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# S.F. Workers! Vote Communist!

COAST TO HOLD 16th SOVIET ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

## Cotton Pickers Win 25% Raise

## WORKERS AGREE TO ACCEPT 75c IF Garment Strikers THE GROWERS HIRE UNION PICKERS

Many Farmers Signing Up, While Those in Corcoran Region Can't Get **Pickers** 

BULLETIN

TULARE, Oct. 31.—Seventyfive cotton growers have already signed with the Agricultural and Cannery Workers Union and the majority of union members are back at work on these ranches. Among the ranches signed up are the large Miller and Lux and on a hundred families and paid their gasoline from Camp Corcoran to the fields.

Farmers are coming in a constant stream to union headquarters to sign up and at this writing the union is short of workers to fill all calls. Fifteen hundred workers are on their way to Imperial Valley.

There are yet many unsigned ranches, but these are being won by union organizing committees. the rancher refuses to sign, the union calls the workers off and puts them on a union ranc that is short of help.

The Central Strike Committee

meeting last night decided to tour Caroline Decker through all the cotton areas to strenghten the organization. Her tour begins

BULLETIN

Oct. 31.—One hundred olive pickers walked out spontaneous-

TULARE, Oct. 30.—The Cannery and Agricultural Workers Industrial Union, after a majority vote in all locals in the cotton fields, agreed to call off the strike on the basis of the 75 cent rate offered, only if the following conditions are met: That 75 cents per hundred pounds be the minimum wage, that hiring be through the union, that armed forces be withdrawn from

All locals voted unanimously for a most intense campaign for the defense of Pat Chambers and the others held on Criminal Syndicalism for leading the struggle, and each union member working will donate five cents daily towards the defense fund.

Thus far at least 75 growers are reported to have signed up and their cotton is picked by workers sent by the union. The 75-cent rate is a 25% raise and constitutes a tremendous victory. It means that about \$1,000,000 more will go into

the pockets of the workers. GOVERNMENT STRIKEBREAKER The government did everything in its power to prevent recognition of the union. The Corcoran camp workers, numbering over 4000,

were terrorized daily, by the sher-

iff, that the "camp is unsanitary"

(Continued on Page , Col. 5)

# Military Court

Back to Gallup Buttonwillow ranches who took Nat. Leader of Unemployed Councils

**Brings Benjamin** 

Found Guilty BULLETIN

GALLUP, N. M., Oct. 25.— Herbert Benjamin, tried before court martial here for jail-break and for addressing the striking miners' picket line was found guilty and is awaiting sentence.

Responding to the charge of "obstructing martial law", Benjamin declared: "I have rights higher than those made by any particular military group. I do not want this court to think that I am just a law-abiding citizen who will do just as I am told, but in this particular case, I violated no rules. On the other hand I consider that workers must violate any laws which usurp

their rights! "I would certainly violate any rule which ordered suspending the right of self-preservation— and the strikers are fighting for self-preserva-

The sentence given by the court martial to Robert Roberts, organizer of the National Min-(Continued on Page , Col. 6)

#### "Lucha Obrera" To Be Printed

Beginning with the December issue, the paper of the Spanish workers on the coast. "Lucha Obrera", until now mimeographed, will be printed, providing the guarantee fund for it will be in by that time. Especially since the wave of agricultural strikes, there has been a crying need for a Spanish workers paper. Now Comrades, and friends, here is an

opporunity to have one. Rush all funds, bundle orders, subscriptions, to "Lucha Obrera", 1529 Powell St., San Francisco.

# in L. A. Reject

**Bosses Bribe Police to** Beat Up Pickets

have repulsed attempts of scabs Chicago Avenue.
to get through the lines with The Farmers

Simultaneously with the above announcement of wholesale arrests came the discovery of a manufacturers' plot to bribe police officials and policemen to beat up and arrest garment strikers. According to the statement of Police Sgt. Malburg, he was paid \$150 in cash and promised \$650 more by Jack Morrison, "manufacturers' agent". Morrison is being held. Bosses at the struck shops are carrying

Strikers Militant has only found the strikers more (Continued on Page , Col. 4)

## 300 L. A. MEAT **OUT ON STRIKE**

Need Rank and File Control to Win

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 31.—Two hundred and fifty workers em-ployed in the Wilson meat packing company went on strike Friday against the unbearable conditions in the shop and the low wages. Three hundred are employed there. The only organization in the shop is the Amal-

A. F. of L. officials, the NRA issued. men and the bosses are working The

Two carloads of police were semi-skilled labor, and are in mobilized to prevent picketing the main similar to those adopt-but finally it was decided that ed recently in Aberdeen. One five pickets at a time would be allowed.

Only the appointing of strong rank and file committees to conpicketing and the

## SECOND NATIONAL CONVENTION OF FARMERS IN CHICAGO, NOV. 15

'Socialist' Trick California Called Upon to Elect Delegates of Small Farmers

CHICAGO, Oct. 31 .- Reports Beat Up Pickets of mass meetings all over the country electing delegates, indicate that the Second Farmers' an effort to break the strike of 5000 garment workers, city officials and police have ordered Hynes of the Red Squad to make the strike of National Convention to be held here Nov. 15 to 18, will be at least twice as large as last year. The convention will be held in wholesale arrests of pickets, who

The Farmers National Com-"Bring them in by the wagon load and we'll issue charges against them," was the order.

Valley strikes has spread everywhere. Unity of action with the unemployed workers will be one of the main issues before the Meetings must be held to elect

delegates and preparations made

for transportation immediately where this has not already been The Farmers National Commitee, a broad front of farmers organizations united on a militant

program, requires that delegates be dirt farmers, not businessmen or bankers farming with hired labor. Pointing out that the answer The third week of the strike to the farmers distress is not through the Farmer-Laborites, Non-partisans or other followers

of capitalism, or through the Milo Renos who call off strikes regardless of the feelings of the rank and file, the committee will outline a plan of action against the "plow under" destruction campaign of the Agricultural Adjustment Act. Cash relief, pro-luction credit, fight against fore-crowded, over 1500 enthusiastic-

## Eureka Lumber Local Adopts Plan for Active Work

EUREKA, Cal., Oct. 28.— A meeting of the new local of the gamated Butchers and Meat Cutters Union (A. F. of L.), whose leadership was only forced into leadership was only forced into calling the strike by the growing militancy of the rank and file militancy of the rank and file committees of action and to well-disciplined Industrial Unions was prevented. I am glad

> The ten demands include a 30hour week an 60c an hour for semi-skilled labor, and are in ed recently in Aberdeen. One more is added—that all workers in the industry be guaranteed five days work per week, with a minimum of 38 weeks per year. Where this is not carried out, county cash relief is demanded. dressed by Mann there.

300 Farm Leaguers Turn on Power for

Chowchilla Farmer

CHOWCHILLA, Cal., Oct. 27.-Three hundred farmers rallied by the United Farmers League yes-terday gathered at the farm of mittee For Action is particularly anxious to have as large a delegation as possible from California this year.

News of the United Front of the small farmers and agricultural workers in the San Joaquin Valley strikes has spread every-

The United Farmers League in the present cotton strike has been backing the strikers in a fight against their enemy— the finance corporations which con-trol both the power needed for irrigation and contracts for the crops—supplying relief and aiding in picketing. The Corcoran strike camp is on land donated by a sympathetic farmer.

The demonstration at the Blue farm resulted in 12 new members joining the League.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 30.-youthful vigor which has characterized his long life of leader-ship among the working class. Comrade Mann was greeted, by representatives of many la-bor organizations among which were the Communist Party, and Chinese, Japanese, Spanish, Filipino, Italian, Negro and American workers organizations.

The spirit of the meeting was high. In his speech Tom Mann further cemented the bonds be-Sunday night, October 29th,

Joaquin Valley. The biggest meeting seen in Oakland for a long time was ad-

Soviet Envoy



MAXIM LITVINOV, Soviet envoy enroute to U.S.A. to discuss recognition.

## **Mooney Case Goes** Before the U.S. **Supreme Court**

**MOONEY GREETS** TOM MANN

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 30 .-turned to San Quentin, will have point on the calendar. his case before the U.S. Supreme court probably next month sand jobless from all parts of the according to his Defense Com- city gathered at the Civic Center

rade Tom Mann, English Com-munist leader, who addressed se-dates who lead it.

TOM MANN, 1179 Market St. San Francisco, Calif.

I appreciate your great support in my cause when my mother was travelling in Europe claiming that there is not a vacant and by your great speech at the bed in the county hospital, were mass meeting in London when tion. mother was enroute to Russia at the Fifteenth Anniversary of the Charity Workers Protective Union Russian Revolution. Also appre- will continue bringing all relief ciate the great support rendered to my brother when he was travelling through Great Britain. Ireland and Scotland while I was in the death cell waiting to be hanged. It was through the the fast decay of capitalism the world labor movement and Rusmilitancy of the rank and file against pay as low as \$6 a week.

The rank and file are being allowed no voice in their strike, workers in the industry, organizations to achieve the allowed no voice in their strike, workers in the industry, organizations to achieve the tion was prevented. I am glad overthrow of the capitalist system and the establishing of the two two workers in the industry, organizations to achieve the town and the establishing of the two workers in the labor movement. struggle in the labor movement at the Eagles Hall an enthusias- and that you are able to carry tic banquet was attended by 400 on in your vigorous campaign in his honor. Resolutions were passed at both gatherings and money collected for the relief of I hope you will live as long as the cotton strikers in the San Mother Jones to see the struggle through to successful conclusion with warmest personal affection-

ate greetings. TOM MOONEY.

## **ELECTION RALLY, 16th SOVIET** ANNIVERSARY, CALIFORNIA HALL **NOV. 6th; CANDIDATES TO SPEAK**

Sacramento Communists Run Ticket for City Council

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 31.—Nearing the end of the most active election campaign yet carried through by the workers of San Francisco,, a vote that will far surpass the 11,000 votes polled two years ago, is expected for the Communist candidates for Supervisor and Treasurer.

## S F Red Candidates Lead Jobless in Hunger March

Boss Supervisors Only Listen; Do Nothing

obless of San Francisco had an-Board of Supervisors take no interest in improving their conditions after hearing the de-

In the meantime, despite bad rainy weather, at least three thouto hear the answer. The rain hav-Tom Mooney from his cell sent ing stopped, an enthusiastic meeting was held, with speakers from the following telegram to Com- several of the organizations behind the march, and Communist candi-

There was another arranged through the efforts of the Young Communist League, which brought the case of Herman Work, a 13-year-old boy who is tubercular, but neither hospitalization nor proper food is provided by the charities. The Supervisors, after finally compelled to promise ac-

The Unemployed Councils and cases before the Supervisors every

#### 25,000 PRINTED

-of this issue of the Western Worker. This is because San Francisco and Los Angeles are using it as a weapon in their big struggles.

Workers, write us how you like this paper? Do you like six pages? We are planning to make it six pages all the time in a few weeks. Write us, if in your opinion we should make a drive soon for its appearance twice a week. Your judgement will help us

The plans for the last week include scores of rallies, and the dis-tribution of 100,000 platforms. The

Election Campaign Committee with

headquarters at 37 Grove street, is

appealing to all supporters of the

Workers Ticket, to volunteer for

canvassing of workers' homes dur-

ing the last three days prior to the

election. Furthermore a last min-ute appeal for funds is issued to cover election expenses that must be met, otherwise the campaign is in danger at a most crucial stage. In addition to the San Francisco election is that of Sacramento,—four Communists running for the City Council. They are: Nora Con-SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 30.—The Bill McConnel, for whom a large vote is rolling up. Their platform

The Sacramento election platform will be found on page 6. SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 31.-A monster mass rally will be held Monday night, Nov. 6th, where workers will have a last chance to hear the Communist platform of working class demands.

The candidates are:

FOR SUPERVISOR Louise Todd Jack Bishop James Tracy John Diaz Ed Harris

FOR TREASURER **Neil Hickey** 

All six candidates will speak at the meeting, which will be held at California Hall, Polk and Turk St., at 8:00 p. m.
Parades of workers mobilized

rarades of workers mobilized at open air neighborhood meetings in all districts of the city will converge on the meeting. The response of the workers,—particularly along the water-front—during the campaign indicates that dicates that a very high vote will be polled for the Communist candidates next Tuesday.

The Nov. 6 mass meeting will be as well a celebration of the 16th Anniversary of the Soviet Union and the Second Anniversary of the Central Chinese Soviet Government. The biggest program of the year has been prepared including a movie "Vote Communist!" by the Film and Foto League, showing the candidates in action, two plays by (Continued on Page Col. 5)

## Two Million Dollars Raise in Wages--Rolph Admits Victory Won by Communist Leadership

By Sam Darcy

(NOTE: As this goes to press the huge Miller & Lux ranch signed the union agreement and paid the gasoline for 100 families of pickers to go to work.)

A great victory in the cotton strike has been won!

Last year the rate was 40 to 50c per 100 pounds—it was the year of greatest starvation for the Mexican, Negro and Ameriean workers-This year when the rich growers and finance corporations heard the union under the leadership of incorruptible Communists was organizing the workers, they realized they wouldn't get away with it any longer. They met in Fresno and set the

price at 60c. On Octobes 4, 1933 the Cannery and Agricultural Workers Union, affiliated with the T. U. U. L. decided to strike. In two days 15,000 workers were out of the fields and on the picket lines. After four weeks, having tried murder, race hatred, bravado, deception and nationalism by the Mexican Counsel, mass arrests of leaders, vigilante terror and starvation the state and federal governments, the growers and the finance corporations were forced to raise the wages another 25 percent to 75c per

100 pounds. Altogether, this will add ONE MILLION DOLLARS more in wages for the 1933 season, to the workers on strike and will add another million to the wages of those in areas NOT struck. Only fools, cowards, socialist party and A. F. L. fakers pretend that strikes cannot be won in time of crisis. On the Tagus ranch-employing almost 1,000 workers-the peach

strikers won last August 25c an hour. Less than a month later they again cut the wages by 5c. This same Tagus ranch is now involved in the cotton strike. Why should the workers believe these liars and baby starvers when they say they will pay 75c but won't sign an agreement

or recognize the Union?

Because Rolph also promises it? Rolph is one of the big landlords in California and if possible a worse deceiver of the workers than the Tagus officials. Among the big ranches

Strong Communist Party and Fighting Union Will Guarantee Victory

struck is Herbert Hoover's ranch near Wasco, the Giannini ranch, etc. Is there anyone fool enough to believe the words of the capitalists? FOR THESE REASONS THE WORKERS WILL NOT RETURN UNLESS THE GROWERS SIGN CONTRACTS WITH THEIR

UNION. The growers pretend to believe in the NRA— NRA officials were trying to mediate the strike—the NRA pretends to guarantee the workers the right to collective bargaining through their own representatives. Why won't the rich growers and finance corporations recognize the union? Many poor

and middle growers have signed agreements.

The answer is that this is what they call a "Red" union—one that will not sell out the workers—and therefore there is no prospect for them to cut wages later without a new battle. The first victory is won—75c per 100 lbs.—now for the second victory—UNION RECOGNITION!

The ancient wise men once said: What a shrewd man has on his lung A fool has on his tongue.

And so Rolph issued a statement on the granting of 75c rate. "We believe that the 60c rate is a fair rate and all that the grower can afford to pay. However in order to salvage what is left of the cotton crop, and in the interests of good American citizenship, law and order, and in order to forestall the spread of Communism and radicalism and to protect the harvesting of other crops, we accede to . . . increase the price of picking cotton to 75c per 100 ws.'

But other capitalist agencies were not so frank in admitting that they were forced to raise wages because the strike was under militant Communist leadership and not under their own lieutenants the A. F. L. fakers.

They carried headlines about the "breaking of the strike", the "great mediator" the A. F. L. faker, Frank McDonald, who won the workers back," etc. But they spoke prematurely.

The workers wouldnt go back without recognition of the Union. The boss class couldn't hide their chagrin. Especially because they tried to cover up the victory of the revolutionary union with headlines which gave the impression that the workers were forced back by the terror.

Then they had to eat their second helping of humble pie. The growers, bankers and the governor wouldn't recognize the Union but they addressed a letter to the union "requesting" it to "authorize" the pickers to pick.

The miserable San Francisco Chronicle was so cheap as to continue the air of bravado. In printing the governor's letter they substituted the word "compel" for the word "authorize". The other capitalist press stooped equally low. The Call-Bulle-

"Hundreds of strikers, broke, weary to death of herding in filth-ridden camps, disgusted with the all too obvious self-interest of their Communist leaders, are more than willing to go back to work under the 75c scale fixed by Gov. Rolph's "fact-finding committee."

On Oct. 27, one day later, they had to eat their own words by

"... the striking San Joaquin valley cotton pickers refused to return to work. . . . . growers reveal that of the 20,000 acres planted in cotton in Kings, Tulare, Fresno, Madera and Kern counties but 400 acres were reported being picked today. .The latter represents ranch acreage of the few growers who have acceded to the "jokers" in the strikers agreement—that their Cannery and Agricultural Industrial Union be recognized and that all hiring be done through the union locals."

A bad pill for them to swallow—but it went down. The San Francisco News' hypocricy and slimyness would fill an encyclopedia. But they too tried to hide the role of Communist leadership. Everything else having failed they represented Caroline Decker, one of the strike leaders and a well-known Communist whose greatest pride is the hour of being a Communist, whose greatest pride is the honor of being a Communist Party member, as saying in answer to a question as to whether she is a Communist "Why label me?"

This strike is being made victorious by heroic workers! The workers know that they won by defeating not only the finance companies and rich ranchers, the local sheriffs and their deputies, but the entire capitalist government including the state police, the U.S., State and Federal so-called Mediation Boards, and the treacherous Mexican Consul. That knowledge is power! The workers are better equippel to fight because

they recognize their enemies more easily! It is being made victorious by unity of Negro, white, American

and Mexican workers.

It is being made victorious by staunch, incorruptible Communist leadership in the Union! Now thousands must join the Communist Party and carry on in

that tradition — in the great historic struggle between working class and capitalist class!

Tens of thousands must join the Union, weed out the A. F. L. fakers, all national and race issues, and fight to win decent conditions!

# L.A.JoblessinHungerMarchNov.7

## Relief Actually Cut 40 Percent, L. A. Statistical Survey Shows

A Million Need Relief; Crime and Suicides Increase

the state as a whole is 5,5 per-

1933. In Los Angeles, the figures for 1932, when analyzed

showed that one third of the po-pulation above forty years of age furnished two-thirds of the sui-

cides . . . a rather clear indi-cation of the effect of famine on

older unemployed people in the "White Spot of America."

Meanwhile, the boosters are wincing under a barrage of fig-ures, which riddle their claims

that Los Angeles is "recovering" under the NRA.

Recent estimates of the total

destitute are above one million;

five hundred and nine thousand (509,000) of whom are known

eight thousand (168,000) are re-

Jensen Agrees to

"Investigate" Dept.

Relief Racketeering

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 20.—Con-

essing "racketeering" in county

superintendent of charities, tried

to disclaim responsibility by de-

claring he would launch a "sweep

ing investigation." By this gesture,

Jenson hopes to put over the im-

pression that he knows nothing

The hypocrisy of Jensen is re-

today"-when it has been known

about such graft.

By P. HENDERSON of Pen and Hammer Club of Los Angeles

concerted drive. endorsed by the Chamber of Commerce, the D. A. R. and simiorganizations lar reactionary organizations succeeded in reducing the amount of county relief 40 percent.

This survey brought to light that the budget on which the average family was supposed to secure the necessities of life was \$15.18 per month per family. This was the amount actually received, though, for publicity purposes local newspapers insisted that the average figure is The difference is accounted for by the fact that those interested in exaggerating the relief given, speak of a family of five, whereas they admit, when forced to do so, it is but 3.6

persons.

With the \$15.18 received, the unemployed family is supposed to visor Quinn, who stated that unemployed family is supposed to pay rent, buy food and clothing, and provide for other needs. But this survey, in a poor district, disclosed the fact that the average rent per family amounted to \$19.10.

Less Than Rent The monied classes are yelling for "economy", their organized bodies are imploring the politi-cians to reduce the "dole" when, has it stands, the relief provided

the crime situation: Rob- Burg- Petty lary Theft1 5921 7144 265 7068 9720 321 **2380 9**053 12189 323 Of the 16,588 babies born in vealed in the fact that he speaks city of Los Angeles during of the evidence," which came to me the fiscal year 1932-33, 4607 or 28 percent were born at the

COMING WINTER WILL BE WORST FOR JOBLESS

Charity Workers Protective Union Main Workers' Weapon

The coming winter will be the worst in history for the relief workers.

Under the guise of "economy" and of "undeserving cases," there has been a 40% cut in relief and 40,000 have been cut off the relief rolls. Though "administration of relief" costs as much as does the amount actually distributed, relief officials have not been economized

Workers who fought the fire in Griffith Park at the risk of their lives have not received their pay to be receiving aid from the County; one hundred and sixty as yet. Families of the fire victims have been left to starve by the Welfare Dept., who are trying to coyded in 'self-help', and other organizations of similar type (not getting county aid) and three hundred and sixty thousan (360,000) belonging to 100,whitewash the murders they were responsible for. To expose this vicious action, the RWPU held a mass trial on the causes of the fire, at which witnesses of the fire testithey are property owners in need of immediate relief, but not eligible for it under the present relief restrictions. He added significantly, "these people belong to the class who will not starve without a fight." Do you?

Win Relief In the fight against these conditions of starvation and misery, the Relief Workers Protective Union leads. Thousands of workers have joined, and are conducting militant struggles daily at the relief offices for the unemployed families who are constantly com ing to them. Recently the RWPU rallied a demonstration of thousands at the welfare office at Jefferson and San Pedro, and forced this office, supposed to be the hardest in town, to issue hundreds

relief work by members of his own of work and grocery orders. department, Earl E. Jensen, county In many hundreds of home In many hundreds of homes gas, lights and water have been turned on by committees of the RWPU and evicted workers are being put back into their homes. This militant program of the union has resulted in tremendous

growth of influence, as evidenced by the numbers of workers joining. both of those previously unorganized and from mass rank and file desertions from self-help organizations, who, disgusted with its graft and milk-and-water program, have realized that only their fighting will win them relief.

Driven to Suicide Try by Welfare Office



MRS. PHILLIP STARK, widowed mother of five, who last week turned on the gas because of the brutal treatment of welfare officials and the withholding of her check.

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 27. Fifty-six suicides were reported for Los Angeles county in last month, according to Coronor J. The great majority of these were unquestionably unemployed workers facing starvation and unable to get work any-

Mostly on Account of Philip Stark, widow and mother of five small children, who last week turned on the gas when her relief check was two weeks over-due. "I was so badly treated the last time I was to the Welfare offices that I coundn't return again," she stated.

A VISITOR'S ADVICE

## Socialist Party Refuses to Back

Workers Not to **Fight** 

The corrupt Socialist Party is exposing itself disrupting every struggle of the workers that it can reach. It refuses to participate in the Hunger March on Nov.

But this disruptive attitude is not only confined to the local leaders, it is inspired by their national leadership. Norman Thomas, when here on his speaking tour, deliberately avoided mentioning the Hunger March in his speeches. If he did, it was only to tell a chosen few to sabotage the Communist lead demonstration. The proof is in the statement made hy delegate at the Southern Cali-fornia Congress of Youth, held on Oct. 22, that rather than to support ganizations in the United From the Communist led demonstration, they would attempt to organize one themselves. It goes without saying, that this had to be abandoned, because the S. P. does not have the forces or the confidence of the jobless for such a gigantic

"Investigators"

The furthest that the Socialist Party went with its "work" among ance committee for the jobless the unemployed is to organize "investigating committees, to investi-Welfare Dept." When Norman Thomas spoke before the Socialist First Unitarian Church, he mainly praised the Socialist Party and its passively submit until a better system is voted in.

He justified, the actions of the German "Socialists" who with the same passive attitude as Thomas have us follow, gave the bloody Hitlerites a chance to get into power.

## Workers Will Insist that Hunger March Supervisors Take Action

Thomas Advises the Decide to Refuse Payments of Water, Gas, and Light Bills If Jobless Leaders Are Not Released

> LOS ANGELES, Oct. 29.—One hundred thousand relief workers at Pershing Square on Nov. 7th at 1:30 p. m. to start off the Hunger March to the Board of Supervisors and Hall of Records where the demands will again be presented—this is the task decided for by the United Front Conference, representing the 143 organizations backing the march.

Plans were made for local de-nonstrations at all Welfare agenes, as a means of mobilizing the workers.

A demonstration is scheduled for Friday Nov. 3, in front of the Los Angeles Gas and Electric Co., at 810 S. Fowler St. to demand that John Hester and Ezra Chase, jailed for turning on gas and light of jobless be re-leased. The members of the orhave continued to turn on the lights, gas and water shut of for non-payment of bills, and general refusal to pay bills will begin on Nov. 15th, unless the two jobess leaders are released On Friday evening at a mass neeting at 741 Wall St. job com-

mittees will be organized to fund tion as a strike committee, and to remain as a standing greiv Reports of organizations showed that the Communist Party is

gate the Community Chest and playing the foremost role in pre parations for the march. Law-rence Ross, organizer of Goodmembers and sympathizers, at the First Unitarian Church, he mainly Communist Party that units of the Party have already held 70 leaders. His advice to the starving open air meetings and 100 more was not militant struggle, but to are scheduled before the march Thirty thousand eaflets are being distributed, and 00,000 more Communist Party leaflets on the march are being arranged for.

wering a single one of the questions put to him through leaflets listributed by the Communist Thomas pressed the NRA because "it gives the workers a as: "Why do you oppose the paychance to organize." But he did not ment of the Bonus?" "Why do you seem to be aware of the fact that organize Jim-Crow locals of the three cotton pickers were mur S. P. in the South?" "Why do you dered, while striving to organize propose to buy back from the rob-That the same is taking place in bers, what they took away from the

## HUNGER MARCH DEMANDS

Price 5 cents

1.-\$4 per 6 hr. work day; minimum of 10 days per family and 2 days additional for every dependent every 30 days. 7 days for single workers every 30 days.

2.—Immediate abolition of all unpaid (forced) labor.

3.—Direct relief equivalent to work orders for all unem-

4.—Against evictions and shutting off of gas, lights and

5.—Repeal the sales tax; tax the rich. 6.—Moratorium on taxes and assessments for two years;

no foreclosures on mortgages and trust deeds for all small home owners. 7.—Recognition of the Federal Unemployment Insurance

Bill by the City and County officials. 8.—Opening of the soldiers

home at Sawtelle for single unemployed veterans. 9.—Free medical aid for all

unemployed with no red tape. 10.—Free transportation for all relief workers to and from

11.—Election of all relief job foremen by the workers. 12.—Opening of the 12 million dollar County Hospital now empty because of political bickering.

13.—Adequate medical aid for emergency treatment on all relief jobs.

#### GRIEVANCE COM FORMED TO HELP WORKER GET AID

So that not a single worker or his family, remain, without re-lief, the United Front Conference Against Hunger, took steps to organize a strong greivance committee, to take workers to

the Welfare offices. The success of these commit-tees is illustrated by the recent successes won by the Relief Wor-kers Protective Unions, in the Jefferson Street Welfare Station and at the one in Boyle Heights. Militant committees of workers stood their ground, until the demands of the workers were

Grievance committees are now by planning to take delegations of needy workers to the following Oct. 30th (10 a. m.) Jefferson

and San Pedro. Nov. 1st (10 a. m.) 103 Long Oct. 31st (10 a. m.) 79th and

War Games, But

## No Cash Relief

Legion, and auxiliaries; and a flight of naval war planes. At night huge searchlights will aid o arouse the war fever of the spectators

The unemployed should join in the struggle against imperialist war and for defense of the Soviet Union. All war funds must must be turned over to the unemployed in the form of immediate cash relief.

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The official relief apparatus of Los Angeles county is not concerned with feeding, clothing and sheltering the halfmillion men, women and chil-

dren dependent upon relief in the county and struggling for the barest essentials of life With cynical frankness, the Welfare Department has openlaunched an "economy campaign to slash relief to the bone and cut the wages of the low-paid workers employed by the department, with two aims to increase the salaries of political appointees the top of the apparatus, or at least to maintain their recent high salaries; and to use the "savings" of the eco-nomy plan (which means taking the bread out of the mouths of the starving) to create new jobs for political flunkeys in order to build up support for a political ma-

in obtaining the deportations. Two months ago, Earl E. Jensen was handed a temporary appointment as Superintendent of Charities to "re-organize the department," The appointment was made by the board of supervisors, headed by Chairman John R. Quinn, who has his eyes on Sacramento as a running-mate to former Governor Young for the governorship. Mr. Quinn figured that Jensen, (formerly state superintendent of institutions under Gov. Young) in a position where he could distribute jobs judiciously to po-litical hangers-on in the various districts, through the respective supervisors, could build a powerful machine to support Quinn's political am-

> Especially was this maneuspecially was this maneuver necessary in order to off-set the supporters of Mayor Shaw, who has his own ma-chine and who also aspires to the State House. Shaw, by the way, owes his election as mayor to his ballyhoo. About all he had done, as former chairman of the Board, of Su-pervisors to bring RFC relief pervisors, to bring RFC relief funds to this county.

Slashes Relief Hard-boiled Jensen under-stood what was expected of His first step was to call a conference of all supervisors of the various welfare stations and instruct them, under penalty of dismissal, to slash all relief and make it as hard

as possible for any new "case" to get on the relief rolls.—
"Eliminate the human element," Jensen ordered, "and it

you supervisors do not follow these instructions, we will get others who will." The charities supervisors followed his instructions. Direct relief was slashed. The number of work orders was cut almost in half immediately following this conference. The resentment of the unemployed mounted, and under the leadership of the Relief Wor. kers Protective Union agita-tion was begun for a one-day strike and demonstration against a proposed 30 percent cut in relief.

Note that during this period of heightened misery of the unemployed not one of the capitalist dailies of the city raised its voice in protest. Certainly the facts were well known to the editors and publishers, but not only did they follow a policy of silence, but did all they could to hamper the organization of the strike and demonstration.

In the face of the rising resentment of the unemployed workers, Jensen issued thousands of work orders a few days before August 22nd, the day of the demonstration, in order to get workers to stay away from the Plaza. But 15,000 workers responded and sounded the keynote of struggle.

Distributes Plums Simultaneously with the in-auguration of his relief-stash-

ing policy, Jensen, admiring ly referred to by the capitalist press and the Board of Supervisors as "a hard boiled business executive," began the distribution of his plums, thru four of the supervisors: Roger Jessup, Hugh A. Thatcher, Harry Baine, and Chairman Quinn. Political flunkeys ac-tive in the last supervisorial campaign which resulted in the election of four of the five incumbents were handed jobs as charities executives, speci-al investigators (fancy name for stool pigeons), or district employment managers. Only one of the supervisors failed to receive any of the plums—Gordon Macdonough—but this isn't to be marveled at when one considers that Macdonough was recently appointed to his post from the second supervisorial district by Governor Rolph. And any polimachine - building that tical Mr. Macdonough does will be done in favor of his patron saint, Sunny Jim Rolph.

On August 22nd, the day of the one-day strike of relief workers and demonstration against the proposed 30 percent relief cut, the morning papers carried stories that for the time being the 30 percent cut would be reduced to 15 percent cut. This maneuver, plus the wholesale issuing of work orders, was calculated to keep the rising resentment of the unemployed workers in check. And thousands of unemployed workers, actually, were taken in by

this gesture. However, after the demonstration the 30 percent cut remained in full force. A network of red tape was wo ven around every local relief office. The standard of living of the unemployed was reduced approximately 50 percent-thanks to the efficient Mr. Jensen and to the Board of Supervisors under whose instructions he was acting.

40,000 Demonstrate Again the Relief Workers Protective Union rallied the unemployed workers of all af-filiations to renewed struggle, which reached its first stage of mass protest in the Hunger March and demonstration of 40,000 unemployed and em ployed workers on October 2. Following the preliminary Hunger March conference held September 2nd, Mr. Quinn became alarmed. The organization of the unemployed workers for struggle was a serious threat to his political ambitions. He chased off to Washington to "plead for the release of Federal public works funds for construction work in Los Angeles County. the papers daily carried sto-ries of Mr. Quinn's "heroic struggles in Washington" on behalf of the suffering un-

Obviously this was another gesture in an effort to stem the growing radicalization of the unemployed workers.— — Why demonstrate at local wel-

fare stations? Why turn on gas, lights and water and resist evictions? Why organize hunger marches? Wasn't Mr. Quinn going to return from Washington with millions for unemployment relief in the form of public works? Well, Quinn is back-with a lot of promises. The evening "Record" of October 17th carried the headline "Washington Clamps Lid on L. A. Public Works." And the halfmillion men, women and children are still starving. The day after the Hunger

March, October 3rd, more than

100 relief workers were burned to death in Griffith Park, driven into a firetrap by the same political flunkeys who received Mr. Jensen's plums. "Economy is the watchword," said Mr. Jensen, Mr. Quinn's mouthpiece— and there was therefore no fire-fighting apparatus in the park, known to be a fire trap. There was no sprinkler system, the purchase of which had been heretofore turned down in the interests of "economy". "Be hard-boiled," said Mr. Jensen to his hirelings—and they were, forcing the unemployed into the inferno of death in Griffith Park. The 100 and more workers who were burned to death in Griffith Park were sacrificed at the altar of the political ambi-

supporters. Record's Maneuver

tions of Mr. Quinn and his

Immediately after the fire the "Record" pubished an "expose" of the "mis-handling by Mr. Jensen of the County Welfare department for the purpose of building up a political machine''' The Record suddenly sprouted wings and posed as the champion of the interests of the starving unem-The fact that the Record

then saw fit to publish stenographic reports of Mr. Jensen's instructions to his district supervisors to the effect that they are to cut relief on all sides certainly proves that an stoes certainly proves that the editor and publisher knew all the time of Mr. Jenson's policies and of the resultant increased suffering of the unemployed. Why, then, this sudden change of front? Why the demands for Jensen's removal immediately after the fire?
The answer to that is the

Record (like other capitalist sheets) is not concerned with the misery of the workingclass,— except when it can use such misery to further its own political lineup. Let us recall that the Record was one of the chief supporters of Mr. Shaw when he was running for office, and that Mr. Shaw is Mr. Quinn's rival in the preliminary maneuvering for the governorship. Therefore the "humanitarian" Record is vitally concerned with smashing Mr. Quinn's machine, built up by Mr. Jensen.

Three days after the Griffith Park fire Mr. Jensen's term of office, as a tempor-ary appointee, expired. Under the charter a temporary appointee may hold office only 60 days. The wrath of the unemloyed, following the Griffith Park murders, was turned against Mr. Jensen as the symbol of the starvation policy of the county authorities. Thousands demanded his removal. The Record pointed moval. out that he was no longer officially in office after Octo-ber 6th and speculated as to his status,-for he remained in office.

"Free Services" Mr. Jensen in the mean-time, goaded by being made

the sole target through all the adverse publicity, and the es cape from criticism of the Mr. Quinn, under whose orders he was acting, issued a statement denying he was building up a political ma-chine (certainly he couldn't be expected to admit it, since he was building it up for Mr. Quinn, to whom he is indebted for his \$7,500 a year plus maintenance). Also, said Mr. Jensen, he would remain in office without pay pending his taking the required civil service examination. Here we have the picture of "Hardboiled Jensen" suddenly become "humanitarian" and willing to serve for a period without pay in order to see that "needy unemployed are fed. clothed and sheltered." What tripe! This settlereturn of Mr. Quinn from Washington, when all the idle speculation about Jensen's status was ended.

The picture is complete.-Mr. Quinn of course, couldn't allow Jensen to be removed after all the "good work" he had done in building up a political machine. Is Mr. Jensen actually serving without pay? We are ready to admit that possibly his pay check these days isn't going through the county auditor. But we are willing to wager that he is drawing pay all the same, throuh one of the sources of graft that Mr. Quinn has his hands in.

Politics of Misery It's interesting to note that just prior to Mr. Quinn's return from Washington, one supervisor, Gordon Macdonough, issued a public statemet saying that "Mr. Jensen is no longer head of the county charities. His appointment has expired and while I'm supervisor I'll see that the laws of the county are obeyed." The other three supervisors in town, Thatcher, Jessup and Baine, all declared they were supporting Jensen, for "he is a good man". Note again that Macdonough is Mr. Rolph's man, and owes his job to Rolph. This explains Mac-donough's virtuous upholding of the county law. The other supervisors are supporting Mr. Quinn, their chairman.

This, in brief, is a picture of the political maneuvering in the County Board of Su-

pervisors and the Welfare department. Maneuvering with a view to furthering of individual ambitions, and on the backs of the starving halfmillion of the county. Let us not be fooled any more by the statements of

any of these county or city officials as to what they are doing, or promise to do, to relieve the suffering of the unemployed. There is only one lauguage

that the Quinns and Shaws and Jensens can understand: the roar of protest, translated into militant mass action, of a united working class! Only in this manner can their hypocricy be answered. Militant mass action is our only guarantee against starvation. All out to the County Hunger March at Pershing Sq., 5th & Olive, at 1:30 p. m. on Tuesday, November 7th!

# Vermont. Nov. 2nd (10 a. m.) Walnut Park.

When the special issue of the Western Worker appears for Los Angeles distribution, it will be too late to include a report of the huge "Navy Day" program of war maneuvers and preparaof war manetivers and prepara-tions in Los Angeles which take place on October 27th. Virtually the entire United States fleet is concentrated in Los Angeles Harbor for an ela-borate lingoist program, with

borate lingoist program, with Mayor Shaw, fleet admirals and others, as speakers. There will also be military ex-bibition drills by the American

All these war maneuvers and preparations, costing millions, are going on at a moment when he half-million jobless in Los Angeles, and more than a mil-lion other dependents starve.

is not sufficient to pay the rent. That the economy program has back-fired is evident to anyone who studies, seriously, a few figures taken from the annual report of the Police Commission on cide 5571 7042 230

28 percent were born at the as reported by THE WESTERN County Hospital. Of the 14,767 WORKER early in the year in relapersons who died during the tion to the county labor camps same period, 4328 or 29 percent that someone was getting a cut on

## **Mexican Workers** Get Only 70 Pct. of What Others Do

#### Hunger March Will Demand Equality In Relief

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 31.-Of all workers, the 90,000 Mexican unem ployed are most discriminated against in relief, and the threat of deportation is held over them when they apply. Within a short period more than 80,000 have been de ported from Los Angeles County to unfamiliar desert sections of Mex ico, where even aside from the breaking up of families, their physical sufferings are increased. The Welfare Bureau constantly co-operates with the Immigration authorities and the Mexican Consul

"Even when relief is forced for Mexican workers they get but 70% of the amount others receive. A delegation from the Relief Workers Protective Union demanding equal relief for all workers was told recently that since "the standard of living of the Mexicans is lower" all they need is chili beans

and such. Nov. 7th unemployed of Los Angeles will answer this lie when thousands of Mexican and white jobless will demand equal relief for

HUNGER MARCH Entertainment Workers Films:

Oct. 2nd Hunger March

El Monte Strike -/The NRA

Blue Blouses — Music Sat. November 4th 741 Wall St.

Adm. 10c United Front Conference Against Hunger, and Unemployed Council

How To Vote For Communist Candidates — Pull Lever Only on Six Marked

# S.F. WORKERS, VOTE COMMUNIST! YOUR ONLY TICKET!

## How Uhl Fights for the Working Man...

John Sundling, a 66 year old worker, used to buy paint from Adolph Uhl. In those days Uhl always had a big smile for the house painter.
There is no doubt Uhl was John's friend.

Then came the crisis. John's age was against him, and he could not find much work. The crisis deepened. John began to suffer.

A friend told him, "John, you have been in San Francisco seventeen years; you are entitled to the California old age pension." Sundling, hunger and without a home ingry and without a home, in-yestigated. It was plain that he had the measly pittance coming to him. He spoke to Uhl about it, who agreed he should apply for the pension.
So John went to see Mrs Schenck of the Welfare Board. "You must bring three witnesses who will swear that you have lived in San Fran-cisco fifteen consecutive year." This was not difficult for the old worker. Several times he had had to take his friends from their work to testify at Schenck's office. John didn't get the pension. Mrs. Schenck was still investigating. She found that Sundling had left San Francisco a few months to work in the Seattle shipterde and help win the war he had had to take his friends yards and help win the war. John continued to starve.

Then Uhl ran for mayor. John went to see him about his pension. "Of course I will get that pension for you, John. Mrs. Schenck is no good. She is just like Rossi. Here, John, take these leaflets and cards announcing my candidacy. Give them to your many close friends. I am always anxious to help the working peo-

"Sure, Mr. Uhl." Every time the old man vi-Every time the old man visited Uhl, the capitalist said he was working hard to get that pension. Every time, John took out more campaign

After the election, John visited Uhl again. Uhl was not so interested. He had spoken to Mrs. Schenck. Sundling had to get affidavits from all his landlords during the seven his landlords during the seventeen years. John was mad, but he still had hopes.

He visited Uhl again. Uhl was busy. He could not be bothered. "Say, Sundling, have you ever eaten at the Salvation Army kitchen? I was down there today, and had some delicious ox-tail soup."

John was furious. He had worked for the Salvation Army grafters and eaten their slop. "Mr. Uhl, did you eat at the same table as the workers, or were you served separately?" Uhl admitted that he had been served at a special table. Said John, "You are the same

Said John, "You are the same as Mrs. Schenck, and Rossi, and the rest. I'm through with

Now Uhl is running for supervisor. Sundling met him. "Say, John, haven't you received that pension yet? The whole gang are a bunch of crooks. Mrs. Schenck, and Rossi, and the Board of Supervisors. Here, John, take these campaign cards announcing my candidacy-

## NRA 'Relief' Gift Spurs Candidates

kers representatives are kers representatives are permitted to supervise expenditure of the money. The best way to do that is to elect working-to do that is to elect working-class candidates running for supervisor and city treasurer.

Lawlor belongs to no duction of gas, electric and water working-class organization. A publicity-man, he is turning on the ballyhoo for himself— but would only serve the boss class to which he belongs, if elected.

## "Socialists" Want Votes: Workers Ask Why

### Cameron King, Party Leader Part of the

Party of San Francisco will not run candidates in the present city elections, but lo and behold, a few stray mimeographed plat-forms were seen passed around workers are even asked to vote for a candidate.

al, absolutely unheard of, only proves that the Socialist Party in this city made only a formal endorsement knowing very well that, since it never took part in local struggles, they cannot expect workers to take their platform seriously, even though there may be a few planks in it that pretend to appeal to the workers. Why is not the leader of the Socialist Party, Cameron King, nominated? Because, in addition to the fact that he has been so thoroughly exposed as a part of the Rossi machine, he himself will not dare to enter the elections and possibly draw away a few votes that belong to his brother politicians. The present nominee is therefore only a dummy candidacy,

be the seven dollars per week I agree with the Communist Party for a family of five that Wol-platform which says that militant lenberg gives. Some of the struggle can bring improvement in phrases are deliberately stolen our conditions, but a permanent out of the Communist Platform, solution can be achieved only by so as to confuse workers.

the Socialist Party leaders take no part in their struggles. They were not seen getting clubbed during the cigar strike as were the Communist candidates. They are not seen taking families to the Charities. They are not ar-ranging the demonstrations of the strikes as are the Commun-

themselves as useful as possible for the corporations and their politicians, as Cameron King proved himself for 32 years, hold-ing on to a City Hall job. Therefore all workers and sin-cere Socialists, should not be fooled but vote the Communist

## Cheap Ballyhoo to Win Workers

In the coming city elections

many fakers are attempting to confuse workers with misleading, adical statements. One such is John Lawlor, who circulated a cheap poem contrasting the diet of the monkeys in the zoo with the slop in the souplines, in an effort to thus prove he was a champion of the unemployed, though his most de-Eager to get a slice of the juicy 'plum' offered by adoption of the "city's bond recovition of the "city's bond recovition of the "city's bond recovitions" at the cleations. tion of the "city's bond recovery program" at the elections, Nov. 7, various candidates are redoubling efforts to get themselves elected, spurred on by the prospect of a \$10,000,000 tan fight to free Mooney. Where "gift" from the federal government for relief work pure torney for the International Learness of the International Learnes ernment for relief work pur-bor Defense, one of the organiza-Workers should not only see tions backing the Workers Canwater shutoff, and foreclosures on that the bonds are voted but didates, was leading the fight in small homes thru inability to pay. should also see to it that wer- court that proved Mooney's inno- I also propose that there be a recence? Lawlor belongs to no duction of gas, electric and water

## Rossi Gang

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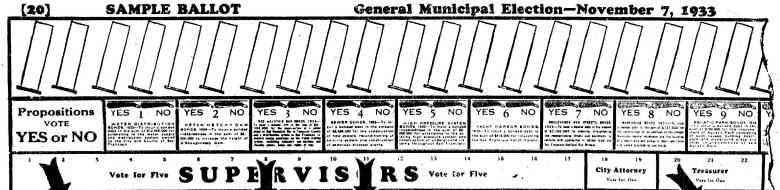
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The platform in general "favors" cash relief, and that may cause of color, nationality or creed

But the workers know that They are not leading

They are rather trying to make

# **Lawlor Employs**



## S. F. RED CANDIDATES PLEDGE FIGHT FOR WORKERS DEMANDS

Polls Open from 7 A. M. to 8 P. M.

Statement of NEIL HICKEY Candidate for Treasurer

Vote Early.



war veteran, unemployed for 2 years, I see the need for a City government which will remove the present corrupt re ration, give ovof relief distribution to com-

mittees elected by the unem-poyed workers. There also should be free medical and dental services for all who cannot afford to pay, with no discrimination be establishing a workers and farmers government."

Statement of LOUISE TODD Candidate for Supervisor



"In City em ployment administration, discrimination has been shown particularly against women, youth and Negro workers. While thousands are jobless, children and sell newspa pers in order

not to starve. I stand for adequate relief to women and youth; for abolition of all child labor; free lunches, clothing and carfare to all needy children in public schools, and against all discrimination in the giving of relief. In Soviet Union municipalities, protective measures for women and children are taken by the workers government. Fol-lowing the Communist Party platform, together with San Francisco workers, I will fight for improved conditions, such as the workers in the USSR have already won."

Statement of JAMES TRACY Candidate for Supervisor



"Workers suffering from un employment have not been quate aid from the City admin istration. I stand on the Commun ist Party plat-form for FED-ERAL Unemployment Insur-

ance and for stopping evictions, gas, light and

## Workers! Here is Your Platform! **VOTE FOR IT!!**

The candidates below, nominated by the Communist Party, themselves workers, are pledged to carry through the fight for the demands listed in the platform below:

FOR SUPERVISORS:
JACK BISHOP Longshoreman
LOUISE TODD Stenographer
JAMES TRACY R. R. Worké
EDWARD HARRIS Machinis
JOHN DIAZ Agricultural Worker

FOR TREASURER: NEIL HICKEY . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Miner Nominated by the Communist Party

Payment of cash instead of groceries to all unemployed without discrimination on account of nationality, creed or color-\$10.00 per week plus \$3.00 per week for each dependent. Free lunches, clothing and carfare to all needy children in the

public schools. Free medical and dental services for all who can't afford itno discrimination.

Removal of the present corrupt relief administration. Control of relief distribution by an elected committee of the

unemployed. Union scale of wages to be paid on all relief work and on all City and County jobs.

Restoration of the 15 percent cut from the wages of City employees in all categories earning under \$1800.00 per year. Immediate repeal of the sales tax and reduction in the price of retail goods.

No foreclosures, evictions, gas, electric or water shut-offs. Reduction of gas, electric and water rates to tenants paying \$35.00 per month or less in rent.

Abolition of all restrictions against workers' right to strike, organize, meet and picket. Suppression of the stool pigeon system established by the In-

dustrial Association. Stop police protection of the ship-owners' racketeering Blue Book and Fink Hall on the waterfront.

Abolition of all vagrancy ordinances. Against all Imperialist War and pro-militarist agitation now being conducted by the City, Chamber of Commerce, and other Capitalist agencies for increased Army and Navy funds. The encouragement of trade and friendship with the first wor-

kers' republic, the Soviet Union. Opposition to the shipment of munitions to Japan and other Imperialist countries.

Our Party and our candidates also fight for Federal Unemployment Insurance for all the unemployed; for the release of Mooney and Billings and all political prisoners; for the repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Law. These measures will greatly improve our conditions. But in the final analysis, only the overthrow of the capitalist system of production for private profit and the establishment of a workers' and without unemployment, misery and exploitation.

## S. O. S. —MONEY NEEDED AT ONCE!

To mail thousands of this issue of the Western Worker to the

For more platforms. More meetings. This week, the last, is the MOST decisive. Send as much as you can, NOW!

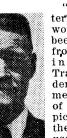
> ELECTION CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE. 37 Grove St., San Francisco.

## Statement of EDWARD HARRIS

Candidate for Supervisor

DIRECTIONS for Voting on Voting

let. Move RED HANDLE lever at the top of MACHINE twill go, and LEAVE IT THERE.



tering City jobs workers have been prevented from organizing Trade Unions; denied the ele mentary rights of striking and picketing, and the police are brutal fashion

against workers in demonstra-tions. Yet wages are far below requirements for decent living conditions.

"I stand for the unrestricted right of workers to organize and strike, for adequate unemployment relief and insurance; for trade union wages on all City jobs. I endorse the platform of the Communist Party as steps to improve conditions. I have been a member of the Machinists Union 20 years.

Statement of JACK BISHOP Candidate for Supervisor



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"Having work-

Blue Book racket and the Fink Hall, which are used for discrimination and blacklisting workers who fight against bad conditions. The shipowners, supported by the City government, are responsible for these conditions, which are growing worse. I will use my office Japan and other imperialist nations from this harbor. I pledge myself to fight for unemployment insurance and all demands of the Communist platform.'

Statement of JOHN DIAZ Candidate for Supervisor



as the City government lice force and courts at tacks workers, employed and unemployed, in their strugright to live, I pledge my

"Inasmuch

self to fight against all the police terror, all anti-labor legisla tion, for the abolition of all vagrancy laws, repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Law, and suppression of the stool-pigeon system established by the Industrial Association. I especially pledge to fight against discrimination and Jim-Crowing of Negro workers, and the deportation of foreign born. I endorse the Communist platform.

## Rossi and Communist Mayor Are Compared

## **Only Communist Candidates For** Negro Rigits

Of all the long list running, only Communist, candidates fight against discrimination of the Negro, Mexican, Filipino, Chinese or Longosco workers. Chinese or Japanese workers.

Despite the fact that there are hundreds of Negro taxpayers in the city, there are only four known to be working for the city, while hundreds remain unemployed. The official policy of the city government is for Jim Crowism. This was illustrated when a dance permit for the Fillmore Workers Hall was refused because there was mixed danc-

It is the Communist Party and the organizations that it leads that fought for the de-fense of Walter Espey, an old S. F. Negro worker, who was framed up on the charge of rape. It is the Communist Party that fights against lynchings, for the defense of the Scottsboro boys, and against all forms of jim-crowism or discrimination.

Negro Workers! Don't let the capitalist candidates fool you with fake promises! Vote for the Party that proved in action what it stands for.

## S.F. Relief Rolls On Increase by 1400 Per Month

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 29.— Wollenberg, the "relief" director of San Francisco, fooled no one when he aided in sending many young workers to the CCC camps, and so juggled his figures ed as a long-show a drop in the number of shoreman four persons on relief. He is now years on the forced to admit that within a San Francisco period of two weeks the relief waterfront and rolls have increased by 662, which is at the rate of 1400 per

tions existing As winter approaches and the there, I'll fight agricultural work drops off the present number which Wollen-berg admits is on the relief rolls, 52,410, will undoubtedly increase tremendously. This shows the dire need for workers to organize in militant fight for cash relief distributed by an elected committee of the unemployed, one of the main demands on the Communist platform.

Yours for a huge vote increase, -Worker Correspondent.

#### Only the Workers Candidates Fight for Youth Demands

A big factor in every election is the group of young workers who are voting for the first or second time. In the city elections the capitalist candidates are trying to cover up their neglect of the youth through demagogic talk. In the Mission Geneva ter-

ritory, for years there has been a demand on the part of the workers for a community center where the youth could carry on their sports and social activity off the streets. For years the politicians have promised but did nothing. In this campaign again they tried to come out as champions for a new center, but when nailed down, said they couldn't promise definitely.

It is only the workers' candidates who have clear - cut demands for the young work ers on their platform. demands are: 1.-Relief for all unemployed regardless of age, etc.; 2.—Free food, carfare,

more and more radical and with the workers of this country proudly boasting of one Communist mayor at Crosby, Minn., a comparison of capitalist politicians and a Communist official is interesting.

Running on a platform of unemployment insurance; no reduction in taxes; \$15 relief for all couples and \$2 for each dependent monthly, exclusive of clothing; abolition of the police commission; equal distribution of all municipal work; removal of the village attorney and reduction of his salary from \$100 to \$50 weekiy, Emil Nygard, the Com-munist, was elected mayor by 529 votes against 331 and 301.

In office, he immediately began to put forward the program of a true Communist He forced the closed bank of the mining town to release the city's money and about 75 percent of the \$23,-000 went directly or indirectly into relief the first two months of his administration.

Then he fought a valiant but losing fight against the busi-ness interests of the town, who worked in collusion with the Socialst member of the city council, for cash relief for the unemployed.

In protest, Mayor Nygarl, led a strike of all municipal workers. It was an extraordinary sight for the R. F. C. official and state relief director to see a mayor actually "fighting against state and town." At a mass meeting a compromise was reached whereby the workers received partial cash relief.

The state legislature passed a law specifically aimed at Crosby, preventing a Mayor from removing the police com-mission, thus making it im-possible for Nygard to carry out that plank in the Com-munist platform. However, Nygard appointed a garage mechanic to the commission in place of the tool of the mine owners. The other two members of the commission are a jeweler and a druggist whose wages were slashed from \$135 to \$110. His attempt to substitute a, workers' volunteer corps in place of the nolice force was voted down by the council.

A tremendous howl was raised when Nygard proposed a cut in salary of all the city officials from mayor down. He cut his salary from \$50 to \$35, and proposed dropping the clerk's from \$165 to \$125, and the councilmen's from \$40 to \$25. As a result of the opposition the council for the opposition that the opposition the council for the opposition that the opposition tha position the council took only ten dollars off for each of the

#### Led State Hunger March These are only a few of the

munist administration of the Mayor of Crosby as compared to the political grab-bagging of the capitalist candidates elected by and to serve their parti-cular private interests. No worker can imagine Mayor Rossi leading a hunger march to the state capital demanding unemployment insurance. But that is just what Mayor Nygard of Crosby did. No worker of Crosby did. No worker could hardly visualize the su-pervisors of San Francisco advocating the abolition of the police force and in its stead establishment of a workers' volunteer corps which un-doubtedy would not be guilty of clubbing workers' demonstrations.

Only when the workers of San Francisco organize and elect their own candidates will they be able to follow the example of Crosby, Minn., in winning for the working class relief from capitalist starvation and oppression, by adding official action to mass pres-

and clothes for children of unemployed; 3.—Free use of all sports facilities, fields, etc. for all working-class youth,

#### PUBLIC WORKS BONDS WILL NOT SOLVE RELIEF PROBLEM! .... Demand Cash Relief! fellow misleaders in tying up elect the Working Class Com-munist Ticket—the only candi-

Bulk of Funds Voted Will Not Go for Wages; Workers Must Supervise Expenditure to

By John R. Weeks

Says Incumbent Stanton, who is seeking re-election as Supervisor, 'I'm not saying the work bonds will ALTOGETHER solve our unemployment relief problem, but . . . a huge hunger bond issue will have to be voted early in 1934 IF the construction bonds are not approved on November 7th."

In common with the rest of the boss - candidates for the Board of Supervisors who are faced by the Communist Ticket and it's constructive workingclass program, Stanton has retired behind a smoke screen of "patriotic" speech - making on behalf of the Public Works Bond campaign. The above misleading statement is in line with all the other impossible predictions that a favorable vote on these bonds will go a long way towards solving San Francisco's unemployment problem. Foolish as these claims are, there is grave danger that enough desperate workers may be deceived by such glittering promises into voting some of these men back into office in belief that the so-called NRA bonds, under their administration, will bring back "pros-perity" to San Francisco. That is the sole purpose of the in- course of the next year. \$20,-cumbent supervisors and their 000,000 in all.

employment situation.

the bond issues with the un-

How small the real relationship between the two questions is, may be seen b yeven a brief

examination of the figures. Today there are at least 85,-000 unemployed and their dependents destitute in San Francisco. Of these, more than 52,-000 people are actually on re-This so-called relief is horribly inadequate even for this small number. Relief Czar Wollenberg's own figures show that a family of five are. under his graft-ridden system, being slowly starved to death on an allowance of groceries and moamounting altogether to less than \$7 per week. Even so, this miserable relief is costing over \$5,000,000 a year. .No one denies that this sum will have to be greatly increased within a very short time. Not only will the relief given those families now recognized as unemployed have to be increased. but during the coming winter, the existance of the other 35,-000 to 50,000 and their dependants who are not now being helped will have to be recog-nized. This would need the expenditure of approximately

Small Part Wages another \$15,000,000 in the

Insure that Some Benefit Will Be Derived for Jobless Let us now look at the Bond Issues and their possible effect on unemployment.

facture.

The total figure for all the bonds on the forthcoming ballot amounts to \$35,000,000.— Even if they are all successful in passing, which is extremely doubtful, in view of the opposition which is developing the ranks of the most faithful supporters of the present administration, the majority of the projects will take years of construction and the actual yearly expenditure will be re latively smal. Striking an av erage, it might amount to \$14, 000,000 a year. But, wait, this \$14,000,000 will not be spent in wages. It will include such enormous items as overhead, highly paid executives, materials and GRAFT. The actual labor items are usually arbitrarily assigned at 20 percent of the total. If this were true, it might mean \$2,800,000 a year in wages. But, as far as San Francisco is concerned, it is not, by any stretch of the imagination, true. This labor percentage includes all labor fact that much of the labor in

that goes into the manufacture of materials, which are largely turned out in the East. Not only this, but to a great extent the material is lying in ware-houses, both here and in the East, and no workers will be

A good example is in the Golden Gate Bridge job. The fee for the Chief Engineer J. B. Strauss is \$1,086,000 for the job. To date on both the Bay bridges, totaling an expenditures of over \$100,000,000 there are less than 1500 working.

employed now in their manu-

Rossi's Ballyhoo

Mayor Rossi, in a deliberately mis-leading statement, claims that \$1,000,000 per month, over a period of 15 months will be spent in payrolls. Of course, he takes the high-salaried execu-tives and engineers into this total, but, even so, his claim is manifestly ridiculous. The \$15,000,000 would eat up almost half of the total bond is-sue, and, on the types of pro-

the manufacture of materials has already been employed and will not help unemployment workers that he estimates will be employed, none will receive continuous employment during the life of the projects. There will be a large turnover of labor, but he is including those who will be employed for very short periods.

In the meantime, Roosevelt's latest action, in raising the price of gold, will mean a tremendous jump in the cost of living. The price of direct necessities will very shortly increase as much as 50 percent and this will affect the cost of relief. The estimate given above of \$20,000,000 for relief during the next year is based on the present cost of groceries. Is the employment of a few thousand out of a total of over eighty-five thousand going to make any appreciable difference in the unemployment situation?

Will Not Solve the Relief Problems On November 7th, the workers must recognize these facts re-election. The workers will

deluded into thinking that they have really solved the problem of feeding the unemployed of San Francisco. The mis-leaders now running for office are attempting to make the workers believe this. in order to hide the fact that they have no intention of feeding the starving if they are elected. Unquestionably an attempt will be made to force the unemployed to work on the projects in return for groceries at the present scale, as is now being done on the excavation work on Goat Island in connection with the Bay Bridge. Unless the workers have their representatives the Board of Supervisors, this forced labor will be used. Unemployed on relief are now being used on city and county jobs without pay by the pre-sent Board of Supervisors, and will be used in the same manner on the Bond projects. A. F. of L. mis-leaders have not protested, and have, in fact,

endorsed the incumbent super-

visors, who are responsible, for

and, in voting for the Public

Works Bonds, they must not be

dates on the ballot who have pledged themselves to see that Union Wages shall be paid on all relief and city and county jobs, with equal rights for Negroes and Oriental people, without discrimination. Only Constructive

Program
The platform, which will be found in detail on this page, includes the following definite pledges (the only definite pled-ges offered by any candidates): CASH instead of groceries to all unemployed without discrimination against Negroes and Oriental people, \$10 per week plus \$3 for each dependent.

The present incumbents have sanctioned an "experiment" in so-called cash relief for a few of the unemployed which will total approximately \$7 a week for a family of five. This is no-thing but slow starvation. The Working Class candidates also pledge that relief distribution will be controlled directly by committees of the unemployed themselves and not, as at present, by a graft-ridden gang of paid charity fakers and capitalists, employing a huge payroll of political favorites and purchasing rotten groceries at en-

ormous figures. The Working Class candi-

dates pledge free lunches, clothing and carfare to all needy school children. They pledge no further foreclosures, evic-tions and gas, water and elec-tric shut-offs and the reduction of gas, water and electric rates to tenants paying \$35 per month or less in rent.

The Working Class candidates pledge to fight for the repeal of the Sales Tax and reduction of retail prices.

The incumbent supervisors and the other candidates who are trying to mislead the workers, are deliberately ignoring all of these questions because they have not the slightest in-tention of altering the present

hunger policy.
It is for this reason that they are endeavoring to make the workers believe that a vote for the bond issues will solve the unemployment problem here. We favor public works-but the taxes to pay for them should be levied on the bosses. These bond issues—unless the Com-munists are elected will be paid for by the small home owner and worker.

and worker.

The bond issues will only solve the problem of the capitalist politicians, for rewarding their contractor friends, but they will not seriously effect the great unemployment. Only the Communist platform provides for direct and cash relief. Vote for it!

## Tulare Hospital In Criminal Neglect To Break Strike

### of Strikers, Doctor Reports

TULARE, Cal., Oct. 31 .- The following is a report made by Dr. F. R. Long, M. D., who treated strikers at the Corcoran camp of the cotton pickers. "A wounded striker, a resid-

ent of Tulare, with a long gash on his head was taken to the hospital in Tulare, and the wound merely sewed up. He was then thrown out of the hospital. He was forced to lie in bed in his but in unsanitary conditions, and his wound was left open to all kinds of infection. Even though a glancing bullet wound such as he received often causes skull fracture, no X-ray was ta-ken. This is the only way that kem. This is the only way that a skull fracture can be determined. It is extremely dangerous that such a patient be out of a hospital. He was not even advised as to his diet, which is very injunctant in these cases.

The county hospital and the c

clinic refused to redress the armed viginances and ent, city, wounds of the other two wound- county, state and federal. ed or to take out the stitches a reign of terror was unleash-unless they promised to go back Their leaders were jailed. Every

"At the Corcoran camp, the babies and children suffered the Five children have died of starvation, and most of the rest are on the verge of starvation. One child, starved to skin and bones. An examination re-vealed that she either had tuberculosis or oedema (gathering of water); due to starvation. Even though the county doctor examined her, she was refused admittance to the hospital.

"The child of a mother who had died of pneumonia, also contracted the disease. Hospital tracted the disease. Hospital dence proving the territor page of the cotton pickers was turned over to the fact-finding commis-

died.

"Most of the babies in the suffering from severe camp are suffering from severe intestinal disturbances due to made

## REVOLT OF THE COTTON SLAVES:

The following is the first of a series of three articles on the Cotton Strike in tht San Joaquin Valley. By Joe Evans

Won't Dress Wounds General Strike of All Cotton Pickers in the San Joaquin Valley!

To Take Effect Wed., Oct. 4, 8 P. M.!

Strike for:

-\$1.00 PER HUNDRED POUNDS FOR COTTON PICKERS! -ABOLITION OF THE CONTRACT SYSTEM! -RECOGNITION OF THE CANNERY AND AGRICULTURAL WORKERS INDUSTRIAL UNION!

(Signed) Central Strike Committee of the CAWIU.

This startling announcement, listing other demands, mimeographed on cheap paper and posted at strategic places in Kings. Kern and Tulare Counties in the San Joaquin Valley of California. started on a hundred mile front the greatest, best organized struggle

Fifteen thousand workers answered the strike call. They soon learned that they were up against, not only the farmer, but the real enemies of workers and the farmers: finance companies, cotton ginners and bankers. Carryout the orders of the latter were armed vigilantes and every ag-

work.

"If left too long, such stitches was used, climaxed by the coldusually cause pus formation and blooded murder of unarmed workers at Pixley and Arvin by the vigilantes.

But the workers held their Their determined and heroic resistance will mark an epoch in American labor history. Credit for the organization and leadership of the strike goes to the militant Cannery and Agricultural Workers Industrial Union and the courageous leadwhich banded together the Mexican, Negro, and white workers. ership of the Communist Party. Irrefutable documentary evi-

sion appointed by Governor Jas. Rolph. Thus far they have not made it public.

of agricultural workers ever fought in the United States. present and analyze these facts and figures. For this brief summary we can only quote a few.

Cotton requires hot weather. The very nature of the industry, particularly as controlled by financiers at the expense of the worker and small farmer, com-pels long hours of back-breaking toil under the scorching rays of the sun. Cotton cannot be pickin rainy or foggy weather It must be picked dry. The workers testified that they could not earn enough in the heat to protect themselves from the night cold.

Inhuman Living Conditions

Although the growers at the Visalia Oct. 19 and hearing in provided for the cotton pickers, the testimony gave them the lie. A few growers provide shacks. But in the main the workers

provide all their own accommo The health authorities close their eyes to the terrible unsani-

tary conditions the workers have to put up with while working. But what a howl was raised against the strikers' camps, particularly the camp at Corcoran. The workers were hounded daily nade it public. | constantly threatened with evic-It would require a volume to tion. Health regulations that the camp and the strike.

As a matter of fact, the work
As a matter of fact, the work
The fact that the crop does for minimum health and effici-

up by those who know the facts of the small farmers. -that their strike camp was the most sanitary, the best quarters they have ever had in the cot-

Worse Than Chattel

Slavery "Uncle Tom's Cabin," the old melodrama of chattel slavery days in the United States, has been revived. Sob sisters shed enormous tears as "Little Eva" fact in his speech before the light of the light rises through the clouds to be Corcoran strikers, appealing to gathered into Abraham's bosom, them to accept the 75c per hunflogged by the slave-master Si-growers had settled for 80c) of mon Legree. They laugh at the fact-finding commission. Mcantics of "Topsy", the little Ne-gro slave girl who has been denouse holding out for 80c as

pickers in the San Joaquin Valley and other cotton belts is by far worse than the conditions of the cotton serfs of slavery days. The latter were at least assured of food, some clothing, medical attention, and a cabin. They

As a matter of fact, the work-ers at the Corcoran camp insist of the modern cotton serfs, as rs at the Corcoran camp insist of the modern cotton serfs, as not ripen uniformly requires section with minimum nearth and efficiency and their testimony is backed well as the miserable incomes on and third pickings, much cency level" with minimum com-

Wages of Pickers

In spite of the lying testimony of the rich farmers at the Visalia hearing, facts and figures presented by the workers proved indisputably that the good pick-

"Uncle Tom" is cruelly dred pound decision (after some prived of education and attention and "just growed up."

The conditions of the cotton between 75c and 80c on the basis of a 200 lb average. An important fact in connec-

tion with wages of cotton pickers is that though the season lasts approximately four months, from September to Januaryabout one and one-half months were worth money to the owner, of this period is spent traveling just like a horse or a cow.

of this period is spent traveling from job to job; waiting for the

But the lives of cotton pickers less mature crop to ripen; wait- Commission.

Since 1929 there has been a Quantity and Cost Budgets of sharp decline in the wages. In the University of California 1929, the average wage per (January, 1933) based their cost

Wages of Women

It is a well established fact that women pick less than men, the highest estimated average being around 150 lbs. per day. According to this law the mi nimum wage for women is \$16. per week.
With the scale offered at 60c

per 100 lbs., with the average for women workers being 150 lbs. per day— and this for experts—she would earn \$5.40 a week. If she combined her income with her husband's, at the age of 200 fbs., he would earn \$7.20, both together \$12.60. With several children to assist in the rate of 60c per cwt. as offered to the several children to assist in the rate of 60c per cwt. as offered to the several children to assist in the rate of 60c per cwt. as offered to the several children to assist in the rate of 60c per cwt. as offered to the several children to assist in the rate of 60c per cwt. as offered to the several children to assist in the rate of 60c per cwt. as offered to the several children to assist in the several children to assist in the rate of 60c per cwt. as offered to the several children to assist in the rate of 60c per cwt. as offered to the several children to assist in the rate of 60c per cwt. as offered to the several children to assist in the rate of 60c per cwt. as offered to the several children to assist in the rate of 60c per cwt. as offered to the several children to assist in the rate of 60c per cwt. as offered to the several children to assist in the rate of 60c per cwt. as offered to the several children to assist in the rate of 60c per cwt. as offered to the several children to assist in the rate of 60c per cwt. as offered to the several children to assist in the rate of 60c per cwt. earn what the law is supposed to guarantee one woman. Page the N. R. A.!

Child Labor

That the children work alongside their parents is a fact that the "growers" tried to deny at the Visalia hearing. A visit to the Visalia hearing. A visit to almost any field will find the children picking alongside their children picking alongside their parents, and the growers and authorities in the San Joaquin during the past six months ta-ken a big jump upward, and holiday so that they could use that the value of the dollar has the children to help break the decreased. strike.
Another California law that is

scoffed at in the cotton industry it suffices to quote the index on is the 8-hour law for women. They work from 10 to 14 hours a day, with the men and in many case the children. It is the bor figures show an increase only way the families can eke in wholesale prices from Feb. to Every once in a while college professors compile tables on what decently. One such budget was prepared by Dr. P. H. Nystrom (Economic Principles of Consumption) his source of information being accredited to the Report and Recommendations of the Callifornia State Unemployment of the destitution of the cotton pickers than to watch 4000 to panies.)

The retail inclease mass and inclease mass at least another 10 percent. In the case of overalls, and cotton-picking sacks, the advance has been even greater.

No better proof was needed of the destitution of the cotton pickers than to watch 4000 panies.) workers family needs to live

slimmer than the first, which fort conditions, \$2,400 a year. lowers the average income of the The Heller Committee for Re-

search in Social Economics, bundred pounds was \$1.50; 1930, of living estimates upon the pri-78c; 1931 51c; and 1932 40c to ces of commodities in San Fran-50c.

Many trips through the San Joaquin Valley has convinced us that things are not any cheaper there, and as a matter of fact cotton pickers, often dealing with commissaries, are compelled to pay 10 percent to 20 percent up-

on top of regular prices.

The following is the Heller table on the needs of a family of five. 1928 ..... \$1,947.54 1,936.05 1930 1,823.50

1.631.81

1931 ......

1932 picking, the family would almost by growers, even if they could work six days a week, 12-14 hours per day, 52 weeks a year. If the children did not the income of man and wife to-gether under the above "ideal" gether under the above conditions would be \$655.20 per

> Inflation-Increased Cost of Living

Since the cotton pickers needs are limited to few commodities, textiles, food and leather products.

The State Department of Laeven the scantiest living. Sept.-textiles 45 percent; food 22 percent; hides and leather products 37 percent.

The retail increase must add

### **Young Communists Demand Care for** Tubercular Boy

#### S. F. School Boy Refused Milk by Charity Grafters

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 30.— Although city health officials admit Herman Work, 13, of 455-A Tehama St., has an advanced tu-bercular condition, and know the danger of exposing the boy's family, including two small children to the disease, no action has been taken to give him proper care.

Following a recent school test for TB, given as a result of the boy's apparent illness and his underweight (16 lbs) condition, the disease was discovered, and their grocery order would be in-creased to include proper food for the boy—this has not been done.

Herman's mother, Mrs. Gussie Richardson, has gone repeatedly to get him milk, but the welfare

The Young Communist League and the Charity Workers Protective Union is organizing a strong committee to take up the boy's case and demand proper care in a sanitarium. Many neighbors' children and their parents have shown their willingness to take part in this struggle.

of them marching in the funeral procession of their two comrades who were murdered to preserve the profits of the financiers and gin owners and bank-ers. They marched through the streets of Tulare, a tattered group of workers if there ever was one. There was hardly a suit of clothes in the whole procession; the children were in rags and for the most part bare-footed.

Those are the conditions that forced the revolt in the cotton

## Lenin on the Achievements of the Russian Proletarian Revolution

The Red Cross flour we've fed them's turned to starch-

THE WELFARE BURO'S LAMENT

We welfare buros really are annoyed

These racketeering jobless ones, it seems,

Refuse to work for third-rate rice and beans;

Demanding, in a tone that's quite outrageous

And things have come to such an awful pass

That they're demanding water, lights, and gas.

They want to organize without restrictions.

Refuse to vote the welfare board's selections.

As if our time-worn statue books had flaws,

We hear they plan to hold a hunger march!!!

And even have the gall to fight evictions,

And in our orderly, framed-up elections,

They fight the necessary 'vagrants' laws.

Desert the healthful concentration camps.

And many unappreciative scamps

That welfare work be paid with union wages.

With unappreciative unemployed.

By PAUL COLMAN

#### By N. LENIN

Editor's Note: We reprint the speech made by Lenin on the occasion of the 4th anniversary of the Soviet Union, made on Oct. 14, 1921 —it was especially translated for the WESTERN WORKER from Vol. 18 of Lenin's original works.

The fourth Anniversary of October 25th (November 7)

is near at hand. The more remote this great the importance of the proletafian revolution in Russia appear, the more profoundly are we able to think of the practical experience of our

work, taken as a whole. In the briefest, and of course, most incomplete and inexact outline, this importtance and experience may be laid down as follows:

The direct and immediate task of the revolution in Russia was a bourgeois democratic task, that of overthrowing the relics of medievalism, of sweeping them clear away, of purging Russia of this barbarism, of this shame, of this greatest barrier to all cultural and all progress in our country

And we have the right to be proud of having accomion much more determinedly, quickly, courageously, successfully, broadly and widely, from the point of view of its influence upon the masses of the people, upon the bulk of the nation, than the great French revolution did 125

years ago.

Both the anarchists and the petty bourgeois democrats (that is, the Mensheviks and social revolutionists as the representatives this international social type (1\*) have terribly muddled up the question of the rela tions between the bourgeois democratic revolution and the socialist (that is, proletarian) revolution. The correctness of our conception of Marxisin on this point, of our understanding of the experience of the former revolutions, been fully proven during the past four years. We brought the bourgeois democratic re-volution (2\*) to the end as no one has ever done before. We are consciously, firmly and undeviatingly marching ward towards the socialist re-volution, in the knowledge that it is not divided by a Chineses wall from the bourgeois democratic revolution in the knowledge that only struggle will decide to what extent we shall succeed in moving forward in the long run, what part of the im-mense task we shall be able to carry out, what part of our victories we shall consolidate. The future will show this But we are already able to see that the cause of the socialist transformation of society has already been tremendously advanced, especially if we are to remember that this country been ruined, tornented, and backward.

#### Bourgeois Democratic Revolution

Let us return however to The subject of the bourgeois democratic essence of our revolution. Marxians should be aware of its meaning. make it clear we shall illustrate the matter.

By the bourgeois democratic substance of the revolution is meant that the country is cleared of the social relations, (system, institutions) of medievalism, serfdom, feudalism. What were the major ma-

pifestations, survivals, relics of serfdom in Russia in 1917? The monarchy, the social estates, the ownership and use of the land, the position of the women, the standing of religion, the oppression of the various nationalities. Let us take any of these "Augean stables" which, by the way. considerable extent by all the advanced countries during their bourgeois democratic revolutions of 125, 250 and more years ago (England in 1649) Take any of these "Augean stables" and you will see that we have cleaned them thoroughly. In some ten weeks. from October 25th (November 7th, on calendar of the Latin countries) 1917 and until this dissolution of the constituent assembly (January 5th, 1918) we accomplished in this field thousand times more than the bourgeois democrats and liberals (the Cadets) and the petty bourgeois democrats (the Mensheviks and social revoludid in the eight months of their rule.

#### Swept Out Entire Monarchy

cowards, prattlers, - infatuated Narcissusses and little Hamlets rattled tin swords but failed even to destroy the monarchy. We swept out the entire monarchist filth as no one has ever done in the past. We have not left a single stone unturned, not a trace of the edifice of social estates (the most advanced countries such as England, France and Germany, still retain some traces of estates). The deep roots of the estate system, namely, the relics of feudalism and serfdom in landownership, have been torn out by us to the end. One may debate (there are plenty of journalists, Cadets, Mensheviks and social revolutionists abroad to engage in this business) the final results of the land reformation effected by the great October Revolution. We have no time to waste on this debate, for we are deciding it as well as the entire complexity of other debates dependent upon it by a fight. But the fact is quite undebatable that the pettybourgeois democrats continued for eight months to negotiate with the landlords who were upholding the traditions of serfdom, while we swept both those landlords and all of their raditions off the face of the Russian earth in a few weeks. Take religion, of the disfranchisement of the women, or the oppression and inequality of the non-Russain nationalities. These are all questions of bourgeois democratic revolution. The philistines of the petty bourgeois democracy prattled away eight months n these subjects; not one of the most advanced countries of the world has decided these problems to the end in a bourgeois democratic direction. In this country they have been completely settled by the legislation of the October Re-

voution. Our fight against re-

ligion is a genuine fight. We

Leader of the World Revolution, and of the First Workers' Republic, Tells How the Workers Revolution Smashed All Feudal and Capitalist Barriers, and Laid a Firm Foundation for a New Social Order

gave to all the non-Russian nationalities their own repub-Here in Russia we have done away with the meanness, baseness and disgrace of the disfranchisement and inequality of the women, this mischievous relic of serfdom and medievalism, renovated by the mercenary bourgeoisie and by the dull fright ned petty bourgeoisie in every country of the world, without exception.

#### Canitalists Broke

Promises All of this belongs to the field of the bourgeois demo-cratic revolution. One hund-red and fifty and 250 years ago the advanced leaders of this revolution (or of these revolutions if we are to speak of each national variety of the common type) promised to free humanity of the mediev-al privileges, of the inequality of the women, of the state prerogatives of this or that religion (or of the "idea of religion", of "irreligiousness" in general) of the national in-The promise was made but not kept. It could not be kept, owing to the "respect" for the "sacred private property". In our proletarian revoluton there was no such damnable "respect" for the thrice dainnable medievalism and the "sacred private property".

But in order to make the conquests of the bourgeois democratic revolution safe acquisitions of the nations in Russia, we had to go further and we did so. We decided the questions of the bourgeois democratic revolution in passing, incidently, as a "side-line" of our principal and real proletarian revolutionary so-cialist work. Reforms, (4\*) we have always maintained, are a side line of the revolutionary class struggle. Bourgeois democratic reformations, we have said and proved in action, are a side line of the proletarian, that is socialist revolution. Incidentally, all Kautskys, Hilferdings, Martovs, Chernovs, Hillquits, Longuets, MacDonalds, Turattis, and other heroes of 2 1 2 Marxism, failed to understand this relationship between the bourgeois democratic revolutoin and the proletarian sociaist revolution The former evolves into the

The latter solves, in passing, the problems of the former. The latter consolidates the work of the former. The struggle and the struggle only decide to what an extent the latter succeeds in overgrowing the former.

Soviet-Maximum of

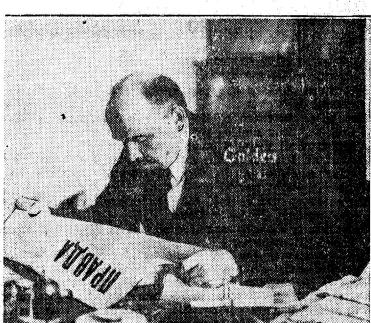
Democracy

The Soviet system is precisely a clear illustration or manifestation of this developof one revolution into another. The Soviet system represents the maximum of democracy for the workers and peasants, as well as a break with the bourgeois democracy and the rise of a new world historical type of democracy, the proletarian demo-cracy or the dictatorship of

Let the dogs and swine of

the proletariat.

all the kinds of the Second



COMRADE LENIN reading Pravda the official Communist Party daily newspaper in Moscow.

the dving bourgeoisie and of the petty bourgeois democracy following in its wake, shower upon us damnations, curses and ridicule for the failures and mistakes committed in the course of the construction of our Soviet system. We never for a moment forget that we are committing numerous mistakes and failures. For is it possible to get along without mistakes and failures in such an historically new task as the creation of an unheard of type of government? We shall steadily continue to fight for the correction of our mistakes and failures, for the imimperfect state, for the appli-cation of the Soviet princi-ples in life. But we have the right to be proud and we are proud of the fact that we had the exceptional good fortune to begin building up the Soviet state, to begin a new epoch in the world history, the epoch of the rule of a new class which is oppressed in every capitalist country and which is marching everywhere towards a new life, towards towards the dictatorship of the proletariat, towards emmancipating humanity from the yoke of capital, from imperialist wars.

#### New Wars Coming

The question of imperialist wars, of the policy of finance capital which now dominates throughout the world and which inevitably leads to new imperialist wars, robbery, despoilation, and oppression of the weak, backward, small nationalities, by a handful of "advanced" states—this question has become since 1914 the cornerstone of the entire political policies in every country of the globe. It is a life and death question for tens of milloins of people. It is a question of whether the next imperialist war which is being prepared by the bourgoolsie under our very eyes, which is developing out of capitalism under our very

eyes, whether in that war 20 million people will be mas-sacred (instead of ten million murdered in the war of 1914-18 with the supplementary "small" wars that are still continuing to this day) whether in this inevitable future war (if capitalism is to remain) sixty millons are to be mutilated (instead of the thirty millions mutilated during the war of 1914-18). And in this question our October Revolution has opened up a new epoch in the world history. The lackeys and apologists of the bourgeoisie represented by the socialist-revolutionists and Mensheviks, by the entire petbourgeoisie, pseudo-socialist democracy of the whole world mocked the slogan of the "turning of the imperialist war into a civil war". But this slogan proved to be the truth, an unpleasant. rude, bare, brutal truth, to be sure, but just the same truth amongst the multiplicity of the most refined chauvinists and pacifist frauds. Now these frauds are collapsing like a house of cards. The Brest Peace has been exposed. (5\*) Each passing day exposes even more mercilessly the meaning and implications of the Versailles Peace, a peace still more ignoble than that of Brest. And even more clearly, ever more definitely and inexorably, rises before the millions and millions of people who are thinking about the causes of the war of yesterday and of the approaching war of to-morrow, the formidable truth: it is impossible to break away from imperialist war, from the inevitable imperialist peace begotten by it, it is impossible to break away from this hell, except by the Bolshevist struggle and revo-

#### Turn War Against

Bosses

ants, at the expense of all the toilers. Only First Victory This first victory is not the

We have begun it. Just when in how many years the is not essential. The essenbeen broken, the road has been shown

Let the bourgeoisie and the pacifists, the generals and the uncolightened citizens, the capitalists and the philistines. all the pious Christians and

and 2 1 2 Internationals (6\*) fulminate against the revolution in a frenzy of hate. No wrathful clamoring, no slanderings and lying can help them to obscure the world historical fact, that for the first time in hundreds and thousands of years the slaves responded to a war between the slaveowners by the open proclamation of the slogan: us convert this war among the slave-owners for the division of the spoils, into a war of the slaves of all nations, against the slave owners of all nations.' For the first time in hundreds and thousands of years

this slogan has been transformed from a vague and po-werless hope into a clear and definite political program, into an effective struggle of millions of oppressed under the leadership of the prole-tariat, into the first victory of the proletariat, into the first victory of the movement against wars, of the cause of the union of the workers of all countries over the union of the bourgeoisie of the dif-ferent nations, of that bour-geoisie which makes both peace and war at the expense of the slaves of capital, at the expense of the wage workers, at the expense of the peas

final victory and it was gained by the October Revolution with terrific difficulties and hardships, with unheard of sufferings, after a number of immense failures and errors on our part. But is it per on our part. But is it possible for a single backward nation to defeat the imperialists of the most powerful and most advanced countries of the world without failures and mistakes? We do not fear to admit our mistakes. We soberly view them in order to learn to correct them. But the fact remains: for the first time in hundreds and thousands of years the promise to 'respond" to the war between the slave owners by a revolution of the slaves against all and every slaveowner has been kept in full and is being carried out, despite all hardships.

workers will complete this and what their nationality will be tial thing is that the ice has opened, the way has been Continue your hypocracy, capitalists of all countries "defend" your Japanese Father-

land against the American Fatherland, the American against the Japanese, the French against the British: Continue to shirk the questions of the methods of struggle against methods of struggle against the imperialist wars by new "Basel Manifestos" (7\*) (af-ter the model of the Basel Manifesto of 1912) you knights of the Second and 2 1/2 Internationals, together with all the pacifist philistines and talkers of the whole world. From the imperialist war, from the imperialist

peace, the first hundred and

fifty million people on the globe have been snatched out by the first Bolshevist revo-The next revolutions will snatch out of these wars and of this peace all of hum-Economic

Reconstruction The last and more important, most difficult, most unfinished, of our tasks is that economic reconstruction, that of building an economic foundation for the new socialist edifice in place of the destroyed feudal and dilapidated capitalist edifice. On this most important and most difthe greatest number of failures and mistakes. But is it possible to start such an entirely new task without failures and mistakes? We have begun it. We are continuing it. We are correcting just now, by our new economic policy, a series of our mistakes, we are learning how to continue to build the socialist edifice in a small peasant

country without such mis-The difficulties are immense, but we have become used to struggle against immense difficulties. There must have been some reason for our being named "Die-hards" and representatives of a "bone-breaking policy". But we have also learned at least to some extent another art necessary in revolution, that of flexibility, of rapidly and sharply changing our tactics, of taking into account the changing objective conditions, of choosing a different road towards our object if the previous one proved to be inadvisable or impossible for the time being.

#### Learn by Experience

Having awakened first the political and then the warenthusiasm of the nation, we had expected to accomplish, on the crest of this wave of enthusiasm a great economic task as the political and military tasks achieved by us. We had expected or it might be perhaps more exact to say that we had hoped without sufficient ground, to organize the state production and distribution of products in a communist manner in the petty bourgeois country through direct ordinances of the proletarian government. Experience has shown us our mistake. A series of transitional stages, including state capitalism and socialism proved to be necessary to prepare, by many years of hard labor, the inauguration of communism. Not directly upon the enthusiasm created by the great revolu-tion, but with its aid, on the basis of personal interest, on the basis of economic advantage must we first build strong little bridges leading in a petty bourgeois country, from state capitalism to socialism: otherwise we shall not move towards communism, we shall not bring tens and tens of millions of people to com-munism. Life itself showed us this. The objective course of the development of the revolution showed us this.

And we who for the last three or four years have learned somewhat of the art making sharp turns (when a sharp turn becomes necessary diligently, attentively, perseveringy (though not quite diligently, not quite attentively,

to learn the new turn, that of the "new economic policy". The proletarian state must become a careful, thrifty efficient business man, a good wholesale merchant, or else it will fail to put the petty bourgeois country economically on its feet: there is no other way to communism at present, un-der the given conditions when we are placed side by side with the capitalist establishments. A wholesale merchant might seem to be an economic type as remote from communism as heaven is from earth. But this is one of the contradictions which leads in practice from peasant economy through state capitalism to socialism: personal interestedness raises production. We must increase production first of all and at all costs. Wholesale trade unites millions of small peasants economically getting them interested, linking them up and leading them to the next step, to various forms of connections and association in production itself. We have gun the necessary reconstruction of our economic policy. We have already gained in field some partial but undeniable successes. We are already graduating the pre-paratory class in this field of 'science". By doggedly and persistently learning, by veriyng our every step in practical experience, by having no fear of doing over and over again what we have already started to do, by correcting our mistakes and carefully studying their meaning, we shall pass on to the next classes. We shall go through the whole "course" though the circumstances of the world economy and of the world policies have rendered it much more durable and difficult than we had wished it to be no matter how trying the hardships of the organizational period, no matter how great the privations, hunger, ruin, We shall not lose our spirits and shall bring our cause to a victorious end. October 14, 1921.

1\*—The Mensheviks represent the same species of be-trayers as the Social Fascists

do today. 2\*-Eight months was the duration of the Capitalist regime headed by Kerensky, and overthrown by the Bolshevik

led revolution on Nov. 7.

3\*—Lenin uses the word reform not in the sense that do the "Socialists"—compromising the revolutionary program of the workers for a few concessions, but the struggles that force the capitalists

to give concessions.

4\*—The Brest Peace, is the robber treaty that Germany wanted to impose on the Soviet government, in an effort to grab a large part of the territory that is at present a part of the Soviet Union. 5\*-Both of these elements

are now in the same second Social Fascist international

The 2 1 2 International, was those who at least in claimed to be against the war, and even pretended to be sympathetic to the Soviet Power. 7\*-The Basel Manifesto was an anti-war declaration adopted by the Second Socialist International, but its leaders used the manifesto only to hide their schemes for supporting their respective capitalists' war aims.



Judging by their election platform, the "Socialist Party" is the party of the future. Since they can't speak of their past or present struggles for the workers. they make promises of what they "will do";—if elected.

The recent meeting in S. F. of "Silver Shirts", a new Fascist group trying to get born, was stopped when it was found they couldn't grow, because they could not get that many shirts without buying from Jewish manufac-

And the experience of most attempts to start locals has been St. Petersburg and L. A. that they could not get the Silver, either.

The prize for the week's best story goes to this one from Chi-

SHANGHAI-With 20,000 men under arms in Kiangsi Province, General Chiang Kai-Shek reports slight progress fighting Commun ism. Government airplanes have dropped thousands of leaflets naively instructing the Communist troops how best to desert. They read:

"When ordered to attack, com munists desirous of surrendering should pretend to advance rapid ly, holding their rifles visible. When ordered to withdraw, the communists should feign illnes and intentionally lag behind Those lagging behind should turn their guns on former comrades and snipe them.'

Few appear to obey these in structions!

But when the desertions have come from Kai-Shek's armies .-they have been mass movements.

Good For Nothing!



Senator McAdoo, back from the Soviet Union, is loud in his praise of the "well-dressed, well-fed, and happy" people. "I was fed, and happy" people. "I was sorry to leave after so short a stay," he said "but I had to come back on business—a conference I must attend soon, on bankruptcies.

Germans who do not report investments made abroad are liable to three years' imprison-ment and loss of their fortune and civil right. The slogan of the Nazis being "Patronize Home

### **Garment Strikers**

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 3) militant, and refusing to follow the attempts of the "Socialist"

party mis-leaders to get them to go individually to the NRA and file complaints, then go back to work while awaiting possible government "investigation" and arbitration. Busick, S. P. organ-izer tried to get 400 of the women strikers to do this, but the strikers have forced the leaders not to agree to this sellout plan. The Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union has called all its workers out in support of the strike, and has raised the demand for 35 hours, while misleaders of the other union in the strike, the International Ladies Garment Workers (A. F. of L.) have been carrying on conferences with the bosses and NRA officials, stalling along with vague promises, knowing that the work season will soon be over and the workers locked si luemeliles doing a li luo sand la s

#### Marine Engineers Local Endorses Jobless Demands million dollars a year.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 27. At a meeting here, Local No. 97 Marine Engineers Beneficial Association adopted a resolution to be sent to the board of supervisors demanding cash relief, cash pay at prevailing union scale on all city relief jobs, no evictions or moving around of unemployed and their families.

The resolution, to be sent also Mayor Rossi also demanded accident insurance on the relief jobs; no gas, electric or water shut-offs; and participation in distribution of relief by the committee of unemployed duly elected in their respective neighbor

The marine engineers association has a membership of more than 600.

#### Dance and Entertainment . .

Given

Workers Ex-Servicemens League group of Uhl, who is the represen- 3. Free medical and dental ser-Post No. 34 Armistice Day, Nov. 11, 8 p. m.

#### Carpenters' Hall 112 Valencia St.

REFRESHMENTS — PRIZES Music . . . Ozark Hill Billies tration represents a class, so do 6. Union scale of wages on all re-

#### Jerry And His Homeless Hound

By GENE GORDON

in St.Petersburg Inow Leningrad), under czarist rule, were

locked out for their previous

militant revolutionary activities.

This created widespread starva-

tion among the unemployed work-

ers, only a few of whom were actually fed by the Soviets of Workers' Deputies, and in dining

rooms opened by liberals, trying

to win their vote in the elec-

The Bolsheviks organized the

unemployed workers and won

many demands, primarily bread

immediate relief-food and shel-

ter. Partly this was done by

factories and sympathetic petty

bourgeoisie. But this was insuf-

ficient. The Unemployed Council

was set up by carrying out an

election of its members, repre-

sentatives of the unemployed.

from the dining rooms and other

this, under the guidance of Lenin, representatives to the

Unemployed Council were elect-

ed from the shops and factories.

In this way a united front of

employed and unemployed was presented. The attack was cen-

tered on the City Duma (Coun-

employed Council was demand for bread and jobs by wide scare

employment through a large pro-

gram of public works, bridges, buildings, etc. They forced from

the City Duma immediate cash

relief of 500,000 rubles, which

was distributed by a committee

Among the features of this

First, intense agitation among

Second, the united front with

the unemployed by meetings, leaf-

lets, and primarily by personal

the employed workers built by

factory gate meetings, petitions,

collections, and personal contact.

erful elements of the middle class

elements, editors, doctors, law-

yers, small business men, etc.,

who were threatened with ruin

because of unemployment and

spreading disease. Leading lib-

By NEIL HICKEY

(Communist Candidate for

Treasurer)

hought would represent their in

terests, the present Board of Super-

visors. All they received in return

when they massed to place their

demands was brutal police treat-

ment, clubbing and arrests super-

Those now in office symbolize

the class they represent and, in the

face of a starving working class,

continue to draw salaries ranging

from \$5000 to \$12,000 a year. There

are two in the City Hall drawing

\$12,000 per year; seven drawing

per year; 48 draw over \$6040 and

The present administration

raised for unemployment relief. We

raised by cutting down the fat

salaries of city officials.

in common with workers.

lion dollars could be immediately week for each dependent.

pigeon systems, represent the rupt relief administration.

tative of notorious industrial as- vice for all who cannot afford it

most vicious black-listing and stool- 4. Removal of the present cor-

monied classes. They have nothing 5. Control of relief distribution

the working class candidates rep licf work city and county jobs.

These men, and the millionaire the public schools.

sociations which run one of the no discrimination.

· Just as the incumbent adminis- employed.

have just shown that nearly a mil-

vised by these men.

**WORKERS CANDIDATE EXPOSES** 

Two years ago many San Fran- class candidates think in terms of

cisco workers voted for men they the workers. This is because they

ly \$10,000 per year. Eleven more working class candidates. San

draw \$666.66 a month, or \$7,888,92 Francisco workers face the worst

41, \$5000 and over; 101 officials families now on relief and a like

draw over \$809,999, or nearly one number of single men and women,

Third, winning support of pow-

of the workers themselves.

successful program were:

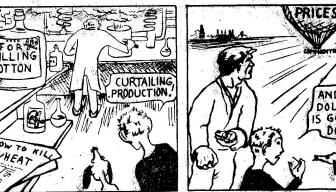
contacts.

The main program of the Un-

But, even more important than

The first steps were to procure

In 1906, thousands of workers



eral publications were drawn into

Fourth, organization among

the unemployed themselves; con-

solidation of the leadership with

Fifth, showing a consistent

militant front. Terrofism of the

Black Hundreds was answered

by strong organized resistance

and workingclass defense. Final-

ly, the resolutions and the atti-

tude of the delegations which ap-

peared before the City Duma was

unbending before the police and

Sixth, a persistent struggle

against the fake leaders of the

workers such as the Mensheviks

(same as Socialists in U. S. A.),

exposed them and the politicians

Seventh, continuous struggle

was carried on. Faced with legal

tricks and delays in getting the

public works program started;

delegation followed delegation.

FORCING the issue until they

Eighth, the workers themselves

set up committees to check the

expenditure of funds; to discover

public works projects, etc. By

KNOWING the facts, they were able to expose the lies of the

politicians, and to control the sit-

In Los Angeles today, with the

development of mass unemployment to its present great extent,

these methods are an invaluable

guide to our organization of the

unemployed. They should be

The building of R. W. P. Unions has shown a real turn in our

work. Our Unemployed Councils

should be elected representatives

of the workers, elected as a result of campaigned agitation and

activity. Although we are op-

posed to soup kitchens and bread

lines and chiselling "co-opera-

tives" we must root ourselves

among the workers there and

win them over to the militant tactics of the Unemployed Coun-

cil. Finally, we must intensify

our exposure of the politicians

and the social fascists, Trots-kyites, Lovestonites, Socialists,

Musteites, etc. Every worker should read the pamphlet: "UNEMPLOYED COUNCILS IN

ST. PETERSBERG IN 1906," by

Malyshev, to appreciate more

are workers themselves. This year

winter in their history. With 14,000

and relief cases growing daily

thousands who still have jobs face

a winter of unemployment. It will

take the combined efforts of work-

ers, employed or jobless, to force

relief from the present boss-con-

trolled administration. By piling up

a powerful vote for the working

class candidates, we can increase

the pressure which will force the

the rotten groceries now being

The working class candidates

are pledged to fight for the follow-

ing demands of the unemployed:

rate of \$10 per week, plus \$3 per

2. Free lunches, clothing and

carfare to all needy children in

by an elected committee of the un-

1. Payment of cash instead of

handed out.

fully this question.

**HUGE CITY SALARY LISTS** 

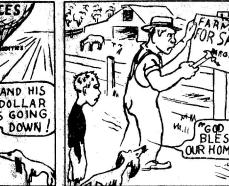
studied and put into practice.

support of the demands.

the rank and file.

bristling politicians.

mercilessly.







By Shane and Casimir

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# Unemployed Councils in FOREIGN NEWS BRIEFS

Litvinoff on Way to U.S. MOSCOW, U. S. S. R.—Maxim Litvinoff left Friday for Washington where he will enter into negotiations with the Roosevelt government expected to result in recognition of the Soviet Union.

Rumania Plans Recognition of U.S.S.R.

BUCHAREST, Rumania.—Reports here indicated that M. Titulescu, foreign minister will go to Moscow immediately to begin recongition conservations with the Soviet Union. British Sailors Sing "Red Flag"
LYTTLETON, New Zealond.—To the strain of "The Red Flag"
-sailors aboard the cruiser Diomedes stationed here, staged a rous-

ing demonstration against officers' refusal to grant early leaves so the sailors might attend Labor Day celebrations. 11 Die in Arab Demonstration

JAFFA, Palestine—Eleven deaths resulted in a police charge upon an Arab demonstration here protesting increased Jewish immigration and wholesale land grabbing. One of the dead is said to be a policeman, while the others are Arabs.

Brazil Wants Warships

RIO DE JANEIRO.—Unable to find markets for its rapidly in creasing surplus of commodities and faced with necessity of enlarging its navy, the Brazillian ministry of marines here announced it is hopeful of striking a barter with some foreign manufacturing country whereby Brazill might swap manganeses, cocoa, cotton and other products for 28 naval vessels. Brazilian embassies in the principal capitals have been instructed to ask for bids.

Only Hitler Books in Libraries

BERLIN.—Further suppression of culture was seen here in the banning of foreign as well as German books from the Thuringian Library, "unless they display a kinship to Teutonic and Nor-dic feeling." Literary merit means nothing in judging the books, the ministry of education announced. Only racial background and political sentiment of the authors are to be considered.

Siam Revolution Continues

BANGKOK, Siam.—Rebellion still flared in the region of Korat as government troops reoccupied Donmuang after heavy fighting. Huge rewards have been posted for capture, of insurgent leaders, as workers continue to struggle against starvation and misery imposed by the ruling class.

## 1600 Represented at Pulpwood Meet

ABERDEEN, Wash., Oct. 29 .mands as drawn up and approved by the conference include Corcoran workers are doomed to the following:

winter, additional mile, with \$1.50 per sitrus fields hour for all stand-by time. Man and team be paid \$7.50 for six which is being violated here, be Contractors to furnenforced. ish all tools to cutters. Contractors to furnish transportation to jobs. Camps to be established not more than 1/2 a mile from work if transportation not furnished. All scaling by government licensed scaler.

Another conference has been called in the same hall for Nov. 5, to decide what action to take in case the NRA does not grant the demands. All pulpwood workers are urged to attend.

#### Red Funeral For Arizona Striker

SOMERTON, Ariz., Oct. 17 .-250 workers and their families took part in a red funeral pro- slogan is "No one returns until the cession today thru the streets of ranch sings up. Somerton in honor of Rosendo Valenzuela, 50 years old, one of the strike is the establishment of the striking cotton pickers of Communist Party units, in many Local No. 10, C. & A. W. I. U. are chiefly the most active fight Valenzuela was run over by the ers during the strike. car of a foreman of a big ranch near here, Oct. 14.

city to give cash relief instead of The workers here, only be-ginning to learn of militant polcy, first took the body to a Catholic priest who refused to groceries to all unemployed withclaims that no more money can be out discrimination on account of lutionary songs, draping the bonationality, race or creed, at the dy with a red flag.

The lackey who murdered this worker has been freed.

## Cotton Strikers Win 25 Pct. Raise

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 1) and will have to be vacated. It was given an o. k. by County health autherefore the state of the stat t till Saturday evening, foiling all attempts on the part of the state police to break into it. The speeches over loud speakers from The pulp workers conference the sheriff and Frank C. McDonald alled by the National Lumber State Labor Commissioner, were Workers Union, (Gray's Harbor defied with boos and jeers. McDon Workers Union, (Gray's Harbor Local) 512 E. Market St., Aberdeen, Wash., last Sunday was attended by 150 delegates represented with 500s and jects the Sunday land, who is also President of California Building Trades Council, played the dirtiest role when he tried to convince the workers to senting approximately 1600 pulp return without union recognition. The newspapers throughout the ders, and day laborers. The de- valley screamed out that the strike is over and workers are returning. One report even stated that the

remain without jobs, as there were

resent a class. And just as they and thirty and Uhl can think only in terms of hour week, with all day labor field." But that this was only a the business men, so the working paid at 60c per hour; \$5.50 per strike breaking appeal became class candidates think in terms of 128 cu., ft. cord for cutting in clear today after the Corcoran and \$4.50 in summer. workers formed a caravan, for the For hadling, \$1. per cord for southern region where many far-first five miles, and 10c for each mers were willing to sign, and the BOYCOTT CORCORAN The workers refused to work for hour day. NLWU to be recogniz-ed. Section 7 of the NRA code, who took such a vicious attitude any of the large Corcoran growers

Now the growers in the Corcorar region are short of from two to three thousand pickers, and will undoubtedly lose a large part, of their crop, especially in view of the rains relations are being developed be

tween the workers and the small farmers, thanks to the activities o the United Farmers League, which has issued a statement addresse to the small farmers, pointing ou that it is the Finance and Power Companies that are the real enemies of both the pickers and he small farmers.

It is already clear that the strike Agricultural Workers Union, as the workers have displayed a remark able spirit, and understanding that without a union there is no assur ance of even the 75 cents. The Another great gain as result

parts. The members joining then

#### San Francisco Election

ally in a few words performed the workers Theatre and numbers took over the ceremeny and laid a real red funeral with laid and the Workers Chorus, Jewish Chorus, and Jail
took over the ceremeny and laid and the Workers Greek Chorus, Jewish Chor (Continued from Page 1, Col. 8 a real red funeral with revoland the Workers Sports Club. Results of the Communist Par recruitig drive and the "Daily Worker" drive for funds will be announced.

COMMUNIST PARTY, U. S. A.,

37 Grove Street, San Francisco, Calif. [ ] I want more information about the Party.

[ ] I want to join the Party. Name.....

Address

#### With the YOUNG WORKERS

All young workers are urged to send in news and reports of activities; especially shop reports, and other important happenings to the Western Worker Youth Column, so that it can be made a regular feature in the new six - page Western Worker. Official correspondents ought to be appointed in each sec-

Send news to the Young Communist League, 37 Grove St. San Francisco.

## Young Communists Active in Galif. **Cotton Strike**

TULARE, Cal., Oct. 23.-Thou sands of young workers are ac-tively participating in the cot-ton strike. The youth have proven themselves among the most militant pickets, and their spirit has been a tremendous influence in winning the strike.

Dick Emmet, Young Commun ist League organizer in the Tu-lare district gave one of the most colorful reports of youth activities during the strike, at the recent District Conference of the YCL in San Francisco.

By activizing the youth in the strike, this young worker, start ing with a nucleus of two or three, building an active unit of 15 YCL members in Tulare, and organized young Mexican workers into a club which veloping their understanding of the class struggle, through educationals directed by the YCL

#### Call Nationwide Anti War Demonstrations On Armistice Day

NEW YORK, Oct. 26.— The National Youth Committee of the U. S. Congress Against War, elected by the 500 youth delegates at a special youth session of the Congress, Sept. 29, are issuing a call for nation-wide de war and for the support of the Soviet Union, on Armistice Day Nov. 11. Besides this, the follow ing proposals were adopted: -To organize local anti-war

committees and call youth united front conferences throughout the country.
2.—To publish 25,000 copies of the Manifesto and pledge ad-

opted by the Youth sesion of the Congress in a small penny pam-Young workers throughout the world are demonstrating on this lay, Nov. 11, against War and Fascism. In San Francisco, the emonstrations are scheduled to e held along the waterfront.

#### ALL OUT ON NOV. 11!! Benjamin, Gallup Leaders, Are Jailed

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 2) ers Union and to Geo. Kaplan, district organizer of the Inter-national Labor Defense, of six months in the state penitentiary, has thus far resulted in a strong jamin. The trial record contain is expected to be passed on Ben evidence of perjury against Kapan.

Workers everywhere must immediately send protests to Gov. Hockenhull at Santa Fe demanding the immediate release of these three leaders. GALLUP, N. M., Oct. 23.—

Herbert Benjamin, National Secretary of the Unemployed Councils, who escaped from the military stockade last Tuesday, and was captured after two days, was tried here today on charges under the direction of Col. C. G. Sage, red-baiting newspaper publisher, rushed the trial through today, in an attempt to catch the defense off guard.

At the same time, Col. Sage the 'fair and impartial judge', is publishing in his anti-working-class press (he is publishing the Lordsburg Liberal and the Deming Headlight) a vicious attack on Benjamin and other strike leaders, justifying the calling of the National Guard to murder unarmed strikers, while praising the coal operators as benefactors of the workers who instead of firing workers, have kept them from the ranks of the unemploy-

SAVE THIS DATE! Nov. 3-4-5 for | CANDIDATES DANCE, Nov. 4th, the Big ICOR Bazaar, 1740 O'Far-8 p. m., 1223 Fillmore. All working class candidates will speak. rell St. Good talents will provide daily entertainment. Restaurant; Entertainment and eats. Adm. home cooked meals and short orders at hardtime prices. Speakers-dancing every night. Adm. FREE. Ausp. ICOR Branches of

REV. BEN WILSON speaks at Scottish Rite Auditorium, Sutter entrance, on Fri., Nov. 3rd, 8 p. m., on "My Experiences in U. S. S. R." Ben Wilson is an outstanding speaker, humorous and well-informed. Come and celebrate the 16th Anniversary of the Soviet Union with the F. S. U.

OMRADE has sunny room to rent to a comrade reasonable. Apply to Box 113. to Western Worker,

#### L.A. Jewish Women's Council Cancels Hall For Press Concert

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 30.—Usng as a pretext working-class iterature, including a leaflet lenouncing the capitalist press' attempt to whitewash the Griffith Park murders, the Jewish Women's Council cancelled the use of its auditorium for the Workers Press Concert of Nov.

dependent on the Community Fri.—21st and Mission, 7 p. m. udget allowance," Mrs. Ferguhe official white-wash hushed Sat .- 21st and Mission, 7 p. m. The

committee representing Workers Press Conference protesting the cancellation were assured they could hold the conert "if you will pledge not to criticize the government, the NRA, or the existing system." The committee refused. diate arrangements are being made for another hal.

#### Correction!!

A serious error appeared

in the last issue of the Western Worker, under the head "Watch out for Strike Relief Racketeers" on Page 3. Warning the workers of indivduals who were collecting funds without authorization or who failed to turn it over to the workers International Relief, and the International Labor Defense, the only authorized agencies, a mistake was made in reporting that Joe Wilson, of Oakland, an active worker for the strikers, did not turn over funds and food collected.

This is absolutely incorrect, as the strikers had no better relief collector, than they had in Comrade Wilson. The report was meant, to give an example of what a comrade could do for quick relief. Serious measures will be taken against the representative of the W. I. R. for such a careless report.

The Western Worker is very sorry that such a serious error was made and asks all our readers in the East Bay district to make known this correction among all friends.

#### YCL Gets 200 New Members In Last L.A. Hunger March

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 24.—Dur ing the recent hunger march in this city, the Los Angeles Section of the YCL proved the or-ganizational possibilities of the struggles of this kind. An organizational committee of 20 was ormed to contact the most mili tant young workers in the line of march, with the result that more than 200 new applications for membership have been receiv-

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### **Editorial Column**

### Sixteen Victorious Years

Probably the best indication of the strong position of the Soviet Union on the 16th anniversary, is that almost coincident with it, the United States, the strongest imperialist power on earth, was finally forced to take steps towards recognition. Thereby it is admitted that the first workers re-public has achieved its great plan of Socialist construction, enjoys the full support of the people, or is what the capitalists call "stable", and is successfully carrying through its peace policy.

We have on numerous occasions printed reports on what the outstanding representatives of the capitalist class, from this and other countries, had to say of the Soviet Union, after "seeing with their own eyes" (read-looking for trade privileges in the USSR) the conditions in the Soviet Union. The most recent was that of Eduard Herriot, ex-premier of France, which were exceptionally favorable. But perhaps the most convincing to those who are "100 percent American,, is the report of one of 'our own', Senator Wm. Gibbs McAdoo. It is hardly possible that anyone will suspect him of being a radical. In the first place the American bankers found him fit to be a Senator. He proved himself a most loyal represen-tative of American Imperialism as Secretary of War in Wilson's cabinet, and naturally was one of the selected few on Morgan's payroll, as the recent investigation disclosed. This keyman of the Ro U. S. S. R. says: of the Roosevet administration returning from the

"Russia is a large field for reciprocal trade. It is just the kind of trade we ought to have.

"I was much impressed by the progress and activity I saw. There were no loafers around and I was assured there was no unemployment.

"Of course it is true that because the government runs everything a place to work is found for everybody. And I am informed that if you do not work when the opportunity is presented you cannot get tickets to buy at the government stores. .

"The people on the streets are well dressed, well fed, and they seemed to be happy and contented."

#### McADOO SENT ARMIES AGAINST THE U.S. S. R.

The significance of this admission could hardly be over-estimated as, since the time when under Secretary of War McAdoo's direction American soldiers were sent to shed their blood in North Russia and Siberia, in an effort to drown the first workers republic in blood, the U. S. was the worst instigator of anti-soviet movements.

There are two main reasons that recognition steps have been taken. In the first place is the continued downward trend of U. S. economy, with the NRA as a solution obviously a total failure. Coupled with this is a still further deepening of the world crisis and as a result a still keener competition for the markets.

On the other hand the Soviet Union has successfully carried out its Five Year Plan and has raised its economy to such a high level, that it can offer a huge market, if given an opportunity equal to that of capitalist countries. Com-rade Litvinoff, at the London Economic Conference, revealed that orders amounting to one billion dollars could be placed immediatey. The Roosevelt administration is after this market.

A second important reason, is because the workers and liberal-minded people of this country have fought for recognition during the entire 16 years. The issue was made so popular, that the Roosevelt administration cannot close its eyes to it, and still successfully pose as a "people's govern-ment". Recognition will therefore mean a great victory for

However, recognition, should leave no illusions in the minds of anyone that the danger of war and intervention into the Soviet Union is in any way lessened. Most great powers recognized the Soviet Union, yet are scheming war against it. Is there any reason to consider that the U. S. capitalists are any more faithful in their treaties than the Japanese, who with full diplomatic relations, are this very moment seeking provoke a war against the U.S. S. R.?

The Wall St. bankers who control the Roosevelt regime have already declared that the Hitler dictatorship should be supported as a bulwark against the "Red Peril". The U. S. government still continues the policy of pushing its rival on the Pacific, Japan, towards a war on the Soviet Union, thereby weakening both so as to have a better opportunity for becoming the supreme imperialist power.

#### WILL NOT SOLVE CAPITALIST CRISIS

Another mistake is to believe that the trade resulting from recognition, will solve the crisis. It is still far less than the needs of U. S. economy which in 1929 covered 50 percent of the worlds economy. It will not absorb the bulk of the unemployed.

The contrast between the two worlds is exposed on the 16th anniversary in a more striking manner than at any previous time. The United States, the main pillar of world capitalism, failed completely in the desperate effort to solve

That the NRA is a total failure is already being admitted by large and very influential sections of the ruling class. The large chain of Hearst papers have opened war against it. The government is already beginning to turn the confidence built up in the NRA into a fascist sentiment.

On the other hand more millions of workers than ever before are looking to the Soviet Union as an example to be followed. They are recognizing its ever growing Socialist economy, the increasing standard of living, the unsurpassed cul-tural privileges to the workers and peasants, the advance in science, successful peace policy, and the greatest democracy the world ever saw—the working masses governing themselves.

Recognition, will by no means mean that the issue is eliminated. As long as Imperialism is predominant, the workers of all countries will have to wage a struggle for the Defense of the Soviet Union, and against war.

This the workers of the United States, together with those of the whole world will demonstrate for, when they turn out in masses for the 16th Anniversary celebrations.

#### Loses Work Order For Exposing Red Tape at Welfare

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 31.—A relief worker wen to the San Pedro Street county relief headquarters to see about her the r work order. When she entered sider work order. When she entered the waiting room she noticed a candidates have no chance of elwoman, apparently in agony, ection and therefore they do not kicking her child who was lying on the floor, kicking and crying on the floor, kicking and crying in the last election the Woring. No one seemed to be paying any attention to her. The relief worker, a woman, walked up to the lady and asked her why she was kicking the child. The woman told her that she was in labor pains. She had was in labor pains. She had been cent from a town two hundless the participation in the every-day struggles of the workers, and thus increasing its sphere of ining. No one seemed to be pay- kers' Candidates piled up more been sent from a town two hun- thus increasing its sphere of indred miles from L. A. to the fluence, it is quite possible that county hospital. Because of some mis-directions she went to the relief headquarters where the relief headquarters where visor in November. But only a she registered at eight o'clock in vigorous campaign will win this the morning. It was already Workers should realize that it the morning. It was already Workers should realize that eleven. She had been sitting in is this "vote for the lesser

case. She was told to get out of the office and mind her own business. She got out of the one of the boss candidates. office, rushed up to other relief workers and asked them for aid. She told one of them to call up During the con-

branch called the militant relief want any trouble makers about worker into her office, and bawl. —By Worker Correspondent.

## How NOT To Lose Your Vote

Many workers, although convinced the Communist Party is the real working-class party con-

Workers should realize that it agony for three hours, and not two evils" attitude which helpa thing was done for her.

The relief worker pushed thru in Germany through the workers the office door and told one of the visitors about the urgent their own candidates.

The only way a worker can "lose" his vote is by voting for Vote Communist for relief from the present corrupt ci-

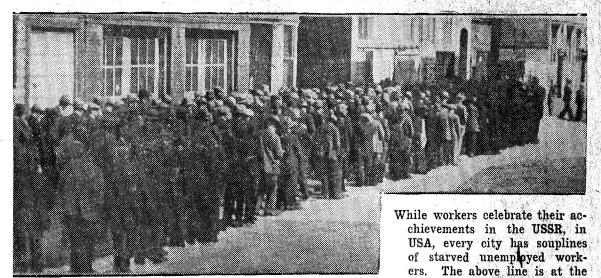
ty government.

fusion, the visitor had called for ed her out. Her work order was an ambulance. The suffering wo-torn up and she was told never back door.

The visitor in charge of the be mailed to her. They didn't

#### THE WORKERS' LAND AND THE BOSSES' LAND — A CON TRAST IN LINES.





On Nov. 7, the 16th Anniversar yof the Russian Revolu-

## ton, the iworkers, peasants and red army of the USSR

## Our Soviet Fatherland 16 Years Old

By Geo. Morris

"For the first time in history workers held power in a large city for more than two whole months." Thus Engles, expressed it, in the preface of Marx's pamphlet on the Paris Commune "The Civil War in

On November 7th, tens of millions throughout the world, will celebrate 16 years of the workers rule over one-sixth of the world's surface, and a po-



COMRADE STALIN, leader of Socialist construction in the Soviet Union.

pulation now 165,000,000. The 16th anniversary finds the Soviet Union the strongest power in the world, having learnt the costly lessons from such strug-gles as that of the Paris Com-

Sixteen years, in the history society, seem little, but the 16 years of progress we are reviewing, correspond to hundreds of years in some countries. and in addition they mark the introduction of a new historic epoch in the history of mankind—the rule of the proletariat, and ultimately the disappearance of classes altogether. The very birth of the Soviet State, was a call to the workers and poor farmers of all parts of the world, to join in destroying the power of the exploiters. Already strong Communist Parties have grown up in most countries. In China, a sister Soviet Power, which now embraces a huge territory, with at least one hundred million people, is celebrating its second anniversary.

Fought for Life From the moment of its birth

the Soviet Power, had to fight for its life. In addition to invading German armies there was scattered remnants of the tsarist armies, which reorganized themselves in all corners of the vast country, seized strategic points, and marched towards Moscow to crush the workers' power. It was only the genius of the great leader, Lenin, that saved the Soviet Union from being crushed. Immediate peace, although at a great cost, was made with the Germans. This gave the government a breathing spell, during which the ragged, disor-ganized Red Guard was turned into a well organized Peoples' Army. The almost completely shattered economy was hastily patched together, to provide for the most elementary needs of the workers, peasants and the But this breathing spell was

short. Soon, especially after the armistice was signed, the Allied powers, sent huge war supplies to the counter-revolutionary forces surrounding the Soviet Power like an iron ring. The country was completely blockaded, and every effort was made to starve it out. The English Capitalists sent an army to North Russia. The French sent a fleet to the Black Sea. The U.S. capitalists sent an army to join the English in North Russia, and one into Siberia, to join the Japanese forces occupying the Far East section. The Checko Slovak prisoners taken during the war were armed to join the forces of the Russian generals, invading from the Siberian side. A Russian army armed by the French was marching on Moscow from the Ukraine. The Polish army was equipped and generaled by the French. Another army marched on Le-

ningrad from Esthonia. Critical Moment

Like the coils of a reptile around its victim, the forces of world imperialism tightened around the Proletarian Power, making a ring that left it with about 10 percent of the present

Workers and Peasants of U. S. R. Rebuild Economy Shattered By Imperialist and Civil War and March on to Socialism

"Back to Capitalism"

Lenin left behind him a party

leadership, particularly under the guidance of Comrade Sta-

lin, that was thoroughly trained to continue where he left

pace. Soviet industry advanced.

reaching a pre-war level during the year 1926-27. As the re-

construction of industry was

nearing completion, the Communist Party, leading the mass

of workers and peasants, was

hammering out the steps to be

taken, when far greater plans

than merely reconstructing in-

Faint Hearts

an army begins a general ad-

vance, some falter, and balk, or fail to understand the poli-

This was expressed

Trotsky's opposition to the re-

organization of the economy on

a peace-time basis, to the New Economic Policy. But this time

like the entire world bourgeoisie

--encouraged by the death of the great leader—these counter-

revolutionary elements that still

remained in the ranks of the

Party, tried one more attempt to hold back the advance. They

did not have confidence that

the workers and peasants of the Soviet Union, would be won

for such great efforts and sac-

rifices as proved necessary dur-

Five Year Plan. They advanced

the theory that it is impossible

try alone. This would leave the Soviet Union dependent up-

on the capitalists economically,

leave it unprepared for the at-

fore the masses were convinced of the counter-revolutionary

character of the Trotsky oppo-

sition, but it was finally clean-

ed out, and in the course of

the struggle, millions were pre-pared for the first steps, in

carrying through Socialist Con-

Year Plan coud be likened to

an advance of a huge caterpil-

lar war tank, which crushed the

remnants of capitalism, but left behind it gigantic enter-

prises and collective farms such

vance. The country was being

changed over night. A most modern metalurgical, chemical,

mining, and electrical industry

was emerging. Gigantic power

ery nook and corner. Railroad lines were laid over vast de-

serts. Collective farms, mod-

ernly equipped soon included

the bulk of the country's agri-

culture. But along with this the standard of living rose by leaps and bounds. Illiteracy

The first steps of the Five

struction.

It took a bitter struggle be-

tack that was inevitable.

to build Socialism in one coun-

ing the first year of the First

But as in every case when

dustry will be achieved.

Continually accelerating its

best economists, sociolo-

territory and in some parts was less than 200 miles from its heart—Moscow. The capital-As a chorus the entire capitalist press of the world, and ist forces had a few joyful mo-ments during a few months in gists, and thinkers swore that "Russia is going back to Capi-1919. "Bolsheviks Fleeing from Moscow", "Red Regime to Fall Within Week" shrieked the lytalism". Lenin frankly declared at the party congress in 1921, that capitalism is given a ing boss press. In this dark moment the guidance of Lenin, foothold in the Soviet Union, but on the other hand the baand the determination that he was able to instill in the Russian workers and peasants, sic industries and the government remains in the hands of the workers. "It remains to be seen," he said, "who will con-quer whom. Will we conquer proved decisive in turning the tide. The first spearhead to pierce through the imperialist forces, was the glorious Buden-ny cavalry. This hastily orthrough a rapid building of the Socialist industries, or will private industries conquer and we will be doomed." Lenin also warned that the capitalist poganized force tore through the southern forces, which soon resulted in the entire Ukraine rich in industry, and great grawers failed to smash the Soviet nery, being regained by Soviet Armies. The defeats inflicted on the English-American forces were coupled by mutiny in their Power, but they are looking for the first opportunity for another attempt. Therefore every minute in the temporary perranks, especially when the Boliod must be taken advantage shevik leaflets reached them. On every front the counter-Slowly the wheels of Soviet revolutionary armies were all thrown back. Their flight beeconomy were beginning to move. The united front of the world bourgeoisie was soon brocame a general disorderly rout. They left most of their arms and munitions behind them, ken, as one by one they deserted to take advantage of Soviet which helped considerably to equip a powerful Red Army. So fast was their rout that by In 1923 the world bourgeoisie was once more heartened, when news reached the world the middle of 1920 the Red Armies were almost at the gates that the bullet shot into Lenin of Warsaw, the Siberian generby one of their agents finally al Kolchak was killed by his own men, and even the imtook effect and the great leader portant oil region, the Caucasus was regained. It was not Hundreds of thousands joined the Party to take Lenin's place. Soon it was clear that however until the beginning of

to the Polish border. 10 Percent of Pre-War

1921, that at the Congress of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, Lenin was able

to declare that, "the civil war is at an end and all the Im-

perialist dogs have been driven out of the country." The Red Flag waved from Vladovistok

Economy But the civil war left the country in even a more devas-tated condition than it was when the workers took power. The economy in 1921 was about 10 percent of the pre-war level. When the imperialist armies retreated, they deliberately flooded mines, smashed the machines, locomotives, blew up bridges, and railroad lines. They left no stone unturned to so hamper the workers power, that what they could not accomplish in a military way, would be accomplished through economic disorganization, and hun-

The capitalist press, throughout the world, again became very gleeful. Again speculations were in order, giving the workers republic a month, two months, perhaps even six months to live

But the workers and peasants guided by the Communist Party. steeled by the revolutionary experiences, slowly went about the task of putting together the wreckage. This was a moment which Lenin considered even more difficult for the Party than was the most crucial moment during the civil war. Even such factories as were equipped to operate, could not start. The railroads were not able to bring raw material and fuel. Or the workers were running away from the cities, to the villages where food was more easily obtainable. The peasonts who could obtain nothing in the cities raised only what they needed for their own use. In short, everything seemed at a standstill.

Here the guidance of Lenin again saved the Russian Revolution. His New Economic Policy (NEP) returned the small establishments to such of the former owners as would operate them. Freedom of trade, as startled the entire world, prohibited during the civil war. Faster and faster was the adate them. Freedom of trade, to conserve food and supplies, was again restored. This gave the peasont an opportunity to exchange his food products with manufacturers in the city, many of which would come from the stations sent electricity to evsmall privately owned shops. But the commanding industries -the railroads, means of communication, all large plants. mines, foreign trade, remained under the supervision of the workers government. These workers government. were the levers through which to build socialism.

were taxed all they raised above their personal needs, now advanced of the capitalist pothey could retain a large portion for marketing. Conces- longer lived in filth, ignorance, pitalists who cared to exploit rich peasant. He was fast be- munist International build them up.

But the more rapidly this progress developed, the louder became the cry of the kulaks (rich peasants) private trades-men, old bourgeois engineers, priests, remnants of the bourgeois intelligencia, and such other of the filth that remained from Tsarism. They were being crushed and forced to sub-



COMRADE VOROSHILOV, the leader of the Red Army and Navy.

mit to the leadership of the new social order that was being hammered out of the workers and poor and middle peasants. Like a dying man making his last attempt to live, they burst out with a wave of sabotage, setting fire to the farms of collectives, spyed for the international bourgeoisie, being "too fast". These sentiments were even expressed in the ranks of the vanguardthe Communist Party. Twere expressed through right opportunist elements. Again the Party had to carry through a bitter struggle against these elements, and isolate them from the masses. Otherwise the general advance would stop. With the able leadership Comrade Stalin, these enemies of the Soviet Power and

their ideas were rooted out. While the fight to clean out the Trotsky left opposition was necessary to initiate Socialist Construction along all fronts, the fight to clean out the right opportunist elements made possible a great increase in the tempo of construction. It made possible a revision of the five year plan to far surpass the original figures, and its completion in four years. It laid the foundation for the still greater Second Five Year Plan, which will make the Soviet Union the greatest economically developed country in the world second only to the U.S. in some branches. But who can tell? Given a long enough peace period, even this plan might be extended, or carried out in less time. The plan made no provision for a possible recognition of the Soviet Union by S. Comrade Litvinoff told the world at the Economic Conference in London, that the U.S.S.R. is ready to place orders for a billion dollars aside from what the present plans include.

What Is Your Answer? Now, Comrade and fellow-worker! You are probably very much inspired by this rise of a new world. But re-member this came about because of the foundation laid during the dark days of Tsarism, by the persistant, courageous work of the Bolshevik (Communist) Party, under the leadership of its organizer and founder, Comrade Lenin, Without such a vanguard, the Russian workers would have never taken power, much less been able to build Socialism. Don't be content with merely being able to read of the achievements in the Soviet Union! The best manner of showing our appreciation to the workers of the U.S.S.R. of their accomplishments, is to do what they always ask when greeting foreign representatives orkers government. These ere the levers through which build socialism.

While formerly the peasants was being eliminated, and a ing about the day when you shall also have a Soviet, so which put to shame the most that altogether united in a world Soviet Federation we world soviet. And a new society. And the society when you shall also have a Soviet, so which put to shame the most that altogether united in a world soviet Federation we The poor peasant no will build a new society". Antion for marketing. Conces- longer lived in filth, ignorance, swer their call — Join the sions were offered to foreign ca- and slavery to the church and American Branch of the Compitalists who cared to exploit rich peasant. He was fast be- munist International — the Soviet natural resources, and so coming as the workers in the Communist Party of the Unitcity, a builder of a new social ed States.

parade in celebration of their victorious on ward march to Socialism.

EDITOR'S NOTE—In printing the song below, written by the great American poet, Comrade Langston Hughes, who has just returned from a long stay in the Soviet Union, we at the same time issue a call to our readers such as are able, to compose the music for it. As Langston Hughes writes, "it should be set to a lively march tune, with syncopated beat, in the American manner". The Western Worker will publish the music that in the judgement of a capable group of Proletarian artists, is found most suitable. So, lets have some Socialist competition.

One More 'S' in the U.S.A.

#### By Langston Hughes

Put one more S in the U.S.A. To make it Soviet, One more S in the U. S. A., Oh, we'll live to see it yet! When the land belongs to the farmers And the factories to the working men-The U. S. A. when we take control Will be U. S. S. A. then.

Now across the water in Russia They have a big U. S. S. R. The Fatherland of the Soviets-But that is mighty far From New York, or Texas, or California, too, So listen, fellow workers, This is what we have to do:

Put one more S in U. S. A., etc. But we can't win out by just talking,

So let us take things in our hand. Then down and 'way with the bosses' sway-Hail Communistic land! So stand up in battle and wave our flag on high, And shout out, felow workers, Our new slogan to the sky:

Put one more S in U. S. A., etc. But we can't join hands strong together So long as whites are lynching black, So black and white in one union fight And get on the right track. By Texas, or Georgia, or Alabama led Come together, fellow workers, Black and white can all be red:

Put one more S in U. S. A., etc. Oh, the bankers they all are planning For another great big war To make them rich from the workers' dead, That's all that war is for. So if you don't want to see bullets holding sway Then come on, all you workers, And join our fight today:

Put one more S in the U. S. A. To make it Soviet. One more S in the U.S. A. Oh, we'll live to see it yet. When the land belongs to the farmers And the factories to the working men-The U.S. A. when we take control Will be U. S. S. A. then.

#### Sacramento Communist Platform

COMMUNIST CANDIDATES FOR SACRAMENTO

COUNCIL NORA CONKLIN.... .....Telegraph Operator MRS. MARY HALL Negro War Mother BEBEL ALONZO BILL McCONNEL Railroad Worker

1. No forced labor for groceries. All relief to be paid for in cash at the union scale of 50 cents an hour, no less than 30 hours per week. . No evictions, gas, light or water shut-offs. Rent, gas, light and water for the unemployed to be paid by the city and county. 3. No discrimination against Negroes, or any nationality, women, sin-

gle workers or youth in the distribution of relief or employment. 3a. No discrimination against Negroes, or other racial minorities in the selection of school teachers or civil service or city jobs.

4. 25 per cent decrease in gas, electric, water and other public utility rates, and for five cent carfare. 5. The immediate repeal of the sales tax, and a reduction in the price

of retail goods. 6. Free lunches, carfare and clothing for the school children of the unemployed.

7. Free medical and dental care for the unemployed by doctors and dentists of their own choosing.

8. City to endorse the Workers' Unemployment and Social Insurance Bill (A. B. 1910), the immediate payment of the Veterans adjustment certificates, and the restoration of all compensation cuts.

9. The abolition of all vagrancy laws and anti-working class ordinances, and all forms of police brutality. 10. The selection of grand and petit juries from a cross section of the

voting population, including Negroes, Mexicans and other racial minorities.

11. A moratorium on all debts and exemption from taxes for small home owners. 12. Small depositors to be paid dollar for dollar on all deposits in

closed banks.

13. Against all imperialists wars, and the militarization of the youth in the Citizens Conservation Camps. 14. The encouragement of friendship and trade with the Soviet Union,

the first Workers Republic. 15. Immediate removal of the present incompetent and corrupt relief administration, control of relief to be in the hands of an elected

committee of employed and unemployed workers. 16. Union scale of wages on all relief city, and county jobs. 17. Abolition of all restrictions against workers' rights to organize,

Our Party and our candidates are pledged to fight for Federal Unemployment and Social Insurance for all unemployed; and for the release of Tom Mooney, Billings and all political prisoners; for the repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Law.

strike and picket.

These measures will greatly improve our conditions. But in the final analysis, only the overthrow of the capitalist system of production for private profit, and the establishment of a Workers and Farmers Government will put us on the road to a really free country without unemployment, misery or exploitation.