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SITDOWNERS AT DOUGLAS PLANT GET UNION POLL

500 Toledo Textile Workers Begin Sit-Down—Several New England Shoe Firms Settle—Groton Police Brutality Protested

SANTA MONICA, Cal., Feb. 25.—After hearing an appeal of representatives of the regional Labor Board to vacate the plant and a promise that an election to determine union representation would be held not later than March 5, strikers of the Douglas Aircraft Corporation vacated the plant today and submitted to arrest.

Four hundred of more than 600 who occupied the plant were arrested on "John Doe" warrants.

The workers who prepared to resist a siege of an army of more than 200 deputies and local police were told by Dr. Nylander of the Regional Board that if they did not vacate the plant they would be violating the Wagner Labor Relations Act.

Warrants against the sit-down strikers were voted earlier today by the Los Angeles County grand jury and bail of \$1,000 was fixed for each. The strikers offered to vacate the plant earlier if assured that they would be released without bail. This was flatly refused by District Attorney Byron Pitts.

The deputies were armed with rubber hose "saps," sidearms, and tear gas guns. In appealing to them to vacate Police Chief Charles Dice disclosed that there are "enough explosives in there to blow the plant all to hell" if tear gas is thrown into the factory.

Meanwhile District Attorney Pitts announced that he would take similar action in the new sit-down that developed today at the Northrop Corporation, a Douglas Corporation subsidiary at Inglewood. Government plans are being manufactured there also.

James Carter, attorney for the C.I.O., issued a prepared statement following the eviction, in which he stated:

"The sit-down strikers in the Douglas plant were ready to defend the plant at all costs, and agreed to admit the sheriff's army to peacefully enter the plant only when Dr. Nylander, representing the government's Regional Labor Board, informed us that the cases against the Douglas officials for violating the Wagner Labor Law in discharging union men and refusing to recognize the union, or conduct an election under the auspices of the government, would be held immediately, not later than March 5.

"The sit-downers in the shop voted unanimously and enthusiastically to continue to strike, and we know that we will have the whole-hearted support of all the union workers of the Douglas, who are here outside and supported us."

500 TOLEDO TEXTILE WORKERS SET DOWN

TOLEDO, Feb. 25.—Five hundred workers in the Textile Leather Corporation began a sit-down strike for higher wages today following refusal of the company to grant demands of the workers for increases.

The strikers staying in the plant are organized in the United Textile Workers Union.

GROTON WORKERS PROTEST TO GOVERNOR

HARTFORD, Conn., Feb. 25 (UP).—A strike committee, led by C.I.O. Organizer Francis X. McCann, called on Gov. Cross today and protested "the tactics of state police in stopping the picket lines" at the Electric Boat Co. plant at Groton.

McCann demanded that the governor investigate the ejection of 108 "sit-down" strikers from the plant and their arrest on trespassing charges early Wednesday.

Assured of support from national and sectional C.I.O. leaders, strikers at the electric boat company were confident of victory today as only 400 of the more than 1,000 workers had returned to work on the day shift.

Double picket lines were established and Harry Bowman, president of the union local, announced that "by actual count" only 400 had been admitted to the yards. The strike also had cut deeply into the night shift which resumed work last night.

Approximately 250 pickets were outside the yard fence today. Wives of the strikers joined their husbands and set up a "soup kitchen" in the

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Kansas Is 28th State To Ratify Amendment On Child Labor Law

TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 25 (UP).—Kansas today became the 28th state to ratify the child labor amendment to the federal constitution.

Legislative action on the resolution was completed when the house formally voted 64 to 52 to ratify the amendment. The resolution received one more vote than the required constitutional majority of all the members of the House.

14 Sitdowns Are Begun In Detroit

Agreements Reached on Some Points in G.M. Parley

SETTLEMENTS WON

Truck Drivers, Laundry and Cigar Workers Strike Plants

By Laurence Emery (Daily Worker Michigan Bureau)

DETROIT, Mich., Feb. 25.—Fourteen new sit-down strikes occurred late last night and today, bringing the total of struck plants in Detroit to 28, with an estimated 6,000 workers involved. Rumbblings from Murray Body Corporation and several large auto parts plants indicate that the wave of sit-down strikes is just beginning.

Both sides in the G. M.-A.A.W. conference report progress. Tentative agreements have been reached on the following points: Abolition of piece work; seniority rights; establishment of machinery for the settlement of grievances and cases of discrimination; speed-up. No details are announced.

Three strikes were settled today, including one at the Perry-Morse Seed Co., employing 900 workers, mostly women. Six hundred sat down last yesterday, but are returning to work today with all demands won, including a 25 cent an hour increase for men, and a wage increase for women ranging from 10 to 15 cents per hour; an eight-hour day, 40-hour week, with time and a half for overtime and double time on Sundays and holidays; and recognition of the union. Two laundries granted substantial wage increases to striking employees.

Striking truck drivers tied up the large West Side Warehouse of Swift & Co., by locking their trucks and barring all entrances. They demand \$35 per week. Present wages range from \$22.50 to \$27 per week.

Two laundries, one golf ball plant, three small auto parts plants, a fur shop, the Kruger Grocery Co., and the Detroit Harbor Terminal are among the places closed by strikes today.

MURRAY SHOW-DOWN DUE Twelve thousand workers of the Murray Body Corporation are preparing for a show-down with the management early next week on charges of discrimination against union men. The company has pledged not to interfere with work-

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Republican Senators Block N.J. Relief Bill While Jobless Picket

TRENTON, Feb. 25.—Republican senators today continued blocking passage of an appropriation for unemployment relief while pickets from unemployed organizations marched up and down in front of the State capitol in protest.

A bill to divert about \$8,000,000 in highway funds to relief was sidetracked in a Senate committee by Republicans insistent on the Old Guard relief scheme of "pay-as-you-go."

The Democratic Assembly had already passed the bill and supporters of the measure insisted that the bill would pass in the Senate if Republicans allowed it to come out of committee for a vote.

Among those who announced their intention of opposing the contributions clause when the bill comes to the floor next week, were John J. Cavanaugh, Farmer-Labor, Minn.; George J. Schneider and Bernard J. Cehrmann, Progressives of Wisconsin, and Knute Hill, Commonwealth Federation Democrat of Washington.

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Bring in those \$5 bills now.

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Shot by Fascists



GIBRALTAR, Feb. 25 (UP).—The Spanish film star, Rosita Diaz, above, has been executed as a spy by Fascist troops, reports said today.

FASCISTS SEIZE AND MURDER DESTA DEMTU

Heroic Ethiopian Chief Led Resistance to Italian Invaders

ROME, Feb. 25.—Ras Desta Demtu, heroic Ethiopian chieftain who only last Friday led a force of 3,000 native warriors against four fascist columns 70 miles south of Addis Ababa, was captured and executed yesterday by a fascist expedition, reports from Addis Ababa declared today.

Two other Ethiopian leaders, the Dejjacs Gabre Mariam and Bienna Merim, with a group of subordinates, were similarly slaughtered immediately after their capture last Saturday south of Addis Ababa.

Ras Desta was the son-in-law of Emperor Haile Selassie, and remained behind after the head of the nation was gassed and forced to flee.

It is reliably reported here that the death of Ras Desta will be a signal for the redoubling of terror against the native population of Ethiopia. Fascist officials claimed that Ras Desta was behind the bombing of an official Italian party in Addis Ababa last Friday, during which Marshal Rodolfo Graziani was slightly wounded.

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Congress Progressives Fight Bill to Ban Funds To Democratic Spain

Progressives Gird to Oppose Section of 'Neutrality Bill'—Call It Direct Aid to Fascist Enemies of Spain

By Alan Max

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 25.—While the McReynolds "neutrality" bill was formally approved in committee today, several more progressive Congressmen lined up for the fight against that provision of the measure which would ban the "collection of contributions" for the Spanish government.

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Oviedo Is Circled by Loyalists

Basques Storm Fascist Nest at City's Edge as Miners Push in

MADRID LINES HOLD

Fascists Concentrate for Biggest Push Yet Against Madrid

BILBAO, Spain, Feb. 25.—Oviedo is completely surrounded by Government forces.

All immediate routes for the besieged fascists have been cut. Basque militiamen today stormed Mount Naranco, last rebel redoubt on the edge of the Asturian city.

The corridor between Grado, 14 miles northwest, and Oviedo, on which the rebels depended for food and munitions, is wholly in the hands of government forces.

Militiamen turned back a strong force of fascists on their way from Leon to reinforce the besieged rebels. They were routed at Pola de Gordon, 35 miles to the Southwest.

The only other route left open for relief is by sea to Luarca, on the Biscay coast, and thence overland to Oviedo.

Meanwhile, the Loyalists penetrated deeper into the city in bloody house-to-house and street-by-street fighting.

The circle around the fascist garrison was closed during a night of bitter fighting, while within the city miners pushed steadily through the San Claudio quarter to a position overlooking fascist fortifications.

TAKE TENDERINA SECTION

Using axes and hand grenades on fascist machine-gun nests, Loyalist miners and militiamen captured the city's heavily-fortified bull ring today.

Casualties on both sides were described as "fantastic."

The Loyalist attacks were launched today from strongly entrenched positions in the San Lazaro and Tenderina sections. Tenderina is the working class section in the northeastern part of the city. Its occupation gave the Loyalists continuous communication with their contingents at Lugones and Colloido, suburbs.

While one column was taking the

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LEWIS, BENSON TO TALK AT NORRIS CONFERENCE ON CURBING HIGH COURT

Don't Let Defeated Tories STEAL THE ELECTION!

Demand of Your Congressman That He Support Roosevelt's Supreme Court Reform

AN EDITORIAL

When the men who would like to Hitlerize America shout against the "menace of dictatorship", it is time for all progressive Americans to sit up and take notice.

Yet this is what is happening on the Supreme Court issue, on Roosevelt's proposal to unpack the Court.

We are witnessing the ludicrous spectacle of the country's worst reactionaries, the men who in actuality would like to set up a fascist dictatorship in America, fighting tooth and nail against the slightest attempt to lessen the dictatorial powers of the Supreme Court, all in the name of "fighting dictatorship."

We see Hearst, who admires Hitler and Mussolini, fighting the proposed Court changes as meaning "dictatorship."

We see the crafty Father Coughlin, who publicly declared before November, "I choose fascism," fighting in defense of the judicial oligarchy in the name of "fighting dictatorship."

In short, the most brutal open-shoppers of the country, like the Steel Trust and the duPonts, are all united against Roosevelt's pro-

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How Long Will Green Shield Aids' Corruption?

A.F.L. Chief Ignores Convention Instruction to End Gangsterism, and Appeal of Members of Fay's Union for Action

By John Meldon

How long is William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, going to countenance and protect the scum who have crept into the labor movement and are covering it with a mantle of disgrace?

Green's answer to a plea to investigate the racketeering activities of Joseph S. Fay, head of the Operating Engineers, in New York, and the murder of R. Nor-

COPS QUESTION 3 FOES OF DEAD UNION LEADER

Fay Henchmen Sought to Break Strike on Rosoff Job

By Harry Raymond

Three avowed foes of R. Norman Redwood, murdered "sandhog" union leader, were questioned all day yesterday in the Wadsworth Ave. police station, Manhattan, concerning their knowledge of the crime.

They were Joseph Moreschi, president, and James Bove, business agent of the International Hod Carriers and Building Workers Union, and Charles Johnson, head of the Dock Builders Union.

These men, supporters of William Green's was against the Committee for Industrial Organization, had united with Joseph S. Fay, contractor and open shop business agent of the Hoisting Engineers Union, in a bitter fight to break a strike led by Redwood against a Samuel R. Rosoff tunnel job.

FAY NOT QUESTIONED Fay, whom Victoria Redwood, wife of the dead man, charged with heading a gangster conspiracy against her husband, was in New Jersey yesterday and was not questioned.

Moreschi, Bove and Johnson were

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Pecs Miners Hold Pit Determined to Win

FUENFKIRCHEN, Hungary, Feb. 25.—The management of the Thomen mine here where 252 sit-down miners are camped underground resolved to die rather than surrender, today refused to permit a Socialist deputation to visit the strikers in an effort to make them come out. Twenty-one left the mine today.

The 252 men still entombed have no food, no fresh water and the air is becoming foul.

Two other miners escaped earlier, slipping past sleeping guards, after their leaders refused to allow them to leave.

When the strikers found that their employers were not ready unconditionally to grant all they demanded, they said:

One Session to Discuss Roosevelt Proposals on Court Reform

PROBE 'LETTERS' Against Propaganda Is Sought

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 25.—John L. Lewis, Farmer-Labor Governor Elmer Benson of Minnesota, and Mayor F. H. LaGuardia will be among the main speakers at the National Conference on Constitutional Amendment here on March 18-20, it was announced today.

The conference is being sponsored by Senator George W. Norris and 91 other labor, farm and liberal leaders.

One session will be set aside, it was announced, for a discussion by the delegates on judicial change by means other than Constitutional amendment—such as President Roosevelt has proposed. Lewis has already indicated that he considers the President's proposal as an immediate objective to be won while the amendment process goes on.

On the program for the opening session, Thursday night, March 18, at the Masonic Temple, are Mayor LaGuardia of New York and Senator Norris, chairman of the conference. Mayor LaGuardia will be temporary chairman. These addresses will be broadcast over the blue network of the National Broadcasting Company from 8 to 8:30 P.M.

Dr. Charles Beard, the historian, will address the conference on Friday morning. Then will follow the discussion on the President's judicial proposals.

LEWIS, BENSON TO SPEAK

Friday afternoon, the conference will hear William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, and M. W. Thatcher, head of the Farmers' National Grain Corporation, a cooperative.

John L. Lewis and Governor Benson of Minnesota will speak on Friday evening. On the same program will be Governor Frank Murphy of Michigan.

The program for Saturday morning will be given over entirely to continued debate on different plans for amending the Constitution. The proposals submitted by the delegates will be analyzed and reported on by a selected committee.

HOUSE PROBE OF PROPAGANDA LETTERS HAS BEGUN

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The House of Representatives Rules Committee has begun an investigation to trace the source of reactionary propaganda flooding Congress with warnings to "keep hands off the Supreme Court."

Chairman John J. O'Connor of the Committee, in disclosing the study of the large number of identical letters, said that "this is probably another drive similar to that on the Public Utility bill."

At that time, the Power Trust tried to smash legislation affecting its operations and investments, by a high-pressure and heavily-financed campaign to browbeat Congressmen.

When the Committee concludes its findings, they will be presented to the House with a resolution for a special investigation.

This disclosure today followed

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Minnesota Employes Get 5-Day Week

(Special to the Daily Worker)

ST. PAUL, Minn., Feb. 25.—All Minnesota's 12,000 state employes will work on a five-day week schedule beginning April 1, Governor Elmer Benson, Farmer-Labor, ordered today. There will be no reductions in pay.

The order reads in part: "We cannot expect private business to do what the State refuses to do. The State as the largest employer of labor should lead the way in Minnesota. The trend of modern business is toward the five-day week. This is because of two factors: (1) technological advances which have increased the productivity of human labor; (2) a striving for a fuller life for those who work, greater leisure time for cultural and personal development, together with opportunities for education and study."

The new schedule will be effective in all departments.



JOSEPH S. FAY

man Redwood, was a pious denial that he had "any jurisdiction" in the affair.

On February 5, 1936, members of the union dominated by Joseph S. Fay sent Green a long letter in which they made charges of corruption against the officialdom in their local, and urged Green to act.

GREEN APPEALED TO YEAR AGO

The letter said, in part:

"It is our understanding that at the last convention of the A. F. of L., that you and the Executive Council were empowered to conduct investigations or hearings into alleged racketeering practices and activities in international or local unions of the A. F. of L."

"We feel that such an investigation or hearing is clearly in order on the basis of what has

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COLUMN LEFT!

Ethiopian Leader Fighting for Spain

Glivet Imru, Son of Heroic General, Arrives in Valencia—Says Many of His People Wish to Aid in Fight Against Fascists

(Special to the Daily Worker)

VALENCIA, Spain, Feb. 25.—Ghvet Imru, the son of Ras Imru, heroic Ethiopian general, has just arrived here to continue the struggle against fascism in the ranks of the Spanish People's Front. He has given an interview to "Frente Rojo," Valencia Communist paper.

"My father was the last to resist Italian fascism," he stated. "Abyssinia will never submit to the yoke of Mussolini. Not one of us renounces the rights of a free people, and that is why I am here. Today it is evident that Spain, as was the case with my country, is being attacked by those who wish to submit the entire world to their interests. The future of all free peoples, of all oppressed countries, depends on the outcome of this war. To struggle for Spain therefore means to struggle for the independence of Abyssinia."

Questioned on the situation in Ethiopia, Ghivet declared: "Our people are continuing to fight in dispersed groups and taking into account the possibilities of struggle. Nevertheless it is waging a systematic resistance. The fascists are using frightful methods of torture, and our peasants and women direct their curses against them. This regime of oppression is frightful. They resort to pillaging, murder and arson. The entire world should know what fascist 'civilization' means for our poor land. No people has ever yet had to suffer such tyranny as Mussolini's soldiers have brought us. My fellow-countrymen still hope firmly in your victories. There are many Abyssinians hopeful of struggling alongside you in the trenches of Madrid."

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The newspaper declares that the American Civil War and the freeing of the slaves was a monstrous example of democracy's crimes.

10,000 to Collect In Tag Day for Spain

"The drive of the North American Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy to raise 5,000 cases of food by March 1st must not only succeed but must even be over-subscribed by the people of New York," reads a statement released today by a score of prominent Americans including Norman Thomas, Earl Browder, Bishop Francis J. McConnell, Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, Professor George S. Counts, Oswald Garrison Villard.

Trade unions and labor organizations by the score have already received their quota of collection cans and food day buttons. While the complete list of Tag Day stations won't be released until tomorrow, it was learned that stations will be established all over the city, Saturday, Feb. 27.

The complete statement follows: "Friends of freedom and fair play the world over have no choice but to support to the best of their ability the international efforts to rush aid and succor to the victims of German-Italian bombardments in Spain. The drive of the North American Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy to raise 5,000 cases of food for Spain by March 1, must not only succeed but must even be over-subscribed by the people of New York."

Organizations participating in the Tag Day include: the American League Against War and Fascism, the League for Industrial Democracy, the International Labor Defense, the International Workers Order, the Progressive Women's Councils, the Communist Party, the Socialist Party, the Trade Union Committee to Manufacture Clothing for Spain, the Italian Anti-Fascist Committee, the Purriers Joint Council, Local 22, I.L.G.W.U., the Boot and Shoe Union, and the United Youth Committee.

Benjamin Franklin Ambulance to Be Presented at Metropolitan Opera House Meeting to de Zulueta, Envoy from Spain

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Feb. 25.—Andre Malraux, world-famous French novelist and leader of the Malraux Air Squadron in Madrid, will be present at the Metropolitan Opera House here on Friday evening, March 5, when the Benjamin Franklin Ambulance will be presented to Luis de Zulueta, former Spanish Minister of Foreign Affairs, for the Spanish Government Red Cross.

This will be Malraux's only visit to the city during his short stay in this country. The speakers will represent an outstanding cross-section of national and Philadelphia progressive opinion. Louis Fischer, noted correspondent of the Nation recently returned from Spain, will give the facts of the Spanish situation, and relate some of his true experiences while behind the lines of the Spanish Government forces.

Dr. John A. Mackay, head of the Princeton Theological Seminary, one of the outstanding citizens of America, will present his reasons for supporting the Spanish Government in its fight against the forces of Franco, Hitler and Mussolini.

Congressman John T. Bernard, Farmer-Laborite, who was the only Representative who voted against the ban on arms to the Spanish government will tell why he has assumed his strong stand in support of the Spanish government. Dr. Frank J. Woodbury, Col., U.S. Army, retired, of New York, will also speak. The meeting will be under the chairmanship of the Rev. J. A. Mac-

At Mass Meeting on China



Earl Browder, general secretary of the Communist Party, is shown above as he addressed 1,200 persons at Cooper Union Wednesday night on the significance of recent events in China.

Browder Meeting Sends Greetings to Chinese People

Urges Them to Carry on Fight Against Japanese Invader Under People's Front Banner—Ethiopian Murders Are Protested

Resolutions urging the formation of a Chinese People's Front to defeat the Japanese imperialists were sent to the Chinese people and the Chinese Communist Party by the mass meeting which heard Earl Browder, general secretary of the Communist Party, speak at Cooper Union Wednesday night.

Another resolution to the Italian consul protested Italian atrocities against the Ethiopian people. The resolution sent to the Chinese people follows:

RESOLUTION The mass meeting at Cooper Union on Wednesday night, Feb. 25, 1937, under the auspices of the N. Y. State Committee of the Communist Party, sends hearty revolutionary greetings to the heroic people of China.

"We urge the people of China to continue in their efforts for national unification and for a determined struggle against the Japanese invaders, under the leadership of the Chinese People's Front."

"We pledge to carry on a consistent fight in defense of the Chinese people against the imperialist invaders and will do everything in our power to help win for the people of China their right for democracy, freedom and peace."

GREETING TO CHINESE C.P. Following is the resolution sent to the Chinese Communist Party: "The mass meeting called by the New York State Committee of the Communist Party held at Cooper Union Hall Feb. 24, warmly greets the Communist Party of China and supports the efforts of the members of the Kuomintang who boldly showed by their efforts that they want to save their country from ruin and devastation at the hands of Japanese imperialism."

"Japanese imperialism will do everything in their power to stop national unification because they realize this means the rallying of all forces to end Japanese oppression of the Chinese people. We urge that you carry on support until China is free. Let the enemy crumble before the Chinese united front. Victory is yours."

PROTEST MURDERS IN ETHIOPIA The Italian consul was sent the following: "Whereas, mass murders of innocent Ethiopian people are now taking place and, "Whereas, such actions have horrified the civilized world and, "Whereas, Mussolini, by these actions, and his invasion of democratic Spain, threatens every democratic country and endangers the peace of the world,

"Therefore Be It Resolved, that this meeting of workers, assembled at Cooper Union on Wednesday, Feb. 24, 1937, at the call of the New York State Committee of the Communist Party, demand that the atrocities against the Negro people be immediately stopped, and, "Be It Further Resolved, that the army of occupation which has already killed thousands of innocent Negro people be immediately removed, and, "Be It Further Resolved, that we continue to protest until freedom for the Ethiopian people has been attained."

The lecture will be held on Friday, Feb. 26, at 8 P.M., at the Ritz Ballroom, Corner Main Ave. and Henry St., Passaic, under the auspices of Passaic Workers School.

BOSTON TECHNICAL AID FOR SPAIN SPURRED BOSTON, Mass., Feb. 25.—Applications for skilled workers to go to

You Must Listen and Help! Says Bates, on Way to Spain

Ralph Bates, prominent English novelist who has just completed a two months' tour of the United States and left again for Spain Wednesday, where he will help fight with the Loyalist forces in the International Brigade, just before his departure appealed to the American people to help send technical workers to Spain to re-lease Spanish workers for duty at the front.

In a letter sent to nearly 30,000 persons, Mr. Bates said, in part: "I have seen desperate, half-armed, inexperienced democrats blunder forward through a hail of machine-gun fire under a blazing sun—into certain death, to defend their liberty."

"I have seen a man fall by my side and clutch my feet in his last moments, saying, 'Do not leave me.' And the vaccination has gone out of me. "I have seen a wounded mother drag her three-year-old son from beneath a tangle of iron and fallen masonry. "YOU MUST LISTEN TO ME, YOU MUST FORCE YOURSELF TO SEE THIS."

"I have seen a mother frantic with grief and her reason gone, beat the body of her little son with tumbling nerveless hands, in some blind, forgotten instinct striving to bring back life to him. I also have had to crouch into cover as Italian fascist planes roared overhead. "I am returning to fight in the ranks of the International Brigade. I tell you we shall fight better for your help. "Your funds sent to the American Society for Technical Aid to Spanish Democracy at 245 Fifth Avenue, New York City, will help to send skilled workers to Spain to release more Spanish workers for active duty at the front. One fights better when one is not lonely in the world as our enemies would have us be."

Spain Nears Fateful Hour, Malraux Tells Press Here

French-Writer - Aviator Says American Aid Is Vital Now

By Myra Page

"Spain is nearing the most critical hour of its history."

This is the crux of the message that Andre Malraux, noted French writer and leader of the International Malraux Air Squadron fighting with the Loyalist forces, brings to America directly from the Spanish front.

With quick vivid gestures, the author of "Man's Fate" and "Days of Wrath" (books that stirred America and all Europe), recounted for us the heroic feats he has seen the Spanish people performing, in their dogged determination to save their country from fascist madmen.

INJURED IN AIR FIGHT

There was little physical evidence that this man had recently had his plane shot from under him in an uneven battle with seven enemy planes, and been injured in the resulting crash.

Andre Malraux has gone through even more than that, and come out whole. You feel in the man a tense concentrated strength, not so much physical as moral, a strength growing out of whole-hearted identification of himself with the basic issues of our day, a consuming love for the genus man, and what, through struggle, he may yet become.

This is what Spain means to Andre Malraux. The outpost of hu-



ANDRE MALRAUX, the famous French novelist, is shown on his arrival here Wednesday on the S.S. Paris.

man civilization. And Malraux is at that post. "What propaganda work is being done among the Moors?" I asked. In answer, Malraux told me of an exploit of his squadron. It is difficult to get word among the Moors, either in Spanish Morocco or in Franco's army of the true issues at stake. They are cut off by sea, a hostile navy, strange tongue.

Recounts Heroic Fight To Defeat Fascists; Hurt in Battle

But Moors love to smoke. They smoke pipes, but when these gave out they began smoking cigarettes. Then these gave out, too.

So Malraux's planes dropped little books of cigarette papers in the path of the Moors. Inside were messages from the Loyalists. As a result, a number of the Moorish troops deserted and came over to the Loyalist side.

But, added Malraux, unfortunately there aren't enough planes to be spared for this type of propaganda very often.

CRUCIAL HOUR

Malraux has taken a brief leave from the front line of Spain's air defense to come to America with an urgent call for help and still more help to Spain.

Now is the crucial hour! And in this hour, Andre Malraux considers the strengthening of the Popular Front in Spain and support for it throughout the world the foremost task.

"I consider," he said, "as truly revolutionary all efforts that tend toward maintaining the popular front, and as counter-revolutionary all efforts that tend to break it. To jeopardize it is to jeopardize victory."

Every bit of help we send Spain from America, Malraux believes, may go a long way toward deciding the outcome.

James Allen Talks On the Philippines At Rally Tonight

James S. Allen's return to the U. S. from the Philippines coincides with the visit of Manuel L. Quezon, first President of the Philippine Commonwealth. Allen will speak tonight at China Today Auditorium, 168 W. 23rd St., New York, on the "Popular Front for Democracy in the Philippines."

He will explain Quezon's rule and the creation of an army in the Philippines under the guidance of General Douglas MacArthur, former Chief of Staff of the U. S. Army.

Allen is widely known for his writings on the national and colonial problems. He will bring new and first-hand information regarding the conflict between Japanese and U. S. interests in the Pacific.

Recognition of Franco Stamps Is Protested

SANTIAGO, Chile, Feb. 25 (UP).—Spanish Ambassador Rodrigo Soriano Barroeta-Aldamar today protested to the Foreign Office against distribution by Chilean postoffices of letters from Spain bearing stamps issued by Gen. Francisco Franco at Burgos.

If Germans Don't Have Children It's 'Distrust of Hitler'

BERLIN, Feb. 25 (UP).—Germans who fail to have children show distrust in Fuehrer Adolf Hitler, the newspaper Angriff, organ of Dr. Paul Joseph Goebbels, Minister of "Propaganda and Public Enlightenment," argued today.

"He who believes in Germany can have no qualms for the future of his children," asserted the newspaper. "No people on earth would ever have accomplished anything if mothers and fathers had sat with pencil and paper each day and calculated whether they might have children. Most children are born without calculation."

"He who, through clever calculation, denies life to one child expressed his mistrust in the faith of the Fuehrer. The Fuehrer desired our people to increase and be strong enough to assume and master the growing cares of his growing people."

Madrid Has No Fear Of Water Shortage

(By Spanish News Agency) MADRID, Feb. 25.—Madrid has drinking water supplies sufficient for a year, Government officials announced here after an inspection of the capital's available water reserves. The principal source of water is the Lozoya Canal reservoirs. Since November there has not been a single case of typhoid fever reported in Madrid.

Budenz to Speak On Trotskyism Tonight

Louis Budenz, labor editor of the Daily Worker, will speak on "Trotskyism in America" at a meeting sponsored by the Downtown People's Center at 116 University Pl. tonight at 8:45 P.M.

Pilots Safe in Crash

NEWARK, N. J., Feb. 25 (UP).—Two United Air Lines pilots escaped injury today when the landing gear of a transport plane they had taken up on a test flight collapsed as they landed at Newark airport.

Representative John T. Bernard, Who Fought 'Neutrality' in Congress, and Louis Fischer, Correspondent, to Speak

Spain are now being received by the New England Society for Technical Aid to Spanish Democracy. It was announced in a statement released today from the society's newly opened headquarters at 12 Newbury St., Boston.

Engineers, chemists, electricians and other technically trained workers desiring to go to Spain to work at Spanish trade union rates of pay will be considered. This is to enable Spanish workers to be released for military service in putting down the revolt of the fascists.

Only thoroughly competent men will be accepted, the society announced, to go as part of a contingent of technicians and skilled workers due to leave soon.

Applications may be made at the society's headquarters at 12 Newbury St. from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. It was further announced.

Thousands of members of the young Communist League in New York will take to the streets on Feb. 27 to March 1 with collection cans, in cooperation with the North American Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy, to collect funds and clothing for the Spanish people.

In addition to the work which the League is doing, to render material aid to Spain, the State organization has arranged a broadcast over Station WNEW on Friday, March 5 at 9:45. John Little, executive secretary, will speak on "Young America Views Spain." In preparation for the air message, Branches of the League are arranging parties, to which will be invited young people in the localities, outside the Y.C.L. It is expected that the money collected as a result of the broadcast will spur the campaign to aid Spain.

ST. LOUIS GROUPS TO RALLY MARCH 14

EAST ST. LOUIS, Ill., Feb. 24.—Eight labor organizations of East St. Louis and the Tri-Cities are arranging a rally March 14 for defense of Spanish democracy. The rally, to be followed by a program of entertainment and dancing, will be held at Croatian Hall.

The Rev. Herbert Buenow, executive secretary of the St. Louis branch of the North American Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy will speak.

The organizations which are co-operating in arranging the meeting are: the White Clover Club of East St. Louis, the Armenian Workers Association of East St. Louis, the Bulgarian Branch of the International Workers Order of Madison, the Macedonian People's League of Madison, the Lithuanian Workers Alliance of East St. Louis, the Armenian Workers Association of Granite City, the Lithuanian Literature Society of East St. Louis, and the St. Louis branch of the North American Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy.

LEWIS, BENSON TO DISCUSS COURT CURB

(Continued from Page 1)

yesterday's demand in the House that the Tory American Bar Association's activities in the Supreme Court dispute be investigated by Congress.

Representative Raymond Cannon of Wisconsin charged that the association is led by a "band of rapturous corporation-controlled lawyers" that has "impeded the government."

He cited the Association's campaign against the Child Labor Amendment, charging that many of its members are "paid hirelings of predatory wealth," and pointed to its hypocritical advocacy of an amendment instead of immediate court reform.

TORIES HAIL BORAH PLAN

Along this line of confusing the issue in order to block a progressive change in the court's membership, Senator William B. Borah, Idaho Republican, today introduced an amendment that would permit the states to pass social and economic legislation which would be immune from appeal to the Federal Supreme Court.

Borah proposed this change by amending the 14th amendment to the Constitution so that it would be impossible to go into court and challenge enactment of any state law as a violation of the "due process" clause in the 14th amendment.

Borah's plan was hailed by reactionaries and pseudo-liberals as a welcome "compromise." As a matter of fact, it would merely confuse and delay the issue and permit the present packed court to continue dictating its antiquated and reactionary motions as the final word on the Constitution.

Borah's proposal was submitted while President Roosevelt was conferring with a group of nine members of the House on the judiciary question.

The representatives who met with the President are: David J. Lewis, D. Md.; John A. Martin, D. Colo.; Knute Hill, D. Wash.; Henry C. Teigan, F.-L. Minn.; Robert L. Ramsay, D. W. Va.; H. J. Voorhis, D. Calif.; Frank Hancock, D. N.C.; Maury Maverick, D. Texas; and Thomas F. Ford, D. Calif.

The nine members, all belonging to the liberal bloc, assured the President of their support of his proposal. There was no mention of any compromise.

The Summers Bill, providing voluntary full pay retirement for Supreme Court justices at the age of 70, will be the first item on the Senate order of business tomorrow. The measure has already been approved by the House. It differs from the President's plan in that there is no provision for appointment of additional justices if incumbents fail to retire.

Italy to Boycott League Session On Raw Materials

ROME, Feb. 25 (UP).—Italy has decided to boycott a League of Nations Conference on raw materials which starts at Geneva March 8, it was said in authoritative quarters today.

Germany, which with Italy has been cooperating in foreign affairs, previously declined to attend. However, Germany is a non-member of the League, and has her own policy for obtaining raw materials—to regain the colonies taken from her after the World War.

Italy's reported decision is taken, it was said, on the ground that no new development has occurred to warrant a change in the policy of "indifference" to League matters.

Land Booms, Mortgage Orgies Are Listed in Farm Report

Farmers Handicapped by Inadequate Credit Facilities

This is the fourth installment from the official government report on Farm Tenancy which the Daily Worker is printing in full.

The full report was prepared under the auspices of the National Resources Committee February, 1937, and was issued as the findings of President Roosevelt's Committee on Farm Tenancy, Secretary Wallace, chairman.

Comparable in importance to favorable economic conditions for agriculture is stability in these conditions. If streams of income can be made to flow to and from agriculture in a stabilized, as well as an equitable manner, we may expect fewer speculative land booms with their concomitant orgies of mortgaging, selling, buying, and remortgaging of farms, and their subsequent costly and painful process of liquidation. Stability of general price levels is therefore of special significance in its bearing on the problems which this Committee has been instructed to consider.

The present report, however, is not the proper vehicle for the inclusion of a detailed discussion of ways and means for attaining these broader and more general ends, to which the present Administration is already committed. The Report is limited necessarily to proposals for gradually overcoming the specific evils of our system of land tenure and related conditions.

Moreover, the present Report would fall of its purpose if it did not make clear that improvement in the general economic position of agriculture would not be itself correct all tenancy difficulties. The attainment of equality for agriculture in terms of income alone cannot be expected to readjust our traditional methods of holding land—or will it significantly alter our attitudes respecting property in land.

Since the development of tenancy and its associated evils is in considerable measure attributable to land policies and credit policies adopted or permitted by the Federal Government, a governmental responsibility for their results clearly exists.

Restrictions in the Homestead policy led to the creation in some regions of units too small for economical operation, and our systems of disposing of public land included no adequate measures for preventing occupancy of inferior land or development of land speculation and tenancy.

The land policy adopted by this country, under which title to practically all of the agricultural land of the nation passed to private owners in fee simple absolute, has proved defective as a means of keeping the land in the ownership of those who work it. Fee simple ownership has also implied that the right to unrestricted use was also a right to abuse of the land.

The fact that a large number of owners has been concerned chiefly with early sale has militated against permanence of occupancy by themselves or in tenant contracts that would assure stability. Policies for disposing of the public domain have permitted the acquisition of large areas, mostly for speculative purposes, by those who had no intention of farming them. Periodic booms and depressions, especially the extreme rise in land values culminated in 1920, and the subsequent drastic decline, have caused many farmers to lose their farms and sink to the status of tenants or even migratory laborers.

CREDIT DISABILITIES

Until the establishment of the Federal Farm Land Banks, inadequate credit facilities characterized by high rates and short terms of repayment seriously handicapped farmers in successfully achieving farm ownership. Even the relatively favorable credit facilities made available by the Land Banks, the traditional requirement of uniform annual payments has accentuated distress in depressions, resulting in loss of ownership and lapses into tenancy. As a consequence of the unhappy ending of their own attempts to achieve ownership, or those of their neighbors, many tenant farmers have concluded that further effort in that direction would be futile.

JOBBER'S HALT PARLEY WITH SALESMEN

"This strike will be settled on the picket line," Arthur Osman, executive secretary of the Wholesale Dry-goods Salesmen's Union, said yesterday after five hours of fruitless negotiations with the Downtown Jobbers' Association.

"We forced them to withdraw their demand for the right to fire without cause," he said. "Then, when we started to negotiate for the meager union demands, the association refused to consider our proposals."

The association locked out 400 union members last Sunday, causing the strike. When negotiations broke down yesterday, the employers threatened to force lockouts in ten more shops, bringing the total of workers out to 800. The new lockout, according to the employers, will become effective Sunday.

Union demands include a \$2 and \$4 weekly wage increase and reduction of hours from 54 to 48. Meanwhile, picketing continued before all jobbers' shops. The union began preparations for picketing retail stores buying from the struck firms Saturday.



No water, no heat, no lights, no sanitation—that is the home of the tenant farmer and sharecropper. Shown above is a typical sharecropper's home in Eastern Arkansas.

No Real Remedy Given In Wallace Farm Report

Today's installment of the Wallace report makes the important point that conditions for tenant farmers (who constitute half of the farmers of the country) are so bad that "many have concluded that further effort to achieve ownership would be futile."

Today's installment also makes the important admission that even if agriculture as a whole were to achieve "a better economic standing," THIS WOULD NOT SOLVE THE PROBLEM FOR THE FARM TENANTS.

It is important to remember this for a good part of the Roosevelt farm program is based on the idea of improving farm income AS A WHOLE without any consideration as to how this income will be distributed among the various classes of farmers.

In fact, most of the Federal Government's activities in the agriculture areas have been directed toward protecting the upper one-third of well-to-do farmers. The great weakness of the Wallace Report is that it still fails to provide adequate consideration for measures to help the submerged two-thirds of the American farmers. It describes their misery. It gives no real remedy.

Huge Line Pickets Groton Sub Yards

Judge Before Whom Arrested Strikers Are to Be Tried Is Employed by Electric Boat Co.—Lewis Wires Strike Endorsement

(Special to the Daily Worker) GROTON, Conn., Feb. 25.—Electric Boat Company officials today know it takes more than a vicious midnight raid on sit-down strikers to dampen the spirit of workers fighting for better conditions.

For strikers in the submarine yards came back stronger than ever yesterday and today after 75 state troopers swooped down on the 100 men sitting down in the welding shop Tuesday night.

A huge picket line in front of the shipyard yesterday and today was the strikers' answer to the company's attack.

The raid on the workers came suddenly but they answered quickly too.

Armed with tear gas bombs and warrants, state troopers violently ejected the strikers and arrested all of them without serving a single warrant. One striker, believed to have been beaten by state troopers, lay in a serious condition in a local hospital. Another was badly beaten about the face and head and others kicked around.

WIDE SUPPORT Immediately the brutal tactics of the company officials and state troopers aroused intense resentment and brought wide support for the union.

Protests were also directed against Judge Willard of Groton before whom the strikers are to be tried. Willard is employed by the Boat Company, and the union is asking his disqualification.

The Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers, Local 6, has protested against the company tactics and use of the state troopers to Gov. Cross and has asked an investigation by the Navy Department of the Electric Boat Company's refusal to negotiate with the union.

Philip Van Gelder, national secretary of the union, said today that John Brophy, director of the Committee for Industrial Organization, had sent the strikers a wire with the endorsement of John L. Lewis for the strike.

Bank Held Up KATONAH, N. Y., Feb. 25 (UP).—Two men held up the Northern Westchester bank here today and escaped with cash estimated by chief of police Frank Mallette at \$20,000.

3 Children of Boss Help Win Sit-in Strike The sit-down strike at the Principal Shoe Co., 1037 Metropolitan Ave., ended yesterday, and the three children of the employer who joined the strike are back home.

The sit-down began Wednesday after Morris Bardowski, president of the firm, fired Abraham Haddat, a cutter, who refused to work on a new design until the union shop committee reached an agreement with the firm on the price for the new work.

Twenty-six of the 110 workers sat in all night together with Gus, Abe and Sadie Bardowski, children of the owner, who are members of the Boot and Shoe Workers Union, Local 693.

Haddat was reinstated and the company agreed to arbitrate the price to be paid for the work. David Posner is chairman of the union shop committee.

ARMY CLIQUE WHITEWASHES WPA JIM CROW

Grower's Discharge of Negroes Upheld in Washington

The military clique in the WPA national office at Washington has forced a white-washing of Capt. Roy Grower's flagrant Jim Crowism in the New York Federal Theatre Project, the Daily Worker learned yesterday.

Army officers' intervention on behalf of Grower and in defense of his discharge of Negroes for no reason except that they are Negroes was revealed yesterday after the Federation of WPA Supervisors Councils received a telegram from the national WPA administration upholding Grower's actions.

Grower, administrative personnel officer, stated that he would not permit Negroes to hold supervisory positions. He fired several Negroes, and "transferred" others from theatre and office work, for which they are trained, to jobs as cleaners. Refusal to accept the cleaning jobs provides a pretext for firing the workers.

The national administration reported its decision following an investigation made recently by Neils Anderson, labor relations head of the WPA, who came to New York.

E. R. B. Gumshoes Bulldoze Clients

Columbus Avenue Workers Alliance Reveals G-Man Methods in Relief Questioning—Meehan Case an Example

In the most vicious case-closing drive in months, the ERB has instituted G-Men crime-detection methods to bulldoze jobless families into accepting relief slashes.

The tactics of intimidating and harassing relief clients by investigators forced to turn sleuths, and who themselves are trailed by gumshoes, were brought to light by the Columbus Ave. local of the Workers Alliance yesterday.

In taking up the case of Mrs. Helen Meehan, mother of two children, Andrew McKeivitt, assistant organizer of the Alliance local, found that she was forced out of her home at 151 W. 103rd St. and for days had no place to sleep.

For four nights Mrs. Meehan slept in the Home Relief Bureau at 102 W. 101st St. when the Alliance conducted a sit-in to demand action on emergency cases, among which was hers. One night, her two children, a boy, 8, and a girl, 6, stayed at the bureau. Friends found a place for the children in their homes later.

LENGTHY QUESTIONING The sit-in ended when Charles J. Horowitz, in charge of the relief bureau, agreed to the Alliance demands, and promised to reinstate those who were summarily dropped.

But the sleuths were after Mrs. Meehan, because they knew she had taken an active part in meetings of the Workers Alliance.

They accused her of being the "landlady" of the apartment in which she rented a room for herself and her two children. They cut the rent check off. Investigator after investigator came to the place. The landlady, the superintendent of the building, the real estate agent, were questioned and re-questioned.

McKeivitt, who also questioned all the persons involved, says that their stories do not at all jibe with the investigators' reports of what they said.

Last week Horowitz agreed to pay temporarily on a weekly basis—\$4 a week. She was given 15 minutes to find a room. Then new charges of being a "landlady" were brought. Mrs. Meehan was called to the central ERB offices, where the big shots could turn the pressure on her.

AGED MAN COLLAPSES Mrs. Meehan was left, after the latest inquisition yesterday, with temporary rent allowance of \$4 a week, until further investigations are made.

She may be completely cut off relief any day.

WPA SLASH PROTEST MAR. 6 IS PLANNED

White Collar Groups to Hold Mass Trial on March 12

Plans for a city-wide demonstration of white-collar workers on March 6, to protest the new drastic pay cuts and job slashes announced by WPA Administrator Brehon Somervell, were discussed last night at a meeting of the City Projects Council in Washington Irving High School.

The scheduled reductions and firings are to take place between March 1 and April 15, and will affect a total of approximately 20,000 WPA workers. The majority affected will be white-collar workers, in office jobs, in supervisory and technical posts, and on the arts projects.

Announced at the meeting also was the "Mass Trial of WPA and Relief" to take place March 12 at St. Nicholas Palace. The purpose of this trial, to be staged by the Workers Alliance, is to expose the drive to wreck WPA and to cut relief to starvation standards.

It was estimated that at least \$500,000 will be cut off the WPA payroll in New York by the wage and job slashes.

The pay cuts will affect mostly persons whose need of relief has already been certified by the ERB. The reductions will range from \$2 to \$100 a month for individuals.

Son of Unamuno Killed Fighting for Loyalists

MADRID, Feb. 25.—The death of Ramon de Unamuno, son of the late Miguel de Unamuno, Spanish philosopher, was verified today.

Ramon Unamuno, who had been a student of dentistry, was killed while fighting for the government on the Jarama River front.

A second son, Jose de Unamuno, is serving as a lieutenant of Loyalist artillery in the Jarama sector.

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Hoffman and Hague---Hangmen of New Jersey Labor Bills

New Anti-Lynch Bill Sponsored in Senate

Wagner-Van Nuys Measure Would Provide Punishment for Officers Who Fail to Protect Victims from Mob

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25 (UP).—A Federal anti-lynching bill, similar to that sponsored unsuccessfully for several years by former Senator Edward P. Costigan, D., Colo., was introduced in the Senate today by Senators Robert F. Wagner, N. Y., and Frederick Van Nuys, D., Ind.

Harlem's Hot Spots Picketed by Waiters

Rhythm Cafe and Hollywood Club Wages Assailed by Negro Union Secretary—Many Places Pay No Wages to Waitresses, Says McNeal

The organizational drive of the Waiters and Waitresses Union of New York, Local 386, has uncovered a whole series of abuses against Negro employes in Harlem bars and grills and against the Harlem buying public, it was charged yesterday by Marshall D. McNeal, Negro secretary of the local.

I.W.O. Branches Urged To Speed Aid in Drive

Those Meeting Tonight and During Coming Week Asked to Press for Collections in \$100,000 Campaign for Daily, Sunday Worker

The City Central Committee of the International Workers Order of New York announces that while some branches responded to the appeal for immediate substantial financial support to the Daily and Sunday Worker, many branches failed to act.

See the Stirring Films 'ABYSSINIA' AND 'CHAPAYEV' FRIDAY, FEB. 26th 2 P. M. till Midnight (Cont. showing) Harlem Labor Temple 15 WEST 126th STREET

MILK CONTROL PROBE IS TOLD C. P. PROGRAM

Protect Both Farmers and Consumers, Says Party Spokesman

A set minimum price to farmers and a set maximum price to consumers for milk was demanded yesterday by the New York State Committee of the Communist Party.

HITS FIRM'S UNION-BUSTING

Begin, referring to the company's fight against the milk drivers' union, said: "They, the distributors, are bleeding the city worker, starving the farmer, spending money on strikebreakers and stool pigeons besides those in the New York Police Department."

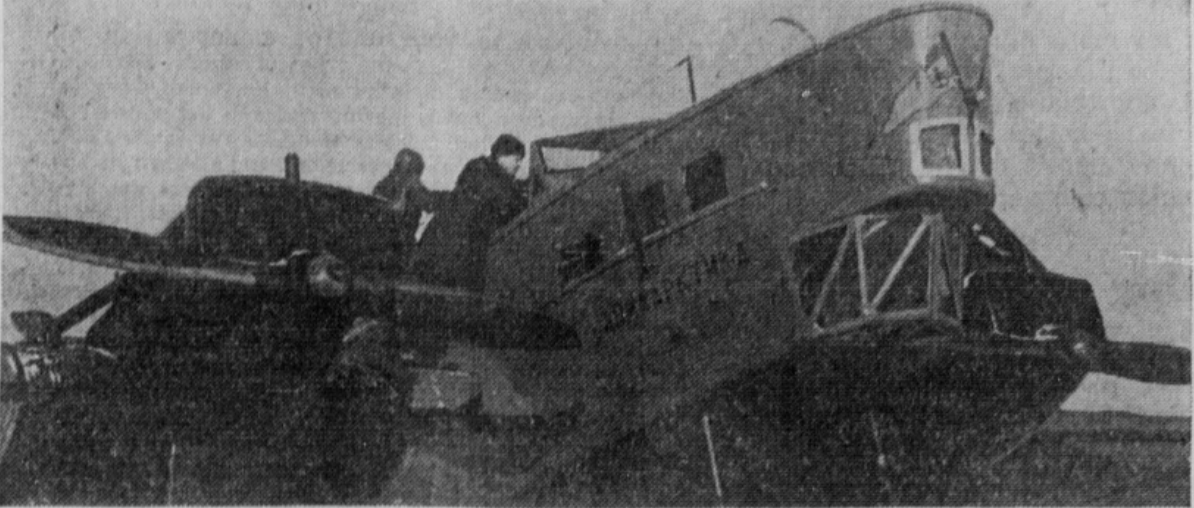
Legion Assails Mrs. Lindlof As 'Pacifist'

Brass-hats of the Kings County post of the American Legion are out after the scalp of Mrs. Johanna A. Lindlof of the Board of Education.

ALP Rally Tonight For Amendment On Child Labor

Elinore M. Herrick, regional director of the National Labor Board, and Judge Jacob Panken of the Children's Court will be the chief speakers at a rally tonight in support of the Child Labor Amendment at Thomas Jefferson High School, Pennsylvania and Dumont Aves., Brooklyn.

Ends 20,000-Mile Soviet Arctic Trip



Piloted by F. B. Fahrnikh with M. I. Chagin as chief mechanic, this twin-motored Soviet-built all metal plane has just ended a 20,000-mile flight carrying mail and supplies to remote arctic regions.

With the Unions Trade Union Pressure for Child Labor Law Amendment Needed to Assure Passage by New York State Legislature

It's got to rain telegrams, letters and resolutions for the next few days from all labor organizations in the city to convince some of our wavering assemblymen that the Child Labor Amendment must be passed.

SHAKEDOWN OF SILVER TOLD IN COURT

Dewey Charges Officials Ran Racket Before Schultz Came in Shakedown of restaurant employees by the union officials on trial in the restaurant racket case occurred before the Dutch Schultz mob entered the scene.

TENANTS SUPPORTING SERVICE STRIKERS

The tenants at 721 Walton Ave., Bronx, have supported the striking building service workers since the walkout began two weeks ago.

PARK AND TILFORD ON UNFAIR LIST

The Wine, Liquor and Distillery Workers Union, Local 20244, has asked the American Federation of Labor to put the Park and Tilford wine and whiskey products on the unfair list.

PHARMACISTS STRIKE SILVER ROD STORES

The Silver Rod drug store chain, which was forced to close 18 stores in the city when the Pharmacists' Union, Local 1199, and the Retail Clear Store Salesmen's Union, Local 906, declared a strike.

UNIONS BACK TEACHERS IN LICENSE FIGHT

Behind closed doors, the Board of Examiners of the Board of Education heard the appeal made by Laura Liebman, president of the WPA Teachers Union, Local 483.

Invite Runaway Shops to Jersey

Hague's Legal and Financial Agent John Milton Averaged \$100,000 a Year While Prosecutor in Hudson County—Murphy, Hoffman's Man

By Art Shields ARTICLE IV

There's neat team work between Governor Harold Hoffman, Republican, and Boss Frank Hague of the Democratic Party of New Jersey.

Together Hoffman and Hague knifed the anti-injunction bill, Assembly Bill No. 108, that seemed on the verge of passing the legislature last session.

STABBED INJUNCTION BILL

Hague fought the bill openly. Hoffman carried on an underhand fight against the bill through his stooges in the legislature.

OTHERS CUT IN

Other Democrats cut in more directly on Hoffman's highway funds. Joseph Murphy, the asphalt supply man, for instance.

THE MOSCOW TREASON TRIAL

Analyzed by RABBI DAVID GOLDBERG, ABRAHAM UNGER and Prof. Edwin Berry BIRGUM of New York University.

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William Green Is

'Powerless'

• William Green is following his usual course in the Redwood murder case.

With a brutal killing exposing the stinking corruption of certain "labor leaders" and their collusion with big Open Shop employers, Green declares himself powerless to intervene.

This is characteristic of the president of the American Federation of Labor. He was guilty of the same hemming and hawing in the case of Ted Brandle, several years ago. That is very much to the point, as Brandle was then the big boss in racketeering of Joseph S. Fay, who now looms large in the Redwood murder case.

Green refused to war on racketeering in every other outrageous mess brought to his attention—Cummerford, Kaplan, and the like. Finally, he did act—only after the stench had become so great that it rose to high heaven. He sent in Edward McGrady, at that time legislative agent of the A. F. of L., to cooperate in doing something about these rotten reflections on the labor movement.

That McGrady was sent in when he was—even though too late—gives the lie to Green's alibi at present that he is legally powerless.

Yes, Green is powerless; but for other than legal reasons. He is powerless because he is a champion of those class-collaboration policies which the anti-union employers take advantage of to breed labor racketeering.

As the mouthpiece of the A. F. of L. ruling clique, Green stands for the organization of unions through the good graces of the employers and not through the power of the workers. He and his colleagues have blocked every progressive move within the labor movement. They have been able enough to "suspend" the Committee for Industrial Organization unions for their militant policy of organizing the unorganized.

But when it comes to racketeering, Green and Co. are paralyzed. Why? Because these racketeering elements are among their chief supporters. Green dares not move against them.

If Green cannot move, the rank and file of the A. F. of L. unions can do so. The Daily Worker has been able to publish, in this Redwood case, exclusive stories which have "beat" the capitalist press in throwing light on this outrageous murder. In the same spirit which causes this journalistic alertness, we appeal to the membership of the A. F. of L. organizations to put down a heavy fist on William Green's table—and insist that the racketeers be cleaned out of the labor movement. More than that, let them proceed to do this cleaning out, Green or no Green.

Flint Has Set Off a Spark

From Santa Monica, in the orange blossom country, to Groton, in the midst of Connecticut's rocky soil, the sit-down strike sweeps on. Flint has set off a spark that is springing up into a great flame—that of America's unorganized swinging by the tens of thousands to the banner of unionism.

The sit-down movement continues to be largely centered around Detroit and in other cities of the Middle West. The very geographical location of these struggles tells eloquently of the significance of what took place at Flint. The nearer that the situation approaches the locality of the recent General Motors battle, the greater becomes the reliance on the tactics which won that fight.

The Committee for Industrial Organization—in standing for militant, industrial unionism has given to America's workers that which they have been looking forward to for many years.

The Communist Party, on its part, can feel justly proud of the decisive role played by its own members in the success of the outstanding sit-downs, particularly the battle of Flint.

Most significant of this sort of strike in the past week—although it has received scant notice from the capitalist press—is that which has just been won by the union printing pressmen at the Crowell Publishing Co. plant in Springfield, Ohio. This corporation has been notorious in the printing trades for its long record of successful anti-union-

ism. It was a nut that the unions could not crack. Now, almost overnight, the printing pressmen have won a victory for union recognition.

What does this show? That the impetus given by the C.I.O. campaigns to union organization is aiding the craft unions in city after city. That which took place at the Crowell plant can be repeated for many other places and for many other craft unions.

It is up to the local craft unions to express their appreciation of this fact. They can do so in no better way than by a full and free endorsement of the C.I.O. and of its great union campaigns.

A Greeting To Andre Malraux

• The Daily Worker takes great pleasure in welcoming to this country the great French novelist and fighter for the freedom of Spain, Andre Malraux.

Malraux, who, in his remarkable writings, has drawn a picture of Communist heroism, has himself, an aviator in the Madrid forces, given us an inspiring proof of his own heroism.

He comes here to speak to America for aid to bleeding Spanish democracy. Liberty-loving Americans will eagerly heed his message.

His own valor and eloquence make him a worthy spokesman for the heroic Spanish and French people. His presence here is a blow for liberty against fascist barbarism.

The WPA Axe Must Not Fall

• Once again, the Roosevelt government at Washington swings the axe against the WPA workers in this city in gross violation of all promises and pledges.

The latest order emanating from the Hopkins office to Col. Somervell is that at least 3,000 WPA workers must be fired before April 18 and 17,000 more suffer pay-cuts in New York City. The drive is on to sweep thousands more into the streets, and reduce the remainder to the barest subsistence levels.

This drastic order comes when the cost of living is the highest in years, and when employment is scarce as hen's teeth. The latest order from Washington will mean starvation for thousands.

This starvation ukase against the WPA workers must be fought with all the power that New York labor and progressives can muster. If these successive decrees are not met with stiff resistance, there is no telling where they will stop.

The need for government relief today is not less, but greater than ever. There must be mass meetings, demonstrations, and resolutions organized protesting this move, and demanding an end to Washington's WPA-slashing policy. The relief and WPA officials must feel the united opposition of New York labor and unemployed organizations.

War Upon the Dwelling Places of Crime

• Those dwelling places of crime and disease—the slums of America—are being warred upon again in the present Congress.

The Wagner-Steagall bill, reports from the capital state, is making headway among the members of the House and of the Senate.

The Wagner-Steagall bill does not measure up to the national housing crisis which is thus revealed. It provides for the expenditure of only \$1,000,000,000 for public housing over a period of years. It will cover housing for only 375,000 inhabitants of slum areas all over the country—whereas in New York alone more people than that are confronted with the curse of indecent housing.

That gives some idea of its inadequacy in the present serious crisis.

The bill introduced by Representative Byron Scott of California, on the other hand, is superior to the Wagner-Steagall proposal, in that it would meet the urgent need for millions of homes for people of low income, would limit the rental to \$5 per room, and would provide for more effective administration.

In the last Congress the Scott bill got little consideration, while the Wagner-Ellenbogen bill passed the Senate but died in the House. The Big Business lobby had a powerful voice on this matter in the 74th Congress. This year there is a progressive bloc in Congress which certainly should feel called upon to push forward the Scott measure. There is also the rising command from all over the country for the Congress to do something and to do it quickly.

The present Wagner-Steagall bill is, to all intents and purposes, the Wagner-Ellenbogen bill of the last Congress. We suggest, that, with all its inadequacies it be supported by progressive labor unions and other organizations. It is not a case of a half loaf being better than none. It is a case, however, of beginning to bring to the lowly of our cities some measure of relief.

We urge, at the same time, that progressive groups continue to hammer the Senators and Congressmen in favor of the Scott bill. It cannot be said that we have at all begun to grapple effectively with the national housing problem until proposals such as those of the Scott measure have been passed.

World Front

By HARRY GANNES

• From the meagre reports on the Indian provincial elections it is already evident that there is a great revival of the anti-imperialist movement. Though only 32,000,000 are permitted to vote out of a population of 350,000,000, even the majority of these privileged voters are casting their lot with the Indian Congress Party, a party that is moving closer to the position of a national united front against British imperialism.

In this regard, the speech of Pandit Nehru at the recent Faisalpur Congress was significant. Declaring that Socialism ultimately is the only solution of India's proverbial misery and poverty, Nehru stated that the immediate task for the liberation of India was the united front of all anti-imperialists.

Coming as it does on the heel of the increasingly successful efforts in China for national unity against Japanese imperialism, the successes of the Congress Party in India herald a new day for the Far East.

The reputed "slow-moving" East is setting into motion such large masses of people that will more than make up for the apparent historical delay. The developments in India and China, though still in their initial stages, will be of incalculable aid to the toiling masses in the imperialist countries in the battle against reaction, fascism and the danger of war.

In the elections just being completed in the Indian provinces, some 6,500 candidates are competing for 1,561 seats of the lower houses. In the Province of Bengal, 6,660,000 persons are to vote for 250 seats, for which 490 candidates are competing. In the Punjab, 3,000,000 persons are entitled to vote for 175 seats; in Bombay, 2,230,000 voters will choose 175 representatives, and in Madras 6,000,000 voters were to choose 215 members of the lower house.

The election returns now being cabled from Bombay must make horrid reading in India House, London.

Mussolini's murderous rage against the Ethiopian people does not rise alone out of the undisputed fact that Ethiopia is not conquered. The Black-Shirted Dictator is afraid that the discontent in Ethiopia might have its counterpart in Italy. The expenditures for the barbarous expedition against Ethiopia have been enormous; and the dramatic incidents recently are bringing home to the Italian people that the expenses have just begun.

For example, the Italian budget for 1937 publicly acknowledged a deficit of 3,170,000,000 lira, due almost entirely to the Ethiopian adventure. This deficit was to be covered by a 5 per cent compulsory loan on all property—including the already heavily mortgaged bit of land of the poorest peasantry.

The order to execute on the spot every Ethiopian found with a rifle is a threat to kill about one-third of Ethiopia's male population. Before the Italian invasion, every Ethiopian who could afford it owned a rifle. In many parts of the country bullets were used as currency or a means of exchange. A large number of the Ethiopian tribes make their livelihood by hunting, and require a rifle in order to live. Therefore, Mussolini's command is a flimsy excuse to permit the Italian invaders to kill Ethiopians at their slightest whim.

Mussolini, realizing that the Ethiopian people are unconquerable and may never allow themselves to become slaves or beasts of burden for the Fascist exploiters, may have decided on the virtual extermination of the Ethiopian population. It is known that Mussolini solved the recalcitrance of a Libyan desert tribe by annihilation of an entire people.

There is greatly increased anti-imperial activity in Indonesia against Dutch imperialism. The Aneta Telegraph Agency in Amsterdam recently reported that 150 members of the Sarekat Islam Indonesia Party in Dolago (Celebes) were arrested. Commenting on these arrests, the native newspaper, *Pertjaja Selatan*, writes: "In reality there have been arrests not only in Dolago. Houses have been searched and arrests made among members of Indonesia Muda (Young Indonesia), *Persatuan Pemuda Rajat Indonesia* (League of Youth of the People), the Indonesian National Party, and the Association of Indonesian Working Women. The police have searched houses in Kediri, Ngandjuk, Tulunganung and Macassar. Police action has been extending to Java and elsewhere."

"Shoot to Kill" is the title of the following story, which we reprint from the *Week*, a London news service:

"Dusseldorf is to become the capital of one of the new administrative divisions into which Germany is now being divided. To mark the growing importance of the town, a Great Man recently came down from Berlin to hold a military and party review.

"All night long, soldiers patrolled the streets near the hotel where the Great Man slept and in the morning the whole of Dusseldorf turned out to watch the display of marching, the uniforms and the brass bands.

"At last the big moment arrived when the Great Man was to perform the ceremony of unfurling the National Socialist flag. The flag was neatly wrapped up in a case and was to appear when a string was jerked.

"The Great Man stepped forward, jerked the string. The crowd gasped, there was general consternation, as a red flag floated out on the morning breeze. Undaunted, the Great Man drew his revolver and shot the flag."

Letters from Our Readers

Labor's Support of Court Mandate—As Firm A Rebuke as Nov. Mandate!

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The reactionaries such as Hearst, Coughlin and company, who have always upheld the untouchable sacredness of the holler than holy Supreme Court, and who previously fought with fury against the mere mention of a Constitutional amendment to restrain the tribunal from nullifying legislation, are unitedly and vociferously shouting that the proper and democratic way of reform is by a Constitutional amendment. Their shallow hypocritical phrasemongering will fool no one.

Although Roosevelt's proposal is, as Earl Browder said, a "middle of the road" measure, it should meet the support of all progressive and socially-minded people. The passage of the President's bill for re-furbishing and modernizing the Supreme Court will be as firm a rebuke and repudiation of such Tories as Hearst, Coughlin, Gannett, et al., as were the November elections!

D. C.

Ethiopia Fights Fascist Barbarians

by Ellis



Is the Proletarian Dictatorship a Tyranny?

By William Z. Foster

The following is a section of a forthcoming pamphlet by William Z. Foster, noted trade union leader and chairman of the Communist Party, U.S.A., entitled "Questions and Answers on the Piatakov-Radek Trial."

Ever since the rise of Hitler to power in Germany it has been increasingly the fashion among enemies of the working class everywhere to say that the Soviet proletarian dictatorship and the German fascist dictatorship are alike; to paint the Hitler despotism and the Socialist Soviet Government in the same dark color. Such people, with an air of complete finality, vociferously declare that there is no difference between the two systems of society. Both are dictatorships, they say; both are ruled arbitrarily by one man; both oppress the masses; both suppress democracy, both eliminate their opposition by blood purges, and so on. The occasion of the Moscow trials has caused a fresh outburst in the press, over the radio, etc., of this "all dictatorships are alike" theory and many people have thereby been deceived.

But this whole line of capitalist propaganda—for that is what it is—violently contradicts the facts. In reality, fascism and Socialism are extreme opposites. They are poles apart and have nothing in common. They are the mutually hostile crystallizations of the most antagonistic political and cultural elements in human society. They are bitter enemies and in irreconcilable conflict with each other. Their theories, methods of organizations and purposes are fundamentally different. Fascism defends outworn, dying capitalism; the Soviets represent the coming new order of society, the next stage in social evolution, Socialism.

Decisive in determining the character of a social system is the question of which class owns the industries and the land and, therefore, which class controls the government. In Fascist Germany, as in Italy and all other fascist countries, the industries and the bulk of the land are owned by the capitalist class, and it is these parasitic elements who also control the government. The workers and other toilers have suffered a temporary but severe defeat. Fascism is the naked dictatorship of the most reactionary elements of the capitalist exploiters, and its consequence has been a rapid impoverishment of the German people. In the Soviet Union an exactly opposite situation prevails. The former exploiting classes have been completely smashed. The industries and the land are entirely owned by the people's government, which means the workers, farmers and other toilers. There are no capitalists, no landlords, no social parasites of any sort. Exploitation of man by man has been completely abolished. Production is carried on for use, not profit; and the great toiling masses get the full benefit of every advance in industrial technique. The dictatorship of the proletariat and the Workers and Farmers Government, is the rule by these victorious toiling millions, and its results are unparalleled improvement in the conditions of the Soviet masses.

Fascism is opposed in principle to liberty and freedom. It is based on the principles of the leader deciding everything and it considers democracy a menace to capitalist class rule. It has destroyed all the workers' organizations: their political parties, trade unions, cooperatives, cultural groups, etc. It has also wiped out the basic farmers' organizations and crushed the political parties of the middle class. The whole people have been regimented into iron-bound, capitalist controlled organizations, whose sole aim is to enchain the masses so that they can be the more readily exploited. The sword point of fascism is directed against the toiling millions.

The Soviet Government, on the contrary, is founded on the liberty of the masses. Despite the lies of international capitalist mouthpieces, in no country in the world is there so much real democracy as in the Soviet Union. Nowhere have the toilers such a great political organization as the Communist Party, and their trade unions, cooperatives, and cultural organizations exist on a scale that utterly dwarfs those in other countries, both regarding their size and the breadth of their functions. The new Soviet Constitution raises this fundamental and growing liberty to a higher stage. This document is, as Stalin says, "the only thoroughly democratic constitution in all the world." It is characteristic that world democracy, now so viciously attacked by the fascists in Spain and every country, finds in the Soviet Government its most consistent and resolute defenders. The sword point of the proletarian dictatorship is directed against the enemies and oppressors of the people and all their agents, at home and abroad.

"But," says the critics, "if the Soviet Union is a democracy why is only one party allowed to exist? Stalin has given the complete answer to this question as follows:

"The party is part of the class, its advance guard, several parties and consequently freedom of parties can only exist in a society where antagonistic classes exist whose interests are hostile and irreconcilable, where there are capitalists and workers, landlords and peasants, kulaks and poor peasants.

"But in the U.S.S.R. there no longer are such classes as capitalists, landlords, kulaks, etc. In the U.S.S.R. there are only two classes, workers and peasants, whose interests not only are not antagonistic but, on the contrary, are identical. Consequently there are no grounds for the existence of several parties, and therefore for the existence of the freedom for such parties in the U.S.S.R. There are grounds for only one party, the Communist Party, in the U.S.S.R. Only one party can exist, the Communist Party, which boldly defends the interests of the workers and peasants to the very end."

Hitler is the puppet of the great German capitalists and maintained in power by demagoguery and terrorism. Stalin is not a dictator, but the freely chosen leader of a great democratic people. His tremendous prestige is not due to such leader-manufacturing tactics as those of German fascism, but to his illustrious services in leading the Soviet masses victoriously in the tremendous task

of building Socialism. Hitler is a tyrant and a despot; Stalin is a great captain of the world's oppressed millions, as was Lenin, his gigantic predecessor.

Tales about the Soviet Union being overrun with secret police and about private life of the peoples being everywhere spied upon and about the masses living in terror are a tissue of lies. They are part of the world capitalist campaign that has been built up in their attempt to discredit the Soviet Union before the eyes of the world's toiling masses. The extent, activities, efficiency and ruthlessness of the former O.G.P.U. has been enormously exaggerated by enemies of the Soviet Government. The masses have no fear of this organization, which is one of their defenses against the counter-revolution. It is only the white guards, wreckers, and political assassins who dread it. And an excellent demonstration that it does not pry into the lives of the people is furnished by the fact that the wide ramifications of the Trotsky treason, assassination and sabotage could go on for so long without being exposed.

Fascism is imperialistic, and in its mad race for more territory and markets it is deliberately planning to plunge the world into a frightful war. Fascism preaches race and national hatred; it oppresses the Jews and it seeks to subordinate all people to its absurd Aryan superiority theories. Fascism, the book-burner, has enchained science and destroyed real culture; it systematically cultivates superstition and is actually trying to renege the pagan gods of ancient German mythology.

At the antipodes of all this new fascist barbarism, the Soviet Government stands as the world's great advocate of peace. It is the principal barrier to the war plans of the fascist butchers. In line with all this Socialism makes the cultivation of anti-Semitism and race hatred a heavily punishable crime, and the many different races and peoples within its borders live together peacefully, in equality and friendly cooperation. Socialism has struck all shackles from science; it is the inveterate enemy of ignorance and superstition in every form; it has set under way incomparably the greatest mass culture movement in all history.

It is an outrage to put the enlightened Soviet Government in the same category as the barbarous Hitler and Mussolini tyrannies. Fascism is right; Socialism day. Fascism represents social reaction and decay; Socialism means the steady progress and betterment of the masses. Fascism brings tyranny and oppression to the people; Socialism brings a growing freedom and increased mass well-being. The fascist regime is the twilight of the outworn capitalist system; the Socialist order is the dawn of the new society towards which the general complex of modern social forces is drawing humanity. The misery, oppression and terror of Hitler Germany are the death agony of capitalism; the struggles and hardships of the masses in the Soviet Union, of which the recent Moscow trials are an expression, are the birth pangs of Socialism. Instead of being the same, the Fascist and Soviet systems, irreconcilable enemies, and alien to each other in every respect, represent two different worlds.

BATTER UP FOR THE UNION

By Doc Daugherty

IT CAN be done! Baseball players, you will say, are hardly objects for our solicitous concern. They earn good money; they ride in Pullman trains. Why, look at them, down in Havana playing marbles with Colonel Batista's machine-guns or roaming the slopes of Catalina with Mr. Wrigley's mountain goats. And they eat thick steaks and boy, they even can drink beer.

This is, my friends, only half the story. You may not be able to weep because Lou Gehrig has a car with a big tonneau, but I'll be hanged if I can see why Lou shouldn't have a car with a bigger tonneau or even a fleet of tonneaux (get that fancy plural) with cars attached to them. The players ought to own the work. Well... that's off somewhere after things get re-organized and the workers of hand and brain, including athletes of all and sundry kinds, smooth out this world during the socialist period of a ham sandwich to you if you can earn it. Even now, it happens, you can get a bigger ham sandwich if you sit down long enough for it on the job. Which is all to the good.

Cannon's Good Idea

Seriously, however, Congressman Raymond J. Cannon's idea for federal supervision of baseball with a player's union to bargain with the magnates is really needed. A ball player's life is a short one. The well-paid stars are few. Many of them are out grub-staking today, forgotten and submerged. Furthermore a ball player has a right to choose his place of employment, to negotiate for conditions of labor and to be penalized for infractions of rules not by the man who pays him but by his co-workers.

Back in 1885, ball players got together in the Brotherhood, organized by old John M. Ward. This was followed by the Players' League in 1890, forerunners of the modern two big league system of organized baseball... organized for the owners.

In 1900, Samuel Gompers tried to affiliate ball players with the A. F. of L. The League Player's Protective Association was formed with Hughie Jennings, an official. This group asked for abolition of the reserve clause in contracts which holds a player even if he isn't playing.

They demanded written consent of players to trades and sales, a Board of Arbitration with player members; no suspensions without pay more than two or three times a season or for more than two weeks at a time.

Ball Players' Fraternity

It was difficult to hold this group together for a new league, the American, had been formed and good jobs were open. In 1912, Dave Fultz, diamond star and lawyer, started the Baseball Players' Fraternity, following the strike of the Detroit Tigers over the suspension of Ty Cobb. The group flourished for a season and made numerous demands but again the formation of a new league, the so-called "out-law" Federal League, opened up new jobs. Congressman Cannon aided in this activity.

In recent seasons, with the depression and money losses by the magnates, pressure has been placed on the players as never before. The mythical impartiality of Judge K. M. Landis as Baseball Commissioner was disproved flatly in the Feller case this season. Owners have paid minimum salaries of less than \$5,000 annually to players who must earn money quickly or not at all. Suspensions have been frequent. Fines for poor play have been slapped on many players. Small town clubs have gone bankrupt, with players unpaid. The one-sided contract still stands.

Baseball needs a cleaning out now while interest, which fell to a low point in recent years, is reviving somewhat. The fans and players should control the game they love. The use of baseball by big business to stifle unrest is only one of the aspects of the problem.

Unionization of the players, recognition of the rights of the players to an equal voice in their own work will be a long step forward in the right direction.

Sizzling Heats Drawn in AAU Meet--More Schools Enter

Three heats for the 600-meter run, three heats for the 1,000-meter run, three for the 1,000-meter Swedish Sprint relay and two for the 1,600-meter relay were drawn yesterday for four of the features of the American indoor championships at Madison Square Garden tomorrow.

The heats alone would make outstanding finals in most meets. In the 1,000-meter for instance, in the first heat, are such men as Elroy Robinson of the Olympic Club, William Ray of the New York Club, Melvyn Trutt of the University of Indiana, Larry Quinlan of Columbia, et al. In one of the 600-meter heats are found Dick Gill of Boston College, Samuel Miller of Indiana, Carl Morrill of Rhode Island State, Jack Wolff of the New York A. C., etc. Eddie O'Brien has drawn such early rivals as Edward T. Cook, the new Williams sensation, Ted Still of

Lincoln University, Pennsylvania, Stan Holt of Rhode Island State,

Two late entries in the Amateur Athletic Union's fourth annual national high and prep school meet, Lancaster, Pa., and Abraham Lincoln High, of Brooklyn, brought the total number of schools to a record total of seventy-three. Lancaster's star entrant is Norwood Ewell, who won the National outdoor junior 100-meter title at Princeton, N. J., last Summer. He will find plenty of competition in the indoor 60-yard dash against a field which includes Wilfred Banfield, of Evander Childs; Oswald Buterucci, of John Adams; Ted Standish, 0:06.4 record holder of Kearny; and Burt Gottfried, of Lincoln. All told seventy-two sprinters will face Johnny McHugh's gun in this event.

Silly Solons Ganged Up on Wrong Maxie

By Joseph Smith

A few days ago the Boxing Commission refused Max Baer a license to box in New York. The former heavyweight champion had come to New York for a bout with Bobby Pastor, but all he got for his trouble was a lot of abuse and undignified remarks about his person. There can be no doubt but that the action of the boxing fathers was deeply unjust.

It seems the boys have ganged up on the wrong Maxie. "Herr" Schmeling, who gave a number of unsatisfactory performances in this country was treated with astonishing sympathy by the solons, while Baer who smacked "Der Storm Trooper" around with abandon, was called a bum before a public.

Something is wrong with this picture.

Two weeks before Baer had arrived in New York, the commission already discussed his case at its meeting. You will notice here the gray-haired boys from Center Street displayed an unusual amount of speed, something that was entirely lacking in their "investigation" of that "Now I Lay Me Down to Sleep" scandal in New Orleans. Here the boys decided to wait for more information.

In order to get down to the "Baer Mystery" the commission invited Artie Donovan, the referee and for some reason a bitter enemy of the California clown, to tell them more about Baer.

Donovan, who evidently has never forgiven Max for refusing to have him officiate at his fights, was only too glad to "spill the beans."

And mainly upon the evidence of this outspoken enemy Baer is refused his license.

Now—Baer has put on many indifferent showings and should be criticized for them, but the manner in which he was judged upon last Wednesday positively doesn't smell like justice.

Basketball Scores

Brockton 49	Juniata 33
Colgate 38	St. John's 33
Detroit 29	St. Mary's (Mich.) 34
Duquesne 32	Pitt 31
Lehigh 41	Dickinson 36
L.I.U. 41	Manhattan 26
Loyola 41	Niagara 35
Princeton 41	Penn 35
St. Francis Fr. 37	St. Peter's J. V. 18
St. Joseph's 37	Catholic U. 32
St. Thomas 35	St. Joseph's 32
Seth Low 36	Brooklyn 34
Syracuse 51	Cornell 23
Yale 50	Providence 37

NYU Record in Danger

New York University will close its University Heights court campaign with the Villanova College game this evening. Only the final game with the College of the City of New York scheduled for March 10 at Madison Square Garden will remain on the Violet varsity schedule.

N.Y.U.'s streak of forty consecutive basketball triumphs on the University Heights gymnasium court will be severely threatened this evening by the Villanova College quintet.

Fascist-Minded Fans Stir Riot at Basketball Game

By Lester Rodney

There was more than a basketball game at the Garden Wednesday night when L.I.U. swamped Manhattan amid a flurry of fistcuffs. There was a startling indication of how racial hatreds have penetrated into the strata of some of our college students' lives. There was a flash of vicious anti-Semitism from a small group closely akin to German Nazism.

I know you didn't read about that in your newspapers yesterday. It wasn't news fit to print. You read of a basketball game, and a small fight, a sort of healthy donnybrook for the youngsters involved. Lots of fun, no harm done and all that.

Nothing like it. The game was no more than ten minutes old when a sizable group of fanatics in the Manhattan section adjacent to their band began to hurl insults at the Long Island Jewish, almost all of whom are Jewish. These 110 per cent American sportsmen were chagrined at the licking their Manhattan team was taking—and proposed to do something about it.

"Give it to the dirty Jews!" "Slug the mookies!" and worse were hurled at the players whenever they came close.

BENDER GETS WORKS It was no more than inevitable that a few of the Jasper players, smarting from the amazing display of skill the L.I.U. players were putting on, and trailing by a hopeless margin, should begin to rough things up. As Julie Bender, Blackbird ace, evaded his guard and dribbled in towards the basket, a Jasper elbow collided with his head forcibly.

Now that may have been accidental. Those things happen in a fast contact game. But what followed wasn't. The Hitler disciples on the edge of the crowd shouted in glee—"That's giving it to the Jew!" and as Bender stood dazed with his head in his hands, he was roughly shoved by the leery McGuirk of Manhattan, not once, but three times. Ben Kramer ran over to McGuirk and it almost started right then.

After that it was just a question of when, and it happened shortly after when McGuirk started roughly Bromberg of L.I.U., and Newman stepped in and took a clout out of him. In a second the place was a bedlam. Substitutes, spectators, half the Manhattan band and the fascist-minded spectators raced on the floor to join the mele.

To the credit of several of the Manhattan players and members of the band they tried to stop the fight, and actually hid their heads in shame at the display of puritid sportsmanship by college athletes and their supporters.

The brawl marred one of the best displays of offensive and defensive basketball seen in New York in years. Bender, Merson and Hill-house played with a speed and fire they hadn't shown all this season. All traces of "overplaying" were gone. They moved the ball smartly, worked it around till they had their men dizzy, and then cut under his streaks.

Bender and Merson needed only an inch space to get away those deadly and amazingly accurate long shots. It was no contest.

WHAT'S ON

SECOND ANNUAL DANCE sponsored by Staff Local of Federal Art Project. Come to the spacious and beautiful caravan, 110 E. 98th St. Entertainment and refreshments. Lots of fun. Tickets 45c each. 55c at door. 8:30 P.M.

FIVE FRIDAY LECTURE RECITALS on Music and Society by Ella Siegmeister. Lecture: Folk Songs Through the Ages. Anita Lenaky and Arthur Winters, assisting artists. Aup.: Manhattan Chorus, 47 E. 12th St. Five lectures: \$1.00 in advance. Single adm.: 30c. 8:30 P.M. Fridays.

PRACTICE PARTY AND DANCE. Conservative night for Students and Friends. Pingpong, chess, checkers. Sub. 25c. Aup.: Social Dance Group Studio, 24 5th Ave., near 14th St. 8:30 P.M.

GALA RE-UNION tending by the Progressive Women's Council Br. 21, at Hoffman's, 130 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn. Music and excellent entertainment. 8:30 P.M.

SYMPOSIUM ON SPAIN: Max Bohm, from Spain's Trenches, Herbert Rosen, Sunday Worker writer, Brighton Beach, 3200 Coney Island Ave., Brooklyn. Aup.: 37, A. C. P. 8:30 P.M.

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PEDRO VS. VENTURI

One of the best lightweight scraps in years is expected tonight when Enrico Venturi of Italy, European champion, meets Pedro Montez of Puerto Rico in a ten-rounder at Madison Square Garden.

Both fighters have agreed to scale the lightweight limit—135 pounds. Champion Lou Ambers will defend his crown against ex-champion Tony Canzoneri on April 2, and the winner of tomorrow's fight may get a shot at the current champion. Betting is even.

N.Y.A.C. Enters Meet in Force

The New York Athletic Club has entered a full team of 28 men, in addition to five relay teams, in a determined effort to retain its American A. A. U. indoor championship team honors at Madison Square Garden a week from tomorrow night at Madison Square Garden.

Three defending individual champions head the Winged Foot list, namely, Gene Venke, in the 1,500 meters, Joseph McCuskey, in the 3,000 - meter steeplechase, and Charles Eschenbach in the 1,500-meter walk.

Robert Rodenkirchen, national junior 200-meter king, Al Mauriello, J. K. Lattimer and D. Wilson, in the 60-meter dash, Bill Landendorf, Steve Wyman and R. Smith in the 65-meter hurdles; Jack Wolff, 600 meters; Jersey Callione and P. Graves, 1,000 meters; Venke, Frank Nordell, 1,500 meters and steeplechase; J. E. Vaughn, 5,000 meters; McCuskey and George De George, 3,000-meter steeplechase; Bill Eipel, Newell K. Rushforth, running high jump, with Rushforth also in the broad jump; W. Wrigley, broad jump, and R. L. Collins and John Edwards, pole vault, will be in action for the New York A. C.

Also Henry Dreyer, Pete Zarembo, Lou Lepis, Bill Miller and J. Meagher, in the 35-pound weight throw, as well as two 2,900-meter relay teams, two 1,000-meter relay teams and a 1,600-meter foursome.

The Giants continue their routing practice in Havana after playing with the Cuban Armed Forces, the same cut-throats that stifle all civilities in the unhappy island. Expert opinion looking at the Terrymen holds that they are due for a substantial drop in the N. Y. ratings. Too many old settled players, and no fresh blood of any significance. But they said that last year.

Speaking of the Yanks, which were, fat Walter Brown signed his contract yesterday. Walter is a pitcher who has been seemingly on the verge of stardom for years. Last year he wasn't so hot, and he doesn't figure in McCarthy's plans.

News from over the bridge has Johnny Hudson signing his contract with the Brooklyn Dodgers. Johnny is the boy who had them raving last spring—stepped aside for Ben Gehrsky to be raved about—and wound up as the better ball player. He came up from the deepest bushes with George Jeffcoat and Syd Gontreux. Swell fielder—has trouble hitting good curve balls. A year with a fast A.A. team should fix him up.

Bill Terry

Says Doc: Round and Round They'll Go Again Around the Garden Tracky For Six Long Days and Six Long Nites Those Bikers Must Be Whacky

Mahoney Hits Fascist Sports

A.A.U. Heads Tells 'Daily' That Japan Must Promise No Nationalistic Propaganda—Praises Labor Sports

By Mike Kantor "Only a binding promise by the Japanese athletic officials that the Japanese government will not interfere with the Olympic games to be held there in 1940 in any way whatsoever would permit American participation," said Judge Jeremiah T. Mahoney, President of the A.A.U., yesterday.

In an interview with this reporter, the president of the A.A.U. declared, "We are not going to make the same mistake we did in 1936 when American athletes went to Germany where the Olympic Games were subjected to the most militaristic and nationalistic propaganda of the Nazi government," he said.

"Japan must keep out all politics and materialistic influences in connection with the 1940 Olympics," Judge Mahoney continued. "We are determined to have an Olympics in keeping with the fine ideals of clean sport and international good-will embodied in the concepts of the Olympic games. I feel that the Japanese Amateur Athletic Association will keep its promise to debar any sign of nationalism, race, color and creed from its activities, or political manifestations of any sort."

NOT LIKE NAZI GAMES "The Japanese Olympic Games, I hope, will be simple, imbued with the spirit of honest international amateur competition, completely divorced from those disgraceful elements in the Nazi Olympics which made the games a disgrace to all decent-minded people. I think that such will be the case in 1940."

Judge Mahoney revealed that he has accepted an invitation from the Labor Sport Conference in New York City to speak at their trade union conference tonight at the Labor Stage Studios. The liberal head of the A.A.U. was outspoken in his enthusiasm for the growing interest in sports by the labor movement in America.

"There is no question," he said, "but that labor and the trade unions must exert its influence in athletics to bring about full democratization of American sports.

"Such an athletic group as the Labor Sport Federation with its affiliated unions and labor groups will realize its full potentialities as a tremendous influence on the future of sports in this country. I hope that the Federation will join the Amateur Athletic Association."

Judge Mahoney at present is engaged in a determined drive to wipe out the paper clubs and "drug organizations" which are members of the A.A.U. Such clubs, he said, are merely political groups and professional opportunists who use their vote and influence in the A.A.U. to gain political and business favors either for themselves or for interested parties.

"These paper clubs are no good," Judge Mahoney emphasized, "and they must be eradicated from the amateur athletic life of this country. Labor can help clean up the A.A.U. by affiliating with us. Then they can use their voice and their vote to become the dominant force in the sports movement."

The A.A.U. is already busy with plans and arrangements for the coming Labor Sports Carnival at Randall's Field sometime in July. Together with Charles Orstein, member of the executive committee of the A.A.U., Judge Mahoney is working hard to make this athletic meet the largest and the most successful ever held in this country.

"There were 15,000 present the very first day last year and 25,000 the second day," he said. "This year with labor taking such an active part in American sports, the crowds should reach record-breaking proportions. The best athletes in this country will be on hand and the events will cover every field of track activity. I'm confident that the 1937 Labor Games will top everything that has preceded it in the way of track and field meets."

Pro Racquetters Sign Fred Perry of England and William T. Tilden II today signed contracts for a five-match tennis series to determine standing of American professional ranking.

Registration Notices SOCIAL Dance Group classes in waltz, foxtrot, etc. For men and women. Registrations. Registration daily, 2-10 P. M. 94 Fifth Ave., near 14th St. GRameter 3-0264. Aup.: Pallas.

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A TERRIFIC STORM IS BREWING OVER THE QUESTION OF POLITICS IN THE KIDS' PAPER - IS IT TO BE OR NOT TO BE?

BEYCHA I CAN SCRAM OUTA HERE IN ONE SECOND FLAT!