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"The Federal Government," said

President Roosevelt in his speech

to Congress, "must and shall quit

this business of relief." This re-

mark is in direct response, not to

the needs of the jobless, but to the

demands for a balanced budget and

no dole by thec onference of man-

ufacturers and bankers at White

The Real Questions

Above all else the unemployed

Warnick Is **Roosevelt's Speech Goes Released** on **On Forever** \$3,200 Bail Has Made It Many Times Sacramento Labor Prisoners

and Conditions Go from Bad to Worse

By DAN DIAMAT

The President's spech to Conmany Christmas givers the Presi-Christmas comes around.

"We assort," he said, "that the ambition to attain proper security, a reasonable leisure, and a decent living is an ambition to be preferred to great wealth and power."

Like most politicians, it finally munists vigorously." makes it for 1935.

From Bad to Worse

worse. wages fall, the cost of living in- nomic interests. During the eleccreases, unionism staggers, while tion campaign Babcock repeatedly great fortunes grow. Capitalism criticized the then District Attordevelops along its ruthless course. firm-no matter how awful the the prosecutions which McAllister chaos, President Roosevelt goes on, began. smirking complacently, and delivering that speech, the same soft soap he has been handing out for two years.

"The ambition to obtain proper security" remains no more than an ambition. The government does the absolute minimum by providing relief. With the New Year the President, doubtless wishing to increase security, shifts some 16,000,-000 from home to work relief "at low wages", and condemns some 4,000,000 more to the "security" of state and private charity.

That Reasonable Leisure

"A reasonable leisure" encompasses the same 19,000,000 unemployed on forced leisure, and the other thirty-five million wage earners who are driven half insane by stretchouts, overtime, and efficiency methods. Ask the textile workers running extra looms, the steel workers on double shifts, or the auto workers on the assembly line, about "reasonable leisure".

"A decent living", says the President, is a noble ambition, During the last year, while the

Helped by Non-Partisan Labor Defense (NPLD Press Service)

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 9. -- Jack gress was his Christmas gift to the Warnick, one of the leaders of the American workers. Like a good agricultural workers of the Sacramento and Imperial valleys, on dent feels that he has done his duty trial with eighteen others here for the year, and can afford to for- under the anti-labor Criminal Synget the workers until the next dicalism Act, was today released on \$3,200 bail provided by the Provisional Committee for Non-Partisan Labor Defense. The trial has been postponed until January 16. The jury has already been

> selected. "I expect to prosecute the Com-

appears, President Roosevelt has With this proclamation, Otis D. exactly one speech to make; he Babcock, newly-elected District Atmade it at his inauguration, he torney of Sacramento County, yesmade it over the radio, he made it terday took over the task set by last Christmas, he repeated it the California capitalist class of through 1934, and now he takes it railroading to San Quentin 18 secretary, and James P. Cannon, What are its principles? out of the closet, dusts it off, and workers "guilty" of the crime of

The depression goes from bad to and San Joaquin Valleys into a un-Unemployment increases, jon to defend their elementary econey, McAllister, as an enemy of But one thing remains true and labor, but is now proceeding with

Albert Goldman Enters Case A feature of yesterday's brief court session was the entrance into the case of Albert Goldman, noted

labor attorney and Socialist Party member, retained by the Non-Partisan Labor Defense. The little courtroom was jammed

many workers being present. Newspapermen from San Francisco, Los Angeles and New York crowded the press table. Cameramen shot magnesium flares to picture the participants in the country's greatest political prosecution since the famous Bridgman cases. Everybody was keyed for the calling of the first witness when the District At

torney arose to ask for a week's ad journment. Over the objections of Leo Galten of the defendants, Judge Dal M. Lemmon granted the District ted by a subcommittee of the Joint Attorney the delay "to acquaint Board. himself with the evidence" The

judge denied the defense counsel's motion that the jury be dismissed after provision intended to strip



A. J. MUSTE

Workers Party Leaders Off on Speaking Tour Laboration and up tight. Today (Tuesday) the first strike bulletin will make

The first national tour of the tional Office have requested speak-Workers Party which opens Janu- ers.

ary 13 in Buffalo will take the What is the program of the new party leaders, A. J. Muste, national party? What does it aim to do?

editor of the New Militant, to 21 Interest has been aroused in alcities and industrial centers. The most every state. The unity of the tural workers of the Sacramento circuit swings north by way of two groups marked the turn of the Chicago, as far west as Davenport, tide against splits and the begin-Iowa, south to Charleston, W. Va., ning of effective revolutionary work and back to New York on Feb. 10. in America.

Party branches and sympathizers (See schedule of dates and are making arrangements and adhalls where the speakers will apvertising the meetings. Thousands pear, together with the subjects of workers will hear the message they will discuss elsewhere in of the new party for the first time. Muste and Cannon are two of

The tour was mapped at the the most forceful speakers for the merger convention of the former working class in America. They American Workers Party and the will analyze the national and inter-Communist League of America who national scene and give the program joined forces early in December in of the Workers Party.

launching the Workers Party. The speaking tour of the six Since the launching of the new months organizing and party buildparty communications from many ing program decided upon at the sections of the country to the Na- founding convention.

Militant Wins AFSW Plans PMA Election Constitution

By FELIX GIORDANO

this issue.)

(Special to New Militant) GILLESPIE, Ill., Jan. 5.-The PATERSON, N. J .-- On Saturday, hopes of the rank and file miners Panuary 12, the first Constitution of Illinois sprang high this week Convention of the American Federation of Silk Workers, Paterson lagher, I.L.D. attorney representing District, will be held in order to mine leader and pioneer of the Left with the union representativesgo over the proposed draft submit-

election.

recover.

1935 are:

tion" on the Joint Board is in real- it is to the Progressives what

probably the largest single local of The proposed draft is far from satisfactory, containing provision mine workers in the United States. Finally, a few weeks ago, the and a new penal called, and also the membership of its democratic which varied from strong coal cor- issue now appears to be the ques- al Labor Board to reinstate the and a new penal called, and also the membership of its democratic which varies from strong control is the power it intends to porations, powerful business politi-denied a motion to examine the rights. The power it intends to cal interests down to the use of But this question was supposed

Much interest was centered on

this local's election. It is common-

ly known as the Progressive Min-

ers' bulwark of power. Politically,

Pearcy Losing

Incomplete reports indicate that

New Officers



MINNEAPOLIS. - With strike headquarters in both cities funccioning like clockwork, with commissaries set up and serving hot food, with mobile picket lines ru'sing the streets in good old style reminiscent of General Driv- food orders to the unemployed o ers Union Local 574's last summer, the striking workers in Garage Merhanics Unions No. 382 in Min- in Bedford Township, refused to neapolis and No. 459 in St. Paul grant a coal order to Homer Allhave got the Twin City garages men, member of the Temperance its appearance on the streets of the two cities. If events demand

it, the bulletin will appear daily until the struggle is terminated. Beaten back in their attempt to take on a big league union like the General Drivers Local 574, the Citizens Alliance is now going to try its luck in the minor leagues. The employed were met. He tried a General Mechanics Unions in Min- number of tricks to get out of the and is playing upon this sentiment.

ranks about two thousand workers, After a two hour dead-lock, Rus from adjacent territory. These two head, made his appearance on the Twin City Joint Advisory Board, ties and state police. The unemwere forced out on strike last Thursday, January 3 at midnight. Their demands include:

Union recognition; a minimum of 30 hours work a week; a minimum of 90 cents an hour for mechanics and 65 cents for greasers and washers; seniority listing; and no discrimination for union activity.

Bosses Stall

held to determine the right of the two above-named Machinists and Mechanics Lodges to represent the auto workers in Minneapolis and

tempted frame-up on Herman Husman, business agent of the Minneapolis Lodge by the Citizens Alli-

to have the union represent them. After weeks of the old stalling through the shackles of the Amerted president of local union 1, earlier strike. Several conferences Progressive Miners of America, resulted, but the bosses sabotaged

Protects Private Industry, InDealing with Unemployed Federal Relief Must Stop

HeTellsCongress - What Does Is Mear?

dred jobless workers under the hanner of the newly organized Monroe County Unemployed League stormed the town hall in Bedford Township and forced the relief au thorities to grant immediate coal. clothing, bedding, and increased Bedford and Erie Townships. When Dusseau, the case worke

Sulphur Springs, W. Va. about a month ago. But what to do with the unemployed, of whom Roosevelt admits there are still "five million on the the first strike bulletin will make if he wanted coal he should go out relief rolls"? First he arbitrarily and steal it, the U. L. committee rules out 1.500,000 as "unemployof 11, headed by Jack Miller of the ables" and turns them over to the Erie U. L. proceeded to put Dus- tender mercies of local relief agenseau on the spot. cies. The other 3,500,000 are to be The doors of the townhall were put to labor at public works pro-

closed, and Dusseau was informed that he would have to stay in the hall until the demands of the unwant work. Roosevelt knows this

meapolis and St. Paul have in their hall, but to no avail. compelled the relief head to make

> out immediate orders. and have them remain open for a half hour after their closing time



up the J. C. Penny Co., in Monroe, don't be deceived.

According to the computations of Professor J. M. Clark of Columbia University it requires a \$3,000 expenditure for each man directly employed for one year at public works.

Is Four Billion Enough?

The Congress outlay for public works will undoubtedly be what Roosevelt asks for-four billion dollars. This would mean that out of the administration's estimate of to a fever pitch by the lay-off of 3,500,000 unemployed only 1,333,338 325 union members from the Fire- (approximately one-third) would get jobs for an entire year. The entire number would get jobs lastfile union leadership is breaking ing but four months. How will they keep the wolf from the door the remaining eight months of the vear?

> Once having been employed on public works they will be unable to return to local relief rolls as "unemployables". No provision is made for this eventuality.

What About Wages? And the wages? The amount of



ance, the garage employees voted as John Battuello, militant young tactics, the employers finally met Wing Miners of Illinois, was elec- this only after the threat of an

any collective bargaining proposal. picket line. Crushing formidable opposition, bosses stated: "The sole point at

Akron Strike AKRON, Ohio, Jan. 9.-Aroused

stone battery plant, nucleous and backbone of the union, a rank and ican Federation of Labor bureau-

cracy and meeting this week to secretly plan a long overdue and expected strike which will send 7.000 Firestone workers on the

Failure of the Cleveland Regionworkers following a hearing last

The refusal of the company to

in order to output one particularly destitute family with clothing. On November 15 an election was Lay Plans for

"living" of corporations increased a very decent amount, the wages of workers increased a measely few per cent. (At that, not a real increase for the workers, when the rise in prices, which ennabled the corporations to make their profit, is discounted against wages.)

Better Than Wealth

These ambitions, says the President, are to be preferred to "great wealth and great power"

The Presdent's preference finds expression in the 26 new million dollar a year incomes under the New Deal, and in the increasing power of corporaions, which have been unified and strengthened in NRA associations until they become monopolies.

"There is no ground," says our great orator, "for apprehension that our relations with any nation will be otherwise than peaceful."

Three days later, on January 7, we read in the World Telegram: "President Roosevelt today prosented to Congress one of the largest peace time national defense hudget estimates in history, about one billion dollars .-- Fstimates for next year (1935) represent an increase of \$179,698,-509 over last year (1934),"

Farmers Not Forgotten

The President goes on, "We have already begun to feel the bracing effect upon our economic system of a restored agriculture,"

In 1928, an average year, the than they used to be, but the poor U. S. Dept. of Agriculture reported still attend in vast numbers, 10,289 million dollars as the gross income of farmers. In 1933 the figure was 4,868 million, less than half the prosperity level. In 1934, the Department estimates a gross Evidently this group of professors income of 5,950 million, an estimate which includes 500 millions and money finding these things out, of direct benefit payments from the and a lot of long words in making government.

"Where is this "restored agri- worker, however, could have told culture?" Can it be just another these professors why the poor are Christmas story?

the principal warmers of church We look forward with dismay to benches and thus could have saved hearing this speech delivered sev- these professors all their hard eral times this year over the radio, study. Furthermore, any classin those intimate fireside chats conscious worker could have told with the President that turn the them why the poor worker contin- time to trouble themselves much and Andy Gresevich: Mine No. 2. ues to swallow religious dope, an about another life that may just stomach, several more times on momentous occasions such as the important matter that for some opening of new Civilian Concentration Camp systems, and finally we not include in their report.

ared dismally sure to hear it again The fact is that the lives of poor only slightly altered, on January workers are so full of hardship ers must do here and now. Let and trouble that they are but too nothing distract their attention or Tom Fisher: No. 2. John Homak: 4, 1936.

Times may come and times may ready to believe priests and min- divert their efforts. One world at No. 3, Alex Russell; No. 4, Joseph go, but that speech goes on forever. isters who tell them that if they is time!

jurors as to whether they are ac- delegate to the Joint Board makes cal interests, down to the use of quainted with the new District At- the latter a body with final author. petty religious prejudices, the maity. The Joint Board, which this jor left wing candidates emerged torney. The jury had been chosen proposed draft would have elected triumphant in an avalanche of under McAllister,

on the hasis of "equal representa- votes. About 1,700 of the local's Various complaints were laid before the judge by the prisoners, tion" would not only he non-repre- 2,300 members participated in the who complained about food and sentative of the entire membership, medical conditions in the jail. The but also would have the power to veto any and all decisions of the

judge washed his hands of the problem.

Defendants Hold Conference Immediately after adjournment,

conference was held by the deity an unequal representation, since Maine is to Republicans and Dema Department of some 300 (like the ocrats, fendants, their attorneys and advisers. Sam Darcy, District Organ-Ribbon & Hathand) would have the same representation as the Plain izer of the Communist Party, 10 Department, numbering which a number of defendants be-Goods some 7,000. Such "equality" is oblong, and Barney Moss, representing the Workers Party of the U.S., viously a blow aimed at the largest of which one defendant is a memsection of our union. The Joint

ber, participated. Also present was Board must be elected on the basis Herbert Solow of the Non-Partisan of proportional representation. Equally objectionable is the pro-Labor Defense, which has charge



organ of the Lehigh County Unemand turn the left side of their heads ployed League : to be clubbed by the police after

they have had the right side of The poor go to church more than their head clubbed, they will inthe rich. Churches are emptier herit the kingdom of heaven when they starve to death, and every thing that they did not have in this In a few words this is the meat world will be added unto them in

District Convention,

Moreover, the "equal representa-

of a recent study made by the the next. Council for Research in the Social When life hurts too much, many Council Delegate, James Allen; Sciences of Columbia University. on the council spent a lot of time ers harmless, and for that reason their reports. Any class-conscious plenty of ministers and that the

and kept in repair. There is so much to do to make this a decent world, a world in

which workers can live full, rich, Mine Committee: Mine -No. 1, happy lives, that workers have no Frank Lonzeretto, Howard Skeldon Andrew Steed, Sidney Dickson and possibly exist beyond the grave. No Malin Donaldson; Mine No. 3,

there may or may not be, there is McDonald; Mine No. 4, Mile Pom-| Spring. a job in this world that the work atto. Martin Tira and Peter Fassero. Compensation Committees: No. 1.

Gaydas,

Fassere

to have been settled weeks ago by the Labor Board elections. Such insincerity was too much feeling sky high. for the patient and long-suffering garage workers.

V. R. Dunne on Job

that night, General Drivers No. and action. The United Rubber-574, through Bill Brown and Farworkers council, ruling power over rell Dobbs, offered to place several experienced leaders and picketers all rubber unions, has called a meeting for Saturday to pledge aid at the disposal of the strikers. 574's offer was enthusiastically ac- and support to any action the local takes. cepted, and V. R. Dunne was dele-

Equally significant was the fact gated to assist the St. Paul workers.

permit a National Labor Board that Claude E. Pearcy, red baiting Under F. Lutz, business agent of election ordered recently to take president of the union, was deci-Local 459, Dunne has been direct- place and the throwing of it into a sively defeated in this local union (Pearcy holds his membership in ing the strike activities from the federal court for an anti-election this local), S. L. Jones, erstwhile St. Paul strike headquarters. Other injunction indicates the weakness Socialist and politically no better active leaders in that city are Jack of the company union and also Niles and Falke Lindholm. Since forced labor into realizing that than Pearcy, defeated the union the beginning of the strike, St. Paul NRA boards etc. were not on their president by 179 votes.

garages have been sewed up tight, side.



Just before the close of the old, of 76.1 percent over the total for

creased from 2.8 percent to 5.1 percent."

> While the value of retail sales increased in 1934 by four and a half billion over 1933, due to increased prices, reports from the Kresge stores, the market of the poor, indicate that there was a drop of 4 percent in the volume of goods sold during the first 10 months of last year as compared with 1933, and similarly the amount of goods handled by Woolworth

week climaxed the bitter resent. compensation, 69.48 Rooseveit ment rubberworkers have against should be larger than the amount the tactics of the rubber baron, H. now received on the relief dole.

The average cost of direct relief S. Firestone Sr., and sent strike per month for an unemployed family was recently estimated at \$25 A special meeting of the execu-tive council of the Firestone Local unemployed would certainly wel-At a mass meeting in St. Paul was to be held Wednesday night come an increase over this miserto determine the course of strategy able handout. How high shall the wages be? ". . . not so large" continues Roosevelt. "as to encourage the rejection of opportunities for private employment to engage in government work.'

In other words wages must be lower than the \$12 minimum provided in the President's blanket code. Moreover they must be lower than the wages paid by the tens of thousands of bosses chiselling under this minimum. Public Works wages must be less than the \$10 code minimum in the rubber tire industry, less than \$8.60 for the textile bag industry and less than \$5.60 paid for 40 hours work in the laundry code in the South-they must be lower if the unemployed are not "to reject prvate employment . . . to engage in government work".

Roosevelt's "American Plan"

Thus, with one blow Roosevelt lams three and one half million jobless workers below the border line of mere subsistence and provides the bosses with a mighty bludgeon to keep the wages of those in their employ at rock-bottom levels. This, boasts Mr. Roosevelt. "constitutes an American plan for the American people".

The wages may be low and the work may last only a few months of the year but perhaps homes will be built for the destitute and sluminhabiting working class. Let's see.

"The projects undertaken, warns the President, "should be selected and planned so as to compete as little as possible with private enterprise.'

In fact, everything militates As we progress further along the against a real housing program unreport, we find that the Christmas der the Roosevelt plan. First the The index of production dropped season was the only factor that fear to compete with the realty from 64.7 in October 1933 to 61.4 in saved the year of 1934 from being operators. Second the record. The October 1934, and the latter figure a complete disaster. All these fig-NRA has cooperated in increasing the price of building materials some 23 percent, and, on the other hand, the government has been a half since the inception of the charging municipalities 4 per cent on the bousing loans it has made. Out of \$3,700,000,000 allotted to the

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also represents a drop of 14 points ures quoted by the publicity offices reason or other the professors did matter what heavenly rewards William Orr, Joe Carney and John below production levels of the NRA show a decided slump as they affect labor in the year and This same release from the publicity department of the NRA NRA.

reveals that the profits of indus-FOLLOW THE NEWS IN THE trial corporations for the first 9 months of 1934 shew an uncrease NEW MILITANT.

year, the capitalist papers started the first 9 months of 1933, and up a loud jabbering about increased also states that the "annual rate The new officers for the year production, higher earnings, greatof return on net worth has in-

er consumption of all goods, the putting to work of unemployed, and so on. But at the end of one of

President, John Battuello; Vice-President, Alex Frame; Recording Secretary, Joe Vidmar; Financial these stories an index was attached -figures computed by the NRA-Secretary, John Griva; Roster

which show the following: Keeper, Thomas Finnegan; Trades Employment declined from 78.8 poor workers try to kill the pain Door Keeper, Albert Keisre; Trus- in May of 1934, to 75.9 in August by taking religion. It is cheap and tees and Auditors, Merle Gibbons, and to 75.1 in October (latest figeasy dope. It usually makes work- Peter Braido and Craig Easton; ures given). The level of October, Trial Board, Frank Rose, Robert 1934 was therefore 75.1 as compared the bosses see to it that there are Donaldson, Jeremia Taigo, Stanley with 76.1 in October, 1933. Wages Meyers and Marvin Hughes; Fun- dropped from 61.5 in May, 1934 to churches are lighted and heated eral Home Delegates, for Gillespie: 57 in August and then to 55.6 in

Alex Harris and Tom Foster; for October As against a one point Benld: Adolph Bartolino and Andy rise in wages between October 1933 dropped 6 percent.

and October 1934, the cost of living increased 3.1 points.

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FROM THE FIRING LINE

League in Airport Strike Bares Huge Graft; Hits at Forced Labor

WOOD COUNTRY, Ohio. - At- | This practice was exposed by the tempts to work scabs on the Wood Unemployed League in Toledo and County airport project, where for the racket was discontinued. Soon after the investigation the past three weeks, members of Wood County Unemployed which attended this exposure, the Wood County officials and Relief League have been striking, were crushed by a militant mass picket Administration started to assign line which was formed on the Wood County unemployed to work ing them that they would be cut morning of January 2 in zero on this project, paying them with off the relief rolls. weather by members of the Rossrederal funds.

ford, East Rossford, Lake Town-In the summer of 1934, the Reship and Perrysberg Unemployed Leagues. instead of the CWA rate of 50c.

The strike was called when it which federal funds and relief 1a- League called a county strike on per week for work to be increased was learned that the airport on bor were being used is the private property of a corporation, the mass demonstration before the Trans-American Airway Corp.

As a result of an Unemployed League investigation, it was diswhere the same applied. covered that in December 1933, E. B. Richardson, receiver for this corporation, had leased the property to the city of Toledo for \$1.00, the lease to extend from that date until November 30, 1938. In the same transaction, also for a consideration of \$1.00, the city of Toledo appointed and designated Richardson as sole operator, with the proceeds from the airport to go to the operator and his company. Even prior to the time of this

transaction, former mayor Thatcher of Toledo had permitted the use of Community Welfare House inmates of this corporation without pay.



SPRINGFIELD, Ill.- Springfield miners have a contract with coal sure became so strong that Weston operators, but that doesn't stop Kelsey, Relief Director of Area 6, them from using direct action when took a committee consisting of Lesthey need it as a weapon to gain ter Heckman of the Lehigh County immediate demands. The members of the Progressive Miners Union at Jefferson mine here struck last week against the Brewerton Coal

Co Pickets were on hand Friday and the mine closed tight. The miners charged that they were being compelled to accept pay by buying coal from the company at fabulous prices

The Brewerton Coal Co., notorious for its robberies, functions under the camouflage of a Federal receivership. For many years one before in order to force additional brought before the court for con- toisted on them. tempt. Now, however, the miners have taken the only logical action ----strike.

country relief czar, but the unemployed will be "permitted" to work out their budgetary relief allowance for the equivalent in cash, which makes no allowance for transportation to the job, protec-

tive clothing, rent, coal, etc. . . Those assigned to these projects under the new "plan" were sent "yellow-dog" cards which they were supposed to sign, designating whether they accepted the offerand if they did not accept, inform-

The locals of the Wood County lief Administration attempted to adopted resolutions charging the institute a 30c an hour wage rate new relief program as constituting a cut in relief and forced labor, The Wood County Unemployed and demanding a minimum of \$15

all projects, and after a militant proportionally with price rises, which the resolutions add should not be considered as in any way county armory at Bowling Green, altering the demand of the National secured a rate of 50c an hour for Unemployed Union for \$30 per week common labor and union wages and a 30-hour week. A huge mass meeting has been

Following hard on the heels of he airport disclosures came the called for Bowling Green, and the announcement that a new "work | Wood County Unemployed League relief" project is to be inaugurat- is planning to extend the airport ed in Wood County. Direct relief s rike to a county-wide strike will no longer be granted in Wood against the entire new forced labor County, says Earle C. Duncan, program.

Meeting on Work Projects Called by Allentown League

ALLENTOWN, Pa., Jan. 7. - Under this plan a maximum budget as laborers on the private property Step by step, by committee action is drawn up for each family. The and mass demonstrations, the Un- budget provides for food, clothing, accepted. All clothing vouchers the Stalinists are trying to arouse employed Leagues of Area 6, com-

prising Lehigh, Northampton and budget is subtracted any income Carbon Counties, have forced rethe family might have; the remain lief officials to grant additional der is called the "budgetary definecessities to the unemployed. First tood, then clothing, then fuel, then rent. Electric light bills have now been added to the list. Presobjections to this plan are:

In spite of these gains relief remains woefully inadequate and the unemployed are uniting as never

"Budgetary Deficiency" A new uniform state plan is being enforced for distributing relief

A card party will be given on

Jan. 22 to raise money for the

Branch quota of the Party Founda-

tion Fund. An open meeting for

launching the new party will be

held the following week. The

Branch meets every Friday at the

Ninth Ward Unemployed League

Hall but hopes to have its own

Cornelius O'Donnell was recently

elected vice-chairman of the Al-

lentown local of the American Fed-

OF YOUNGSTOWN BRANCH

1. Double membership of Branch

2. Forty dollars from Youngs-

own for Party Foundation Fund.

headquarters soon.

eration of Silk Workers.

y March 1, 1935.



In Hand - Attitude of Jobless Changing

York's unemployed have remained By AL DASCH The beginning of the New Year unorganized.

finds the unemployed in New York City in a more precarious position than at any time in the past five Unemployed Union have already years. The city flop houses are filled to capacity with homeless men and women; and if the lengthy breadlines no longer arouse comment, it is only because the sight has become an all too common occurence. 1,200,000 people in while more than 300,000 families depend for existence on the starvation budgets alloted to them by the Emergency Relief Administra-

tion. Due to the lack of organiza tion on the part of the jobless, the city administration has been able to direct a whole series of attacks against the unemployed in the past few weeks.

Over six thousand families were dropped completely from the relief rells lately. The favorite excuse The mechanical directives transyas that a close relative (who in many cases had a family of his own and did not even live together with ceeding the budget of the relief

bureau for that number in a family. At present no more applications of single workers are being Councils have been dormant. Now rent, fuel, light and gas. From the have i cen stopped. This leaves the interest in them by a National unemployed without even a mini- Congress for Unemployment Insurmum of clothing with which to face ance held in Washington. They the winter.

Waiting for Snow

Some time ago the city realized National Hunger Marches. Their that the budget of the Emergency unemployed line has not changed Relief Administration could not and the congress was staged take care of all the needs of its under the same narrow limitations An elaborate snow re-'clients" moval plan was worked out by which 23,000 heads of families would receive work at fifty cents per hour. The Department of Public Welfare stated that the money made on this job would go fully to supplement the relief the men received and nothing would be deducted from their monthly vouchers.

Last week the Department of Public Welfare sent out letters to

the men enrolled informing them ployed and employed workers will that half of what they made would be held at the Harrison-Morton have to be deducted from their High School Auditorium on Friday, budget. In view of the fact that Jan. 11. At this meeting relief clothing vouchers had been stopped of the company for fear of being labor scheme which is now being for forming committees on every five cents made on the job would

Another trick is to transfer those on CWA projects who have no Workers songs' and dramatics will children to home relief, where the amount received by a family of form an integral part of each meettwo is less than the small wages

both ways, as now only the heads must be one that is founded on



Saving John L. Lewis Storm on the Horizon **Compulsory** Arbitration

The National Industrial Recovery nation's capitol. The increased dis-Act saved the skin of John L. Lewis of the United Mine Workers. He had worn the once-powerful union to a frazzle, had expelled the militant elements who opposed his cor-

rupt and bureaucratic rule and did

There has never been an unemployed movement here that had anp sort of a base. The Unemployed Unions of the Socialist Party pursued a policy of going cap in hand cils of the administration and sent to the relief centers. An organization which did not believe in militancy and did not explain the need for more than temporary allevia- Presidem and that F.D.R. had tion (need of unemployment insurthe city are totally unemployed, ance) could only recruit members ers. In less than a year the U.M.W. who left them as soon as they re- of A. had practically swept the field. ceived their hand out.

> Nor could the Communist Party **Oil Unionism**

controlled Unemployed Councils The International Association of give guidance to the jobless of this Oil Field, Gas Well and Refinery city. They managed for a time to Workers was in somewhat the same make a furore, more because of the fix. No conventions had been held bravery of the rank and file members of the Communist party, who since 1926 because of the steady decrease in membership. It too engaged in more than one bitter took a new lease on life and a battle with the police, than of any membership of 75,000-an increase mass influence the Councils had. of 25 percent--was reported to the 1934 gathering. The steady growth planted from the party to the Counhas continued since then. cils, played no little part in isolat-15,000 workers are covered by an ing them from the unemployed. agreement negotiated by the union Naturally enough, such an organwith the large Sinclair Oil Comization could not exist for long. pany A few strikes were called For the past year and a half the against small companies, a number

of Labor Board elections resulted in decisive victories for the International as against company unions and special organizing drives enrolled thousands of new recruits could have no more success with this

Congress than they had with their Thunder Ahead.

In both of these great fuel extraction industries therefore, al most entire dependence was placed on NRA maneuvering. National that mark all C. P. efforts headquarters of the U.M.W. were

Attitude of Unemployed Changing moved from Indianapolis to Wash At the same time it must not be ington while Harvey Freming, presoverlooked that the unemployed of this city manifested a certain apathy towards organization. Because of the size of the city and the multitude of industries, a jobless worker here looked upon his period of unemployment as something temporary. His period of accepting relief was considered a temporary one and he was therefore not very much interested in an unemployed erganization. Particularly, when those in existence had so little to offer. Today a different situation

exists. The idea that unemployment is permanent for millions of workers and not something temporary is beginning to seep through.

All signs indicate that if a real istic program for the unemployed, Subject: The Workers Party of the expressing their demands is worked out, an unemployed organization answering the needs of the jobless can be built. Such an organization

in his industry in March and again n August 1934, but no one ever nothing to halt the steady disintegration of the organization. ook it seriously. NRA changed all that. John L. saw his opportunity, worked himself rapidly into the highest counhis organizers into the coal fields with the story that he, Lewis, had breakfast every morning with the asked him to organize the coal min-

Speaking relatively, therefore, everything has been smooth sailing. No real crisis arose to disturb the equanimity of the union chiefs,

Some

such as faced the officialdom of the textile, steel and auto unions. But the events of the past week show that the day of reckoning is approaching and that the coming months are almost certain to produce serious and unavoidable issues in coal and oil.

and Refinery Workers, deserted

his old offices in Fort Worth, Texas

for the superior attractions of the

tance from the coal tipples and oil

derricks was more than compen-

sated for by the proximity of code

authorities. It is true that Frem-

ing threatened general strike action

Price Control The stumbling block in both industries is the breakdown of the price control system set up to end suicidal competition. Lewis has recently complained that bituminous coal mine operators, after more than a year of successful operation under fair trade provisions of the NRA code have, within the last ten days, started "cutting each others" throats again". The entire minimum price structure of the coal code is threatened with collapse. This must lead to wage cuts as the old competitive fight begins all over again. In a letter to the NRA Lewis hinted at a nation-wide walkout of coal diggers to check that tendency. An even graver situntion has been created by the recent decision of the Supreme Court which declared the production and price control features of the oil sode unconstitutional. The flood of "hot oil" especially from the East Texas fields in defiance of NRA provisions had already nullified any benefits which the oil workers might have gained from the code for their industry. Now that all the bars are down, price cutting will go on at an ever increasing ate. And the brunt of the battle will, of course, be born by the workers. What this will mean in some sections where even today a state of virtual peonage exists, may be imagined.

The union is trying to get revisions of the code to provide for a 30-hour week and wage increases. Fremming stated at a hearing recently that the "reabsorption of unemployed by the ndustry has been practically nil and its increased wage bill has been a sad disappointment"

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Fight-The Only Way One after the other the unions are finding out that the old rules still apply. Labor must fight for what it gets. In certain industries special circumstances may delay the of large families are being placed on work projects. Those placed as before the sector work projects. The placed as the placed of the placed be-the sector work projects. The placed as the placed be-the sector work projects. The placed as the placed be-the sector work projects. The placed as the placed be-the sector work projects. The placed as the placed be-the sector work projects. The placed as the placed be-the sector work projects. The placed as the placed be-the sector work projects. The sector work placed be-the sector work projects. The sector work placed be-the sector work projects. The sector work placed be-the sect facts. To prepare the organizations of labor for the fight, to sweep aside those who sabotage or who preach the identity of the interests of the exploited and the exploiterthat is the job for the progressive unionists of America.



Unemployed League to Harrisburg to present the case for the payment of light bills before Alvin Guyler, Field Director. The conference resulted in specific plans being drawn

> tal in forcing the distribution of additional surplus commodities.

couldn't even whisper condemnation demands and to protest the forced grievances will be aired and plans it advised them that every twenty-



or for paying insurance and debts; skilled workers are forced to work at rates for unskilled labor; since only one member of a family can be given a job, many able bodied men and women are excluded from work; political

preference is being shown in alloting foremen, timekeepers and supervisors' jobs.

A mass meeting for all unem-

will be the first of a series of purchased with it. monthly mass rallies held by the Lehigh County Unemployed League.

KAPID GROWTH IN NEW YORK | elius O'Donnell; United Front, Bill

The Party at Work

Reich; American Federation of Teachers, Frank Collins; Clothing

New members are being assigned to the various New York City Workers, Larry Heimbach. branches at the rate of ten to twelve a week. One of the signifithe new party is that most of the new members are former members of political parties, such as the Communist Party, the Industrial Union Party, the I.W.W., the Weisbord group, and so on . No systematic membership drive has been started yet, but plans are now being laid for an intensive propaganda campaign on a city wide scale.

The attendance at the Sunday night forums has far exceeded all expectations, and more than doubled the attendances at the former C.L. A. and A.W.P. forums. Preparations are now under way for a joint meeting of the Workers Party and the Spartacus Youth League to commemorate the death of Karl Liebknecht, Rosa Luxembourg and Bobzien, to be held on Sunday evening, Jan. 13, at Irving Plaza. Another event for which preparations are being made is the Lenin Memorial meeting to be held on Wednesday evening, Jan. 23, at the Irving Plaza, The Cultural Committer has arranged an interesting program of dances and music.

The Cultural Committee is a newly formed group organized to bring color and drama into the dance groups, dramatic groups and musical groups. This committee in order to get attendance of at meets every Friday evening at 7

P.M. at 144 Second Ave. All friends here. and sympathizers who are capable of contributing to this work are urged to be present at these meetings.

ALLENTOWN MAPS ACTIVITY

Marxism. ALLENTOWN, Pa.-. The Allentown Branch at its last meeting elected an executive committee March 1. consisting of Lester Heckman, Ed Moser, John Gardner, Bill Reich

and Frank Collins. Other officers of the branch are Ed Moser, secretary: Frank Collins, treasurer;

movement for state organizer to John Beisel, literature agent; come in and organize local Unem-Grant Munn, branch organizer; Bill Reich, industrial organizer. ployed Leagues with help of branch The following fraction chairmen by March 1. have been elected : Unemployed

Party Lists

The first six pamphlets to be The trial of two members, Bill published for the Workers Party of the U.S. by the Pioneer Publishers Reich and John Beisel, who were cant features of this drift towards arrested in the mass violation of have been tentatively outlined to the men however are unaware of include the following subjects: Mayor Lewis' anti-picketing proclamation will be held on Jan. 12.

Party. 2. Trade Union Tactics and they can on the miserable wages Strategy.

Unemployment. 3.

The Recent Events in the Soviet Union. Short History of the Interna-

tionals. The Workers Party and its 6. Program.

Subscription for the six pamphets, which will be published at the rate of one a month, are now being accepted. The price for the series is 50c, and may be secured by TWO MONTH ACTION PROGRAM writing to the Pioneer Publishers,

102 Tast 11th Street, New York City. All friends and sympathizers are urged to subscribe immediately as this is the only method of financing the publication program.

3. Fifteen new subscribers for Injunction Seen the New Militant and a weekly bundle sale of 25 copies by March 1.

As Lewis Move 4. Ten new subscribers for the New International and a monthly bundle sale of 25 copies by March 1. (Special to the New Militant) 5. Distribute 1,000 leaflets, sell SPRINGFIELD, Ill. Dec. 24.-100 tickets before meeting, and ad-Federal Judge Wham of the East United Electric Coal Co. an injunc-

the members of the Progressive 6. Organize trade union contacts Miners of America. The Red Bird as basis for local section of Promine, operated at Freeburg in the gressive Trade Union movement. Belleville coal field, has been shut 7. Organize an advanced study down since April 1, 1934, excepting class by February 1 in addition to for a few days when the miners regular classes in fundamentals of

permitted operation under tenta tive plans. 8. Sell at least 300 copies of the

The efforts to get the injunction Declaration of Principles and Conwere avowedly the plans of John stitution of the Workers Party by L. Lewis, tyrant of the United Mine Workers, who is attempting to 9 Help local Spartacus Youth

break the Progressive Union in the League to organize one additional Belleville territory. branch by March 1.

10. Lay basis in unemployed YOU SAID IT, FRANKLIN! In spite of our efforts and in spite of our talk we have not weeded out the overprivileged and we have not effectively lifted up the

underprivileged .--- Pres. Boosevelt in Leagues Andy Budihas; Silk, Corn- ORDER W. P. PAMPHLETS NOW. hs mossage to congress Jan. 4.

laborers received \$48 a month for 6 Pamphlets laborers received \$48 a month for two weeks work. This is less than up between those on work relief and home relief-no separation of many of them received before and

they make.

the two. It goes without saying in that case their "earnings" are supposed to be supplemented by a check from the home relief bureau the city a definite tie-up must exist. ary Party? making up the difference. Most of Undoubtedly in the coming months sharp struggles will break out this and do not apply for the addiamong those employed on work re-1. The Goal of the Workers tional amount. The result is their lief projects since there the unemfamilies have to get along as best ployed have a more stable base

than those on the lists of the home relief bureaus. Particularly, since Work Relief it is the plan of the Roosevelt gov-Since the mass lay-offs last sum-

ernment to put as many as possible mer for "loafing" the men are, as on work relief.

(By Special Correspondent)

they put it, "leery". A host of The unemployed of New York are Fusion and Tammany favorites in realizing the necessity of organizthe positions of foremen harass the ation and the coming months will men with the threat of "knocking prove that they have absorbed the them off" The result is that those lessons of the crises provided they on work relief are driven to work are given the necessary leadership.

ning Board.

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extremely hard for what amounts to \$12 a week. The speed-up plus the small wages have caused a \$3,500 Is

great deal of dissatisfaction. The work bureau, however, has hit upon a happy scheme with which to allay protest. Together with the threat of being fired for freshness a constant rumor is circulated that with the beginning of the new year those employed are going to receive steady work at the rate of five dollars a day.

Lack of Organization

The only reason that one blow after another can be aimed at the unemployed of New York City without resistance on their part is the lack of an unemployed organization St. Louis district court, denied the capable of championing the jobless. While cities throughout the country tion to prevent mass picketing by have had their unemployed band together and force concessions from the relief administrations, New

ATTENTION!

Newark Workers

The Workers Party of the U.S. will open its new headquarters at 85 Springfield Avenue, on FRIDAY, JAN. 18, at 8 P.M.

> Max Shachtman will speak on

"ALARM SIGNALS IN THE SOVIET UNION"

Admission 10 Cents

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(The New Militant will be glad

to publish all notices of lectures,

mass meetings or social events if

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marked, "Attention, What to Au-

In Allentown, Pa.

Foundation Fund

Muste and James P: Cannon.

Jan 22--Card Party benefit for

In Buffalo

Jan. 14. Monday, S. P.M.-Star

Hall, cor. Broadway and Pratt.

United States. Speakers: A. J

In Youngstown, Ohio

tend Column".)

Party

In Cleveland, Ohio Jan. 16- Painters' Hall. 2030 Euclid Ave. Speakers: A. J. Muste that between this unemployed or- and James P. Cannon. Subject: ganization and the trade unions of Does America Need a Revolution-

In Detroit

Jan. 18, Friday, 8 P.M.-Jericho Temple, 2705 Joy Road. Admission Free. Subject: The Workers Party and the 4th International. Speakers: A. J. Muste and J. P. Cannon. In Waukegan, Ill.

January 22, Tuesday evening-Speaker: James P. Cannon.

In Minneapolis, Minn, Jan. 23, Wesdnesday evening-Pythian Hall 432 S. 4th St. Subject: "Program of the Workers Party of the U. S." Speakers: A. J. Muste and James P. Cannon.

In Kansas City, Mo Jan. 29, Tuesday evening-Work ers' Library. Speaker: James P Cannon. Subject: Workers Party of U.S.---Its Program and Purposes. In St. Louis

Family Need Jan. 31, Thursday, 8 P.M.--Hib ernian Hall, 3619 Finney Avenue Subject: The Message of the Work-HARRISBURG, Pa. Jan. 7 .- The ers Party-Its Program and Pur-Pennsylvania State Planning Board pose. Speakers: A. J. Muste and in a report to Governor Pincnot James P Cannon,



for a "statistical family" or 4.23 persons. In defense of the position knecht-Luxembourg Meeting, Irvthat this budget is not extravagant ing Plaza.

the Board stated that "the man of Jan. 23, Wednesday eve...ing--the family is allowed one suit per Lenin Memorial Meeting, Irving year and one overcoat every two Plaza. vears" One half pair of suspend-Weekly Friday Night Forums at ers per man per year is allowed. all the following Branches: The report further states: "Approx-Branch No. 1-144 Second Ave. miately 90 percent of Pennsylvan-Branch No. 2-Grand Palace, 90 ia's families had incomes, even in Clinton Street, corner Delancey. the prosperous year of 1929, that Branch No. 4-143 East 103rd St. were inadequate for the complete Branch No. 5-Bronx Branch-A attainment of reasonable comfort." Forum with Comrade Zack as Another state board, the State speaker is being arranged. Emergency Relief Board, has also Branch No. 6-1776 Pitkin Ave. drawn up budgets, not for "statisnear Stone Ave., Brooklyn.

tical families" but for actual fam-Branch No. 7-1281 49th Street, ilies on relief. Its budget for a Brooklyn. family of 4.23 persons amounts to Jan. 18, Wednesday, 8 P.M.-Boro \$14.10 per week in contrast to the Park Labor Lyceum. 42nd St. and "theoretical budget" of \$67.30 per 14th Ave., Brooklyn. Joseph Zack

week presented by the State Plan- on "Why I Resigned from the Communist Party" Feb. 7, Thursday evening-Thea-FOLLOW THE NEWS IN THE tre Party, "Sailors of Cattaro"

Frances Drake. Chairman,

Arbitration It is certain that efforts will be made at this session of Congress to put over a bill for the compulsory arbitration of labor disputes. It is an open secret that certain government officials in high places favor such legislation. Every reactionary interest in the country is busi-

ly pushing the idea. And why not? If organized labor can subscribe to the following paragraph from the American Federationist, organ of the A. F. of L., what serious objection can it have to forced arbitration?

"We hold," says this editorial, that Labor and employers are properly partners in industry, with separate functions but with interdependent interests which can best be furthered by genuine cooperation for production and for that control of industry that will bring balance in distribution of income and stability in production."

Compulsory arbitration goes as logically with that kind of bunk as ham with eggs.

Jan. 13, Sunday evening-Lieb LETTER CARRIERS PLOTEST **EXTENSION OF WAGE CUT**

> WASHINGTON. - Extension of the federal employes' 5 percent wage cut for another six months was called for by Pres. Roosevelt in an executive order signed Jan 4, as bills sponsored by the unions were being introduced in Congress demanding immediate restoration of the cut

Charges that the government "encouraged general wage-cutting" and set "the worst possible example to private employers" are made in a memorial for repeal of salary reduction addressed to members of the House and Senate by the National Association of Letter Car riers.

WASHINGTON-Railroads have received more than half a billion dollars in R.F.C. loans. according to the annual report of the interstate Commerce Commission.



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Dew of Death Rained From Sky MARCH OF EVENTS WORLD IN REVIEW Capitalist Weapon for Next War By JACK WEBER the unity of the youth forces can forced labor at low wages, lower State of the Union Letter From Spain

"Civilized" Weapons

Workers' booklet tells of a huge

turing buildings, 1,400 tons of poi-

No More Cash Relief

Imperialism and the Farmer

Roosevelt has sent his message to Congress on the state of the union. And a sad state it is. Had there been in the past year a sharp skilled workers to give up the wage upturn, a rapid rise in production, have taken credit for all this as ment is stepping in to help beat gases. the result of the New Deal. As it down the standards of living of stand nakedly revealed. True, there has been some recovery of on the backs of the working class. business; employment is above the It can be said in advance that the lowest levels of the crisis; but the workers will not submit to this illusions created in the minds of many workers that the government would see to the return of prosperity and send them back to the factories in short order have evapormore. ated into thin air. It must be clear Secretary Wallace Gives the Key to all by now that Roosevelt gambled on the ending of the depression and on the recovery of busi-

ness in the normal course of things. and that his whole "program" so tar as the working class was conmasses into passivity during the worst phase of the crisis.

In his message of last year Roosbudget could be balanced in the in June 1935. That hope, too, goes by the board with the indication its entire internal economy so as to that a deficit of four billions of ing year, thereby bringing the total the budget, with the government major world markets for manufacembarking on a new program of tured goods by its mass production public spending to be financed by methods in the factories. Compegovernment borrowing, further in- tition with the other imperialists flation looms in the future as al- requires that the costs of producmost a certainty. Of course it is tion must be extremely low. Hence not Roosevelt's real intention to the drive on workers' living standspend the entire appropriations and . At the same time, if these supposedly made for relief through other countries are to buy in "our" public works. But if he follows market, they must be permitted to along the course outlined in his sell heir agricultural products.

cy" measures, to borrow some eleven system. and a half billions of dollars. Such huge government borrowings will exert the most disurbing influence on the entire financial structure of the nation. That is why the government may be compelled to take Jan. 1, 1933, to Aug. 31, 1934, acover greater and greater control of cording to the first installment of affected until hours later. the banking and credit system. the Federal Trade Commission's * * *

reports. Altogether the 765 compan-What is of the utmost importance lies studied made nearly \$100,000,to both the employed and the un- 000 profits in the whole period, so employed alike, is that part of that the claimed loss of the com-Roosevelt's message dealing with panies of \$4,667.578 for the 2-month relief. He intends to drop as much period just before the great textile as possible cash relief and substill strike had been well covered by the tute what comes close to being tremendous gains.

than for similar work in private employment. And this is to be applied particularly in the field of taught to use gas masks. construction. Thus the pre-arranged propaganda extending back for months now, blaming the fail-

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BIG PROFITS IN TEXTILES

WASHINGTON-Big profits were

In Paris, bomb-proof cellars are built for the civilian population. ure of recovery in the building In Italy, boys of eight are given trades and the field of heavy conmilitary training. struction on the refusal of the ment talks of taking the "excess"

By RUTH WILSON

reemployment of many more mil- they were heretofore accustomed, to build battle ships and to carry lions of workers, Roosevelt would is now bearing fruit. The govern- on secret experiments with poison All over the world, the next war turns out all the hollowness of the the building trades workers. Re- is in preparation. For the time demagogy and ballyhoo of the NRA covery of heavy industry is to take being American capitalists, like place by loading all the sacrifices the English, and all others for that matter, are talking peace - and preparing for the inevitable war.

Chemical warfare is a thing of program without the sharpest such horror that the mind reels at the thought of it. Propagandists, struggles and resistance. The government will find it necessary to use | lulling us into a feeling of safety, the methods of repression more and declare that no country would dare use the chemicals and gases they have prepared in their laboratories, because of the fear of reprisals by next war. And not only the experts

its enemy To understand the real meaning No Limits

of the moves being made by the Lest we forget--gas warfare was poison gas plant at "Edgewood in government one must see them in i "outlawed" before the World War; | the United States", built at a cost their entirety as in accord with the historic aims and needs of the Am- but both sides used it just the same. of \$45,000,000, with 218 manufaccerned, was intended to lull the erican mance capitalists. Such a In the next war, with a pre-knowview is given most clearly in the ledge of the possibilities of demor- son gases in stock, and a plant ism. apparently "liberal" writings of alizing civilian populations by a

Secretary of Agriculture Wallace. quick paralyzing stroke, and with poison gas per day. This would evelt expressed the hope that the To him it is perfectly clear that the new horrors made available by mean that in two months this plant America cannot turn to any scheme the laboratories of the world since next fiscal year-the year beginning of autarchy, of a self-enclosed eco- the World War, there will and can than the Germans used throughout nomy Rather it must rearrange be no rules and no limits.

What are these horrors of chemical warfare? We don't hear much enable the closest economic ties to dollars will be piled up in the com- be made with the backward agri- about them, mostly rumors. There perts agree to that. It would take cultural countries of South Amer- is good reason for that: If the federal debt to a record high. With ica and Asia. America, in short, workers of the world could learn to protect civilians-even if little the failure of business to pick up must become more and more im- what is actually being prepared for sufficiently to permit balancing of perialistic. It must capture the them by the governments of Europe trained to keep on these uncomfortand America, then they might rise in protest. A little book, prepared by the

Chemical Workers' Union of England, gives some idea of what the next war will mean. These chemists know what they are talking about. **Mustard Gas**

They tell of Mustard Gas, whose victims in the World War suffered message, the treasury will be Hence the program of crop control and died for years after 1918. This forced by the need for refunding here, to eliminate those American gas, which can be prepared more previous loans (for example the farmers in competition with the po- easily now than at the time of the Liberty Loans that fall due), and tential buyers. Naturally with this last war, vaporises slowly at ordithe demands for new funds for vast program of imperialism goes mary temperatures. Thus it may public works and other "emergen- a complete revision of the tariff be carried on clothing into a warm the centers of cities would not be * * *

which it comes in contact-food, clothing, ground. It has the added horror that it takes some time for it to show its results, so that the made by the textile industry from victim may not know he has been Then, with increasing intensity

the gas causes smarting of the faith in the politeness of nations eyes, nausea and vomiting, a rash that develops into blisters and fes-

And the "Abundant Life" Is

Those who have seen gas victims | sary to protect oneself in a poison In Japan school children are of the last war know that even a gas attack was to get into a hot non-fatal "dose" of Mustard Gas bath and smile. That will surely be leaves the victim weakened for life. a comfort to those families with Perhaps most potent of all gases enough baths for every memberis Lewisite-discovered by the Un-though the millions of workers ited States Chemical Warfare Serwithout even one bath may find it

In the United States, the govern- vice. To this gas is given the harder to smile. poetic name of "Dew of Death", Another expert, an authority on levels and the conditions to which profits out of war-and continues and it has an odor not unlike that air warfare, said, "People must get of geraniums. It is one of the most used to the idea that the next war cannot be fought in the trenches.' deadly gases ever discovered. There are many others--Chlor-His statement, designed to pre-

ine, which causes death by waterpare the civilians for their part in logging the lungs; Phosgene, which the war, must serve as a warning. kills 81 percent of its victims with- The next war will be fought, as in 24 hours, after the most horrible all wars are fought, by workers, agony; and the "irritants", which and by their families. Nor can are not fatal in themselves but are American workers feel secure in designed to cause their victims to their isolation; no one can foretell tear off their gas masks and thus the quick development of tomorexpose themselves to the deadlier row's horrors that can span an ocean. There is little comfort in gases

that thought that the United States, in its secret laboratories, is pre-

These are a few of the weapons paring weapons to use against the that experts are preparing for the workers of other nations. There is only one way to put an of Europe. The English Chemical

Following the revolutionary end to war and the danger of war. movement and because of the need That is by overthrowing the capitalist system which breeds it. The for strengthening the proletarian only road to peace is through the defense against the fascist offenrevolutionary war against capital- sive the Executive Committee of



New International

Cuban Volcano

SPANISH SOCIALIST YOUTH

CALLS FOR NEW INTERNA

(Ed. Note: An expression of

the tremendous ferment in the

ranks of the Young Socialists of

Europe is to be seen in the call

issued by the Socialist Youth of

Spain for unity with the Young

Communist League and the Com-

munist Left Youth ("Trotsky-

ites") and the formation of a

new revolutionary youth Interna-

tional and he "reurn to Marx

and Lenin". The Cail issued by

the Spanish Socialist Youth is

Call of Spanish Socialist Youth

To the Socialist and Communist

reprinted herewith.)

To the working Youth:

Youth :

Comrades :

on the next day, July 4. Nothing the National Unemployed League.

By LOUIS BREIER

The first session of the national temerity enough to accept the unconvention in Columbus was called o order on July 3, 1933. Eight reason to believe that the July 4 session would see an increase in hundred delegates were present from thirteen states. The largest the jingoism.

At this point the C.P.L.A. began delegation to the convention was to take matters into its own hands. from the Ohio Unemployed League which had met in convention only To begin with Anthony Ramuglia a few days previously. This was a deleate from the California Cooperative Relief Association was an important factor in the events

that followed. The O.U.L. was by chosen chairman. Wise in the handling of masses, deliberate and far the largest league in the counsoothing the people. Sir Samuel try and a good portion of its terri- shrewd, it was felt that he could thread his way through all the tory had been newly organized. Parliament, discussed the possibil- There had been little time for that shouting and disruption. This he proceeded to do the next morning, weeding-out process that follows the establishment of a new league exhibiting a wonderful capacity and eventually eliminates the for not hearing the inconvenient questions fired at him from the fasshady elements and the wardheel-

cists, and an ability for unravelling ers. They were present in force. knotty problems in a few words. The session opened peacefully Within an hour, the convention had enough. Bill Truax, president of begun to settle down somewhat and the Ohio league, made the initial the stage was being cleared for the speech in which he welcomed the counter-attack.

Role of the Socialists

delegates and pointed to the main task-building the N.U.L. During

the course of his speech Truax There were a good number of made several characteristic state-Socialists present, mainly from ments on the condition of the coun-Ohio and Pittsburgh. In the face try in which the government and the interests that control it were roundly and hilariously spanked. would immediately unite with all puppet of American imperialism, This was the cue for the spies and the left elements in the counter- hangs in the balance. Opposition provocateurs. They scurried about attack. But they were too deeply groups of both the right and the the vast fairground show-ring that concerned with destroying the in- left are organizing the struggle for erved as the meeting-hall-and the fluence of the C.P.L.A. within the its overthrow. whispering began. This increased leagues. Far from opposing the during succeeding speeches and fascists, leading Socialists, such as government has been progressively when Arnold Johnson, secretary of Lieberman of Pittsburgh, joined in shrinking for many months to the the Ohio league and subsequently their attack and distributed a point where it now rests almost of the N.U.L., arose to outline the pamphlet villifying the C.P.L.A. entrely on the army with the suntasks facing the unemployed, the and charging it with "being sold port of Wall Street interests. The whispering had grown to a sort of out to Moscow" etc. When the development of the strike movesubterranean roaring. The out- jingo tide was at its height several ment and the tremendous wave of burst came at the conclusion of of these "working-class" leaders terrorism---bombings and assassin-Johnson's speech. What he said grew panic-stricken and approached ations-have shown the impotence has been lost to the theoreticians, the C.P.L.A. with a bid for unity. of the government to dominate the but whatever it was a number of But by that time the C.P.L.A. had situation. Serious disaffection is

no longer be postponed. The proletarian youth is faced with the problem of organic unity. Realizing this to be so, we have addressed the following proposal to the Y.C.L., the Communist Left Youth (International Communists) and the youth organizations of the Iberian Communist Party (Maurin group):

"The Socialist Youth of Spain feel the unpostponable need of achieving the organic unity of the revolutionary proletarian youth which has already been united in struggle. During the October revolution we have struggled together against fascism in a single block and for a common purpose. Why should this not continue to be so? Why continue separately if our line is the same? The Socialist Youth have broken definitely with the Social-Democratic reformism and intend, together with the Socialist Youth of France, Belgium, Switzerland, Czechoslovakia, England, and Austria, to initiate the reconstruction of the youth movement on the purest basis of revolutionary Marxism. The international leadership necessary to reach victory is non-existent. The Second and Third Internationals have lost this leading position. Following Hilter's victory, a new movement has gotten under way. We believe it mecessary, urgent, to push this movement to its destination.

"Let us return to Marx and Lenin. Let us unite the proletarian youth in an International that has Part Three of the history of ; to stay away from the fair-grounds broken with the errors of the past. "Therefore, we invite the Y.C.L., had been accomplished. There was the Communist Left Youth, and the not even a chairman, and the large Youth of the Iberian Communist presidium could find no one with Party, to enter, as such, enmasse into the Socialist Youth of Spain. grateful task. There was good We invite the revolutionary proletarian youth to rally under our banner for the reconstruction of the international proletarian movement.

> "For the organic unity of the proletarian youth! For a Marxist international! For the banner of Marx and Lenin!" * * *

Concerning this proposal, discussions have been held with the Y.C. L. which has refused our proposal in a sectarian manner. We have not, however, lost confidence.

Young Communists: bring pressure on your leadership to achieve organic unity.

Young workers: The Socialist Youth of Spain calls on you to unite.

Long live the October revolution! Long live organic unity! -Socialist Youth of Spain.

* * Situation Tense In Cuba

Once again, Cuba finds itself on of the fascist attack it might have the brink of a volcano. The fate been expected that these "Marxists" of the Mendietta-Batista regime,

The mass base of the present

Soothing Syrup The governments know this. So they devote their propaganda to Hoare, in a speech in the British ity of a pre-war treaty under which

sibility.

But workers, knowing that to paralyze industry will be one of the chief points of attack in the next

at war. tering sores, and blindness. This

ending in death.

room, where it becomes effective. bombed until the workers had gone It contaminates anything with home!

war, will remember that 31 nations signed the Geneva Protocol forbidding the use of poison gas in the World War-and will not put their

Equally soothing, a chemist for

the Imperial Chemical Industries agony may last for several days, Company in England made the statement that all that was neces-

able masks. Shelters deep under-

ground may be built to comfort people and prepare them for the idea of war; but to build enough shelters for even one large cityeven if they could be built deep enough to keep the gases from seeping down-is a virtual impos-

the last war. There is no adequate defense against chemical warfare-the exyears to make enough gas masks children and old people could be

the Socialist Youth considers that capacity said to be 800 tons of could produce more poison gas

The Party Fund

A circular letter, addressed to all our readers, friends and sympathizers, and containing the PROGRAM OF ACTION, is going into the mails today.

This Program consists of eleven definite tasks the Workers Party set itself for immediate achievement. Six of these points are already in process of fulfillment

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Poverty! Poverty! Poverty!

By TESS HUFF | tress. In a kindly voice, Roosevelt Said the New York Post in an spoke to the nation. The time has editorial in November: come, he said, to have a New Deal "If a bear, kept in a cage for and to end this shameful condition; years, is released, he will pace up we will drive the money-changers and down in an area no bigger from the temple and lift up the than that to which he is accusunderprivileged to an abundant tomed. life.

"The iron bars are down. But The government began new surthe psychological bars stay up veys. Committees and fact-finding long after there is any basis for bodies produced new volumes of facts, and figures. And the facts ful of picked men made a dash to them in reality.

"Human beings suffer from the and figures added to the already voluminous evidence that every avenge the insult on Johnson's persame mental inertia. "No wonder it seems difficult to man, woman and child could have grasp the idea that for the future plenty of all the necessary things workers and C.P.L.A. members, there is enough to satisfy the of life-food, clothes, homes, a high standard of living. needs of everyone.'

But again the months passed and tory. This continued for the great-Indeed, it seems difficult. The masses in the United States, first there was no visible improvement. under Hoover, then under Roose-In 1933 there was a brief upturn velt, have been like the chicken and then conditions got worse than ate his abiding faith in the noble who starved to death on a sack of ever. The President continued to grain. But since 1929 there has speak of the "abundant life". been a growing conviction that But facts and figures are hard

poverty and "bread lines knee-deep witnesses. Less food was sold in in wheat" are here only because 1934 than in 1933. New homes are they are tolerated. still out of the question; there is

Hoover said the time had come none: and the old ones do not imto put two chickens in every pot prove with age. It is true that new and two cars in every garage. And millions in profits were reported by why not? No other nation possess- the corporations and banks in 1934, es so much wealth, skilled manpower and machinery. ported an all time high of 19.000.-

The government began making 000 people on the relief rolls. The surveys. Committees turned in re- living standard instead of being ports and fact-finding bodies filled doubled is sinking lower. In his message to Congress

volumes with facts and figures. Nevertheless, no improvements which has just opened, Roosevelt This was accepted and the guard It was the turn now of the were visible. In fact conditions admitted that "despite all our was chosen from among the mem-"Reds" to send speaker after speak got worse. People ate less, poverty talk" the New Deal has failed to bers of the Franklin County unit. er to the platform. This the C.P. increased, debts piled up and more millions joined the unemployed. Hoover did the best he could.

No capitalist could have done better. But the masses were dissatisfied and angry. They made the that 3,500,000 of the jobless be put captains and Joe Gershner, police- was complete. The convention setmistake, so usual in America, of regarding the president as a man, as an abstract man without class business" at low wages. alignments and interests. They got

angry at Hoover and not at what he stood for. They did not see in him the spokesman for capitalism. Then came the new savior, Franklin Roosevelt When Roosevelt took power the system was in a bad way. Roosevelt saved the banks, and looked capitalistic "profit motive" system guard into the convention hall. about him. sky high.

Everywhere poverty, unemploy-

the delegates promptly construed it as an insult to the flag and a handsuddenly and decisively crushed. The Counter-Attack

the speakers' stand-ostensibly to Bill Truax had started the trouble; now Bill Truax ended it. son. A cordon of unemployed Shortly after the second session got under way, he took the plathowever, swiftly formed around form and in short, electric phrases

Johnson and the attack dissipated exposed the entire machinery of in a cloud of challenges and oraer part of the day-speaker after speaker coming forward to reitersystem that somehow, in spite of its nobility, made it necessary for them to join unemployed leagues in order to fight for a scrap of bread. The Workers Guard

disbanded, shame-faced and en-When a committee of the Ohio league attempted to procure the lightened Before Johnson, who Columbus state fair-grounds for took the stage after Truax, had the convention they were told that finished his attack, the spies and but the government has just re- they might have it only if a detach- provocateurs had begun their hurment of the National Guard could ried exodus. The convention pre-"guard" the place. The committee served an awe inspiring quiet. You refused and made a counter-offer. could hear those misled minds un-They would create a guard of their folding, matching facts, reaching

own-workers from the leagues. realization and clarity. lift the underprivileged. But in It was empowered to choose its L.A. did-and answered jingoism the same breath he defended the own captains and leader. But be- and fascism with unadorned Marx-"profit motive", said the govern- fore the election the fascists had ism and rebellion. Seldom are lines

acted and the fascist attack was evident in the army, a number of officers having been detained for subversive activities, and others "retired from the service". Numerous arrests of Communists; ABC members, and alleged terrorists, have been made in the last few days.

There can be no doubt that the this "popular" defense of the fath- Cuban revolution is entering a new erland, gave a complete and devas- phase. Both of the working class tating genesis of Joe Gershner and parties - Bolshevik-Leninist and his lieutenants and threw a sweep- Stalinist, all of the petty bourgeois ing challenge into the teeth of the revolutionary groups---Cuban Revofascists. They did not care to an- lutionary Party, Young Cuba, Naswer. Gershner disappeared from tional Agrarian Party-as well as the scene as if he had fallen the would-be Fascist ABC, openly through a trap-door. The workers proclaim the renewal of hostilities. who had formed the guard now Upon the events of the next few weeks may depend the future of the Cuban revolution for many years to come. Organized labor of the United States should be prepared to forcefully demand that American imperialists keep their hands off of Cuba in the struggles that are approaching.

7,400,000 CHILDREN

WASHINGTON-Some 7,400,000 children under 16 are on the country's relief rolls. says Assistant Administrator Aubrey Williams of the Federal Emergency Relief Administration

ment "must and will quit this re- been busy-and when the election drawn more clearly in a situation shook the walls. lief business" and recommended came their men were chosen as short of revolutionary. And victory The N.U.L. was launched. The spies and fascists were decisively to work on government projects spy, professional strike-breaker tled down to business. Delegates beaten-how decisively was appar-"which do not conflict with private and railroad detective was appoint- came forward with reports on their ent at the meetings following the ed the leader. He promptly armed local situations, reports full of de- convention and at the second nation-The working masses do not yet the guard with clubs and was him- fiance and determination. Commital convention which showed clearly realize who Roosevelt is. That he self fitted out with a cartridge belt tees were chosen for the drafting the tremendous progress in politiis a member of the capitalist class, and a huge pistol. When the dele- of the constitution, the program, cal understanding and class-contrying to apply a capitalist remedy, gates poured into the convention, resolutions, a Declaration of Worksciousness that these workers, who is not generally known. But little each one was carefully scrutinized ers and Farmers Rights. And beonly a year before waved the flag by little the idea that WE COULD by Gershner and his men, who took fore the convention closed on the and dangled the club, had made HAVE PLENTY is growing. And up posts at the entrances. When next day, the victory of the "Reds" under the tutelage and leadership banks were failing and the profit this is the dynamite that will blast the hysteria broke out Gershner was doubly confirmed by the unani- of the C.P.L.A. Ramuglia and capitalist poverty and the whole and his lieutenant Bragg led their mous adoption of a program and a Johnson, elected president and secseries of resolutions as militant and retary without opposition, could The July 3 session closed with radical as any ever adopted "Build prepare their plan for extended orthe singing of the "Star-spangled the N.U.L." was the cry on every ganization.

ment, idle factories, debt and dis- JOIN THF WORKERS PARTY. | banner" and a warning to all Reds hand. The singing of "Selidarity"

(To be continued)

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acted in Rossville, Ga. "In two

rushes, National Guardsmen patrol-

"Communists are prepared to

join the Labor Party movement".

So Earl Browder announced at the

Unemployment Insurance Confer-



Cult of Leadership, Zig-Zags REVIEWING And Turns Mark C.I. Policy THE NEWS By BILL SHERMAN

latest "turn" after it is already in tion, incidentally, Stalin revealed

Between 1923 and 1928, a period of high prosperity in this country, we had two basic changes in policy. First, in line with the Kuomincountry were organizing the Farmer-Labor Party and seeking al

reduced the Communists to the

At the same time we echoed the theory of the A. F. of L. bureauslogan was originated by Samuel

sharp division into right and left Comintern leadership (Stalin) got panicky, made a sudden, sharp turn to the left and got from under by

While "prosperity" was still at into "red" unions. its height (1928) a totally new set conditions. The new theories rested, the "United Front from Below", on the conception that everyone else except the followers of Stalmies. These enemies were divided

from one extreme to another. The of the Comintern as "counter-revoparty membership learns about the lutionists" In this characterza-

MUSTE CANNON TOUR

Charleston, W. Va., Feb. 6-Pittsburgh Feb. 7-8-Muste and Pittsburgh, Feb. 7-8-Muste and New York City. Feb. 10---Muste

| fiat broke? New York City has a PWA for the last eighteen months deficit of \$4,000,000, Chicago \$125,-

the true character of his own pol-"A More Abundant Life" icy and the tremendous falsification That's how Roosevelt speaks, but here is how the National Guard

pepetrated on the international proletariat by the pseudo-left policy of the "Third Period" Naturally with such a policy ling the Richman Hosiery Mill,

there could be no united front, not where a strike is in progress, today only with other classes as before rounded up 33 persons, including but not even with groupings and five women . . . they will be placed in a military detention camp. . organizations of the working class. The walk-out came when the mill The workers were simply invited posted a notice of a 10 percent reto support the C. P. and this was duction in pay." (A. P. dispatch) called "the united front from below". If, before that, the Commu-Democracy and Communist Party

nist Party was hidden under the bloc of classes, farmer-labor parties etc., now everything was to be subordinated to the C. P.

Red Unions Period

ence in Washington, and that an-A 'corresponding change was af nouncement was the first informafected on the trade union field. No tion given to the Communist more of Gompers' slogan of "No Party members and supporters on Dual Unionism". Now there was such an important change in polto be not only new unions every icy. Nodiscussion pro or con, just where, whether they had a base for the papal bull from Browder. Is existence or not, but they were to there any wonder that the entire be "red" unions, unions that must audience laughed loud and long acknowledge the C.P. as their offiwhen a C. P. member, speaking cial leader and endorse its program. from the floor at the New York Zack meeting, said: "We have de-As to the left and progressive minmocracy in the C.P."?

"The Slums We Give Them" those unions double quick and go

"The poor are always with us and The evil fruits of the theory of the slums we give them (give them!) are usually better than the "Social Fascism", "Red Unions", hovels they lived in on the other and the rest of the "Third Period" side. In many cases they are not rigamarole, are well known. Americanized enough to know what Thanks to them, when the day cleanliness means." So spoke Jo-came in Germany Hitler was able seph P. Day, real estate magnate, to shove aside the best organized before the National Housing Conworking class and the strongest ference, and in so speaking, he Communist Party in any capitalist voiced the real opinion of his class. country. Defeats and isolation ev- The fear of the "dirty poor" keeps erywhere resulted from the "Third many from speaking so openly but Period" of "left" adventurism in every action taken by "the powers the Comintern. A new "prescrip- that be" to meet the unemployment tion" was needed. It came, eventu- crisis shows that they consider the ally, in full force. Without any working class to be dishonest, discussion of the past errors, to lazy, incompetent, dirty, and drunksay nothing of a recognition of ards. Beef that is not considered them, a new swing to the Right is good enough for the animals in the Zoo is canned and fed to the unemployed. "Made work" is prescribed No more is heard of "Social Fasfor them. Snoopers are sent into cism" This theory is sunk with their homes to make sure that they out a trace. The conflict with Soare not getting drunk on the miscial Democracy is now softened down to a dispute with "class

erable dole. A man whose ancestors may have come over with brothers" and proposals are made George Washington's father is lookto end the dispute altogether. The ed on as an "alien" if unemployed. first step in the direction is the Joseph Day merely expresses the signing-or proposals to signunchanging attitude of a parasitie "non - aggression pacts" Under ruling class to those who do the these pacts the two parties-C.P. so-called dirty work. and S.P.-agree not to criticize

each other inside or outside party Pastors, Preachers, Messiahs and Crooks

The Reverend Ethelbert Brown, On the trade union field there are Pastor of the Herbert Harrison to be no more "Red" unions. More, Memorial Church, New York City. there are to be no new unions genin a sermon last Sunday denounced "religious crooks who call themnever believed in dual unionism" selves Messiahs and who sell (November issue of Communist). charms to cure illness in Harlem" This new swing to the right is only This attack, which apparently was in its inception. Resistance to it directed against one of Earl Browinside and outside the Soviet Un- der's favorite "united-fronters", is

point in his career. He must have money to go on with his "popular" government. He can't get money from the poor voters who elect him. There is only one source large enough for the sort of campaign Huey conducts, that is the banks. If money continues to flow in Louisiana, or in Long's national campaign, it can only be by virtue of a behind-the-scenes agreement between Huey and the very big business he flays.

Huey and the Government 'The most pressing of Long's opponents is the federal government. Through relief agencies, through the PWA, through the FERA, through all the federal activities the government controls a great many jobs in Louisiana, and these jobs, at the rate of five votes to the job, are going to anti-Long men. Further, the government can withhold PWA funds, as it is threatening, and thus bring Long to his knees.

At present the government is engaged in an investigation of the incomes of Long's followers. Several of his right hand men have already been caught in the net; indeed so close a companion as Abe Shusan, the Commissioner of Levees, is being investigated for the \$377,000 he raised for Long's political campaigns.

Huey's Program Before we try to predict anything of Long's future, let us look at the

Bill White Dead

William J. White, a member of the C. P. O. (Lovestone group), and a fighter in the trades union and political movement since 1889, died in New York, Jan. 7. He had been ailing for some months but carried on as a field organizer in Fort Wayne, Ind. and Ohio. A few weeks ago he returned to New York. Comrade White was born in Pennsylvan'a in 1871, of Irish parentage. At an early age he went to work in the steel mills, joining the S.L.P. and the Amalgamated Association of Steel Workers at the age of 18. From then on to his death, Bill was engaged in every political or industrial struggle that took place in the steel towns of Pennsylvania and Ohio.

for its organization will be com-

Enthusiastic response is expect

ed to the school arrangements

Overflow audiences at recent mass

meetings and open forums of the

Workers Party clearly indicate the

great interest in the program and

policies of the Workers Party.

tary subjects to educate the mili-

of classes

pleted in the next few days.

INTERNATIONAL WORKERS SCHOOL

NEW YORK CITY .- The third oretical understanding of the prob week of February will mark the lems of the class struggle can the opening of the first semester of the workers conduct intelligent and New York District Workers Party victorious action. Courses includschool, to be called the Internation- ed are: al Workers School. Final plans

Workers Party fundamentals, Marxian Economics, History of the American Labor Movement, Trade Union Strategy and Tactics, History of the Three Internationals, History and Problems of the Youth Movement. In addition there will be lecture courses on cultural problems. As part of the School a library

Both new and old members in the district organization have made re- tain the Marxian classics and litquests for the early commencement erature of the social sciences, as well as current periodicals. Read-To satisfy these needs and deers of the New Militant are invited sires, a list of competent instruc- to contribute suitable books or

painphlets: Joseph Carter, Admintors and lecturers has been compiled. They are being assigned to istrator, International Workers School, 112 East 19th Street, Room take charge of those courses in which they are most experienced. 702, New York City. The policy of the school will be to concentrate on the more elemen-

BOOKS! BOOKS! BOOKS! For List Write to

tant workers and train them for more effective participation in the PIONEER BOOKSHOI 102 East 11th St., N. Y. C. class struggle. Only by sound the-



army and navy to build its machine cuts but most of them have not. of destruction.

Now that we have seen what will ion of the unemployed what about towns and counties if such a dethe other 1,500,000. These, Roosemetropolitan centers. velt calls "unemployables" How he arrived at this figure is not disclosed but it looks very suspicious.

It is more than one-fourth of the total under consideration, which means that in the eventuality that Roosevelt has underestimated the number of unemployed—and he certainly has-this one-fourth will be turned over to local relief. And how will the cities carry on

this relief when most of them are

is to be organized. This will con- Draft of AFSW No

(Continued from Page 1) vision in the draft which specifies that representation to the District

Convention be "one to each 500 members . . . and no less than two delegates from each branch". The "In the face of these spiritual imaim of this clause is all the more evident since representation to our are sensible of the Divine Provi-National Convention is on the basis

democratic basis of representation | ing care". to the District Convention is one delegate to each one hundred mem-

Limits Democratic Rights The draft also makes inadequate

ation

provisions for trials and for nominations to office. It would leave trials entirely to the Branch Executive Boards and to the Joint Board; and gives nominating com-At this conference the prisoners mittees the final say on nominations. Both of these provisions limunanimously adopted a resolution it the democratic rights of the calling on all workers and sympamembers, who are entitled to be thetic organizations to send deleguaranteed the right of trial by united action for the defense of the jury, and the right of nominating gates to a conference to establish

18 prisoners and the repeal of the by petition. Criminal Syndicalism Law. The The proposed draft makes no provisions for special conventions. prisoners emphasized their desire to see a serious, militant, broad Such a provision is essential. Spemovement on their behalf. They cial conventions should be held included in the resolution a general upon the request of any one Deappeal for bail funds. partment of the organization.

Finally, and by no means least On behalf of the Non-Partisan important, is the fact that the pro-Labor Defense all contributions for posed draft takes a step backward bail or incidental expenses should in respect to the industrial as be sent at once to James Rorty, 1,200 Washington St., San Francisagainst the craft form of organizco, California.

Many of these cities have introduced sales taxes. Now consider happen to three and one-half mil- the situation of the smaller cities, of policy but out of the difficulties holy Catholic Church, gets quite a of face-saving on both sides. plorable situation prevails in the

now under way.

meetings (France).

Why the Zig-Zags?

After a short burst of enthusiasm changes in policy back and forth the local agencies will turn their back on these 5,000,000 men, women within ten years. Did these swings When "religious crooks" are to be and children and claim that they have anything to do with the obare financially unable to assist jective situation? Not at all! They Holy Jumpers to the Vicar of them. Furniture of evicted families were the results of defeat after dewill clutter the streets. The mile- feat. What we strove to do one saying about those who live in glass long bread line will return. Rooseyear we had to undo the next year. velttowns instead of Hoovervilles Did these policies have anything to will become standing institutions. do with Marxism or Leninism?

Lenin

Speakers:

Security?"

Into this breach Roosevelt will step Nothing whatever! Exactly the contrary, as Trotsky shows with and through his "own personal efforts and the influence of the office" that he holds, the "unemployables" will be taken care of. Hoover did Good, Giordano Says the identical thing. He made radio speeches and his heart bled for the capitalism on the part of the workdestitute. Then the hat was passed. Result: starvation and suffering everywhere.

tered as now. After laying out this black tomorrow Roosevelt turns to God: Stalinism has not only disorganized the international movement of pulses," he prays in conclusion, "we the workers' vanguard. It has also weakened and undermined the posdence to which nations turn now, ition of the Soviet Union. The of one to 200. The only proper and as always, for guidance and fostertask of the international proleta riat now is to reorganize its ranks, Yes! Roosevelt may turn to God prepare for revolutionary struggles

for consolation after damning the unemployed. But the jobless worker will have to take care of himself.



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fense-of the Soviet Union. In order to accomplish this historic task the vanguard of the international proletariat must free itself from the blighting influence of Stalinism. The Workers' Party and the movement for the Fourth International are leading the way to the revival of the revolutionary movement on the basis of Marx and domination" . . .

OPEN FORUM Chicago Mass Meeting WEST SIDE BRANCH Speakers; A.J. Muste J. P. Cannon HUGO OEHLEB end ALFRED TERRY OR "THE WORKERS PARTY, ITS 'Can Roosevelt Give the Workers **PROGRAM AND AIMS"** SUNDAY, JAN. 20 8 P.M. CAPITOL BUILDING FRIDAY, JAN. 18, 8 P.M. Masses Hall, 23rd St. & 9th Ave. 159 North State Street

and Lovestone have not yet re- is such a fight against "religious turned to the fold it is not any crooks" to end? A very important more because of serious differences and respectable organization, the bit of its income by selling passes through Purgatory, and where is the preacher who is not ready to Thus we have seen three basic raise his paws to Heaven in a prayer for the ailing-for a price? attacked, all dope peddlers from Christ should remember the old houses.

"Free Workers" in Auto Paradise The statement issued by Alfred Sloan, president of General Motors, crystal clearness in his numerous in which he attacked the tyranny pamphlets. Did the movement grow of trade unions and spoke in favor stronger at each turn? Just the of "free workers", was further ilcontrary. The desire to overthrow luminated by the testimony given before the Joint Commission on ers is undoubtedly stronger than Stabilization of Employment in the ever before, but Communism as an Auto Industry. This Commission organized force was never as shat- got an earful on just what Sloan's "freedom" and "high wages" mean to auto workers. One witness said the workers were so speeded up that it was next to impossible to get away "even for a few moments for hygienic purposes". A tinsmith teetified for workers who knew they would be fired if they appeared to testify. That in itself is a touching tribute to "the freedom of workers and thereby, also, provide the necnot under union domination" .-- Men essary defense-the only real deworking under bonus systems, so complicated that they never knew what they were supposed to get and had no way of checking upwages so low that workers were better off under relief-guards to prevent workers from speaking to each other on the bridge entering into the Ford plant-these are a few of the benefits enjoyed by "free workers" in the auto paradise of Detroit, where there is no "union