Do Not Fall Again For the Vile Lies Of 25 Years Ago!

Twenty-five years ago this week the bosses drove the youth of the world into a senseless slaughter that lasted four years and cost more than 20,000,000 lives.

They called it the "war to end war" and the "war to save the world for democracy."

There has just about been enough time for another generation to grow up. The babies born in 1914-1918 are now young men and in all countries guns are being thrust into their hands and they are being prepared to go out and slaughter each other.

The war of 1914-1918 did not end war. It led only to new wars throughout the two and a half decades that have since passed. It is leading today to a new and infinitely more ghastly mutual slaughter of the nations. It did not save democracy. It led instead to the destruction of what little democracy there was in large portions of the world and will lead before long to the complete disappearance of

This is the cycle of life and death that the capitalist world offers to each succeeding generation. Driven by insatiable greed in a constantly contracting world, the bosses of opposing groups of countries cannot find enough of the world's wealth to divide. They are forced to fight each other in repeated bloody wars in order to keep themselves and their system going. That was the point they reached in 1914. That is the point they have reached again today.

That is what the war crisis means. Let's not fall again for the vile lies of 25 years ago! Those in all nationsthe Fascist dictatorships and the so-called democracies alike-who are driving us into a new war are not preparing to fight for civilization, for democracy, for international law, for racial purity, for freedom. These are just words they use to dupe the millions they use for cannon

War is not the result of the crazy dreams of this or that dictator. It is part of the capitalist system and rises out of it just as naturally and inevitably as plants grow from seed. We're not going to fight war by shadow-boxing with a lot of meaningless phrases. We're going to fight war by putting an end forever to the capitalist system that breeds it.

The masters may drive us into a new war but they will never survive it nor their methods of sweating the labor of millions and slaughtering other millions to keep or extend their wealth. The workers of the world will tear this monstrous thing to pieces and will bring into being a new world of which peace and plenty, not war and starvation, will be the natural product.

Coughlinites Threaten Quarter of New York

A Fascist march through the Jewish quarter of New York will shortly be staged, declared a spokesman of the Coughlin fascist organization, formerly called the Christian Front and now named the Christian Mobilizers.

"We're holding meetings in the Bronx, Brooklyn and

Queens," shouted the Coughlinite to a large crowd gath- This Man Didn't ered Saturday night at 153rd Street and Third Avenue, Manhattan, "and listen, you Marxists in the crowd, we're holding meetings in Germania Hall (Third Avenue and 16th Street) right in your back

Then he made his ominous

threat. "In the near future, we plan to run a parade down Delancey Street"-the main thoroughfare of the Jewish East Side.

This threat was the highlight of a meeting devoted to longwinded insults against the Jews, "their eagle beaks", etc.

This threat to parade through the Jewish quarter must be taken seriously, for it is a repetition of the notorious tactics of the Nazi movement in Germany during its rise.

East Side workers must organize into neighborhood Anti-Fascist Defense Guards, who will be able to resist this fascist

Strike Against The Government

By BLAKE LEAR This is the story of a man who didn't strike against the This is the story of a man

who didn't starve. Benjamin Hawley was business manager of the W.P.A. federal theater for youth in Cleveland. When congress abolished the federal theater projects he felt pretty blue. He spent a lot of time in his room thinking about it.

Last Friday he finally figured it all out. He went to his closet, took a silk scarf. tied it around his neck, and hanged himself from a clothes hook.

He was a good man. He didn't starve. He didn't strike against

the government.

LAGUARDIA GIVES WHITEWASH TO FASCISTS IN POLICE FORCE

material proving that New whitewash: York police were members of "The police have rendered floor, flayed the old boss par- effort to demoralize the city's witness, a toll-keeper at Yankthe fascist organization led by excellent service and have ex- ties, and pointed out the poten-Father Coughlin and appealed ercised the proper kind of re-tial strength of labor once it to Mayor LaGuardia to dismiss straint. Arrests have been pursues an independent course. fescist cops. Mayor LaGuardia made where they should have | Genora Johnson, who intro- of Teamsters in the Middle who had crossed the bridge and they have fought for for so immediately announced to the been made. We will continue to duced the resolution, explained

absolutely isn't so." Ignoring the numerous inci- absolutely isn't so." tigate specific policemen re-editorial by the editors in the would be a mighty step for- Falls area prove to the hilt that ferred to. Mayor LaGuardia

Liberals last week published | gave his police force a blanket | trayal by the New Deal, mem-

press that the claim of police maintain law and order." La- that our task today was to partiality toward the fascists Guardia's only comment on the change the whole system, do

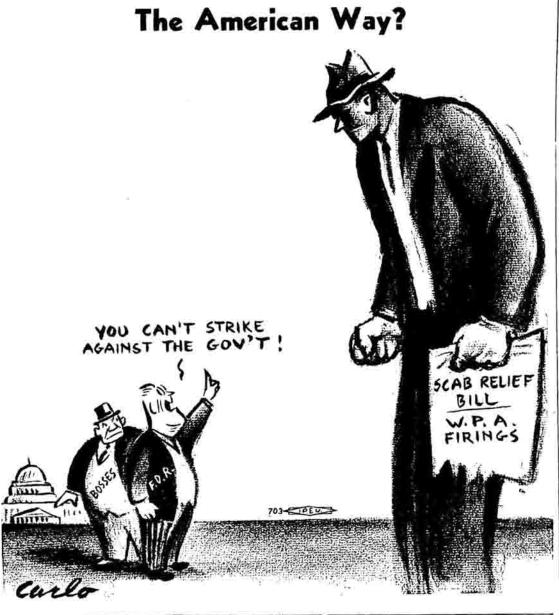
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Skilled W. P. A. Workers Still Out; Minneapolis Rescinds Pink Slips

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March Through Jewish Flint C. I. O. Auxiliary Brands F.D.R. Strikebreaker Number 1

Resolution Calls for Building of an Independent Labor Party

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(Special to the Socialist Appeal) FLINT, Mich., July 22-Branding Roosevelt as Strikebreaker Number 1, the Flint W.P.A. and Unemployed Auxiliary of the United Auto Workers-C.I.O., adopted a militant resolution yesterday calling for the building of an independent Labor Party, and proposing that the C.I.O. nationally and locally break all ties with can-

didates of the old boss parties. The resolution, which placed at the door of the administration, the blame for the current vicious slashing at W.P.A. standards, and which minced ro words in condemning the strikebreaking acts of Roosevelt and Murphy, met with immediate support in the meeting, which was the largest since the formation of the auxiliary

in Flint. So enthusiastic were the members, and so bitter were they about the betrayal by their former idols, that attempts by one or two Stalinists to throw cold water on the resolution met with no response whatever. The resolution was adopted unanimously, even the Com munist Party members voting for it, in fear of exposing themseives in the role of defending traitors to the working class.

Turning with a sure instinct to the question of independent political action, after the be-

ward.

Full Text of Flint Resolution

WHEREAS: The strikebreaking policies of the Roosevelt administration have taught us that labor cannot depend on either of the old boss parties, and proved that the New Deal is nothing but a raw Deal as far as the workers are con-

AND WHEREAS: Roosevelt who used to pose as labor's friend has told us we have no right to strike for a decent standard of living, while at the same time he is spending billions for war and throwing hundreds of thousands of W.P.A. workers off the rolls to starve;

AND WHEREAS: The combined strength of labor can wield a tremendous influence in national, state and local elections, this strength having been used in the past to support men who have only turned traitor because they are in reality

the agents of Big Business; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the W.P.A. and Unemployed Auxiliary of the U.A.W.-C.I.O. condemn the actions of Roosevelt and Murphy in the current W.P.A. crisis, and go on record against supporting either the Democratic or Republican parties in any campaign for any office;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we urge the C.I.O. locally and nationally to break all bonds with the old boss parties and set up a genuing labor party, the candidates of which will be members of organized labor and responsible to organized labor, and which will rally the workers around a program designed to answer the needs of the workers:

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be sent to the Flint C.I.O. Council, the International Executive Board of the U.A.W.-C.I.O. and to John L. Lewis.

Boss-Court Railroads Two Iowa Union Men to Jail

son, officials of the Sioux City

ber after member took the boss-courts of this city in an dence against the two men. One turn to Lynn?" the International Brotherhood when asked to identify others is within them to preserve what

the conviction of the two union-

(Special to the Socialist Appeal) ists, who were accused of de-Howard Fouts and Ralph John- on March 9, is a bald frame-up. it."

The testimony of the prosecu-Drivers Union Local 383 (A.F. tion witnesses is shot through of slavery conditions here be-L.) are being railroaded to with contradictions and confour year prison terms by the tains not one bit of real evi- we want such conditions to re- the A.F.L. has convinced us union movement and to harm ton Bridge, pretended to identi- drawing wages must rise with workers but to attempt to disthe unionization campaign of fy Fouts, but not Johnson;

spoken to him he failed. The many years.' The character of the testi- drivers of the destroyed truck mony, the fact that no union testified that no truck had fol- right! Of course the struck pa. nounced recently that his orspecific facts cited was, "That away with the autocratic rule men or women were permitted lowed them, that they had had per is a competitor, and of ganization had broken with of the 60 Families, and added in the jury, the circumstances no labor difficulties, that they course the strike is popular and Martin and gone back to the dents of police partiality toward The liberals' statements ap- that although the Labor Party surrounding the case and the had never driven a truck in cetting wide support. But even U.A.W.-C.I.O. fascists cited by the liberals, peared in the form of an ar- in itself would not necessarily background of boss-worker re- Scoux City, had never seen ei- so, this is a case of man bites and not even offering to investicle by James Wechsler and an solve the whole problem, it lations in the Sioux City-Sioux ther of the accused men, never dog! It's never happened be-

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Skilled Men Continue Strike for Union Wage; All Gov't Union Raps Murphy Financed

Endorse Agreement Returning WPA Jobs to Unskilled Workers

By CARL O'SHEA Special to the Socialist Appeal) MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., July ects would stay dismissed, the lis Teamsters Joint Council. rade unions and the organized

were concerned. workers-will continue to re- Bureau of Investigation. fuse to work on W.P.A. projects, and the projects that canworkers will remain closed.

Union Demands The Joint Action Committee, mployed, met with W.P.A. administrator Glotzbach last Monday and advanced a program calling for the rescinding of all racketeering and 'criminal 403's (dismissal slips); no re-conspiracies against the naprisals against any striker; the tion's relief program. building trades unions to re-

agreement expressly providing shut the mouths of the enemies coolie wages." that "those (projects) that can- of unionism at that time. not then be operated will be closed and the unskilled assigned as soon as feasible to the other projects.'

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MAN BITES DOG-PAPER TELLS TRUTH

(Special to the Socialist Appeal) LYNN, Mass., July 20 Here's news for you all righttelling the truth about a strike! It's the strike of the editorial REJOINS U.A.W. Item, conducted by the Lynn Chapter of the American Newspaper Guild.

The Item's competitor, the Telegram-News, yesterday published a front-page editorial. charging that "the hands of the Chamber of Commerce have not remained clean. But soiled hands are no novelty to the Chamber of Commerce which permits no opportunity to escape to take sides on any issue in which the working man or woman is the underdog.

"Mark the Chamber of Commerce attitude in the past.

"Whenever a strike occurred Union. the Chamber tried in every pos-SIOUX CITY, Iowa, July 18- stroying a truck in Sioux Falls sible way to suppress news of

After listing some instances fore the unions were established, the editorial asks: "Do that "our brief association with

all the strength and power that rupt the U.A.W.-C.I.O.

Labor Must Guard Projects

Against F.B.I. Frame-Ups, Says Union

(Special to the Socialist Appeal) MINNEAPOLIS, July 20-"On Guard against F.B.I 21-With the retreat of the Frameups" is the title of the W.P.A. administration from its leading editorial in today's isprevious position that all work- sue of the Northwest Organizer, on W.P.A. projects in this city ers absent five days from proj- cfficial organ of the Minneapo-

"Organized labor in Minnememployed of this city voted epolis must put its guard up Building and

Contemptible Role

"Murphy isn't the first labornain on strike until they re- hater to talk loosely of labor ceive union wages; all projects gangsterism in Minneapolis. equiring skilled labor to re-Readers will recall that at the main closed until the prevailing time of the murder of Pat Corwage clause is re-introduced: coran the Associated Industries the building trades to retain the and their daily press, shamefulright to picket projects using ly aided by the Communist Par- that \$100,000,000 worth of pub-Unskilled workers will not movement with the label of struction will never be com-

Minneapolis that labor should (Continued on Page 2)

PACKARD LOCAL ere's news for you all right—capitalist daily newspaper QUITS MARTIN,

Puts Disrupter Label On Martin Who Also Loses WPA Auxiliary

(Union News Service) DETROIT, July 22-The big Packard local of Homer Martin's rump auto union withdrew from the A.F.L. affiliate today and took steps to rejoin the C.I.O. Automobile

President Ed Linder of the local, strongest in the Marin outfit, said the decision had been taken by the executive

announcement stated that the federation entered the "Every man and woman picture not to organize the auto

William Taylor, director of the W.P.A. Auxiliary of the This is certainly news all Homer Martin auto union, an-

> Loss of the W.P.A. setup and maintain himself with.

May Strike

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BUILD WORKERS'

DEFENSE GUARDS

Union Head Reports N.Y. Work Stoppage Is Effective

By TONY CHAPMAN

NEW YORK, July 24-As the strike of skilled union workers secutive week, Thomas A. Murray, President of the New York Thursday to end the strike so immediately against possible Trades Council, declared today far as the unskilled workers frameups which may be at that "it is our intention to contempted by Attorney General tinue to exercise our clear-cut The Building Trades Council Frank Murphy's stool pigeons, right to refuse to work until the membership — all the skilled formally known as the Federal prevailing rate of pay is restored.

While plans are being dis-"The role of Murphy and the cussed to extend the strike to not be operated without skilled F.B.I. in the W.P.A. strike to all government-financed projdate has indeed been an utter- ects in the city, President Murly contemptible one, as Thomas ray, commenting on the wide-Murray, head of the New York spread effectiveness of the four epresenting the unions and un-Building Trades Council has week old strike, stated that pointed out. Murphy has issued "the five borough chairmen reseveral slanderous and inflam- port that our work-stoppage matory statements about 'labor program is 100 percent effective today. The projects are not shut down but they might just as well be shut down for all the productive work that is being accomplished.

"Somervell is still obeying orders and issuing optimistic statements for propaganda purposes," Mr. Murray charged, But privately he admits that have to go through picket lines 'labor racketeering.' Only the pleted if the union men conof the building trades, the solid front of organized labor tinue to refuse to work for

> Colonel Somervell, whom the union leaders again invited to "So many rumors have been tour the struck W.P.A. projafoot that the F.B.I. is up to ects in another effort to demmuch more than just an inves- onstrate the strike's effectivetigation of the W.P.A. strike in ness, ducked the invitation for the second time. Since late last week, when Mr. Murray publicly described Somervell as a man "whose lucid moments are becoming increasingly rare," the Colonel has shrunk behind his large oak desk with no greater public offering than 'No comment today, boys." Somervell is still firing 2500 daily under the provisions of the Roosevelt Relief Act.

A Fink Gets His Reward

John Connolly of 3 Union St. S., Rochester, is a very loyal man. When 300 workers on his W.P.A. project struck their job last week, John Connolly, loyal servant, told them "Come boys, you can't fight Uncle Sam.'

And because he was loyal enough to stay on the job when every other man struck, John Connolly was quoted in all the papers, and his picture was printed . and, as was only fair, his W.P.A. director promised him an advance in rating which would carry more

The W.P.A. director was true to his word. John Connolly was given his new rating. But with his new rating, John Connolly who wouldn't strike against Uncle Sam even if it meant bucking everyone of his fellow workers, received . . . a pink slip. For John Connolly had been on the W.P.A. over 18 months and so "under the law" which couldn't be struck against, he had to be fired. Connolly, now 55 years old,

is not yet disillusioned. But such is the irony of fate, and the fate of finks.

Mpls. Rescinds Dismissal Slips for WPA Unskilled

OHIO A.F.L. FOR UNITY WITH C.I.O.

Green Moves

By PAUL FIELDING

(Special to the Socialist Appeal) AKRON, O., July 21 - The Ohio State Federation of Labor today ended its 55th annual conrention, the largest and most progressive in its history, with the following record:

1. Called for unity between trips to Akron to prevent passage of such a resolution.

vation law.

pension plan which would pay few weeks.' all aged persons \$50 a month

on idle capital. 4. Passed by an overwhelming majority a resolution asking the Governor of North Car-

frame-up Democratic candidates.

On the debit side was an al- projects completely. most unanimous endorsement of Roosevelt for a third term. Despite the fact that the New ganized unemployed with the Deal was criticized for the trade union movement, the W.P.A. law, this resolution W.P.A. strike reached its highpassed with only 35 dissenting est pitch in Minneapolis.

concerned greater labor soli- ported the Federal Workers darity, passage of social legis- Section of Local 544 in its struglation and strengthening the af- gle for the rights of the unemfiliated unions. Compared to ployed, and the Federal Workprevious conventions, this an-lers Section showed in this mual meeting was miles ahead strike that it knows the responin the progressive nature of the sibilities of a disciplined section of the organized labor move actions taken.

Green Flops

Both Green and Martin were rushed to Akron when the dedelegates

spoke for several hours, at- Labor Union, and then the Centempting to incite a lynch spir- tral Labor Union proper.

Butchers' Unity Resolution the Ohio state branch conven- struggles. tion of the Butchers Union a

. . which is erestimated. present disunity . directly attributable to high ranking officials of both the the Central Labor Union enter-

C.I.O. and the A.F.L." Beal Defense Endorsed

baiting attack, it was overwhelmingly adopted after Sam Pollock, delegate of the Butchers Union demanded its passage in the interest of civil libcrties.

ful bid for power. Thomas Lyden. Youngstown bus driver, was re-elected president. A coalition, the "harmony slate," was drawn up after a compromise between the Teamsters and a section of the building Trades, headed by John Breidenbach, vice-president from Dayton, who leads the right wing. Breidenbach has been rapped for his support of Republican Governor Bricker of

The convention went on record favoring a low-cost, government housing project and the Wagner National Health Bill.

INFORMAL HOUSE

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120 acres of greenland in the Catskills, 40 acres of pine for sunbathing; handball, ping pong, archery; swimming and horse-back riding nearby; dancing. UNUSUALLY LOW RATES \$6 Weeken

Busses met at station Tel. Kerhonkson 118 R.

Skilled Men Continue Fight for Union Wage

mass

"Roosevelt Wuz Tricked"

Roosevelt. The Workers Alli-

wuz tricked into signing the Re-

Act for Relief

small W.P.A. wage.

Only the Stalinist leadership

disillusionment with

(Continued from Page 1) how they voted on this thing Negotiations between the and I can't see any difference Joint Action Committee and the between them. Roosevelt and Progressive State W.P.A. administrator continued Harrington sounded just as through Tuesday evening. The tough as the 'Tory Republic-Convention Blocks substance of the terms of the ans. Joint Action Committee was conceded in a five-point plan which was then presented for vote to the striking unions and fails to publicly express the unemployed organizations.

Though the administration insisted on inserting as point No. ance leadership here has even I that the "five-day rule stands got the brass to tell its memand all 403's stand", point No. bers, even now, that "Roosevelt 2 states: "Those who have received lief Bill. He didn't know what

402's who desire to return to was in it. Murphy wuz tricked work will be promptly reas- too. He is being used by the signed work as rapidly as the Garnercrats." the A.F.L. and the C.I.O. after peaceful and orderly operation Fresident William Green and of the available projects within Homer Martin made special the quota limitations permit if ards, all good militants, have they will sign an affidavit in come over and joined the Fedthe W.P.A. assignment office eral Workers Section since the 2. Vigorously condemned that they have not engaged in strike began. Congress for the W.P.A. star- illegal activities in violation of the federal law in conjunction convinced hundreds of hitherto-3. Supported the Bigelow with the difficulty over the past

to be raised by an income tax testing that the signers have came through the strike with a on higher brackets and a tax not engaged in illegal activities much larger membership than during the strike, were to be it had at the start. provided by the administration.

Only Exception

So far Minneapolis is the only and the organized unemployed of the 1929 Gastonia strike-istration has retreated from its see that the W.P.A. administranational policy of maintaining tion lives up to the settlement 5. Criticized certain leaders dismissal of all workers absent agreement and doesn't try to for claiming to adhere to a five days during the strike. The chisel and victimise the W.P.A. "non-partisan" political policy settlement was voted after fif- strikers. while supporting Republican or teen days of militant strike action which closed down the

High Spot in Strike As a result of unity of the or

For years the Minneapolis convention business Central Labor Union has sup-

Building Trades Led

The Building Trades Council, mand for A.F.L. and C.I.O. led by Walter Frank and othunity was voiced in a number ers, took the lead in endorsing of resolutions and indicated the strike and directing the plainly by the majority of the struggle. The W.P.A. strike was then endorsed by the Pol-Both Green and Martin icy Committee of the Central

The Federal Workers S ing the delegates to shun all voted full support to the Buildpeace gestures toward it. They ing Trades Council in the strike succeeded in weakening the res- and placed itself under the olution passed - which urged leadership of the Joint Action, the A.F.L. to continue its ef- Committee. The praiseworthy forts to bring about unity"-but role played by the Federal failed to prevent its adoption. Workers Section is fully appreciated by the Central Labor The sentiment of the major- and the relationship beity was nearer to the resolu- tween the two bodies will be tion unanimously adopted by firmer than ever in the coming

The morale of the returning few days before, which stated: strikers is excellent, and the "The interests of Organized devastating result to the New Labor are jeopardized by the Deal's reputation cannot be ov-

When a leading member of ed the hall Thursday morning and someone twitted him about Although the resolution call- the President's "You can't ing for the release of Fred Beal strike" statement, this official was rejected by the committee flared up: "Don't talk to me whose chairman used a red- about the New Deal and Roose velt-that's all over now.'

> An official of one of the build ing trades unions says What's all this about differences between the Democrats and Republicans? I can't see it.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GARDEN BEER Party-Saturday, July 29. Games, enter tainment, ping pong tourna ment. Downtown Labor Certer, 51 E. 7th St.

CAMP SEVEN OAKS. Eatontown, N. J. Tennis, swim ming, ping-pong. Plumbing. \$2.50 per day. \$14 a week. Make reservations, please! phy. On guard against frame-Phone: Eatontown 515.

PICNIC AT PELHAM! Swim, sun, eat, play ball! Sunday, Bay Station 11 A.M. Auspices Lower East Side, Subscription 15 cents.

The August issue of THE NEW INTERNATIONAL is off the press, featuring an answer by Leon Trotsky to the "Renegades from Marxism." Order your copy immediately from the

NEW INTERNATIONAL 116 University Place, N. Y. C.

Pledging 100 Percent Support to the Strike!



Plenty of Workers Alliance Ed Palmquist, leader of the Federal Workers Section of Local 544, Minneapolis, instructing the members and even some stew-F.W.S. Committee of Five Hundred on how to close the city's projects at a mass meeting in the special W.P.A. strike headquarters set up by Local 544.

Jail Workers Under High Bail for The strike has completely unorganized W.P.A. workers on Printed affidavits, simply attesting that the signers have

The Joint Action Committee of the Building Trades Council olina to free Fred Beal, victim place where the W.P.A. admin- will keep a vigilant watch to eph's Church in Newark two to be a fascist field-day, with tions meeting with more abuse of "unlawful assembly", with use on entering the church. The Joint Action Committee five hundred dollars. has directed its attention to the

> problem of direct relief for the strikers. Yesterday morning against whom the case has pro-fascists summoned the pothe Committee met with the been worked up by the reac-lice. Welfare Board and forced tionary Catholic Lawyers' through a vote to maintain sup-Guild, are representative of the plementary aid for all W.P.A. Spanish and Portuguese work- young people not yet of age. workers. "Supplementary aid" ing class families living in the Auxious to find a "ringleader", is a budgetary system, initiated .ronbound (Down Neck) sec- the police concentrated on two by the Minneapolis labor movetion of Newark, many of whom middle-aged persons who were ment, whereby W.P.A. workhad relatives and friends in the among the arrested, questioners with large families receive Spanish Loyalist army. direct relief in addition to their

Several hundred workers you have against Franco?" and

other parishioners not to partic-The imprisoned workers, ipate in the infamous affair,

Police Grill Workers Seven were arrested, mostly ing them for hours. "What do surged in front of the church. "Why are you for the Loyal-

(Special to the Socialist Appeal) on May 7, dismayed and an- ists?" were among the ques-NEWARK-Spanish and Port- gry, when the mass which their tions hurled at them. They uguese Catholic workers, who priest. Vidal, had announced were held practically incomcongregated in front of St. Jos- would be for peace turned out municado, all their protestamonths ago to protest the turn-the Spanish and Portuguese and with threats of deportation ing of a mass for peace into a consuls attending in uniform, and revocation of citizenship brazen celebration of Franco's the Franco flag of slavery wav- Yet these people were not crimvictory are being held for trial ing from the church mast, and inals. They were honest, simple before a grand jury on charges the priest giving a fascist sal- working people outraged to the very bottom of their hearts by bail for some placed as high as When they tried to persuade the open partiality of the priest

country the cause of democratic liberties will suffer a tremendous set-back. If these Spanish - Portuguese workers are convicted of "unlawful assembly", then any little demonstration, any picketing, can be a basis for charges of "unlawful assembly" and of railroading to jail.

We must defend the victims of Franco agents in this country. The case of these Spanish-Portuguese Loyalists is our case. We must help them by organizing proper defense by collecting necessary funds and by bringing it to the attention o: every working class organzation and enlisting its aid and sympathy.

THE WELL-BRED ENGLISHMAN

Under the heading, "Visiting the World's Fair-Tact for the Englishman in America," along with helpful hints on American slang and the problem of overheated hotel rooms, the New York correspondent of the highly-respected Manchester Guardian Weekly includes the follewing suggestion (issue of June 30):

"On the subject of the war itself, it is well to step carefulhave influence enough to pre- erts, a militant anti-fascist, one iy. The average American is in a greatly disillusioned mood nowadays about his country's participation in that conflict. If you begin a conversation with the premise that the war was an unavoidable evil, that it was a sacrifice in the cause of civilization, and that the Americans should not regret the part they played, you are probably in for a painful discussion."

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lems of APPEAL distribution. matters as newsstand circula- serted in all Appeals sold at tion, street sales, getting sub- meetings, etc. scriptions, etc. It is intended SOCIALIST APPEAL.

the column.

This first column on building newsstand circulation is based on a newsstand bulletin issued by Abe Miller, New York AP-PEAL agent.

ON BUILDING NEWSSTAND CIRCULATION:

Selection of Newsstand: They should be selected in the neighborhood where the Party local carries on its activity-near Newsstands near the home of ity and punctuality. a Party member-particularly candy stores—should be used.

The chairman at all street cor- his Appeal from his local newsner meetings should announce stand. We recommend this the address of the nearest news- same system for all Y.P.S.L. stand carrying the Appeal.

be sure to tell the buyer where ticular section, it is the duty his nearest Appeal newsstand of the Y.P.S.L. unit to handle

(c) Send penny postal cards Next to your friends and contacts. Sales.

NOTE: This week we are be- announcing the contents of the inning a series of articles-to paper and giving a newsstand be printed in this column once address. This is effective for each week-on various prob- special articles in the Appeal. (d) Leaflets containing news-These articles will cover such stand addresses should be in-

(e) Organize the branch to be of assistance to all litera- membership behind the effort ture agents and comrades who to increase newsstand circulaconduct the hard work of build- tion by setting newsstand quoing a mass circulation for the tas for all members. Keep a graph of all individual news-Literature agents are urged stand sales and all new ones to send THEIR contributions to added to the list. New York City has over 100 newsstands that now carry the Appeal and is adding more each day!

(f) Give out cards, leaflets, etc. to the neighbors and tenants living in the vicinity of the newsstand.

Delivery to Newsstands: This must always be done regularly, twice each week. It must always be on time. The same comrade must do this, by working out a route for himself. A large route can be covered by where it holds street meetings, bicycle or a car, if available. street sales, headquarters, etc. The important thing is regular-

Y.P.S.L. Co-Operation: In New York City every Y.P.S.L. Newsstand Promotion: (a) has been instructed to purchase units. Where no Party Branch (b) When you sell the Appeal can handle newsstands in a parthem.

week: Mass Street

SOCIALIST APPEAL & NEW INTERNATIONA Can be Obtained at the Following Newsstands

MANHATTAN

working people outraged to the very bottom of their hearts by the open partiality of the priest for fascism.

Charged at first with disturbing the peace, they were held on unusually high bail of one hundred dollars, which they were unable to pay.

But the Catholic Lawyers' Guild, dissatisfied with the insignificant charges against the defendants, asked the judge to hold up the hearing until they could "work up the case".

Bail Quintupled

When these gentlemen, who do the dirty work for the big corporations, gangsters, gamblers, bookmakers and crooks, bad so successfully worked up their case that they succeeded, at the hearing, in having the defendants held for "unlawful assembly" the judge demanded increased bail for them, up to five hundred dollars.

The case is now awaiting the grand jury. If there are any convictions—and there is every reason to believe that the court is trying to make an example of this case to stifle any anti-Franco demonstrations in this country, the cause of democratic liberton will suffice a trail of the pop and the price of the p

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At a Minneapolis Strike Meeting



One of the mass meetings held by W.P.A. strikers in the Minneapolis Parade Grounds with 5,000 workers present. Speakers representing the Building Trades Unions, Local 544's Federal Workers Section, the C.I.O. and the Workers Alliance told the assembled workers that the fight of the Building Trades is the fight of American labor.

Guard Against A "harmony slate" was elected to head the state body after Republicans in Congress and Republicans in Congress and Is Union Warning

(Continued from Page 1) be on the alert to resist the first hostile move against the union

movement Watch the F.B.I. and Mur-

ups." The day before this scathing editorial appeared, Victor An-July 31, at Pelham Bay Park, derson, U. S. District Attorney, East Side I.R.T. to Pelham had announced convening of a federal grand jury this Monday at which he will seek indict ments against persons involved

> in the W.P.A. strike. "The Attorney General's direction that all violations in this matter be speedily and vigorously prosecuted will be strictly adhered to and follow-

ed," said Anderson. Anderson made his statement after talking by telephone with Attorney General Murphy

The Minneapolis-Journal carried a screaming eight-column Court Fines headline, "Strike Prosecution Opens Monday."

difficult and thorough job", declered Murphy at his Thursday press conference. He refused to amplify to reporters his statement the previous week that "a small group in Minneapolis exploited the strike." Blusteringly he declared that "no labor lead- A twenty-five dollar fine and ers in Minneapolis or elsewhere costs was imposed on Lou Rob-

Russian Bulletin Out

a thorough job."

The Tenth Anniversary issue of the Russian Opposition Bulletin has just arrived. The issue is almost entirely composed of articles by L. D. Trotsky with an especially interesting article about the ten years' existence of the Bulletin.

The magazine can be obtained at the Labor Bookshop, 116 University Place, New York City.

The investigation will be a Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA, July 22-

The magistrate commended the police who had denied the demonstrators their constitutional rights to protest against the meeting the Coughlinites were holding to hear their "Fuehrer" speak to them over

The fine and costs were paid cused of violating was held un- gle against the fascists.

(Special to the Socialist Appeal)

vent my department from doing of the participants in the picket line that the Socialist Workers Party and the Young Peoples Socialist League led at the Metropolitan Opera House, Friday July 14.

from Royal Oak, Mich.

a direct telephone connection sey City but the magistrate would not listen. by the legal defense staff of the tary rights of picketing and S.W.P. The defense lawyer at- demonstrating against the fas-

Despite the denial of elementempted to point out that the cists, the S.W.P. and the Y.P. ordinance that Roberts was ac- S.L. will continue their strug-

In the World of Labor

By Paul G. Stevens ___

Anti-War Actions In British India

Meeting at Bombay three weeks ago, the All-India Congress Committee, governing organ of the five-million strong Indian Nationalist Congress, adopted an anti-war resolution whose practical consequences are bound to embarrass British imperialism no end.

"Congress has repeatedly declared its policy of uncompromising opposition to Fascism and war," the resolution declares, "and its determination to resist the exploitation of Indian man-power and resources in the interest of British imperialism."

Citing the necessity for active war resistance, the Congress Committee directs affiliated organizations to begin active anti-war propaganda; to agitate among the people against recruitment into the British army; to organize railway and dock workers for preventing the transportation of war materials; to build up a national army of Congress volunteers for militant war resistance, etc.

The A.I.C.C. likewise stated that "they will refuse to help the Central government in war and recruitment, and that they will resist with all their powers the working of the new amendments to the Government of India Act."

According to a dispatch from Peshawar, at a conference of various tribal chiefs it was decided to "accord no support to Britain in any war in which she might be involved. Badshahgul (a chief) who addressed the conference stressed the need of organization of tribesmen with a view to making united action possible in any crisis."

From the looks of things, the war-mongers in Downing Street have far more to fear from national organizations in the colonies than from the Labour fakers at Transport House. In a crisis, however, it is not excluded that the working masses of the mother country will break through the social-patriotic barriers put up by their treacherous leaders and join hands with the oppressed colonials to put an end to the tottering rule of the Chamberlains and the Churchills.

Workers in the Lead of Independence Movement

The anti-war sentiment of the Indian masses is only one phase, however, of the struggle for independence from Great Britain. Equally

significant is the spread of strikes around economic issues

On that front, the workers of India are in the vanguard of the independence struggle. In Bombay alone, 50,000 night shift textile workers are on strike. Lockouts and the closing of night shifts are spreading. The textile strike is extending rapidly to Ahmedabad, Sholapur, Cawnpore, Jubbulpore, etc., and may soon assume nation-wide proportions involving hundreds of thousands of textile workers. These workers are engaged in conflict not only with the despotic British government. but also with the anti-labor actions of the The chief state witness, Mrs. become the spearhead of or-Popular Front Congress ministries. In many cases the strikes are directed against native Indian capitalists and mill-owners

Behind the Breakdown of

Anglo-Russian Negotiations

Anglo-Russian negotiations for a "peace pact" have virtually broken down. Sorely pressed, the British seem to have been prepared to make all manner of concessions. Their lack of success has given rise to greater stress among British publicists on news items relating to negotiations between Berlin and

After the revelations of Krivitsky and others, J. Cummings, political editor of the London roll call in his union on March two men who have been identi-News Chronicle, now reports that he has definite information on proposals made by Berlin. Writing in that paper on July 11, he says:

'Unofficially and indirectly Hitler has made the following proposals to Moscow: "(1) Freedom of action for Germany in

Eastern Europe, involving no threat against signed contracts in his office Russia or the Ukraine. "(2) Partition of Poland.

"(3) Freedom of action for Russia, with mer commissioner of Iowa Un- the full German support, in Asia and the Far East. "(4) Germany's withdrawal of cooperation with Japan-that is, dropping Japan from the Axis.

"(5) Political Russo-German alliance on these lines."

No one can vouch for the veracity of these proposals. But, as Mr. Cummings points out, for months past there has been practically no anti-Russian propaganda from Germany.' That speculation about relations between Hitler and Stalin has reached such a stage of precision and that an actual truce in the bitter propaganda carried on by both sides has been reached, is in itself significant of the real trend in Kremlin foreign policy.

On the Line . . . with Bill Morgan

(Continued from last week)

Migratory Workers Camp

"The three of us pulled into Marysville dead tired and hungry. The kids were almost asleep. It was about ten P.M. and the dark streets were pretty unfriendly. So were the police. 'Keep moving'-'Keep moving' was all they had to say as we rolled along looking for a place to camp. At about ten-thirty I see a bunch of workers in an old '28 Dodge heading for the D Street Bridge. They seemed to know where they was going so we followed.

"Boy, you ought to get a look at that camp ing place. There is about a thousand-it seemed-people all trying to keep alive long enough to get enough dough to get out of this Old pieces of canvass and card board were tied and stuck together to make tents. Many were sleeping without blankets. Men, women and children all jammed in a disease ridden "camp." Concentration camp is what it should be called. No sanitary facilities. Just the river. And you should see the river! We parked the heap and after cooking up what was left of our coffee and beans, turned in for a night's fight with the mosquitoes. And what mosquitoes! Millions of 'em.

"I am up at the crack of dawn to get the low down on conditions and prices for apricots, and I see that daylight is the right time to really appreciate this 'camp' where migratory workers are forced to stay until they find work. It was bad enough in the dark but now it looks like a prison yard. At the river I find men, women and children all pushing and shoving for a place to bathe, to wash clothes and dirty pots and pans. Kids trying to swim around in garbage and filth. Men shaving in water full of dirty clothes. It is the combined washing and bathing and sanitary arrangements for migratory workers as arranged by the City Fathers. What a dump! And we are forced to remain until apricots are ripe.

How About Relief?

"Everybody is broke. There is hardly a dollar bill in the crowd. They have come from all over. Oklahoma, Washington, Oregon, Utah, Nevada, southern California, Arizona and Idaho. A hundred different accents and a million different reasons for being on the rocks. Each family is a little suspicious of the other at first but poverty and misery soon get everyone talking the same lingo. We swap a little coffee for some sugar. We swap an old tire which has already gone thirty thousand miles, for two gallons of gas. We chip in eleven cents toward a brand new second hand blanket for an old man with the cough.

'We ask what is the chances of getting some S.R.A.-State Relief Administration assistance. Not much chance, says a guy with a wife and four kids, 'I went up there yesterday and they told me to leave town! It seems he gave them an argument and they sigged the bulls on him.

"We talk it over. We are without a scrap to eat and there is not only no chance to borrow anything in this crowd but it is criminal to even think of doing so. It will be two weeks before the apricots are ripe and until then we have to hang around. There is no place to go and on two gallons of gas you can't go joy riding.

"Down to the local S.R.A. office in Marysville. In front they got two bulls and you are supposed to have a pass signed by some chair warmer on the public payroll. I leave the boys in the heap to watch out the bulls don't borrow none of our belongings and I walk over to the front door. After a bit of verbal dodging and bluff I get to go in. Upstairs there is an office which is almost as crummy as the 'camp'

under the D Street Bridge. They ask 'What do you want' like you had made a slight mistake Made. Now Mr. Farrell in his and thought you was in the First National

Trying to Get Relief

"Well, I fill out the application with the able assistant who is trying to determine how he can give me the go-by without no trouble. This realist and a reactionary. Esguy is wise to all the tricks and he keeps mak- cape can be found in a swamp ing cracks about how difficult it is to take care as readily as in an ivory of everybody. I get the hint and I says, 'Look, tower." buddy, you don't have to take care of nobody. called for an answer, I ad-I can take care of myself. All you have to do dressed one to Mr. Bruce Bliis O.K. this here slip for relief and your little ven, editor of The New Repubjob is finished. The State will pay the bill and lic. Without seeing fit to ask I am paying taxes along with about nine hun- my permission to summarize dred other suckers who are living on a dump and quote from my letter raoutside of town. I am a worker and I have ther than print in full, he pretwo growing sons to feed. If you don't give sented a one paragraph summe relief then give me permission to hold up mary of it with quotations in a grocery store. I don't care which, but act The New Republic of July 12th. like you was in a hurry.'

calls in the head man which has overheard the am including it here, and I offers the contumely, that his ation has not protested against ed reason for putting the skids who despise the mention of whole conversation through a thin partition. would be grateful if you would Says he. 'Now, my good man, you must not print it in your columns. try to threaten or bulldoze this relief office. We are only trying to carry out the duties assigned by the State government and you are New York City, not going to get anywhere by acting tough.' July 6, 1939. I don't like this guy at all. He has a profile like a bird of prey and eyes which remind me of a herring. So I ask him for advice instead the New Republic follows: of going over the ground twice.

'Ahem,' says he like a man unveiling a The New Republic statue of himself, 'You had no right to come 40 East 49th St. to California in the first place. You should New York City. have stayed in the State of Washington. We Sir: are not responsible for you or your two sons! I trust that when Haywood gravity.

"Is that all you got to contribute?" I asks. Broun takes his next catechism 'So I should have stayed in the State of Wash- lesson, or-if he has completed ington, eh? Perhaps I should have remained these—when he examines his me by stating that I am a re- ty who spoke was Earl Brow- bers in trade unionism. They in the orphan asylum where I grew up—only conscience next year to make actionary. He based his con- der, and when he indulged in must fight to put in practice they kicked me out when I was sixteen. May- his Easter Duty, he will seek tumely on the allegation that wanton political and personal the slogan of the I.B.E.W .- for be I should go back there, eh? And you are to acquire some information I picketed the second American attacks, the majority of the the thirty hour week! not responsible for my two boys, eh? You're concerning the sins of contume- Writers' Congress. I did not membership was described as They must start a real genugod-damned right you're not! I am and I ly and mischief making. For picket that Congress. But had having applauded him. intend to remain responsible—what do you it is a most point whether or I done so, such conduct would 6: In the reports of Congress- Emerson. They must fight the think of that? And as the responsible person not the sin he committed not prove that I am a reaction es held by the League of Am- rotten speed-up by controlling Werkers Forum, please sign in this little gathering of humanity I am going against me in the New Repub- ary. The League of American erican Writers, I have clearly the rate of output on the lines. your name and address and to see that my boys and I eat. What do you lie (June 28) is describable as Writers organized this Con- observed that the League Finally they must expose the then indicate whether or not think of that? If you don't give me relief I one of contumely or as mis- gress. Some of the reasons makes insufficient distinctions supervisor-stooges who pene- you wish your name to be pubwill take some. And I will go back to the D chief making. Personally, I why I am opposed to the between serious literature and trated the union. Street Bridge and tell the men that you said it think it is contumely. However, League of American Writers commercial writing. I think was O.K. to go ahead and help themselves I do not wish to labor the point, are the following: from the local cockroach capitalists. Now and would suggest that Mr. 1: On all major issues and ism, and I have no use for -too long have they associated what do you say?

"In the end they give me a ticket for some Likewise the question as to of the Stalinist Third Internasurplus commodities. Corn meal and beans, whether or not his sin is mor- tional. When the Third Inter- reasons for opposition to the dicate themselves in the eyes coffee and canned beef and a few other things. tal or venial is one which he national changed its political League of American Writers, of the rank and file. But I do not get certified for regular relief. must settle in his own con-line in 1935, the League of By calling me a reactionary, I am an alien in this country although I was science and with advice from American Writers altered its Heywood Broun proves that born here and worked most of my life to put the proper authorities. Saint policies to fit the new line. I he has not changed his political ANSWER TO DUBINSKY aside enough to send the boys to school. And Thomas Aquinas said: "con- am opposed to the Third Inter- line. But then, I have done my HAILED IN LYNN here I am. Now, we got a job to do. You turnely essentially involves a national. know what it is.

"When them apricots are ripe we are going er's intention is fixed on taking policies of the League of Amto get skinned alive on prices unless we begin away the honour of the hearer erican Writers are calculated have presented in detail, my the July 18 issue of the Appeal. now to put up a fight. We got to organize, by the words that he utters, to lead this country into war, conceptions concerning natural. It has the enthusiastic approval We got to go to the migratory workers and this properly and in itself is and I am opposed to war. tell them that we know the answer and if we utter contumely; and that is a all stick together we will get a decent rate mortal sin no less than theft or for them apricots. Unless we do we are going robbery." However, while Hay- Writers has already furnished and politics in my book, A fense Guards "crazy"; when he to be living in this pest-hole of a 'camp' for wood Broun's sin raises prob- abundant illustrations to prove Note on Literary Criticism. labels anti-fascist fighters like the next twenty years. We gotta build the lems in his own conscience, my that it is an undemocratic or- Heywood Broun's reference to Milton who make such propo-Socialist Workers Party, too, so that we can duty in this matter is perfect- ganization. take over them apricot trees and give them ly clear. As Saint Thomas 4: The League of American misrepresentation. back to the people. We gotta get in there and Aquinas said: "Sometimes . . . Writers has protested against work and organize and build a revolutionary we must rebut contumely put the jailing of writers in Ger-

Boss-Court Railroads LaGuardia Closes Eyes to Facts Iowa Union Men to Jail In Whitewashing Fascist Cops

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seen THREE men in a BLACK as anyone could be." car, all wearing striped overanother state witness had seen Teamsters Joint Council, points ture salesmen while police three men with Suede Jackets. out that the drivers union had Hilda Chuasee, positively iden-ganized labor in Sioux City as tified Fouts and Johnson in a elsewhere. The victories of the she was travelling in a car at unions. Hence the fact that the a rate of 44 feet per second and bosses in Sioux City and Omaha was simultaneously picking have tried every foul trick to some books off the floor of the stop the growth of the driver's produce their shield numbers) car and straightening her hat, movement, and have now re-The union car is blue.

In answering the phony pros- all-frame-up. owner testified that Johnson the defense, on that very day which testi- tions of solidarity should be mony was confirmed by a for- sent to Sid Jarrett, secretary of employment Insurance.

Vox Populi, a weekly paper City, Iowa.

In answering a critic named

Sincerely yours,

certain dishonour, if the speak-

Bruce Bliven

A Letter to the Editor

published in Sioux Falls, South criticism of them. The owner of Dakota, commented on the trial July 22 issue of the weekly, us to tell Mayor LaGuardia or comment of The Nation. the truck admitted under cross- that: "From all reports that The Nation. LaGuardia's an- Commissioner Valentine how to examination that he had had come to this newspaper, those swer appeared in the New go about that job. no labor difficulty for over six men did not get a fair trial and York Times of July 21. months. Another witness had were railroaded about as much

The Northwest Organizer, ofbig black car," though at the drivers have inspired thousands time she claimed to see them of workers in all trades to join sorted to the foulest trick of

the defense proved that Fouts appeal the case to the State 8 and 9, and that on those same fied with the trade union move- try to step in." nights he was home. Three un- ment of the city for years, from ion officials established the fact being victimized by the bosses that Johnson was in their office and their lackeys in the courts. on March 9; and a newspaper Funds are urgently needed for

All funds and communica-Fund, 1021 Fourth St., Sioux

James T. Farrell Answers Broun

"And the Angels Sing!"

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Incidents cited by The Nation included: Coughlinites alls and checkered jackets. But ficial organ of the Minneapolls beating up anti-fascist literastood by and did not interfere: policeman, arresting an antifascist and telling him: "We Coughlinites have 30,000 men and when the time comes I'll resign from the force and we'll settle the question our way."

Another policeman (in both cases The Nation has offered to boasted that 6,000 police are enrolled in the Coughlinite Christian Front. "On several cution testimony which bore | Fouts and Johnson are now occasions observers have seen the obvious marks of coaching, out on bail. Local 383 plans to policemen preserve the posts of Social Justice salesmen until was registered and answered a Supreme Court to prevent the they returned from lunch, barring anti-Coughlin venders who

Appeal to LaGuardia In its editorial, The Nation

"The Christian Front is not benevolent or religious fraternity. It is a faction of politi-Fouts-Johnson Defense fascist nucleus. As such its file members. Sullivan ran un-

Liberals Act Alike LaGuardia's answer, white-Specific Cops Cited

procedure.

even such strong measures

against their enemies as were

last man. There is no need for teresting to note the further

Won't Act

The anti-fascist workers must realize, however, that just as washing the cops, follows the LaGuardia has never uttered a familiar pattern in Italy, Ger- word of criticism of the Italian many, Austria and other fascist fascist regime but depends on lands, where liberal govern- Italian fascist organizations for ments refused to act in any part of his votes, so LaGuardia, way against the rising fascists. or any other capitalist politic-Why do liberal regimes act that ian, has direct and indirect ties way? The Nation's explanation with fascists or their reactionwas that "they did not have the ary financiers, and will do nothwill or the good sense to take ing to break those ties.

The fight against fascism cannot be conducted by the Lacompatible with democratic Guardias. It will be conducted only by the workers, organizing Does LaGuardia lack the will the Workers Defense Guards to or the good sense? It will be in- meet the fascist menace.

WORKERS' FORUM

REJECTS LABOR SKATE Editor:

The June 24 elections in Radio Local B-1010, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workcal violence, whose police ers, A.F.L. were a vindication members constitute an armed of the rights of the rank and members should be purged out opposed for President and the of the police department to the arch-reactionary Beedie declined to run for reelection as Business Manager, leaving that COUGHLINITES OPEN post clear for Emil Katz.

Only a few weeks prior to the Editor: election, William Beedie, then In a meeting that stank with the Business Manager, and rep- filthy anti-semitic lies, the resentative of the International Coughlinites opened their vi-Office, suspended Katz and Sul- cious campaign in Brooklyn ivan, the business agents on MacWilliams, number 1 fasthe fake grounds that they were Read Avenue and Fulton St.). behind in dues. The fight be- MacWilliams, numbeer 1 fastween Katz and Sullivan on the cist of the Bronx and three one hand and Beedie on the other Hitler stooges spewed other was smouldering for al- their labor hating demagogy in most a year.

Beedie wanted complete bureaucratic unchallenged control over the union. Katz and Sullivan, very popular with the rank and file, represented the degenerates, there was a group healthy sentiment of the rank and file for trade union democracy. Katz and Sullivan appealed Beedie's dictatorial move to the International Office and were reinstated. There is no doubt that the fat boys in the International Office felt that if they supported Beedie, the membership would not pay a penny in per capital to the membership with the message of hate. penny in per capita to the I.O.

Cheer Declination

where nominations were held printed lists of "Christian" the members cheered when Bee- stores and to boycott all those die declined to run - and for not on the list. This racket will good reason. Beedie is a name force even those Christians that is synonymous with every- who despise the Coughlin fasthing foul in the radio industry. cists to sign or suffer the boy-His record is one continuous string of sell-outs. His latest one was a two year sell-out, in leader of the strong arm gang which the majority of union who boasted of the co-operation members did not get a penny the police gave to the Coughlinin increased pay, or a minute in ites. As should be the case reduced hours. None of the pro- wherever they go, they are in posals were submitted to the danger of having their sinister

Members will be wise to conon us again, according to the of the Soviet Union in falling tinue watching Beedie, who is text: 'Answer a fool according writers. I am for freedom, not one of the slickest labor-skates Coughlin as "more treacherous to his folly, lest he imagine only in Germany and Italy, but in the country. He may have a than the international Jew." In

Tasks before Union Now that the elections are has either defended or remain- over a great responsibility rests thought that Frankfurter and Since, then, it is my duty to ed silent concerning the many on the shoulders of Katz and Lehman held office. MacWilanswer Mr. Broun, I shall do brutalities of the Russian re- Sullivan. If they are to continue liams' stooges, with tongues so, and my only hope is that gime which refer to political having the respect of the rank he be led to face his own duties rather than literary life. I am and file they must inaugurate tion, threw the blame of the frequent democratic shop-meet-5. At the second American ings to air the pent-up griev- but did not mention once the

ine mass campaign against To our readers:

Members have to doubt the sincerity of Katz and Sullivan with Beedie and done the dirty These are not reactionary work for him. They have to vin-

J. H. Fraternally,

Congratulations on your I would like to add that I slashing answer to Dubinsky in ism and realism in literature of the Lynn militants. When a and my views concerning the bureaucrat like Dubinsky calls 3: The League of American relationship between literature a proposal to form Workers Demy theory of literature is a sals "lunatics"; when he starts crawling before Coughlin and sniveling about his sanity, his

RADIO UNION RANK & FILE fore the workers. Dubinsky (will never fight against fascism, he's proving that now, in advance! Hit hard, comrades of the Appeal, and harder and harder still. Your reply to the smug, supercilious Dubinsky set him right back on his heels. Keep up the good work!

Ralph Stoneham

Lynn, Mass.

BROOKLYN CAMPAIGN

a manner that would have warmed the hearts of Mussolini and Hitler.

Although the meeting was mainly attended by half-soused of workers who listened in silent disgust as the fascists spoke. Pausing for breath only,

Boycott Racket

"Buy Christian" is their slo-At the membership meeting gan. They intend to distribute cott

MacWilliams introduced the Coughlin's name.

The speakers denounced those Catholics who oppose true Nazi style they proceeded to refer to Roosevelt as Rosenfeld and shuddered at the capitalist society on the Jews country: J. P. Morgan, Astor. Vanderbilt, Samuel Ford, Isaac Dupont. (Are they Jews?)

Fraternally,

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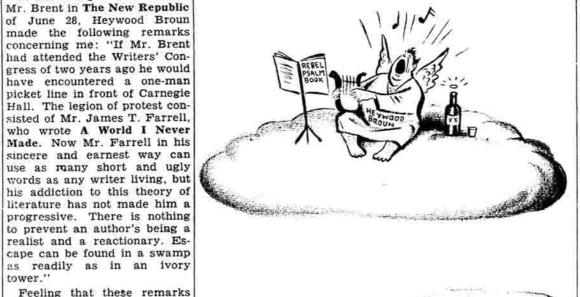
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the contumelies put on us."

Statement of Position

Broun consult his confessor. policies, it has followed the line Philistinism.

2: I am convinced that the him to his conscience. Undemocratic

up on us for two reasons . . . many and Italy. I agree with New York City June 22, 1939 must be pitilessly exposed be-

boldness may be checked and the equal brutality and equal under Beedie. he may not try such things injustice of the present regime himself to be wise: the other also in Russia, and everywhere lew aces up his sleeve.

in this matter with the proper opposed to such a policy. Writers Congress, the only re- ances of the membership. They real money grabbers of this Mr. Broun seeks to dishonor presentative of a political par- niust begin to educate the mem-

that such action aids Philistin-

duty for his own good. I leave Editor:

Sincerely yours. signed: James T. Farrell respectability, such a man

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- 6. Expropriate the Sixty Families.
- 7. All war funds to the unemployed.
- 8. A people's referendum on any and all wars.
- 9. No secret diplomacy.
- 10. An independent Labor Party.
- 11. Workers' Defense Guards against vigilante and Fascist attacks.

One Out of Five

Conditions were improving so rapidly that in the ensuing months private industry would take up the slack and provide a lot of jobs-such was the argument made by President Roosevelt on April 27 of this year, when he sent his relief budget message to Congress, in which he advocated the one-third slash of W.P.A. jobs which a new "appeasement" deal discussed "unoffi-Congress accordingly put through.

Roosevelt's April 27 message set the maximum number of jobs on W.P.A. at two million. Contrast Roosevelt's two million figure with

these facts established by the American Federation of Labor in its current report on employment and unemployment:

One out of every five working men and women able and willing to work is totally unem-

In mid-May, 42,700,000 people were gainfully employed, and 10,600,000 were unemployed.

Commenting on "cheerful news" of gains in employment, the A.F.L. survey says, "but when compared with figures for last December, when 42,800,000 were at work, we see that American industry, thus far in 1939, HAS NOT EVEN GIVEN JOBS TO THOSE LAID OFF IN LAST WINTER'S UNEMPLOYMENT. We tight in his middle position until the guns go off. are no better off now than we were last December; in fact we are worse off, for some 240,000 date and hour remain as yet unfixed. have been added to our potential working population since that date.

"While our working population steadily grows, the need for workers in our factories steadily shrinks," (A.F.L. Weekly News Serv-

These are the facts. The A.F.L. unemployment surveys have always been regarded as extremely conservative estimates. But we don't have to go further than these unquestionable figures to puncture the ballyhoo of the capitalist press and Roosevelt's figure of two million W.P.A. jobs as all that's needed.

One other significant fact reported by the A.F.L.:

"National Industrial Conference Board indexes show that production per man hour in our factories this year has been 9 per cent above last year in the first four months. Part of this increase in productivity is due to the savings which usually occur when production increases; but part are due to labor saving devices, for production per man hour is 3 per cent above 1937 when the pace of production was higher than today.

"Recent recoveries have consistently shown that employment lags behind production and it takes a constantly higher level of business activity to put the same number to work.

"It is encouraging that there are 1,100,000 more at work now than there were in May last year when the 1938 recession was at its worst. But when we consider that, of the 3,500,000 laid off since 1937, less than one third are back at work a year later, the prospect is not so bright. Meanwhile industrial production, by June 1939, has regained half its decline.'

While twenty per cent of the total working population is unemployed, among union members only 10.6 per cent are unemployed. But cutting down the hours of work, resisting the speedup, etc., the unions have been able to save the jobs of a considerable group of members. There's the signpost toward what must be done:

Organize the working class to fight for a job and a decent living for every worker. A 30-hour weekly maximum for all workers on all jobs. A \$30-weekly minimum wage. Open the idle

factories—operate them under workers' control. The money for all this is at hand—the billions now earmarked for the war machine and the riches that should be expropriated from the Sixty Families who rule America.

Organize: that means building the unions and building an independent Labor Party free of capitalist entanglements, and building the Workers Defense Guards to protect the working class against vigilante and Fascist attacks.

Fight or die-those are the grim alternatives facing the American working class. Fight like a man for a better world, or die of hunger and uselessness or on foreign battlefields for the Sixty Families - every thinking man and woman will have to make this choice in the coming days.

The War Crisis

With the approach of the fateful days of August, the continuing war crisis in Europe is heading toward another climax.

In the expectation that Hitler plans to force the issue in Eastern Europe again within the next few weeks or two months, Britain has accepted a new Munich in the Far East. It has ceded to Japan recognition of the "actual situation" in China and promised to do nothing to hamper the operations of the Japanese army in its robber war against the Chinese people.

But the agreement in Tokyo is accepted as a temporary stop-gap. It is not likely to last longer or even as long as the European Munich of a year ago. In all probability the accord will go on the rocks in matters of its actual application. Meanwhile the British calculate on securing some respite from a Far Eastern crisis while it waits to see how things will work out in Europe this summer.

Around the issue of Danzig and the Polish corridor, meanwhile, a veritable smokescreen of rumors and counter-rumors, deliberately manufactured in London, Warsaw, and Berlin, has been laid down. It is interlarded periodically with threats and reciprocal blackmail.

Most spectacular of all was the revelation of cially" in London by an underling of Chamberlain's and an emissary of Hitler. Both in London and in Berlin these unofficial feelers are promptly denied but meanwhile the Poles wonder increasingly whether they aren't being put behind the eight-ball like the Czechs.

The most permanent feature of the diplomatic tangle remains the stolid hedging of Joseph Stalin in the Anglo-Franco-Soviet pact negotiations. It has now been officially admitted in Moscow and in Berlin that "trade" negotiations are in progress and the air is as full as ever of reports of a German-Soviet deal. That England should make terms with Japan while Japanese troops are actually engaged in undeclared warfare against the Soviet Union along the Mongolian border is not exactly calculated to hasten conclusion of the Moscow talks. Stalin expects to sit That they will go off, everyone knows. Only the

Labor Looks Through The Press By Arthur Hopkins

Robert F. Pack, president of the Northern States Power Company of Minneapolis tells of the situation in England from whence he has just returned: "Many Englishmen told me that England is making a mighty stand against the doctrine that might is right." Uh huh, like the stag at eve that had

Symbolic of the quicker pace (of army preparedness) is the electrically operated differential analyzer, which occupies most of a large room. With it a mathematician can compute trajectory and range tables in three or four days-work that formerly required a month. It is the army's "mechanical brain". And a damned sight smarter and more human than the brain of an army officer,

On the way to the trenches: Already, activity on the 35,000 acre Aberdeen Proving Grounds in Maryland has increased 75 percent since last year. Colonel C. G. Mettler, ordnance department commandment of the post, predicted the increase would be 150 percent within the next year.

Major activity at the moment (at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds) is the assembling and testing three-inch anti-aircraft guns and carriages. About 15 of the complete weapons are turned over to troops each week. Capable of hurling 20 to 30 shells a minute, each weighing 12:7 pounds, the gun is said to be more efficient than comparable equipment of other armies. I suppose these hopeful murderers call it a killer diller.

Officials of the Minneapolis American Legion announced that ceremonies in the municipal auditorium August 6, honoring the war dead would be the most impressive ever attempted. The exercises will stress dedication to the ideal of self-sacrifice. Expenses in staging the services will be included in the convention budget to which industries and business firms are being asked to subscribe. Now this seems eminently fair; no workers are being asked for money-all that's required of them is

Frank M. Zedar, chief engineer for Chrysler Motor corporation declares: "There is nothing fundamentally wrong with industry, and if the politicians would clean their own mess and leave us alone we would get somewhere." Now, frankly, Zedar, as an engineer, which comes first-the chicken or the egg?

The Cloven-Hoof of Democracy Shows Itself in the M - Day Plan

The M-Day Plan, Conceived by the Generals and Approved By the President, Is as Firm in Status As Any Law Though Not Yet Passed by Congress to Avoid Public Alarm

Committee at the end of 1934, | ficially adopted by the War and

By HAL DRAPER

A number of articles on the Industrial Mobilization Plan of the government — the plan for the imposition of a war-dictatorship on M-Day-having appeared in the Appeal, several readers have asked us the same question. It is: Why get so excited about a plan, a proposal? It has not been passed by Congress; and the Sheppard-May bill which embodies the Plan seems to have no immediate prospect of passing. Reactionaries in the legislatures propose bills just as bad every day; this is just another example.

This question would not be who participated in the elaborasked if the government's attiknown. The I.M.P. is not only completely more firm than if it were already embodied in a law passed by Congress.

First of all, the War Department which elaborated the Flan does not want it adopted

by Congress at all-at present. The text of the Industrial Mobilization Plan itself states that its enactment before war is upon us "is not desirable because such action would probtheir provisions and accompan- war time. ied by so many restrictive clauses as to be a hindrance rather than an assistance in

THE REAL MOTIVE OF THE GOVERNMENT

The War Department offimost Congressmen would re- be re-elected fuse to take the responsibility draft, was ripped to pieces by mocracy" starts. Congressmen who had their

At the hearings of the Nye pot reactionary. It has been of paring.

Senator Clark accused the War Navy Departments, and has Department representative of been endorsed by every presithe real motive: "You propose dent from Wilson to Franklin to wait until after the declara- D. Roosevelt. All steps that can tion of war, then send it all up be taken to implement it, beto Congress to be passed in one fore actual war, have been takbunch as an emergency meas- en or are rapidly being pushed ure, at a time when the cry will to completion. The War Debe raised that if Congress takes partment, in its own calculatime to scrutinize it or study it tions, does not consider it as be in detail, they are delaying the ing within the range of possidefense of the country in a na- bilities that it will not be put tional emergency. Why is it not into effect at the proper time. possible to send that legislation | For they know that a bosses up there and have it examined in the meantime, before the declaration of war?"

well as General Hugh Johnson, ation of the I.M.P.) admits that tude toward the Plan were the mobilization measures are unconstitutional. as good as passed; its status is They brush this aside because in wartime the Constitution becomes another "scrap of paper" - and what Supreme Court will question this in the midst of war? Only the Constitutional provisions which protect the profits of the bosses remain inviolable, for instance the "due process" clause protecting private property, which the I.M.P. specifically invokes as an answer to those who adably result in enactment into vocate government confiscalaw of measures so detailed in tion of the war industries in

"It is my opinion that in time of war Congress should write a blank check" to the President, said Colonel Harris, another representative of the War Department. The government cannot expect a blank check now cials know well enough that from Congressmen who want to

As a matter of fact, the govbefore their constituencies for ernment has sought to keep the ation Plan that the cloven hoof such a measure, at the present mobilization plan as far as posmoment. And in point of fact, sible out of the public gaze. It this is just what happened in is not at all anxious to warn 1935 when the McSwain mobili- the masses of what they must zation Bill, providing for a expect when the war "for de-

sidered proposal of some crack- war for profits which it is pre-

government cannot wage war under any other set-up, and that it will have to be put into The War Department (as effect with or without Congressional sanction.

THE CLOVEN HOOF OF "DEMOCRACY

As a matter of fact, on the basis of precedent, the I.M.P. does not even need legislative authorization. There is not a provision of the I.M.P., but the principle of which was put into operation during the World War. And this was done then without any special permissive egislation, merely on the basis of the government's emergency war powers. The Espionage Act of 1917 and the National Defense Act are still on the books, and will automatically come into play with the open ing of hostilities. Indeed the reactionary Republican Wads worth of New York, attacked the I.M.P. bills before Congress on the ground they were . . unnecessary, since laws already on the books could be used to authorize anything the War Department might want to

It is in the Industrial Mobiliz behind the cloak of American "democracy" betrays itself most openly. The fight against the Plan is not a matter of legislative lobbying, but of a struggle against the boss gov-The I.M.P. is not the uncon- ernment in Washington and the

The Daily Worker and the WPA Strike--A Typical Stalinist Record

Roosevelt responsible for the strike? Nonsense, screams the its July 15 issue says: Daily Worker, only the Repubplace, wheedles the Daily, it ment." isn't a strike at all, it's only a protest. But Roosevelt named White Father didn't know what he figure in his relief budget he was doing message and signed the bill? Well, what did you expect him to do, the Daily whines, his hands are tied; a good man surrounded by scoundrels and

GIVING THE WORKERS A BIG "LAUGH"

Under the caption, "At Odds with the Tories," the Stalinist editor expresses a child-like wonder at the mere thought that the strike could possibly be interpreted as anti-Roosevelt. As he hopefully puts it, W.P.A. workers a big laugh." the W.P.A. workers must be are getting their "pink slip" presents from Smiling F.D.R.

Daily Worker made truly herdanger of "misdirecting the struggle against the New Deal." never clarified by the Daily a convention. Worker master minds.

"Keep Your Eye on the Target" was the title of an editorial published on July 14. Colonel Harrington had just inoked the Federal law as a threat against the W.P.A. strikers. The Daily Worker gives him a piece of its mind as follews:

"New Deal circles must be particularly vigilant not to let the reactionaries maneuver gainst them. They must be areful not to give the people like Woll a handle on which to hang Anti-New Deal propa-

Every worker who wants to Roosevelt's "You can't strike the editorial page. The "left know what the Daily Worker's against the government" edict wing" New Dealers in Congress record for honesty really is, is particularly interesting. For were given a big play, and should carefully examine its is- two days you couldn't find a rews of the sweep of the nasuces since the W.P.A. strike word about it in the Daily tion-wide strike was relegated Worker!

Then, in a voice hardly above TIMID ABOUT F.D.R.'S law which precipitated the a whisper, the Daily Worker in STRIKEBREAKING MOVES "It would seem that Presi- Daily Worker when it dealt

licans and the Garnercrats are dent Roosevelt heeded bad ad- with the strike-breaking actions the culprits. The strike is di- vice in issuing a statement at of Roosevelt's W.P.A. officials. rected against the Roosevelt the present time about the right When Harrington made public edministration? In the first to strike against the govern- his vicious five day ruling, the

The reportorial handling of the strike was even at a lower

Tobacco Workers' Local Demands Union Convention

(Special to the Socialist Appeal)

LOUISVILLE, Ky.-Fourteen Tobacco Workers International Union locals and E. H. Weyler, This must have given the secretary-treasurer of the Kentucky Federation of Labor have Following such logic through, joined together to force the International's officers to call a roaring with glee, now that they convention of the union in October.

No convention has been held Throughout the strike, the in 34 years, a vote of the locals for a convention was counted culean efforts to force it back out by E. L. Evans, presidentinto passive, post-card writing secretary-treasurer of the Inchannels. Again and again, the ternational, and no "intelligent editorials warned against the account" has been given of funds received by the International the locals and Weyler Why such a danger pointed out in filing suit in Cirshould exist if the New Deal's cuit Court here to secure a hands were so lily-white is court order requiring holding of

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The editorial treatment given level than the falsification on to inside pages

Especially timid was the Daily mumbled about "Har In other words, the Great rington who has been cracking down with unexpected severity' in its July 12 issue.

Murphy had come out with a statement invoking the Federal law against the W.P.A. strikers. Under the fantastic headline, "Has No Complaint On W.P.A. Strikers, Says U. S. Attorney," the Daily Worker on July 9, tried to cover up for Murphy!

Although William Green is a pet bogey of the Daily, when he speaks in favor of F.D.R. he gets a big boost. On July 13, Green is quoted approvingly: 'I refuse to believe the President will for a single moment stand for discrimination against workers who go out on strike." SUMS UP STRIKE AS UNFORTUNATE EVENT"

But the pay-off is the promi nent space given to Newbold Morris's anti-strike declaration Morris, president of the City Council of New York, is a darling of Stalinist progress. On July 12, Morris was quoted as follows in the Daily Worker:

"By ordering the strike you have given reactionary snipers at W.P.A. the opening they have long awaited." That is the best way of sum

ming-up the Daily Worker's at titude toward the W.P.A. strike: an unfortunate event which endangers Roosevelt's reputation as a "friend of la bor" and should fold up as quickly as possible-so that the peaceful work of writing post cards can go forward quietly.

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By James Burnham Government

There is no doubt that Roosevelt's blunt "You cannot strike against the government," with which he accepted full responsibility for the present smashing attack on the unemployed, came as a stunning shock to millions of workers. There would have been no such shock if the same statement had been made, and attitude taken, by, say, Vice-President Garner or Senators Glass or Adams or Representative Woodrum or Republican Senators Taft or Vandenberg.

How can it be that Roosevelt, labor's dear friend, the Roosevelt of the rosy first years of the Wagner Act and of ever-expanding relief funds, "turns

This question is mysterious only when it is not understood exactly who Roosevelt is. If we want to explain why Roosevelt acts as he does, we must forget his flashing smile, his charming radio voice. his sweet promises, and even his personal morality and psychology. Roosevelt, in his public capacity, is the chief executive of the capitalist state, the chairman of the executive committee of United States imperialism. In minor matters he has a little leeway for expressing his personality; but on major issues he has got to fulfill his function.

The requirements of United States imperialism, of the Sixty Families who control that imperialism, imperatively demand a cutting down of social concessions granted to the masses of the people, beginning with relief funds and soon to extend to wage and living standards more generally. In such a situation, Roosevelt has no choice but to obey

The Two-Party System Obscures

Certain peculiarities of the United States Constitution and of the "two-party system" make it harder to see what has happened than would be the case in France or England. In this country, the President is, in fact as well as name, the chief executive of the government. He is, however, elected independently of Congress, and continues to hold office for his full term no matter what his political relation to Congress may be.

In France (as in England), however, the actual chief executive (Premier in France and Prime Minister in England) is a "responsible" officer of the Chamber of Deputies or of Parliament. He is elected not by the people or by an electoral college, but by the Chamber. If the political relations in the Chamber (or Parliament) change sharply, the Premier is compelled to resign (unless a new general election is called), and a new Premier is appointed, who in turn names a new Cabinet.

Thus, in France or England, a sharp shift to right or left in governmental policy is ordinarily indicated quite plainly by the change of the man who holds the chief executive post, by a different Premier or Prime Minister. At the same time, at least in France, a new "majority", made up of a different grouping of the numerous parties, is constituted in the Chamber.

The same outward development cannot take place in the same way in the United States. But of course the same fundamental political process nevertheless goes on in the United States as in the other countries

The New Deal in France

France also had its own kind of New Deal, similar in many key respects to the New Deal in this country. This was administered by Leon Blum as Premier, with his Popular Front majority in the Chamber of Deputies. It lasted for a little less than two years, beginning in the Spring of 1936.

But French imperialism faced the same basic problems as United States imperialism. On the one side, it had to get seriously ready for imperialist war against Germany; on the other, it found that the social concessions made through the Blum government were cutting too deeply into profits. It had to change over from its New Deal to a War Deal, which would be also a deal of social reaction.

The political side of this change was accomplished in the early Spring of 1938. A crisis was precipitated in the Chamber of Deputies, and Blum resigned. After a short, interim government, Daladier was made Premier of the War Deal government, which still continues in office. Of course Daladier's cards were not shown all at once. Indeed, both the Socialist and Communist parties voted in favor of him as Premier. But after a few months came the crises of Munich, the decree laws and the November general strike, and the true character of the Daladier government became clear. At the bidding of his masters, he has been piling up armaments for the war, and at the same time hammering away at the wages, living standards and liberties of the workers.

The mystery of Roosevelt, then, is done away with if we realize that there are two Roosevelt's: the first a Blum-Roosevelt; the second a Daladier-Roosevelt. Because of the Constitutional set-up in this country, and the two-party system, the same man has had to perform the two functions. In France, the transformation of New Deal into War Deal was shown openly by the shift from Blum to Daladier as Premiers. In this country, Roosevelt has to be both Jekyll and Hyde.

But the first and chief error is, after all, not that of misunderstanding Roosevelt today. It lies in the illusion that any capitalist politician, any capitalist deal-whether New Deal or War Deal, any capitalist government, can function in the interests of the workers and the masses of the people. They are all, in their own way, smiling or grim, left-sounding or right-sounding, at the service, first, last and all the time, of the bosses. They are all the sworn enemies of the workers.

Return of the Prodigal-According to Drew Pearson and Robert S. Allen, the "most significant thing that is happening in Jersey City is a rapprochement between the C. I. O. and Mayor (I am the law) Hague. Once the bitterest of enemies, the C. I. O. spent a large amount of money to beat Hague's senatorial candidate last fall, threw all its weight behind the ponderous Warren Barbour. Barbour made liberal, labor speeches and was elected. Once in the senate, however, he has been against almost every labor bill. So thanks to the Supreme Court and Morris Ernst, John L. Lewis and Mayor Hague have kissed and made up. They are now working together for a Roosevelt delegation from New Jersey in 1940."