

Nazis Hail Killer In Vigilante Center

Uniformed Men Hail Former Hitler As Sadist Speaks

SANTA ROSA — Baron Manfred von Killinger, San Francisco's infamous Nazi Consul, stepped out in public here last week at a meeting sponsored by the German American Bund. The character of the meeting at Germania Hall, this city was indicated by the presence of a large Nazi Swastika flag which hung over the speakers' platform and a dozen "storm troopers," dressed in the uniform of the Bund.

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Split in Labor Holds Peril to Victories of Western Progressives

Hathaway Declares Unity Can Defeat Reactionary Regimes in Seattle and California State

By C. A. HATHAWAY
Seattle, Wash.—Politics these days become ever more complex. This had come to realize here I started on a reaction tour from our experiences in New York, Detroit, Pennsylvania and Ohio. The West emphasized this fact.

In California, with proper consideration to the relationship of forces within the state, there exists a real danger of a far-reaching political upheaval in the 1938 elections.

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Santa Monica's Labor and Progressive Forces Making Strong Bid for City Office

Citizens' Group Supports AFL Man for Council; Puts Forward Its Own Candidates for Other Posts

SANTA MONICA—Ever-widening circles of Santa Monica citizens are rallying to the cause of the AFL's Citizens' Committee for United Political Action, and all progressive groups to elect C. G. "Doc" O'Brien to the Santa Monica City Council as Commissioner of Public Finance in the December 7th Municipal election.

O'Brien, who is a strong progressive, was recently elected president of the Bay Cities Central Labor Council. For years he has been prominent in the Santa Monica Union Local in the campaign apparatus is being solicited. And O'Brien has accepted the endorsement of the Citizens' Committee for United Political Action. He has also been endorsed by the Local Committee of the Democratic Party.

Reactionaries Divided
O'Brien's chances of election are heightened by the fact that the reactionaries are united, the reactionaries are seriously split, summering in the big money backing, while Helton, the other commissioner, has been a busy and hitherto very popular figure in the City Hall.

The strength of O'Brien as a progressive AFL labor candidate was indicated when the present city council, meeting the day after he filed for office.

While O'Brien is the only candidate the AFL is officially supporting, the Citizens' Committee for United Political Action is backing several other candidates.

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7 More Win Prizes in Daily Name Contest

HAIL THE PEOPLE'S WORLD

A NEW PAPER with a new name, destined from its very birth to be an increasingly important factor in the history of the West, will be born with the New Year.

What a world of meaning there is in that name! People's World! A centuries-old dream of mankind. A world where there will be no rich or poor, no oppressors and no oppressed, no exploiters and exploited, but a united mankind consisting simply of PEOPLE working together for common advancement.

The name expresses a hope. People's World! What a broad picture it suggests. The name is a medium for a better understanding of the world and a token of the transformation that is to come.

Somehow Karl Marx, father of scientific socialism, said that in order to transform the world we must better understand it. How implicit that is in the name, symbolizing that a new era of the transformation that is to come.

THE PEOPLE'S WORLD!

'Regulations' Would Curb S. D. Picketing

Communist Party and Unions Demand Rejection of New Ordinance

SAN DIEGO—Take it from the employers themselves: they don't want to prevent picketing in San Diego. All they want to do is "regulate" it.

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PERT SEES NEW SET-UP FOR SPAIN

Position Is More Than Year Ago, Says Strategist

With PEOPLE'S World as a first choice, and testaments still being written of \$50 in the Daily Worker, seven other entries, prizes which include time subscriptions to PEOPLE'S World, and several inscriptions.

Winners of the contest have played a role in the Spanish Civil War. The first prize was awarded to the author of the "The Spanish Civil War" by the author's mother tongue.

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Hitler Taxes, Prices Rob Germans of Food

Observer Tells Why Nazis Banned Elections In Shop Councils

A traveler in Germany will note the crowded beer gardens and cafes, the throngs in the streets, apparently pleasure-loving, but the Ruhr and Rhine districts, he will see smelting belching from the stacks of munition factories, which operate 24 hours a day, and he will note feverish activity in the metal industry. If he fails to see or hear anything beyond these things, he is not in Germany.

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CUBAN FRONT GROWS AGAINST DICTATORSHIP

Baistia Plans to Outlaw All Labor Activities in Fascist Coup

HAVANA — Colonel Fulgencio Batista, Cuban army chief, who is working against time to set up an outright fascist state in this island republic off the coast of Florida, moved today to compel Cuban labor to accept his Nazi "three-year plan" at the point of bayonets.

Baistia has crystallized during the last few weeks, until the present, the various revolutionary groupings, and has already met with a new wave of fascist activity in the city. Army detachments are being sent by Batista into factories and offices to "appease" the workers and their organizations to rally support for the "labor congress" called by Batista and his servile Labor Department for Saturday.

Model
If the bona-fide labor groups do not "spontaneously" back his plan for a totalitarian organization of the economy of the nation on the Nazi model, Batista will see to it that the organizations not created by himself.

Thus the still existing trade unions and all other labor organizations, which have been crushed by the Army and the fascist police, are being re-organized by Batista's move.

One of the crassest and yet most instructive illustrations of the duplicity of British foreign policy is the simultaneous en- croachment of Hitler (through the Lord Halifax trick) and the signing of an agreement in principle on the issue of an Anglo-U. S. reciprocal trade pact.

Heretofore the British Tories never allowed one step to be made toward international labor cooperation without making two steps backward in the direction of stimulating fascist war ambitions.

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Starving Refugees Search for Food in Shanghai



Chinese scour the vegetable market in a corner of the International Settlement within the walls of the city.

War Nears As Polish Nazis Prepare Coup

Conflict Believed Certain When Reactionaries Strike At Democratic Groups

PARIS—Behind the report that Yvon Delbos, French Foreign Minister, is to visit Warsaw, lies the anxiety in French circles that civil war may break out in Poland at any moment.

As against a background of soaring peasant unrest—which actually broke out into open struggle in the great peasant strike earlier this year—the forces of democracy, identical with those who oppose the pro-German orientation in Polish foreign policy, are moving forward.

The appeals of the former Prime Ministers, Paderewski and Vitos, have spurred on the growth of the democratic opposition to the bankrupt fascist Polish clique, headed by Marshal Smigly-Rydz. Recently the Christian Democratic and National Labor Parties have merged into a united party, basic principle of which is the struggle for democracy and a foreign policy on the side of the democratic states.

At the same time the Polish Trades Union Congress has declared for League aid for Spain and for Poland joining the peace front.

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Civil Service Graft Hinted: Quiz on Pensions to Open

Feavoritism Seen In Ratings and Dismissals

LOS ANGELES—Manipulations of civil service ratings in the State Board of Equalization and charges of "whole-sale dismissals" of Board workers on order from ex-political big shot Helen "Queen Helen" Werner, were slated for a quiz on pensions to open the Assembly in its interim committee on Civil Service.

Composed of Assemblymen Sam Yorty and Fred Glick, the committee was expected to quiz Werner, who was a member of the Equalization Board on the dismissal of 40 employees of the Board last December, 1935.

Dismissals of the workers occurred just prior to placing the Board under civil service.

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Move Grows Against Chest Discrimination

Burford's Discharge Brings Down Wrath of Democrats, CIO Unions

LOS ANGELES—Community Chest authorities were on the spot here this week when the furor caused by the discriminatory discharge of Chest Worker James Burford took positive action in the form of protests from committees from the Democratic Civic Central Committee and the CIO Industrial Council.

The issue arose two weeks ago when Burford, Young Democratic Club leader and member of the United Office and Professional Workers' Union, was fired for alleged inefficiency and participation.

Demanding that the board of directors of the Chest declare a policy establishing the rights of their workers to belong to any political, religious, trade union or fraternal organization, they might choose, the Democratic Civic Central Committee also insisted that Burford be reinstated in his position as soon as possible.

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LATIN AMERICA DEMOCRATS TO PLAN DEFENSE

Mexican Unions Call for Democracy Meet After Brazil Events

MEXICO CITY — Stirred by what happened in Brazil, the democratic and left-wing parties of Latin America were called to come together in a congress to unite their efforts to safeguard the democratic systems of government.

The Mexican Confederation of Workers is initiating this congress. Immediately when Vargas became president of Brazil, the general secretary of the Confederation, Carlos de Caceres, and the general secretary of Central and South America, Carlos de Caceres, were in Mexico City.

In this city, Toledo announced these political parties to convene immediately in defense of democracy. Affirmative answers were received by the C.T.M. last week from the parties that form the Popular Front of Chile; from the Partido Aprista of Peru; from the Socialist Party and the Radical Party of Argentina; from the Communist Party and the Radical Party of Uruguay; from the Communist Party of Colombia; and from Cuban and Central American parties.

The Confederation announces that special invitations are being sent to the National Revolutionary Council, the Communist Party of Mexico, and the Communist Party of Mexico.

The political parties of the Western Hemisphere are invited to send fraternal delegates to this Congress of Latin American Democrats which will receive voice and vote.

Repeated complaints from pensioners in Los Angeles are being forced to live in privation for months while waiting certification of their applications secured promise of investigation from the Assembly Interim committee.

Of the more than 8,000 applicants for pension, 5,000 are now awaiting action, 8,000 have been accepted but are still waiting for their pension checks. In any event, the additional 1,800 cases have not been certified, but have not received final investigation from field workers.

Two hundred citizens were present in the rich, red marble council chambers as "city dad" boosted water rates. Various do business groups have indicated that the Negro people realize they must have their own board to remedy the constant encroachment on what they call their "right to live."

Robert Greathed, Financial Secretary of the Communist Party, U. S. A., of Alameda County, is expelled from the Communist Party of Los Angeles for "unintentional and irresponsible conduct."

From business, educational, and civic circles throughout San Bernardino county, letters of protest were received last week by the city administration, said John "feels that the only way to stop it is to stop the meetings at which it is held."

Meanwhile, preliminary steps for filing law suits against city officials and teamsters' union are being taken. The labor attorney recently returned from Spain and the Soviet Union.

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Will Congress Back Peace Appeal?

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Nazi Demands Are Refused Britain and France End Brief Discussion

LONDON.—At the end of a "successful" eight-hour discussion here between the Premier and Foreign Ministers of Britain and France, it was stated that these two powers were not ready to grant any German political or territorial demands in the near future.

The conference, coming on the heels of Lord Halifax's exploratory talk with Reichsfuhrer Adolf Hitler, was interpreted as an assurance to France of Britain's desire for friendly relations with this country.

The preservation of peace in Central Europe and the trend of Germany's ambitions in this area was discussed with concern by the diplomats.

It was stated that the Chinese-Japanese war and the "need for vigilance in this respect" were topics not part in the discussions.

It was understood that Washington made arrangements to keep closely informed of all developments.

Peninsula Children May Suffer From Budget Slash SAN MATEO.—A campaign to reduce the public school system budget under the presence of lowering taxes has been instituted in this county by the Chamber of Commerce, the Civic League and the Tax Payers League.

Stating that there is waste in the school system, the leaders of this attack threaten chiefly the laboring population as more than 80 per cent of the pupils of these schools come from working class families.

Teachers ill-paid Teachers' salaries have not gone up only a few have been restored, and on the other hand classes have grown. The reduction in the school budget endangers the entire school system with the brunt laid on the pupils.

LABOR PARTY ELECTS FINANCIAL COUNCIL

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AUSTRIA GOVT VIEWS GERMAN AIMS WITH FEAR

Mass Arrests Are Made in Army of Pro-Nazi Officers VIENNA.—Apprehension concerning Viscount Halifax's visit to Nazi Chancellor Adolf Hitler has produced a general business depression here which has even affected the stock exchange, and has brought mass arrests of men of the Austrian army suspected of Nazi activities.

While Nazi sources list as many as 1,000 officers, non-commissioned officers and men arrested in connection with the mass arrests, the numbers run into the hundreds.

Nazi Penetration Seen Although German diplomatic circles maintained that one of the chief reasons for the mass arrests was the fact that the numbers run into the hundreds.

It is believed to be the cause of renewed Nazi activity in Austria which led to the floor, killing a surgeon and wounding four assistants and a patient. The Japanese general in command replied to representations by the American consul: "Excuse, please!"

200 Refugees Die Each Day SHANGHAI.—Though the Japanese army has swept on beyond Shanghai, 200 Chinese refugees are dying from cold and hunger in this devastated commercial capital of China daily.

Fearful misery has taken a huge toll of lives of the Chinese refugees who find no international settlement and the French Concession when the Japanese occupied the Chinese positions of Shanghai.

From the time the battle for Shanghai opened on August 13 until yesterday, Shanghai charitably organizations buried 18,000 Chinese refugees in the last two weeks.

Messages from 80 Senators and Representatives and 22 Governors concerning anti-Semitism and pleading support for international settlement.

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MEXICAN GOLD SHIRTS SEIZED IN BOMB PLOT

MEXICO CITY.—Caught red-handed, and dynamite in their possession, about 30 members of fascist organizations were arrested here, and released after two days, the Ministry for Press and Propaganda officially announced.

All the men arrested belonged to the Gold Shirts, or the Nationalist Vanguard, the Communist Party of the Middle Class, El Mochete, organ of the Communist Party of Mexico, and the National Revolutionary Party.

The paper and the Communist Party criticized the authorities sharply for having released the arrested conspirators, demanding sharper prosecution in this fascist plot.

Latin America Congress MEXICO CITY.—No date has as yet been set for the holding of the democratic congress of Latin American countries, proposed by the Mexican Communist Party and the American Federation of Workers.

Front Against Anti-Semitismism Called For WASHINGTON.—A united democratic front today against anti-Semitismism both in Europe and the 700 delegates was proposed by the American Jewish Congress convening in New York.

More Spain Civilians Killed by Fascists MADRID.—More than 80 casualties were the result of a fascist air raid at Guadalajara last Sunday that brought a total of 120 casualties from week-end air attacks upon Madrid to 181 dead and 110 injured.

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Fire-Traps Menace San Franciscans As Population Swells

Danger From Congestion Greatest in Areas Inhabited by Low-Wage Groups
By BETTY FURUSET
More than 100,000 new residents have come to San Francisco in the last six years.

Of every five of these 100,000 who have been jammed into the thousands of fire-traps that exist after the San Francisco earthquake and fire of 1906.

Startling figures show that the city's population has increased by 105,352 since the census taken late in 1930.

At the same time records of the city building inspector's office show that residences accounted for 77.8 per cent of the new construction in 1937.

Where are the other 70,000? Any housewife who has tried to find a room in San Francisco knows this problem all too well.

How bad is the building slump? The Pacific Coast is classified as one of the construction figures listed in the above.

L. A. Guild Wins Again
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New Form of Defense War in China



A "TANK TRAIN" made of steel railroad rails sunk deep in the ground and pointing toward the Japanese positions, which the Chinese found to be more effective than deep ditches.

COUNCIL KILLS BILL TO HELP POOR SHOPPERS
LOS ANGELES—Because "the people assertedly 'like to be cheated,'" City Councilmen voted down a proposed ordinance that would insure food shoppers receiving decent quality vegetables and fruit.

Red Tape Heroes Refuse Food to Hungry Family
LOS ANGELES—"We want work. We are Americans." "We have been turned down for relief due to a technical rule."

PG&E Pool Under Way
Victory is Predicted for CIO Organization
SAN FRANCISCO—With a victory predicted for the CIO organization in the election among 7400 outside employees of the Pacific Gas and Electric Co. started last Monday.

Goodyear Section Plans Press Bazaar
LOS ANGELES—The Press Committee of the Goodyear Section of the Communist Party will hold a bazaar at 4414 1/2 St. on Saturday and Sunday.

RUSSIAN WORKERS' CHORUS AND RUSSIAN BRIGADE FOR PEOPLE'S WORLD
Invites you to "VETCHERINKA" Sat., Dec. 18, 8 p. m. Sharp
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L. A. CLEANERS CONTINUE FIGHT FOR AUTONOMY

Seek Injunction Against Usurpation in Union By Intl. Officers
LOS ANGELES—Petition of cleaning and dyeing workers for a permanent injunction against usurpation of their local union funds and records by international officials, was continued last Friday until Monday, December 6, by Superior Judge Emmett H. Wool.

Parley to Map New Moves for Steel Workers
PITTSBURGH, Pa.—Representing 1100 local lodges with a total membership of 325,000 steel workers, 100 delegates will convene here for three days starting December 14, to discuss new moves for the Amalgamated Assn. of Iron and Steel Workers.

Forty Workers Are Locked Out
REDWOOD CITY—The Golden State Mushroom Co. locked out 40 employees, members of the International Union of Meat Packers and Allied Workers, last Saturday at 7 a. m.

Weekly Broadcast by Seattle C. P.
SEATTLE, Wash.—A series of 20 radio broadcasts was started by District 12, Communist Party, with a 15-minute talk Friday, Dec. 3, at 7:30 p. m. over station KEEB.

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LABOR BOARD SLAPS DOWN "ROYALISTS"

Washington—National Labor Relations Board officials last week slapped down "royalists" that the board was infringing freedom of the press when it subpoenaed magazine editor in the West.

Hitlerite Attacks Vandenbergs
Senator Arthur Vandenberg (R., Mich.) led the forces in the attack on the "royalists" in the House.

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WORKERS' CORRESPONDENCE PG&E Profiteering Killed Off Orchards in Tuolumne County

Alaska Packers Get Big Profits
By an Alaska Canner
The Bureau of Fisheries at Sitka, Alaska, has reported recently that the salmon pack in Alaska...

Worker Tells Why He Came Back to Party
Says Something Vital is Lacking to Communist Who Drops Out
By a Worker Correspondent
INGLEWOOD, Los Angeles County—When one of the active Communist Party members and a name is proposed for membership...

Farmer Hits Anti-Union Lie
Petaling Poultry Raisers Can't be Misled Into Fighting Labor
By a Farmer
PITALUMA, Sonoma County
The Petaling Poultry Raisers Association has just passed a resolution by the Associated Farmers condemning the demand for trade unionism as a vehicle of convenience, to bore down on the farmer.

Communist in Unions
The writer is making statement on the basis of his own experience. For months he groped along through the fog of super-individualism...

War Aggressors
By a Worker Correspondent
SAN FRANCISCO—The big aggressors are re-arming and preparing for war.

"Hall of Shame"
This Niche Reserved for MISTER DANIEL J. TOBIN
By DAVE WILLIAM
Oh please shed a tear for the bluff Mister Tobin. The rough Mister Tobin, the tough Mister Tobin. This leader of forces on outmoded courses imagines that horses are best for a trip: This year is a Tory, so ancient and hoary He hears for a lorry, he burns for a whip.

A SPECIAL PAGE OF TRADE UNION NEWS, DEVELOPMENTS AND FEATURES

Sailors' Union candidates urge progressive program, affiliation to the CIO—Natl Maritime Union rank and file set up relief committee—Los Angeles "injunction" judge still serving employers—ILD wins Nipomo case—Other labor news on regular news pages.

Maritime Unions Act to Protect Their Unemployed

2000 SEAMEN STILL ON BEACH NEED RELIEF

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Foc'sle and Dock

Seamen Ask for Relief

National Maritime Union Rank and File Sets Up Committee to Act

Lundberg's Orders?

Business Agent Bob Says

Culinary Union in Big Gains

East Bay Local Winning on Its Own: Intl. Heads Block Assistance

ILD Wins Reversal In Anti-Labor Case In San Luis Obispo

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Neighborhood organizations had representatives present...

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LOS ANGELES—Not how good your record is but how much money you have in your pocket...

Warren, 'Vice Enemy' Protects Politician From Criminal Charge

Republican WPA Supervisor Charged By Four Women With Criminal Assault; Officials Keep Silent

SAN LEANDRO—District Attorney Earl Warren, Republican politician, has refused to prosecute a prominent Republican here...

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Labor's Political Front Forming in California

FOR THE first time in California political history, there is a real reason to expect that labor will be an active, independent force.

Over the week-end of December 11 and 12, Labor's Non-Partisan League will hold its state convention in San Francisco.

Already, credentials are in the state office to show that the organization will be heavy from both CIO and AFL.

But the emergence of the League as a major force in California does not tell much more than one forty-eighth of the story.

From such states as Vermont, Texas, Arizona, Maine, Indiana and Colorado, recent dispatches telling of League activity to weld the labor movement into a unified political force.

In short, the League has come a long way since its auspicious beginning in rallying labor to the Roosevelt administration in the 1936 campaign.

The convention in California, therefore, is an important milestone. Without doubt it can not only give labor the impetus to help the Roosevelt administration in the 1936 campaign.

May their deliberations be a serious, vigorous and an intelligent effort to unite behind the common tasks of labor and all progressive forces: to rid California of the Meriam administration, to guarantee the right of labor to organize, strike and picket, to fight the menace of injunctions, to rally public pressure against the vigilante and fascist groupings that blot the name of the state, and to renounce the fight for Tom Mooney and all of labor's political prisoners.

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AMMOT DUPOINT pleaded for "only a fair opportunity" at the Congress of American Industry which brought together some of America's leading industrialists.

"All that we ask is the same fair opportunity to work that we believe should be given the humblest citizen."

Mr. duPont, "the whole future is a gigantic question mark."

And all Lammor duPont and all the other duPonts that infest the shores of the Delaware raked in was \$71,000,000 in dividends this year.

Mr. duPont must be a Jacksonian Democrat at heart to be content with the same rights as "the humblest citizen," after his family netted more money in one year, than do a number of humble citizens equal to the total population of the State of Nevada.

Or perhaps Mr. duPont was thinking of the "fair opportunity" to work given the 1,500 workers laid off by General Motors in Los Angeles. The duPonts control General Motors, you know.

Mr. duPont's speech reads like an almanac of some ten years ago. There hasn't been anything quite like it since the crash of 1929.

The bulk of responsibility for future social betterment should be placed on industry's shoulders.

There are approximately 10,000,000 persons out of work, and the best offer Mr. duPont can make in the name of American industry is that it will take "a year, two years, perhaps even ten years" to create three million industrial jobs that do not now exist.

Shipowners Used Lockout As Political Trick WHY THE steam schooner lockout?

It lasted only four days; obviously the shipowners never had any intention of tying up all the steam schooners on the coast, for only one ship—the James Griffith that started in San Francisco—was affected. Then why any lockout at all?

The motivation behind this disturbance can be found in Washington, D. C., in several bills being introduced into the special session of Congress, designed at crippling the maritime industry by eventually destroying them.

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CENTER SHOTS

by WM. Z. FOSTER

DIARY OF AN AMERICAN IN SPAIN

Keeler Sees Many Americans While Convalescing at Hospital

By ADDISON KEELER I hope that you have received my articles concerning the capture of Quintero and the three days of the attack on Belchite.

EDITOR'S Note: Struck by a bullet which fell like a meteorite, Addison Keeler, Western Worker Correspondent, was wounded in the leg during the fighting in Spain.

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Communists Pledge Aid to Tom Mooney On 55th Birthday

Mass Participation in Huge Mass Meetings Asked As Demonstration of Solidarity With Famous Prisoner

Tom Mooney, perhaps the world's best loved political prisoner, will receive a shower of heart-warming greetings on his fifty-fifth birthday, a milestone of hope from the Communist Party of the United States.

Greetings to the famous labor martyr were sent by the California State Committee of the Party, as well as by the Central Committee.

The message of the California State Committee, signed by William Schneiderman, secretary, said:

"Greetings from five thousand members of the Communist Party in California. May this be your best birthday yet. We will be celebrating a free man."

From the Central Committee, a statement signed by Chairman William Z. Foster, secretary, said: "Secretary Earl Browder carried to Mooney the pledge of active aid in the furtherance of his struggle for freedom. The statement follows: Today, on Mooney's 55th birthday, we will send in the workers of Petrograd, led by Lenin, and in the workers of San Quentin, led by Tom Mooney, a world movement of protest that resulted in President Hoover's pardon of Mooney."

On Dec. 15, the State Judiciary Committee will start an investigation of the Moore-Billings case in Washington. A favorable report by the Senate Judiciary Committee would mean a request by the Senate to President Roosevelt to follow the procedure in California by Wilson and intervene in California on Mooney's behalf.

On Dec. 15, the people of New York will be given an opportunity to express their protest at a rally in Madison Square Garden. The rally will be held in support of our unflinching fight for the freedom of the Communist Party and the entire membership of the Party of the United States.

Heavy revolutionary greetings to Tom Mooney will be sent by the Communist Party and the entire membership of the Party of the United States.

LOYALISTS DISPERSE FOE WITH AIR RAID

MADRID—An air raid by Loyalists on the fascist air base in the Balearics and the repulsing of a fascist troop immediately west of Madrid were reported here by Loyalist headquarters.

Prelude to Picket Ban

Dr. Franklin Bissell, Physician and Surgeon, Oakland Office—525 15th St., Oakland 12, Cal. Telephone 6244. Home: THornwall 4690.

DR. LEON KLEIN, DENTIST, ROOM 807, FLOOD BLDG., 810 MARKET ST., SAN FRANCISCO. Special Reduction for Readers.

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Champion Shucker BLDG. TRADES HEADS CAUGHT SIGNING FINKS

Hindeler Also Linked to Vandeleur Boss at Assembly Plant in Richmond

(Continued from Page 1) stand of auto workers for the service in slum districts against only \$4 per person in the rest of the city.

One reason why building construction has not kept abreast of the business recovery during the last few years is graphically shown in these figures. They are index figures for costs of building materials.

RAY HANSON, farmer of Bingham Lake, Minn., who won the title over a field of 19 other shuckers from 10 states who battled in the driving rain and slippery mud before 75,000 spectators at Marshall, Mo. Mr. Hanson husked 21.3 bushels minutes in 30 minutes.

Scandal Hinted As Quiz Opens On L. A. Relief

LOS ANGELES—Starting charges were hurled against the local Relief Administration as relief clients and needy agency persons went to battle on two fronts last week in protest against intolerable conditions.

Delegations from the Workers' Alliance last Tuesday packed the Board of Supervisors, demanded extension of relief to so-called "technical non-residents," later jammed the State Building where the Assembly Interim Committee on Social Welfare was beginning its scheduled investigation into State Relief Administration practices.

Before the eager eyes of close to 400 unemployed workers, the Board of Supervisors, headed by Assemblyman Elmer Lore, heard Albert A. Helms, county organizer of the Workers' Alliance, charge that thousands of relief clients were being denied relief on technical grounds.

2. Entire families are taken off relief rolls, sent to cotton fields to work long hours for starvation wages;

3. Social workers for the Los Angeles County Relief Administration are unable to make adequate adjustments in their case work because of arbitrary rulings of State Relief Administration officials;

4. Destitute families, in need of emergency relief aid, are denied relief for several weeks, because of official "red tape," before they are put on relief;

5. The LACRA is fostering child labor by compelling whole families to work in cotton fields in order to get a semi-deduction wage.

State Relief Administration

RUSSIAN WORKERS' CHORUS AND RUSSIAN BRIGADE FOR PEOPLE'S WORLD

"VETCHERINKA" Sat., Dec. 18, 8 p. m. Sharp 121 Haight St.

Slums Burden Taxpayers BLDG. TRADES HEADS CAUGHT SIGNING FINKS

ToryLawbreaker Low Cost Housing Financed By U. S. As Remedy; Merriam's Veto Dooms California Housing Progress

Slums are seven times more expensive than any other type of housing. The cost of building a single room flat is \$114, while the cost of building a single room flat with a bathroom is \$214.

Then the government first finances it over a period of 10 years. The cost is always put-up one-fifth of the total value.

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Non-Partisan League Advances in San Luis Obispo

Eureka AFL Council Split by Vandeleur Delegates Overwhelmingly Against Split But Acted to Safeguard Charter; Riddled AFL "Czars"

EUREKA, Humboldt County—At a recent meeting, the Eureka Federated Trades AFL Secretary Vandeleur, Cameron, Carpenter, czar and goon squad forced the council to "disassociate" the CIO delegates from the Council.

The action was taken only after three hours of bitter debate when Vandeleur threatened to take over the council and appoint the officers. Rather than split the council, the delegates of the local paper, the Humboldt Times and Standard, stood up and declared their opposition to the split.

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A SPECIAL PAGE OF TRADE UNION NEWS, DEVELOPMENTS AND FEATURES

CIO creates unity in furniture industry—Hail L. A. victory against anti-picketing injunctions—San Diego AFL active in organizing boycott of Japanese goods—U. S. labor raises funds to aid Spanish democracy—Other labor news on regular news pages.

Charge Lundeberg Permits Dumpings in SU Meetings

Termed Anti-CIO Tactics

Article Cites Beatings of Rank and Filers for Stating Opinions

SAN FRANCISCO—The charge that Harry Lundeberg, secretary of the CIO, is permitting salaried spies to infiltrate the union floor for expressing criticisms of the SUP leadership, as part of his fight against the CIO and national seamen's unity, was made in the leading article in the last issue of the Maritime Worker, organ of the Western Front Section, Communist Party.

Lundeberg himself, several months ago, rushed down the aisle of a meeting to file a rank and file name down with his fists during a meeting of the CIO.

Kicked and Beaten—Last meeting a brother, who while attempting to speak, was kicked and beaten outside by three seamen.

Force and violence is the before and after of the CIO. This is not a new trick.

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AFL Upholsterers Join in Move for Organizing Industry 100%

WASHINGTON—Plans for a single international industrial union for furniture and allied workers, affiliated with the CIO are rapidly going forward.

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Canada's Labor Deal Installs ILGWU Board

GUSTAVE FRANCO, oldest labor leader in Quebec, swearing in the first executive board of Local 262, French-Canadian Dressmakers' Union of Montreal.

U. S. Labor Reports on Aid to Spain

SAN FRANCISCO—Trade Union Relief for Spain, a national campaign among trade unions, has collected \$138,228.74 at a total cost of \$22,825, of which \$98,000 has been sent abroad.

Plant Boss Is Accused by Pickets

REDWOOD CITY, San Mateo County—Stewart Sayer, manager and part owner of the Golden State Mushroom Co., last Tuesday was charged with reckless driving with intent to do bodily harm on a warrant sworn out by "members" of the CIO.

Portland Aids Drive for "People's World"

PORTLAND, Ore.—A party for the "People's World" was held at the city of the Rose City, Monday, December 14, 1936.

TO EVERY UNION MAN

(From the San Diego Workmen's News, LWU 1-38)

Are you an active member?

The kind that would be missed.

Do you attend the meetings?

Do you take an active part?

SAN DIEGO SPURS BOYCOTT AGAINST JAPAN

Council Committee Economic Action Check Aggression

SAN DIEGO—The AFL trade union Council, through its newspaper, The San Diego Worker, is conducting a campaign in support of the boycott of Japanese goods.

Enforcing Boycott

In a front-page editorial "Leader" declares:

Accuses Director Sex Trial

Base Camouflages Intentions by Chinese Smokescreen

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Labor Council Room Jammed, Next Vote Dec. 17

LOS ANGELES—Massed representation from organized labor in the City Council room Friday sent the proposed ordinance to regulate small unions after back to committee rooms for six councilmen voted "no" on its passage.

McSheehy Urges Flat Rate for Water Users

SAN FRANCISCO—Instead of allowing water to go to waste, San Francisco Supervisor B. McSheehy at the public utilities hearing urged that the city give San Francisco's 77,000 small users a flat rate and let them use the water as they please.

L. A. Picketing Ordinance

LOS ANGELES—A proposed ordinance to regulate picketing in the City Council room Friday sent the proposed ordinance to committee rooms for six councilmen voted "no" on its passage.

Foreign Imperialists Direct Economic Life Of S. America States

By GEORGE BERNARD To begin with, the nature of the South American countries excludes them from any marked degree of economic nationalism.

Communists Of China Map Out Victory Path

By HARRY GANNES The Communist Party of China, to strengthen and make more compact the unity of the nation, to tap its deepest reservoirs of mass resistance, is urgently pressing for the solution of the main questions confronting the Chinese people.

Author Serves On Electoral Body Of USSR

MOSCOW—World famous author of "And Quiet Flows the Don" and "Seeds of Tomorrow," has been working in this city for several weeks on the Central Electoral Commission representing the old Cossack province of Veshenskaya.

Water Goes To Waste

The meters were put in to conserve water. Now we are wasting it because we have a Hetch Hetchy project which supplies far more than the consumers can pay for under the existing rates.

Manufacturers Want Free Hand in Country

Congress of Industry Supports Entire Attack Against Administration

Banker Puts Wedge Into Dairy Union

TULARE—Deception of a prominent banker director of the Challenge Creamery Corporation was charged by members of the Western Cooperative Dairyman's Union whose statewide organization's letterhead has been used to fight the Wage-Hour bill now pending in Congress.

Land Barons Rule

In addition to the economic and social evils which have been inflicted on the people of the Spanish Republic, the Spanish revolution widened the gap between the masses and the landed oligarchy.

Franco's Hell Described By Captive of Fascists

By GEORGE LEESON (British Volunteer) I wish I could have had a cine-camera with me during my seven months' imprisonment in Franco's jails in Spain.

U. C. Chemistry Students' Paper Discusses Unions

BERKELEY—"The Rhetoric" student newspaper of the Chi Pi Sigma (chemistry fraternity) at the University of California, contains the following article:

Relief Czar Under Fire In Ventura

VENTURA—For years the result of the unemployed as a result of the system of snooters and discrimination, County Welfare director V. C. Heck is now facing some of the fiercest investigation by the County Board of Supervisors.

People's World Sunday In San Francisco Dec. 19

OUR NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION: To build a paper route in the 22nd AD, and give the students an up to the minute daily, delivered by a newsboy.

People's World Sunday Drive Standing

Table with columns: County and States, Quota, Raised. Lists counties like Sonoma, Alameda, Contra Costa, etc.

Mexico President Finishes Half of Six-Year Term

MEXICO CITY—Last week saw the completion of the first half of President Lazaro Cardenas' six-year term.

C. P. Demands Full Property Accounting Stolen by Cops in '34; Returned in '37

SACRAMENTO—A delivery truck backed up to the door of the Workers' Book Store, returned, and not even all of the office equipment.

MOONEY-BILLINGS MASS MEETING FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17th, 8 P. M.

HEAR—JUDGE ROBERT W. KENNY AND OTHERS Robert Tasker, author of Big House, Criminal Code, San Quentin and other widely read books, will recount the life of a prison inmate.

People's World Sunday Drive Standing

On December 19th. We must have 100% mobilization on this day. All Party members and friends will assemble at 121 Haight Street.

Advertisement for People's World newspaper subscription, including text: "Become a CHARTER SUBSCRIBER to the DAILY People's World... \$6.00—One Year... \$4.00—One Year..."

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Who Is Fighting the War in Portland?

THE PRESS which is ready to sacrifice a lot of truth for a little drama has published a report about the "war" between the Committee for Industrial Organization and the American Federation of Labor. Knowing that names make news, it has even personalized it into a "war" between John L. Lewis and William Green.

But a casual glance at the turmoil in Portland, Ore., reveals that it was not at all in reality a victory war against "I" as the labor movement. Green against working men.

Last Spring the lumber workers voted to go CIO. But what right had the lumber workers to make such a choice when William Green had already decided that they MUST belong to the Carpenters' Brotherhood and take what Big Bill Hutcheson dishes out, and like it?

So Mr. Green and Dave Beck and Abe Mair declared war, not against Lewis, but against the lumber workers. They then settled the matter in Portland's lumber mills and threw the workers out of the mills. For more than four months the mills have been idle and the workers without pay.

The Labor Board stepped in some months ago, naively believing that the law of the land also covers Citizens Beck and William Green. It stepped in and decided that the Labor Board of being pro-CIO and forced it out of the picture.

Then Governor Charles Martin, whom no one could accuse of being pro-CIO, as he has been on the Beck-Dore side of the fence in most things, stepped in and decided to conduct a poll and letting the workers decide which union they want (as if everybody didn't know).

The workers voted 2 to 1 for CIO in the first election.

But still the AFL czars are not satisfied. The only effect this expression of the workers' will has had is to intensify their fight against the workers.

Who then are the adversaries in this "war"?

Labor: A Decisive Factor In the 1938 Election

ALL CALIFORNIA will sit up and take notice of an event destined to change the political character of the state overwhelmingly.

We refer to the splendid convention of Labor's Non-Partisan League, held in San Francisco over the week-end.

Not only did this convention give an overwhelming expression to labor's desire to steer an independent course in the 1938 elections, cooperating with every progressive force in the state, but it did so in the name of at least 400,000 Californians whose votes can easily be decisive in the coming elections.

And, by way of taking every possible precaution that the vote will be decisive, the convention emphatically declared itself against formation of a third party at this time. It definitely rejected any statement that could be used by the present proponents of a "third party" and let it be known that Labor's Non-Partisan League will retain its freedom to support individual candidates on their record, and on the basis of unity with other progressive forces, until such a time as the labor and progressive movement has the solidity and strength to form a party of its own.

This realistic approach, plus the impressive total of labor's representation at the convention, will go a long way toward bringing still more affiliates to the League.

To the credit of the overwhelming majority of the delegates, every important faction represented at the convention received representation on the state executive committee. The minority, on a resolution which would have aided a third-party splitting move, was overwhelmingly defeated on policy. The majority wisely recognized, however, that its representatives have a definite place on the governing body of the League.

Clearly, the work of the League leads toward participation, in company with other progressive forces, in the Democratic primaries. With every prospect of winning the remainder of the labor movement to its banner, the League will now hold a second convention before the middle of next year to decide on its candidates.

The Western Worker congratulates the League on its splendid convention and extends its greetings to State Chairman A. F. Gaynor, to the new state secretary, Vernon Burke, and to the outgoing state secretary, Herbert Reamer.

Overheard On Just Any Street Car

HAVE you been sued?

Not—How terrible!—You simply don't belong, you know. You just don't have any social standing at all unless you have a lawsuit on your hands nowadays.

Would you like one? Yes? Oh, it's easy. Ivan (the Terrible) Cox will fix you up with one. He's got 2,500 Jane Does and 2,500 John Does and he isn't very particular about how he sues.

What's in it for you? Oh, my dear! It will put you in the same class with distinguished scholars, attorneys, labor leaders, politicians, movie stars and Communists.

Of course, if you desire something more exclusive, say something nasty about Harry Lundeberg.

What's that you said? Yes, that's right, the way it's done these labor leaders are behaving it's hard to tell the difference between a union suit and a law suit.

Have You Any Civic Pride?

SAN FRANCISCO'S civic groups and institutions have begun a clean-up campaign for the 1939 Exposition.

There has even been a slogan coined, "Start to shine for '39." The best that can be said for it is that there have been presidents elected on worse slogans.

The Western Worker is not devoid of civic pride. In fact, its title leads to excessive pride in civic cleanliness and when sweeping is done, it objects to concealing some of the rubbish under the carpet.

For example, in its opinion the interior of city hall is a disgrace to the city. A little fumigation is needed there.

If one arm of the city government knew what the other did, the street cleaning department could turn on the police department.

There are other spots that need cleaning. The Western Worker would appreciate suggestions from its readers for cleaning jobs that would make San Francisco a better place to live in.

A Sunflower Fades

TO PROVE that his bright publicity men were right in dubbing him the Kansas Coolidge, Alf M. Landon has issued an I-don't-choose-to-run statement.

For a presidential candidate who couldn't even carry his own state, and carried but two of the 48 in the Union, that is indeed a bold declaration.

Evidently Mr. Landon doesn't care how many hearts he breaks.

MEXICAN LEADER MAPS STEPS TO HALT FASCISM IN LATIN AMERICA

By VICENTE LOMBARDO TOLEDO

The Colorado Party of the Republic of Uruguay has a program of democratic action in Latin America for the purpose of preventing the establishment of the American dictatorship and the regimes of the fascist type, which heighten the worst features of the traditional tyrannies which in different epochs of our history have swamped the peoples of this hemisphere with shame and blood.

In exchange for the opportune and timely aid that the United States of North America gave to the Latin American people during the World War, the "Vanguard" Peace Treaty explicitly recognized the Monroe Doctrine as the basis of the consent of the Latin American countries. It considers the American continent as a zone of economic and political influence of the empire of the United States.

Since then the investment of Yankee capital has increased in the United States, Argentina, and the authority of the Government of the United States in the internal problems of the 20 nations of the New World has also extended to the cases the open aspect of the international relations of some cases subjected to its mandate.

Yankee Imperialism

President Franklin D. Roosevelt, who carries out a program of progressive government within the limits of the American system of domestic capitalism that has impoverished the people of the United States, is interested with Latin America has continued the imperialist program of the United States, with variations other than in diplomatic forms, making it inflexible in its content, as the barbaric and inflexible of the Monroe Doctrine. Theodore Roosevelt, who put his clutches on the hand of the state executive committee, invented the laws to justify his conduct, similar to the ancient Roman.

The International American Conference of Buenos Aires, presided by the President of the United States in order to establish the basis of peace in the Americas, did not change for that nothing has changed for us, the promise of not going to war with any other nation of the other countries of America, is unquestionably not a guarantee of peace among the American nations, but a promise of not intervening in the problems of the Far East without the authorization of the United States.

Monroe Doctrine

In other words, the pact of Buenos Aires is the Monroe Doctrine applied in a reverse sense; not only will the United States not intervene in the affairs of European powers in the affairs of America, but the American powers will be obliged not to participate in the affairs of Europe without the consent of the United States. In this manner, the hegemony of American imperialism in the Western continent, in the internal and external sense.

In spite of all, however, fascism has come to disturb the Monroe Doctrine. It is a secret for no one, now that fascism is not an European phenomenon, but a general tactic of capitalism operating in every part of the world, within a regime of social injustices, the American nation, the wide use of the Monroe Doctrine, and similar methods, which permit the historic development of the working class.

The Fascist Bloc

The bloc of fascist countries, which has been constituted—Germany, Italy and Japan—and their supporters—has as its urgent objective to suppress the democratic forms of government in the Americas, and to prevent the possible growth of political and economic strength of the State subject to every attack of this shifting attack of the employers that the demand for incorporation.

For this reason, when nations are organized in unions that are shifting some of the emphasis of their attack. Recognizing that the fascist bloc is no longer to be prevented, the employers now seek to control the workers in every way possible, the growing political and economic strength of the State subject to every attack of the employers that the demand for incorporation.

Need for Struggle

Why is it necessary that the workers should be incorporated into the compulsory incorporation with all their strength? The reason can be found in the fact that the incorporation would make the union a creature of the State, subject to every dictate of the legislature. As corporations, all trade unions would be compelled to obey

United States to oblige them to break with their individualism and democratic traditions in the best of fascist dictatorship.

Japanese Influence

The investment of Japanese capital in Central America, in all the countries of the Caribbean, and in the West Indies, the Italian Army in the primitive or disorganized armies of the Latin American countries, the construction of arms factories and of war machines in some nations of the New World under the direction of Italian and German experts, the increasing internal politics of Latin America—working closely with the bloc of fascist governments, and the coup d'etat in Brazil—establishing the first fascist regime in America, all these demonstrate clearly the conflict between Pan-Americanism and fascism, with the labor movement that soon confronts our semi-feudal and semi-colonial conditions in this decisive hour for humanity.

Yankee Tolerance

UP TO what point will the United States oppose the fascist penetration of Latin America? As long as the bloc of fascist countries might be a danger, such as a competitor in its own commercial markets, it is to be said, while the fascist front does not try to steal the markets of Yankee democracy. The internal craft disputes in the fascist front are not so serious as the serious suppression of the democratic forms of government in the weak countries of the Americas, although this fact might have some repercussion within its own country, because the fascist armies in Latin America—historical experience shows this—have been the best allies of the United States.

May the contribution of America to civilization translate itself long its national interests.

Counsel for the People

SHOULD UNIONS INCORPORATE?

THROUGHOUT the country, reactionary employers are seeking to bring under the supervision of a special commissioner, just as insurance companies and other corporations are required to be incorporated. The reason generally given for this is that the law requires that no corporation shall cease any of its normal activities without the approval of the shareholders.

The claim that incorporation will make unions more responsible to their members is intended merely to conceal the true motives behind the move. Every law which is passed intendedly or not, is intended to be a shield for the interests of the employer. The legislature could pass a law limiting the expenditure of union funds to non-political purposes and no others. Unions might soon find themselves incapacitated from conducting a strike or a striking sister union or prohibited from donating funds for workers' education. The law would relieve him of personal liability. As a practical proposition, however, it is so complex and difficult to sue union members individually and to proceed against the union property that it is almost never done. But even more important is the fact that the law would use a legal pretext to force the union into receivership.

The incorporation of the union in the hands of the court, depriving the workers of the right to elect their own officers, would be a step toward the incorporation of the union into a corporate form, which would be impossible to achieve without the consent of the control. A reactionary minority on the Board of Directors, which would be a high concentration of legal technicalities, would have a stronghold on the union's affairs. The law would be prevented even in the face of an overwhelming necessity, but the interests of the majority of the union membership could be sabotaged.

Legislative Control

THERE is no limit to the extremes to which the legislature might go in crippling the union. It could, for example, require that the union should be incorporated in order to be able to sue its members for breach of contract, and similar methods, which permit the historic development of the working class.

New workers, when millions of workers have been organized in unions that are shifting some of the emphasis of their attack. Recognizing that the fascist bloc is no longer to be prevented, the employers now seek to control the workers in every way possible, the growing political and economic strength of the State subject to every attack of this shifting attack of the employers that the demand for incorporation.

As We See It
By BILL SCHNEIDERMAN
Calif. State Secretary, Communist Party

A Hundred Thousand Dollar Business

THE DAILY "PEOPLE'S WORLD" publication on January 1st, will be a year business. That is the anniversary on which it will start. These figures are but considered a shoe-string business newspaper, compared to the hundreds of millions that the great capitalist operate on. Only the Communist Party to accomplish such a feat.

First of all, it has an organized membership that can be mobilized for activity with unexampled self-sacrifice and loyalty because it has supreme confidence in the people's cause for which it is fighting. Its papers and its "exclusive" news and carried enough intimate details of the names of the conspirators, to indicate close familiarity, complicity.

Congressman Celler of New York was chosen as the person to convey the remarkable proposition to the nation. He is a man who introduced the bills now pending for repeal of the Taft-Hartley Act.

The new daily will also have the advantage of being a part of a chain of people's dailies in New York, Chicago, and San Francisco. It will be the same people's daily in all these cities and coverage, and the same features at the same time it will be able to cover local and regional news of West Coast and other states.

Thirty-five thousand dollars in the West, and the circulation of tens of thousands, it will be possible to improve the Daily, and to introduce new features, such as a still more popular organ and voice of the People's Front movement in the West, and to expand the circulation of the \$35,000 quota before the end of the year.

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SEEING RED
with MIKE QUIN

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING can sometimes go too far. It went much too far when 72 major corporations banded together in a secret New York meeting and agreed to call off the dogs and re-employ a million workers if Congress would let taxes on capital gains and profits.

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DIARY OF AN AMERICAN IN SPAIN

Rewarded for Murder by Murderer

By ADDISON KEELER

In the last two weeks of our training, Barry and I used to attend a class in first aid. It was given from one to two o'clock in the yard back of the hospital, and the instructor was a young doctor from Canada. His equipment consisted of a piece of rubber tubing and several bottles of bandages and leg wounds. He taught us how to tourniquet and bandage arms and legs.

In the class were several comrades who were learning to be first aid men and stretcher-bearers. I recall that at that period our attitude toward the first aid men was a little superior, out of our ignorance of actual battle conditions.

After all, we thought, were the combatants, we would go over the front line with light machine guns and grenades, while these fellows would stay behind, carrying bags full of bandages and medicine. In the trenches, would bind up our wounds. In other words, we were not to be afraid of the stretcher-bearers, but to be afraid of the first aid men, who were carrying a lot of medicine.

The Danger Zone

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NO HOLDS BARRED
by LEFTY

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WORKERS' HEALTH
Hazards to Health Many In Shipyards

By DR. FRANKLIN BISSELL

SHIPYARD workers who are occupied in ship building are exposed to a number of dangers about which they should be familiar.

Ships are scrapped mainly through the use of the blow-torch in cutting the steel plates with which they are constructed. This melts the lead in the red-hot metal, which in turn spreads in the air surrounding the blow-torch operator. This is very poisonous, and unless the work is done in a well-ventilated area, the work is done in a well-ventilated area, the work is done in a well-ventilated area.

In his character, George typically of the first aid men we saw in action at the front. He was efficient, and absolutely fearless. He was not afraid of the risks he ran, George, according to reports, got through the Belchite campaign all right. Other first aid men were not so fortunate.

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THIS PEOPLE'S WORLD
No Scotch Joke
Communist Traits
Dodging Blows

By JERRY FEINGOLD

Reporting to all Party members and readers of the Western Worker, to all Stakhanovites of the Drive for our Daily, I have completed my pledge to raise \$500 by December 31, a month in advance of the finish of the drive.

I think it will be of interest to you to know these two things: 1. What was the motive power that made me undertake such a high quota and to fulfill it? 2. How did I do it?

First, I became very enthusiastic about having a daily paper of our own, and my experiences in the last sub drive I knew it could be accomplished. I had some experience in this matter, and I was sure I could do it.

Well, this time it was different. Let me remind you, comrades, that I had a great Press Committee, July 17, 1937, an historic event—the best Press Committee in the Party's history. I was in the leadership with all Party members and experienced a splendid stock of all our achievements and experiences in the Party to build a Daily and to proclaim it to the masses.

The eyes of the working class in every corner of the world were turned to the Pacific Coast. Working men of every country, including the Soviet Union, carried the news about the new daily that was started in San Francisco.

For myself, a press building competition was organized, and I felt this responsibility keenly. I wanted to utilize the great power of the Party and the workers to carry the bulk of the struggle of political and economic progress. As I pledged to the Press Committee, I organized a fine group of workers to carry the Brigade for the Daily Worker. I will give full credit to the workers who have collected for the People's World.

Socialist Competition

We worked day and night to see that the Party control was accomplished within the given time limit. I kept up with the pace of socialist competition with the Brigade and that of the Party.

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THE RADIO DIAL

WITH the collapse of autumn, into winter, arms football has faded from the airwaves and the first boxing matches are being broadcast on the air. This Friday at 7 p. m. over NBC Radio, Max Baucus will broadcast his boxing bout with a gentleman named Harry Thomas in Madison Square Garden. If you're interested, the NBC's symphony orchestra in the Brahms 4th Symphony will be broadcast on Saturday at 7 p. m. (All NBC stations will carry it.)

English pianist-composer, Ralph Vaughan Williams, will play an appearance Friday at 8:30 p. m. over the Mutual channel (KZD), playing a number of his own compositions.

For Wagnerians, this Saturday's Met (10:45 a. m. on NBC) will broadcast the "Walkure" with Helmut Flegstad and others.

Swing fans will no doubt tune in during the time of the first trombone over KGO or KLO at 9:30 p. m. Friday.

Other outstanding programs:

Wednesday

1 p. m., NBC Stakhanov program, NBC.

6 p. m., Andre Kostelanetz or George Gershwin, NBC.

8:30 p. m., Eddie Cantor and Deanna Durbin, CBS.

Thursday

6 p. m., Bud Vallee, NBC (try KGO or KFJ).

9:30 p. m., March of Time, NBC.

7 p. m., Bing Crosby and the Kraft Music Hall, NBC.

7 p. m., The Song Shop, with Guy Carille, CBS.

8:30, Hal Kemp and his orchestra, CBS (that is KXN, not KFSO).

Respirators Needed

THE protection against all of these hazards is the use of a respirator (gas mask). If this is impossible, there should be a well-ventilated area. Washington found themselves when down broke and they were unable to evacuate the trench. The symptoms are difficult and dangerous job, due to the fact that the trench is a lot of men in the next few days.

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Good Season Promised for Symphony

By GEORGE HITCHCOCK

PIERRE MONTEUX and the San Francisco Symphony made their bow for the current season on Saturday evening and Saturday afternoon.

The program was obviously selected for two purposes: to provide a colorful and too heavy season for the season in order that first-comers might not be able to get away, and to give M. Montoux an opportunity to display the finished grace and style of his orchestra.

The principal offering of the season was Brahms' 4th or Symphony (his first). Anyone who has heard Brahms' 4th knows how well adapted to his talents it is. As usual, it is a great and noble work, but it is not so much as the 1st, 2nd, or 3rd.

The program opened with the overture, which may be summed up by saying the truth that it is a masterpiece of its kind.

It was followed by a Cesar Franck's Prélude (transcribed, I believe from the organ). It was typical Franck, but skillfully played.

The final part of the first section of the concert was the Daphnis and Chloe Suite by Maurice Ravel. It is a highly colorful and rhythmic work, displaying Ravel at his best.

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BEHIND THE SCREEN
with DON BLACKWELL

I was interested to read in your issue of the progress of the anti-Japanese movement. I would like to offer some suggestions.

(1) The importance of getting the word under way quickly cannot be over-emphasized. The effects of the boycott, even when it is organized, will take some time to react on the mind of American war supplies.

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Domestic Workers to Hear Organization Speeches

Miss Angelina Remm of the National Union of Domestic Workers, will speak on "How Legislation Can Benefit Domestic Workers" at the meeting of the Domestic Workers' Union, Dec. 15, 4th and Myrtle Sts., Oakland.

The Domestic Workers' Union urges all domestic workers and their friends to attend. There is no admission charge.

The union meets every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month at the same address.

FASCIST SCHOOL BOOK

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If We Could Hold Franco Before, We Can Lick Him Now, Says Bates

Confident of Final Victory By the Loyalists

By T. J. STEWARD SAN FRANCISCO—A notice of a certain pessimism in some quarters in reference to victory over Franco is being met by the loyalists with a rejoinder never stronger than now.

Widely known author and citizen of Spain for the past 11 years, Bates has been a captain in the International Brigade since it was first formed. He was in the front lines of the battle against Franco's forces.

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Farm Workers Suffer; Big Growers Prosper

Unholy Alliance Between AFL and Farm Monopolists Destroys Militancy of Workers, Real Wages Fall

By CLINT DUFF
The big agricultural interests of California are reaping plenty. Despite the big freeze early this year, the California fruit crop yielded a record to current reports of the California Fruit Growers' Exchange.

Non-Partisan League Backs Banning Strike

Two Strikers Sentenced to Nine Months and Two Years—End of RFC Funds to Water District Is Asked

WASHINGTON—Labor's Non-Partisan League threw its full weight behind the striking Banning tunnel workers on the \$220,000,000 Colorado river aqueduct project in Southern California.

Real Wages Tumble

Quiet on the labor front, it is accompanied by a 1936-1937 period of 1932 to 1936 frequent strikes in agriculture occurred, in which at least 50,000 workers participated.

Field Organization

The reason for weak organization in the fields is due to more than employer opposition. The union is the lowest paid of all agriculture labor. This fact complicates the establishing of a union.

Labor Treators

To cover up their real needs, the traitors were forced to erect nominal "unions" to confuse the workers.

LAVOFFS HANDLED

COLOMBES, France—The disclosure of one worker in the Goodyear Tire and Rubber plant here closed the plant and when approximately 100 workers called a protest strike after company officials refused to reinstate the "unwarranted" firing of the worker.

Indecent continued betrayal of the AFL machine as proceeding with the project to record of CIO organization in agriculture beginning to "agit" the rural workers of the state.

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LOS ANGELES THIEF BRANDED LIAR BY C. P.

Mooney Joins Communists in Exposing Trickery of L. A. Burglar

SAN FRANCISCO—Arthur Kent, alias Scott, arrested for burglary in Los Angeles early this week, perjured himself when he declared he gave the proceeds of his crime to the Communist Party, according to a statement of the California State Committee of the Party released here Thursday.

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Eleven thousand 500-pound bales of cotton on a Texas field, part of this year's 17,500,000-bale United States crop. Instead of this cotton being used to make clothes for the people, as in the Soviet Union, it will be stored in warehouses until the price rises sufficiently to give a profit to the plantation owners and processors.

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West Coast Seamen Sponsor National Union at S. F. Meet

AKLAND AEW Autocrats Sabotage Japanese Boycott

A Head Launches Vicious Anti-Labor Attack on Steel Workers

The Union Comes of Age in Porterville; Here's How It's Done

By a Cotton Picker PORTERVILLE, Tulare County—It is a chilly December night and the only publicity given to the meeting has been from south to mouth, but here they are, more than a hundred orange, olive and cotton pickers, standing in a semi-circle on the auto camp ground just east of the dry sandy creek bed.

PROGRESS IN SANTA BARBARA STRIKE

Domestic Laundry Signs With Union, Breaks Deadlock

SANTA BARBARA—State Organizer Keegan of the Laundry Workers Union, accompanied by a delegation of local union members, visited the Citizens' League last Tuesday evening and gave us a fine inspiring talk regarding the progress of the strike situation.

FORCED LABOR IN LOS ANGELES CAMPS

By a Worker Correspondent Organized labor of Sacramento fought back at unemployment camps and each look to go into action to get relief for the 4,200 men in the camps.

REDS CRUCIFYING Mr. Lundberg

By a Worker Correspondent Howling like a madman and waving a copy of the Western Worker, secretary of the SUP, on Monday night accused the Communist Party of being the cause of the original sin of Adam and Eve to the lack of steam on the Western.

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GOONS SLUG 3 DELEGATES TO AFL COUNCIL

Painters Union Members Assailed in L. A. After Meeting

LOS ANGELES—"Goon" terrorism left its bloody mark upon the "labor" press in Los Angeles last Friday night when thirty progressive delegates of the Painters District Council No. 38 were beaten as they left the Central Labor Council.

Beaten men were John G. Schantz, J. R. Schantz, and L. Shantz. The three men were attending a special meeting of the Labor Council called to pass on a proposed appropriation of \$75,000 to be used ostensibly for "organizational" purposes.

Most "goons" injured was Shantz, who received deep cuts on his face and numerous bruises on his body where "goons" kicked him after he had fallen.

Tommy Ramford, president of Painters Local 202, accompanying Schantz, vigorously protested the beatings, was told: "You'd better keep out of this here going to the National Friday night and clean out these Communists."

Council OK's Ban on Japan In San Jose

Labor Body Endorses Boycott in Strong Resolution

SAN JOSE—"Boycott Japanese Goods." That was the clarion cry of the Central Labor Council of San Jose, California, when an overwhelming majority vote passed the following resolution:

Whereas: The League of Nations has instigated an invasion of China, in violation of a signature of the Kellogg-Briand Treaty and the Kellogg-Briand

Whereas: The League of Nations, by unanimous opinion, has declared that the League of Nations, and has called upon the signatories of the Nine Power Treaty to take steps to guarantee the territorial integrity of China.

Resolved: That this organization go on record as immediately placing by the United States government an embargo on all economic transactions with Japan; and be it further

Resolved: That we go on record as an immediate boycott of all Japanese goods being offered for sale in this city and in the immediate vicinity.

Resolved: That copies of this resolution be sent to the President of the United States and to the Secretary of State and to the Labor Press.

CIO Tri-State Convention Maps Organization Drive

Point of Order

ONE HAS only to talk to the CIO leaders to understand why they are leaders in the ranks of organized labor.

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When Schantz attempted to get the floor after the motion had been voted upon with no effect, he was told: "You'd better keep out of this here going to the National Friday night and clean out these Communists."

Office Union Asks Election In Hancock's

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Alabam CIO Body For Freedom of Scottsboro Boys

BIRMINGHAM Ala.—The announcement that the executive board of the Alabama State Industrial Union has acted favorably on resolutions urging the freedom of the remaining Scottsboro boys and endorsing federal anti-lynching legislation was hailed by Joseph S. Gelders, president of the Alabama State Industrial Union.

It should be a source of great pride to workers on the Pacific coast that the American Radio-Television and Electric Association, and Harold H. Brown, president of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, in every respect, they fulfill the duty of leadership of labor which has come to fruition in the CIO.

LOS WORKERS' DANCE FOR ANGLER'S DANCE

WHITE COLLAR UNION CALLS RALLY ON WPA

SURVEY DISCLOSES 5,000 ARE ELIGIBLE FOR PROJECT JOBS

SAN FRANCISCO—Protesting continued sweeping lay-offs in the white-collar field and pointing to the vital necessity of the WPA program for office workers, the White Collar Union called a rally on Wednesday night at the Hotel California.

A recent survey disclosed there are about 5,000 unemployed white collar workers here who are eligible for WPA work.

Members of the committee in charge of the survey are: J. W. Buzell, president of the West Coast, as John Brophy, Donald Henderson, and James B. McSheehy, City Supervisor.

It was at about the time the official leadership of the CIO, Harry Lundeberg once promised his union the "first CIO game."

But it so happens the CIO tolerates no little dictators within its ranks. It wants the CIO to be a national organization.

Lundeberg Flip-Flop

BUT LISTEN to the utterances of these gentlemen now. According to them, the CIO now is a national organization.

What do you suppose could have changed the minds of the top leadership of the CIO?

Wants "Golden Throne"

It must be sought right within the ranks of the CIO.

'Boycott Japan' Group Asks Ban on Secondary Supplies

SAN FRANCISCO—Requesting that President Roosevelt and the State Department immediately levy an embargo on the supply of secondary supplies to the Japanese Government for the bombing of the American gunboat 'Panay' and the reckless-shelling of foreign vessels and citizens, the United Committee for the Boycott of Japanese Goods has launched a campaign to bring about a program of collective action.

It is the conviction of the committee that the Japanese Government is intensifying its campaign to halt the sale of Japanese goods in this country.

TRAINING FOR DEFENSE

CHURCHMAN SCORES FORD LABOR POLICY

Auto King's Disregard of Workers' Rights Assailed by Civil Rights Group

DETROIT—The Rev. John H. Bolles, chairman of the Civil Rights League, struck at the "disregard of workers' rights" by Ford Motor Company in a speech before the Detroit branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

"Complete disregard of constitutional rights by the officials of the Ford Motor Company," declared Bolles, "is the most serious violation of the rights of workers."

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8 Days Left To Raise Funds for a People's Daily

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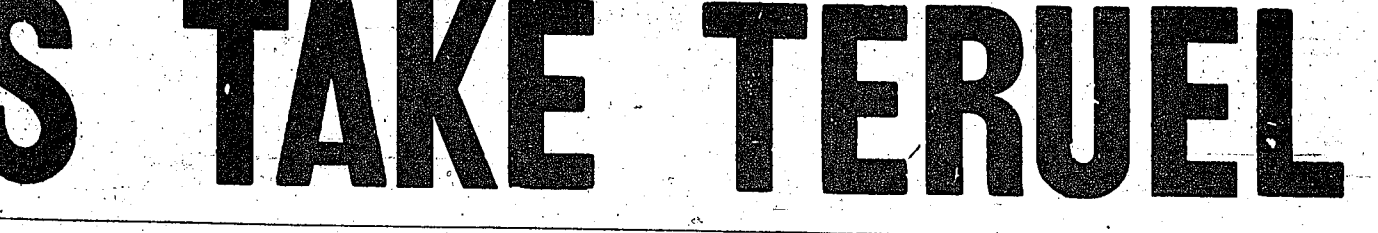
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Santa Claus Gets Part-Time Job to Cheer Poor Kids

BULLETS FAIL TO STOP QUIZ OF L. A. GRAFT

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Labor Forces New Delay in L. A. Picket Ordinance

AGAINST ALL GAG MEASURE GAIN & DELAY

Changes Allow Strikers to Tell Reasons; Increase Number of Pickets

LOS ANGELES—Organized labor today set up another day of picketing in its fight for picketing rights. It is Friday an amended ordinance is expected to receive unanimous vote in the city council and automatically went to the committee for another week.

Council chambers were packed with more than 700 trade unionists and representatives from progressive groups as a bitter verbal battle raged among councilmen over the ordinance that would place drastic limits on picketing in the city.

Final vote on a motion of Councilman H. C. Gay, who adopted the ordinance was 11 to 4. Adoption, however, of two amendments proposed by Councilman James Hyde made the ordinance a new bill and the council will meet again on Friday, December 24.

Guarantees of "free speech" were demanded by Councilman Hyde when he asked that the ordinance be amended in the section outlining what pickets could do. Hyde also pointed out that the ordinance restricts picketing to advertising "only" that strike was in the city.

Second amendment passed by a majority of 10 to 2. It permits a minimum of two pickets to any building. Hyde's amendment would limit picketing to one for every 50 feet. Hyde's amendment noted that the ordinance would limit picketing to 25 feet forcing a picket line to be set up on the street.

Despite repeated requests from council president Robert E. Burns that the council remain quiet, the eleven to four vote on the bill drew a loud chorus of protest from the crowd. Around the walls and half way down the center aisle several hundred persons occupied all the remaining standing room in the council chamber.

Attempts of Councilman Ed Triggs to strike from the ordinance the words "employers" used with "strikes" and "employees" met defeat when the councilmen voted "no" on the proposed amendment.

Who's going to determine whether or not a labor dispute is a bona fide strike? An employer and bona fide employees? Triggs asked.

Tories Issue Appeals For Terrorist Attack On New Deal Program

RED SQUAD IN L. A. ARRESTS SRA PICKETS

Exorbitant Bail Holds 26 Who Protested Policy of Relief Heads

LOS ANGELES—On typical charges of "parading without a permit," "displaying placards without a permit," "blocking traffic" and "disturbing the peace," 26 picketers in front of the SRA headquarters at 741 S. Flower Street were arrested by the Red Squad here Dec. 16.

Arraigned the same evening in Municipal Court were Arthur Guerin, all 26 were held under exorbitant bail of \$100 each.

Attorney Leo Gallagher of the International Labor Defense gave notice that he would present a habeas corpus proceeding to test the right of Judge Guerin to fix such a high bail.

LOS ANGELES—Charging the State Relief Administration with being a first-class seab agency, pickets of the Workers Alliance called on the police and fire companies to clear the SRA offices last week.

For the week past the Alliance here, gained another victory in the fight against the SRA. The article is entitled "The SRA is a reactionary organization" and is a scathing attack on the SRA.

John J. Reiner, secretary of the county organizer of the Alliance, charged that relief was refused applicants unless they agreed to be forced-labor in the camps.

Below is the Declaration of Principles of Labor's Non-Partisan League of California, adopted at the state convention held Dec. 11 and 12 in San Francisco:

Platform of League Adopted

- That Labor's Non-Partisan League go on record as supporting the social and labor legislation of the New Deal and as opposing any attempt to tear it down.
- That the League instruct the delegates to go back to their unions and pledged to secure 100 per cent registration of union members as voters.
- That the League go on record as opposed to the use of labor in the support of the idea of initiative and referendum to prohibit anti-picketing ordinances and injunctions, and that the League be referred to the incoming executive board.
- That every union elect a legislative representative and such representative be required to present a report to each union meeting.

HOODED MEN' RAID EVIDENCE PIECED BY FRENCH, SHOW MILITARY ORGANIZATION

SHIPS OF DEATH BUILT BY JAPAN FOR AGGRESSION

Fleet to be Increased by 5 Dreadnaughts and 63 Other Crafts

PARIS—The various bits of evidence gained as a result of the widespread raids on the "Capoullards" (Hooded Men) have been pieced together by agents of the French Surete Nationale to reveal a well-established fascist party organized along military lines.

Eugene Deloncle was the supreme leader of the group whose real name is the Secret Committee of Revolutionary Action, commonly called the Casar. His staff, like that of any army commander, was divided into five sections: recruiting, intelligence, service operations, transport and medical assistance.

Five depots of arms and ammunitions have been discovered in Paris and six more are believed to exist. There are probably others in the provinces, especially around Lyons and Toulouse, where some guns have been found.

In the possession of the Paris men of the Casar have been three bundles of uniforms of Mobile Guards (Paris Police) in this country. A map of the Paris network, with any ministerial building, and maps of private houses and apartments occupied by Ministers. A total of ten tons of arms and ammunitions has been seized.

The Surete is still working in secrecy on the threads of the plot which lead to Berlin and Rome.

ROME—Japan has ordered advanced construction of five great dreadnaughts and 46,000 ton battleships armed with 16-inch guns according to the fastest press here. The Giornale d'Italia lists 23 other first-war either projected or under construction in Japanese yards.

BRITAIN at present has five 35,000-ton, 4-inch battleships with five 16-inch gunned war ships under construction. It is expected that the Japanese fleet will be increased by 100,000 tons and the size of guns to 14 inches.

By Addison Keeler

With dawn the enemy fire begins, its intensity increasing as the visibility becomes clearer. It is difficult to judge the direction from which all the fire comes—seemingly it is from both right and left, but the majority must have been directed at us from the machine guns in the church tower.

Mexican Labor Board Awards Benefits to Oil Workers

ROYALTIES ON OIL DEMANDED OF FINANCIERS

Mexicans Refuse Grant Until Assured of Steady Returns

MEXICO CITY—The Mexican government Arbitration Board awarded shorter hours and increased pay to the vital oil workers' 48,000 workers in a decision last Sunday.

The action was taken in the face of strenuous opposition of foreign companies which hold large oil land concessions in Mexico. Fifteen American companies are involved in the latest development in the \$400,000,000 petroleum industry.

The American oil capitalists demanded immediate representation to Washington for protection against what they termed "confiscatory" arbitration. It is estimated that the decision would increase in yearly labor cost for the industry.

United States Ambassador Joseph Daniels, one of whose tasks is to protect the imperialist interests in the country, is reported to be studying the situation with concern.

MEXICO CITY—To provide funds for refunding the foreign debt and scaling down, bothersome railroad debts, the Cardenas administration took steps to place the entire 100,000,000 foreign petroleum industry on a new basis.

Another Miracle

A wounded man crawls to the top of the bank on the opposite side of the road, then rolls down into the bushes—away from the top of the bank a minute later two stretcher-bearers dash to his aid, stretch him out and carry him to safety.

SHANGHAI—To include twenty additional Japanese employees in Shanghai, the government has agreed to grant them the same rights as Chinese workers.

Caproni Bombers

There is a "swish" overhead and a shell explodes somewhere in the city. "There goes our artillery," cried Chase. It is high time, for by now the enemy fire is so concentrated that it is impossible for us to bring fire to bear on the Japanese positions.

2000 in L. A. Shout For Mooney Freedom

British Rescue Refugees Off Spain 'You Are In Prison With Him,' Say Speakers

LOS ANGELES—"As long as Tom Mooney is in prison, you are also imprisoned."

More than 2000 voices at the "Free Mooney" meeting at the Philharmonic auditorium, responded as speaker after speaker brand this statement as the keynote of the evening.

J. Frank Burke, popular "editor of the air" from KPVD, chairman of the meeting, set the tone at the start when he said: "Mooney's fight is not labor's fight alone. It is the fight of every citizen in this country."

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Native Revolt Flares Up in Latin America

Heavy Imperialist Yoke Bitter to People Below Rio Grande

By GEORGE BERNHARD

A colonial possession offers support in Brazil that, led by Luis Carlos Prestes, beloved popular leader, it staged a revolt on strike during the Revolution of 1937.

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Who Is Preventing the Administration of Relief

IN ITS LAST issue the Western Worker presented enough evidence to more than justify the Workers' Alliance of San Francisco for the charge that the SRA and other relief agencies of the city abound in red tape. Six cases denied relief were selected at random. They were testimony to the fact that there was no meaning to those in charge at SRA.

But the Workers' Alliance, on the basis of months of daily experience, has made graver charges. A veritable paper's oath is being administered. President Roosevelt has specifically assured the unemployed that such oaths will not be required. The state legislature specifically refused to pass a law requiring such statements.

Yet these elaborate statements are required, a whole gamut of red tape is put in the way of securing relief, and all this is done by an army of officials and their secretaries who live by political appointment—and who are not needed for administration of relief. Instead they are operated to prevent its administration.

These are the Alliance charges. Preliminary investigation by the Western Worker bears them out. Certainly an investigation into the affairs of the Relief Administration in San Francisco is in order.

Thousands of new unemployed are now in need and will increasingly be so. Freedom does anyone apply who is not already in dire distress. The people of San Francisco cannot allow such conditions as the Workers' Alliance describes.

Even the trade unions of San Francisco cannot allow it. Increasingly the unions have found it necessary to assist unemployed members. The practice must increase still more, even as unemployment increases.

Let the Alliance charges be fully investigated. Let the red tape and deliberate confusion be taken out of the relief administration! As for me, I like this country. Except my feet get sore and sometimes that pay check looks slimmer than these thin dime that's passed over the counter and God knows if they'll keep me on after the Christmas rush.

Resume the Work Left Behind at Sacramento

THE California state legislature adjourned last summer with a disgraceful record of failure to meet the needs of the unemployed. Generally, it ended in a stalemate. Reactionary forces did not accomplish their positive attack on the labor movement. What they did do was to prevent the passage of legislation which would have an assemblyman brought forward vigorously and overwhelmingly voted in the national election of 1936.

Foremost was a housing program. Governor Merriam, adding the death blow where the reactionaries in the state senate had only sniped, pocket-vetoed a measure which would have enabled this state to participate in the national Wagner-Steagall act or, earlier, to get WPA funds for the purpose.

The legislature adjourned without any action protecting the collective bargaining rights of workers, nor protecting them against illegal vigilantes, nor combatting the rash of unconstitutional injunctions inflicted by reactionary judges.

But the people of this state are not to be deterred by any serious action by the assistance of small farmers of California. And this is to list only a few of its most obvious shortcomings.

No wonder the Assembly Interim Committee on Social Welfare was confronted with a task with demands that a special session be called. If for no other reason than to pass a housing measure to replace the one sabotaged by Merriam.

Let California as a whole be heard from. The reactionaries in the legislature have easier once they had the spotlight of publicity at Sacramento. They will oppose a special session. But the people of California have every reason to demand that it be called.

Then let the progressive forces be heard from. The Assembly Interim committees are doing an excellent work of taking testimony and exposing the need for such reforms as a decent housing program.

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Storm Signals For Seamen

THE Captain Bligh of the Maritime Commission have forged another link in the chain they intend to fasten around the necks of American seamen.

That is all that medieval and hoary verdict of guilty in the Algie "mutiny" case means. It is a throwback to the days when ability to wield a zat-o-nine was a more important qualification for a captain than knowledge of navigation. Let this verdict of mutiny stand in a case where seamen refused to risk their lives by working with incompetent scab longshoremen when the ship was safe in a harbor and their action, by no stretch of the imagination, could be construed as hazardous to "the safety of the vessel" and it won't be long before seamen will have to carry their own mattress and blankets aboard ship.

Let the shipowners who come damn jam their anti-labor legislation through Congress, and the seamen may as well start learning the goose-step.

These are the implications of the Algie decision and the shame of it is that waterfronts along the Pacific Coast are not stirring with protest and indignation at this infamous decision. The shame of it is that certain leaders in the seafaring unions have put their narrow factional interests first, the interests of the seamen, and have not used their positions of leadership to whip up mass protest over the Algie frame-up.

Let the rank and file speak. Every union branch, every ship's crew must show their own strength and reaction to the decision of General Homer S. Cummings, and Daniel C. Roper, Department of Commerce, both at Washington, D. C.

Overheard in Just Any Five and Dime Store

DID you hear about our boss? Yeh, Babs Hutton, Ex-Princess Midvani, the Countess Haugwitz-Revinsky—she skipped the country with a pile of American dimes and left her U.S. citizenship papers behind.

Oh, guess she never meant anything in my young life. If they gave us off every time she gets married and every time she gets divorced, it would be different.

What gets me is this: here are we peddling a bunch of junk, most of which is made in Germany, and we're getting a lot of money. What gets me is that she lives in Europe, and what do we get out of it? Flat feet!

It don't seem right. And if we should go on strike, and stop selling Japanese goods, and stop making dimes for the Countess, some people'd call us un-American reds! And they'd tell us to go back where we came from, when Babs went back to where she didn't come from.

Now, old man Woolworth was a great leader during the war. Was a dollar-a-week man, leached up fortune selling toy American flags. And the heires took the country. Seems to me these rich people aren't interested in America, they're interested in American money. They don't care about the country, except when it comes to tax evasion.

As for me, I like this country. Except my feet get sore and sometimes that pay check looks slimmer than these thin dime that's passed over the counter and God knows if they'll keep me on after the Christmas rush.

We Smell a Rat, and It Isn't Only Kent

THE case of Arthur Kent, alias Arthur Scott, alias (by the grace of an ingenious headline writer) Robin Hood would be the occasion for a hearty laugh, that's all, did it not have such grave implications.

Mr. Scott-Kent-Hood is the man who ransacked Hollywood homes and claims to have turned the money over to the Communist Party. Moreover he has named other people as "accomplices," including Tom Johnson, business manager of the CIO's Industrial Union in Los Angeles.

This great philanthropist who allegedly gave his takings to the Communist Party, has retained as defense counsel the most rabid Communist-hating attorney in the State, one Aaron Sapiro! Anyone who would touch Sapiro with a ten-foot pole is as far removed from Communism as is the most virtuous red baiter.

But it is so easy to blast this attempt to implicate the Communist Party, that were the Party itself to take any matter little. This clumsy frame-up, however, is being used by the reactionary Los Angeles Press to smear the labor movement in general and the CIO in particular.

If that was not the frame-up's purpose, why was Johnson dragged in? Why did the arrest and "confession" coincide with the general offensive of the Los Angeles open-shopers against unionism? Why did it follow one week after the formation of the vigilante Southern Californians, Inc.?

The California relief class which has gained world-wide notoriety for its frame-up methods pulling another out of its sleeve as a Christmas gift to labor?

Which in its own way is a victory for the freedom of the press.

Building the Tomb

REACTIONARY SUBS



THE PEOPLE'S VOICE



THE 1938 ELECTIONS AND LABOR'S NON-PARTISAN LEAGUE

By WM. SCHNEIDERMAN

THE recent state convention of Labor's Non-Partisan League of California marks a turning point in the role of Labor in politics, the significance of which cannot be underestimated.

The national political picture indicates an intensified struggle of the economic royalists against Labor and the people, as exemplified in the bitter opposition and open sabotage of every progressive measure, no matter how mild, proposed in Congress to avert another economic crisis.

The international situation, the semi-military activities in Spain and China by the German-Italian-Japanese bloc, the threats of a new world war, and other such events are bringing America face to face with one of the gravest crises in years.

In this tense political atmosphere, the most hopeful sign of the past year has been the recommendations forward march of Labor, the great organizing drives and the active participation of the labor movement in independent political activity in alliance with all progressive-minded elements.

In this latter development, Labor has played an outstanding role throughout the country, and has played a significant electoral role in the November municipal elections.

In California this process has been the most important of the developments in other parts of the nation. The states of Washington, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Pennsylvania, and New York have forged ahead on the field of independent political action by the labor progressive front, defeating reactionary advances by a potent force of mass endorsement in the making. Even the division in the ranks of labor was overcome to some extent by the political unity of AFL and CIO unions in a common struggle against the Democratic registration of Labor's Non-Partisan League.

What could be done in New York in the victory of LaGuardia and the American Labor Party ticket, can and must be done in California, if the labor and progressive forces will follow a correct policy with respect to the concrete political situation in our own state.

The sentiment of the people of California against the reactionary forces is a reality. The League combination is partially evidenced in the huge preponderance of Democratic registration over Republican in this traditionally Republican state. This is not a mere endorsement of the Democratic Party, in which there is national recognition crystallizing between the Tory Democrats and the progressive elements, as is a demonstration of the sentiment of the people given in the presidential election of last year.

Most important of course, is the thousands of facts concerning the aspirations of the fascist-fascist forces trying to enslave the whole world.

LETTERS

Thanks Daily Should Stress Sports, Foreign News Editor, Western Worker:

I am glad to see your issue of December 15th. I would like to see the necessary and important problems regarding the Communist Party Daily, but I would like the courtesy of being allowed to offer a few suggestions.

It can't hurt if sports events of national and international interest are mentioned in the Daily, but 90 per cent of American sporting news is in fact, sports news.

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COUNSEL for the PEOPLE

THE Kick-Back System

FOR MANY years the employing class in this country has been using illegal methods to cheat on employees' wages. Almost every week there are reports along this line.

This system has a number of variations, and of which are probably familiar to every worker in cash and sometimes in kind. It will not be possible in this article to take more than one of these variations.

One of the simplest forms of the kick-back system where the worker is given full wages pay day, but is later compelled to return part of the wages to his boss, either directly or indirectly.

In almost all instances the worker must be so badly that he is afraid to protest. The kick-back by paying part of his wages back to the boss or a foreman or some other person sometimes in cash and sometimes in kind.

Since the boss usually pays wages by check the worker's endorsement on the check is a receipt in full of all wages due. In this way the boss can claim that he has paid everything due to his employees, while actually he is paying much less.

What Are Labor's Rights TO REMEDY This vicious situation, labor exerted tremendous pressure on the makers. Exposure of the shameful conditions California has resulted in the adoption of intended to prevent cheating by employers.

According to the 1937 Labor Code in California, it is unlawful for an employer to withhold any part of the wages which he has agreed to pay in a working agreement written as collective bargaining. It is also unlawful for the employer to secretly pay a lower wage than that which he has agreed to pay, or which the minimum wage law says must pay.

An employer who collects or extracts from a worker any part of the wages which the worker receives is violating the law. In other words, the kick-back system is illegal. An employer who violates the law is liable to a fine or imprisonment, or both.

Employees of the Law NATURALLY, it can not be expected that employers will stop using the kick-back system just because a law has been passed. They will continue to make use of it.

Branch offices of the Division of Labor Statistics and Law Enforcement. 305 State Building, Los Angeles. 604 Plaza Building, Sacramento. 604 California Theater Building, San Diego. Rowell Building, Fresno.

123 Tapscott Building, Oakland. 100 American Trust Co. Building, San Jose. 233 City Hall, Stockton. Jergins Trust Building, Long Beach. 308 D Street, San Bernardino. Carrillo Building, Santa Barbara. 100 State Street, Bakersfield. 705 Main Street, Santa Cruz.

The various deputies in the Labor Commissioner's office located at the above mentioned addresses, are given power to start criminal proceedings against any employer who violates the law. He is also given power to enforce the law. He is also given power to enforce the law.

What Is To Be Done THE WORKER who is determined that his boss is not getting away with cheating must insist that the Labor Commissioner's office conduct an immediate investigation and hold early hearing. These are things to which he is entitled by law.

If the Labor Commissioner stalls or drags along, the worker should not immediately take the matter before his union.

LETTERS

Exhorts Workers to Support New Daily Editor Western Worker:

To my comrades who made it possible to have a circulation of eleven thousand in the paper's first year, I am sure that you will be glad to see the new Daily.

It is our part, giving us a paper worth reading, and with which we can identify ourselves. The group on a paper never seen before, the group on a paper never seen before, the group on a paper never seen before.

Comradely, J. E. Snyder, former Editor "The World"

SEEING RED with MIKE QUIN

S. R. I., Albecete, Spain.

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By LEFTY

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A Son of the West Returns Home

EDITORIAL

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Kris Kringle From Spain Bum Poetry

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ART and MUSIC

Odds and Ends On Display at Co-op Gallery

By GEORGE HITCHCOCK

THE Co-op gallery, 121 Haight Street, San Francisco, is showing a Christmas woe.

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L.A. OPEN SHOP OUTFIT TERMED AS VIGILANTE

Bosses Set to Use Front Means to Smash Union, Says Mortimer

LOS ANGELES—Flafty condemned as a "vigilante organization" was the Chamber of Commerce...

Unity Stressed Recognition that the most important weapon in the fight against big business...

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Lewis Lashes at Congress Bickerings

Steel Union Convention Hears Lewis Plea for Unity to Beat Monopolists

PITTSBURGH—"Congress mills around and engages in its petty political bickerings and ignores the problems that America is menaced with now to a greater degree than ever before..."

Lashes Girdler "The name of Girdler should be synonymous with that terrible word 'murder'..."

Build the Union Philip Murray, chairman of the American Federation of Labor...

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DOUGLAS TRIAL NEARS CLOSE; PHOTOS FAKED

Nylaner Explodes the Company Efforts to Prove 'Violence'

LOS ANGELES—Closing arguments in the trial of Douglas aircraft strikers began last Wednesday before Superior Judge Thomas L. Ambrose...

Heard No Violence Talk Under cross-examination by deputy district attorney William E. Simpson...

Ex-Cop Commissioner Fires Workers Who Join Union

SAN FRANCISCO—Following a vigorous fight by the National Negro Congress...

Point of Order With Tears In My Eyes

KANSAS CITY Cops Weep as Wind Changes After They Hurl Bombs

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Seamen Spike Standers Spread by Shipowners

Did They Fight and Win in Vain?

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Seamen and their union on the Atlantic, Pacific and Gulf Coast were marshaling their forces for a final drive to end what they deem a malicious drive of the shipowners...

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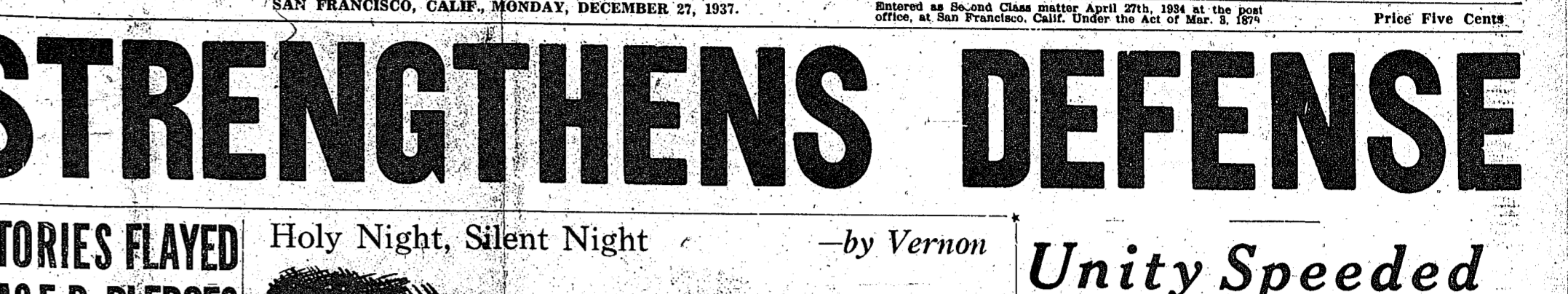
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Unity Speeded As Chiang Heads New Gov't Set-up

SHANGHAI—Complete centralization of China's military defense, civil government and administration of industry was established by the Military Affairs Commission under Chiang Kai-shek, authoritative Chinese sources announced here Friday.

The decree, issued by the Central government from its emergency capital in Chungking, carries out the process begun with the formation of pro-Japanese influences from positions of authority.

The Military Affairs Commission, as now constituted, is charged with the responsibility to cooperate with all civilian organizations to rally every form of defense cooperation against the regulation of industrial and agricultural output, conservation of resources and developing mass activity for unity and defense.

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Reorganization of China's government, according to dispatches from the new seat of the government at Nanking, was taking place along the lines of national unity and resistance to Japan advocated from the start of the war by the powerful Communist Party of China.

Fantastic stories, emanating from pro-Japanese sources, interpreted this to imply Communist domination or Sovietization of China. Such stories were branded here as utterly unwarranted and out of keeping with the policy of the government of all Chinese forces within China.

Steel Union Signs Up All Merchants for Boycott Against Aggressor

PITTSBURGH—Contra Costa County, Japanese-made goods were all missing from the shelves of all local stores last Thursday night—thanks to the activity of Steel Workers Lodge 1440 picketing the downtown Washington.

At the same time, customs officials in San Pedro seized the Japanese fishing boat Nan-han-shan, and the U.S. Coast Guard and other naval squadrons were reported to be stopping and boarding all fishing boats, whatever the nationality, against their ownership, to avoid international complications.

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Strikers Hold Yule Party on Picket Line

REDWOOD CITY—Santa Claus and the picket line. Forty-four men and women, mostly Spanish and Mexican, gathered on the picket line at the Golden State Mushroom Company where they had been on strike for three weeks.

Three huge bonfires will light up the festive on Christmas eve and provide warmth in addition to several guitar and mandolin ensembles.

The strikers are asking a reduction from nine to eight hours a day, a 10-cent increase from 35 to 40 cents an hour for men, and 30 to 40 cents for women, the union has demanded and a half for overtime.

Los Angeles—Even the City Council is sitting down on the workers. The present wave of layoffs has also affected the Council as they revealed that 213 city jobs have been abolished.

These positions have been vacated by retiring workers who are now on pension.

The party attacked was conducting a campaign for relief of soldiers now fighting in China and was supporting demands for payment of regular labor wages to the soldiers.

Among those seized were several Communist Party members, including Taungo Inomata, Kan-Son Araki, and Taro Omori and Ituro Sakishima.

Ennis tried to turn the boycott into a strike of Japanese workers in this country by saying the committee would ask merchants not to employ them.

PEACE ON EARTH

THE CHRISTMAS bells pealed and the roar of guns echoed from the West and from the East, from Spain and from China.

"Peace on earth," men said to each other in the traditional manner, and in far corners of the earth women and children were being slaughtered by the war-mad rulers of Japan and Italy and Germany.

While Cartwright had reported that 13 out of 20 of the members of the Woolworth store voted against the strike, the vote-getting expenditures, the House appropriations sub-committee tentatively agreed to slash funds from the Tennessee Valley Authority in connection with the essential reforms of the New Deal.

At a press conference the President directly accused a large number of big business leaders of fostering the "fear psychosis" which has been the cause of the essential reforms of the New Deal.

He cited instances of leading business figures who said they were restrained by their associates from publicly endorsing such measures as crop price stabilization and control and regulation of wages and hours.

Alameda County will hear the famous defendants Thursday night—December 28, at Fifteenth Street, A. M. E. Church, Oakland according to C. L. Dellums, Negro Congress president there and vice president of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters.

Following reports that the Ludlow resolution for a constitutional amendment requiring the declaration of war unless the United States is actually involved, a referendum of the people for the present war has been held.

Such a scheme, he pointed out, would actually serve the fascist nations as an open invitation for further aggression and spread of the war.

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**Orgy of Indifference Ends
With Congress Adjournment**

DISASTER-LADEN weeks this week dropped lower over the great country that is the United States of America.

Deaf to the pleas for aid and hope from the forty million insecure families of America, the 75th Congress Wednesday voted its members \$250,000 railroad fare and adjourned.

After five weeks of speech-making and demagoguery, its sole achievement was the appropriation of the taxpayers' \$250,000.

In a sense, this appropriation of the people's funds was a deed consistent with the orgy of indifference to human needs which characterized this special session.

Summoned on the eve of a national emergency occasioned by a steep and rapid industrial decline, Congress faced the necessity of legislating—

1. Wage-hour regulations to reduce unemployment by shortening the work week and to stimulate industrial activity by increasing the incomes of consumers;
2. Measures to relieve the deplorable conditions of poor farmers and farm workers and to stabilize farm prices in line with the cost of production;
3. A housing program for eradicating slums areas, aiding small home-owners, and stimulating the lagging construction industries.

Need for this legislation was urged. Each week this urgency increases. The sit-down strike of big capital continues to cut wages and pay off workers, throwing millions of wage earners daily into the swollen ranks of the jobless and driving the nation deeper into depression.

With this situation facing the people, the chosen representatives of the people rushed home for Christmas!

Well may the people mark down the names of those who led this rebellion against the New Deal and the few legislators who remained true to the people's trust.

Let them mark well those Democratic Senators and Congressmen who wanted to maintain slave labor in the South, those Tory Republicans of the North and the West who obeyed the orders of the National Association of Manufacturers and the Chamber of Commerce in defiance of the twice-expressed mandate of the people.

Let the people remember that the Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor worked hand in glove with these Tories to defeat the aspirations of the masses of American wage earners.

And when Congress meets in regular session in January, let an avalanche of ultimatums command these representatives to obey the people on peril of defeat when they stand for re-election in November.

**The Yellow Stripe Through
The Senatorial Frock Coat**

OF ALL yellow stripes, those running down the backs of Senator O'Mahoney and certain other members of the Senate special committee investigating the Mooney case win the prize for being widest and most unsaluted.

For 21 years Tom Mooney has been in jail and these gentlemen admitted their belief in his guilt through injustice.

Came Senator Arthur of Arizona with a giant disclosure. Somewhere, it seemed, a committee favoring Mooney's release had used a reproduction of the Senate Judiciary Committee's letterhead on one of its appeals.

Had this anything to do with Mooney's guilt or innocence?

But with this excuse (sorry as it was, it was the only excuse available) Senator O'Mahoney intemperately launched into an attack on the Mooney Committee and let it be understood that the resolution memorializing Governor Merriam for a pardon was out of the question.

The fact is that no one ever suspected O'Mahoney of any desire to free Mooney in the first place. But the American people were misled by the "yellow stripe" which O'Mahoney let on that he did, it was clearly the result of this pressure.

Increase it! Let these Senators know that no one is taken in by their wheasling.

**Douglas Verdict
Against Labor**

TRADE UNIONISTS and progressives were deeply shocked last week when a jury of six women and six men found the 24 Douglas aircraft strikers guilty of conspiracy to detain private property.

Arrived at despite the fact that not a shred of reliable evidence had been submitted to sustain it, the verdict climaxed a 10-month drive of the District Attorney's office, backed by Harry Chandler and the Merchants and Manufacturers Association, to put the Douglas strikers behind San Quentin bars.

Significantly enough, the jury's decision was reached the morning following a radio address by District Attorney Buren Fitts in which the law enforcement official called upon all judges, citizens, and police forces to end "labor racketeering" and "goon squads."

Viewed from a narrow and purely legal aspect, the finding of the 24 workers guilty of conspiracy to detain private property creates a precedent which, if left unturned, is likely to set up insurmountable barriers to any future use of the sit-down strike as an effective weapon in workers' struggles. Unless the verdict is reversed by a court of appeals, any group of workers that plans such a strike could be found guilty of a felony and sentenced to the penitentiary.

Looked at from a broader angle, however, the result of the Douglas workers' trial assumes proportions that constitute a menace to the very foundations of organized labor. It is no secret that open shop interests in Southern California, and throughout the nation as a whole, are launching a grand drive on all fronts to crush labor and progressive movements.

Thus, the verdict of the Douglas strikers' trial jury becomes a welcome weapon in the hands of the open-shoppers. These interests have been waiting for such a decision which would set a precedent by which to make the sit-down strike illegal. Yet, it does more than this: for upon the basis of this decision, other decisions will be made until the enemies of organized labor reach their ultimate aim of having all strikes declared illegal.

California courts of law have many black marks against them. This latest one must be erased. Announcement has been made that the decision will be appealed. And around this appeal, all labor and progressive forces will rally.

**Lower the Rates for Small
S. F. Water Users**

ANY SAN FRANCISCO supervisor had a logical answer to Supervisor James B. McSheehy's appeal to let the San Francisco public use the surplus water from Hetch Hetchy, he failed to mention it.

Millions of gallons daily go unneeded down the Tuolumne River. Yet San Francisco's small home owners notoriously raise no gardens nor trees because they cannot afford the water.

Take out the meters, urges McSheehy. Establish a flat rate. The only excuse for putting in meters in the first place was to conserve water when it was scarce and the Public Utilities Commission, appointed by the mayor, is willing to grant lower rates to wholesale users and to sell a fraction of the surplus to the Peninsula communities at rates below those charged to San Francisco consumers.

Supervisor McSheehy is campaigning not only for the flat rate, but for basing that rate on a general 20 per cent decrease in rates for the 77,000 small users.

Instead of answering him, reactionary supervisors and the four daily papers of San Francisco have reacted by the usual method, harped only on the great virtue of lowering the rates for wholesale buyers.

This is a campaign that can be won, but only if it is carried to the public and made into a popular campaign. That would be clear even in the shabby efforts of the supervisors and legislators press to cover up the issue rather than to fight it openly.

The Western Worker congratulates Supervisor McSheehy on his efforts and urges the people of San Francisco to fill the supervisors' chambers to support him when the rate schedule of the Public Utilities Commission comes finally before the board on Monday, December 27.

**Farewell
To Screeno**

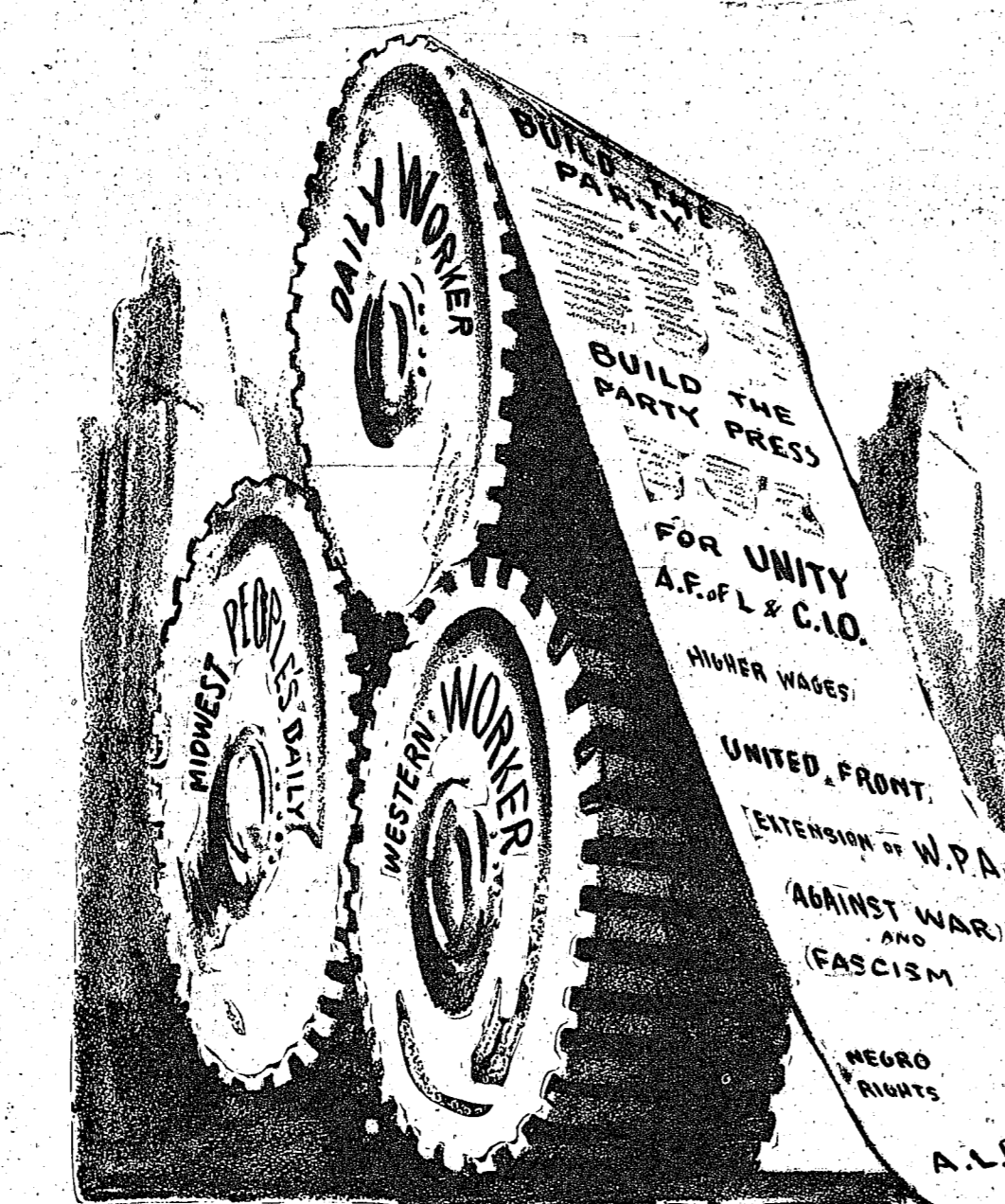
INVENTORATE movie goers will be deprived of the eternal third billing at the theaters of the city. No more shall "Screeno" or "Ten-o-Win" share a theatre marquee on an equal footing with Paul Muni or Ginger Rogers.

That is the sense of a decision from Attorney General U. S. Webb, ruling all these intemperate diversions as illegal gambling.

Every time it has been our recurrent misfortune to see one of those movies that makes you mutter "stung again!" we explain it away with the fact that the attraction of Screeno was made palatable film fare necessary.

But now that Screeno will go, are bad movies far behind?

THE WORLD M



**'COMMITTEE OF FORTY-THREE' ...
MODERN GREEKS BEARING GIFTS**

By JOHN PIERRONT

NAPOLEON it was who first employed the language of peace as part of the strategy of war. He would order his troops to annihilate the enemy and simultaneously pen a pious note to the Chamber of Commerce and organizer of the "Law and Order" Committee of the progressive group unopposedly demonstrated that the people of California will not be easily deceived when the time for voting comes next year.

With the arrival of Labor's political scene of California, the possibility vanishes of utilizing the government machinery for the purpose of the burden of the Committee of 43 knows full well that the people will be the employers' freedom to lay off and lock out employees, and discriminating against hiring legislation, to employ those for breaking strikes and reward shrewd labor officials for breaking unions, to contribute to the cost of living, to mobilize vigilante gangs for non-furtive labor.

These are the gentlemen who invite labor to a conference table for the discussion of industrial peace and the public welfare. Hardly a word is said about the possibility of peace stipulations, speed-up, the importation of hired thugs, labor injunctions, anti-picketing ordinances, and other devices of the open shop and otherwise.

Especially at the present time is the bona fide nature of the gentlemen's invitation to be doubted. There are many reasons to believe that this invitation is a tactical ploy to appease the public and to divert attention from the real situation against the people.

Let us consider the reasons which may be enumerated as follows:

1. The identity of the interests who extend the invitation, under the signature of the Committee of 43.
2. The economic situation on the West Coast.
3. The political prospects of 1938.
4. The expiration of agreements between the employers and the Warehousemen's union.

These interests of the Committee of 43 know full well the danger of the present situation. They know this so well because they are chiefly responsible for it. Whereas the people liked the "peace" of the industrialists, bankers and industrialists, and public owners did not.

To the present gentlemen—including those worthies who now themselves talk peace—although they are not the most profitable men despite the New Deal, the growing strength of organized labor, the refusal to invest their surplus in the stock market, the record low they cut wages, locked out workers, laid off hundreds of thousands, and raised the prices of their goods. In brief, they completely robbed the masses of the people of their purchasing power and brought on the present form of industrial depression which is now the Pacific Coast in its grip.

43 represents the forces that did this. It represents the slump makers, the date of expiration may well be regarded the idea of March 1st day of the open shop.

Let labor beware, therefore, when it sits at the conference table with the employers. Let it remember that though Napoleon is long since dead, his tricks are still being used by the open-shoppers. Consequently, it's a fighting industry, an audacious hyper-industry, a war-making body intent on aggression and mindful of the strategy of Napoleon.

As We See It
By BILL SCHNEIDERMAN
Calif. State Secretary, Communist Party

What We Owe to Spain

AFTER THE capitalist press has been so rarely giving the impression for several weeks that the war in Spain is over, that Franco needs just a few more troops up the mountain because his Loyalists, the latter were so busy finding them with a smashing victory over the fascist forces were crushed and the People's Army has done offensively of Madrid and fasten his bloody grip on Spain.

All the friends of democracy and peace rejoicing at this significant turn in favor of the Loyalist cause will give new hope to the Loyalists to the widespread movement of support to the Spanish People's Front form of funds, medical supplies and equipment, and mass agitation against the fascist forces.

When American history of the 20th century, one of its most glorious pages, that of the new LaFayette, the International Brigade and its American Battalion, whose heart is not stirred at the record of domestic courage and self-sacrifice of these boys have covered themselves with glory in the front-line trenches at Madrid, at Jarama, at Guadalajara, and at the front!

A Great Task

EVERY liberty-loving American should be proud of them. We are proud of every one of them. We are proud of the California men in their midst. And now that they are returning, relieved after a year of incessant fighting, we will be proud of those new volunteers who go to their places.

To the Friends of the Abraham Lincoln Battalion falls a great and honorable task: the necessary funds to furnish the Americans with those necessities which will link link between America and Spain, a brotherhood, a symbol of solidarity among the states in an international war, and also to rehabilitate the who are turning so weary; to surround them with comradeship and care, as a tribute to their heroism.

That is the least that we can do. But we can do more. We must surround the men who are making the slogan "Aggressor" a reality, to stop the international fascist bandits in Spain and China. And must speed the building of the American People's Front, before it is too late.

Shoed Method
New World

THE existence of germs. Only in this case it was not distressing because they themselves, the germs Marx uncovered with his microscope.

He has proved, once and for all, that the capitalist system is a method of disease. His approach to the subject is not how to locate and kill of society, but how to make the Capitalist System. If the capitalist system will not work, they reason, they are doomed because no other system is thinkable under the conditions of the modern world.

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**Mose to Repel Sales Tax
Grows in Los Angeles**

Editor Western Worker:

If you thumb through the want ads of the Los Angeles papers you will not fail to find item that is there every day. It says: "Man wanted for political work."

You and forty other men answer the ad find out that it is the business of collecting signatures for the repeal of the sales tax.

Well, it seems as if some people actually swerved the ad and are working hard collecting signatures because the Secretary of State, P. C. Jordan, received 104,000 signatures from Los Angeles County for the repeal of the sales tax.

The petitioners are asking for a measure the 1938 ballot. It also provides for a \$1000 fine for anyone who fails to sign.

To place such a measure on the ballot signatures are required from the State election officials.

—J. S. Los Angeles

**Let Readers Draw Conclusions
Urges Correspondent**

Editor Western Worker:

Ridicule can break a man quicker than any amount of scorn or recorded against him could ever do.

The politician, the labor "leader" who is set up as a fool, through the use of ridicule and scorn mistreated and laughed at office.

It seems to me that when the facts of a man are written in such a manner, the people will remember them longer. Of course there is the danger that too much stress is put on the ridiculous side of the case, but if it were done with care I think the facts would be presented in a way that would be to the benefit of the Western Worker, but I believe that the facts are intelligent and can draw conclusions for themselves.

Sincerely yours,
—J. O. Page

A Subscriber's Pledge

Editor Western Worker:

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Christmas day brings a bevy of star aerial attractions. The most interesting of these is the return to America of Arturo Toscanini, world-famous conductor, who will appear at the Los Angeles Music Center at 7 p.m. with the NBC Symphony Orchestra. This major attraction is being broadcast on Red and Blue networks—in fact, you're not only hearing the orchestra, you're also seeing it. Christmas likewise brings, as usual every Saturday, the Metropolitan Opera House at 8:30 a

Houses Unfit for Humans Found in Seven Slum Areas

L. A. Auditing Official Exposes Scandalous Conditions in Poor Districts; Proposes Pressure on Merriam... By BOB HALDEN... LOS ANGELES—"20 per cent of the houses in Los Angeles are unfit for human habitation"...

KENT-SCOTT GETS TANGLED ON THE STAND

Frame-up Witness Has Memory Lapses When Pressed for Details... LOS ANGELES—Denying a defense lawyer's charges against Tom S. Johnson, CIO official and circulation manager of the Industrial Unionist, at a preliminary hearing before the Beverly Hills City Court Judge Charles Griffin set the date of the trial for Wednesday, January 5, in Superior Court...

Here's How It's Done in Los Angeles



PAUL CLINE (left)-Los Angeles County Organizer of the Communist Party, "starts the ball rolling" as he turns in a charter sub for THE PEOPLE'S WORLD to Sam Cherniak, county circulation drive manager.

Physician Bares Anti-Negro Stand Of L.A. Hospital

Medical Graduate Must Get Permission From Supervisors Before Admission To Internship... LOS ANGELES—Though Negro taxpayers in this city a big share of the costs of maintaining the General Hospital...

Unemployed Are Organizing in Tuolumne County

Unemployed Local Is Acting on Grievance Cases... TUOLUMNE COUNTY, Calif.—The unemployed workers of Tuolumne County are organizing...

WORKERS' CORRESPONDENCE

Modern Cossacks Obey the Order of Modern Czar... BAKERS' CZARS STIFFENED UNION ORGANIZATION... S.F. Hotel Robs Man of Suit Case... MAP POLITICAL ACTION PLANS AT SANTA ROSA

Non-Partisan League Progressing in Sonoma

By a Farmer... SANTA ROSA, Sonoma County—A group of 15 people, who have organized a Non-Partisan League, met here...

Board Okays Fitts' Stoooges

Minority Defeats Request for Armored Car... LOS ANGELES—Full realization of the need here for a daily paper was voted by the Board of Supervisors...

L.A. Eager For 'Daily'

Cline Declares He Will 'Set Pace' for Subs... LOS ANGELES—Full realization of the need here for a daily paper was voted by the Board of Supervisors...

Brand Hotel Award Unfair

State Majority of Workers Discriminated Against... SAN FRANCISCO—Union representatives on the Hotel Inland awarded the arbitrator's award for 7000 hotel employees...

Where to Go

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Fumes Kill Worker at Poultry Co.

Unsafe Refrigeration Pipes Collapse... SAN FRANCISCO—Ammonia fumes on December 10 killed Eugene Marconi, 24, member of the Poultry Workers Union...

Oroville People Liked Zola Film

By a Worker Correspondent... OROVILLE, Butte County—The Oroville people liked the film "Zola" which was shown here...

Sacramento CIO Body to Aid Jobless

By a Worker Correspondent... SACRAMENTO—The CIO Sacramento Industrial Council carried on further the struggle against unemployment by deciding that all the unemployed workers of its affiliated unions should cover with the Workers Alliance...

Arthur Scott A Police Spy, C. P. Charges

Tom Johnson Cleared in Opinion of Communist State Committee... SAN FRANCISCO—Another victory for the CIO United Office of Professional Workers, Local 34, was announced Thursday by National Organizer...

S. F. Office Union Wins Another Pact

San Francisco CIO Wins Another Pact... SAN FRANCISCO—Another victory for the CIO United Office of Professional Workers, Local 34, was announced Thursday by National Organizer...

Now Gov. Martin Is 'Investigating' His Own Election

PORTLAND, Ore.—Apparently Governor Charles H. Martin is becoming dissatisfied with his own collective bargaining election which he held recently...

Profit Wrung From Cotton Pickers

By an Alaska Cannier... SAN FRANCISCO—A record-breaking crop for 1937 was estimated by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, at nearly 19,000,000 bales...

San Francisco 3-DAY Festival

San Francisco 3-DAY Festival... SAN FRANCISCO—The 3-DAY Festival, Dec. 31, Jan. 1 and 2, will be a big event...

Sacramento Carpenters Secure Bill Hutcheson

By a Carpenter... SACRAMENTO—The Carpenters Local Union 586 endorsed a resolution endorsing the Free-Trade Bill Hutcheson...

Slave-Driving 'Jessup' Of Religion?

By a Worker Correspondent... LOS ANGELES—"What we are seeing in the case of Jessup is compulsory teaching of religion," declares County Supervisor Jessup...

Daily 'Western' Drive Standing

Table with columns: Standing County, Quota, Raised, % Raised, Total. Lists various counties and their financial contributions to the 'Western' drive.

REMINDER

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Wealthy Grower Sees World, Sees Nothing

By a Worker Correspondent... YUMA, Ariz.—According to a report from the Yuma Valley, the wealthy grower sees the world, but sees nothing...

BOYCOTT JAPAN, URGES LABOR IN SANBERNARDINO

By a Worker Correspondent... SAN BERNARDINO—The San Bernardino Central Labor Council went to a meeting on December 14 for a boycott of Japanese goods...

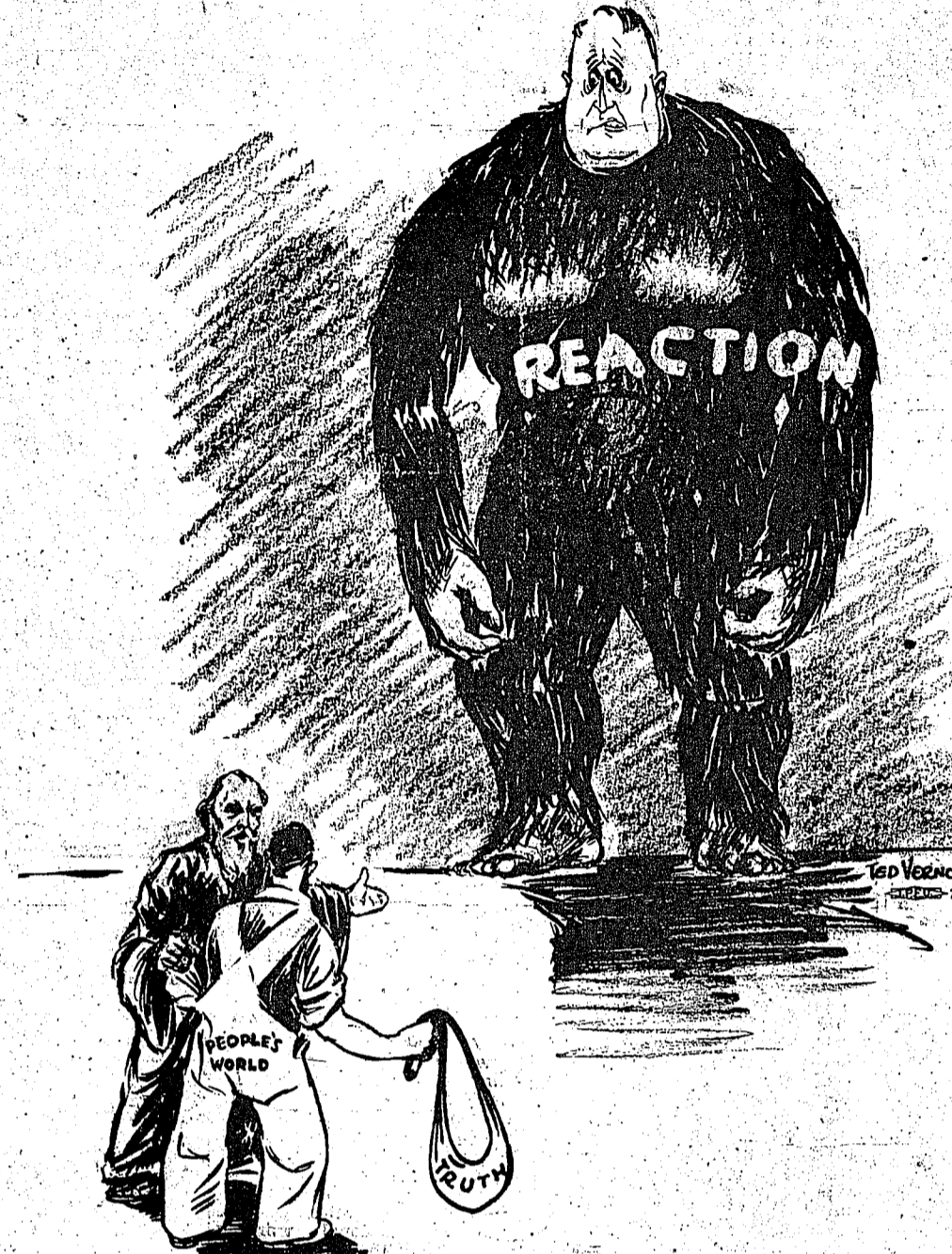
Sacramento C. P. Meet Discusses '38 Elections

By a Worker Correspondent... SACRAMENTO—A discussion on the coming elections of 1938 was the main point of discussion at a membership meeting of the Communist Party in Sacramento...

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2. It will be six full pages in size, with a 12-page magazine supplement on Saturday.
3. It will sell for 3 cents a copy Monday through Friday. Saturday's edition will be 5 cents because of the added expense in the special magazine supplement.
4. Subscription rates will be \$4 a year outside of San Francisco county, and \$6 a year in San Francisco until March 1st; after then, it will be \$6 and \$9.
5. Present subscribers to the Western Worker whose subscriptions extend beyond the present issue, will receive three issues of the People's World for every two issues of the Western Worker still due them.
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If you have any other questions, send them in and have them answered. Address communications to the People's World, 583 Market Street, San Francisco, Calif.

FAREWELL...

This is the final edition of THE WESTERN WORKER as it makes way for THE PEOPLE'S WORLD, its successor which will make its first appearance on January 1.

Six years ago today, workers of the Pacific Coast, and perhaps you were among them, were expectantly awaiting the birth of a new comrade in arms, THE WESTERN WORKER.

Since then, the history of The Western Worker has been the history of the working class of the Pacific Coast. Its pages are a record of that history in the making. Remember? The great maritime strike of 1934... the General Strike... the great march of unionism which swept in its wake the wood workers of the Northwest... the many battles fought by labor in every sector of the Pacific Coast region...

The sum total of these events is the sum total of the Western Worker.

And more, too. The great campaign for the freedom of the Criminal Syndicalism prisoners... the unceasing battle for Mooney and Billings... the fight for the establishment of democracy in the agricultural areas of the West.

And beyond our country's shores, there was the world-historic battle against fascism by George Dimitroff against Hitler in a Leipzig court room... the glorious show of courage and international solidarity in the Spanish War... the great strides forward of the Soviet Union... the battle for peace in the Far East...

Few years, many events, and in them all the Western Worker was the voice of progress and peace on the Pacific Coast.

New days, new tasks and the people of the West have forged yet a mightier weapon for the greater battles to come. You have helped forge it. You who supported the Western Worker in its six-year struggle for existence. You who spread it in the face of vigilante and police terror. You who have contributed generously to make the People's World possible.

To you, thanks!

There is great work to be done. And what has been accomplished is a guarantee that what has to be done, will be done.

We will march forward with the People's World, a firmer and stronger fighter for security, democracy and peace.

Japan Working People tagger Under Burden

Arrests a Thermometer to Rising Heat of Indignation at Seven-Day Week and Eleven-Hour Day

OKYO—The recent mass arrests here of members and sympathizers of the progressive labor party who were asking wages for Japanese soldiers in China is thought to be a thermometer indicating that the demands for better working conditions are becoming sharper in this country.

Although all publications in Japan are now closely censored, reports issued immediately after the present China aggression state that the average working day is 11 hours long, and that the wages for Japanese industrial workers is about one-eighth that of American workers.

The "Japan Chronicle" stated several months ago that in the majority of factories an average day for male adult workers is not limited by law.

According to Japanese law, the underground miners are to work 10 hours per day, but in fact they are generally working 12 to 14 hours, and it is paid for at ordinary rates, and investigations show that a large underground and above-ground miners systematically working with July 1st, 1929, law came into force, and under 16 years of age and under 5 a.m. But at the same time the law only provides two days rest per week.

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Loyalist Legions of Spain Show Their Mettle; Franco Offensive Boast Goes Sour

By HARRY GANNES

Generalissimo Francisco Franco massed all his troops he could muster and plunged them against the Aragon de- fence which was smothered in the Franco de- fence could not be mended.

10 Million Workers

In 1936, according to figures of the social bureau of the Japanese Ministry of Internal Affairs, the Japanese proletariat numbered 5,824,245 people, of whom 1,775,690 were women. Of this number of workers engaged in the main branches of industry were: 2,971,878 factory workers—including 1,200,798 women; 286,062 miners; transport workers 534,085, including 68,000 women; 2,123,317 unskilled and part-time workers—including 478,000 women.

Japanese statistical data cover industrial enterprises employing not less than five workers. According to the calculations of the Japanese economist Professor Ueda, made on the basis of 1930 figures, 2,346,000 people were employed in industrial enterprises employing less than five workers. To the proletariat of Japan there should be added approximately 500,000 permanent agricultural laborers, over one million workers in timber camps, fishing, and in salt mines. In Japan there are over one million shop assistants and bank clerks. Thus, there are over 10 million wage-workers in Japan.

These numbers have been depleted by the mass transport of troops to China (estimated at more than one million men) but still give some indication of the latent power of the Japanese exploited class which are now beginning to seethe with revolt.

SHOW YOUR SOLIDARITY Greet the New Daily People's World

The Saturday, January 1st issue will contain the

Birthday Greetings to Your NEW PEOPLE'S WORLD

Single Names 25 Cents

Trade Union, Organization and Unit Greetings \$2.50 Up

Japan Soldiers Circulate Call for Peace Unity

SHANGHAI—A number of leaflets have been found on the bodies of dead Japanese soldiers, according to the Chinese Shanghai newspaper, Taikang Pao, which has published photostatic copies of these.

The leaflets are signed by "The Japanese League for Peace."

One of the leaflets says: "China is the victim of attack by the Japanese militarists and the financial overlords; we are exploited and oppressed by the same forces. Let us unite with China to overthrow them both!"

Another says: "Brothers of Japan and China! We shall fight together against the aggressors and oppressors. In union we shall battle for our freedom."

The Japanese military authorities have issued a constitution of Peiping and Tientsin, issued a blanket prohibition of anti-Japanese literature, meetings and demonstrations.

Despite these threats, however, the Chinese have continued their propaganda both among the population and the invading army.

MEXICO MINERS WIN BIG STRIKE

Force American Company to Sign With 17,000

MEXICO CITY—As a result of their recent folded arms, the Mexican Mine and Refining Company, which is the biggest and most powerful imperialist companies of this country.

About 17,000 workers participated in the strikes, finally forcing the American Smelting and Refining Company, which is the biggest and most powerful imperialist companies of this country.

All the workers in the mines and plants of Santa Dulalia, Avilas, Parral, Santa Barbara, San Juanico, Rosita, Monterrey, Ciercas, San Pedro, Baramo, Morales, Cuernavaca and many others will be affected by this contract.

400 Aid Spain in Sacramento

SACRAMENTO—Spanish people from six surrounding towns participated in a recent mass meeting sponsored by the Spanish Democratic Clubs of Northern California for the benefit of the Widows and Orphans of Spain.

The 400 people present donated \$200 for this purpose.

Senor Marcos De Gracia, Spanish Consul of San Francisco and chief speaker of the meeting, stressed the unity of the people in Spain and the invincible strength of the new republican army.

Polish Evocation

MOSCOW—The Soviet Government recently lodged another protest with the Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs against the provocative actions of Polish authorities in regard to Soviet trains passing through Poland to the USSR.

housewives! GO ON STRIKE

Make your folks eat at the Bazaar Kitchen New Year's Eve, Jan. 1st, Jan. 2nd

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USSR Charter Wonders Told BY GALLAGHER

LOS ANGELES—Leo Gallagher went to the Soviet Union and Spain and Wednesday night he told a large audience in the Trinity Auditorium that everything the Stalin Constitution says is really so.

A person that goes to the Soviet Union sees with his own eyes that the provisions to this state body, called the All-Union Committee for Physical Culture and Sport under the Council of People's Commissars of the USSR.

On Religious Freedom—Wherever in the world there are a number of sports circles attached to workers and collective farm clubs. There are more than 25,000 such circles in the collective farms alone.

On Trotskyism—To those who view the execution of Trotsky with women workers what would happen if in our country we would put to death the agitators who cheat the people, he asked. And answering his own question he said: "We wouldn't have 3000 put to death in the whole country—we would have 3000 in every state."

In telling of his experience in Spain, Gallagher came away with one commanding viewpoint: With fire in his eye, as if the memory of those valiant Spaniards who died in his mind, he declared that they will win the war. It never even enters his mind to question their victory.

Winning Breeders Praised by Duce

ROME—Declaring that the fatherland "wants more and better babies," Benito Mussolini made awards last week to the 94 mothers who had been most successful in the Duce's baby-breeding contest.

The mothers, one from each province of Italy, had furnished more than a thousand collective farmers participation to serve as future cannon fodder in the dictators army. Playing the favorite in the contest with great flourish, Mussolini gave each mother a cash reward of 500 lire (\$82.50) and a small insurance policy for 1000 lire (\$82.50).

Judge, AFL Attack Wagner Labor Act

MADISON, Wis.—Circuit Judge Alvin C. Reis attacked the Wagner Act in a decision rendered here that the Wisconsin Labor Relations Law legalizes closed shop agreements with minority unions "if the employer favors them."

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LAST RAIL LAID IN LONG SOVIET RAILROAD LINE

MOSCOW—A new 1,800-mile railway of vast military and commercial importance paralleling the Far Eastern section of the Trans-Siberian line has been completed. It was announced here last week.

The line runs from Karamyshyn, east of Lake Baikal to Khabarovsk, 150 miles from the Pacific Ocean on the Amur River, where it joins a spur line of the Trans-Siberian running down to the strategic seaport of Vladivostok.

Large sections of the line were built with prisoners working under the supervision of the People's Commissariat of Internal Affairs. As a reward for the sterling work of these rehabilitated prisoners, the Soviet Government has announced a series of prizes and bonuses capped by complete freedom and jobs for 10,000 of the prisoners.

Union Arrangements for Work—The All-Union Central Council of Trade Unions was instructed to find jobs for at least 10,000 liberated prisoners and free railway tickets and money bonuses ranging from 100 to 500 rubles (\$20 to \$100) will be given them.

Soviet Union Extends Japan Fishing Accord

MOSCOW—Robbing Japan of another pretext around which to stir up war frenzy against the USSR, the Soviet Government agreed to extend another year the fishery convention granting Japanese fishermen rights to work in the eastern coast of Siberia.

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Grand Victory Wind-up of Financial Drive

Alliance Launches Statewide Drive for WPA Funds

COOPERATION WITH UNIONS IS PLANNED

Federal Grants for State Relief Also Demanded by Government

Negro Police Victim Demands Inquiry Into Cops' Brutal Attack

John Carter Beaten By Underling of Lt. Sweetnam, Accused of Being "Communist" and "Agitator"

JAIL TERROR HITS JOBLESS

Five Bailed Out of Lincoln Heights Tell Brutality

Scottsboro Boys Visit Mooney at Quentin

Before the Fall of Teruel

Merriam, Defiant to United Labor, Denies Tom Mooney Pardon

Political Warning Goes Unheeded As Reactionary Governor Follows Example of Predecessors

SAN FRANCISCO—The Workers Alliance of California last week announced a statewide campaign, in company with locals of the Alliance throughout America, demanding:

1. Extension of WPA to provide three million jobs immediately and five million more in monthly wages.
2. Federal grants to the states for direct relief.

LOS ANGELES—New demands for investigation into Lieutenant Sidney Sweetnam's "vice squad" in the Central Ave. district were sent the Police Commission last week by John Carter, young Negro employee of the Bureau of Water and Power.

Garbed in clothing far removed from that usually seen in military ranks, two loyalist soldiers discuss the political situation and the prospect of capturing the fascist saint Teruel. Evidently, the prospects were good.

SACRAMENTO—Governor Frank F. Merriam, like his four Republican predecessors, denied Tom Mooney a pardon. He acted in the face of appeals representing every current of the labor movement in California, telling a committee which called on him in person that he will not even consider the question while Mooney's case is impending before the courts.

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character nonetheless has been fully expressed.

Trade Union Support
Every local is called upon to secure all possible support from trade unions, appealing to these organizations to act cooperatively on behalf of the unemployed.

According to the letter, Sixty-five arrests were made in several days, after the latter had told him who he was and objected to the line of questioning.

LOS ANGELES—Los Angeles will be the first city in the country to establish a youth commission to study its own problems, it was announced by the Board of Supervisors passed the "Youth Commission" ordinance.

LOS ANGELES—The activities of the new commission will be around the conducting of surveys of the city's young people, and in-formation into such problems as may arise.

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With Individual Letters
Locals are also asked by the state executive board of the Alliance to set aside at least 20 minutes in their current meeting to read and answer personal letters to Congressmen and Senators, continuing their individual needs for WPA jobs.

Demands Investigation
"In view of the unfounded character of such charges as have been made against me by the state executive board of the Alliance, I wish to request that your honorable body conduct an investigation into this matter."

Oakland and San Francisco Turn-out to Greet Famous Duo
LOS ANGELES—Roy Wright and Olin Montgomery, two of the four best Scottsboro boys, will speak here Wednesday night, January 5, at 8 o'clock in Trinity Auditorium.

New Year's Eve Fetes to Hail People's World
SAN FRANCISCO—The birth of the new Daily People's World will be celebrated here by a huge three-day festival and bazaar on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, Dec. 31st to Jan. 2nd.

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Ignored Needy
To date, the State Relief Administration has maintained a policy of refusing to receive any joint committee of the unemployed or the Workers Alliance organization.

Fits Forms "Labor" Squad in Drive Against L. A. Unions
LOS ANGELES—A "special labor squad" formed by Attorney Burt Fitts will not only take care of the additional millions who have been forced out of work by the "strike of business."

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N.Y. Communist Gains in Recount of Council Vote
NEW YORK—As re-examination of proportional representation ballots proceeded, only one candidate, Charles C. Cacione, has been declared the winner.

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Pittsburgh Women Form Own Organization After Hearing Speaker

NO JUSTICE FOR WORKERS SEEKING PAY

Correspondent Tells Story of How Hobnobbers Were Robbed

Members Give Trouncing to Reactionary

Ford Worker Blasts Drury for Aiding Attempt to Run Strikebreakers in Richmond Assembly Plant

By a Worker Correspondent
SAN FRANCISCO—The following is a report from a correspondent who has been in Japan for some time.

By a Steel Worker
PITTSBURGH, Pa.—The Ladies Auxiliary of the Pittsburgh Steel Workers, a group organized by a committee appointed for the purpose, was held December 18th at the home of Mrs. William Bradley.

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OAKLAND—On the basis of the exposure of Building Trades "Czars" scab-herding for Henry Ford, which appeared in a recent issue of the Western Worker, the membership of Carpenters' Local 36 took the wind out of W. F. Drury's financial secretary, who figured prominently in the exposure.

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Draft Document Proposes United Seamen of America

Constitution Goes to Jan. 17 Convention

Industrial Union Draft Charter Gives Local Autonomy, Rank and File Control, National Unity

Whereas we seamen of America—of the Pacific Coast, the Atlantic and Gulf, and the Great Lakes—have learned, through bitter experience, that it is no longer possible to defend our interests or to improve our living and working conditions through the old craft form of trade union organization.

"Therefore we declare ourselves in favor of the establishment of an industrial union, to be known as the United Seamen of America, and in order to protect the interests of the majority of our membership who are aboard ships and in ports throughout the world."

For Jan. 17 Convention
This states the preamble to the proposed constitution drawn up for consideration at the National Unity Convention called by the CIO, to be held in San Francisco on January 17. It was drawn up by a committee representing the Pacific Coast Marine Firemen, Marine Cooks & Stewards Assn. of the Pacific Coast, Inlandboatmen's Union of the Pacific, and the National Maritime Union.

The committee's foreword states: "This Constitution provides for: 1. Complete local autonomy; 2. Full rank and file control; 3. Equality between Coasts; and 4. A unified organization for all American seamen."

"It is not a perfect plan, but will serve as a basis for discussion in meetings aboard ship and in the union hall. Offer your criticisms and suggestions in the meetings. See that the proposals are thoroughly discussed."

For Referendum
The committee states that the constitution, when rewritten by the January 17 convention delegates, will be submitted to the membership in a referendum, for approval or rejection.

The constitution lists the objectives in Article One: "1. To unite in one union regardless of creed, color, nationality, or political affiliation all seamen engaged in the North American shipping industry."

"2. To maintain and develop skill in seamanship. 3. To increase the wages and improve the conditions of employment of our members by legislation, conciliation, joint and when practicable national agreements, and when necessary, by economic action or by strikes."

For Old Age Pensions
"4. To secure for all seamen the benefits of old age pensions and unemployment insurance."

"5. To effect a change in the maritime law of the United States so as to render it more equitable and make it an aid instead of a hindrance to the development of a Merchant Marine and a body of American seamen."

"6. To insure sturdy construction and safe operation of vessels and to secure larger and more sanitary accommodations for seamen."

"7. To assist the seamen of other countries in the work of organization and federation to the end of establishing the Brotherhood of the Sea."

"8. To assist all workers organized and unorganized whenever possible in the attainment of their just demands."

Nat'l Maritime Federation
"9. To cooperate with all allied maritime unions toward the immediate establishment of a National Industrial Maritime Federation."

Proposed is a system of organization including two districts—the Eastern District and the Pacific Coast District. The Eastern District shall be subdivided into the Atlantic Section, the Gulf Section and the Great Lakes Section. The Pacific Coast District shall include the Pacific Coast, Alaska and Hawaii.

The draft proposes four divisions—the Sailors' Division, the Firemen's Division, the Cooks & Stewards' Division, and the Inlandboatmen's Division.

District Autonomy
Article 3 states: "Each district shall have complete autonomy in all of its district affairs, specifically the making and signing of all agreements with employers; the calling and terminating of strikes; election of district officers; collection and expenditure of moneys; and the conduct of referendum votes on district affairs."

On Division Autonomy
The draft proposes: "Each Pacific Coast Division shall have complete autonomy in all of its division affairs, specifically the election of division officers; collection and expenditure of moneys; and the disposal of any and all of its prop-

Aids Unity



JOE CURRAN
National Maritime Union leader, who will be one of the outstanding figures at the National Unity Convention of American seamen in San Francisco next January 17.

CIO CHARGES COERCION IN PG&E POLL

Gets Proof That Company Helped 'Independent Union' Win

SAN FRANCISCO—The CIO United Electrical, Radio & Machine Workers charged the Pacific Gas & Electric Co. with violations of two sections of the Wagner Labor Act, in connection with the collective bargaining election, in a complaint filed with the regional office of the National Labor Relations Board last Tuesday.

Company Interference
"We have filed charges and are getting affidavits to show the California Gas & Electric Employees Union is company dominated, and that there was undue company interference and coercion before and during the election," stated Robert E. Shippey, international vice president of the UER&M.W.

"The CIO union has a book membership among PG&E employees of more than 3500, of whom 3200 should have been eligible to vote. Consequently we believe company interference frightened hundreds of our own members into voting for the company union."

"There had been 500 to 600 layoffs since May 19, the date of eligibility. Our check of how many were our members and of what discriminations were reported is not complete. But only about 60 of these eligible laid-off workers sent back ballots."

Seek to Block Certification
"Certain PG&E officials were reported locating themselves in or near polling places before or during the employee election."

"If the affidavits we are obtaining prove substantial company domination and interference, we may be able to overthrow the certification."

Out of 5940 employees voting, 3550 votes went to the company union, 2254 to the CIO, 126 against any union, 10 void, and 982 challenged.

Blame AFL For Break

WASHINGTON—With the American Federation of Labor executive council forced to shoulder the blame for the break-up of labor unity negotiations, the Committee for Industrial Organization continued its drive to organize the unorganized workers in the United States.

It was reported that a CIO spokesman said a convention of 32 CIO international unions at the earliest possible moment would now be considered.

When the AFL committee of three remained adamant in its demand that the CIO agree to only the original 10 CIO unions returning at once, with the other 22 to be carved up among the crafts later, the unity conference adjourned last Tuesday without setting any date to reconvene.

No Retreat
The leaders of the 32 CIO unions had voted to instruct their committee not to retreat from their unity proposal, which would provide that all unions return to the AFL in a CIO department, that the principle of industrial organization be observed for mass production and other basic industries, and that a convention of all AFL and CIO unions be called to ratify any agreement.

Clean-Up Drive Wins Support of Marine Workers

"Cleanliness Begins At Home" Argue Men In Move to Clean-Up Embarcadero Eyesore

By GEORGE HITCHCOCK
To many a writer San Francisco's waterfront, with gulls wheeling and screaming overhead and ships docking from every corner of the earth, has seemed one of the most colorful spots in California.

To many a tourist, here for the 1939 Golden Gate Exposition, some parts of that waterfront will appear a public eyesore.

Most flagrant example of how little expenditure San Francisco's city fathers have made in making the waterfront more attractive is the lot at the foot of Clay St.

Here thousands of visitors step off their ferries and get their first look at San Francisco. Directly across from the Ferry Building this large vacant lot appears, littered with rubbish of every description and, at the water's edge, filled with unhealthy marsh water.

Real Problem to Workers
This spot, the most conspicuous of all the city's eyesores, has so far escaped the attention of citizen's groups promoting a "beautify the city" campaign.

But to the maritime workers, scores of whom lean against the old wooden railings around this lot while waiting to go to work, this garbage dump presents a real problem.

"It's a disgrace to the neighborhood," declared William Bailey, longshoreman, when questioned as to his views on the subject. "Whoever owns it ought to be made to clean it up. There are certainly enough men in San Francisco who need the jobs."

"That spot is below sea-level," remarked Joe Stupar, also a longshoreman, "and when the tide comes in it's like a swamp. It certainly stinks."

Menace to Health
Everyone along the Embarcadero seems to agree that the place is a threat to workers' health, but there were differing views on what use should be made of the lot.

"Fix it up and put benches in it like a park," suggested R. Castillo, ship scaler, who declared: "It might be a good idea to build a seaman's dormitory or club rooms there," remarked S. Cannon, marine fireman.

John Kelly, longshoreman, was outspoken in his views on the subject. "Thousands of longshoremen have to look at that dump heap every day and it's a sore spot in the eyes of every visitor to San Francisco," he declared.

"Now if we were cleared and leveled benches could be put in there at very little expense. That would increase the property value and at the same time it would give the fellows around the front some place to sit down and talk. The way it is, it's a sanitary menace."

Recreation Center
"Yes, I think it would make a nice little park," commented John Matthias, longshoreman. "It would be a pleasant place for us to sit in and wait for jobs. The way it is now, it's a disgrace to the city."

Most novel suggestion of all was that of Archie Brown, ship scarer. "Why ought to make it an open air recreation center," he declared, "with athletic equipment and space for trade union education and that sort of thing."

The lot itself is a large one. It is triangular in shape and its two longest sides are about 100 feet in length. The front of the lot is covered with signboards. In the rear the ground sinks five or six feet below the sidewalk level and is filled with chunks of old concrete, paper, junk and refuse.

It is fenced around with an unpainted old wooden railing upon which the maritime workers lean and talk.

MINNESOTA CIO FIGHTS LAYOFFS

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—At the recent Minnesota CIO convention, a resolution was adopted formulating a program to fight layoffs. It included establishing an unemployment committee in every union, forming an unemployed section with capable, energetic leadership in every union having more than 15 unemployed members, and providing unemployed sections with funds sufficient to carry on an aggressive program for adequate relief, WPA jobs, Public Works, low-cost housing and other useful projects.

The convention recommended unemployed sections form a fraternal affiliation with the Workers' Alliance of Minnesota, and that representatives of the State Executive Board meet with A.L.C. representatives to work out a joint program of action.

Cops Jail Ford Organizers



THE MAN in blue is helping the nation's biggest law breaker, Henry Ford, recently cited for violation of the Wagner Act. Photo shows one of 60 workers jailed in one morning for passing out union leaflets at King Henry's River Rouge plant.

Seattle Unions Aid Their Unemployed

Joint Relief Council Reports Gains in Seeking Relief Certification

SEATTLE, Wash.—Spectacular gains in its drive to secure work and direct relief certification for its unemployed members, are reported by the joint labor relief council here.

A recent meeting of the council, with delegates attending from 40 to AFL and CIO unions, was broadcast over Station KEEN in order to display to citizens the gravity of the unemployment problem.

The following incomplete figures on unemployment were released by the joint council, which has headquarters in the American Radio Telegraphists' Hall, 84 Seneca St.:

Jobless Statistics
Boilermakers (650 members), 563 unemployed, placed on relief; Machinists (2500 members), 50 unemployed, 44 placed on relief; Local 2519, Lumber & Sawmill Workers (1600 members), 150 unemployed, an additional 175 working one day a week and the expectation that some 75 per cent of the membership will soon be laid off for 60 days; Building Service, unemployment decreasing slightly over previous week, 35 out of 37 applicants on relief; Shingle Weavers (400 members), 340 unemployed, 15 per cent of unemployed placed on relief.

SMELTERMEN SET UP CENTRAL BODY FOR CALIFORNIA LOCALS
Seek Agreement on Central Valley Project Giving Closed Shop

OAKLAND—A two-day state conference of the Intl. Union of Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers was held here December 18-19, with delegates from various locals representing 12,000 organized tunnel, dam and construction workers.

The conference decided to establish a central body operating on a state-wide basis, composed of an executive board of one member from each local union in the state.

The purpose is to negotiate wage agreements and care for the general welfare of the locals within the state. The conference went on record to establish a fund of \$5000 for the advancement of the Central Valley locals.

An agreement was drawn up with wage scales, and including closed shop and hiring halls to be established in Redding, Sacramento and Friant.

Business Agent Bob Says
WITH the present high cost of living getting higher, you ought to appreciate this joke: "When water becomes ice," asked a teacher, "what is the greatest change that takes place?" The student replied: "The price."

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OSLO, Norway.—T. lands suggestions that navian states make a ment urging Western powers to recognize verogeneity in Ethiopia down by Foreign Minis this country.

CIO GETS READY TO BATTLE L. OPEN SHOPPE

Points to Scabberding Frame-ups as Evidence of Anti-Union Drive

LOS ANGELES—We must organize our forces and go to battle. That was the answer CIO Industrial Council last day night as dramatic were brought before the gates of frame-up, rath and scab-herding in one most vicious anti-union this state has ever known. These are a few of the moves of the open-shop revealed on the floor Council.

Two Frame-Ups
1. The frame-up of Tomson, business manager CIO Industrial Union attempt to discredit the union.
2. Railroadings of 24 sit-down strikers to the tary.

3. Formation of the Californians Inc., an combine of the Ch Commerce, Merchants, Factors Assn. and the ary city officialdom.

4. Mass lay-offs in industries.
5. Using the Commu against the unions.
6. Anti-picketing ord the City Council.

With hard telling by CIO Council quickly sw action:
1. A standing vote fidence in the innoc integrity of Tom Johns unanimously voted.
2. A defense commi set up immediately.

3. Full support to the boys was voted.
4. A large permanet mittee with the full power of the CIO help assist unemployed work obtaining relief, was "Boycott 'Ches'."

5. A boycott of the Ches and an urgent he that a similar resolution ed in all locals and organ sympathetic to labor, was ed unanimously.
6. Calmy Tom Johnson's story of how he had ed. He had not seen almost five years. He him as a loyal worker. Tom Mooney Committee.

Briefly Johnson outline own activities of the years.
Kent a Stoolie Johnson stated that he had information that he had seen a stool-pigeon for four years, that he was in the attempt to have deported.

The newspapers r said Johnson, that he imprisoned in Ohio on inal syndicalism char they had neglected that the Supreme C Ohio had reversed the sion of the lower ce severely rebuked the "I would rather go for life," Johnson said "that brag for one day den of the conscience stool-pigeon, labor spy, Arthur Kent, alias Arth a man who could be brothers and betray such as Tom Mooney."

Progressives Win Musicians' Poll
LOS ANGELES—The sive wing of the L Local 47 swept into off a general election, promising to unite the ship.

Headed by Jack B progressive assembly progressives captured 14 positions.

Tenney defeated Frank D. Pendleton, 18 Those elected were bes, recording secy, rington, financial secy Simons, Jack Sewell, ence Shaw, trustees; herti, Frank De Nuld Petrick, Larry W George Campbell, bo actors; Albert and J were named delegat 1938 convention.

The progressive p cluded creation of nular to those estab California Symphony instigated at the loc tion.

The new board w to abolish all person the board members. One of the union jectives will be the of the unorganized, and the building union.

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