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Soundings For Stalin-**Hitler Pact** Continue

Maneuvers Speeded By German Pressure For Poland Partition

By HAROLD ROBERTS

Speculation over the possibility of a Stalin-Hitler deal overshadowed all other prewar diplomatic developments in Europe this week.

Soundings going on both in Berlin and Moscow are now referred to in the press as undenied facts.

On both sides, of course, this speculation is itself being used as a diplomatic weapon. By strengthening the impression of an impending deal between the Nazi dictator and the autocrat of the Kremlin, the Germans hope to throw a monkey wrench into the continuing Anglo-Soviet negotiations. The Russians, for their part, permit the same impression to prevail in order to frighten the British and the French into offering more attractive terms for Soviet entry into their bloc.

Fire Under the Smoke

At the same time there is plenty of fire under all this smoke. It is not for nothing that Stalin and Hitler have both in their public speeches in the last few months abandoned their mutual attacks upon each other. It is not for nothing that the Nazi and Soviet press have cleared the path in the same way by dropping entirely their reciprocal mud-slinging. The purge of Maxim Litvinov last week from the post of Soviet foreign affairs commissar appears undeniably to have hastened the parleys that have been going on between the two

Now the chances of a German-Soviet "non - aggression talk in Berlin, according to the correspondent of the New York Times. "It is no secret here." he added, "that the Soviet government itself has been in favor of such a development. It took active steps to bring it about not only in years past but as late as last February."

Pressure on Poland

In other words, Hitler seems at last to be lending an ear to the oft-made plea of Stalin for a pact that would leave Ger many free to deal with its Anglo-French rivals and give Stalin a chance to sit a little longer on his shaky throne.

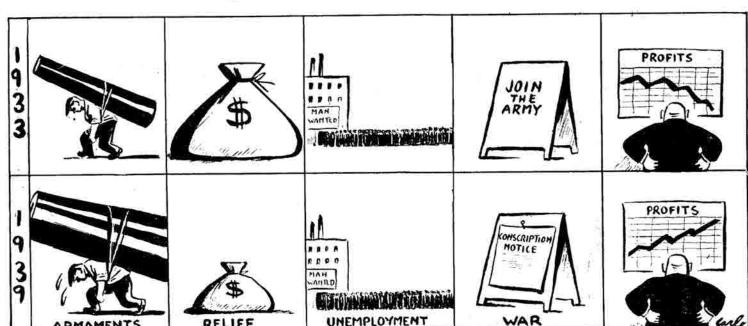
It is German pressure for a new partition of Poland that is bringing these developments rapidly to a head. In his speech to the Sejm last Friday Jozef Beck, diplomatic spokesman for the tight little military oli garchy that rules the Polish state, rejected Hitler's demand for the return of Danzig and a riage. road across the Polish corri dor. Since then Hitler has been proceeding with his usual tactics to isolate the Poles in order the better to cut them to pieces under more propitious circumstances.

Part of his game is to separate Poland from the Baltic states. Among the latter he has already established his pactual predominance with Lithuania and Latvia and Esthonia and Finland are not likely to defy

Italian Alliance

Another part of the same process is the consummation of the formal military alliance between Germany and Italy. This serves the purpose of burning more Italian bridges leading back to the Anglo-French fold and silencing Italian fears of being drawn into a war over Poland, the Germans arguing that they will be able to swal-(Continued on Page 3)

Progress Under The New Deal



CIVIL RIGHTS ARE A CRIME

Vies With Jersey City's Anti - Labor Hague Rule

Hoboken, New Jersey, under the stewardship of Mayor Bernard McFeely, is continuing of the Soviet's Military Intellias a runner-up in the race with gence in Western Europe, Wal-Mayor Hague's Jersey City for he dubious honor of establishing a record for suppression of civil liberties and anti-labor ac-

On May 8, Herman Matson, relief client and outspoken opministration, was arrested for organize a ring of passport the crime of distributing anti-McFeely circulars in connecion with the following day' nunicipal elections

Matson stated that while disributing the leaflets, he and off this secret service operative G.P.U. explains the Stalinist his 14-year old son were at- as a "Trotskyist." "Rubens" acked by three men who drove up in an automobile. He as up in an automobile. He as- confessor to a "Trotskyist" serted that Police Sergeant plot against Stalin. The arrest John Beatty saw the attack but of his accomplices in America, refused to arrest the assailants.

Later in the same day, he was again set upon when he refused to drop charges against Patrick Lisa, one of the three men who had originally man-handled nim. All were then taken to he police station where Matson was booked, but was not permitted to sign a counter

This is the second time in the past year that Matson has been irrested by Hoboken's protecors for being unfortunate enough to get beaten up by McFeely's henchmen. In Sepby a mob in a park which was ittackers then, as now, were permitted to depart. At that ists. ime, Matson's wife was also she later suffered a miscar-

President Poosevelt sent a

message to Congress on

April 27, proposing a W.P.A.

budget for the fiscal year be-

Taking for granted that

the President's proposed

budget will be the one

adopted, the W.P.A. Admin-

istration immediately took

steps to drop 900,000 W.P.A.

workers from the rolls-that

is, to slash the present rolls

of 2,800,000 down to below

the maximum of 2,000.000

provided by the President's

budget. Some 200,000 were

This is all taking place

amid silence — a silence

which can only be character-

fired last week, the rest will

be fired before July 1.

ginning July 1.

Krivitsky Reveals Rubens Identity

Challenges Earl Browder to Deny the Facts

ed under him in Moscow. In an interview with the Baltimore Sun, May 5, Krivitsky former operative of mine who, described "Rubens" as a Russian agent who, after many years of secret service in Europe, was dispatched by the ponent of Hoboken's city ad- G.P.U. to the United States to

> Billed for Moscow Trial in | port ring. Similarly, Krivitsky's The arrest of "Rubens" Moscow in October, 1937, foreshadowed an attempt to pass ist Party is a reservoir for the however, was an unforeseen complication. That he has now been revealed by Krivitsky to have been a G.P.U. agent probany snatters the attempted use of "Rubens" for such a Moscow show trial. "Rubens" real identity as a G.P.U. agent was previously indicated by the in-

her husband, refused the intervention of the American Embassy on her behalf. Soviet Embassy's Statement Moscow's plans then to pass 'Rubens' off as a "Trotskyist"

became clear when the Soviet ember, 1938, he was slugged Embassy in Washington, shortly after his arrest, told the heavily guarded by police. The press that the Robinson-Rubens couple "might well be Trotsky-

Irked by an attack made

Earl Browder's own sister

"She lived and worked under

the name 'Gene Montgomery'

in the Netherlands," Krivitsky

declared, "and later in Paris

Raspail. She operated under an

suffered in Moscow by another

is well known to the American

Krivitsky Challenges Browder

Krivitsky's disclosure that

Rubens-Ewald is a Latvian

throws light on his recourse to

the Lettish wing of the Stalinist

movement in New York for as-

sistance in operating the pass-

explanation that the Commun-

connections of the men convict-

Krivitsky challenged the New Masses' description of him as

a mythical general by assert-

ing, "I challenge Earl Browder

to speak out on the subject of

my identity." He stated that to

this date not a single one of his

revelations in the public press

had been either challenged or

answered by the official Stalin-

"Litvinoff Is Doomed"

Maxim Litvinoff as Commissar

of the Soviet Foreign Office

Stalin's maneuvers in demo-

cratic waters. His removal can

mean but one thing, namely

lomacy which Stalin had pur-

is now coming to the surface.

In striking out openly in the

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keeps silent the so-called

W.P.A. and unemployed un-

ion, the Workers Alliance of

America, which the Stalin-

But why are the labor

leaders silent? When the

President didn't help the

coal strikers, John L. Lewis

emitted a roar of disappro-

val. But John L. Lewis has

responsibilities, not only in

his own bailiwick, the United

Mine Workers, but also to

the masses of the C.I.O., of

which he is the titular head.

How long will this conspir-

acy of silence go on? As

long as the workers, in the

unions and on W.P.A., per-

ists control.

direction of Germany

Italy," Krivitsky went

Krivitsky declared:

On the dramatic purge of

"Litvinoff was the pilot of

public as Robinson-Rubens."

knowledge of her brother.

F.D.R. Ducks Closed Shop Issue; Bosses Get Wall Street Aid

(By Staff Writer)

NEW YORK-As negotiations between representatives of the in the Hotel Lutetia, Boulevard 485,000 striking coal miners and the operators remained at a American passport bearing the standstill early this week a coal name of Montgomery, but she crisis developed in major inapparently escaped the fate dustrial centers.

The coal shortage gave a clear picture of the tremendous might and power of the work ers in this basic industry, who are fighting to prevent the return of an open shop era in the mine fields

Curtailment of vital subway service in this giant metropol itan center resulted from the coal shortage, which is caused solely by the coal operators stubborn resistance to union

Mine Workers of America have already compromised on all economic demands and insist only on a union shop and re moval of the penalty clause for strikes during contract agreements.

perators and their reactionary campaign against the U.M. W.A. President Roosevelt ducked the whole issue in his message to the negotiators. He merely asked for continuation of negotiations

Considerable danger existed the end of the mission with which he had been entrusted in recent years. The secret dipsued toward appeasing Hitler

eaceful pickets.

o protect scabs was made by he Harlan operators, who are (Continued on Page 2)

Britain's Ruling Class Is Maneuvering For A War Alliance With U.S.

Expropriate the War Profiteers!

The capitalist press is filled these days with stories about taking profits away from the munitions makers, leaving them with just a "reasonable" profit.

We've heard this before. Woodrow Wilson's world war began with the SAME KIND OF PROPAGANDA. And during that slaughter, prices actually were fixed by the government in some industries to permit only a "reasonable" profit.

What the capitalists took-aided and abetted by the government—as "reasonable" profit is a matter of record. The facts were made public despite the desperate attempts of the bankers and industrialists, senators and congressmen, to suppress the facts. Popular pressure forced their publication-if only in LIMITED EDITIONS of Senate Documents No. 248 and 259 in 1918 by the Government Printing Office. Here are some of the facts:

In the COAL INDUSTRY 185 companies raked in PROFITS on HIGHLY WATERED capital stock ranging from 100 per cent to 7,856 per cent. Nearly half the companies raked in profits EQUAL TO THEIR ENTIRE CAPITAL STOCK during 1917 alone.

During the last three years of the world war, the American people PAID IN NET PROFITS A SUM EQUAL TO EVERY DOLLAR'S WORTH OF STOCK OF ALL THE COAL COMPANIES COMBINED at the companies' own valuation.

The MEAT PACKERS hogged profits ranging as high as 4,244 per cent.

The CANNING COMPANIES took 2,032 per cent. The WOOLEN MILLS piled up 1,770 per cent.

The CLOTHING AND DRY GOODS STORES. 9.826 per cent.

The FURNITURE MANUFACTURERS, 3,295 per

Among the FLOUR MILLS, 84 of the largest reported net profits of more than 100 per cent and one company reported 2,628 per cent.

Of the BREAD AND BAKERY COMPANIES, the big shots squeezed the American people for more than 100

And the STEEL MILLS stretched their interpretation of "reasonable" to cover a profit as high as 290,999 per cent of what THEY considered the business worth.

From the reports compiled by the United States government in 1918 it is absolutely clear that the American people during the last world war PAID IN PROFITS TO THE CAPITALIST OWNERS of the basic industries of the United States MORE THAN THE ENTIRE VALUATION set by the capitalists themselves on these

The Government report lists as the cause of this profiteering "INORDINATE GREED AND BAREFACED FRAUD." Despite price fixing, says Document No. 248, the owners of industry were "STRENGTHENED IN THEIR POSITION and ENRIGHED BY PROFITS WHICH ARE WITHOUT PRECEDENT."

The experience of the war and the profiteering which resulted, says the report, shows that government price fixing is "FRAUGHT WITH HARDSHIP TO THE CONSUMING PUBLIC."

The profiteers juggled their accounts, padded depreciation, increased officers' salaries inordinately, included interest on investment as a cost, recorded new construction as repairs, gave fictitious valuations to inventories, and then ADDED a "reasonable" PROFIT.

The proposals of Roosevelt's propaganda machine to eliminate profiteering in the coming world war, like the proposals of Woodrow Wilson's propaganda machine, are a FRAUD AND A BAREFACED CHEAT.

The only way to eliminate similar proliteering is by EXPROPRIATING WITHOUT COMPENSATION not only the munitions industries, but ALL the great basic

The experience of the last world war shows that the workers CANNOT TRUST the CAPITALISTS, or a government which represents the capitalists, to run these industries without PROFITEERING. They must be EX-PROPRIATED WITHOUT COMPENSATION and run UNDER THE CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT OF THE WORKERS.

That is the ONLY WAY TO ELIMINATE PROFI-TEERING.

Senator Nye Reads British Propaganda Work Into Record

If the British ruling class has anything to say about itand it has-the United States will be fighting on the side of England in the coming war. As in the last war, the U. S., ostensibly an ally of Britain, will of course be fighting for its own imperialist aims.

A revelation of British propaganda intentions was read into the Congressional Record on April 25 by Senator Nye of North Dakota from a British work, "Propaganda in the Next War."

Senator Nye stated that little is known of its author, Sidney Rogerson, but added that the man supervising the editing of it is the not-unknown Capt. Liddell Hart, associated with the London Times, and a recognized authority on military affairs. Among Hart's works are included joint authorship of the Brilish official manual, "Infantry Training," and the editing of a treatise on "Small Arms Training."

Handbook for Propagandists "Propaganda in the Next War" apparently was prepared as a handbook for British propagandists. It was most certainly not meant for public consumption. So far as is known, only one copy of the book found its way into this country, and it was from this copy that Senator Nye quoted the chapter on "Enemies, Neutrals, and Al-

Rogerson claims boastfully that British propaganda got us into the last war.

"For some time," says Rogerson, "the issue as to which side the United States would take hung in the balance and in the final result was a credit to our propaganda. We were helped by the carelessness of the Germans. . . . We were almost as thorough (as the Germans) though less blatant in our methods. Among our multifarious activities was the supply of a regular British news sheet to no fewer than 360 small American newspapers."

One master stroke was the appeal to American Jews, says Rogerson: "During the Great War we bought off this huge American Jewish public by the promise of the Jewish national home in Palestine, held by Ludendorf to be the master stroke of Allied propaganda as it enabled us not only to appeal to Jews in America, but to Jews in Germany as well.'

Gullible Americans Rogerson frankly admits the

use of "atrocity" propaganda. "Atrocity propaganda will be less effective with neutrals in the next war. They have been cated with it in peace." But it's still good stuff for fat-headed Americans. American news reel men, the book states, 'should be first to be allowed to 'shoot' pictures of air raids in order that the proper volume of pictorial 'horror' will be ivailable in one of the few great countries where 'atrocity propaganda' will still be oper-

Emotions of Americans can e played on. Americans are "great champions of the oppressed," and they are there-"more susceptible than most peoples to mass suggestion.

Yet Rogerson does not underestimate the difficulties involved in getting Americans to fight (on the "right" side), nor is the fact ignored that the supports to which the desired prop-

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Presented by Him in Series of Articles

By NAT LEVINE Adolph Arnold Rubens, whose | worked under him with the full three accomplices were convicted last week in Federal Court of a criminal conspiracy to forge American passports, was identified by former head ter G. Krivitsky, as a former secret service agent who serv

forgers. "Rubens" was a Latvian by birth, named Ewald.

cident in Moscow early in 1938. when Mrs. Rubens, jailed with

beaten, as a result of which upon him by Earl Browder. American Communist Party head, Krivitsky declared that

ized as a conspiracy of si-

The Republicans are si-

lent because Roosevelt's

budget does the dirty job for

them. The Democrats are

silent-the "right wing" be-

cause Roosevelt makes their

the "left wing" because

they, like Roosevelt, are pre-

occupied with but one thing:

building the war machine

and taking money from ev-

ery source, including relief

money, to finance that war

The Communist Party,

part of Roosevelt's "left

wing" is silent because it

has become the worst war-

monger of them all; and it

unnecessary.

A CONSPIRACY OF SILENCE

lence!

intervention

machine.

COAL SHORTAGE SHOWS MIGHT OF MINE WORKERS

Negotiators for the United

Roosevelt Ducks Issue Instead of censuring the coal

hat Roosevelt's intervention would bring a phoney compronise impairing the U.M.W.A hold over the mining industry inless the negotiating commit tee of John L. Lewis and other top U.M.W.A. leaders stood firmly for the union demands Talk around the negotiators neeting room indicated that such a compromise would consist of the union obtaining its ights in the Pennsylvania and other highly organized fields. out that certain Southern oper itors would be permitted to escape from dealing with the mion on a fair basis.

Would Mean Warfare Such action would give the lual union chartered by the A.F.L., the Progressive Miners of America, a foothold in the industry to begin a jurisdictionil war against the U.M.W.A. Since the intransigent coal perators are backed by strong teel, utility and Wall Street panking interests, a victory for he C.I.O. would be an effective nswer to the present open hop drive of Big Business.

Bloody Harlan County, Ken ucky, scene of the worst reign of terror against unionism cnown in this country, has al-'eady been the scene of company-directed violence against

A call for the National Guard

James P. Cannon

THE DOWNFALL OF LITVINOV

The Meaning of Litvinov's Friday, May 12,8p.m. Exit in the World War Crisis | RVING PLAZA

Irving Plaza at Fifteenth Street

By B. J. WIDICK -

Two mergers involving four C.I.O. unions are taking place this month.

After a long campaign by the Fur Workers union, the National Leather Workers Association recently voted to join with the furriers in a proposed International Fur and Leather Workers Union of the United States and Canada.

This week-end the fur work-Atlantic City. Approval of the amalgamation which its executive board recommends is considered a foregone conclusion.

The Fur Workers convention is openly and flagrantly dominated by the Stalinists, headed by the notorious Ben Gold, president of the union.

Factional Capital

Gold expects to make much factional capital out of the merger. The Daily Worker informs an unsuspecting world that this merger, according to Mr. Gold, will join 100,000 workers together. Convention delegates are being told the same thing.

The C.I.O. News, however, claims no more than 50,000 members for the furriers and 4.500 for the leatherworkers. Gold's exaggerations are designed to bolster his fading prestige in his own union.

This beloved leader of the masses obtained a measly vote of 252 out of 3,500 members in his own local union as delegate to the convention!

His whole administration is so utterly bankrupt that only a tragic mistake in tactics by progressive forces returned his clique to power. Gold's election maneuvers were so revolting (ruling members out of voting rights, denial of impartial watchers at election booths, etc.) that the progressives decided to boycott the election.

Less than 1,400 members in the New York area out of 15,-000 voted in this election.

Progressives within the leather workers know these facts. They realize that within the proposed International Fur and Leather Workers Union, Gold and his Stalinist machine will seek to gain complete domination over the leather division.

On the other hand, the merger enables the progressive forces within both divisions to unite and oust the bankrupt Stalinist misleadership.

Another Merger

A merger between the United Textile Workers Union and the Textile Workers Organizing Committee is scheduled at the five-day national conventions of these organizations in Philadelphia on May 15.

Motive behind the sudden display of democracy on the part of the Hillman machine is the attempt to offset the reactionary split from the C.I.O. of Francis J. Gorman, former vice-president of the U.T.W.U. with a small group of locals.

Since the hosiery workers federation and the dyers feder ation, both strongly entrenched in their respective industries, will participate in the convention of the T.W.O.C., it should be lively. It will take a lot of patching up behind the scenes to remove some of the antagonism we've heard expressed against the Hillman machine.

Under present plans, the textile union and the T.W.O.C. locals will each hold a separate convention for a few days, until the proposed merger is approved. Then they will unite into a single convention.

Chief bone of contention a the textile convention will be the scramble for paid jobs. Lack of finances prevents Hillman from settling such problems the easy way: a job for every official.

Among the other tragedies of the C.I.O. is the fact that the textile industry drive didn't live up to advance expectations. Out of 1,250,000 workers the T.W.O.C. now claims 200,000 under contract (a year ago, the figure of 500,000 used to be tossed around blandly.) Another 176,000 workers will be covered under contracts now being ne-

gotiated, the union claims. Planning of a serious organizing drive should be one of the big jobs of the merged unions. Over 120,000 textile workers will get wage increases under the wages and hours law in pay rent. At least that must be July. An aggressive campaign what F.D.R. believes. centering around the fact that C.I.O. pressure brought this Get Your APPEAL benefit could bring these workers into the fold.

What Do the Amendments to the Wagner Act Mean for the American Working Class?... By ALBERT GOLDMAN

praska and partially by the would not only destroy what of non-union conditions. amendments offered by the ever good there is in the Wag-

The original effectiveness of he Wagner Act has been dehree decisions of the United hat workers who participate n any sit-down strike or in any ers opened their convention in way violate any law are to lose he privileges they have under he Wagner Act. In another case the same court decided hat if a union is found to have proken a contract with an employer it loses-its right under AS MINERS DISPLAY STRENGTH he Act, and in still another case the honorable justices dereed that findings of fact by he National Labor Board are ubject to be reviewed by the

courts. These three decisions reluced the effectiveness of the the conviction of employer's as-Act by more than seventy-five sociation leaders on criminal percent. The amendments proposed by the A.F.L. would limit he Act still further, while those proposed by the employers would make of it a very dangerous weapon against the working class.

In its original form, without he modifications introduced by he decisions of the Supreme Court, the Wagner Act had suficient merit to justify its being upported by all sections of the abor movement.

Basically it was the upswing n the business cycle that faciltated a strong organizing novement in the years of 1936 and 1937. The great organizaion campaign that brought jundreds of thousands of workers into the auto union came is a result of the militant sitlown strikes and not because of reliance on the Wagner Act. When the reaction to the busiiess upswing came in the later part of 1937 the Wagner Act could not and did not prevent a remendous drop in union mempership, especially in those mions that were organized

after its enactment. But even as a factor of secondary importance the Wagner Act proved beneficial and Labor should not only prevent imendments that would furher destroy its effectiveness date for the trial. out should press for amendnents that would enable Labor o use it more effectively for ts own interests.

BOSSES WOULD TRANSFORM

AW INTO OPPOSITE Ever since the Wagner Act vent into effect, the employers nave been whining about its inequality because, forsooth, it only prohibits unfair labor prac

An Alien-His Family Has No Right to Live

(Special to the Socialist Appeal) MERIDEN, Conn., May 4-Three-year-old Florence Sorwiecki is dead today. All be cause her father is an alien.

Stanley Sorowiecki was dropped from the W.P.A. three weeks ago because he was an alien. That he had lived and worked in this city for twenty years and had eight children made no difference to the All-American W.P.A. big shots. That he was the sole support of these eight children also made no difference-he was an alien.

While Mr. Sorowiecki was ooking for work and his wife was busy at the City Welfare Department pleading for an orier to repair her children's hoes, little Florence was burned to death when her dress ignited while she was playing with matches on the kitchen

It is indeed ironical that this ragedy should take place in the city that, only two weeks ago was able to hire twenty-six extra policemen to patrol a picket line of the Steel Workers Organizing Committee at the struck Bradley & Hubbard Mfg. Co. plant, and now shows its utter disregard for the lives of its unemployed and their families by its refusal to institute an efficient system of relief that will guarantee the

sa'ety of the relief recipients. Stanley Sorowiecki is an alien. . . He doesn't have to eat or

At the Newsstand

gerous weapon in the hands of severe penalties.

The employers also want the happen to constitute the Labor

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determined to break the con-

to sign with the U.M.W.A. after

States Refuse Relief

governments to allow strike re-

lief. Over 100,000 West Virginia

miners were informed they

were not eligible for any relief

under a reactionary ruling of

the state administration. Scores

of Democratic and Republican

party officials who entered of-

fice through assistance of or-

ganized labor's vote have ex-

posed themselves as operators'

Trial of 5 Akron

indefinitely."

Yipsels Postponed

Powerful pressure of the

(Special to the Socialist Appeal)
AKRON, O., May 9.—Trial of

the five youths arrested for dis-

cributing leaflets of the Akron

branch of the Young People's

Socialist League (Fourth Inter-

national) has been "postponed

Following their action in fil-

ing for a jury trial, the youths.

Burr McCloskey, William Rus-

per and Sol Goldberg, were in-

formed that the Municipal

that it was impossible to set a

City-Wide Issue

its activities illegal.

Mainspring in the

neo-Fascist crusader.

upon the Y.P.S.L. was J. Ray

stine, principal of Central and

Confronted with the attack,

he Y.P.S.L. made a city-wide

ssue of the case, and carried

it to the labor movement in a

pected opposition developed.

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COAL CRISIS GROWS MORE ACUTE

ers can still derive from the by the employees. Senator Board for elections: Such a pro-liberals will wilt under pres- the employers before proposing National Labor Relations Act Burke has introduced an vision would give them a sure, but it is certain that a their amendments can almost Wagner Act) would be done amendment which would ban chance to have an election be- turn in the wheel of politics be accepted without evidence way with by the amendments "unfair labor practices" by the fore the union has succeeded will bring reactionaries of the because the amendments would proposed by the National Asso- workers. This amendment is in organizing a majority of the worst kind into the Board, in fact benefit the employers. ciation of Manufacturers the most important one for the workers and thus assure, for a Generally speaking, however, hrough Senator Burke of Ne- employers and should it pass it year at least, the continuance the Federal courts are far more NOT ENOUGH

The A.F.L. bureaucrats have the protection of property A.F.L. bureaucrats through ner Act but it would actually joined hands with the bosses in rights. Labor has a greater Senator Walsh of Massachu- ransform it into a very dan- asking for such an amendment, chance to influence members Another amendment the emhe bosses. Everything that is players want would take away of the Federal Courts. The asually done by a union organ- practically all important func- bosses, well aware of that, are stroyed to a great extent by izer in order to bring the work- tions from the Labor Board and anxious to have their cases ers into the union would consti-turn them over to the Federal tried by their trusted servants

States Supreme Court. In the tute an unfair labor practice courts. It would be dangerous rather than take a chance on ransteel case it was declared and would be prohibited under for the workers to rely upon newcomers. any particular individuals who

A.F.L. AMENDMENTS SERVE BOSSES

certain to give all the breaks to

of the Labor Board than judges

The amendments offered by the A.F.L. leadership are intended to serve the narrow interests of that leadership and this necessarily means that they will also serve the interests of the employers. One amendment has as its purpose racts they were forced last fall to give partial assistance to ment is intended to give the reached in strike areas because know that the union has over of the A.F.L. A third amendof the refusal of state and local 95% of the industry organized. ment has as its aim to prevent

> will ultimately be used against Efforts of John R. Steelman, the A.F.L. by the bosses is

mise have thus far failed. He realize. has been acting as Roosevelt's The charge that John L representative in the situation. Lewis made to the effect that

sell, John Schufle, Donald Car-per and Sol Goldberg, were in-Court docket was "so crowded" Extent of War Preparations

The five boys were arrested and since the Walsh-Healey Act for "democracy." eaflets in their "Jobs for Youth" campaign. Following went into effect September 28, heir release on bond, police officials threatened to suppress he organization by declaring

1936, 13,125 contracts valued at Walsh-Healey Public Contracts

An investigation of what Federal Departments have been Chamber of Commerce beat a the beneficiaries of these conhasty retreat when this unex- tracts bear out the claims of the Socialist Appeal that the

SOCIALIST APPEAL!

(Special to the Socialist Appeal) | Roosevelt Administration, with WASHINGTON, D. C., May all its sobbing for the "under-monthly to a twice-monthly, de-March 31 in front of Central 5. — At the conclusion of the dog, etc., etc." is pursuing a cided upon by the National figh School while distributing first quarter of the year 1939, consistent pro-war policy, and preparing for another slaughter

Of the 13,125 contracts \$907,379.687 were reported to awarded during the above stat- ized. the Division of Public Contracts ed period. 45% (5,871) were as having been awarded to con- awarded by the Navy and War tractors throughout the United | Departments. Of the \$907,379, States and its territories, con- 687 spent on Public Contracts taining agreements to comply by the various federal departwith the stipulations of the ments, \$573,674,000.27 or 631/4% of the total amount was used by these departments. These figures are not a figment of the the goal, the many pledges of Labor in its Quarterly Public | raise money, indicate that the Contracts Report.

Weekly Record

Using the week ended April 29 as an example (by no means an isolated example: we use it here because it is the last week reported by the Labor Dept.) one can see the intensity with which the administration is building its war machine. During that week 146 contracts were awarded. Of these, 80 were awarded by the War or Navy departments! The total value of these 146 contracts awarded amounts to \$5,385. 859.94. While it is impossible at this time to give the exact amount and percentage of the \$5,385,859.94 that was used in the 80 contracts awarded by the War and Navy, one can say without exaggeration that at least 75% of that amount went to these departments.

A basis for such an estimate can be found by considering two of these 80 contracts. Under the heading "Transportation Equipment" (!!) can be found a contract awarded to the Douglas Aircraft Co., Inc., El Segundro, Cal. by the Navy Department for "Airplanes and Spare Parts" amounting to \$1,516,357; under "Other Machinery" (!!) a contract awarded by the War Department to the Winchester Repeating Arms Co., New Haven, Conn., for "rifles" amounting to \$1,384, 500.00.

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Whatever benefits the work-| tices by the employers and not right to petition the Labor | Board. Not only is it likely that | the A.F.L. leaders consulted

TO STAND PAT

The strategy of the C.I.O. of ficials, in combating the campaign for amending the Wagner Act, has been to insist that the Act needs no amending. But the fact remains that the Act does require amending.

It requires amending in orpurpose originally intended for it. It requires amending in order to destroy the modifications introduced by the Supreme Court in the Fansteel and other decisions. The Supreme Court has cut the Act's effectiveness and now it is necessary to have that effectiveness restored and strengthened. And that can be done only by amending the Act.

To be against the amend-

ized. The workers must nevertheless insist on the passage of Federal conciliator, to put something that the A.F.L. leadan act which will recognize through a makeshift compro- ership is too thick-headed to their absolute right to organize without interference by bosses

Challenge of Youth Will Increase Frequency of Issue

The increase in the frequency of appearance of the CHAL-LENGE OF YOUTH, from a Council of the Young Peoples Socialist League at its national meeting in Akron. Ohio. in April, is speedily being real-

The campaign to raise a fund of \$500 to guarantee publication of the twice-a-month during its first period is meeting with response from many friends of the Y.P.S.L. as well as from its members. Though the actual cash on hand is still far short of imagination of an anti-war agi- from supporters of the Y.P. tator but rather are the figures S.L. and the activities planned ssued by the U.S. Department by units of the organization to campaign is within striking distance of success.

THE CHALLENGE OF YOUTH has experienced a constant growth in circulation since the adoption of a new format, use of two colors, and the development of dramatic mass sales in the streets. From a 'copies-sold" circulation of less than 2.000, the circulation has steadily increased until, according to present indications. the sale of the May issue will pass the 5,200 mark.

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WHERE OTHERS FAIL, WE SUCCEED! We offer, where others failed, a sequel to 'The Modern Punch' by the Original Red Puppeteers, the side-splitting "Punch Joins the Army!" Saturday, May 13, after the convention at 163 Norfolk St. Games, door and grand prizes, dancing and a hilarious time for all.

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proving enermously. Our bookder to enable it to serve the war crisis when you had those their plans. APPEALS reading "Not a man, BUNDLE ORDER not a cent for boss war!' and PAYMENTS: the previous issue. The Eng-American continent they were will be appreciated!

The Appeal office intends to publish soon another one of its Appeal Army bulletins contain-"A few words about the SO- ing definite suggestions for CIALIST APPEAL. We find keeping up your sales and new that your issues are now im- subscriptions over the summer months. Last summer there shop has two very large win- was quite a drop in Appeal acdows and since we are situated tivities, but we don't want the in a working class area we find same thing to happen again. it profitable to stick your front We urge all literature-agents to pages on them. The results are send in their special ways and very good, crowds are always means of keeping up sales so staring. Especially during the that others can benefit from

Every branch now has its lish workers read them and regular Appeal statement in since they have a meaning its hands. A little action in which goes far beyond the making substantial payments

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Soundings for

Pact Continue

(Continued from Page 1)

low what they want of Polish

Hitler's final chore is to ex-

orcise the Russian demon on

iety to come to terms with him.

Hitler, contemptuous of the

purge-rent Soviet state and

army, might even think it suf-

ficient to his purpose to break

up the Anglo-Soviet negotia-

tions. Beyond that, he would

take, for the time being, a new

German - Soviet trade pact

which would provide the Reich

with vitally needed food sup-

Such a deal would complete-

y transform once more the

ugly diplomatic face of Europe.

David Lloyd George was un-

doubtedly correct when he de-

clared in the House of Com-

mons on Monday that the Brit-

ish guarantees to Poland and

Soviet Union stands on the

other side, or remains "neu-

would either decide that they

would have to hasten war at all

costs to crush their German ri-

val before his strength out-

strips them or else take refuge

in a new Munich pact-i.e.,

seek a new breathing space for

diplomatic maneuverings and

rearmament. This would be

the purpose of the new "ap-

peasement" conference pro-

British and French

plies and oil.

tral."

In the World of Labor By Paul G. Stevens:

Two Examples Portend Coming Divisions in the Stalinist Camp

Particularly in view of such recent developments as the removal of the champion of "collective security," Maxim Litvinov, and the trend towards some kind of a deal with Hitler, Stalinism is due for large-scale splits and desertions. On the one hand, a turn to Hitler is bound to open the eyes of many deceived workers in the so-called communist parties. On the other hand, many of the pettybourgeois patriots whom the "democracy" line attracted in the past will no doubt take the first opportunity of cleansing themselves from every last tarnishing vestige of "radicalism" in order to get themselves accepted as bona-fide nationalist warriors by the ruling

What will be left of the apparatus of the Comintern parties will probably be determined in each country by the exigencies of the moment confronting the local bureaucracies. But the two-fold trend indicated above is already coming into evidence, although slowly.

We have before us two cases. In the one care, the defection of a group of rank and file workers from the Communist Party of Great Britain. In the other, the resignation of a certain Dr. Bourguignon, who as recently as April 2 was a candidate for parliament on its list, from the Communist Party of Belgium. Each case is symptomatic of the trend de-

Resignation of Dr. Bourguignon From the Belgian Stalinist Party

Dr. Bourguignon recently had his letter of resignation from the Stalinist party of Belgium published in the Belgian press. In this letter he describes his disgust with the party. the intrigues, injustices, etc., going on inside of it as well as what he calls the "enormous bluff" organized by the party around the "supposed betterment brought about by the Soviet regime for the peoples of the U.S.S.R."

It seems that in the year 1939, the honorable doctor has finally discovered that "civic and material equality is only a memory there, that castes and classes with all their inequalities are taking shape again, that the standard of living is lower than in our countries, that the regime is as bestially dictatorial as in the totalitarian countries and hardly democratic even in appearance. . . .

No doubt, pointed remarks. But, as our Belgian comrades comment, why was Dr. Bourguignon so strangely silent until after the elections of April 2? (He was not re-elected as a deputy at that time).

In the same vein, the ex-deputy depicts the

structure of the so-called communist party. ruled as a satrapy by a Kremlin proconsul. But it is just in this description that the real political nature of Dr. Bourguignon's divergence from Stalinism begins to become clear. Here is what he says about his attitude toward

"I do not want to bear any longer having this Slav Jew, ignorant as he is about our national mentality, impose upon us our manner of voting and dictate to us our attitudes.'

From here, it is only one step to the ultranationalistic conclusion with which Dr. Bour-

That's a foretaste of the way many bureau-

C.P.G.B. Members in Islington

An entirely different road away from Stalin the Islington Branch of the British Communist Party. A section of this branch raised larly with reference to the membership in the Spanish C. P. of General Miaja. During the discussions the members developed an antiquote Marx and Lenin.

The party machinery was put into action to crush this revolt. Compulsory branch meetings were called under the direction of such C.P.G.B. big shots as Campbell and Springhall. All to no avail. What these workers got Rumania are worthless if the out of the branch meetings was merely a conviction that, if it were in their power, Campbell and Co. would repeat the Spanish experience in England. These workers decided to split away in a body. After prolonged discussion with our English comrades. we now hear, these Islington Communists have joined the Revolutionary Socialist League, British Section of the Fourth International.

On the Line . . . with Bill Morgan

With screaming whistle and whirring wheels a long, streamlined train races along narrow tracks on a perilous mountain pass. Around sharp curves and through sudden tunnels, faster and faster the train rips through the night. The engineer leans heavily on the throttle and peers with squinting brows into the misty darkness. . . .

Inside the brilliantly lighted cars are hundreds of men and women and children. Some are asleep. Some are in smoking rooms ex-At the bar women who talk excitedly and laugh in shrill tones while glasses tinkle with ice and a radio blares out the latest swing number. In another car many people are dancing to the music of a three-piece band. On the observation platform boy meets girl and they huddle together in happy embrace.

On and on the train tears rapidly toward a high thin bridge—a bridge which no longer exists. A sudden flood washed away this link of track and with it the telegraph wires. . . . On and on the train sweeps.

Suddenly there is a blinding flash, a terrific moan of horror, a crash-then silence

Immediately wires begin to hum with the news. The Red Cross is called out. All nearby hospitals are mobilizing every available doctor and nurse, every available stretcher and oxygen tank. The police, the Boy Scouts and the American Legion-everyone within reach is called upon to assist in the rescue, aid in the saving of lives.

Newspapers run off all the details and have extra editions on the streets complete with pictures. The President appeals over a national hook-up for every possible aid for the

Guilty Thrown in Jail

In less than a week an investigation has been started to determine the causes and to find who was to blame. The public demands action according to the editorials in every newspaper. Many employees and even one or two vice-presidents of the railroad are held for the Grand Jury. A verdict of guilty is swiftly reached. Several are held responsible and they go to jail for long terms at hard labor.

You all know the story. How many times has it been done and re-done in real life and on the motion picture screen? Well, today that very story is being re-enacted-not by Hollywood, not on any real railroad, but by the United States of America. And every detail of the story is being graphically and tragically lived by the one hundred and thirty million men, women and children of America-

except the ending. Oh, the train goes over the edge, and all that-but there will be no stern measures enacted against the guilty party, there will be no investigation and no verdict of deliberate violation of duty. The majority of the one hundred and thirty million will be victimized in one of the greatest of all disasters but, there will be no mobilization of society to rescue and save. The police, the Boy Scouts, the others including the Communist Party, will all be used, not to aid in the recovery of wounded and maimed, but to clamp down on anyone who dares to raise his voice in protest, who dares to ask questions, who dares to demand that something be done to prevent such "accidents."

the straw-boss:

guignon ends his letter:

"I am merely submitting to the dictates of my conscience in rejoining as a simple soldier (sic), the great labor (?) family and in having the purpose. no other aim than that of applying whatever strength and dynamic (!) force there is left in me to the service of the people, of the country: in being above all, a good Belgian.'

crats abroad are going to part company with the Kremlin. . . .

Split and Join the Fourth Int'l.

inism has been taken by a group of workers the question of the betrayal in Spain, particu-People's Front position and began to read and

No doubt, the course of the Islington comrades, like that of the Belgian ex-Stalinist, but foreshadow bigger developments in the future. The class lines, so to speak, are being drawn inside the ranks of Stalinism. We of the Fourth International have clearly the task before us of preparing to join forces with the proletarians who inevitably are breaking with the rotten-ripe bureaucratic apparatus of the Com-

Speeding Toward an Abyss

wives and children.

America is today speeding towards a bridge

racy in the world than there was in 1914.

Others think that Roosevelt will stop Hitle

. . . But America was of the nations

and that this will be a good way to stop fas-

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America was one of the powers which dic-

fascism in Germany. Will he establish Social-

talism leads directly to fascism unless the

workers are prepared to take matters in their

own hands. Unless the workers of Germany

are given every possible chance to deal with

Hitler in their own way-to make their revolu-

tion to establish Socialism, things will be no

different from what they are today. Hitler

might go but capitalism would remain under

And there are many workers who think a

war would solve all their problems. How

many young boys and men sit at home worry-

ing about the bills, about not finding work,

about being unable to live decently with

enough to eat, clothes to wear, a place to

sleep? There are tens of thousands of these

men who think like this. They have no hope

fight, if it means being occupied, being fed

workers who must be reached with the pro-

We have the responsibility of coming for-

ward in such a way as to capture the atten-

and killed in the interests of more markets.

more profits, more gold. They cannot see how

war can be stopped. They have never heard

of Socialism except when it was put forward

by people who do not and never will mean

The Socialist Workers Party and no other

Party. That train can be turned around. There

is still time to prepare and organize if we

start at once. The bosses will not stop their

war plans-they cannot find any other way out

except war. We must not tire of speaking,

writing and organizing for the social revolu-

tion which will toss the bosses overboard for-

ever. Everywhere in America the war is the

key question to the future of millions of work-

sphere with the poisonous vapors of national

and race hatred. Anti-semitism today is one

of the more malignant convulsions of capital.

ism's death agony."

gram and spirit of our party.

what they say. It is up to us.

War Is Not the Only Way

Roosevelt in Germany.

Negrin Arrives, Makes Bow to Miaja "Honesty"

posed by Pope Pius.

Juan Negrin, Lovalist expremier, arrived in New York last Monday on the Normandie. to stay for a few days before leaving for Mexico.

Newspapermen who interviewed him at the Hotel Plaza found him still playing the which has been torn away. The abyss is war. statesman. He handed out a Americans who had contributed Many will say to themselves, "We must fight the loss of the war to "our for democracy" but, what was the last war shortage of arms." Questions of the last weeks in Spain re-

Praises Miaja

But he said enough to blast the Stalinist myth that the Netated the peace which is now the storm center grin cabinet, whom the Stalinof the coming war. And there are no guaran- ist leaders joined in leaving tees that Roosevelt will want to do away with Spain on May 6, represented the polar opposite of the Miajaism? Of course not-he will preserve capital- Casado Junta which took its

ism in Germany and there's the catch. Capi- place. Miaja, who headed the Junta, was described by Negrin as an honest and able military man who had been betrayed by the man who led the Popular Front in its capitulation to Franco scarcely fitted the Stalinist picture of Negrin as a hitter-ender

Negrin made a distinction beween the head of the Junta. Miaja, and his collaborator, Colonel Casado. The latter was. said Negrin, "a slightly pathological case," and had "been in relation with Franco, although perhaps not to betray the re-

public.' Negrin is still a member of is Caballero, whom Negrin ovleaders who joined in overthrowing Negrin on May 5, tion of these workers before they are lined up it were.

A Letter from China

One Amalgam That Won't Work Work to Align

Britain Seeking War Alliance With U.S.

gam between Chen Tu-hsiu, which has produced nothing away to Japan? territory without war if the ing, and one time friend of the facilitated the victory of Gen-Italians abandon the hesitation Stalinists. The most recent such eral Franco. they have displayed over attempt appeared in "China threatening to use force for Below we print the Today." answer sent by J. H. Chang. secretary of the Communist League of China (Fourth Interthe eastern frontier. This job national). It will most certainhas already been made easy ly not be published by the edifor the Fuehrer by Stalin's anxtors of "China Today."

> The Editor, "China Today," 68 West 23rd Street. New York, N. Y., U. S. A.

In an article entitled "The Story of a Traitor" by John Todd, which appeared in your publication for March, 1939, the assertion is made that Chen Lu-hsiu, "who for the last ten years has been the leader of he Chinese Trotskyists," went to Japan on a Japanese gunboat in company with Wang Ching-wei (after the latter fled from Chungking last December and issued a public statement Wang Ching-wei exposed, and the death penalty for all trai-

his protectors." Szechwan before, during and as Mr. Todd has them do. subsequent to the flight of Wang Ching-wei can very easi- Ching-wei did not go to Japan who keep the veteran revolu-

Rubens' True Identity Is Revealed

(Continued from Page 1) "Stalin is likely to follow a zigzag course and camouflage his conciliation of Hitler by adthe politicians." This praise for vances toward Paris and Lon-

> Commenting on the fate that awaits Litvinoff, Krivitsky declared:

> "Litvinoff is, of course, a finished man. Whether he disappears at once or gradually, whether he gets a reprieve from Stalin and even some hon-

orary post, he is doomed."
"Litvinoff," Krivitsky observed, "is the last of the Bolshevik old guard, with the exception of President Kalinin, to On Silver Plates survive until now Stalin's great for the future. They are not afraid to die, to the Spanish Socialist Party, as purge. He has shown great agility in bridging the gulf created and clothed. It is this section of the American erthrew on May 15, 1937, and by the purge and in retaining Besteiro and other Socialist office after nearly all his former comrades had perished. But there can be no question 1939. It's all in the family, as now of Litvinoff's eventual ex-

ON THE WAY 10 THE TRENCHES

ers, millions of youth. "Down with War! Up with Socialism!" must ring out everywhere in military planes there." This to accede to the request. same spokesman added that Germany is sending arms "to "Before exhausting or drowning mankind in blood, capitalism befouls the world atmo- Greece."

by the State Department to der 18 years will be barred with the insouciance of one long necessary to reach Escanaba Roosevelt stated: "I trust that -From the Program of the 4th International mission to establish air and na- out.

Germany is supplying Yugo-|val bases in those countries. slavia with large scale credit High army and naval officials to be used for the purchase of are now studying plans for the military equipment. "If you go creation of bases at Acapulco to the military airport of Bel- in Mexico and on the Galapagrade, for instance," said a gos Islands which belong to Palace and seldom if ever, are government spokesman, "you Ecuador. Mexico, it is said, will find all sorts of German has expressed her willingness for newcomers within the social

Navy recruits will henceforth many other countries, such as have to serve six years instead of four according to new regulations handed down by the bly each season continues her would accept the case and pro- appurtenances in the Zone. A request may soon be made navy command. Volunteers un- luxurious mode of living and vide the food and railroad fare Writing to Senator Bankhead, Mexico and Ecuador for per- from enrolling until war breaks accustomed to great wealth or wire relatives of the trio's the Congress will act quickly in

inists have attempted an amal- Anti-Japanese United Front" their man was long ago spirited Chinese revolutionist of long but military disasters for

> Chen Tu-hsiu, as an adherent of the Fourth International, is as ardent an opponent of Japanese imperialism as he is a revolutionary champion of the cause of the Chinese workers and peasants against their oppressors and exploiters, with whom your organization is in your contributor cannot destroy Chen Tu-hsiu's political reputation by reference to his real position and activities, he is obliged to resort to falsifications which crumble at the first contact with reality.

Todd's falsification in this instance rests on another which everyone acquainted with recent happenings in China will easily recognize as such. To get Chen Tu-hsiu to Japan on a Japanese gunboat it was necessary to get Wang Ching-wei to Japan on the same gunboat, in favor of peace between for no-one would believe that China and Japan on Japan's the Japanese government erms). Says Mr. Todd: "With would place one of its warships at the disposal of one of its the people of China demanding political enemies to enable him to escape the wrath of the tors, Chen Tu-hsiu also fled to Kuomintang. Yes, unpalatable and awkward as this fact is We brand these statements for you, the Japanese imperialconcerning Chen Tu-hsiu as de- ists do regard Chen Tu-hsiu as liberate, conscienceless fabri- their implacable foe. Hence, to cations. Chen Tu-hsiu has not discredit Chen, your Mr. Todd set foot outside of China for had to link his name with that more than ten years. Between of Wang Ching-wei, as the lat-1932 and 1937 he was in a Kuo- ter's political henchman, for as mintang prison in Nanking. everyone knows Wang has been When the Sino-Japanese hostili- assiduously courted by the Toties broke out in the latter year kyo imperialists and has been ne was released and went to openly responsive to their over-Hankow. Later he proceeded tures. With their names couto Chungking, in Szechwan pled in a common cause, the province. He has not been out cause of Japanese imperialism, of that province for a single Chen and Wang can proceed to day since. His presence in Japan on a Japanese gunboat, Alas for this amalgam, Wang

ly be verified by reference to after his flight from Chungking the Kuomintang authorities last December — unless, of course, one chooses to believe tionist under constant surveil- Mr. Todd rather than the Chilance. They maintain watch nese press and the numerous over his movements, and have correspondents of the big press lately prohibited the press from agencies who have been follow-The passengers are the workers and their written statement thanking publishing his articles, not be- ing Wang's movements in closcause he is a traitor, as Mr. est detail. He went to Hanoi Todd falsely represents him, in French Indo-China and as but because he is a revolution- far as is known has remained ist who has refused to betray there continuously ever since. fought for? And today there is less democ- put to him to elicit his version the interests of the Chinese Despite their multifarious workers, and peasants in the sources of information and general news-gathering facilities. none of the correspondents disboat had put into Haiphong or of counter-revolutionary falsi Saigon and carried Wang off fiers to which you belong. to the land of the Rising Sun. It remained for your Mr. Todd less, lying provocations will reto make this discovery from bound on your own heads. his vantage point more than a thousand miles away in Chungking! And your obscure monthly publication is the only one that has carried the story! Strange, isn't it? Why don't you drop a line to the press correspondents in Hanoi to tell Shanghai, China them they're wasting their time April 8, 1939

As is their practice, the Stal-Iname of a spurious "People's watching Wang Ching-wei-that

But why, oh why didn't Mr. standing, and Wang Ching-wei, China in the war against Japan, Todd give us more detailed ina traitor of equally long stand- just as its counterpart in Spain formation? Since he apparently had no difficulty in finding out that Wang had gone to Japan on a Japanese gunboat, surely he must know the name of the gunboat, the port at which Wang boarded it, the date of its departure! Having scooped everybody else, why is he so reticent on vital details?

Where did Mr. Todd get the

bald information which he imleague. He has proved this by parts? The answer is very his entire political life. Since simple: he invented it. But let us call attention to one more point. When Wang fled from Chungking, the Chinese press and the news agencies all listed the members of his entourage. Wang and his followers were vigorously denounced. Chen Tu-hsiu's name was mentioned by absolutely no one. Having denounced the traitor Wang Ching-wei, only yesterday the close collaborator of Chiang Kai-shek, would they have spared Chen Tu-hsiu if he had gone with Wang? Only Mr. Todd, it seems, knew the whole

American journalist now in Chungking." Why did you not say who he represents? You did not dare do this, because that would have meant exposure of your entire crude falsification. The fact is that the colony of foreign journalists in this country knows of no such or in any other Chinese city. Would it not be correct to say office of your organization, Friends of the Chinese People' and demonstrates its "friendship" for China by fabricating calumnious stories about the Chinese revolutionists?

This is the universal method of the Stalinist International, of which your organization and its publication, as we are well aware, are a branch. Your lie about Chen Tu-hsiu is not just an accidental slip. For this publish a retraction, since that would defeat the aim you have in view, which is to discredit Chen Tu-hsiu and the Chinese section of the Fourth International by portraying them as agents of Japanese imperial

We are accordingly sending copies of this letter to other neutral. But it will not serve as regard for truth and honesty covered that a Japanese gun- which is so alien to the camp

Be assured that your shame-

COMMUNIST LEAGUE OF CHINA (Section of the Fourth International) (signed) Y. H. CHANG, Secretary

For the Central Committee

NOTES_

Culinary Poems Regale Twombly Guests From Box Car

Before going to "Florham" at Convent, N. J., for the late to carry out their regular duties McK. Twombly will give a to themselves when they arrest series of dinners at her town ed three trespassers on railhouse.

No woman in all New York ives more lavishly than the rection of her \$25,000 a year They were unarmed. personal chef and served on silver plate that has no equal, even in this city of fabulous magnificence.

Those serving this regal queen of society run the Twombly household in a manner that would do justice to Buckingham called upon to push up chairs

After six or seven weeks at scorns even Bailey's Beach.

Mother and Children Ousted by Police

Minneapolis police were able spring season, Mrs. Hamilton the other day with little danger road property.

At the Shoreham freight former "Florrie" Vanderbilt. 16-year-old daughter and a She favors Thursday nights for nine-months-old baby out of a her prandial events — culinary box car where they were awaitpoems concocted under the diling a train to leave the yards.

Without permission from railroad officials the trio had travelled via freight train the entire distance from Seattle, Washington, over high mountains and bleak plains where chill weather still prevails. They alleged that they were trying to reach relatives at Escanaba, Mich.

'Florham' the Twombly the mercies of relief authori- also asked an additional sum household will move on to New- ties. It was undetermined of \$5,937,500 for the building of port-where "Florrie" Twom- whether the relief authorities flying fields and other military

Propagandists Nation for War

(Continued from Page 1) aganda can be attached are

none too firm. "Since on paper," Rogerson says, "our case towards neutrals appears to lack a mainspring, it will behoove us to manufacture what we can and press it everywhere we cana task of making bricks with

small straw. . . .''
Some of the "small straw" that will be used in the propaganda bricks is the well-worn plea for the protection of democracy, Rogerson points out: "There will be no doubt that

the next war will be billed as a fight between democracy and dictatorship. It may in fact be nothing of the sort. We might get Italy as a partner and Germany get Belgium; authoritarian Portugal is likely to come with us and the democratic Scandinavian countries may remain strictly neutral. In the ultimate resort, alliances spring from the hope of a material advantage, not the possession of a common ideological belief, but in our propaganda we must make the facts fit our case as far as possible. We By the way, who is John should almost certainly repre-Todd? You identify him as "an sent the struggle in the propaganda we should be compelled to do toward France, the United States of America, and our own Empire, as democracy and freedom versus dictatorship and persecution.'

The methods that will be used to swing this country into the war are no less interesting gentleman, either in Chungking than the ideological appeals for which we will be asked to fight. The British figure they can that "John Todd" sits in the utilize American foreign correspondents, and that they can which calls itself "American rely on the "natural bias of the United States film manufacturers in favor of Great Britain as opposed to Germany, Japan or

They will again try to appeal to the Jews "probably by declaration of a clear-cut policy in Palestine and of our (i.e. Great Britain's) intention, if victorious, of putting an end to anti-Semitic persecutions." they will "as before send our reason we do not expect you to leading literary lights and other men with names well-known in the United States to put our point of view over the dinner table.

But all this, and of course the other customary sources of propaganda, may still not be enough. It might, and probably would, keep the United States this, there must be something much more decisive, more convincing, more immediate. How about a little American-Japanese incident? Says Rogerson:

"It will need a definite threat to America, a threat moreover which will have to be brought home by propaganda to every citizen, before the Republic will again take arms in an external quarrel. The position will naturally be considerably eased if Japan were involved. and this might and probably would bring America in without further ado. At any rate, it would be a natural and obvious object of our propaganda to achieve this just as during the Great War we succeeded in embroiling the United States with Germany. . . .

We think comment is superfluous. But we think, also, that Rogerson's material should be required reading everywhere. The people of the United States have a right to know the real methods by which they will be ricked into fighting another bloody, useless war.

GOOD NEIGHBORS

"Worried and upset" by a reported Nazi plan to invite Brazilian Chief of Staff, General Monteiro, to Germany where yards they took a mother, her he was to be "honored" by leading a division of German troops in a huge parade staged for the purpose, the U.S. State Department is sending General George C. Marshall down to Brazil. Monteiro will stay in Brazil to welcome the "distinguished American soldier." General Marshall is scheduled to replace Malin C. Craig as the U. S. Army's Chief of Staff.

Simultaneous with the creation of the Puerto Rican army department, Roosevelt asked \$21,062,500 "for increasing the The police turned the mother permanent military garrison in and her two children over to the Panama Canal Zone." He this emergency program."

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- 11. Workers Defense Guards against vigilante

K.K.K. Answered

Negro voters of Miami, Fla., last week courageously answered the attempt of Ku Klux Klan paraders to prevent them from voting.

The Ku Klux Klanners, hiding their faces behind full hooded regalia and covering the license plates of their automobiles, paraded on the eve of the city election primaries through the Negro district and threatened violence to Negroes who would dare show up the next day at

On the following day the Negroes flocked to the polls. The City Clerk reported that they voted at a ratio of 5-to-1 greater than ever before.

So aroused were the Negroes that when a group of Ku Klux Klanners gathered about a polling booth, uttering threats, the chief of police thought it more prudent to disperse the Klanners than the Negro voters.

The success of the Miami Negroes in defying the Ku Klux Klan should prove once again that they CAN conquer the rights that are theirs as human beings. But if they want to gain more than the privilege of putting a ballot into a box which can be stuffed or dumped into a furnace by the capitalist political machine anyway, they must join with the vanguard of the working class in the fight for socialism in the United

The courage and heroism that is characteristic of the Negro race will prove one of the most powerful forces in smashing forever the capitalist system of inequality and scarcity and establishing the socialist system of genuine equal rights and plenty for all.

Krivitsky and Dies

We do not know to what extent Walter Krivitsky, former head of the Soviet Secret Service in Western Europe who broke with Stalin in 1937 and who is now in the United States, is acquainted with the political situation in this country. At all events, it should not be difficult for him to learn the real significance of the his job, which is in grave jeopardy because of the Martin Dies' witch-hunting committee, which is failure of his domestic political plan," declares not an "anti-Stalinist" body but a vicious antirevolutionary and anti-working class outfit from A to Z. Nor should it be hard to learn the atti- other. tude not only of the revolutionary movement towards the Dies Committee, but even of the average honest opponent of reaction.

Krivitsky, it is reported, is planning to testify before the Dies Committee about the activities of the G.P.U. and the Stalinists in the United States. If the report is true, it can only bring discredit upon Krivitsky, just as it did in the case of Sam Baron. In both cases, the motives of the witnesses, no matter how pure, could not be of decisive consequence. No one can claim the sympathy of labor who, wittingly or unwittingly, gives aid and comfort to the reactionary gang around Martin Dies. Stalinism cannot be fought on that platform.

We have never shared Krivitsky's political views, neither when he was in the Stalinist faction nor when, following his break, he turned to the camp of bourgeois "democracy." In view of the knowledge at the command of Krivitsky,

we granted his dramatic disclosures, even though they are still incomplete, the respect and credibility which they so certainly deserve. The complete failure of the Stalinists to make any kind of reply to his damning revelations has only confirmed us in our views.

One could go further and say that what Krivitsky might reveal to the Dies Committee would not be invalidated by the personnel of his auditors. But to appear voluntarily before such a crew would heavily damage whatever standing Krivitsky himself has among those who take seriously the battle against reaction.

We repeat: Stalinism cannot be combatted from the platform of arch-reactionary Martin

LOOK WHO'S TALKING: Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain to a tense audience bitterly assailed Premier Mussolini for "imposing the will of a powerful nation on a small and relatively defenseless one" by his armed invasion of Albania. Page Ireland, Egypt, India—in short, most of Africa and Asia under Britain!

Kettle and the Pot

It doesn't take a personal acknowledgement from Alfred M. Landon to prove that in a crisis confronting the capitalist class of the United States he is more than willing to loyally assist in carrying out the major tasks which Roosevelt

Everybody remembers, for example, the excellent messenger boy Landon made at the Lima Conference following his appointment by Presi-

Last week in a speech at the Methodist Uniting Conference, Landon again confirmed his loyalty to Roosevelt, pointing out that he was crossing party lines to back up the President, but justifying it by the war crisis. He advocated what Roosevelt advocates, a conference to work out a scheme to "preserve world peace." In the same breath, like Roosevelt, he demanded that the feverish construction of the war machine be

This speech irritated the current editors of the Daily Worker, who like Landon profess loyalty to President Roosevelt.

Landon's speech conflicts with their thesis that Landon represents "Wall Street" whereas Roosevelt represents American "democracy" which has its headquarters not in Wall Street, of course, of course, but under the shaft at Bunker Hill and in the editorial offices of the Daily Worker.

So the current editors of the Daily Worker took a few columns in their issue of May 6 to prove that Landon was using weasel words when he got behind Roosevelt side by side with

The current editors tried to prove that Landon is really a fascist veiling himself behind loyal phrases to the President. But it must be noted that their arguments were not even as plausible as those of previous editors of the Daily Worker who attempted to prove back in 1932 and 1933 that Franklin D. Roosevelt was a war-mongering fascist.

We don't want to spoil the chuckles readers of the Daily Worker will obtain from the editorial by dissecting it phrase by phrase-dissecting a joke is the surest way to spoil it. And this is not necessary anyway, since in the usual sparkling Daily Worker style, the editorial refutes itself. But one tasty little item is too tempting to pass up: "Landon wants America to become an imperialist grabber with Hitler."

This sounds very much like an attempt to answer Landon's charge: "Until very recently the left wing liberals, who are the war party in America now, were saying we went into the World War not to save democracy but to save our investments. Now they are the loudest in arguing that we must oppose force with force

to stop aggression in Europe." When the current editors of the Daily Worker accuse Landon of not loyally backing the President in his war plans, and Landon accuses the Daily Worker crowd of the same sin, isn't there just a slight smudge of the kettle and the pot calling each other black?

"President Roosevelt is war-mongering to save Der Angriff, the newspaper of Hitler's mouthpiece, Propaganda Minister Goebbels. When the bosses fall out, they tell the truth about each

Resignation by Request

Maxim Litvinov is reported by Tass, the official Soviet News Agency, to have "relinquished his office at his own request"-in exactly the same manner as Yezhov, whose fate is now "unknown." Rumors circulated in Moscow that Litvinov's resignation had nothing to do with a new possible turn in Stalin's diplomatic intrigues, that it was illness, a bad heart. . . .

A few days later ALL the high officials of the Soviet Foreign Office and OTHER close colleagues of Litvinov were SUMMARILY DISMISSED. Even though they didn't "relinquish office at their own request," we'll wager the whole treasury of Stalin's G.P.U. against a fresh clip of cartridges for a well-oiled Mauser automatic, that they feel just about as ill as Maxim Litvinov himself.

Senator Bilbo Presents: A Preview Of the Road to American Fascism

Roosevelt Is Silent and Members of Congress Listen Without Protest as the President's Party Colleague Calls for Fascist Race Hatred With the Cry "Drive the Negroes Out!"

By RUTH JEFFREY

The United States Senate was by the Democratic Party's Sen- versy: ator from Mississippi, Theodore persecuted Negroes.

Bilbo fed the fires of racenvented-quotations from the 'the first Democrat''), Abra-Bible. No objection whatever

Nazis of the American South, race." against his own party's Sena-BILBO IS AN tor from Mississippi, whom ANTI-SEMITE TOO
Roosevelt provides with the And if you missed usual senatorial patronage-Roosevelt is silent.

BILBO-HITLER CUTS THE GORDIAN KNOT

Bilbo minces no words: "There are only two solutions lem in the United States. One ings of the white man's civilization shall forever remain the the Negroes. priceless possession of the Anglo-Saxon in this proud Re-

Mr. Bilbo's white man, note, s an Anglo-Saxon.

"The other solution to this great problem is to let the two side in the same country, which in the loss of the white man's civilization. .

Lest we be led to believe that Mr. Bilbo's desire to expel the boys and girls in Harlem." Negroes makes him no friend days on the floor of the Senate fighting the so-called antiynching bill is evidence of the

pretation of history, much like spent in providing for the re- white alike.

presented with a preview of cessfully established three ernment would save money on American fascism on April 24, propositions beyond all contro-"First, the white race has

that of the Nazis:

Bilbo. As Hitler drives the Jews founded, developed, and mainout, so Bilbo would expel the tained every civilization known to the human race.

"Second, the white race, havnatred with craftily chosen-or ing founded, developed and lief, for there would be a job maintained a civilization, has writings of Thomas Jefferson never been known, in all his- man in America." tory, to lose that civilization so nam Lincoln, and from the long as the race was kept white. "Third, the white man has

man Nazis. But against the ent qualities as the black

And if you missed the "Aryan." anti-Semitic implication of HERE AND NOW! against fascism here and now, that last "theory," a further remark makes it clear:

". . . I wish to say to the colored citizens who may hear me speech, that if they are reseto our ever-present race prob- tled in Liberia they will have en and beaten for the last one consolation in knowing that solution is the physical separa- they will not be troubled by the extracted from their bones. tion of the races . . . and by white man. They will not be this separation the blood troubled by a certain race, stream of the white race shall such as we find in some of the remain uncontaminated and all large cities, which makes a ploited, hounded, discriminated culture, progress and the bless- specialty of racketeering and against, they have yet manexploiting and contaminating

have read in some time had to strange. do with the picketing in Har- home, far more than it is lem, New York, of stores that Bilbo's. are owned by Jews. The Negroes insisted that, since the shoulder with the exploited Jews were going to do busiraces continue to live side by ness, some members of the in the slums, in the factories Negro race should be employed and on the Tobacco Roads of will result, as certain as fate, in those stores, and the Negroes America. They are no longer made it so hot for our Jewish in the midst of economic crisis friends that they were forced so rich a source of profit for to give employment to Negro the Bilbos, particularly when

of the Negro he declares, "As in Harlem, and against the and so the Bilbos would ship have stated frequently, the Jews. But wee to the Negro some of them back to the Negro in America has no bet- worker or sharecropper who jungles. ter friend than I am to him. dares to join a picket line in The mere fact that I spent four Mississippi! Bilbo himself African jungles. Through their would lead the lynching squads. blood and their sweat they have

His friendliness established, for relief. One-half of that we join hands in our struggle he proceeds to his racial inter- amount of money could be for liberation, for black and

settlement of the Negro in his "Scientific research has suc- native fatherland, and the Govthe transaction, because if we could succeed in removing 5,000,000, 6,000,000, or 8,000,000 Negroes who are now ready to go to Africa we would solve the unemployment problem and do away with the necessity for refor every white man and wo-

He winds up by blaming syphillis, the Civil War, the boll weevil and other insect plagues was raised by Bilbo's fellow- never kept unimpaired the civ- on the Negroes, visited upon the Senators. Senator Davis of ilization he has founded and de- land he avers, as were plagues Pennsylvania even asked for veloped after its blood stream upon Egypt, because of the additional information on fine has been adulterated by the presence of an unwanted race; blood stream of another race, and adds his intention of giving President Roosevelt makes more especially another race so his hate-breeding speech "the ine speeches against the Ger- widely diverse in all its inher- widest possible circulation.' "The fight," he concludes, "to solve the race question by separation . . . has just started. This is only the beginning."

SMASH RACE SLAVERY

Bilbo's great - grandfathers tore the African natives from their huts and dragged them here to be sold into slavery today, or who may read my For one hundred years our brothers, enchained, were drivounce of profit that could be

"Liberated" by the Civil War, they entered a new phase of enslaved existence. But ex aged to carve something of a life for themselves and their "The most gratifying thing I children in a land no longer America is their

Today they stand shoulder to workers of all origins who meet they demand a decent life for Bilbo approves of picketing- themselves and their children

But their place is not in the And here is Bilbo's proposal: helped build America, and they . . At the last session we are our fellow-American work appropriated over \$2,000,000,000 ers and farmers, with whom

Adjacent and part of the na-

Marine." The Strong Merchant

Freighter and a Liner camou-

The rest of the government

exhibit is given over to its pub-

lic housing program, its edu-

cational services, its public

works program. None of these

congressional curtailment of the

out which none of the fancy de

signs portrayed by the exhibits

What is perhaps the greatest

misnomer of the entire Fair is

the so-called Court of Peace

fronting on the Government

building. This huge square is

used daily as a reviewing

ground for military units of the

Army, Navy and Marine Corps.

When these units are not either

drilling or parading, the Court

is used by the American Le

gion and other patriotic organi-

zations for uniformed drum

and bugle corps competitions.

the press representative of the

Fair for a press pass into the

grounds, he was asked whether

the Socialist Appeal had "co

operated" with the Fair man

agement. In view of the fact

Whalen's show, the writer

begged off by accepting a one

day pass. We prefer hereafter

to pay our own way.

When this writer approached

funds for these purposes, with-

PICTURES NOT BACKED

BY REALITIES

By James Burnham

Civil and democratic rights are not at all a luxury for labor, nor valuable merely for their own sake. They are essential to labor's very existence, to the workers' ability even to get enough food to live on. Without them labor cannot fight; and, as things are, without fighting labor is reduced to the status of miserable slaves.

The key task of fascism is to abolish democratic rights, especially the rights of labor: the right to organize, to strike, to picket, to demonstrate, to speak and write freely. When these rights are gone, it is a child's job for the bosses to drive

down wages and to lift hours. Every worker has, therefore, good cause for alarm at the concerted and growing attack on democratic rights which has been taking place in this country during the past six months. Far from receding in the days to come, there is every reason to believe that this attack will become more intense, growing bolder with every partial success.

Legal Straightjackets for Labor

Through a referendum vote in the November elections, a new labor law, backed by the Associated Farmers, passed in the State of Oregon; and a similar law was narrowly defeated in California. This law, which has not yet been firmly enforced. wou'd make genuine unionism virtually impossible. A long list of prohibitions so restrict the right to strike, to organize, picket and boycott that the unions would be unable to get to first base.

A few weeks ago, Minnesota passed an elaborate law, incorporating many of the clauses of the Oregon statute. Special features of the Minnesota law, such as those forbidding "interference with transportation" are aimed directly at the Drivers' Union, backbone of the Minnesota labor movement. A modified form of compulsory arbitration is introduced, and strikes cannot be called until after a whole series of notices and delays totalling at least a month. Mass picketing is illegalized.

A similar law has recently been put on the books in Wisconsin. Laws along the same lines, moreover, have been introduced this year into the legislatures of more than a dozen additional States. Others are scheduled, and many threaten to pass before the year is out.

The Courts Do Their Bit

As always, the courts, servile hirelings of the bosses, are well up in the front of the drive against the rights of labor. The year has been dotted with brazen decisions from one side of the country to

The Supreme Court itself set the fashion in the notorious Fansteel case. The illegality of sit-downs was made unambiguous. The doctrine was laid down that a worker who is framed up on any charge whatever-no matter how trivial-has no legal redress against his boss, however many crimes the boss may have committed against the

In Philadelphia, the fantastic decision in the Apex Hosiery case, rendered under the anti-trust laws, attempts to find a means for wiping out unions financially whenever they conduct a militant strike.

In California, Illinois, New York and elsewhere, court decisions have struck at secondary picketing and boycotts, at the presence on the picket line of anyone not an employee of the shop being picketed, at mass picketing, at the closed shop.

Congress Joins the Parade

A number of remarkable bills directed against democratic rights have been introduced into this session of Congress, and several of them have already passed at least one House. Many are concerned with aliens - including among aliens all who have not been granted their final citizenship papers. One of these, which has been approved by the House of Representatives, makes any alien subject to immediate deportation who advocates "any change" in the present form of government. Not "overthrow" or "violent change" or "fundamental change" but any change whatever.

Another, now being debated, would establish concentration camps for aliens convicted of any criminal charge-and convicting an alien of a criminal charge is a cinch when you set your mind

A third bill, with a good chance of being enacted at this session, makes a crime of any attempt to influence the army or navy. Under this bill all antiwar propaganda-since it might conceivably come to the attention of a soldier or sailor-would be technically illegal.

The President has already deprived all aliens of the right to W.P.A. jobs. A number of Congressmen wish to prohibit the granting of any kind of relief to anyone, citizen or alien, who belongs to an organization advocating a change in the form of government.

A strong bloc of Congressmen are pushing an amendment to the Wagner Act which would illegalize the closed shop, and others which would, under the name of "undue coercion", prohibit militant union organization and action.

The Future of Democratic Rights

The attack which has started against democratic rights is in its first and mildest stage. Under the pressure of the ever-deepening economic crisis and the swiftly approaching war, it will advance more swiftly and brutally. This we know in advance, and it need not surprise us.

But what is in the highest degree alarming is the almost complete passivity of the labor movement in the face of the attack. If labor does not swing soon into action it will be an accomplice in its own destruction. And the time to act is now; tomorrow the infant may have grown to a giant too great to cope with.

Labor Looks Through The Press

By Arthur Hopkins

General Franco broadcasts over the Madrid radio a promise of full pardon for all Republican soldiers not guilty of crimes. But, as Phaedrus said over 2,000 years ago, it is a crime for a plebian to grumble in public against the bosses, let alone bear arms against them.

American Legion Post Number 1, begins a campaign to choose a veteran for president in 1940. 'The interest of this country in peace and war can best be served by having as commander-in-chief someone who has gone through 'hell in mud',' reads a resolution adopted by this Post. Someone who wants to get even. I suppose, by getting the rest of us to wallow in it too.

The "World of Tomorrow"--A Giorified Swindle and Peepshow

By NAT LEVINE

No more gigantic, all-envelpping swindle was ever conceived and realized than the New York World's Fair. Crowded into its 1,216 acres is a staggering variety of State, Feder al. International and Commer cial peepshows, each as differ ent from the other as the suits in Grover Whalen's wardrobe. Known as The World Of Tomorrow, the name is as breathtaking as the size and scope of

The purpose of the Fairneed of the hour; revolutionary | action the Fair would discourage by its display of capital-Flushing meadows declares kation." Other tableaus depict exhibits gives the figures of that capitalism will not suffer intimidation from the working

The World of Tomorrow on is an earnest of the totalitarian capitalist world of the future.

Superficially, the Fair's most prominent feature is the endless number of young girls parading their nude bodies at twenty five cents a peep. That's capitalism's idea of a world of art and culture.

Actually the capitalist World of Tomorrow will be a thousand-fold uglier than the fluted owers and inspiring columns of Russian Revolution." the Fair would lead one to believe at first glance. This is strikingly revealed by examinof the United States Govern-

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soft, modernistic interior, laid letter stated. down with heavy plush rugs and

with beautifully sculp-|titled, "The Fleet in Peace, tured glass statues. But the "The Fleet in War," "The brutal legends on the walls are Marine Corps," and "The Coast in sharp contrast to the other- Guard." wise delicate interior. Immediately upon entering, one is val exhibit is, significantly confronted with the inscription, enough, that of the U.S. Mari-'To Be Prepared For War Is time Commission, now engaged

One of the Most Effectual in a fight against the seagoing Means of Preserving Peace.' unions. Its display is another An accompanying slogan reads, mural which reads first, "25 'Adequate Defenses Are the Million Americans Derive their Bulwark of the Nation's Basic Livelihood Directly or Indirect-Institutions." Under each of the ly from Our Ocean Trade. Nalegends are a variety of dra-tional Economy and Security the Fair itself and as false as matic tableaus—exhibits of the Demand a Strong Merchant Army and Navy.

Trench warfare is strikingly Marine is shown in the next depicted by a three-dimension- slide of the mural as a Tanker, apart from boosting New York al exhibit in which one sees inbusiness—is to impress upon fantry advance, tanks poise in flaged for war transportation. the working class the might, action and soldiers in various glory and vitality of capitalism. attitudes of attack. A changing subservience to which is the mural alongside portrays 'Troops on the Front Line,' 'Transportation of Munitions ism's powerful resources. The Be It by Train, Ship, Motor or gilt face which leers out of the Mule," and a "Port of Embar-

the coast defense The Navy exhibit is reprethe former Flushing dump heap sented by four trick scenes encan be realized in the future.

the artillery, the air corps and

Cropper Asks and

Gets "History of the Russian Revolution"

From a sharecropper in the heart of the deep South a request came to headquarters of the Socialist Workers Party recently, asking for a copy of Leon Trotsky's "History of the

bulletin board and Comrade ing no less an exhibit than that Benjamin Engel donated a copy which was mailed to the share-

A notice was posted on the

Upon its receipt, the sharecropper wrote another letter The entire Federal exhibit is acknowledging receipt of the that "cooperation" can only permeated from beginning to book and thanking the S.W.P. mean whooping it up for Mr end with New Deal propaganda for sending it. Not only he, but for war. The pro-war, openly others in his neighborhood are crass jingo exhibit is cast in a interested in studying it, his