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## **Russell Sentenced** To Four Months in Hosiery Strike Case

Ellis and Swanson, Strutwear Strikers, Get Six Months in Workhouse; N.P.L.D. To Appeal Cases

### BULLETIN (By Wire to New Militant)

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 23. -Labor hating Judge .Molyneaux sentenced Al Russell to four months in the work house and Ellis and Swanson, Strutwear strikers to six months each for their militant activities in the strike.

All cases are being appealed by the Non-Partisan Labor Defense, the legal representative of the defendants,

Vernon Simonson, Strutwear striker, was arrested today and is being held on charges of criminal contempt.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 22. — On

Thursday, Dec. 18, the trial of the three arrested Strutwear pickets (David Ellis, Lawrence Swanson Illinois WPA son and Al Russell) got under way in the Federal Court building in Minneapolis, with Judge Molyneaux presiding. All three young boys are charged with the same offense, criminal contempt of court, growing out of the Novemer 29 disturbances at the Strutwear hosiery plant, where federal marshals attempted to move merchandise from gates from seventy-five Illinois the struck plant to a railway sid- towns. including Chicago, met here ing, where the goods were to be today in a huge conference of the shipped to the bogus "Peacock Co." Illinois Workers Alliance and voted in St. Joseph, Mo.

in the state legislature calling for the gaining of the prevailing union an appropriation of \$100,000 to in- wage rate. vestigate strikes and riots in Minnsession. Later the city council of five hours the delegates discussed Minneapolis passed by a vote of 14 the merits of the line of strategy to 11 a motion calling for a con- offered. The resolution committee. stances surrounding the federal re- officers of the alliance, stated in its plevin action of the Peacock Knitting Company against the Strut- step backwards in order that the a writ of replevin was obtained forward at a more opportune time." through an alleged fraud on the court to permit the Strutwear Co. . . to evade the anti-injunction

legal rights."

in other states, notably Iowa today temporarily employed, as working in the Toledo plant are When the trial opened Thursday where a similar conference was well as thousands of other union In order to create the broadest receiving this \$25 Xmas gift bemorning, the courtroom was packed held with J. C. Lewls, state prespossible basis for this work the automobile workers, will soon be cause everybody knows that they with workers and leading figures in ident of the federation of labor. thrown on the streets to become Lucas County Unemployed League are in dire need of it after a Raymond W. Henderson, attorney proposed at the start of the WPA the local labor movement. Dozens In a last-minute appeal to save presiding. 2) To intensify the public charges." month's lay off and the low wages Ferrero and Sallitto from deporta for Norman Mini, is proceeding program here to the Workers Alliof Strutwear striker buttons were campaign to break down the rethey are now receiving. "We wish to make it clear," tion on Dec. 28 to Italy where with the next legal steps in his ance of Lucas County to set up a seen in the audience. Attorney luctance of the state trade union the statement concludes, "that "Since you are getting so much death probably awaits them, a fight to compel the state of Cali- joint committee for the purpose of Francis Heisler of Chicago, who, leaders to support such a strike. publicity on this act of generosity, anyone who at this time deserts with Attorney Gilbert Carlson of 3) To perfect a more efficient delegation representing the Ferrero- fornia to provide copies of the trial jointly organizing the WPA work we feel that it is only your just the union or attempts to create St. Paul the Non-Partisan Labor Sallitto Defense Conference had a record, thereby making possible an strike apparatus. 4) To permit ers. But all attempts to achieve due for us to inform the public of out of the troubled situation a Defense had secured to defend Al hearing on Monday with McGrady appeal by Mini and the other victhe negotiating committee more joint action with the Workers Althat other Xmas gift you have dual or competitive union in the Russell, addressed the court for time to pursue its conferences of the Department of Labor. The tims of the Sacramento criminal liance have thus far proven fruitgiven 900 other Chevrolet employ-Chevrolet plant will meet the an hour or so, asking that all delegation consisted of Ulisse De syndicalism frame-up. It is ex- less. Some of the Socialist Party with WPA officials. ees in the Toledo plant. We, whom most determined resistance from The secretary of the resolutions you recently threw on the streets charges against the pickets be Dominicis, manager of the Balti- pected that the case will shortly members holding leading positions dropped, on the grounds that the committee further reported that it in order to break our union, wish our ranks." more Joint Board of the A.C.W.A., be in court again, when Henderson in the local W.A.A. organization jurisdiction of the court had been was evident that the sentiment for to publicly thank you for our Xmas Folowing through on their cam-Rose Pesotta, national vise-presi- moves to upset the recent adverse have united with Communist Party obtained by fraud. Attorney Heis- strike action was mixed, in some gift. As we gaze at our empty an open meeting on Wednesday, paign, the Committee of 900 held dent of the I.L.G.W.U., Albert ruling of the District Court in unemployed leaders who have offiler gave the background of the so- districts, especially the agricultur- Xmas tables, our kids whom no Sacramento. Strong, secretary of the Defense cially liquidated the Unemployed called Peacock Company in some al, the workers were in no mood Dec. 18 at the plant gates of the Conference and member of the The National Sacramento Appeal Councils, have joined the W.A.A. Santa Claus will visit, our eviction Toledo Chevrolet plant, where they detail, citing the fact that this for a walkout the following day. notices, we will bless you for a Journeymen Stonecutters Union of Committee, which has retained and are using every means to sabocompany was formed on Nov. 8, "it's our job to go into those weak explained to a crowd of 500 Chev- North America; William Taback, Henderson, is opening a drive to tage and prevent any joint action that none of the three stockholders spots and build up morale, crystal- You have a heart of gold, yes solid action. rolet men the necessity for strike delegate to the conference and forget unions and other bodies to send between the W.A.A. and the U.L, knew much about it, that it had lize strike sentiment and activize gold. merly a member of the Boilermak The confusion in the organization no official residence, etc. Heisler the non-active branches," he said. resolutions to the California au-Union Leadership Weak thorities calling for the release not of the WPA project workers in ers Union. Yours truly, charged that the writ of replevin only of Mini but of his fellow-pris- Lucas County, which the leaders Opponents of the resolution com In this troubled period, when During the previous week prowas entered into to circumvent the mittee's report stated that failure COMMITTEE OF 900, General Motors is clubing the tests from over 100 A. F. of L. and oners. Among the organizations of the Lucas County Unemployed anti-injunction act and the Wag- to strike would cause irreparable (signed) JAMES HOLLY, union on the head, determined independent unions and from hun- which have given financial aid and League predicted would ensue, can-Secretary. ner labor disputes act. "There has harm to the I.W.A., it would tend to wipe it out, the leadership of dreds of prominent individuals all also adopted resolutions, the N.S. not be exaggerated. Because of Former employees of Toledo been an offense committed against to smash hopes that had been inthe union proved to be amateurish over the country had poured in on A.C. announced yesterday, are the this hundreds of WPA workers Chevrolet Ohio Co." this court," he said, "but not by spired by the strike call and that and weak. The confidence and ag- | McGrady's desk as a result of the | following: will undoubtedly be lost to both the defendants in this case." In further, it would tend to entrench gressiveness which revolutionary drive for such mass protests just organizations and the strength of **500 in NY Hear** Amalgamated Clothing Workers denying the motion, the judge ad- the inefficient machine of the elements in the union had provided started by the Defense Conference. the unemployed organizations conof America (General Executive mitted that there may have been WPA. Others argued that the trade during the previous strike was sad. These, with personal letters, telesiderably lessened due to the facfraud, but held that even so, the union leaders would fail to budge Board; New York, Cincinnatti, y lacking. Six weeks ago, when grams and phone calls from many Boston Joint Boards; many lo-Max Shactman tional warfare that exists. U. S. marshals had been ordered from their evasive position on the General Motors was first preparing including John L. Lewis, Norman U. L. Organizes Project Union by the court to move the goods, question. cals); the General Defense Como move out its machinery to other Thomas, Frank Morrison, secretary mittee and many of its locals; the The Lucas County Unemployed cities, the Workers Party gave the of the A. F. of L., Samuel Dubin- League for Industrial Democracy; League, finding joint action imposand that any attempt to interfere The strike call had provoked Cannon to Speak on Labor warning that decisive action was sky and Luigi Antonini of the I.L. d. W.U. (New York Joint sible at the moment. sponsored and with this process was a criminal alarm in state political circles and necessary and that the whole mem- G.W.U., Joseph Schlossberg of the Boards and several locals); Jewish helped organize an independent oroffense. WPA offices. A special WPA cir-War in Mpls., Jan. 5th bership must be aroused to the A.C.W.A., had convinced McGrady National Workers Alliance; New ganization, the WPA Workers In the afternoon various federal cular was distributed by tens of danger facing the union. But the that the labor movement of the York Forward Assn.; Proletarian Union. This union is an indepenmarshals testified to having seen thousands calling upon the men not More than 500 workers attended executive committee marked time; country was mobilizin, in the de Group (N. Y. C.): Workmen's dent organization, has elected its the three defendants at the scene to strike the morning the strike the regular weekly lecture of the allowed itself to be seduced by the fense of Ferrero and Sallitto. of the disorder. They claimed that was called for, Dec. 16. On several Workers Party, held in Irving fair promises of General Motors Circle (N.E.B. and many circles); own officers, set its dues at 25c 125 pickets had stoned the three jobs workers reported that bosses Plaza last Sunday, to hear Max and did nothing. McGrady, as usual, passed the Workmen's Sick and Death Benefit per month and has proceeded to trucks as they were being escorted of various projects addressed the buck, claiming that the charges Fund (National Office and many organize the WPA workers on the Shachtman who just returned from into the plant by eight deputy men as they completed their week's When the plant reopened, and against Ferrero and Sailitto could branches); branches of the S.P., basis of project stewards and proa nation-wide tour, tear to shreds marshals, six police squad cars and work, Saturday afternoon, calling the management announced that not be dropped and that the fight, W. P., Y. P. S. L., Young Circle ject committee subdivisions. The the Stalinist argument that the (Continued on Page 4) (Continued on Page 2) (Continued on Page 2) (Continued on Page 2) League, etc. (Continued on Page 2) "People's Front" as constituted in France, can stop Fascism or war **Class Struggle Issues Arouse** in France or elsewhere. Thoroughly analyzing the pro-gram and tactics of the "Front New Zealand Seamen's Union Adopts West Coast Maritime Unions gram and tactics of the "Front Populaire," comrade Shachtman **Revolutionary Position on Sanctions** showed that it was copied from the social-patriotic class-collaboration By C. CURTISS forced to take recourse to job acist and coalition government pro SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.-The tion. The "award" they received gram of the Second International issue of job action has assumed some time ago has proven to be a at its worst-1914-18. Quoting (Editor's Note: The following resolution, carried at a stop work the world safe for democracy, to the war was declared the evils of great proportions on the West cruel farce, and in order to main- from Stalinist documents beginning meeting of the Seamen's Union in New Zealand, speaks for itself and coast. end war, and to overthrow German | firitish and French militarism were tain conditions of living and safety, with the Sixth Congress right down The recent convention of the the seamen have been compelled to to Olgin's pamphlet on "Trotskyshows that the New Zealand seamen are well aware of the illusions militarism for ever. Emphasis was immediately added to those of Gerlaid on the importance of safe- man militarism; and at the end of maritime federation (organization utilize job action as an ultimate ism" printed last June, Shachtman that are being spread by those who would capitalize the League of of all waterfront crafts on the weapon. Nations in the present international crisis. We heartly endorse the guarding international law against the war. British, French, Italian, proved to the hilt that the present treaty breakers such as Germany and American militarism were triattitude of the New Zealand seamen and hope that seamen in the U.S. coast) has attempted to resolve The conditions under which the social-patriotic course of the C. I. and on the certainty, if Germany umphant, and democracy everythis question of job action, with seamen live and work are described had in the past been roundly dewill follow their position. The resolution is quoted from "The Miliwhat success remains to be seen. | by Harry Lundberg, leader of the tant," monthly organ of the Fourth Internationalist Workers Party of nounced from a principle basis by were allowed to do as she pleased, where was either greatly weakened that there could be nothing but in- or wiped out of existence. In this Job action is a term that de-|Sailors Union of the Pacific. and its present protagonists. Australia. ternational anarchy throughout the manner the capitalist system manscribes a multitude of activities. president of the Maritime Federa-The next lecture of the series "That in the opinion of the mem- | working class throughout the Brit- world. But speaking generally it is action tion: will be held Sunday, Jan. 5, when aged to survive the conflict bebers of the Federated Seamen's ish Empire responded to the appeal taken right on the job by the men **Conditions of Seamen** James P. Cannon, who has just re-"Influenced by their hatred of tween the two great capitalist "The seamen are still working turned from Minnepolis, will speak Union the international situation of their various governments to as- the tyranny of German militarism, powers, Great Britain and Gerinvolved in order to gain a demand or a set of demands. 56 hours a week or more for an on the struggle in the A. F. of L. is as follows: sist them in their war to protect the working class supported its many, and after the war profitand the labor war in Minneapolis. "In 1914 the majority of the the rights of small nations, to make capitalist governments. But when (Continued on Page 4)



STAUNTON, Ill., Dec. 15.-Dele-4 to 1 to postpone the proposed But a day or so before the trial strike on all W. P. A. projects,

The resolution committee elected eapolis. It is considered unlikely by the conference brought in the either, of course, the fact that that any such bill will pass this report unanimously and for over wages in your plant are so low gressional investigation of circum- which was supported by the state of the amount you have saved as report that it was "proposing one General Motors low wage-scale. wear Knitting Company "in which organization would take two steps sums to break our strike last April

Muncie, Ind. It is obvious that crease in wages, and spend \$5,000,to get back on relief as the WPA The committee further reported not only do we 900 Chevrolet 000 as "gifts" now. But a five per projects are demobilized; and for and argued that a delay was neccent wage increase last spring was men face the prospect of pauper-Rap Ferrero MiniDefense the realization of united action be-tween the organized unemployed and the trade union movement. law and the Wagner-Connery act, essary for the following reasons: ism and dependence on public "impossibility," wasn't it? ดn and to deprive strikers of their 1) To time the state wide walkpoor relief but also the remain-Nevertheless, we are genuinely and the trade union movement. out to meet the proposed strikes happy that the 1,400 men now ing 1,400 Chevrolet men who are **Russell Supporters Pack Court** Deportation In New Move **Unity Efforts Fruitless** 

Gift for Independent Auto A. Šloan Unions Amalgamate Ohio Chevrolet Workers 'Thank' G. M. Head for Empty Christmas Tables

Men Act

In Toledo

Organize Vigorous Cam-

paign to Save Chev-

rolet Union

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 23.-The 900

men, who have not been recalled

to the Toledo Chevrolet plant, keen

weeks, the Chevrolet union has

taken no action to protect their

jobs, and has allowed the union

membership to become demoralized,

have taken vigorous action at a

special meeting last week of a

number of the so-called "outside"

900 men, to protect their interests

Forming into a "Committee of

900," they elected a membership

committee of seven to act in their

behalf, with James Holly as sec-

On Dec. 16, there appeared a

statement in the Toledo press,

over the signature of James Hol-

ly, secretary of the "Committee

of 900" that "the automobile and

auto parts manufacturers are

carrying on a deliberate and well-

planned drive to destroy our un-

ion organization in Toledo. Gen-

eral Motors took the lead some

six weeks ago when it moved part

of its Chevrolet transmission ma-

and to "Save the Union."

retary for the group.

To the accompaniment of blaring newspaper publicity, General Motors has climbed on the Christmas bandwagon and out of the generosity of its great strike-breaking, labor-hating heart, has presented its employees with a \$25 Christmas bonus. The 900 laid-off employees of the Toledo General Motors Chevrolet plant have written the following letter of Christmas cheer to Alfred Sloan for his magnanimous deed: \* \* \*

A Xmas

"Dec. 23, 1935

"It is with extreme satisfaction that we have learned through every channel of publicity possible of your act of incredible generosity in giving a \$25 Christmas bonus check to the men now employed in with resentment, that after six the Chevrolet Motor Ohio Co. plant here.

"There are those who unkindly have termed this bonus for Xmas as a sort of bribe (you know that it is the first time that General Motors has ever given any Xmas

present to its employees in Toledo) in your alleged drive to split unionism in the Toledo plant and make those who are now working commenced, a bill was introduced which had as its main objective laid off and are now outside your forget those of us who you recently gates as a result of your "economy" program. This, you will of course

say, is all wet. It would not be that the \$35,000 you are giving as a gift to the 1,400 men in the Toa result of the speed-up and the You could afford to spend untold rather than give us a slight in-

chinery to Saginaw, Mich.. and and pledged the support of Toledo for the Motor Products strike. **Reasons for Postponement** 



BULLETIN DETROIT, Dec. 22 .- About 100 delegates from Detroit, Toledo,

Cleveland, Defiance, Pontiac, Chicago and other cities, representing the three independent unions: the Mechanics Educational Society of America, the Associated Automobile Workers of America and locals of the Automobile Industrial Workers Association came together Saturday night for a "constitutional convention" at the Fort Wayne Hotel here in Detroit to amalgamate into one independent union representing the Automobile and Metal Workers of America. A telegram from Richard Frankensteen, president of the A.I.W.A., was read to the convention to the effect that the A.I.W.A. promises to cooperate with the amalgamated union, but was not yet ready to enter the convention. Boos greeted this hypocritical declaration. It is understood that both Frankensteen and Morris Fields backed out at the last moment, because they feared that they would lose the jobs which they now hold. It is understood that eight locals of the A.I.W.A. voted in favor of the amalgamation as against five that voted against. In spite of this disruptive action by the officers of the A.I.W.A., a solid delegation of the A.I.W.A., representing the Motor Products local and the Pressed Steel local, attended the convention and voted to amalgamate to the new union.

After a day and a half of deliberation, a constitution and preamble were adopted, stating that the final objectives of the new union were "the complete industrial and political freedom of all workers and to this end we dedicate our lives." The amalgamated union is to be called the Automobile and Metal Workers Industrial Union of America (A.M.W.) and its temporary officers are to be Tice Woody of Pontiac, president, Mathew Smith, secretary and Arthur Greer treasurer.

Another meeting is to be held on Feb. 1 at which time dues books will be issued, permanent officers elected, fluancial arrangements completed and an organizing campaign planned.

The convention pledged continued support of the Motor Products strike and pledged solidarity with the battle.

The mass meeting of the Motor Products strikers was held at Schiller Hall following the convention. Mathew Smith reported on the successful amalgamation of the unions, to the enthusiastic applause of the strikers. The Toledo delegates, Brothers Bycker, president of local 4, Crookes, secretary, and Burke Cochran of the Mather strike advisory committee, local 4, then addressed the strike meeting



# Projects Organize

O.U.L. Backs New WPA Set-up After Unity Efforts Prove Fruitless

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 23 .-- Real proress is being made in the organization of the 11,000 WPA workers here into the WPA Workers Union, affiliated to the Lucas ounty Unemployed League.

The much ballyhooed WPA program originally scheduled to be under way as far back as last June, has already simmered down into a weak imitation of the old FERA program, but on a much less stable basis. Originally scheduled to employ 18,000 men in Lucas County, it has to date given jobs to only 11,000 workers on the relief rolls. Approximately 14,000 families are still dependent upon direct relief and face the prospect of outright starvation with the withdrawal of all Federal relief funds, on Dec. 1. The Lucas County Unemployed League, alive to the possibilities inherent in this situation, realized the the necessity for a swift and aggressive campaign to organize these thousands of WPA workers into a stable organization for the achievement of better working conditions, continuous employment, trade union wage-scales; the ability

Above all the seamen have been

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### NEW MILITANT



On June 21 the members of the American Railway Union voted to cease handling all Pullman cars on any of the twenty-four railroads entering Chicago, and on the 26th they voted a sympathetic strike. if continued, must be fought in the

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to join.

This action, a splendid example of working class solidarity, transformed the strike at Pullman from a localized struggle into one of na-struggle until the end, up to the tional prominence and significacne. Supreme Court of the U.S. if nec-A Wall Street paper bemoaned essary. Upon the surrender of the

the situation: "It is impossible to two men, mandatory upon Ferrero contemplate the action of the many this week, writs of habeas corpus thousand railway employees in will be sued out and the case taken blindly following the mandates of for the first time before the courts. an irresponsible leader, without a The protest campaign, hitherto difeeling of wonder and astonish- rected to Frances Perkins and Mce truth is that the work- Grady, must now be redoubled

sympathy for their Pullman comrades. The ruling class always between workers.

#### Cleveland Calls Out the Troops

the interests of those travellers who were hurrying to the bedsides of dying mothers, wives and children. In short, no stone was left unturned by the ruling class to against the striking workers. But the strike continued and spread with every hour.

significance of the cases of these On July 4 President Cleveland two innocent men, persecuted by ordered two thousand federal troops to Chicago under the command of General Miles. At first Miles' authority was somewhat limited or undefined, but on July 8

the President issued a proclamation declaring the necessity for se vere action and cautioning all "law abiding" citizens to keep clear of the scenes of riot. This proclamation virtually placed Chicago under martial law. It is interesting to note in passing, that Governor Altgeld had sent a vigorous protest to Cleveland when the federal troops were first directed to move on Chicago.

In the meantime, the workers were becoming more and more militant. As far west as California the blockade was almost complete. State militias and deputies were pitted against determined workers all over the middle-west and far west. There were many clashes, not confined to the railroads. In Michigan, two thousand ore miners were striking. Ten companies of state troops were guarding the Pratt mines in Alabama after riots. Others were out in Colorado and elsewhere.

Solidarity of Soldiers and Workers A most interesting thing happened at Tacoma, Washington. Troop A of Sprague, consisting of sixty men and said to have been a crack cavalry unit, refused to ride on trains manned by non-union crows. The soldiers were placed under arrest and locked in a boxcar. These men, not being professional soldiers, were, in reality, workers and had the same interests in common with the strikers.

ers were not so much inspired by upon the District Court in New the leader as by their feeling of York before which the cases will be tried. Already over 7,000 protest blanks have been sent out. stands amazed at the comradeship The Non-Partisan Labor Defense, the I.L.D., the General Defense Committee of the I.W.W., the L.I. D., all participating in the De-

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courts. The Defense Conference

is determined to carry through the

Chauncey M. Depew, president of fense Conference, and the Greater the New York Central. pleaded in New York Federation of Churches have sent out appeals on their own letterheads to their members to send in protests. Auxiliary defense committees in San Francisco, Chicago and Philadelphia are spreadwhip up general public indignation ing the campaign over the entire country.

The growing realization of the

the government as part of a covered attack on the press of the working class, is shown by the threat of William Randolph Hearst to make the case a national issue in his papers.

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olutionary party should one come all pay checks are now mailed direct to the workers' homes in place into existence.) When working together with the of the old system, where WPA Stalinists for a few months an old workers would spend days waiting sympathizer" of the C. P. brought in line to receive their checks with him to one of our meetings a Through the formation of a comcertain Leon Green. Although I mittee on the Canal Boulevard prohad heard of Leon Green previous- ject which employs several thou- only 1,400 men would be rehired, blame as Italy and the weaker political power for the working distribution at the regular, meeting houses for the protection of the sult of these delays, the hesitation proposed increase in officers' salaries. This arrangement, however, was not carried out due to the burmon in Lucas County for thousands moralized. of the Stalinists. of WPA workers to be laid off pro-

members of the C. P. (By the fore-

going I do not pretend that I am

#### **Anything Goes**

nation occurred.

In September the progressives three weeks for transfers and re- from the 900 men. A minority of order that one set of exploiting im- any way assist any war governnot dominated by the Stalinists assignment. This cuts their month- three, headed by James Roland, perialist powers may prevail over issued their first number of "Labor ly minimum pay to as low as \$25, chairman, recommended to the un-Truth" to 1,500 members of the and is the biggest issue and the ion membership strike action, and

iny political party and disagreeing WPA Workers Union is conclusive

with both factions as to certain proof that the WPA workers are

work with the "Stalinist" faction, a separate organizational form for

hoping that I would eventually suc- them is vitally necessary to achieve

conviction that both the Communist workers themselves. By its aggres-

ng to collaborate with a pure rev- the WPA workers in Lucas County:

working class. However, I am wil- already won major concessions for ployed field.

From the start the WPA Work-

ers Union has moved decisively on

above politics, but it is my sincere the vital issues raised by the WPA that as the organization of the

Party and the Workers Party are sive attitude and the constant sure of the men themselves will be-

devoid of what I consider the cor- pressure it has exerted on the local come irresistable for the achieve-

rect approach to the international WPA administration the union has ment of joint action on the unem-

ceed in my efforts at reforming the numerical strength rapidly.

policies, I nevertheless decided to anxious for organization and that

Union. The Stalinists were in a greatest concern of all WPA work- a majority of five, headed by Joquandry; they must break the ers in Lucas County. growing influence of "Labor County-wide Drive for Conditions executive committee, recommended The WPA Workers Union is continued negotiations for another Truth"...But how?-They must seek the advice of their "leader." mobilizing all resources and has thirty days. A union membership In October a meeting of some requested the aid of the Lucas which had been bled white with Stalinists and "sympathizers" was County Unemployed League. to inaction and no resistance to the held at 1 Union Square. Sam which it is affiliated, to initiate a blows of the enemy, who had been Nesin, the Stalinist "leader" of a county-wide campaign aiming at listening to gloomy reports for new fangled Stalinist "trade-union- forcing the local WPA administra- weeks from a bewildered and dazed committee" insisted that the "Trot- tion to pay the full minimum leadership, voted for the majority skyist renegades" must be exposed monthly wage-scale with no deducresolution.

**Quick** Action Vital

and an "opposition" bulletin must tions for any cause which the WPA With every passing week the pose Fascism, for we realize that be issued at once... a thousand worker is not responsible. This union has grown weaker and the bulletins "if necessary"... Com- drive will reach a focal point in a pletely disgusted with the Stalin- mass meeting to be held on January membership has become more ter- not waged on account of forms of ist clap-trap I stated the fight must 5 where the local WPA administrabe directed against the corrupt ad- tor will be on the platform to ad- Toledo are already speaking of -- and further we know that once ministration of Local 3 and not dress the WPA workers and fix the moving their plants to other unoragainst the "Trotskyist faction." responsibility for the breakdown ganized cities, and it is becoming cratic governments will and must The Stalinists, however, did not is- of WPA projects and deductions in almost impossible to organize new introduce the necessary means of sue this bulletin until a special sit- the pay and answer the union's men into the unions today as they fear the manufacturers will immedemands publicly point by point. When Leon Green decided to The union realizes that the WPA diately move out of town. A strike Fascist governments. Actually the

join a group he made overtures to program is temporary and will not of 425 men called by the M.E.S.A. Hritish government in India is of questioned. Secrecy as to the defithe "Trotskyist" faction; when he last for more than another three at the Mather Spring Co. some found he could not use them as a months in its present form. For seven weeks ago has been turned "stepping-stone" he went over to this reason the WPA Workers Un- into a lockout, and the plant is some totally different political sys- officials jittery. On many projects the "Stalinists" who were only too ion has adopted the taxation pro-still standing idle It is obvious tem, alien to British traditions, but workers report that there is a leteager to accept him with open arms gram of the Unemployed League, that unless the Chevrolet union is that it is merely the name now up in the slave-driving tactics used because together with them he was providing for the establishment of rearmed within the next few weeks, popularly given to capitalist gov- by the bosses. Discharged WPA

"Labor Truth" slandering the works, such as housing, public re- the 900 men, the Chevrolet union war or economic crisis, they can to work. "Trotskyists" instead of taking up creation buildings, labor temples, will be dealt a mortal blow and no longer govern by misrepresentathe fight on vital issues pertaining etc., to be financed by taxes on automobile unionism in the whole tion and ingenious falsehood under to the local union. It is significant high incomes, corporation profits, city of Toledo will have been set democratic forms but must resort to note there that in the fight capital levy, etc., etc. The union back for many months. against the corrupt officials of Lo- also realizes that its membership The Progressive group of local camp, and the machine gun. The pledged the support of his local cal 3, which was fast and furious, is in reality still on relief, although 18384, realizing the danger which record of the New Zealand govern- union in the fight of the I.W.A. these staunch Stalinist "revolution- the form is temporarily that of they are all facing, have already ment in the great war, as disclosed against the "coolie wage."

**Toledo** Auto Workers Act the exploitation of labor and the workers, but to call on all workers

urably higher standards for all of turers.

the unemployed of Lucas County.

Union and the Lucas County Un-

employed League are necessarily

solidified. The union is continuing

its work with the firm conviction

WPA workers progresses the pres-

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ly, this was the first time I had sand men, the union has secured the executive committee stood by ones, and the very nations we may class, of instituting social owneractually met him. At that meeting the right to fires on all open jobs. idly and allowed the union to be be asked to fight have been in part ship of the means of production, I was one of a committee of three the administration has agreed to split by General Motors into "out- armed by British firms in the or- and thus in the only possible manselected to draw up a leaflet for supply the fuel and to erect shelter siders" and "insiders." As a re- dinary course of capitalist trade.

Because of these reasons the re-lations between the WPA Workers N.Z. Seamen

**On Sanctions** 

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worse than that of 1914.

of the Union protesting against the men. The union, at the present to act and the timidity of the ex- in almost identical phrases, except time, is engaged in a campaign to ecutive committee, which should that the word Fascism is substihave all workers paid for any time have provided the leadership in the tuted for German militarism, and government, declaring that the they may lose on the job, through battle, the union membership was Abyssinia for poor bleeding Beleaucratic and high-handed methods no fault of their own. It is com- allowed to become completely de- gium, and the League of Nations fundamentally from that of 1914 for sacredness of treaties and

jects and wait as long as two to committee split under the pressure and murder our fellow-workers in another set.

"That our support is asked in the sacred name of the League of Nations does not alter the sitseph Ditzel, S. P. member of the uation, for the League, despite the adherence of Soviet Russia, is still what it has been since its class.

ner putting an end to wars by re-"Once again we are being asked moving their causes. "We therefore oppose any warmaking activities of the present present situation does not differ and we refuse to be again deceived.

making and the state policies re- es is not to participate with Brit-

quired to back profit making were ish or New Zealand governments in

re-established almost as if there a peaceful cutting up of their terri-

had been no war, and today the tory or in its administration under

state of international anarchy, de | the League of Nations or to take

spite the League of Nations, is part in a national war against the

"The present Italian-Abyssinian only a few years ago. Our duty is

situation is the natural outcome of not to fight our foreign fellow-

international fight for profits. Great in all countries to resist their own

Britain and the other dominant exploiting and war-making govern-

imperialist powers are as much to ments with the object of obtaining

Two weeks ago the executive 'scraps of paper,' to give our lives We will in no circumstances transport war materials or troops or in ments and we call upon all working class organizations to join with

us in resistance to this shameless endeavor, hidden under deceptive League of Nations phrases. once again to set the working classes of the world at each other's throats in order that capitalist profits may be protected and to ensure the con-

up of their country among British,

American and other capitalist in-

terests. We sympathize with them

just as we do with the Indian

frontier tribes, who are being

bombed by our British Royal Air

Force, but we definitely assert that

the way to free the Abyssinians or

the Mohammedan or Indian mass-

Italian workers, 'our gallant allies

led by the specious appeal to opwars between capitalist powers are

war is declared, all British democrushing opposition and will thus become, for all practical purposes, this type today.

willing to issue a forged copy of large-scale, socially useful public and strike action taken to reinstate ernments when under pressure of workers are also being placed back

to the prison, the concentration of America, in a fiery address,

(Continued from Page 1) upon them to return to work Monday and "be loyal to the government."

Police and sheriffs were already organized for strike-breaking activities and jobless workers who happened to be idle the morning following the conference were nite time the strike will be called "We know that Fascism is not still has the politicians and WPA

> Piedges Support of P.M.A. Local Jack Battuello, president of local union 1, Progressive Miners

Illinois Project Strike Postponed

"We therefore refuse to be mis-

formation, an instrument of the dominant imperialist powers tinued exploitation of labor." against the weaker ones and an extremely effective means of once again hoodwinking the working

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It is true that the Stalinist theory of "socialism in one country" (and no other!), which became the official doctrine of the Comintern, and sharply separated the Left Opposition from both the Stalinists and Lovestoneites, was also a break with the revolutionary internationalism of Marx and Lenin. Nevertheless, the full practical consequences of this theory were not immediately apparent to even the most advanced workers. For many years it seemed to them a highly abstract issue. It took ten years of defeats and downsliding under Stalin's leadership, culminating in the German catastrophe, before the revolutionary faction of the Comintern could announce the death of the Comintern as a revolutionary instrument, and the necessity of building a new International.

Even after Germany, many advanced workers said to us: "Your analysis is still only a hypothesis. After all, the Comintern has not formally broken with those fundamentals of Marxism which are generally viewed as the revolutionary position-such as the revolu tionary struggle against war."

The Seventh Congress marked the formal and explicit passage of the Comintern over to social-chauvinism. There is no longer anything "abstract" about our differences with the Comintern. In gory

pages, the role of social-chauvinism is written into the history of the

Principles." Wolfe declared: "Here are no mere tactical differences such as separated the Comintern and the Opposition till now. The International is actually in danger of breaking with revolutionary principles. . . . If it does not speedily, decisively reverse its path, it is headed for the gravest crisis in the history of the International, so grave that 1928-1935 will seem insignificant in comparison." In the draft thesis for their na-

tional convention, the National Committee of the Lovestoneites characterized the Comintern line in these terms:

"Such a policy would be open social-chauvinism no matter under what banner it would be conducted."

In the Workers Age of August 24. M. S. Mautner said:

"Dominant in the Comintern today is the Social Democratic (chauvinist) trend. This policy has not yet been sanctified by decision of the Seventh Congress. nevertheless all arrows point in that direction. . . . There is left no doubt but that this program of opportunism and social chauvinism has become the line of the Comintern."

"The leadership of the C. I. is deserting the most elementary principles of class struggle," declared Barney Herman.

Presumably in consonance with these estimates of the social-patriMARCH OF **EVENTS** 

capitalist governments from the deepening, and universal applica-

### By JACK WEBER

GERARD ON RADICAL 'DOG-HUNT'

develops the theory that the "sole"

deviation of the C. I. is on the

ven this deviation arises from the

James W. Gerard, former U. S. mbassador to the Kaiser's Germany, wants to introduce the teroristic methods of German Fasism into America. This agent of actual proposals to give Italy half united fronts; and deliberately so, the capitalist ruling class sees the of Ethiopia were "wrong." All it since the Stalinist line on war that is, a method of denial which class struggle assuming more open, means is that the necessary amount makes it impossible to speak of a more sharpened form here too in fraud, will have to be used to cloak Stalinists and anti-sanctions Social-ites demand that we reveal to them no distant future. Hence he takes these real designs and to cloud ists. Herberg throws overboard the opportunity in an address of them in secrecy. The game will be the whole theory of principled tiations carried on by them with "welcome" to some newly natural-played with greater astuteness by united fronts on specific issues, and comintern representatives and ne-grant the abstract thesis concernized citizens in Jersey City to in- the left-over Edens and Chamber- calls for united fronts on the war ject the proper note of terrorism lains as a result of the fall of question between Socialists and against the militants of the work-Hoare. He is symbolic tne ing class fito his speech. He warns power of Ilritish cant and hypoc-gall to do so without once menthat "those who will not conform to the institutions of this country, who seek to overthrow our government and substitute some foreign adopt the name "Communist Labor communism, will soon be hunted like mad dogs in our streets." What the upholder of American capitalism means by "conforming" guard. is obvious. He means that the em-\* \* \* ployed workers shall submit to the OUTER MONGOLIA The visit of important officials of the Soviet government of Outer their group to put the problem in they shall not attempt to better Mongolia to Moscow is but a sign of the ominous nature of the situation in the Far East. However unions and to strike against the opextended the theater of war, when pressors and exploiters. He means "All of this is true but not one that the eleven million unemployed it breaks out, between Japan and takes up the question of this de-shall starve patiently on the miserthe Soviet Union, Outer Mongolia sertion of principles in relation to able dole given in a spirit of Chris- will be an important part of it. tian Rooseveltian charity, without The Japanese army has long de-Lane pointed out, unity with the making too much of an organized clared its intention of strangling nuisance of themselves to disturb the Soviet maritime provinces by the parasitic upper crust of capital- cutting off their communication ist society. Gerard would exter- with Russia and the Ural region. a revolutionary organization, to out, said Lane, "we will have to minate the Marxian vanguard, This could be best accomplished by those "mad dogs" who might means of a campaign through spread the virus of revolt among Outer Mongolia to cut the Transthe other "dogs," the working and siberian Railroad. In self-defense toiling masses. Gerard's fears, against the Japanese bandits the needless to say, arise not because Soviet government has been laving of any foreign importation of com- tracks parallel to those of the munism into America from abroad, Transsiberian, but further north. ism, they would thereafter have to the Stalintern. In an article whose but because the same struggle for in addition railroad lines are being power by the proletariat is inher- laid by both Japan and the Soviets to be ready to pour troops into the ent wherever the capitalist system exists, in the United States as well Mongolian sector. The seizure of North China by the Japanese robas in Europe. And when the struggle becomes clear to the workers, bers has the two-fold aim of laying the basis for the further gobbling they will know how to defend themup of China, and for more extenselves against the "dog hunters," how to answer the Fascist white sive preparations for invading Siberia. War in the Far East seems terror of the Gerards. They will set up their own institutions and only a matter of the briefest time. their own standards of conformity. If Japan invades Outer Mongolia -and this seems to be the intention of the Japanese army-the in HOARE'S FAUX PAS "To conclude that the beginning cident will be provided that will exposing the political role of the of this tendency, on the part of the The ex-Foreign Secretary of set the world ablaze in a war of Lovestoneites as Stalinist agents, Comintern, towards a Social Demo- Great Britain has been sacrificed intervention against the Soviet in which we emphasized the develcratic position in regard to democ- by the reactionary Baldwin gov- Union. European repercussions opment of the line exemplified by cracy is already the full adoption ernment to prolong the life of the would not be long in following. All Herberg's article, the Lovestoneby the C I of the attitude of the present cabinet. Hoare failed to the moves made by England with ites hysterically denounced us. But Second International, would be the act with that proper savoir faire, respect to Italy have as their dark their very denunciations provide that hypocritical ease in saying background the next stage of devel-additional proof of their role as There was a struggle in the pleasant nothings while committing opments, with Hitler Germany pre- Stalinist agents. They say the at the Post Office at New York, N. Lovestone group, but Lovestone had evil deeds that is the recognized paring to strike at the Ukraine. Trotskyists aim "to obstruct all Y. under the act of March 3, 1879. struggle of Local 574 against agents for organic unity. We shall his way at the convention, even hall-mark of bourgeois diplomacy. the opposition voting for his shame- The great crime of Hoare is to ful resolution on the Seventh Con- have revealed in brutal nakedness

ists. The resignation of the For ward, making great headway on eign Secretary does not mean in every front." The article is a fanany sense that the intentions of tastic confusion of the problem of Baldwin have changed or that the organic unity and the problem of

7, "Stalin's actual stature, if truth- concluding the article by saying, vinists, fully reported, is gigantic enough "No, it isn't Dimitroff"s line." which en "principled differences which expressed themselves in ver-

On November 23 we published an without falsification." Lovestone | Wolfe (Nov. 9) says the Seventh | itable rivers of blood." It describes article analyzing the Stalinist role Congress has not "spoken clearly the fundamental gap between refof the Lovestone group. The Nov. on the French and Czecho-Slovak ormists and revolutionists. and 30 issue of the Workers Age requestion of "mixed wars," and that errors" and that the Seventh Con- concludes: "As long as this condiplied with characteristic abuse but gress has "tried to correct some of tion remains, he who comes before with no answer to our political laudable desire to protect the So- them by just dropping them with- the proletariat and promises organarguments. Apparently, however, viet Union! As if every chauvinist out analysis." What could be clear- ic unity is a charlatan, is misleaddid not declare that he supported er than the brazen affirmation, ing the working class, for such is impossible." anks and their contacts who be-

Proved to the Hilt

laudable desire to protect working tion by the Seventh Congress of Once the Lovestoneites capitucame suspicious of the Lovestone class organizations from the for- the chauvinism of the French and lated to the Stalinists on the quesleadership because of its perfunceign enemy; and as if there could Czecho-Slovak C.P.? What errors tion of the Seventh Congress line, tory answer of three paragraphs. however, the opposition to organic On December 14, therefore, the unity disappears, and instead, these Lovestoneites print a long article, gentlemen, who have so often in hysterical in tone, denouncing once the past stressed the distinction between unity and the united front, and demanded precise terms on illuminating than the first; it mainthese questions, now are develop-"Working a barrage for "unity." slightest interest in the Ethiopians ing Class Unity is Need of the and attempts to cover up this sior in anything but the power and Hour," says Will Herberg (Nov. 9), lence on the political questions by and declares that "the movement the pocketbooks of English capital- for unity is forging rapidly forits howling and yowling (except as we have pointed out above, that cipled marriage). In a familiar- main bandits. enough method, which in law is termed "entering a general denial," does not come to grips with the of diplomacy. i.e., of sham and united front between pro-sanctions

"liberation" of India in case of a The weapons and methods may

### Question: What principled argument is there against the slogan of a "labor party" if the latter is really composed of honest, militant elements?

Answer: Even were it possible to gotiations of Herberg and Zimmer- ing the "honest, militant elements" man with Socialists. We have no which contradicts the reality as to

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dicates that the Roosevelt strategy, which is that of deception, and is intended to aid him in the coming election, has a certain measure of success. What essentially is changed by the "independence" of the in both an economic and military sense remains as firmly entrenched as before in the hands of American which have been granted the Phillipines may be compared to the formal democracy which the workers have under capitalism: Every so often they cast their ballots for certain people, but nothing is essentially altered, regardless of how they vote; the real control remain-

cial superiority and control is in itself sufficient to cope with commilitary and political control of such spheres of influence, e.g., Cuba. (A large navy deters other imperialist powers from attempting to offset their economic deficiencies by military means, and the same guns can be used against revolting masses.) This particular circumstance, the absence of American troops from certain of its colonies, permits Yankee imperialism to take on a liberal coloration which it attempts to use in its own interests. At the present time the stratour article has created some sharp egy is to use the formal "indepenquestioning within the Lovestone dence" of its own colonies as a stepping stone towards advancing the slogan of the "independence" of the colonies of the other imperialists, particularly those of Great Britain, i.e., to make these colonies independent of British but dependent upon American capital. "Inagain our Nov. 23 article. Their dependence" was thus granted the second article is, however, no more Philippines because American imperialism, attempting to establish tains a strict silence about all the a territorial base in China, is prepolitical questions we have raised, paring to advance the slogan of the

conflict with Great Britain. vary but there is no fundamental it tacitly admits the C.P.O.'s role difference between Yankee and as Stalinist brokers for an unprin- European imperialism: bandits re-

### \* \* \* FRED B., BROOKLYN-

working class during the last war. otic degeneration of the Comintern. the National Committee of the Those who continue to support or Lovestoneites proposed that the apologize for social-chauvinism, coming convention drop the name either as C. P. members or as "loyal of "Communist Party Opposition" oppositionists" like the Lovestone and. striking out independently, group, are acting as social-patriots and agents of social-patriots. League."

### The Seventh Congress

### **Drawing the Conclusions**

The Road Black

worst of folly."

The official blessing given to None of the leaders of the Lovesocial-patriotism by the Seventh stoneites explicitly drew any con-Congress confronted the Lovestone clusions from the situation. It re- they deem it necessary to cut group with an inescapable decision. mained for a younger member of wages and lengthen hours; that The Seventh Congress was not merely another incident. They had clearer terms. After summing up their lot by daring to organize into to choose: Either break with the what all the others had said, Jesse social-patriotic Comintern or cap- Lane declared (August 31): itulate to it. Capitulation meant. this time, capitulation on fundamental principles with no nonsense about "disagreeing but continuing the future of the C.P.O." Now, our work for unity." The Lovestone group had either to say that Comintern would first require that the Comintern had gone over to it repudiate chauvinism. If the social-patriotism and was no longer Seventh Congress line is carried break with it and take the road | leclare that the Communist Interwhich, in spite of their past, would national is no longer the revolulead them toward unity of all revtionary international." olutionary forces. Or, if they re-But in the same issue in which mained a faction of the Stalintern, Lane's article appeared, it was alhaving capitulated on the fundaeady clear that Lovestone himself mental question of social-chauvinhad no intention of breaking with perform even greater prodigies of ynical legalism has seldom been betrayal as agents of the Stalinist paralleled in the labor movement, chauvinists. Lovestone began to build a bridge

This all-important question proback to Stalinism over the unforduced a crisis in the Lovestone tunate remarks about "chauvinist group. The proof of the signifilegeneration," "social-patriotism," cance which we attribute to the etc. Naturally, after what he himissue of the Seventh Congress for self had said about "shadows of the Lovestoneites, is supplied by 1914," he had to retrace his steps their own testimony. For a few slowly. But what he said was weeks, they teetered back and forth plain enough:

on the edge of breaking with Stalinism. In those few weeks, they clearly indicated what the issue was. Then-they turned back and. ever since, as we shall show, they demonstrated that to remain a "loyal opposition" after the Seventh Congress, requires an entirely new level of subservience to Stalinism requires, in fact, nothing less than a whitewash of social-patriotism

and to play the role of Stalinist demonstrate this in detail.

### Lovestoneites Caught Unawares The Stalinist turn to social-

patriotism caught the Lovestone

of what was wrong with the Com-

gress. This resolution explicitly just what the Baldwin government denies that the Stalintern has be- meant all along. The elections come social-chauvinist, and in fact having passed, Hoare felt it ungroup unawares. Their diagnosis gives it a clean bill of health, say- necessary to pretend any further aid in the defense of the Soviet presumably something else is

ing that "there can be no talk of that British imperialism has the Union.

the labor movement as well as into Stalinists! How is it possible for bourgeois circles. Only those who two utterly different lines on war ing for the present in the Love- revolution but would fight for the really represent the deepest inter- to be reconciled in one united ests of the masses are not inter- front? Herbert supplies an answer knows that our sources are there, party" must necessarily be a politested in fooling the masses. Only, which deserves to be printed in Lovestone raises his cry for proof, ical party which confines its strugthat is to say, the Marxist van- acid on his brassy forehead; like because if we reveal our sources gles to the immediate demands of

the attorney for Stalinism that he is, he advises the Socialists that it rect or revolutionary program, and offers as bait the backwardness of the masses.

Herberg's "Masterly" Contribution

"In order to be really fruitful, Socialist - Communist cooperation ers Age itself, has proved to the put forth the concept that capitalmust be cemented on such a basis hilt our original contention: The ism is still in its progressive stage and on such a program as will most effectively mobilize the organized labor movement for action. The tempt and to be fought as intran-

question is not how 'correct' or how 'revolutionary' a program or a slogan may be but how reasonable an appeal it makes to the trade unionist who is beginning to feel keenly the need of doing something about the danger of war." etc. (Our em phasis.)

On the key question of revolutionary policy, the war question, Herberg does this! Who can he possibly be serving, except the

THEATER BENEFIT Stalinists who, knowing that the 'Let Freedom Ring." which, has power. backward workers, imbued with bourgeois ideology and otherwise been moved to the Civic Repertory unassisted, would move toward social-patriotism, desire to stifle the revolutionary Socialists in a "broad, united front" in which they could propagate their social-patriotism.

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Stalinists; and Herberg has the intention of revealing to Lovestone who would dominate a labor party our sources of information, who in this country today, the slogan risy whose roots extend deeply into tioning the social chauvinism of the feel they can be more useful to the would still remain false.

revolutionary movement by remain- Insofar as it would not stand for stone group. Precisely because he interests of the workers, a "labor he will be saved from future ex- the workers, and to the achievement posures, and if we do not, he can of reforms for the latter. within is not necessary to unite on a cor- attempt to rest on his general de- the framework which capitalism nial. Hut, as we declared in our will permit, Such a party could for this unprincipled position he first article, one has only to read realize its aims and justify its exthe Workers Age to find all-suffi- istence thereby, only if capitalism cient independent verification of were still in its progressive stage, our confidential information. Our and thus capable of granting such present article, without going out- reforms. To advance the slogan of side the boundaries of the Work- the "Labor Party," therefore, is to Lovestoneites are Stalinist Agents, and the international revolution a to be treated with the same con- thing of the distant future.

We proceed from the Leninist thesis however, that capitalism, imperialist in character, is in a state of decline; that the capitalists, far from being able to grant "reforms" to the workers, can exist only by Sunday 1 P.M. increasing the latter's misery; and that even the "immediate" needs of the workers can be attained only by an overthrow of capitalism. From this flows the necessity, not of a party of "immediate demands" but, as against the latter, a revolu-

Tickets are now available for tionary party for the struggle for

The slogan of a "Labor Party" Theatre with the original cast. This is the negation of the slogan of a means that you can see the best "Revolutionary Party," and it is labor play yet produced, with an no accident, therefore, that the excellent cast, at reduced rates. adoption of the "Labor Party" slo-Tickets can be purchased at the gan by the Communist Party coindistrict office of the party, 55 East cides with the latter's adoption of 11th St. The date is Monday eve- a reformist position generally, and ning, Jan. 13. Prices range from correspondingly, a move for organic unity with the Socialist Party.

### CANNON SPEAKS ON LABOR WAR IN MINNEAPOLIS

James P. Cannon, who has just returned from a stay in Minneapotant Publishing Co., 55 East 11th lis, will speak on the labor war in Minneapolis and the struggle in the A. F. of L. He will give a first-hand account of the heroic

> The meeting will take place Sunday evening, Jan. 5, at Irving Plaza, Irving Place and 15th Street. We call to the attention of our readers in New York that there will be no public meeting held on

"Lenin - Stalin"



The Herndon mass meeting in ers and sympathizers. New York City Friday night turned The decisive factor in freeing and methods: out to have a deeper meaning than Herndon was the organized mass The NJ most defense rallies. At the same campaign which made a populartime that it was a greeting to and politically important-issue of Partisan Labor Defense will pro-Herndon on his temporary escape | the case. from the chain-gang, and a pledge for defense unity in general.

ity. They have tried to collaborate collaborated with the General De- the class. fense Committee of the I.W.W. With the Socialist Party it carried forces in launching a non-partisan defense.

The N.P.L.D. and its supporters unity. Indeed, they have been the only ones to work seriously and said about unity at the Herndon meeting, for example, came on the heels of an editorial in these pages Hochman's words on behalf of deunified class struggle defense or | I.L.D. substituted for mass presganization.

seconded Hochman's suggestions court. for unity. But Damon did not speak at all about policy. She would be content to have unity, and pay no attention at all to the question of program, principles, policy and tactics.

No Gratitude to Dorsey That is not our idea of class struggle defense policy. Nor is it our understanding of defense that are important. Hochman, for exwe owe any gratitude or honor to ample, speaks of basing the unfied the judge who turned Herndon defense movement on the trade loose. How devoted Judge Dorsey unions. It is, of course, most deis to "liberty" and "justice" may sirable that unions affiliate to a be seen from the fact that his de- defense body. But what is essencision includes a recommendation tial is a mass of individual memto the legislature that it enact a bers of the defense organization. law which will be ironclad so that The latter must be based on local future Herndons may be sent to branches of active militants, inthe chain-gang without any tech- cluding trade unionists and others. nical difficulties. As we see it, Once such an organization is startexigencies of the Talmadge-Roose and won from unions which affili- etc. velt faction brawl in the Demo- ate. collectively. This and other cratic Party of Georgia make it un- organizational problems must be comfortable to have a political thrashed out. prisoner on the chain-gang now

**Class Struggle Issues Arouse** 

**West Coast Maritime Unions** 

N.P.L.D., the section on activities The N.P.L.D. Program 1. Defense in Courts. The Non-

vide counsel who will serve under It is important that things like the direction of the organization, of renewed support to his fight, it this be understood in order that and will be formally bound to acwas also important for what some defense be properly planned, with cept its direction. Defense in the of the speakers said about the need its roots in a mass movement of courts will be conducted according trade unionists, unemployed and to the following principles:

Those political groups supporting sympathizers. Only such a move- a. Legal Aid. The full utilizathe Non-Partisan Labor Defense ment, backing up able attorneys tion of every legal right and action have always stood for defense un- (not professional admirers of the for the benefit of the defendant. existing order), can win victories Here, as everywhere in its activiwith the I.L.D. since the N.P.L.D, for the workers when they are at- ties, the Non-Partisan Labor Dewas organized almost two years tacked by the capitalist state. A fense will fight to secure and exago and, despite the I.L.D.'s sabo- unified defense movement must tend every democratic right granted tage they have compelled the I.L. have such an attitude, be founded under the present social system. D. to collaborate in several in- on such a program of class struggle It recognizes fully the great limitstances. The N.P.L.D. has also -or the unity will be worthless to ations of these rights as applied to workers; it will neither condone It is, of course, well understood nor foster any illusions concerning

that when we speak of the need them. But it will not commit the on extended negotiations when it for a militant class struggle pro- folly of being contemptuous of such was in a provisional stage, trying gram in defense work, we mean rights as workers have, or of surto get the S. P. to join with other nothing like what passed for that rendering them-recognizing that with the Stalinists during their un- they represent partial victories lamented Third Period. Our com- wrested from those in power by

rade, Norman Mini, now prisoner long and bitter struggles. have never abandoned the fight for 57606 in San Quentin, is paying b. Presentation of Basic Labor every day for the kind of disrup- Issues. The courtroom defense will tive, provocative tactics which the be planned to bring out, as far as concretely toward this. What was I.L.D. brought into the Sacramento possible, the fundamental labor iscriminal syndicalism trial. There sues involved. Every effort will be the I.LD. attorney was neither able made to reveal the role of the denor militant: he was a wild ranter fendant as a fighter and victim in advocating defense unity. And at who told the jury to its face that a cause in which all workers have the Herndon meeting itself, Julius he did not speak for their benefit, a stake, and his persecution as a fense unity were more than echoed Stalinist spectators in the court- be done for the purpose of winning by the N.P.L.D. representative, who room. There the broad masses the sympathy of the jury for an got a rousing reception when he brought no pressure because the acquittal and for providing inspirstressed the need for a militant, C.P. drove them away . . . and the ation for the organization of mass support and defense outside the

sure the antics of a bakers dozen courtroom. Anna Damon of the I.L.D. also of its members who came into the 2. Organized Mass Support.

The Non-Partisan Labor Defense Avoiding intemperance and prowill conduct systematic campaigns vocation on the one hand, simple to organize the weight and influlegalism and opportunism on the ence of masses of workers and other, a unified defense movement would be a great boon to the working class in these days of intense

class struggle. Questions of organizational steps ized groups will be united on a need of assistance. Below is a Collected by Muste ...... 50.00 commonly agreed program of ac- partial list of the comrades who izational objective in building the tions for this fund. A more commass defense will be to secure the plete report will be given later. other labor organizations.

Dorsey let Herndon go because the ed, broad support may be sought bureaus, publication of a bulletin, Street, New York City.

4. Aid to Prisoners and Defendants. Systematic campaigns to pro

But before organizational discusthat the Joint Committee to Aid sion is begun, questions of program fort to labor prisoners and other Emma A. ..... 1.00 Herbert Solow of the N.P.L.D. Also Bittleman has the gall to link of the their dependants popular with broad masses of work-quote from the program

movement.'

Reply by Lundberg: "Job action

is never indiscriminate, unorgan-

Prepare to Don Khaki For 'Our U.S.'-C. P. Says

### By M. JOERGER

According to Bittleman of the countering peculiar difficulties in their effort to arrive at a revolu-sential implication that the C. P. Th

the authority of Bittleman to ex- this country.

bourgeois pacifist slogans," in con- counterposed to "Japanese aggres- ist parrot! nection with the war danger? sion."

come the official line in 1935. This contest! is true to such an extent that the

latest pronouncements of Bittleman to which the Comintern has fallen reeking with the vilest chauvinism, into te mire of social patriotism is In line with coalitionism, sanc- which jingo phraseology appears peace of the U S.," the C. P. be- icy of 'staying out' or will we say: are typical of official Stalinism. tions, and the other fruits of the in its official statements and re-Seventh Comintern Congress, the solutions. C. P. has just discovered the dan- For example, Bittleman says:

gers of "isolation". The liberal "Every American knows that the the C.I. issues the war slogan, pacifist illusion is propagated that | Far East concerns this country | "Support the sanctions policy of | man. The logic of social betrayal but for the benefit of the four-score blow aimed against all. This will pacts between American imperial very closely." Also . . . "or that ism and other powers are progress- Africa is still less of concern to ive steps for the maintenance of us." (My emphasis-M.J.) "Every American," "this coun-"peace"

### W.P. Sends Funds for Tarov Aid

The national office of the Work- N. Miller collection list..... 5.00 ers Party is happy to announce J. E. W. ..... 10.00 eum. that it has sent \$200 to the interna- Dentist ..... 6.00 others to secure the release of the tional committee of aid for com- A. G. ..... 3.00 meetings and demonstrations, etc. vik-Leninist who escaped from Branch No. 2 ..... 2.25 United front bodies will be built, Stalin's prison in Siberia and is Lynn, Mass ..... wherever possible, in which organ- now in an Asiatic country in sore Collected by Roberts ...... 100.00 Union."

tion. Throughout, the chief organ- have donated and collected dona- HERNDON VICTORY .....

to be finally assured, and all com- night. A sudden cold spell was no the one that points at an 'offender

### Taroy Fund

consent of the rank and file.

mutually agree, they have a just selves with one idea in mind. And tioned."

(Collected by S. Weber)

on this question of "isolation", as ly used to bury the class struggle patriotism the C. P., "The Left Socialists are entry to help them overcome these imperialism and the Soviet Union, were manifested by the heroes of

fact that in the special address of cialists and the masses generally of German imperialist front "against cused of "sliding down to petty (My emphasis, M. J.) This is for war," according to this Stalin-

It could however be pointed out "The peace of the U. S.!" As if Left Socialists who have "not yet that much that was pink and shady American marines in the Yangtze understood" it, the Leninist slogan in 1929 has been graduated to be- are there to compete in an Olympi: of "transform the imperialist war policy of the Soviet Union"!

> General Line of Betrayal Wall Street.

the government."

in their appeals? perialism is issued the call to arms "to defend the republic against man in reference to Bauer. Hitler." "Phoney" but not funny is the

To the oppressed masses of the Central European vassal states-'Fight for your national indepen dence against the German aggres-

sor." . . This, and more, **ad naus** Thus in unison do the Stalintern and the Second International pre-.25

#### Lenin Castigates Bittleman Lenin long ago asked, "How was

CELEBRATED IN N. Y. representatives and leaders of the Several thousand attended the Second International betrayed Soactive support and participation of Further assistance is still neces- Herndon Victory Rally at St. Nich- | cialism? . . . The most primitive the trade unions, fraternal and sary if comrade Tarov's security is olas Arena, New York City, Friday theory," says Lenin, "seems to be

3. Publicity and Educational rades who have not yet contributed doubt partly responsible for the state. 'We have been attacked, Activities. These will include pro- to this fund are asked to send fact that the hall was not filled. 'we defend ourselves'; 'the intermotion of defense aims and activi- whatever funds they can muster to Julius Hochman of the I.L.G.W.U. ests of the proletariat demand re ties in the press, lectures, speakers' comrade A. J. Muste, 55 East 11th presided. later turning over the sistance to the disturber of Europ chair to Murray Baron, Socialist ean peace.'" (Page 16, "War and and unionist.

the Second International.) Among the speakers were repre-Instead of "European peace"

sentatives of the organizations substitute Bittleman's "peace of conditions and give material com- Rose C. ..... 1.00 Aid the Herndon Defense, including ican edition of 1914.

the Herndon Defense has succeed | must be clarified. In this connec- | imprisoned victims of reactionary | Ch. Shechet ..... 1.00 | on the speakers list were Angelo | Lenin's name to this Stalinist for ed in making the Herndon issue tion we cannot do better than persecution; and to provide aid for Ray's ..... 1.00 Herndon, Norman Thomas, Dr. J. mula of applying "Marxism to the Harrison ...... 1.00 L. Elliot, W. B. Traynham, Sam present world situation." He dubs

method. The unconditional tie-up of the The old trickeries that Lenin proletariat to the chains of the tionary policy of peace. We must hopes for a pact between American mercilessly exposed when they capitalist state forces is precisely what is meant when Bittleman difficulties." (Daily Worker, Dec. 6, from recent plenum of C.C. of Soviet Pact. In doing this, Bittle-Soviet Pact. In doing this, Bittle-Norther interests of The defense of the "Fatherland" call upon the toilers to insure the

Left Socialists may well question the masses and the exploiters of against a foreign invasion is fur- victory of the Red Army over the ther developed. Bittleman points armies of the imperialists by all pound on this question. Isn't it a He tries to convince the left So-also to the possibility of an Anglo-means and at any price." Gold-Recruiting Sergeant No. 1

Bittleman expatiates abstractly try" and "us" are terms deliberate- this latest expression of social-

the Executive Committee of the "defensive" position of "this the U. S." And come to think of Michael Gold is quick to drama-Comintern, to the membership of country", in the Far East. He says it, poor American imperialism, tize the official line in his column the Communist Party of the U.S., that it is clear "that the present which only recently paraded its in the Daily Worker of Dec. 9: "If in 1929, the minority faction and war in the Far East directly threat- huge naval forces in the Atlantic the line-up is such, they," the So-Bittleman in particular were ac ens the peace of the United States." and Pacific, . . . "is not yet ready cialists, says Gold, "will fight in the American army if it is allied to the Soviet Union. The next imperialist slaughter

For the enlightenment of the has thus found its masks in these valiant defenders of the "peace into civil war" is now "shelved" by He waxes dramatic . . . "the left

The best indication of the extent the Stalinists. Under the slogan of "Defend the | themselves: 'Are we going to be comes the recruiting agency for Work by all means and at any

'To the masses of Great Britain Red Army?'" Hearst, Cahan, and now Bittlehas tied them into one knot. Can one discern a shade of difference

To the exploited of French im-

social content of the scribblings of the Bittlemans and their ilk. Such hypocrites and war mongers rant and howl at "Trotskvism."

world imperialist carnage. All this in the name of "Defend the Soviet

it possible that the most eminent

sky. Only the road of revolutionary defeatism, the relentless civil war against "our own" imperialism, is the way of struggle for peace, and the "defense of the Soviet Union." "This is our base, our starting point, understand this and the rest will follow. . . .'

Bittleman comes to his climax.

Socialists," he says, "should ask

price to insure the victory of the

"Phoney and funny," says Bittle-

Build the Fourth International

The Workers Party alone uncov-

ers the layers of this social dema-

gogy in this country by pointing

to the only path of struggle against

war, the way of Lenin and Trot-

is the answer to them.

### **Russell Gets Four Months**

### (Continued from Page 1)

several sheriffs' cars. On Friday morning the testimony was again resumed before a packed courtroom. Police officers testified against Russell, claiming that he had deliberately broken a milk bottle on the driveway leading into the plant. Late in the morning came some of job action was taken without the (patrolmen who pushed job action) derstandings; such committees' au the most interesting testimony, prewe believe that the sincerity of thority not to exceed the constitusented by Capt. Martin Steffen, "Now this action was taken the writers of the article in the tion of the Maritime Federation of acting, he claimed, for Adjutant ized or unjust. As long as the men right on the job by the men them- Waterfront Worker should be ques- the Pacific Coast, and be it further General Walsh as an observer "Resolved, that when job action Under cross-examination by Attor-

grievance which cannot be adjusted that idea was to get the full sup- The Stalinists in this crucial reaches a point in the opinion of new Green (who is defending Ellis otherwise than through job ac- port of the Sailor's Union, and not question are following the logic of the majority of the maritime and Swanson) and Attorney Heistion or Else!' states. It is rather tion.' (Continued from Page 1) a lot of scares and threats that their extreme right turn. Within groups affected by having their ler. Steffen admitted that he had Objection: "Job action, like any they would be breaking the award the mass movement they are a fet- members pulled off the job, and been a member of the National average pay of \$60 per month. No the last resort of men who have holidays for the seamen. It is only fully acquainted the ship operators other spontaneous elemental effort and probably be the cause of a ter upon its development. The that to go further may jeopardize Guard for 17 years; that on Nov. Stalinists will have to be removed the Maritime Federation as a 29 he mingled with the crowd of natural and just that they have a or owners with a condition they do on the part of men goaded to excoastwise strike. demand to claim overtime pay not care to sail under. After being tremity, has its drawbacks. Where "It was proven that job action as well as the right wing in order whole, the matter shall be referred pickets; that he went into strike after working these long hours in- refused the request, the crew has emotion and antipathy can occafor the union to make any further where and when possible to the dis-headquarters; that he talked with is bringing results. "I say instead of discouraging steps in advance. no alternative but to use job ac- sionally dilute cool reason, mistrict council for further action or every police officer at the scene; stead of time back. takes are bound to occur." **Maritime Federation Resolution** "The living and eating quarters tion. such action, steps should be taken adjustment." that he went inside the Strutwear of the seamen as a rule are in ter-"Following is the case of the Reply: "Job action is not sponto encourage job action." Ambiguous Instead of a sharp statement en- | plant and asked the janitor, a labor rible condition, poor heating and crew of the S. S. Suweid of the taneous. Neither is it emotional. About the same time as the ar-A number of weeks ago the condorsing any action taken by the spy named Carl Hanson, for the ventilation systems, rotten sleeping Nelson Line. The crew of the S.S. The men who use job action are ticle appeared in the Waterfront troversy was laid over for solution seamen in order to maintain and names of some of the pickets in the Worker an editorial appeared in to a specially called convention of better their conditions, this resolu- crowd. Despite the efforts of the quarters, messrooms so small that Suweid knowing the ship not to be the men on the job who are dismen must wait in turn for another any too seaworthy, decided that criminated against. Who knows the Western Worker, organ of the the Maritime Federation. The tion, endorsed by the Stalinists, judge, it was clearly brought out to eat. This condition and many they wanted the added protection better than the man on the job. Communist Party, attacking Harry Maritime Federation has issued an comes out with a lot of ifs and that Steffen is a common stool others exist on most of the ships. of radio in the event an S.O.S. Surely not the committee which is Lundberg, leader of the elements ambiguous resolution, which gen- whereases. In reality, this resolu- pigeon working under the guise of The only way these conditions were should have to be sent. For the in most cases slowing up or holding standing for job action. The head- erally supports the Stalinist vertion does not answer any question a "military observer." His testiing of this editorial is entitled "We sion of job action-organized job and leaves the important question mony against Russell conflicted at remedied was by the action of the information of those who do not back the progress of the seamen." Need Maritime Unity-Not Beef action. Let us quote the resolumen themselves, refusing to live know, the Nelson line has been still open: will the maritime lead several important points with the There are elements within the and work under such conditions, operating a fleet of ships in the Maritime Federation who fear the Squads." ership wholeheartedly support job testimony given by the police offition: Workers Slam Stalinists This action the men were forced intercoastal trade. It has carried organized mass movement of the "Whereas, we believe and have action or will it try to spend its cers. Late Friday afternoon, Judge to take, as the new existing labor as many as nine passengers on a workers. These are the right wing-Harry Lundberg answered this demonstrated on numerous occa- time proving to the San Francisco Molyneaux announced that the trial relations board never was able to ship without radio equipment. None ers who, basing themselves upon editorial in an article that was sions that job action rightly used, Chronicle, and the "good" shipown-would be continued over to 9:30 get anything for the men. The of the Nelson ships are very mod- some of the better situated sections unanimously endorsed by the Sail- with proper control, has been the ers how level-headed and sane they Monday morning. shipowners always manage to stall ern seacraft. Out-moded laws have of the maritime workers, now find ors' Union. means of gaining many concessions are. Strike-Breaking Courts The following is the heading of for the maritime workers on the and block action." no jurisdiction over the specific themselves in the position where For a Class Struggle Policy The Non-Partisan Labor Defense-The Portland local of the Sail- case mentioned above. The steam- they are in deadly fear of any dis- this statement by Lundberg. Unqualified support of any group has announced that it means to Pacific coast. and "Sailors' Union Condemns Ediors Union of the Pacific, for ex- ship companies will tell you that turbance of the status quo and "Whereas, in as much as job ac- of workers struggling to better fight this case to the end. The isample, in a letter sent to the "Voice they do not carry radio on ships their position. In answer to the torial." tion is and should be action taken their conditions! No conditions sue at stake is: are employers now "The following answer to the when any group of maritime work- must be given to this support! A to be permitted to use the federal of the Federation." organ of the where there are less than fifty demands of the underpaid, over-Maritime Federation, has the fol- lives aboard. In point of law they worked elements for better condi- vicious attack appearing in the ers desire to gain a concession class struggle policy, not a class- courts and United States marshals lowing to state, in part: are right. But how about the crew? tions, they lift an admonishing Western Worker received the unanwithout openly resorting to a collaborationist policy will benefit as strike-breaking agents, through Job Action Gets Results Have they no right to state under finger. That there are dangers in imous and enthusiastically ac- strike, and the worker on the waterfront as a the granting of fraudulent writs of "After the 1934 strike the men what conditions they will take job action is true, but these danclaimed endorsement of the Sailors' "Whereas, in order to eliminate whole. And as part of the solu- replevins and similar actions? To confusion and insure coordination tion of this question we must pre- permit such an act to go unchalwere forced to job action practical- chances with a watery grave? gers must not blind us to the cor- Union at their last meeting." The statement then went on to of efforts in the best interests of sent the following: the need for lenged would be a crime against ly all of the time, in order to force "The case of the Suweid is no rectness (as proven by the effecthe shipowners to give them their isolated one in job action. The sharply condemn the attack on all maritime groups concerned, it an industrial union on the water- America's working class-for if the tiveness) of the seamen's position due rights. On the strength of crew were granted their just de for job action. Lundberg, giving a picture of what is apparent that an organized front instead of a federation of Strutwear bosses got off scot-free the united action of various ship- mands. Wireless apparatus was in-Stalinists on Reactionary Side actually took place rather than the method of precedure for job action unions. The Maritime Federation in this particular case, it would be crews, the owners and the govern- stalled and a competent radio of-Opposition to job action is perdistorted piece of fiction of the be laid down by this convention, was a progressive step over the no time at all before bosses all ment were finally forced to hand ficer was placed in charge of the fectly understandable from the Western Worker. therefore be it. lack of unity previously the rule over the country would resort to point of view of a right wing budown the present award, which equipment." In reply to this sharp statment "Resolved, that the term job ac- on the waterfront. The first step such dodges in their attempt to they so recently have broken by One thing becomes clear from the reaucrat who fears motion of the made by the sailors, the Western tion shall mean only action taken should be followed by a second one: crush the growing union movement. denying the men collective bargain- above extracts, and that is that in masses as the devil himself. The Worker published a snivelling, by any maritime group in attempt- the organization of a Marine Trans- Certainly there has been a tender. ing. Job action forced the Amer- the opinion of the men themselves Stalinists, however, have also come creeping, crawling article of which ing to gain from their employers port Industrial Union. The con- cy on the part of the reaction in can Hawaiian, the Shepard Line, (and who should know better than out against job action, by coming the main theme was that an attack some concessions specifically pro- flict between one section and an- this country for the past year or and various other companies to they) JOB ACTION GETS RE- out for "organized" job action. on the Western Worker is support vided for in their respective agree- other section of the workers will so to resort more and more to the recognize the I.S.U. SULTS. (The seamen stood for "unorgan- for the shipowners. ment or awards and shall also then be done away with. The pres- courts in order to hold the working In answer to this hypocritical mean action taken to enforce the ent situation with a number of class in its monstrous poverty and "We could name hundreds of Yet job action has been under ized" job action according to these other cases where job action was steady attack by right wing ele- worthies.) In the final analysis statement let us refer that paper award or greement to the best in agreements and awards, instead of bondage. this means no action at all. as to an artile written by two seamen, the only weapon whereby the sea- ments as well as by Stalinists, who terests of the maritime groups con- one agreement, h s many of the The work of the Non-Partisan under guise of being for "organ- proven by their attacks upon pa- panning the little brother of the cerned, or to prevent employers drawbacks of craft unionism. men got their just rights." Labor Defense-its mobilization of Let us quote from another letter ized" job action, steadily oppose trolmen (stewards) of the seamen, Western Worker, the Waterfront from violating agreements or It is necessary to also point out wide-spread interest and support sent into the "Voice," this time by the virile action of the seamen, and who had come out in favor of crews Worker: awards, and be it further that the role of the Stalinists as of the Russell case-together with a member of the American Radio emasculate job action. taking action. For their pains the "The San Francisco Chronicle, "Resolved, that job action should progressives is a false one. Posing the courtroom work of attorneys Telegraphers Association, and ap-Lundberg Answers Conservatives Stalinists received the following the American Seaman, organ of the be confined to a job such as a ship, as left wingers, as rank and filers, Francis Heisler and Gilbert Carlproved by the Seattle local of that Harry Lundberg, representative reply by Chas. Cates, second pat- official right wing in the Seamen's dock, shop, or warehouse, unless their action has proved that in the son, has unquestionably won many of the seamen, in answer to the union. rolman of the Seamen's Union: Union, both took the same stand otherwise agreed by all maritime final analysis they are an obstacle friends for the N.P.L.D. in the past "The editor of the Waterfront as the editorial in the Waterfront groups affected or liable to be af- in the workers' struggle. In real- week. Labor leaders who formerly (These articles were written in editorial "Job Action or Else!" has Worker, the anonymous organ of Worker in condemning job action. fected should be notified and the ity they are closer to "progres- have been rather cool to the idea of answer to an editorial published in the following to state: Objection: "They (opponents of the C. P. on the waterfront, has SO WHAT? In our opinion this issue in question be placed before sives" of the John L. Lewis and a nation-wide labor defense organthe "Voice" giving the pros and cons of job action. The editorial job action) believe that indiscriming taken it upon himself to ridicule is certainly no compliment to the them, and be it further Gorman type than to the rank and ization have been frank in expresswas entitled "Job Action, or Else!") inate, unorganized job action will and condemn the actions taken by Waterfront Worker, or any other "Resolved, that a committee of file. The creation of a genuine ing their admiration for the effec-"Job action is not the spontan- prove a boomerang. That it will the patrolmen of the Sailor's Union. so-called rank and file publication. all maritime groups affected on the left wing union movement, free of tive manner in which the N.P.L.D. eons demonstration of the will of not only fail, but that it will defi- "He (the editor of the Water- Instead of questioning the sincerity job be formed on the job to con- Stalinist influence, is on the order has functioned in the Strutwear the crew as the author of 'Job Ac- nitely harm the maritime workers'front Worker) also states that this of the writers of these three men solidate action and prevent misun- of the day. case.