

# MARITIME STRIKE BALLOTING IS UNDER WAY

## "Western" Expose of Fascist Plan Rouses Atascadero Area

### PROGRESSIVES MOVE TO FIGHT ON TERRORISM

#### "Silver Shirts" Plan Concentration Camps

ATASCADERO — Feeling is running high among the liberals and progressives of this community as a result of the Western Worker's exposure of terroristic plans being fomented by local Silver Shirts. Disgust and contempt is generally being expressed by both workers and professionals for these murderous minded Fascists who are gathering strength in order to beat and torture human beings because of race, religious beliefs, and political opinion.

Disclosure of the fact that the terrorists had discussed in secret meeting a plan to convert a cattle corral located on the Finch ranch into a concentration camp for local Jewish people, Communists, Epics and trade unionists, further incensed honest and respectable people hereabout.

### Browder To Blast Hearst's Plots

How Hitler and Mussolini are getting their say in the American presidential elections, via their pal and admirer and paid press-agent, William Randolph Hearst, will be exposed in a coast-to-coast broadcast next Friday, October 23, by Earl Browder, Communist candidate for president of the United States.

Browder's broadcast will go on the air from 7:45-8 p. m. in California over stations KFI, Los Angeles, and KPO, San Francisco.

### Popular Front Must Be United Against Fascism, Says Blum

PARIS.—Socialist Premier Leon Blum warned Radical Socialists that a break-up of the Popular Front and failure to support his government might lead to overthrow of French democracy and setting up of a Fascist dictatorship, in a speech last Saturday before Radical Socialists whose leaders intimated they may betray the Popular Front.

"I do not intend to magnify the immediate danger, but we cannot deny it exists," declared Blum.

The Popular Front must remain united to defend the French Republic, he said.

Le Populaire, Socialist newspaper, declared Fascists were plotting a "putsch" in Paris.

### Bridges, At Mass Meet, To Expose King Frameup

OAKLAND.—A complete picture of the waterfront situation will be given by Harry Bridges, Pacific Coast I.L.A. District President, at the King-Ramsay-Conner defense mass meeting in Oakland Civic Auditorium next Friday, Oct. 23. The meeting will start at 8 p. m.

Bridges will show the connection between the Point Lobos frameup case and the shipowners' attempts to smash the maritime unions.

Trial of Earl King, secretary of the Marine Firemen, of the Pacific, E. G. Ramsay, and Frank J. Conner is set for Oct. 26. The charge against them is complicity in the murder of Engineer Alberts of the Point Lobos is characterized by Bridges as a complete frameup.

William Spooner, secretary of the Alameda Labor Council, will preside at Friday's meeting. Speakers will include J. E. Ferguson, secretary pro-tem of the Firemen; Kasper Bauer, Butchers Union leader, and the Rev. Earl N. Griggs.

### Order "Western's" Election Issue!

Voting day is near! And next Friday, off the Western Worker presses will roll 50,000 copies of the Special Election Issue, analyzing what the polls mean to the working people, the small farmers, and the middle class of California.

Progress or Reaction, Democracy versus Fascism, the central issue of the 1936 election campaign, will be analyzed in bread-and-butter terms, showing the necessity of rolling up a huge Communist vote for Earl Browder and James W. Ford, Communist presidential candidates.

Pictures of all Communist candidates on the California ballot, the Communist position on the initiative proposals on the ballot, the Communist platform for the day-to-day needs of the masses of the people—these are some of the features that will make you want to keep this issue for reference on November 3rd, that will make you want to circulate it among your friends, neighbors, and fellow workers.

Send in bundle orders immediately to the business office of the Western Worker, 121 Haight St., San Francisco. Rates are 1 1/2 cents per copy in bundles of 100 and up, 2 1/2 in lesser bundles. Order your bundle now!

### Hutcheson Quits A.F.L. Council

WASHINGTON.—Blasted by Carpenters Local after local, William Hutcheson, president of the Carpenters Union, has resigned as an A.F.L. vice-president, to devote his full time to the London-Liberty League campaign.

Hutcheson is chairman of Landon's labor division for which he has been condemned in many resolutions by locals of his own international, who have pointed out the Landon connections with the Liberty League, Hearst and other fascist elements.

LONDON.—Clement R. Attlee, Labor Party leader in the House of Commons, was reported to have demanded, along the line of the Soviet Union's note, enforcement of the neutrality pact.

MARTINEZ.—All Hearst papers have been placed on the "We Don't Patronize List" of the Contra Costa County Central Labor Council.

Because of its openly biased attitude against organized labor, the Hearst chain of papers, in the Council's opinion is not entitled to the patronage of "those who earn their living by the sweat of their brow."

STOCKTON.—Montgomery Ward's was closed down 100 percent when 30 of its employees struck for union recognition, an \$18 minimum wage and the 48-hour week. The strikers picketed the store with the assistance of I.L.A. Local 38-93.

ARMES TO SPAIN.—Expected to reach Vera Cruz from Barcelona shortly, the Spanish steamer Manuel Arnus will receive a huge welcome from people's groups on its arrival.

### BOYCOTT HURTS BIG GROWERS IN SALINAS AREA

#### Doss and Shevlin In New Move To Hurt Lettuce Strike

(See Page 2 for further news on Doss' and Shevlin's attempts to break strikers' ranks.)

SALINAS.—Mass picketing continues in the Salinas Valley lettuce strike, but no thanks to the reactionary Fruit and Vegetable Workers' Union Secretary Doss and President Shevlin.

Last Friday saw a peaceful parade of 1000 strikers down Main Street, in the business section, and then back to the Labor Temple.

Police Chief Griffin first denied a permit, but had to reverse his stand.

The effectiveness of the boycott on "hot lettuce," even though the boycott has not been pushed to the limit by reactionary labor officials, was seen in the fact that 300 carloads of lettuce remain on the tracks, not moving.

100 strikers are in jail, under charges of violating the anti-picketing law, "rioting," unlawful assembly, dynamiting, etc.

Three strikers were arrested on charges of an "assault" on a strikebreaker after police combing a house in a frameup search for "home-made bombs."

Bombings here are the work of the shipper-growers, and it is reported of provocateurs in the unions, so that Doss might frame up progressive strikers.

Since their reelection as secretary and president respectively last week, Doss and Shevlin have begun an intensified re-baiting campaign to split the ranks of the strikers and pave the way for a betrayal of the strike.

### L.A. Nazis Support Crum and Landon

LOS ANGELES.—To their previous endorsement of Alf Landon for President, Nazi members of the "German-American League," pro-Hitler organization, last week also endorsed Judge Arthur Crum, candidate for reelection to Superior Court, Office 15.

"It's as natural for Crum to get these endorsements, as it is for Hearst and Harry Chandler, of the L.A. Times, to unite forces to fight labor," declared Leo Gallagher, famed labor attorney who opposed Crum in the August primaries.

The "German-American League" also recently gave its complete support to the anti-labor Manufacturers' and Industries' Club.

### Hearst Press Meets Contra Costa County Labor Boycott

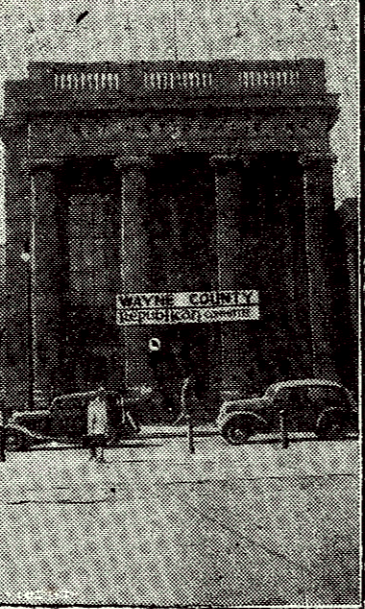
BUTCHERS INTERNATIONAL vice-president T. J. Loyd said that butchers of Seattle and Portland were also planning to strike.

The strike here started after Butchers and Teamsters Union officials had negotiated without success for 75 days, seeking union recognition.

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### NO ACCIDENT



IT'S NO ACCIDENT that the Landon campaign committee in Detroit chose the former First National Bank in that city for its headquarters. It's symbolical. The bank was ruined in one of the many bank crashes during the Hoover administration. The bank's owners lost nothing, and they're blowing the horn for Landon, their patron saint and Fascist protector.

### SAY MADRID IMPREGNABLE

#### Round-up of Fascist Spies Made

MADRID.—Defense of Spain's capital against the Fascist armies driving against it, will be an impregnable series of fortifications, inside and outside the city, declared government officials here.

Even should the Fascists succeed in piercing the outer fortifications, the city will be strong enough to repel them, said officials.

Police round-up of Fascists and Fascist sympathizers in Madrid was hailed by the press, praising the police efficiency.

### S. F. Meet in Spain

SAN FRANCISCO.—Demanding lifting of the "neutrality" which acts as an embargo against the Spanish government, the American League Against War and Fascism will sponsor a mass meeting here Wednesday night, October 21st, in California Spanish Society Hall, Powell and Broadway.

Speakers will be made in English, Spanish and Italian.

Speakers are Paul Lyons, Alaska Canary Workers' Union; John Shoemaker, International Longshoremen's Association, 387 79; Dr. Joseph Facci, radio commentator; Carlos W. Bendetti and Dr. Daesar Ortega, liberal leaders; Carmello Zito, editor of Corriere del Popolo; and Ray Studt and Harriet Thomsen, of the American League.

### San Diego Butchers And Teamsters Hit 65 Stores In Strike

SAN DIEGO.—Sixty-five chain stores are hit by a strike of union butchers and teamsters, which started late last week.

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### Special Notice!

Communist Party organizers in the following counties are requested to write in orders for the 50,000-copies Special Election Issue of the Western Worker not later than Thursday noon, October 22nd: San Diego, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Barbara, San Bernardino, Monterey, Merced, Fresno, Stockton, Tulare, Fort Bragg, Contra Costa, Arizona and Nevada. Money orders must accompany all orders, at 1 1/2 cents per copy for bundles of 100 or more copies.

### "WE'RE NOT IN NAVY," BRIDGES TELLS ADMIRAL

#### Council Delegates Hear That Unions Remain United

SAN FRANCISCO.—San Francisco organized labor heard from delegates of the Marine Firemen and the I.L.A., at Friday night's Labor Council meeting, that the maritime unions remain united, in the taking of coastwise strike votes.

Both Harry Bridges, reporting as a delegate from I.L.A. Local 38-79, and Delegate Stern of the Marine Firemen, stated that capitalist press reports to the contrary, the union's unity remains solid in the face of the shipowners' arrogance.

Firemen Blast Press Lies Stern told the Council that the Marine Firemen instituted their ballot last Thursday night, and newspaper reports that the Firemen were against a ballot were false.

"On October 28, if no agreement has been reached, we'll hit the bricks with every other maritime union, and our organization on the Gulf and East Coasts will be with us," Stern said.

Bridges, referring to the arbitrary attitude of the Maritime (Cont. on Page 2, Col. 8)

### Santa Rosa Kidnap Trial Begins

SANTA ROSA.—Trial began Monday of 12 leading business and professional men, vigilantes who kidnaped and tarred and feathered Jack Green and Sol Nitzburg a year ago last August.

Superior Judge Tyrone is trying the vigilantes, on charges of kidnaping, assault, and conspiracy to commit both offenses.

Trial began with selection of a jury from 225 veniremen.

### L.A. Council Buries Vice Graft Proof

LOS ANGELES.—How firmly entrenched is graft in Los Angeles was indicated here when the City Council consigned to the oblivion of dusty archives files containing hundreds of addresses of vice and gambling establishments on the recommendation of Councilman Earl C. Gay, who accidentally found twelve files on vice and gambling while he was housecleaning his desk.

Many of these files have been submitted by citizens outraged by the corruption in the police department, which has declared there is no vice in Los Angeles, but there is no record that the addresses have ever been investigated.

One of the files dealt with Rhea Crawford Splivalov's campaign in 1935 to expose Mayor Frank L. Shaw's and Police Chief "Peanut Hitler" Davis vice connections.

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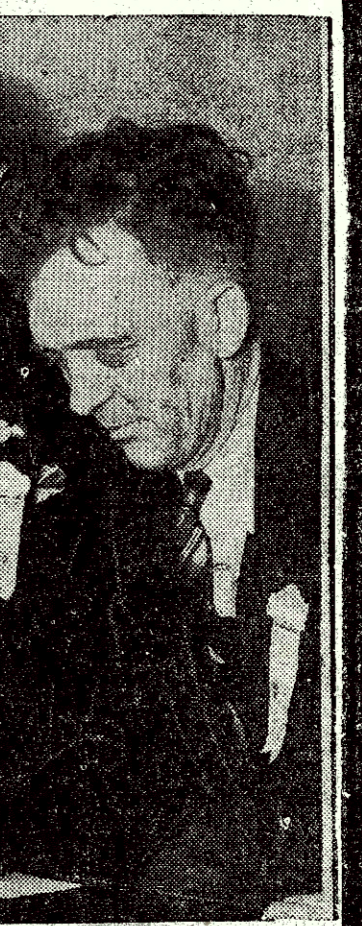
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Reasons for Strike Vote Bridges gave the reasons for the calling of a strike referendum. "The policy of extension, without the unions receiving any guarantees that their basic demands will be met, can within six months' time lead to the smashing of the maritime unions," he said.

A definite move to disrupt the meeting and put Bridges on the "spot" was made by "Pedro Pete" Petersen and a handful of his reactionary henchmen. His attempts at mud slinging at Bridges were vociferously booed down by the membership.

"Pedro Pete" wanted to know why a strike vote was being taken for Oct. 28th, when after (Cont. on Page 2, Col. 3)

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### S. Fernando Small Farmers Fight On High Water Rates

SAN FERNANDO.—Declaring that obvious discrimination is being used against them by the Los Angeles Municipal Water and Power Dept. in charging excessive irrigation rates, militant small farmers of the West San Fernando valley have begun a campaign to form a Small Farmer's Council to present demands that they be given the same water rates as the large bank-owned farms in this area.

Plans are going forward rapidly to form a representative committee to be broadened to cover the whole of the San Fernando valley farming area.

The committee will present demands for a drastic reduction in the water rates of all small farmers so that in competition with the large growers they will have a chance to make a living from their crops and labor.

Officials of the Water and Power Dept. have been unable (Cont. on Page 2, Col. 6)

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Fundamental issues of each union, on which the shipowners have been stalling and demanding arbitration are:

Main Issues of Unions I. L. A.—Union control of hiring hall and six-hour day. Sailors' Union of the Pacific—Union hiring hall and cash payment for overtime. Marine Firemen, Oilers, Water-tenders and Wipers' Association—Union hiring hall and cash overtime.

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### S.F. Democrats Back CP Nominee

SAN FRANCISCO.—In accordance with united front agreements against reaction adopted at the historic May 10th political conference called by the End Poverty League, the San Francisco Council of the Democratic Party endorsed Anita Whitney, Communist candidate for Congress in the 4th District here, at its last regular meeting.

Anita Whitney's opponent is the Republican reactionary, Mrs. Florence P. Kahn.

The resolution follows: WHEREAS, The candidates supported by the San Francisco Democratic Council were not successful in the primaries, and WHEREAS, The McArthur Resolution of May 10th calls upon us to support the next candidate to the left, so therefore BE IT RESOLVED, that we call upon all Epics, Liberals and progressives in the 4th Congressional District to support and work for the election of Anita Whitney. Her record as a humanitarian and sincere fighter for human rights and civil liberties is one that commands the respect of all friends of justice and humanity. And be it further RESOLVED, that in other Congressional and Assembly Districts, the same policy be followed.

### DANGER IN SALINAS!

A SITUATION has arisen in Salinas which demands the attention of every trade unionist in California.

The Fruit and Vegetable Workers Union has been on strike since Sept. 4. The strikers have waged a determined battle against gas, clubs and guns of the police and vigilantes. They have faced anti-picketing laws.

Their strike is the greatest strike which has occurred under A.F.L. leadership in agriculture. The Salinas strike has the greatest bearing on the organization of the 250,000 California agricultural workers.

This strike can be won. But it cannot be won if the present tactics of reactionary officials like Doss and Shevlin, within the union, are allowed to continue.

Within the past week these officials have committed acts which are illegal, unconstitutional, the sort of acts which spell the death of any trade union.

Like Hitlers, they have disbanded committees set up by the membership. They have blocked the organization of the Filipino field workers. Through beef squads they are attempting to oust all progressives from the union. In doing this they use the "red scare."

We urge the California State Federation of Labor, central labor bodies, local unions and every trade unionist to protest these union-busting activities of the Doss-Shevlin machine.

The California agricultural workers must be organized if the California labor movement is to rest on solid foundations.

Unity of all agricultural workers, irrespective of politics or color is essential if this is to be done.



# IMPERIAL CO. ANTI-PICKET DRIVE PLANNED

## Valley-Wide Attacks On Agricultural Labor Is Set

CALIPATRIA—Plans for a proposed ordinance against picketing are to be made in an Imperial Valley-wide meeting of city and county officials, police and sheriffs, to be held at El Centro on Thursday.

All city councils will be asked to adopt the ordinance. It will be presented to county supervisors also, to make the anti-picketing ordinance general in all Imperial Valley municipalities.

Valley-Wide Attack District Attorney Heald and Mayor Wilkinson and Police Chief Wood of Calipatria are prime movers in the valley-wide attack on agricultural as well as all labor.

Their desire is to make it impossible to picket in unincorporated areas as well as incorporated areas.

The move is being made in preparation for the winter vegetable crop, in an attempt to prevent organization of the agricultural workers and struggle for better wages.

# Fascist Plans Rouse Atascadero

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The sudden publicity given their contemptible schemes, and are already attempting to "explain." But whipping, torture, and concentration camps cannot be explained away, being the very core of the "Christian" Party set-up.

## Move for Investigation

Fascist pains are increased by the move being undertaken by liberals to present the Silver Shirt case to District Attorney Van Wormer for investigation. Locally it is felt that action should not be delayed until after some worker or Jew has been beaten up or lashed, but that local authorities should at once institute proceedings to break up the terrorist band.

To this end mass pressure is being brought to bear, including the as yet unorganized workers and small farmers, while the A. F. G. E. (W.P.A. union) and Epic Club may be expected to lead in voicing the demand that something be done about the silver shirts.

District Attorney Van Wormer is himself something of a red-baiter, and boasts of having received through the Associated Farmers (the big money "farmers" who farm the farmers') photographs of all agricultural union organizers in California. But the Fascist terrorists find little comfort in this fact, for they know that mass pressure can compel law enforcement from even the most reactionary official.

## Arnold on the Spot

Nor are members of the Board of Supervisors wearing any broad grins since the Western Worker publicized the local Fascist mess. This is especially true of Supervisor Claud Arnold, in whose district Atascadero is located, and who is up for reelection this fall.

It is known that Arnold and his fellow board members were long ago supplied with Jew baiting, anti-labor literature by the local Silver Shirts. The decent, non-Fascist workers and farmers of Mr. Arnold's district think it is time this candidate for county office expressed himself on the subject of the Silver Legion and vigilante terrorism.

Cattle rancher "Tex" Cassidy, Communist-hating head of Atascadero's American Legion Post, was to have addressed the Silver Shirts soon on the subject, "Combating Communism." In view of the grim facts that have come to light about his Fascist friends, Tex may decide not to fulfill his speaking date.

All the facts concerning the Fascist terrorists of this county have not yet been divulged, and it is likely that further disclosures will find their way into print before the shameful mess is cleaned up.

# SF Laborers Give \$500 To Salinas; Others Give \$100

SAN FRANCISCO—Far from slacking down, San Francisco organized labor's support of the Salinas lettuce strike is growing. United Laborers Union, Local 261, has donated \$500 to the strike. The Ornamental Iron Workers have donated \$100, as have also the Laundry Workers. The Bottlers Union also has donated \$100 to the strikers.

# BEAT A FASCIST



GOV. EUGENE TALMADGE of Georgia used national guardsmen as storm troops to break up meetings of Richard B. Russell (above). Russell defeated Talmadge for U. S. Senator. Talmadge is an open Fascist, and was close to the late Huey Long. Talmadge helped send Angelo Herndon, young Negro Communist and unemployed leader, to an 18-20 year sentence on a Georgia chain gang.

# Small Farmers In Unity With Milk Union In Fight

OAKLAND.—Organized labor's solidarity with the small farmers was again displayed when the Alameda Central Labor Council placed one of the large milk distributors on the unfair list, because its farms are being picketed in southern Alameda County.

Milkers Union members are doing the picketing. They are being supported by the small dairy farmers, as recently reported in the Western Worker.

The East Bay Milk Dealers Association represents the large dairy interests. Reactionary secretary Silverthorn of the Milk Wagon Drivers did his best to sabotage the fight when he stated that "we have no quarrel with the dealers. This is a quarrel between the dealers and the Milkers Union." We do not wish to become involved.

# Smith Tries To Teach Fascism

LOS ANGELES.—Rev. Gerald K. Smith arrived here last Thursday to "teach you people in California a little sumpin' 'bout Fascism, but was 'only able to talk to a third-filled Olympic Auditorium.

His bull neck and florid face tripping with perspiration, Smith oared of the help he is getting from God in his drive to be America's Hitler.

## Or Lunatic Leader

"Some people look upon me as the leader of the lunatic fringe," he bellored. "I want to see the day when 'he Bible-lovin', baby-lovin', jag-wavin' church members of America git rid of the wild-whiskered Communist bomb throwers and take over the government. I think I can teach you people in California a little sumpin'.

"Call us lunatics if they will, but we're about to take over the government." Although the meeting was supposed to be a Lemke-for-President rally, the official Lemke committee here would have nothing to do with it. Neither would Edward J. Margett, California Townsend manager, although he was offered complete charge of the affair and the returns from the collection.

Townsendites Ignore Smith Rank-and-file Townsendites would have little to do with the Fascist Smith.

Robert Noble, leader of the Smith faction in the Coughlin-Lemke Union Party, was "proud to put on this meeting for Dr. Smith."

Noble, it will be remembered, said some time ago in a debate with John Leech, Communist Party organizer here: "I don't like the term 'workers.' I am not a worker and I never intend to work. All we need is more ice cream and maybe gin. Let's think of ourselves as the leisure class—not as workers."

# Warehousemen In Strike At Libby Packing Co., E. Bay

OAKLAND.—A majority of the employees of the Libby, McNeil and Libby fruit packing plant have struck, led by Warehousemen's Union, I.L.A. Local 38-44.

# SHAW KIDS NO ONE IN STAND ON MARITIME

## Claims He's Neutral But He's All For Arbitration

LOS ANGELES.—Maritime workers are wondering just who Mayor Shaw fancies he is fooling. If it is them, they hasten to inform him that he doesn't come even close to accomplishing his aims if the best he has to offer is the letter sent last week to Maritime unions and waterfront employers and ship-owners.

Following a resolution adopted by the Sailors Union of the Pacific which denounces him for preparing an army of 400 police, armed with tear gas, guns and clubs, to invade San Pedro, in the event of a strike, Shaw's letter is pathetically absurd, especially when he says: "I pledge my co-operation to both sides in accomplishing such a settlement."

He's for Arbitration "Babbling of the 'true spirit of democracy' and the 'progressive and liberal spirit,'" Shaw's letter urges "arbitration," "amicable conclusion" and "peaceful settlement" in a stupid attempt to appear neutral.

Everyone interested in the issues involved is completely aware of where Shaw stands in reference to difference between workers and employers, just as they are aware that the instant a strike or a lockout occurs in San Pedro, hundreds of police, armed to the teeth, will be thrown against the workers.

# San Pedro I.L.A. Backs Strike Vote

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Oct. 26th the U. S. Maritime Commission would be legally set up and "it would be impossible for us to strike?"

Bridges brought out that it was not within the power of the Marine Commission to take away from the maritime unions the right to strike, "and if it is necessary to convince the ship-owners that we intend to keep our gains, well, we did it in '34 and we can do it again in '36 if necessary."

Peterson's resignation from the Emergency Publicity Committee was unanimously accepted by the membership. "We don't need no I.L.A. Paul Scharenbergs on our committees," a militant young longshoreman remarked between the cheers.

Even greater need for unity between the longshoremen and the sea-going crafts was stressed by Bridges in concluding, "We feel certain that the positive program proposed by the I.L.A. District Board of carefully planning strike measures and in a united fashion working to keep our gains and improve our conditions will be concurred in by the membership of the sea-going crafts."

Another outstanding feature of the meeting was the pledge of solidarity given by an American Student Union delegation led by Edwin Alexander Jr., Southern California student organizer. Loud cheers were given to Hershel Alexander, young Negro representative of the American Negro Congress when he was introduced.

# Wives of La. Rail Strikers Halt Train In Search of Scabs

JONESVILLE, La.—Hunting for strikebreakers, wives and daughters of Louisiana-Arkansas Railroad strikers stopped a train, defied armed guards, and conducted their search.

They then allowed the train to proceed.

Engine crews have been joined by other crafts in the strike tying up the L and A and the Louisiana-Arkansas and Texas.

# Power Interests Win Decision In Fight On TVA Project

NASHVILLE.—Power interests won their first decision in the fight to have the Tennessee Valley Authority declared unconstitutional, when Federal Judge Gore denied a TVA motion for dismissal of the suit brought by 19 power companies.

# SHE DEPORTS



FRANCES PERKINS, Secretary of Labor, poses as a liberal, but doesn't act like one. She has just ordered Otto Miller, anti-Nazi editor; Alfred Miller, anti-Nazi working-class editor in Chicago, deported to Nazi Germany, where torture and perhaps death awaits him.

# Admiral In SF, Confers; Unions United On Vote

SAN FRANCISCO.—Admiral Hamlet, sent to the Coast by the Maritime Commission, conferred with I.L.A. representatives, those of the Sailors, and Plant and other shipowners' representatives.

The Joint Negotiations Committee statement on Friday reaffirming the unanimous stand of the unions on the strike ballot, follows:

Complete Unity "This statement is issued to stress the fact that there is a complete unity in the joint negotiating committee representing all the maritime unions on the action taken October 14.

"False and malicious rumors to the effect that the affiliated unions of the Maritime Federation are not united on a program with respect to the present controversy are absolutely untrue and without foundation and have been spread purposely to create confusion among the maritime workers.

"The maritime workers remember too well that the solidarity of 1934 won for them concessions from the ship owners and established their unions on a solid and sound basis. This solidarity and unity has not been disturbed either in the various committees nor among the workers on the job.

"At the meeting held today, representatives of the maritime unions reiterated their position regarding the program adopted on October 14, namely to take as soon as possible the necessary steps to institute a strike vote of the entire membership, thus giving authority to the joint negotiations committee to call a strike if necessary in case agreement is reached on fundamental issues by October 25."

The statement went on to list the fundamental issues which cannot be left to a third person in arbitration (mentioned on Page 1). The statement was signed by E. D. Coester for the Sailors; F. M. Kelley for the Engineers; G. Charlot for the Masters, Mates and Pilots; H. Gray for the Firemen; A. Jackson for the Telegraphists; Henry Schmidt for the I.L.A. and J. Connors for the Cooks and Stewards.

# Philippine Clipper Meets Picket Line On Guam Island

GUAM.—Demanding American citizenship for Guam residents, a demonstration of children, joined by representatives of the Guam Congress, met the Philippine Clipper airship on its arrival here last Monday with Senator McAdoo of California aboard.

Approximately 20,000 persons on this island are "men and women without a country," being neither of alien or American citizenship.

# Coughlin Calls Full-Blooded American Indian a "Red"

DETROIT.—"Undoubtedly the man is a Communist," said Father Coughlin, red of face, after Woody Hockaday of Wichita, Kansas, poured feathers all over the radio priest in the middle of a speech here.

# TRICKERY BY VANDELEUR BEATS AMENDMENT TO BACK CHAIN STORE TAX IN S. F. LABOR BODY

## Bitter Hatred of Anti-Union Practices of Big Monopolies Displayed In Bitter Debate On Issue

SAN FRANCISCO—Only through trickery was Edward Vandeleur, reactionary secretary of the San Francisco Labor Council, able to force through concurrence with the Law and Legislative Committee's recommendation that the Council take no stand on Proposition 22, calling for a sharp tax on chain stores.

Hatred of Monopolies The bitter hatred of the chain store monopolies by large sections of organized labor was revealed in the debate, which raged pro and con for about an hour last Friday night.

After counting the rising vote, President John O'Connell claimed that the Law and Legislative Committee's recommendation had carried by 88 to 87. The vote was taken on the amendment by Hugo Ernst, Culinary delegate, that the Council recommend that its members vote for the chain store tax.

Despite the closeness of the vote and claims by adherents of the chain store tax that the amendment in favor of the tax had carried by 87 to 83 and that figures had been juggled in the counting, Vandeleur refused to allow a recount on those who opposed the tax, after the first count had clearly shown the Law and Legislative Committee's recommendation defeated.

A Raw Trick It was a pretty raw trick, put over by Vandeleur and O'Connell. Those who were for the chain store tax attacked the chain stores for their bitterly anti-union practices.

Among other recommendations by the Law and Legislative Committee were: Proposition 9, local option, which would be a step toward return of prohibition, vote No. 11, for teachers' tenure of office, vote Yes; No. 18, oleomargarine tax, which would hit workers, vote No.

(See Page 1 for Harry Bridges' report to the Central Labor Council on the maritime situation.)

# Asks To Explain C.P. To Union

LOS ANGELES.—Action by Bill Poster's Union No. 32 prohibiting on penalty of expulsion, any union member from posting or hanging bills or posters of the Communist Party, was answered last week by a letter from John Leech, Los Angeles County organizer for the Communist Party.

Leech pointed out to the union that the Communist Party is a legal party on the ballot in California and in nearly all other states, and that it seemed a strange contradiction that the bill posters would refuse to hang Communist bills and posters but at the same time have no objection to posting bills for Alf Landon, the anti-labor Republican candidate.

"We feel that your party... is caused by a misunderstanding of the Communist Party and its policies, particularly toward organized labor," wrote Leech in asking for permission to send a representative to explain the Party and its policies to the union membership.

Leech closed with congratulating the union on its success in signing a closed shop agreement with Foster and Kleiser Company, and on the union's label campaign.

# Candidates Aren't Interested In Project Workers

LOS ANGELES.—Indicating they have little interest in the votes of project workers, neither District Attorney Buron Fitts nor his opponent, Harlan G. Palmer, appeared or sent representatives to a scheduled debate arranged by Local 50 of the Workers' Alliance after both candidates had promised to participate.

# Refused Relief, 25 Chinese Deported

SAN FRANCISCO.—Twenty-five aged Chinese workers, who have labored in this country for many years, are to be deported to China, because relief administrators refuse to pay them relief.

# Call A Scab A Scab—It's No Crime

LOS ANGELES.—Calling a scab a scab when he is a scab, is not a crime in Los Angeles, according to a ruling by Municipal Judge Clement D. Nye when he dismissed charges against Mrs. Marie Centi, striking worker.

# Stool Pigeon Is At Head of Doss Beef Squad In Salinas

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SALINAS.—In the Fruit and Vegetable Workers Union elections John Deavers, progressive, received 375 votes to 614 for Shevlin; Louis Farris, progressive, received 295, to 560 for Doss; Earl Montgomery, a progressive was reelected as vice-president, and A. Elston, progressive, was elected a trustee.

Since the election the Doss-Shevlin machine has formed the beef squads, who are arming the union membership.

Terrorize Union Members They go to the homes of progressive union members, prowl around, and when they meet progressive men and women on the streets warn them to leave town.

McCardel, whom court records show to have been a stool-pigeon in the 1934 Salinas strike, heads the beef squads, who are warmed with knives and guns.

Other leaders of the beef squad are Bert Little, Luke Miller, and Whitey Burgess. The beef squad members openly boast that they are working under direction of Doss and Shevlin.

More Dirty Work Shevlin has been seen openly with Bruce Church and Winkle, of the "Bib 13" shippers, and growers who are out to smash the independent growers.

Doss and Shevlin further worked to cripple the strike by antagonizing the Filipino field workers. They ordered Chris Mensalvas, leader of the Filipino Laborers Union, out of the Labor Temple.

This was done on the eve of Sunday's mass meeting of Filipinos, who were to discuss joining the strike.

The Joint Council stands without Fruit and Vegetable Workers Union representatives. The latter were taken off by Doss because they were progressives, and no substitutes have been appointed so far.

Because the Bulletin Committee was progressive Doss had their door padlocked and their apparatus confiscated.

An agreement brought in last week through Federal Mediator Mathewson was turned down by the strikers in both Salinas and Watsonville. It contains only a local preferential clause, and nothing the strikers have fought so bitterly for.

# Communists Plan Election Wind-up

SAN FRANCISCO.—A statewide conference of County Organizers of the Communist Party laid plans over the last weekend for an intensive drive for the wind-up of the election campaign, getting out a big Communist vote, and pushing the Recruiting Drive to double the membership of the Party.

The conference resolved to combat the attempts of the Republican Party to win the Townsends for Landon, and carry on a campaign among the Townsend Clubs for a Farmer-Labor Party.

Plans were laid for mass meetings throughout the state on November 7th, the 19th anniversary of the Soviet Union, where an analysis of the elections will be made, and immediate tasks outlined for building a Farmer-Labor Party.

Popularize C.P. These meetings will also serve to popularize the program of the Party, as a Party that fights for Socialism; that strengthens the fight by the building of a united Peoples Front for democracy against reaction; and to popularize achievements of Socialism in the Soviet Union.

Steps were also taken to launch a big campaign immediately after the elections, to build the Western Worker as a powerful weapon in the people's fight against reaction.

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Mrs. Centi was arrested September 18th after Barney Markoff said she called him a scab when he went to work in the Rosenblum, Inc., plant here while the place was being picketed.

# "WE'RE NOT IN NAVY," BRIDGES TELLS ADMIRAL

## Council Delegates Hear That Unions Remain United

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Commission dominated by two admirals, said: "We're not in the Navy yet."

Ballot Not a Bluff The strike ballot is not a mere bluff, Bridges said. "The Pacific Coast I.L.A. is balloting on a strike, and it will take effect Oct. 28 unless we can reach a satisfactory agreement on two main issues—the hiring hall and the 6-hour day.

"We want to keep what we won in the 1934 strike." Bridges stressed the unity of the maritime unions. "All the maritime organizations are taking or preparing to take a strike vote. As far as the I.L.A. is concerned, the other unions have to reach a satisfactory agreement and we'll stand by them until they do.

"We intend to do everything possible to reach a satisfactory agreement, but this strike vote is not just a bluff."

Bridges said the unions had shown their sincere desire for peace by conceding some demands during the first 15-day truce, by cooperating with the Dept. of Labor and the Maritime Commission toward avoiding a conflict.

"We asked the Maritime Commission to come here before October 15th to see for itself what the concrete situation is.

Shipowners' Stalling "The unions agreed to extend the truce until October 26 if the Maritime Commission would see that the negotiations were fruitful, and we pointed out that the shipowners were getting away with a mere pretense at collective bargaining.

"The answer we got from the Maritime Commission was the same telegram that the shipowners had sent the Commission, demanding we stay at work indefinitely while the Commission investigated."

"Such an attitude made members more restive and we were forced to take the action we did.

Bridges pointed out that the Maritime Commission acted without consulting the Department of Labor representatives involved in the situation, and went over Assistant Secretary of Labor McGrady's head in making its arbitrary demand on the unions.

He exposed to the Council's delegates the record of Huntington Moss, who is accompanying Admiral Hamilton to San Francisco for the Commission's investigation.

"Moss was one of the chiefs of the Shipping Board in 1921, which made as its aim put the unions out of commission.

The employers are seemingly backed by the Maritime Commission, Bridges said, and the membership of the maritime unions saw this. There was the probability of a spontaneous and disorganized strike, and the ballot was decided on to get a definite program of action.

"We'll try in every way possible to avert a showdown," he concluded, "but if guarantees are not given us as to our basic demands, by midnight October 28, we're going in it with all we've got."

# "Heat" Gives Vice Dens A Vacation

SAN FRANCISCO.—"The heat's on again—you'll have to lay low for the time being until this graft investigation blows over."

This was the word being buzzed around San Francisco vice dens as police started a "crusade" to "clean up the city."

Meanwhile, Capt. Albert S. Munn and Lieut. Frederick O'Neil were called before the graft-investigation grand jury, while Patrolmen David J. Dillon and Joseph S. Murray were arraigned on bribery charges for taking pay-offs from houses of prostitution.

# Another Angle

OAKLAND.—Another angle in corrupt politics came to light here when George E. Strong, postal employee, charged he had been dismissed to make room for the nephew of Congressman John Tolan.

Postmaster Nellie G. Donohoe denied Tolan had anything to do with the appointment of his nephew.



LABOR AND POLITICS

By John Broman

What Chester Rowell, columnist for the Landon-supporting S. F. Chronicle, ever did to get a reputation as "liberal," is beyond understanding, judging by a recent column in which he viciously slandered the Negro people and came out for "legal" lynchings.

Write this phoney "liberal": "It is all just as plain as is the other fact that the persons we defend against lynching are nearly all murderers, white or black, or rapists, if black. Now murderers and rapists are not nice people, and they have very few rights."

But they have one right which should be inviolable. That is the right to be tried and hanged by the law and not by a mob. It may make little difference to them by which rope they are hanged, but it makes an enormous difference to the community. One rope represents the institutions of civilization; the other signals the breakdown of those institutions."

Hearst-Liberty League "Line"

It is only necessary to add on the tombstone of Rowell's "liberal" reputation, that he does not campaign for the Hearst-Liberty League candidate, Alf Landon, for nothing. When he viciously slanders the Negro people like this, he is giving the "line" of these Fascist-minded gentry.

If Landon is elected, the Negro people can expect the above words of Rowell to be put into practice.

Abraham Lincoln must have rolled over many times in his grave, thinking of what has happened to the Republican Party which he led in founding.

Ford Warns Negro People . . .

It was such threats as these against the Negro people that caused James W. Ford, Communist candidate for Vice-President, to warn his people against following the Republican Party in the 1936 elections.

"The Republican Party of 1936 is not the Republican Party of 1860," said Ford, in his San Francisco speech. "The Republican Party of 1936 is the one around which the forces of reaction are gathering."

I loathe and detest those Negro leaders of the Republican Party who are trying to palm off Alf Landon as a second Abraham Lincoln."

To vote for the rights of the Negro people means to vote for Earl Browder and James W. Ford, the straight Communist ticket.

Nazis Back G.O.P. . . .

Last week the Western Worker exposed the direct organizational link in Los Angeles between the Republican Party on one side, and the Fascist Silver Shirts, Ku Klux Klan, and Friends of New Germany, the latter a Nazi outfit, on the other side.

Still further confirmation came when the German-American Bund of New York, which is financed by Hitler to carry on Fascist propaganda in the United States, came out with an endorsement for Alf Landon.

It's generally known that Hearst receives \$400,000 from the Hitler payroll to carry on Nazi propaganda in his four scandal sheets.

Add up 1, 2 and 3 and we get the answer by simple arithmetic: The Landon gang, composed of Wall Street, Hearst and the Liberty League, want to set up a Hitler-like dictatorship in the United States.

And the answer means to the American working people, farmers, and middle-class—who all hate and abhor such a Fascist set-up—that they must go to the polls on November 3rd and defeat Landon at all costs. That's the Communist Party answer.

Roosevelt's No Answer . . .

But the Communist Party answer does not mean to the American people support for F.D.R. The President's speeches, in which he continually repeats that he is no threat to Wall Street, Hearst and the Liberty League and only pays lip-service to the people's needs, proves this to a T.

The Communist answer is vote for Browder and Ford, the candidates who stand for building a Farmer-Labor Party that can win the people's demands and beat the Fascist double-cross.

\$10,000 Bet Says Pro-Landon Poll Is "Fixed"

NEW YORK.—There's a man in New York that is willing to bet \$10,000 against the accuracy of the Literary Digest poll on the elections, reports the New York Sunday News, and at two-to-one odds.

HIGH BATTING AVERAGE FOR BAKERSFIELD

Gets 13 Recruits In Browder-Ford Drive

Bakersfield, Calif. Dear Comrades:

This is our first oil workers we have recruited, but we are determined to establish a Communist Party unit in oil. We have another old member and three good contacts to work with.

This makes 13 members Bakersfield has recruited in the Browder-Ford Membership Drive since the 7th of September, and the last one was recruited on October 7th. Now don't say that it is only 12 as we must receive credit for a Filipino worker we recruited in San Francisco, by one of our own comrades.

We pledge 13 more new members by November 7th and 52 all total by January 21st, and we pledge to build the agricultural union by 800 per cent by the same date.

And don't think we are kidding you. You don't know what good comrades we have recruited. We have increased our Western Worker bundle 66 per cent, and will make it 100 per cent by the end of the week and will get some subs too. This is not my pledge but it has been passed by the whole membership.

Comradely yours, Section Organizer.

Fulfill Your Pledge!

Our hat is off to you, Bakersfield!

Here is the state-wide report on recruiting for the first four weeks of the Browder-Ford Drive:

Table with columns: State, Pledged, Recruited, %

TOTALS 603 279 45.9 Enough said—the goose eggs speak for themselves.

Race Issue Again Hurts Workers In British Columbia

By a Worker Correspondent

VANCOUVER, B.C. — There was a rumor spread around here that a white crew would replace the Chinese crew at the Kerr Road Mill. There was a very good reason for the rumor, but it is not the same reason that many men supposed. Quite a number of men applied for jobs as a result. They didn't realize it, but all they did was to help the company fit its plans to cut wages.

Started By Company A representative of the company spread the rumor. He said the Chinese crew was inefficient, etc. It developed that he had no intention of hiring anyone else, but only of making the Chinese work for less. He showed them the list of the applications for jobs and told them he would grant these applications if the Chinese didn't accept the cut.

We should all be wise to all this by now. The millowners will continue to hang us separately if they can. The employers brought the Chinese to this country for that purpose. Only one way we can beat it, and that is by Orientals and whites sticking together for decent wages all around.

Whitney Speaks At Opening of C.P. Headquarters

SAN FRANCISCO.—With Anita Whitney, candidate for Congress in the 4th District, speaking on the issues of the 1936 elections, the 27th Assembly District Branch of the Communist Party will open its headquarters at 1846 Union Street, near Laguna, on Thursday, October 22, 8 p.m.

The branch social committee announces entertainment and refreshments will follow. Make the Labor Page of the Western Worker a real page of, by and for organized labor.

"SOCIALITE" STOOL PIGEON FACING JAIL

Blast Officials For Trying To Shield "Stoolie"

PALO ALTO—A stoolpigeon, is a stoolpigeon, "socialite" or no "socialite."

And that's why workers at the All Party Progressives' headquarters here swore out a burglary warrant against Mrs. Marjorie Stevens for robbing files, despite officials' attempting to "blow the affair down."

Her attorney said Mrs. Stevens was active in digging up Communist data, attending Communist and liberal meetings and reporting her "findings to various organizations."

Mrs. Marj Warner, who swore out the warrant, said she and two other campaign workers returned to the office late in the afternoon and found Mrs. Stevens clutching a list of names removed from their telephone file.

Mrs. Warner scored city and county officials who attempted to bulldoze her into letting the matter drop.

"We went first to the police department, but were referred to Judge B. Springer," said Mrs. Warner. "He displayed reluctance in issuing a warrant, and finally refused. Then we went to the district attorney's office in San Jose, where we were referred to Judge E. E. Hardy. He was reluctant too, not wanting to take the matter over Judge Springer's head."

"Eventually, we got the warrant from the district attorney's office."

Progressives Tie Can To Labor-Hating Mayor

COMPTON. — Liberal and progressive forces in Compton saw a definite gain this week when it was learned that former Mayor C. S. Smith, labor-hating chain groceryman, is definitely out of office and no longer a major influence in local politics. Smith, who was lately recalled along with some of his henchmen in the city council, had attempted to block the certification of his elected successor, Ray L. Aylmer, but the district court of appeals turned down his request for an injunction to halt Aylmer's taking office.

Reactionary Gets Back In Although Smith was beaten, one of the councilmen elected following the recall is Benjamin Cosgray, staunch supporter of Smith in a previous council. In the last regular election, Cosgray had been defeated by an opposing political clique, but this clique had been swept out of office along with Smith. Two other newly elected councilmen are Wayne F. Bowen and George Whitaker. All four new officials will fill unexpired terms.

APPROVE C.I.O. ACTIVITIES

COLUMBIA, Utah — Carbon County Labor Council, in the heart of the Utah coal mining area, went on record approving the organizing activities of the C.I.O.

HILL TALKS TO LABOR COUNCIL AT VALLEJO

Workers Are Eager To Hear C.P. Nominee

VALLEJO—When Perry Hill, Communist candidate for Congress, 3rd District, asked permission to speak on his program before the Central Labor Council here last Friday night, President George P. Glineburgh replied: "We don't tolerate Communism here."

But when Hill pointed out that nine out of 12 unions approached had permitted him to speak, Glineburgh agreed to put it to a vote in democratic fashion.

In the vote, only one weak "no" was heard, and Hill spoke for 10 minutes on the threat of Fascism in California, as witness the Salinas terror, and the Communist program to fight reaction.

After Hill spoke, an international official of the Electricians arose and said: "What this young man has been telling you is the truth. I just came from Salinas."

Hill's only opponent is the deep-dyed reactionary incumbent, Frank Buck.

Jury Disagrees In Free Speech Trial

LOS ANGELES.—Deadlocked for more than 12 hours on a "disturbing the peace" charge against four workers, a jury failed to agree and was discharged in Municipal Judge Wilbur E. Curtis' court last week. New trial was set for October 29th, 9:30 a.m., Division 7.

Jim Dell, James Carter, Malone Freeman and Edward McDowell had been arrested by police after the latter illegally broke up a peaceful Communist campaign rally in a free speech zone at Breed St. and Brooklyn Ave. on September 12th.

During the trial, several witnesses testified the only disorder they saw was when police threw tear-gas bombs and blackjacked a number of bystanders.

Grover Johnson, of the International Labor Defense, defended the workers.

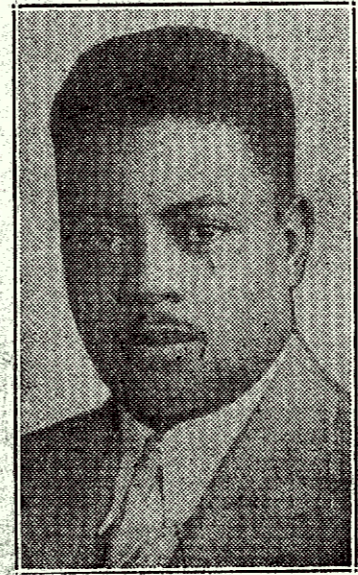
Ke's Public Hero To Arabians

JERUSALEM.—British imperialists call him "Public Enemy No. 1," but the Arabian people fighting desperately against oppression and exploitation by England are hailing Fawzi Bey Kawkazi as a national hero.

Fawzi Bey issued a manifesto last week calling upon the Arabs to keep their arms, but to hold up activities against the British for the time being, pending re-organization of their forces.

Promises made by Britain to the Arabian people after the world war proved to be promises in quotation marks, meaning nothing but a sell-out for the Arabs. A "promise" of independence for Palestine was never kept, and when the Arabs rebelled, Britain sent in thousands of armed troops to shoot them down.

400 LISTENED



JAMES W. FORD Communist candidate for Vice-President of the United States.

Coughlin Wastes Funds Preaching Fascism—Suit

DETROIT.—Charging that Father Coughlin dissipated National Union for Social Justice trust funds "in preaching and propagating Fascism and undermining democracy, the constitution and American form of government," John O'Donnell, National Union member of Pittsburgh, filed suit here demanding an accounting of funds and appointing of a receiver.

O'Donnell also asked removal of Coughlin and six trustees who, he said, permit Coughlin to spout "economic theories of which he possesses only a superficial knowledge."

O'Donnell charges trust fund losses were in excess of \$1,000,000.

McLaughlin on Air In San Berdoo

SAN BERNARDINO. — The Communist election campaign is being carried on with pep and ginger here in San Bernardino County, with Charles McLaughlin scheduled to give a radio speech on his candidacy in the 19th Congressional District, on Friday, October 30th, 7:15-7:30 p.m., over station KFXM.

National radio broadcasts are advertised on attractive cards, which also carry the address of Box 966, for all workers desiring to write in for further information.

McLaughlin is also scheduled to address several mass meetings here between now and Nov. 3rd.

Anti-Picketing Law Passed By Beverly Hills Council

BEVERLY HILLS. — In line with the anti-labor drive of local officials, the Beverly Hills City Council drafted and adopted an ordinance prohibiting picket lines in the city.

A fine of \$300 and a jail sentence of three months is the penalty provided for any person or persons engaging in picketing and the police have been given full power to make arrests.

It is reported that City Attorney Richard C. Waltz, who drafted the new ordinance, has indicated it will be rigidly enforced.

Communists On The Air!

Tune in to hear Communist candidates speak on our 1936 election program!

The following broadcasts are scheduled: Thursday, Oct. 22—Carl B. Patterson, 9th Cong. Dist. candidate; Fresno, KMJ, 10:30 p. m.; Emma Cutler, 13th Cong. Dist. candidate, Los Angeles, KMTR, 8-8:15 p. m.

Friday, Oct. 23rd—Earl Browder, candidate for President, national broadcast, KFI, L. A., and KPO, S. F., 7:45-8 p. m.

Monday, Oct. 26th—Emil Freed, 57th A. D. candidate, L. A., KMTR, 7:15-7:30 p. m.; Archie Brown, 22nd A. D. candidate, San Francisco; E. L. Richardson, 20th Cong. Dist. candidate, San Diego, KFSD, 7:15 p. m.

Oct. 27th—Lloyd Harris, 6th Cong. Dist. candidate, Oakland, KRE, 6:15 p. m.

Oct. 28th—Alex Noral, 23rd A. D. candidate, S. F., KROW, 6:45 p. m.

Oct. 29th—Wm. Schneiderman, C. P. state secretary, state-wide hookup, KGO, S. F.; KECA, L. A.; KFSD, San Diego, 7-7:15 p. m.; John L. Leech, 17th Cong. Dist. candidate, KMTR, L. A., 8-8:15 p. m.

Oct. 30th—"Mother" Bloor, national hookup, KPO, KFI, 7:45-8 p. m.; Charles McLaughlin, 19th Cong. Dist. candidate, KFXM, San Bernardino, 7:15-7:30 p. m.

Nov. 2nd—Earl Browder, national hookup, KFSD, KECA, KGO, 7:45-8 p. m.; Harold J. Ashe 14th Cong. Dist. candidate, KMTR, L. A., 7:15-7:30 p. m.; Stanley Hancock, KFSD, 7:15 p. m.

James W. Ford Speaks To 400 In San Diego

SAN DIEGO.—Some 400 citizens listened to James W. Ford, Communist candidate for Vice-President, in Germania Hall here on Tuesday evening, Oct. 13th. "Fascism, not Communism," is the real issue November 3rd," Ford told his audience, mincing no words as he exposed the forces of reaction—Hearst, Landon, Hoover, Rev. Gerald Smith, Father Coughlin.

In the audience were Sergeant Elmer Jensen of the police "Red" squad, a Naval Intelligence Department officer, and Major General R.H. Van Deman.

Local Candidates Preceding Ford's talk, Bessie A. Keckler and E. L. Richardson, Communist candidates in the 80th Assembly District and 20th Congressional District, respectively, gave brief talks explaining their programs and summarizing the records of their opponents. Chairman was Stanley Hancock.

The collection totaled \$97 for the Communist campaign fund, and considerable campaign literature was sold.

Fraud And Deceit Is Charged Against L.A. Judge

LOS ANGELES.—Answering charges of fraud and deceit brought against him in a suit for \$83,000 damages by Gertrude Hughes, Superior Judge B. Rey Schauer last week found himself in a unique position.

Sitting on the witness stand, he was explaining how he gave Mrs. Hughes checks totaling \$7500 to clear up his transactions when he was handling her affairs and how he extracted her promise to cease further efforts to collect funds from him.

Mrs. Hughes said she lost all her money through the judge's handling of her business affairs.

ANSWER THIS WANT AD TO HIT REACTION

Speed Donations For Election Campaign Before Nov. 3rd

WANTED: More shock-brigaders against Hearst, Hoover, Wall Street and the Liberty League!

With the reactionary, open-shop forces getting bolder every day as the election campaign nears its close, shock-brigaders are needed to collect funds to carry on the people's fight against reaction through the 1936 election campaign of the Communist Party.

Hurry Donations!

Get your friends, fellow workers in the shops and on the docks and ships, relatives, and neighbors to support the Communist campaign morally and financially. Rush all funds to 121 Haight Street, San Francisco; County Campaign Headquarters, 230 South Spring Street, Los Angeles; or any Communist Party headquarters.

Remember—all workers donating a day's pay to the campaign and selling out a \$5 coupon donation book, will receive a handsome pin with William Z. Foster's signature engraved. For donating a day's pay, they will receive a Shock-Brigader's Certificate; for selling out a coupon book, mounted photographs of Earl Browder and James W. Ford.

Following are donations of day's pay in the last week:

Shock-Brigade Ranks J. T. P., Dixon, \$5; G. W., Broderick, \$1; O. G., Sacramento, \$1; Miss B. San Mateo, \$2; Mr. W., Burlingame, \$2; Mr. T., San Mateo, \$2; Unit 3, Palo Alto, \$6.44; Unit 2, Palo Alto, \$2; Pittsburg, \$1.70; Merced County (12 people), \$30.50; M. L., Bakersfield, \$3; Hall, Bakersfield, \$2; R., Santa Barbara, \$4.50; L. J., Santa Barbara, \$2; Berkeley Section, \$30.17; Central Oakland, \$28.10; East Oakland, \$1; Pasadena, \$8.60; Downtown, L. A., \$1.70; Unit A-4, L. A., \$4; A-5, L. A., \$2.50; A-8, L. A., \$14; Downtown, L. A., \$27.30; A Friend, L. A., \$5; Abrams L. A., \$2.50; Nell H., L. A., \$2; P. N., L. A., \$2.50; A-5, L. A., \$2; A-11, L. A., \$3.

Coupon Books Coupon books have been sold by H. L., San Diego, \$5; A. S., San Diego, \$5; N. Z., Sacramento, \$5; J. L., Oroville, \$5; T. P., Sacramento; W. J., Prater, Richmond, \$10; A. P., Richmond \$2.25; J. Brown, Vallejo, \$3.25; Merced County, \$4.80; Santa Barbara, \$5; Bakersfield, \$5; Berkeley Section, \$19.60; Central Oakland, \$10; East Oakland, \$12.65; Downtown Section, L. A., \$5.

Donations were received from San Diego bookshop, \$3.73; and from Berkeley unit party, \$35.

U.C. Students Will Vote On R.O.T.C.

BERKELEY.—Until a vote of students is taken, the students' executive committee refused to reopen the question of compulsory military training at the University of California and refused to request President Sproul on the issue on the grounds drill "builds morale."

The reply was made to a request of the peace action committee of the students.

Symposium Slated On Youth Issues In '36 Elections

OAKLAND.—Speakers representing political parties will appear at a symposium of the East-bay Council, of American Youth Congress, Saturday night, Oct. 24th, Carpenters' Hall, 765 12th St., Oakland, 8 p.m.

Speakers are Charles W. Fisher, Republican; John H. Tolan, Jr., Clarence E. Rust, Socialist; and Lloyd H. Harris, Communist Congressional candidate, 6th district.

Communist Voting Strength Grows At University

BERKELEY.—Communist voting strength has increased over 400 percent in the University of California straw poll since 1932. Out of 2304 students voting, 120 voted for Earl Browder. Republican strength declined since 1932, when Hoover received a majority of votes cast, Landon receiving 1058 votes to 952 for Roosevelt. Four years ago Roosevelt received but 331 votes. Greatest decline was in the Socialist vote, Norman Thomas polling but 150 votes this year to 460 in 1932.

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Our Position On Rev. Floyd Seaman

By EMMA CUTLER (Communist Candidate for Congress, 13th District, Los Angeles.) Several people have asked me recently:

- 1. What about Rev. Floyd Seaman's write-in campaign? 2. Is the Communist Party supporting him? 3. Are you going to withdraw in favor of Seaman? 4. Has Seaman got a chance to be elected?

First: Floyd Seaman is one of that group of honest and sincere liberals that are progressive and moving in the direction of unity. The Communist Party has no personal animosity or unfriendly feelings towards him, but we consider his write-in campaign at this time a move in the opposite direction from unity, and a bad mistake.

We have said many times over that the issue in this campaign is Democracy or Fascism—Progress or Reaction.

All-important Issue In the 13th Congressional district perhaps more than any other district, the sharpness of this issue is brought home. A district where we have the red-baiting arch reactionary Charles Kramer, representing Hearst, Wall Street, the Chamber of

Commerce and all the reactionary forces of our time, where I am the only candidate that will appear on the ballot in opposition to Kramer.

This is the precise moment when all liberal, progressive and peace loving people should unite to defeat reaction. Instead of that, through the instigation of a few people in the Epic Committee, they propose to run a write-in candidate, thus throwing a great deal of confusion into the minds of many, many people who are anxious and willing to fight reaction; to unite forces with the only progressive candidate remaining in the field in opposition to Kramer, the Communist candidate.

Furthermore, to enter a write-in candidate four weeks before the general election and expect to get any favorable results is sheer romanticism.

Write-In Vote Impractical The physical difficulties that present themselves should be enough to consider such a campaign impractical. The name must be written just exactly right to the dot, each voter must furnish his own writing material for this, and if this one name is written wrong, the entire ballot is thrown out and your presiden-

tial vote is not counted. Perhaps only once in the whole history of our elections here it happened that a candidate was elected in a write-in campaign, and then certainly not just four weeks before election time.

We consider Seaman's campaign a most serious mistake made by the Epic Committee.

Question two: The Communist Party has its own candidate (myself) in the field and will carry on a vigorous campaign against Kramer and for the Communist Party Election Platform, and cannot and will not support Seaman in this campaign.

Question three: I shall not withdraw in favor of Seaman. To withdraw at this time in the campaign would leave the field wide open for Kramer in view of the strenuous campaign I have been carrying on against Kramer and because at present I am the only other candidate appearing on the ballot.

Anti-Kramer, Pro-Cutler My object from now until the election day will be to pile up a huge pro-Cutler, anti-Kramer vote, that will be the mandate to Kramer and his ilk that the people in the 13th Congressional District will not tolerate his anti-labor, un-American activities. This will be a warning to the

reactionary bloc in Congress that the people of the nation will not continue to elect representatives against their own interests.

Already we see evidences of this by the straw ballot that was carried on in the "East Side Journal"—local newspaper, where Kramer got 16 per cent and I got 42 per cent of the vote cast.

Question four: I do not think Seaman has a chance to be elected, for the reasons mentioned above and because if we understand how elections are run, we know that money talks in elections, that it is still possible to buy up huge sections of the population with beer and favors.

United Front Possible It is also quite possible to organize the widest kind of united front behind some candidate, to have a really representative progressive bloc that will never be able to be bought out. At such a time we can defeat Kramer. Seaman has not yet such a United Front around him, certainly not in this election, and he will not defeat Kramer in this election. However, I will consider both his vote and my own as an Anti-Kramer vote, and both of them combined may bring us closer to the kind of United Front we must have in order to defeat reaction.



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## Britain Aids the Fascist War Mongers

THE REJECTION by the Earl of Plymouth, British Chairman of the Non-Intervention Committee of the Soviet demand that the Committee be called immediately to consider control of Portuguese ports is significant. It is a British move to scuttle the Soviet protest through the repetition of vague generalities about the upholding of the non-intervention agreement. All this while German and Italian arms and other war material continue to pour in to the Spanish Fascists through Portuguese ports.

Thus has Great Britain given concrete aid to the war-mongering plans of Hitler and Mussolini. The aid given the Spanish Fascists by their "comrades" in Germany and Italy are an important part of a Fascist maneuver to create the basis for a new world war, for an attack against the Soviet Union.

The establishment of a Fascist dictatorship in Spain would be an invaluable aid to Hitler and Mussolini. Besides strengthening the Fascist bloc, and directly menacing the French democratic government, the Fascists are anxious to obtain much needed Spanish raw material for war purposes.

The "neutrality" pact as it is now carried out is a tragic farce. No one knows better than British officials that the Soviet charges are true. Yet Britain's Lord Plymouth, chairman of the Non-Intervention Committee, refuses to act!

In the meantime, while arms deliveries are continuing from Germany and Italy to Franco, the Fascist nations are rushing through their war preparations. Hitler has announced he is about to refortify the Rhine, and is trying his utmost to impede the signing of the Anglo-Soviet naval pact.

The fight of the Spanish defenders of democracy, in the words of Comrade Stalin, is one "for freedom and liberation which is the concern of progressive humanity of the entire world."

It is a struggle of primary importance to the working class of the world. Pressure exerted by the British workers may yet force their government to the retreat from its cynical stand of winking an eye at aid to the Spanish Fascist while denouncing it sanctimoniously in public.

The American working class must act, too. Especially is that action more imperative as the Fascist hordes of Franco, bearing German and Italian arms and aided by Italian planes and German fliers, are pounding at the gates of Madrid.

All working class organizations are urged to adopt resolutions calling upon the United States to recognize and deal with the friendly, democratically-elected Government of Spain. Failure to do so means that objectively Washington is aiding the Spanish Fascists, carrying out the policies of Butchers Hitler and Mussolini!

All friends of democracy are urged to speed up their collection of funds to help buy bullets, guns, food, clothing and medicine for those heroic Spanish fighters who are embattled for the sake of "progressive humanity of the entire world!"

## Townsendites, Support Progress

TOWNSEND PLAN supporters in California are urged to vote for the Hearst-Landon ticket.

The urging is made by Dr. Francis Townsend in person.

To the Communist Party, this announcement comes as no surprise. It definitely confirms what the Party has said from the beginning: That William Lemke, so-called Union Party candidate, is merely a stalking horse for Landon.

Dr. Townsend permitted the fascists, Father Coughlin and Rev. Gerald Smith, to drag him at their chariot wheels into the camp of Lemke... Now, when it is impossible to get Lemke on the California ballot, the Lemke managers quite naturally advise for Landon.

A year ago the Communist Party pointed to the danger of the Townsend movements being made into an adjunct of the reactionary Republican Party politicians. By Townsend's moves, that danger is made quite real. These people, seeking old age pensions, are being sold down the river into the camp of

the bitterest opponents of any sort of aid for the aged.

A year ago the Communist Party also emphasized that the labor movement, and particularly Labor's Non-Partisan League, could combat that danger by stretching out a hand of fellowship to the Townsend followers, in helping them to fight for genuine old age pensions. This was not done. And, therefore, reaction was greatly helped.

This California development can well stir Communist Party members to continue the good work of winning the Townsends for the Farmer-Labor Party and for the defeat of Landon. Let that work be speeded forward, especially in California.

This is especially important, in view of Landon's impending visit to Los Angeles in a desperate effort to win this state for reaction.

## Spread the Lettuce Boycott

FROM SALINAS comes news of more mass arrests of workers following tear gas barrages laid against picket lines. Vigilantes are again being sworn in by the deputization and arming of 75 men by Sheriff Carl Abbott. In the meantime, while these preparations are going on for the ruthless crushing of any attempt by the strikers to maintain picket lines, the shippers and growers still succeed in flooding the market with scab lettuce packed by strikebreakers.

The organized labor movement in the rest of California has not taken energetic enough measure to carry out the resolution adopted at the State Federation of Labor Convention in Sacramento last month. The resolution called for active boycott of all lettuce not marked with the union label. This resolution has not been carried out sufficiently. Now the resulting situation is more serious, and demands broader action.

In a good number of cities, including San Francisco, lettuce is being sold which, the sellers and handlers contend, is not packed in Salinas. However, it is a relatively simple thing to divert Salinas lettuce and have it marked as coming from any other section of the state. What is needed now is a general boycott against all lettuce in California until the strike is settled.

Such a movement should be commenced at once by Central Labor bodies in all areas throughout the state, and energetically pushed with a popular appeal for the support of all shoppers.

In this way perhaps enough pressure can be developed on the growers and shippers—and especially on the die-hard reactionary Associated Farmers—to force them to grant some concessions to the strikers.

## Hearst's Man Friday Speaks For Landon

IN SAN FRANCISCO, John Francis Neylan, attorney for William Randolph Hearst and the Hearst interests, is actively campaigning in behalf of Landon and Knox.

This is proper and fitting. Neylan is notorious as an open-shopper and strike-breaker. It was he who worked closely with General Johnson during the maritime strike in 1934 in an effort to smash the strike. It was he who urged the use of state troops in an effort to break that strike.

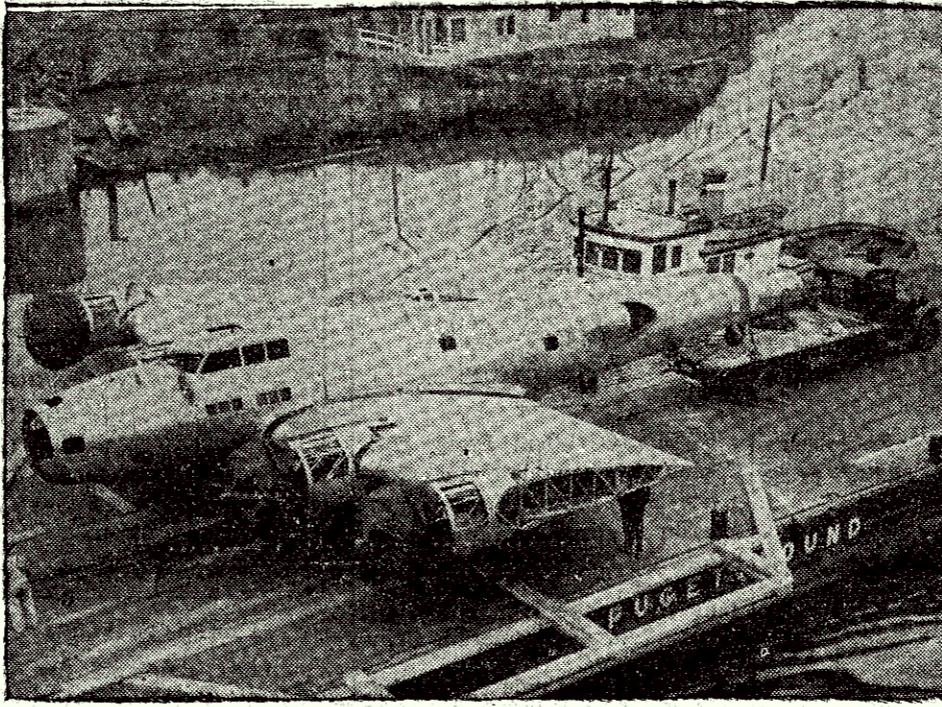
It is Neylan who periodically comes out with attacks against organized labor, and regularly tries to raise the "red scare."

Landon could find no more apt spokesman for his platform than this arch enemy of the organized labor movement and of democracy.

While his speech was a direct attack against the Roosevelt administration, Hearst's attorney said not one definite thing about what Landon proposes to do in order to help labor organize to win better conditions, and to safeguard democracy. Neither is this to be wondered at. For Landon's platform (and Hearst's) is dedicated to the exact opposite: it is aimed at robbing the American people of their democratic rights, and of instituting a new Era of the Open Shop in the United States.

We do not think Mr. Neylan's vitriolic phrases made much of a dent outside of the coupon-clipping club women to whom he spoke. Mr. Neylan is known to be Hearst's attorney. Hearst is known to be the enemy of everything decent in American life.

## READY TO RAIN DEATH IN NEW WAR



One of 13 new giant bombers is brought by barge to the assembly plant at Boeing Field, Seattle. The 16-ton planes, each powered by four 1000-horsepower motors, have a 105-foot wingspread and a length of 70 feet. Each plane will have five machine-gun turrets. U. S. Government, like all imperialist powers, is feverishly preparing for a new world slaughter.

# How To Recruit Communists In the Factory and the Union

By NAT DAVIS

One of the surest guarantees for the building of a strong Farmer-Labor Party, as a People's Front against Fascism, is the existence of a strong Communist Party.

It is now a fact accepted by all who see the necessity for a Farmer-Labor Party that in the factory and in the trade union will lie the base of such a party. And the building of the Communist Party in the places of work—the plant, the dock, the ship, the mine and the office, and in the union—is therefore of greater importance today than ever before.

### Why Recruiting Stressed In Shop and Union

Why does the Communist Party consider it of primary importance to build itself, first of all in the place of work and in the trade union?

In the factory, on the dock and on the ship, are the men and women who by the fact that in their hands is the production of every necessity of life, are decisive in the life of the country.

In the unions are those men and women, who by the fact that they have seen the necessity to band together for struggle against the exploiting class, have therefore stepped ahead of their fellow-workers in the road toward the final abolition of the entire system of capitalist exploitation.

They (the union members) have, through the actions of the governmental forces directed against their unions, seen better than those who remain unorganized, the role of the capitalist state in regard to the working class.

They, above all workers, have been attending the school of class-struggle experience, which prepares them for still further steps on the road toward abolition of capitalism.

In the union ranks are to be found the pick of the working class, men and women who have displayed qualities of leadership, even though it may be on a small scale.

This article cannot attempt to tell, in every detail, how Communists should and can recruit the fine, fighting elements to be found in the factory, on the dock and ship, and in the union. It can only deal with certain points which are worth dealing with in view of the California recruiting drive.

### The Staunchest Fighter

The Communist Party member, if he is to recruit from his union or place of work, above all proves himself the staunchest fighter for the grievances of his fellow-workers in the factory or dock; in the union he shows himself as above all ways on the alert towards building and maintaining the unity of the trade unions.

In the place of work the Communist Party member has his eyes and ears open for the conditions and grievances existing in every department of his place of work. He is the one who steers the grumbling of the workers around these grievances—whether it be filthy wash-rooms, greasy floors, dust-covered windows, or a question of wages and hours, into organized channels.

In the unorganized plant the Communist should be the first to make contact with the A.F.L. union covering his industry; he is the one who should bring the message of that union to the workers.

He is the one who should come forward, always choosing his methods according to circumstances in the place of work, with the need for organizing into the union of his industry.

Close To His Fellow-Workers He is never aloof from the workers in his place of work; he eats with them, goes to shows with them, invites them to his home; spends time with his fellow-workers in their homes. He gets to know their families and

they get to know his family. He knows what they think; he talks their language, so that every word of propaganda is plainly and quickly understood by them.

In the union he comes forward with progressive ideas.

He aims to make the union a class-struggle weapon; he convinces his fellow union members, by cold facts, by examples from other and progressive unions, what a powerful weapon the union can be in bringing a greater measure of happiness to the worker and his family.

### The Communist As Progressive

He exposes reactionary, corrupt or racketeering union officials. He does not do so in such a way that his union brothers and sisters gain the impression that he, who is known now, or at any rate will some day be known as a Communist, opposes the reactionary officials simply to be "again" the government—that is, against an official simply because he is an official.

He learns to distinguish between outright corrupt union officials and honest, but misguided, or sincerely conservative officials, whose minds are open to progressive ideas.

He shows in his every action and word that his first concern is to make the union strong. He does this by bringing new members into the union. He attends his union meetings regularly. He knows the parliamentary rules governing the conduct of union meetings; he knows his union's constitution and by-laws from A to Z, knows how to conduct himself in a debate or discussion on the union floor, so that he is all the better able to simply convince his fellow-union members of his progressive ideas.

He begins to stand out, in the eyes of his fellow workers in the factory, dock or ship, and in the union, as the one who steadily fights for the aspirations and hopes of his fellow-workers. He is never abstract in his talk or action—he is concrete and simple, and reduces all questions to a bread-and-butter proposition.

The Communist in the factory, and in the union, gets to know the ideas and opinions of his fellow-workers on all subjects, political and otherwise.

He gets to know why they hold certain political views; he doesn't throw up the sponge because his fellow-worker may happen to have fallen victim to ideas which are hostile to working-class interests.

### Bread and Butter Terms

He gets to know what impels the worker to hold certain opinions, say in favor of capitalist parties, or politicians, or even Fascist or semi-Fascist groups. He answers these ideas, not by hammering the worker on the head, not through impatience, but by clear, simple, logic, in the bread and butter terms which his fellow-worker readily understands.

By conducting himself in this way, the Communist in the union and in the factory can never be said to be "hiding the face of the Party," for he is carrying out the Party program; he is winning his fellow-workers to the Party program, and when he is known, as he must someday be known, as a Communist, his fellow-workers see in him, the representative of the Communist Party, a constant fighter for workingclass unity and for the desires of the workers; a builder of the trade union movement.

In doing these things, the Communist gets to know who are best, the most sincere, the ablest of his fellow-workers, and he develops them for leadership of the workers struggles, and politically as well.

He gets to know which of his fellow-workers he can most easily trust; the rank and file Communist in the shop finds out in whom he can confide and he gets to know which of his fellow-workers can know he is a Communist.

### Shall He Say He's Communist?

It is an elementary fact, that if the Communist Party member goes on year after year, in his place of work or in his union, letting no one know he is a Communist, he is not going to be able to recruit workers to the Communist Party.

There is of course no need for the Communist in the factory or union to shout to anyone and everyone that he is a Communist. That is needless exposure and only makes it easier for the employer, or the reactionary union official to eliminate the most progressive person in the shop or union, the one who will make more trade union members in the shop or more progressives in the union.

It would be foolish to say in an article, speaking for every case, when a Communist should come out as a Communist, when he should not and how long he should not.

Circumstances are different in each union, and in each place of work.

But the workers sooner or later must know that there is a Communist in the shop or in the union, if the workers are to be brought closer to the Communist position and into the Communist Party.

And there should be no such thing as a Communist, for an unending long period, hiding his identity from everyone in the shop or union. Some of the most trustworthy workers can be safely told within a reasonable period that the Communist is a Communist Party member.

### How To Recruit

The Communist in the factory, on the dock or ship who hasn't recruited new Communists year after year is no real Communist.

How does a Communist go about recruiting to the Party, how long does he wait before approaching workers to join?

He paves the way for it, as has been said, by showing himself as the constant upholder and reflector of the workers' desires and hopes, by building the union in the unorganized and the organized place of work both. He gains the confidence of his fellow-workers. He sees that they get appropriate Party literature—and tries to fit that literature to the particular issues, both in the shop and union and in general, which are agitating the workers at the moment. He utilizes the Western Worker, marking items of special interest. He of course gets the literature in the workers' hands by using his judgment as to the situation in the plant or union.

Having talked with them, socialized with them, shown that he is but one of them, that what he stands for and fights for is what they stand for and want, he has gotten to know who are the readiest for recruitment as Communists. He takes the best contacts to Party meetings, affairs, open unit meetings.

Communists have the fullest faith in the masses of workers. They cannot, having won workers closer to the Party position, express such ideas as "So-and-So agrees with us, but he'd never make a good Communist, he's too dumb," or "she's too old" or "too young," or "too slow to learn," or "still has screwy ideas about this or that"—some single point like religion, for instance.

Workers don't have to be anywhere near full-fledged theoreticians to be ripe for recruitment into the Party. Workers can't all display the same degree of alertness to learn, or the same degree of energy to act. But when they have become convinced of the correctness of the Communist program as a whole, they are ready to join the Party.

### Permanent "Contacts"

Single points of unclarity they will do away with in the course of their life in the Party, in the course of the education the Party gives its members.

It is not correct to keep good, sincere workers, who have shown themselves as such, as perman-

# AS WE SEE IT

By BILL SCHNEIDERMAN,  
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## Landon In California

WHEN LEMKE announced his candidacy for President, the Communist Party declared: "Lemke is a stooge for Landon." When Dr. Townsend issued his slogan: "Anybody but Roosevelt," the Communist Party said this could only mean: "Nobody but Landon."

The correctness of the Communist analysis is clear even to the doubters now, when Dr. Townsend switched from Lemke to Landon, and the Republican Party is bringing Landon here to try to win California with Townsend votes.

Townsend's support of Landon constitutes the greatest betrayal of the Townsend movement, and should be repudiated by every Townsend club in California. He is handing over a progressive movement for social security into the hands of the greatest enemies of Social Security.

We can understand the bitterness of the Townsends at the total inadequacy of social security legislation under the Roosevelt administration; but even that legislation was opposed by the Republican Party, as it does all social and labor legislation. Henry Ford, rooting for Landon, says "Get rid of the Social Security Act." Does anybody believe that the Republicans who oppose even this puny attempt at security legislation really mean to keep their promise to the Townsends to give them old-age pensions? Hitler also promised all things to all people.

The red-baiters in the unions consciously or unconsciously play the employers' game, by raising the cry that the reds are "disrupters" and "trouble-makers." The "red scare" is the favorite weapon of all employers against a militant union and its members or leaders. Actually, every union member who works side by side with a fellow-union member who is a Communist can testify to the fact that Communists are among the most loyal, active, and constructive trade-unionists. This is because they follow the correct program of the Communist Party, whose policy aims to build the unions into powerful weapons, not only for the defense of the immediate interests of the workers, but for the final emancipation of the working-class from capitalism.

A recognition of the progressive role played by Communists in the unions can be seen in the steel organizing campaign conducted by the C. I. O., where Communists are among the most active organizers. The following news item from the Daily Worker speaks for itself:

Philip Murray, International Vice-President of the United Mine Workers of America, and chairman of the Steel Workers Organizing Committee of the C. I. O., which has the backing of its 1,250,000 membership, squelched an attempt to interject the "red scare" as a splitting factor. A newspaper man asked him: "Does your committee knowingly have Communists on its payroll or aiding in the unionization drive?"

Murray answered: "Do you bar Communists from becoming citizens of the United States? We are accepting the support and co-operation of all groups. We do not ask a man about his political beliefs or creeds."

How come Murray, a conservative union official, takes such a stand? Because the C. I. O. leaders, in seeking capable organizers who were trusted by the rank and file, found out that Communists were an indispensable part of the trade union movement; that their experience in the labor movement, the confidence they enjoyed among the workers, and the constructive leadership they gave to the workers, was one of the most powerful factors in the steel organizing campaign.

Workers of other industries and unions have found the same thing. Maritime workers, auto workers rubber workers have repudiated red-baiters. Agricultural workers, as in Salinas, have learned from experience that the "red scare" is an employers' weapon. That is why the workers in every union are beginning to look with suspicion on anyone who attacks the Communists. Red-baiters are not popular any more.

Hitler Fascism has brought Germany to the brink of ruin. The German people face a winter of food shortage. Storm-troopers will go from house to house to collect winter relief for the unemployed. The employed will be asked to miss a few of their already skimpy meals, and no one will dare to refuse.

In contrast to this picture of Fascist rule, the people of the Soviet Union are preparing to celebrate the beginning of the 20th year of working class rule and the victory of Socialism. On Nov. 7th is the 19th anniversary of Soviet Power. Socialist industry, collective agriculture, a growing prosperity of all peoples, is the picture in Soviet Russia, once the most backward and poverty-stricken country under Czarist capitalist rule. The Soviet masses have good cause to rejoice and celebrate, and the working class of all countries have reason to celebrate with them, as their victory is a victory for the oppressed peoples of the entire world.

## New Teamster Charter Important Event In Contra Costa

MARTINEZ.—A new charter for a Teamsters Union Local was installed here last week. Some 30 teamsters signed up, says J. L. Von Tello, vice-president of the State Federation for Contra Costa County.

Over 100 more are expected to sign now that the charter is installed. Unionists in this country have long looked forward to installation of the Teamsters charter.

## N.W. Woodworkers Planning Newspaper

VANCOUVER, B.C.—A new militant labor paper, "The Wood Worker" probably will be issued by the newly organized Woodworkers Federation of the Northwest. The proposal of the press committee that two existing papers, "The B.C. Lumber Worker" and the "Timber Worker," be amalgamated for the purpose is expected to meet with approval of all concerned.

ent "contacts." Their place is in the Party. And if workers ready for the Party are not approached after long contact with Party members, they can easily be lost, driven away for good.

As has been said, this article attempts only to deal with some aspects of recruiting to the Party in the shop or the union.

It is in the hope that further discussion on any phases dealt with, and on further phases, will be stimulated, that this article is written.

## 'Not Guilty' Expose Of King Frameup

SAN FRANCISCO.—"Not Guilty!"

That's the expressive title of the pamphlet issued by the King-Conner-Ramsay Defense, exposing the frameup against these three Marine Firemen's Union men, by District Attorney Warren of Alameda County, in the Point Lobos murder case.

About 25,000 copies of the pamphlet have already been printed. Price is three cents a copy.

All newsstands in the East Bay are carrying the pamphlets.

## F.D.R. Leads Landon, Browder Ahead of Thomas At U.S.C.

LOS ANGELES.—Even students at the University of Southern California, which costs plenty to go to, aren't falling for the pro-Fascist campaign of Alf Landon, a straw poll reveals.

Roosevelt polled 450 votes up to the fourth day of the poll, with 360 for Landon.

Earl Browder, Communist candidate, polled 44 votes while Norman Thomas, Socialist nominee, polled but seven. Lemke got three votes and Colvin, Prohibitionist, two votes.

C.I.O. IN OIL AREA KITTANNING, Pa.—Armstrong County Central Labor Union, in the Penn Oil area commends the C.I.O. for its militant stand in the face of opposition.



People's Health

By Franklin E. Bissell, M. D.

(Continuing the series on the health and illnesses of factory workers, written jointly with Dr. Z. Klein.)

Tobacco Factories Are Full of Dust, Causing Much Tuberculosis

THE TOBACCO INDUSTRY in the United States employs 175,000 working people. 75,000 are women and 10,000 are children under 16 years of age. The sorting and cutting processes produce a great amount of destructive dust. It is true that machinery has since replaced hand work, but tobacco dust still exists. This dust causes nicotine poisoning, headache, stomach pains, heartburn, vomiting, diarrhoea, loss of sleep, and general fatigue. It will be interesting to note that reliable statistics prove that out of 230 occupations, cigar and tobacco workers occupy second place in death rate from tuberculosis, the first place being taken by marble and stone cutters. Tobacco workers receive injuries to the eye, skin, throat. The women suffer female disturbances and hemorrhages.



Dr. Franklin E. Bissell

Lumber Industry Is a Great Source of Injuries and Accidents

LET US EXAMINE the lumber industry. 700,000 workers are employed here, including 8,000 women and 6,000 youngsters under 16 years of age. In a two-year period, ten thousand accidents took place. In the same period, 200 died of injuries while handling and rolling lumber, log carriages, power driven saws, high power machines and other dangerous instruments. There are few provisions in the lumber camps for accidents and injuries. The Red Cross had to arrange first aid stations. Dr. Kober reports: "In these occupations, hard work, exposures to drafts, high temperature in the dry kiln department, effects of increased incessant noise upon hearings, the inhalation of dust from planing, sand papering machines, and accidents are injurious factors." The main cause for disease in the lumber industry is the unhealthy surroundings and wood dust, also high-power machinery. The following woods will cause skin and catarrhal conditions, eye, nose, and throat trouble—sequoia wood, cocobola wood, sabacu wood, satin wood, Mexican blue gum, and Indian Rose Wood. In the cabinet shop the wood workers are subject to these dangerous wood dusts, skin diseases, pain to the arms from the chisel and hand plane. The lumber industry is controlled by what is known as the "Lumber Barons," who picked the youngest and toughest men to work them hard, to pile up wealth, and, in return to receive injuries, accidents, disease.

Paper Mills Bring Infections And Poisoning to Many Workers

HOW ABOUT the paper industry? It employs 100,000 men and women and children under sixteen years of age, while paying a very low wage, and commanding long hours of work. Workers in this industry are subject to the following diseases: Chronic bronchitis, emphysema of the lungs (injury to the lung tissue), eye inflammation, scarlet fever, anthrax, smallpox, tuberculosis. The color in the paper contains lead and arsenic, the bronzing powders have mica, and wool dust in all these products irritates the lungs and bronchial tubes. The temperature in the paper factories reaches 90 to 100 F. and the result is fatigue and disease, lower vitality, shortening of the life.

Women on the March

By MARY GARFIELD

Oh Lady of Spain we adore you Not for your black eyes and hair, Nor yet for the gown that adorns you Or the perfume and rose that you wear.

It is, my dear Lady Dolores, The grip on the steel in your hand That says to the coward and traitor: "I'll kill to defend this, my land."

For the steel in your hand, and your courage We hail you, oh lady of Spain, And not for the "rose and mantilla" But just for your "hell and your pain."

THE OLD SAYING is that there was never anyone so poor, but you could find someone poorer. Spain is poorer than we are, and Spain needs warm clothes. Spain is plenty cold in the winter. You will remember the "miners" of Spain? They come from the mountains of Spain.

It's cold in those places. Cold. Cold. Cold. Get busy and find clothes for the wonderful women of Spain. The women who are fighting for democracy, the democracy that we want too, the democracy that we must be so alert to preserve. Help them and we help ourselves. If they go down in defeat, we grow weaker.

We are apt to get our idea of Spain from the beautiful ladies on the boxes of raisins from Malaga. She wore a comb in her blue black hair; a lace mantilla and a deep red rose over her ear. A dark and handsome gentleman leaned over her, whispering "sweet nothings" in her shell-like ear.

Alas, the beautiful lady on the raisin box was not the lady who grew the raisins, nor was she the lady who packed the raisins, nor was she the lady who was too poor to eat the raisins. The people of Spain have been so very poor for so very, very long. The lady on the raisin box was a misleader and only a "front."

The people of Spain today are saying: "We will eat the raisins." But they must fight in the streets and in the mountain passes, in the towns and the cities for those democratic rights which will give them that which they have produced.

The beautiful ladies in the niches in the churches and in the roadside grottos have been decked out in glory of paint and color and jewels and gold bought with the starvation and fear of the people of Spain.

These ladies do not feel the cold for they are made from wood and plaster.

The women of Spain will suffer unless we help to clothe them! The children of the women of Spain and the men need clothes. Anything, everything that is warm and can be worn.

Send or take your box to the American League against War and Fascism, at 320 Market Street. They have a way of sending it to Spain.

DID YOU EVER cook polenta? Polenta is coarse ground corn meal. You had better buy it in an Italian store. For two people, a cup of polenta cooked in 2 quarts of boiling, salted water until it is thick enough to hold its own shape. About 40 minutes. Serve it with a good tomato sauce. Cut it in slices to serve, and sprinkle with plenty of grated cheese. If there is any left, you can slice it and fry it or you can slice it and put in a baking dish in layers with tomato sauce and grated cheese spread over each layer. If you want a recipe for anything, write in and ask me for it.

ACCENT ON YOUTH

By EVELYN JAMES

Hitler's Youth Movement

THE underground movement in Germany has reached a size and influence that terrifies the Nazi leaders. What's more, killing and imprisoning the anti-Fascists has not had the effect they hoped. Police Commissioner Heildorf of Berlin declared that it was futile to arrest 100,000 Communists whose names and addresses they had on file. Why? "If we should arrest these 100,000, then others would immediately take their places."

Hitler has realized that he can't kill off all those who oppose him, so he is making new plans. If he can warp the young people of Germany with his ideas, make them loyal to Nazism, he has only to wait till the adult generation has died off, and then all will be rosy in der Vaterland.

So 12 million German youth from 10-18 are being organized into junior storm troops. Boys from 10-14 are called for the "Young Folk" group. All day Saturday and from 4-8 on Wednesdays these youngsters spend with Nazi leaders. They exercise, they sing the Horst Wessel song, with its bloody references to Jews' heads rolling in the streets. They learn the elementary information the leaders want to give them about Hitler and his policies.

The most Aryan of these Young Folk are selected to go into the Hitler Youth, where they are trained to fill government positions. Part of their function is to assist in supervising those less-Aryan youth who do not rate the Hitler youth group, but must belong to the State Youth. The State Youth boys graduate into the compulsory Labor Service. Both of these groups meet on evenings and Sunday afternoons.

The Girls, Too

AND don't think Hitler is leaving out anyone in his plan to convert the young people to the Nazi faith. The girls have an organization all their own, the Hitler Girls. Their motto is "Make the German Girl a Better Mother." They learn sports, housekeeping, sanitation, air raid drills, and Red Cross work. And Nazism. They meet Wednesday from 4-8 and Saturdays.

Right now, membership in these organizations is voluntary, but if the youth are foolish enough to think that means they can stay out, the leaders don't hide their intention of making membership compulsory. Nazi leaders expect that from 3 to 8 years will be necessary before the entire youth of Germany has been made staunchly Nazi. But they forget that at the same time they are bombarding young people with the demagogic "theory" of Fascism, the bitter realities of Fascism are crushing down on them. At home the boy will be going without butter and cream, eating meat once a month, dressing in ragged clothes. His schools will be overcrowded, shutting down. His friends and relatives will be in constant fear of opening their mouths to ask for a better life.

Are the young people of Germany living lives of poverty and oppression, going to believe for long that Fascism is an ideal state? Will they trust the words of a demagogue, rather than their own eyes and stomachs?

Browder's Book Now 25 Cents

Earl Browder's popular book, "What is Communism," formerly \$2.00 a copy, has just been reprinted by Workers Library Publishers in a special edition of 50,000 copies, beautifully designed and decorated with a portrait of the author. The large printing has made possible the unusually low price of 25c a copy, despite the fact that the book contains 192 pages.

This popular explanation of Communism by no less an authority than the General Secretary of the Communist Party, has had a wide sale under the original imprint of Vanguard Press, and will undoubtedly be welcomed at the new low price.

L.A. Officials Face Damage Suit for False Arrest

LOS ANGELES—Ross Howard, service station attendant, has filed suit charging false arrest and seeks \$65,000 damages. Named in the suit are Police Chief Davis, Mayor Shaw and members of the police commission.

PRESSURE OF THIRD PARTY DID IT



DORIS DUKE CROMWELL, heiress to the Bull Durham tobacco millions, is the country's richest girl. She wanted to use this shore front near her \$500,000 Honolulu home for a private swimming pool, but her plans were spoiled when Hawaiian authorities refused permission, declaring the frontage public land. The existence of a third, progressive party movement on the Islands had something to do with that.

VOICES OF LABOR

Long Beach.

EDITOR: We went Sunday evening to hear Mr. Ford speak and found when we arrived there our Los Angeles "Red Squad" was Johnny on the spot for a moment to resort to such action, even though it is a bit tough on the families. Such pressure may also force stool pigeons to mend their ways.

Hesitation to use such a method of trade union members would be criminal folly, for it would mean to allow the feelings of a few wives and children of stool pigeons to stand in the way of a greater degree of happiness for thousands and perhaps tens of thousands of workers and their families.

Before Mr. Ford arrived we sang several songs and an idea popped into my mind that I and others at the meeting think is a good one.

Can't you, once a week, print in our paper a working class song with the melody of the right hand, so that those of us who aren't quite so familiar with our songs can cut them out and paste them in book form for the piano.

I have been cutting out the recipes printed in Mary Garfield's column and have tried some. Keep up the recipes. MRS. KEITH O. WEBB.

EDITOR: Why must our campaign meetings be so long? Over at the Oakland Ford rally last Thursday nodding heads and gaping yawns were all to prevail. Many workers had to leave without hearing the main speaker. Exasperated sighs of "Well, it's about time," were plainly audible throughout the audience when, at last, shortly before ten, Ford began.

Our rallies must have more zip and go. We must not let a host of minor speakers wear out the audience so they will be unable to appreciate the man they have come to hear. How can workers believe in the fast-moving efficiency of Communism when Communist meeting start late and end late? No more three hour endurance tests. Let's make them short and snappy. DAN DANA.

EDITOR: The Western Worker of Sept. 14 contained a short story, "They Asked for It," which a Hearst paper might conceivably find useful in demonstrating the "vicious inhumanity of the Reds."

I find the story objectionable in its praise of the tactics of the fictional factory workers who, themselves organized to resist injustice at the hands of their employers, combat stool pigeons by malicious persecution of the latter's innocent children.

The propaganda value of this story in enlisting sympathy for organized labor is undeniably negative. To trade union members it fosters a conception of "Communist methods" which is regrettable and certainly mistaken. Surely this miserable story in spitefulness was published without having been read by the editors.

Sincerely, A STUDENT. (Editor's note: This letter was submitted to the writer of the short story in question, whose reply follows.)

EDITOR: The short story, "They Asked for It," was based on the actual method adopted by the workers, in the actual occurrence in a Baltimore steel mill was entirely effective in ridding the mill of stool pigeons.

No one is more contemptible than the stool pigeon, to the worker trying to better his wages, hours and conditions through trade union organization. So great is the hatred for stool pigeons that workers have been known on more occasions than one to resort to physical

action to eliminate this serious menace.

If pressure on the stool pigeons' wives and children will force the stool pigeons to leave town, workers will not hesitate for a moment to resort to such action, even though it is a bit tough on the families. Such pressure may also force stool pigeons to mend their ways.

As to fostering a conception of "Communist methods" among the trade union members, the happenings in Baltimore, and recently, in San Francisco, as applied to the son of the Fascist-minded shipowners' leader Thomas G. Plant, by longshoremen's children in a high school, were participated in not by Communists, but by trade union members of all political beliefs.—D.

EDITOR: In "The American Guardian" of Sept. 25 (17 West Third St., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma), I read an article by Charles Edward Russell entitled "How American Fascism Deals With Its Foes," telling how the mayor of Huntington, Indiana, is today in the county jail. Why? He ventured to oppose the Power Trust by operating a municipal electric light plant. It seems to me news worth using in election speeches. That is why I take the trouble to write it to you.

Wishing you well, (Name withheld.)

Sailors Mutiny On 'Mystery Ship' Of British Navy

LONDON.—Overwork and poor food caused a mutiny on board the British "mystery ship" of the navy, H.M.S. Guardian, in the Firth of Forth recently, it was admitted last week by the British Admiralty.

A "slight case of indiscipline" was what the Admiralty called the mutiny. However, it brought memories of other heroic mutinies in the British fleet in recent years, one a gigantic strike wave among the sailors of the British fleet stationed at Invergordon and another on H.M.S. Hood, one of the biggest battleships afloat.

The Admiralty said the Guardian mutiny occurred October 10th and consisted of part of the crew refusing orders to fall in line, and that some of the seamen were put under guard while the vessel left the fleet and went to Invergordon.

The Guardian, carrying a crew of 150, is the largest net layer built and is referred to as a "mystery ship" because it has naval innovations which the Admiralty has kept secret.

Food and living conditions are notoriously bad on the British warships. It has been reported that, in the event of war, the majority of the sailors of the fleet would rebel against it or desert.

STEEL UNION GROWS

CHICAGO—28 new lodges of the Amalgamated Assn. of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers have been organized by the Steel Workers Organizing Committee in this area.

Browder Picture Goes To School With 9-Year-Old

This is a true story of a little boy whose name we withhold for obvious reasons. Chances are that the schoolteacher in question will recognize him if by any chance she should read the Western Worker.

Anyway the little boy upon coming to school one morning found Landon's picture on the wall of the class room. Being only nine years old he did not recognize Landon right off and he asked the teacher whose picture it was.

The teacher said, "That is Mr. Al Landon, presidential candidate on the Republican ticket."

Kept His Peace The boy did not go into the matter any further at that moment but when he got home he hunted around for a recent copy of the Sunday Worker, in which he had seen a picture of Earl Browder, who, his father and mother had told him, was the candidate for president on the Communist ticket.

Taking a pair of scissors he cut out Earl Browder's picture and took it to school with him the next morning and put it up on the wall alongside of Alf Landon's.

"Who Did That?" When the teacher arrived she wanted to know who put up Earl Browder's picture. Our little friend informed her that Earl Browder is also a candidate for the presidency and consequently has just as much right on the wall as Alf Landon, an assertion which the teacher could hardly deny.

However when the principal of the school was called into the dispute in which many of the children had taken the side of our hero, the question was settled by taking down both of the candidates.

Let us hope that the example set by this young American will encourage some of us older Americans to assert our constitutional rights.

This is 20th Century Americanism.

Cops Intimidate

20,000 Are Insane

Time Marches On!

LOS ANGELES.—Scene for the living newspaper: Chief "Peanut Hitler" Davis slobbering crocodile tears all over his office because newspaper headlines scream of a week-long crime wave.

Indignant citizens protesting because scores of police, in the midst of a crime wave, spend hours trying (but failing) to intimidate a gathering at the Ford-for-vice-president Communist Party election rally.

The directors of the Seaboard Bank announcing that its net income the first nine months of 1936 is the best in its history.

Miss Patsy Stewart, 24 years of age, writing a note saying she is tired of living on relief and then jumping out the window of the Y.W.C.A.

Gov. Merriam unveiling plaque at the new insane asylum at Cammarillo and stating that there are 20,000 persons in mental institutions in California.

Harry Chandler of the Los Angeles Times instructing one of his under-paid employees to draw up a chart emphasizing the buying power of 64.97 per cent of families that are paid above \$1000 a year and minimizing the 35.03 per cent "total borderline and relief families."

The same employee wondering about the more than 40 suicides of poor people in Los Angeles in less than a month.

ARABS CONTINUE FIGHT AGAINST IMPERIALISM

JERUSALEM.—Although the "high committee" of the Arabs terminated the 25-week strike against British broken promises, the Arabian people are refusing to drop their fight against British imperialism.

Reports indicate that more and more, the Arabs are rallying to fight against domination by the British, who have poured in more than 10,000 troops to "pacify" Palestine.

Many Jewish workers, who have settled here, are backing the Arabian people's fight as part and parcel of their own fight for freedom from oppression, while the Jewish capitalists are playing hand-in-glove with British imperialism.

UNEMPLOYED INSURANCE

AUSTIN, Tex.—Sec'y. Wallace C. Reilly of the Texas State Federation of Labor headed a committee which appeared before the legislature seeking passage of a jobless insurance law.

Seeing RED

By Michael Quin

SCENARIO CLIP SERVICE II

HEREWITH is another installment of my free scenario clip service, designed to save Hollywood film executives millions of dollars annually. Why pay huge sums for scenarios? Buy a copy of the Western Worker for five cents, clip out a scenario, produce it and profit millions.

Today's offering is a musical extravaganza; the biggest, most sensationalist, most pirliest, most lilttingest, dazzingest show ever produced. Forget your troubles! One thousand luscious, quivering beautiful girls. Only two costumes to cover the lot of them. A millionaire's dream of paradise. Bring the children; Bring an ice-pack! Bring your lunch! Four hours of unceasing titillation. You'll burn. You'll laugh. You'll cry. You'll go limp all over.

THE SCENE OPENS on a ragged hobo sitting on the public dump singing a song. Hobo's song:

NOTHIN' FROM NOTHIN' LEAVES NOTHIN' THAT'S ME. I ain't got nothin' And I don't want nothin', I'm as happy as the birdsies in the trees. I don't know nothin' And I ain't missed nothin', I go right on livin' as I please. Nothin' to worry 'bout, nothin' to be, Nothin' from nothin' leaves nothin', that's me.

(Note: This hits an excellent psychological tone. Most of the American people haven't got anything and there is not much prospect of their getting anything. This will help put them in an amiable frame of mind to settle down to a life-time of poverty.)

The hobo wanders down the road till he comes to a big city where most of the people are poor, miserable, unemployed, and sore as hell. A Bolshevik agitator with a long beard is up on top of a soap box telling the people the rich are to blame. The hobo laughs at the Bolshevik and the people all around him get sore and say: "If you're so smart, what would you suggest?"

The hobo pushes the Bolshevik off the box, gets up on it himself and sings a song:

LIVE ON LOVE

What do you care, if you've got no dough? It's love what makes the daisies grow, It's love what's shinin' from the sun, It's love what makes the whole world run. We're poor in money, but rich in love. We'll feather our beds with the clouds above.

The whole town catches the spirit of the song and starts singing with the hobo and forgetting their troubles.

The Big Business Men of the city call a meeting. They decide that the hobo is the answer to all economic problems. They call him in and make him a dictator.

From then on the city is under a dictatorship of love. The hobo has regimented all the swell looking girls in town as storm troopers. They wear silk tights and heart-shaped brassiers and hail the dictator by throwing him a kiss and calling out "Yoo-Hoo!" He establishes his headquarters in the City Hall, which is decorated with hearts and garlands of flowers. Over the door is a huge streamer reading: "Come up and see me some time."

From here on there is a series of dance routines in which the 1,000 luscious girls go through all sorts of parades, formations, and Swedish drills to the tune of "Live On Love." It builds up to the high point where the dictator is seated on a heart-shaped throne with the 1,000 luscious girls piled all around him.

Then he wakes up on the public dump and discovers that he dreamed it all. A cop is beating him on the soles of his shoes and telling him to get the hell out of there.

FINAL SCENE: The hobo going down the road singing "Nothin' From Nothin' Leaves Nothin', That's Me."

The management reserves the right to eject all disorderly persons without refunding admission. Remove your hat and please don't spit on the floor.

SOY BEANS: A PROFIT ON MISERY Substitutes Are Method of Fascism

The Chicago Board of Trade has begun to permit brokers to speculate on the future price of the soy bean. Before the depression, these little brown beans were almost entirely unknown in this country. Today the soy bean is our fastest-growing crop, ranking fourth in 1935 as a cash grain crop, topping rye and on many days last fall, topping

corn as well. Between the insignificant role of the soy bean in our economic life in 1928, and our dependence upon it now, stretches a gulf as wide as that separating the income of U. S. wage earners then and now. For the soy bean's success story is a depression story.

Why the soy bean's sudden vogue? Explains National Business: "The surest relief for agriculture will come from the production of new agricultural output that will go to industry rather than to the human stomach." The majority of U. S. wage earners' families do not eat enough, and the food they eat is not sufficiently nourishing.

A Profit on Misery Pellagra, anemia, rickets, teeth deficiencies, tuberculosis—these have become all too familiar, and the greatly reduced consumption of fresh, pure dairy stuffs, meats, groceries and vegetables explains why.

It also explains our chronic farm crisis (which will last until wage earners can buy more food). Hence Nation's Business' sound inference that a new crop offers the only solution to the problem, a crop that can find an outlet in industries that have recovered as well as in larders that remain thin.

Henry Ford is playing godfather to the soy bean, the crop whose uses are legion—as food for humans, feed for animals, fertilizer for the soil, raw material for the factories. Ford's soy bean investment has been remarkably shrewd—even for him.

Takes No Chance When he can't sell it as food, he can as raw material; in off years when he can't use it as raw material, the demand for a cheap food substitute is bound to increase and he can sell it as

food. Thus his investment carries an air-tight insurance policy against "over-production." As food the soy bean is not sold under its own label, Ikie oranges. But at a bakers' convention we hear that soy bean flour, mixed with wheat, makes bread last longer. From the meat packers we hear that the soy bean, which absorbs four to five times its value in water, enables liverwurst, bologna and corned beef hash to be made much more cheaply, with only enough meat to provide the flavor.

Replaces Everything From the dairy companies we learn that the soy bean, boiled in water, yields milk—containing only half the carbohydrate value of cow's milk, to be sure, and more water—but cheaper to make. Wherever milk butter, eggs, meats, cereals can be saved the soy bean is used as an adulterant, scaling costs down so that the food companies can sell profitably to the lowest-income groups. The Department of Agriculture has not perfected a test to determine the presence of soy bean in meat products.

Our quick adoption of one after another of its uses shows that Germany's need for substitutes, Japan's need for the cheapest food staples, have begun to be felt here, too. The present recovery shows that business can boom while wages lag and unemployment lingers; it shows why Ford no longer advertises himself as the prophet of the rising standard of living, but instead sponsors a crop that thrives in a falling standard of living. The soy bean's growth is a warning. Democracy requires that living standards be maintained. Under Fascism you eat soy beans and like them.



# FASCISTS GIVEN LEEWAY TO OVERSHADOW BRITISH LION'S POWER IN MEDITERANEAN SEA

### Reactionary British Capital Prefers To Co-operate With Fascists Rather Than Aid Spanish People

Despite the tremendous loss to British Imperialism if Italian and German Fascist get control of Spain with its commanding position in the Mediterranean, England's every move to date has been to help the Fascists.

England holds Portugal as a virtual semi-colony through financial ties. Yet Portugal has been a fascist base, and a smuggling depot for rebel arms and ammunition since the start of the Fascist war against the Spanish people.

England's representatives on the neutrality commission have tried to give quick burial to the Soviet Union's note charging violations of the neutrality agreement by Portugal, Italy and Germany.

Made Their Choice And yet this policy, if it were successful in establishing Italian and German military control in Spain, would threaten British colonial holdings as nothing has ever before.

The fact is that England is not an undivided whole in its policy. The Baldwin government, though not itself taking an open policy of support for Italy and Germany, is responding primarily to those elements of British capital who are willing to back Mussolini and Hitler in spite of the cost. They see in the anti-imperialist policies of the People's Front a threat to their profiteering on war preparations.

England's normal policy would be to let both sides weaken themselves in the combat, leaving the British lion on top regardless of the outcome. Regardless of the outcome of the Spanish struggle, the British lion will not come out on top. But the big capitalists of England would carry on more and more under the black flag of Fascist piracy.

The False Issue Every possible means is being used by Hitler, Mussolini and Fascists everywhere to make "Capitalism vs. Communism" into the issue of the day.

The real objective, of course, is to break up what remains of democracy in order to subject the masses to progressively worse condition and to carry out the war which the Fascists need. The Fascist support of the Spanish rebellion against the democratically elected government is only an example. The big objective is to engineer the armed attack on the masses while they can still be divided on the issue of Communism.

The Fascist war on the Spanish people indicates how thoroughly false and vicious is the real aim behind this way of putting the issue, but no lie is too big for Fascism.

### Trouble At Home

But the Fascists' fear of Communism as the organizer of the forces of peace is well grounded. New proof that the people of Germany and Italy are not "taking it lying down" is brought out anew with the announcement of conferences between the fascist secret services of Germany and Italy to foster new "Red hunts."

The Italian people have found they gained nothing by the conquest of Abyssinia, except new terror at home. A recent announcement from Rome, to make matters worse for the Fascists, showed that 17 officers and men of the Italian army had been killed in September while policing East Africa, and 110 more had died of disease.

### Widen the Gap

The announcement of Belgium's break with having its alliance with France as the keystone of its foreign policy can be set down as a minor triumph of fascist diplomacy and pressure. But it should also be recorded that this announcement comes at a time when the gap between this "diplomacy" and the masses is growing wider. From England, whose policy favoring the Fascists made possible this move of Belgian reaction, we have just read how a tremendous rallying of anti-fascists completely routed the attempt of Sir Oswald Mosely's fascists to hold a demonstration in a London working class district. And in France the anti-fascist demonstrations organized by the Communist Party show clearly that if the right wing Radical Socialists succeed in breaking away from the Peoples' Front, they will quite probably succeed only in isolating themselves further from the people of France.

### CRAFT UNIONS PROTEST

SIoux CITL, Ia.—Composed almost entirely of craft unions, the Sioux City Trades and Labor Assembly asked that suspension of the C.I.O. unions be rescinded by the A.F.L. Executive Council.

## "A World Concern"



The fight of the Spanish people for democracy is of concern to the people of all countries, said Joseph Stalin (above), secretary of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union.

## Portugal's Fascist Alliance Worries Great Britain

LONDON.—British imperialists are up in the air about their "protectorate" of Portugal following the Soviet Union note charging intervention in Spain on the Fascists' side by Portugal, Italy and Germany.

Allies for nearly three centuries, Britain and Portugal have increasingly been bound together through British capitalists' dominating the latter country. Although Portugal has only 34,250 square miles in area, with a population of less than 7,000,000, its colonial empire covers nearly 1,000,000 square miles, strategically well situated.

So strategic are they that should they fall into the hands of Germany or Italy, the British Empire would be seriously endangered. And, as is well known, both Mussolini and Hitler are after colonies.

The Azores, in a direct line between New York and Gibraltar, would make an excellent naval and air base. Guarding the entrance to the Mediterranean is Madeira, and southward are the Cape Verde Islands. Other Portuguese colonies are Guinea, Angola and Mozambique in Africa.

## Mexicans Armed Against Fascists

MEXICO CITY.—El Nacional, organ of the National Revolutionary Party (PNR) reports that 50,256 farmers and farm laborers have enrolled in the Mexican army under a presidential decree.

The enrollments will make it much tougher for the Gold Shirt Fascists of the exiled General Rodriguez to terrorize the agricultural population, and will be a barrier against a Fascist "putsch" threatened by Rodriguez.

The reserves, which the War Department has organized on a military basis, increase the army's total number of effective troops to more than 92,000.

# FREEDOM AND LIBERATION FOR SPAIN IS CONCERN OF WHOLE WORLD, SAYS STALIN

### Workers and Farmers of Soviet Union Aid Population of Spain With Donations Of Food, Clothing, and Medicine

MOSCOW.—The freedom and liberation of Spain from Fascism is the concern of the whole world, declared Joseph Stalin, general secretary of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, last week in reply to greetings sent by the Communist Party of Spain to the C. P., S. U.

"The laboring population of the Soviet Union is fulfilling its duty and struggling for the population of Spain," said Stalin. "It understands fully that the freedom and liberation of Spain is not a private course for Spaniards, but a concern for the progressive humanity of the whole world."

The workers and farmers of the U.S.S.R. have held countless mass meetings in support of the Spanish people fighting in civil war against the Fascists, and have donated millions of dollars for food, clothing and medical supplies for the Spanish government.

Four supplies ships have either delivered cargoes in Spain, or are en route.

## World's Workers Defend Spain

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa.—The South African Trade and Labor Council passed the following resolution:

"The South African Trades and Labor Council, representing organized labor in South Africa wholeheartedly supports the constitutionally elected government in Spain and the action of the workers and peasants in their heroic defense of that government against the attempt of the insurgents to establish a Fascist dictatorship against the democratically constituted government."

WELLINGTON, New Zealand.—From one end of the country to the other, New Zealand workers are rallying to support of their Spanish brothers. In Auckland, the following resolution was unanimously passed:

"This large and representative meeting of the Auckland Builders and General Laborers Union extends to the workers and peasants of Spain its deepest sympathy and encouragement in their heroic fight to protect their democratically elected Popular Government against the murderous Fascist reactionary rebels. "We further call upon all working class organizations, and every supporter of democracy, to rally to the aid of Spain."

## Symposium On Soviet Union To Be Held

LOS ANGELES.—American Friends of the Soviet Union will sponsor a symposium and concert on Sunday, October 25th, 8 p. m., at Radio Playhouse, 8th and Beacon Streets. Admission is 25 cents.

Dr. J. C. Coleman, Dr. Clinton J. Taft, and Prof. Albert E. Lewis, all recently returned from the Soviet Union, will speak.

## Famous Author In Appeal For Aid To Spain People

PARIS.—Romain Rolland, world-famous author, issued the following statement for the defense of the Spanish republic against Fascism:

"Come to the aid of Spain! It is struggling for us! For you, France! For you, Democracy! Because both are in danger. Our enemies are trying to surround us. They are already on the Rhine. Shall we let them fortify themselves in the Pyrenees? The Spanish people are our Southern Front against the advancing enemy. Who dares forbid us to defend our defenders!"

Spain's struggle is our struggle. Let us defend ourselves! Let us defend the Spanish People!

How unjust and monstrous it is to declare a blockade of the legitimate Spanish government, elected by the majority of the people, recognized by all other governments, members of the League of Nations.

## For Peace In The World

To defend the Spanish People is to defend peace. The peace of France and the entire West. The peace of the entire world. Come to the defense of peace, to the defense of democracy, to the aid of Spain! Let us give all that we can to those who are sacrificing themselves in the defense of our common task, in defense of social justice and liberty.

You, my comrades, remember, we must all remember and repeat the words of our fathers who captured the Bastille. Let us all remember the Declaration of Rights of Man, of July 11, 1789:

"Those who were against the people in order to stop the progress of liberty, must be prosecuted by all, and not as ordinary enemies, but as slaves who have risen against the mightiest ruler of the earth, against all humanity."

## McLaughlan To Talk On Browder Before Unitarian Church

SANTA ANA.—Charles McLaughlan, Communist Party candidate for Congress in the 19th District, will speak on the subject of "Earl Browder—His Position," at the Unitarian church here on Wednesday, October 21.

McLaughlan was invited to speak by Rev. Budlong, as part of a series of addresses on the various candidates for President.

## DEMONSTRATIONS WON



ONLY MASS ACTION by the Egyptian people against British Imperialism, won for them certain concessions toward more independence from the British Empire. British troops and bullets were not enough to stop the demonstrations for independence. The Egyptian people are strengthening their nationalist movement to win still greater concessions toward complete independence.

## Hitler Bares Self As Oppressor Of German People

BERLIN.—What Hitler's Nuremberg speech will mean to the German people in lower standards of living, was proved in Hitler's own words, in the Deutsche Volks Zeitung, illegal anti-Fascist newspaper, as follows:

"Any material increase of crops is impossible"—Hitler. (Therefore, "no improvement in living conditions.")

"There will be a shortage in certain lines of our foodstuffs"—Hitler. (Further shortage of butter, eggs and meat.)

"Any material increase of exports is hardly possible in the near future"—Hitler. (Meaning continuation of a 33 percent drop, even in comparison with the first year of the crisis.)

"Under Nazi economic policy, it is madness to raise wages"—Hitler. (Therefore, continuation of hunger.)

"We must use all and every means to preserve internal social peace"—Hitler. (Meaning continued and increased terror.)

"To be a German means to be self-sacrificing"—Hitler. (Therefore—dole, wage reduction, and special war taxes.)

"We forbid ourselves any democracy; democratic liberties mean degeneracy"—Hitler. So full of double meaning—evidently still afraid of the people, and quite correctly.)

"If the tremendous resources of raw materials of the Urals, the riches of the forests of Siberia, and the vast grain fields of the Ukraine were part of Germany, then every single German would have more than enough"—Hitler. (A most brazen expression of capitalism and imperialism.)

## Huge Rally In L.A. For Defense Of Spanish People

LOS ANGELES.—Nearly 3000 enthusiastic persons packed Trinity Auditorium October 13th to hear distinguished speakers talk on the civil war in Spain and Fascist trends throughout the world.

Held under auspices of the United Anti-Nazi Conference of California, Chairman Chaim Shapiro opened the meeting with a brief outline of the Spanish workers' problems.

Viola Brothers Shore, screen writer, pointed out that a Fascist victory in Spain would mean spread of a new wave of anti-Semitism throughout the world. She said anti-Semitism was only one phase of Fascism, which would bring destruction of all civil liberties.

Bill Busick, International Ladies Garment Workers Union official, urged formation of a Farmer-Labor Party to halt Fascism.

Other speakers were Dr. Fabian Garcia, Cuban political exile; Rabbi Jacob M. Alkow; Mrs. Rosenthal, chairman of the Women's League to Boycott Nazi Goods; and Samuel Rosenfeld, vice-president of the Anti-Nazi League.

Against Common Foe Rosenfeld urged the audience not to be misled by the "red scare" but to join forces with trade unions, intellectuals, racial minorities, Communists, and all liberty-loving organizations in the fight against the common enemy, Fascism.

More than \$500 was raised to aid the Spanish workers.

OFFICE WORKERS FOR CIO MILWAUKEE.—Office Workers Union in Kenosha and Retail Clerks here have called for protests against suspension of the C.I.O. unions.

# FILIPINES ARE PAWNS OF U.S. MILITARISTS

### Wall St. Dictates In Islands According To War Plans

WASHINGTON.—The Filipino people are being made helpless pawns here, as President Roosevelt is consulting two different sets of advisers on how to fit the Philippine Islands into U. S. war plans.

One set of Army men urges Roosevelt to proceed immediately with negotiations toward "neutralization" of the Islands under international guarantee, while another group of Navy men wants to keep the status quo and thinks a navy base there, well defended, would be an excellent springboard for offensive warfare in the Pacific.

The Army men advance the opinion that the Philippines could not be defended in time of war.

The U. S. Army has officers in the Islands, however, who are training a "defense army" of native Filipinos. To all intents and purposes, a rigid military dictatorship is exercised over the Filipino people, who are thrown in jail merely for talking about organizing trade unions. Wall Street interests dominate the Islands.

Only the Communist Party, both in the U. S. and in the Islands, fights for complete independence for the Filipino people.

## Burbank Worker Is Held For Trial

BURBANK.—Albert Lockett, arrested here last week for distributing handbills advertising the James A. Ford Communist election rally, came up in court October 13th and demanded a jury trial, which was set for October 23rd.

He was released on his own recognizance.

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## A QUESTION ON SPAIN

QUESTION: What is the background and policy of the P.O.U.M.?

ANSWER: The P.O.U.M. (Partido Obrero de Unificacion Marxista) or Workers Party of Marxist Unity was formed about a year ago in Spain as a coalition between the followers of Andres Nin and Joaquin Maurin. Nin is the former leader of the Trotskyites who was denounced by Trotsky when he refused to enter the Spanish Socialist Party per instructions by Trotsky to his followers in all countries. Maurin was expelled from the Spanish Communist Party for opportunism to the "right."

The P.O.U.M. signed the People's Front Pact on January 16th, 1936, but reversed its position a month later and denounced the People's Front bitterly. Since then, it has devoted most of its energy to denouncing the Spanish Communists and the Spanish People's Front. Within the last month, however, it has again made a significant turn in policy.

Recent Change When the Anti-Fascist Militia Committee of Catalonia was formed, the P.O.U.M. had one member on the committee but refused to have anything to do with the Catalan government or the People's Front. On September 27th, the Anti-Fascist Militia Committee voluntarily disbanded and in its stead was formed a real People's Front government in Catalonia in full charge of the Republicans, anarchists, Socialists, Unified Socialists (affiliated with the Communist International) and one member of the P.O.U.M., Andres Nin.

The acceptance by Nin of a seat in the government (Ministry of Justice) represents a big turn-about-face on his part. Although there is a distinct Trotskyite trend among a certain part of the P.O.U.M. leadership, it has been evident that a large part of the membership was extremely dissatisfied with the anti-Fascist Front position, and this tendency seems to be getting the upper hand though it is too early to make a final appraisal.

## Makes Germ Bombs For Next War

FORT LEE, N.J.—"Contact," aviation news weekly published here, states an international munitions ring is operating a plant on an unnamed island for the manufacture of germ bombs for use in the next war.

The first station was opened in the Western Hemisphere in 1930, sponsored by "one of Am-says 'Contact'."

## Socialism Victorious In The U. S. S. R.

ROSTOV-ON-THE-DON.—Once outlawed by the Soviet government, the Don Cossacks have now formed their own regiments in the Red Army, sturdy defenders of the U.S.S.R.

In the years before 1917, the Cossacks were bribed to be used by the Czar against the people. In the civil war, some of them fought with the whites against the Soviet government, although most of them were neutralized. Today they are staunch supporters of Socialism in the Soviet Union, and want to be defenders as Cossacks of the Land of Socialism.

Three Cossack divisions have been formed, based on the traditional Cossack tribes, the Don, Kuban and Terek.

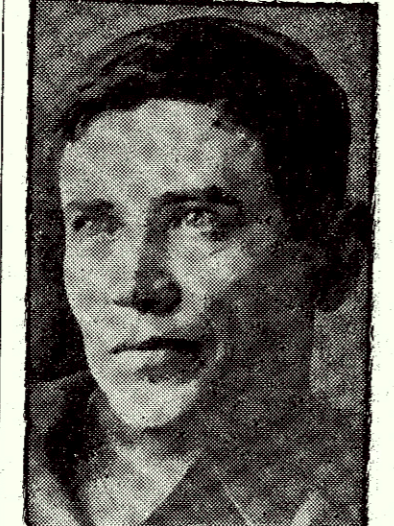
ODESSA.—Found in the ground by collective farmers in the Ochakov region, near here, a pair of gold ear-rings, very finely ornamented, are estimated by an archaeological expedition to have been made 2000 years ago.

Lindberg of U.S.S.R. MOSCOW.—An aviation station at the North Pole!

This daring project is being considered by Vododianov, flying hero of the Soviet Union, who sees it as a great forward move in aviation progress, which would assist navigation in Arctic waters and help to get better weather reports.

Vododianov also sees the pos-

## SOVIET LEADER



NIKOYAI YEZHOF, new Soviet viet commissar for internal affairs. His department includes the OGPU, the workers' trusted organization which ferrets out agents of capitalism who would overthrow the workers' and peasants' rule in the Soviet Union.

to America, which would save hundreds of miles of flying.

In 1934 this daring aviator rescued the crew of the Chelyuskin, Soviet ice-breaker long marooned in the Arctic. He has

just finished a flight to Franz Josef Land, the archipelago north of Novz Zembla, in north latitude 82 degrees.

MOSCOW.—Showing the marvelous organization, discipline and spirit of the Red Army, the Soviet press enthusiastically reports on the results of military and naval maneuvers in White Russia and in the Far East.

MINSK.—Addressing the Red Army last month, K. Voroshilov, Marshal of the Soviet Union and Commissar of National Defense, declared:

"Over there in the Fascist lands, the enemy is preparing to attack our country. Let them prepare! Our defenses have been and are ready."

Culture Advances MOSCOW.—Enthusiastically attended by huge crowds of Soviet workers and peasants, the Fourth Soviet Theatre Festival is over.

Hundreds of foreign leaders, prominent in the press and theater, spoke of the U.S.S.R. theater in superlative terms, describing the great advances in the cultural life of the Land of Socialism and their great influence upon the rest of the world.

CHERNIGOV, Ukraine.—Local collective farms are delivering such enormous quantities of food that the market place can no longer accommodate the incom-

ing farm wagons.

All streets surrounding the market place are usually full of farm wagons every day, delivering large quantities of apples, cucumbers, tomatoes, dairy products, honey, geese and ducks.

In American money, apples sell for about 3/4 cents a pound; cucumbers, about 1 cent per pound; ducks for 60 to 70 cents each; geese, \$1.20 each; all dairy products are correspondingly cheap.

New Socialist Riches KRANSNOYARSK Central Siberia.—As Siberian geological prospecting expeditions are beginning to close their activities for the year, their preliminary reports indicate findings of new enormous sources of copper, lead, iron and zinc.

Many new discoveries of rich veins of gold lare reported throughout Siberia.

NSAKHLIN.—New discovery of enormous oil resources is reported, preliminary tests showing shallow oil-bearing sands 16 meters thick. Within two or three years, volume of oil production on Sakhlil Island (Far East) will be doubled.

KIEV.—Just closed after a two-month period in this city, the Ukrainian Art Exhibit was visited by over 100,000. The exhibit went to Moscow for a few days, and then to Leningrad.



# MIDDLE CLASS SUPPORT FOR STRIKE GROWS

### Business People See Interest On Side Of Strikers

By a Worker Correspondent.

**SALINAS**—The shop keepers and professional men and women with few exceptions are against the methods employed by the growers and shippers in dealing with the striking lettuce workers in Salinas and Watsonville.

I have canvassed any number of middle class people with the questions: "Do you approve of using the state cops in the local disputes between the employers and workers?" and "Do you approve of using gas on workers on strike?"

Almost invariably the answer was absolutely no.

**Effect of Hearst**

However, I found that opinion was divided on the libel peddled by the Hearst press and the employers that "foreign agitators" are causing this strike. This poison spread by Hearst has left its imprint on the minds of many decent citizens.

But when I called their attention to men like Colonel Sanborn, an outside agitator brought in by the employers along with a host of other plug-uglies and despicable characters, these decent citizens would usually shrug their shoulders helplessly and say: "I guess you are right."

**The Red Scare**

The fact is that Sheriff Abbott of Monterey County and the growers and shippers were trying to scare these good citizens to death with such nonsense as "The Reds want to appropriate the lettuce sheds," or "3000 San Francisco longshoremen are marching on Salinas to battle the regularly constituted authorities."

A growing resentment of these practices is evident among the citizens of Monterey County. Meetings to protest the barbarism of the state police and the imported hoodlums who wear my sheriff's badges are well attended. An occasional red banner worms himself onto the platform, but his response from the audience is weak.

**Labor Speakers Heard**

The greatest consideration is given to speakers who approach the problem from the point of view of the exploitation of labor in the sheds and the unspeakable methods used by a handful of arrogant large shippers and growers backed by the banks.

One business man told me "What do I care about these large growers making another couple of million profit. I'd rather see the workmen get decent wages. Then we will all get some of it, because the working people have to spend their money to buy food and clothing here in Salinas."

**Right of Communists**

That Communists have a right to fight alongside their brother union men to preserve the union and improve the working conditions of all the workers is indisputable even by the most backward.

The sentiment against reaction is being crystallized and eventually will express itself in a people's front, a Farmer-Labor party that will embrace all the liberty-loving and decent people of our country.

## This Fascist May Be Disappointed

By a Worker Correspondent.

**LOS ANGELES**—I work in the Sears-Roebuck store over on the east side. About three weeks ago a Catholic priest came in to get a high-priced radio, and he was insistent on its being delivered immediately.

"I want to be sure and have it so I can tune in on the broadcast when General Franco marches into Madrid," said the priest.

Well, it's three weeks now, and the Spanish Fascists aren't in Madrid yet and probably will never get there if we help out the Spanish workers, so this priest must have pretty cold heels waiting.

The workers don't get any news from Sears-Roebuck, and there is no union. There are no lockers, and there's plenty of night work and split-shifts. Afraid for their jobs, most of the workers only grumble about conditions in private. The company is putting out a lot of propaganda to the employees against the sales store tax.

# RECREATION CENTER CAN HELP STRIKE

### Keeping Morale High Will Be Easier In 1936

By a Worker Correspondent.

**SAN FRANCISCO**—Everyone knows that in 1936 the Maritime Unions have a lot they didn't have in 1934. April 30 proved that. If the shipowners insist on more trouble it will be proved again.

We're a lot surer now of support from other unions. Another thing is that the men here feel sure of each other and more like sticking together. That's why we've got a Recreation Center.

It's a certainty that if we are going to have any long strike the Union Recreation Center can fill a spot that just wasn't filled in '34. Most of the brothers, especially the seamen, had to hang out in pool halls and too many of them saw a lot of the gin mills.

**Different Now**

They won't have to do that again. The Center News (Ed. Note: Official organ of the Union Recreation Center), printed an article telling how the Center could be used to put on shows and entertainments for the men on strike.

The Center could be used for meetings, strike kitchen and for a general meeting place for all union men on strike. Instead of killing time in a pool room the brothers could play a little basketball or hold a movie or dance in the Center.

The Recreation Center can be a big help in keeping up morale if there is going to be a strike.

## Gallup Prisoners Appeal Planned

**GALLUP, N.M.**—A year after the trial of ten Gallup miners on framed charges of "riot" at which three were convicted, plans are under way for an appeal.

Copies of the Western and Sunday worker sent to one of the innocent but convicted men, Juan Ochoa, have never been received by him. Another example of persecution of political prisoners.

**Plans Outlined**

Plans for the appeal are revealed by Helen Cramp, secretary of the Gallup Defense Committee, whose statement follows: "It is just a year since the trial of the ten Gallup miners in Aztec, New Mexico. Three innocent men, Juan Ochoa, Manuel Avitia and Leandro Velarde were convicted on the flimsiest uncorroborated evidence and have now served one year of the 45 to 60 years sentence."

"The Gallup Defense Committee believes that there is very good ground for appeal and the case is supposed to come up before the Supreme Court this fall. We are caring for the Ochoa family, paying a heavy nursing bill for one of the men injured in the so-called 'riot' and giving occasional help to other families involved in this case."

"There are, besides, very heavy legal fees to be met. Contributions should be sent to the Gallup Defense Committee, Box 1021, Santa Fe, N.M."

"It is a case in which all union members should be interested, as the trouble derived from the insistence of the miners on their rights to organize. The 48 men and women originally sent to the penitentiary and lined up for the preliminary hearing consisted of the most outstanding labor-conscious workers in Gallup."

## Prizes, Floor Show At I.W.O. Ball

**SAN FRANCISCO**—One of the attractions of the first annual ball of the International Workers Order, November 14th at the Trianon Ball Room, 1268 Sutter, will be the awarding of the latest model RCA radio as a door prize. No less exciting will be the popularity contest for the ladies. The winner gets a grand prize.

Dance rhythms will be provided by a well known 10 piece orchestra; a floor show with professional artists will entertain. Tickets are going fast and can be obtained from any member of the I.W.O. or at 830 Market St., room 515.

**QUARRY WORKERS AND CIO WEST CONCORD, N. H.**—Quarry Workers Branch 32 calls the suspension of the C.I.O. "unconstitutional and illegal."

## ONE OF LANDON'S BACKERS



OLD JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER, SR., wears a Landon sunflower as he boards his private train for a winter at his estate in Ormond Beach, Fla.

## Fish Everywhere, But None For The Alaska Cannery Workers

(The Continued Story of the Alaska Cannery Expedition of 1936.)

By An Alaska Cannery

Barring fresh meat, the food had reached the stage where it was almost fit to eat, but meat was to be the big problem. We had barrels of weiners, tripe, pigs' feet, beef tongue, etc., stacked all over the place.

The delegates posed the question of fresh meat to the company. After much fuss, they agreed to have deer meat delivered by boat from Southeastern Alaska after June 15th.

In the meantime we were forced to eat all of this canned and pickled meat. You ask why they did not bring enough fresh meat?

**Tore Out Refrigerators**

The answer is that on land they had no refrigeration. The refrigerator on the boat, I was told, were so small that if you hung up a side of beef in it you would not be able to close the door.

And here we have a glaring example of capitalistic greed. The S. S. Glacier was a U. S. Navy supply ship; in fact it was a floating refrigerator. Even the name Glacier implies as much. When it was sold to private interests, they began to tear out the refrigerating apparatus. They were so zealous that they did not stop until it was all torn out. Why? To make more cargo space for more profits, and we had to eat pickled pigs' feet on this account, all the time the government was burying the pork chops and the hams in the ground.

**Didn't Want to Pay**

Another instance: There was the bay, just alive with fish. There were 150-odd fishermen and for the first 25 days we only had fish once or twice. Why? Because they would have to pay the fishermen to fish. A couple of fishermen did go out three or four times and the fish always went to the fishermen's camp or the beach gang. Once that I can remember they brought some to our camp. Not that they did not want to give us any fish, but the company would not send a boat out for our camp.

But I'm getting ahead of the story.

(To Be Continued.)

## Japan War Leader Wants Olympics Cash For Army

**TOKYO**—Rejoicing here over the award of the 1940 Olympic Games to Japan, was not universal. The all-powerful army, represented by its spokesman, General Count Juichi Terauchi, Minister of War, is in opposition.

Terauchi objected to the Games being held here due to the expense, which would take money away from armaments for Japan's war program.

### ELECTION SYMPOSIUM DRUID'S AUDITORIUM, 44 Page St. 44 PAGE STREET

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23, 8 P.M.**

Candidates for Congress will state their opinions on the Congressional Bill, giving special rights and privileges to labor and political prisoners.

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# CONTRA COSTA ROTTEN RIPE FOR UNIONISM

### Vandeleur Told How Workers Stay In Debt

**MARTINEZ**—After listening to the telling of conditions of Contra Costa County workers, conditions so tragic that they could not be ignored, Secretary Edward Vandeleur of the State Federation of Labor promised to use all his influence and office to correct such conditions.

Vandeleur was speaking before the executive board of the Contra Costa Trades and Labor Council Wednesday night, Oct. 14th. He promised to arrange for a representative of the Council to present the Contra Costa situation to the unionists of San Francisco.

Patrick J. Lydon, special organizer of the council, told the executive board and distinguished visitors of numerous industries paying 20 cents an hour, or others paying 30 cents a day and still others paying nothing except board and room.

**Example of Peonage**

Asking for specific instances, Vandeleur was told of several, including a brickyard where employees last year received no payment except board and room. Brother Hocking, delegate from the Mine, Mill and Smelter Union, verified the statement of Brother Lydon, as did Brother Calicura, vice-president of the State Federation.

Von Teldrop also told how paroled prisoners from the state penitentiaries, unable to obtain work, are forced to obtain employment at this plant, how their time is lengthened or shortened as the whim of the boss may dictate, and how several employees had their time extended beyond that of their real prison sentence.

## Correspondents Murdered by Fascists

**MADRID**—Further proof that the Fascists are barbarians bent on destroying civilization to win their foul ends, is seen in their treatment of press correspondents.

Guy de-Transvaux, of the Paris L'Intransigeant, was executed when the Fascists found a dispatch on him in which he had written that Franco's men are "literally drunk with the blood of the women and children of Andalusia."

Georges Sedoul, L'Humanite correspondent, was shot for listening to a news broadcast from Madrid. Guy de Maziere, another French correspondent, was lined up and felled before the firing squad.

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# Push Campaign To Get Freedom Of Scottsboro Boys

With the case of the nine Scottsboro boys again before the Alabama courts, having been returned there by decision of the United States Supreme Court, mass activity for their freedom is being revived.

Below is a resolution passed by a mass meeting under the auspices of the East Bay Scottsboro Defense Council in Oakland. The resolution is being mailed to all Negro organizations in the East Bay.

**Recalls the Frameup**

The resolution follows: WHEREAS, nine innocent Negro boys have been held in Alabama jails, subjected to the brutality of lynch-minded sheriffs and their deputies, on framed-up charges of rape; and

WHEREAS, one of the white girls on whose charges they were arrested has entirely repudiated the charge; and

WHEREAS, Judge E. Horton in granting a new trial to Heywood Patterson, one of the defendants, has conclusively shown that the charges are completely without foundation; and

**Still Persecute**

WHEREAS, despite the evident innocence of these boys, the Alabama officials still persist in their efforts to hang them, in order to terrorize the Negro people and to hold back the united struggle of Negro and white workers for their release and for better conditions generally; now therefore be it

RESOLVED that we, people of Oakland assembled in defense of the Scottsboro Boys, demand of Governor Bibb Graves of Alabama that all the Scottsboro Boys be immediately and unconditionally released, and of Lieutenant Governor Thomas Knight, special prosecutor of the Scottsboro Boys, that he immediately move for the dismissal of all charges against the boys.

**COTTRELL L. DELLUMS,** Chairman, Vice-Pres., Pullman Car porters. **ALICE DALE COBBE,** Secretary, East Bay Scottsboro Defense Committee. Copies to: Governor Bibb Graves, Montgomery, Alabama; Lieutenant Gov. Thomas Knight, Montgomery, Alabama, and to the press.

## Organizing Boat For Lumber Workers

By a Worker Correspondent.

**QUEEN CHARLOTTE IS., B.C.**—The men in this camp contributed \$98 towards the price of an organizing boat of the Lumber and Sawmill Workers' Union to reach the up-river camps. Timber being worked here now is mostly pulpwood and air-planes Spruce. We've made a fairly clean camp out of it, but we have to pay \$1.20 a day for board and another 15 cents a day for blankets.

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# SYMPOSIUM IN EL CAJON IS AID TO UNITY

### Townsend Followers Are Won From Republican

By a Worker Correspondent.

**EL CAJON**—The Open Forum meeting in the El Cajon Library, under the auspices of the Epic Club and Workers' Alliance, was crowded even to standing room. The three candidates for Congress in the 20th District were invited to speak on their respective platforms.

The first 20 minutes were given to the Epic Club and Workers' Alliance to explain their programs. The Townsend Clubs had been invited to join. They did not do so officially, but many attended individually. The secretary of the El Cajon Townsend Club spoke ten minutes on the Townsend Plan.

Ed P. Sample, Republican candidate for Congress 20th district, had promised to come personally or send a representative. He failed to do either, not even showing the courtesy of notifying anyone of his intended absence. The only conclusion to be drawn is that Mr. Sample has conceded the votes in this district to the other two candidates.

E. L. Richardson thoroughly outlined the Communist platform. In the absence of Mr. Sample, Mr. Richardson was given 35 minutes, until Ed V. Izac, Democratic candidate, arrived from another meeting. Mr. Izac outlined a liberal platform, winning some support of Townsendites who had come to hear Ed Sample. The latter had previously endorsed the Townsend plan to gain votes.

A similar meeting will be held Thursday, October 22, when the three Assembly candidates, 80th district will be invited to speak. These meetings are significant because they are the fullest united activity ever achieved in El Cajon. They will be continued even after election, taking up issues of interest to the community.

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# Justice of The Maritime Unions' Demands Is Clearly Shown

## FIREMEN, WHO WORK IN 150 HEAT, EXAMPLE

### But Shipowners Are Unwilling To Act With Fairness

(News Release of Maritime Federation of the Pacific Coast, San Francisco Bay Area District Council No. 2)

SAN FRANCISCO.—For men forced to work in engine rooms and boiler rooms on American merchant ships, where temperatures range as high as 150 degrees, \$2.47 a day is too high a wage to be paid by shipowners who receive enormous subsidies from American taxpayers.

That was the decision of the shipowners here in negotiations looking toward a peaceful settlement of the controversy, that has been threatening Pacific Coast shipping.

Still without an agreement after Sept. 30 the Marine Firemen and other maritime unions, insisted on continuing negotiations for another fifteen days and obtain the cooperation of the newly created United States Maritime Commission and the Department of Labor to force the employers to agree to a fifteen day extension.

Despite the improved conditions for shipowners' operations, with many of them compelled to purchase and charter more ships to handle their increased business, none of them was able to see his way clear to raise pay and provide conditions that would make life more bearable for men who make their livelihood following the sea.

The net result of the employers' offered agreement would be to reduce 24% to 30% of the Maritime Firemen's wages which were established by the provisions of the 1934 arbitration award.

### 150 Degree Temperatures

For men compelled to work a minimum of 56 hours per week and in temperatures ranging to 150 degrees when these ships are in tropical zones this offer was rejected almost in its entirety.

Employers offered a pay scale averaging 27 cents per hour or \$2.20 per day.

The union asked a 7 cents an hour raise or \$2.47 per day, which the employers refused.

Another proposal employers tried to drive home but without success, was a clause that would force men to work overtime Sundays and holidays without pay. For that employers proposed time off in port.

The Maritime Firemen pointed to millions of dollars in government subsidies, to increased tonnage and capacity passenger lists that had been sold out even before the ship reached port, as reason why their requests should be met.

They have long labored under conditions, unknown to men who earn their living in pursuits ashore, and at wages far below those commensurate for a decent standard of living. This appeared another reason to the union why it should enjoy some of the benefits now being experienced by the shipping industry.

### Want Human Treatment

Crew quarters which are unsanitary and overcrowded and food which is unfit for human consumption are found on many American merchant ships, union spokesmen declared.

"These conditions are a disgrace to the American flag and to the nation. We are going to continue our fight to have American seamen treated like human beings. These conditions must be corrected before an agreement can be reached," declared J. E. Ferguson, Secretary Pro-Tem of the Marine Firemen, Oilers, Watertenders and Wipers' Association of the Pacific Coast.

In addition to work in torturous temperatures, engine room men are often forced to live and sleep in quarters where the thermometer registers 90 degrees.

Because of these conditions, all have expressed their belief that their demands are not exorbitant or inconsistent with the trend of financial times.

Proposals of employers for hiring members of the Marine Firemen's Union are clearly intended to break the union, union spokesmen declared.

Since 1934 Marine Firemen have been employed from their union halls. "The union hiring hall provides a man with a place of his own choosing from which to obtain employment. The hiring hall eliminates labor contractors and employment agencies; it stops the practice of men tramping from dock to dock, in all sorts of weather, to find work; it abolishes bread lines and prevents the abuses and favoritism

## A WAY TO BRING SHIPPERS OFF HIGH HORSES

### Seattle Labor Urges Suspension of Subsidies

SEATTLE.—The Seattle Central Labor Council knows one way which could make the shipowners come off their high horses and forget their eagerness to provoke a clash. Hit them in their pocketbook, they figure, and the shipowners will sing a different tune. A resolution passed by the Council reads in part:

WHEREAS: The shipowners have to date refused to grant the sixty-day extension of the 1934 Presidential Maritime Awards as requested by the Presidential Maritime Commission in order to conclude peaceful and just settlements.

### Big Subsidies

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Central Labor Council does hereby pledge its fullest support to the maritime unions in the threatened struggle with the shipowners, and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED: That we request the Washington State Federation of Labor to circularize all Central Labor Councils and affiliates in the state of Washington to take like action.

## Harbor Machinists Win Wage Raise

WILMINGTON, Cal.—Every machine shop in the Harbor District has signed an agreement with the Machinists union here, granting wage increases.

The final draft of the agreement was completed after several weeks of negotiations. Among other things, the agreement provides for a \$140 monthly minimum wage, with the stipulation that for portions of the month the employees receive 90 cents an hour; a guarantee of \$25 a week, for regular employees; a 44-hour week, seven holidays a year and an apprentice system. The agreement runs for one year.

Among those who signed were Seaboard Motors, Wood Motors, San Pedro Motors, Greenwald Motors, Wilcox Chevrolet Co., etc.

## Strike Looms On Midwest R.R.

CHICAGO.—An important railroad may soon be tied up in a strike of engine and yard service employees.

About 1800 of these employees of the Chicago and Great Western Railroad have taken a ballot on a proposed strike to force payment of \$60,000 for the management's violation of contract rules.

The National Railroad Adjustment Board awarded this sum to the union men.

## Santa Clara County Adopts Union Scale

SANTA CLARA.—The Board of Supervisors has been forced to adopt the union scales as the prevailing wage scales for county work.

Among wage scales adopted are: Painters, \$1.14 1/2 an hour; laborers, 60 to 62 1/2 cents; structural iron workers, \$1.25; plasterers, \$1.50 an hour.

which existed prior to 1934. The very existence of Pacific Coast maritime unions depends upon our retaining the union hiring hall. 40,000 Pacific Coast maritime workers are unanimous on this question. We cannot compromise this fundamental issue. We must retain our hiring halls," Mr. Ferguson stated.

## A UNION TEAM—THEY'RE CHAMPS



AFTER MAKING belts by day for a living, the baseball team of Bellmakers Union, Local 40, New York, found time to belt the ball around after work. They beat all opposition in a clean sweep for the International Ladies Garment Workers' Union eastern title.

## "Point of Order" (A Trade Union Column) By Slim

IN THE NOT TOO FAR-DISTANT future, the big steel companies are going to receive a stiff jolt.

The Steel Workers Organizing Committee, sponsored by the C.I.O., has been steadily making headway in the drive to organize a half million steel workers, chipping off a big company union here, bringing into the Amalgamated Association a plant-full of steel workers there.

Sometime next spring, Philip Murray, fighting Scotchman who is chairman of the S.W.O.C. and his crew of 300 trained labor organizers, plan to have such a majority of the steel workers in the Amalgamated that will enable the union to face the steel corporations, with all their two-billion dollar treasury, with insistent demands for an agreement ending a lot of the evils in the steel industry.

The S.W.O.C. wants nothing to come between it and a gigantic steel workers' union. It especially wants no red-baiting.

A newspaper man recently asked Murray: "Does your committee knowingly have Communists on its payroll or aiding in the unionization drive?"

Murray's answer was quick and to the point: "Do you bar Communists from becoming citizens of the United States?"

"We are accepting the support and cooperation of all groups. We do not ask a man about his political beliefs or creeds."

Communists, old-time leaders of the steel workers, have been among the best organizers for the S.W.O.C., as have been workers, as Murray says, of all political beliefs.

An answer, we are sure, which will not be printed in the shipowners' League Against Communism-backed "Maritime Mirror."

## Will They Learn a Lesson?

IT MIGHT INTEREST some of those syndicalist elements who I fought so bitterly at the Maritime Federation convention in San Pedro against Farmer-Labor Party support to know that their arguments are dangerous enough to have been quoted by that manekin of Hearst and the Liberty League, Alfred Mossback Landon.

Landon, whose platform calls for recognition of company unions, gave a few general words of praise for "labor," and then went on to say, in Toledo:

"Politics is a factor that can lose labor its independence. Where labor has participated in organization of new governments, trade unionism has been outlawed and the workers have become serfs.

"Labor in the United States must guard against the flattering offers of Government, no matter how attractive temporarily. Labor must maintain its independence." Which were just about the identical words used in San Pedro in arguing against the idea of a Farmer-Labor Party.

This is of course not to say that those who argued in this vein at the Federation convention are Fascists, as Landon is, but to point out to all sincere maritime workers who swallow this typically syndicalist idea, the dangers of their arguments.

Yes, Landon doesn't want to see a Labor Party. He wants politics to remain in the hands of the old-party politicians, so that Landon's open-shop backers may continue to use the police, militia, the courts, and the legislative bodies against organized labor.

Labor's own people in office would present a picture and carry out a program that wouldn't exactly please Landon.

## Will It Be Another Danbury?

THAT \$100,000 SUIT by the Richmaid Dairies against the Teamsters' Union, the Central Labor Councils in San Pedro and Long Beach WITH ALL THEIR MEMBERS, the Long Beach Labor News, the Harbor Worker, the officers of the unions, about 100 John Does and 50 Jane Does and others, should not be taken placidly by California organized labor.

The suit, for damages "due to loss of business" since the firm was placed on the unfair list, brings back the bitter taste of the famous Danbury Hatters case.

If you remember, and what old-timer in the trade union movement doesn't, the members of the Hatters Union at Danbury, Conn., back before the World War, were sued in just such a manner. A capitalist court was quick to grant, the employers a judgment—and the huge sum granted the employers was collected to the last penny.

Union members' homes were seized by sheriffs and sold; their property dealt with likewise; their wages garnished.

Is Long Beach to become another Danbury? That depends on California organized labor.

If it does, then organized labor in this state will have been dealt the heaviest blow yet.

The fullest support by all California organized labor behind the unions in the Richmaid case, is a vital necessity.

## SHIPPERS IN A DIRTY HOAX TO GET SCABS

### Inserted False Ads In Drouth Area Press For "Men Wanted"

SEATTLE.—Mysterious ads have been appearing in middle-western papers, reading "WANTED—Five thousand laborers at Seattle, Washington. High Wages."

Hundreds of men from the drouth-stricken areas of the middle West came here in answer. They came to Seattle and found no such jobs existed.

At transient headquarters of the Dept. of Public Welfare a survey was made and it was found the ads had brought the men here.

Many of them showed clippings from Kansas, Iowa and Nebraska papers with the ads. It is believed the open-shop Industrial Council had a lot to do with the insertion of the ads, with the waterfront situation in mind.

The open-shoppers wanted a big surplus of able-bodied, unorganized workers on hand, for use as strikebreakers if a waterfront lockout or strike developed.

Some of them had come 2000 miles. They were all bitter at the dirty trick.

## AFL Convention of Concern to Calif. For State Charter In Agriculture

SAN FRANCISCO.—The AFL annual convention, opening Nov. 16 in Tampa, Fla., will be of great importance to California labor.

The issues of industrial organization, and organization of the unorganized are of great interest here.

The California State Federation of Labor Delegate, George Kidwell, has been instructed to fight for reinstatement of the CIO at the convention.

The San Francisco Central Labor Council will send a delegate, and nomination are soon to open. Last year Hugo Ernst of the Waiters Union represented the Council.

The Teamsters will send John McLaughlin; Elevator Constructors Harry Milton; Laborers Joe Marshall and Butchers are expected to send Milton S. Maxwell.

## Shipowners Bluff Is Seen Through

SAN FRANCISCO.—Another hoax of the shipowners has been shown up for the lie it is.

T. G. Plant, chairman of the shipowners coast committee, recently said that all Alaska ship operators will lay their ships up as soon as they reach Seattle unless the dispute on the S. S. Tanana at Kodiak Island was settled. (The dispute has been settled since.)

"Alaska shipping always ceases this time of the year anyhow," L. E. Winddoffer, International Longshoremen's Association official announced. "All of the vessels on the Alaska run, with the exception of about four that take care of the passenger trade, lay up in Seattle from fall to spring."

"This time, shipowners are using the annual Alaska lay-up as a pretext in the attempt to stir up public opinion against the maritime unions. I consider it also as one of their first steps in establishing a coast-wide lock-out."

## Co. Unions Turn On Steel Bosses

PITTSBURGH.—Eighteen employe representatives of nine Carnegie-Illinois Steel Corp. in the Pittsburgh-Youngstown area have demanded a wage increase for 50,000 employes.

The steel company unions have become a boomerang to the employes, leaning closer to the Amalgamated Assn. in the CIO steel drive.

## Laundry Union Rises Again In The Los Angeles Area

LOS ANGELES.—Disbanded some years ago, the Laundry Workers Union is being revived again in Los Angeles.

Laundry workers here have at last succeeded in forming a union and are now permanently established in the Labor Temple.

## Attention Spanish Speaking Brothers

The National Committee of Agricultural and Rural Workers has published the first issue of a Spanish farm workers' paper. It is called El Organizador Agricola.

It is a monthly four page paper. The subscription price for one year is 25 cents and it sells for 3 cents a copy.

The Editor is Paul J. Arias, President of the Colorado State Federation of Agricultural Unions. Communications should be addressed to P. O. Box 1491, Denver, Colorado.

## PEDRO ILLA OFF "HOT" LETTUCE

### Expect To Raise \$2000 For Strike

SAN PEDRO.—About \$2000 is expected to be raised by the San Pedro and Long Beach I.L.A. for the Salinas strikers.

The local levied an assessment of 50 cents per member to assist the Fruit and Vegetable Workers Union, leader of the Salinas strike.

In addition to aiding the strikers with cash funds, the long-shoremen are refusing to handle hot lettuce coming from the Salinas Valley.

## For State Charter In Agriculture

Organization of the agricultural workers of California has been a burning necessity for years, and the following resolution passed at the recent California Federation of Labor convention recognizes this:

WHEREAS, Agriculture, the largest industry in the State, is still unorganized, and its peculiar make-up necessitates special consideration on the part of the State Federation to organize, and

WHEREAS, Agriculture is statewide in scope, and is seasonal and localized by crops, compels the bulk of its workers to migrate, covering the entire State and sometimes into adjacent states, during a session of eight or nine months, and

WHEREAS, The workers engaged in agriculture and its numerous branches require little or no skill, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the State Federation of Labor, assembled September, 1936, petition the American Federation of Labor to grant an international charter for agriculture covering all workers in the production of farm products and the processes of manufacturing to a consumable product, and further be it

RESOLVED, That pending the establishment of an International Union a statewide Federal charter be asked for California to cover all field workers engaged in agriculture.

## Nolan "Shuffled Off To Buffalo"

WATSONVILLE.—Edward F. Nolan, state labor commissioner, was blasted by the Watsonville Central Labor Council recently, for gallivanting off to Buffalo "when it was his duty to remain at his post at such a critical time as the Salinas orgy of vigilantism."

The Watsonville Council declared that it is the purpose of the large lettuce growers in Salinas—not only to terrorize the union membership into open-shop submission, but to establish a monopoly for the purpose of eliminating the competition of small shippers and growers.

At the request of the Watsonville organization, Kern County delegates voted to send similar protests to Gov. Frank F. Merriam, and to the Department of Justice.

## A NEW PAPER FOR CHINESE SEAMEN ON U. S. SHIPS

SAN FRANCISCO.—A new seamen's paper in the Chinese language has been issued here for the Chinese seamen on American ships. The following translation of the introduction to the paper indicates its policy.

"As the result of the invasion and murderous attacks by Japanese bandits, our nation is facing the danger of losing its independence and our race that of extinction. We Chinese seamen suffer from discrimination and maltreatment everywhere;

## SUIT AGAINST TEAMSTERS IN SOUTH SERIOUS

### Behind It Is Open Shoppers' Iron First In L.A.

LOS ANGELES.—That there is vastly more behind the Richmaid Creameries' suit against the Teamsters' Union than is set forth in the complaint was unwittingly disclosed by the reactionary Los Angeles Times this week when it indicated that anti-labor forces are working to tie up the Teamsters' Union in legal action so as to stalemate the union's role in the event of a waterfront strike.

### The Usual Line

Blindly striking at the organizing of truck drivers in the harbor district, the "Times" attempts to show that it is done by "intimidation and forceful means" by claiming that it was this method by which the Teamsters' Union "controls public affairs in Seattle."

Undoubtedly inspired by the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Association, the Richmaid company's complaint charges the defendants conspired, coerced, and compelled employes to become members of the union, apparently believing that if enough charges are made, some of them will be believed.

Likewise, the complaint, as interpreted by the advance publicity in the Times, charges the workers with the "terrible crime" of combining, confederating and conspiring for the purpose of making all dairy concerns in Southern California closed shop.

## Fight Companies' Arms Supplies

The use of tear gas and armed vigilantes in Salinas made organized labor in California sit up and think. Hence the following resolution went over with a bang at the recent convention of the State Federation of Labor in Sacramento:

WHEREAS, It is known that corporations and managers possess and maintain arms, such as machine guns, gas bombs, rifles and other war equipment, solely for the purpose of intimidating, threatening and even killing industrial and other workers when strikes, walk-outs and other labor disputes occur; and

WHEREAS, Such war equipment should only be possessed by constituted authority such as the police, State militia and the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, Possession of such arms by a private corporation and associations other than constituted authority of the United States constitute a menace to society and peace within our nation, as well as undermining the democratic institutions of our government, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That this Thirty-seventh Annual Convention of the State Federation of Labor in the State of California go on record as being emphatically opposed to such private possessions of arms; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this Convention shall stand pledged to advocate and promote legislation both State and Federal which will make it unlawful for any corporation or industrial management to possess any weapons of offense such as rifles, machine guns, gas bombs or any other weapons designed to do bodily harm to any citizen of the United States.

## IN SHARP PROTEST

TRINIDAD, Colo.—Sharply worded was the protest of the Labor Council here against suspension of the 10 C.I.O. unions.

## BIG RUBBER STRIKE

TOLEDO, O.—The strike against the Bowling Green Rubber Co. is 100 per cent effective. Nearly 200 are out for wage increases.

## STEEL DRIVE IN CANADA

HAMILTON, Ont.—The C.I.O. steel organizing drive has extended to Canada with three Amalgamated Association locals already set up. There are some 114,000 steel workers in Canada.

## Labor Board Man Says Marine Unions Are For Peace

SEATTLE.—It is so obvious that the maritime unions have been the ones to have so far prevented a clash on the West Coast waterfront that Benedict Wolf, executive secretary of the National Labor Relations Board expressed this opinion.

Said Wolf: "I'm here to look over the Pacific coast controversies first hand. The maritime situation is at present being handled by the Labor Department and the Maritime Commission, and doesn't come under our jurisdiction, we are watching it closely should it involve us."

"We on the board are firmly convinced that the unions do not desire a strike, as is indicated by their agreeing to a 15 day extension of the working agreements. We hope to see another 45 day extension that will lead to peaceful settlement of the whole controversy."

## LA Open Shoppers Build War Chest

LOS ANGELES.—Wielding a blackjack for the open-shoppers, J. Stuart Neary, counsel for the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Association, has been blasting funds for an anti-labor war chest out of Southern California business men, according to charges made by J. W. Buzzell, secretary of the Los Angeles Central Labor Council, in a speech before a mass meeting of clothing workers at the Labor Temple.

## Want To Weaken Labor

Aided by the vicious, labor-hating police thug Red Hynes and his gang of badged hoodlums, the M and M is determined to beat organized labor to its knees. Buzzell implied when he said that M and M officials had told him they did not want to destroy organized labor entirely, but to weaken it.

In an attempt to intimidate striking workers at the Red Blum's, Inc. shop, a half-hour before the mass meeting was due to open Hynes' Red's swooped down on William E. Nak, organizer for the Amalgamated Clothing Workers' Union, and hauled him off to jail, where he was held incommunicado for three days.

Brought into court on a writ of habeas corpus, Shainak was charged with "conspiracy to commit assault with a deadly weapon" and Judge R. McKay set bail at \$2500, which was immediately furnished and Shainak was released, to appear for a preliminary hearing Monday morning, October 19.

## Conventions Back The C.I.O. Up

CINCINNATI.—The Negro workers have been kept unorganized by the reactionary craft unionists, and it's no wonder they favor industrial organization.

The Fourth Annual Convention of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, held here, heartily endorsed the Committee for Industrial Organization. The convention represented 6000 men and women workers.

## CLOQUET, Minn.—The convention of the Minnesota Federation of Labor endorsed the steel organizing campaign of the C.I.O. and protested suspension of the C.I.O. unions.

## SALT LAKE CITY.—The convention of the Utah State Federation of Labor called for dismissal of all charges against the C.I.O.