars of the Union republics and to annul orders and instructions of the People's Commissars of the U. S. S. R.
Article 70: The Council of People's Commissars of the U. S. S. R. is formed by the Supreme Council of the U. S. S. R. and is composed as follows:
The Chairman of the Council of People's Commissars of the U. S. S. R.
The Vice Chairman of the Council of People's Commissars of the U. S. S. R.
The Chairman of the State Planning Commission of the U. S. S. R.;
The Chairman of the Soviet Control Commission;
The People's Commissars of the U. S. S. R.;
The Chairman of the Committee for Purchasing Agricultural Products;
The Chairman of the Art Committee;
The Chairman of the Committee for Higher Education.

Article 71: The Government of the U. S. S. R. or the People's Commissar of the U. S. S. R. to whom any question of a deputy of the Supreme Council is addressed is obliged to give an oral or written reply in the respective chamber within a period of not more than three days.
Article 72: The People's Commissars of the U. S. S. R. issue within the limits of jurisdiction of the respective People's Commissariats orders and instructions on the basis of and in fulfillment of laws in effect, as well as of decisions and orders of the Council of People's Commissars of the U. S. S. R. and verify their fulfillment.

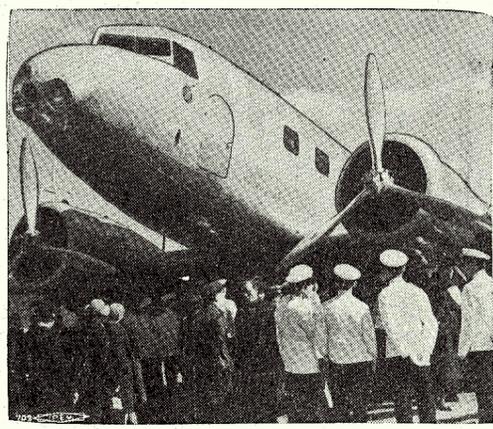
STATUS OF COMMISSARIATS

Article 74: The People's Commissariats of the U. S. S. R. are either All-Union or Union-republic.
Article 75: The All-Union People's Commissariats direct the branch of a State administration entrusted to them in the entire territory of the U. S. S. R. either directly or through organs assigned by them.
Article 76: The Union-republic People's Commissariats direct the branch of a State administration entrusted to them through identically named People's Commissariats of the Union republics.
Article 77: The following People's Com-

"No More Tradition's Chains Shall Bind Us"



With the publication of the new Constitution, the words of the famous "Internationale" become an accomplished fact among the Soviets. (Left) Josef Stalin and K. E. Voroshilov, People's Commissar of Defense, seem well pleased as they discuss the victory of Socialism. (Right) Aviators and citizens examining a huge tri-motored American Douglas airplane at the Moscow airport. It is being placed in service on the Moscow-Prague commercial travel line.



missariats comprise the All-Union People's Commissariats:

- Defense;
- Foreign Affairs;
- Foreign Trade;
- Railways;
- Communications;
- Water Transport;
- Public Works;
- Timber Industry;
- Agriculture;
- State Grain and Livestock Farms;
- Finance;
- Home Trade;
- Home Affairs;
- Justice;
- Health.

CHAPTER VI.

Organs of Administration of Union Republics.

Article 79: The supreme executive and administrative organ of State power of a Union republic is the Council of People's Commissars of the Union republic.
Article 80: The Council of People's Commissars of a Union republic is responsible to the Supreme Council of the Union republic and is accountable to it.
Article 81: The Council of People's Commissars of a Union republic issues decisions and orders on the basis of and in fulfillment of the laws in effect in the U. S. S. R. and the Union republic, and of decisions and orders of the Council of the People's Commissars of the U. S. S. R., and verifies their execution.
Article 82: The Council of People's Commissars of a Union republic has the right to suspend decisions and orders of the Councils of People's Commissars of autonomous republics and to rescind decisions and orders of executive committees of Soviets of toilers' deputies of territories, provinces and autonomous provinces.

COMPOSITION OF COUNCIL

Article 83: The Council of People's Commissars of a Union republic is formed by

the Supreme Council of the Union republic and is composed of:

- The chairman of the Council of People's Commissars of the Union republic;
- The vice chairmen;
- The Chairman of the State Planning Commission;
- People's Commissars:
 - Of the Food Industry;
 - Of Light Industry;
 - Of the Timber Industry;
 - Of Agriculture;
 - Of State Grain and Livestock Farms;
 - Of Finance;
 - Of Home Trade;
 - Of Home Affairs;
 - Of Justice;
 - Of Health;
 - Of Education;
 - Of Local Industry;
 - Of Commercial Economy;
 - Of Social Welfare;

A representative of the Committee for Purchasing Agricultural Products;
Chief of the Art Administration;
Representatives of the All-Union People's Commissariats.

Article 84: The People's Commissars of a Union republic administer branches of the State administration which come within the jurisdiction of the Union republic.

Article 85: The People's Commissars of a Union republic issue within the limits of jurisdiction of respective People's Commissariats, orders and instructions on the basis of and in fulfillment of the laws of the U. S. S. R. and the Union republic, decisions and orders of the Council of People's Commissars of the U. S. S. R. and the Union republic, and of orders and instructions of the Union-republic People's Commissariats of the U. S. S. R.

Article 86: The People's Commissariats of a Union republic are either Union republic or republic.
Article 87: Union republic People's Commissariats administer the branch of a State administration entrusted to them, being subordinate both to the Council of People's Commissars of the Union republic and corresponding Union republic People's Commissariat of the U. S. S. R.

Article 88: Republic People's Commissariats administer the branch of a State administration entrusted to them, being sub-

ordinate directly to the Council of People's Commissars of the Union republic.

CHAPTER VII.

Supreme Organs of Power of Autonomous Republics.

Article 89: The supreme organ of State power of an autonomous republic is the Supreme Council of the A. S. S. R.

Article 90: The Supreme Council of an autonomous republic is elected by the citizens of the republic for a period of four years in the ratio of representation established by the constitution of the autonomous republic.

Article 91: The Supreme Council of an autonomous republic is the sole legislative organ of the A. S. S. R.

Article 92: Each autonomous republic has its own constitution which takes into account the specific features of the autonomous republic and is drawn up in full conformity with the constitution of the Union republic.

Article 93: The Supreme Council of an autonomous republic elects the Presidium of the Supreme Council of the autonomous republic and forms a Council of People's Commissars of the autonomous republic, in accordance with its constitution.

CHAPTER VIII.

Local Organs of Power.

Article 94: The organs of State power in territories, provinces, autonomous provinces, regions, districts, cities and villages (stanitsas, khutors, kishlaks, auls) are Soviets of toilers' deputies.

Article 95: The Soviets of toilers' deputies of territories, provinces, autonomous provinces, regions, districts, cities and villages (stanitsas, khutors, kishlaks, auls) are elected by the toilers of the respective territory, province, autonomous province, region, district, city or village for a period of two years.

Article 96: The ratio of representation in the Soviets of toilers' deputies are determined by the constitutions of the Union republics.

Article 97: The Soviets of toilers' deputies direct the activities of the organs of administration subordinated to them, ensure the maintenance of State order, observation of the laws and the protection of the rights of citizens, carry out local economic and cultural construction and draw up the local budget.

Article 98: The societies of toilers' deputies adopt decisions and issue orders within the limits of the powers vested in them by the laws of the U. S. S. R. and the Union republic.

Article 99: The executive and administrative organs of the societies of toilers' deputies of the territories, provinces, autonomous provinces, regions, districts and cities are the executive committees elected by them, composed of the chairman, the vice chairmen and members.

Article 100: The executive and administrative organs of village Soviets of toilers' deputies in small localities, in accordance with the constitutions of the Union republics, are the chairman, vice chairmen and members elected by them.

Article 101: The executive organs of the Soviets of toilers' deputies are directly accountable both to the Soviet of toilers' deputies which elected them and to the executive organ of the higher Soviet of toilers' deputies.

CHAPTER IX.

Court and Prosecution.

Article 102: Justice in the U. S. S. R. is administered by the Supreme Court of the U. S. S. R., the supreme courts of the Union republics, territory and province courts, courts of the autonomous republics and autonomous provinces, special courts of the U. S. S. R. which are created by decision

DEMAND FOR NEW CONSTITUTION IS STRAINING PRESS

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R.—The demand for copies of the draft of the new Constitution of the U. S. S. R. is so great that the printing presses cannot catch up with it. The government printing shops have received over 10 million pre-publication orders. The first issue, off the press on June 14th, was sent out by airplanes to the most important points. Inside another week, the pamphlet will be on sale in every corner of the country, however remote.

of the Supreme Council of the U. S. S. R., and People's Courts.

Article 103: In all courts, cases are tried with the participation of the people's associate judges, with the exception of cases specially provided for by law.

Article 104: The Supreme Court of the U. S. S. R. is the highest judicial organ. It is charged with supervision of the activity of all judicial organs of the U. S. S. R. and Union republics.

Article 105: The Supreme Court of the U. S. S. R. and special courts of the U. S. S. R. are elected by the Supreme Council of the U. S. S. R. for a period of five years.

Article 106: The supreme courts of Union republics are elected by the Supreme Councils of the Union republics for a period of five years.

Article 107: The supreme courts of autonomous republics are elected by the Supreme Council of the autonomous republics for a period of five years.

Article 108: Territory and province courts and courts of the autonomous provinces are elected by territory or province Soviets of toilers' deputies or by Soviets of toilers' deputies of the autonomous provinces for a period of five years.

ELECTION OF COURTS

Article 109: People's Courts are elected by secret ballot for a period of three years by citizens of the district, on the basis of universal, direct and equal suffrage.

Article 110: Court proceedings are conducted in the language of the Union or autonomous republic or autonomous province, persons not knowing this language being ensured the possibility of fully acquainting themselves with the material of the case through an interpreter as well as having the right to address the court in their native language.

Article 111: In all courts of the U. S. S. R. cases are heard openly, except when otherwise provided for by law, and the accused person is ensured the right of defense.

Article 112: Judges are independent and subject only to the law.

Article 113: Highest supervision of the exact observance of the laws by all People's Commissariats and institutions under them, as well as by individual persons holding official posts, and also by citizens of the U. S. S. R., is vested in the Prosecutor of the U. S. S. R.

Article 114: The Prosecutor of the U. S. S. R. is appointed by the Supreme Council of the U. S. S. R. for a period of seven years.

Article 115: Prosecutors of republics, territories and provinces, as well as prosecutors of autonomous republics and autonomous provinces, are appointed by the Prosecutor of the U. S. S. R. for a period of five years.

Article 116: District prosecutors are appointed for a period of five years by the prosecutors of the Union republics with the approval of the Prosecutor of the U. S. S. R.

Article 117: The organs of prosecution perform their functions independently of any local organs whatsoever, being responsible to the Prosecutor of the U. S. S. R. alone.

FARM LABOR URGES FREEDOM OF CLASS STRUGGLE MARTYRS

SAN FRANCISCO.—Recognizing the militant, progressive role of the International Labor Defense in aiding class war prisoners and in defending workers against capitalist oppression, the Sponsoring Committee of the California Conference of Agricultural Workers, with headquarters in Stockton, addressed the following letter to the I. L. D.:

"Dear Sirs and Brothers:
"Will you transmit with the warmest regards and best wishes of all the delegates, the following resolution which was adopted unanimously at our recent Conference?"

"WHEREAS, Tom Mooney, Warren K. Billings, the Sacramento Criminal Syndicalism prisoners, Modesto prisoners and other fighters on behalf of the working class have been imprisoned as the result of framed and perjured evidence because of their activities on behalf of the organized workers, therefore be it

"RESOLVED, that this California Conference of Agricultural Workers sends fraternal greetings to the class war prisoners, and we demand their unconditional pardon and immediate release, to the end that they may reenter the ranks of organized labor."
"Yours fraternally,
"Samuel S. White, Secretary."

CANADIAN YOUTH DELEGATES

TORONTO, Can.—Eleven young Toronto people will attend the World Youth Congress at Geneva from Aug. 31 to Sept. 7. Canada was assigned 50 places in the Congress and at the office of the Toronto Youth Council it is stated that "every place will be filled."

American Scientists In the U. S. S. R.



Half-way around the world travelled members of a scientific expedition from Harvard and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, to observe the eclipse of the sun at Ak-Bulak, in Siberia. From all parts of the Soviet Union came reports of successful observations as the darkened belt swept over the land at 2000 miles per hour.

Seeing RED

By Michael Quin

THUMB-NAIL CONDENSATION OF THE NEW SOVIET CONSTITUTION

All power belong to those who work. All means of production, and property of public concern, are Socially (publicly) owned and operated, either by direct state ownership or by collective ownership, as on collective farms or cooperatives. Small-private enterprises such as individual little farms or handicraft are permitted provided they involve no exploitation of the labor of others.

PERSONAL PROPERTY

Personal private ownership of homes, conveniences, automobiles, furniture, household goods, income from work, etc., is protected by law.

Work is an obligation of all citizens, based on the slogan: "He who does not work does not eat," and "From each according to his ability, to each according to his work."

The U. S. S. R. consists of 11 separate republics, each with its own constitution and governmental bodies, somewhat similar to the state government in America. The republics are divided into provinces (like counties) and also embrace small autonomous republics and provinces of separate races and nationalities. Each republic retains the right to secede from the Union at any time.

STRUCTURE OF GOVERNMENT

The supreme authority of the U. S. S. R. is the Supreme Council which consists of deputies whom the people elect by direct, secret ballot. The Supreme Council is divided into two chambers, (something in the manner that the U. S. Congress is divided into a Senate and a House of Representatives). One chamber, the Council of the Union, is elected on the basis of one deputy to every 300,000 persons. The other chamber, the Council of Nationalities, consists of deputies appointed by the local governments of republics, autonomous republic and autonomous provinces. Legislation requires a majority vote of both chambers.

A joint meeting of both chambers of the Supreme Council elects a Presidium consisting of 37 members which carries on affairs between sessions of the Council and is directly responsible to the Council.

The Presidium organizes the government of the U. S. S. R., which consists of the Council of People's Commissars and a network of commissariats extending into every branch of life and unifying affairs of the separate republics and the whole Union. The commissariats are the administrative apparatus which directs Defense, Foreign Affairs, Railways, Communications, Transport, Industry, Agriculture, Finance, Home Trade, Justice, Health, Education, etc. All commissars and commissariats are directly responsible to the Supreme Council which in turn is responsible to the people.

The republics and autonomous republics have their own Supreme Councils elected by direct secret ballot. All provinces, regions, cities, villages, etc., are governed by soviets (Councils) of toilers' deputies, elected by secret ballot.

EVERYBODY VOTES

All citizens over 18 years of age have a right to vote and any elected deputy may be recalled at any time by a majority vote of those who elected him.

Women may elect and be elected on equal terms with men.

Red Army men may elect or be elected on equal terms.

Candidates may be put forward by social organizations, societies, Communist Party organizations, trade unions, cooperatives, youth organizations and cultural societies.

INALIENABLE RIGHTS

The following are basic rights of every citizen: employment, wages, leisure, paid vacations, security, old age, health and disability insurance, education, equal rights for women, complete equality of all races and nationalities, freedom of religious belief or dis-belief, freedom of speech, freedom of press, freedom of assembly and meetings, freedom of street processions and demonstrations, the right to organize, inviolability of person, home or correspondence, the right of asylum to foreign political refugees from capitalism.

Basic obligations are: To observe and carry out the rules of the Constitution and of the community, to safeguard Socialism and Socialist property, universal military service and loyalty to the U. S. S. R.

There is established a Supreme Court for the U. S. S. R., separate supreme courts for the republics and autonomous republics, territory and province courts, and, finally, People's courts for cities, towns, regions, etc. The supreme courts are appointed by the supreme councils. Territory and province courts are elected by the Soviets. People's courts are elected by direct, secret ballot of the people.

Definite terms of office, ranging from three to five years, are fixed for all public officials and deputies.

"The Europe of before 1914 has been reconstituted, not only in its material but in its moral elements. Faith in peace is shaken."—Leon Blum, premier of the French People's Front government.

STUDENT UNION IS FACING PROBLEMS OF ORGANIZATION

Movement Emerges From Its Isolation To Take Dynamic Role; Errors Criticized

Nearly five months have passed since the formation of the American Student Union. Its existence is assured. But the task of consolidation, both of its organizational structure and its perspectives, must now assume crucial importance if we are to explore the vast fields of expansion open to us.

Communists have always fought for a mass student movement: one which would express the militance of an awakening student body, one which would organize its quest for peace and security, one which would be carrying on these immediate struggles, lead the students to an understanding of the basic social forces involved. We are achieving such a movement. It was two years ago when the first student strike against war rallied only 25,000 students to its side. Last April nearly half a million demonstrated for peace. And it is clear that this demonstration, an embodiment of undergraduate unity in the struggle, was primarily the result of the unity achieved by the American Student Union.

Socialists and Communists no longer present the student body with isolated groups, regarded with suspicion or contempt. Their own unification has attracted thousands to their side. The student movement has become entrenched. It has become part of student life.

MUST CRITICIZE ERRORS

These are real notable advances. In a sense they have fulfilled our belief, first expressed in the formation of the National Student League four years ago—such a movement is possible, necessary, potentially a vast force. But this is not an hour for self-acclaim. For in this process of emergence, from an isolated, dis-united often sectarian movement to a broad, dynamic one, many conflicting currents have emerged. There have been mistakes. To the extent that our comrades have become aware of them, they have been checked. Some remain. It is essential that there be the fullest and most critical discussions of them to insure that they do not reappear.

Perhaps the outstanding deficiency has been organizational: a tendency to allow the American Student Union to become almost a "committee" with little ferment among the membership. We have at last been able to win the support and confidence of student leaders in every phase of campus life. They held positions of influence and prestige. But so gratified have we been by their response, apparently, that we have almost forgotten the rest of the campus.

"TOP COMMITTEE"

We have too often placed the American Student Union in the hands of this impressive "top committee," composed of students unskilled in organizational work and often unaware of the necessity for an active, interested membership. The result? In many places the American Student Union is almost exclusively a committee; the membership appears only on days of spectacular actions like the strike.

Certainly we should welcome this new, popular leadership; we should fear, however, the tendency of Young Communist League members to feel that "the job is done" and their responsibility to the student movement ended. These new students need advice, guidance and often pressure to keep the organization alive and vital.

The Young Communist League has not fulfilled its role in this respect. And this "committee" atmosphere was almost prevalent in preparation for this strike—when the campus was almost completely ignored until a few days before and all negotiations carried on in small meeting rooms. That was probably the most general weakness in this year's demonstration.

ORGANIZATION FORMS

This problem extends to our forms of organization. There can be no doubt that the life of the American Student Union has failed to keep pace with the influx of new members. In schools where the membership has trebled our meetings are conducted in the same routine fashion as in the days of the National Student League. Our methods are often dull and colorless; our procedures stereotyped. That is a perilous sign. We have developed a program with a wide magnetic power. But we must translate it into lively undergraduate terms.

The swiftness with which the Veterans of Future Wars swept the country testifies to the need for—and possibilities of such a project. The V. F. W. did express student peace sentiment; it did so in persuasive, indigenous terms. And where American Student Union chapters borrowed this project, they made remarkable headway. Just as we broaden our movement, so must we extend its appeal. The American Student Union should be a center of student life.

Organization is the key question. The American Student Union membership is still woefully short of its possibilities.

PROBLEMS OF GROWTH

The other main problem with which we are grappling is one which we should have anticipated; it is an inevitable accompaniment of growth. That problem is to broad-

Barred From Columbia



ROBERT BURKE of Youngstown, O., American student union leader at Columbia University, New York City, has been barred from entering school next fall because he was an active leader of an anti-Nazi demonstration before the home of President Nicholas Murray Butler. Students are conducting a vigorous campaign for his reinstatement.

en our movement without sacrificing its fundamental militancy. It is a problem which we are meeting and overcoming. Perhaps the root of our difficulties in this respect has been an underestimation of the student body. That underestimation, of course, is unconscious; we have repeatedly stated our belief in the readiness of the student body for militant action.

But often lurking in our minds has been a fear that "we are going too fast." A few American Student Union chapters have even refused to cooperate in labor struggles because of this timidity—a timidity proved groundless almost every time that we have fought vigorously for our position. Other chapters have been reluctant to press for the Oxford Pledge when opposition arose—and yet the Pledge has not, where we have clearly and fearlessly defended it, proved so real a barrier. For there is swelling consciousness and militance on the campus; we must carefully avoid this tendency to minimize it. We can say, too, that since the national student committee of the Young Communist League discussed this pitfall, our comrades have perceived and avoided it, in most cases.

HEARST FAILURE

Certainly there are areas where students are less developed and where greater patience must be displayed. But we must not be deceived into believing that the howls of the reactionaries are echoed by the great mass of students. The utter failure of the Hearst press to win campus support should testify to this.

In the high schools our problem is even more acutely one of technique. Thousands of high school students are ready for the American Student Union.

We cannot expect them to be content with educational meetings alone. The American Student Union must be "their" organization, in a literal sense. It must be a center of their activity. Recognition of our chapters, removing their conspiratorial tone and their distant activity will serve immeasurably in this direction.

5-YEARS' PROGRESS

In five years we have emerged to a position of leadership and influence on the campus. Now we are beginning to reap the fruits of months of education and agitation. But the American Student Union's achievement will be largely commensurate with the initiative and energy of the Young Communist League members within it. Let us not be afraid of a mass student movement born in struggles for academic freedom, for abolition of the ROTC, for economic relief. Let us realize how deep has been the impact of the crisis, how much complacency it has shattered. Let us understand that a broad movement is not incompatible with militancy. This kind of snobbery and fear does belong in our ranks.

To the extent that we act boldly and imaginatively, to the extent that we translate these critical struggles into meaningful inspirational language, to the extent that we abandon old habits and adjust ourselves to new conditions, the American Student Union will realize our hopes. It will be a powerful factor in the immediate struggles of today; it will be a reservoir for greater victories of tomorrow.

LLOYD GEORGE ROARS

DERBY, England.—Sensibilities of the British ruling class were shattered when Lloyd George, in an election speech here, called Prime Minister Baldwin and his ministers "RATS."

"Rats, I am told," said the ex-Prime Minister, "desert a sinking ship. These are rats that scuttled the ship."

He referred to the government's handling of the Ethiopian situation and the League crisis.

BOSSSES SCAB ON CADDIES JUST 30 MINUTES; GIVE UP

Wisconsin Youths Win Wage Raise, Recognized Grievance Committee in Strike

RACINE, Wis.—(FP)—When the boss has to do his own scabbing life gets hard and it's better to bargain collectively.

This is what the big shots of Racine's industrial and business world found out when their caddies went on strike at the Racine Country Club. A half hour's scabbing, carrying their own golf sticks, made them wilt and the caddies won their demands. A little face saving for the bosses was included in the agreement.

"We'd like to start a union if we could," declared Caddy Charles Fiala of the caddies' committee.

MISSED FIRE

The most significant thing about the successful strike was that the strategy of the high-powered bosses against the youngsters completely missed fire. The club decided to cut the wages of Class B caddies down from 90c for 18 holes to 70c. Class A or experienced caddies were to continue at the 90c rate, which had been paid to all of the 100 caddies since a strike two years ago raised it from 75c.

The attempt to separate skilled labor from semiskilled on the wage question did not pan out. The experienced boys stuck with the others in regular industrial union style.

The settlement provides that Class B caddies will get 80c a round but as soon as they graduate to Class A they will get the missing 10c paid to them in a lump sum. So the rate was not really cut unless the magnates want nothing but inexperienced boys to carry their bags.

BIG SHOTS

In addition the club has formally recognized a permanent committee elected by the caddies to represent them in negotiations and in carrying out the agreement. The corresponding bosses' committee of club members includes F. C. Brown of the local tentacle of the power trust, Gordon H. Walker whose Walker Mfg. Co. recently had to sign a union agreement after a strike, Harry Barr of the J. I. Case Co. where another long strike had been in progress and Dan Black of Western Printing and C. J. Reilly of Horlick's, the malted milk barony.

SPANISH RAILWAY STRIKE

MADRID, Spain.—A general strike of railway workers was postponed when the government opened a discussion of nationalizing the roads. Thirteen of the fourteen demands of the workers have been granted. The fourteenth, asking for wage increases, brought the claim from employers that to grant this would bankrupt them. The government is now investigating the matter.

J. EDGAR HOOVER SPONSORS UNIVERSAL FINGERPRINTING

By Ron Hilyer.

Firing the first shot in the national campaign for universal fingerprinting J. Edgar Hoover, Chief G-Man, has advocated the program of universal police registration for all residents of the United States sponsored by the United States Chamber of Commerce. He spoke in favor of the registering of fingerprints with the police in the locality of the resident and the filing of a duplicate copy with the Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C.

The number one G-Man spoke of the advantage of having every individual realize, that his actions could be traced through his fingerprints. Hoover uttered a barrage of oratory approaching the problems of crime not as a social disease but as a job of rat catching and rodent extermination. He claimed that only sentimentalists believed that poverty and social conditions were responsible for our criminal class.

FROM CRADLE TO GRAVE

Important amongst the excuses for spending millions of dollars to fingerprint the nation was that, "A tourist losing his passport in a foreign country could more readily obtain a duplicate if his fingerprints were on file in Washington." It was suggested that the fingerprints be taken at the home of each individual and that hereafter fingerprints should be registered at birth.

Some weeks ago the writer predicted in the columns of the Western Worker that the Berkeley fingerprint campaign was but a trial balloon before a national drive. Events are proving this correct. The Chamber of Commerce, the American Legion, and the National Manufacturers Association are promoting this campaign as part of their offensive against the trade unions and the unorganized workers. They will not be content until every American is forced by law not only to carry a police passport with his fingerprints but to register with the police each and every change of address. Mr. Hoover is now showing that he will gladly cooperate with these pro-fascist and anti-labor industrialists. The national magazines can soon be expected to blossom out with a host of articles ballyhooing the virtues of fingerprinting.

LIMELIGHT HUNTER

The history of J. Edgar Hoover as chief

ASK UNIONS' AID IN CAMPAIGN FOR C.S. LAW REPEAL

LOS ANGELES.—In order to spur forward the drive for signatures to the Criminal Syndicalism Act repeal petitions, the Southern California Councils for Constitutional Rights addressed the following letter recently to trade unions and all other organizations affiliated with the councils:

"Dear friend: Our filing date is drawing near. July 18th every signature must be in the office at 129 West 2nd street, Room 325, in order that we may make the final filing on July 24th. We still have tremendous number of signatures to collect, but we feel that we must qualify the repeal measure for the ballot. Reaction is organizing against us on all fronts—liberal, progressive, trade unions, etc., as exemplified by the Times articles of June 21-22-23-24.

"It will be necessary to have \$2000 to complete the collection of signatures and the precincting. We urge that you mobilize your members for the collection of signatures and precincting, and raise as much money as you can for this purpose, as there is nothing more vital at the present moment than the repeal of this vicious anti-labor, un-American law. Please respond at once."

OLYMPIC COMMITTEE HAVING DIFFICULTIES SECURING ITS FUNDS

NEW YORK CITY.—The \$150,000 deficit of the American Olympic Committee "shows clearly that the American people will not respond to such Nazi propaganda as these Games are," declared Jeremiah T. Mahoney, president of the Amateur Athletic Union and anti-fascist.

Dan Ferris, secretary-treasurer of the A. A. U., admitted that the anti-Nazi boycott had a lot to do with the failure of many individuals to contribute to the fund as in past years.

"Many prominent businessmen," said Ferris, "have feared to have their names linked with the Olympics this year."

Avery T. Brundage, A. A. U. president and American Olympic Committee head, said he was worried because "without money in the bank" the committee could not make definite plans for transportation of the American athletes to Nazi Germany for the Games.

So effective has been the boycott of the Nazi Olympic Games that the Olympic Committee even asked members of the rowing squad to contribute \$200 each.

AUSTRIA-GERMANY SPLIT

VIENNA, Austria.—Accord between Austria and Germany which, for the past few weeks seemed practically accomplished, has been split by a new disagreement. The rift occurred when Hitler refused to agree to a four-point plan drafted by Chancellor Kurt Schuschnigg to insure Austrian independence. This together with Poland's resentment against Germany's move to seize Danzig, creates a serious disruption in recently concluded military understandings between the fascist powers of Europe.

People's Health

By Franklin E. Bissell, M.D.

"HEALTH AND HYGIENE" FOR JULY The latest issue of this magazine is probably the best in its history. In fact, it has been improving steadily in almost every respect since the first issue over a year ago.

How many realize that Willie Hearst has been as busy poisoning his readers' bodies as he has their minds during his notorious career? A well-written article exposes the infamous role that he has played in passing off tens of thousands of frauds in the medical line on the American people.



A typical quack who now advertises in the Hearst press is Dr. L. Zins, now in New York. He was forced to leave Chicago some years ago after a reporter (non-Hearst) wrote how Zins discovered gonorrhea, syphilis, and "specificus gravitus" on him, although he was perfectly healthy.

For a year after many cases of poisoning from the dangerous fake drug, "Koremlu," were reported throughout the country, Hearst's Cosmopolitan Magazine carried advertisements for the product.

Paul de Kruif, famous author of "Why Keep Them Alive?", describes his coming biography of Pavlov, the well-known Russian scientist. Although a theoretical enemy of the Soviets until the last year of his life, Pavlov sincerely tried to find a formula to combat the greedy side of human nature.

"Sexual Weakness in Men," undoubtedly written by a specialist, gives us a clear picture of some of the main causes behind difficulties of sexual adjustment. A frequent cause is the fear-created by our Mrs. Grundys in the minds of young men who have masturbated.

According to a writer on the subject of coffee and tea, the average adult can drink two or three cups of these beverages without doing himself any harm. However, larger amounts can sometimes cause much damage.

Besides the above articles, there is a wealth of facts on many subjects, from hairy legs to crooked teeth.

FACTS AND FIGURES

Under the Automobile Labor Board, which had powers similar to the National Labor Relations Board, company unions were effectively selected as the workers' representatives. The NLRB, moreover, on its own authority and without conducting an election by the workers may determine the representatives, for Section 9 (c) provides that the board may "take a secret ballot of employees, or utilize any other suitable method to ascertain such representatives."

Although the NLRB sets forth a series of "unfair labor practices" such as "coercion," direct financial subsidies to company unions and certain acts of "discrimination," there is nothing in the Act which prevents such anti-labor practices as firing trade union workers for violation of minor factory rules, laying-off of "agitators" first when business declines, blacklisting strikers, using spies, police troops, tear gas, militia, etc., against striking workers, or discriminating against workers because of sex, race, color or political convictions.

Experience with other labor boards under the NIRA as well as in other countries shows that such tribunals inevitably result in compulsory arbitration. The board's general practice will be to call off a strike and then to insist that workers follow the endless legal procedure outlined in the Act. It thus deprives the workers of their only effective weapon while at the same time it does not in any way prevent corporations from intensifying their terrorism and anti-labor activities.

NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD—1935

This present board was created under the terms of the National Labor Relations Act. Since it was set up, employers' "unfair labor practices," supposedly curbed by NLRB, have become even more widespread than previously. Up to February 1, 1936, more than 575 cases have been appealed to the National Labor Relations Board and its various regional boards.

They have involved not only requests for elections to determine workers' representatives. They have also revealed the employers as engaged in almost every type of anti-trade union activity, firing of union members, discrimination against unionists, coercive tactics in instituting new company union schemes, terrorism and spying.

FRANCS FOR THE COMMUNISTS

PARIS, France.—Communist Deputies, recently elected to the French Chamber, have announced that they will turn a large part of their salaries over to the Communist Party. The sum will amount to a million francs a year.

Orange County Arsenal Set Up But Field Strikers Stick

SHOOT TO KILL ORDER DOESN'T HALT 4000 OUT

400 Deputies at \$12 a Day Each Against Orange Pickers; Bosses Use Radio

SANTA ANA, Cal.—Carrying the order of Sheriff Logan Jackson to "shoot to kill" another step farther, the Orange County Board of Supervisors voted purchase of an arsenal "of such size as to be able to cope not only with the present citrus strike but with future strikes which might occur in Orange County."

The appropriation was voted after six wealthy orange packers and growers, headed by William Bielefeldt, director of the Placencia Mutual Association, demanded that "something drastic" be done against the striking orange pickers to protect the growers' profits, which figure to be largest in years.

The "red scare" was raised by Charles Wagner, a wealthy grower.

RED SCARE

"We want to clamp down on Communism in this country," said Wagner. "The men who attacked me told me they were Communists and represented the Communist Party. We are getting along with the picking so far, but the pickers are growing terribly frightened and we cannot lose our citrus crops."

The "pickers" referred to are scabs, many of them high school children.

Following this speech, Supervisor LeRoy Lyon immediately moved that the money (unpublished amount) be spent for shot guns, revolvers, tear gas, and "other such equipment" as a permanent arsenal for Orange County to be used against impoverished field and orchard workers striking for improved conditions.

However, despite the terror and threats of additional terror, the ranks of the Orange Pickers' Union remain firm, and mass picketing is being carried on in the groves to a greater extent and over a wider area than at any time since the strike began a little over four weeks ago.

ASK 40 CENTS AN HOUR

Nearly 400 deputy sheriffs have been sworn in by Sheriff Jackson at \$12 a day each, 20 additional California highway patrol officers have been secured by the growers from Los Angeles County near Whittier, Sheriff Jackson claimed that the terror he had launched was a battle against a "bunch of Communists."

"This is no fight between the orchardists and pickers," said the sheriff. "It is a fight between the entire population of Orange County and a bunch of Communists."

Therefore, the growers' "legal" representatives gave orders to the deputies to shoot on sight "any radicals" and to shoot to kill "in case of attack," although all violence has been provoked by the deputy sheriffs and other thugs in the employ of the growers, and by the growers themselves.

Indicating the money being spent in the effort to smash the strike, the growers have secured a portable radio station, KAPA, to direct and coordinate terror against the Orange Pickers' Union.

Clyde-Mallory Line And Banker-Owners Persecute ILA Men

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Clyde-Mallory Steamship Lines and their owner, Chase National Bank, were found guilty by the National Labor Relations Board of using all forms of intimidation against union members on the docks.

Ten Negro I. L. A. members were ordered reinstated with back pay. The decision pointed out that men were getting 35 cents an hour, working 15 and 16 hours a day on the Mallory docks. In Tampa and Jacksonville wage rates were \$8 and \$9 a week.

He Backs Reactionary Ideas



HERE'S WILLIAM GREEN, president of the A. F. of L., offering Senator Wagner his idea of a labor program for the Democratic convention. It was the same program as Green presented to the Republican convention, and included the breaking off of relations with the Soviet Union. When John L. Lewis, head of the C. I. O., heard that, he exploded.

Organized Labor Through the USA

SOUTH BEND, Ind.—A sit-down strike by 200 workers in the aircraft department of the Bendix Co. here forced reinstatement of a worker fired for union activity. The workers are members of the United Automobile Workers' Union.

WEBSTER, Mass.—Eight hundred more in the Slater Mills here are expected to join the strike of 250 weavers already out against a wage cut.

CHICAGO.—Representatives of 45,000 steel workers here and in the Gary area met here to plan the steel organization drive in the Chicago region. The meeting was presided over by Van Bittner, in charge of the Steel Workers Organizing Committee for Chicago. A considerable number of delegates were sent by company unions now in revolt against the steel bosses.

NEWBERRY, S. C.—Complete support for the CIO was voted by the South Carolina Federation of Textile Workers, which met here.

LARAMIE, Wyo.—Another state Federation of Labor—that of Wyoming—has come out for Industrial Organization. Support for the C. I. O. was voted at the recently ended convention of the federation. There was much Labor Party sentiment at the convention.

Reactionary Pres. Of S. Diego Cooks Quits After Probe

SAN DIEGO.—An impartial investigation by West Coast Culinary organizer McGovern showed that the Boat's crew's show-hold on the Cooks and Waitresses local 402 has been responsible for loss of membership. McGovern appointed officials who seem against the Botts machine and who favor an organizing drive. Fred Wilson was appointed president to succeed reactionary Crock, who resigned.

Ariz. Fruit Packers' Union Fights Firm

PHOENIX, Ariz.—The Arizona State Federation of Labor asks all trade unionists to keep out of their homes fruit and vegetables shipped under the name of Old Fort Yuma, Castle Dome and McDaniel Nugget. They are put out by the unfair McDonald shipping firm at Yuma. This concern has repeatedly refused to deal with Arizona Fruit and Vegetable Workers' Local 19115.

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The Col. Likes His Non-Union Labor

STOCKTON, Cal.—A large winery is being built over at Woodridge, two miles from Lodi. Union and non-union men are working side by side.

Who do you think the owner and the largest stockholder of the company building the winery is? None other than labor-hating Col. Garrison of Lodi, the character who screamed from the Hearst Press that if the agricultural workers demanded \$3 a day the farmer would go broke.

UNION MEN WOULD STRIKE

This job has been going for eight weeks and is to be finished in September. So far the Stockton unions have not taken any action to put up a picket line even though every union man on the job has agreed to walk off if a picket line is put out. Over 100 carpenters are employed here and all belong to the union.

Non-union teamsters, non-union operating engineers, and non-union laborers are also on the job. In Stockton many union teamsters are out of work. A number of laborers and a few engineers. They should be employed on the Woodridge job. Garrison has said that he will not hire all union men. For organized labor to continue to lead this situation would lead to eventually breaking down all the wages and conditions gained during the '34 strike.

Spooner Bars Nut Packers Delegate

OAKLAND.—As a nad-up union member of local 2020, Dried Fruit and Nut Packers, A. F. of L., I believe that we of East Bay organized labor have a kick coming.

In the first place, two of the authorized representatives of the D. F. and N. P. were absent from the Alameda County Labor Council on account of vacation, and the third due to family illness. Yet the doorkeeper, obeying instructions refused to admit alternates; in fact the Council bars all observers and visitors, in spite of the fact that observers have heretofore been welcome.

But why bar the observers from attending meetings, as representatives of their unions, pro tem? Sergeant at arms, Charlie Clark, is entirely blameless, in view of the fact that he was merely carrying out the orders of such reactionaries as William Spooner.

Crew of S.S. Taft Gives \$179 to Fund For Modesto Boys

SAN FRANCISCO.—The S. S. President Taft's crew came across nobly for the third time on behalf of the Modesto Defense Fund. They went over the top with a donation of \$178 this time. The boys on the S. S. Cusco gave the following sums: \$21 from the engine department; \$5.50 from the stewards; \$7.50 from the deck department.

"HEADS I WIN, TAILS YOU LOSE," IS ATTITUDE OF SHELL OIL IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE UNIONS

San Francisco Conference Breaks Up Because Company Wants to Retain Company Union; "Don't Patronize" Threat Scared the Bosses

SAN FRANCISCO.—With the Royal Dutch Shell Oil Co. it's a case of heads I win, tails you lose.

Negotiations by officials of the Oil Field, Gas Well and Refinery Workers and of other unions with Shell executives on a wages and hours agreement ended suddenly last week here.

The bosses refused to consider an agreement within the legal meaning of the National Labor Relations Act.

What it amounted to was that the company wants to continue fostering its company union, being willing to deal with its employees as such, but not with union officials.

Besides the oil workers, other union officials represented at the parley were electricians, automotive workers, boiler-makers, blacksmiths and machinists.

CO. BREAKS PROMISE

The negotiations were around a wages and hours agreement, but it was the company's insistence on maintaining the company union that was too raw. In this, the company went back on its word, which is nothing unusual.

When organized labor in California started a movement six weeks ago to place the Shell Oil products on the "we don't patronize list," the company got scared of losing money, and announced it would negotiate with union representatives. The company has now gone back to its original position of not dealing with union representatives.

The union delegates spoke for the north and south pipe divisions, the natural gas division, Ventura and Bakersfield drilling division and the refineries in Wilmington and Martinez.

The unions were seeking, besides recognition, the setting up of an increased wage scale, to keep step with the company's increased profits, and the reduction of hours to provide more employment.

This is addressed to all progressive members of the trade unions.

We believe that on the basis of this new Labor Page of the WESTERN WORKER trade union members can be interested in the Western Worker, providing you introduce the paper to them on the basis of the Labor Page.

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California Labor Notes

LOS ANGELES.—Painters' District Council 36 reelected George W. Kerr of Paperhangers' 1063 as secretary-treasurer. He ran against Kennedy of Local 202. The Carpenters' District Council reelected Secretary A. M. Hart, and for business agents reelected E. J. Newton, No. 25, and J. C. Blair, Hollywood Studio local 946.

BAKERSFIELD.—The Tile Carpenters' unions in California, including the Bakersfield union, went in for some quick action, and as a result the advertised hourly wage on the Isabella bridge across the north fork of the Kern River was raised from \$1 an hour to \$1.12 1/2.

BAKERSFIELD.—The Tile Setters' Union has affiliated with the Kern County Building Trades Council. Gradually every Kern County building craft has been joining the Council. The Hod Carriers report they have increased their membership 1000 per cent in the past 2 months.

RODEO.—New officers were installed at a meeting of Oil Workers' Local 326. G. A. Mallos is president for another term and D. C. Graves is first vice-president. Nine new candidates were initiated and five new applications read. Applications for membership were filed.

Martinez.—Sixteen new applied at a meeting of Oil Workers Local 5, and ten were initiated. The growth of the local is rapid. The local is holding a picnic at Oak Grove Beach, Antioch, on Sunday, July 26; admission 50 cents.

RODEO.—Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers' Local 51 reports that five joined the local by initiation at their last meeting. E. G. Hocking will represent the local at the coming international convention to be held in Denver, starting Aug. 3.

LOS ANGELES.—Establishment of strike machinery in preparation for a general strike in the industry, should it become necessary when the agreement expires on August 1st, was voted at a special membership meeting of the International Fur Workers' Union, Local 87, in its auditorium last June 30th.

The furriers also voted to assess themselves \$5 each to raise a strike fund, and many workers paid the tax immediately. The membership as a whole pledged themselves to make this a fight to organize the entire industry, both wholesale and retail.

At the previous membership meeting, a report was given of the conference held with the bosses. The challenging stand taken by the workers in their demand for the right to hire and fire, aroused the workers to the determination to maintain the closed shop and to fight for the additional demand of 20 per cent increase in wages and other improvements in the agreement.

SELBY.—Carquinez Local 51, International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, reelected J. H. Stevens as president, Nick Consoli was elected vice-president, J. Christensen delegate to the international convention.

eral longshore, warehouse and cargo repair work. A charter was granted by the recent Pacific Coast District Convention at San Pedro and was installed with the coastwise group on Monday last on the understanding that they confine themselves to the work they had been doing and not encroach on the work of the "deep-sea" men and that "deep-sea" men who were reinstated on the job would be eligible for membership,—by this means we hope to re-organize and carry on the fight for the elimination of company unions and the fink hall system.

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Los Angeles County Relief Administration Supplies the Slave Labor to Growers; Sanitation Smacks of Dark Ages

By a Worker Correspondent.

LOS ANGELES.—There is slavery in the beet fields. Some 15 miles out of Lancaster there are 85 acres of sugar beets, owned by the Los Alamitos Sugar Company, for which slave labor is being supplied by the Los Angeles Relief Administration.

Fascist Muscle-Man



THIS BIRD IS DAY-TON DEAN, chief executioner for the fascist Black Legion in Michigan. He confessed to the murder of Charles A. Poole, a WPA worker. The Black Legion specialized in killing and beating active union men.

San Jose Laundry Workers for Fight

SAN JOSE.—After several months of futile attempts to negotiate with the powerful anti-union San Jose Laundry Owners Ass'n, the local Laundry Workers' Union is militantly clamoring for action.

Several weeks ago Ed Vandeleur, while attending a meeting of the local Labor Council, pledged the support of the state federation of Labor to the fight against the Laundry Owners Ass'n. The Council voted to turn over the negotiations to Vandeleur and abide by the course of action which he outlined.

Since that time NOTHING has been heard from Brother Vandeleur about the valiant fight which he put up (in words) for the Laundry Workers.

VOTE SUPPORT

At the meeting of the Santa Clara County Building Trades-Central Labor Council, the council voted to support any movement which the Laundry Workers may take in conjunction with the State Federation of Labor and Brother Jos Casey. It is expected that the Laundry Workers will move—if Casey and the State Federation can be moved.

Endorsement of the local closing ordinance which proposed to close all stores and thus provide a day's rest for local clerks, was sabotaged by reactionary Council Secretary Fred Volkens. Volkens made a motion to refer the matter to the Executive Board, which does not function.

Charlie McGinley, who can be relied on to regularly take an ultra-reactionary stand on all issues, spouted indignation at the idea that the ordinance would deprive him of some Sunday work, at time and a half pay.

The I. L. G. W. U. reported failure in the efforts to negotiate an agreement with Anthony Bros., former San Francisco labor hater who recently moved his business to San Jose to "avoid" the union. Pickets continue to patrol Anthony Bros. It is reported that a proposed threat to transfer scabs onto piece work has received the reply that when this is enforced they will join the picket line.

The delegates from Palo Alto Teacher's Local reported that a

"Work for 70 cents to \$1 per day, or starve," says Slave Master Finney.

Out of this very small wage the worker must pay 75 cents per day for board. NO ROOM!

RELICS OF DARK AGES

The families of these workers who have been forced into slavery by the relief officials are to be fed and housed out of the wages of these workers.

Sanitary conditions are relics of the dark ages; workers are forced to sleep wherever they can; nearly always in the cold, desert nights without shelter.

A delegation from the Public Works and Unemployment Union went to the fields on July 4 and talked to the men.

On July 3, there were 20 men in the field. Yet on the 4th there were only five remaining. When asked where the other fifteen were the workers said they had left the night before because they could not make enough to pay train fare home and could send their families no money on which to live.

Some of them owed money to the sugar company for board.

PWU PROTESTS

A grievance committee visited relief headquarters, 741 South Flower street. Conditions in the beet fields were discussed with a committee of relief officials. Among those on this committee were Mr. Green Mr. Hal Slane, Mr. Mabin and Mr. Sharp.

These relief officials said Finney and the state co-ordinator had investigated these fields, and "knew" that a worker could make a decent living for himself and his family by hoeing beets.

The investigation of the P. W. U. committee showed that an acre covered 22 rows and the field had weeds and brush three to four feet high—in fact, more brush than beets. A worker doing his best for nine hours could hoe eight rows which would make him about 90 cents per day. After paying 75 cents out of this to eat, the worker had 15 cents to send home to his family.

Lack of Protection Lops 7 Years Off Life of U.S. Worker

BOSTON, Mass.—The average length of the industrial worker's life is 6 to 7 years less than the normal average expectancy of American citizens generally, according to Dr. Alice Hamilton of Harvard, expert on industrial poison hazards. This is due to inadequate protection for employees.

WARNING! C. S. Petition Holders

Turn all petitions in to Criminal Syndicalism Office immediately! Campaign for repeal in danger unless you do so!

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committee had been sent to Bertrand's Restaurant to see about signing up this place with the Culinary Workers' Alliance. Since the teachers frequently hold banquets at Bertrand's it looks as though this house will be signed up—or the teachers will be looking for another place to eat.