Trotsky Sees Closer Hitler-**Stalin Ties**

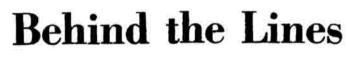
1. On the thirteenth of September there were communications from Paris announcing that all Soviet ships sailing to England were given orders from Moscow to return to Soviet harbors. What does it mean? Factual severance of commercial relations with England? Moscow could apply this measure only upon Berlin's demand. What could this demand be based upon? Evidently upon secret articles in the German-Soviet pact. We cannot find any other explanation. Perhaps the international friends of Stalin and Hitler (friends of our friends are our friends) can furnish us another one?

2. On the thirteenth of September the official Soviet press agency, TASS, openly and bluntly accused Poland of violating the Soviet border with her military planes. Even the friends of Stalin and Hitler could scarcely maintain that Poland prepares to conquer the USSR at this time. The matter evidently concerns those cases when Polish planes in order to save themselves from the Germans approach the Soviet border. What interest does the Kremlin have in raising an international uproar about these incidents? An attempt to prove its loyalty to Hitler? Undoubtedly. But possibly something more. It is possible that the Kremlin, at Hitler's request, has begun to seek and publish pretexts for a closer and more open cooperation with Hitler.

One thing is clear beforehand: if the Kremlin, developing the present policy, shows itself driven into hostile actions against Poland, the international friends of the Kremlin (and by the same fact the enemies of the peoples of the USSR) would discover in it Stalin's new service to peace Leon TROTSKY and democracy.

Coyoacan, D.F., Sept. 14, 1939

P.S. These lines were already written when the evening papers announced that Pravda of September 14th accuses Poland of oppressing the Ukrainians, White Russians, and Jews. The accusations by themselves are true. But isn't it astounding that Pravda remembered them precisely now when Poland is drenched with blood under the blows of the German army! To what end are the accusations of Prvada striving? Toward two ends at the same time: 1) to justify Hitler's attack on Poland; and 2) to prepare a more active cooperation of the Kremlin on Hitler's side. L.T.



By GEORGE STERN.

ing of a new offensive west of Hankow, the first in nearly 12 does not dare let Hitler have it, By GEORGE STERN Late last Friday night the "independent" unless he, and pressure on British, French, Berlin radio issued the first an- not Hitler, dominates it with his and American holdings in the nouncement of the news that army, his secret police, his Orient will be an inevitable cor-Russia and Japan had settled whole bloody apparatus of re- ollary.

on a "truce" to terminate eight pression. clored wor It was

These swift spectacular

Sept. 17.

Balkans Menaced

This truce is still limited and

in's soldiers started marching,

the Japanese understood they

were free to crush China if

they can, without further hin-

drance from Russia. They

promptly announced the open-

NEW YORK CITY, Sept. 18-The steep rise in the prices of household commodities was denounced today by Max Shachtman and George Lyman Paine,

Balkans Now at Hitler

Mercy--Japanese In

New China Offensive

From all indications the first secret clause in the Stalin-

This is now attested to by the fact of the Soviet invasion

of Poland that began without warning at dawn on Sunday.

A few hours earlier Stalin had paved the way for his in-

tervention in Poland by sign-ing a "truce" with Japan. ENGINEERS

tentative, but as soon as Stal-in's soldiers started marching. PRICE RISE

Hitler pact provided for handing Poland over to the Nazi

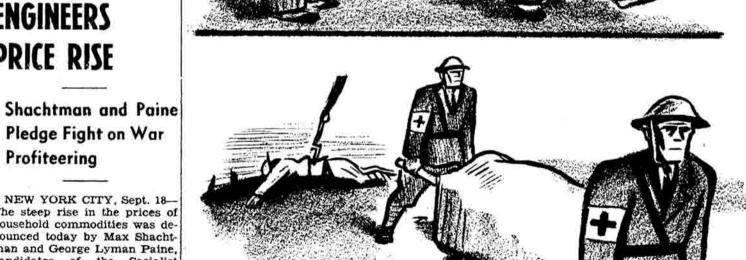
wolves with a slice reserved for Russian occupation.

Three-Times-a-Week

Socialist Appeal LET THE PEOPLE VOTE ON WAR Official Organ of the Socialist Workers Party, Section of the Fourth International 161 WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 1939 VOL. III, No. 72 REPUBLICANS, DEMOCRATS UNITE **BEHIND F.D.R. FOR WAR SESSION**

Russia Marches Into Poland

Roosevelt's "Cash and Carry Policy"



War Deal Cracks Down on Critics

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F.D.R. Has Already Committed Nation to War Camp of Allies

Pushing ahead systematically in his drive to plunge the United States into the imperialist war now raging in Enrope, President Roosevelt called together the leaders of the Democratic and Republican parties for a meeting on the eve of the special session of Congress which he has called for the purpose of repealing the standing arms embargo legislation.

Symbolic of the fact that the New Deal has become the War Deal, and that all pretense of struggle against the Economic Royalists and their spokesmen has been abandoned in the interests of a united front for p Wall Street War, was the invitation extended by Roosevelt to Alfred M. Landon, banner-bearer of the Republican Party th the last presidential election and agent of the big capitalist forces in this country, and Colonel Frank Knox, big-shot Republican boss in the Middle West and editor of the Chicago Daily News.

the Siberian and Mongolian that he left Poland to Hitler's velopments topped the first two Workers Party in the New frontiers. This was confirmed tender mercies. Because Hitler weeks of the second world war, York Councilmanic election, as on Saturday in Moscow and was able to move with such during which the German deliberately engineered by the early Sunday morning Soviet blinding speed, Stalin was "blitzkrieg" made a shambles Wall Street war-mongers. troops crossed the Polish bor- drawn in even more swiftly of Poland and began the whole-Since the second World War der and marched to meet the than he expected to be. That is sale re-drawing of what rebroke out in Europe, prices of oncoming hordes at some new, why his deal with Japan is still mains of the Versailles map of all staple commodities such as still unsettled boundary in east- a tentative one and presumably Europe. Rumania, and after it sugar, flour, and other houseern Poland. Simultaneously the that is also why he had to move all the Balkans, are now at Hit- hold goods has shot up to new Japanese High Command an- with such caution that he did ler's mercy. heights.

nounced a new major offensive not even inform Earl Browder The Russian invasion, led by in West China, the first in near- of his intentions. For Browder the vanguard of an army of ly a year, and began moving has been trying to make the nearly 4,000,000 men mobilized fresh troops south from the So- Stalin-Hitler deal palatable to along the border, was officially viet and Mongolian borders for the American imperialists by announced as a new "peace ofa new attempt to crush Chinese insisting, with much verbal per- fensive" with which the benevospiration, that it left Japan lent despots of the Kremlin inresistance.

hopelessly isolated. But now tended to "protect the lives and The pattern of events sketche din shadows behind the Stal- Stalin has flashed the green property" of their sorely strickin-Hitler pact is thus coming light to Japan in China, just as en brothers in the Polish Ukswiftly now to light. Many pro- he touched off the go-ahead sig- raine and White Russia. It was fess to see the forthcoming cre- nal for Hitler in Poland. What not, of course, an act of war, ation of a Rome-Berlin-Mos- his peace-loving and peace pro- but of peace. The Kremlin comcow-Tokyo axis. But Stalin has tecting efforts are going to munique announcing the shoot- soaked battlefields of the new only one real axis and that is mean to Rumania, Latvia, Es- ing down of ten Polish planes the preservation of himself and thonia, and Finland, even Brow- and the crushing of feeble Po-

his clique of usurpers who hold der won't dare guess now!

the Russian masses in bondage. To those who understand this he is not nor ever has been an many and Russia naturally "enigma"-a thing of mystery places the whole of southeastwhose secret no man can dis- ern Europe at the mercy of the cover. Berlin-Moscow axis. Rumania

Stalin is not moving into Po- must now either yield or be land to "liberate" the Ukrain- crushed and similarly partiians and White Russians op- tioned. Bulgaria, like a yapping pressed by Polish landlords. little jackal, is waiting to get His claim to such a purpose is back the territory of Drobujda, the vilest hypocrisy matched given to Rumania after the last only by those of his pact part- war, and will readily accede to ner, Hitler. Nor is he moving all that Hitler demands. Turbecause of any unquenchable key is immobilized, and its forurge to expand the frontiers of eign minister has been sum-Russia. He has had almost moned to Moscow to sign a new more than even he could han- pact that takes into full account dle in securing his primacy the new conditions. Mussolini within the broad boundaries he is still bargaining with Britain already rules. No, Stalin is and France and Yugoslavia taking the Ukraine because he waits to learn its fate from his lips.

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JUDAS GOAT

"The unemployed on this Labor Day reaffirm our faith in democracy and our will to peace. We have not much to offer in material resources at this critical hour in history. We have and do offer our strength and courage and devotion to our nation." -David Lasser, president of the Workers Alliance, in a Labor Day manifesto. (Daily Worker, Sept. 5, 1939)

If Mussolini finally falls on the Allied side of the fence a war front may after all take form in southeastern Europe. But if he hesitates very much longer-and he is likely to that cherished hope of the Anglo-French combine will fade entirely and there will be nothing left but to concentrate on the western front. If it turns out this way, Belgium and the Netherlands and perhaps even the Scandinavian states cannot hope to remain neutral very Artificial Rise

Pledge Fight on War

Profiteering

"This is an artificial jackingup of prices," declared the Socialist Workers Party candidates in an official statement released to the press today.

'Wall Street is attempting to cash in at the very opening of war. This is preliminary profiteering, a token of Wall Street's plans to reap stupendous profits from the blood-World War.

"The stocks of leading steel, chemical and other war induslish resistance simply oozed tries took a tremendous leap love and sympathy for the peoland and its partition by Gerthe two great states that have ests of the United States lined traditionally shared their terri- up thirstily for their share of the slaughter. They recall the tory.

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You Can Aid the Fight Against War by Signing Nominating Petitions for SWP Candidates

All citizens resident in New York who sympathize with the campaign of the Socialist Workers Party to place a candidate in the Bronx and one in Manhattan on the ballot for the Councilmanic Elections are asked to sign a nominating petition immediately.

Drop in at headquarters, 116 University Place, N.Y.C., or at the headquarters of the nearest branch to place your name on a petition. If you have friends who are registered voters too and who will sign the petition, bring them with you or give us their names and we will have a canvasser call upon them.

The circulation of a petition for signatures among your shopmates, if you are in a position to do so, will give the campaign a big boost.

Absolutely no obligation is entailed in signing. Without any commitment on your part, by signing a petition, you give the only anti-war party in the United States a chance to fight against the second world war from the vantage point of the ballot.

We need your help now as never before in placing our anti-war, anti-fascist candidates on the ballot for the coming election.



British Seamen Help U.S. Brothers Strike Ships In War Bonus Fight

Give Splendid Demonstration of International Solidarity as They Back American Fellow-Workers in Wage Demands

NEW YORK-The struggle of East Coast seamen to obtain extra compensation for shipping in war zones received a tremendous boost over the week end when 46 British sailors joined in the strike that has already tied up six ships.

This display of international solidarity was cheered by 200 American seamen who gathered around.

The British sailors had been hired by the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey to work on two oil tankers carrying oil to British ports. They had arrived Saturday on the Acquitania.

Make Demands

ships a warm discussion on war sail. They are members of National Union of Seamen of the United Kingdom. They had been

hired for \$37.50 a month.

Roy Joins War-Mongers

While it is still impossible to

the reactions of the left-wing

been revealed that the notori-

give concrete information about Congress.)



No Discussion Roosevelt has made no secret of his desire to rush through Congress, with the minimum of discussion, the repeal of any legislation that might be interpreted as an obstacle in the way of a speedy entry into the war, and to adopt in its place a revised "neutrality" biB which will make possible the open participation of the United States on the side of one of the imperialist gangs in the warthe so-called "democratic" Allies.

Commits Nation

Meanwhile, even before Congress opens its session, Roosevelt continues to take steps, on his own hook, to commit the United States more and more deeply on the side of one of the belligerents. Although the U.S. is ostensible a neutral, Roosevelt has already pledged himself to the armed struggle against Germany in the event that the latter attacks Canada. although the two countries are formally at war. In addition, on the day the

man bombings of that country,

again in clear violation of a

bombings, just as horrible and

indefensible, that have been

tion. The message to Moscicki

Despite the heavy smoke, ous M. N. Roy-with whom the screen of propaganda laid down American Lovestoneites have special White House Conference

IRISH SAILORS

Irish sailors tied up three

ships in an effort to obtain

war compensation and insur-

ance, according to the As

Employers had changed

the flags of the ships from

English to Irish because un-

der the Irish registry, the

sailors would not be eligible

But these men-Gandhi, Neh-

Pandit tion to the war has been clearly practised in the past by the im-

shown by the reports of the re- perial governments of France

cent session of the Congress and England against the help

Working Committee (the lead-less natives of the colonia)

ing executive committee of the countries under their domina

At this meeting, a resolution is merely part of Roosevell's

was adopted appointing a com- carefully stage-managed prep

sociated Press Sept. 18.

for war risk insurance.

TIE UP SHIPS

Following conferences with by the British, the intense hos- been playing "friends and ene- of Republican and Democratic officials of the National Mari- tility of the Indian people to the mies" for many years-has Party bosses was announced by time Union, the British seamen was has been clearly revealed. joined the ranks of the war-sup- the President, he sent a mes-Mahatma Gandhi, faithful porters and has endorsed the sage to President Moscicki of decided to ask for \$85 a month, watchdog of British rule over participation of India in the Poland condemning the Gera 50 per cent bonus and a 5,000 war risk insurance policy, the 375,000,000 people of India, war. which is more in line with Amhas become the most ardent supporter of India's participa- ru, Roy, etc .- do not represent real position of neutrality. As is erican seamen demands. tion in the war. Along with him the will of the Indian people known, Roosevelt never opened This action was taken in face of deportation and other threats has gone the entire reactionary anymore than Hitler represents his lips in condemnation of hurled at them by company and leadership of the Indian Nation- the will of the German workers. federal officials. alist Congress, including the The determined mass opposi-

so-called "socialist" Hint Mutiny Charge Nehru. Meanwhile, a government

move to terrorize the striking American seamen was announced with the calling of 12 strikers before the supervising inspector of the Bureau of Marine Inspec- parties to Britain's war designs, tion and Navigation. Charges of nevertheless, it has already mittee to place two questions arations of the minds of the

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are as follows:

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Several cities have responded

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JUST DOING

got a bright idea.

nel problems.

Chemists and Technicians,

President Lewis Alan Berne

and other union leaders held

a conference with Navy de-

partment officials on person-

"The maximum efficiency

of the Navy's emergency

program can be reached on-

ly if workers operate under

progressive personnel poli-

meaningless statement that

1940 Deal

Mean Is Now Clear."

"No American has the moral

cies." Berne explained.

THEIR BIT

Another indication of the. MINNEAPOLIS-The Socialdepth of the break between ist Workers Party has main-John L. Lewis, CIO chairman, tained since last November's and President Roosevelt over election that the Farmer-Labor both domestic and foreign polmovement in Minnesota, in its icy was furnished last week at old form, could never be rethe United Rubber Workers of vived. Between the Stalinists America convention. and the right-wingers the old

It was revealed in the speech Farmer-Labor movement was of Eli P. Oliver, executive vicehopelessly wrecked. president of Labor's Non-Parti-The Minneapolis municipal election of 1939 could in no right to profiteer at the expense san League, and Lewis henchman, on the 1940 elections. sense be termed a contest be- of his fellow citizens."

And that is what the Minne-Oliver spoke of the need for tween the F.L.P. and the Rea "progressive" president but publicans. Rather it was a sota Farmer-Labor movement very pointedly did not mention struggle between the trade un- has to tell the people about the Roosevelt's name, although just ions acting concertedly as a la- second World War! before he talked the convention bor party, and a coalition of Rehad endorsed Roosevelt for a publicans and Democrats.

Two Timid References third term! Striking proof of our obituary This incident exposed completely the utter stupidity of on the Farmer-Labor move-

Lewis' "realistic" politics, Lew- ment is provided by the Sepis spent so much time placing tember 13 Minnesota Leader tell you-was the result of a the CIO behind Roosevelt in the (fittingly enough it is called the Tory victory in Congress. President Roosevelt, Heaven forbid 'August Issue''). last six years that Lewis is now The ONLY reference to the was no place around. Indeed,

unable to shift the position of war is contained in two brief the session of Congress just the CIO easily. (Even Phillip) Murray and Sidney Hillman editorials which are way to the ended was the result of a "Tory comrade Lo was born into a of the many Chinese comrades maintain the organization and sales. didn't like his labor day right of editorials that can be Coalition staging a revolt peasant family. His political ac- who were inflenced by him. read in most of the boss papers against Roosevelt and the New tivity dates back to the years speech.) Deal.

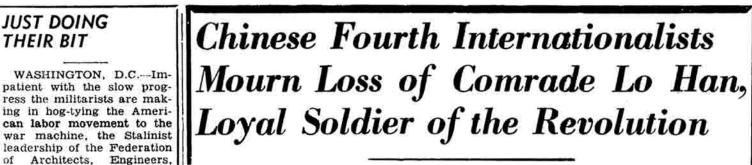
Besides, the U.R.W.A. conin the Middle West. The first editorial merely endorsed Roosevelt vention mainly because of a rabble- suggest to its readers that they speech by Michael "Look before they leap to con- Labor machine are making Chinese youths he managed to work in Peking for one year and most of it to finance the revolurousing Quill, Stalinist president of the clusions" when reading their their deal with the Democrats travel to France. Transport Workers Union, a papers. Becoming even more for the 1940 election. guest speaker at the sessions. militant and subversive, the

CIO of a break with the Roosevelt administration will be the for the last European war." Stalinists. Lewis' allies of yesterday become his opponents of today. And Lewis is really gowithin the CIO, disrupting union after union, capturing ly in his righteous and wholly in the White House.

control of key unions, etc. The expected removal of Elmer Andrews as Wages and Hours Administrator to be replaced by an army officer is another blow at the CIO by Rooseveit. It means no enforcement of the wages and hours provisions.

John L. Lewis understands too well that the New Deal has become the War Deal. That is one reason why he is paving mies of the allied "democra- mobilized, armed and disciplin- mass of Negroes, and at the this conflict consists in enlight- should take the initiative in the way for a public break with Roosevelt at the coming CIO national convention.

Claude McKay, the famous In this way the question of the gro masses with those of the olulutionary protest, amongst China. The famous Labor Day ad-Negro poet who represented the use of colonial reserves for im- masses of the whole wrold, and the black slaves of American dress of Lewis showed that he revolutionary Negroes at the perialist armies is closely re- in the first place with the des- capital. As stated above, this understood the strategy of World Congress of the Commu- lated to the question of Euro- tiny of the European working work can only be carried out by Roosevelt's war deal. Yet Lewnist International (1922). Mc- pean revolution, that is, to the class. na for a labor bureaucrat from Kay had requested comrade fate of the European working which there is no escape, except turning sharply to the left, tions regarding the struggle for **Educating the Cadres**



Stalinist party. This society la- Peking Normal University, who vance in the circulation of the and the total number of renew-By M. Y. WANG SHANGHAI, Aug. 17-The ter became the European paid comrade Lo's jailers 60 Socialist Appeal. Lynn last als in the past week was 18. Communist League of China, branch of the Chinese Commu- dollars for his release. This week increased its regular bunwas made possible by the cha- dle quota from 50 to 100 copies the War Referendum campaign, Chinese Section of the Fourth nist Party. International, is mourning the

struggle in the Communist par-

loss of one of its best and most Upon his return to China, devoted comrades, a valiant comrade Lo was sent by the fighter for China's liberation, a loyal soldier of the proletarian Kuomintang army in Canton revolution-comrade Lo Hanand was head of one of the poword of whose untimely death

litical has just reached Shanghai. Comrade Lo met his death in Chungking, the provisional capital, during a Japanese air raid on June 4.

Chinese Communist Party and Eastern University. one of its first members. A pro-

letarian revolutionist to the core, he was also one of the earliest participants in the Bol-The leading story on the front shevik - Leninist movement page tells us "What a Repubwhich grew into the Chinese lican Victory in 1940 Would Section of the Fourth International He was in his prime-The recent relief bill-need I 45 years old-when Japan's air raiders dropped the bomb which

> mangled his body to a pulp. **Of Peasant Family**

bankrupts of the old Farmer- many other poor but ambitious He carried on underground salary, and comrade Lo used

Workers and farmers can three years, comrade Lo stu-Shansi warlord who then ruled ated.

The chief opponent within the paragraph points out that hope for no progressive leader- died engineering. The stirring the northern capital. For two American taxpayers are still ship from the Minesota Leader events of the post-war years years he was confined in the broke out in August, 1937 all paying a million dollars a day and the spineless opportunists drew him into politics. At first jail of the City Garrison. Tor- the Stalinsits and many Trot- and now receives a bundle of it represents. The ONLY party he was an Anarchist, but it was ture and general mistreatment, skyists held in the prisons of 25 each issue. The second editorial, another is the Socialist Workers Party, not long before he gravitated in efforts to force him to recant the Kuomintang were released.

one-paragraph filler, points out that fights against the boss war toward the Marxist movement. his revolutionary views, were One member of the Communist ON NEW SUBSCRIPTIONS ing to pay for the way he allow- that the wheat traders have And you can't fight the war He founded the Society for the the lot of comrade Lo. But he League-the writer of these ed the Stalinists to run wild made 20c a bushel and quotes without fighting the Number Study of Marxism, together never faltered. Finally he was lines - was, however, still de- Los Angeles sent in 5 during the notice that these locals will President Roosevelt approving- One War-Monger, the hypocrite with Chou En-lai, Li Li-san and "bought out of jail" by a per- tained in a secret prison in Nan-

os which had descended on Pek- and thus went several times ov- a total of 189 new subscriptions Sent to Moscow ing. General Yen Hsi-shan had er its quota of an increase of 20 and 55 renewals have been fled from the city with his in the War Referendum Cam- turned in. The figures to date

troops, and Marshal Chang paign. Communist party to work in the Hsueh-liang had not yet taken over.

wise more than exceeded its When relased, comrade Lo quota of 15 by increasing its departments. After Chiang Kai-shek's coup d'etat departed for Shanghai. That regular bundle order to 50 copof March 20, 1926, he was ex- was in 1930. The movement of ies, and besides has on several pelled from Canton and the the Chinese Left Opposition was occasions ordered extra quan-Party sent him to Moscow to just beginning to take definite titles for special sales.

St. Paul, Minnesota, which study the lessons of the Russian form. Four separate groupings Our deceased comrade was Revolution. In Moscow he en- were preparing to unite in a has done splendid work in obone of the forerunners of the rolled as a student in the Far single organization. Comrade taining new subscribers, has also made another increase in its Lo took an active part in the

At that time the internal unification movement although bundle order from 75 to 100 copies, representing a total inhe was in poor health after his ty of the Soviet Union was prison experiences. crease of 50 per issue. The St. Paul comrades are not sure

On May 1, 1930 the unified orreaching its climax. On the bathat the second increase will be sis of his experiences in China, ganization of the Left Opposipermanent, but can be dependcomrade Lo quickly discovered tion was born and Lo Han was ed upon to make every effort that the Left Opposition was the elected a member of its first to do so.

repository of revolutionary tra- Central Committee. In the endition and action. He joined the suing years, the committee was Opposition ranks nad conducted several times wrecked by po-

propaganda among the Chinese lice arrests and comrade Lo Communists in Moscow. The had many narrow escapes from A native of Hunan province, writer of this article was one a fresh prison term. To help in a spurt in Socialist Appeal

his own livelihood, he accepted Heartily disliked by the Stal- a job in a porcelain factory as San Diego, Cal. Branch has inimmediately after the first inist bureaucrats, comrade Lo an engineer. By Chinese stand- creased its bundle once again, Just that crudely the tattered World War, when together with was sent back to China in 1927. ards this brought him a high this time from 8 to 12 copies regularly.

Reading, Pa., reflecting increased activity in that terriwas then arrested by order of tionary movement and to assist In France, where he spent General Yen Hsi-shan, the comrades less fortunately situ- tory, has increased its regular bundle order from 5 to 10 and

now to 20 copies per issue; and When the Sino-Japanese war Allentown, Pa. by another 5

> SMALL BRANCHES BEST In the field of subscriptions bundle bills, and this is public

my release. He approached Baltimore, Md. did the best by two or three days. These locals General Yeh Chien-ying of the mailing in four new subscrip- are being advised by private 8th Route (former Red) Army, tions each. who was his personal friend for many years. General Yeh at

that time took a somewhat lib-SOCIALIST APPEAL & NEW INTERNATIONA eral attitude toward the Trot-In the Socialist Appeal of Sep- pean capital, especially British, Negroes, however small their fight against this policy must skyists, and although he failed

Can be Obtained at the Following Newsstands tember 15, we published an ar- and French capital, to raise number, filled with enthusiasm be taken up from various sides, to set me free (I secured my ticle by J. R. Johnson on the armed forces outside of Europe for the raising of the material and on various lines. One of the freedom some time later) he role of Negro soldiers in the ar- so that capitalism may have and moral level of the great most important branches of proposed to comrade Lo that he cies". As a continuation of that ed African and Asiatic troops same time mentally capable of ening the proletarian conscious- bringing about a united front

article, we publish below a let- at its disposal, against the rev- grasping the identity of inter- ness by awakening the feeling between the Communist party ter written by Leon Trotsky to olutionary masses of Europe. ests and the destiny of the Ne- of human dignity, and of rev- and the Communist League of

On his own responsibility comrade Lo accepted the pro-

self-sacrificing and politically posal and travelled to Sian to negotiate with Mao Tse-tung. educated revolutionary Ne-This naive move naturally brought no good result. Mao re-Needless to say, the work is

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In the spring of 1938, comrade

past week, New York, 6 new either have their bundles cut of Tsai Hu-sen, now leaders of the sonal friend, a professor at the king. Comrade Lo went to Nan- subscriptions, but the small un- or sent to them C.O.D., unless king and endeavored to secure its at Washington, D.C. and payments are forthcoming in

MORE APPEAL SALES In Newcastle, Pa., additions to our movement have resulted

The small, but promising,

Rochester, New York, like-

emancipation of the Negro race. and this is most improbable.

After spending 30 years as a ing the first world war to make the world safe for democracy. after living the luxurious life of national, March 13, 1923. a Washington gentleman, and

after preaching the glories of American "democracy" to his Dear comrade McKay:

followers, Lewis can hardly be Eugene V. Debs.

no part of a "foreign war." and the dangers to Lewis' own position in war time caused the Labor Day speech against "med-

dling in Europe." But what does Lewis propose? A break with Roosevelt? rope, they are helping to subju- tomed environment, and forces go?

"feeler" to the effect that he and other colonies. was going to support Senator Wheeler for president in 1940.

A deal with the Republicans? What will that solve? How

will war be stopped by that maneuver? Utterly futile!

It is up to the ranks of the CIO to force Lewis to quit playing Hamlet. The coming conmarch to war by demanding a and by announcing its determination to run a labor candidate

for president in 1940. even his own dilemnas.

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Comrade Trotsky's reply ap- 3. There is no doubt whatev- juncture. labor bureaucrat, after support- peared in the International er that the employment of the Press Correspondence, official backward colonial masses for organ of the Communist Inter- economically and culturally

expected suddenly to become a steps to be taken to prevent geoisie tiself. The Negroes, and recognize fellow-workers and groes, it is difficult for me to France from employing black indeed the natives of all the col- fighting comrades in the Ne- say, as I am insufficiently in-

CIO rank and file which wants ent?-this is your first question. and mental rigidity only in so ed on the exploitation of such conditions and possibilities. But eral Yeh Ting, newly-appointed The blacks themselves must far as they continue to live un- despicable prejudices, and is at the forms of organization will commander of the New Fourth offer resistance against being der their accustomed economic the present time the most ef- be found as soon as there is suf- Army, a C.P.-controlled semiso employed. Their eyes must conditions. But when the hand fective guarantee for the sucbe opened so that they realize of capital, or even sooner, the cessful subjugation of white and that when they help French hand of militarism, tears them colored workers alike. The Imperialism to subjugate Eu- mechanically from their accus-

Fine. But where will the CIO gate themselves, in that they them to stake their lives for the are supporting the domination sake of new and complicated 'LEADERS' FAIL TO LINE UP Already Lewis has sent out a of French capital in the African questions and conflicts (conflicts between the bourgeoisie,

The Time for Action

and particularly of France and gives way abruptly, and revolu-Germany, must realize that tionary ideas find rapid access their own most vital interests to a consciousness thrown off before the British authorities. Opposition to Britain's imper- only a few days prior to the

are involved in this work of en- its balance. lightening the colored race. The 4. Therefore, it is of the utday of general resloutions on most importance, today, imme- What did the British Intend to Imposition of the Indian Fedthe right of self-determination diately, to have a number of en- do about granting India its free- eration scheme has already Hwa Jih Pao, Stalinist organ in

TROTSKY ON THE NEGRO QUESTION

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fight for their oppressors, the

British. This resolution is a di-

rect reflection of the opposition

and hostility to the war on the

part of India's 375,000,000 colo-

nial slaves. And the last word

has by no means been said.

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agandists is an exceedingly groes.

tionary task at the present not to be carried on in a spirit of Negro chauvinism, which would then merely form a coun-ternert of white chauvinism Kai-shek and Mao demanded Black and White Solidarity 5. In North America the mat-but in a spirit of solidarity of that the Trotskyists capitulate

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army ranks. If not for the vio-L. Trotsky lent opposition of Chou En-lai comrade Lo would have taken

or, this work.

On Hunan Front

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vention can do a tremendous of the colonial peoples, on the lightened, young self-sacrificing dom once the war had been been prevented, despite its ap-iob towards slowing down the equality of all human beings rehas admitted that he stood ment and the native princes of hsiu and Lo Han. They accused tion. He wanted to give uncon-than ever a mass revolt on the the Japanese, from whom they ditional support to the British and ask for nothing. Description of the British and ask for nothing. Description of the Indian people. We shall shortly see whether or not they intend to reveal their war Description of the Indian people. We shall shortly see whether or not they intend to reveal their war Description of the Indian people. We shall shortly see whether or not they intend to reveal their war Description of the Indian people. We shall shortly see whether or not they intend to reveal their war Description of the Indian people. We shall shortly see whether or not they intend to reveal their war Description of the Indian people. We shall shortly see whether or not they intend to reveal their war Description of the Indian people. We shall shortly see whether or not the army, by his entire life. the army, by his entire life, comrade Lo disproved the shameless slanders of the Stalinists.

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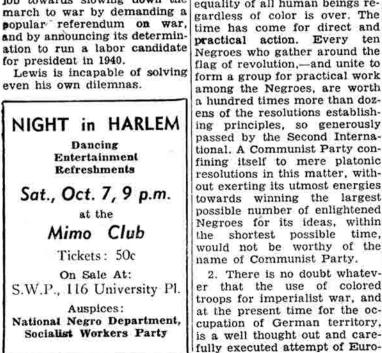
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The Negro and the War

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Nevertheless, if even we are agreed on the necessity of uniting the Negro masses against the war many American Negroes will say: "I agree with the Socialist Workers Party that the 15,000,000 Negroes in America have as their natural allies the 150,000,000 Negroes in the world and the millions of Indians, Burmese, Ceylonese, etc. If we all join together, that would be an immense force acting on a world scale. It is true also that the imperialists are so hard pressed for men and forces that they are arming and training these millions of colonials. But nevertheleess we remain only 15,000,000 out of a population of some 130,-000,000 people. The Africans in Africa, the Indians, in India will be concerned with their own struggles. We wish them well. But how can we here struggle against the vast numbers and the great power that are opposed to us."

It is a very good question, and the answer to it brings us to the very heart of the matter. We shall have to examine this very carefully. Whenever a problem like that faces us we should examine it in all its aspects, then examine similar situations in foreign countries, look back into our own history, see where the circumstances are alike and where they differ, and then attempt a conclusion.

A Lesson from History

The best example that we can start with is what happened in America some 75 years ago, when the Negroes gained their freedom. If all the American whites were agreed uponthe fact that the Negroes should continue to be slaves, then the 4,000,000 Negroes of that time and their descendants would have continued to be slaves until they died, for they would never have been able to free themselves against the enormous odds that were arrayed against them. But all the whites were not united. There was a great division between the whites themselves, between the merchants, the industrialists, and the bankers of the North on the one hand, and the slave-owners of the South on the other. That was a fierce quarrel that had been going on for many years, and at last it reached a stage where it could only be settled by force of arms.

It was this terrific quarrel that led to the Civil War. And Lincoln and the North found that they could not win their battle against the South except by bringing the Negroes in. Lincoln never intended at the beginning to free the Negroes. Yet all men who fight a battle and wish to win it seek their allies where they can find them. So he enrolled the Negroes in the Northern army, and finally declared their emancipation from slavery. That is one of the great lessons of the Civil War. The division among the whites, and the necessity for Lincoln to seek assistance from Negroes.

Class Stands Against Class

Let us now look at what is happening in Europe at the present day and during the last twenty-five years. Everyone knows that a very bitter civil war has just taken place in Spain. The Spanish workers and peasants were on one side. The Spanish capitalists, the bankers, the great landlords, and their followers were on the other side. It is true that some Moors from Africa took part on the side of Franco. But that has nothing to do with the fundamentals of the question. What we must note is that in Spain, where no Negroes live, the workers and the peasants on the one hand, all the poor, fought very fiercely against the rich owners of the country. Unfortunately the workers and peasants lost. Yet we see that in a country where all the population is of the same color the various classes can fight desperately to decide which class shall be master. Let us take another example. The whole world has heard of how brutally the German fascists treat the German workers. The fascists murder the workers' leaders, throw them into concentration camps, beat up the workers in the streets, cut their wages down, and treat them in the most brutal manner. But no Negroes live in Germany. This is a matter between whites and whites. The white capitalist class is in mortal conflict with the white workers. Jews have nothing to do with this at all. If there was not a single Jew in Germany, the leaders of the German workers would still be in concentration camps, and the working-class movement stamped upon.

(Continued from Page 1) **Masses Not Informed**

Throughout eastern Europe, It is not accidental that the in the Baltic and Balkan states, Soviet masses learned of the there was shivering apprehen- troop movements hours after sion over the application of the they had actually begun. These Kremlin's "peace" policy to actions have nothing in common them. In Rome the wavering with the interests of the Rus-Mussolini was obviously im- sian people. They are concernpressed by the Nazi-Soviet dem- ed solely with the interests of constration and by the seeming the oligarchy that rules the impotence of the Allies on the Kremlin,

western front. He still, however, Despite his act of war, Stalin made no move to burn any has proclaimed his continued bridges in any direction. neutrality and will probably sit There can be no doubt that tight on his new Polish domain the developments in Poland so until Hitler's hordes tear off anfar, taken together with the Soother piece of southeastern Euviet-Japanese truce, are prorope of which he can claim a ceeding according to deliberate share. plan. But the partners to this In both the military and diploplan trust each other about as

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WORKERS' FORUM We can't guess.

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INSTRUMENT Troop shelters, not houses That's the new slogan of Roosevelt's PWA!

It's launched by John M. Carmody, federal boss of P-WA. WPA, and the other works administrations, and now an unofficial member of the Cabinet. On a visit to New York Carmody said "that Ameri-

can participation in the Eur-(Continued from Page 1) opean war might revolutionhundreds of millions of dollars ize the character of public they reaped in profits in the spending on capital projlast World War and they hope to plunge the country into this But Carmody isn't waiting new blood-bath in order to refor participation. peat that experience so lucra-"Mr. Carmody said that

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(Special to the Socialist Appeal)

'rabble rousing.'

must organize neighborhood groups in order to exercise **G-MEN GO AFTER** their power of boycott and to demonstrate at the grocery stores through which Wall Street puts its squeeze on the WAR OPPONENTS worker's dinner table.

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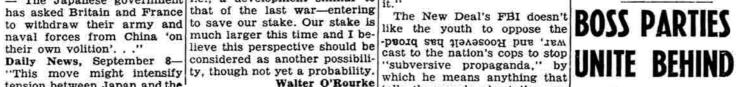
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Signatures Needed "Every worker must intensi-

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ceived the idea of printing and "Our preliminary campaign distributing posters and stickto gain the necessary number of ers with the slogan, "War is Hell! Why not mind our own forward despite all the obsta-

business." cles placed in our path by The pair said they did this with the idea of arousing public sources connected with Wall Street such as Tammany Hall opinion against the war in Eur-"If we are elected we will ope. They said they hated war immediately launch a militant and could see no reason for this country's entrance into the campaign from the vantage European conflict, and were af- point of the City Council against raid this country might be drag- this criminal and completely ged in "if we didn't succeed in unwarranted hoisting rousing public opinion against prices."





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Social Consciousness in Steel

When Europe went to war in 1914, the American steel industry lost no time in squeezing the last drop of profit from its strategic situation. As Allied orders poured in, prices soared, profits rose to unheard-of figures. Even after the United States entered the war, steel prices were maintained at prices high enough to yield huge profits. After vainly appealing to the steelmasters' "patriotism," the Wilson Administration was driven to threaten nationalization. This bluff, which every one knew the government had no intention of backing up, failed to move the steel industry. As Judge Gary, its spokesman, coldly remarked in March of 1918, just as the Germans were getting their last and most nearly successful "break-through" under way: "Theuacurers must have reasonable profits in order to do their uty." Profits first, then patriotism.

In the opening weeks of this war, we find an amazing reersal of this policy. Overnight, as German guns roared in Poland and German torpedoes sent British ships to the bottom, a 'buyers' market" in American steel changed into a "sellers' market." Orders from Europe began to pour in-for rails, for pipe, for scrap iron, light steel, and a hundred other types of non-military steel products. (The Neutrality Act forbids sale of munitions, but every ton of rails exported to a belligerent country releases that much of its own productive capacity for muniion making.) The reaction to this flood of export orders was unexpected. On September 15, the Steel Corporation's chief subsidiary, Carnegie-Illinois, announced that prices on light steel for the last quarter of the year would be the same as they had been in the third quarter. This policy of no price increases so

far has been followed by the other major companies in publish-"But prices will not come ing their last-quarter prices. And this is in spite not only of a rush of new business but also of a rapid rise in the prices of such raw materials as pig iron, spiegeleisen, and ferromangen-

'Industrial Statesmanship"

The N. Y. Times, announcing this seven-days' wonder, comments that "while this policy reflects the known desires of the Administration in Washington and takes into account the nationwide fear of high prices," it is by no means popular with many steel men, "particularly those of senior rank." It is not customary in the steel business for the "known desires of the Administration" to be deferred to, nor have the steel barons in the past shown any concern over high prices-quite the contrary. Why this excess of social consciousness?

the times explanation is as puzzling as the fact itself: "The lew that the price of steel has an important bearing on the naional wage and price structure . . . was held to be a more imortant arguments against an immediate price advance than the udden change from a buyers' to a sellers' market in the last ortnight, allowing prospects for handsome profits after a long eriod of lean earnings. . . . The steel industry has given evi-ience of industrial statesmanship which is quite at variance with the traditions and experience of former periods of prosperity."

It is clear that something much more potent than "industrial statesmanship" must have induced the steel companies to temporarily forego "handsome profits." This new policy is a particularly dramatic illustration of the institutional nature of both nominating signatures is going war and capitalism in the year 1939.

Towards State Capitalism

War in our time seems to have become such a gigantic social and economic enterprise, requiring such staggering capital investment and such a centralization of control, as to be beyond the grasp of even the most powerful private capitalist group or corporation. The problems raised by modern war, in neutral as well as in belligerent countries, can only be met by the stateacting, of course, as the agent, trustee, and executive committee of the bourgeoisie. Hence the lead taken by the Administration, not "Wall Street" in arranging war credits for the Allies in this country. And hence this renunciation on the part of the steel industry of its sacred "right" to charge all the traffic will beara renunciation of immediate, individual profits for the sake of the greater security of the entire economic system.

The Administration was the better able to persuade the steel industry to follow its lead because the present head of the U.S. Steel Corporation is a very different sort of industrialist from the stubborn and individualistic Judge Gary. When the House of Morgan two years ago put at the head of the Steel Corporation young E. R. Stettinius, son of a former Morgan partner, it served notice that a new era was beginning. For Stettinius has worked closely with the Roosevelt Administration ever since NRA days, and he has continued this "cooperation." He was inevitably chosen to head the War Resources Board recently set up by the War Deal. In Stettinius, the "Morgan man," the head of the nation's biggest industrial corporation, the White House One of the main purposes of intimate, one aspect of the War Deal-and right now the most the White House Conference is obvious aspect-is symbolized. But Stettinius is also symbolic of the changing nature of American big business. As stock ownership has become more ing legislation without too much and more widely scattered, the conception of "ownership" has discussion by opponents of it become increasingly vague. What Walter Rathenau wrote in and above all with such speed 1918 of the then more advanced German capitalist system, is that the American masses shall now applicable to our own: "The claims to ownership are subhave as little time as possible divided in such a fashion, and are so mobile, that the enterprise for making their vigorous pro- assumes an independent life, as if it belonged to no one. It takes ed Washington dispatches are only in church and state, in a municipal corporation, in the life to of a guild or religious order. . . . The depersonalization of ownern character." (Quoted in Berle and Means' The Modern Corporation and Private Property.) This development, of course, has not affected the social base of the bourgeoisie, which still remains in its control, through ownership, of the means of production. But it has had a great. "Hey, Bill, somebody on the tion the only real force that can and all too little realized, effect on the agencies through which phone wants to know if we have put a decisive spoke in the im- the bourgeoisie maintains its class rule. This is true above all in new book entitled 'Fascism perialist war plans of Roosevelt the supreme crisis of war. American capitalism went into the and Co .- the mass action of the last war with a laissez-faire philosophy-though already its economic foundations had been largely institutionalized. This war -are not expected to put up an finds the state and the corporation, Washington and Wall Street grown much closer together-and the shock of war, the supreme crisis of any social system, has already in the brief space of two weeks enormously hastened the process of fusion, as the overunited and militant action of the night replacement of the old reformist "brain trusters" with Wall Street's "men" in the top circles of the Administration dramatically indicates.

The same thing has happened in Italy, where the workers and poor peasants have had their leaders murdered and their organizations destroyed by Mussolini and his fascists.

Let us take one final example : Russia in 1917. There the workers and peasants fought the same civil war against the nobles, the landlords, and the capitalists. Only in this case, the Russian workers and peasants won. The land was divided among the peasants. The workers took over the factories and the workers' government was established.

The Situation in America

Here then it is clear that during the last few years, not to mention other great examples in history, there have been developing terrific clashes in country after country where the population is all of one color. In the case of Russia, the workers and peasants won. In others they have definitely lost, for the time being. In other countries, as in Great Britain and in France, this struggle, the continual struggle of the classes, goes on, although for the time being it is hidden by the war.

Now let us look at America of 1939 in the light of what we have just discussed. We saw that in America 75 years ago the division between sections of the white population in America resulted in one side calling the Negroes to join and assist them in their struggle. Through this means the Negroes gained their emancipation. Although at the present time it may seem that all the whites, or at least most of them, are against the Negroes, oppress them, and discrim-

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OPEN AIR MEETINGS take over foreign concessions Editor: in China.

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I submit this suggestion for the class struggle present and future, but let tthis comrade stick to his subject, confine himself within his time limit, and be ready at his regular hour (say 10 o'clock when a crowd has been gathered). A sales talk

war.

for the Appeal could immediately follow. Revolutionary greetings,

To the Socialist Appeal:

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"THE NEGRO AND WAR'

Wed., Sept. 27, 8 p.m.

at the Y.M.C.A.

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ADMISSION FREE

The great success of bour-One of the old San Francisco The Daily News followed this ip with an editorial on Septem- geois news weeklies, newspaper Reds called up the Stalinist In- tests heard. The carefully-word- an objective existence, such as in earlier days was embodied ber 11 demanding a naval and radio commentators, indi-ternational Bookshop the other blockade of Japan by Britain cates that such a regular feat- day and asked: "Have you peo- themselves and the United States (i.e., the ure of our outdoor meetings ple got that new book entitled acknowledge that "there will be ship, the objectification of enterprise, the detachment of property U.S.) to last until "... Japan could attract many workers to 'Fascism, the Hope of the some indecision among the 534 from the possessor, leads to a point where the enterprise bebulled its armies out of China." come regularly to listen. Of World,' by Joseph Stalin?" The men and women fresh from omes transformed into an institution which resembles the state The perspective of a war with course, it would flop it it were man at the phone said, "Why, I constituencies which, all agree, Japan (plus perhaps Germany sloppily given, not prepared in hadn't heard of it, just hold the dearly want peace.'

and Russia as allies?) means a advance, or not given by a well line a minute." Then he called ong war, a considerable period informed comrade. Let the oth- to a comrade in the next room of preparation. This prepara- er speakers be spontaneous, and could be heard saying, and do not want to set into moion would necessitate more and wander all over the field of

inate against them, yet we can take it as certain that the same struggle which we have seen working itself out in the various countries of Europe is taking place in America today. Sooner or later the workers and farmers of America, who are now fighting against the landlords and capitalists in unions, on the WPA, in struggles for better relief, will ultimately be driven to the same civil war that we have seen take place in country after country during the last 25 years. A Negro therefore who is looking at the political situation, not as it appears on the surface, but is seeing into the realities of the struggle between the classes, can have confidence in the future. He will realize that all white America is not solid. There is a tremendous division, a great split opening up. We can already see the signs of it very clearly. And as this struggle approaches and then actually flares out into the inevitable civil war, Negroes can be certain that many white workers and farmers who today are prejudiced will seek their assistance in the same way that Lincoln did when he wanted Negro help. Negroes in the last Civil War made one great step forward and so, in this coming civil war, the workers' revolution, Negroes have a great chance to complete their long journey to full freedom.

(Continued in Next Issue)

tells the people about the war he is preparing and opposes the **ROOSEVEL**

> (Continued from Page 1) American masses for concurrence in his war-mongering plans.

Will Act Quickly to arrive at ways and means fo

Chris Andrews

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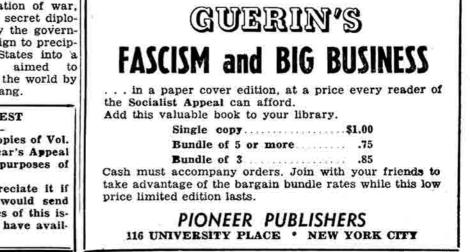
The isolationists, so-called, precisely because they cannot the Hope of the World, by Joseph Stalin." The caller could American workers and farmers not hear what the other fellow replied, but the man on the effective fight against the Presphone came back and said, ident's program. 'Hello, hello-Why, no, we

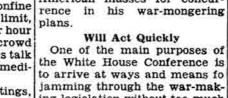
That can be done only by the haven't got that book yet, but f you will leave your phone organized movement of worknumber, we will call you when ers and farmers, demanding the t comes in. The old Marxist right fo a popular referendum thanked him and hung up, conbefore the declaration of war, vinced that anything can hapand an end to the secret diplopen these days

macy practised by the govern-EL BOOTH ment in its campaign to precipitate the United States into 'a world slaughter aimed achieve control of the world by Harlem Mass Meeting the Wall Street gang.

A REQUEST

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OF

By MARTIN HARVEY

WASHINGTON, D. C. - The

extent to which democracy and

liberty exist in the Democratic

across the Potomac from the

The young men entered the

brary in Alexandria.

army lands in British Columbia, NOT ALONE The Communist Party of and begins marching eastward, IN HIS PLIGHT Massachusetts, one might say, taking over one Canadian prov-If Frankfeld's comparison has is more to be pitied than cen- ince after another, being sup- any sense at all, he would have sured, if for no other reason plied meanwhile with food, min- to say in that case that the war than that its state Fuehrer is a erals and other raw materials is an imperialist war on both lad named Philip Frankfeld, by the United States, which al- sides. That is what the Stalin-For those who know him, noth- so signed a special trade pact ists in this country at least have ing need be added. Those who with Japan on the eve of the been saying (for the past few days) about the war in Europe do not will learn all they need war.

In a couple of weeks, the Jap- Thus, Frankfeld is saying that to know from the statement anese army has taken over the Soviet Union has been carwhich he issued for the Massamost of Canada. Thereupon, the rying on an imperialist war in chusetts Stalinists in explanation and justification of the United States mobilizes its or against Poland.

troops on the Canadian border. We need not, however, worry Russian invasion of Poland. Stalin entered Poland, explains Roosevelt delivers a speech too much about Frankfeld. He Frankfeld, "to guarantee the pointing out that there is no is not alone in his pitiable security of the Soviet Union and longer a government of Canada plight. The fact is that the en its people against any threaten- worthy of the name and that in tire Stalinist leadership in this any case it always was a fascist country is in a state of transied invasion by Hitler. regime which exploited and op- tion, of shifting from an old and "What would we as Ameri-

cans do if an invading army of pressed the French, the Ukrain- untenable position to a new but Nazis or Japanese were smash- jans, the Finns, the Jews and no less untenable position. It is ing into Canada toward us? To the Anglo-Saxons. A day later, inevitable that while the shift is safeguard the security of the the United States Army enters being made and the "new line" United States it would be our Canada, occupies Canada from gradually brought into position duty to enter Canada to protect Toronto to Montreal to Glace a lot of inane babbling, which it from the invaders and to pro- Bay and plants the American simply doesn't make any sense flag up as far north as Baffin at all, should emanate from tect our frontiers. the

"Any one who would be op- Bay. The American Army Com- Stalin's lickspittles in posed to such a policy would be mand cordially encounters the United States.

an enemy of our country - a Japanese forces at, say, Ham-Benedict Arnold. In fact, Presi- liton, and a joint statement is dent Roosevelt has already tak- issued by the two military en the necessary precautions to staffs announcing that the Can-guarantee the national security adian government no longer exof the United States by extend- ists, has no basis for existence, ing the Monroe Doctrine to Can- and that the United States and ada." (N. Y. Times, Sept. 18.) Japan are cooperating in the joint enterprise of restoring law

States and the Soviet Union on IMPLIES CONDEMNATION the same plane. But that is not OF SOVIET UNION

the point we want to argue here Such a development would make it possible to compare the South was once again revealed or now. Let us, for the moment, situation in Poland with the sit- recently by the arrest of five accept Frankfeld's assumption. uation in Canada as set forth Negro boys in Alexandria, Va. false though it is, and on its basis to examine the comparison in Frankfeld's hypothesis-always assuming that Frank- nation's capital, for daring to he makes between the present feld's original premises are val- use the facilities of the only li situation in Poland and the hypothetical situation in Canada. id, an assumption which we To make the comparison accucannot and do not accept. rate and meaningful, this is

library and asked to be given Unwittingly, Frankfeld imlibrary cards. After being rewhat the case would be: plies a condemnation of the Sowould be threatening to attack viet Union and in particular of fused by the librarian and askthe Stalinist regime which ed to leave, they removed quire more "living space" for would mean his everlasting dis- books from the open shelves their population. The Stalinists grace in the C.P. if he made it and proceeded to read them at in this country and in Canada explicit. For the comparison he the tables in the building. This seeks to made would appear in would conduct a tremendous community was answered by reality as follows: campaign against the Japanese calling the police. When the If Japan, keen imperialist

Fascist Aggressor and in favor boys still refused to leave they rival of the United States, were were arrested on charges of of the defense of Poor Little to invade Canada, the United Canada. Moreover, they would disorderly conduct. insist on Canada making a mil- States would undoubtedly deitary alliance with the United clare war against Japan and States for her own protection march into Canada against the Investigation of the case by United armies. the Emancipators, militant Neg-Nipponese from Japan. Suddenly, in the midst of ne- States forces would cooperate ro organization of Washington, gotiations with Canada, Roose- in the closest way not with the D. C., disclosed that, while velt announces that the Ottawa Japanese, but with the Canadithere was no organized sentidiplomatic mission has been an army against the Japanese ment for use of the library by

The Anglo-French propaganda machine is daily putting out-usually under the dateline of neutral capitals-stories of mass discontent within Germany. We are told that there have been numerous strikes, protest movements and desertions.

At the same time, British planes have been dropping within Germany millions of leaflets which blame Hitler for the war and call upon the German people to get rid of Hitler and Hitlerism.

Chamberlain's efforts in this direction have been notably supplemented by the British labor leaders. who have been addressing messages and radio broadcasts, along similar lines, to the German people.

It is, of course, impossible to judge whether there is any truth in these stories of German internal dissension. We know that there are in Germany many millions of workers and peasants who have never been reconciled to Nazism. They have bowed down to it only because of terror and the threat of terror, and because their means of opposition-their parties and independent unions-have been smashed. At the same time, there are even more millions of peasants and many workers who have, for a while at least, accepted Nazism, as a last resort, with a kind of mystic and despairing hope

It is certain that the first group, in whose hearts still live the traditions of Marxism, and a large section of the second will one day break into open opposition and finally revolt against the Nazi regime. But the experiences of history make it unlikely that this is commencing to any extent so soon. It will need to be stimulated by the everincreasing war hardships, growing casualty lists. military setbacks, and, above all, by signs of international support for a movement against the war.

The Effects of Treachery

What is most necessary of all to understand is that the effect of Chamberlain's and particularly of the British labor leaders' "anti-Hitler" agitation, far from hastening the process of revolt within Germany, is to strengthen Hitler. There is no paradox here; it could not be otherwise.

In the first place, this agitation, accompanying the military attacks on the German mass-armies and the economic blockade, enables Hitler to say to the German workers: "You see, everyone is against Germany and against you. This agitation is merely a trick whereby your enemies supplement their guns and their economic strangulation. You have only me to rely upon, me and our united German strength." He says this, and under the circumstances it must appear to the German workers to be the case.

But when, to the voice of Chamberlain is added that of the British and French labor leaders, the German worker - even without prompting from Goebbels-is compelled to reason to himself as follows:

"Not only are the imperialist governments of Britain and France united to crush Germany. I am deserted also by my brothers and fellow-workers in France and England. Instead of joining with me to overthrow the whole imperialist war-system, my fellow-workers are willingly and eagerly fighting for their own imperialist governments in order to defend the colonies and possessions of Britain and France. What hypocrisy when they tell me, by leaflet and radio, to overthrow Hitler but at the same time support their own robber-masters. Hitler is bad enough, but shall I give him up merely to be come the slave of British and French plun

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We're For War, Too!

Bernard Baruch, Wall Street spokesman, industrial manager of the United States in the last world slaughter, and bosom companion of President Roosevelt, thinks the United States is "seriously unprepared."

The War Department agrees with Baruch. Its official spokesmen are out for a "peace-time" strength of 1,000,000 men for the Army. And all that will be needed for this little item is a special appropriation of \$400,000,000 at the regular session of Congress in January, if not sooner. That is, \$400,000,000 above the "usual annual appropriation of about \$450,000,000"-or a little less than a billion dollars.

Another billion dollars for war preparations! And like the billion for armaments passed at the last Congressional session, it will most surely be taken out of the hides of the workers and especially the unemployed in the country. And again, like last time, it will be carried through by the united effort of Rooseveltites and the op-

Why did the Communist Party spokesman in the Aldermanic chamber of the city of Toronto, Canada, Stewart Smith, issue a leaflet a few days ago, saying : "At this grave hour, I and my party, the Communist Party, stand for Poland and for the implementing of pledges to that country by France and Britain. . . I say, for my party, that the people of Canada owe it as a

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The American Stalinists now say: "Commu-

nists in all the belligerent countries are exposing

the imperialist and predatory character of the

Why did the British Communist Party mem-

ber of the House of Commons, William Gal-

lagher, vote to support the Chamberlain govern-

ment, the British declaration of war against Ger-

war, they will vote against war credits."

Why didn't they do this in France?

many, and the war credits?

world domination."

vote war credits?

sacred duty to assist in stopping Hitler's advance.' By the latest statement of the American Stalinists, the Communist Parties of England, France and Canada-at the very least-stand condemned as RECRUITING AGENTS OF

National Commander Van Antwerp of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, declares that "we might as well accept the fact America will inevitably be forced to take part when another world war gets under way. . . We know that force is our only defense against-an invasion of our rights as a world power." Funny, but neither we nor any of our friends are aware of any "rights as a world

IMPERIALIST BANDITS!

power"

Unions and the War

The struggle against Roosevelt's war plans is the fight for the defense of the very existence of the trade unions.

If the President succeeds in dragging the U.S. into the European conflict, the trade unions as free, democratic organizations of the workers will be smashed.

All the steps for this dastardly purpose have been fully worked out in Washington. The Industrial Mobilization Plan will set up a dictatorship the moment the U.S. enters the war. Under this scheme the democratic rights of the people, and above all, the workers' right of collective bargaining and the right to strike, won through ecades of militant actions and now legally rec-

IF THE COMPARISON nad order and normal economic HAD ANY VALIDITY life in Canada Now we do not put the United

enly reactionary bloc of Republicans and Democrats.

Now we have no objection whatsoever to participation in war. Quite the contrary. But we are very particular about the war we support. Instead of billions of dollars spent to prepare the massacre of American workers and farmers so that Wall Street may be boss of the world at the end of the war, we are heartily in favor of :

A war to smash poverty in the United States, here and now.

A war to smash unemployment in the United States.

A war against fascism and all fascist bands, right here in this country.

A war against slave-drivers, Jim-Crow Bourbons in the North and the South, against openshoppers, vigilantes, company gunmen and all other vermin.

A war against the Sixty Families, the uppercrust multi-millionaires who rule the social, economic and political life of 130,000,000 people.

A war against bankrupt capitalism and all its modern horrors, including the warmongers and their wars.

That's the war we are for, the war in which labor has everything to gain and nothing to lose.

The difference between the social democrats and ourselves seems to be that we are against all capitalist wars and they're against all except the one they're supporting at the given moment.

Arch Hypocrites

The Stalinist party in the United States is in the process of making one of its typical turnsabout-face.

After years of pounding agitation about the noble "democratic" character of the coming war, so far as the so-called Democratic powers are concerned, it now issues a declaration in the name of its National Committee (Daily Worker, Sept. 19) denouncing the war as the "Second Imperialist War"-a point of view denounced with the greatest violence as "Trotskyite-Hitlerism" only a few days ago.

"This war, therefore, cannot be supported by the workers. It is not a war against fascism, not a war to protect small nations from aggression. not a war with any of the character of a just

ognized in the National Labor Relations Act,

will be smashed. The President would be able to do this under various powers. For example, he would have complete control over the allocation of the labor force of the country. All men between 18 and 45 years of age will be registered for the armed forces, subject to call for active service when needed.

If a strike breaks out, the President could take the leading militants out of industry and send them into the army-thus smashing the backbone of the strike. His power to draft any worker engaged in production for direct military service will be a constant threat over the heads of the masses. And this is only one of the many weapons he can use to break strikes, that is, destroy the unions and the right of collective bargaining. For what, after all, is left of a union and its "right of collective bargaining" if the workers cannot strike to enforce their demands?

What are the unions doing to fight these union-busting schemes of Roosevelt?

Lewis and Green have both declared their opposition to America's involvement in the war. But so has Roosevelt. In 1916, Gompers also spoke for the "neutrality" of this country. And so did Wilson. But by 1917 the same Gompers joined the war council set up by Wilson as "a representative of labor."

Today, the chief demand of Lewis and the C.I.O. is "labor representation" on the war policy boards of the government! In other words, they are asking that the union leaders be given the same recognition that the A.F.L. leaders received in 1917-1918. The recent convention of the United Rubber Workers of America went even further and adopted a resolution which pledged support to the government in case of

war. Here is a policy of planned suicide! Roosevelt deliberately acts to plunge the country into the war for imperialist conquests. Roosevelt is ready to impose a dictatorship over the American people on M-Day.

The union leaders pledged to support Roosevelt's war drive are, wittingly or unwittingly, conniving at the destruction of the labor movement in this country.

But besides the union leaders-there are the union members. And the last word is and must be theirs.

sent back from Washington and and with the aim of "restoring that a "non-aggression pact" Canadian territorial sovereign has been signed between the ty" (under Washington's domination, it goes without saying!) United States and Japan. A few hours later, a Japanese by "crushing the Yellow Peril"

British Seamen Join Strike for War Bonus

Crews tied up the United (Continued from Page 1) mutiny were hinted against the States Lines' American Travelseamen. The men are from the er, a freighter; the Iriquois, crew of the United States liner which was taken over by the US lines for a special trip to Demands of the NMU mem- Europe; the American Scantic American Trader. bers include a war risk insur- Lines' Scantates; the American ance of \$25,000, bonuses of \$250 Export Lines' Excambion, and the Black Diamond Lines' a month and a 40 per cent in-Black Gull. crease in ships' personnel. Under the pressure of this

Owners Stall strike action, members of the Continued ship owner stalling American Merchant Marine Inin negotiations and finally a flat refusal to meet with an N- stitute decided to meet with a MU committee brought direct union negotiating committee Monday. Originally, they were action on the ships.

JUDAS GOAT

"The Jewish God is paciunion official. fist, but he commands you to Indications that other Amer fight in defense of your ican ships just returning from country." - Rabbi Ephraim Europe will also be tied up un-Levine, of London, as quoted in Time, Sept. 18, 1939. ficials.

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pending in the circuit court or this very question. A small group of Negroes, growing impatient with the slowness of capitalist courts, determined upon a bold assertion of their rights.

Negroes, there was a case

Assert Rights

A statement on the case was submitted by Mrs. Albert A. Smoot, president of the Library Board which noted that after the present library was opened in 1937 discussions were held with a number of prominent colored citizens of Alexandria' out of which came "the recommendation that the drive for a colored library be temporarily

dropped in favor of efforts to acquire a colored boys' club and community center." Interested mainly in forcing

down the educational standards Board and the government did

of the Negroes, the Library not even consider the possibility of use of the library by Negroes, a reasonable answer to an urgent need.

The militant action of the five youths and the possibility of scheduled to confer on Sept. 30. further action by the Emanci-The question of war compenpators may result in at least sation will be the major point the first steps toward library of discussion, according to a facilities for Negroes in Alex-

> andria. AVAILABLE

> > There are still some copies of UNSER WORT, No. 97-98, available. Featured is a polemic by Walter Held with the Institute for Social Research, entitled: "Critical Theory Without Revolutionary Practice?" There is an excellent commentary on "The Pact of the Three," by L. A. which is of particular interest at this time in view of the predictions made which have since been confirmed. The series of documents on the Spanish Revolution is continued. The new issue, dealing with the outbreak of wa,r will appear shortly. Order at once in writing from: LABOR BOOK SHOP

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Stalin Does His Bit

Such a reaction is deepened a hundred-fold by the infamy of Stalin. The effect of the Stalin-Hitler alliance on the consciousness of the German workers is the most terrible of all its consequences.

In spite of everything, the Soviet Union had appeared to the German workers as their hope and their great ally which would when the day came be at their side to aid in throwing Nazism from their backs.

With the signing of the pact and the subsequent proofs that it is a broad alliance, they see Stalin also lined up not with them against their tyrant but as the chief aid of that tyrant.

How to Help the German Workers

We see here the full measure of the crime of social-patriotism. The soical-patriots in England, France and the United States are, in actuality, the main bulwarks of Hitler.

There is only one way in which we can help the German workers to overthrow Hitler and Hitlerism: by refusing to support our own governments and their war, by carrying on our struggle against the enemy in our own country.

If we do this, then the German workers will know that they have allies who are neither hypo critical nor treacherous, who are fighting on the same side of the same war. They will take courage from the example of their fellow-workers in other lands, and Hitler's demagogy will prove empty and sterile.

Every word that a labor leader in this country says in support of Roosevelt's war machine and his war plans is worth an armored regiment to Hitler. Every word and deed against Roosevelt's war is a nail in Hitler's coffin.

Do we wish to make this in reality the war to end fascism? Then, for us, the answer is clear: Against Roosevelt and his war; for the international struggle of the workers of all nations to destroy imperialism and build a world socialist order.

Etiquette Note: Emily Post is asked: "Is it proper for an employe to greet an employer first? For instance, should I wait for him to speak first?" And she answers: "As a rule, wait for him to speak, since he has rung for you to tell you something. If you go to his office to tell him something, you speak first." Especially when you ask for a raise.

When Charlie McCarthy is informed by Kay Francis that wood in which worms bored holes is more valuable than that which is bored by man in making "antique" furniture, he asks incredulously: "Do you mean to tell me that a man will work more cheaply than a worm?'

Says Scissorbill Sam: "My employer says that we mustn't allow labor organization to come to the point where it is in Minneapolis."

less the union demands were settled were given by union of-