

# THE SOVIET UNION AND NON-AGGRESSION

IN the midst of German fascist war threats to the independence of Poland and the obvious maneuverings for new Munich betrayals by the Chamberlains, comes the news that the Soviet Union and Germany have started discussions on the desirability of concluding a non-aggression treaty.

In reporting this important event most newspapers and news agencies have not only failed to report the news correctly but in many instances have given it distorted and wrong meanings. On the other hand, the press has maintained almost complete silence on the continued efforts of the Soviet Union, especially during the present negotiations with Germany, to bring to a successful conclusion the Soviets' proposals for an Anglo-Soviet-French peace pact, which it still is endeavoring to consummate. Undoubtedly the strong tendencies for capitulation to the fascists among the reactionary circles in this country have a good deal to do with this lack of fairness and correctness in reporting such a first rate development in the international situation.

On the basis of what has been reported authoritatively thus far, many things are evident at once. First that German fascism has suffered a serious blow in prestige in its own country as well as in the world. The author of the anti-Comintern pact, which sought to deceive the world as to the real imperialist, robber aims of German imperialism under the mask of "saving the world from Bolshevism," stands more clearly than ever before as an imperialist aggressor and warmaker threatening the independence of Poland immediately, as well as the positions and national interests of England, France and the United States.

It is said by the enemies of the U. S. S. R. that such a non-aggression treaty will work in Hitler's favor. Undoubtedly Hitler speculates on the possibility that such a treaty may delay still further the successful conclusion of a true peace front as fought for by the Soviet Union. As far as Chamberlain is concerned and the other Munichers, Hitler is undoubtedly right in such speculations.

But as far as the Soviet Union is concerned, and all other peace forces, they will find that the strengthening of the position of the Soviet Union, which these negotiations for a non-aggression pact are bound to produce, will directly strengthen the anti-fascist struggle for peace and help block the duplicity and underhandedness of the Munichers, especially the British capitulationists.

Hitler, furthermore, undoubtedly expects that the conclusion of a non-aggression pact with the Soviet Union will terrorize the Chamberlains and the Bonnets, into making even greater betrayals of the Munich type and in this, maybe Hitler is right as far as the Munichers and Chamberlains are concerned. But on the other hand the strengthened position of the Soviet Union, which is bound to strengthen the anti-Munich forces and anti-capitulation forces in all countries, will by this same token make it more difficult for the Chamberlains and Bonnets to carry through other Munichs.

The people of Poland, whose national independence is in imminent danger from the threats of fascist aggression and Chamberlain's appeasement schemes, now as before, realize the firm position of the Soviet Union in uncompromising support for their freedom and independence. And as they gather their strength to resist the fascist threats and to defend their national independence this support will be continued and further strengthened.

It is also clear that by entering into these negotiations for the conclusion of a pact of non-aggression with Germany, the Soviet Union is seriously weakening Hitler's hold upon the German people. The people of Germany will see now more clearly than ever before that not only was there never a danger of the Soviet Union attacking Germany, but that the Soviet Union is powerful enough to halt the fascist warmakers and to carry out such a policy as exposes and checks the betrayals of the Munichers. They will see that a step has been taken by the Soviet Union which is bound to help the German masses in their struggle against fascism, for peace, freedom and democracy.

IT can be anticipated that the fascist Axis will be working under even greater strain as a result of these negotiations. And what is equally important, the Japanese militarists are already feeling the effect of the strengthened position of the Soviet Union, which means more effective support for the fighting Chinese nation, for its liberty and independence; which means strengthened leadership in the

struggle for world peace generally. This likewise means greater opportunities for the people and government of the United States to more effectively help check Japanese aggression in the Far East, to protect the national security of the United States, to protect the interests of the American people.

Munichism, it must be remembered is a menace not only to the small nations of Europe, not only to the interests of England and France themselves, and, of course, to the Soviet Union, but also is directed against the interests and security of the United States.

People are naturally asking, what are bound to be the consequences of these negotiations, and of the conclusion of such a non-aggression treaty, if the negotiations are successful. It is, of course, impossible at this moment to indicate all the consequences, but some of them can be seen already.

It is safe to say that the camp of peace and democracy will become strengthened in confidence as well as ability to put up effective resistance. The Polish people will be further encouraged to resist both the threats of fascist aggression and the underhand conspiracies of the Munichers. On the other hand, there is no doubt that fascist aggression is going to continue despite the fact that Hitler fascism felt it necessary to engage in negotiations for a non-aggression treaty with the Soviet Union. Hitler fascism will continue its threats and aggressions against England, against France, against Poland, and against the other small nations of Europe, as long as the Munichers block the conclusion of a genuine peace front as repeatedly proposed by the U. S. S. R.

THE conclusion is, therefore, that the struggle of the anti-fascist forces throughout the world will now more than ever before have to concentrate on anticipating and defeating new Munichs.

This comment would be incomplete without taking note of the despicable anti-Soviet slanders engaged in by the fascists and their reactionary allies; so-called Social-Democrats, and, of course, the Trotskyite detachment of fascism. What else could one expect from such quarters? It only means that the democratic and peace forces of this country, in the first place the labor movement and the Communist Party itself, will be rendering a great immediate service to the cause of anti-fascism and world peace by helping to unmask and dissipate this slander and to make clear to every American the true policies of the U. S. S. R.

The Soviet Union's peace policy has never shined brighter than it does today, nor has its ability to effectively fight for this policy been more evident than it is today. This policy was outlined by Comrade Stalin at the 18th Congress of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union:

"1. We stand for peace and the strengthening of business relations with all countries. That is our position; and we shall adhere to this position as long as these countries maintain like relations with the Soviet Union, and as long as they make no attempt to trespass on the interests of our country.

"2. We stand for peaceful, close and friendly relations with all the neighboring countries which have common frontiers with the U. S. S. R. That is our position; and we shall adhere to this position as long as these countries maintain like relations with the Soviet Union, and as long as they make no attempt to trespass, directly or indirectly, on the integrity and inviolability of the frontiers of the Soviet state.

"3. We stand for the support of nations which are the victims of aggression and are fighting for the independence of their country.

"4. We are not afraid of the threats of aggressors, and are ready to deal two blows for every blow delivered by instigators of war who attempt to violate the Soviet borders."

In line with this policy, the Soviet Union approaches the conclusion of such a non-aggression pact with Germany as an established part of its unshakable peace policy. The U. S. S. R. harbors no designs on any nation, big or small, democratic or fascist. Therefore, if a Soviet-German non-aggression pact is consummated it can only confirm, insofar as the Soviet Union is concerned, its continued willingness to maintain peaceful relations with another people, in this case with the German people.

The Soviet Union not only has non-aggression pacts with such countries as China, Poland and a mutual assistance pact with France, but it also has a non-

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## PARLIAMENT RECALLED AS CHAMBERLAIN FACES ATTACK

### RIBBENTROP DUE IN MOSCOW TODAY

#### To Start Negotiations For Soviet Pact

Soviet Communique Says Talks Aim to Relieve War Tension

(By Cable to the Daily Worker) MOSCOW, Aug. 22.—Joachim von Ribbentrop, Reich Minister of Foreign Affairs, will arrive here tomorrow afternoon by plane for negotiations with Soviet officials on conclusion of a Soviet-German pact of non-aggression.

The Tass news agency announced the opening of the negotiations in a communique early this morning. The communique said:

"After conclusion of the Soviet-German trade and credit agreement, there arose the problem of improving the political relations between Germany and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

"An exchange of views on this subject which took place between the governments of Germany and the U. S. S. R. established that both parties desire to relieve the tension of their political relations, to eliminate the war menace and to conclude a non-aggression pact.

"Consequently the German Minister of Foreign Affairs, von Ribbentrop, will arrive in Moscow in a few days for the corresponding negotiations."

Von Ribbentrop will arrive Wednesday with a staff of 32 persons. The staff will be housed in the German Embassy while Ribbentrop himself will occupy a separate mansion.

The von Ribbentrop mission is expected to arrive between 2 o'clock and 5 o'clock in the afternoon.

Berlin dispatches said that von Ribbentrop left Tempelhof airport there tonight for Königsberg, East Prussia, where he and his party will stay overnight, flying on to the Soviet capital in the morning. A second plane is carrying von Ribbentrop's aides.

#### To Evacuate All Children Under 18 in Hong Kong

HONG KONG, Aug. 22 (UP).—British officials announced today plans for the immediate registration of all British women and children under 18 for evacuation purposes.

The announcement by radio said the measure is purely precautionary and does not indicate fear of an immediate emergency, but that the times are such that every possible precaution is necessary to meet any contingency.

The registration, which follows closely the registration for conscription of all British males, was attributed to the Japanese occupation of the borders of the Crown Colony and the change in the European situation.

### Farmers Meet Today on Milk Rate Proposals

(Special to the Daily Worker) UTTICA, N. Y., Aug. 22.—The Dairy Farmers Union, through its general organizing committee, has called a general convention in the Hotel Martin at noon tomorrow at which 150 delegates, representing all locals, will vote on the offer of the milk companies which would increase prices to the producer 65c a hundredweight.

This offer in itself, if accepted by the convention, would amount to an increase of 43 per cent to farmer. Under the proposed price increase of the average New York State farmer would be increased by approximately \$1.20 a day.

Meanwhile, union officers are taking action in answer to dealer inspired statements to the effect that the "strike is over." A state-

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#### Ambassadors of Britain, France Meet With Molotov

MOSCOW, Aug. 22 (UP).—The British and French Ambassadors went to the Kremlin tonight to confer with the Chairman of the Council of People's Commissars of the USSR, Vyacheslav M. Molotov, who is also the Soviet Commissar of Foreign Affairs, upon instructions of their cabinets meeting in emergency sessions in London and Paris.



V. M. MOLOTOV

#### Nazi, Italian Envoys Linked To Jew-Baiters

Allen Tells Dies Committee of His Talks With Them

By Adam Lapin (Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 22.—Henry D. Allen, a prominent anti-Semitic agitator on the West Coast, told the Dies Committee today of his contacts with the German and Italian embassies here.

Allen said that in January, 1938, Giuseppe Cosmelli, counselor and chief of the Italian Embassy had expressed support for the work being done by anti-Semitic and fascist organizations in this country.

"He said that he hoped we would succeed in the work that we were doing," Allen said.

Today's witness was a lean-red-faced, baldish man of 60 with small silt-like eyes who has been associated with the Silver Shirts and with a variety of similar organizations.

When he appears on the witness stand tomorrow, Allen will be questioned on his connections with the Gold Shirts in Mexico. He worked as an engineer in Mexico for some time.

Allen took his trip to Washington as the agent of Mrs. Leslie Fry, a white Russian anti-Semitic leader who headed the so-called Militant Christian Patriots in Los Angeles and published the Christian Free Press.

He said that she had instructed him to visit the Italian Embassy, but later he changed his mind and

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#### Americans Urged To Leave Poland

WARSAW, Aug. 22.—American citizens residing in Poland were urged today by the United States Embassy here to leave the country at once unless they have some special reason for remaining.

ment issued today by the general organizing committee reads: "The strike continues in full force and effect. Picketing should be continued and extended. There should be no let-down of strike activities."

With nine new plants reported dry this morning, including the Sheffield plant at Walton, largest in the world, and with Lewis County reporting that not more than 175 cans of milk left the county, one of the largest milk producing counties in the State, strikers are making clear their determination to hold their lines in tact.

Meanwhile, desperate efforts are being made to break the strike, with violence increasing against

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#### Poland Firm Against Nazi Demands to Surrender

'To Warsaw and Even Beyond' Is Threat of Nazis

WARSAW, Aug. 22 (UP).—The Polish government stood firm tonight against the threat of an imminent German Nazi invasion, strengthened its military preparations and warned defiantly that "Germany still must reckon with Poland."

BERLIN, Aug. 22 (UP).—Nazi Germany tonight was ready to send its armed forces "to Warsaw and even beyond" if Poland refuses to surrender immediately to the Reich every inch of territory taken from Germany after the World War, high Nazi quarters said tonight.

It became evident that Hitler no longer wants merely the Free City of Danzig, but insists on the amputation of the Polish Corridor and upper Silesia.

"Poland in her present form is finished," Nazis said.

Thousands of army reservists were routed from their homes and rushed to mobilization centers. Highways and railroads were clogged with green-grey German-uniformed troops moving up to the Polish frontier.

#### NAZI ARMY AT PEAK

Germany's military preparations were said to have reached their peak tonight, with at least an estimated 2,000,000 men under arms.

The nation was on a full wartime basis.

Poland's future depends, it was said, on whether she chooses to resist Hitler's demands.

It was admitted that the Poles were liable to choose to fight, instead of capitulating as the Czechoslovaks did.

Roads to the east near the Polish frontier were clogged with the movements of troops and mobile units. Automobiles were commandeered by military authorities in several areas appeared to have been monopolized by the army.

The Berlin reservists ordered to report for duty at once telephoned their employers that they could not report to work and hurried off to previously designated barracks.

Some city and suburban elevated and subway stations were crowded with reservists, carrying small suit cases containing a few civilian necessities.

#### SLOVAK NAZIS MASS; DEMAND PALISH AREA

BRATISLAVA, Slovakia, Aug. 22 (UP).—Thousands of members of the Slovak German Nazi party and the Hlinka Armed Guard massed tonight with banners saying "mobilize"

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#### British, Franco Troops Mass at Gibraltar

GIBRALTAR, Aug. 22 (UP).—British and Spanish fascist troops faced each other across the so-called "no man's land" between Gibraltar and Spain today.

Fortress authorities stationed an unusually large number of civil police and soldiers, with bayonets fixed on the frontier after closing it temporarily earlier in the day.

A heavy concentration of Spaniards was observed on the other side of the frontier.

British Cabinet in 'Crisis Session'; Still Hope for Appeasement

#### FRANCE ALSO ACTS

Opposition to Flay Tory Minister for Failure in Soviet Talks

LONDON, Aug. 22 (UP).—Parliament was summoned today to reconvene in emergency session Thursday to act on measures under the new emergency powers defense bill, increasing Britain's mobilization of reserves of the army, navy and air force.

Under the action to be taken by parliament Britain will be brought virtually to the peak of her fighting strength.

Britain's 11th-hour mobilization of reserves and a warning to Germany against starting "a European war with all its tragic consequences" was taken in concert with France.

The French cabinet, in simultaneous session, decided to bring French armed forces to a strength of 1,500,000 men on full war footing.

The British Broadcasting Company tonight summoned members of Parliament by radio to return to London from their summer vacations.

An official announcement issued after a three-hour "crisis session" of the British cabinet at No. 10 Downing Street asserted that Britain will stand firm in her pledges to fight on the side of Poland in resisting any German Nazi aggression.

#### CALL UP UNITS

The forces of the Navy, Army, Air corps and air raid precaution units are being called up as a "precautionary" measure.

These reserves were identified only as "certain personnel."

At the same time, the government indicated that it is taking steps to prevent the export from Britain of essential materials like rubber and copper.

Tonight's announcement said textually:

"The cabinet at its meeting today considered the international situation in all its bearings. In addition to the report that had been received as to military movements in Germany the cabinet took note of the report that a non-aggression pact between the German and Soviet governments was about to be concluded.

"The cabinet ministers had no hesitation in deciding that such an event in no way would affect their obligation to Poland which they repeatedly have stated in public and which they are determined to fulfill.

"Parliament has been summoned to meet Thursday next when the government proposes to invite both Houses to pass through all its stages the emergency powers (defense) bill. The effect of this will be to place the government in a position to take any necessary measures without delay should the situation require it.

#### TO HOLD VITAL EXPORTS

"In the meantime further measures of a precautionary character are being taken by the departments, for instance the calling up of certain personnel of the navy, army, Royal Air Force and A.R.P. (Air Raids Precautions) civil defense.

"Arrangements also are being made to deal with certain matters affecting the export from this coun-

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### An Announcement

As the Daily Worker went to press Monday night a bulletin came in from Berlin saying that a non-aggression pact had already been concluded between the Soviet Union and Germany. No news came at that time from the news agencies in Moscow, London, Paris or other world capitals. The Daily Worker publishes only one edition.

The subsequent official report printed in adjoining columns today arrived by cable in the Daily Worker offices yesterday morning. This reports the important news that negotiations are under way but are not yet concluded between Germany and the Soviet Union. In keeping with its policy of strict veracity in the news, the Daily Worker did not print the bulletin flash but waited for confirmation from cabled sources.

Yesterday's Daily Worker, however, printed a cabled dispatch on the German-Soviet trade agreement and an article on page 1 by Harry Gannes on the significance of the trade agreement and already projecting the possibility of negotiations for a non-aggression pact.



Puerto Rico 3rd Term Plea



Secretary of Interior Harold L. Ickes examines a petition from 40,000 Puerto Ricans urging President Roosevelt run for 3rd term. Ickes forwarded the petition to the White House.

Welles Talks With Polish Envoy; FDR Returns

State Dep't Officials, Defense Heads Meet on War Situation

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22 (UP).—Acting Secretary of State Sumner Welles conferred for 30 minutes today with Polish Ambassador Jerzy Potocki, their second meeting in two days. Welles had no comment to make at his daily press conference.

President Roosevelt returns to Washington Friday, preceded two days by Secretary of State Cordell Hull, who has been vacationing in West Virginia.

Welles met late today with Acting Secretary of the Navy Charles Edison, Assistant Secretary of War Louis Johnson, Army Chief of Staff Gen. George Marshall, Assistant Secretary of State Adolf Berle and other diplomatic and defense authorities.

Purpose of the conference was not disclosed, but it was believed the participants discussed the European crisis as it relates to the United States.

Others present included John Hanes, Acting Secretary of the Treasury, Assistant Attorney General Thurman Arnold, Col. B. K. Rutherford, Chief of the Army's War Plans Division and Secretary of the new War Resources Board, and most of the other assistant secretaries of state.

The War Resources Board, recently named by Mr. Roosevelt, is scheduled to meet tomorrow to canvass the status of the national defense program.

'Fighting Irish' Regiments Vie for Honors in 'Battle'

By Ernest Moorer (Daily Worker Staff Correspondent)

WITH THE FIRST ARMY IN THE FIELD, Plattsburgh, N. Y., Aug. 22.—Moved back to rest areas to await the grand scale maneuver of 52,000 troops, the First and Second Corps of the First Army tonight looked back upon the decisive action that brought two Irish Regiments into action in renewal of an ancient and friendly rivalry.

It was the drive of the "Fighting Irish" of the 165th Infantry of the 27th National Guard that brought theoretical victory of the "Red Army" against the "Black Army" at dawn today, and they found in the lines against them the Fighting Irish Regiment of the Massachusetts 26th Division.

In many battles aforesaid these two regiments have vied for honors, and there have been many good-natured skirmishes between them just for the fun of it.

Before dawn this morning when the Second Corps, composing the "Red Army," launched a thrust at the First Corps troops holding the line of the Saranac River, the Fighting Irish from New York spearheaded through, forded the Saranac River and drove two miles into "Black Army" territory, where they held firm until the "battle" was ended shortly after nine o'clock this morning.

FIGHTING IRISH THRUST

A tremendous artillery preparation that rocked the Plattsburgh area at four o'clock this morning was a preliminary to the thrust of the Fighting Irish. Before the "Black" forces realized that the attempt would be made at their right rather than at the left, where it had been anticipated, the Fighting Irish were swarming across the stream, sending spray splashing over their heads, and were up the north bank of the Saranac River deploying through the fields.

So swift was the thrust that the New York Regiment of National Guardsmen made that they captured Colonel Paul Kirk, commander of the 101st Infantry of the 26th Division, at his command post, and rolled the opposing regiment back over two miles.

The maneuver of the provisional

corps, in which the first division was engaged with mechanized cavalry and the 18th Brigade, was fought out in standard regular army fashion, with the forces jockeying for the higher ground without any sensational thrust.

In the battle between the Second and First Corps, the 13th Cavalry, mechanized, of the 7th Brigade, performed brilliant feats of raiding behind the First Corps lines, which probably would not have been possible under war conditions. The swift movements of the mechanized regiment in combat cars was, however, designed to familiarize the National Guard troops with the operations of the mechanized brigade as a training measure.

The tactics of concealment employed that placed the "Fighting Irish" in position for their dash across the Saranac were still being mulled over by the umpires, inasmuch as the artillery preparation had seemingly been directed to the right of the First Corps.

The net result of the Corps exercise was a claim from both General Staffs of complete victory, which was not unexpected under the umpire's system, which is frankly admitted by the First Army to have many faults, but to possess the virtue of giving the troops a thorough workout.

CORRECTION

A typographical error destroyed the meaning of an essential paragraph in Harry Gannes' article on the Soviet-German credit trade agreement in yesterday's Daily Worker. The word "anti-democratic" obviously should have been "democratic." The paragraph, in its correct form, reads: "To the extent that the Soviet Union defeats this basic purpose of the appeasement policy it strengthens the democratic forces against the appeasers."

Army Leaves Off in Belgium, Netherlands

BRUSSELS, Aug. 22 (UP).—The leaves of all army officers were cancelled tonight by the Belgian government because of the acuteness of the international situation.

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, Aug. 22 (UP).—Fishermen and spectators ashore with binoculars asserted today that they saw German warships carrying out mine-laying and depth-sounding exercises Sunday and yesterday in the water south of Denmark.

THE HAGUE, Aug. 22 (UP).—The Netherlands government decided today to cancel until further notice all regular leaves for troops assigned to the frontiers, coast and anti-aircraft forces.

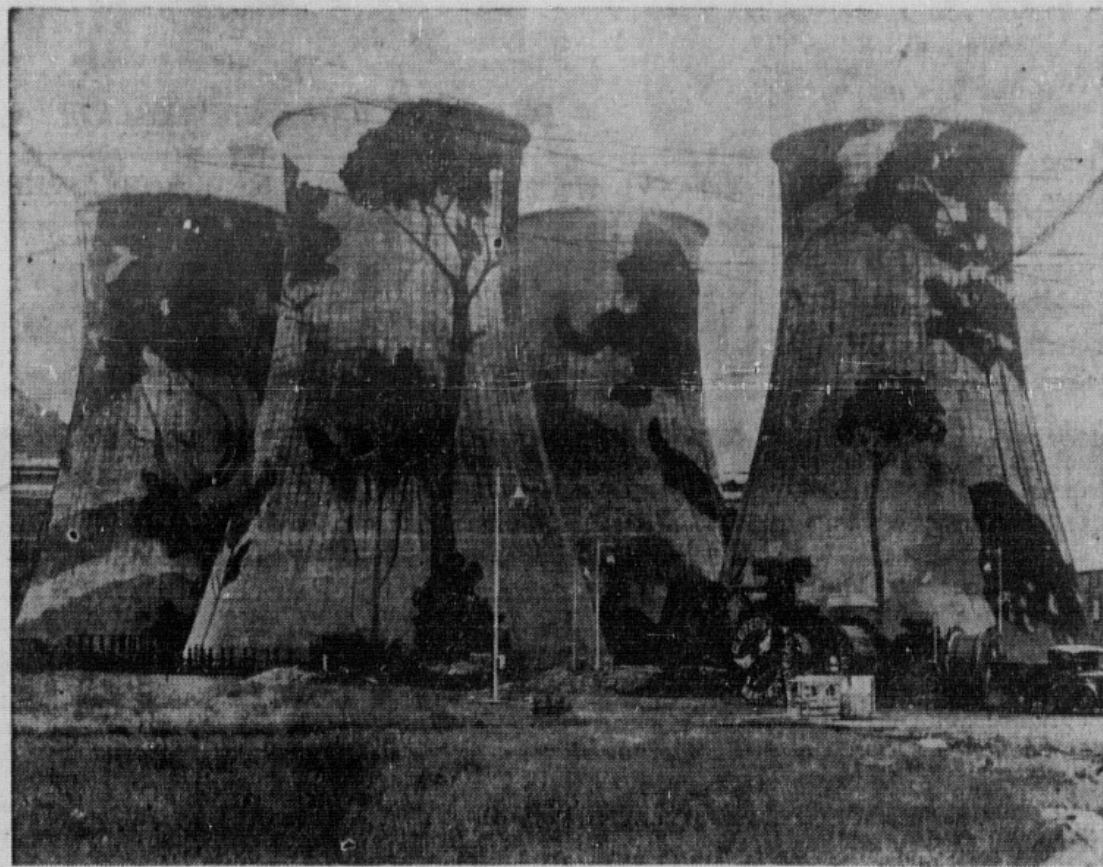
Tientsin Faces Food Crisis

TIENTSIN, China, Aug. 22 (UP).—British police passed out free food today to the hundreds of thousands of refugees of this city, inundated with from one to nine feet of water from the flooded Hai River.

Japanese troops had abandoned their main barracks, which were burning today, and foreign troops and volunteers were mobilized.

A relief ship, H. M. S. Bideford, was rushing here from Weihaiwei with food to relieve the shortage. Authorities feared an epidemic because of polluted water and intense heat. Water was still rising and already covered the entire city of 1,387,000.

Newest in Camouflage



CAMOUFLAGE REACHES NEW HEIGHTS IN ENGLAND: The huge cooling towers of the electric power plant at Freeman's Meadow are camouflaged with paintings of tall trees as part of the air-raid precautions taken by the authorities of the city of Leicester.

Parliament Summoned to Sessions

Britain Calls Reserves; Opposition to Flay Chamberlain

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try of essential materials and commodities.

"While taking these measures of precaution which the government considers to be necessary at this time, it remains of the opinion that there is nothing in the difficulties which have arisen between Germany and Poland which would justify the use of force involving a European war with all its tragic consequences.

"As the Prime Minister repeatedly has said there are indeed no questions in Europe which are not capable of a peaceful solution if only conditions of confidence could be restored.

"His Majesty's government is, as it always has been, ready to assist in creating such conditions but, in spite of all its efforts, others insist on the use of force it is prepared and determined to resist it to the uttermost end."

When the Cabinet adjourned at 6:20 P.M. the leaders of the Laborite and Liberal opposition parties went into conference immediately with their supporters regarding the tasks facing Parliament.

It seemed inevitable that Chamberlain would be compelled to face one of the most bitter attacks he ever has experienced in the House of Commons, with members of the opposition assailing him for falling to come to a mutual assistance pact with the Soviets in almost five months.

The high army council met before the session of the cabinet, supposedly to review the defense situation and pass upon additional measures.

United States Ambassador Joseph P. Kennedy, cutting short a vacation on the French Riviera, arrived back in London at 6:15 P.M. and went into consultation at the Embassy.

Tokio 'Not Responsible' For U. S., Briton Lives

PEIPING, Aug. 22 (UP).—A Japanese spokesman said today that the Japanese army was unable to assume responsibility for the lives of Americans and Britons in Japanese-occupied territory.

Rations at New Low in Nazi 'Sufficiency' Drive

Butter at 1-3 to 1-2 Pound to Family Weekly; Substitutes for Eggs, Other Basic Foods; Meat a Luxury

BERLIN, Aug. 22 (UP).—The German housewife goes to market at 6 A.M., stands in line at the butchers, and usually finds only one kind of meat available, in addition to sausages. Most butchers will not sell her anything unless she has a "fat" card, proving that she is using her share of whale oil fat for cooking. Two days a week now, the butcher shop is closed.

At the grocery, she must have a card to buy butter, which is rationed in amounts of a third to half a pound per family member per week. The grocer offers her instead of eggs, a powdered extract of skimmed milk selling for 20 pennings (eight cents) a 20-gram can, which is described in propaganda as equal to eight egg whites or four whole eggs.

The grocer is always short of coffee, and much of what he has is adulterated. The housewife is allowed only one-fifth a pound per week for the whole family. She may buy malt coffee or other substitutes made of apples and herbs, which have not become popular in spite of propaganda, and which draws snickers from theater audiences when it is advertised on screen slides: "Drink malt coffee. It tastes good and is good for you."

"LUXURY" LIST Most grocers have adequate supplies of homegrown fruits and vegetables. But only by cultivating a grocer's friendship with constant patronage can the housewife rely on continuing of such luxuries as oranges, fancy cheeses, high grade chocolate and popular brands of cigars using Virginia tobacco. Cigarettes are sold in packages of 10. The sale of cream is illegal. It is an "unnecessary luxury."

If she plans a dinner party, the housewife must start negotiating four or five days ahead for chicken or high grade breads and meats, and even then she may be disappointed at the last minute.

Yesterday one woman went to five shops and could not buy a lemon or egg. The housewife in Germany is as worried by war talk as the woman in any other European country, and she has been trying this year to lay in a supply of canned jams, fruits, meats, vegetables and eggs. But there always is trouble getting jars. She has been worried about next winter's coal supply and has tried

to take advantage of summer coal prices only to find that dealers have sold out and are predicting a worse shortage by the time cold weather sets in.

NO GASOLINE Most families have had to cancel automobile trips planned for this summer because filling stations in the towns will sell only two and a half gallons of gasoline at a time; those on the highways a gallon and a quarter; those on Germany's new super highways, often none at all.

The average housewife agrees that the food situation is the worst in several years and is getting worse all the time, although the Nazi government says it is getting better.

By all reports, crops this summer were favorable and production was up, and the implication is that most of the food has gone into storehouses to supply an army of 2,000,000 men with meat, butter and other "luxury" goods.

Government figures disclose only the amount of stored grain, which is officially 4,500,000 tons, or sufficient for two or three years without imports and with minimum harvests. The government has said that self sufficiency in all lines of food has now reached the point where a wartime blockade would have little effect, but foreign experts say these factors must be considered: Most of the fats are of whale oil, the sources of which would be cut off in wartime; fish consumption, which has been stimulated 50 per cent in the past two years as a meat substitute, is also vulnerable; the hog supply, although up 18 per cent from last year, is still depending on 20 per cent imported fodder.

Rome Envoy Confers

ROME, Aug. 22 (UP).—William Phillips, United States ambassador, conferred for half an hour today with Count Galeazzo Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister.

"But if we talk about new soil and territory in Europe today, we think primarily only of Russia..." Hitler has been, in this respect, forced to backtrack. And that scores a gigantic gain for world peace.

Cabling from Berlin, Joseph Barnes, New York Herald Tribune correspondent wrote that "Fuehrer Adolf Hitler had never yet had a pay such a heavy price."

Whatever the chorus of enemies of the Soviet Union and of world progress and peace may say, the non-aggression conversations between Germany and the Soviet Union are landing a serious jolt to the Axis.

JAPAN WEAKENED Primarily, Japan is weakened, much to the benefit of the security of the United States and the war of independence of the Chinese people.

But in every way, this development intensifies the contradictions of the Axis partners. Understanding the significance of this proposed non-aggression pact in its true light one need have no misunderstanding of its effect in any way on the United States and the struggle for peace and progress here.

It should be said, in passing, that the hopeless confusion worse confounded in the reactionary press here is reminiscent of their distortions during the first tragic Munich

FRENCH C.P. HAILS TALKS AS BITTER BLOW TO APPEASERS

Gitton, Party Leader, Cites Soviet's Firmness Against Hitler as Advice to Chamberlain; Hopes London, Paris 'Will Profit' By Policy

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Council of Ministers will meet Thursday morning.

Parisians and residents of other cities saw Republican guards bicycling through streets to call up specialized reserves and summer soldiers on leave to the colors.

FORCES HITLER RETREAT

Gitton, who is one of the most important of French Communist leaders, said that the news of the German-Soviet pact negotiations contained a "double proof."

"The first," he said, "is that the U.S.S.R. can live and desire to live in peace with the whole world, and, second, that a policy of firmness can force Hitler to retreat.

"It is to be hoped that London and Paris will profit by the demonstration."

The news blasted the proposals under the plans of the Munichmen to sell out Poland as they betrayed Czechoslovakia just about a month short of a year ago.

The Munichmen have now fled to cover of declarations of firmness, indicating that announcement of von Ribbentrop's visit to Moscow would be the biggest blow yet dealt to their plans as well as to the so-called "Anti-Comintern pact."

Hitler has admitted, by his readiness to conclude a pact of non-aggression with Poland, that the strength of the Soviet Union was quite definitely sufficient to prevent him from gobbling up the morsel of the Ukraine offered to him at Munich in September, 1938.

"A triumph for the peace policy of the U.S.S.R." was the headline tonight in the important democratic evening paper, Ce Soir.

"The Anglo-French-Soviet pact can still be achieved if London and Paris so desire," Ce Soir declared editorially.

From Berlin it was reported today that a well-informed observer stated this morning that the pact negotiations represented Hitler's capitulation to the might of the Soviet Union. He asserted that the warning implicit in Japan's defeats at Lake Hassan and on the frontier of the Mongolian People's Republic had had effect.

This source said that Hitler had never yet paid such a price in sacrifice of Nazi "principles," such as they are. The fact that such a price was paid is considered here to be the measure of Soviet supremacy in the present international situation.

DALADIER STILL BALKS The French Cabinet meeting this afternoon did not show that Daladier had yet taken the lesson to heart by speeding up the Moscow talks.

Democratic circles sarcastically commented that plane connections existed between London, Paris and Moscow as well as with Berlin, and pointed out for the benefit of Daladier that a Paris-Moscow plane leaves the French capital at 8 o'clock each morning.

"This only means," the sources which have explained previous developments in French foreign policy declare, "that the German-Soviet talks in no way hinder conclusion of the Anglo-French-Soviet talks, providing that the British and French governments really want a pact and are not seeking to have the Soviet Union pull their chestnuts out of the fire, or turn Hitler eastwards."

French labor leaders did not fail for war" and "everything back from the Poles."

The demand referred to the 337 square miles of Slovakian territory given to Poland in the territorial split-up of Czechoslovakia which followed the Munich four-power conference last year.

German troops are occupying a 10-mile strip of Slovakian territory, along the Polish frontier, under the terms of the treaty of last March 23 which established Slovakia as a German protectorate.

The demands of the Hlinka Guards also were in reference to 4,000 square miles of territory ceded to Hungary in the post-Munich settlement by an Italo-German board of arbitration.

Non-Aggression Talks of U.S.S.R. and Germany a Blow at 2nd Munich

By Harry Gannes

Why were the Anglo-French authors of the disastrous Munich policy which encourages and incites the fascist warmakers "staggered" by the discussions between the Soviet Union and Germany for a non-aggression pact?

This move unquestionably strengthens the leading role of the Soviet Union in its inspiring fight against fascist aggression and against the Munich capitulators.

These discussions for a non-aggression treaty will spur the fight against the Munichmen by accelerating the negotiations for a peace front. Chamberlain will be forced to make a more honest approach to the peace front proposals of the Soviet Union.

For a moment the Hearst press, spokesman of American fascism and reaction, partner of Nazi aggression, admitted in its reports from London that this retreat on Hitler's part in his war plans against the Soviet Union meant the strengthening of world peace. But that story was too hot for Hearst to carry long, so in the later issues of yesterday's Journal American it was killed. We quote from its first paragraph:

"British government circles are thrown into consternation today

by news from Berlin of a momentous Soviet-German non-aggression agreement, but it was completely agreed that the danger of an immediate European war has thus been averted."

STRENGTHENS U. S. PEACE

In the numerous brilliant moves of the Soviet Union in the interest of world peace perhaps no Soviet action has resulted in such strengthening of the peace of the United States as the Berlin government's compulsion and anxiety to sign a non-aggression pact with the Soviet Union.

The increased security of the United States in the Pacific, because of the consequent heavy blows that this move lands at the Nipponese aggressor, is too great to be fully calculated at this time.

China's threatened 450,000,000 people will cheer this news to the skies. Already the Chinese national government has gained new courage from it to drive the Japanese aggressors into the sea.

But one of the heaviest blows falls on those who have with a guilty and malignant heart been

encouraging the fascist aggressors to ever larger conquest—the authors of the first tragic Munich, and the plotters of the Second Munich travesty against Poland and world peace.

BLOW TO CHAMBERLAIN

After Hitler had, with the impetus of the last Munich, destroyed the Czechoslovak Republic, after Mr. Chamberlain was forced to discuss a peace front with the Soviet Union, the British Tory Prime Minister on two critical occasions deliberately designed to delay any realization of a peace alliance with the U. S. S. R.

He first sent the anti-Soviet Mr. William Strang to Moscow to stall, stall and stall.

Then, on the eve of the present war menace, Mr. Chamberlain, together with Bonnet, sent a choice aggregation of military stallers to Moscow in order to impede the realization of a peace pact with the U. S. S. R.

All of this is receiving shattering blows from the Soviet Union's peace actions. For one of the chief objectives of Munich treacheries is to incite and bribe fascism to make war exclusively against the Soviet Union. With this path barred to the appeasers their chief reason for a Munich is greatly crippled and

the whole game is seriously hampered.

Faced, however, with these obstacles to their plans, the Munichmen will attempt more desperately to devise craftier Munich schemes in order to give fascism new and additional encouragement.

HELP TO POLAND

In this regard, the Soviet Union's stand is of the greatest help to Poland, if that country wishes to bolster its defense against the present attack of the fascist aggressors. Should Poland sincerely now stand up against the aggressors her chances of victorious defense of her independence are immensely greater.

The Munichmen who were plotting the sacrifice of Poland's independence have been confounded. Furthermore, the signing of a non-aggression pact with Germany in no way hinders the operation of the Soviet Union's adamant foreign policy plank of rendering the maximum possible amount of assistance to any nation, the victim of aggression, fighting for its independence.

This clause, as the whole capitalist press admits, is part of all non-aggression pacts signed by the Soviet Union.

What effect will this development have on German fascism? Why

was Hitler forced to take this desperate step? And what will be its result on the Axis and the fascist trio?

HITLER FORCED TO RETREAT

While at the first brush of the news the capitalist press was a mass of confusion it cannot indefinitely conceal the truth. And bit by bit it is publishing some of the facts in the situation.

It is admitting that German fascism had to swallow its pretences of being the giant anti-Bolshevik force which would destroy the Soviet Union in the interest of world reaction.

This by no means signifies that the fascist leopard has changed his spots. But he has been obliged to retreat, to backstep.

Hitler's prestige in Nazi Germany has suffered a huge reverse. After instilling into the Nazi hordes and the fascists' allies throughout the world for more than a decade that any pact between the fascist Reich and the Soviet Union "would be the end of Germany," the Nazis have taken this exact step.

Hitler's main program, Mein Kampf, is filled with imprecations against any diplomatic capitulation to the U.S.S.R. He wrote, "Do not at all think of entering into a pact with Russia. On the contrary, he taught his aggression-mad armies:

Remember, at that time, too, only the Communist press held aloft the light of truth. Only the Communist press informed the people of the real meaning, road and consequences of Munich. The big organs of monopoly capital (the Times, Tribune, the tabloids, the United Press and Associated Press, etc.) filled the disturbed minds of the American people with the Chamberlain lie of "peace in our time," declaring that Munich meant a sacrifice for peace and an appeasement that would improve the world situation. However, the peace-loving people of the world were not long in discovering that they had been hoaxed. Everywhere only the Communists fought against Munich and exposed it to the core.

It will be, in the first instance, the most reactionary American capitalists, the trust magnates and the big bankers and their press which will hurl the vilest slanders against the U.S.S.R. because Moscow's latest move spoils the game they carried on jointly with the Chamberlain appeasers. A blow against world fascist warmakers is a thrust at the American fascist cabal.

SPURS DEMOCRATIC FORCES

Lastly, the democratic forces will be aided in their fight against internal reaction which has been fed on the appeasement gains of the Rome-Berlin Axis.

The British people will see more clearly than ever that it was never Mr. Chamberlain's aim to sign a peace alliance with the Soviet Union, and that he was all the while stalling viciously in order to encourage fascist aggression.

No doubt, the cries of the appeasement jackals and other anti-Soviet beasts will fill the air and the press in the immediate period.

Nevertheless, events will reveal with relentless and unanswerable clarity the real, peace-strengthening consequences of the Soviet Union's policy and the present application of it.

The peace-front stallers, now exposed and hampered by the Soviet Union's action, will have little more room for delay. They will have to face ever more powerful forces pushing them towards realizing the peace alliance to block fascist aggression proposed by the U.S.S.R.

Mankind, in this period of human history has a champion against reaction and war catastrophe that it did not have in the last imperialist war.

Today, the Socialist U.S.S.R., reviled, maligned and slandered, yet growing stronger every hour, is more and more heading mankind away from the abyss along the safer road of human progress and victory over the dark forces of reaction, treachery and war.



### Inside Brooklyn

By Peter V. Cacchione — Kings County Communist Candidate for the City Council



The scene is the Brooklyn county court. The "criminal" at the bar is a thin, undernourished boy of 18. The charge—burglary—breaking into a Manhattan Ave. grocery store to steal food and cigarettes.

Who is this "criminal" hailed into our courts? He is the son of a barge captain, one of five children. His parents are separated. He testifies: "Nobody cares for me. My father doesn't want me. He doesn't care if they lock me up and throw the key away."

I have talked before in this column about the young boys in our city streets who are being turned into criminals without their ever having had a chance to establish themselves as honest, self-supporting citizens.

Our need today is greater than ever before for adequate social guidance programs and youth projects. If many thousands of our young people are not to be condemned in advance to lives of paupers or gangsters, we must take vigorous action on their behalf.

The Tory campaign against such projects as the Youth Administration and the expansion of housing and educational facilities is not just an abstract political tenet. It is a vicious reactionary thrust against the very lives of our young men and women.

### Equity Delays Trial of Tucker After Appeal

Richman Plea Seen As Move to Settle Actors' Dispute

Upon receiving a request from Harry Richman, chairman of the council of the expelled American Federation of Actors, for more time on a possibility that a peaceful settlement could be reached, the Council of Actors Equity yesterday postponed the trial of Sophie Tucker until next Thursday.

Miss Tucker, who is to star in "Leave It to Me" when it opens after Labor Day, is President of the ousted group. She did not appear for her trial, but Mr. Richman's request, the first move from the expelled group towards peace with the Associated Actors and Artists of America, is believed to have her consent.

The APA was expelled from the 4 A's, parent body of actors' unions in the A. F. of L., and reorganized, when its secretary-treasurer Ralph Whitehead was found guilty of mis-handling funds and neglect of duties.

Subsequently other leaders of the ousted group came under charges when they accepted a charter from the International Alliance of Stage and Theatrical Employees, a union that the A. F. of L. ruled has no jurisdiction among performers.

At stake in Miss Tucker's trial is not only her membership in Equity, but also the possibility of being banned from the stage altogether, if she is expelled.

Meanwhile, the Screen Actors Guild, adopted a resolution at its Board of Directors in Hollywood yesterday, declaring that reprisals against any of the 4 A's affiliates from supporters of the expelled group, will meet the full strength "economic and otherwise" of the SAG.

Though not naming the stage hands, the resolution of the screen actors takes note of threatened reprisals, and resolves: "That the Board of Directors of the Screen Actors Guild pledge its full strength, economic and otherwise, for any action which may become necessary, in support of and in cooperation with Actors Equity, American Guild of Variety Artists, American Federation of Radio Artists, American Guild of Musical Artists, and other Four A unions—individually and collectively— for the duration of a finish fight—and be it further

"RESOLVED, that in the interests of maximum strength through unity, the Screen Actors Guild will cooperate with other Four A unions, in developing a 'One Big Union' Four A plan, preserving group autonomy to the end, that performers, wherever they perform, shall be protected by an integrated, strong, single performer's union."

### Radio Union Wins Election In Bliss Company

A National Labor Relations Board election yesterday afternoon at the E. W. Bliss Co. plant, 43rd and Second Ave., Brooklyn, resulted in a victory for Local 475 of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers Union of the CIO, by a vote of 386 against 73. The minority vote was for no union.

The huge plant, occupying an area of four blocks, is one of four plants of the company. The Toledo plant is already under contract with the CIO. The Salem, Ohio, plant is now being organized and another plant is located at Hastings, Michigan.

### Endurance Tests Given Ice-Sleep Cancer Patient

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 22 (UP).—Temple University Hospital specialists today conducted tests on a Stockport, Ia., farmer to determine whether he is able physically to endure a five-day "frozen-sleep" treatment in an attempt to check a cancerous growth in his pancreas.

Max Harlan, 42, arrived here yesterday and prepared immediately to have his body sheathed in cracked ice in hopes of saving his life.

Such study shows that from the very beginning of our Party and its early fore-runners, Communists were in theory and practice fighters for freedom and teachers of Socialism. Our struggle for democracy in America dates back to the early American Marxists, who rallied around Lincoln in the Civil War. Today our struggle for democracy goes on in the struggle to unite the people against the pro-fascist evil old men.

### Negro Elks Hear Mayor as 40th Convention Opens



Opening of the 40th annual convention of the Elks in Harlem yesterday heard Mayor LaGuardia speak on the cultural and civic achievements of the Negro people.

### Coughlinite on Trial Tells of Anti-FDR Rally

Admits Crowds Hostility to 'Yellow, Fascist Social Justice'

William O'Connor, one of three Christian Mobilizers on trial for disorderly conduct at a meeting at which policemen were assaulted by Coughlinites on Aug. 13, described the gathering as "purely anti-Roosevelt" yesterday in court.

O'Connor said he attended the meeting in his capacity as assistant editor of the sheet put out by the Christian Mobilizers. Questioned as to what the speakers had said at the meeting he gave a brief Coughlinite dissertation on banking and "international Jews."

The defendant admitted that when sellers of Social Justice went beyond the main group at the meeting (141st St. and Crimmins Ave., the Bronx) they were told to "get out of here with that yellow fascist sheet."

Such remarks, he said, were made by the neighborhood people, several of whom have already testified. O'Connor repeated snatches from speeches made at the meeting concerning refugees from Germany.

O'Connor was preceded on the stand by three defense witnesses. The first was Mrs. Violet Bianco, daughter of Mrs. Maxine McDaniels who testified yesterday. Mrs. Bianco denied membership in the Christian Mobilizers, but in all her testimony spoke of the persons attending the meeting as "we."

She declared that the speakers "didn't run the Jews down" but said that Christians ought to get a fair share of business. Her mother, Mrs. McDaniels was to have appeared against yesterday, but did not. Assistant District Attorney Walter X. Stanton ordered a subpoena issued for her reappearance.

### Four Killed When Monoplane Crashes

ROCKY MOUNT, N. C., Aug. 22 (UP).—Four persons were killed today when a Ryan monoplane carrying a group of businessmen to Raleigh crashed ten minutes after it took off from the airport here.

### Mayor Urges Negro Elks to Work for Progressive Gov't

Says Liberal Administration Vital for U. S. Security; 15,000 in Colorful Convention Parade in Harlem; to Visit Fair

Mayor LaGuardia, speaking yesterday at the Abyssinia Baptist Church, 132 West 138th St., urged the Negro delegates attending the 40th annual convention of the Elks to do their utmost in working for liberal city and state administrations when they return to their respective states. He said such an effort is vital for the future security of America.

The Mayor, in recounting the achievements of the Negro people under his administration, told the delegates that when the various cities and states throughout the country do as much for Negroes as New York City has done, America will be well on the way toward real true democracy for all.

Newbold Morris, chairman of the City Council, Hubert T. Delaney, Commissioner of Taxation and Finance, and Harold Hoffman, Governor of New Jersey, also addressed the meeting which preceded a huge parade in the afternoon.

The parade which started at 2 o'clock from Seventh Ave. and 145th St. down Lenox Ave. to 116th St.

### Hunger Haunts WPA Worker; Kills Self

More than death, Gustave Olsen, 35, feared the consequences of unemployment and hunger when he would lose his WPA clerk job because of the infamous 18-month dismissal clause in the Woodrum wreck-relief bill.

His morale completely shattered, Olsen sat down early yesterday in his tiny apartment at 304 W. 11th St. and wrote that he didn't want to become one who ate from "a garbage heap." He had seen too many people out of work, the note read, and some were reduced to filching food from garbage cans.

Then he took out a 22-calibre rifle and killed himself. His body was discovered by Mrs. Catherine McGovern, Superintendent of the building. The note further requested that his small savings account be sent to his father, John, in West Scitoville, Mass.

WANT-ADS section with rates per word and various classified advertisements including Beauty Parlors, Camping Outfits, and Carpenters.

### Zwillman Mum About Lepke; Held On Bail

Ex-Bootlegger Refuses to Answer U. S. Quiz; Held on \$10,000 Bail

Abner (Longey) Zwillman, ex-bootlegger, was ordered held in \$10,000 bail yesterday pending appeal of a six-months jail sentence for contempt of court in refusing to answer questions before the special Federal Grand Jury investigating harboring of Louis (Lepke) Buchalter, fugitive racketeer.

Judge Johnson J. Hayes said he was reluctant to fix any bail because Zwillman had been "definitely contemptuous" in his three appearances before the jurors, but did so because he had a legal right to appeal to the Circuit Court of Appeals.

Meanwhile a Federal Department of Justice official indicated today that the government would pay as high as \$25,000 for the capture alive of Louis (Lepke) Buchalter, thus raising to \$50,000 the total of rewards on the head of the fugitive racketeer.

The city also is offering \$25,000 but this is on a dead or alive basis. The Federal Bureau of Investigation, it was said, can pay the increased Federal award out of a special fund created by Congress for that purpose.

### Druggist Wins Doubt Writ in Abortion Charge

William Joseph Brooklyn druggist, won a certificate of reasonable doubt yesterday in his conviction of complicity in an abortion.

Dr. Henry L. Blank and his nurse, Mary Fiorelli were convicted with Joseph on unsupported testimony of Miss Claire Slinko, who had testified that Joseph sent her to the physician for an abortion, which the physician performed.

Supreme Court Justice Lewis L. Faucec granted the certificate, ruling that "it is a question of law whether the woman submitted to an abortion is not an accomplice requiring corroboration of her testimony."

Assistant Attorney General John Harlan Amen, investigating charges of official corruption in Brooklyn, has been investigating the abortion conviction.

### Poletti Spurs Probe Of Missing Dock Worker After Fiancee's Plea

Lieut.-Governor Writes Valentine; Report Mayor Also Pressing Probe; Fiancee's Letter Cites Panto's Fight on Waterfront Racketeers

Lieutenant-Governor Charles Poletti has written to Police Commissioner Lewis J. Valentine urging the latter to use every resource at the command of the New York Police Department to solve the mystery of the disappearance of Pete Panto, young Italian American dock worker who has been missing since July 14.

Lieut. Gov. Poletti's instructions were sent to Commissioner Valentine after he received an appeal from Alice Maffia, pretty fiancée of the missing man.

It was also learned that Mayor LaGuardia has inquired of the Police Department what developments were taking place in the search for Pete Panto.

The Mayor, as well as Lieut. Governor Poletti wrote to Miss Maffia and informed her that they were both using their influence to push the search for Pete Panto.

Panto vanished from his rooming house, at 11 North Elliott Place, Brooklyn after having been warned by racketeers that they were annoyed at his investigation of the waterfront rackets which prey upon Italian longshoremen.

The youthful dock worker was also the leader of a growing rank and file progressive movement among the dock workers.

FIANCEE APPEALS FOR AID Miss Maffia's letter, which brought immediate action from Lieut. Governor and the Mayor read: Dear Sir:

My name is Alice Maffia. I am the fiancée of Peter Panto, longshoreman, who on July 14th left his home and never came back. He never did that before and I am sure he did not do it then of his own free will. Something horrible must have happened to him. That is why I write to you. I want you to help me find him. I and his father who is old and ailing, appeal to you to use your influence with the Mayor and police to help find our Pete.

"Maybe you read about Pete in the papers. Walter Winchell, my heart goes dead when I think of it, says maybe he's at the bottom of the East River. Whoever it was took him away because he was a good man. He tried to help the longshoremen,

to save them from the gangsters and racketeers on the waterfront to break the kickback system and to make the union a better union for the men. The longshoremen liked Pete. "The last time he called a meeting hundreds came. They wanted to go his way because they knew his way was right and he was for them. That was why he was taken away. "We were to be married this October coming. I am a poor girl. I don't know how to go about doing the things that will find Pete. I am hoping you can do something, write to the Mayor or to the police asking for a thorough investigation into the disappearance of our Pete. Please, I beg you to do everything you can. Sincerely, ALICE MAFFIA"

### Flier to Appeal Fine In Anti-Noise Violation

MADISON, Wis., Aug. 22 (UP).—Clarence D. Chamberlain, famed trans-Atlantic flier said today he would appeal a fine of \$25 and costs assessed after he had been found guilty of having violated an anti-noise ordinance in operating a sight-seeing plane over the city.

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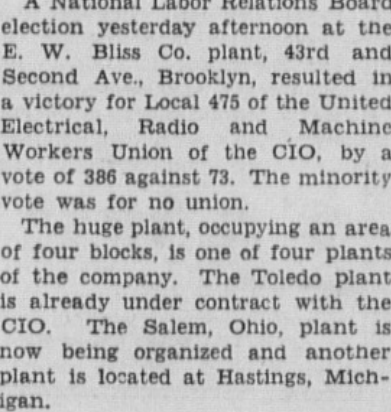
### As Bronxites See It

By Isidore Begun — Bronx County Communist Candidate for City Council

Yesterday our Bronx County Committee inaugurated the celebration of the 20th anniversary of the Communist Party at the Open Community Night meetings of our branches.

Everybody talks about the Communist Party. Both friends and enemies recognize that our small and young Party has become a factor in American life and thought. Why is this so? Because the Communist Party is contributing toward the solution of the many complex problems that face the nation.

The Communist Party has brought to the people its understanding of the general nature of these problems. Essentially it is to find an American way to continue the development of the traditions and ideals of our democracy under present-day conditions. It is our contribution, in both words and deeds, in working out a program to make more democracy work better that has aroused the reactionaries. It is impossible to deny that our Party is one of the firmest and most consistent groups in the democratic camp. The red-baiters raise the cry that our fight for democracy is a sham and a fraud. They claim that our struggle for democracy is only temporary and not sincere. That's one of the reasons that we Communists must study the history of our Party.



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# TEACHERS PARLEY HEARS MEAD PRAISE NEW DEAL POLICIES

### Union Won 76 New Locals, 2,500 Members Since Last Year's Convention, Secretary Reports

(Special to the Daily Worker)  
BUFFALO, N. Y., Aug. 22.—The second day of the national convention of the American Federation of Teachers, A.F.T., was featured by an address by Senator James Mead, New Dealer from New York and by the annual report of Irvin R. Kuenzli, secretary treasurer of the federation.

In his opening remarks Senator Mead called upon the teachers to expose political demagogues when he said:

"There are two schools of thought: Either you are a reactionary or you are a progressive. I believe educators can make an important contribution to democracy by demanding honesty of political parties and honesty in political campaigns."

He went on to trace the back-

ground and development of the New Deal stating:

"How to maintain national prosperity undisturbed, how to promote a steady and orderly flow of goods from producer to consumer, and how to escape the menace of permanent unemployment in the land of plenty with all its stupendous losses, is the problem the New Deal has set out to conquer."

In tracing the social interdependence and extension of government functions, Senator Mead declared:

"The history of our country shows with an unanswerable record how economic pressure operating like a natural law in response to the common sense of public judgment had caused our nation to continually broaden the sphere of its activity. The forces that inspired this evolutionary development still continue. Whichever way you look, this fact confronts you. In the past, as it is now, it was the wise and timely thing to do, whether it be the establishment of rural delivery, parcel post, retirement systems, fixing of wages and hours, relief to agriculture, or what not."

#### DEFENDS NEW DEAL

"And let those detractors of the present day trend now dare to call the roll of any of these extensions of the function of government to meet public needs, and then tell the people which one or more of these established institutions that were brought into being as extensions of the government, they would now scrap or return to private ownership. I pause for reply. There is none."

He ended by stating that the New Deal has proved itself to be the only solution to the problems facing the country. His speech was received with prolonged applause.

Mr. Kuenzli's report, entitled "The Union in 1939," dealt with the various phases of organization encountered by the Federation in the last year.

He reported that 76 new locals had been chartered and approximately 2,500 new members had been added, bringing the total paid-up membership to 32,522. He also dealt with various organizational problems, both state and local, financial and educational.

#### HITS "ECONOMIZERS"

One highlight of his speech was an attack upon the U. S. Chamber of Commerce when he said:

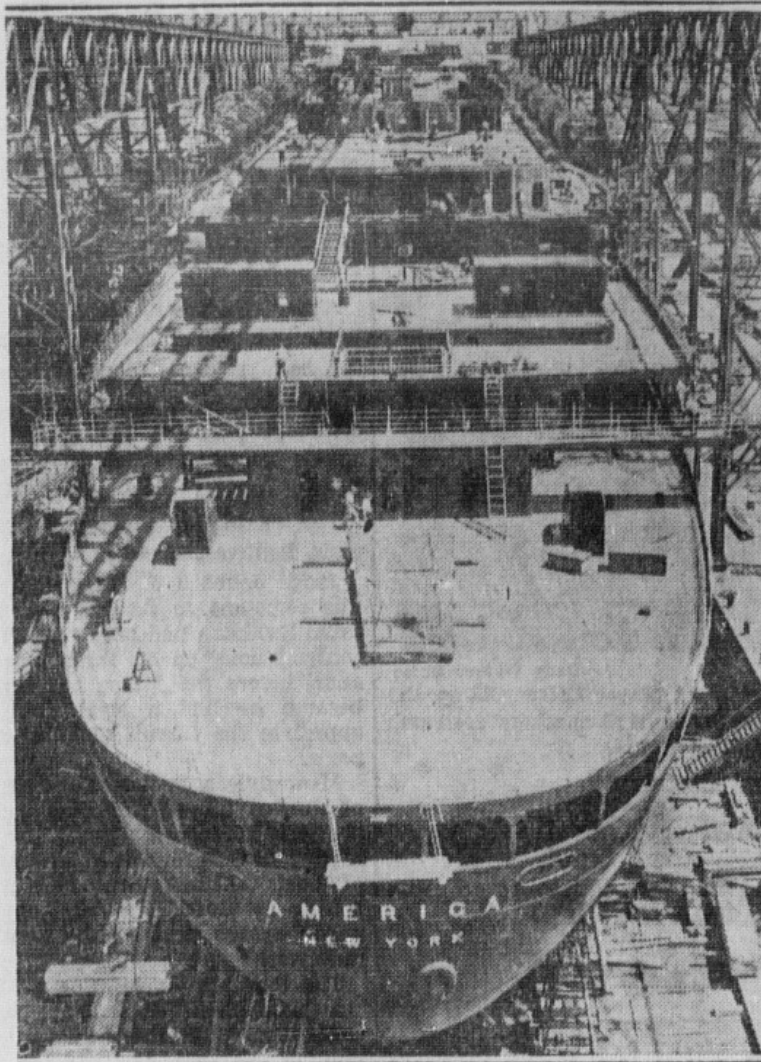
"At our last convention I called attention to the fact that U. S. Chamber of Commerce was conducting a well-organized national campaign to reduce taxes and that a representative of that organization had called at our national office, by mistake, to solicit a contribution to the campaign."

"The successful fruition of this campaign is now evinced in the closing of schools in a number of cities and a general retrenchment program in education throughout the nation."

He also charged that the Chamber of Commerce and local Chambers of Commerce as well as the National Association of Manufacturers, are making a practice of fighting the schools and any federal aid to education. He referred also to the censorship of text books and the subsidizing of various educational reports by vested interests.

The afternoon session was devoted to an address by George Chipperfield, president of the National Union of Teachers of England and to a panel discussion on tenure, credit unions, insurance, teacher welfare and pensions.

## Largest U. S. Built Liner Ready to Launch



Pictured in yards at Newport News, Va., is the United States liner America, largest merchant vessel ever built in the U. S., ready for launching. Harold T. Brent, construction superintendent, shown (upper right) in trigger pit, will pull lever that sends her down the ways. Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt (lower right) will officiate. Liner is 723 feet long, 92 feet wide, and will accommodate 1,219 passengers and a crew of 639.

## Date Set for Hosiery Pay-Hour Rates

### Andrews Issues Order for Compliance of Scale on September 18

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—Wage-Hour Administrator Elmer F. Andrews today issued a formal order to all hosiery manufacturers providing that effective Sept. 18, minimum wages for seamless hosiery workers will be 32½ cents an hour and 40 cents in the full-fashioned division of the industry.

Notices to be posted at all factories are also to inform the workers, Andrews ordered, that overtime must be paid at no less than time and a half of the above rates. Employers are instructed to keep records for inspection by wage-hour administration inspectors.

## B'klyn Fire Chief Dies, Wife Hurt in Vacation Tragedy

BUTLER, Pa., Aug. 22 (UP).—The vacation trip of a Brooklyn, N. Y., battalion chief and his family ended tragically in a highway accident that killed the fireman and injured his wife and two children.

Bernard F. Rasmussen, 55, of 302 Prospect Place, died of a skull fracture in Bashline Hospital, Grove City, after he lost control of his automobile and crashed into a tree on the Butler-Slippery Rock Road late yesterday.

His wife, suffering head and spinal injuries, is in critical condition in the same hospital. Their two children, Bernard J. 20 and Bernardine J. 23, were treated for minor bruises.

The family, enroute to Yellowstone Park, left New York yesterday. Rasmussen's body was to be returned to Brooklyn tonight.

## Anti-Nazi Council To Hold Open Air Meet Tonight

The Anti-Nazi Council of the Jewish People's Committee will hold its first open-air meeting in East New York tonight at Atkins St. and Hegeman Ave., Brooklyn, where the Coughlinite Christian Mobilizers have been stirring up race hatred. Speakers will include Irving Stern of the Non-Sectarian League for Racial and Religious Tolerance; Morris Kaufman, community civic leader; Mrs. M. Harmel, head of the Council's women's division; and Harry I. Weinberg, neighborhood Jewish leader.

The meeting was arranged through cooperation with a number of religious and veteran organizations in East New York. Literature upholding the democratic principle will be sold.

## 2 Break Jail As Cops Search for 4 Others

LONDON, Ohio, Aug. 22 (UP).—Two convicted murderers escaped today from London state prison farm while police were searching for four other prisoners who walked out last night.

The new fugitives were Steve Bolan, 27, and Louis Kuhlen, 30. They were working in a corn field at the farm when they made a sudden run. A guard fired several shots at them but neither man was believed wounded. They were serving life terms for murder.

## Farmers Meet Today on Milk Rate Proposals

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pickets. At the Dairy League plant at Camden a truckload of armed deputies fired into a crowd of striking farmers. Roman Charney, Booneville, was shot in the leg. Marion Fox, Lyons Falls, a worker in an industrial plant across the road, was struck in the leg by a stray bullet. Most seriously injured was Russell Assont from Lyons Falls, who was shot in the abdomen.

Typical of trust activity here is the story of Mrs. Gillette, farmer's wife of Big Brook, Oneida County. According to Mrs. Gillette, agents of the milk companies visited her yesterday to offer to supply an armed escort for her milk, which she had been holding since the calling of the strike. When Mrs. Gillette refused, the company agents told her "no farmers are striking here. CIO pickets from Michigan are tying up the plants."

#### SUPPORT MOUNTS

Meanwhile public support for the farmers demands continues to mount, with funds received from the Workmen's Circle, Jewish branch of Utica; and messages and support from the Broome County American Labor Party, Syracuse Central Trades (AFL) and small merchants throughout the county practically unanimous in support of the strike.



ARCHIE WRIGHT, President, Dairy Farmers' Union

## CIO Furniture Union Signs Up 21 Firms

### Agreements Over 400 Employees in Bedding Shops

Renewal of contracts with 21 independent bedding manufacturers, providing wage increases and other improvements, was announced yesterday by Local 140, United Furniture Workers, CIO.

The pacts covered 400 workers. An additional 25 independent manufacturers employing a total of 400 workers have called for settlements.

Meanwhile, negotiations have been opened with the Bedding Manufacturers Association, composed of 20 manufacturers employing 600 workers. The union seeks a flat 15 per cent wage increase while the employers are countering with a demand for a wage cut. The union has called a special membership meeting Thursday at 7:30 P.M. at Irving Plaza Hall.

The union has been aided in its negotiations by Morris Muster, president of the CIO international union. Local 140 negotiators include Alex Sirota, manager; Joseph Magliacano, secretary-treasurer, and Sol Kitain, organizer.

Four independent manufacturers have been declared on strike by the union for refusal to negotiate agreements. The four include Englander Spring Bed Co., Wilk and Smerling Bros., Municipal Metal Bed Co. and Rest-Well Bedding Manufacturers. There are 200 workers on strike.

Of the 21 firms which signed, the largest, the Greenpoint Metal Bed Co., employing 175 workers, agreed to a pact after a half day's stoppage. Workers in this plant won wage increases totalling more than \$8,000 a year, pay for seven holidays, time and a half for overtime and a clause preventing the firm from moving out of town.

## 200 Picket Clinton Hotel; Demand Pact

A mass picketing demonstration was staged yesterday for a half hour before the 1,200 room Hotel Governor Clinton, 31st St. and Seventh Ave., where a strike has been in progress since March 20.

Two hundred workers, members of the AFL Hotel Trades Council, paraded in front of the hotel from 6 P. M. to 7:30 P. M. The Council was certified as sole collective bargaining agency by the State Labor Relations Board, but the management refused to sign an agreement.

## World Situation Topic at Boston C. P. Meeting

(Special to the Daily Worker)  
BOSTON, Mass., Aug. 22.—The Communist Party of Boston has arranged a special discussion meeting on the present world situation on Thursday at 8 P. M. sharp at Ritz Plaza Hall, 218 Huntington Ave. Phil Frankfeld, state secretary of the Communist Party, will lead the discussion. All members and friends of the Communist Party are urged to attend for a full discussion of negotiations in Moscow for a Soviet-German non-aggression pact.

# HERLANDS DECLINES G. O. P. CHOICE FOR KINGS COUNTY D. A.

### Mayor Agrees, Citing Need for Non-Partisan Candidate; Independent Might Be Named By Petition; Judge Bayes to Run

William B. Herlands, Commissioner of Investigation, flatly refused to accept the Republican nomination for district attorney in Brooklyn stating he preferred to fight for "decent criminal law enforcement in Kings County" as the chief of Mayor LaGuardia's investigating staff.

At the same time Judge William R. Bayes, presiding justice of Special Sessions Court, was named as the G. O. P. candidate to take the place of A. David Benjamin, who withdrew last week as the Republican designee.

The Mayor, who had attempted to name a coalition candidate to crack the whip over the Kelly machine, said he agreed with Mr. Herlands' withdrawal from the race.

Asked if a progressive candidate might be named by petition, the Mayor said:

"A civic movement, having no political lines, can meet the situation." As the situation stood last night there were three candidates for district attorney in Kings County: County Judge William O'Dwyer, the Democratic nominee; Judge Bayes, the Republican designee, and Mag-

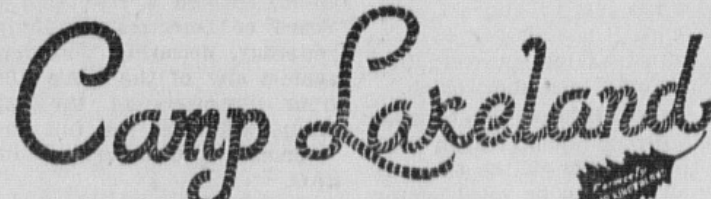
istrate Charles Solomon, American Labor Party candidate.

The Mayor is believed to be opposed to all three candidates and may possibly back an independent put into the race by petitions.

Declining the Republican nomination, Mr. Herlands said: "A borough-wide non-partisan movement in Brooklyn, eliminating party lines, would have permitted me to participate conscientiously in a non-partisan fight to free criminal law administration from the grasp of machine politics. This was also the Mayor's attitude.

"In view of all of the present circumstances, I can best serve the community by continuing to fight for decent criminal law enforcement in Kings County, day by day throughout the year, as part of the regular work of the Department of Investigation."

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## U. S. Approves Boston Low-Rent Projects

### Demolish Slum Homes; to Build 999 Low-Rent Dwellings

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 22.—With nearly 1,000 slum dwellings being demolished on the site, work will soon begin on the erection of 999 decent dwellings in Boston, Massachusetts, as a result of action today by Nathan Straus, administrator of the U. S. Housing Authority, in approving a base bid of \$3,377,000 recommended by the Boston Housing Authority for construction of the "Charlestown" slum-clearance and low-rent housing project.

The project will be built on a site comprising about 15 city blocks in a typical slum area of the Charlestown section, less than two miles north of the heart of Boston. The boundaries include Medford Street on the north, Decatur Street on the east, Polk Street on the west and a property line adjacent to Bunker Hill Street on the south.

Under the demolition contract, which is separate from the construction contract, 402 structures containing a total of 997 unsafe and insanitary dwellings will be destroyed to make way for construction. Work of razing the ramshackle buildings is now in progress.

## Begun to Talk On C.P. Election Program at Rally

The eight-point Communist Party platform will be the subject at a mass meeting tomorrow 8 P. M. at 867 Longwood Ave., Bronx, with Isidore Begun, Bronx Councilmanic candidate as speaker.

A second speaker will be Jose Santiago, Communist Party organizer of Lower Harlem, who will speak on the role of the Puerto Rican voters in the Democratic Front.

The mass meeting, under the auspices of the "Jose Diaz" Branch of Communist Party, 3rd A. D., Bronx, will also feature the showing a film, the Cuban masses in action.

## Detroit Citizens Demand Probe in Police Graft Link

### Data Left by Woman Suicide Alleges Police Head As 'Go-Between' for Gambling Rings; FBI Seen Seeking Annenberg Link; Tories Stall Action

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22 (UP)—J. Edgar Hoover admitted today that Federal Bureau of Investigation agents are conducting an investigation in Detroit, but he declined to disclose the nature of the inquiry or open his files to investigators from the Michigan city.

By William Allen  
(Special to the Daily Worker)

DETROIT, Mich., Aug. 22.—Detroit is on the verge of the greatest police graft scandal since the days of ousted Mayor Charlie Bowles in 1933, who was recalled on the basis of a citizens' movement which rebelled at that time at the underworld grip over the city.

Two weeks ago a woman committed suicide and left letters to the press, Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Detroit Police Department, alleging that Inspector McCarthy, head of the police rackets squad was the "go-between" for the Police Department and Detroit gambling rings.

With an aroused citizenry for two weeks pouring hundreds of letters into the public letter boxes demanding a grand jury investigation, the City Council and Mayor Reading passed a motion last Saturday morning to ask the Circuit Court Judges to establish a Grand Jury of three to sift the entire police force.

On the day that the body of the suicide woman was discovered the local press "broke" the story. It took three days for the police to start an "investigation."

Then it was discovered that Police Commissioner Heinrich Pickert was in California. The next ranking police officer, Superintendent Fred Frahm, was in Wisconsin speaking at a convention.

The net result was that acting police officers after three days of "statements" and "investigations" cleared everyone involved and gave the head of the police rackets squad McCarthy a "clean bill of health."

Then the people began to act. Resolutions from groups and organized labor, with hundreds of letters to editors of the local press, brought

## Annenberg Is Re-Indicted for Tax Dodging

### 7 Others in Nationwide Race Tip Syndicate Are Also Named

CHICAGO, Aug. 22 (UP)—The Federal Grand Jury today returned a second indictment against M. L. Annenberg, Philadelphia publisher, charging evasion of income taxes.

The five-count indictment named Annenberg and seven officials of three of his corporations which control a nation-wide horse race information service and other publications.

The Consensus Company also was indicted.

The government charged Annenberg and co-defendants with failure to pay a total of \$137,720.36 in income taxes and penalties for the years 1929-36.

An indictment returned against Annenberg Aug. 11 charged him with failure to pay taxes and penalties totalling \$5,500,000 on his personal income for the years 1932-1936, inclusive.

That links Moe Annenberg, Philadelphia publisher, with the present Detroit situation.

This sordid graft situation in Detroit can only be cleared up and brought to the light of day by a Federal investigation.

## PROTECT GREAT SEAL OF U. S.



PROTECTING THE PRESIDENT'S SEAL: A group of visitors viewing the seal, a circular plaque of yellow bronze inlaid on the floor of the main entrance hall of the White House. A "fence" of brass posts and red plush cord was recently installed to protect the seal from visitors' feet.

## Rail Union Spurs Fight for Bill Protecting Jobs

### Brotherhood Lodge Demands Harrington Amendment in Wheeler-Lee Bill Protecting Jobs from Consolidation Move; Acts on Whitney Plea

CLEVELAND, Aug. 22.—Retention of the Harrington amendment to protect railroad workers against wholesale loss of jobs resulting from the railroad consolidation provisions of the Wheeler-Lea Omnibus Transportation Bills, was urged upon the Senate and House Joint Conference Committee by Hobbs lodge No. 4 of the

Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen in a resolution adopted at its regular meeting.

Passed during the closing days of the recent session of Congress, these two measures are now in the joint conference committee to be combined into one bill and re-submitted to the next Congress. The resolution called attention to the fact that "interests favoring railroad consolidations, thereby to reduce forces, hope quietly to remove the Harrington amendment from this legislation in the joint conference committee and prevent its enactment into law."

The meeting decided to write Illinois Senators and Congressmen bringing to their attention this amendment and to urge their support of it before the Senate and House committee and that they vote

against any transportation bill that does not include this job protection clause.

This action of Hobbs lodge is in response to an appeal recently made by President A. F. Whitney of the B. of R. T. to all lodges "We have prevented consolidations in individual cases before," the Trainmen's chief asserted, "by arousing the local business and civic interests. We now have opportunity to prevent them on a nation-wide scale. Tell your local community interests that the Harrington amendment not only protects railroad workers, but it also protects entire communities, for if the railroads are prevented from executing consolidation plans that results in unemployment, that means that they cannot abandon lines and create ghost communities."

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## DANDRUFF AND DANDRUFF CURES

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### TREATMENT

1—Shampoo the scalp at least twice a week or oftener if the dandruff scales are abundant and greasy. Use a mild soap like castile or tincture of green soap and then wash the lather right out with plenty of water.

If the scalp is inflamed with thick crusts and very itchy it requires tender handling. Warm olive oil rubbed into it with a brush will be of help. After the shampoo, if the hair is too dry, a hair dressing of castor oil, one teaspoonful; and alcohol (fifty

## MILK AND PUBLIC HEALTH

A recent study of bacteria counts of milk samples received in the Department of Health Laboratory shows that 96 per cent of the milk samples of grade B pasteurized milk are above the standard required for this grade and 91 per cent of them fall within the high standard required for grade A milk. New York City can be justly proud of its pure milk supply. It did not just "happen"; it has taken almost a century of legislation, education and supervision to bring it about. The first laws of the Sanitary Code prohibited the addition of adulterants such as water, chalk, coloring and preservatives. When Park and Holt showed the importance of ordinary dirt bacteria in milk as a cause of infant deaths, the laws were then interpreted (1909) to include excessive bacteria as an adulteration. The final step in milk protection was the requirement that milk sold in New York City must be pasteurized.

per cent) to one half glass of water, will soften it and lend it gloss.

2—A lotion with antiseptic and stimulating qualities must be rubbed into the scalp after shampooing, in all cases of dandruff. The following can be made up by your druggist and is helpful for those with dark hair, but will discolor light colored (gray or blonde).

Resorcin—two drachms; Betanaphthol—ten grains; Alcohol (50 per cent)—two ounces. Water—six ounces. (Shake well before using and rub thoroughly into the scalp.)

Those with light hair can use the formula provided they substitute for the first ingredient, resorcin, written above, another drug called Euresol. This, unfortunately, is an expensive substance.

The lotion must be rubbed into the scalp, not applied to the hair. Take five to ten minutes to do this, massaging the scalp the while, with the finger tips. Massage the scalp in addition twice daily with the fingers alone, to stimulate the blood flow.

3—Wear loose-fitting hats or caps, if exposed to dust and dirt. Where air is clean, expose your scalp to sunlight and fresh air.

4—Pay particular care to general conditions, such as constipation, excess weight and badly balanced diet. Reduction of starches and increase of green vegetables, milk and fresh fruit are helpful considerations.

You can see at once that giving advice about the care of the scalp means also advice about general health and this economic condition may make it impossible to follow. A healthy scalp is not an easy thing to accomplish and it cannot be gotten by throwing some well-advertised dandruff remedy on the hair or scalp.



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## The Soviet Union And Non-Aggression

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aggression treaty with Italy. And here it must be stressed that in each and every non-aggression pact which the Soviet Union concludes there is a basic clause of Soviet peace policy which provides that in the event one of the parties to the pact invades or commits an act of aggression against a third nation, that the other party (the Soviet Union) is not bound to the treaty, is free to act in defense of peace.

Thus, in connection with the Soviet-Italian non-aggression pact which was signed in 1933, when Italy together with Nazi Germany invaded Spain, the U. S. S. R. immediately came to the defense of Spain and rendered full economic, political and material aid to the Spanish Republic. Thus, when Nazi fascism invaded Czechoslovakia, the U. S. S. R. proposed to the French Government the immediate invocation and application of the Soviet-French-Czechoslovakian mutual assistance pact to resist and halt the aggressor.

Similarly while the Soviet Union in the interests of world peace has repeatedly proposed a non-aggression treaty even with militarist Japan, it has steadfastly rendered increased economic, political and military assistance to the Chinese people and has firmly defended the integrity of the Mongolian Peoples Republic. It is no accident that reports from China regarding these negotiations are that China rejoices, knowing this means a weakening of Japan, a strengthening of China, a strengthening of all forces in the United States which sincerely desire to help China and defeat Japan.

In the recent period the masses of the American people have come to realize better than they ever did before what a true friend the Soviet Union is for America as well as for all non-aggressor countries. Every true American and sincere opponent of reaction will rejoice together with the Chinese people at the fact that the Soviet Union in entering negotiations for this non-aggression treaty with Germany does so in the interest of curbing fascist aggression and promoting world peace.

## The Thing to Watch

• From the point of view of both service and esthetics, the disappearance of the trolley cars from 42nd St. and Broadway lines will be a good thing. It will spruce up the avenue by getting rid of the antiquated snail's-pace trolleys. It means faster transportation for the straphangers, and otherwise furthers the march of modernization and progress.

The real thing to be careful about is the note already struck by the CIO Transport Workers Union. The union has demanded that safeguards be taken to insure that all trolley operators and mechanics be transferred to the motorized system. It has correctly urged that not a single one of these 3,200 men, who have given the best years of their lives in efficient service, lose his job.

The union appropriately recalls the "calousness with which the veteran employees of the Sixth Ave. elevated line were treated when that structure was demolished less than a year ago." Consequently, it declares:

"Every transit worker in this city will stand squarely behind the Third Ave. trolley workers in a fight to retain their jobs, seniority, wage rates and other job benefits established over many years of service."

That, we believe, is the sentiment of all other New Yorkers—including those who will greet the victory of modern bus over the pre-historic trolleys.

## Another Opportunity To Save the Schools

• The State Supreme Court decision declaring the Board of Education budget illegal because it eliminated evening elementary schools affords another opportunity for the people to rally to save the school system. It is a victory in the uphill fight to compel the Republican-controlled legislature to restore the disastrous \$5,300,000 cut in educational funds.

The main responsibility for this and other court actions which have taken place against the Board, of course, lies upon the irresponsible Republican slashers. When they cut state aid to schools, they made the mess and the havoc in the school system which seems to go on without end.

Unfortunately, the Board gave in to this false "economy" pressure to the extent of cutting one vital service to "save" another, when all should have been saved. The indignation and united demand of the people have shown beyond shadow of doubt, that not a single one of the school services should be cut.

At its next meeting, the Board has an opportunity to correct its mistake by revising its budget not only to include the evening schools, but to reestablish all other vital services which it eliminated. In this it will receive the unstinted backing of the pupils, teachers, parents and the overwhelming majority of the people of New York.

Meanwhile, not a day should be lost in organizing the state wide campaign necessary to force the Hoover-Dewey Republicans to restore the educational funds at the January legislature.

## Sacco and Vanzetti

• Today marks the twelfth anniversary of the execution of two great heroes of labor and of mankind—Sacco and Vanzetti.

A little after midnight 12 years ago, Bartolomeo Vanzetti and Nicola Sacco—"the little fish peddler and the good shoemaker"—were sacrificed on the altar of labor hatred and persecution. They were framed by the textile and shipping barons of Massachusetts, and cold-bloodedly sent to their death. With the working class as backbone, protests rang out against this murder throughout the world.

Sacco and Vanzetti were good men and strong, heroes of labor, of freedom, and of justice. They were flesh and blood of America, fired with the people's unquenchable thirst for democracy, for the right to live decently. Their contributions to the cause of labor and the people are everlasting. The fruits of their lives have been seen in the freedom of Tom Mooney and in the building of an increasingly powerful labor movement. In these days when reaction is everywhere on the march, when the open-shoppers are trying to smash the labor movement, the heritage of Sacco and Vanzetti have an especial value. It provides inspiration for labor and the people in the hard battles to preserve and extend democracy in America.

## LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

### Small Business Man Becoming Progressive—

Editor, Daily Worker:

B'klyn, N. Y.

As long as I could remember the small storekeepers were always in a state of fear and exploitation by the Tammany politicians and the neighborhood ward heelers—so-called captains that infested every neighborhood. No one could even place a poster in any one of the stores without the consent of a certain individual. But the picture is now definitely changed.

Ever since the progressive forces have broken the backbone of Tammany, the storekeepers have been free to do as they please.

When the Kings County Committee of the Communist Party issued a call for thirty-five thousand signatures to place Peter V. Cacchione on the ballot to run for City Council, I accepted the forms and began to canvass the stores located on Brighton Beach Ave., Brooklyn.

The response I received was terrific. In some cases, before they signed the petition they stated the fact that their sons worked for the election of Peter V. Cacchione in the last election.

In all the cases not only did they sign, but promised that they would vote for Cacchione in the coming election.

Well, comrades, don't you think progress is on the march?

ARCHIE MASKIN.

### Expose Articles Hade Effect—

Editor, Daily Worker:

New York City.

In Sunday's radio talk, Father Coughlin used all his venom for Communism and the League for Peace and Democracy.

Father Coughlin "forgot" to mention the name of his staff writer, "Ben Marcin." The reason for this, I presume, were Art Shield's articles which appeared in your paper on the 15th-16th-17th of August.

CASMUIR P. PALMER.

### 'Extremely Enlightening—

Editor, Daily Worker:

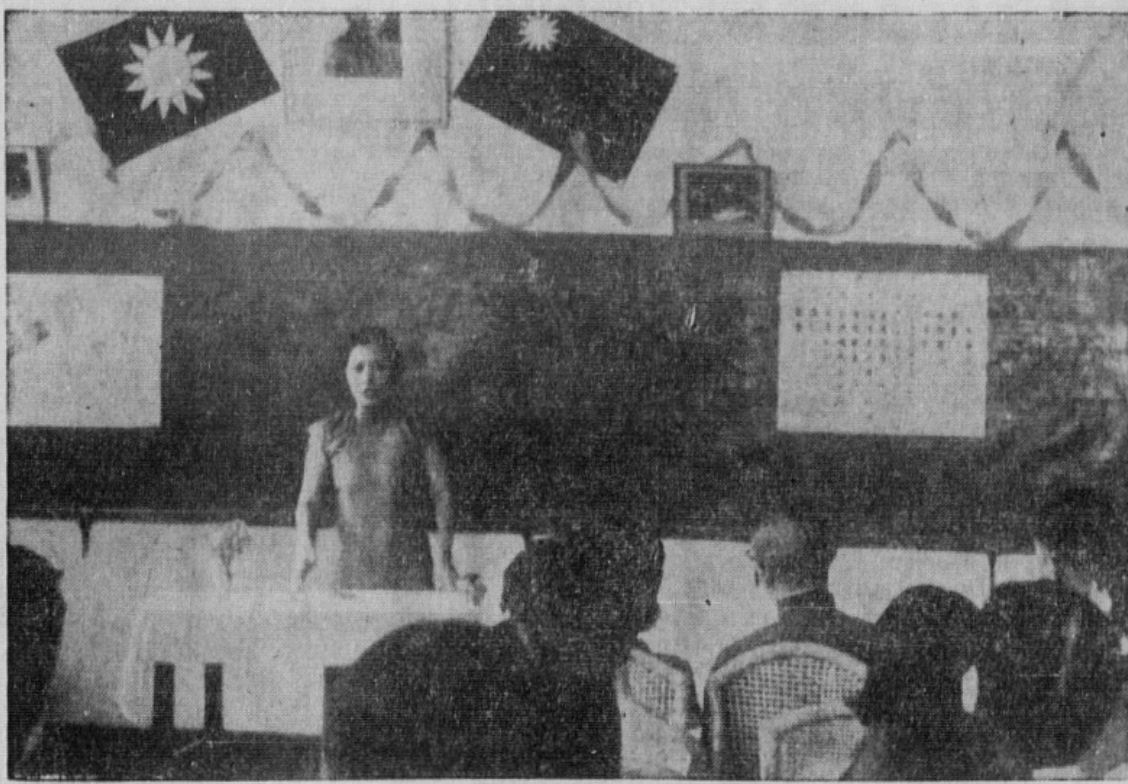
Jersey City, N. J.

I am a comparatively recent reader of the "Daily Worker" and find it extremely enlightening.

It clarifies for me vital labor issues and problems that have been in the past rather confusing and vague.

SARA RUBINSON.

## Soldiers' Families Hear China's First Lady



Families of the soldiers of China's heroic armies in the field of action against the Japanese invaders hear Mme. Chiang Kai-shek as she addresses them at a rally in Chungking, provisional capital of the government, on the occasion of the anniversary of two years of war for China's freedom.

## Michigan Plugs Sales of History of CPSU; Book Spurs Party Study in Deep South

(Special to the Daily Worker)

DETROIT, Aug. 22.—The auto state, Michigan, is showing its stuff in the sale of the workers' best-seller, the History of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union.

In the Negro territory of Detroit, 126 copies of this work, which gives a crystal-clear study of the Leninist-Stalinist policy of the national liberation movement.

Section Two of the Communist Party, with a membership mainly of auto workers, gave the book a good hand. With a membership of 150, the section has bought 183 copies and expects to reach its quota of 250 by the time of the September celebration of the 20th anniversary of the foundation of the Communist Party of the United States.

HAMTRACCK RUSHES SALES

Many copies were sold to persons outside the Party, particularly at picnics, by the West Side Section in Detroit, where the Ford plant and the General Motors plants are

located. Here 417 copies out of a quota of 500 were sold.

Hamtramck Section, with a quota of 100, sold 168 English copies and another 200 in the Polish and Russian editions.

Section Five, composed mainly of miscellaneous industries and white-collar workers, which has so far sold 500 copies, is making excellent use of the book in study circles.

The Young Communist League sold close to 200, most of them at Michigan University at Ann Arbor to professors and students.

(Special to the Daily Worker)

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. Aug. 22.—The Communist Party in the deep South is keeping its head up in the job of selling the epoch-making book summarizing the experiences of the Communists in the Soviet Union, the History of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union.

Despite the difficulties of sale in

the South, 191 copies were sold by Aug. 14.

Section Four of the Communist Party, comprising four counties in the heart of the Black Belt, sold 33 copies. Sharecroppers scraped together their pennies and nickels out of their scant incomes to buy their copies, and the purchase price of each book was a real sacrifice.

The best single branch was the Viking branch of white farmers, including some Danish-born farmers, which bought 15 copies out of a membership of 18.

In Section One (Jefferson County, or the Birmingham industrial district), 57 copies were sold, the Herndon and Lincoln branches tying with eight apiece.

Section Three, in Atlanta, Ga., sold 14 copies, the Foster branch coming through with eight.

The book is being utilized as text for two one-month section training schools and a class for Negro professionals in the History is being organized.

## Nazi, Italian Envoys Linked to Jew-Baiters Before Dies Committee

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denied that he was acting under orders.

During his visit to the Italian Embassy, Allen said, he asked Cosmelli how "the work was going" in Italy and told of anti-Semitic activity here.

While less communicative about his experiences at the German Embassy, he admitted that he told about his work to an official there.

He insisted, however, that he could not recall the name of the man he had spoken to.

Mrs. Fry trusted him with still another diplomatic mission while he was on his visit here, Allen said.

This was in connection with the Roumanian legation here. He told the committee that he was to see if a new minister had arrived here, and if so he was to hand him a sealed letter. In accordance with his instructions, Allen mailed the letter because the old "regime" was still at the embassy.

His main job in Washington, Allen said, was to organize a picket line of Arabs around the Mayflower Hotel in protest against a Jewish conference in Palestine.

"ARABS" AT \$2

Conrad Chapman, who was described by Allen as an Englishman who was one of Mrs. Fry's associates, gave him money to hire the pickets at \$2 a night. Peter George of New York rounded up the Arabs, Allen said.

In addition to undertaking diplomatic missions in his trip East, Al-

len told the committee, he also met Gerald Winrod, Fritz Kuhn, Robert Edmundson and other Nazi and anti-Semitic leaders.

Allen was extremely vague, however, in discussing this phase of his trip and denied that he had any definite purpose in mind in conferring with Kuhn and the others.

He said that he also met in New York with Jeremiah Cross, reactionary American Legion official, and mapped plans with him for the campaign against Simon W. Gerson, former member of the Daily Worker staff who was appointed an assistant to Stanley Isacns, Borough President of Manhattan.

Now extremely bitter about Mrs. Fry, Allen said that he didn't know where she was now or whether she was still in this country. He said that he "suspected" her.

He said that she had told him that her parents were Russian and although she was born in San Francisco and that her husband was a Czarist General with whom she fled from Russia after the revolution.

Allen told the committee that Chapman, Mrs. Fry's aide, had gone back to England.

One job which he did for Mrs. Fry and for George Deatherage, leader of the fascist Knights of the White Camelia, was to contact leaders of the Associated Farmers in California, in order "to effectuate a closer relationship."

He said that he received a favorable response from conferred with individual leaders and members of the Associated Farmers, but denied that any definite agreement was arrived at.

In Aug., 1938, Allen told the committee, he was one of the sponsors of an "anti-Communist convention held in Los Angeles.

Present at the conference were about 200 members and representatives of anti-Semitic groups including Hermann Schwimm, leader of the German-American Bund on the West Coast, Allen said.

Throughout most of the day, Allen kept making violent statements about "Jewish Communism" and cited the forged protocols of Zion as his authority.

Rep. H. Jerry Voorhis, California New Dealer, who arrived at the hearings today, asked Allen where he would permit the Jews to go since he had indicated that he would bar them from Germany, the United States and Palestine.

"There's a large island off the coast of Africa called Madagascar," Allen replied.

Earlier in the day, Rep. Martin Dies revealed that his committee would begin its barrage of isolationist propaganda earlier than had been expected in order to exploit to the utmost the publicity value of the present International crisis.

Dies said that he had instructed James B. Mathews, strikebreaker and research director for the committee, to submit a report by this weekend on alleged attempts by England and France as well as by Germany to get the United States into war.

For the first time, Dies also formally announced that he would call "General Krivitsky," the Saturday Evening Post phoney, to the witness stand.



Refugee Camp in Chateaudun (Department of Eure et Loir)

In this camp a "Corner" has been organized under the foster-mentorship of the Anglo-American Committee. The Spanish Refugee Relief Campaign, 381 Fourth Ave., is appealing for funds to maintain these and similar Spanish refugee children.

## WORLD NEWS AND VIEWS

EDITOR'S NOTE.—Comrade Harry Gannes' column does not appear today. Readers are referred to his article in this issue on the present international situation and the significance of the forthcoming Soviet-German negotiations.

### Terror and Chaos Rage In Franco Spain as Axis Rules

• LONDON.—The Madrid newspapers of August 2nd contained an "obituary notice" announcing the deaths of Major Gabaldon Irurzun, Inspector of the Madrid Military Police and of the Civil Guard, and of the driver of his car Jose Luis Diaz Madrigal. The notice stated that they had died "in the service of God and Spain," a phrase used in memorial services for Franco combatants or sympathizers in the "Fifth Column" who had been executed during the war. No details were given at the time, but later it was officially stated that they had been murdered near Talavera on the Extramadura road, on the night of July 29th; and also that Senorita Pilar Gabaldon, the Major's daughter, had been killed in the affray. The car had been ambushed by a group of men hostile to the Franco regime. It appears that the death of the daughter was due to the fact that she clung to her father when she realized that his life was threatened, and was killed by the machine-gun fire of the ambushers. Many people were arrested, charged with promoting or instigating this murder, and on August 5th, after a summary court-martial, fifty-three of them were shot. An official statement reiterated affirmations of the Government's determination that Spain shall "never again live in suspense as a result of political crimes," as was the case just before the war; and that the "new Spain" will not tolerate outrages against the State. "Political crimes," it stated, "will be implacably crushed. All those trying to use gunmen so as to revert to the old state of affairs will fall one after another." An interesting feature of this episode is that the sentence on the seven charged with the actual murder was not then promulgated. One assumed that they were held with the object of extracting information from them. They have since been garrotted. It is clear that the sixty who were executed suffered as a reprisal.

This news follows information received from various newspaper agency correspondents working independently of one another to the effect that a crisis exists not in one district but in cities in different parts of Spain. An Embassy official who arrived in France stated to the Evening Standard correspondent that during the last few weeks 1400 people had been killed in pistol-fighting at Pamplona, in a squabble between Falangists and Traditionalists. Also, that fighting had occurred at Bilbao. "In Madrid," he added, "Fascist lorries toured the streets at night and carried out their own trial and death sentences on anyone who had aided the Republican cause. Very few of the editorial staffs of former Republican newspapers had escaped death." Some idea of the state of the country is provided by the fact that when a Cabinet meeting was called for August 3rd at Burgos, the Franco authorities found it necessary in the principal cities to send out troops, police and even Falangists to patrol the streets with the object of maintaining a semblance of order. On July 31st, reliable news was received of a pitched battle between Falangists and Traditionalists which had occurred in the village of Villafranca de Oria, twenty-five miles from San Sebastian, during a "religious festival." The fighters were in Army uniform, and the villagers, who are nearly all Carlists, joined in on the side of the *Requetes*. Revolvers and bayonets were used. Military ambulances were rushed from San Sebastian to take care of the wounded. Officers went to investigate; and civil guards appeared to restore order.

We recorded in last week's issue of this Summary that an arrangement had been reached between the French and Spanish Government for the return of 50,000 refugees now in French camps. It was agreed that no pressure should be exerted on the refugees. On Thursday, August 3rd, some 3,000 of the 19,000 refugees at Gurs were interviewed and an appeal was made for volunteers to return to Franco Spain. Only sixty accepted. The remainder declared that they did not trust Franco's clemency. Every day, the frontier is crossed by people who can no longer tolerate the conditions in which they have to live. It is now disclosed that when Count Ciano visited San Sebastian, some thousands of workers had been ordered out to give him a welcome, but when he and General Franco appeared, and the Falangist cheer-leader gave the signal for the welcoming shout, only a few dozen in the front rows responded. The remainder remained silent. Franco and Ciano left hurriedly; the program of festivities was cut; and next day a police drive was launched, in which hundreds were arrested.

The correspondent of the Manchester Guardian who has recently returned from Spain wrote (M. G. Weekly, August 4th): "Even a short journey across Spain gives an idea of the enormous number of prisoners. Transport of captive 'Reds' can be seen everywhere. . . . Executions are still going on in great numbers. Probably this is about as accurate a scale for the punishment of various offences as it is possible to draw up; if a former loyalist officer is captured and it is proved that he volunteered for service in the 'Red' Army he is, as a rule, put against a wall and shot. If an officer was called up by the loyalists for service and obeyed, but was then promoted, he comes before a tribunal and may be shot or may escape with a long sentence of imprisonment. A similar fate awaits Army commissars, political commissars, and party secretaries who are denounced by the Nationalists [Fascists]. . . . Any militiaman who is denounced by Nationalist sympathizers is liable to be shot or put into prison. Executions go on steadily. Military tribunals try the various cases of 'murder'—any execution under the Republican regime is regarded as murder, and those who were no more than agents for carrying out sentences are now liable to lose their lives."

The same correspondent deals with some trials and sentences and goes on to comment: "These reprisals are initiated and carried out mostly by the civil government, and particularly by the Falangists. The Army remains aloof, except in some cases. The Spanish Army seems for the time being the only source of strength in this sadly tried country. The Army remains the only real authority in a country which is otherwise in a state of anarchy. Every little official considers himself a local 'boss' and the authority of the civil Government has not yet been established."

The latest move by Generalissimo Franco to attempt to remedy matters and to produce some semblance of order out of the existing chaos was a Decree issued on August 4th reorganizing the Falange, making it the basic instrument of the new state, incorporating the Army, Navy and Air Force in it, increasing the influence of its National Council, making Franco responsible only "to God and to history" (!), and leaving the next power to him in the President of the Political Junta. The latter, it is assumed, will be Senor Serrano Suner ("El Caudisimo"). Whether the Army, Navy, an Air Force will wish to be incorporated in the Falange remains to be seen, for incorporation places many good army officers at a disadvantage compared with Falangists of old standing. This gesture of General Franco, in a moment of desperation, is intended to present to the world an appearance of unity. It has happened of course, at the dictation of Rome and Berlin, and it makes "Nationalist" Spain a completely totalitarian state, at all events on paper. It is interesting to note how General Franco has changed his opinion, since his manifesto of August 10th, 1936. The regime outlined in the new Decree makes Franco Spain, for practical purposes, a part of the Rome-Berlin Axis.



Change the World

Not a Peep From the Tammany Bigwigs on The Coughlin Menace
By MIKE GOLD

IT IS significant that not a single Tammany leader has yet denounced the growing Coughlin fascism in New York. Not a democratic peep from Al Smith, John J. Raskob, Jimmy Hines, et al. Yet Jewish leaders and Jewish votes play a great part in the Tammany organization. Most of the Yiddish-speaking press in New York is Tammany-controlled. In every election, hundreds of thousands of Jewish citizens are delivered to the Tammany machine. Now these guileless Jews are being rewarded by Coughlinism and anti-Semitism. If Tammany officially campaigned against anti-Semitism, I doubt that it could flourish among Irish-Americans. But I doubt, too, that Tammany will ever put itself on record. A Tammany club leader, a young, intelligent lawyer with large ambitions and small scruples, whom I knew as an East Side boy, was gentle enough to tell me why. "This Christian Front is a merger of all the fascist groups in New York," he said. "It is directed from Berlin, but includes the Russian, German, Italian, Spanish and Irish fascists. It is going to roll up votes against LaGuardia. Tammany is also against LaGuardia. Why should Tammany come out against anti-Semitism, and thus throw away the strength of this new fascist movement? Who can tell how big it may become? "Tammany can profit best by maintaining a benevolent neutrality toward Coughlinism and the fascist-Christian Front. The Jews in Tammany won't do anything, anyway, to put Tammany on record, so why bother about their feelings? Like the rest of us, they are playing the political game for what they can get out of it, personally. "If Tammany wins, their bank account wins, too. So you will never see Tammany Jews asking Tammany Irish for any help against the anti-Semites—not if it might lose votes. "Yes, it's a dirty game, but this is a dirty world, and I, a Catholic, think Coughlin about the dirtiest politician I have ever seen. But what do you want me to do about it—stick my neck out and give up what I fondly call my career? When even these Jewish Tammany leaders won't do it? Get wise, brother, get wise."

ONE of the remarkable aspects of the Coughlin-Nazi situation in New York is that none of the big newspapers has done much to combat it. This is something unprecedented in American journalism. It is some twelve years since the New York World sent a few picked reporters into the South to investigate the Ku Klux Klan. Charles Sweeney was the chief sleuth. Some of us who drank an occasional beer with that joyous reporter can remember the day when he came back to New York. He had a set of membership blanks in the Klan which he filled out for his friends with mock ceremonialism. He also had a fund of thrilling yarns. Sweeney's exposure of the Klan ran for several weeks in the old "World," and probably wrecked that organization for over a decade. It is extraordinary that no newspaper today has sent men into the Nazi-Coughlin organizations with similar intent. Here is Ku Kluxism right under our noses, in a more evil and menacing form, with anti-American paymasters in Berlin. But the New York publishers won't touch it. A fascist movement is always financed from some secret outside source. It never can become a mass movement without a treasury of millions of dollars for corruption. This, as well as common grafting like Allan Zol's and Fritz Kuhn's, are the Achilles heel for a newspaper to shoot at. There are a dozen Charley Sweeneys on New York papers today who would love nothing better than to do the necessary cleanup. Why don't they get the chance?

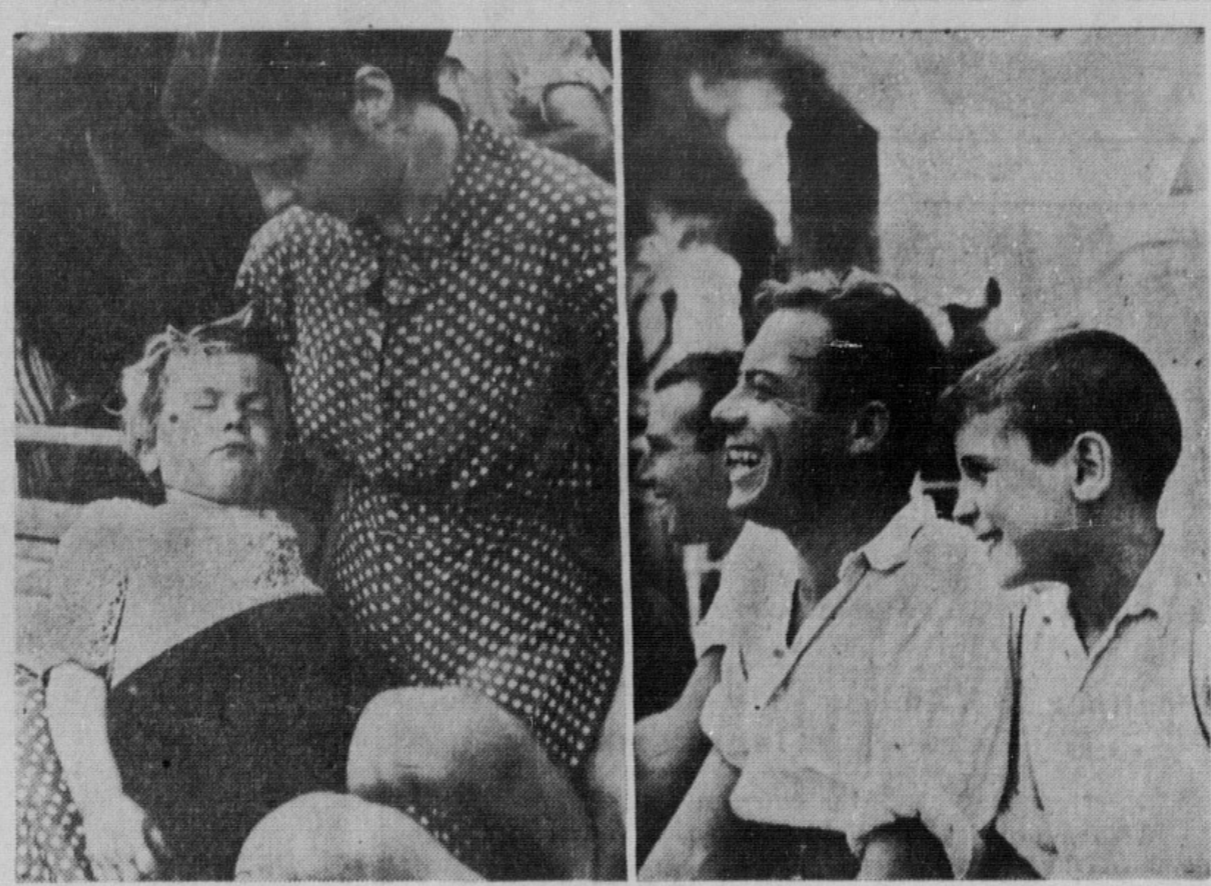
On the Radio

- SHORTWAVE BAND Radio Center, Moscow, 4:00 A.M., 13.175 Mc. 5:00 P.M. 9.600, 13.580, 15.175 Mc. XEXA, Mexico City, 6:172 Mc., 12:00 Mid-night, "Good Neighbor Hour" BROADCASTING BAND DIAL WEAF-570 Kc., WEAF-660, WOR-710, WJZ-760, WNYC-810, WABC-860, WHN-1010, WNEW-1120, WEVD-1300, WGNW-1500, WQXR-1550. DAILY PROGRAMS 7:00-WNYC-Sunrise Symphony 7:30-WQXR-Phil Cook's Almanac 7:45-WABC-Breakfast Symphony 7:55-WABC-Morning News Report 8:00-WOR-TV-Radio News 8:10-WNYC-World Fair Calendar 8:15-WNYC-N.Y. State Employment Service and Consumers' Guide 8:20-WHN-U. P. News 8:30-WOR-Robert Jones, Organ 8:35-WOR-World Fair Reporter 8:40-WABC-Woman's Page of the Air 8:45-WNYC-News Around New York 9:00-WQXR-Associated Press News 9:05-WQXR-Composers' Hour 9:10-WQXR-Masterwork Hour 9:15-WQXR-News About Women 9:30-WOR-Women Make the News 9:35-WQXR-Dance Music 9:45-WHN-U. P. News 10:00-WNYC-News 11:00-WNYC-News 11:30-WOR-Keep Fit to Music 11:45-WNYC-You and Your Health 12:00-WOR-Radio Garden Club AFTERNOON 12:00-WHN-U. P. News 12:15-WNEW-David Love, News of Stage and Screen 12:30-WOR-Trans-Radio News 1:00-WNYC-Midday Symphony 1:15-WNYC-Microphone in the Sky 1:30-WNEW-Interviews from atop the Empire State Building 1:45-WNYC-News 2:00-WNYC-Opera Hour 2:15-WHN-U. P. News 2:45-WNYC-News 3:00-WOR-WIN-Dodgers vs. Cardinals 3:10-WABC-Giants vs. Chicago Cubs 3:15-WNYC-Fraternity Musicale 3:45-WNYC-News 4:00-WNYC-Pop Concert by the Tritons, 40-Piece Symphonic Band from World's Fair 4:30-WQXR-Music of the Moment 4:35-WQXR-"Victory and Stars" 4:40-WNYC-Hour of Symphonic Music 4:45-WNYC-Midnight Review 5:00-WNYC-News WJZ-Dance Music 5:15-WABC-"Of Men and Books" 5:30-WQXR-Concert Review 5:45-WHN-U. P. News 5:45-WNYC-"Talkin' Over the News" EVENING 6:00-WQXR-"A Night in the News," Art Forum Conducted by Bernard Meyers of the National Art Society 6:15-WQXR-Homestead News 6:15-WQXR-Music to Remember 6:15-WQXR-Associated Press News and News with Ford Bond 6:30-WNYC-World's Fair Reporter 6:30-WNYC-Sport Club 6:30-WNYC-The Voice of the Theatre 6:30-WNYC-Sport Talk 6:30-WQXR-Stamp Talk by Capt. Healey 6:30-WNYC-Trans-Radio News 6:30-WNYC-"Uncle Jonathan" 6:30-WNYC-Classical Music 6:30-WNYC-Dance Music 6:45-WQXR-Bill Stearn's Scrapbook 6:45-WNYC-News 7:00-WNYC-Dick Fishell, Sports Resume 7:00-WNYC-Repeat of Masterwork Hour 7:00-WQXR-Gilbert and Sullivan Hour 7:00-WNYC-Pleasanttime, Waring Orch. 7:00-WNYC-Stan Louak, Sports Review 7:15-WNYC-Easy Aces 7:15-WNYC-"Five-Star Final" 7:15-WNYC-Human Nature Studies

A Spanish Journalist's Story

Describes Life Under the Brutal Regime of Franco

A Spanish journalist who, during the entire war in Spain, reported the days news from the Loyalist lines, recently escaped to France where he was interviewed by a representative from the Spanish Refugee Relief Campaign. Unable to use his real name, because part of his family is still in Franco Spain, he suggested that he be called Mario Alvarez. In the final days of the war, when the fascist victory seemed assured, Alvarez fled to Madrid to take part in the final battle of defense. But, due to Casado's capitulation, and Alvarez, suspecting Franco "justice" decided to escape—if possible. He went to Valencia and then on to Alicante; what he saw there he now tells. For months he hid out—in the hills, seeing the many things that happened after Franco "won"; talking to many people, living in daily danger. Only two weeks ago, he crossed over to France where now, as a refugee, he does not believe that Franco can last.



Refugees land in Mexico: A Spanish mother carries her sleeping child ashore as the S. S. Mexique docked at Vera Cruz recently. In the other photo, first sight of their new homeland brings smiles to Spanish refugees.

"The general impression everywhere," says Alvarez, "is that in Franco Spain, everything is temporary; that it cannot last. The reprisals on the one hand, the economic, political and social situation on the other arouse a movement of protest which spreads from one section of the country to another. "The economic problem has, literally, catastrophic aspects. Barely fifteen per cent of the workers call find employment. The demand for essential commodities is therefore reduced to practically nothing; the prices are high compared to the low salaries.

Taxes are Chief Industry

"The fundamental food of the people is still vegetables. There is a shortage of bread, even of bread made with bran. Ham and canned meat are to be seen in shop windows but the prices are prohibitive. "And taxes! You have heard, perhaps, the common saying 'Taxes are the chief industry of National Spain.' One pays 20 per cent to 25 per cent of the price of the goods in taxes; in addition the store-keeper must pay a further tax of 25 per cent; thus 45 per cent to 50 per cent of the price of all goods is raised by the government in taxes. It is not unusual for shop-keepers to falsify their bills and share with the customers this reduction in taxes.

Flee From Franco

The distressing exodus started—people hurried on foot, on bicycles, in motorcars, in cars. Villagers joined the long caravan on the way. Everyone was trying to escape—no one wished to remain to face the Franco terror which we all knew would follow a fascist victory. "We reached Alicante at dawn. Everyone gathered at the port and all eyes strained towards the sea, seeking the black points of a ship. There was none. Until sundown and through the night, we stood and hoped and waited. "The next day, Italian troops marched into Alicante. The ships did not come. In the panic stricken crowd, suicides began. I saw men use open sardine tins to cut their veins. Soon we were encircled by the Italians; those of us who had arms were forced to give them up. We had become prisoners. Alvarez escaped however and witnessed the confusion that marked the entrance of Franco's troops. We saw the hope that Franco reprisals vanish in terror and hysteria when all too soon it became quite clear that reprisals were to be absolutely unrestrained. He saw hundreds arrested on the charge of theft and murder; he heard the judge of a court in Barcelona tell a friend that "200 people were shot officially every day." He saw the beginning of a political census being made of the entire population. Every block of houses was placed under the control of a Government delegate. Every house had its own committee which was held responsible for the "nationalist" behavior of every family. "No one was allowed to move without permission from the local police commissar. In Franco today, Alvarez, a man without a country, begs the people of the world to help him and thousands like him find shelter and security—some place. Through the Spanish Refugee Relief Campaign medical aid and supplies are being sent to thousands of men in the French concentration camps. "White Corners," where milk and chocolate are distributed daily to the undernourished Spanish children in the refugee camps have also been made possible by funds raised through the Spanish Refugee Relief Campaign.

Two Kinds of Spy Quickies On View at Rialto Theatre

CONSPIRACY, at the Rialto. With Allan Lane, Linda Hayes, Robert Barrat, J. Farrell MacDonald. Directed by Lew Landers. Story by John McCarthy and Faith Thomas. Screenplay by Jerome Chodorov. An RKO picture. By Howard Rushmore "Ordinary canvas trousers cost from 30 to 50 pesetas. I heard one Franco soldier exclaim: 'What! Fifty pesetas for a pair of ordinary working pants! What kind of a revolution was this anyway!' "The smaller industries were ruined by the decision which made the currency of the Republic utterly worthless. Many factory owners had to give up their business and seek jobs as ordinary workers. Many went bankrupt. The big factory owners are not inclined to help with the 'reconstruction program' for they do not believe that the Franco government is firmly established and they fear a new war. Some use their money secretly to fly foreign currency. Commenting on the penetration of Italians and Germans into the economic life of Franco Spain Alvarez said: "Sea trade is now almost entirely in the hands of the Italians. A German firm will soon be running taxis in Barcelona, Madrid and Valencia. "The textile industry of Catalonia is entirely paralyzed while the market is flooded with Italian products. The few local industries still trying to hang on are being gradually squeezed out by the Italian and German competition. Italian and German goods have been followed by Italian and German

Relief Campaign to Aid Refugees

An intensive campaign is now underway to raise money for the continuance of the Herman F. Reisig American mobile dispensary. This traveling health unit, a miniature hospital on wheels, carried medical supplies and food to thousands of refugees daily. Convalescent packages, vitamin kits and cases of dental hygiene supplies have been distributed by the dispensary in thousand lots. A letter from Pedro Gonzalez, Spanish refugee at Barcares tells the story. He writes: "Dear Friends at the Spanish Refugee Campaign: "Following an illness which nalled me in bed for long weeks, I was given a box of your vitamins ABC. This helped me to recover and I cannot tell you how grateful I am that you should have sent this. I pray you, in the name of humanity to carry on this work. Here at the camp, the food is very bad and we are all so weak. If possible please send me another box. "Believe me, with sincere gratitude, signed Pedro Gonzalez."

Film Notes

SURPRISE: It was funny seeing Hunts Hall, one of the toughest of the Dead End Kids, when he bowed from the waist to kiss a gal's hand (but tenderly) in the Universal commissary. THUMBS DOWN: Paramount studios will have to get additional help in the mail room within the next few days as soon as the campaign against "Our Leading Citizen" gets going. Associated Film Audiences is asking its hundreds of affiliated organizations to protect the pic because "it presents a highly distorted view of a strike situation and fosters spurious and dangerous misconceptions about labor organizers." AFA is asking its members to avoid the film when it is shown at neighborhood theatres. The campaign against "Our Leading Citizen" is being pushed in the East by the Society of Film Audiences for Democracy. ON THE OTHER HAND: A real novelty is in store for you in "When Tomorrow Comes." Pic begins with a strike of waitresses in a chain restaurant and shows strike meetings, picketing, etc. all handled with sympathy and publicity. It's a definite kick to hear "Solidarity Forever," the old union song, come from the screen. For the rest, the pic is better than average, with the entire cast, headed by Charles Boyer and Irene Dunne, turning in a good show. Story has been changed considerably from James Cain's cynical and unsteady original version.

Music Notes

- 10:00-WNYC-Description, through Electrical Transcription, of Army Maneuvers from Plattburgh, N.Y. 10:00-WOR-Raymond Gram Swing, News Commentator 10:15-WNYC-Sunset Symphony Concert by National Symphony Orchestra from Washington, D. C. 10:30-WNYC-Kay Kyster's Musical Klass 10:30-WNYC-Forum 10:30-WNYC-Concert Hour 10:15-WOR-Chicago Symphony Orchestra Playing in Grant Park 10:30-WNYC-Musical Counter 10:30-WNYC-Talk by Assistant WPA Administrator Winslow 10:45-WNYC-The Truth Behind the News as I See It, Johannes Steel, News Commentator 10:45-WNYC-Atchamir Adventures 11:00-WNYC-Amateur Night in Harlem 11:00-WNYC-Trans-Radio News 11:00-WNYC-Evening News Report 11:00-WNYC-Just Music 11:05-WNYC-Fred Waring's Orchestra 11:15-WNYC-Swing Patrol 12:00-WNYC-News 12:00-WNYC-Symphonic Hour 12:00-WNYC-Music to Read by ERIC MUNX.

Something to Treasure—The 20th Anniversary Issue of THE COMMUNIST SEPTEMBER "Some remarks on the Twentieth Anniversary of the Communist Party of the United States." By EARL BROWDER

'Can't Happen Here,' These Czech Actors Were Also Told

When Voskovec and Werich first produced the play on which their film, "The World Is Ours" is based, it was greeted, amid the storm of applause of the Prague critics, with a few dissenting cries, "Exaggerated! It could never happen here!" The reference was to the prophecy of

HOW DO YOU FEEL?

HEALTH ADVICE BY MEDICAL ADVISORY BOARD Readers' questions will be offered to a doctor for reply. However, diagnosis of individual cases and prescription will not be attempted. When writing, please enclose stamped, self-addressed envelope.

Spotted Fever

This summary was prepared from a report by the U. S. Public Health Service, Washington, D. C. SPOTTED FEVER I Since about 1930, Rocky Mountain spotted fever has been recognized along the eastern coast and has now been diagnosed as far north as Massachusetts and as far south as Georgia. The increasing number of cases each year reported to the Public Health Service probably does not represent a spread but an increasing recognition. Spotted fever is acquired by man from the bite of an infected tick. This tick in the east has been given the name Dermacentor variabilis, more commonly known as the "dog tick." The history of spotted fever both in the east and in the west reveals that there are certain areas more heavily infected than others. It can be truthfully said that wherever there is this kind of tick, then spotted fever is potentially present. Each spring and summer, the National Institute of Health in Washington is deluged with questions concerning the proper handling of ticks, the advisability of vaccination, prophylactic measures to be instituted in effected areas, etc. In order that this information may be more widely disseminated, and by so doing decrease the number of cases, the Public Health Service has prepared a list of the more common inquiries with the proper answers, which will be published, beginning tomorrow.

Bunin Puppets In New Show

Bunin's Puppets, whose antics were enough to assure the success of any party or dance when they were appearing in New York some three years ago, will return to the fold this season with a new up-to-date program. Under New Theatre League auspices, the puppet men manipulated by the skillful Bunins, a family of puppeteers, will be accepting bookings for union rallies, social events, and other occasions of import for the progressive movement.

'Sons of Liberty' at Loew's Criterion

Produced in Technicolor on a scale ordinarily reserved for feature pictures, "Sons of Liberty" starring Claude Rains, and directed by Michael Curtiz, director of such outstanding successes as "Four Daughters," "Captain Blood," "Angels with Dirty Faces" and "Dodge City," will be shown beginning tomorrow, August 24th at Loew's Criterion Theatre, with Paramount's "Death of a Champion," the feature attraction. Depicting a stirring and little known chapter of the struggle for American Independence, "Sons of Liberty" tells the story of Haym Salomon, the patriot who saved freedom's cause when it seemed darkest by coming to George Washington's aid, with money to pay his starving soldiers. Based on historical fact authenticated by extensive research it traces the activities of a patriotic organization known as the Sons of Liberty, of which Haym Salomon was a heroic member. MOTION PICTURES LAST WEEK THIS WORLD IS OURS (NOV. HITLER'S) Catching up on the... underlined the unity of Czech workers... VOVKOV-VERICH (1937) THE WARNING (1938) "OUR LEADING CITIZEN" (1939) 15c, 25c, 35c, 40c EYES

Music of World's Fair

Werner Josten is to be present for a program of his works performed by Forum-Laboratory of the Federal Music Project at 4 P.M. tomorrow, Aug. 24, in the WPA Auditorium at the World's Fair. His compositions include a group of songs and sonatas for piano, cello and piano, and violin and piano. The artists are Gretchen Gantvoort, soprano; Herman Kravkoff, cellist; Walter Eisenberg, violinist; and Richard Singer, Erich Weill and Evelyn Kravkoff, pianists. The program as usual is free.

OPENING AT CAMEO TODAY

The Chatham Square Music School, 211 Clinton St., will be open for registration for two weeks beginning Sept. 5, until Friday, Sept. 15, from 2 to 6 P.M. every afternoon. The school is again offering scholarships in piano, violin, cello, viola, voice, composition, and woodwinds. These scholarships include the entire curriculum which all students are compelled to take, namely: theory, harmony, sight singing, vocal coaching, ear training, music history, chamber music, dramatics, string orchestra and participation in regular student recitals. The Chatham Square Music School was the model school for the Jascha Heifetz movie, "They Shall Have Music." The school is privately endowed and accepts only students of unusual talent. It is designed as a professional training school to give the proper instruction and background to outstanding young musician. Nikolai Cherkassov as Alexei being questioned by Peter the Great in a scene from "The Conquest of Peter the Great."

First American Showing AMKINO presents A mighty spectacle and intense human drama... cost of 10,000 led by N. Cherkassov, N. Simonov and Alla Tanasova

The CONQUESTS of PETER the GREAT Directed by VLADIMIR PETROV from story by ALEXEI TOLSTOY Produced by Lantini TONIGHT at 8:30 (Second Showing at 10:30 P.M.) COMPLETELY AIR-CONDITIONED TALLULAH BANKHEAD in THE LITTLE FOXES LILLIAN HELLMAN'S Dramatic Triumph NATIONAL Theatre, W. 41 St. PL. 6-8329 WENDSOR Thra., 48 St. E. of E. RR. 2-3455 Evs. 5c, 10c, 15c, 20c, 25c, 30c, 35c, 40c



By Lester Rodney

It looks as though the Young Communist League and the Communist Party of New Jersey have been scouting staffs of ball playing talent.

Dear Comrade Rodney, Fear not! Your day of vengeance draws nearer.

There are, however, some disquieting rumors. It is reported that the Essex County Party is going around signing up a number of ringers.

With the imminent arrival of the football season, the operators of those weekly pools are setting themselves for another rich haul.

"Now, they don't have to be crooked. We give the suckers odds that they can't pick any four or more out of a list of maybe twenty games.

Dave asked Gimmel how much he made last year. The answer was a take of thirty-eight grand on an investment of five hundred—and as Gimmel is only a small time operator you can imagine the big boys' take.

Chester Rico, skillful young lightweight whom we touted as someone to watch while still an amateur, went two rounds with Armstrong at Pompton Lakes Sunday that caused some critical eyebrows to lift.

Two safe predictions—Fordham's football team and NYU's basketball teams to win a lot more than they lose.

Western Negro Homer King at Stadium Sunday

The last two Negro All-Star tilts were won on home runs by Neil Robinson, fleet Memphis Red Sox centerfielder.

Part of the proceeds of the Negro East-West All Star game at Yankee Stadium next Sunday will go into the Player Insurance Fund.

WHAT'S ON

RATES: 15 words, 50c Monday to Saturday, 51 Sunday, 2c additional word.

ALFRED GOLDSTEIN discusses "A Third Term for Roosevelt?" Questions answered. Sunday, Aug. 27, 8:30 P.M., Brighton Center, 3200 Coney Island Ave., Brooklyn. Adm. 50c. Freeze Seminar.

MANDOLIN CLASS for beginners (children-adults) will open soon. Freebie Mandolin Orchestra, 106 East 14th St.

Workers Order Will Organize Soccer

The IWO Athletic Commission announced today that it is planning to organize an IWO Soccer League to operate this coming season.

Phil Boyer, Athletic Director for the IWO said, "For many years IWO lodges have been interested in soccer.

Plans are to have at least 10 teams begin the season which plans to begin playing in October. IWO lodges that have soccer teams or contemplate organizing teams should immediately write to the IWO Athletic Commission, 80 Fifth Ave., Room 1916, New York.

THURSDAY

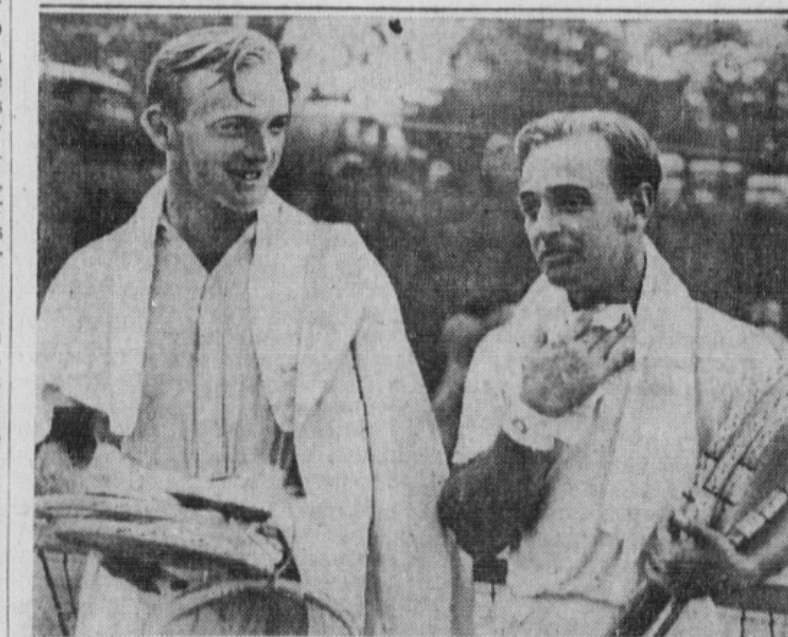
QUEENSBORO ARENA—Amateur tournament. LONG BEACH STADIUM—Walter Woods vs. Hokey Jackson; Irving Eldridge vs. Eddie Alex; right rounds, each; Dom Scappatura vs. Stanley Yatta; Felix Aera vs. Benny Cartegena; Lenny Manelich vs. Solly Pearl; Harry Weber vs. Tommy

LITTLE LEFTY

WHEN THE BOSS WANTED OVER- WORK HIM AND SUFF. MARMADUCE, THE SEA-SERPENT SAW THERE WERE NO SAFETY DEVICES OR BONUSES..... HE UP AND WALKED OUT ON HIS JOB.... and NOW HE WANTS TO JOIN THE UNION AND EVERY-THING.....



DAVIS CUP WINNERS?



ADRIAN QUIST AND JACK BROMWICH, Australian stars, mopped up America's best amateurs in the doubles and are aiming to take the Davis Cup away from the U. S. next month. The betting says they'll do it.

40,000 at Stadium For Title Fight

Armstrong 135, Ambers 134 1/2 at Weighing, Both in Top Form—Strict Instructions Given

By Stan Kurman With another great lightweight title thriller on tap, about 40,000 tense fans edged forward in their seats when double-champ Henry Armstrong squared off with ex-lightweight king Lou Ambers at the Yankee Stadium last night.

At fight-time, the odds favoring Armstrong had been backed down to 7-5. At the official Boxing Commission weigh-ins early yesterday afternoon, Henry hit the scales at 135 pounds, while the challenger came in at 134 1/2.

Both boys were in top shape. While photos snapped pictures in fighting pose, champ and challenger exchanged gags.

After Dr. William Walker examined the principals and found them both in splendid physical condition, General Phelan, top man in the Commission, got them together for final last-minute instructions.

Phelan made it emphatic that the fight would not be stopped by the referee unless it was absolutely imperative.

For Ambers' benefit—Henry is the K.O. sucker—Phelan explained that the New York State law which permits a ref to declare a technical knockout after a fighter has gone down three times would be suspended for the title bout.

Eying Armstrong—Phelan said that the referee had orders not to stop the fight because of a cut until first consulting the commission doctor.

"A ref even then," said Phelan, "the fight will not be stopped unless it is virtually impossible for the man to continue and win."

Eddie Mead, Armstrong's manager and Al Weill, pilot of Ambers, seemed much more nervous than the principals. Lou, in particular, enjoyed the show while Henry became more serious as the proceedings wore on.

A mob of fans waited around the Commission offices for half-an-hour to catch a glimpse of their heroes and greeted Henry and Lou with a rousing salvo of cheers when they came out.

Almost drowned out by the big lightweight tilt, the Queensboro Arena reminds that it has quite a lightweight feature on tap Friday night when Primo Flores, Puerto Rican slugger, takes on Ginger Foran, Liverpool vet. in the feature eight....

I might also add that the now non-existing Junior Lightweight and Welterweight titles were abolished at a time when they were held by two Jewish boys, namely Benny Bass and Jackie (Kid) Berg.

I might mention other outstand-

SPORTS DAILY WORKER SPORTS

NEW YORK, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23, 1939

DODGERS BEAT CARDS AGAIN, 8-5

Homers by Camilli, Lavagetto Rout St. Louis Pitchers

Davis Chased, Bowman Slugged As Dodgers Solidify Hold on 4th, Whack Card's Pennant Hopes—Brown Hurt

Hotter than the weather, the Brooklyn Dodgers once again teed off on St. Louis pitching to trounce the Cards at Ebbets Field yesterday for the second straight time, 8-5.

Giants Beat Cubs Behind Melton, 4-2

Moore, Demaree Homer As Polo Grounders Even Series

The Giants and the Cubs played the regulation nine innings at the Polo Grounds yesterday but they might as well have called it a day after the Terrymen knocked out Chi starter Charley Root with a three-run outburst in the first. The final count was 4-2.

Homers by Joe Moore and Frank Demaree were the important clouts off the Cub vet and when Jurgis followed Danning's double with a sharp single that was all for Mr. Root.

That was enough of a margin for Cliff Melton, who has been coming along nicely the past few weeks after a stormy season. Notching up his ninth win against eleven defeats, Cliff lost the shutout in the eighth when the Cubs bunched three singles and a sacrifice fly for their only two runs.

The Giants picked up another run in the fourth when Tom Hafe singled, moved to second on an error and rode in on Moore's single.

In the fifth the Cubs loaded the bags on singles by Russell, Mattick and Mancuso but failed to score when Russell ran wild on the bags.

Meanwhile, the Giants, in a re-vamping mood, announced that the following players will come up from the farms at the close of their respective minor league seasons:

Eban Glossop, shortstop; George Myatt, third-baseman; Tom Padden, catcher; Glen Stewart, third-baseman; Harold Vandenberg and John Wittig, pitchers, all from Jersey City. Ed Sheehan, catcher from Clinton, Iowa and Herman Young, Knoxville, Tenn., first-baseman.

Of this crop, Stewart and Young are rated best.

Last game of the series today. Dodgers out for sweep—maybe Pfenning.

St. Louis..... 001 000 202—5 15 1  
BROOKLYN..... 002 006 018—8 11 1  
Davis, Bowman (4), Andrews (7), Shoun (8) and Padgett; Casey, Tamulis (9) and Phelps.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Aug. 22—The last-place Philadelphia Phillies of the National League rose up and smacked the pennant runner-up Cincinnati Reds, 4-0, today behind the five-hit pitching of Kirby Higbe, cast-off Chicago Cub pitcher.

The loss left the Reds 4 1/2 games in front of the second-place St. Louis Cardinals, who bowed to the Brooklyn Dodgers.

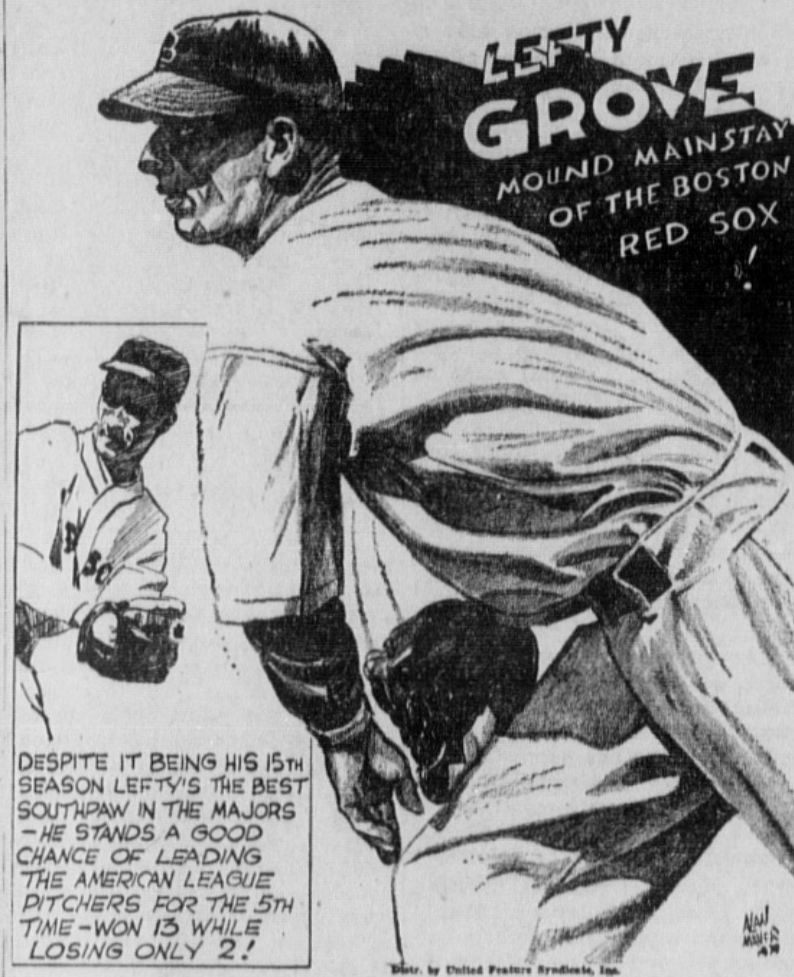
The win was Higbe's fourth straight and ninth of the season and interrupted a Cincinnati winning streak of 16 straight over the Phils.

HOME RUNS RUNS BATTED IN  
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FOUR HITS  
Fox, Red Sox 111 Rolfe, Yankees 158  
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McCoy, Tigers 93 McQuinn, Browns 119  
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Kuhel, Wb. Sox 90 Brown, Cards 116  
Greenberg, Tigers 90

New Camp Champs? The softball team of the Camp Followers of the Trail knocked over the touted Camp Lakeland team, claimants to the Workers' Camp championship, by the score of 12-4 Sunday. As they'll be claiming the title now on the basis of the victory and Unity and Beacon will probably immediately file protests, it seems as though a regular schedule with standings ought to be worked out by the camps for next summer.

OLD MAN MOSE AIN'T DEAD



DESPITE IT BEING HIS 15th SEASON LEFTY'S THE BEST SOUTHPAW IN THE MAJORS—HE STANDS A GOOD CHANCE OF LEADING THE AMERICAN LEAGUE PITCHERS FOR THE 5th TIME—WON 15 WHILE LOSING ONLY 2!

Along Fistic Row

Fight Fan Picks All-Jewish Boxing Stars to Go Along With Others—It's a Good One

Here's a letter from boxing fan Sidney Weisenthal that hits the nail on the head. Says Sidney:

Sports Editor, Daily Worker, Dear Sir: After having noticed the listings of the various champions and other outstanding fighters of Italian and Negro origin that appeared in the Daily Worker last week, I was surprised that you didn't continue the same with fighters of other nationalities. Certainly the fighters of the Irish and Jewish races merit such worth.

While on the subject I should like to mention that something that has galled me in a small way is the fact that such a large proportion of Jews labor under the illusion that individually, Jews are physically inferior to others. Being Jewish, I have long found this to be fallacious.

I believe that the fighting game is a good barometer of the Jew's physical capabilities that should dispel all existing beliefs of inferiority.

It might sound surprising to many that despite the fact that the boxing game has been competed on an international scale and the Jewish population is a small fraction of one per cent of the world's population, there have been more Jewish fighters recognized as World Champions than those of any other racial or national origin. Here are the Jewish champs:

FLYWEIGHT—Izzy Schwartz  
BANTAMWEIGHT—Charley (Phil) Rosenberg  
FEATHERWEIGHT—Abe Attel, Louis (Kid) Kaplan, Benny Bass  
LIGHTWEIGHT—Benny Leonard, Al Singer, Barney Ross  
WELTERWEIGHT—Ted (Kid) Lewis (innumerable times), Jackie Fields (twice), Barney Ross (twice)  
MIDDLEWEIGHT—Al McCoy, Ben Juby, Solly Krieger  
LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHT—Batling Levinsky, Maxie Rosenbloom, Bob Oliv  
HEAVYWEIGHT—Max Baer.

I might also add that the now non-existing Junior Lightweight and Welterweight titles were abolished at a time when they were held by two Jewish boys, namely Benny Bass and Jackie (Kid) Berg.

I might mention other outstand-

ing Jewish fighters who have been near champs. They are Newsboy Brown, Joe Glick, Ray Miller, (Fly and Bantam); Sid Terris, Al Toreman, Ruby Goldstein, Pedro Montanez (Light and Welter); Joe Choyanski (Heavy).

Fraternally yours,  
SIDNEY WIESENTHAL,  
460 East 171st Street,  
Bronx, N. Y.

Absolutely correct, Sid. Other Jewish fighters around today who have plenty on the ball are welter challenger Sammy Luftspring; Brownsville Al Davis, high-ranking lightweight; Mike Kaplan, flashy New England welter; Maxie Berger, Canadian junior-welter champ and unbeaten Maxie Shapiro, latest East Side lightweight idol.

We'll be in with an all-Irish team shortly. The reason we had all-Negro and all-Italian lists was the interest aroused in the Armstrong-Ambers fight.—S. K.

Big gun for the American boys is Buddy Moore, who looks and fights like Joe Louis... Buddy, National Girls Champ, takes on Johnny Berthouene, French Canadian k. o. kid in the feature five rounder... three other five-rounders are listed....

With the Armstrong-Ambers fight history, the build-up is getting under way; for the Lou Nova-Tony Galento heavyweight elimination tilt in Philly Sept. 7... The first returns are: (1) Nova doesn't like to be told that he resembles Gentleman Gene Tunney in tough, r action... (2) After watching Galento work out, ex-light and welter champ Barney Ross said that he thinks Tony will stop Lou in four rounds....

ALL THE ANGLES

On the Armstrong-Ambers Fight

In Tomorrow's Daily Worker

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