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CONGRESS BARS ARMS TO DEMOCRATIC SPAIN; PROGRESSIVES VOICE PROTEST ON EMBARGO

Auto Barons Bar Strike Parley

Labor Conciliator Summons Strike Committee to Conference as Plants Employing Over 100,000 Are Idle Through Walkouts

By George Morris (Daily Worker Staff Correspondent)

DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 6.—The Strategy Committee of the United Automobile Workers in command of the spreading General Motors strike was suddenly summoned to a conference tonight by James F. Dewey, United States Government conciliator. While Dewey had not made public details, it was known that earlier in the day he met for several hours with William F. Knudsen, executive vice-president of General Motors, and was believed to have a proposal that might serve as a basis for negotiations. Late last night the Strategy Committee was still in secret session with Dewey.

John Brophy, director of the Committee for Industrial Organization, also returned last night to take part in the conference.

Auto Kings Listed In Select Group of Highest Salaries

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Seniority and collective bargaining seem to be no problem as far as salaries of General Motors officials are concerned. Two of them, Alfred P. Sloan and William F. Knudsen, are listed among the ten persons in this country receiving the highest salaries for 1935. The Congress listing finds them in the company of William Randolph Hearst who heads the list which follows in full.

1. William Randolph Hearst, publisher, \$500,000. 2. Mae West, actress, \$480,833. 3. C. W. Gutzzeit, Latrobe, Pa. steel executive, \$398,808. 4. Alfred P. Sloan, Jr., president, General Motors Corp., \$374,505. 5. Margene Dietrich, actress, \$368,000. 6. W. R. Sheehan, president, Twentieth Century-Fox Corp., \$344,230. 7. William F. Knudsen, General Motors executive, \$325,869. 8. Bing Crosby, film and radio singer, \$318,997. 9. B. D. Miller, president, F. W. Woolworth Co., \$309,880. 10. Thomas J. Watson, president, International Business Machine Corp., \$296,028.

4,000 GREET SIMPSON

Seaman Tells of His Imprisonment By the Nazis

A grim story of 18 months in a Nazi prison cell was told last night by Lawrence Simpson, American seaman, to a audience of 4,000 in the St. Nicholas Palace which welcomed home the brave anti-fascist fighter. Simpson in his first appearance since his return movingly told of his solitary confinement in a Hitler concentration camp and his one-man strike on board the S.S. President.

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Detroit's Hitting Hard For \$100,000 Drive

Detroit has come to bat in the Daily Worker and Sunday Worker \$100,000 drive. And they intend to hit hard during the rest of the campaign. District 7, Communist Party, like District 8, Chicago, which this week leaped into quick action in the drive, had been lagging until now, despite the fact that its slowness together with that of a number of other districts, was impeding the Daily Worker and Sunday Worker.

Steel Workers of Pennsylvania, Miners of Utah Spur Fund Drive

Steel workers of Pennsylvania, and miners of Utah, have worked to quicken the \$100,000 Daily Worker and Sunday Worker drive. In Farrell, Pa., a steel town of about 15,000 inhabitants, steel workers who today are building a stronger union than ever before, decided also to push the Daily Worker drive. They have raised \$45 so far—more than twice their original quota—and they promise more. The Farrell units of the Communist Party raised \$15 at a Daily Worker supper attended by many workers. Fraternal organizations were brought into the drive. Club Djokovich, a Croatian Workers' Club, was first to respond with \$25, and others have pledged support in the near future.

The Carbon County miners of Helper, Utah (Helper Section of District 19), have already fulfilled their quota of \$75 and are going on to fresh triumphs in the drive. They issued the first challenge to other sections in the campaign. The Spring Green Mine unit has challenged other units in Utah to double their quotas, after it had fulfilled its own original \$75 quota.

F.D.R. MESSAGE ASKS EMBARGO AGAINST SPAIN

Calls for 'Liberal' Supreme Court But No Curb

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—"An addition to the existing neutrality act to cover specific points raised by the unfortunate civil strife in Spain," was the first concrete recommendation in President Roosevelt's message "on the state of the nation" to Congress this afternoon. He did not elaborate, but it was clear that he wanted an embargo on shipments to the Spanish government.

The message was read by the President himself, from the Speaker's desk in the House of Representatives, with both the House and Senate in attendance. After brief introductory paragraphs, he suggested "immediate consideration" of three things, "measures to extend the life of powers which expire within a few weeks," the prohibition of arms to the Spanish government, and a special deficiency appropriation bill, details of which will be recommended later.

ASKS NO CURB

The next main point came in two references toward the middle and end of the speech to the constitution and the Supreme Court.

Roosevelt's argument here was that no constitutional amendment is needed, if the Supreme Court will only be reasonable. "The vital need is not an alteration of our fundamental law," he said, "but an increasingly enlightened view with reference to it. Difficulties have grown out of its interpretation; but rightly considered, it can be used as an instrument of progress, not as a device for prevention of action."

The next Federal reference court was to "the judicial branch of our government" which "we do not ask to call non-existent powers into being," but "we have a right to expect that conceded powers or those legitimately implied shall be made effective instruments for the common good."

TAKES UP CRISIS

The President went in some detail into the necessity for democracy, declaring that it was "our task" to make it work in a modern civilization, that South American countries were dedicated to it, as he had found during the Inter-American conference recently held. The President referred to other States, where "new forms of government were set up, with oligarchies taking the place of democracy." But, he said: "In oligarchies, militarism has leaped forward, while in those nations which have retained democracy, militarism has waned."

No names were mentioned. A large part of the speech was devoted to an analysis, in very general terms, of the situation.

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HITS EMBARGO



DR. HARRY F. WARD

MILWAUKEE CITY COUNCIL BACKS MARCH

Alliance Demands for \$1,250,000,000 Embargoed—Rally Saturday

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 6.—Workers Alliance demands for a relief appropriation of \$1,250,000,000, the Jan. 3 demonstration here at the new Court House, 9th and Wells at 2 P. M., and the Jan. 15 march to Washington, were endorsed by the Common Council of Milwaukee at its last meeting.

The demonstration Saturday will include delegations from all over the county. At the same time demonstrations will take place in Sheboygan, Fond du Lac, Madison and Kenosha.

From the court house, the demonstrators will march to City Hall, where a meeting is scheduled in the Council Chambers. Mayor Daniel Hoan has been invited to speak. Representatives from the Workers Alliance, Federated Trades Council and the Farmer-Labor Progressive Federation, will also speak.

Both the Communist and Socialist Parties are actively supporting the demonstrations.

LEHMAN MAPS '37 PROGRAM

Reflects Pressure of Progressive Electorate in Some Points

ALBANY, Jan. 6.—Reflecting the pressure of a progressive electorate, Gov. Herbert H. Lehman presented a labor, social and agricultural program to the 1937 Legislature as it convened today amidst a bitter fight over election of the speaker of the Assembly.

The fight against re-election of Republican Speaker Irving M. Ives, of Cenango, author of the notorious "loyalty" oath for teachers, was so sharp that Lehman delivered his address to the joint houses with the lower house operating under "suspended rules."

Lehman called for approval of his social security program and a constitutional amendment, if necessary, to provide minimum wages and working hours for women and children in industry.

HITS LABOR SPIES

The Governor called for regulation of "labor agents and so-called private detective agencies supplying employers with 'inside shop operatives' and with strikebreaking services."

"A recent United States Senate

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5 Children Die in Fire

MINITONAS, Manitoba, Jan. 6.—While their mothers helplessly stood by and watched, five children were burned to death on a remote farm here today. The children were trapped in the farmhouse while their mothers were working outside.

LEAGUE CALLS FOR BATTLE ON EMBARGO

Anti-War Group Urges Protests Against Ban on Supplies to Spain

The American League Against War and Fascism yesterday declared itself against any embargo upon the shipments of supplies from this country to the Government of Spain.

"We urge the support of the traditional American policy in the case of the Spanish civil war," said a statement of the League, "and oppose the proposed amendments to the Neutrality Act to prevent the recognized Spanish government or its agent from purchasing such supplies as they desire in the American market."

The League's statement was issued at the same time that progressive Congressmen battled efforts to jam through the "neutrality" provisions placing an embargo upon Spain.

TEXT OF RESOLUTION

A formal resolution, embodying the call to action against fake neutrality, declared:

"Strict neutrality by the United States in wars between nations is a settled policy of the American League Against War and Fascism. The League insists that such neutrality be mandatory and that it apply to all forms of aid—munitions and war supplies, grants and loans.

"But neutrality in the case of civil wars such as the conflict in Spain is a wholly different matter. The United States recognizes the legally constituted, democratically elected Spanish government. American policy and international law have both long upheld the right of recognized governments to suppress armed revolts and freely to purchase supplies including arms.

"American policy has denied such rights to rebels against recognized governments. In the case of our own Civil War, the United States government insisted on its right to purchase freely abroad and on the denial of that right to the Confederacy.

"We urge the support of this traditional American policy in the case of the Spanish civil war and oppose the proposed amendments

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SHIP LEAVES WITH PLANES

25,000 Garments Made by Unionists, Army Kitchens on Board

Out on high seas bound for Spain, the Spanish freighter Mar Cantabrico last night was clear of New York harbor and a victor in the dramatic race against attempts by Congress, the Federal Court, and Coast Guard cutters and planes to stop her sailing.

More than \$2,000,000 worth of war supplies for the government forces were in the hold of the boat as it raced for Spain.

Activities by Congressional diehards and fortune seekers to stop the sailing and the final stirring get-away of the Mar Cantabrico read like a page from a movie scenario. After being stopped once by Coast Guard cutters at Sandy Hook, the vessel was finally beyond the three-mile limit last night and outside of United States jurisdiction.

CLOTHING SENT

Aboard the freighter were eight planes, plane engines, 32 U. S. Army rolling kitchens, and thousands of tons of clothing, foodstuffs, and medical supplies. Twenty-five thousand new garments made by New York trade unionists were included in the cargo.

The first attempt to stop the boat was made by two U. S. customs agents yesterday morning as they realized the Mar Cantabrico was getting ready to weigh anchor. At the last minute they demanded admittance to the hold but were blocked by a Spanish seaman.

When finally admitted to the hold

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A Blow to World Peace and Democracy

AN EDITORIAL

ON THE Spanish situation, President Roosevelt violated the mandate of the American people.

In the last election the American people rejected reaction. They defeated those forces in America that represent the same interests as General Franco in Spain, Hitler in Germany and Mussolini in Italy.

President Roosevelt in demanding an embargo against the sending of necessary supplies to the democratic government of Spain spoke the message of the Hearsts, of the Liberty League, of the big American monopolies and munitions trusts who are interested in exploiting and oppressing the masses of people. He spoke the views of those people who were defeated by the American people on Nov. 3rd.

INSTEAD of strengthening neutrality as a means of preserving peace, the joint resolution just adopted as applied AGAINST the Spanish democratic government, will only encourage the fascists.

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Nazi Generals Direct Fierce New Assault To Capture Madrid

Daily's Special Correspondent in Thick of Fighting Says Those Who Block Shipment of Materials to Spain Line Up with Hitler

By Robert Minor (By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MADRID, Jan. 6.—In my opinion, the most serious struggle for the capture of Madrid has just begun, directly under the control of German military specialists who have practically supplanted Generals Franco and Mola.

The attacking forces are employing methods developed since the World War.

A new type of exceptionally large German plane, completely armored, was seen over Madrid today.

The attack on Madrid is coordinated better and is much more serious than the attack of Jan. 1 on the Cordoba front, when six German bombers, accompanied by 13 pursuit planes virtually destroyed Porcuna.

NAZI PLANES ATTACK

The enemy's immediate objective in the offensive on the Cordoba front is believed to be the capture of the olive crop, producing many millions of dollars worth of oil, and the Linares mines, which are all in Jaen province. At the same time, the attack north of Madrid is an attempt to cut Madrid off from communication with the Guadarramas, and both attacks have an objective of the severing of Madrid from food sources.

At noon today my chauffeur jumped out of the car shouting "Airplanes!" I stood in the street with a crowd watching 18 huge German bombers, accompanied by from 20 to 30 German fighters.

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3 of Doomed Boys Are Saved From Chair

Lehman Commutes Sentences of Kimmel, Bruno and Zizza After Citywide Defense Protests—All 6 Should Be Spared Says C. P. Wire

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New Florida Governor Backs Woman Mayor of Daytona Beach

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla., Jan. 6.—Mrs. Irene Armstrong, graying grandmother mayor who used sub-machine guns to defy the military might of Florida, tonight won her battle to retain control of her office.

Gov. Fred P. Cone, who stepped into the gubernatorial office at noon yesterday, tonight revoked an order by which Dave Sholtz, retiring governor of the State, had sought to sweep the grandmother mayor and her city administration out of office.

FARMER-LABOR CONGRESSMAN OPPOSES BAN

Nye Hits Sham Neutrality But Votes for Joint Resolution

GAG RULE USED

Ban Called Unfriendly Act—Maverick Shows Policy Aids Fascists

By Marguerite Young (Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 6.—Pounding the refrain "neutrality is not," a combination of independent legislators of four parties today launched a verbal barrage on the floors of Congress in defense of the legitimate government of Spain against the Roosevelt resolution to embargo American arms.

The administration, exploiting sincere "stay out of war" sentiment, finally drove the measure through with but one single dissenting vote—that of Representative John T. Bernard, Minnesota Farmer-Laborite. But this happened only after about a dozen brought out before Congress and the nation the following previously veiled facts:

1. That the Roosevelt embargo against Spain constitutes not neutrality but "an un-neutral act."

2. That it violates a traditional American policy "that stood for 150 years."

3. That Roosevelt managers sought to jam it through without debate, and used gag-rule technicalities to bar amendments to apply the same treatment to the reactionary rulers of fascist countries;

4. That there may soon be a fascist rebellion in Mexico against the friendly, democratic government there, and today's act against Spain constitutes a precedent in favor of potential Mexican reactionaries who may act with American assistance."

AIDS FASCIST REBELS

Senator Gerald P. Nye, (Rep. N. Dak.) launched the "neutrality is not" charge in the upper branch. However, he later voted for the embargo, and administration men in the House picked up this action and used it to put more steam behind the resolution. Similarly, with the single exception of Bernard, the entire group of Minnesota Farmer-Laborites, Wisconsin Progressives, and liberal Democrats approved of the embargo after denouncing the effort to apply it to Spain alone.

The embargo, which outlaws shipments and trans-shipment of munitions to Spain, actually gives aid to the fascist rebels in Spain, who are getting supplies freely if unofficially from Germany and Italy. This point was clearly and repeatedly indicated in the House by Rep. Maury Maverick (Dem., Tex.), and by Rep. Byron Scott (Dem. Cal.). They hammered the fact that American arms now move freely to Germany and Italy, and

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C. P. PROTESTS

On Tuesday afternoon more than 350 women and children among their neighbors of the condemned boys' families—marched to the Park Ave. residence of Gov. Lehman in a plea for clemency. They knelt in front of the house and prayed. Tuesday night nearly 400 persons

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# Embargo on Spain Is Blow to Peace and Democracy

## COLUMN LEFT! Decision Violates Mandate of People

How Neutral Is Neutrality? "The Tide Is Coming In"

By Harrison George

HITLER, Mussolini and General Franco celebrated the birthday of Jesus by killing numerous children attending mass at two Madrid churches. They welcomed the New Year with "perhaps the heaviest bombing of the war," said the press, killing some seven—mostly women and children.

But, said the press: "England's new pact with Italy will stop Spanish war." It was going to "halt those volunteers." Huh! "Volunteers" who "leave home saying they have received orders to go on special missions." A captured Italian "volunteer," Luigi Siliberta, questioned in Madrid, says he was conscripted, ordered to leave for Ethiopia, but found himself fighting in Spain.

Thus, the very day Britain signed the pact with Italy, the pact that was to "stop Italian intervention," 6,000 Italian "volunteers" land on General Franco's doorstep (providing Franco still lives, since report has it that he is dead for a month and Germany is running the show). Either the British intelligence service (and Spain is lousy with its agents) is 100 per cent dumb, or British diplomacy is 100 per cent dishonest.

Meanwhile, the British-French neutrals send a note to German-Italian neutrals, asking them to please be neutral enough not to send "volunteers." They contemptuously delay answering—except with 14,000 German and 10,000 Italian "volunteers," but British-bossed Portugal talks right back at London with "objections" and a lot of "what do you mean?" palaver.

So, says the press: "London is worried." Oh, yes, London is worried with her fingers crossed. But maybe you get worried, too, thinking of all those children of Madrid. Never mind, the papers say "England and France move to blockade the entire Spanish coast." That, they say will "prevent outside interference." But of course "neutral" Portugal won't be blocked. So the baby-killers can still bag their daily quota of Madrid children—while the recognized democratic Spain can get no help at all.

Nice business for fascism, this "neutrality," eh! Tough on those kids in Madrid, perhaps, who have their little bodies blown to bits, but by god, unless every body else is exclusively "neutral," Hitler and Mussolini might get angry and then, you see, they "might intervene."

So, here in America, too, we are told "Congressional leaders prepare quick action on neutrality to outlaw war materials to warring forces in Spain." But—war material can and does go to Germany, Italy and Portugal. Only the legally elected democratic government of Spain can get nothing with which to defend its children. America is neutral on child murder.

That's what Hearst is shouting for, filling his papers with poison yells of alarm against "Reds in Spain." Only three months back he howled at "Reds in the White House." The American people were not neutral last November. They voted against Hearst and fascism. They voted for THEIR babies and democracy when they defeated reaction. How come that Hearst "neutrality" is the ruling passion in Washington now?

What does Hearst care about the children of Madrid? Less than nothing! It's Jake with Hearst that German planes and Italian bombs break their little bodies with dynamite! Smash their sweet children's faces with steel bombs! That, heaven help us, is "neutrality!"

To hell with such neutrality!

"A SINGLE breaker may recede, but the tide is evidently coming in," says the N. Y. Times. The venerable "all the news that's fit to print" paper thus rejoices, in another way, that "Happy Days Are Here Again." It goes on to point out that its "Neediest Cases Fund," which has been "ebbing since 1930," turned upward in the total of its receipts the past Christmas.

The number of "Neediest" the fund provided for, it proceeds to say "exceeds that of last year," and the cookies of its philanthropic heart seemed warmed by this fact.

But then, it goes on to explain it. Business is better, it says in effect. Not only a single breaker of business rolled in, but the whole tide of recovery is at the flood stage, so to speak. Hurray! This season 1,371 desperately poor persons got taken care of! And then—"This no doubt reflects a better general economic condition." Um, yes, we suppose so. Something like that all night debutante party, given by the Philadelphia Wideners. Wine, music and feasting lasted till 6 A. M. And, as the "young aristocrats" finally struggled into their \$100 top coats to go home, one of them was heard to remark: "Look what a lot of work we furnished for the poor." "The capitalists will give the workers 'charity,' but, as Marx said, 'The capitalists will do everything for the workers except get off their backs.'

It is the fascist dictators who incite war, endangering world peace. It was Japan, under militarist-fascist domination, which threatened the peace of the world through its invasion of China. Fascist Italy invaded Ethiopia, sharpening world antagonisms and imperiling world peace. The fascist nations, Italy and Germany, incited the present bloody struggle in Spain.

A fascist attack on the legally-elected government of Spain brought on the present threat to world peace.

The policy of these fascist rulers is to disregard all instruments of peace, such as the Kellogg peace pact, the efforts of the League of Nations for peace, and all other instruments between nations to prevent war.

IT IS these fascist forces which today will be aided by the joint resolution adopted yesterday in Congress. The defense against these enemies of peace so heroically carried on by the Spanish people and their lawfully elected government is hampered by lack of supplies.

The United States government by this joint resolution virtually says to the Spanish people: "We will not permit you to arm yourself or to acquire the supplies you need to turn back the fascist aggressors against Spanish democracy. We will give the fascist powers a freer hand in threatening world peace."

And that not only endangers democracy in Spain but increases the danger of world war.

Such action is contrary to the previously expressed declaration of President Roosevelt himself and of Secretary of State Hull.

AT THE Buenos Aires Conference for the Maintenance of Peace both Roosevelt and Hull emphasized in their speeches the relationship between democracy and peace.

They expressed the view that the defense of democracy means the defense of peace.

Now the joint resolution inspired by Roosevelt becomes an abandonment of aid to democracy in Spain. Thereby it plays into the hands of the fascist war-makers.

For weeks now, Hearst has been striving to stampede Congress into robbing the legitimate government of Spain of its long-established, lawful right to purchase arms in the United States.

THE fight against this vicious resolution which distorts neutrality as the American people understand the term was led in the Senate by Senator Gerald P. Nye, and in the House by the newly-elected Farmer-Labor Congressman from Minnesota, Representative John T. Bernard.

But the fight against the dangerous results of this joint resolution has just begun.

The American people in their mandate on Nov. 8rd wanted Congress to act to keep America out of war by strengthening the forces of peace and democracy.

The joint resolution can only intensify the fascist plotting for war, which if carried to its vicious end, will drag this country into war.

It is up to the American people to demand that their wish and their mandate for peace be respected and that no encouragement be given to the fascist war-mongers.

## Lenin Memorials Scheduled in 25 Cities

Huge Youth Cast Will Participate in Pageant at Madison Square Garden Jan. 20—Friedman Directing Rehearsals at Manhattan Lyceum

Commemoration of the death of Lenin 13 years ago will be marked by memorial meetings in cities and towns throughout the United States beginning on Jan. 17.

Largest of the rallies sponsored by the Communist Party will be the Madison Square Garden meeting in New York on Wednesday night, Jan. 20. A spectacular Lenin Memorial Pageant, with a cast of 250, will portray significant events dating from the time of the Russian Revolution to the present day at the meeting.

Bill Matons, member of Charles Weidman's Dance Group and director of the Experimental Dance Group, has been engaged as Dance Director for the Pageant. He is now engaged in rehearsing the cast of 250 for the dance portions which will be supplemented by tableaux, dramatic and choral effects.

Charles Friedman, who directed the recent Theatre Union production, "Bitter Stream," will direct the dramatic end of the production. Rehearsals are at Manhattan Lyceum, 66 E. 4th St.

Lenin Memorial meetings in other cities are scheduled as follows:

**12,000 South Africa Miners Win Gains; Negroes Unorganized**  
JOHANNESBURG, South Africa, Jan. 6.—The 62,000 white miners here, 12,000 of them organized, will probably get either a wage raise or a longer paid vacation. They demanded a ten per cent raise three weeks ago, and the operators, proposed instead to lengthen the present three weeks' vacation with pay for four weeks.  
A forgotten angle in this dispute is made up of 290,000 Negro unorganized miners, doing the less skilled work for many years at lower wages. They work an eight-hour day at the face, and spend up to two more hours a day coming and going underground to their places of work. Their wages range from 36 to 54 cents a day. They are practically slaves, living in company stockades, and in some places not allowed to leave without passes.

## Save Our Boys! They Pray



Italian parents offered a mass prayer to stay the execution of six Brooklyn boys originally slated to die tonight. This scene was enacted on Tuesday at the Venia Theatre, from where the mothers proceeded to Governor Lehman's mansion on Park Ave. Yesterday, Governor Lehman stayed the execution of three of the boys; Sam Kimmel, Dominick Zizzo, Eugene Burno. Those who are to die are Joseph Bologna, Theodore di Dionne and Salvatore Scata.

## 2 OF CHANG'S AIDES GIVEN FULL PARDON

Two Generals Are Given Executive Posts by the Nanking Government

SHANGHAI, Jan. 6.—Two generals implicated with Chang Hwei-liang in the kidnapping of Chiang Kai-shek were pardoned yesterday. They were Yang Fu-cheng, second in command in Shensi Province, over which Chang had control, and Yu Hsueh-chung, military ruler of the adjoining Kansu Province.

After Chang and Chiang fixed things up and Chiang was released, both Yang and Yu followed Chang's example by pleading guilty to a variety of charges and asking for punishment. The Executive Yuan, or cabinet, of the Nanking government yesterday ordered them to retain their commands, and "prove their repentance by service to the country." General Yang was then made chief officer at Sian-fu, capital of Shensi Province. In place of Chang Hsueh-liang, Sun Wei-liang has been appointed chairman of the Shensi Provincial Government. All of Chang Hsueh-liang's troops have received orders to remain in the positions they occupied before the capture of Chiang Kai-shek on Dec. 12.

## Gil Green Speaks Jan. 15 At Memorial

200 Youth Will Take Part in Pageant to Honor Lenin

Gil Green, national secretary of the Young Communist League, will be the featured speaker at the Lenin-Liebknecht-Luxemburg memorial pageant, in which more than 200 young actors, dancers and singers will participate on Friday, Jan. 15 at the St. Nicholas Palace, 66th Street and Broadway.

An all-star cast of directors are sending the three groups through their paces in preparation for the pageant which is the first dramatic venture of the Y.C.L. Pauline Komer and Fanya Choshem, well-known dancers and teachers, are leading a group of 50 dancers.

Jack Manes, executive director of Current Theatre, is directing more than 50 actors, members of the Current Theatre, Youth Theatre and the theatre unit of the Y.C.L. A choral group of 100 mixed voices under the direction of Harry Robin, assistant conductor of the New Singers, will supply the musical background.

The pageant, which was written by Norman Rosten, young poet-playwright, dramatizes stirring scenes from the lives of the three great working class heroes and traces their anti-war activity to the present day, especially in Spain. Dancing will follow the pageant. Elmer Snowden's famous Savoy Swing Band will play. Tickets are now on sale at all bookshops and branches of the Y.C.L.

## The Neutrality Act And What It Means—See Saturday's 'Daily'

Shall American "neutrality" become a weapon to aid General Franco? That is the grave possibility that faces the American people if Nazi-supporting William Randolph Hearst has his way. Congress is now being stampeded to amend the neutrality act to end the legal right of arms shipments from this country to the legitimate government of Spain.

Saturday's Daily Worker will publish an article by Harry Gammon on the American neutrality act, what it means, and the significance of the efforts to amend the law to apply it to the Civil War in Spain.

Don't miss this timely issue on one of the most important subjects before Congress dealing with the future of world fascism and war.

## PLAN 18% RISE IN THE SOVIET UNION INCOME

1937 Budget of Eleven Republics Up That Sum Over Last Year

(By Cable to the Daily Worker) MOSCOW, Jan. 6.—The income and expenditure of the Soviet Union will be almost 18 per cent more this year than last, the "presidium" or executive committee of the Budget Commission of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics decided today.

The sessions of the presidium began with a report by People's Commissar of Finance Grigori Fyodorovich Grinko. He gave complete figures of the fulfillment of the income and expenditure items estimated in the budget of 1936 and the grounds for increasing the 1937 budget.

The Soviet Union budget commission works on the combined budget of the central government and the budgets of the eleven Soviet Socialist Republics that make up the Union. The budgets of these Union Republics are increased particularly in the amounts spent for social welfare and cultural, educational, recreational, etc., measures.

## FEAR PEAK OF 1,400 NEW FLU CASES HERE

A peak flu outbreak of 1,400 new cases this week was predicted by the Department of Health yesterday as the ravages of the disease continued taking a heavy toll among the city's slum dwellers.

Deaths from influenza jumped slightly again yesterday with the Department of Health recording 12 deaths in the 24 hours ending at 10 A. M. yesterday morning. Cases decreased slightly with 261 new patients reported compared with 271 the previous 24 hours. Deaths in the previous 24 hours were 11.

Department of Health officials said the epidemic would last another ten days with the peak yet to be reached. Lack of ventilation especially in the congested areas with bad housing was pointed out as one of the main causes of the illness.

Pneumonia cases and deaths showed a slight decline yesterday from the high of 98 deaths the day before.

Statistical figures for last week released by Health Commissioner John L. Rice yesterday showed a 40 per cent increase in deaths from pneumonia and 69 per cent in those from flu. A shortage of hospital beds, nurses, and ambulances to cope with the situation was still reported in many hospitals and Hospital Commissioner S. S. Goldwater said he is trying to make arrangements with private hospitals to take care of cases that the nursing division at the Emergency Relief Bureau, said that 80 per cent of cases treated at the bureau were influenza, pneumonia, and grippe. These totaled 1,680. From other quarters it was reported that prescriptions for relief clients in many cases have been whittled down to fit the Relief Bureau's allowance for that purpose.

## Crown Heights Groups To Rally for Spain

Workers of Crown and Stuyvesant Heights will rally behind the battle of the Spanish people for democracy at a meeting tonight at 8:30 p.m. at the Saratoga Mansion, 351 Saratoga Ave., under the auspices of the Communist Party of the 17th and 18th Assembly Districts.

Speakers at the rally will be Professor Moreno LaCalle of the American Friends of Spanish Democracy; Alberto Moreau, former editor of the Spanish Monthly; Al Murphy, organizer of the Sharecroppers Union, and Peter Cacchione, chairman of the Kings County Communist Party.

## WHAT'S ON

- Newark: Malcolm Cowley, editor "The New Republic" speaks on "Literature and Revolution," Thursday, Jan. 7, 8:15 p.m. at the Contemporary Auditorium, 244 Tenth St., Newark, N. J. Admission 25c with series tickets; 35c single ticket.
Philadelphia: The Section that is going over the top presents: Mother Bloor, James W. Ford, Pat Tooley, Art Biele, and others who will greet the Shuck Brigadiers of Section 6, C. P. Saturday, January 9th, 9 P. M., Park Manor Club, 31st and Ridge Avenue. Supper served 9:30 P. M. Program: Four Prizes will be given to the branches that go over the top. Admission at door \$1.00. Ben's DAILY WORKER drive. Prof. Jerome Davis, recently discharged by Yale University, speaks on "Around the World As I See It," Sunday, Jan. 10, 8 P. M. Ausp. Philadelphia People's Forum, 311 S. Juniper St. Sub. 25c. You are cordially invited to help the Daily Worker and have the time of your life with the 21st Ward Communist Party, Saturday, Jan. 9th, 8:30 P. M. at 1177 N. 41st St. Dance, refreshments, entertainment. Admission 15c.Chicago, Ill.: "Teachers' Nite Out," a big event at the Chicago Workers' School, 330 S. Wells St., Suite 610, Saturday, Jan. 9, 1937, 8:30 P. M. Come and be entertained. Adm. 25c.

## Discontent Smoulders In Fascist Italy

The Voice of Need and the Pangs of Hunger Combine with Opposition to War to Give Rise to Popular Unrest Against Fascism

PARIS, Jan. 6.—While Mussolini preens himself as an "empire maker" and orders more and more cannon-fodder to the war in Spain, the voice of need, and hunger and the beginnings of revolt are rising in Italy.

The Communist Party of Italy has recently made public here a number of letters and reports showing the conditions in Italy.

From Piedmont, a northern industrial region, agitation started among the members of Fascist syndicates for summary laws against the big capitalists.

AGAINST WAR A Fascist who was appointed director of a factory, where the other fascists had subscribed to the 5 per cent loan for war purposes, declared: "I will not subscribe to this loan, because I am against war. I was in the World War and I know the burden of death and need which war brings to the people. I do not want any war."

In another town a group of Fascists openly criticized the foreign policy of Mussolini, and said: "He promised us a good life, and he brings us only war and poverty."

WARM TO SOVIET UNION In Lombardy, another northern industrial region, there is unrest and open sympathy with the People's Front in France and for the Soviet Union. In part they are influenced by the Fascist press as to the Spanish situation. But when one explains the matter to them, for the most part they say: "Yes, if it is that way, the Spanish people are right to fight against the false servants of God." The Catholics here are opposed to priests making propaganda in the churches for the Fascists, and especially when priests are used for war propaganda.

COMMUNISTS AT WORK In Venetia, northeastern province of Italy, it is now possible for Communists safely to approach all Fascist rank and file and discuss fundamental policies with them.

In Liguria, the region on the Gulf of Genoa, Communist work is much easier now that the illusions created over the conquest of Ethiopia are collapsing. People are finally aware that the conquered territory is no place for Italians to live in. The Fascist hierarchy seeks in vain to "correct" this impression, which prevails even among the Fascists. Furthermore, poverty is harsher than ever before.

In nearby Tuscany, Fascist workers write that now that sanctions, on which everything was blamed before, are gone, some one has to explain why things are worse than ever now. Delegations composed largely of Fascists are rejected and their members threatened when they go to demand higher wages. This helps to unite Fascist and anti-Fascist workers.

A BRIDGE IS GAPPED In Emilia and Romagna provinces, northern and central Italy, only a part of the Fascists are for the Spanish rebels, and the bulk of the population hopes for a victory of the People's government. Many hoped for better times as a result of the victories in Ethiopia, and are bitterly disappointed at the reality.

In southern Italy there was a great gap between the Communists and the Fascist workers. But when Communist workers made unity with the Fascist rank and file in a fight for higher wages, this gap was bridged. When this happened, it was possible also to change the Fascist workers' attitude towards the Spanish situation. There is discontent even among veteran Fascists.

The small producers, who all expected great things from the conquest of Ethiopia now say:

LEHMAN TO RETAIN THE SAME CABINET

ALBANY, Jan. 6 (UP)—Governor Lehman transmitted to the Senate today for confirmation the renominations of all members of his cabinet and departmental heads.

Secretary of State, Edward J. Flynn; Superintendent of Banks William R. White; Tax Commissioner Mark Graves; Industrial Commissioner Elmer F. Andrews; Superintendent of Insurance Louis Pink; Commissioner of Health, Edward S. Godfrey; Commissioner of Mental Hygiene, Frederick W. Parsons; Superintendent of Public Works, Frederick Stuart Grene; Correction Commissioner Edward P. Mulrooney; Conservation Commissioner Lithgow Osborne, and Agriculture Commissioner Peter G. Ten Eyck.

Ask Wage Increase

PITTSBURGH, Cal., Jan. 6 (FP).—Cannery workers for the F. E. Booth Co. have struck, asking a five-cent hourly wage raise. The company threatens to move the cannery to Richmond. Danger of a tie-up of sardine fishing boats, involving 200 deep sea fishermen, was averted when state authorities permitted diversion of the catch to other canneries.

Mass Meeting to aid SPANISH DEMOCRACY TONIGHT (Thurs., Jan. 7) 8:30 SARATOGA MANSION 351 Saratoga Ave., Brooklyn Ausp. C. P. 17th and 18th A.D. ADMISSION FREE

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# General Motors Got Tear Gas to Keep Plants Open Shop

## Cleveland Unionists Hit Sloan; Martin Calls G. M. Claims Fraud

### Auto Council Backs the Strike Action by the Fisher Local 45

By E. K. GREENFIELD  
(Daily Worker Ohio Bureau)  
CLEVELAND, Ohio, Jan. 6.—Four large international unions representing more than half a million members pledged support to the Fisher Body strikers yesterday at a mass meeting in Slovenian Hall, 6417 St. Clair Ave. The meeting was attended by about 1,500 employees of Fisher Body who heard Louis S. Spisak, president of the Fisher Body local of the United Automobile Union rip President Alfred P. Sloan's public statement on the General Motors position.

"General Motors is defying the government and those who elect to legislate for us. Mr. Sloan frankly admits in his statement that 'he will not bargain collectively with any one union group. This is in defiance of the Wagner Act which says he must bargain with us as representing the majority of his employees,'" said Mr. Spisak.

### M.E.S.A. HITS GENERAL MOTORS

A statement by Bert Cocharen, general organizer of the Mechanics Educational Society of America said, "The arrogant attitude of the General Motors is refusing to bargain collectively on a national scale with its employees is keeping thousands of men out of work." Cocharen said further that "the M. E. S. A. was in complete accord with the aims of the auto workers who are seeking to establish collective bargaining and the 30-hour week in the industry." Max Hayes, editor of the Cleveland Citizen said, "Sloan's statement is the same old story. Trying to lay the blame of the strike upon the union when the General Motors refuse to deal with the workers." On the question of point 5 in Sloan's statement, Max Hayes said, "I believe that the Automobile Labor Board appointed in March, 1934 is at present non-existent."

### AUTO COUNCIL ISSUES STATEMENT

President Reisinger last night issued the following statement in the name of the District Auto Council: "At a special meeting of the Cleveland District Auto Union Council the delegates representing approximately 15,000 auto and part workers of Cleveland unanimously endorsed the action of the Executive Board in endorsing the strike of the Fisher Body Local Union 45, and they pledged their entire resources to bring about a satisfactory settlement of this gigantic controversy. The delegates expressed in no uncertain terms that they considered this not alone a problem of the General Motors employees but affecting every worker in the industry. Each local union expressed its willingness to use its entire membership in case of an extreme emergency by declaring a holiday within its own plant. "In regard to full page statement in the papers by Alfred P. Sloan, Jr., President of the General Motors Corp., they feel that this is a clever evasion of the truth, and published primarily to mislead the workers and the public. In his statement Mr. Sloan asked the question: 'Will a labor organization run the plants of the General Motors Corporation?' There never has been or never will be any attempt to do this. All the workers ask for is their rights guaranteed to them under the laws of the United States government and they feel that many other statements similar to this one are merely camouflaging the issue."

### Union Leader Brands Slogan 'Industrial Dictator' and Cites \$375,475 Salary as Against Modest Wages Paid Elected Trade Union Officials

By George Morris  
(Daily Worker Staff Correspondent)  
DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 6.—"General Motors was quite ready for collective bargaining when they laid up tear gas as the LaFollette Committee revealed," is the way Homer Martin, president of the United Automobile Workers of America commented on the type of collective bargaining that Alfred P. Sloan, President of G.M.C. described in the corporation's full-page ads in dailies throughout the country.

Earlier in the day, yesterday, it was learned on reliable authority that in November the city of Flint, where the heart of General Motors is located, laid in a large shipment of tear and vomit gas. It was also recalled that several months ago, when the Manville Corp. at Pontiac staged a demonstration of its latest type of tear-gas machine guns and a variety of gas bombs for riot duty, the city of Flint was represented among the several police departments there.

At the same time strikers staying in the Fisher Body Number 1 plant charged that last Sunday, when Judge D. Black issued his record-breaking anti-labor injunction, a supply of tear and vomit gas was moved to the plant by company guards. The entire much-advertised statement signed by Sloan was characterized as a piece of hypocritical work designed to whip up public opinion against fast growing union organization in the auto industry.

### ANSWERS SLOAN

To Sloan's question: "Will a labor organization run the plants of General Motors Corp. or will the management continue to do so?" Martin answered: "We have never asked the right to run General Motors business or its plants but we do ask for our rights as workers through our organization to run our end of collective bargaining. Thus far General Motors handled both ends of collective bargaining because of its control of the works councils and through the refusal to meet collectively bargaining on the proper basis."

### CITES SLOAN'S SALARY

"Do you consider yourself one of the 'labor dictators' that Sloan refers to?" he was asked. "I was democratically elected by the members of the United Automobile Workers and the supreme authority of the union rests with the membership. It seems to me that Mr. Sloan is out of line talking about dictatorship. He is an industrial dictator." Concerning Sloan's advice to General Motors' workers that they "do not have to pay tribute to anyone for the right to work," Martin laughed. About 40 reporters joined with him. "My salary is \$3,000 a year. Mr. Sloan's salary is \$167 an hour, for 52 weeks a year, 8 hours a day. His yearly salary is \$375,475."

The so-called seniority rights that Sloan said prevail in General Motors plants Martin characterized as nothing but a fraud. He said:

### NO AUTO LABOR BOARD

"Mr. Sloan says seniority under the Automobile Labor Board rules is the policy of General Motors. In the first place the auto labor board has been dissolved by the President. In the second, General Motors used the so-called merit clause of the seniority rules as a vehicle for discrimination against union men. Instead of eliminating discrimination it promotes it."

Regarding the prosperity picture drawn by Sloan—his claim that his workers are today enjoying higher wages than ever before but sit-down strikers have interrupted the upturn, Martin said "We do not desire to see this situation continue one hour longer. The responsibility for its continuing rests with General Motors."

General Motors, that combination of the DuPont-Morgan interests, is investing more than the price of tear-gas bombs to maintain its prestige as the cornerstone of the open-shop in America. It is letting its plants stay idle. It lays off tens of thousands of workers in the indirectly affected plants, and it lets a market worth tens of millions of dollars go to its competitors. This is all for a holy principle—the open-shop, and the reign of reaction that goes with it.

### Philadelphia Italians To Give Party for 'Daily'

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 6.—Sunday Jan. 24 the Istituto Progressivo Operaio Italiano, 434 N. 62nd Street, will give a party in behalf of the Daily Worker. Comrades and friends of the Institute and of the Daily Worker are urged to attend the affair and to bring their friends.

## Strike Movement in Mass Production Industries Foster Stresses Unity In Steel Fight Strategy

ARTICLE II

When organized labor goes into such an important strike struggle as that apparently now looming in connection with the organization of the steel industry it must proceed with a definite strike strategy, based upon a realistic measuring of the balance of the opposing class forces and modified from time to time as changing circumstances dictate. We may be sure that the employers in their fight to preserve the open shop, which is worth billions to them in extra profits, are, for their part, going ahead with a highly developed strategy on their side of the struggle.

In the following pages, therefore, I shall undertake to outline some of the major principles of a sound strategy and tactics for the steel workers' struggle; to develop a line of policy that is realistic and justified by the present economic and political situation and by the general relation of forces between the capitalists and the workers. The leaders of the C.I.O. and the Steel Workers Organizing Committee are, of course, experienced strike leaders, and it is not for me to instruct them in strike strategy. There remains, however, the task of putting into popular form the principles of strike strategy and strike organization in this very vital situation.

In the development of any severe strike struggles between the workers and their employers the following general propositions, among others, should be constantly borne in mind. First, the cultivation of a firm ideological solidarity in the ranks of the strikers. The bosses, proceeding from the traditional exploiters' principle of divide and conquer, constantly attempt to split the workers along lines of skill and unskilled, Americans and foreign-born, Negroes and whites, men and women, employed and unemployed, adults and youth, Catholics and Protestants, radicals and conservatives. This danger is especially very acute in struggles in the boss-ridden steel industry.

In 1919, the employers and their tools tried with all these means to pit one section of the workers against the other and they may be depended upon to do so again in 1937. As against these disruptive moves the workers' leaders must counter by a loyal defense in the interests of all these various groups, thus making them all feel that they have everything to gain from the success of the general movement. They must focus the attention of the masses primarily upon the immediate economic and political demands of the steel workers and reject all reactionary efforts to divert the workers' attention into abstract discussions of race, religion, politics, etc. Especially there must be no boss-inspired red-baiting allowed to take root in the steel workers' movement and to disrupt its forces. The steel campaign can be a success only if the maximum possible ideological solidarity of the workers is achieved and maintained.

Second, another important consideration in the question of developing a successful strike strategy is the careful cultivation of a high morale among the strikers. This is very necessary in fighting such a vicious combination as the steel trust, and morale building must be gone about systematically. The achievement of the ideological solidarity previously discussed is an important element in developing a good morale among the workers, but it must be supplemented by various other factors, including persistent education of the masses regarding the strike situation and the political meaning of strike activities and democratic control of the strike, by exercising a determined and reliable leadership, by a firm but not mechanical discipline, an effective dramatization of the struggle, good strike organization, etc.

Third, a further elementary question of good strike strategy is to proceed upon the general principle of the offensive. Workers, like soldiers, fight best on the attack. A defensive strike is a losing strike. The steel workers should never allow themselves to be put on the defensive. Every halt must be utilized to organize a new attack and every attack by the employers or the government must be offset by some form of renewed counter offensive. Only when workers are completely defeated is such a policy not possible. The steel workers must know how to guard their strike reserves and to draw upon them when a new forward movement is necessary. The present economic and political situation greatly favor a policy of the offensive.

These elements of strike strategy—a firm ideological solidarity of the workers, a high morale in the strike, a strike that proceeds upon the principle of the offensive—must be constantly borne in mind in developing every stage of the coming struggle. But there are many other principles of strike strategy, no less important, which I shall now proceed to discuss in some detail.

A unified command is a fundamental principle of strategy in all strikes as well as military operations. What is involved in it is the unified action of the fighting forces. Failure to achieve such a unified strike leadership, principally through craft divisions, has cost the workers many a bitter defeat. Especially is a unified command and real solidarity of the workers necessary to beat the open shop kings in steel, auto, rubber, oil, etc.

The industrial form of the C.I.O. unions conducting the struggle in these industries lays a solid foundation for a unified command and the vital strike unity; nevertheless a danger threatens from the craft union leaders of the American Federation of Labor. These reactionaries, although they themselves, for years have done nothing to organize the mass production industries, are extremely antagonistic towards the Committee for Industrial Organization doing the job. They assume a dog-in-the-manger attitude. It is more than likely, therefore, that they will inject themselves into the situation and try to inveigle a fringe of the skilled workers into their many disconnected craft unions.

Such an action would be a crime against the steel, auto and other workers, as it would seriously split their ranks and weaken their fighting force. But no one familiar with the shady history of the reactionary A. F. of L. leaders would be surprised to see them adopt such a disruptive course. They have done it time and again in the strikes of in-

dependent unions. The danger is all the greater inasmuch as the trust magnates, happy to see the workers dissipate their strength fighting each other, would greet and encourage the craft union leaders and their splitting tactics. Nor would such a development be unwelcome to the Roosevelt administration as offering a prolific source of slippery compromises.

The introduction of craft unionism into the mass production industries by the A. F. of L. leaders should be resisted militantly by every progressive force in the whole labor movement as a strike-breaking policy. This resistance should be supported by an aggressive campaign to educate the unorganized masses as to the historical failure of craft unionism in the mass production industries, and by a call to these workers not to join the craft unions but to affiliate themselves with the C.I.O. industrial unions.

If, nevertheless, the craft unions should succeed in establishing themselves by the time the strike takes place, they must be dealt with on a united front basis, and unity of action sought in this manner. They should be drawn into the strike on a full cooperative basis with the industrial unions. This means that they ought to be allowed and induced to send regular delegates to the strike committees, and likewise to their sub-committees for relief, defense, publicity, etc., and that they should also participate in the mass picketing and other mass strike activities. The craft leaders would object to this, so it would have to be done over their heads by direct appeal to the members. Only in the unlikely event, however, that the craft unions should become real factors in a given industry would it be practical to make the resultant trade union agreement of a united front character.

In the developing great strike movement at all cost there must be prevented the shameful but all too common spectacle of union strike-breaking; that is, of one or more unions striking while the others work. The solidarity of labor demands that the craft unions stay out of the mass production industries and leave the field to the industrial unions. For them to enter these industries at this time could serve the interests of no one but the great trust magnates and reaction generally.

### A DETERMINED OBJECTIVE

A good military strategist never forgets his main objective, although bad ones often do so. He refuses to allow himself to be diverted from his goal by the feints and tricks of his opponents. And so it is with the labor strategist; he, too, must ever keep his major objective in mind. He must constantly be on the alert to keep the employers from sidetracking this whole movement into a fatal swamp of delay, disintegration and betrayal. Especially is such vigilance necessary when the enemy is the powerful and resourceful steel trust.

Up till the present time the central strategy of the steel corporations has aimed at destroying the steel campaign by giving niggardly wage increases to the workers and by cultivating the company unions. The employers have been unable under the present circumstances to employ the widespread discharge of workers, suppression of free speech, terrorization of workers and organizers, etc., with which they opposed the organizing campaign in 1919. But with their present strategy, even as in 1919, they have been unable to prevent the organization of their workers, which is going ahead steadily.

As soon as the movement of the steel workers approaches the point of mass action we may expect that the steel barons will go into the next stage of their anti-union strategy by having recourse to the whole thrust of the unions away from the companies and into a hopeless morass of governmental committees, court actions, time-killing mediation, etc. The first real test of the steel workers' strength and strike strategy will come when they have organized the bulk of workers and they serve their demands upon the Iron and Steel Institute for a conference to work out a national trade union agreement for the steel industry. It is at this point that the steel companies will attempt to paralyze or kill off the workers' movement by bogging it down in a swamp of disintegrating maneuvers.

Then is when the workers must be most acutely on guard and when they have to persist most determinedly towards their central objective of forcing concessions directly from the employers. The steel workers must not trust their cause into the hands of the Roosevelt government allied with many great capitalist interests, and it cannot be depended upon to force the steel trust to make a settlement favorable to the workers. Especially must the steel workers beware that Roosevelt's "era of good feeling" policy does not put a damper on their movement. If Hearst and other labor haters are enthusiastic over the so-called "era of good feeling" it is because they see in it a possible means to check the workers' advance to trade union organization and better living conditions.

Certainly the workers would be blind to much bitter experience if they were to put their faith in the courts, dominated as they are by capitalist-thinking judges. Still fresh in the minds of the workers are the maneuvers by which the Roosevelt government, the courts and the A. F. of L. leaders killed off the Weirton steel strike and also how they ruled the powerful movement of the steel workers in 1934, the one being sidetracked into endless court actions and the other getting lost in the trickery of a board set up by Roosevelt. These defeats of the steel workers through the Roosevelt government are in line with those of the workers in the automobile and other industries. And Roosevelt's recent wholesale cutting of unemployment relief has not increased the workers' confidence in him.

Such experiences must serve as lessons to the steel workers in their present developing struggle. Towards the Roosevelt government their attitude must not be one of naive reliance, but of mass pressure to preserve civil liberties in the steel areas and to force the steel trust to yield to the demands of its workers. The steel workers must not let their movement degenerate into court actions to defend their right to organize, or long-winded government-controlled elections to learn whether or not the A. A. has the right to represent the steel workers. These questions must be settled by pressure against the employers and, if necessary, by mass strike action.

The central aim of the movement should be a direct settlement between the unions and the employers, and every step taken must be directed to accomplish this end. The steel workers should not enter into arbitration proceedings or other settlement maneuvers engineered by the government unless first their major demands have been conceded, and the steel trust is most unlikely to make such preliminary concessions. These warnings are especially necessary inasmuch as the workers still have many illusions regarding the liberal policies of the Roosevelt government.

(To be continued)

### IT'S A LONG WAY



Sit-down strikers in the Fisher Body No. 1 Plant in Flint, Mich., are staying in the plant in defiance of an injunction issued against them by Judge Black, who owns \$219,000 worth of General Motors stock. Here are the strikers hoisting the effigy of stool-pigeons up the long, long side of the plant.

## Earle to Name Five to Study Coal Problem

### U.M.W.A., Bootleg Men and Companies Not to Be on Commission

HARRISBURG, Jan. 6 (UP).—Gov. George H. Earle will name five men "not closely interested in, but thoroughly familiar with" the hard coal industry to study "economic and social conditions in the anthracite region" in an effort to solve the "bootleg" coal problem, it was learned today.

The United Mine Workers of America, the "bootleg" operators and the companies will not be represented on the commission, an administration spokesman said, in order to "prevent an impasse" in the fact-finding mission. Resulting from the governor's personal study of the "bootleg" question, an administration bill was introduced in the legislature last night by Rep. John F. Stank, Northumberland, to create the "anthracite coal industry commission" with an appropriation of \$50,000. The five members, to be named by the governor with consent of the Senate, would be compensated in accordance with gubernatorial recommendation. They would report their findings and recommendations to the Governor before adjournment of the 1937 assembly session.

## Recovery Note—Texas Father Has Evidence

AUSTIN, Tex. (FP).—Gilbert Strickland, unemployed worker, faced eviction from his shack in a slum district of Austin. His wife had been sick for months. After thinking it over, Strickland brought his three children to a local foundlings' home. "I didn't want to do this," he said. "I wanted to keep my children." Dixie Ann, 3, added: "I don't like beans. You won't feed me beans, will you?" Beans had been her staple of diet. Nurses informed Strickland he might have his children back when he secured employment. Physicians are fighting to save the life of the youngest child, nine months old, suffering from malnutrition.

## School Maintenance Workers Out in Former Bailwick of Al Capone

(Daily Worker Midwest Bureau)  
CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 6.—School opening day found the building maintenance workers of J. Sterling Morton High School, Cicero, on strike, for more wages and shorter hours. The school authorities declared the demand "impossible." The present budget cannot stand it. The maintenance men put a picket line around the school, and one seal found his way to a hospital. Now the school faces a "coal shortage" because union coal drivers and carriers will not go through the strikers' picket line.

## 1,300 Join Union

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Jan. 6 (FP).—The Federation of Federal Employees reports 1,300 of 6,000 eligible employees in Texas are now members of the organization.

## HOUSTON JOBLESS TO DEMONSTRATE

### Will Mass for Demands at City Hall Saturday

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 6.—Unemployed workers will answer the new Harris County relief board's drastic retrenchment program with a demonstration Saturday in front of City Hall under the direction of the Houston Workers Alliance.

The demonstration, at which preparations for the marches to Washington and to the State Capitol on Jan. 15 will be outlined, plans to call Mayor Fonville's attention to his campaign promises, and will also present him with a list of the numerous Houston families in need of relief.

## Jersey School Head Charged with Sale Of Books to Pupils

WEST CHESTER, Pa., Jan. 6 (UP). Dr. Norman W. Cameron, Superintendent of Schools at Carlisle, N. J., was under \$800 bond today, charged with illegally operating a students' bookstore during his presidency of West Chester State Teachers College.

## Weinstone to Speak on USSR Charter Sunday At Detroit Forum

DETROIT, Jan. 6.—The West Side People's Forum will have as their next speaker at their regular Sunday afternoon forums held in Martin Hall, 4959 Martin at 2 p. m. the district secretary of the Communist Party in Michigan, William W. Weinstone. His subject will be "The New Soviet Constitution." Admission to these forums is free and the public is invited. Questions will be answered during a discussion after the talk by Weinstone.

## New Banking Laws Urged for New York

ALBANY, Jan. 6 (UP).—Consolidation of banking laws governing the operation of banks and trust companies was urged today by Superintendent of Banks William R. White in his annual report to the legislature. White pointed out that there are two different sets of laws for banks and trust concerns although "their powers and functions are, at most points, indistinguishable." Banking conditions throughout the State, the report continued, "accelerated" during the past year. It cited retirement of \$50,000,000 in Reconstruction Finance Corporation obligations by banks and an increase of \$1,000,000,000 in deposits from Sept. 1935 to Sept. 1936.

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# 100,000 Unionists Back Alliance March, WPA Demands

## March and Saturday Meeting for Final Plan for Garden and Saturday Meeting

IWO Instructs Membership to Participate in Parade—Collection of Funds for March to Washington Speeded by Supporters

About 100,000 trade union members were represented at yesterday's meeting of the Trade Union Sponsoring Committee for Saturday's Workers Alliance demonstration to protest WPA layoffs and demand extension of WPA.

Trade union representatives met with Workers Alliance officials at Alliance headquarters, 101 W. 28th St.

The City Central Committee of the I. W. O. threw its full strength behind the demonstrations in a letter to all branches calling attention to the WPA layoffs, and urging the entire membership to participate in the march on Saturday. The I. W. O. contingent will mobilize at 26 St., east of Madison Ave.

### MARCH AT NOON

Granting of a police permit for the parade, which will assemble at 11 A. M. at Madison Square park, and approval of the line of march, were announced at the meeting.

The march will start at noon from Madison Ave., cross on 26th St. to 27th Ave., travel up 27th Ave. to 28th St., across on 28th to Eighth Ave., and up Eighth Ave. to Madison Square Garden.

Speakers are expected at 2:30 P. M. From three o'clock to four, the meeting will be broadcast over WEVD. Speakers are Congressman Gerald Boleau, Farmer-Laborite, Wis. and Emmanuel Celler of Brooklyn.

Enthusiastic trade union backing was reported. The Harlem Workers Alliance locals will conclude mobilization of their 2,500 contingent at a mass meeting at 8 o'clock tonight in Renaissance Casino, 138th St. and Seventh Ave. Speakers are expected to be Rev. William Lloyd James, Rev. A. Clayton Powell, Jr., Vice President Charles A. Collins of the City Projects Council, and Vice President Addison Storey of the WPA Teachers Union.

Expenses in preparation for the demonstration have already passed the \$10,000 mark, and all WPA locals, trade unions and other groups were urged to turn in all help as immediately.

A meeting of all captains and marshals will take place at 9 a.m. Saturday in Irving Plaza.

The YCL yesterday issued a call to all "supporters of the American Youth Act to rally to the cause of progress against retrenchment, by coming to the Workers Alliance demonstration Saturday.

Preparations went ahead yesterday for the big days, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The committee of WPA issued yesterday includes the following:

International Ladies' Gaments Workers Union Joint Board; Furriers Joint Council; American Federation of Musicians Local 802; American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees; Bakers Union Local 87; Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters; Carpenters and Joiners of America Local 246; Federation of Architects, Chemists, Engineers and Technicians.

Fur Dyers Union Local 77 and 88; Fur Floor Boys and Shipping Clerks Union; Journeymen Tailors' Union Local 5; Furriers' Union Local 665; Brotherhood of Painters and Paperhangers District Councils Nos. 9 and 18; Pocketbook Workers Local No. 1; Suitcase, Bag and Portfolio Workers Union; WPA Teachers Union Local 453; Cooks and Kitchen Workers Union Local 80 WPA unit of New York Newspaper Guild; Bookkeepers, Stenographers and Accountants Union; Bakery Workers Union Local 80; and 509; Jacob Minsky, president of the Bricklayers Union Local 37; Isidor Laderman, president of the International Pocketbook Workers Union; Sam Kramberg, secretary of the Cafeteria Workers Union Local 302, and Charles Zimmerman, manager of Local 22 of the I. L. C. W. U.

The following places have been designated as stations for the three day march:

Manhattan—101 W. 28th St., 107 W. 133rd St., 108 W. 116th St., 103 E. 104th St., 222 E. 123rd St., 562 W. 168th St., 245 E. 27th St., 624 E. 9th St., 520 E. 16th St., 3rd E. 9th St., 163 W. 21st St., 218 E. 3rd St., 214 E. 2nd St., 514 E. 13th St., 298 Henry, 201 Henry, 451 E. 83rd St., 105 W. 63rd St., W. 106th, 106 E. 11th, 247 E. 116th, Bronx—701 E. 136th, 2374 Bathgate Ave., 1334 Wilkins Ave., 2111 Southern Blvd., 3919 Third Ave., 2561 White Plains Ave., 834 Jackson Ave., 1243 Southern Blvd.

Brooklyn—219 Sackman St., 864 Butter Ave., 123 Willowby, 2518 Coney Island Ave., 437 Ralph Ave., 110 Stone Ave., 3200 Coney Island Ave., 2075 86th, 1373 42nd, 2945 W. 1th, 2874 W. 27th, 476 Sutter Ave., 111 Osborn, 966 Myrtle Ave., 78 Hathorn Ave., 26 Ten Eyck St.

Staten and Long Islands—136-19 Thirty-eighth Ave., Flushing; 99-16 Fortye-third Ave., Corona; 91-38 Broadway, Astoria; 152-93 Archer Ave., Jamaica, 7092 Fifty-seventh Ave., Maspeth.

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## SPAN TELLS LEAGUE NAZIS IMPERIL PEACE

Rejects Berlin Demand on Palos Cargo—Cites Seizures by Nazis

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Ister Julio Alvarez del Vayo of the Spanish Government, begins with a description of the Solon and Marta Junquera ship seizures by Germany in reprisal against the Palos "incident."

The text of the German ultimatum sent by wireless from the German warship Koenigsberg to Valencia is given in the Spanish protest.

People of France Alarmed By Troop Shipments

PARIS, Jan. 6.—The democratic people of France have been deeply stirred by the streams of Nazi and Italian troops hurled into Spain and the Nazi navy's raid on Spanish commerce.

And to this border country come the democratic forces of all the world, profoundly worried over the fascist assault on democracy in Spain, and determined to do something about it.

Increased activity of democratic forces who want to do something to help the heroic Spanish people's Army fighting desperately to defend their country from native reactionaries and foreign invaders is the natural result.

The number of volunteers for the International Brigade at Madrid from the ranks of all groups and shadings of the population here was increasing.

Britain Sends Italy, Nazis Another Note

LONDON, Jan. 6.—With the open and flagrant dispatch of thousands of Italian and German troops to the aid of the Fascists in Spain, the British government today sent notes to Berlin and Rome, expressing "grave concern."

The notes also again requested answers to the twice repeated Anglo-French proposal that the countries involved state whether they would agree to measures to halt the sending of troops to Spain.

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Other speakers at the rally were James W. Ford of the Communist Party; Gifford Cochran of the National Committee for the Defense of Political Prisoners; Angelo Hernandez; Anna Damon of the International Labor Defense; Mrs. J. C. Guggenheim; Ferdinand Smith of the Seaman's Strike Strategy Committee, and Chester A. Arthur, Jr., a grandson of the president of the same name.

MOONEY GREETINGS

Joseph Curran, seamen's strike leader, scheduled to appear, did not speak because of a bad cold.

Tom Mooney, famous class war prisoner in San Quentin prison, sent a wire to Simpson welcoming him back to the United States.

Greetings were received at the rally from the Communist Party and from William Z. Foster, chairman of the Party. The C. P. message signed by Earl Browder and Foster said:

"The Communist Party greets Lawrence Simpson who has just been freed from Hitler's bloody hands by the solidarity actions of the working class. His conduct should be an example to all anti-fascists. It should spur them on to greater struggles to defeat fascism in Spain and all over the world and to release the other political prisoners of fascism like Ernst Thaelmann.

C. P. WIRE

"The Communist Party is proud that Lawrence Simpson symbolizes its support of the strike of the maritime workers. It calls on all workers to follow his action and conduct an uncompromising struggle against fascism."

Foster wired: "Welcome back from Hitler's dungeons. May I add my voice to the greetings being given you by the militant workers of America. You typify that indomitable fighting spirit of the seaman that is going to win the present marine strike on the Pacific and Gulf Coasts. Congratulations upon your inspiring stand against the fascist barbarians."

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## Congress Bans Arms To Democratic Spain

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## 26 ROCHESTER STRIKERS GET JURY TRIALS

Hotel Workers Arrested in Picketing—400 in Walkout

(Special to the Daily Worker)

ROCHESTER, Jan. 6.—Twenty-six striking hotel workers arrested yesterday for mass picketing were granted a jury trial today as their case was postponed to Jan. 14 at a hearing marked by a packed courtroom.

Support of the strike of the hotel workers was bolstered as Local 71 of the Engineers Union and the Firemen's Union voted to join in a sympathy strike subject to approval by their international offices.

Despite the arrests the morale of the 400 strikers now on the picket line for thirteen days continued high. At an enthusiastic meeting following the police action strikers decided to answer the arrests by packing the courtroom at the trial. Mass picket lines are also planned.

Speakers at the strike rally included J. Baker of the Electricians' Union; George Wolpert of the Portable Engineers; Joseph Stenglein of the Bakers Union representing the Central Trades Council. Carpenters, painters and delivery men locals are scheduled to meet to decide sympathy strikes for the hotel strikers.

1,400 POLICE ILL

LONDON, Jan. 6 (UP).—Fourteen hundred members of the London metropolitan police force are ill with influenza in the current epidemic, it was disclosed today.

U. S. Calls Parley In Auto Walkout

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defiance made ridiculous the injunction of Judge Edward D. Black. Meanwhile exposure of Judge Black as a heavy owner of General Motors stock served to stir strong popular sentiment against him and the auto corporation. Martin today made public a petition to the State Legislature citing that the judge owns 3,665 shares of General Motors stock, valued at \$219,000.

According to state law a judge cannot sit in a case in which he is interested. Martin called for impeachment of the judge. As Governor Murphy, so the State Legislature, largely elected upon promised friendship to labor, faced the issue as it opened its session.

CHARGE INTIMIDATION

Martin today charged that General Motors foremen are intimidating workers into signing petitions supposedly declaring willingness to work and pledging loyalty to the company.

"We have affidavits from workers to that effect," Martin said. The petitions were in evidence at the Flint Bulek and Detroit Chevrolet axle plants. Flint organizers of the union explained that the usual procedure in obtaining such signatures is visiting homes and throwing a scare into the wives of the workers.

The petition campaign coincided with the company's policy of closing plants and blaming the layoffs upon strikers, thereby aiming to split the workers.

Martin also called Sloan's charge that the union asked for a closed shop.

"A closed shop is one in which only members of the union are permitted to work and requires all workers to share in the cost of maintaining the union," Martin said. "It is not one of our demands," Martin said.

MARTIN ANSWERS SLOAN

(By United Press)

DETROIT, Jan. 6.—Homer Martin, United Automobile Workers' president, replied to Alfred P. Sloan, president of General Motors, said in part:

"The recent full page advertisement of General Motors claiming intimidation and coercion of United Automobile Workers' medium of organization is to be expected, nevertheless the employees of the corporation will realize the methods of Mr. Sloan's managers, operating without an organized labor interference, made the slogan 'through at forty' such a near reality as to involve a federal investigation of the industry."

"Employees realize that on the production and conveyor lines only youth can serve. Any attempt to right this condition is not labor dictatorship. It is the hope for release from such dictatorship that has given the United Automobile Workers of America its membership, realizing as they do that true collective bargaining means."

"As the American workman in 1776 fought for political freedom, so today are fighting for social and economic freedom. This is a struggle against the inhuman speedup which has made man the slave of the machine; it is a fight against the vicious espionage system which deprives the automobile worker of those legal rights to join any organization he desires. It is an endeavor to shorten the hours per working day, which will enable the automobile worker to enjoy his wife, children and the leisure time; it, in short, is an effort to obtain those

eral terms, of the problems of crisis and unemployment and bank failures. He declared that through the NRA, designed to solve those problems, "has been outlawed, the problems have not. They are still with us."

He defended the NRA, but said it might have taken in too much territory to be practical.



# Auto Union Asks Ouster of Stockholding Injunction Judge

## Presents Petition for Impeachment to State Legislature

DETROIT, Jan. 6.—United Automobile Workers tonight petitioned the Michigan Legislature to impeach Judge Edward D. Black for issuing an injunction against strikers in General Motors plants in Flint, Mich., at a time when he owned stock in the corporation.

Black did not deny that he owned the stock, which, according to the union, has a face value of \$219,000.

Black issued his injunction against union sit-down strikers on Saturday, forbidding them to occupy the General Motors plants. The strikers ignored the injunction and still occupied the factories tonight.

The impeachment petition was signed by Homer Martin and accused Black of "corrupt conduct in office and misdemeanor."

The text of the petition:

"I do hereby respectfully petition your body to direct an impeachment against Edward D. Black of the judges of the circuit court for the County of Genesee, the seventh judicial circuit of the State of Michigan, for corrupt conduct in office and misdemeanor.

"This petition is based on the following facts:

"There has been in progress a strike in the city of Flint on the part of the Automobile Workers, members of the International Union of the United Automobile Workers of America in several plants of the General Motors Corporation. On Saturday, Jan. 2, 1937, while the strike was, and still is, in progress, General Motors Corporation instituted a chancery suit in the Seventh Judicial Circuit and appeared before Judge Edward D. Black of said circuit and obtained from him ex parte a temporary injunction of a most drastic character, seeking to interfere with the legal rights of the striking workers.

"This temporary injunction was obtained without giving the striking workers a chance to be heard.

"At the same time Judge Black issued this sweeping temporary injunction he was, and still is, a substantial owner of stock of the GMC, the party plaintiff at whose request he issued this particular temporary injunction. The number of shares of stock which Judge Black was and still is the owner of is approximately 3,665 shares and worth, the present market quotation of \$219,000.

"Section 1388 of the compiled laws of the State of Michigan for 1924 reads as follows:

"No judge of any court shall sit as such of any court of proceedings in which a party or in which he is interested.

"Despite the existence of this law, which is well-known both among bench and bar, Judge Edward D. Black saw fit to exercise judicial power contrary to the express language of the statute, thereby violating his oath of office.

"Your petitioner further says that the integrity of the court is one of the important divisions of the government has been seriously impaired by the action of said Judge Edward D. Black; that confidence cannot be entertained in the fairness and impartiality of the judicial process of the state government if a judge may be permitted to exercise judicial power in controversy in which he is so directly and intimately interested.

"Wherefore, your petitioner prays, that impeachment proceedings be directed against the said Edward D. Black, in the manner provided for by the constitution of the State of Michigan.

"And your petitioner will ever pray.

(Signed) "HOMER MARTIN." (Notarized).

Martin also sent a letter to the legislature saying, "We shall be glad to present to you evidence in support of this petition."

**Offer 1,000 Scholarships To Unionists**

Workers School Is Ready To Equip Trade Union Members for Activity

Inviting trade unions to make use of its educational facilities, the Workers School has issued 1,000 partial scholarships to members of trade union locals in the city.

In a special communication addressed to labor organizations, A. Markoff, director of the Workers School, stated:

"The education of trade unionists in the viewpoint, program and policies of the labor movement becomes a matter of great importance to every trade union and labor organization. This can best be done through an educational program which will enable trade unionists to fully understand the crucial problems facing the labor movement, and to become conscious, intelligent and militant fighters for labor's cause."

Markoff further explained that the program of the school offered a systematic training preparing members for union activity.

A whole series of courses especially designed to prepare unionists for effective service in the labor movement includes classes in Trade Unionism, Current Events, Economics, Public Speaking, Psychology, Labor History as well as an extended series of courses in Marxist subjects.

Registration is now going on at the Workers School office, 35 E. 12th St., Room 301. Descriptive catalogues are obtainable upon request.

## IMPEACH JUDGE BLACK! AN EDITORIAL

The dirty hands with which General Motors came into court to demand an injunction against its strikers in Flint were far dirtier than anybody suspected.

Sitting on the bench was a man who was nominally a judge, but actually one of the plaintiffs.

Homer Martin, president of the United Automobile Workers, has just revealed that Circuit Judge Edward D. Black, who granted the injunction, owns 3,665 shares of General Motors stock, worth \$219,000.

Under Michigan law he cannot sit in any case in which he is interested. At the bidding of his masters, General Motors, Judge Black violated this law in the most flagrant manner. He should be impeached and disbarred, and the injunction he granted declared null and void.

The revelation of Judge Black's connections throws an interesting light on the character of the struggle General Motors is waging and the dictatorship it has set up in Flint. How many more of the city and county officials does G. M. own?

## C. I. O. Will Direct Drive to Unionize Million Oil Workers

### Expect Lewis to Direct Drive Personally, Says Head of Oil Workers Union—Filling Station Workers to Be Included in Union

LONG BEACH, Cal., Jan. 6.—Organization of 1,000,000 oil workers under the leadership of the Committee for Industrial Organization was the goal set in plans announced here today by Harvey C. Fremming, president of the International Oil Workers Union. Behind this drive in the oil

empire of Rockefeller, Mellon, Morgan and Sinclair will be a rallying cry for a 36-hour week in the industry and a \$5 minimum daily wage scale. If necessary, Congressional aid will be sought to enforce the 36-hour week demanded.

The all-inclusive union will recruit all oil industry workers, including filling station workers. The drive will get under way by April 1. President Fremming of the Oil Workers Union said.

The personal directing force and energies of John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers and head of the Committee for Industrial Organization will be in the campaign, Fremming said.

"We expect that John L. Lewis will personally direct this membership drive. Including filling station operators, there are a million employees in the oil industry eligible to membership under the C. I. O. Plan," Fremming added.

## These Letters Tell What Xmas Fund Means to Many

### Three Who Face 65 Years in Jail—One Whose Husband Is Gone—A Scottsboro Mother Tells What I.L.D. Fund Does for Them

[The letters printed below were received by the Prisoners Relief Fund of the International Labor Defense from a number of labor's neediest cases—America's labor prisoners and their families. They are filled with gratitude for the Christmas gifts made possible by the 1936 Christmas drive. Only 30 per cent of the \$20,000 quota has been filled to date. Contributions should be sent to the national office of the fund at Room 610, 80 E. 11th St., or any branch office of the I. L. D.—Editor.]

From the widow of a Kentucky miner, murdered in 1931.

The package and the money was more than greatly appreciated by me and the children and certainly helped us enjoy Christmas. Of course, on all holidays I miss my companion who gave his life trying to make a better world for his babies to grow up in and we never forget the good deeds

our dear comrades do for us. The clothing was all O.K. Everything was so nice and the toys so helped the children enjoy Christmas.

I hope all of you enjoyed the holidays and wishing all those who helped send the gifts a happy New Year. As ever, a worker

ELIZABETH BALDWIN, FROM THE GALLUP MINERS. These few lines must serve as greetings of the season and at the same time to inform you that we received the Christmas gifts and cards for which we thank you from the bottom of our hearts, for we very well understand the efforts required to make these presents possible. So thanking you again and wishing you a very successful and happy New Year, we are

JUAN L. OCHOA, MANUEL AVITIA, LEANDRO VELARDE.

FROM A SCOTTSBORO MOTHER. Just a few lines to let you hear from me and to truly hope you are

well. Oh, people, you don't know how much I appreciate what you did for me this Christmas. Everything you sent was just grand. I mean everything. I can't tell you how it made me feel. You will never be forgotten in the whole world. My children have some real clothes for their backs now. I didn't even have bread in the house when your letter came. And I owed \$8 for rent and I was able to pay it and buy three apples and some oranges for the holiday and a real fine dinner. I needed stockings. I haven't had a pair of good stockings on my feet for more than a month. But now it's all gone. I have no fire in the house or money to get coal with for tonight. The relief has cut me down to three dollars every two weeks and I want to go and see my boy. I am afraid he won't know me when he sees me, it has been so long.

JOSEPHINE POWELL.

## Chicago Press Silent Tribune Being Sued

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 6.—Not a word about it in any Chicago newspaper, but Judge Brothers' court here was crowded to capacity all day long, as Col. Robert McCormick sat in the witness chair in a libel suit. The suit was brought against Col. McCormick and the Chicago Tribune by Harrison Parker, a former executive employe of the Tribune.

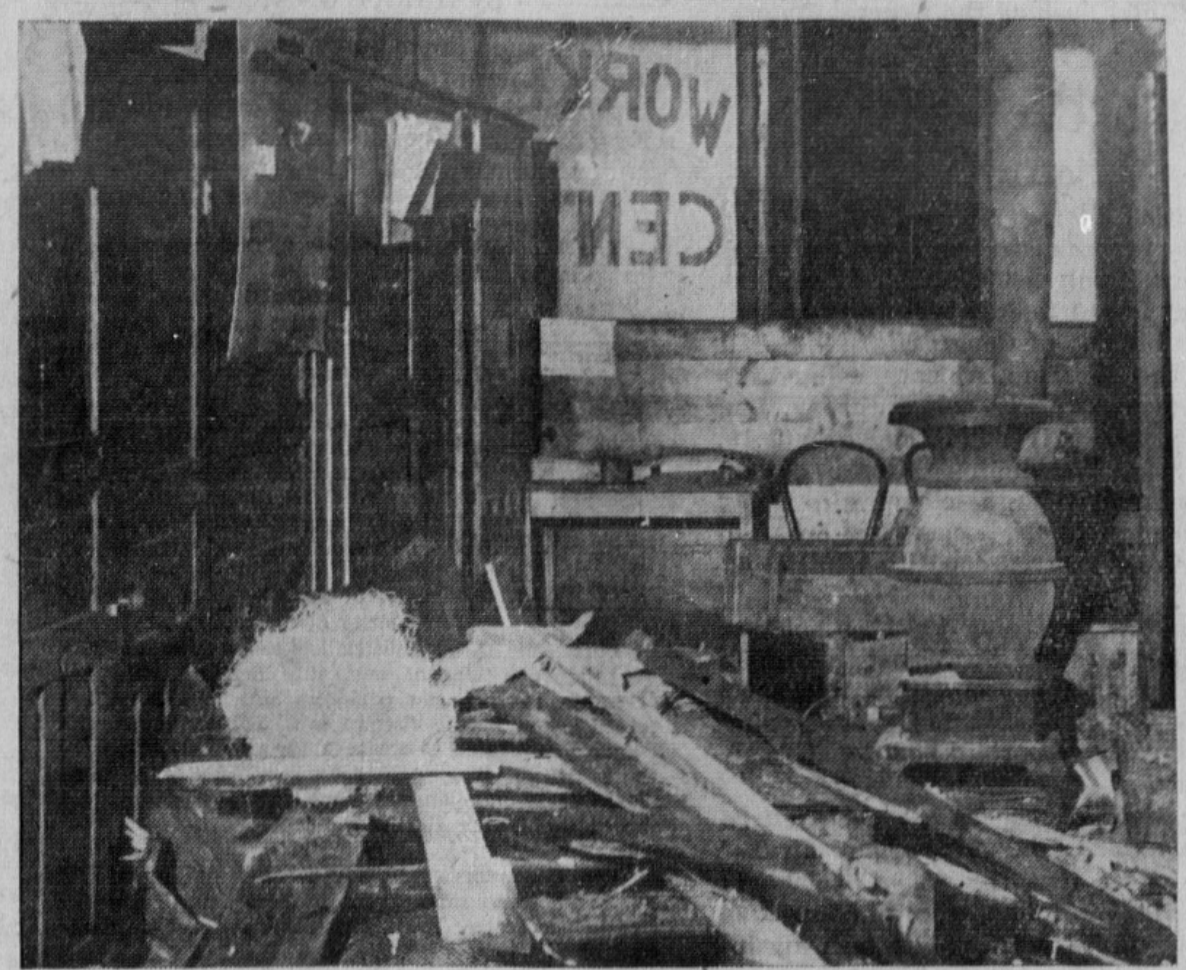
Parker is also author of the little known pamphlet, "The Truth About the Chicago Tribune."

The trial has been going on for many weeks, in an "unmentionable" atmosphere of secrecy. But no newspaper has carried a word about it. Still, the Daily Worker reporter, arriving shortly after court opened, found it impossible to enter. Word of mouth substituted for the self-imposed censorship of the Chicago newspapers.

On the same day he took the witness stand, and his paper suppressed all news of the case. Col. McCormick's Chicago Tribune carried an editorial lauding the "free press" of America and claimed it gave all the news. The Colonel's editorial denounced the British press.

"Even where theoretically free

## Wrecked by Hoodlum Arsonists



This is how the waterfront headquarters of the Communist Party looked after arsonists had fired it. The wreckage at 229 Tenth Avenue was caused by arsonists, fire department officials stated.

## With the Unions Painters and Bakers Locals Aid Alliance With Real Backing—Funds for March to Washington—Parade Saturday

Among the city trade unions doing their part to insure success of Saturday's giant demonstration against WPA cuts, are the Painters Local 490, and Bakers Local 505, both of whom contributed funds to help defray the Madison Square Garden expenses.

There is every reason to expect that the demonstration, called jointly by the Workers Alliance and the trade unions, will be a long-remembered event (especially in the minds of the gentlemen who make the federal budget).

Turn out! Saturday morning at 11 o'clock. Assembly point is Madison Square Park, and a march from there to the Garden.

## HAGUE SEEKS COURT BAN, C.P. CHARGES

### Statement of De Jonge Case in Line With Civil Rights Gag

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Jan. 6.—Mayor Hague's anti-civil rights statement yesterday is an attempt to bring pressure on the Court of Chancery which is expected any day to rule on the Communist Party's petition for an injunction to restrain police from interfering with its meetings.

Jay Anyon, section organizer of the Hudson County Communist Party made this charge today, adding that the State of Oregon has been outdone by the Hague machine in its denial of freedom of speech and assembly.

"If the Oregon case is thrown out of court, there is certainly no ground on which to 'legalize' the Hague administration's reaction," Anyon added.

The Hudson County Communist Party yesterday sent Mayor Hague the following telegram:

"Your statement on the DeJonge Supreme Court decision betrays the same intent of scrapping of the constitution as does your administration's denial of civil rights. Your characterization of 'god-loving, law-abiding, and peace-desiring' certainly does not fit an administration condoning and instigating the beating of a minister, clubbing of strikers, destroying the authorized license of honest business men, and actually driving off the street workers on strike for decent working conditions. Your information used as a basis for your statement on Communist Party principles, must have come from bigoted, perverted and distorted sources. Again we extend an invitation for public presentation of proof of contentions on both sides."

The minister referred to in the telegram is the Rev. Jay Wright, who was beaten by plainclothes dicks when he went down to the waterfront as an observer for the American Civil Liberties Union. Rev. Wright still has a gash on his neck left by the dick's blow.

## Brooklyn Groups to Aid Striking Seamen

More than seventy-five leaders in Brooklyn civic, religious, social and educational circles will form a Brooklyn branch of the Committee to Aid Striking Seamen, at a meeting tonight at 8 p. m. at 157 Montague Street, Brooklyn.

Moved by the present plight of more than 1,000 Brooklyn striking seamen who, with their wives and families are facing the winter with no funds and insufficient clothing and food, the committee will formulate plans to supply them with these necessities.

Personal visits to the homes of the seamen's families by a number of prominent Brooklyn citizens have indicated the need for immediate aid to sick, undernourished men women and children. Several men have died of pneumonia and other diseases, brought on by the lack of normal living necessities.

The committee will appeal to Brooklyn residents for contributions of food, clothing and money. Thursday's meeting is open to the public.

Among those who have agreed to serve on the advisory board of the Brooklyn committee are the Rev. David Corey, acting chairman, Rev. John Paul Jones, Dr. Henry Neuman, Professor Forrest M. Keen, Rev. John Howard Mellish, Rev. Cornelius Greenway, Rev. Samuel J. Levinson and Mrs. James P. Warbasse.

## Found—One Cop

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 6 (UP).—Policeman Emmett Asbury, who was assigned to maintain order in a night club on New Year's Eve, today inserted the following advertisement in a newspaper:

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## Lenin Memorial Pageant

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## Tim Buck to Tell of Defense of Madrid

### Canadian Communist Leader Just Back from Spain Will Be Principal Speaker at 13th Anniversary Celebration of Daily Worker Sunday Night

Inside news from the barricades of Spain told by an eyewitness!

That is what you'll hear by coming to listen to the first public New York address of Tim Buck, general-secretary of the Communist Party of Canada, at the Daily Worker 13th anniversary celebration Sunday evening at 8 o'clock at St. Nicholas Palace, 69 W. 66th St.

For Tim Buck has recently returned from Spain, where he saw and talked to the brave men and women who have defended Madrid against the Fascist invaders.

"What impressed me most when I was in Spain," Tim Buck said, "is that instead of violence in democratic Spain battling an invader I found the people warm-hearted, even while battling the foe heroically. But the people were dumb-founded and amazed at the attitude of other democratic countries in failing to come to their aid."

Tim Buck, beloved leader of the Canadian working masses, will tell at the meeting what he observed of the loyalist government activities, of the invading Moors and fascist "volunteers" from Germany and Italy with whose aid alone Franco has been saved from crushing defeat hitherto.

The 13th birthday of the Daily Worker will be celebrated in addition by a specially attractive program.

There will be Sergel and Mary Radamsky, famed singers, in a selection of new Soviet songs. The popular Negro Singers will be heard in "Songs of Protest."

Reserved seats are now on sale at all Workers Bookshops.

## Two Promises Birthday Gift for Daily

Branches Are Urged to Speed Collections for Jan. 10 Meeting

A birthday present for the Daily Worker on its 13th anniversary celebration has been promised by the International Workers' Order.

The New York City Central Committee of the International Workers' Order has called upon all its branches to fulfill their quotas in the \$100,000 drive of the Daily and Sunday Worker at least to the extent of \$2,500 by Jan. 10, so it can be presented at next Sunday night's anniversary celebration of the Daily Worker at St. Nicholas Palace.

Furthermore, the central committee urged that the entire \$3,000 quota be raised by the membership between January 10 and February 13, when the I. W. O. city convention opens with the grand winter concert at the Hippodrome.

George E. Powers, secretary of the city central committee, also asked all branches of the I. W. O. to take collections for the Daily Worker at every meeting, to raise funds between meetings, put collection lists (obtainable at the I. W. O. office, 80 Fifth Avenue), and to arrange affairs and house parties. All funds collected should be turned in immediately to the City Central Office, I. W. O., which will rush them to the Daily Worker without delay.

## Brownsville East Flatbush East New York Shopping Column

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## A Farmer-Labor Bloc— It Needs Support

• One of the fruits of the defeat of reaction in the last elections has just become visible in Congress: the organization of a bloc of Farmer-Laborites and Progressives in the House of Representatives.

"We take our stand for progress, for peace, for plenty, and we wish to join hands with all those who are going our way," declared Representative Schneider of Wisconsin, who was the group's candidate for Speaker.

The bloc has already declared its independence of the Republican and Democratic parties and has set out to break the stranglehold of the two-party system on Congress. It is demanding that it receive representation on eleven major and twenty-six minor committees. This will mean not only a strengthening of progressive influences in those committees, but that progressives will no longer have to depend on the good graces of Republican or Democratic committee leaders in order to be allotted time to speak on any question.

The bloc is small as yet, consisting of five Minnesota Farmer-Laborites, seven Wisconsin Progressives, and Congressman Havenner of California. But there is every possibility that it will grow and become the driving force in promoting legislation in the interests of the working people of the country.

To do that these Congressmen require the organized support of the masses outside of Congress. A national conference of representatives of organized labor, farm, Negro and middle-class groups to draw up a common legislative program is needed to give power and direction to the newly-formed progressive bloc.

## Dictatorship of Greed In Open Shop Citadel

• Alfred P. Sloan, Jr., president of General Motors Corp., has issued a statement to his employes raising the issue of dictatorship in connection with the strikes which have closed down 14 of the corporation's 65 plants.

The issue of dictatorship is a real one. When workers cannot get together in a union of their own choice without jeopardizing their jobs—that is dictatorship.

When workers are compelled to be on their guard against their fellow-workers because there may be a company stoolpigeon among them—that is dictatorship.

When workers never know what wages they are going to get because only a company straw-boss knows how the piece work is calculated—that is dictatorship.

When production speed is stepped up at the whim of the management without regard for its effect on the human beings who do the work—that is dictatorship.

When General Motors tells the relief authorities whether or not laid-off workers shall receive aid, and has relief investigators snoop into their union affiliation and political beliefs, as is the case in Flint—that is dictatorship.

When workers go out on strike and a judge, who owns stock in the company, issues an injunction barring all picketing—that is dictatorship.

In short, the point is well taken, Mr. Sloan!

There is dictatorship in the auto industry, and no amount of crying "Stop thief" can hide who the dictators are.

The United Automobile Workers and the Committee for Industrial Organization have set out to end this intolerable dictatorship and win better conditions for the thousands of slaves of the Morgan-duPont General Motors dynasty. This conflict looms as the biggest and most important labor struggle since the general textile strike of 1934. Upon its outcome hinges the future of the drive to organize millions of unorganized workers in the steel and other mass production industries.

In this situation anything which divides the workers or in any way weakens their fight is treason. No move that will interfere with the C.I.O.'s efforts to organize the workers or will deepen the split within the American Federation of Labor can be tolerated.

Sloan speaks and acts for all the Wall Street open shoppers. The answer to him should be the widest and most impressive unity of labor that this country has seen. Every local union and central labor body

should not only adopt resolutions of support for the auto strike, but take immediate steps to provide financial aid.

Bring the dictators to terms. Unite the A. F. of L. behind the General Motors strike.

## A Trick to Cut WPA:

### Answer It Saturday

• Opposition to the reported intention of the Roosevelt administration to ask Congress to appropriate only \$500,000,000 to continue WPA from Feb. 1 to July 1 is growing both inside and outside of Congress.

With the Workers Alliance calling nationwide demonstrations this Saturday, Jan. 9, and a march to Washington on Jan. 15, well-informed Washington circles declare that the administration is planning to resort to a shabby piece of trickery in order to break up Congressional opposition to the relief cut.

The plan is, according to these sources, for the administration to say that this \$500,000,000 is an initial appropriation, that since Congress will be in session during the coming months, it can appropriate additional funds if necessary.

Progressives should be on their guard against this kind of deceptive argument. Let them remember that the \$500,000,000 will not be provided in a lump sum to be used as needed. It will be laded out in monthly installments, which means \$100,000,000 a month, or a 40 per cent cut from the present already reduced WPA levels.

The result of this will be that many projects will be abandoned, while new projects will not be planned as old ones are completed.

The needs of the unemployed are no mystery; they are known. The United States Conference of Mayors, after a careful study of the situation, has asked for an appropriation of no less than \$877,500,000. Even this sum would not properly assist all those who need it.

The Workers Alliance has raised the demand for an appropriation of \$1,250,000,000, for the reinstatement of all discharged WPA workers, and for a 20 per cent increase in the wretchedly low WPA wages. This program meets the minimum needs of the unemployed and it has the support of a growing number of progressive Congressmen.

Make Roosevelt live up to his promises. Big nationwide demonstrations on Jan. 9 and a mighty march to Washington on Jan. 15 will defeat the aims of those who are trying to nullify the people's election mandate.

## Six Whose Fate Is Akin To That of Millions

• Every young person in the United States, threatened with an uncertain future and poverty, will shudder when he or she reads the news that three of the six Brooklyn youths condemned for murder, have been burned to death by the State.

Governor Lehman of New York, after a mass protest and appeal for clemency for all the youths, did grant commutation of sentences to three of them. All were convicted in the same case. Why not clemency to all of them, Mr. Governor?

The people of New York ask clemency for these youths. Despite the original efforts of William Randolph Hearst to exact their deaths, the movement for commutation of sentences has grown to a tremendous roar.

It ill becomes District Attorney Geoghan to demand death for all of these unfortunate youths. It was not so long ago that the District Attorney himself was under a cloud in the conduct of a murder case in which no one was burned for a gangster murder.

The real criminal behind this whole sordid case of six youths, barely out of their teens, facing death in the electric chair, is a system that condemns millions of earnest, active and hopeful young people to a life of poverty, hopelessness and crime.

Destroy the conditions which breed crime and not these six youths who are its victims, the victims of capitalism in one of its worst general crises.

The American Youth Congress, fighting for the rights of the American youth, has proposed to Congress an American Youth Act, to provide education and a chance for honest work for the American youth, millions of whom face a bitter future.

It is up to Congress to pass that act and save not six, but millions of young people from a heart-breaking fate.

## A Milestone for the Farmer-Labor Movement

• Governor Benson's inaugural address marks a milestone not only for the Farmer-Labor Party in Minnesota, but for the Farmer-Labor movement nationally.

Never has a chief executive of an American state presented a program so progressive, embodying with such clarity and thoroughness the most urgent needs of the common people.

Governor Benson's address is a program not merely for Minnesota, but points the way for the progressive forces of the entire country in the struggle against reaction nationally.

The Governor made clear his position regarding the ruthless attempts of the Roose-

# World Front

By HARRY GANNES

• The most important questions confronting the French people today were dealt with in full at the Dec. 17 meeting of the Political Bureau of the Communist Party of France, under the chairmanship of Marcel Cachin.

The report of this meeting appeared in L'Humanite on Dec. 19, as follows:  
The Political Bureau considered first and foremost the social conflicts provoked by the large industrialists, who refuse to sign the collective contracts, or else sabotage carrying out of social laws, firing shop delegates without justification in the hope of beheading the trade unions.

By breaking off discussions with the C.G.T. (the French trade union federation) Mr. Gignoux (head of the Employers' Federation), the man of the decree-laws and Laval's friend, wilfully took the road of social conflicts, which nevertheless are unwanted by the majority of employes.

This tactic of the industrialists risks disorganization of production and of damaging defense, does not originate in economic considerations, but is determined simply by the attempt to smash and defeat the People's Front and to create a favorable situation for the return to power of the 200 fascist, controlling families. It is indispensable that the government act vigorously against this aggression.

The Communists will support the efforts of the trade unions to raise wages in accordance with the rise in the cost of living and the effects of devaluation.

The Political Bureau hopes that in all industries agreements may be signed like that signed between the textile association of Roubaix-Tourcoing and the trade unions, for a 10 per cent wage increase.

It understands the discontent, expressed so vehemently at the Congress of the General Civil Employees' Union, with the maintenance of the decree-laws, whose abrogation was called for in the program of the People's Front.

The Political Bureau greets the unemployed conference of the Paris district and deems that the efforts for the establishment of a public works system have been insufficient. Hence the number of unemployed is but slightly lower. There can be no mass re-absorption of the unemployed, nor the requisite priming of national economy, if the public works program correctly demanded by the C.G.T. is not quickly put into effect. In particular the unhealthy slum districts, sources of many infections, must be destroyed effectively to protect the health of our children.

Concerning the activity of the Fascist leagues, which continue their agitation for civil war (La Roque in Strasbourg, Doriot at Dieppe, etc.), which mock the banning of their demonstrations, it is urgent that severer measures be taken, that, in accordance with the program of the People's Front, the Croix de Feu and the bands of the Hitlerite Doriot must be disarmed.

The Political Bureau likewise considered the worsening international situation. It is an open-and-shut case that Hitler and Mussolini do not care a whit about the Anglo-French proposals, and that they are continuing their war against Republican Spain. The landing of 30,000 Reichswehr men proves that the warmongers cannot be halted by retreating before them.

The defense of freedom requires the re-establishment of freedom of trade with Republican Spain, and proper measures to prevent the renewal of provocations such as the bombardment of Port-Bou by a Nazi plane.

The Political Bureau heard a report from the organization committee of the Central Committee on the Party membership. As the year 1936 ends, we have 285,000 members, and, as of today, 244,550 Party cards have been sent out for 1937, in accordance with section orders.

On Jan. 1, 1936, only 65,280 Party cards had been sent out. We can judge thereby the growth in membership. This is an unprecedented success which proves the consolidation and the continuous development of our Party, the largest party organized in France, and also the most united.

velt administration to slash WPA rolls.

"We must impress upon the federal government," he said, "that the full continuance, and even increase, of the Works Progress Administration is imperative."

While sharply attacking the American Liberty League and such organizations as the Black Legion, Silver Shirts and Ku Klux Klan as enemies of American liberties, he proposed a concrete step for defending these liberties by calling for the repeal of the state criminal syndicalism law.

"Laws of this kind," he said, "are frequently used as a spear with which to destroy the trade union, farmers, and liberal political movements."

Benson presented a specific program of progressive legislation covering minimum wages and maximum hours, collective bargaining, farm aid, unemployment relief, assistance to youth, protection of independent merchants, housing, taxation, cooperatives, social security, education and electric power.

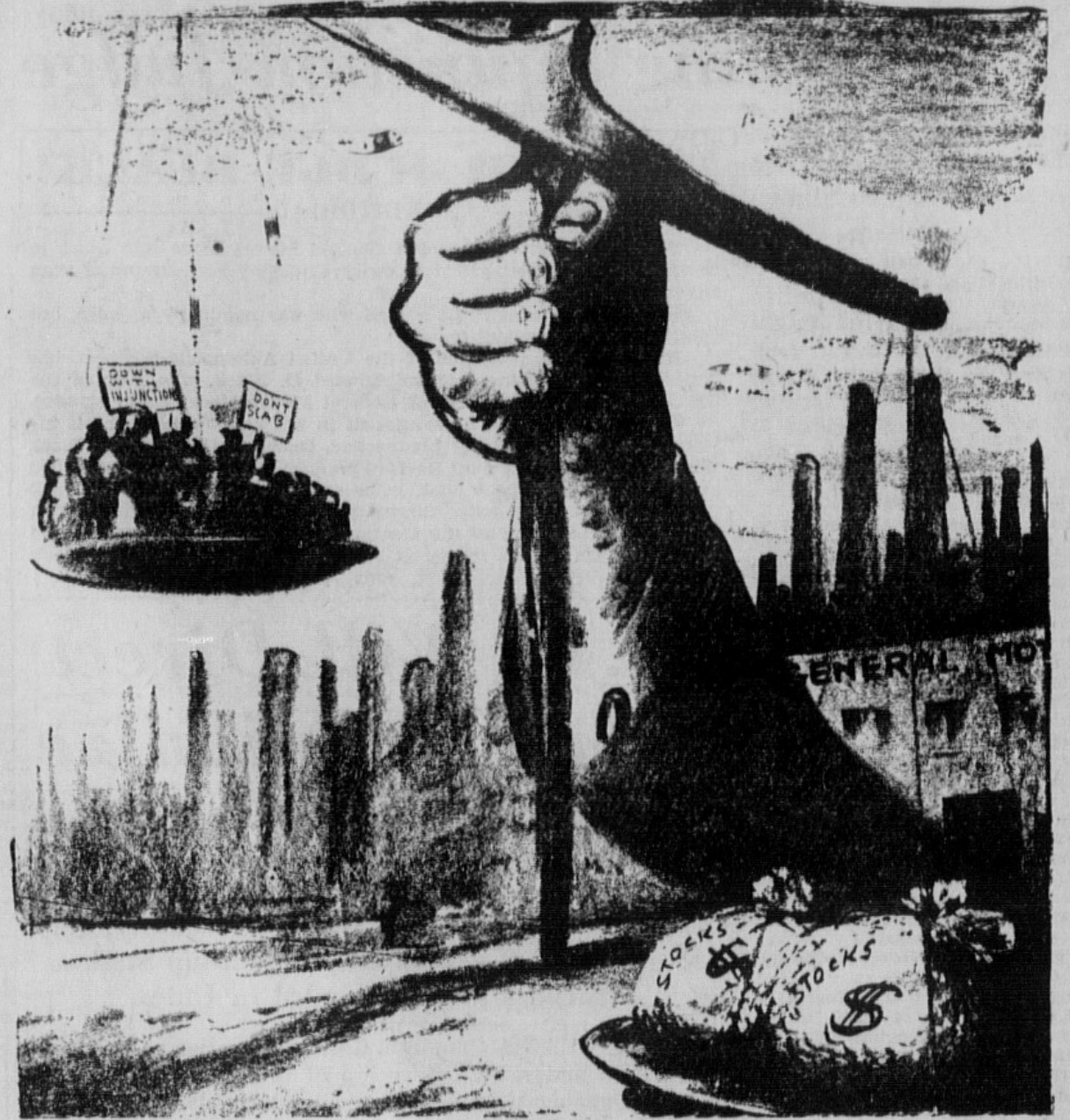
In addition, the Governor urged the legislature to memorialize Congress in behalf of the Frazier-Lundeen Social Insurance Bill, the American Youth Bill, refinancing of farm mortgages, aid to tenant farmers, nationalization of munitions plants, and other progressive measures. He also called on the legislators to petition Congress for a constitutional amendment to curb the usurped power of the reactionary Supreme Court.

Governor Benson's program should receive the united support of the trade unions, farm organizations and other progressive groups in Minnesota. The Big Business interests will do everything in their power to defeat it, and with the upper house of the legislature still controlled by reactionaries, they are likely to succeed unless the people put the power of united action behind the Farmer-Labor program.

The Governor's address should be an encouragement to progressive organizations throughout the country to join forces for common legislative action in Congress and in the state legislatures. This is the road to the creation of a powerful people's front against reaction — a nationwide Farmer-Labor Party.

# JUDGE BLACK'S JUSTICE

by Ellis



## Lenin First Showed Need of Clarity And System in the Work of the Party

By A. B.

Lenin's anniversary occurs this month. On January 21, the peoples of all lands and nations will commemorate the thirteenth anniversary of Lenin's death. They will fittingly commemorate the death of the greatest teacher and leader they ever had and they will rededicate themselves to the historic struggle for the realization of his teachings—the liberation of humanity from oppression, injustice, reaction and war.

Thirteen years since Lenin ceased to breathe. Thirteen fateful years. Years that have seen the victory of socialism in the Soviet Union and its growth into a mighty power for peace and progress. Years that have also seen the coming to power of bloody fascism in Germany, Hitlerism, the enemy of mankind.

Years in which the guiding genius of Leninism, and of the Communist International which Lenin founded, has helped the working class and all oppressed to find the road to the united and People's Fronts. Years in which Lenin's closest collaborator and most loyal pupil—Stalin—has grown into the beloved leader of the world revolutionary movement and of the exploited and imperialist countries.

A long stretch of time full of fateful events. Yet Lenin's memory shines brighter and brighter with every year that passes. The greatness and correctness of his teachings, which Stalin has done so much to further develop, are magnified and confirmed with every new turn in the development of the world and in the struggles of progressive and forward looking humanity.

Party building therefore begins with the building and strengthening of the Party units—the shop nucleus, the street nucleus, the industrial unit, the branch. On these we must focus our attention today.

Certain wrong ideas will have to be overcome. Comrade Browder has shown in his report how it should be done. One of these ideas is that the spreading out of the Party's activities to the broad field of class struggle and of the People's Front movement "inevitably" necessitates a slackening of the activities of the Party units and a blurring of the line of its independent line. From this wrong and opportunist premise, there appears to be a tendency to draw certain harmful practical conclusions. One is the old sectarian inclination to retire into ourselves and to revert to the mere abstract preaching of Communism. The other, in apparent contradiction to the first, tends to conclude that the present job is to build the mass movements and mass struggles and only when this has been accomplished will it be time to bring forth the Party's face and to build the Party.

Both these conclusions flow from the same opportunist premise that mass work and Party building cannot be done at the same time; that united front mass struggles are incompatible with the simultaneous winning of the masses for the Party's independent line and for Communism. It is a premise which has nothing in common with Leninism and with the historic decisions of the Seventh World Congress, explained and interpreted by Comrade Dimitroff. And despite the apparent contradiction between the two one says: "Party first" while the other claims: "mass work first"; both lead to the same result—the weakening of the Communist Party as the revolutionary vanguard of the American proletariat.

We naturally reject both these conclusions. And the Central Committee Plenum unanimously adopted Comrade Browder's report which maintains:

Forward to the realization of the plenum's decisions.

present conditions and tasks. This is what Lenin and Stalin taught us to do. Master your theory. Study the peculiar and specific conditions of your work. Then apply your theory to these specific and peculiar conditions.

Second, that without the Party units participating actively, and as such, in the Party's mass campaigns, with mass organizations and independently, the Party cannot build itself into a strong mass Party capable of leading the struggle for the socialist revolution and socialism.

Since the Ninth Party Convention, we have established ties of understanding and sympathy with hundreds of thousands, if not millions, of toilers. We have achieved this because we have proven our value and indispensability in the building of the unions and in the economic struggles of the workers, in the struggle against reaction and for democracy and progress, in the building of the Farmer-Labor Party, in the struggle for peace, for the interests of the toiling farmers, unemployed, Negro people, youth and women. Our mass policies and activities, notably in the election campaign, have convinced wide masses that the Communist Party is needed, that "it belongs."

And why is that so? Because the masses have not seen to the same degree the value, role and importance of the Communist Party units to which one must belong if one belongs to the Party. Because the masses have not seen to the same degree the independent activities of the Party units which would make it convincingly necessary for a Communist sympathizer actually to join the Party (the unit). Because, finally, the masses have not seen to the same degree the revolutionary and Communist face of the Party units which it is necessary for them to see in order to become convinced that the Party's value in their struggle for immediate economic and political demands flows precisely from the fact that it is a revolutionary, a Leninist, party.

Proceeding from the teachings of our immortal leader, Lenin, we will most successfully realize the decisions of our Party's plenum by clearly realizing that:

1. To mobilize the Party for its mass campaigns means to mobilize the Party units—for united front and independent mass activities. It means building the basic units as true centers of Communist Party leadership among the masses.

2. In all the daily struggles of the masses for better conditions, to keep clearly before them the Party's revolutionary face and independent political line.

Forward to the realization of the plenum's decisions.

## Letters from Our Readers

For a 'Substantial'  
UMWA Contract

Editor, Daily Worker:

The Westville Central Labor Union sent a protest letter to President Roosevelt, Hopkins and Congressman James A. Meek against WPA layoffs and stated to Roosevelt that we supported him, now we expect him to support us and adequately appropriate cash relief, jobs for the unemployed, that laid-off workers on projects be reinstated and WPA be continued. Copies also were sent to the Illinois Senators.  
Local Union 5509, the largest in the U. M. W. A.,

Westville, Illinois.

endorsed the demands made by the Franklin County miners of Southern Illinois and instructed the scale committee, John F. Sloan, recently elected militant United Mine Worker of this local, to fight for these demands at the coming wage negotiations.

The officers and members of Sub-District No. 3, District 12, U. M. W. A., are preparing to meet to draw up local demands in addition to general demands and to be prepared organizationally to meet the operators and resist their planned attack on April 1.

The workers of Westville mean to demand and obtain a six-hour day and a "substantial" wage increase on expiration of their contracts on April 1. J. S.



# Check Up Another For West Coast

### Women's Auxiliary Number Three of the International Longshoremen's Association Points the Way For Women's Auxiliaries the Country Over

By Beth McHenry

It's two and a half years since we've got used to looking West—to Harry Bridges and the Maritime Federation—for Exhibit A, Trade Unionism, America. Now Exhibit A has an appendix in Ladies' Auxiliary No. 3, the International Longshoremen's Association.

Auxiliary No. 3, I. L. A., had its beginning during the 1934 Pacific Coast maritime strike, but it was in the 1936 lockout that the women of San Francisco showed the strength and endurance and ingenuity that is making this auxiliary a tradition in the labor movement.

The auxiliary's members are the women relatives of Longshoremen, Warehousemen, Stevedores, Bargemen and Clerks. They have opened up a commissary where all families need—immediate help are given—generous order of food. The Auxiliary sees to it that no one wants for necessities during the period that it takes to get relief from the state. Clothes, too, are dispensed by the Auxiliary. Warm coats and socks for the pickets down on the Embarcadero and things to cover their wives' kids, too.

## Entertainment With a Purpose

### Noted Actors and Dancers Appear At Four Concerts

### The Kids Come First

But it's about the children's question that the women in the San Francisco waterfront struggle have shown themselves leaders of the first order. On Christmas Day, for instance, 2,700 kids of locked-out or striking workers took part in a party at the Civic Auditorium. There was a fifty-foot Christmas tree and there were toys and fruits and sweets for every child there.

The tree came from the Park Commission and there was entertainment sent over from the WPA Theater Project. There were bands and puppets and jugglers. There was even a Santa Claus.

### Organize Women As Well As Men

What the Auxiliary women believe in is trade unionism, trade union democracy, the organization of women as well as men, civil liberties and the necessity for a solidly organized working class. They are firm in their opposition to any form of discrimination, to vigilantism, to terror, red-baiting and all attacks on workers.

When 20,000 maritime workers marched up Market Street to explain the issues of the lockout to the people of San Francisco, the women marched with the men. They carried banners: "We stand with our men." Even the kids marched, carrying banners, "My Dad and Santa Claus Are Locked Out."

But the women do not face the New Year gloomily. They say they face it with confidence "because the same spirit that won the 1934 strike exists today. We do not have to be prophets to know that the maritime workers will win this strike!"

# BOOKS of the DAY

By EDWIN SEAVER

**JOHN LANGDON-DAVIES**—"Behind the Spanish Barricades" was written in a hurry. To be precise, "It has been written in five weeks in the intervals of addressing meetings from one end of England to the other to collect funds for Spanish medical aid."

This is as it should be. Books on Spain for some time to come are going to run the risk of appearing like dry stuff before the ink is hardly dry in their pages. What counts is the author's approach to his subject. What counts especially is the utility value of the book, its propaganda value in marshalling public opinion on behalf of the Spanish loyalists and against the fascist gangsters and their international accomplices.

From this point of view, "Behind the Spanish Barricades" is a very timely and extremely important book. Its orientation is not, properly speaking, political at all, but human. Its author sees the Civil War in Spain not as a local affair merely, nor merely as the "Spanish tragedy," but as the great "human tragedy" of our times.

**MR. DAVIES WRITES:** "Behind the human scenes and memories out of which I have tried to build a three-dimensional picture, there has always been in my mind the one terrible fact. Month after month in these days we are seeing all over Europe the lights that shine in the faces of free men and women go out one by one. In many places they are not likely to be rekindled in our generation. When we realize that here, too, in England there are those who desire this new Dark Age to come, that not only in Spain, but here also the Spanish tragedy becomes a human tragedy, the battle they are fighting, not theirs alone but ours also. We turn in humility to the humble folk of Spain, republicans, socialists, communists, syndicalists, anarchists who are groping in horror with their bare hands to save the light from flickering out. We turn in anger to those in England who want the light to die, and we cry in words to which Spain has given a new meaning, 'No Pasaran!' They Shall Not Pass This Way."

(BEHIND THE SPANISH BARRICADES. By John Langdon Davies. McBridge: \$2.75.)

## ERIKA MANN



Daughter of the famous novelist, Thomas Mann, opened her "Peppermill" revue here last night in the Chanin Building Auditorium.

## Your Health

—By the Medical Advisory Board—

### Not for Rheumatism Or Anything Else

D. M. TWIN FALLS, Idaho, writes: "Can you tell me if a product called 'Baruvalco' is good for rheumatism. I am suffering a great deal and a neighbor recommends this medicine for relief."

WE HAVE NOT analyzed Baruvalco. The only information we have on hand is the advertising material published by the Atkins Chemical Company, Inc., of New York City, which states that "Baruvalco Tablets contain not only one salicylate . . . each tablet contains four different kinds of salicylates. . . . The Acetophenetidin and Hyocynamus with Caffeine supply additional pain-relieving and symptomatic alleviation with safety. Capsule is added as a stomachic and Podophyllin. . . ."

After reading this, we can only echo the comment of the American Medical Association, who remark: "From this it would appear to be rather a shot-gun cure-all." Baruvalco is chiefly a mixture of many coal-tar products, largely of the aspirin variety. Aspirin and acetophenetidin, like other drugs should not be used except on the advice of a reputable physician. Their continuous use is dangerous to the organs that form the blood.

### Nothing To "Bragg" About

K. M., CINCINNATI, OHIO, writes: "What do you know about Paul C. Bragg who gives health lectures?"

PAUL C. BRAGG has a flair for public speaking, who confers on himself ornate titles and gives "free lectures" which are really come-on advertisements for the books, nostrums and the so-called private courses he has for sale.

Bragg has worked along two lines in particular: Food fads and sex—two subjects which are always popular with the individuals who are impressed by fakers of the Bragg type. After the "free lectures" it is his habit to take up collections, offer his books and "patent medicines" for sale, and to suggest that the audience subscribe for the special classes he offers.

No one will see Bragg in Washington again because a year ago he was found guilty of practicing medicine without a license. He violated the law of the District of Columbia by trying to diagnose disease, by prescribing a "patent medicine" of his own manufacture and by trying to relieve certain diseases. He collected about \$7,000, it has been calculated, for a series of six "classes" which were attended by 350 people.

## VICKIE ON SCREEN

With the lifting of the ban in England on plays dealing with the life of Queen Victoria comes the announcement from London Film that Alexander Korda plans a screen biography of the late Empress, to go into production after the first of the year under the title "Victoria." An English actress will play the title role.

## Hi-Lites on the Air Lanes

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# NEWS OF STAGE AND SCREEN

### OPENING TONIGHT

THE ETHERAL ROAD—the long awaited Maz Reinhardt production which was promised last year, but is finally opening tonight. Sam Jaffe and Rosamund Pinchot play two of the leading roles. The cast is tremendous.

## Opening Night For Classic

### First Commercial Production of Marlowe's "Dr Faustus" Staged by WPA

Its existence already well justified by the new technique introduced by the Living Newspaper and such productions as "Murder in the Cathedral" and "It Can't Happen Here," the WPA Federal Theatre Project again is about to do the unusual by presenting "The Tragical History of Dr. Faustus," tomorrow at Maxine Elliott's Theatre.

Although performed by the drama societies of Yale University and Carnegie Tech, the play has never been produced commercially in this country, despite the fact that the author and his plays have long been an essential part of literature courses in high schools and colleges. Recognized as the forerunner of the Elizabethan drama, the greatness of Marlowe, as compared to Shakespeare, has long been a moot point. Killed in a tavern brawl at the age of 36, this son of a shoemaker had already risen from the ranks of the working class to establish himself as one of the mighty men of literature of his generation.

## Better Than Shakespeare?

When Shakespeare was 30, he had written only "As You Like It" and one or two other plays which would have left him far behind Marlowe if his career had been cut off at that stage. It seems reasonable to suppose that a Marlowe able to control the burst of fury which involved him in incessant brawls might have gone on to establish himself as the greatest of all playwrights. Unfortunately his temper was an integral part of his character and so his chief claim to immortality must rest in "Dr. Faustus," "Tamburlaine," and "Edward the Second."

The legend from which "Dr. Faustus" is taken, that of a man selling his soul to the devil, first appeared in the sixteenth century. It then vanished to appear again in the fifteenth century when stories were told of a Faustus who had the powers of alchemy. Another contemporary period boasted that if the works of Plato and Aristotle were to be restored, he could revive them by memory.

The first play on the Faustus theme appeared in Germany early in the 16th Century. Soon after, Marlowe's version appeared and was received with tumultuous applause. To quote one contemporary critic: "Of all that Marlowe hath written to the stage, his Dr. Faustus hath made the greatest noise, with its devils and such like tragical sport."

The WPA Federal Theatre version will have numerous technical innovations, including ultra-modern lighting, puppets, and apron extending out into the audience and a stage devoid of all scenery. Orson Welles is directing and playing the title role, with Jack Carter, the Macbeth of the WPA Negro Theatre's production, doing Mephistopheles.

## CAST FOR "TIDE"

Tamara, last seen on Broadway in "Roberta," Peggy O'Donnell, Oliver Barbour and Frank MacCormack have been engaged for prominent roles in "Tide Rising," the George Brewer, Jr. play which Richard Aldrich and Richardson Myers will present. Grant Mitchell has the leading role and Arthur Sircorn is directing.

## Gendarme to Actor



Palo Bielik, hero of the film "Janosik," the story of the Slovak Robin Hood, rose from the ranks of the police force of Czechoslovakia to a leading position on the screen by his performance in the picture.

## Erika Mann Meets Broadway And Suffers a Sad Defeat

### "The Peppermill" Fights Fascism With Satire and Music, But New York's Critics Give It the Razzberry

By Charles E. Dexter

On New Year's Eve in 1933, Erika Mann, daughter of Thomas Mann, gave the first performance of the intimate cabaret-type revue, "The Peppermill," at the Bonbonniere, in Munich. On Tuesday evening of this week, Miss Mann gave much the same revue its first performance in New York, at the tiny theatre on the 47th floor of the Chanin Building in New York.

Miss Mann and her company of six left Munich "rather hurriedly" two months after the opening performance there. The revue continued peripatetically in Switzerland, Czechoslovakia, Belgium and Austria. It became increasingly anti-Fascist in content, until, at the present moment it is a brave gesture of defiance on the part of exiled Germans toward the tyrant Hitler and his gang.

It was this revue which was the scene of a shocking exhibition of bad taste and ignorance on the part of New York's dramatic critics on Tuesday evening. These august personages, who earlier this season proved how deep is the blackness in the well of their indifference when they tumbled Leslie Howard's "Hamlet" into the abyss without a second thought, walked out on Miss Mann in a body.

It made no difference to them that Miss Mann was appearing not as a competitor to the lavish "The Show is On" nor even as a rival for the business of the "Casino de Paris Folies." Nor did they realize that they were snubbing a proud and defiant world figure, the great Thomas Mann, who leads the fight for German cultural freedom. Nor that they were aiding by indifference, the war on free criticism within the borders of Germany.

They were bored. Some of the numbers were "political." Two were in German. Several were just bad. The critics saw no beautiful costumes. No gorgeous girls. No acrobats. No smutty jokes. No double entendres.

## Exit The Mighty

And so the diffident Brooks Atkinson, the bloated Robert Coleman, the Burns Mantle who should have known better, the Dick Waits who usually does know better, the Gilbert Gabriel who smiled like a cat which has eaten the canary, the John Anderson who lost his virgin purity of thought to Hearst long since, even the Bide Dudley who booms misleading reports into the radio each premiere midnight—these and their satellites, walked out on Miss Mann.

They were walking out on themselves, for—perish the thought—some day they may need Miss Mann and her comrades in the fight against Fascism, if they are to keep their jobs for the critics. The little show was not that bad. According to Broadway standards it limped here and there and was paced too slowly. And Miss Mann did make the mistake of placing her poorest numbers in the first half, a dangerous habit if you know your Broadway audiences, which, obviously Miss Mann did not.

But many were the bright moments, many stirring, Wallace Rooney was fine in "The Demagogue" written by Ernst Toller and W. H. Auden. Another number by two of luminaries of the anti-Fascist fight, "Spies," was likewise stirring. Therese Gliesse was superb in the thunderous climax to "Doctor's Orders." And she epitomized all the foul stupidity of Nazi-ism in "Stupidity Talks." Lotte Goslar did three dances, one of which, "The Virgin," brought down the house.

And Miss Mann, . . . charm, almost a fabled figure. A sweetly winning smile. A talent for impersonation. A profound sincerity. And a fine mind. You will become her friend from the moment you see her before the curtain. And in the last number of the evening, "Cold," when she calls for your support in the struggle for freedom, you will rally to her challenge. You will certainly not remain cold.

## Daily Worker Readers Disagree with Film Critics

### Present Count Indicates That "Mr. Deeds Goes to Town" Will Not Win Award In Daily Worker Moving Picture Contest

By Dorothy Gates

Notes on the Daily Worker Film Award of 1936 are still being counted but early returns indicate that our readers will not choose the same films that were chosen by the New York Movie Critics Circle.

It is difficult to say just which film will be given the award but two pictures are running neck and neck and two others are coming up fast. Judging from the votes counted, however, it is quite safe to say that "Mr. Deeds Goes to Town," which won the yearly award from the New York critics will be among the first five pictures of the year, although it will probably not be first choice.

In choosing "Mr. Deeds Goes to Town" as the best film of the year the motion picture critics have indicated that they have their feet on the ground. Insofar as "Mr. Deeds" depicts the woes of the farmer, his hardships and the difficulties he faces in making ends meet, the picture was interesting. What was unfortunate about the film, and what is also unfortunate about the choice of the critics, is that the solution the movie proposed was purely individualistic as well as Utopian.

## WPA Theatre On New Basis

### 23 Plays Have Been Placed In Rehearsal by the Federal Theatre

With the reorganization plan of the WPA Federal Theatre Project, combining the acting and technical resources of more than a half dozen individual units, now in effect, Philip W. Barber, New York City Director, announced today that 23 plays are now in rehearsal by the new General Production Project.

According to the new plan the Popular Price, Living Newspaper, Experimental, Manhattan - Bronx, Classical, Suitcase and Brooklyn-Queens units function as the General Production Project. Included among the plays now in rehearsal are Virgil Geddes' eight-act trilogy, "Native Ground," "Dr. Faustus," "The Sun and I," "Professional," "No More Frontier," "Power" and "Sun Up."

The General Production Project, it is hoped, will result in more and better plays and more constant employment in actual productions for actors and allied theatrical workers. The acting and technical facilities of the seven individual units will be combined in the production of all future plays.

The reorganization plan also provides for a play policy board which will select the plays for Federal Theatre production. The board, composed of directors of the combined units, includes Edward Goodman, Virgil Geddes, John Houseman, Morris Watson, Alfred Kreymborg and Ronald Hammond.

Seven other units of the WPA Federal Theatre Project retain their individual identities. They are: the Negro Theatre, Children's Theatre, Variety Theatre, Marionette Theatre, Dance Theatre, Jewish Theatre and Community Drama.

## SOKOLOW TOURS FOR DANCE LEAGUE

The New Dance League is sending Anna Sokolow, Sophie Maslow, Jane Dudley and Bill Matons on tour. They make their first appearance in Chicago on Saturday night, Jan. 9, and their second in Detroit the following night, Sunday, Jan. 10, at the Detroit Art Institute.

The four artists will be seen in both solo and group dances and the New Dance League groups in the above cities report an unusual interest in being shown in the recitals.

In the early Spring Miss Sokolow, Maslow and Miss Dudley, and Mr. Matons augmented by other soloists and New Dance League groups will go on tour covering several of the eastern cities.

They will also, of course, be presented in recital in New York by the New Dance League, the present plan calling for a series of four recitals here starting the middle of February. Complete announcements will be made in the very near future.

## "REVOLUTIONISTS" HELD AT CAMEO

"Revolutionists" is being held over for a third week at the Cameo. Inspired by actual documents of Lenin and Stalin, the film presents an historical account of the rise of the revolutionary movement in Russia. Produced under the direction of Vera Stroyeva, it is the first important Soviet film to have been directed by a woman.

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## "BIBOBIAN" PROMISE

AMKINO presents "BIBOBIAN" A GREATER PROMISE Also—"Thanks a Million" With Dick Powell

## The Ruling Clawss

By Sori



"He says they are playing Beethoven's ninth symphony. Too bad we have missed the other eight."

MOTION PICTURES

AMKINO presents **REVOLUTIONISTS** MOSCOW ART THEATRE CAST best thing that's come from the Soviet Union. "The League superb." —PLATT, Daily Worker. Cameo 42nd St. E. of W 45way 25c to 1p. n. w. k days

TODAY & TOMORROW—2 DAYS ONLY "The Peasants" is a figure of charm, almost a fabled figure. A sweetly winning smile. A talent for impersonation. A profound sincerity. And a fine mind. You will become her friend from the moment you see her before the curtain. And in the last number of the evening, "Cold," when she calls for your support in the struggle for freedom, you will rally to her challenge. You will certainly not remain cold.

That is, if you are not a New York dramatic critic, shut up in your own special type of ivory tower, isolated from the world of today.

VIDOR DIRECTS King Vidor, who directed "Street Scene" for Samuel Goldwyn, has been signed again by that producer to direct the widely-discussed Goldwyn revival of "Stella Dallas," sensational hit of the silent screen.

AMKINO presents **"BIBOBIAN"** A GREATER PROMISE Also—"Thanks a Million" With Dick Powell

Follow the Daily Worker Amusement Section for up to the minute news of the stage and screen.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

WPA Federal Theatre Project limited engagement Sinclair Lewis' **It Can't Happen Here** Popular Prices: 42c - 80c - \$2.10

**LOCUST ST. PHILA. PA.** Pennypacker 7450-51



# PRETTIER NAGS FOR OUR MONEY, PLEASE

By Henry McLemore  
DAYTONA BEACH, Fla., Jan. 6 (UP).—It is a mystery to me why the American thoroughbred racehorse isn't taller than a giraffe, longer than a cross-country bus, hasn't got a coat more luxurious than a shampooed ermine, and can't outrun a fire chief's car.

I became mystified along this line today when I read that in the state of Florida alone last season an uneven \$23,543,884 was spent on the improvement of the breed of American racehorses.

That amount was the sum shoved in the Pari-Mutuel windows at Hialeah and Tropical Parks. Some city cynics say this money constituted bets, but the cynics are wrong, for in this country, where the horse outranks both the dog and the mountain cougar as man's best friend, bets are not bets. It is clearly stated in the charters, or whatever race tracks have, that the sport is conducted solely for the improvement of the breed.

Now if nearly \$4,000,000 was spent here in Florida, you can imagine the terrific sum that was spent all over the country in trying to make the thoroughbred stronger, healthier, and happier. I must approach an out and out billion dollars.

NEIGH, NEIGH  
Now it seems to me that for a billion dollars America should have prettier horses, and more of them, than it has at the present time. This seems doubly true when you remember that millions have been spent on the horse each year for nearly a century.

In my lifetime hundreds of millions have been spent yet for the life of me I can't see much change in the appearance of the horse. The first horse I ever saw (a bay five-year-old named Ben, belonging to my uncle Cyril) had buck teeth, burlesque-girl knees, bloodshot eyes, and a banker's stomach—and so did the last one. The millions haven't helped at all.

And the horse still is fragile as ever. You read every day of some racehorse being unable to go to the post because he ate something that upset his stomach, or sprained a forelock (a forelock corresponds to the collar bone of the human, I believe).

## WHAT'S ON

**Tonight**  
LECTURE by John Franklin on "Program Against War and Fascism." Dancing and refreshments. Adm. 25c. A.W.F. Madison Square Branch, 4 W. 14th St., 8 P.M.

"WORLD POLITICS" open discussion—social hour—dancing, chess, and refreshments. Contribution 10c. Proceeds to DAILY WORKER. A.W.F. Downtown Peoples Center, 116 University Place, cor. 12th St., 8:45 P.M.

"AMERICAN Revolutionary Literature," lecture by Joseph Freeman, editor New Masses, author of "An American Revolution." Mid-Town Music Hall, 159 W. 49th St., 8:30 P.M.

VOLUNTEERS report for Lenin Memorial Pageant rehearsal. Experience not necessary. A.W.F. New York, Palm Garden, 42 E. 4th St.

TOM MOONEY Branch I.L.D. membership meeting. 11 W. 14th St., 8 P.M. Every Friday Night world news analyzed by Samuel Seidman. Admission free.

SUSAN WOODHUFF shows her Soviet Slide at Labor Temple, 14th St. and Second Ave., 8:30 P.M.

**Tomorrow**  
WHAT is Happening in China, a symposium by Harry Gannes, Dr. J. H. Lin and R. A. Howell of "China Today." Friday, Jan. 8th, 8 P.M., Irving Plaza Hall, Irving Pl. and 14th St. Tickets 25c at all Workers Book Shops. 35c at door. A.W.F. Peoples Forum.

"TWENTY and More Years of Writers in China," by Elsie Vell, Associate Editor of "Asca." A.W.F. China Today, 168 W. 22nd St., 8:30 P.M.

L. BUDENZ, Daily Worker Correspondent at recent Tampa Convention of the A.L.C. will report and analyze the convention. I.L.O., etc. Elmsire Hall, 284 E. 17th St., east of Concourse. Small admission charge for benefit of "With the U.S.A." column in Daily Worker. 8:30 P.M.

LECTURE, "The Social Interpretations of Sexual Questions," by Dr. Harry Beller, 1071 Bergen St., Brooklyn. A.W.F. C. H. Association of Hospital and Medical Professionals, Sub 2, 8:30 P.M.

EVENING of Chamber Music by New Art Quartet, with talk on Daily Worker by Del. 46 Bank St., Manhattan. Adm. 40c. Benefit Daily Worker. 8:30 P.M.

STRACHEY'S "Theory and Practice of Socialism" reviewed by M. Tzipar. Charming atmosphere, matches, music, free refreshments, dancing. A.W.F. Book Review Club, 115 W. 65th St., 8:30 P.M.

**Coming**  
VARIETY Concert and Entertainment, Steinway Studios, 113 W. 87th St., Studio No. 502, Saturday night, Jan. 9, 1937, 8:15 P.M. Chamber Music, Haydn, Bach, Vocal Operatic gems; Satirical Drama. Dance interpretations; Piano Duo. Proceeds to National Youth Movement. Refreshments. Sub. 50c.

REGULAR 25c Saturday Dance Socials. Fun, Contradance, good orchestra. Games, 229 W. 48th St., A.W.F. All-Wellcome Club, Free dancing lessons. Saturday, Jan. 8, 8 P.M.

"MAEDCHEN in Uniform." Two showings, 7 P.M., 9 P.M. Dancing in ballroom. Adm. 25c. Sub 2, American Peoples Center, 308 W. 59th St., cor. Broadway, Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 9 and 10.

35 CENTS Saturday Evening Dance Socials. Fun, Frolics, Games, Peppy Orchestra, Steinway Hall, 113 W. 87th St., Studio 604. A.W.F. "The Acquainted Club." Sub. 20c. 8 P.M. Saturday, Jan. 9.

"LIVE and LAUGH" (Gelsht and Gelsht). Popular demand forces return engagement. Dancing. Sub. 25c. A.W.F.

**Celebrate 13th Anniversary of the DAILY WORKER**

With **TIM BUCK** General Secretary Communist Party of Canada (First Public Appearance in New York)

**SERGEI and MARIE BABALASKY** in a program of Soviet Songs

**THE NEW NEGRO SINGERS** in "Songs of Protest" **SUNDAY, JAN. 10, 1937 8:00 P.M.** St. Nicholas Palace, 69 W. 66th St. Admission 25c, 50c, 75c (reserved sections). Tickets at all Workers Bookshops

# SPORTS

NEW YORK, THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 1937

## Just an All Around Wonder

**GLENN MORRIS**  
OLYMPIC DECATHLON  
CHAMPION AND  
WINNER OF THE  
SULLIVAN AWARD  
FOR BEING THE OUT-  
STANDING AMATEUR  
ATHLETE OF  
1936.



GLENN WILL CONCENTRATE ON THE HURDLES IN THE BIG INDOOR MEETS THIS WINTER.



MORRIS HAD NEVER COMPETED IN A DECATHLON TILL LAST APRIL, BUT HE SET A NEW WORLD RECORD OF 7,900 POINTS IN THE OLYMPICS.

## Hipp to Run Eliminations

Insofar as boxing is concerned there will be no show in the New York Hippodrome today, due in the most part to the prevalence of the flu and in other instances to brittle hands of other fighters who were approached for their appearance.

But, the following Wednesday, Jan. 13, Matchmaker Tom McArdle has put together an excellent set of bouts, the main event of which will be a contest between Solly Krieger, New York's own claimant for the middleweight title and Teddy Yarosz, erstwhile middleweight champion, who is also trying to get to the place where he can challenge Freddie Steele for the bout.

There is no more interesting class in boxing now than the 160-pounders and it is the purpose of Promoter Mike Jacobs to run eliminations during the winter months to have a suitable opponent for Steele when the warmer winds of Spring set in.

The Krieger and Yarosz fight is one in that direction and it is likely that the winner will be matched with Fred Apostol, the Coast sensation, who is now in our midst, for a bout probably on Jan. 27.

## Hockey Standings

NATIONAL LEAGUE				
American Division				
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N. Y. Rangers	11	6	4	58 28 26
Detroit	11	6	4	52 48 23
Toronto	10	7	3	52 48 23
Chicago	4	10	6	26 36 14

International Division				
	W.	L.	T.	For Agt. Pts.
Canadians	12	3	2	69 54 26
Maroons	8	6	4	46 22
Toronto	7	10	2	46 16
N. Y. Americans	6	14	3	46 69 15

**Tonight's Games**  
Detroit vs. Americans, at Garden.  
Boston vs. Chicago  
Toronto vs. Canadians.

## Sizing Up the Courtsters

## City Race in Tangle

By Lester Rodney

What's the outstanding college basketball team in New York City?

Maybe you can tell me. At this stage of the season it's just about impossible to rate the city's "Big Six" in any order that stands muster. Four of them have lost one game apiece. The high voltage Blakbirds of L. I. U., the C. C. N. Y. smoothies and Manhattan's green clad powerhouse have all felt the sting of a clean cut defeat by out-of-town teams—

which theoretically don't stand the same high grade of ball Gotham's quints do. St. Johns and Columbia have only lost one apiece, but in each case it was to the first real opponents they met. They don't seem to rate with the three mentioned above, and probably couldn't keep pace with N. Y. U.

**WATCH N.Y.U., PLEASE**  
The Violet, with some good material, has lost close games to Georgetown and Manhattan, and in each instance gave the distinct impression that they were going to be a better ball club later in the season. As Boardman, Carnevale and Tarlow work their particular talents into a smooth pattern of play with Milly Schulman and Irv Terjeson, class veterans, N. Y. U. will improve apace. And the imminent return of the ineligible Irwin Witty, who sparkled as a soph regular last season, may rocket them right back into the top bracket. Look out, C. C. N. Y.

But this court jumble started by posing a question. Not that it matters, but my guess is that Messrs. Kramer, Bender, Merson, Hillhouse, Torgoff and Norton, of L.L.U. fame, all in good health, can beat any team in New York by five points. That Stanford thing won't happen again this year. Those boys are too smart in all round court tactics to let it happen again.

There may be some discordant

## Two Cubans Face Test in Harlem Tonight

## Chocolate Continues Comeback as Protege Rises

By Joseph Smith

Kid Chocolate with two victories and one defeat on his score card in his comeback trail to fistic glory will take on his fourth opponent within four weeks at the Star Casino, tonight, when he meets Joey La Fautia in the main bout of the opening program. This marks the return of the Harlem arena to the local leather pushing industry.

## IN COMEBACK

Undaunted by his defeat at the hands of rugged Phil Baker in his first fight, the Kid continued courageously, outpointing his next two opponents with ease. In accomplishing these feats, Chocolate has shown marked improvement in every successive bout and thrilled the customers with some of his old time nimble footwork and two fisted attack. In La Fautia the Havana flash will face his toughest opponent to date, and the Kid realizing he must hurdle the La Fautia obstacle if he is to reach greater heights, has gone through some hard training for this encounter.

Rivalling the main event in interest will be the semi-final, which brings the Havana Kid in action against Marty Marsella. The Havana Kid, a protege of Chocolate, has shown tremendous possibilities in his three American fights, winning two by KO's and the other by decision. The two Kids work out together and the Havana youngster is showing the results of this advantage with his great ring finesse which resembles Chocolate's style to an amazing degree.

Before long, the Kid should be up among the top notchers. He has boxing ability, carries dynamite in both fists and most important of all he is young.

The Kid bears watching.

## Champ Yanks Will Cash in on Rep

The world champion New York Yankees will begin a 33-game exhibition schedule less than two weeks after going into spring training at St. Petersburg, Fla., it was announced today.

The first squad of Yanks is scheduled to report to camp March 1 with the second group joining them a week later. They play the Boston Bees a pair of games on the 13th and 14th then move to Daytona for a tilt with the St. Louis Cards on the 16th.

Before breaking camp April 1, the champions have scheduled 13 more games. Capitalizing on the Yankees murderers' row and the prowess of young Joe DiMaggio, the schedule then calls for games at Tallahassee, Mobile, Houston, Galveston, Dallas, Ft. Worth, Oklahoma City, Tulsa, Little Rock, Memphis, Chattanooga, Knoxville, Spartanburg and Norfolk. The exhibition schedule will be concluded with a three-tilt against the Dodgers at Brooklyn.

**Fine Halted in Chess**  
It took a former world's champion and one of the outstanding chess masters of the world, Alexander Alechine, to stop the sensational New York youngster, Reuben Fine, after the American had scored seven successive victories in the tournament at Hastings, England. Fine now trails on second place by one-half point behind his noted conqueror, with the rest of the contestants far behind. The brilliant showing of the New Yorker in the present tournament adds fittingly to his sensational playing at London, when he finished in a triple tie on second place with Euwe, the world's champion, and Reszewsky, United States champion, behind the Soviet master, Mikhail Botvinnik.

## Says Doc: Predicting a Record Flock of Baseball Holdouts to Enliven The Off-Season

## Invite Mahoney To Conference

## More Unions Arranging Athletic Programs—Conference Hopes to Help Labor Join A.A.U.—All Precedent Broken by Mass Support

By Mike Kantor

Judge Jeremiah T. Mahoney, president of the Amateur Athletic Union, has been invited to attend the city-wide trade union sport conference to be held Jan. 31.

The A.A.U. president's recent invitation to labor for affiliation into the A.A.U. and his support in labor's campaign for a large sports movement, was one of the outstanding features of the campaign. It helped to a large extent in bringing this conference about.

## Minor Clubs Back to Wall

The minor league baseball situation became a bit more muddled yesterday. The appointment of Travis Jackson, veteran infielder, to manage the new team of baby Giants in Jersey City sealed that end of the affair, and left Albany without a ball club or franchise. The Capitol city entry in the International League had been one of the few teams not backed by a big league club, and couldn't make the grade with its limited resources.

Throwing up the sponge in the face of the competition with the clubs sponsored by big league interests, the Senators sold out to Stoneham for a tidy sum. The Giants' president immediately transferred the whole shooting match over to Jersey City, where they will operate the club next season.

An anguished howl from Albany fans sent the upstate magnates scurrying around for another franchise. They lit on the struggling Toronto club. The Canadian outfit, also sans big money backing, is being seduced by offers of real dough for their franchise. The only thing that is keeping them from selling is pressure from the Canadian fans who like the game.

**BIG YEAR AHEAD**  
The list includes the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America; the Furriers Joint Council; the Printers Union; the Painters Union, and many others.

The announcement of the conference has already aroused tremendous interest among workers in the city. Many unions which have not received invitations have made requests and will participate in the discussions. Unions which up to now have neglected the important task of sport activity among their members are busy preparing athletic committees and arranging recreational programs.

The conference will be held on Jan. 31 at the I.L.G.W.U. Stage Studios, 106 W. 39th Street. The date would be the 30th by every supporter of labor sports for it marks an era of major significance in the sport life of the American worker.

**School Sports Slashed**  
Students of Textile High School in Manhattan are faced with a large scale curtailment of their athletic program for the coming season. Baseball, football and handball have already been dumped and fencing and boxing are slated to follow.

The student body has not been informed of the move but it is certain that the athletic program will gradually be scrapped. Only a concerted movement on the part of the students can save their school's sport life. Such a campaign is already being planned, it was learned today by a Daily Worker reporter.

The policy of the administration seems to be to wipe out the entire inter-scholastic athletic program, and, as a sop to the students, leave only what little, inexpensive intramural sports exist. The excuse being offered for the retrenchment is that there are no funds available. Up to now the money for an athletic program has come from the lunchroom profits. The school administration now claims that the

## Maxie Want Joe Louis

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 6 (UP).—Maxie Rosenbloom, former light heavyweight champion, today looked 'to a promised match here in the Spring against Joe Louis after a decision over King Levin'sky, Chicago's lumbering fish peddler.

Levin'sky went down for the count of eight in the fourth round. He tried a comeback in the last round in a surprise burst of energy that left Rosenbloom bleeding and waiting for the bell.

## Today's Events

**BOXING**  
Star Casino—Kid Chocolate vs. Joey La Fautia, eight rounds; Felix Garcia vs. Patsy LaRocca, Havana Kid vs. Marty Marsella, 6 rounds; Charlie Marto vs. Johnny Grant, Solly Pace vs. Dan Monroe, Frankie Hayes vs. Harold Wiggin, Mario Santana vs. Jackie White, 4 rounds all.

**HOCKEY**  
Garden-Americans vs. Detroit.

## LITTLE LEFTY



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