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ETHIOPIANS MASS FOR FOE ON 2 FRONTS

Hull Stresses U. S. Ban on War Trade After Conference

DOCK LOCALS VOTE FIGHT FOR NEW PACT

Tomorrow Deadline for Coastwise Strike Unless Bosses Agree

By Paul Cline
A joint emergency membership meeting of Locals 1258 and 1346 of the International Longshoremen's Association Tuesday night voted unanimously to stop work on all coastwise piers, starting tomorrow.

The shipowners have so far refused to grant in the new agreement the basic demands of the longshoremen on coastwise ships, for recognition of union dock stewards on each dock.

The meeting also voted unanimously to back up the Gulf ports strike by refusing to handle scab cargo from Gulf ports. The refusal to handle "hot cargo" goes into effect on Friday morning.

Teddy Gleason, the delegate from Checkers' Local 1346 of the I.L.A., opened the enthusiastic joint meeting with a report on the negotiations with the shipowners for the new coastwise working agreement. Gleason said that the shipowners, through their spokesmen, Mr. Sharp of the Eastern Steamship Lines and Colonel Coates, flatly rejected the union's demands for recognition of the dock stewards. Gleason also reported that the checkers' demands for an increase in wages from \$29.50 a week for a 48-hour week to \$36 a week for a 44-hour week has been turned down by the shipowners.

Unanimous Vote Against "Hot Cargo"
Harry Hesselgreen, representing the District Council of the I.L.A., reported on the Gulf situation and the question of "Hot Cargo." Hesselgreen stated that Mr. Cooper of the shipowners had asked the I. L. A. representatives not to clamp down a ban on "hot cargo" until the question had been put up to a vote of the men.

The men have agreed to by the union and Hesselgreen said the issue was now up to the membership. The vote was then taken, and the large meeting voted unanimously with great enthusiasm against handling "hot cargo" from the Gulf, unless a satisfactory settlement of the strike is reached by that time.

On Wednesday, all along the waterfront on the coastwise piers from the non-union United Fruit docks to Pier 49, the longshoremen were discussing the decisions for action on Friday. The men are overwhelmingly in favor of action, and on both counts: their own coastwise agreement as well as the issue of "hot cargo."

There is strong sentiment against any possible postponement of action, or any compromises on their demands, short of the granting of dock stewards and the settlement of the Gulf strike on a basis satisfactory to the striking longshoremen.

Chicago Acts To Complete 'Daily' Drive

It was Chicago's day yesterday! Eight hundred and forty-five dollars was the contribution of the Windy City District, as it raced to finish its quota in the Daily Worker financial drive.

It overwhelmed Cleveland and Detroit, both of which also speeded collections. Cleveland sent \$154 and Detroit \$296.

Four sections of the Communist Party went over the top in Chicago in the collection of the district's amount, making nine Chicago sections, in all, which have already completed their quotas. Another, Section 1, needs but \$2 to finish.

Detroit and Cleveland had better hurry across the finish line before this week is over "if they expect to beat Chicago."

Pittsburgh, Buffalo and Washington also moved up yesterday, but not by any great extent. These, with Colorado, Connecticut and California, are other districts expected by the Daily Worker to go over the top this week.

Almost \$9,000 still has to be raised. The drive can be assured of success if every district now over 70 per cent fills its quota before next week.

Green Aide Launches Drive on AFL Militants

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Oct. 30.—A drive against militants in the A. F. of L. was begun here by William Green, through his personal representative Meyer Lewis, it was announced by Lewis today. Lewis gave the newspapers the statement that after five weeks of personal investigation, the unions were to be "overhauled and radicals ousted."

Roy Weir, Central Labor Union organizer, T. E. Cunningham, president, and George Lawson, secretary of the State Federation of Labor, are co-operating in the red scare drive. Mayor Latimer, the Regional Labor Board and church groups have been asked to assist the attempt to drive the most militant workers out of the A. F. of L.

It was said here that Lewis was instructed by President Green over the long distance telephone today to begin the campaign.

Labor Ticket In Worcester Unity Forged In Czech Mines

Communist Candidates in Favor of Socialist Slate

WORCESTER, Mass., Oct. 20.—After lengthy negotiations between the local organizations of the Socialist Party and the Communist Party for a united front election campaign the Communist Party has decided to withdraw from the elections in favor of the Socialists.

Agreement with the following plans in the Socialist Party city platform was especially emphasized by the local Communist Party organization:

1. Municipal gas and electric plant to sell gas and electricity at reasonable rates. Gas and electricity to be provided free to all unemployed, and for street lighting, city hospitals, schools, and other city buildings.
2. No eviction of the unemployed.
3. More adequate relief paid in cash.
4. Strikers shall receive relief.
5. Free milk and hot lunches for school children.
6. Majority of Welfare Board to be elected by a conference of delegates of trade unions and organized unemployed.
7. Direct work under city engineer instead of contract work in all municipal enterprises. Thirty-hour week at full union pay on all city construction.
8. No police protection for employers who hire strikebreakers.
9. Protection of all rights of striking workers.
10. Endorsement by city council of the Workers Rights Amendment to the Constitution and of the Workers Unemployment Insurance Bill.
11. Expansion of teaching program in the social sciences to give the students a basic understanding of the economic and political problems of today.
12. Representation of the teachers on the school committee.
13. Complete freedom of opinion for all school teachers.

STRIKERS KEEP PORT CLOSED

LAKE CHARLES, La., Oct. 30.—The harbor here remained closed until Monday, while Governor O. K. Allen attempted to arbitrate the strike of the longshoremen. There have been three deaths in the strike as the result of attacks of armed guards last week on picket lines of the International Longshoremen's Association.

Two thousand carloads of material, it was reported, have been diverted to the Beaumont and New Orleans ports where attempts are being made to keep the ports open with strikebreakers.

Illinois Jobless Councils Wire Relief Demand to Legislature

CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 29.—With the opening of the special session of the state legislature yesterday, the Unemployment Councils of this city wired a resolution demanding an open hearing on the needs of the hundreds of thousands of jobless workers in the state who are being cut off the relief rolls.

Demand Cash Relief
The demand was made to Governor Henry Horner, who, in calling the special session, emphasized that social security would be the main business of the legislature. The Unemployment Councils in its wire demanded that the recommendations of the Doering Commission for cash relief instead of commodity hand-

MANY FELLED BY GUNFIRE IN MINE TIUP

One Fatally Hurt as Kentucky Guards Use Machine Guns

MADISONVILLE, Ky., Oct. 30.—Machine gun fire of company guards fatally wounded one union coal miner and injured many others here last night.

The company gunmen attacked a picket line of the United Mine Workers of America which is on strike in the Western Kentucky coal fields.

Eight or ten pickets at once fell wounded from the machine gun fusillade. Enos Martin, 31, is the union miner who is dying from machine gun bullets. Henry Hollins, a 65-year-old Negro, is seriously wounded.

A United Press dispatch reported today that the National Guard, which has been called out, "repulsed" the strikers' last night.

The attack of the company guards took place at Mannington, near here. Approximately one thousand miners were on the picket lines.

BOSS LINKED TO MINE DEATH

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Oct. 30.—Definite evidence pointing to the fact that the shooting in which Vignat Thomas, member of the United Mine Workers, lost his life, was premeditated by Alabama Fuel and Iron Company officials was presented here today at the coroner's jury hearing. Thomas was shot down Monday by company guards' machine gun bullets which injured a number of other pickets at the Acmar Mines of the company.

Coroner C. D. Gray said the jury had found certain parties guilty but the finding would be kept secret pending a conference with Circuit Judge Alto V. Lee.

Mrs. M. A. Adams was the first witness. She testified that Fred Bell, general superintendent of the company mines, came to her home about 5:30 Monday morning and told her "there was going to be shooting," and warned her to keep indoors and to the down on the floor with her children if she heard shots.

Steps Taken To Negotiate Dress Pact

First steps toward negotiations that will decide whether 102,000 workers in New York's \$500,000,000 dress industry will go out on a general strike were taken yesterday, Julius Hochman, general manager of the Joint Board of the Dress-makers' Union announced, when called on to set a date for conferences to consider changes in expiring agreements.

A letter sent to the Affiliated Association of Dress Manufacturers (manufacturers), National Association (jobbers), and United Association (contractors), signed by David Dubinsky, president of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, and by Hochman, said that the union would not renew the agreements under which New York's largest manufacturing industry will operate until January 31, 1936, and "prepared to present things, modifications and additions."

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8,000 Silk Workers Strike in Paterson

PATERSON, N. J., Oct. 30.—Tomorrow morning, as this issue of the Daily Worker is being read, 8,000 silk workers in the plain goods department of the industry will have walked out and thrown picket lines around the shops.

During the course of the day, final arrangements were made by the American Federation of Silk Workers for the strike, which will take place at midnight.

Conciliation Effort Fails
The final effort of the Mayor's conciliation committee to halt the strike failed today, when the manufacturers refused to respond. The committee sent out a call to the union and the manufacturers to confer with the committee tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock, at the Board of Recreation rooms, at the City Hall.

The union sent out instructions to the workers, urging them to man the picket lines and then to attend the mass meeting at Lazzari's Hall, Court and Ellison Sts., at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning. Full reports will be given there on the developments in the walk-out.

Union Shop Chairmen Meet
The union shop chairmen, meeting last night and today, decided to recommend a clause in the agreement, to be secured by the strike, providing that the converters who give out work to the commission shops must agree to furnish work first to those shops which employ workers and are not family shops.

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Anglo-French War Alliance Planned; League Sets Penalties Date Today

Navy, Army and Air Experts Confer in Capitals

MAP NAVAL ACCORD
Hoare and Laval Plan to Attend Sessions at Geneva

PARIS, Oct. 30.—An alliance between French and British imperialism is now in the process of formation with navy, army and air experts from both countries busy perfecting plans for military cooperation. It was reported here today.

Maurice Petersen, head of the Ethiopian Department of the British Foreign Office and Count Rene de Saint-Quentin, French colonial expert, have already held lengthy consultations in Paris, while French naval officers are now in London officially charged with working out practical Franco-British naval cooperation in the Mediterranean.

The French Foreign Office today announced that army and air experts will soon leave for London on a similar mission.

Plan for Naval Talk
Admiral Decoux and Captain Meuzes, the French naval experts now in London, are also participating in talks with the British for a Franco-British alliance at the coming Naval Conference, to be held here Dec. 2.

The London Daily Telegraph reports that Great Britain has been assured of the use of French ports in the Mediterranean, in exchange for the French promise of naval support in the event of an Italian attack upon Great Britain. French naval units will be substituted for any British vessels to be withdrawn from the Mediterranean danger zones.

Hoare and Laval to Geneva
It is being emphasized here that both Sir Samuel Hoare, British Foreign Secretary, and Pierre Laval, French Premier, are going to attend the League meeting at Geneva tomorrow in person. It is believed that they have more than formal sanctions in mind inasmuch as deputies could easily do work of that kind. Their joint presence in Geneva signifies further negotiations for strengthening the Franco-British alliance, it is held.

It is believed that Sir Eric Drummond, British Ambassador in Rome, informed Mussolini of the Franco-British alliance in order to put pressure upon him for accepting Great Britain's terms.

50 Nations May Enter Sanctions
Meanwhile, a complete boycott of Italian goods by fifty nations of every type and continent remained a possibility. If Great Britain does not decide to about-face on the issue of sanctions as a result of a deal with Mussolini and Laval.

The response by the League powers to the call for sanctions has been unexpectedly prompt.

The "general staff" of the Penalties Committee will meet tomorrow morning to recommend a date for imposition of the new penalties. The Full Penalties Committee of 52 nations—of whom 50 are expected to join the boycott—will meet in the afternoon.

Thirty-six nations have telegraphed the League Secretariat their decision to apply the boycott and the stoppage plan on the date to be decided.

As for the penalties already imposed, forty nations have imposed (Continued on Page 2)

Injunction Granted Against Complying With Guffey Act

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30 (UP)—District Supreme Court Justice Jesse Adkins today granted the petition of James W. Carter for a temporary injunction restraining the stockholders of the Carter Coal Co. from complying with the Guffey Coal Act.

Adkins directed Carter to post a bond of \$15,000 per day for 10 days to ensure stockholders against loss through imposition of the penalty, should he eventually lose his case testing constitutionality of the Guffey Act.

Japanese Agents Instigate 'Autonomy' Grouping in China

PEIPING, Oct. 30.—Japanese instigation of the "autonomy" movements which have recently arisen in North China, especially in Hopei Province, was yesterday affirmed by the North China Star.

According to the paper, two Japanese military agents, Ono and Kito, are now masters of the region. It has also been announced that the Japanese army of occupation will soon begin large-scale military maneuvers along the route of the Peiping-Tientsin Railway.

Meanwhile, the Nanking Government's Peiping Military Council held an emergency session to determine their position on Japan's demand for a new anti-Communist

campaign by a coalition of Japanese-Nanking forces. The Japanese have rushed a destroyer to Tangku, near Tientsin, as a threat against a possible adverse decision.

The Japanese papers are giving much space to the conference of the Executive Committee of the Kuomintang which is scheduled to open Friday. According to reports in the Japanese press, the Chinese ambassador to Tokyo, Chiang Tse-pin has told Foreign Minister Koki Hirota of the Japanese government that the Nanking government agrees with the main lines of Japanese policy.

It is reported that Japan in-

Stand Seen as Aid to League In Application of Sanctions

'Trade at Own Risk' Policy Forms a Virtual United States Boycott Against Italy

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 30.—Steadily increasing moral pressure by the Federal government to discourage American trade with Italy was revealed today by President Roosevelt. The President issued a formal statement to support a similar announcement earlier in the day by Secretary of State Cordell Hull.

Secretary of State Cordell Hull again today called upon American citizens to desist from trading with either Italy or Ethiopia, declaring that such trade is conducted "at the expense of human lives and human misery."

Hull's reiterated appeal to Americans to forego "temporary and risky profits of war trade with the belligerents in the interest of world peace, followed a lengthy conference at the White House yesterday between President Roosevelt, Hull and Undersecretary of State William Phillips.

At this conference, it was understood they discussed possible measures by which this country might collaborate with the League of Na-

tions to the extent of continuing the United States' present policy of discouraging all trade between this country and the belligerents.

Inasmuch as this country never has had any large trade with Ethiopia, this policy amounts practically to a form of boycott against trade with Italy as far as government responsibility is concerned.

Hull's statement, it was believed, was calculated to strengthen the League's action in making effective an international boycott of all trade with Italy probably in mid-November.

The Secretary, in answer to questions, said:

"We have been and are each day giving the most diligent and earnest attention to this and other phases of our situation as it relates to the Ethiopian-Italian controversy.

"At this stage I reiterate and call special attention to the definite implications of and the effect of the policy of this government to discourage dealings with the two belligerent nations as set forth in the President's public statement of Oct. 5, and my statement of Oct. 10, warning our people not to trade with the belligerents except at their own risk.

Cleveland Aids Anti-War Fight

City Council Endorses Congress Against War and Fascism

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Oct. 30.—The City Council of Cleveland at its meeting last Sunday unanimously adopted a resolution introduced by Joseph Artel, Councilman, endorsing the Third Congress of the American League Against War and Fascism, to be held in this city on Jan. 3, 4 and 5.

The City Council, in addition, unanimously passed an emergency resolution, recommending to the Board of Control the rental of the facilities of the Public Auditorium to the Congress for the nominal sum of \$1.

Final authority on this resolution rests with the Board of Control, which is dominated by Mayor Davis. If approved, it would provide the use of the Public Hall with a seating capacity of 12,000 and all additional halls and chambers needed by the Congress for the nominal rental of \$1.

Ample precedents have been set for the approval of this resolution.

Seek Reprisals Against Sanctions—Press Asks for 'Self Denials'

ROME, Oct. 30.—Fascist newspapers here are now whipping up a new chauvinist campaign in order to get the masses to discipline themselves to draw their belts tighter and accept voluntary hunger in the wake of the Fascist decrees enforcing the curtailment of foodstuff purchases.

Along with the campaign for decreased food consumption, the Fascist government is inspiring a drive to impose a boycott on countries voting in the League of Nations for the actual enforcement of sanctions. The boycott movement was seen here not so much as a move in retaliation but as justification for decreased trade and its consequent hardship for the masses.

"The Fascist National Party," said an official announcement issued today, "has entrusted to provincial groups of Fascist women, comprising the mothers and widows of soldiers killed in the world war, the task of organizing a house-to-house defense and reprisal against sanctions."

The boycott movement was reported as spreading swiftly. The Fascist press is particularly trying to force extension of the official hunger decrees by stressing the ability of the Italian people, under 13 years of Fascist rule, to draw their belts tighter through long practice.

"Only those unfamiliar with the qualities of self-denial of the Italian people," editorialized the Fascist paper, Popolo di Roma, "can imagine that sanctions would cause their endurance to waver. Privation may be hard. But it will act to spur our moral energies."

Efforts are being made to find substitutes for commodities which are expected to be cut down through sanctions or boycott.

350,000 Troops Are Massed in 3 Columns

PLAN FLANK MOVE

Secret Mobilizations Are Under Way on the Southern Front

HARAR, Ethiopia, Oct. 30.—Further indicating grave military developments on the Southern front, the government commandeered all private transportation facilities today.

The order included available trucks, which were sent to Ogaden, towards which 20,000 camels, thousands of mules and donkeys, horses and oxen were moving with soldiers, supplies and munitions.

Fascists Advance Slowly
LONDON, Oct. 30.—Fear that the Ethiopian forces are massing for a smashing defense south of Makale has seriously slowed up the Fascist advance on that city, their major objective in the drive deeper into Ethiopia, cable reports from Rome and Addis Ababa confirmed today.

To the South, also, huge concentrations of Ethiopian fighters were reported ready for engagements against Italian forces under Gen. Graziani.

Italian correspondents at the front reported today that Ethiopian troops are concentrating on the flank of the Northern Italian army, preparing to launch counter attacks which will win back some of their lost territory.

Ethiopian Mass 350,000
More than 350,000 Ethiopian soldiers, in three columns, are massed in the northern district. Despite repeated minor engagements, the Ethiopians have not flung the full weight of their forces against the Italian invaders.

Fascist airplane observation flights in the last 48 hours and other information indicated that while the Ethiopian commander, Ras Siyoum, carries out his plans for a stiff defense in the Tambien region in the northwest, a counter-attack will be started by Ras Kassa in the vicinity of Makale, the next Italian objective.

Troops at Makale
Makale itself is filled with Ethiopian troops of an undetermined number. Italian observation planes are unable to get accurate information on their disposition.

Another Ethiopian concentration was reported in the northwestern zone near Omager on the Setit River front, adjoining the Sudan. Reports from Addis Ababa state that Ethiopian forces at this point are now engaged in a severe battle with Fascist troops. The Ethiopians are again striving to smash through into Eritrea.

Ethiopian troops on the Sudan-Eritrea border are under the command of Dejac Aileu Burru.

Ethiopian Strategy
When Ras Kassa and Aileu Burru strike at the Italian flanks from the right and left, it is expected that the chief Ethiopian commander in the north, Ras Siyoum, is expected to strike towards Aksum. At (Continued on Page 2)

Ridder Scouts Aid Function Of WPA Jobs

The W. P. A. projects in New York City are businesses and not welfare organizations, Victor Ridder, W. P. A. administrator, told 200 business men at a Kiwanis Club luncheon in the Hotel McAlpin yesterday.

"After all, business is running the country," Mr. Ridder declared, speaking of the 343 work relief projects under his supervision. "We are running 343 businesses, not as welfare organizations or to help the down and out, but as businesses."

Mr. Ridder's attack on the principle that W. P. A. was designed to give relief to the unemployed and destitute was coupled with remarks opening the way for further discrimination against the Negro people.

Admits Prejudice
Stating that "we have prejudices," the administrator told the business men that "colored people say they are not getting the number of jobs that they should" on W. P. A. "Other people," he added, "contend they are getting more than their

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Pittsburgh Department Stores Agree to Boycott Nazi Goods

Picket Threat Forces Hostile Dealers' Assent

Anti-Nazi Federation Drive Is Backed by Prominent Leaders

(Daily Worker Pittsburgh Bureau)
 PITTSBURGH, Oct. 30.—Every department store in the city of Pittsburgh has been forced to effect a boycott of German goods, the Anti-Nazi Federation announced yesterday as that organization brought to a climax the drive which has swept Nazi products clean off the shelves of city stores which had formerly handled the labor contraband.

With the conclusion of agreements with Joseph Horner's and Boggs and Buhl's late last week those two firms joined Kaufman's, Gimbel's, Rosenbaum's, McCreery's and Frank and Seder's to make the chain of boycotting department stores complete, the Federation said through A. Strauss, chairman of the boycott committee.

The Anti-Nazi Federation, formed Sept. 9, has drawn Socialists, prominent civic leaders, Amateur Athletic Union officials, Communists, trade unions and fraternal organizations into an effective united front movement in the city which has won broad support for the boycott.

Following a mass protest meeting staged in the Y. M. W. Y. H. A. in Oakland, the Federation's boycott committee notified all department stores that unless they agreed to withdraw all German-made goods from their shelves by Oct. 18, pickets would be placed in front of the stores.

On Oct. 17 Edgar Kaufman, executive head of Kaufman's Department Store, and chairman of a national association of department stores, called in the boycott committee to assent to the demand. Following his lead, Rosenbaum's, Frank and Seder's, and McCreery's hurried to capitulate. They were followed by the other major stores.

One Gleason store, belonging to C. Reizenstein Sons, was picketed for a week and finally capitulated when Frank and Seder's failed to remove the pickets.

Socialist Heads Federation
 Prominent leaders in the work of the Federation have been Maurice Mallinger, a leader of the Socialist Party and chairman of the Federation, and Wm. S. Haddock, honorary president of the Federation and president of the Allegheny Mountain Association of the A. A. U., who are assisting in the Jewish participation in the Berlin Olympic games.

Other executives are Mrs. Burnett Davis, of the executive committee of the American Jewish Congress; Joseph Kahn treasurer of the Allegheny Mountain Association; Harvey O'Connor, author, and Gladys Leifer.

Although the picketing campaign and agreements effecting the boycott in all the department stores were negotiated entirely by the Federation's boycott committee, an article appearing in the Jewish Daily Forward of Oct. 27 claims the Anti-Nazi Boycott Council carried through the whole campaign and is responsible for the boycott.

Under special terms of the agreement with the Federation, two stores, Boggs and Buhl's and Joseph Horner's are to be allowed to hold a clearance sale of German goods, segregated and labeled on separate tables, at half price until Jan. 1, due to the large amount of Nazi stock on hand.

Other stores which have already boycotted Hitler products are Palace Credit Clothing Store, F. and B. Paper Company, Fifth Avenue and North House, and H. L. Green Company.

The Anti-Nazi Federation includes the following organizations: Allegheny Mountain Association (A. A. U.), Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers First District, Amalgamated Clothing Workers' Local 86, Bakers Local 44, Workmen's Circle No. 431, Anti-German League, Ukrainian Tatters Association, Lithuanian Supreme Lodge, and American League Against War and Fascism.

Anglo-French War Alliance Planned

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the arms embargo against Italy and thirty-six have shut off financial and credit relations.

Some delegates, arriving here for tomorrow's meetings, believe that the boycott of Italian goods will produce an immediate, notable effect on Italy's economic situation and that if it is conscientiously applied it will seriously cripple Italy within three months.

Nations which had declared their readiness to impose economic penalties in advance of tomorrow's meeting include: Great Britain, France, Russia, Netherlands, Switzerland, Czechoslovakia, R. O. M. A. n. s., Jugoslavia, Greece, Turkey, Bulgaria, Norway, Denmark, Sweden, Estonia, Latvia, Poland, Lithuania, Belgium, Luxembourg, Portugal, Australia, India, New Zealand, South Africa, Afghanistan, Liberia, Guatemala, Uruguay, China, Argentina, Venezuela, Cuba, Canada and St. Paul.

It is anticipated that the enforcement date will be selected tomorrow morning by the "general staff" and approved by the Penalties Committee this week.

Cahan Discovers Moscow Gold

'OLD GUARD' SOCIALIST REVIVES HEARST'S OLD WIVES' TALE Finds Soviets Aid Daily Worker

By A. B. Magil
 When the old lies fall, why not try "Moscow gold?"
 We do not know whether this homely motto is pasted up on the walls of the office of the Jewish Daily Forward, organ of the reactionary "Old Guard" of the Socialist Party, but certainly it is writ large in the heart and activities of its editor, Abe Cahan, and his staff of expert poisoners of the wells of information.

This ancient fable, which by now is so putrid that only a Hearst or a ten-foot pole, has now been dragged out again in the columns of the Forward.

Cahan's One-Track Mind
 It seems that the New Leader, English-language weekly of the "Old Guard," is in financial straits. Its circulation and support have been going down under an avalanche of bitter attacks on the united front, the request of the group of "Old Guard" leaders, Abe Cahan published in Thursday's Forward a signed article appealing for funds for the New Leader.

There is, however, one difficulty with Abe Cahan; he can write on only one subject. He may start an article supposedly on the New Deal or on Ethiopia for an appeal for funds, but inevitably it becomes an attack on Communism and the Soviet Union. Psychiatrists have a name for it. It is Chief Worry.

Thus Cahan, after the first few sentences, forgets all about the New Leader, and begins singing the well-known tune:

"The Communists are flooding America with their daily papers, weeklies, monthly magazines and innumerable pamphlets and books of every kind. . . . Take a look at a big news stand and you'll be astounded by the quantities of Communist magazines, weeklies, etc., on sale."

There are also periodicals that are being issued by 100 per cent or 90 per cent Communist organizations which do not belong to the official Communist Party. In addition, there is an organ of so-called "Revolutionary Socialists" or "Militants." The program that all these periodicals advocate is essentially the same as the official Communist program.

Moscow Gold
 Does the publication of all these magazines mean that the left-wing movement is flourishing? Perish the thought! Says Cahan in his famous prose which is a cross between Yiddish and Milt Gross. These periodicals have no readers and no influence. How then do they exist?

"They are being directly supported with a generous hand by the Soviet Government."
 And as proof that even the Socialist Call, organ of the "Militants" (which he doesn't mention by name), is getting a chunk of this Moscow gold, Cahan cites the main resolution of the Seventh Congress of the Communist International which declares that "the Communists must establish the closest co-operation with those Left Social-Democratic Workers' organizations and organizations that fight against the reformist policy and advocate a united front with the Communist Party."

What else could those words, "closest co-operation" mean but—Moscow gold?

One Difference with Hearst
 Perhaps these nuggets that are pouring into this country despite the vigilance of Cahan and Hearst are having some effect after all? Here Hearst and Cahan, for once, part company. Under no conditions must Cahan admit that the Communists have any influence whatsoever.

"What can Bolshevism accomplish in America with the huge sums that Moscow is spending on its propaganda and its 'united front' machinations? Absolutely nothing!"
 Communist "ideology" is just as alien to American psychology as the Russian language. You may translate the Communist stuff into the best American English—the

American worker will turn a deaf ear to it just the same."
Cahan's Crushing Reply
 But, asks the Forward editor, evidently himself a bit unconvinced by his own arguments:

"Why is Moscow spending millions on its American propaganda and machinations?"
 To which he gives a truly historic and crushing reply:
 "The answer is that this is not the first example of the crass senselessness of the whole Communist theory and practice."

And what the master spits out, the dog makes a meal of.
 Sunday's Forward smeared over eight columns an article by D. Shub entitled: "Where Do the Communists Get the Means to Conduct Such Broad Activity throughout the Whole of America?"

The Language of Hearst
 Mr. Shub does not content himself with the question of Communist or alleged Communist publications.

"In the markets of the big cities," he writes, "where large numbers of workers gather, hundreds of Communist provocateurs and professional 'pickets,' whose duty is to guard the 'revolution,' are constantly floating around."
 "In the larger cities the Communists organize every other day colorful demonstrations, parades and protest meetings. . . ."

"Whenever a strike breaks out or some other disturbance occurs, the Communists are there on the spot together with their provocateurs and professional 'pickets,' their newspapers, leaflets and lawyers, who attempt to increase and prolong the disturbance in order to incite the masses to greater bitterness and in this way create a fertile field for Communism."

The language here is, of course, easily recognizable even in translation. This is the language of Hearst and the professional stool-pigeon agencies.

Cites Renegades in Hearst Style
 Mr. Shub supplements the rantings of Cahan by a formidable display of citations from "authoritative sources." They consist of statements by various renegades from Communism who thus perform their historic role of acting as provocateurs and snipers in the labor movement. The character of this garbage which Shub eagerly laps up may be judged from the statement of a German alleged ex-Communist to the effect that in the unsuccessful German revolution of 1923, Communists and Russian Red Army officers worked hand in glove with the fascists.

Among the prize anti-Communists whom Shub folds into his bosom are James Doriot, who was thrown out of the Communist Party of France about two years ago. According to Shub, Doriot was expelled because "he agitated for an honest and upright united front between Communists and Socialists" (this is probably the first time that the Forward has conceded that there can be such a thing as an honest and upright united front); anything that a renegade from Communism advocates must be "honest and upright."

The kind of "honest and upright united front" that Doriot wants and the Forward demands is evident from his recent demand that France break its pact of mutual assistance with the Soviet Union and form an alliance with Nazi Germany. This is also part of the program of Col. de la Rocque, leader of the French fascists, and it is no accident that Doriot is now reported to be working with the fascists. In the recent elections to the French Senate he arrived at an understanding with Poincaré against the candidates of the People's Front.

Needless to say, the Socialist Party of France, unlike the "Old Guard" Tories in this country, will have nothing to do with Mr. Doriot and his "honest and upright united front" with reaction.

Who Supports the Daily Worker?
 Shub points to the Daily Worker as an example of a Communist publication whose income from sales

and advertising is not sufficient to make it self-sustaining and must therefore be supplemented by "Moscow gold." Any reader of the Daily Worker can tell Mr. Shub where this "Moscow gold" comes from: it comes from the pockets of thousands of American workers, farmers and middle class people, who send their nickles and dimes and quarters and make untold sacrifices to keep their paper alive.

Look at today's paper and you will find the answer to these contemptible slanders—the \$50,000 that has already been raised in this the most successful financial campaign in the paper's history. The Daily Worker is willing to open its books and records to any impartial committee; we are certain that any such investigation will fill this "Moscow gold" lie back into the teeth of these senseless "Old Guard" provocateurs.

International Solidarity
 There is, of course, nothing wrong in principle in the workers of one country assisting financially and in other ways the workers of another country. Shub himself admits that in 1924 the Socialist Party of France received a subsidy from the Second International. But if the Communist International should aid L'Humanite, organ of the Communist Party of France, then it becomes "Moscow gold," and not the Comintern, but the Soviet government, according to Shub, is sending this money to further the diabolic aims of Stalin.

The British trade union movement does not seem to be ashamed of the fact that in 1926 the miners' union, during the great strike which developed into the general strike, accepted a donation of \$5,750,000 from—horror of horrors!—the Soviet trade unions. The Soviet workers voluntarily assented to a full day's pay to raise this fund for a union affiliated to the Amsterdam International—and not one cent was contributed by the Soviet Government.

American Aid to German C. P.
 As for the American Communist Party, it certainly has every reason to be proud of the fact that, far from being the recipient of "Moscow gold," it has itself contributed thousands of dollars to aid the heroic underground Communist Party of Germany in its struggle against the Hitler dictatorship.

That these "Old Guard" reactionaries are able to view the activities of the Communist Party and the entire militant labor movement only through "golden" glasses is easily understandable. It is only natural that people who are on the payroll of Hearst (Harry Lang), people who knock down salaries of \$20,000 a year (Abe Cahan and B. C. Vladek), people who have converted the Forward, which was built up with the pennies of thousands of heroic underground Communist Party of Germany in its struggle against the Hitler dictatorship.

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Illinois Jobless Demand Relief

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Horner demanding the things for which we are fighting. Our organization has taken similar steps. We propose that you consider the immediate calling of a joint conference to consider united action."

Governor Proposes "Relief" at Workers' Expense
 Governor Horner, in his message opening the special session, stated that its main business will be to pass a state social security law to comply with the Federal Social Security Act for old age pensions and unemployment insurance funds. These acts will give pensions and insurance only in the years after 1936, and will have to be paid for mainly by taxes on payrolls, that is to say, wages. In addition, they will give benefits only for short periods of time, omitting completely the needs of the jobless today.

Horner, obviously, intends to follow the policy of the Federal administration in steadily slashing all relief until the relief stations are closed down. He proposed the firm social security plans as a substitute for relief: "Such a plan of social security is surely better than providing employable persons in need of relief at public expense."

Two Relief Stations Closed
 Leo M. Lyons, County Relief Administrator, has already announced the closing down of two large relief stations here, the River Grove and the North West District, and warns that others will soon follow. The County faces a shortage of \$360,000 for the closing days of this month, and rents and medical aid are being cut off from the thousands of jobless workers and their families.

In these conditions, Dave Brown, Employment Councils leader, stated that united action of all jobless and their organizations is surely the need of the hour.

Brown urged that all workers organizations send immediate wires to Horner demanding that the problem of cash relief and the needs of the unemployed be made a special point on the agenda.

Ethiopians Mass On Two Fronts

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at the same time, the defenders at Makale would meet the main forces of the Italians face to face.

From the southern front, the news is the least reliable. Italian advances are the least dependable, and the Ethiopian government is not allowing much to go out of authoritative character in order not to reveal troop movements which might aid Italian advances.

Fascists Again Claim City
 For about the fifth time now in the past two weeks the Fascist command in Rome claim the fall of Gorrhahel on the Fafan River, west of Gerogobu.

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TORCHLIGHT PARADE TO URGE WITHDRAWAL OF U.S. FROM OLYMPICS

Freedom of Prisoners in Nazi Germany Will Be Also Demanded in March on Nov. 21 Called by Anti-Nazi Federation

General Sherrill and the Nazi terror which he upholds will be answered on Nov. 21 by a huge Anti-Nazi torchlight procession, sponsored by the Anti-Nazi Federation, in which the double note of liberation of political prisoners and opposition to American participation in the Olympics will be emphasized. Coming within approximately two weeks of the meeting of the Amateur Athletic Union at which the question of America's stand on the Olympics will be considered, it is believed that the marching demonstration will serve to strengthen the group within the national sports organization which is in favor of America's withdrawal and also draw renewed attention to the plight of the political victims in the concentration camps.

Judge Jeremiah T. Mahoney, President of the A. A. U. and vigorous advocate of America's withdrawal from the Olympics, has been invited to head the procession. General Smedley D. Butler has indicated his interest but will be unable to participate because of a previous engagement.

Athletes To Take Part
 The anti-Olympic note of the parade will be underlined by divisions in the line of march to be occupied by representative sports organizations of the city. An important group expected to be in line is that of German anti-Nazis.

It is hoped to make the parade a representative cross-section of all groups, labor unions, churches, synagogues and organizations generally. The procession will start at Madison Square and 23rd Street. The line of march will be so arranged as to permit thousands of workers

at the end of the work-day to fall in line.

Announcing the plans of the parade, June Croil, executive secretary, called upon all workers in particular to "join in this vehicle of arousing public opinion to the fate of the political prisoners in Germany."

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Ohio C.P. Makes New Plea For Unity with Socialists

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Oct. 30.—In a letter to the Cuyahoga County Executive Committee of the Socialist Party, the District Committee of the Communist Party repeats its proposals for joint action against war and in defense of Ethiopia and points out that the reasons given by the Socialist Party for the rejection of its first proposal are not in accord with statements of the National Executive Committee of the S. P. and of the Socialist International.

In a letter rejecting the original Communist proposal, the Cuyahoga County Executive Committee declared that calling for the defense of Ethiopia means support of an imperialist war. The letter of the Communist Party states in part:

"Both the Labor and Socialist (Second) International and the National Executive Committee of the Socialist Party have called for action against Mussolini's criminal fascist war. The appeal of the Socialist N.E.C. published in the Sept. 12 issue of the New Leader and the Socialist Call, urges workers to block his (Mussolini's) efforts at conquest of Ethiopia by every means within our power." It calls specifically for a ban on loans and the export of war materials of every kind to Italy and appeals to "unions in the transport service to refuse to load ships or carry such materials if bound for Italian ports."

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"And yet when we greet this stand of your Party and appeal to you to join with us in this common fight, your local Executive Committee declares that united action is impossible because of the 'drastic differences' between us on this question! In the face of such a clear-cut case of agreement between our parties, how can you possibly speak of 'drastic differences' between us? How can you take the responsibility of ignoring the decision of your own Party and the unmistakable will of your own membership?"

"It is hard to believe that your Executive Committee is serious in its argument that to come to the defense of Ethiopia is to support one imperialist power against another. Ethiopia is not fighting an imperialist war. Ethiopia, a non-imperialist country, is fighting a progressive war in defense of its national independence. The only hope for preventing this war from engulfing the world is the speedy defeat of Italian fascism. It is impossible to speak of defending world peace today, without coming to the defense of Ethiopia, as your own Party and International have plainly stated."

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Kalinin Cites Land Transfer to Collectives

Perpetual Use Deeded to the Workers in Agriculture

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)
 MOSCOW, Oct. 30.—"We have taken life into our own hands," declared Michael Kalinin, chairman of the Central Executive Committee of the U.S.S.R., today in handing over deeds to the perpetual use of the land to the Socialist League of Farmers near Alma Ata, Kazakhstan.

"Bolsheviks do not only want collective farmers to have good land, houses, cattle and crops, but in addition, they want the people to be happy," he continued. "We must insure our own happiness, our own prosperous and beautiful life."

"We must now teach our children to glance. Soon there will be many textile factories as dress well and make yourselves more clothes." "The people of the Soviet Union must be the most beautiful and the best dressed of all."

Commenting upon the picturesque surroundings of the collective farms, Kalinin pointed out that the collective farms should make every effort to adopt the best features of the city in order to transform the collective farm for the satisfaction of all human needs.

Ridder Scouts Aid Function of WPA

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share. I'm afraid I'm going to have to make a decision on that."

The type of a decision that Mr. Ridder has in mind was indicated by his remarks on the same question at a press conference held prior to the luncheon.

Asked if he would set a special quota of Negroes to be employed on W. P. A. to overcome the racial discrimination in this section of the population is subjected to, Mr. Ridder declared: "I don't want to fix a quota for any group of people."

White Preferred
 He said that it was "not so much the discrimination as the charges of discrimination" that he was worrying about and admitted that some of the project sponsors "asked that people on the projects be white people."

"It is much more important that the colored groups should realize that is the case," he said. "No matter how much we do, if colored groups always have the feeling that they are being discriminated against here, then the effect of our work here is of no use."

Despite the piles of evidence to prove that Negroes have been discriminated against both by the Emergency Relief Bureau and the W. P. A., Mr. Ridder would not say directly that discriminatory practices were carried on. He stated that he had appointed Lemuel Foster, a Negro, and Robert Rosebluth to investigate all charges of discrimination.

Only 2,000 Transients for W. P. A.
 Of the 8,500 unemployed transients who are scheduled to be cut off the government relief rolls tomorrow only 2,000 will be taken care of by W. P. A. Mr. Ridder announced. Some of these will be sent to state camps to work at a minimum wage of \$15 a month and others will be sent to their homes, according to the administrator. He failed to explain, however, how he could send homeless men to their homes.

Mr. Ridder left for Washington late yesterday presumably to take up the question of setting up special W. P. A. transient projects on which he said he expected to employ an additional 1,000 persons.

Those who will be affected by the ending of transient relief tomorrow are 2,500 heads of families and 6,000 single persons, among whom 500 are women.

Reprisals Reconsidered
 In the meantime, Emergency Relief Bureau officials announced today they expected to announce today a reconsidered decision of the E. R. B. Board regarding reprisals scheduled to be taken against staff members who participated in a work stoppage last week in protest against the firing of 900 employees.

The Association of Workers in Public Relief Agencies stated that it would not announce further plans of action outside of a mass meeting to be held in Madison Square Garden next week, until the E. R. B. Board had declared its intention.

Japan Instigates 'Autonomy' Moves

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tends to go over the heads of the Nanking government leaders and send ultimatums to the provincial authorities in Hopei, Chahar, Suiyuan, Shansi and Shantung. Ambassador Ariyoshi, Japanese minister to China, stated that "it would be most desirable for Chiang Kai-shek to accept such a proposal but in the event he refuses, the Japanese Army will take up the question direct with the authorities of the five Northern Provinces."

Italian Communists Call for Mussolini's Overthrow to Save Nation

PROCLAMATION OF COMMUNIST PARTY OF ITALY

In a proclamation issued at the beginning of this month "To All Italians Who Want To Save Italy From Catastrophe," the valiant underground Communist Party of Italy once more raised the banner of revolt against Mussolini's robber war and called upon all the Italian people to show their opposition to the fascist invasion of Ethiopia by openly opposing the war in the fascist organizations, by striking, by refusing to fight and by returning from the war front keeping the weapons given them by the fascists to overthrow the robber rule of Mussolini.

Fascism Forcing Italy Into Catastrophe
 The proclamation declares that Communist opposition to Mussolini's war has nothing in common to the position of British imperialism. English Communists fight the Italian imperialists just as courageously as the Italian Communists fight the fascists of their country, it states.

Countering the fascist propaganda that the war is being waged to safeguard the "honor" of Italy, the Communist proclamation declares that Italy is being forced into catastrophe and dishonor by involving a weaker nation, that the only true honor of a nation is inseparable from "peace, bread and liberty."

Text of Communist Appeal
 The complete text of the proclamation of the Communist Party of Italy to the Italian people, entitled "For the honor of Italy! Down with Mussolini and his criminal government!" follows:

"Mussolini, serving the interest of a handful of capitalists, sows death and brings to ruin our country, the Italy of the people we love, by a new, terrible and bloody war in East Africa in order to satisfy his mania for power."
 "This war is, from a military viewpoint, a tragic folly. It will completely ruin the finances and economy of the country. It focuses the indignation of the entire world against the brutality, the cynicism and ill-will of fascist diplomacy, humiliates Italy in the eyes of all people."
 "The principal responsibility for all this is held by criminal buffoon who brings our country to constantly new disasters: Mussolini."

Call for Overthrow of Mussolini
 "To put a stop to the humiliation of Italy before the entire world, to immediately end this disastrous war and his government holds despicable away over the life and death of all the Italians."
 "ITALIAN PEOPLE! FOR THE SAFETY OF OUR COUNTRY IT IS NECESSARY TO OVERTHROW MUSSOLINI AND RECONQUER ITALY FOR LIBERTY!"

"Peace, Bread, Liberty"
 Italian people and you rank and file fascists, also, do not permit yourselves to be brought to the precipice blindfolded. We have had

enough of forced attendance at the "rallies" where, notwithstanding the general hostility, only the criminal madmen who ruin and dishonor Italy speak. The Italian people must let its voice be heard for the entire world, which judges Italian fascism as the instigator of a new world war, the murderer of women and children, the invader of a small, poor and almost unarmed people, fierce in their defense of their independence, as we are of our own."
 "Down with the fascist aggressor that dishonors Italy!"

Fascism is Not Italy
 We proclaim before the entire world, that Fascism is not Italy. The great majority of the well-known "volunteers" are compelled by force and hunger to sail. The Italian people do not want war. War broke out only because there is no liberty, because every manifestation of popular will

Employe Representatives Move to Leave Steel Company Union

Act at Behest Of Workers In Gary Mill

Move Follows Refusal of Steel Trust to Grant Demands

By MELTON HOWARD (Daily Worker Midwest Bureau)

GARY, Ind., Oct. 30.—A movement of far-reaching importance among the steel workers of this region began yesterday with the decision of 28 out of the 34 company union representatives in the giant Carnegie-Illinois Steel plants to find some way outside the company union to defend the interests of the men. Since six representatives were not present, the vote was really unanimous.

Openly expressing the dissatisfaction of the steel workers who have found through bitter experience that the company union will not defend their interests, the company union representatives elected by the men declared that the time has come to take stock of the situation and determine what new organization the men should form. They elected a committee to visit the workers in the South Chicago plant of the U. S. Steel Corporation, where a similar movement to break away from the company unions has begun.

Of great significance is the fact that every one of the men who voted to break away from the company union stated that he did so on the definite instructions from the men in his department.

Expression of Discontent

This move, breaking through the domination of the company unions in the heart of the U. S. Steel dominion, is the expression of the intense dissatisfaction and bitterness that is brewing in the plants. In the past few weeks, petitions have been circulated in such plants as the tin mill of the American Sheet and Tin Plate Company for a \$5 a day rate instead of the present \$3.50 in the No. 3 and 4 batteries of the open hearth mills, in the strip mills for wage increases of 25 per cent.

The growing breakaway from the company unions follows the recent refusal of the U. S. Steel subsidiary, the American Sheet, to grant the workers' request for a wage increase and vacation pay as expressed through their company union representatives. The recent increase in rents, the high cost of meat and bread, the terrific speed-up in the plants, all contrasted with the spectacle of such plants as the Inland Steel, for example, installing new machinery solely to avoid paying taxes on the earnings of employers' profits, has roused the steel workers to the realization that they must fight for their interests.

A. A. Still Small

The Amalgamated Association lodge affiliated to the A. F. of L., is still small in membership due to a long policy of inactivity and internal strife over the expulsion moves of Mike Tighe. For this reason, sentiment has not yet crystallized, among the men who are bitter against the company union, for joining the A. A. The most advanced of the workers, however, are working to direct the steel workers into the main stream of the labor movement, pointing out how futile and ineffective against a national steel trust will be a new steel union that will be limited to this region alone.

It is clear that the steel trust can be forced to grant concessions only by a steel union which unites the steel workers throughout the country, that is, the Amalgamated Association and that the task of the steel workers is to join the A. A. and build it into a fighting weapon of the workers.

To discuss plans to organize steel, the Central Labor Union of this city has called a labor conference for Wednesday morning Nov. 6, 10 a. m. at the Gray Labor Temple.

Legionnaires, DAR's Use Theft to Stop Chapayev Showing

KENOSHA, Wis., Oct. 30.—Local Legionnaires and members of the Daughters of the American Revolution resorted to open gangsterism and thievery to prevent the scheduled showing at the Cameo Theatre here of the Soviet film, "Chapayev."

Their demands for a preview showing of the film rebuffed by the committee in charge, the would-be censors of the American people descended on the theatre at 11:30 o'clock last Wednesday morning and stole the film after assaulting members of the committee. The group included such "best people" as Rev. Chrupovka, American Legion chaplain; John Alexander, employment manager of the American Brass Band Company; Mrs. Cook of the Daughters of the American Revolution; and Beulah McNeil, local policeman.

District Attorney McEvoy and Assistant District Attorney Savage witnessed the attack on the committee, but then walked out of the theatre and later declared they "saw nothing."

The organized labor movement is boiling with resentment against this outrage, and demands are being made for the arrest and prosecution of the prominent burglars and the return of the film.

Party sections, have you fulfilled your quotas in the Daily Worker financial drive? Try to raise the balance of your quotas immediately!

FROM BIRTH TO DEATH?



Mrs. John Gibel of Isabella, Pa., faces possible death because of an eviction notice handed her husband by E. T. Weir, Pennsylvania steel baron. She's been in bed since the birth of her twelfth child on Oct. 14—but the baby's father is a union man, and so Weir, a leader in the private charities drive in Pittsburgh, has told them to get out and stay out of their company-owned home.

1,000 Workers Strike Reading PWA Projects

By John Dean

READING, Pa., Oct. 30.—More than 1,000 WPA workers have struck here for demands of a 120-hour month at \$60.50 for unskilled workers; union wages for skilled workers; immediate payment of back pay, and regular payment of wages. Almost every project in the county is out 100 per cent. A few remain to be struck but everyone is sure that they will come out.

The strike is under the leadership of the Joint Labor Council (whose policies have been endorsed by the Federated Trades Council) and the Keystone Workers Union. A strike committee consisting of delegates from each project, the organizers of the Keystone Workers Union and the officers of the Joint Labor Council has been set up.

Work or Starve Edict

Seven members of the Strike Executive Committee (Daniel Hartman; W. Schoener; A. Weston; H. Brown, chairman; John Dean; William Kline, and Derry) conferred yesterday morning and afternoon with Relief Administrator Romig, and W.P.A. Administrator Todd. Orders issued from State Relief Administrator Johnson at Harrisburg state: "Either relief recipients avail themselves of W.P.A. jobs when offered, or unless there is some valid reason for not going to work they will be removed from the relief rolls."

"Objections to hours and wages offered by the W.P.A. is NOT a valid reason for refusing to work."

An enthusiastic meeting in front of the Relief Headquarters voted unanimously to continue the fight for the W.P.A. workers' demands. The workers roared their approval of a hunger march to the state capital if the orders to cut off relief were not changed.

Mass picketing successfully closed down the Poplar Neck project on

3,000 Strikers on Buffalo WPA Win Big Gains

Pay Rise Won as Men Smash the 'Work or Starve' Edict

By FRANK HERRON

BUFFALO, Oct. 30.—The three-week struggle of over 3,000 ERB and WPA strikers has been brought to a successful conclusion with major concessions being won by the workers.

The strike was called by the Citizens Unemployment Relief League in answer to the attempts of the Roosevelt government in forcing the workers to work for the coolie wage scale of \$55 per month. The National Unemployment Councils played a prominent part in achieving unity in struggle and the victory gained.

The 3-week persistent and stubborn struggle of the workers forced the following concessions from the WPA administration:

- a) Smashing the work or starve edict of the WPA.
- b) Supplementary aid to all who will receive less under WPA than their relief budgets prior to the strike.
- c) Reinstatement of all strikers to their former jobs.
- d) A 10 per cent increase to be granted on the \$55.00 per month.
- e) A reduction in working hours from 140 to 120.

The flat 10 per cent increase and the reduction in hours will mean a 20 per cent increase in hourly rates to be paid WPA workers. The workers are going back to work strengthened with the knowledge that the Unemployment Councils and the Citizens Unemployment Relief League will continue and strengthen the present united front and in this manner consolidate the gains of the strike by the building of project locals on the projects.

Russian Revolution Rally in New Haven; Markoff to Speak

By FRANK HERRON

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Oct. 30.—A Markoff, director of the New York Workers School, will be the main speaker at the celebration here of the eighteenth anniversary of the Russian Revolution at 8 o'clock Friday night, Nov. 8 in the Convention Hall, 270 Crown Street.

A copy of the report submitted by George Dimitroff to the Seventh World Congress of the Communist International will be given to everyone at the celebration, the committee in charge announced. Along with it, those present will receive a copy of the Connecticut Labor Party pamphlet. Admission to the celebration is 15 cents.

The program of the celebration, arranged under the auspices of the New Haven Section of the Communist Party, will also include the Ukrainian Chorus and a performance by the Unity Players.

The just issued special edition of Soviet Russia Today will be on sale at the celebration.

Cleveland Convention Unites Drives for Social Insurance

Plans Made with Powerful A. F. of L. Members League to Work Out Joint Measure—Marcantonio and Lundeen Greet Meeting—Benjamin Speaks

(Daily Worker Ohio Bureau)

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Oct. 30.—Consolidating the various movements for genuine unemployment insurance around one state bill, the State Convention of the United Association made a great stride forward to unite the labor movement behind labor legislation in Ohio.

Some 243 delegates and more than a hundred visitors from fourteen cities participated in the convention held Sunday in the Bohemian National Hall here.

After listening to addresses by Herbert Benjamin, State Representative William Boyd and messages sent by U. S. Congressmen Ernest Lundeen and Vito Marcantonio.

The convention laid down plans to make Ohio the first state in the Union to enact a genuine unemployment insurance bill.

Wide Representation

Six to seven hundred organizations with a membership around 100,000 are affiliated to the United Association in Ohio. These include fraternal and labor organizations of various creeds and political beliefs.

Strong delegations of the A. F. of L. Members' League Favoring Unemployment Insurance, the Ohio Association for Unemployment Insurance (Socialist), Italian Bohemian Church and fraternal organizations, the International Workers' Order, participated in the conference to work out one State Bill they could all unanimously support.

A. F. of L. Members' League to Revise Duffly Bill

Great enthusiasm greeted the announcement of Steve Lesko, president of the A. F. of L. Members' League, business agent of the Cleveland Painters' Union, who stated that they were revising the Duffly Bill, which is now in the State Assembly. Lesko declared they were going to eliminate the proposed 1 per cent contribution by the workers now contained in the bill sponsored by them, and revise all other provisions to which objections might be raised.

The convention appointed a committee to work out a joint bill with the A. F. of L. Members' League and discuss possibilities of affiliation on the basis of sponsoring the Lundeen Bill (H. R. 2827) nationally and one joint State Bill in Ohio.

Marcantonio Urges Fight Against Fake Security Bills

A message addressed to the convention by Congressman Marcantonio of New York exposed the reactionary character of the "security legislation" sponsored by the Roosevelt administration. Marcantonio called on the conference to fight for the repeal of the "social security" laws and for the enactment of the Lundeen Unemployment Insurance Bill.

Lundeen States H. R. 2827 Could Be Enacted

Congressman Ernest Lundeen of Minnesota, in a letter addressed to the convention, described the support the Workers' Unemployment Insurance Bill (H. R. 2827) had received in the last session of Congress.

He stressed the importance of mass support, stating that, if sufficient agitation developed, the bill could be brought out of committee and enacted at the next session of Congress.

Benjamin Praises Work of United Association

Praising the work of the United Association for developing a broad movement for unemployment insurance, Herbert Benjamin, in the name of the Joint National Action Committee, stated:

"Ohio is setting the example to the rest of the country in its work toward unemployment insurance. It should now set itself the task to become the first state in the Union to enact a genuine unemployment insurance bill while agitating for national un-

employment legislation, the Lundeen Bill.

State Representative Boyd Pledges Support

Pledges of support for unemployment insurance were repeated by William Boyd, who received the largest democratic vote for State Representative, leading the ticket in Cleveland and Cuyahoga County.

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The symposium calls upon the voters "to hear all the candidates speak from the same platform."

Up to date the candidates of the Lucas County Labor Congress have accepted the invitation to speak at this symposium.

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Farmers Union In Alabama Flays New Deal

Sales Tax Is Denounced Along with A.A.A. and the Bankhead Act

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Oct. 30.—

The Alabama Division of the Farmers Educational and Co-operative Union of America condemned New Deal policies in their convention that has just closed here. The Bankhead Act and the A.A.A. were denounced in resolutions passed by the convention. The delegates also went on record against the sales tax and denounced Governor Bibb Graves for breaking his campaign promises to oppose such a tax.

Resolutions calling for financial support for the coal strikers and for repeal of the poll tax were passed by large majorities. The Farmers Union has grown rapidly in Alabama. The membership at the present time is 20,000.

Affair to Raise Funds For Herndon's Defense To Be Held in St. Louis

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Oct. 30.—Organized labor in this Southern city is rallying to the fight to rescue Angelo Herndon, heroic young Negro labor organizer, from the chain gang, and to defeat the "rape" frame-up of James Johnson, a local Negro worker, who had been sentenced to life imprisonment.

An affair to raise funds to aid the fight for Herndon and finance an appeal to the Missouri Supreme Court for Johnson, will be held here Sunday night at the Labor Center, 1229 N. Leonard Avenue.

WHAT'S ON

Philadelphia, Pa.

Concert and Dance for the benefit of Daily Worker, Sat. Nov. 2 8 p.m. at 4033 Girard Ave. Dance to Cuban Rhythm. Support: New Adm. 25c. Ausp. Section 3 C. P.

Come and see the "Youth of the Handy Land" on Saturday, Nov. 2, 8 p.m. at 1121 N. Franklin. Arts, Music and refreshments. Support: New Adm. 25c. Ausp. Section 3 C. P.

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The Proposed Merger of Unemployed Leagues and Workers Alliance

By HERBERT BENJAMIN

From a letter of the National Unemployed League secretary to all national officers of that organization and from other sources, we learn that the third annual convention and "Caravan to Washington" on Oct. 26 have been suddenly called off. From the same letter which is dated Oct. 15 (exactly eleven days before the convention was to begin) we learn that this sudden action is taken so that negotiations for merger of the National Unemployed League with the Workers Alliance of America may be concluded.

Leaders of both the Workers Alliance and the Unemployed League are making the claim that by merging these two organizations, they are not only demonstrating their own agreement with the need for unity, but that through this merger unification of the unemployed is actually being carried through. The above mentioned letter (signed by Arnold Johnson, national secretary of the League) states that:

"We are acting on this situation at the last minute because we recognize the responsibility which was placed on us by the last convention of the N. U. L. to work toward unity. We want to make sure that... the N. U. L. position and desire for one united organization cannot be disputed."

Our emphasis, H. B.

Meaning of Unity

The National Unemployment Council is the organization that first raised the slogan "For One United Unemployed Organization," and has waged an unceasing fight toward this end, would surely welcome and commend any action that would advance by even one step, the movement towards one united organization. But precisely because unity is such an urgent and vital need, it is necessary to guard against any and every attempt, even if it is unintentional, to distort the meaning of unity and to lead the movement for unity into a blind alley.

Merger of the League with the Alliance may or may not be to the advantage of either or both. But regardless of what else it may be, such a merger is by no means "unification of the unemployed," establishment of "one united organization," or even a step in that direction.

For Real Unity

The combined forces of the Alliance and the League represent at most 25 to 35 per cent of the total

unemployed movement. Only a united movement can command the respect of organized labor. And only such a movement can have the power to win consideration and support in spite of the reactionary leadership of the Green-Wolf machine.

On March 3, 1935, the first and only convention of the Workers Alliance compelled the resolutions committee to withdraw a resolution which proposed the kind of "unity" which is now being negotiated by the Alliance and League leaders.

HOME LIFE

By Ann Barton

TODAY is recipe day, and we'll start off by giving a way to cook corn, that I hope is new to most. Ingredients are one tablespoon butter, two tablespoons flour, one cup of milk, one can of corn; pepper, and two eggs. Melt the butter and one half teaspoons salt, ter, and mix with flour and milk. Bring to boiling point on a slow fire, constantly stirring. Add the corn, salt and pepper. Beat the yolks of eggs well and add whites that have been stiffly beaten. But into buttered baking dish and bake in a moderate oven about thirty minutes.

AND a recipe for corn and tomatoes. Ingredients are two cups tomatoes, one can fresh corn, two eggs, two tablespoons butter, three sliced onions, one teaspoon sugar, one teaspoon salt. Melt the butter in a shallow pan, add the sliced onions, frying until tender. Add the tomatoes and cook until they are soft. Add sugar, salt (and paprika, if you like), then the corn and the two eggs, well beaten. Put into buttered baking dish and bake twenty minutes in a moderate oven.

HAVE you ever tasted peanut cookies? Use one quarter cup butter, one half cup sugar, two eggs, two teaspoons baking powder, one half teaspoon salt, one cup flour, one quarter cup milk, one cup chopped peanuts, one teaspoon lemon juice. Cream the butter with the sugar. Beat in the two eggs, which have just been well beaten. Sift baking powder, flour, salt. Alternately add to mixture with the milk. Finally, stir in the chopped peanuts and the lemon juice. Drop the stiff batter from a teaspoon on to an oiled cookie sheet, not too close together. Bake fifteen minutes in a moderate oven.

WHAT do you think of running a column of cheap practical recipes every Thursday? We have started today, and will continue this if the column readers show their approval by sending in their own pet recipes for the Thursday column.

THIS would mean that we would have a column on cookery on Thursday, and a column on children by Siava Dunn every Saturday. This would leave Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and Sunday for the very important discussion of those economic, political, and personal problems affecting every working-class woman in these swift moving days when they are learning the meaning of the words "solidarity" and "union" and "united front" as never before.

Above all we must have our column readers' reactions to the things happening around us. We must not let the significance of any action of the ruling class, or of our own class pass us by. By discussing them together, we can more easily arrive at what our role in these things must be.

This then is again a request for suggestions, criticisms from column readers. Has the column helped your understanding of the problems and road to action of working-class women? What would you like to see discussed here? The floor is open.

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The Ruling Classes



"Now practice! I'll make you a genius if I have to knock your teeth out!"

Denver Labor Pledges Aid to Gallup Miners

Conference Plans Petition Campaign—Prepares for Regional Parley to Assist in Appeal to the State Supreme Court

By Sue Adams (Daily Worker Rocky Mountain Bureau)

DENVER, Colo., Oct. 30.—Sixty delegates from twenty-three organizations, including two delegates from the Building Trades Council and eleven delegates from six locals of the American Federation of Labor, met in a Regional Gallup Defense Conference in Carpenters' Hall Sunday, and enthusiastically pledged themselves to mobilize the entire labor movement, particularly in the A. F. of L. and all liberal people of the Rocky Mountain region, behind the fight to liberate the three Gallup miners sentenced by a corporation-controlled judge to forty-five to sixty years' imprisonment.

A practical program for the accomplishment of this aim was unanimously adopted by the conference. The program calls for intensive work to induce all locals of the trade unions and all organizations believing in preserving our civil rights to adopt and send resolutions of protest to Governor Clyde Tingley of New Mexico demanding the freedom of the three convicted miners, Juan Ochoa, Manuel Avitia and Leandro Velarde, and to the Supreme Court of New Mexico demanding a reduction in the bonds of \$25,000 each under which the three are held. The program also calls for a campaign to collect 50,000 signatures in the Rocky Mountain region to a petition to be sent to Governor Tingley demanding that he exercise his executive power to pardon the three men.

Conference Planned A Rocky Mountain Gallup Defense Conference, to be held sometime in the near future, is an important part of the program, which calls also for the raising of \$500 in the Rocky Mountain states for the appeal of the three workers to the State Supreme Court, as well as for the sale and wide distribution of 25,000 pamphlets on the Gallup frame-up.

The conference empowered the Regional Gallup Defense Committee set up at this conference, to take the necessary steps for the carrying out of this program, pledging that the committee would give the fullest support to the National Gallup Defense Committee in the national campaign for the freedom of the three Gallup miners.

Is Trade Union Fight Declaring that the cause of the Gallup miners is the cause of American labor, Frank Spector, representative of the National Gallup Defense Committee, sounded the keynote of the conference by calling upon all members of the American Federation of Labor and all other workers, farmers' and liberal organizations to unite in the nation-wide campaign to free the three innocent miners of Gallup on whom the Gallup American Coal Company is wreaking its vengeance for their "crime" of organizing labor.

YOUR HEALTH

By Medical Advisory Board

Lecture on "Industrial Diseases" DR. JOHN GREEN will lecture tomorrow night on "Industrial Diseases" at the Workers School, 35 E. 12th St., Room 205 at 8:30 o'clock. This is the third lecture of a course being held each Friday night and is conducted by doctors invited by the Medical Advisory Board of the Daily Worker and Health and Hygiene. The admission price is twenty-five cents.

Operation for Cross Eyes R. M. of Salem, Ohio, writes: "Following an attack of Diphtheria my child became cross-eyed. An operation has been suggested, but I am afraid it may cause blindness. Will you please advise me what to do?"

CROSS eyes are treated with glasses and exercises first, and then if that doesn't help, operation is advised. Your fears about loss of sight after such an operation are entirely unfounded. We have as yet never seen any case of loss of sight resulting from an operation on crossed eyes when the operation is done by a competent eye surgeon. In cases where the cross eyes follow diphtheria, it will probably be necessary to operate.

HAVE you seen the new HEALTH AND HYGIENE? From all sides we are told it is literally "a knock-out." You are missing one of the biggest events of the year if you fail to (1) buy this issue at once; (2) subscribe immediately.

Chances—Sure on the Privates Any sore which appears on the external genitals (the privates) should never be neglected or mistreated. It should be examined by a competent physician so that an exact diagnosis can be made. This is important, because syphilis, a very serious venereal disease, starts with a sore on the penis or lips of the vagina. It often happens that a man who notices a small sore on the penis goes to a drug store and is given only a few ointments. This is a great mistake, as will be pointed out later.

How can one find out whether or not a sore is a chancre (the primary sore of syphilis)? Contrary to a popular notion, a blood test (Wassermann reaction) is of no value in helping to make a diagnosis during the early weeks following the appearance of the sore. The Wassermann test is always negative during this time, and becomes positive only after several weeks have passed. However, there is another method which is of great value in making the diagnosis during that early period when the blood test is of no help. This method is called the dark-field examination. It consists in examining some material scraped from the sore under a special kind of microscope. It is possible by this means to see the germs that cause the disease and settle the question of the diagnosis of syphilis. If the germs are not found the first time, the examination must be repeated several times to make sure that the sore is not due to syphilis.

Any salve, which is applied to a sore before examination by dark-field is carried out, can produce false results. The salve may kill the germs on the top of the sore, so that they will not be found by the examination, and yet they will still be present deep in the sore. In this way a false notion of security may be produced only to have the disease flare up later. The importance of discovering the disease early in the chancre stage is that treatment is more effective and the disease will be more easily and certainly cured.

To sum up, if you notice a sore on the privates which lasts a few days or couple of weeks, do not apply salves. Go to your doctor and have a dark-field examination performed to make certain whether it is or is not syphilis. A blood (Wassermann) test is of no value at this stage and cannot take the place of the dark-field examination. In addition, do not take any treatment for syphilis until a positive diagnosis of syphilis has been made.

Districts Must Rush Balance Of 'Daily' Drive Quotas

Every district, save Washington, on today's list in the Daily Worker \$60,000 drive is in a negligible position. The need for the districts to rush to fill their quotas has increased. Among those absent is Buffalo, a district which showed great promise at the beginning of the drive. Buffalo, Minnesota, Connecticut and Colorado are four districts depended upon by the Daily Worker to finish their quotas. With the drive approaching its end, however, Buffalo is only at 74 per cent, while the others are even lower. Connecticut and Colorado have not yet reached 70 per cent, while Minnesota is still below 50 per cent. These four districts, particularly, must take emergency measures. Connecticut and Colorado were early victors in last year's drive. The Daily Worker is sure that if their Party sections set out seriously to fill their quotas, these four districts can reach their marks before the drive closes.

7th Comintern Congress Reports Made in Ohio

Socialist and A. F. of L. Workers Greet Unity Call of Communist International—District Classes Formed—Mistakes Are Analyzed

By John Williamson

Understanding the historical significance of the decisions of the Seventh World Congress of the Communist International and the need of popularizing these decisions is centered in the light of Comrade Dimitroff's concluding remarks, namely:

"If the workers' organizations of the various tendencies take up a really free discussion of our decisions among the proletarians of the whole world, then—of this we have no doubt—they would support the decisions for which you have voted so unanimously. This imposes on us Communists more imperatively the duty of making the decisions of our Congress the property of the whole working class. It is not sufficient to vote for these decisions, it is not sufficient to popularize them among the members of the Communist Parties. We want the workers belonging to the parties of the Socialist International and the Amsterdam International and the workers in the organizations of other political trends, to discuss these decisions with us, to make practical suggestions and supplementary proposals, to join with us in considering how the decisions can be improved, and to collaborate with us in carrying them out."

The Cleveland District undertook an extensive popularization campaign among the Party and non-Party members as the guarantee of translating these decisions into life. Plans of District To date, the carrying through of this program may be summarized as follows: 1. Discussions in the District Bureau and a full day's session of the District Committee plus discussions in all important section committees and the popularization in a political manner of specific problems of the Congress at regular section organizers' meetings in Cleveland.

2. Organizing of open membership meetings, through invitation by cards, to non-Party members, especially Socialists, A. F. of L. members and local leaders, etc. These have been held so far in Cleveland which was covered by Comrade Browder and in Youngstown, Akron, Canton, Cincinnati, Dayton and Columbus covered by the District organizer and in Erie, East Ohio, Elyria, Mansfield, covered by other leading comrades.

Classes Organized 3. A number of Party classes have been organized, the most significant of which is in Cleveland, where over 100 Party functionaries are attending a six weeks' class, taught by the District Organizer and other District Committee members. Sections 1 and 18 have already arranged their three-day classes for unit functionaries which is to be followed by all other Cleveland sections. Only Youngstown has seriously undertaken a wide popularization of the Congress decisions through a discussion led in every street unit by the section organizer and other members.

4. Realizing the special importance of studying the Congress decisions in the shop nuclei, regular and well prepared discussions are taking place so far in seven of the Cleveland shop nuclei. Efforts were made—although not sufficiently well organized—by the shop nuclei in Fisher Body, White Motor and McKinney Steel to organize open discussion meetings, with non-Party shop and union fellow workers. So far, systematic discussions are being conducted in 25 out of 85 Cleveland street units, led by members of the functionaries class.

6,000 Dimitroff Pamphlets Sold 5. Striving to reach Party and non-Party A. F. of L. members and officers of labor unions, special discussions have been organized of the Party A. F. of L. fractions in Cleveland; a special meeting of 93 A. F. of L. local officials (mostly all non-Party) was addressed by Comrade Browder in Cleveland and in all open membership meetings, special efforts have been made to invite A. F. of L. non-Party members and leaders, with considerable success.

6. Insufficient response and organized leadership of the fractions in other mass organizations such as the I.W.O., Unemployment Council, Homeowners and language organizations is evident by the fact that only the I.W.O. has undertaken any steps to organize open branch meetings inviting speakers to deal with the problems of the Seventh World Congress.

7. Out of a district quota of 12,000 Dimitroff pamphlets, 6,000 have already been sold and the main reason the entire amount is not oversold, is simple neglect on the part of some sections (especially Erie, Mansfield, Elyria and Lorain, and also Sections 17, 11 and 18 in Cleveland) and units, because everywhere the pamphlet is offered for sale, it is sold out and invariably the local Party leaders have completely underestimated the extent of sales.

Lessons From Open Membership Meetings In the mass meetings covered by the writer plus the Cleveland meeting, several lessons are so important as to need elaboration: Firstly, we in Ohio, following the original directives had too narrow a conception of the open membership meetings, limiting them exclusively to inviting non-Party members to approximately a figure equivalent to the Party membership in each city. While this resulted in a good selection of invited non-Party members, it limited every one of these meetings. Really open membership meetings where everybody, without regard to a strict card system, would have been invited, would have resulted in meetings three to four times larger and thus have reached still greater masses. In

Secondly, in every meeting, there was an excellent response of Socialist Party members, of A. F. of L. members, and local union leaders, and other such types. For instance, in Cincinnati, the entire Socialist branch and its leaders were present as well as between 60 to 70 A. F. of L. members including labor union presidents, business agents, etc. The Cincinnati branch of the Socialist Party had already during the Congress decided upon a united front program with the Communist Party in the local elections, but the State Committee, despite its "militant" leadership, overruled this. It was, therefore, a reflection of the moods of this branch, when a local organizer of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America and old time active comrade of the Socialist Party took the floor to greet the decisions of the Seventh Congress, declared their support of United Front policy and the need of one revolutionary Party and their determination to work for United Front policy within the Socialist Party.

New Jobless Union Apes Company Type

Will be Dominated by Municipal Officials in Kansas City

KANSAS CITY, Kan., Oct. 30.—

An organization that corresponds to a company union was formed here last week in an obvious attempt to split the ranks of the American Workers' Union. The local capitalist press aided in launching the so-called union with great fanfare and announced that it was an "unusual organization." John Hester, state organizer for the A. W. U., told the Daily Worker that it is indeed the most unusual organization with which anyone has ever tried to mislead the unemployed.

"It is easy to see why it was organized," Hester said. "The A. W. U. and co-operating organizations have won more than \$500,000 in relief grants for this city and Wyandotte County in the last three months. What brands the organization as 'unusual' is the fact that the 'representatives' of the unemployed are selected by officials at City Hall. According to the scheme, all grievances of the jobless are to be taken up by hand-picked delegates, who will, in turn, take up grievances with the local politicians and relief officials."

Statement of Program Frank Paine, organizer of the company union, made the following statement to the press at its initial meeting: "Under our plan, each section of the City Hall will select delegates waving in number according to the number of persons who belong to the local in that section. The local will discuss matters pertaining to unemployment and relief and instruct the delegates to bring the question before the council. Their action will be taken up and someone selected to take the matter up with the proper authorities."

The initial meeting of this new 'union' was held in the county court house, while suspiciously interested politicians and relief officials hovered nearby. When Mr. Paine appeared on the scene, accompanied by a Rev. Russell and a Rev. Winston, he announced that he and his friends were a committee "elected" to represent the several hundred unemployed gathered there.

Another "election" was then held in which Mr. Paine and his friends divided the lion's share of the offices between them. Mr. Paine now claims a membership of 500 but only he seems able to find it. A. W. U. officials point out that the burst of joy with which the relief officials have greeted Paine's 'union' is not a new tactic. Several months ago the relief officials entered into a "yellow dog" contract with corrupt leaders of the A. W. U. In this contract the misleaders of the unemployed pledged to crush all militant action in the A. W. U. branches. This contract was exposed by honest A. W. U. officials, but not until they had been kidnaped by armed thugs and threatened with violence.

Navy Yard Chiefs Urged to Speed Up Warship Building

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30 (UP)—Navy Yard commanders have been urged by Secretary of Navy Claude A. Swanson to speed up their share of the 54-ship construction program designed to bring United States sea forces up to London Treaty strength. It was revealed today.

In a confidential letter to the commanders, sent out about two months ago, Swanson explained it was imperative for Navy Yards to get the ships "into the water" as soon as possible. Copies of the letter were not sent to private yards, which are handling half of the huge program. It was explained that Swanson felt he had no authority to include them.

the discussion each week for the entire twelve weeks. Only in this way can this series of discussion outlines really be useful, since the way they are written, it is impossible to give them to an average unit, with any hope of absorption and understanding. Too often, the section leadership has a routine approach and merely passes on the outline to the units "trusting in God" that it will be discussed and understood. Such type of leadership guarantees no discussion and no equipping of the Party politically to apply the Seventh Congress decisions.

Translate the Seventh Congress Decisions Into Action The District Committee in Ohio has connected up the popularization of the Seventh Congress decisions with the decisive task of fulfillment of all control tasks by Dec. 7. The weakest spots in these has been the increasing of the dues payment membership of the daily circulation of the Daily Worker, increase in activity and membership of the shop nuclei and further growth of the Y.C.L. These control tasks can be more effectively fulfilled as the main mass task of the Seventh Congress as applied to Ohio—are developed—the mobilizing of mass sentiment and organization for a Farmer Labor Party—mass organization drives to organize every industry in the unions of the A. F. of L.—building of a broad United Front movement against war and fascism—and the successful convincing of all Socialist Party organizations for United Front action with the Communist Party to effectively mobilize the broadest masses in the everyday burning issues confronting all the laboring people.

Labor Ticket In the Field In Emaus, Pa.

13 Workers, Farmers Contest Local Posts on United Slate

EMAUS, Pa., Oct. 30.—A full United Workers Ticket has been put into field here to contest the old parties in the fight for borough offices. Thirteen workers and farmers are running on the united ticket on a 19-point platform.

Heading the ticket are the workers' candidates for Council, John Etokoc, Earl Feather and Albert Brotzman. The other candidates are: For School Directors—Beatie Rahm, Ralph Otto and Charles Mohr. For Justice—Charles Gehrts. For Justice of the Peace—John H. Walshek. For High Constable—Ray Feather. For Constable—Charles Gehrts. For Judges of Election—Secord District, Lloyd Schuler; Third District, William Rahm; Fourth District, Victor Brotzman. The platform of the candidates follows: 1. For municipal employment of youth at trade union rates instead of C.C.C. camps. 2. For free milk and hot lunches to school children whose parents are entirely or partly unemployed. 3. For free, adequate medical attention, maternity, nursing, dental, and optical care for families of unemployed and part time workers. 4. For a moderation on all taxes for small home owners, unemployed, and part time workers for a period of four years. 5. For defense of democratic rights. 6. For a community building to be erected with P. W. A. funds, said community building to house all public offices and to be available for all public uses. 7. For the building of workers' homes with P. W. A. funds, to be rented to workers at the cost of upkeep. 8. For the installation of a sewage system in the borough of Emaus. 9. For union rates of wages and the 30-hour week. 10. For the elimination of giving out coal in the borough of Emaus. 11. For all borough work to be done under the supervision of the Borough Engineers. 12. Against workers' unemployment and social insurance as embodied in H. R. 2827. 13. For the immediate payment of the soldiers' bonus to the public offices. 14. For the building of a public swimming pool. 15. For the building of a public library. 16. For a drastic reduction in utility charges. 17. Against all evictions of unemployed or part time workers. 18. Against the use of police to break the struggles of workers in strikes and demonstrations. 19. Against the Roosevelt \$19 to \$24 coal wage.

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Hunger in Fascist Italy, Germany, as Soviet Food Prices Drop

THE WORLD OF SOCIALISM WITH PLENTY FOR THE MASSES PRESENTS SHARP CONTRAST TO CATASTROPHIC EFFECTS OF FASCIST RULE

IN FASCIST ITALY meatless days are decreed for the next six months, with the possibility of further restrictions on food in the near future.

In Nazi Germany butter rationing is introduced, the general food shortage grows daily more critical, prices of foodstuffs mount.

In the Soviet Union all rationing is done away with, food prices are reduced in some cases as high as 40 per cent, wages go up.

The future under fascism: hunger for the people, terror, religious and racial persecution, the destruction of the flower of youth in wars for plunder.

The future under Socialism: plentiful food, higher wages, no unemployment, security against old age and sickness, true democracy and freedom, steadfast devotion to the cause of peace.

These are the two worlds and the two futures that face each other today.

No longer is it possible to hide the catastrophic effects of fascist rule. The sinews of war for both Mussolini and Hitler are being cut from the living flesh of the toiling millions.

"Never since fascism came to power," writes M. E. Ravage in the November issue of Current History, "has complaining in Italy been so general or so outspoken among all classes—workers, peasants, industrialists, landowners, investors, merchants—as it has been in the past twelve or fifteen months. Since the Ethiopian war preparations cast their shadow across the land the spirit of discontent and downright rebellion has even found its way into the army."

In contrast to this is the enthusiastic report on conditions in the Soviet Union just made by Joseph Breslow, vice-president of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, on his return from the U.S.S.R. Coming as it does from a conservative union official, who for years carried on a bitter war against Communists and militant workers in his union, it is all the more significant.

"There is more than enough of food and clothing," the Jewish Day quotes Breslow as saying. "In no country can one find such a carefree and contented youth."

It is the hunger and barbarous dictatorship of fascist Italy and Germany that William Randolph Hearst is trying to sell to the American people. Hearst openly justifies Mussolini's bandit war against the Ethiopian

people. He has sanctified the murders and unspeakable persecutions of the Hitler regime by declaring in an editorial on June 2 that the Nazi program was "ratified by a vote of more than two-thirds of the electorate" and that Hitler was therefore a much more democratic ruler than Roosevelt.

The fight for peace, the fight to hurl back the hordes of Italian fascism and prevent the Nazi and Japanese incendiaries from fanning the sparks of Mussolini's war into the flames of a new world conflict require that the masses of the American people unite against our own Wall Street Hearsts and Liberty Leaguers, who are trying to destroy all liberty in this country and shackle us with the hunger, bestial oppression and war-incitement that is fascism.

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Talmadge Defends Torture

THE whipping posts, the torture cage and other methods of torture used on the Georgia chain gang were brazenly defended by Governor Eugene Talmadge of Georgia Tuesday — one day after Angelo Herndon had surrendered himself in Atlanta, Ga., to begin service of a sentence of 18 to 20 years on the chain gang.

Talmadge's speech must serve as a danger signal to arouse the entire American people to the bestial threat against the life of Herndon, to the struggle to rescue this heroic Negro youth from the horrors of the Georgia chain gang. The fight for Herndon's freedom must be pushed with the greatest energy. Funds must be rushed at once to the International Labor Defense, 80 East 11th Street, New York City, to finance that fight. Get signatures to the petition to Gov. Talmadge for a pardon for Herndon, for repeal of the "slave insurrection law" under which he was indicted.

Labor Ticket and the 'Red Scare'

TOLEDO is in the midst of a hot campaign to elect a Labor Ticket.

The effects of this campaign are already evident. The reactionary politicians are frantically re-forming their lines. The Toledo Blade, organ of Paul Block of \$250,000 fame in the Jimmie Walker removal hearing, has raised the "red scare" in connection with the Labor Ticket.

The Central Labor Union, in answer, has voted unanimously for a boycott of the Blade. At the same time, the C. L. U. has re-affirmed its support of the Lucas County Labor Congress for Political Action, which is the organized force behind the Labor Ticket.

These developments in the Toledo campaign show two things: First, that the Labor Party idea, even when expressed in initial, partially developed form, is feared and hated by the reactionary elements in this country. Second, that any independent political movement of the workers will be called "red" by the reactionaries, no matter how far from the Communist Party program it may be.

Success to the Labor Ticket in this fight—and may the experiences of the Labor Congress lead it to strengthen its forces through a wide united front, which will include the Socialist and Communist Parties!

The Guild Moves Toward the A. F. of L.

THE letter of Heywood Brown, president of the American Newspaper Guild to President William Green, of the A. F. of L., which is printed in the current "Guild Reporter," emphasizes the strong sentiment within the Guild for affiliation to the A. F. of L.

Brown's letter, written on behalf of the National Executive Board of the Guild, points out that in the recent referendum taken on the question of affiliation with the A. F. of L., "a heavy majority of the vote was in favor of affiliation." In fact, Brown points out that 65.4 per cent of the vote was in favor of affiliation to the A. F. of L.

The vote for affiliation was only a few

votes short of the two-thirds vote required by the last Guild national convention for affiliation. "This result seems to me a mandate to Guild officers to work for affiliation," Brown declares.

The Newspaper Guild faces many new problems. The publishers continue their attempts to weaken the Guild by firing reporters. They are attempting to worsen entire labor movement is more essential than ever now in order to resist these coming attacks of the publishers.

Labor Party Advances!

CHALK up another for the labor party movement.

The Central Labor Union of Hudson County, N. J., is launching a labor party as the only way to combat the corrupt Democratic machine of Mayor Frank Hague of Jersey City.

Of prime importance is the decision of the Central Labor Union to broaden the party beyond the limits of the trade union movement. All labor, Negro and other organizations of the people, are to be invited to participate.

Who says the workers aren't ready for a labor party?

Walker—Grafter and Foe of Labor

JIMMY comes back today and all is forgiven. The fact that he neglected to pay to the Federal Government part of the graft that came his way is forgotten. Uncle Franklin is indeed generous—and, besides, he needs delegates to the national convention.

Not only will the Sherwood incident, the attempted Equitable bus franchise, the salary grabs be forgiven, but generosity to Jimmy is expected to reach greater heights. A minor city job, be it even for one day, may be handed the ex-Mayor so that he thus make himself eligible for a pension of \$15,000 a year.

There may be carefully organized ticker tape enthusiasm today and the newspapers may be full of the butterfly mayor's quips and sallies, but the workers of this city cannot forget the Jimmy Walker who, looking at an unemployed demonstration, sneered, "Do they want ice-cream?" The working people of New York can not forget Walker's wantonly brutal and cynical attitude towards the unemployed and strikers.

Against Walker and Walkerism, the workers and middle class people of New York can make a most effective protest next Tuesday by voting for the Communist Party which fought Walker and Walkerism consistently. Vote Communist on Election Day!

The Real Shylocks

THOMAS E. DEWEY, special prosecutor investigating vice and racketeering in New York, has hauled in a mess of foul-smelling fish in the form of twenty-seven usury racketeers.

Very good. These Shylocks have preyed chiefly on the poor and developed a business netting millions of dollars in easy money.

However, they are hardly more than baby minnows in the great sea of racketeering and crime. Why doesn't Mr. Dewey go after the big fish, the Shylocks of Wall Street?

There are, for example, the bankers who are taking—with the aid of Mayor LaGuardia and without protest from Dewey—\$166,000,000 out of the city treasury during the coming year, money which the poor are paying in the form of starvation relief and continued wage-cuts for city employees.

What about the stock market gamblers and the big banks and trusts that sweat huge profits out of the hides of the workers and exploit the entire American people?

To go after these Wall Street Shylocks would mean fighting the biggest racket of all—capitalism. Will Mr. Dewey do that?

We think not

Party Life

By CENTRAL ORGANIZATION DEPARTMENT

Portland Section Raises Quota How Lag Was Overcome Example for Other Cities

THE Portland Section of the Communist Party has gone over the top on its Daily Worker quota of \$100.

This quota was raised in thirty days time, and several lessons are to be gained from the experience of the drive. The drive began on a very slow and matter of fact basis. This was due to various factors. Our section had just completed a two month plan of work which ended Aug. 18, and was preparing to begin another on Sept. 1. To this activity the section was devoting most of its attention. Our comrades, moreover, considered the \$100 quota a very small one which could be raised on short notice. Along with these factors there was no discussion in the units as to the political importance of the Daily Worker.

The District Bureau of our Party, however, in checking up on the drive and the reasons for its lagging behind, set up an emergency committee. Quotas of definite sums were set to be raised by the sections and sent to the District Daily Worker Committee before a certain date. The Section Bureau took up this question immediately at a special meeting. In an effort to increase the drive the special unit meetings were called to discuss the Daily Worker question. A Section representative attended each of these meetings. At these meetings detailed plans were worked out and our forces were organized to put these plans into effect.

In addition to this a special Shock Brigade under the direction of the Section Daily Worker Committee was assigned to visit sympathizers, liberals, etc. for pledges. This form of activity was responsible for getting our forces Daily Worker conscious, and it also created enthusiasm for the work.

With the entire Section membership busy and with the ready and splendid support of the workers, trade unionists, unemployed organizations and sympathizers our Section raised its quota within thirty days.

Our Section Committee, however, is not satisfied with the low quota of \$100, and with several places in the District economically unable to fill their quotas, has decided to raise our quota \$50 in order to help the District raise the entire quota.

The Portland Section calls upon the workers and our entire membership to recognize the importance of raising the new quota and of continuing behind the drive. The fulfilling of the Daily Worker \$60,000 national quota will be a deadly blow to Hearst and his anti-working class allies. A successful drive will be a bold answer to American capitalism. The accomplishment of the Portland Section is one to be proud of and should be a stimulus, enabling us to grapple with renewed vigor our numerous other tasks. Forward towards the completion of our Daily Worker Drive! Section Committee, Section 5, District 12.

Join the Communist Party

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Please Send me more information on the Communist Party.

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YCL Paper on Coast Will Have 8 Pages With New Features

The Voice of Youth, organ of the Young Communist League on the Pacific Coast, after appearing for one year as a bi-weekly four page tabloid, will now come out as an eight-page tabloid, full of pictures, new features and on colored paper. The first edition of the eight-page paper will come out November 5 and will be a special anti-war issue. Ten thousand copies will be printed and sold by the Communist Party and Young Communist League units in a special Armistice Day week-end mobilization.

NEWS ITEM: ITALY ON WAR RATIONS

by Phil Bard



Letters From Our Readers

Living to 'Ripe Old Age' Under Capitalism
New York, N. Y.
Comrade Editor:
In a street of the biggest city in the world, one can see, in a window display of an investment house, a graph showing a comparison of the results of three methods of saving \$330 a year. At the top there are a few lines telling the curious passerby:

"Will you be one of the 'far-sighted' five? At the age of 65, out of every hundred persons, 46 will be dependent, five will still be working, 44 will have dropped out." It is the year 1935. Mechanical progress and scientific knowledge have attained a high degree of development, but economic justice and social organization, for the elimination of deplorable conditions of insecurity for the many, obviously do not exist.

The profit system with its moral and ethical emphasis on self-enrichment is worsening the living conditions of large groups while it is fast accumulating riches into trusts and monopolies. To be honest, under the capitalist system amounts to little else than to grow and die as part of the treadmill of profit-making for the exclusive benefit of the owners of capital.

Readers are urged to write to the Daily Worker their opinions, impressions, experiences, whatever they feel will be of general interest. Suggestions and criticisms are welcome, and whenever possible are used for the improvement of the Daily Worker. Correspondents are asked to give their names and addresses. Except when signatures are authorized, only initials will be printed.

As If Fascism Could Advance Any Human Cause?
Brooklyn, N. Y.
Comrade Editor:
Flashed on one of Hearst's news trucks was the caption: "Hell hole of the World, Ethiopia in the Raw." What better excuse for fascist Italy in starting its war to "civilize" Ethiopia? As if fascism could civilize or advance any human cause. In fact, fascist Italy, in resorting to war to solve its problems, exposes itself "in the raw" as the real "hell hole of the world."

It won't be long before the working class will do a little civilizing of its own and do away with all fascist hell holes by taking the path of Soviet Russia, even though the traitor of Hitler and Hearst would like it very much.

Intensify the Anti-Fascist, Boycott-Hearst Campaign
New York, N. Y.
Comrade Editor:
Your campaign to boycott the Hearst newspapers is commendable. This campaign should be intensified and draw vigorous support from every anti-fascist, so we can make this war-monger and red-baiter feel it.

Those people who oppose Hearst and his fascist doctrines must know that Hearst is using every dirty trick to stop the decreasing circulation of his newspapers. The other day I was in Central Park and saw two fellows selling the New York American. It was a sunny day and many people were sitting on the benches and I watched these men going around and pleading and begging everybody to buy a paper, to help them make a living, saying that they get the papers free. When they offered me a paper I told them that not only do I not buy Hearst papers, but I tear up every Hearst paper I find on benches, subway or in the place where I am working.

With the Daily Worker leading the campaign we must spread the slogan, "Boycott Hearst."

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Sir Stafford Cripps, Laborite, and those who argue along his vein on the ground that the struggle to save Ethiopia is hopeless anyway, would objectively help British imperialism in its new scheme to divide Ethiopia by continuing the fight against sanctions. Sanctions now enforced tend to block British imperialism. The fight to put them into effect in England will become more and more a fight against the government of British imperialism.

The C.I. Congress on Establishment Of Unity in Trade Union Movement

"Emphasizing the special importance of forming a united front in the sphere of the economic struggle of the workers and the establishment of the unity of the trade union movement as a most important step in consolidating the united front of the proletariat, the Congress makes it a duty of the Communists to adopt all practical measures for the realization of the unity of the trade unions by industries and on a national scale.

"The Communists are decidedly for the re-establishment of trade union unity in each country and on an international scale; for united class trade unions as one of the major bulwarks of the working class against the offensive of capital and fascism; for one trade union in each industry; for one federation of trade unions in each country; for one international federation of trade unions organized according to industries; for one international of trade unions based on the class struggle." (Resolution of VII. World Congress on Dimitroff's Report.)

World Front

BY HARRY GANNES

Deals Against Ethiopia Pivotal Date—Nov. 15 British Policy

SECRET construction of the gallows for Ethiopian independence has gone so far that some of the diplomatic scaffolding can be conveniently eliminated.

In fact, very soon the whole gory business will have to be brought out into the open. The pivotal date is the British elections Nov. 14—more precisely Nov. 15, the day after. Around that point will revolve the question of sanctions and the problem of how to put over the criminal deal to "solve" the Ethiopian war.

Just now Sir Samuel Hoare, British foreign minister, and Pierre Laval are on their way to Geneva. The French and British Ethiopian experts have finished their work in complete agreement. How to put the business over on Ethiopia with the least friction, not how to get Mussolini to accept the "solution," is the chief problem.

The close cooperation between the British and French diplomats indicates a definite understanding with Mussolini. No longer is Premier Laval posing as the "honest broker." For all practical purposes he is definitely lined up with Sir Samuel Hoare. Does this mean he has abandoned Mussolini? Not at all. It signifies, rather, that Hoare, Laval and Mussolini see eye to eye on many chief issues now.

IN FRANCE, it is to the interest of Laval to insist that completion of negotiations are near. That is to satisfy the French Fascists that Mussolini's ambitions and needs are being considered. In Britain, it is to the advantage of the Hoare-Baldwin cabinet to deny any advanced development of secret negotiations. They want the masses to believe Mussolini is being thwarted, that sanctions are going ahead.

At first, the capitalist press associations reported that there was no deal being arranged. Then it was acknowledged that France had drawn up some terms, at the expense of Ethiopia. London at first denied concurrence. Later it was admitted that Sir Eric Drummond, British ambassador to Rome, Maurice Peterson, Ethiopian expert at the British foreign office, had discussed the minutest terms. Finally it was confirmed that Sir Samuel Hoare was going to meet Laval in Geneva to put through their joint agreement on Ethiopia.

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