A Communist Party Vote Is Against Reaction And For A Farmer-Labor Party In Calif.

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SHPOWNERS LOCKOUTTHREAT

Merriam Calls for Salinas Pact Retaining Strikebreakers

VIGILANTES DO YOU KNOW WHAT A RAT ON TWO FEET LOOKS LIKE PROVOCATIVE; MORE PICKETS

Citizens Welfare League, Formed To Protest Civil Liberty Violations, Continues Its Activity

SALINAS—The proposal of Governor Merriam which would mean keeping strikebreakers on in the sheds, is not hailed with glee by Salinas lettuce strikers.

Merriam's proposal was made to the conference between a committee of five from the State Federation of Labor, and a similar growers-shuppers' committee.

The conference ended on its first day. The Governor's proposal reads:

"A list of all workers employed during the period of 12 months preceding September 22, 1936, shall be compiled and furnished all workers on said

dent, and chairman of the new

joint committee, refused on

Thursday to have the committee

among the strikers—a result of

SANTA MARIA—Latest reports

of the beet toppers' strike here

showed that only a handful of

the more than 250 normally em-

The strikers, members of the

Mexican and Fliipino Laborers

Union, demanded a 20 per cent

wage increase. The unions stat-

Charges of "Communist agita-

tors" coming in from the out-

The strike cut operations of

Tomato pickers brought here

the Union Sugar Co.'s Bettera-

it would be "too much grief."

15,000 Locked Out

AKRON, O .- Following a sit-

ion, the B. F. Goodrich Co. has

locked out its entire force of

via factory considerably.

ployed

of living.

work.

in the fields were at

(Cont. on Page 2, Col. 6)

list or be posted on employers' **GETS CENTRAL**

Los Angeles, San Jose Bodies Act

LOS ANGELES—"Hot" lettuce come to San Francisco to meet from Salinas Valley will be kept out of Las Angeles markets, if with the State Federation comthe Central Labor Council has mittee of five. Doss and Shevlin anything to say about it.

The Council is expending all efforts to this effect. A Central Labor Council pro-

test committee, headed by Vice-President H. B. McMurry of the Council and a Machinists' Union chief, are calling on local produce men in an attempt to dissuade them from handling the scab-picked lettuce.

We received a request from striking Salinas union to Sta. Maria Sugar who handle the hot lettuce here. of the council and we began Beet Strike Solid calling on the local merchants to dissuade them from handling the stuff.

"If they do not, the council will likely place them on the unfair list when it meets again Friday night," McMurry said.

He added that the result may be picketing merchants who handle hot lettuce.

SAN JOSE-A unanimously adopted resolution of protest on ed that the 10 per cent increase the use of state highway police offered by the growers would has been sent to Gov. Merriam still leave the beet toppers with by the Santa Clara County La- far less than a decent standard

bor Council. Also unanimously adopted was a resolution of protest to San side were as usual flung about Jose Police Chief Black and to

the City Council, against Black's by the sugar companies. uiting of special deputies to be sent against the Salinas strik-

Subpoena Salinas Gas-Bomb Seller

SALINAS. — Authorities here felt a little less comfortable than usual when they learned that the Co., Akron man who had sold them gas and gas bombs was on his way to the La Follette Civil Liberties down strike of 2000 members of Investigating Committee in Wash- the United Rubber Workers Un-

This is a Senate Committee.

Ignatius (don't laugh) Mc- 15,000 workers. rthy is the gas-bomb sales-La Follette Committee, McCar- ed. thy boarded a plane for Wash-

McCarthy was to be asked General Tire plants last week. ness, attempting to link the about the gas munitions he sold The strike of the 2000 this week Roosevelt administration's bank-

(Cont. on Page 2, Col. 8) | who was strongly anti-union.



IF NOT, look closely at these vigilantes, depitized against the Salinas strikers. Take those guns away, and you have the yellowest bellies you ever saw.

bulletin boards, and from such lists emlpoyees shall be hired. Upon the exhaustion of this list employers shall be privileged to hire additional employes. In the event dismissals or layoffs are made, such dismissals or layoffs shall be made in the reverse order of employment. The last man employed shall be the first dismissed or laid off, and in that D Michael Shevlin, Fruit and Vegetable Workers Union presi-

Defenders Of Bilbao Receive Arms

MADRID-Millions of gallons of water, a torrential floor re feel resentment toward the State leased by opening the gates of Federation committee. The failure of the conference enabled the government forces with Merriam brought still fur- to inflict a smashing defeat on ther increased picketing. In the Fascists in the Talavera, San-Watsonville 500 picketed four queda Zone last Wednesday and at Ollalla, Quismondo and Ma-Doss admitted "restlessness"

Thursday. Govt. Forces Attack With the retreat of the Fascists

cut off to the west, and the floor carrying away Fascist troops, ammunition, guns and supplies, the government forces attacked Thursday from three directionsfrom Navalperal, north of the river; from Santa Cruz de Ret-(Cont .on Page 2, Col. 5)

Hull In Attack On Simpson

WASHINGTON - Secretary of State Hull has jumped to the assistance of the Nazi jailers of Lawrence Simpson.

Simpson, American seaman seized by Nazi secret police, 15 months ago on the U.S. ship Manhattan in Hamburg Harbor, is to be tried on Monday in a typical Nazi farce trial.

Hull attacked Simpson as a "plotter," despite the fact that the only excuse given for the arrest of the seaman was his possession of anti-Nazi literature on board an American ship, found a general lack of accomwhich constitutes American termodations, and growers refused

to build new shelters. They said ritory. Hull attacked a committee of three from the National Committee for the Defense of Polit ical Prisoners who called on him to act in the Simpson case. He By Goodrich Rubber said they "did not know the

Bankers' Convention Duplicates Hearst **Election Line**

SAN FRANCISCO-In its fin-A prolonged showdown strug- al session, the American Bankers I's name. Subpoenaed by the gle with the company is expect- Association's national convention in its implications of still fur- demand a 15 per cent wage ingot down to red-baiting here, Sit-down strikes were won in with Merle Thorpe, editor and China: the Goodyear, Goodrich and publisher of The Nation's Busi-Before he left for Washington, a non-union machine repair man, "Karl Marx and Lenin Commu-(Cont. on Page 2, Col. 8) who was strongly anti-union.

N W Woodworkers Pledge Aid To Marine Unions

POR LAND - The North west Federation of Wood working Unions, representing 2,000 workers in the lar per, furniture and other al lied crafts, has pledged its fullest support to the maritime unions in case of a lock

out or strike after Sept. 30. The Northwest Federation is composed of unions affiliated with the American Federation of Labor.

Conner Tells Of Trickery In 'Confession"

SAN FRANCISCO-As Frank J. Conner told how he was tricked into a "confession," at least 200 delegates, mainly from trade unions, were expected a the conference on Saturday called by the King-Ramsey-Conner Defense Committee.

King, Conner and Ramsay again this week asserted their innocence of the murder of George W. Alberts, Point Lobos engineer, last March.

Conner, Marine Firemen's union ship's delegate, again repu diated the "confession" which District Attorney Warren of Alameda County reported he had

Tricked By Officials

"I was hornswoggled into makng the confession," said Conner. "I was arrested in Seattle, and taken to jail, and then to the U. S. Commissioner's office. There (Cont. on Page 2, Col. 7)

Japan Militarists In Shanghai Coup

SHANGHAI.-Japan's ambition of aggression and conquest over all China took another step forward here last Wednesday when 5500 more Japanese marines landed and took over the Japanese section and began patroling other areas, despite a Chinese protest.

Pretext for the Japanese move was the alleged assassination of Japanese citizen. Ominous Statement

An official statement from the

"Our indignation at the latest

Three Admirals Make Up Commission

SAN FRANCISCO-A great deal of suspicion among mariime trade unionists here attended President Roosevelt's appointment of three members of a five man Federal Maritime Commis sion, which would have dictatoral powers in regulating wage ind working conditions aboard ill ships receiving governmen ubsidies.

First to criticize the arbitrary powers of the new commission nternational Longshoremen's on their shoulders. Association. He returned Thurslay from the East Coast, where ne had been in conference with (Cont. on Page 2, Col. 7)

Speakers For

Program for the mammoth meeting to be addressed by James W. Ford, Communist candidate for Vice-President, was announced Thursday by the Sai Francisco Election Campaign Committee.

The meeting, which will be held in Dreamland Auditorium on Wednesday, October 7th, 8 p.m., will also be addressed by local Communist candidates including Anita Whitney, 4th Congressional District; Lawrence Ross, 5th Congressional District and Sam Jaye, Peter J. Garrisor and Archie Brown, candidates for State Assembly.

In San Diego, the Board of Education last week refused to grant the use of a school audi-(Cont. on Page 2, Col. 3)

350 Strike Big Cigar Plant In Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES-Three hundred and fifty workers are on strike against the Santa Fe Cigar Japanese embassy was ominous Manufacturing Co. here. They ther aggressive moves against crease. They returned to work Some gains made.

The company offered a 2 per longer trust Chinese assurances workers scorned. The Santa Fe

Announce Hiring Hall 6-hour Day Will Go; Bridges Makes Reply

'Acceptance Would Mean Return To Conditions Existing Before 1934 Strike," Pacific Coast I.L.A. President States

(Editorial)

THE WATERFRONT employers have finally come out bluntly with their union-wrecking program, which they have been ttempting to conceal by maneuvers during the negotiations.

The statement of T. G. Plant and his letter to the I.L.A., to the ffect that after September 30th the employers would hire from he docks instead of the union hiring-hall, and put into effect an -hour day instead of 6-hour day, reveals their intention to repeat the lockout of last April.

This time the lockout will be extended to all Pacific Coast ports, not only San Francisco, and to all the maritime unions, eamen as well as longshoremen.

The shipowners are threatening to put this lockout into effect lext Thursday, October 1st. Whether they do or not will depend to a large extent on the complete, unshakable, unity of all the paritime unions and their joint negotiations committee, and on he arousing of an Organized Labor to the realization of the daner that this open-shop drive presents to the entire trade-union

The employers hypocritically declare that union recognition nd collective bargaining are not involved. But their demand hat all questions be referred to arbitration, their refusal to give 'ny consideration to the demands of the unions through negotiaions, and their counter- proposals to bring back pre-strike conlitions that existed before 1934 during the reign of the "Blue-Book" company union, belies their words.

They have not only refused to give the slightest consideration the burning grievances of the unions, particularly the demands of the seamen, but they are even attempting to wreck the basic ights of the unions laid down in the 1934 award.

Their determination to carry through this open-shop drive is nost clearly exposed in their refusal to accept the offer of the unions to continue working under the 1934 award for a short time after Sept. 30th while negotiations continue to reach a settlement was Harry Bridges, president of The shipowners are deliberately proceeding to precipitate a Coasthe Pacific Coast District of the wise lockout and tie-up, the responsibility for which rests entirely

> The employers are counting on the newly-appointed government Maritime Commission to step in during a waterfront tie-up and use its arbitrary powers of prescribing wages and working conditions, to shove the shipowners' proposals for arbitration down the throats of the maritime unions, even though this Maritime Commission has no power to act before the Ship-Subsidy Act goes into effect at the end of the year. The waterfront workers will be asked to refer their basic demands to the tender mercies of a couple of Rear-Admirals of the U.S. Navy.

But past experience has shown that the shipowners' attacks can be defeated if the ranks of the workers remain solid and f all Organized Labor rallies to their support. The maritime workers must not allow any differences to divide their ranks on his vital issue. THAT IS WHAT THE UNITED FRONT MEANS. or which the Communist Party and the Western Worker have een consistently fighting.

United action by the Maritime Federation means that the negotiating committees of the various unions must jointly work out a common policy and present such a unified stand in the face of the united front of all the open-shop forces of the employers.

The only hope the shipowners would have of winning their fight is the creation of a division among the unions, to split the united front. That is why it is all-important to emphasize again ler, Communist candidate opposand again the need for unity. Beware of red-baiters and redbaiting! It is the most powerful weapon of the employers against the union, if it is permitted in the ranks of the union itself! Beware of provocative acts! It is the excuse the shipowners are 8-8:15 p. m., in the second of a looking for! Do not permit any small issue to sidetrack the main series of six broadcasts arranged issue! It will only becloud the issue of union conditions and a by the Communist Election Camliving-wage versus open-shop, which must be made clear to the paign Committee of L. A. Counother trade unions and to the public at large.

Every trade union on the Pacific Coast can and must be rallied to support the stand taken by the maritime unions. With united ranks of the Maritime Federation, and the support of Labor and all friends of Labor, the threatened lockout can be defeated, if the shipowners dare go that far.

SAN FRANCISCO-The shipowners have come out baldly with the threat of a lockout of maritime workers after Sept. 30. The lockout, up and down the coast, will occur if employers' plans are not agreed to, it was

The ridiculous plans made by the shipowners, as to their course of action after Sept. 30, are reeiving the reception they so ichly deserve from the San rancisco longshoremen. That eception is the raspberry.

Bridges sent a letter to the hipowners' coast committee statng the I.L.A. would be ready to neet with the employers at 11 . m. Saturday.

As announced by Thomas G. lant, coast chairman for the hipowners' coast committee, the lans call for taking away the hiring hall and the six-hour

Acceptance by the I.L.A. of ny such proposal as made by Plant "would mean acceptance of conditions prior to the 1934 trike," said Harry Bridges, Paific Coast District I.L.A. Presilent. "It would mean loss of verything we won in the strike end under the Longshoremen's 30ard awards."

Conditions set up by Plant, for he shipowners, are:

Wages, \$1 per hour straight ime; \$1.50 per hour overtime. Eight (8) hours between 8 a. im. and 5 p. m. to constitute a. lay's work, except on Saturdays, when straight time will be beween 8 a. m. and 12 noon.

Sundays and recognized holi-(Cont. on Page 2, Col. 3)

Browder Talks To Jobless Oct. 2

Millions of unemployed and W.P.A. workers throughout the nation will hear their problems liscussed by Earl Browder, Communist candidate for Presilent, over a coast-to-coast N.B.C. nookup next Friday, October 2, 7:45-8 p. m., Pacific Coast time.

"Social Insurance and Unemployed Problems" will be the subject of Browder's speech, which will be released in California over KGO, San Francisco; KECA, Los Angeles; and KSFD, San Diego.

In Los Angeles, Emma Cuting labor-hating Congressman Charles Kramer in the 13th District, will speak over station KMTR on Thursday, October 1st,

Esco L. Richardson, Communist candidate for Congress in San Diego's largest radio station, KFSD, on Monday, Sep-

San Diego Labor Aids Salinas Lettuce Strike

SAN DIEGO-The San Diego with and endorsement of the olution suporting the "views, op outrage is unbounded. We can no cent wage increase, which the Federated Trades Council sent a views of the Committee for In- eration and ethics" of the C.I.O. resolution of protest to Gov. dustrial Organization was exin the 1934 waterfront strike. was against the employment of ing policies and advertisers with and must regretfully use what is one of the largest cigar manu- Merriam against the use of state pressed by the annual convent the C.I.O. was granted despite a

ARIZONA A. F. L. ENDORSES C. I. O. Action Taken Despite Plea By Green

PHOENIX - Full agreement | The convention adopted a res-

Support to John L. Lewis and ever means of protection we confacturing concerns on the West highway police in the Salinas tion of the Arizona Federation telegraphed plea by William Strike.

of Labor.

Green, against such action Green, against such action.

FASCISTS MAKE THREATS IN SAN BERNARDINO GO.

Secret Meetings In Four Towns By Terrorists

SAN BERNARDINO-Monkeyshines of a Fascist nature are going on in San Bernardino County. /

The Silver Shirts have been holding secret meetings, calling for the "placing of a dictator in the White House.'

Two such meetings were held last week in Fontana and Ri-

Threats By Fascists

a rat is a rat.

Upton Sinclair

Blasts Hearst

Sinclair wrote:

likes it or not.

Hearst's efforts to elect his

may find in the end that he has

been sowing the seeds of the

"For my part I am always

willing for him to printing any-

"Sincerely,
"UPTON SINCLAIR."

supporting Roosevelt, the West-

ern Worker sent the following

"In view of Hearst's attempt

visit to further his campaign for

"Lawrence Ross, Editor."

Organize In 57th

Against Reaction

the people of the 57th Assembly

District to combat reactionary

ional Committee for Social and

men's Committee of the Ameri-

ganization would seek to defeat

labor-hating Charles Kramer, in

passed two resolutions condemn-

ing use of force and violence

Monday's paper said that

the Jefferson Park meeting in

support of the Salinas strike

The meeting was held Sun-

day, the day before! 500 at-

tended and six Salinas strik-

ers spoke. \$30 was collected

for I.L.D. defense of arrested

would not be held.

organization recently

assemblyman of the 57th.

The Laugh Is On

The Call-Bulletin

wood, at 8 p. m.

can League.

The

telegram to Sinclair:

very crop which he dreads.

At their meetings the members have been wearing a silver shirt with a red "L" on the sleeve.

It has been disclosed that per sons who have openly praised the Black Legion also have been meeting with the Silver Shirts. The San Bernardino "Inquir-

er" believes that the two organizations are linked together. The persons referred to above threatened an "Inquirer" reporter, warning him to lay off his expose of the terrorist organiza-

Meetings of the Silver Shirtblack Legion groups have also taken place in San Bernardino and in Colton.

Organized labor has been attacked and threatened at these

Cal. Cotton Mill Strike Is Won

OAKLAND - The California thing that I say, whether he Cotton Mill workers of Oakland have won their strike. Federa Conciliator Walter G. Mathewson and City Manager Hassler or Thursday signed and delivered to the United Textile Workers Union an agreement whereby the workers have won:

An eight-hour day. 2. Overtime after 44 hours per week.

3. Double time on holidays. A five-cent per hour wage raise over the basic rate paid prior to the strike. Strike breakers shall b

the first people laid off. 6. Every worker who ha been on strike shall be re-em ployed within ten days.

7. The Company to meet with a committee of workers elected by and from the union whenever future disputes shall arise.

8. All of the above to take effect immediately.

This victory follows the at tempt of the California Cotton Mills to put across a settlement by the widespread use of leaflets stating "Workers are being take back at their places as fast as they apply and work is avail-

Not a worker went back. This victory for the cotton mill workers, after 16 weeks of striking, and getting stronger every week, means that not less than 506, Guarantee Building, Holly-350 workers will be back at their jobs at work with better conditions, higher pay and se-

C.P. Election Rally In Company Town didate in the 57th, stated the or-

curity never before available.

RICHMOND.—Workers in this the 13th Congressional District, company-owned town will have and Kent Redwine, reactionary an opportunity to hear the Communist Party program for the first time here next Friday, October 2nd, 7:30 p.m., when an election rally will be held at against the Salinas lettuce strik-Woodman Hall, 7th and McDon- ers. ald Sts.

Speakers will include Anita Whitney, state chairman of the Communist Party; Lloyd Harris, candidate for Congress in the 6th District; and Wm. J. Prater, Communist for Assembly in the 10th District.

The national broadcast by Earl Browder, Communist presidential candidate, will be heard at 7:45 p.m. over a loud speaker system.

The Communist State Campaign Committee announced that it hopes to hold similar meetings in the near future in San Jose, Stockton, Modesto, Fresno, Chowchilla, Bakersfield, San Mateo and Palo Alto.

KILLERS ALL **GOV. MERRIAM'S** SALINAS PLAN RETAINS SCABS

Picketing Increased; At Sheds and At City Hall

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seeping them off the picket lines

Merriam appeared elated in Sacramento at what he consid-

"Exceedingly Fair" Merriam He said he considered his proposal "exceedingly fair," because it "provides recognition not only for union members but as well recognition of strikebreakers"those hired by the Grower-

last Wednesday to the Western mend it to the association." This, the statement said, the employ-

Answering your telegram: I A. S. Doss, secretary-treasurer would say that Mr. Hearst apof the Fruit and Vegetable Workparently believes that he can ers Union, said the Union damage the workers' cause by "might accept" the proposal.

publishing workers' propaganda Doss complained that the Unand trying to make it odious to ion itself had not been representhis readers. But the economic ed at the Sacramento with Merinterests of his readers are not the same as his own, and he

> lice and vigilantes against the strikers continued. Two pickets were arrested Wednesday. Michael Shevlin, Union president, rough handling.

Following Hearst's use of the fact that the Sunday Worker reprinted Sinclair's article on a threatening to "investigate" those visit from Earl Browder, Comwho had distributed a special munist presidential candidate, in strike issue of the Western an attempt to bolster up his lie Worker. that the Communist Party was

a program to expel certain progressive union members.

A proposal was made to have all standing committees come to use your article on Browder's under a top committee—two representatives each from the the election of Landon, and in Fruit and Vegetable Workers. light of Browder's answer and Teamsters and Box Makers. the Communist position on

Roosevelt, may we ask you for a statement in answer to Hearst's was obviously engineered. Shevlin was "named" chairman of the committee.

Picketing Increased Picketing, while peaceful, has been steadily increasing. Pickets sheds at the foot of Gabilan Street, at the Union Ice Co.

LOS ANGELES - Organizing Three more sheds were barricaded this week by the Growers-Shippers Association.

> the police-vigilante terror, was accused by the vigilante "Citizen's" Association," of "stealing

The group which is supporting progressive unionism and the organizing of the unorganized, is composed of six trade unions, two youth groups, and the Wo-

costing the Grower-Shippers Association in excess of 100 per cent more to move than is customary under normal conditions. This was shown in a report by the Association.

Jail. Their signs razzed Sheriff sixth floor of the Jeffry Hotel here, which is heavily guarded and barricaded.

SAN FRANCISCO - The Hearst "Call-Bulletin" sometimes, or rather usually, turns the laugh on itself when it

to rent school buildings.

The special meeting was agreed

Meanwhile, Germania Hall, NEW YORK-Over 300 local of the possibility of the party 9th and G Sts., with 500 seating allow anyone to talk to the have plenty." capacity, has been rented for the strikers."

Advertise Meeting

"Point of Order"

(A Trade Union Column)

By Slim

Brother Doss Burns His Fingers

(This column will run regularly after this issue on the Labor Plan To Abolish Page of the WESTERN WORKER-Page 8.)

A. S. DOSS, secretary-treasurer of the fruit and Vegetable Workers' Union of Salinas, went to the trouble of garnering up all the Western Workers he could find in Salinas last Sunday. He had them burned.

It happened to be an issue which devoted a great deal of

space to the Salinas strikers. It* presented the strikers' side as those interviews would be no paper the Salinas workers break for the strikers. had before seen, presented it. As a matter of fact, no other newspaper they ever saw before did present theirs, the strikers'

There isn't any question as to what the strikers' opinion of the boss press is, especially since the strike began. One service station owner, 100 per cent for the strikers, as most of the small business men are, told the writer that he had a general contempt for all reporters, because of the way the strike had been handled in the capitalist press.

There isn't any question but that the rank and file strikers who saw the Western Worker before Doss could get to them, went for it in a big way and appreciated it.

Yet Doss had some of his men gather up the Western from front porches, and had a little bonfire of his own, in which he burned the only newspaper which really gave the strikers' point of view.

Perhaps Brother Doss didn't know it, but in burning the Western he was burning his fingers a little, too. Red-baiting, such as Doss has

indulged in, hasn't helped the strikers any. There was no burning of the

Hearst press by Brother Doss; yet the Hearst press, despised by every rank and file Salinas union member, dripped with gory hatred in every line it printed fingers, too. about the strike.

Salinas Valley papers, practically every one of which called ally every one of which called for a slaughter of the strikers by the vigilantes. A little talk the writer had

with Doss is interesting. It like, who order Western Workers burned. It brings out the great con-

shippers and growers. Remembering that strikers had | Heading a sparse gathering of

told me of the great respect they 200, as against the 1500 that have for the Filipino lettuce greeted the Communist presidenpickers, who refused to work tial candidate, Earl Browder, being made to bring the Fili- Thomas Jefferson." the Ilnion

which is an A.F.L. affiliate. "They aren't eligible," he snap

workers into our union." "How about the other agricultural unions—" I began, mean- of un-American elements." Knox ing to ask Doss if any attempt also repeated the libel that the support for the strike.

Doss wouldn't let that quesnot an agricultural union," he said, with a little heat.

That gave a good line on how men like Doss would like to see agriculture organized, if at all, strike." Divided up into crafts, and crippled in their fight for a decent

living. "Are funds coming in from other unions for support of the strike?" I asked Brother Doss. "We don't need any," snapped

It happened that just then woman striker timidly stepped into Doss' office, and told how her whole family, on strike, needed help.

"We're not giving families any help," said Doss. It's a cinch that the strikers'

families wouldn't object to funds from the organized labor move-

It might be mentioned, by the the "Union" (meaning Brother Doss), had asked J. C. Byrne, assistant SRA administrator, to refuse relief to any of the members who might apply for it.

Perhaps Brother Doss can afford to be too proud to ask for the dam's floodgates, as proa special meeting to reopen the relief; the strikers don't and posed by the Popular Front cabneed not have any such false inet, and the government troops munist Party shall be allowed pride. They feel that relief is moved in. coming to them, as their right.

> "Impossible," he said, and this time he seemed sore. "We can't

Since I had told Doss, and had an "ultimatum" from General bribery and nine other felonies nance.

in the rest of the press, and that | ened by the inflated general."

NEW LOCKOUT

Hiring Halls And 6-Hour Day

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days, will count as overtime. All hiring will be direct at piers, until such time as the hiring halls can be reestablished by agreement.

Preference will be given in employment to all men now registered at the hiring halls.

All work to be performed as directed, consistent with conditions not inimical to health or safety of the employes, and to the satisfaction of the employers.

Telling of success in securing support of maritime unions of all coasts, Bridges continued:

"The employers announced they will pay \$1 an hour straight time and \$1.50 an hour overtime, want picketing, who want the against the present rate of 95 strikers' demands of preferential hour and \$1.40 an hour. But they also announce they will ineight hours, so the average longshoreman would be earning no more, and perhaps less, than he does under the present scales.

"The employers also claim their conditions are 'based substantially on the recently negotiated New York agreement. Well, I want to reiterate that no agreement has been signed in New York, and we have the assure put on them, and have had surance of the East Coast I.L.A. to react to that rank and file that none will be signed until Land Suspicious the situation is straightened out

ecutive committee will probably be called into session immediately to consider the situation. "If the employers lay down

the hiring halls and that means officials. the finish of the unions if they accept any such set-up. Naturally, union men won't act as strikebreakers," he said. "Despite what they say to the

contrary, the employers will certainly attempt to divert coast miral Henry A. Wiley, retired; shipping to Los Angeles, where Rear Admiral Harry G. Hamlet the unions are weakest. certainty of a nation-wide mari- partment as members of the

time lockout after September 30. The lockout will not be of the unions' choosing. Their hands ers attempting to lay down rules pending determination of work-

Demand Time Over Fresno Radio

FRESNO.—Carrying on Fresno Bee radio station sell it seamen went on strike. time on the air for the Com-Carl B. Patterson, in conformance with federal law.

The station has granted time to B. W. Gearhart, reactionary incumbent Congress-

Engstrom, station manager, has admitted the legal right of the protested against rotten working Communist Party for time, but conditions. said he had turned the matter over to Howard Lane, manager of the McClatchy Broadcasting Chain, of Sacramento. Donations for the broadcast IN BALLOT should be sent to 121 Haight St.,

San Francisco. The C.P. has demanded use 23rd, dates of national campaign many votes for his Republican broadcasts, or on any other date, candidate for President, Alf Lanfrom Mayor Z. Leymel.

Protests demanding free speech straw poll. in Fresno should be directed to amar, south of the river; and Mayor Leymel, to P. H. McMur- with 22,691 votes in California trie, chairman of the County to 8235 for Landon. It is reported that the Fas- Board of Supervisors, which has cists were caught in a hopeless denied the Communist Party use presidential candidate, has reway, that the press reported that position, and suffered heavy of the County Park for cam- ceived 1693 votes, or 4.8 per cent paign meetings.

ALAMEDA CITY GRAFTER IS

OAKLAND.—It only took 30 noved in.

At Bilbao, in the north of Ray Fritz, ousted Alameda City I asked Brother Doss if I Spain, government officials re- manager, guilty of perjury and Picketers when Stanley Hancock, C.P. might interview some of the ported that two Scandinavian subornation of perjury in Supercounty organizer, pointed out strikers. I told him that such freighters had landed a large for Court here last Wednesday Fritz will be sentenced Monday. The conviction carries a "Yesterday we had no muni- possible sentence of 14 years. tions," they said. "Today we The ex-official will also go to trial Monday with five other for and Charlotte Duncan, for vio-The government forces defied mer Alameda city officials for lation of the anti-picketing ordi-

> mer City Attorney William J. national Ladies Garment Working," said Juan de Auxiagera, Locke, former City Clerk Sher- ers Union.

SHIPOWNERS Conner Tells Of THREATENING A "Confession" Trickery In

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my hearing on extradition proceedings was set for Sept. 9, if recall correctly, about a week after my arrest.

"But the next day I was taken out of jail, driven to Seattle airport, and brought to Oakland I didn't waive extradition, and never had a hearing before the U. S. Commissioner.

"I was taken to a Berkeley hotel and questioned and called a liar, while I was kept handcuffed in a chair.

In Feverish Condition

"I was sick and sleepy, I had spent two months in a Seattle hospital for injuries received in persons. an auto accident, and my knee was still paining me. I was running a fever. I told the officers I didn't know anything about the murder, and that I had told the truth at the Coroner's inquest.

"I was later handed a newspaper and was told my attorney had deserted me, that King and Ramsay were laying all the blame on me, and then Ralph H. ers in charge of the United Hoyt, from the District Attorney's office, told me that the crease a day's work from six to only thing to do was to confess. "I was nervous and high strung, and made a statement, but I don't remember what it was. But I repudiated it as soon

as I could. "No one but the officers were permitted to talk to me before I repudiated the confession."

Trial is set for October 26 in Oakland.

"The Pacific Coast district ex- Of Marine Board

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hiring rules, it means the end of Joseph P. Ryan and government

Meanwhile both employers and union men pointed out the Maritime Commission would have no authority over dock workers.

On Wednesday President Roosevelt appointed Rear Adof the Coast Guard, and George Landick Jr. of the Treasury De-

> commission. Among other things, the commission has the power to de ceiving money from the government, however.

> A majority of the ships operating on the West Coast do not eceive this subsidy.

Bridges reported he had been assured by Joseph B. Weaver, vigilantes a week ago last Wed-Director of the Department of nesday. Commerce Bureau of Navigation its and Secretary of Commerce Dan- McCarthy's, also a tear gas sales campaign for free speech, the iel C. Roper that so-called sea- man, aided police and vigilantes. Communist Campaign Commitmen's certificates required under

Authorized by Attorney Gentee in the 9th Congressional Disthe Copeland (Fink Book) Bill eral U.S. Webb, State Highway trict has demanded that the would not be revoked in case the Police Chief Cato spent \$2842

The Copeland measure, rushed Thursday. This was done during munist candidate in this district, through the last session of Con- the recent Orange County strike gress and signed by President of agricultural workers. A big Roosevelt, aroused great protest supply of this equipment from the seamen who see in its brought by the sheriff; pe provisions a method whereby chief and growers and shippers men might be blacklisted and in Salinas. prevented from working at their trade if they were militant and

BROWDER POLLS 4.8 PERCENT

San Simeon may be in Caliof the City Auditorium here for fornia, but its owner, William a meeting on October 9th or Randolph Hearst, isn't swinging don, according to the Richfield

Latest reports show Roosevelt

Earl Browder, Communist of the total vote in California. Lemke has received 2022 votes, and Thomas 201.

In the state of Washington, Roosevelt has polled 7838 votes, Landon 4834, Lemke 525, Browder 192, and Thomas, 103:

Stiff Fine For L.A. Dress Strike

LOS ANGELES-An exorbitant fine of \$100, or 50 days in jail, was meted out to two union members: Frances Sanchez

Municipal Judge Condee fixed the severe penalty for the girls Other officials charged are activity in the recent general former Mayor Hans Roebke, for- dress strike called by the Inter-

> Attorney James Carter bail at \$500 each.

PELLEY AIDE THNKS UP A WILD PLOT-

Fascists Are Busy Against Labor In Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES-"The Daily Worker, organ of the Communist Party in America, is subsidized by the international bankers, who are Jews," said Rev. Rex Mitchell, cohort of Silver Shirt William Dudley Pelley, in an address at the Baptist church, off Lake Street, Pasadena, before an audience of 75, mostly elderly

Following the line of "Chief" Pelley, the minister from Pas-Rooles stormed such idiocy there is a map of the United States in Moscow which has oeen completely divided, the names of the cities and states have all been changed and named after Bolsheviks, and plans have been made to place Russian lead-States government as soon as the revolution takes place.

A Wild Imagination "Communists have perfected

plans to blow up and destroy the Los Angeles water supply as soon as the coming Maritime strike, the end of this month, gets under way. Out of this strike the revolution is planned, Mitchell went on in insane driv-

"The Jewish international bankers and the Communists have already picked out the women they will claim after the revolution," he said. Mitchell said that the "gentile

bankers" were all right, that ... the Communists, backed by the Jewish international bankers, were spending millions of dollars to make Communists of the bank clerks, so as to make easier the seizure of gentiles' banks. At the close of the meeting, copies of "Pelley's Weekly" were

distributed to the audience. (Watch the Western Worker for an exposure of "Pelley's Weekly" in an early issue.)

Gas-Bomb Seller

(Continued From Page One) he told that he had flown airplane loaded with nauseating gas equipment to the Salinas strike area last week.

McCarthy gave officials here lessons in using the gas equipment, just before the attack of the state highway police and

During the attack, a pal of on gas equipment, he stated on

Townsend Sued In Libel Action

LOS ANGELES. - Claiming he was dismissed because he opposed Dr. Townsend's support of the Coughlin-Lemke and Union Party, and because he objected "to the tirades of Rev. Gerald L. K. Smith," who wants to organize storm-troopers, John B. Kiefer, ousted regional director of the pension movement, filed a \$250,000 libel suit in Los Angeles last Wednesday against Dr. Townsend and other officials of the movement. Edward J. Margett, st

Townsend manager, immediate. jumped up to carry out the Coughlin-Lemke line of attacking Roosevelt, by claiming that Jim Farley was responsible for the suit. "I refused to sign any more

checks for Dr. Townsend and Smith to continue their campaign of hate against the national administration," said Kie-

CHICAGO,-Father Coughlin's plan of diverting the Townsend movement for old-age pensions into a "Townsend National Recovery Plan" was incorporated here, it was announced. Coughlin. succeeded in putting over his plan at the national Townsen convention last week.

BOOKSHOP AT SATHER GATE

A workers' book shop is planned to be opened in Berkeley. The shop will be located someap- where near Sather Gate, so that Publicity sent out by the Am- ographers Union have joined weekly, as well as over the radio side wasn't getting any breaks alist Party. "We are not fright- Councilmen Bruce Monroe and pealed the fines and Condee set students will have easy access to left wing books and pamphlets.

OVER 300 UNIONS JOIN LABOR PART 400,000 Unionists; Seen as Basis for F.L.P.

are now affiliated with the American Labor Party, recently formed here by the New York The president of the New of the board's decision.

unions and central labor bodies as "the beginning of a Labor

erican Labor Party now speaks' leaders behind the new party. and by leaflets.

section of Labor's Non-Partisan York State Federation of Labor. George Meany; the President of have a total membership of over dy Armstrong, and Andrew J. Scripps-Howard daily, and in ers spoken to. Kennedy, president of the Lith- the San Diego Informer, Negro | He knew that the strikers' president of the Basque Nation- man G. Blood, and former City

ered a brilliant idea, thought up right out of his own head. GUN THUGS patrol the Salinas streets. They like to call themselves "citizen's militia," but

Shipper Assn. after the strike began on Sept. 4. . Edward Vandeleur, member of the Federation committee, in a statement, said that the proposal was "not at all reasonable or satisfactory," but urged the candidate, Landon, to the presi-strikers to accept this proposal dency, were blasted by Upton 'as a basis of friendly relation-Sinclair, founder of the Epic ship between the parties if the movement in a letter written employers would also recom-

ers had refused to do.

riam. Police Provocation Meanwhile provocation by po-

said that pickets were getting At a strikers' meeting last Tuesday, Joe Casey, A.F.L. representative, and Doss, again harped on the red scare,

These reactionaries indicated

Shevlin received the highest vote as the Fruit and Vegetable Workers representative, which

forces, delegates to the Provis-The Citizens Welfare League, which at meetings of over 1000 Economic Progress will meet Salinas citizens has lanced into Tuesday, September 27th, room

> its name." Cruse Carriel, growers' man, is executive secretary of the As-

sociation. What lettuce is being moved is

Strikers in increasing numbers not only were picketing sheds, but women pickets went before the City Hall and the County Abbott and Police Chief Griffin for making their headquarters with the shippers-growers on the

Speakers For Ford Meet Announced: San Diego Plans

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torium for the meeting to be addressed by James W. Ford, on October 13th, but agreed to call question of whether the Com-

patriotic" organizations does not popularize the strike a lot. apply to the Communist Party.

These organized labor bodies Local 2, Printing Pressmen, An- tised in the San Diego Sun, why Doss didn't want the strik-

Ford Meeting, assuring that a Since I had told Doss, and had an "ultimatum" from General bribery and nine other reionies hall will be available regardless convinced him through credentials that I represented the commander, to surrender the city ments. working class press, there before 1 a. m. Saturday or suf-The meeting is being adver-shouldn't have been any reason fer bombardment by planes.

afraid that some of the strikers might say a few things not too complimentary to Brother Doss. Doss hasn't been the only official anxious to fall in with the Col. Sanborn type of redbaiting. Joe Casey, a few days later, "demanded that agitators be thrown out" of Salinas. "Agitators," in the mouth of Casey, mean progressives, who

Maybe Brother Doss doesn't

want the strikers interviewed by

a labor reporter because he is

hiring and equal pay for women, which the strikers don't want arbitrated, to be fought for all the way down the line. There's been a tremendous swing toward progressive policy and action in California's organ-

ized labor movement. The State Federation convention showed that. Officials who have indulged freely in the past, in the Doss kind of red-baiting, have found quite a bit of rank and file pres-

pressure, or else-Brother Doss, wake up. Watch on the Pacific Coast. out that you don't burn your fingers off. A former Secretary of the State Federation of Labor, named Paul Scharrenburg may be able to give you a few instructive lessons. He burned his

There was no burning of the Knox Stooges For

LOS ANGELES-A travesty shows what labor officials are both outrageous and funny was enacted here last Monday when one Fred C. Curtis, guiding light of the "Jeffersonian Democrats trast between the militant rank of California," appeared at the and file strikers and men like railroad station dressed as near will be forced by the shipown- clare a 90-day or 120-day truce Doss, who hate really progres- like Thomas Jefferson as he siye unionsts with a hatred deep, could contrive, and greeted "Col- on working conditions to which ing conditions and wages abourd er, it can almost be said, than one!" Frank Knox, Republican they know the unions will not has no power over ships not reex-Hearst executive.

were stationed at the barricaded sheds at the foot of Gabilan Whirled to the ritzy Biltmore Hotel, Knox gave a three-minute conference - just long ped, because we don't take field enough to endorse Hearst's latest lying attack on President Roosevelt for "trying to win support

> was being made to gain their Communist Party supports Roose-Knox spoke that night to a tion get to first base. "We're partly filled Shrine Auditorium, where he again stood up for Hearst with the lie that "a whole city (Seattle) is in terrorism be-

cause of the Post-Intelligencer When Knox said he wanted to "go a little further than Upton Sinclair," that he wanted to end poverty in America, a woman arose in the audience and shouted: "He's a liar! He's a liar!"

She was dragged out and turned over to the police. Flood Routs Fascists In

Spain

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losses. Thus the most serious threat of the Fascists seemed to be crushed. Public works engineers approved the project of opening CONVICTED

that the restrictions against "un- interviews, if published, would supply of rifles, shells and cart-

"That's Mola's way of work-

LABOR AND **POLITICS**

By John Broman

"Bond ISSUES" have always been gravy for the grafters in government, and for the big corporations and banks that stand behind them.

Such a swindle is how being planned in Los Angeles in Propositions 5, 6 and 13 on the No vember ballot for a \$5,000,000 bond issue to finance the "Pacific Exposition."

buy 300 acres of land, part of the ted here last Tuesday by Paul interests owned by Banker Hell- Fratessa, state supervisor of the man, and then the city is to National Union for Social Juslet the "exposition" use the land. tice. The people of Los Angeles should vote these propositions

n, and all similar bank-corperation graft proposals. The next step is to set up a Labor Party in Los Angeles for the municipal elections next spring.

Not A "Missing Link" . . .

Fascist publisher that Roosevelt dents in California. is receiving "Communistic sup-

Landon-Knox ticket and put over the program he's borrowed from Hitler and Mussolini.

And we can expect even worse muck and libel from the man whom said Historian Beard, "no decent, self-respecting man would touch with a 10-foot

Fingerprinting In Schools . . . The Fascists are moving in on ers. the schools with a fingerprinting program, one more move in their plan to establish a national blacklist against militant workersand progressives by setting up universal fingerprinting.

And they pick on Pomona College, where they recently had all the students fingerprinted, because it is chiefly composed of students from the upper

terms. Next they plan to move in on the public schools, where workers' children go. ent-Teachers' Associations,

This is what you call estab-

lishing a precedent in legal

dunions, and all progressive groups must be on the alert against all such moves.

Blustering "Times" . . .

New Deal because the Attorney General warned retail merchants that it is illegal to advertise how much federal taxes are included in the price of an This law was put through by

the Coolidge administration, which the L. A. Times support-

Haven't Heard . . .

nineteen years ago the Russian workers and peasants over- Hight against the Teamsters Unthrew Czarism and capitalism, but apparently those arranging izations and individuals, forbidthe La Fiesta Del Rancho San Jose at the L. A. County Fair dities as threatening, intimidathaven't heard about it yet.

the Historical Society of Southern California, which entered a business." float in the parade at Pomona carrying 12 costumed figures bearing flags. As shown in a photograph in

the L A. Times, one girl was debts. supposed to represent Russiaand she carried—not the Red Flag of the U.S.S.R,-but the maid Company's attorney, Rupold hated double-eagle flag of ert D. Turnbull, raised the fathe Czar, long since thrown into miliar cry of "outside agitators" the discard of history.

Nob Hill Doesn't Worry . . .

at a fire in which several maid's Long Beach plant will be will supplement and reinforce people lost their lives. But they tried October 6 for violation of the Orange county anti-picketdid not even consider an ordi- the Long Beach anti-picketing or- ing law, to aid the wealthy nance for residences and apart- dinance. ment houses, 50 per cent of which are acknowledged to be fire traps.

But these supervisors should worry—they represent the "blue bloods" who live in St. Francis Wood and Nob Hill districts, where fire hazards don't exist. Only the working-class quar-

ters are the fire-trap areas. Communist candidates for office are carrying on a campaign Chairman: for real housing projects in San Francisco and for razing of all

WORKERS FRAMED .

S ANGELES .- After Munir Judge Newcomb Condee dismissed charges of resisting an officer and refusing to disperse, jury last week convicted Frances Sanchez and Charlotte Duncan of violating the antipicketing ordinance in the gar-

'UNION PARTY' Enforce These Amendments WON'T GET ON CALIF. BAILOT

Townsendites Resent Doctor's Stooging For Fascists

SAN FRANCISCO-The movement of Fascist Father Coughlin suporters to put the "Union Party" on the ballot in Califor-The money is to go in part to nia, has collapsed, it was admit-

> "I hear there are 100,000 signatures on the petitions," said Fratessa. "Althogether 118,000 bona for they suffered from discriminfide signatures are necessary and while there are still two days left to get them, I don't believe it will be done."

Townsend Betrays

Dr. F. E. Townsend, founder It wasn't necessary to establof the old-age pension movelish the fact that Hearst pulls ment, continued his betrayal of the strings on his presidential his own movement by trying to puppets who are running on the get leaders of Townsend clubs to O. P. ticket, but "Calonel" push the circulation of petitions Frank Knox spilled a few more to get the Fascist "Union Party" beans when he told newspaper- on the ballot, sending 1000 telemen that he agreed with the grams to as many club presi-

Although the Townsend convention adopted a neutrality Hearst is stooping to even resolution, Townsend ordered the lower depths than previously in club leaders to "get as many his frantic campaign to elect the signatures as possible for Lem-

It is reported that a mansized revolt is brewing in the Townsend clubs against the attempt of the doctor to harness their movement for old-age pensions to the Fascist train of Coughlin, Lemke and Gerald L. K. Smith, particularly since the latter announced his intention of organizing Fascist storm-troop-

Used Vs. String

LOS ANGELES .- When scabs, thugs and police were unable to halt unionization of The Richmaid Creameries, Inc., of Long Beach, company officials successfully sought the solution of their problems in the United States District Court here yesterday when United States District Judge Cosgrave ordered that "no person seeking employment or employed by the temporary trustee (John H. Chamness, manager of the Richmaid Company) shall be required to The Los Angeles Times, blus- sign any contract or agreement tering organ of anti-labor Harry promising or refusing to join any Chandler, put a big foot in its labor organization, and if any mouth recently when it attacked employee has signed it is no longer binding

Use Bankruptcy Act

Using the capitalist-legislated National Bankruptcy Act as a refuge, the corporation submitted a petition to the court that, while admitting it was solvent, if union labor "disturbances" continued it would not be able to meet its obligations in the future. And on such flimsy pretexes, a fourteen-point restraining order from Superior Judge on and about 100 other organding picketing, and such absuring or coercing the company, its Strangely enough, neither has employees and customers and "otherwise interfering with its

So as not to frighten its creditors, the creamery indicated in its petition that if it can only get open-shop it will pay all its

The petition, filed by the Richand implied that the chief concern of the company was for its employees. A hearing in the case on it, may be, so far as labor

finally adopted a night club fire! Twenty-one workers arrested "cultivated." ntion ordinance four months | from the picket line at the Rich-

James W. Ford, C.P. Candidate For U.S.

His grandfather a victim of Southern lynch terrorists, his father a Negro steel worker, himself a worker and a veteran of the World War and a leader in the fight for the rights of the Negro people-that's the stirring background of James W. Ford, for the second time the vice-presidential candidates of the Communist Party.

Vice-President

James W. Ford was born on December 22, 1893, in Pratt City, Alabama, a mining town near Birmingham, in a year of an economic crisis. His parents, Lyman and Nancy Reynolds Ford, could scarcely make ends meet ation as workers.

For Morgan Profits

For 35 years Lyman Ford worked in the mines and steel mils of Pratt City and Ensley, another industrial town near Birmington, but he died in 1925 from the intense heat in the steel mills. These mines and mils, in which he gave his life blood, are known today as the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad Company, owned by the biggest banker in the world, the P. Morgan House.

Nancy Ford was forced to take a back-breaking job as a domestic worker in order to help feed the family.

Early in young James' life, a never-to-be forgotten event aroused his growing hatred for the white ruling class of the South. His paternal grandfather worked as a track-walker on a railroad line between Atlanta and Ginesville, Georgia, and he was outspoken for the rights of the Negro people, with the result that the best class of white people spoke of him as "independent," and "hard to get along with," and "sassy."

Usual Frame-up So the white rulers resorted to the usual way of getting rid of Negroes who fight for their rights-they framed him for being "familiar with white wo-

James' grandfather was found \$6.67. burned to death in the ashes railroad tracks, and the white rulers tried to hush it up by saying he had fallen into a fire which he had built to keep himself warm.

that he was lynched! lative's on his mother's side, below. her parents dying when she

was about five years old. She vividly remembers, howsharecropers and poor farmers

Although his father was enforced him to work at the hard- Francisco. est type of labor.

(To be continued in next issue.)

NEW ANTI-LABOR LAW PASSED IN **ORANGE COUNTY**

SANTA ANA.-When Charles McLaughlin, Communist Party candidate for Congress in the 19th District, was acquitted of the charge of "trespassing" on cultivated land for the purpose of hunting birds and small game," after he had been arrested during the Orange County citrus strike, the Board of Supervisors here took under advisement ways and means to strengthen the

trespassing law. The new law is slated to read: "trespassing on cultivated land for any reason whatsoever.' Orange county courts have shown that almost any piece of land with vegetation of any kind The San Francisco supervisors will be held Sept. 21 at 9:30 a.m. cases are concerned, termed

The revised "trespassing law"

Answer Hearst Attack On C.P. By Pushing Election Campaign

been received by the State Com- antee a successful campaign. mittee of the Communist Party from William Z. Foster, National

"The Hearst attack on the Communist Party must be an swing into the drive. We urge swered. His lies must be chal- every section organizer, every lenged by the true Communist unit organizer, every fraction message. The voice of the Communist Party must reach every home where a Hearst paper is

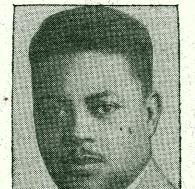
tional and local radio broadcasts election drive. Time is short; date in the 26th District, will Post St., Admission to the ban- by the National Office. and millions of leaflets; it means the forces of reaction are on the speak for his campaign. swinging into the election cam- march. We must answer them paign as never before. The Cen- immediately. ment workers' strike last Aug- tral Committee of the Party appeals to all units and fractions

The following telegran has to take emergency steps to guar-"We appeal for a day's wage from every member, and to speed up collections among hun-

dreds of thousands of friends, to secretary to assume personal responsibility for the drive.

"Make this week's unit meetings rallying points for a suc-

"Wm. Z. Foster, Chairman, Central Committee, CPUSA." for sale.



JAMES W. FORD Communist candidate for Vice-President of the United States.

SONOMA AGAIN LEADS DRIVE

Vigilantes Stumped As C.P. Election Drive Looms

Vigilantes and terror can't stop the Communist Party members from carrying the 1936 election campaign into Sonoma County, and winning widespread support for the Commu-

nist candidates! Sonoma County, a small section of the C.P. in membership, turned in \$49.80 for its second huge sum in two weeks' time. This last contribution was received during the week of September 15th-22nd.

Los Angeles had better wake up or it will be left far behind by San Francisco. The Northern California city turned in \$136.17 during this last week, to but \$89.30 from Los Angeles. Let's Get Going!

San Diego started moving forward with collection of \$23.12. Little Merced County turned in

What are the other counties of smoldering cross-ties along the doing? These are the only ones heard from last week.

The State Election Campaign Committee urged an immediate rallying of all Party members for collection of day's pay dona-But it was generally known tions in line with the appeal hat he was lynched! from the Central Committee of Little is known of Ford's rethe Communist Party, printed

Speed the Drive! Pushing of the sale of coupon and other city officials. books to donators to the Peo-

dime in this socialist competition Section C.P. titled to one of the highest paid against reaction. Send donajobs in the mills, discrimination tions to 121 Haight Street, San

Webb Says "All Is Forgiven!"

SAN FRANCISCO — If you want to escape removal from office for malfeasance, just unburand all will be forgiven.

This, in effect, was the decisof Mrs. Lucille Stewart Mon- the same as other groups. roe, daughter of Fred E. Stewart, State Board of Equalization member who has been under fire in the liquor graft probe.

Webb ruled that Mrs. Monroe won immunity by testifying that THE POLLS' she used state autos for personal excursions, office stamps for magazine subscriptions and "borrowed" employees' funds for her own use. The attorney general said she could only be sued in civil action to recover any moneys due the state.

BROWDER-FORD CLUB FORUM ON SUNDAY

SAN FRANCISCO .- "September 30th and the "waterfront" Communist" will be the two vital subjects discussed at the initial forum of the 26th Assembly next Sunday, September 27th, will also speak. District Browder-Ford Club here 8 p.m., at its headquarters at 629 Haight Street.

D. L. Saunders, member of

Constitutional Rights Of Negroes—Never Enforced

These are amendments to the Constitution of the United States, but never respected by the very same reactionaries who are now demagogically howling "Save the Constitution"

ARTICLE XIII. Slavery Abolished.

1. Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States, or any place subject to their jurisdiction.

2. Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appro priate legislation.

ARTICLE XIV. Citizenship Rights Not To Be Abridged.

1. All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the State wherein they reside. No State shall make prive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law, nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws.

ARTICLE XV. Equal Rights for White and Colored Citizens.

1. The right of the citizens of not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of race, color, or previous condition of servitude.

3. The Congress shall have power to enforce the provisions of this article by appropriate

Police Terror Is Smashed In L.A.

LOS ANGELES-Striking at police terror and intimidation L. A. Cops Managainst constitutional rights of free speech and free assembly, over 1000 persons gathered at Breed and Brooklyn Streets for a Communist Party election street rally here last Satuday night.

and which resulted in the smash- got when she called on him at military and other coercive meaing of several peaceful meetings his office. at this corner with tear gas and clubs, was halted following a than \$1,000,000, filed with the chinery, mergers and consolidation to radio clubs, was halted following a than \$1,000,000, filed with the chinery, mergers and consolidations. at this corner with tear gas and

ever, that her father left her ple's Chest Against Reaction as Herbert Elstein, Communist down the corridor, falsely ar- union wages on all public works. over station KGER from 6:45 to a tract of land which he skimped was also urged.

and paid for, but white land—Standing of the various counth but white land—Standing of the various country is selected. Standing of the various country is selected in the selection of the various country is selected. Standing of the various country is selected in the selection of the various country is selected in the selection of the various country is selected in the selection of the various country is selected. Standing of the various country is selected in the selection of the various country is selected in the selection of the various country is selected. Standing of the various country is selected in the selection of the various country is selected in the selection of the various country is selected in the selection of the various country is selected in the selection of the various country is selected in the selection of the various country is selected in the selection of the various country is selected in the selected in the selection of the various country is selected in the selection of the various country is selected in the selection of the various country is selected in the selection of the selected in the selection of the sel lords swindled her out of, as ties and sections will be printed meeting. Other speakers including the meeting of form debts. so those sections not recorded in of the Young Communist League, this issue need to get off the and William Nelson, Downtown L. E. Dray said they had usher-

> taken as the crowd eagerly responded to the call of I. Schreier for support of the Communist Party election campaign.

Police are attempting to intimidate business men in the vi- In L.A. To Scab cinity who signed a petition circulated by the Communist Party In Salinas and addressed to Mayor Shaw, protesting police brutality and

brutal methods used by police in strike areas or refusing them re-ployment. For continuing Na den your sins to the State Assembly Investigating Committee ng their business. They stated The they were not opposed to the a Mexican worker protested that, Communist Party election meet- while he was perfectly willing to on handed down by Attorney ings, but on the contrary said work, he objected to leaving his General U. S. Webb in reply to they saw no reason why the family and being shipped into a query from the State Person- Communists should not be al- the Salinas strike area. His slip nel Board regarding the status lowed to hold street meetings was marked: Refused to accept

JAYE TO TALK ON LABOR AT

SAN FRANCISCO. - "Organ ized Labor Goes to the Polls," will be the subject of a campaign speech by Sam Jaye, Com-Assembly District, at Knights of sell bread made by Langendorf restoration of right of political the Red Branch Hall, 1133 Mis- of Los Angeles. sion St., next Monday, Sept. 28, 8 p.m., following his speech over

delegate to the Central Labor Council, and delegate from his and "Why Labor Should Vote union to the State Federation of Labor convention in Sacramento. Anita Whitney, C.P. candidate paign Committee: for Congress in the 4th District,

INTERPROFESSIONAL MEETING

SAN FRANCISCO.—Dr. Philquet, at 6 p.m., will be 75c. Ad-

LEADS FIGHT



HAROLD J. ASHE Communist candidate for Congress in the 14th District of Los Angeles.

FIGHT AGAINST JIM-CROWISM SUCCESSFUL

LOS ANGELES.—An apology or enforce any law which shall from a local drug store for reabridge the privilege or immu- fusing to serve two young Negnities of citizens of the United ro workers, was secured here States, nor shall any State de- last week by a delegation headed by Harold J. Ashe, Communist candidate for Congress in the 14th District.

The counterman at the drug store had refused to serve them coffee. When Aaron Johnson asked if there was an objection to serving Negroes, the counterman remarked: "If you fellows the United States to vote shall are smart, you'll save us a lot of embarrassment."

Insisting that they be served, the Negro workers were-in badly chipped dishes.

Heading the protest committee, Ashe pointed out that it was a definite case of racial discrimination. The proprietor said the incident was due to the counterman having a hangover, and apologized, promising it wouldn't nappen again.

Ashe explained that one of the basic planks in his platform was fighting against racial dis-

handle Woman

LOS ANGELES .- Mrs. Emma The police campaign of teror, Chief Davis before, and so she which started a few weeks ago didn't expect the reception she company unions, industrial spies,

storm of protests to the Mayor city council secretary, she tions of properties and entercharges she was set upon by two prises. Equality of men and San Pedro is broadcasting a Two dozen police were present police officers, forcibly dragged women to raise wages. Trade weekly program every Tuesday Party candidate for Assembly in rested, rushed to the Georgia 3. Farmers to be secured from 7 p. m.

ed Mrs. Fusch away from Davis' A collection of \$21.70 was office and down the corridor "as considerately and delicately as

SERA Orders Men

LOS ANGELES-Once again the use of tear gas by police. the SERA offices here are at-The store-owners declared the tempting to send workers into

> This was disclosed today when employment.

Other complaints against the SERA officers, with Mr. Green as the mouthpiece, are that stenographers and other trained cial and labor legislation. For workers are being denied relief unrestricted freedom of speech paid domestic work.

SANTA BARBARA PICKETING other minority groups ;opposed SANTA BARBARA. - Bakers' to discrimination, segregation Union members here are still and lynching. Against depormunist candidate from the 20th picketing the places here which tation of foreign-born and for

KROW the same night 6:45-7 Turn in Funds As Soon As You Jaye is a member of Miscellaneous Employees 110, A.F.L., Sell Out Election Coupon Book

Dimitroff, together with an inscription and the signatures of the Sailors' Union of the Pa- lip Kling Brown will address the Wiliam Z. Foster, Earl Browder, PAIGN COMMITTEE." cific and member of the Com- San Francisco chapter of the and James W. Ford. We will munist Party, will discuss the Interprofessional Association at mail these books to those who of various denominations for con-

comrade who sent us the cou- ters.

sufficient reason for you to check up on all your sections to see "Under seperate cover you that all money is turned in to "Comradely yours, 4 "NATIONAL ELECTION CAM-Coupon books contain coupons

CAL. FARMER-LABOR PARTY Upton Sinclair Approves Work Being Done

CONFERENCE STEPS TOWARD

UNITED POLITICAL ACTION

By Conference; Progressive 12-Point Program Adopted By Delegates

LOS ANGELES-Tremendous enthusiasm, which bodes ill for the Hearsts, Fleishhackers and Chandlers, but victory for the people of California, was generated here at the statewide convention called by the California State Continuation Committee for United Political Action, held here September 19th and 2t0h at the Epic Auditorium.

Decision to start concrete work &to build a California Farmer-La-bor Party was greeted with loud cheers from the 401 delegates ers' organizations,' unemployed groups, youth and women's organizations, and many other groups.

A burst of applause followed Dr. Wixman's announcement that the Continuation Committee, while refraining from infringing on autonomy of individual organizations present, was agreed that a successful Farmer-Labor Party must be based on and controlled by organized labor, Campaign radio broadcasts are with united support of all liberal and pro-labor groups.

Epic Leader's Message In a long message to the convention, Upton Sinclair stated: "It is my hope that the members of the convention will forget their individual ambitions and prove the possibility of working San Diego, 7:45-8 p. m.

out a program by common consent . . . If you are wise and determined, and at the same time cautious, you can build a movement which will gain sufficient strength to save us from the dreadful menace of Fascism." Program Adopted

The delegates almost unanimously a 12-point program, summarized as follows: 1. Social security and relief against economic hazards by a

federal system of social insurance to provide adequate com-pensation for all deprived of normal income by reason of old age, physical disability, unemployment, maternity, widowhood, etc.—this to be financed by taxing all huge accumulations of personal and surplus wealth.

picket. Legislation outlawing sures against labor. Labor to

Turner, Eastside Branch that her mind was unbalanced, t ment refinancing of farm debts Policeman George Wurst and at low interest rates. Against legislation to abridge constitucrop reduction so long as any-

one goes hungry.

Jobs For All

4. Production for use-Con- | land bill, Major Disaster ordigress to set up federal corporations empowered to buy and lease lands, farms, mines, factories, and provide transportation and an exchange and credit system to create a decent living standard for the millions of unemployed Americans.

5. Passage of legislation to provide adequate funds guaran teeing youth education and emtional Youth Administration and supporting American Youth Act. Opposition to militarizing, arming and deputizing of youth except in standing Army, Navy

and Marine Corps. Civil Rights 6. Civil liberties to be preserved and extended. Support curbing powers of Supreme Court, and reassert power of Congress to ehact adequate soif they refuse to accept under- press, and rights to assemble and demonstrate. For unconditional equal rights for Negroes and

asylum.

The following letter has been pon stub, stating that we are received for publication by the sorry we cannot send him the Communist State Election Cam- book Naturaly this should be "Dear Comrades:

will receive a copy of the book the District, and through the "Letters from Prison" by G. District to the National Office.

Oct. 26th-S. F. broadcast, KROW. PO, KFI, 7:45-8 p. m. KECA, KFSD, 7:45 p. m. 2. Labor to be unrestricted in Fusch had never met Police its right to organize, strike and Pedro Labor Council Broadcasts Weekly

the message of labor to radio the Central Labor Council of

Against existing and proposed tional rights, such as Criminal Syndicalism Act, Kramer bill, Tydings-McCormick bill, Copenance, anti-picketing ordinances, etc. For religious freedom. Free ury trials in all civil cases and misdemeanors. For legislation making it a felony to violate the

Bill of Rights. 7. Endorsement of Instructors' Tenure Constitutional Amendment. Continuance and proadening of Emergency Edu-

8. Enlargement of U.S. Post Office to include a general bankng business, and removal from utional practice of coining

9. National referendum before Congress may declare war, except should a hostile power ctually invade U.S. American citizens engaging in profit-makng enterprises in foreign counries shall do so at their own risk. Nationalization of munitions industry, and forbidding of

all tax-exempt securities and all

11. For a Federal Housing Bill, such as the Scott Bill, making the federal government responsible for construction of

Against Racketeering 12. Socialization of all facilities for maintaining and preserving health. Against racketeering and monopolization of food stuffs. Strong advocation of revision of Pure Food and Drug Law to conform to a single stan-

Resolutions adopted included protest against Hitler's and Mussolini's aid to the Spanish Fascists; demand release of Tom Mooney, Warren K. Billings and J. B. McNamara; demand recall of State Highway Police from

BROADCASTS!

Earl Browder Speaks Next Friday On NBC Hookup

Communist Party Election scheduled as f ollows:

Monday, Sept, 28th-Sam Jaye, 20th Assembly candidate, San Francisco, KROW, 6:45-7 p. m. Friday, Oct. 2nd-Earl Browder, "Social Insurance and Un-

employed Problems," 'KGO, S.

F.; KECA, Los Angeles; KSFD, Oct. 5th-James Garrison, 26th Assembly candidate, S. F., KRO

W, 6:45-7 p. m. Oct. 9th-Earl Browder, 'Problems of Youth," KGO. KE CA, KFSD, 7:45-8 p. m. Oct. 12th-Anita Whitney, 4th

OW, 6:45-7 p. m Oct. 19th-Lawrence Ross, 5th Cong. Dist. candidate, S. F., KR OW, 6:45-7 p. m. Oct. 23rd-Earl Browder, KFI,

L. A.; KPO, S. F.; 7:45-8 p. m.

Cong. Dist. candidate, S. F., KR

Oct. 30th-"Mother" Bloor, K Nov. 2nd-Earl Browder, KGO,

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munitions sale abroad 10. Taxation on ability to pay. Direct taxation of inheritance, rifts, high incomes, etc. Against

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dard, so as to safeguard public health.

waterfront situation, and Peter a banquet Tuesday, Sept. 29, at collected \$5 on the coupon books tributions to the Communist demning frame-up against Earl "This means insuring our national of the Women's City Club, 465 if the money has been received election campaign. They may be King; demand for release of obtained from the State Cam- Lawrence Simpson, imprisoned "Please remember that in those paign Headquarters, 121 Haight in Nazi Germany; demand for The headquarters are open mission after dinner to hear the Districts where the money was Street, San Francisco; 230 South freedom for Angelo Herndon and every night, with all workers speakers will be 25c. Miss Helen not received, we shall be com- Spring Street, Los Angeles; or abolition of Georgie's unconstiinvited to drop in. Literature is Reynolds will speak on the pelled to write to the individual any Communist Party headquar-tutional "Slave Insurrection Law.

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The Liberal Press and Salinas

THE "LIBERAL" Scripps-Howard press of La California has adopted the red-baiting line of William Randolph Hearst and the Chamber of Commerce in the Salinas strike.

"Such disturbances," writes the San Francisco News, "give them (the Communists) just the kind of opportunity they are looking for to stir up resentment against the existing order. Naturally they are much more interested in fomenting discord than in bringing the immediate dispute to a peaceful solution, regardless of what may be the losses on both sides.'

There could be no more vicious distortion of the role played by Communists in this or any other strike than the above statement. At the Ninth National Convention of the Communist Party, Earl Browder stated the role of the Communist, Party on strikes very clearly and precisely:

"When American workers go on strike, it is not because Communists are stirring up trouble, but because in those places the forces of big business are denying these workers the right to organize and bargain collectively and denying it by force and violence. Workers do not lightly go on strike. A strike is a difficult struggle, requiring heavy sacrifices. Communists do not lightly advise workers to go on strike. The strike is a weapon of last resort, to which workers turn only when the capitalists have blocked every other road of redress for their grievance. And when strikes occur-and when bloodshed takes place in connection with them, that is not the result of Communist policies, or Communist activities. That is the work of the reactionary capitalists and their agents who are directly responsible for the strike and for troubles that arise out of hte strike,"

This statement of Communist policy gives the lie to the "liberal" News. This newspaper throws up a smoke screen of appearang to be impartial by also asking the employers to banish the "professional red-baiters." But this, of course, is meaningless. Employers need no assistance from quacks such as Sanborn in red-baiting. The employers, by their very nature, are the professionals when it comes to red-baiting.

worded more appropriately in answer to the News distortion if it had been prepared especially in reply to it. Certainly the Salinas strikers had no other road of redress for their burning grievance of the open-shop than to strike. Certainly they have been long-suffering and are using the strike only as a weapon of last resort! Just as certainly, the violence that occurred was the work of the reactionary growers and shippers and their agents-this time the vigilante gangs and Merriam's state highway patrol.

As for the role of the Communists—they are pushing forward for the determined conduct of the strike, so that the packers can win preferential hiring of union men. Upon this demand depends the life of the union. It is to the interests of Communists, as to that of all workers, that unions live and flourish, so that workers can win constantly improving conditions.

Support Communist Election Meetings on the Waterfront

WHEN police broke up a Communist election campaign street meeting on the San Francisco waterfront, they were acting under express orders that the Communist platform

must be kept away from the maritime work-

This is not only to be surmised, but is proven by the statement made by Mayor Rossi to a protest delegation, to the effect that there are some sections of the city where "it wouldn't be wise" to hold Communist street meetings.

lt "wouldn't be wise," in the opinion of Mayor Rossi, his police department, and the shipowners, for maritime workers to hear the real issues of the 1936 election campaign, and to learn the close relation between the elections and the struggle these men are waging against the union-smashing attempt being made by the shipowners.

The waterfront employers are firing the opening gun in a general open-shop driveand are thus carrying through on the Pacific coast what will be the policy of the national administration should the elections result in victory for the Landon-Hearst-Liberty League ticke.t

But it takes more than strong-arm methods, police intimidation and arrests to keep the Communist platform of struggle for immediate demands and for the building of a Farmer-Labor Party off the waterfront. The bor dealt with vital questions of following morning a meeting was held at the same spot, with the two Communist Congressional candidates speaking. Due to pressure applied by protest delegations, this time there Government forces and vigilante was no police interference.

This shipowner-inspired action of the police than that adopted by any other breaking up the meeting should make waterfront workers ask themselves why it is that the employers are so anxious to keep the marked a further advance of Communist platform away from the waterfront. It stands to reason that the Communist platform must have vital bearing on the present struggle of the waterfront workers, to evade or ignore the major and its planks to be in the interests of the maritime workers.

These election meetings will be held regularly on the waterfront every Monday and Friday morning. All waterfront workers fields were being beaten and are urged to support them.

Trotzky Pleads Guilty

TROTZKY'S loud protestations of innocense of complicity in the recent terrorist plots of his agents in the Soviet Union, Browder's statement could not have been for which sixteen Trotzkyite-Fascists were controlled by the Communists." executed, are revealed for the hypocritical The Salinas situation dramatized lies that they are.

In a letter written by Trotzky August 23rd, he declared that "if a new wind blows over of Europe, then the Russian proletariat, too, will begin to assert itself."

What does Mr. Trotzky mean by the Russian proletariat "asserting itself"-except the expression of his Fascist wish for counter revolution? And in the utter absence of any Fascist wish for counter-revolution, what could Mr. Trotzky mean, except a war of aggression by the Fascist war-mongers such as Hitler-which was admittedly the aim of the collaboration between Trotzky's agents of California where conditions in the Soviet Union and the agents of the Gestapo, Hitler's secret political police!

Max Eastman, Trotzky's chief literary stooge in the United States, lets the cat out of the bag, too. He said Stalin must have to protect property interests and double-crossed the principals of the Zinoviev-Kamenev trials, promising them life if they would confess. |

First the Trotzkyists shouted the confessions were fabricated. Now they raise the equally ridiculous cry of double-cross-admitting the confessions were true!

Trotzky's "new wind over all of Europe" is the fetid breath of Fascism, heavy with the stench of Trotzkyism.

BEWARE OF THIS SCABBY TRICK

low in their efforts to break a goff. strike. Here's one of their newest schemes, reported in the "Teamster," official magazine of the Teamsters Union:

Verbal advertising-the use of paid couples to talk and whisper about various products in subways, street cars, railroad stations, hotels and stores-is increasing very swiftly, according to "Whispers For Sale," an article by Robert Littell and John J. McCarthy in the February number of Harper's Maga-

"One agency," say the authors,

"The Downey strike method, which is now a routine recommendation of practically every but no more. See where it got to force our men into the fields? other propaganda agency, is me: selling stuff from door to They talk of "sympathetic simple, painless, and neither gets door. Do you know what salary strikes against hot cargoes. We arbitration of all issues, in spite people into hospitals nor itself the labor organizer draws when have hot cargo in Salinas. We've of the fact that the strikers were into the news columns.

"Through the neighborhoods disguised as house-to-house can- and plenty of expenses. Get it?'" to the other Eastern markets, vassers and peddlers of women's silk stockings, brushes and other When the strikers come home Salinas lettuce in the cars to household articles,

"has helped to sell goods by the madam, why you haven't any were told by the representative particular union. This is a clean General Strike in the Salinas and the Convention went on recmethods we describe, but it is money to buy these bargains in of one of these propaganda agen- cut issue. We are not settling areas was not acted upon main- ord condemning "Fascism, under chiefly remarkable for being the fine hosiery. Your husband is cies about a recent long and bit- until the fruit and vegetable ly because some of the Salinas whatever name and color," and first such agency to substitute, on strike, isn't he? Well, of ter strike in Ohio. Three days workers, the box makers, the delegates argued it as inadvis- called upon "all unions to camin the breaking of strikes, subtle course it's none of my business, after the house-to-house propa carpenters, the truck drivers and able at that time because most paign against Fascism." A numverbal propaganda for the tra- but I hate to see you folks de- ganda method was applied the the Filipinos, all get their rights." of the important crafts were al- ber of resolutions on war were statement. ditional strong-arm methods of prived of the necessities of life strike was over."

The open shoppers go pretty the Pinkertons and Pearl Ber- just so these few strike organizers can ride around in big cars ing to sit by and watch these and draw down fat salaries. I lunatics, these morons ride out was once a union man myself, with their tin hats and pistols between the parties." your husband isn't on strike? got to resort to calling hot car- opposed to arbitration of prefer-Twenty-five dollars a week and go, to the sympathetic strike ential employment, certainly did no expenses. And when your when they go to erecting bar not help the strikers; and it is where the strikers live go small husband is on strike? Why, then ricades around the lettuce sheds. bands of trained propagandists, that organizer draws \$100 a week Am I wrong if I go to Chicago, of this motion was Kidwell, a many of them find their wives rot? T can understand perfectly, on strike against the strike. We

STATE POLICE BLASTED BYAFL FOR SALINAS TERROR



THEY HAD NO BUSINESS in Salinas, these State Highway Police, but the law operates only or the employers' benefit. Photo shows State Highway Police, OFF THE STATE HIGHWAY holding up three Salinas strikers.

The California State Federation Convention

By ROY HUDSON

Confronted with increased atacks against the trade unions and growth of reactionary forces and vigilante terror, and influenced by a strong bloc of progressive delegates, the Thirtyseventh Annual Convention of the California Federation of Lathe class struggle.

The decisions adopted on solidarity action, the C.I.O., on war and fascism, against the use of groups in labor disputes, are of more progressive character recent state federation of labor convention. On these issues the decisions of the Convention the whole labor movement towards progressive unionism.

It would have ben hard, if not impossible, for the Convention problems confronting the California and American trade union

As the Convention was meeting in Sacramento, union men and women in Salinas lettuce gassed by vigilante groups and state highway policement.

Dramatic Salinas The use of terror to crush the strike and wipe out the Fruit and Vegetable Workers Union was being justified by Governor Merriam, reactionary Republican, on the grounds that it "was the growth of reactionary forces that are threatening the rights of labor and the need for the trade union movement to base itself on progressive policies, and a united trade union movement

if it is to continue to exist. The Salinas strike came before the Convention seven times. On the first day, the Convention elected a committee to visit Governor Merriam, and protest the use of the State Highway police against the lettuce strikers of Salinas. The second day, the Convention listened to a speech that is well worth quoting.

"I have just come from a part, exist that should make every person, every good American citizen hang his head in shame. We have a system of justice, they call it, but a justice that seems to work in one directionpriveleged classes. There is no law, no justice for the common man, although we read columns devoted to his supposed rights. At three o'clock this morning the vigilantes rode in Salinas.

"Brothers and Sisters, they claim that we resort to extremes. No, we are driven to extremes. We cannot proceed in a logical, reasoning, negotiating manner when we are met with conditions like these in Salinas. The Growers and Shippers Association of

to adjust matters? Are we go-

This speech was delivered not ready out and a general strike

Casey, General Organizer for the American Federation of Labor, an appointee of Green, whose main distinction in the past has been his red-baiting and support of reactionary policies.

His remarks about "sympathetic strikes and hot, cargo" as well as the principle of united action of all unions in negotiating agreement, are significant in that they reflect the pressure of mass support of these principles, which have been widely popularized by the successes achieved by the maritime unions in realizing these

Major Decisions The Salinas situation found Federation, uncertain, failing to take any initiative in giving leadership, tending to stall. Only through the insistence of the progressives from the floor was the strike kept before the Convention, and the proposals that were adopted originated from the progressives. The major decisions of the Convention on the

1. Adoption of a resolution protesting the terror and calling upon "all labor groups throughout the country to refuse to handle the lettuce from the strike

2. For the entire convention the State Capitol and to send another committee to Governor Merriam to protest the terror. 3. A special committee was sent to the strike area to survey conditions and report back to in the fact that only one of these the Convention.

A special night session of the Convention was forced to discuss the strike and adopted a number of decisions. a) To the State Police if they were vention. unable to prove that the "strike is controlled by Communists and that any other than bona fide 12 with the Committee for Inmembers of the A.F.L. have been dustrial Organization, 18 with in any involved in the manage- various phases of vigilantism, ment of the strike." b) For all locals to wire the Governor pro- tural workers, 6 on war, 5 on testing use of State Highway use of National Guard, 2 on Police in the strike. c) To wire Fascism, 5 on Mooney, Herndon protests to President Roosevelt. d) To institute an immediate re- 2 on Hearst, 2 on Spain 1 on call of Governor Merriam in the event he refuses to act. e) To appeal to the Railway Brotherhoods for assistance in carrying out the "hot lettuce" ban.

The progressives, aided especially by the speech of John Shoemaker of the I.L.A. Local 38-79, were successful in defeating a bitter attack launched against the motion for recall proceeding, made by ex-Supervisor Gallagher of San Francisco, an old line reactionary and Republican. But the progressives were caught off their guard when they failed to react as quickly and well to the motion made by George Kidwell of the Bakery Wagon Drivers, which was as follows-

"That the Convention call upon Salinas is ruled by an unseen the Growers Association and the unions of Salinas and Watson-"I ask you when are we going ville to petition the Regional Labor Board to set up a board of arbitration for the purpose of adjusting all issues of dispute

This decision, placing the Convention on record recommending just as regretable that the maker ing a correct stand.

"I am not settling for any Convention recommend calling a support of the Spanish workers,

small business men and merchants who were sympathetic. However, it is important to point out that in the discussion on the General strike none of the old line leaders spoke against it in principle.

At this time it is of course mpossible to say how the decisions of the Convention will at fect the final outcome of the Salinas strike. But there can be no doubt it served to check Mer riam's attempt to arouse an antired campaign on a State scale it has helped to check the terfor somewhat, and has forced Merriam to at least state he would "aid" in trying to secure the official leadership of the a settlement, instead of openly sanctioning the use of terror. Influence of Strike on Convention

The influence of the Salinas strike on the Convention is more easily illustrated by the follow ing incident. During the picket ing of the Capitol by the Convention delegates, an old gray haired, conservative 'delegate noticed a Browder-Ford Conservative said, "Well, one good thing about this Convention, it found us all agreed on at least one issue. I guess w needed a Salinas in order that we could stand united."

The Salinas strike situation contained many of the major problems dealt with in the 194 resolutions before the Convention. The progressive approach to these problems is indicated resolutions could be opposed in

munist delegates. This resolution recommended use of National Guard in strikes demand a retraction from Gov- "to keep the peace" and was unernor Merriam and the head of animously rejected by the Con-

Of the remainder 10 deals with the Farmer Labor Party 5 on the organization of agricul and other class war prisoners the September 30th maritime situation, 1 on operation of closed factories by the Government. It is worth noting the action taken on the more important of these

resolutions. Against C.S. Act President Hopkins' report recommended a referendum vote to secure the repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Act and a resolution was adopted to this effect. vigilantism were adopted in-

the week-kneed and spineless excuses of the civil authorities who continue to ignore flagrant disregard of all civil laws: and be it resolved that the Executive Committee of the Califorproceed at once to ask all afthat the rights of labor be protected and defended, also that devise such methods and means ment from the White House. as conditions may demand from "The strikers' wives get it. and the faithful to leave the questions recently has been tak- ous unions as to their conclu-

sions. A motion from the floor that Resolutions were adopted in

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AS WE SEE IT

By BILL SCHNEIDERMAN.

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THE HUMANITY OF CHESTER ROWELL

TT TAKES A "liberal" of the type of Chester Rowell to bring sweetness and light to a world otherwise torn by strife and violence. Mr. Rowell and the San Francisco Chronicle are not so hysterical as Hearst, and claim to disapprove of his methods, but generally they manage to reach the same conclusions. Mr. Rowell's latest example of humane consideration for his fellow-man is a treatise on the use of poisongas in warfare, and tear-gas in strikes, as a harmless substitute for guns and bullets. Perhaps the reader may think I am exaggerating, so let Mr. Rowell speak for himself:

"Speaking of gas, however, does not the little Salinas war again illustrate that gas is a milder weapon than bullets? The gas, at Salinas, to be sure, was mostly tear gas, which does no permanent harm. Even the 'nauseating gas,' of which only a little was used, is the mildest of war gases. And there are war gases whose purpose is to kill rather than to disable.

"The purpose of all of them is to put the victim out of coinmission for more than the few minutes of tear gas. But gas at its worst, in war, is better than machine guns, shrappel and high-explosive shells. And in Salinas, suppose a lot of excited, untrained men, hastily deputized, had used bullets as wholesale as they did gas. Instead of one fantastic day, it would have been wholesale murder. Gas can be used, even recklessly, without producing anything worse than red eyes, retching muscles and hard feelings. Bullets must not be used at all, except in the last desperate emergency, and then they are used to kill. Gas is the ess evil, in 'peace' as in war." (S. F. Chronicle, Sept. 22nd.)

When every decent person is aroused to anger and indignation at the brutality of the vigilante attacks in Salinas, it takes a Rowell to apologize for and defend a tear-gar attack on unarmed men, women, and children, on the grounds that it more humane

HEARST LIES AGAIN

The crude attempt of Hearst to distort the position of the Communist Party on Roosevelt by misquoting an article of Comrade Browder's (see No. 9 of the Communist International, September, English Edition) is followed up by a second blast in the Hearst press which attempts to misuse an article of Unton Sinclair's in the same manner. Sinclair's article was reprinted from the Epic News in the Sunday Worker of September 20th with an editorial note that it is evident that Sinclair, although coming closer to the Communist position on a united front against Fascism, still does not fully understand or agree with the Party's position on Roosevelt.

This difference was also dealt with in recent issues of the Western Worker, while at the same time we welcomed the clear stand of Sinclair on the need for combatting Fascism in Europe and America. We pointed out that our difference with Sinclair on Roosevelt should not prevent a united front with Sinclair and other Roosevelt supporters, who agree with us on the need for fighting reaction and the danger of Fascism, as represented by the Hearst-Landon-Liberty League combination.

This is precisely what Comrade Browder meant in his statement that the Communists would make a united front with the workers supporting Roosevelt, while not committing ourselves to Roosevelt in any way. Hearst distorted this to mean that the button on the writer's lapel. The Communists were making a united front with and supporting

> Some of the Socialist leaders, egged on by the newly-recruited Frotskyites in the Socialist Party, have been carrying on er the same kind of propaganda against the position of our 1. thus they have, unwittingly perhaps, been giving Hearst the inspiration for this latest strategy in the Republican campaign to elect Landon.

THE SOCIALISTS AND SPAIN

The Trotskyite who wrote the article on Spain in the local campaign sheet of the Socialist Party is calling for the setting upof a Spanish Soviet Republic, the dissolution of the People's Front in Spain and the breaking of the anti-Fascist alliance between the working-class and the peasantry and other middle-class allies.

This may sound like very revolutionary phrases, but actually is the kind of Trotskyite propaganda which plays into the hands of the Spanish Fascists and Hearst, who would like to make it appear that the issue in Spain is between Communism and Fascism, hoping to split the anti-Fascist camp by frightening away the middle-class allies of the People's Front.

The issue in Spain is that of maintaining and defending the democratic republic against the threat of a Fascist dictator on that issue Socialists, Communists, Anarcho-Syndicalists Republicans are united, and it is that unity which has made possible the heroic armed struggle of untrained civilian masses against the trained troops of the Fascists.

Because that unity has been unshaken, and because the issue of democracy versus Fascism has been so clear, the Spanish People's Front has found allies from all believers in democracy throughout the world, despite the cries of Hitler, Mussolini, General Franco, and Hearst that the issue in Spain is Communism.

In Spain, the Communists and Socialists are firmly united in supporting the People's Front. And yet there are a group of Trotskyites who have seized control of the Socialist Party in California, who dare to attack the People's Front and demand its dissolution, and raise such adventurist slogans as "Soviets in Spain" when the Spanish people are fighting with their backs to the wall for democracy against Fascism.

It is about time that honest Socialists should ponder well what A number of resolutions on is happening to their party, when such unprincipled adventurers can carry on this propaganda under the name of the Socialist cluding one that declared "vig- Party. The problem will not be solved by dropping out, as many ilantism is becoming more pre-velant every year" and urged—

disgusted Socialists have done, but to fight to keep the Socialist "That we go on record as Party in the hands of sincere, honest Socialists, and work for being tired of the activities of unity with all the labor and progressive forces in the struggle the elements and their organizathe economic and political demands of the masses, and for the tions that persist in taking the fense of democracy against Fascism. Only through this struggle law into their own hands and will the fight for the ultimate realization of Socialism, which both we are equally as fed up with Communists and Socialists are working for, be advanced.

Hearst Red Scare To Aid Landon

WASHINGTON.—Hearst's at- | said: "The American people will nia State Federation of Labor tempts to stampede the Ameri- not permit their attention to can people into voting for Alf diverted from real issues which filiated organizations to set up Landon, his and the Liberty no patriotic, honorable, decent defense committees to the end League's candidate, with attacks citizen would purposely inject against Roosevelt as a "Communist," were scored here last Saturthe Executive Committee shall day in a sharply worded state-

progressive who on many major time to time and advise the vari- Stephen T. Early, a presidential the lie that the Soviet Union secretary.

"My attention has been called re-election." to a planned attempt, led by a certain notorious newspaper owner, to make it appear that the President passively accepts ing that I am the object of the the support of alien organiza- statement. tions hostile to the American

In conclusion, the statement for several years.

into American affairs." Although Hearst was not men-

tioned by name, the connection was plain. The Hearst paper The statement was issued by appeared Saturday night with was supporting Roosevelt f

In a statement from Ams. dam, the Fascist publisher said "I think I am justified in assum

Hearst has been in Europ form of government," said the conferring with Hitler and Mus solini, as he has done regularly NOT AFRAID TO DIE FOR PEOPLES' CAUSE IN SPAIN

Barcelona Seaman Tell How Rebel Fascists Smasher

Heroism of Seamen and Longshoremen In Early Struggles Against Fascists In Barcelona, Is Related

> (Written on August 11th, last.) By Juan Llorca (Veteran trade unionist and seaman.)

BARCELONA—The first shots were fired in Barcelona on Sunday, July 20th. The Fascists and the military rebels had gathered on the Spanish and the Catalonian Place in Barcelona. Here the signal for the rebellion was given, the insurgents believing all armed forces in the town would come out on their side. They were mistaken.

Army flyers, civil guards, the Alcantara Regiment remained loyal to the government of the Popular Front and marched against the Fascists. In the meantime the population had been mobilized and organization of the defense was commenced without delay.

Workers Rallied

signal for the workers to hurry to the police stations and municipal arms depots of the Republican State in order to get weapons. Part of the workers went to the civil guards and the storm guards who were already firing on the rebels; others, helped by the population, erected barricades on all strategic points of the city.

Fascists Whipped

The Fascists got their defeat on the Catalonian Square. Many of the donkeys used by the Spanish army to draw artillery were killed. The majority of the soldiers drawn into the rebellion by the Fascists soon deserted and joined the workers in defense of

I lack the necessary words to describe the bravery, steadfastness and heroism of the workers of Barcelona who joined the struggle in order to defend the people's government which they had helped to gain power in Feb-

We are on the alert. Young ed a collection. and old workers retain their We sleep on the barin the trade union halls, in the premises of the workers' and re- Eddie Cantor, and publican organizations and are ready at the first signal of alarm. Armed workers' militia patrol the streets to maintain order and prevent plundering.

Waterfront Workers A few words on the seamen's and dockers' share in the fight

against the rebels. The Barcelonette quarter of the town is chiefly populated by seamen, dockers and fishermen On July 20th, when the signal to arm was given, the crews of all ships in port immediately

went ashore. Together with the unemployed seamen, the dockers, fishermen, and other workers; a first column was formed which went to the National Avenue. On the first square reached on their march, the column halted and built a barricade. Some dockers then returned to the port where they get heavy lorries with which on a parallel street another barricade was erected for the purpose of preventing rebel artillery from advancing.

Heroic Fighters All during July 20th and the following day and during fights cists make a temporary stand. in other parts of town, the seanent in the actions and have service organized to maintain orgiven splendid examples of der in the streets of Barcelona.

courage and heroism. Many seamen and dockers vol-

With One Year's Subscription!

FREE

The first shots fired were the Respond Quickly To AFL Appeal

> ng solidarity with the militant lettuce workers on strike in Salinas, members of the Screen Actors' Guild here have raised over \$1000 for the aid of the

Although many Guild members have donated money to the millions of troops planned, with fund Guild headquarters here stated that the fund was being men between the ages of 25 and raised by individual actors and 45 are carrying in their pockets not an official Guild act. The a secret order telling them excollection was sent to Edward actly when and where they must Vandeleur, secretary-treasurer of report when war is started. the State Federation of Labor, to be turned over to the Salinas der to take part in war) is meetstrikers.

Following a report from Honneth Thompson, Guild epresentative at the State Federation the majority of the German peo-Convention, that the findings of ple. Hitler's recent speech callthe Labor Committee sent to Salinas proved that the force and violence came from the police tion, who fear that such aggresand growers and not the strik- sion may be imminent. ers, members of the Guild start-

Among the many actors who donated to the fund were Lionel Active In Sinaloa ricades, at General Headquarters, Stander, Jean Muir, Robert Montgomery, Edward Marshall.

Fascists Promote Terror In France

GRENOBLE France, - Terror-Communist League ball at Vienne last week when a light- Mina in Sinaloa. ed bomb was tossed into their

However, the bomb was quickly thrown out of a window and Defeated In L.A. it exploded outside, setting fire to a neighboring building.

of pistol fire.

BEET TOPPERS STRIKE By a Worker Correspondent SANTA BARBARA-A strike of some 200 beet toppers at Betteravia here started September over their present 40 cents an

Barcelona to fight the Fascists in Zaragoza and some other Aragonian towns where the Fas-

These remaining here are all men and dockers were promilarmed. They take turns in the

Workers' blood has been shed in the streets of Barcelona for unteered for the militia and the cause of liberty. Fascism joined the columns which left will not win.

Anti-Japanese Movement Is Growing

SHANGHAI—Five years after Japan began occupation of what is now Manchukuo, on September 18thfi 1931, the Chinese people's movement against Japanese aggression is growing stronger to meet the increased attacks by the Nippon militarists.

Claiming "provocations," the Japanese militarists have moved in further into North China and last week forced evacuation of the Chinese 29th Route Army from Fengtai, an important railroad center in the province of

"Incident" which started Japanese claims in Fengtai was the "assassination" of a Japanese cavalry horse!

Here in Shanghai one of the expressions of anti-Japanese sentiment is found in a huge singing society which studies nation alistic music and which parti cipates in all anti-Japanese de monstrations in the city.

Anti-Japanese sentiments hav oeen expressed in huge demon strations, despite official ban b he Nanking government Chang Kai-Shek, which has followed owed a consistent policy of re treat before Japanese aggression despite the overwhelming sen timents of the Chinese people who want to fight against ag

LOS ANGELES—Demonstrat- NAZIS ARRANGE **MOBILIZATION**

BERLIN. - Hitler's war ma chine, which the Nazis are preparing to launch in a war of aggression, has mobilization of the report that all able-bodied This "kriegsbeorderung" (or-

ing public enthusiasm for the enefit of Nazi leaders, and private condemnation and fear by ing for war against the Soviet Union has excited the popula

Report 'Cold Shirts'

MEXICO CITY .-- A report re-Herbert ceived by the Confederation of and Italy. Mexican Workers (CTM) last Monday said 500 Fascist "Gold Shirts" inspired by the Spanish Fascists, had started a "putsch" in the State of Sinaloa.

General Luis Bobadilla, army chief of staff, said the war deism by Fascists nearly brought partment had received no reports death to 400 dancers at a Young of terroristic activities by the "Dorados" near Mazatlan and

Bureaucratic Set-Up

LOS ANGELES.-Increased re-The Fascists fled behind cover actionary bureaucracy, as em- member of the League of Nabodied in a proposed charter tions. amendment setting up a county Board of Supervisors here last Spanish government in reality week after a free-for-all meet-

At a tumultuous meeting, may-17th. They demanded an increase ors from outlying county towns, which would have been hardest its requirements from Britain, hit by this "centralized adminis- France and Belgium, and that tration" plan, fought the pro- what amounts to economic sancposed amendment, as did many tions should not be imposed progressive groups.

Mayor Shaw ran true to his reactionary form, and supported ments maintain normal relathe proposal.

workers face the Fascist torture and firing squads. Communist Parties of Great Britain. Stalling Makes a Dreary Life

MEMBERS OF THE WORKERS' MILITIA and the government army, just before execution by

the Spanish Fascists near Irun. News dispatches describe the great heroism with which captured

The following Manifesto on the Spanish civil war wa issued recently by the Communist Parties of Great Britain, France and Belgium:

"Four weeks ago Fascist reb-Oels opened civil war in Spain. These rebels, who have risen against the Spanish government set up by the will of the people, bear the heavy responsibility for the events now drenching Spain

"Order would have already been re-established in Spain if the rebels had not been supported from abroad by Hitler and Mussolini, who are both pursuing their plans for war.

"Following his aggression against Ethiopia. Mussolini wants to secure complete control of the Mediterranean; he wants to put his hand on the Balearic Islands and to undermine the strong position held by Britain through Cibraltar.

Fascists Mean War

"At the same time, Mussolin and Hitler aim at cutting off France from North Africa. The establishment in Spain of a government taking its orders from Hitler and Mussolini would mean the unleashing of a European war by Fascist Germany

"This would mean the submergence of the Central European countries and a Fascist onslaught on Belgium, France and

"The people of Spain, who are defending liberty and order, at the same time are defending the peace of the world. "No sincere advocate of peace

the criminal acts of Hitler and Mussolini in arming the rebels, supplying them with airplanes and arms, in defiance of international law, thereby committing hostile acts against the government of Spain, a

manager, was voted down by the in imposing a blockade on the offered nationally. favors the rebels. Arms for Spain!

"We demand that the Spanish government be allowed to obtain against it.

"We demand that our govern-

"We demand that the material ordered by the Spanish government to ensure the victory of order be furnished without any restrictions.

"We call on all workers and all adherents of peace to demand thatthe Spanish people be not made the victim of a blockade which would cripple its heroic

struggle. 'Down with the Fascist murderers who are shedding the blood of Spain!

'Long live the international solidarity of the peoples for liberty and peace! "Long live the Spanish Re-

public! "Communist Parties of Great Britain, France and Belgium!"

Membership Drive Is Launched In L.A. By Fraternal Order

LOS ANGELES. - The City Central District Committee of the International Workers' Order announced today that its meeting to inaugurate the opening of a membership drive would be held here Tuesday, September 29th, 8 p.m., at 137 North Soto

1800 in this district.

offered to the local member ternational relations. bringing in the most recruits, with another such arrangement for the Southern California Dis-"A 'neutrality' which results trict. Thirteen similar prizes are

The fastest growing fraternal organization in the United States, the I.W.O. offers the working class medical care at a penny a day, sick benefits with no waitlowest rates.

Simultaneous with the membership drive a move will get under way to naturalize all I.W. O. members.

Spanish Workers Okay It

MEXICO CITY-Collection of funds for the Spanish govern-"We demand that the port of Fascist counter-revolution, is be-Tangier be opened to the war ing organized by a committee on ships of the legal Spanish gov- a systematic, nation-wide basis, in accordance with a recent decision of the Confederation of Mexican Workers (CTM) National Committee.

the Spanish workers as to whethin cash or in the form of arms and ammunition.

educational propaganda on the significance of the struggle in Spain to workers all over the

The Mexican attitude provides striking and encouraging contrast with that of European nations whose neutrality agreement is, in effect, the application of a interpretation of neutrality forms sanction against the legitimate

government of Spain. Cardenas Okays

In his message to Congress on September 1st, President Carde nas said: ". . . To sell imple-A local quota is planned to and material aid to a legitimate- jected possibly that the French add 1100 members to the present ly constituted, friendly government is perfectly in accord with been compelled to make these A trip to Europe is the prize the ethical norms governing in-

> concede implicit belligerent status to a military insurrection wholly obnoxious to the feelings of the Mexican people. . ."

The State Election Campaign thus strengthens and hastens the Committee of the Communist danger of war. Party is in need of volunteer ing period, and life insurance at help. Office work, research, pub- see that a strengthening of the licity, filing, mailing, keeping position of Fascism in the Westrecords. Those who can give ern Mediterranean facilities for some time to this work are re- the Fascist war instigators the quested to report to George launching of the war. Maurer, state election campaign manager, at 121 Haight Street, Ministerial Council is diametric-

To Send Munitions If

ment in its struggle against the

made, it is planned to consult er the remittance is to be made as a tacit acknowledgment of the fires of war in Europe.

The C.T.M. is also carrying on

Arms for Spain!

It is not expected that shipment of arms and ammunition will meet with any difficulties as the Mexican government has already sold implements of war to the Spanish government.

republic, of democracy, and of commission is the more alarming since this same distorted the basis of the French government's decision of August 8th,

"To act otherwise would be to ternational complications. The

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

BARCELONA—The approaching danger of intervention is becoming more noticeable in our city. Barcelona is well known to be? the favorite objective of German larations of democratic politicand Italian provocations. Durians of Britain and France. ing the period of the Fascist con-Labor Against "Neutrality" Barcelona was the

Danger Grows Of

Intervention By

'Neutrality' Set Up By France Plays Into

Hands Of Hitler-Mussolini Policy

Of Aiding Fascist Rebels

over the country.

he appointed time.

Spanish people.

Fascists Seek Excuse

government with protests and

threatens the landing of troops

of the French government to-

ing for the enslavement of the

The decision of the interna-

tional Tangier commission was

rebel staff as a legal power?

Hitler's Objective

Hitler and Mussolini strove to

bring about without troubling to

conceal their interest in the

overthrow of the Republican

democratic government and for-

mation of a Fascist dictatorship

Such neutrality is a gross and

affairs to the henefit of the reb

els and to the detriment of the

The decision of the Tangier

which actually puts a stop to

Injures Peace Cause

ests of peace? It might be ob-

and British governments have

concessions to the Fascist at-

tackers, in order to avoid in-

development of the aggressive

policy of Mussolini and Hitler

has shown that capitulation only

encourages their plans of rob-

bery and urges the Fascists on

to further war provocations and

The peoples of Europe must

The decision of the French

Does all this serve the inter-

exports to Spain.

in Spain.

It was just this object that

Fascists In Spain

A few days ago Jouhaux, genprincipal center of the Hitler agents, who had branches all eral secretary of the French trade unions, with millions of members; declared that whoever wishes for "absolute neutrality" Today Berlin and Rome are seeking an excuse for taking in the sense of Hitler's desires "is taking up an anti-French poopen hostile action against Spain; they are bombarding the Catalan

The Manchester Guardian ultimatums. The Nazi press wrote that whatever the exigencies of the moment might be, in Barcelona from the armored the ban on supplies for the citi-cruiser "Deutschland." Mussoli- zens of a friendly state, with a zens of a friendly state, with a ni is holding hundreds of his legally elected government, was bombing planes in readiness in an unheard of breach of inter-

order to bombard our city at national law. We are convinced that the In such a situation the attitude friends of democracy in all countries whose sympathy has ward the rebels is particularly hitherto supported our glorious extraordinary. I must say quite struggle against Fascism to such openly that we can only regard a degree, will not give way to this attitude as a policy of re- the Fascist maneuvers; with treat in the face of international even more determination than

reaction, which is openly striy- before they will exercise their active solidarity with the struggling Spanish people. Arms for Spain! Even more insistently and deobviously dictated by blackmail terminedly than hitherto they on the part of the Fascists. Can will demand from their govern-

this decision, which, while for ments, not merely words and bidding Spanish government declarations, but sincere friendly ships use of the Tangier harbor cooperation with the Republican When the collection has been yet acknowledges the right of government of our country for the rebels to issue passport vi- the liquidation of Fascist anarsas, be otherwise described than chy, which threatens to light the

violent interference in Spanish PNR Manifesto Step For Democracy In Mexico

MEXICO CITY-First indicaon of its new "line" since the esignation of reactionary Emil-Portes Gil, was given by the P.N.R. (National Revolutionary Party) in a manifesto announcing that henceforth all organized workers belonging to recognized trade unions will be eli-

gible for party membersh Hitherto, only government employees and office-holders were allowed membership.

The manifesto invites workers to take part in the internal elections and urges them to form a united front in electoral contests in support of their own freely chosen candidates.

Blow to Bureaucracy This move by the ofifcial government political party is a significant step away from its bureaucratic character and marks the effort, already discernible for some time past, to give it a broader base and more popular composition.

In practice the reform may not be quite as radical as it seems on paper, but nevertheless offers the labor movement an opportunity which should enable it to take a larger part in the country's political life, with beneficial effects on development of genuine democracy in

Hearst Is Brought To Time By C.P. On Radio Issue

munist Party brought William Randolph Hearst to time here when it forced radio station WCAE, owned by the Fascist

because of the provision of the Federal Communications Act which specifies that legally qualified candidates for public office must be given equal use of radio facilities on a commercial

"compelled" recently.

tions with the legal government. Send us news of your union. ally in contradiction to the dec-Great Britain Uses Re-Armament Diplomacy

By L. IVANOV

most strategists of the Red Army alty and diplomacy. of the Soviet Union, and dis-cusses imperialist and Fascist Great Britain and France on the In fact, in com

to London to discuss with the Italy. British government a series of measures for development and use of merchant as well as war

Prepare For War

-all fortifications and defenses of Simondstown and Capetown tion in Egypt. are to be completely modernized and extended.

Britain, as already noted, are in the feverish development of parliamentary elections practicalstill concentrated, not on the armament and fortification. Bri- ly as a mandate for unlimited re-"strategic evacuation" of the tain recalled the different naval armament of Britain. mote possibility, but upon im- but this does not mean that its Formerly, the "Nationalist" gov- great naval powers since the plained simply by the impera- payment against the bank's edict. mediate strengthening and forti- Mediterranean navy is being re- ernment experienced quite some World War.

France and the Little Entente navy is today greatly strength-Pirou, minister of defense for hand, were called off since aban- of "Queen Elizabeth" and crui-

Re-Armament Diplomacy

around the African continent is no doubt that Britain may tish policy of not only fortifica-The South African Union im- figure at least on a definitely tion of bases, but also of augmediately received from Britain favorable neutrality of all the mentation of naval forces in this a huge dry-dock, formerly used above countries. It is not probby the port of Southampton, to able that any of theme will aid be established in Capetown for Italy, for the simple reason that would constitute a direct threat It is known that within the Brito their own interests. By a tish ruling class there are dif-The Simondstown dry-docks policy of compromise with Egyp- ferent opinions relative to forare to be considerably improved tian Nationalists, the British are eign policy. However, they all

sent foreign policy is not in any British "Nationalist" government But the basic efforts of Great diplomatic measures, but solely interpret the results of last year's

In fact, in comparison with naval, military, aviation,

pulse," and "Renown." A number of torpedo boats, submarines But should another sharpen and auxiliary ships were also next probable war arena. . Unlimited Re-Armament

trying to strengthen their posi- practically agree on the need Central point of Britain's pre- ments. The representatives of the

Mediterranean, considered by the units sent to the Mediterranean This year saw a definite turn submarines. This is a record one-tish diplomacy. Much of this \$12,500 per picture contract, has begun court action to enforce its begun court action to enforce its

fication of the British positions duced to pre-war status. Only difficulty in getting larger budg-

received 188 million pounds, of navy-last year, 60,050,000. The the South African Union, came donment of "sanctions" against sers of the type of "Hood," "Re- ship-building program is also very considerably enlarged. This program, from 1930-31 and up to 1933-34, was almost "stanprotection of the "reserve" route ing of the situation arise, there added. Thus proceeds the Bri- dardized." It used to consist of three cruisers, one leader, eight be greatly enlarged from 240 at destroyers, and three submarines. The 1934-35 program was slight- Naval aviation units will be althe others. During 1935-36, the finally the land forces are to be And this augmentation is proany further Italian expansion ceeding under a forced tempo. program was enlarged to 16 completely re-armed and equipunits, mostly destroyers.

> brings forth the first real naval ization and mechanization. program of the post-war period. To conclude, the British Em-

in the Mediterranean. This is units recalled were those to be ets through the House of Com- air forces are to be rapidly and (This article, continued from one of the most important cur- permanently stationed at Gibral- mons. During 1935-36, the gov- systematically built up to the last issue, is by one of the fore- rent tasks of the British Admir- tar and the special units tempor- ernment received a total appro- level decided upon last year. arily pressed into service from priation of 124 million pounds This program was since then sterling for three departments- greatly enlarged in direct connection with Germany's extenmaneuvers in the Mediterranean one hand, as well as between last year, the Mediterranean This year they have already sive air armament. The program now calls for 123 squadrons, or (Balkan states) on the other ened by battleships of the type which 89,289,000 goes to the 1750 first-line planes (bombers, destroyers and coast defense), in excess of the above number. Actual plans are secret. War Planes For Colonies

Number of aerial squadrons for the colonial units is also to present to 360 first line planes. ly greater—four cruisers and one most doubed from the present airplane carrier, in addition to 220 to 400 first-ine panes. And ped with latest war implements The 1936-37 program, however, on the basis of complete motor-

It is finally free from the limita- pire, faced with many diffculties of strengthening Britain's arma- tions previously imposed by the and dangers, seeks its salvation Washington and London naval in rapid and all-embracing reconferences. Now the program armament. This basic factor of includes two first-line boats of contemporary British policy exthe "Nelson" and "Rodney" type, plains many of the complex and dered by the Berlin Film Credseven cruisers and two plane often at first glance contradictory it Bank on advice of Reichfilm carriers, 18 destroyers, and eight maneuvers and sig-zags of Bri- kammer. Camilla Horn, with a tive need to gain time.

WASHINGTON. - The Com-

publisher, to reverse a previous decision against broadcasting campaign speeches of Earl Browder, Communist candidate for President. The station said it felt "compelled" to change its decision

basis. A Hearst-owned station in Pennsylvania was similarly

GERMAN STARS PROTEST German film stars are protest-

ing the cut in their salaries or-

the France of 1936. . . without which no one can understand another country. . . John Strachey. SUBSCRIBE TODAY Western Worker, 121 Haight Street, San Francisco, Calif. subscription to the Western Worker and France Today, by Maurice Thorez. City_____State____

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SUES TO GET

ACTORS' PAY

Columbia Refuses To

Pay Extra Rate

For Speaking

Actors' Guild filed suits against

Hollywood major studios, in the

names of some of its members,

to collect sums owing on pay

NRA had agreed to pay a mini-

ers or to "extras" speaking lines.

When the NRA folded up, the

studios through the Producers'

Association had reaffirmed the

the studios were beginning to

ling. The Hollywood Reporter,

done by petty employees trying

cutting, it was affirmed, was be-

ing done without the producers'

Agreed to Abide

The studios, through the Hays

office, agreed to abide by the

ruling, to settle all past claims,

to settle all future claims within

24 hours, and to set up a board

to pass on any future "chisel-ling," with power to fire any

This week, Columbia Pictures

refused to abide by the agree-

ment, decided to contest the

suits, and filed answer to the

claim of Victor DeCamp, claim-

ing balance due between \$7.50

and \$25.00, the increase due to

the fact that he had spoken dia-

logue in a scene. DeCamp's ac-

tion contends that the Producers'

Association resolution that NRA

rules would be followed can le-

gally be interpreted as contract-

Broke Its Promise

Though this was reaffirmed

only last week, Columbia now

alleges that the Producers' As-

sociation never made such a

promise, and further that NRA

rules never made such a guar-

Further does Columbia's action

prove that the "chiselling" was

not due to the uncontrolled ac-

tions of petty employees, but was

due to the producers themselves.

The Screen Actors' Guild in-

tends to file further actions now

against all major studios, will

subpoena Producer Association's

board and officials, and official

records when the case comes to

ual obligation.

employee found guilty.

knowledge.

Quickly the producers declared

that the wage-cutting was being

HOLLYWOOD - The Screen

Stockton Union Men Refuse Scab Lettuce

NINE CARS ARE SENT BACK TO SALINAS AREA

Agricultural Workers Take Lead In Solidarity

By An Agricltural Worker.

STOCKTON—Organized labor here stopped nine cars of scab lettuce which had been shipped from Salinas to Stockton to be

When the Argicultural Work ers' Union found this out, if called on all unions here ir Stockton to stop this scab car go. Several workers from dif ferent unions here made it their business to stop this scab lettuce from being packed here.

The manager of the Cool Packing Shed tried to make the union members believe that the lettuce came from some other place. But he did not get away

Back to Salinas

The unions made the packing house send it back to the place where it came from. The union members of Stockton-are 100 pe cent behind the striking work ers in Salinas.

Organized labor of Stocktor calls on all workers to refuse to work in the lettuce fields while the strike is on. We also call or people to refuse to buy lettuc that's being shipped from the strike district while the strike

All for one and one for all.

VOICES OF LABOR

DITOR: May I call your at-Litention to a series of articles on the labor situation in Seattl vritten by Chapin Hall and cur rently appearing in the Los An geles "Times." These articles are very injurious to the cause of organized labor. They create a situation somewhat as follow: "Seattle is entirely under the domination of racketeering la-

bor unions. The majority of up standing citizens are squirming under the yoke; but they can do nothing about it, for labor is dominant, and dominant by virtue of violence.'

"May I inquire where you go your information?' "In an article in the Times

by this fellow Hall."

But don't you realize that Hall is either entirely misinformed, or grossly distorting the truth or both?

True, perhaps. But if so then why is he allowed to get away with it? Why isn't he sued

This, I find, is the attitude o a great number of people. When someone makes accusations of a criminal character against another person or organization, unless the person or organization maligned replies immediately with a libel suit or demands a retraction, those who have read the article are going to suppose that the accused party is afraid to bring the matter into the open, and hence is guilty of the charges.

Chapin Hall's articles are grossly libelous. If union labor is to survive, such malicious attacks must be answered with immediate action. Sincerely,

JEROME JEFFERSON.

Editor: My husband is a sub scriber of your paper and I didn't at first approve of it. Like a great many others, I believed papers about Communism, but speeches on Communism and reading and hearing the trickery that goes on today on our working people, why not have ome free circulars passed around like "What Is Communism," and not have hired hoodlums disgrace the name of Communism. I am sure everybody who is for the working people would be glad to donate a few cents.

CONNECTICUT FOR C.I.O.

Biggest ovation at the recent convention of the Conecticut State Federation of Labor was given to Leo Krzycki, C.I.O. organizer, following which the convention voted with only two dissenting voted to ask the executive council of the A.F.L. to reconsider the suspension.

Mapa Sending For L.A. WORKERS Workers To Keep Wage Low

By a Worker Correspondent NAPA.—The Napa grape har vest is now on, and it looked for a while as though the workers would get a fair day's pay But the Chamber of Commerce working with the employment office, sends out an S.O.S. call to Santa Rosa for help.

So the hop pickers are headed this way. We don't know what he pay will be. The more work ers, the less pay.

Nice To Be Poor An article in our local reac ionary paper tries to prove how nice it is to be on the road with a trailer car, going from one larvest to another. It tells a story

joing in the city. The story says, "This man one of thousands like himsel 3 moving back to the country o find for himself and his fam ly a life that is simple. Bu e doesn't seek charity or helt inless he can work for it."

Not All Submissive Yes, our local paper is glad o see such submissiveness among hose who are the outcasts o apitalism. Tear gas costs moey, and the growers don't ever ave to spend that much money they can keep the workers ubdued with such palaver. But we know from the way

he agricultural workers are eing stirred by their miserable onditions and such submissive ttitude are getting scarce. hat's why it's news when one of them comes around.

taly Rebuked As Ethiopia Keeps League Seat

GENEVA - Rebuke to Musolini and his claim to "empire" vas dished out by the League of Nations meeting here, where he League agreed to permi Thiopia to retain its seat nend ng action by the World Court o which the matter was referred by the credentials committee. Maxim Litvinov, Commissar

of Foreign Affairs for the Sovie' Inion, led the defense of Ethipia's right as a member, with nany small nations aiding. Members of the credential

ommittee killed the plan to ex nel the Ethiopians outright at he initial League session and permit Italy to resume mem pership, as was planned by Great Britain and Italy, who regard talian participation in the Learue as necessary to organizing he Locarno Peace Conference

I.W.O. Annual Ball n S.F. Nov. 14th

SAN FRANCISCO.—The In ernational Workers' Order wil old its annual ball Saturday November 14th, at the Trianon Rallroom here. Swing rhythms vill be generated by a ten-piece mion orchestra. A floor show efreshments, food and prizes ire among the features already

Fear of Workers Moves Growers Of Santa Maria

By a Worker Correspondent SANTA MARIA. — Growers here claimed that wages have been raised and working condiions improved here in the lettuce fields in recent months. An announcement of Deputy District Attorney Thomas P. Weldon all that was printed in the local tion as a means of preventing said that growers took this acafter hearing some private "present labor situation in Saas a precaution against the

> Santa Maria growers, however, are gaining heavily by their move. Bigger demand has been reported for local lettuce and shipments are moving regularly,

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Try to Stop Leaflet Advertising Mass. Gathering

By a Worker Correspondent.

LOS ANGELES-Thugs in the employ of the O'Keefe and Mer-ritt plant directed by Bill O'Keefe slugged several young workers who were passing out leaflets Friday night, Sept. 18, ir front of the plant, calling em ployees to a union mass meeting being held in the Labor Temple of a family who couldn't keep

Ralph Hernandez was slugged nto unconsciousness and dragged nto the plant, Harold Siddon was beaten until his face was a swollen, unrecognizable mass as other workers were set upon by a pack of vicious company-led

For Better Wages Belonging to A.F.L. Stove Mounters Union, Local 68, the workers had called the mass meeting to protest the miserably ow wages and working condiions in the O'Keefe-Merrit plant and to enlist into their ranks the unorganized stove workers. The leaflets passed out simply asked he O'Keefe & Merritt employees not to be fooled by the employthem to a mass meeting.

Owner's Son Provocateur ists have been fired and others hreatened. So fierce is the ani-labor attitude in the O'Keefe-Merritt plant that a worker was fired when he refused to loan Bill O'Keefe a shotgun.

The slugged workers appealed to the International Labor Defense for assistance to find Ralph action against the million-dol-lar O'Keefe-Merritt plant. Gro-wait, we began the old meowing ver Johnson, well-known labor attorney, was immediately assigned to the case. A committee called at police and detective headquarters, told their story and were advised to go Hernandez in the hands of the set, the food was all packed, authorities.

Hernandez was finally located today at his home. He had four stitches over one eye and hole in his jaw.

1600 WORKERS STRIKE AT **SMELTER**

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Luis Potosi local.

The company is owned by the Build the circulation of the West Guggenheim family of the United States and has enjoyed a virtual monopoly of smelting and refining in Mexico for the past 40 years. It has refused to allow any outside investigation into the strike situation, for which it was strongly attacked by Genaro Vazquez, chief of the Federal Labor Department.

Let unity between Socialists and ommunists blaze the way to univ of all toilers!

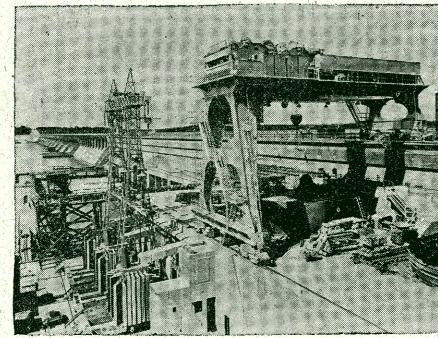
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In the Soviet Union this labor saving staggers

imagination by its lifting capacity, would simply make things easier for the workers, but on the Wheeler Dam

project, under the Tenessee Valley Authority, it merely employment.

Alaska Cannery Crew Kept Aboard Two Days Waiting to Land By An Alaska Canner.

(The continued story of the Alaska fishing fleet) ABOARD THE S. S. GLACIER, BRISTOL BAY-There we were, after nine days, days that seemed to be without end, anchored within sight of the factories we had come 2700 miles to work in.

The landing crew, hand-picked, went in advance to prepare the bunk-houses, clean out the mess hall, connect he pipes, etc.

For two more days we stayed? aboard. The last day seemed to hang on like eternity. On the men's faces and in their eyes was an expression peculiarly like the look one sees on cattle penthe look one sees on cattle penned in cars en route to the stockyard. In a word, like men at the gates of Hell.

Suffocating Sensation

The closeness of the quarters dining room, and the cramped pace on deck gave us the seners' cry of outside agitators and sation that we were suffocating. Communist influences and called There is no other way of explaining this odd feeling.

Fortunately there is an end Bill O'Keefe, son of the fact to everything, even of the last lost her child, due to malnutri ory owner, recently attempted day aboard. We were instructed unsuccessfully to break up a sim- one night that we were to pre- and it was raining. The ditch llar meeting which was also pare to make a landing in the held at the Labor Temple. He morning. Might I say that the hair hung limp and her face planned attacks against union sun does not set until about 11:30 organizers speaking to the work- p.m. at that time of the year. ers during lunch hour and has It was hard to say on awakenresorted to every unscrupulous ing if morning had come or if from organizing against the 35 were so restless we could not cents an hour wage and the 13 even concentrate on arguments. to 14-hour day. Known union- We rolled into bed and about en o'clock fell asleep.

"Hearty" Breakfast At about 3 a.m. we were awakened and told to roll our beds and pack up. About 4 o'clock we were given three slices of dry toast and coffee. The reason given was that the cook Hernandez and to take legal had to prepare to vacate the

for something to eat. They finally decided (under pressure of course) to prepare a dinner for us, At about 11 a.m. coffee and bread. The excuse he cooking utensils likewise, etc.

The Barge Arrives

About 1:30 p. m. a barge was spotted alongside of the ship and we piled on. To see us go over the side one would think that we were quitting the "Glacier" for our lives. As though she was

All of the bed rolls were tossed in one corner and thrown into a heap. Grocèries were also loaded on and about one hour wages and a revision of the later a tug pulled alongside. About half a dozen men were workers in the huge smelter of left aboard to help to unload fining Company have gone on finally took off. We had about six miles to go in an open barge. The men belong to the Indus- The question of safety never trial Union of Miners and Metal- seems to trouble them. We made lurgical Workers, a powerful un- the six miles without accident. ion of more than 80,000 members, Pulling up to a moth eaten pier which is fully supporting its San we scrampered up the ladder.

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By a Worker Correspondent. SALINAS. Seven years ago social worker came upon tent in a ditch-bank. It was pouring rain. There was a wo man inside the tent. She was a migrant worker. She had just tion. She was sitting in the ten bank was a muddy pool. Her s'ared through the open doo: the tent. She was down to rock-bottom.

rnat was seven years ago method to prevent the workers it were still the evening. We Sie fought back. She got out of the ditch-bank. She finally got to Salinas. Became a shed-worker. Earned miserable wages, they were steady wages. was able to buy a little shack (home to her) and to put white curtains on the windows.

The trades-people in the town of Salinas began to know her. She patronized the stores for her meager supplies. She got strong and determined in her struggle for a right to live. She became an active member of Fruit and Vegetable Workers Union.

Today she is on the welfare we received a plate of red beans, for. She says she will fight to She knows what she is fighting the last ditch. She wants to home, leaving the search for was that everything was all up- keep her house. She wants to see her fellow workers keep their houses, and their meager living. She lost her child. She wants to see other children live.

She hasn't forgotten the ditchbank tent and how it feels to be in one on a rainy night. She hasn't forgotten the weary trek from crop to crop.

Does Mr. Garin think he can

fight and lick this determination with his guns and scabs? Does he think the efforts of his stooge Bert Storm, in supplying strikebreakers, and Major Hagen's efforts in supplying guns are going to mow down this determination for the right to live?

READING UPHOLDS C.I.O. Reading, Pa., Central Labor Council has voted to refuse to recognize the suspension of the C.I.O. unions.

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ORANGE CO. FASCISTS PLAN

Intimidation Drive Against Foreign-Born Workers

SANTA ANA-Their appetites for workers' blood whetted in the citrus strike, Orange county embryo Fascists yesterday, under the leadership of Capt, R W. Harvey, chairman of the Veterans of Foreign Wars committee on "alien labor," mapped a campaign of intimidation against the courage to demand sufficient wages to provide a decent living for their families.

"As a first step," Harvey said, 'We will ask employers to give preference to American citizens or to aliens who have taken out their first papers."

The next step will be to throw off Orange County relief rolls, "aliens who seek to cause dissatsfaction among American labor

anti-labor formula, Capt. Henry stated. trotted out the red herring when he said that most of the Communist propaganda comes into the United States through for for the corporation and long eign-born labor agitators, a lie hoary with age.

A meeting was held this week at which representatives of va- his corporation which refuses rious military and veterans' to add to labor's purchasing groups will perfect and elaborate power. the campaign.

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FORMER RKO SCREEN GUILD **COOK WRITES** OF LOCKOUT

By a Worker Correspondent

HOLLYWOOD-In regard to the controversy between the Cullinary Alliance and the R.K.O. Studios recently mentioned in the Western Worker, I can speak personally, having been on the inside of the commissary prior to the discharge of the culinary

Prior to the wage cut and workers en masse. lockout, the entire commissary erew was working under union wages. Even so the work was checks. The studios, under the intense, for the rush during lunch hours was tremendous and mum of \$25 a day to "bit" playwe worked with a skeleton

Made No Complaint But in spite of this hard work

work the cooks and other culs principal of payment. But now, nary workers never made any complaint, working the year around while other departments Quic got a week's vacation. When you themselves to be against chiselconsider that some of the cooks had been working for the studio producers' voice, quickly said for four to six years, this loyalty went unappreciated. The company did not want to to make a hit in the front office

pay for loyalty. Profits were by cutting expenses. But wagemore important. Instead of discharging the manager who had not been a culinary worker, by his own admission, but who had obtained his job through studio politics, the studio officials deemed it advisable to discharge the whole kitchen crew and to lower the wage scale.

Cut About 20% I am unable to say just exacty what the cut amounted to. Formerly the wage scale ran like this: chef, \$50; second, \$35; night and fry cooks, \$30; dishwashers, \$16, and waitresses, \$16 foreign-born workers who have per week. They were cut at least 20 per cent if not more in some cases.

It is obvious that these are not wages that the workers could pay dividends on, but with the eradication of the union and its sympathizers, maybe the stockholders' dividend can be increased slightly.

An attempt was made by the present chef to lengthen the hours of the dishwashers and other unskilled help, but they rebelled against this and the With strict adherence to the former hours have been rein-Boycott Should Spread

This fight against organized labor simply means more profits miserable hours for the kitcher workers. At least labor should not attend a picture made by

I think the boycott on RKO pictures should be made national and that this proposal should be made by the Culinary Alliance to the coming convention of the American Federation of Labor.

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Thanksgiving Dance, Druids Auditorium, Saturday, Novemer 21. Auspices: Conference for Peneal of C.S. Act. Please Keen This Date Open.

A guest in San Francisco. A. Victor, noted proletarian Poet and Lecturer, will talk on "Jewish Proletarian Literature" and read his own poetry, Satur-October 24th, 8 p.m., at 1057 Steiner St. Martin Birnhaum, chairman. Admission 20c. Auspices: Cultural Committee Branch 119 I.W.O.

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Seeing RED By Michael Quin

WHO IS SAN FRANCISCO?

COMETIMES when you want to ruin your eyes and give yourself a headache, try reading the United States Census reports. The last census was taken in 1930 and is printed in over a dozen huge volumes in small type.

You may not find what you are looking for, but you'll get your brain so saturated in figures that you'll be mumbling numbers in your sleep.

You'll find that there are 634,394 people in San Francisco, 296.361 of whom are women.

In other words, if the Lord God rang a bell and said that everybody in the city had to be mated by nightfall, 41,672 guys would be left out in the cold.

Only about half the population works. The rest are either housewives, coupon clippers or unemployed.

Of the half that works, about fifty per cent are white collar workers and fifty per cent are laborers. More than half the population is either foreign born or of di-

ct foreign born parentage. (To be exact, 61 per cent.) Those of direct foreign born parentage amount to 28 per cent

and number 182,008. There is no telling how many Irishmen there are. For some

reason or other, the census only counted those who hail from the South of Ireland. They alone number 49,747, of which 13,902 are foreign born. The North of Irelanders are counted in with Great Britain,

giving the British a total of 48,361, of which 18,392 are foreign born.

There are 58,021 Italians, 45,316 Germans, 30,505 Scandinavians, and 13,834 Russians. Those are the largest groups.

There are 16,303 Chinese who were born in China, but the census doesn't say how many were born over here. There are 90,330 mechanics, laborers, factory hands, etc., and

35,320 seamen, longshoremen, teamsters and others engaged in transportation and communications. It takes 53,621 clerical workers to keep the books, look after

the payrolls, add up the profits, subtract the losses and service the city's /ledgers.

It takes 50,449 domestic and personal servants to make the beds, wait on table, wash the dishes, sweep the floor, cook the It takes 1,712 lawyers and judges to keep the jails filled.

The whole town has to dance to the music of only 2,398 musicians and say "Ah!" into the stethescopes of 1,694 physicians. For a highly complicated mechanism like a modern city, there

are only 2,149 technical engineers. A little over 18 per cent of the employed (61,581 persons) are pino he's something awful. Let engaged in merchandising. Of these, 3,524 are store clerks and

18,744 are outside salesmen. Women comprise only a little over 25 per cent of all the working people. Nevertheless, 50 per cent of the clerical workers and 45 per cent of the professional workers are women. They thing to me for being friends also comprise 38 per cent of the domestic and personal servants. with him!" In the other occupations they are very much in the minority.

The 1930 census figures on unemployment aren't very important because the situation has changed a dozen times since. Furthermore, the way they record it is so complicated that I'd be quite a while doping it out. Roughly, they estimate about 25,000 jobless.

I can't testify to the accuracy of these figures, but at least they give some picture of the population.

The main thing is that if all these people would support the mmunist Party and vote Communist, they would get better es, more security, less worry and a better life.

Women on the March

By MARJORIE CRANE

Consumers' Union Sees Through Advertising Ballyhoo

"99 44-100 per cent Pure." Pure what? How fresh is dated coffee? Do They Satisfy? Are pimples afraid of yeast? Accord- organized? ing to what standard is a Standard Egg? Does Absorbine Jr. sorb athlete's foot?

And how in the world can a worker, who has to spend all of his adequate income for necessities and necessary luxuries (plus sales tax), get under the razzle-dazzle of advertising ballyhoo and linas lettuce strike situation be- its fifth "Vietcherinka" or lad comes from a very good find out what he is getting for his money?

The lies of business are sacred. You will notice that no advertiser, however ravenous he is for the market, will expose the exaggerations and downright falsehoods of his business rivals. The thieves stand together ,and we lose. And of course the legislation supposedly designed to protect the buyer is so feeble that it is worse than useless, giving us a sense of false security. We think, "They wouldn't dare tell an outright lie about their product. There is a law. . . ."

Law for Labels, But Not For Billboards

Did you know that the law, while it covers the label on the package, does not cover the advertisement in the magazine or on

the billboards? And so, only by a slow, costly, and dubious process of trial and error can the housewife find out what to get that will give

the best results for the money expended. A group of class-conscious scientists have come to our rescue. mhey are conducting a service for testing marketed products and uing reports for which anyone can subscribe. They have no respect for the holy names of Ex-Lax, Gotham Gold Stripe, Super

Suds, Lifebuoy and Jantzen. Those who can, will find it valuable to subscribe for these reports to Consumers Union of the United States, Inc., Room 1435, 22 East 17th St., New York, N. Y. They have a popular service at \$1 a year, with special rates for students, members of trade unions, unemployed groups, and other organizations. But since all readers of the column will not be able to subscribe, we will run abstracts from the reports from time to time to help you

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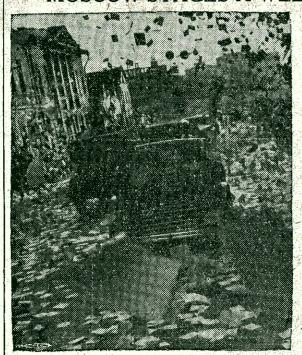
"Good Housekeeping Institute"

Have you ever been re-assured about a product by finding the stamp of approval of the Good Housekeeping Bureau on it? Well, you need not be, because Good Housekeeping is a Hearst Magazine, and, as you might expect, "The Good Housekeeping Institute is a fraud,"-one of the greatest frauds, according to the onsumers Union report for July, now being perpetrated on Am-

can consumers. They list a number of products bearing the and Housekeeping stamp of approval—Saraka, Fleischman's yeast (as a cure for constipation and complexion difficulties), Vapex, and many others, which are either useless, less effective than claimed, or downright harmful, according to investigations of Consumers union and other reliable sources.

In an early issue we will tell you what Consumers Union has to say about hosiery, sunburn preventives, and soap.

MOSCOW STAGES A WELCOME



Moscow Stages. Soviet Moscow is welcoming three intrepid Soviet fliers who completed

a non-stop flight of 5600 miles over the frozen arctic during which they were in the air 56 hours and 40 minutes. The flight

further drama. tizes the primacy of the Soviet Union in aviation.

ACCENT ON YOUTH

By Evelyn James

city park for sitting with a Fili-The officer was afraid scension. "You don't want to go worker-brothers." around with men like him. There must be a lot of young fellowsyou can spend your time with. ized in trade unions, political But we don't want to have to groups. bring you in again, remember." what the score is in the Nation-"Lissen," she said: "Is there

any law against having a Filipino for a friend? You can't do anything to me for that! You act like just because he's a Filime tell you, there are young white kids, and I've been around with them. None of them treated me as nice as him. He's never touched me. You can't do any-

The judge was astonished. 'You mean you don't intend to follow our instructions and stop seeing your Filipino friends?"

"You bet your life I don't. There's no reason why I should. Tell me why you're so anxious that white people keep away from other races like this? Why? The judge didn't quote the old

maxim: "Divide and rule." He each others' strikes; how all racial groups are exploited by emfrom uniting. He didn't exschool for delinquent girls.

Iwo Reasons Why Youth Should Organize

TWO LITTLE items, appearing side by side in the S. F. Chronicle for September 15, give us convincing answers to the questions: Why must youth be

notice in the event that the Sa-

Case, superintendent of schools, affairs,

A girl had been arrested in the presented a signed order by the the car. district attorney and the sheriff.

Young people will cease being the answer. they had "immoral intentions." the unknowing instruments of She listened in silence while the the employers against the work-She listened in silence while the employers against the workjuvenile court judge explained ers when they learn why workthe car." Without further ado, sharply, \$100 cash bond apiece,
the four of us, the American or \$250 property bond . . next that it was dangerous for a ers strike, why the bosses attack flag, the soap-box and the elecyoung girl to be friendly with with every kind of violence; and persons of doubtful character. most important, how they can He spoke with soothing conde- line up on the side of their

They won't find out those things if they are isolated, uninwhite boys your own age-that formed. They must be organ-They won't find out al Guards or Gerald K. Smith's incipient storm troops. If young people fail to organize in their own interests, they will be organized by the Fascists and the war makers to cut their own throats!

"Private Hicks" Tells herded into the "gilded cage" Of National Guard

SAN FRANCISCO. - What called out against strikers? on the calendar. What do the guardsmen themselves think about the use of armed force against labor?

These questions are the theme of the play "Private Hicks," being presented by the New Theater Group at the Pine St. Playhouse, 1609 Pine St. It was given didn't tell how Negroes and three nights last week before whites were induced to break enthusiastic audiences and will be repeated three more nights, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, ployers who continue cultivating September 25, 26 and 27. Curracial prejudices to keep them tain at 8:30 p.m. Admission, 35c.

The Carol Beals Dance Group. but he sent her to a presenting "Waterfront - 1934," and the Jubilee Singers featuring Negro songs, also appear on the same program.

Soviet Friends Will Answer Hitler

organized?

The first says that the California National Guard has a Union will answer the recent but on second thought, is it any is fully translated by English strength of 6000 young men, who Nuremburg ranting of Adolph wonder? can be called out at a moment's Hitler against the Soviet Union.

The second discloses that Sa- November 21 at 1750 Clay St., He is a student at Stanford and linas school shops are put to asking that other organizations I'm sure he meant no harm. of the "special deputies." R. D. when setting dates for social dismissed.

By D. L. Saunders

Wountry?" Who is spread- run into a buzz saw. His clothes erican citizens?'

"Anybody spreading that kind ed bandage. of stuff ought'a go back to

These were some of the very enlightening questions barked at four of us while cooling our heels in the Harbor Police station-awaiting booking.

What for?-for attempting to rally on the waterfront-for attempting to defend Lawrence Simpson from the bloody maw of Hitler-for attempting to defend the Spanish people in their fight against international Fas-

Mike Bailey-hero of the ent, I think." 'Bremen'' swastika haul-down affair—was speaking, on the Simpson case, when a prowl car were read and we all pleadswerved around the corner and ed "not guilty" and demanded stopped short in front of the scores of maritime workers who were listening.

"What the hell's going on here?" both coppers barked in SEVENTEEN-YEAR-OLD said the shop foreman had been unison as they climbed out of

'An election rally-why?" was

"Oh, wise guys, huh?" Get in tion campaign sign were "arrested," as longshoremen shouted: "Leave 'em alone, Let 'em

speak.' We were taken to headquarters-the "Hall of Justice"where we were immediately finger-printed and "mugged." This time we'll only warn you. groups, progressive church All our belongings were taken away from us even our Maritime Federation buttons.

No doubt they were afraid we mught commit "suicide" with the We were then thrown in the

other "prisoners." At ten o'clock-three hours later-the whole lot of us were

in the court room. Dprisoners"—although the Germany. Like other represen-

tional Guard when they are on"-were were the last names he went through a period of

'justice" meted out. A girlish-faced youth, with a films.

physique equally feminine, araigned before the judge on the "charge" of "assaulting an offius in the "cage."

with "assaulting an officer." Lower Depths." Unable to speak but a few words vacantly in the direction of the

court—He was stone blind. Several cases of "vagrancy out of town at once."

Hitler against the Soviet Union. The court attorney pleaded for Late Soviet newsreels are also The F.S.U. also announces that the youth: "Your honor, this on the program. "Little Evening" will be held family. I know his people well. SEATTLE OPPOSES SPLIT

RIPTIDES

7HO says this ain't a free worker who looked like he had

ing this stuff around that free were torn nearly half off. Blood speech is being denied to Am- was caked on a tern blue shirt. On his head was a blood-soak

"Assaulting an officer," again the court clerk read.

"Where is the officer?" the judge asked.

"Your Honor, he will not be able to appear. He is in the hospital yet," the court clerk answered. "May I suggest the conduct an election campaign case be laid over until he is able to appear.'

"How about bail being set?" the battle-scarred plaintiff asked the court.

The judge deliberated about minute and then said, "Twentyfive dollars bail will be suffici

trial by jury.,

The court attorney here took the floor and started to "blast" this demand. "I ask your Honor to set a very high bail in this case," he concluded.

"Let's see, they are charged with 'refusing to move on' and distributing leaflets,' the judge reflected and then answered

Varied Career of Star of Soviet

LOS ANGELES.-The biography of Alexander Granach, star of the Soviet masterpiece "Gypsies," now on view at the "tank" with about twenty-five Grand International Theater, 730 day. South Grand Avenue, is complicated and varied.

He is a pupil of Max Reinhardt and he began his career in Reinhardt's theater. Later, with the director Piscator, he founded the DECAUSE we were "political first revolutionary theater in goes on in the ranks of the Na-charges were "refusing to move tatives of the German "left" art expressionism. He is not a no-Waiting our turn, we were vice in the cinema, having given the opportunity of seeing played in Pabst's "Kamerad-"Danton," and other schaft,"

Wide Scope

Even a limited enumeration of the roles Granach has played Venice," Wurm in "Kabale and court defense, but is disregard-But even more ridiculous and Luke," the Gypsy in "The Livcruel, was the case of a small ing Corpse," Franz Moor in "The grey haired Greek, also charged Robbers," and Luka in "The

Granach met Soviet audiences of English the old man stared for the first time in the film district attorney of Siskiyou shows that his expressionism, and his tendencies toward the resulted in dismissals, when the "left" conditioned theater in papers have troubled to give miserably clothed, half-starved Germany were only temporary looking "vags" agreed to "get milestones on the road to a deeply realistic artistic mastery.

SAN FRANCISCO.—At a mass meeting at 1254 Market Street the judge on the charge of "re-opposite in "Gypsies," with a

adopted a motion urging the A. the blanket from the face of sary to defend himself. If he work making clubs for the use be guided by this arrangement. Needless to say, the case was F.L. executive council to recont the Brite brothers as they lay kills one or fifty in so doing sider the suspension of the C.I.O. half awake and Martin Lange the rule of law is the same, unions.

struck John Brite with his night W. E. Duncan Jr."

People's Health

By Franklin E. Bissell, M. D.

ARTHRITIS

DEAR DOCTOR: When I was 50 years of age, as a result of exposure, a lameness and stiffness of ankle joints and muscles set in. The U. C. Hospital clinic doctors tell me that there is no remedy except heat, and that I have tried C. L. M. to little purpose.

ANSWER-If your ankle joints are lame and stiff, there is no doubt that you have a form of arthritis. What form of arthritis, it is impossible for me to determine

at this distance.

Modern medicine recognizes two general types of chronic arthritis: the rheumatic type in which there are no changes in the bony structures of the joint, and the deforming type, in which the bony structures become rough and uneven. The two types cannot be told apart any other way, an X-Ray examination should be made, which will nearly always differentiate one from the other.

You should find out which type you have. You should also have a thorough examination of your sinuses, teeth, gallbladder, kidneys, bladder, and prostate to determine whether or not there is an infection in one of these organs. In case you can't afford a private doctor, have



Dr. Franklin E. Bissell

the work done at the Monterey County Hospital and let me know what was done for you and what the findings were.

Any infection in one or more of the above organs must be cleared up, for such infections constantly feed large numbers of germs into the blood-stream, which keep the arthritis going. This is especially true of the rheumatic type. It is remarkable, for instance, how fast a rheumatism of the big toe will clean up when an abcessed tooth is pulled.

Another form of treatment for rheumatic arthritis is the injection of certain substances which help the body fight off the infection. One such substance is ordinary milk. The one most commonly used is the injection of dead typhoid germs.

To relieve the pain and stiffness for a short time, gentle rubbing is sometimes successful. Also, heat in all its different forms is usually tried. This can be given through hot baths, hot-water bottle, hot mud, diathermy, infra-red lamp, or a quartz lamp. Sodium salicylate, which can be obtained in tablet form in the drug store, should be taken in five-grain dossages three times a

A deforming arthritis is harder to treat, being sometimes impossible to improve. All of the above measures should be tried, with, however, not a very great hope for success.

Against Siskiyou Lynch Sentiment

A letter printed in the Oro-

The letter follows: "Editor:-In your issue of Friday you unjustly criticize the "Gypsies." His work in this film county for his conduct of the killed by the Brite brothers. Few the testimony, most of them confining themselves to the first wild reports. There is but one living witness to the killing, a man named Baker, and from a paper reporting his testimony at the inquest I give you the fol-

lowing.

Despite the lynch sentiment stick. Coke Brite arose on one whipped up in Siskiyou County elbow and Clark slugged him. against the Brite Brothers who Lange struck John and attemptare charged with murder, we ed to put the handcuffs on him find a voice calling out against and meanwhile Clark continued to slug Coke.

"Then and not until then, ville, Calif., Mercury shows that the Brite brothers struck their the capitalist press which has first blow in the encounter. When cer" about six feet two, brought gives one an impression of the been whipping up the lynch sen- the third man, Seaborn got into a snort of derision from the scope of his talent. One finds: timent, is not only helping to the fight the Brites used their court room and from the rest of Shylock in "The Merchant of outlaw the right of accused to a guns." "District Attorney Davis used

ing all testimony which tends to every effort to induce the witexhonerate the Brite brothers. ness Baker to say that the Brites. struck the first blow, but the witness stuck to his story as above.

"Mr. Davis simply did his duty in the matter. A district coroner's inquest over the men attorney is not a persecutor. His oath requires him to aid the cause of justice, not to unfairly convict innocent men. In the face of a fierce public sentiment he did his sworn duty. He should be respected for so doing.

"Assuming the story of Baker, the only witness to be true, I or any other lawyer with backbone could clear the Brites before any "Baker and the Brite brothers impartial jury on the ground of had a fight in the evening. Baker self defense. An officer has no swore out a warrant for their right to slug an unresisting perarrest. About midnight the of- son in making an arrest. If he ficers went to the Brite camp does so in the middle of the where the brothers were asleep. night and without cause the Seattle Central Labor Council! "'Deputy Sheriff Clark pulled party may take all means neces-

Double CP Membership in Frisco by Lenin Memorial Day

By FRANK SPECTOR

the Communist Party was the unanimous and wholehearted re- We, San Francisco Commun-

This was by no means an idle However, it is not this article's wave of enthusiasm. Not at all, single purpose is to help our The determination to double the San Francisco party to get hold party's membership within a few and further hasten the momenmonths was the fruit of sound tum already gained in the unanijudgment on the Ninth Conven- mous and enthusiastic resolve of tion's part. Conditions For Success

guarantee success to such a mag-| bership of one thousand_double nificent undertaking: on the one its present strength;

wide Election Campaign of a full understanding of their ment to the proper unit. In ad- without the most vigorous appeal en up and we need not have any scope that eclipses every other meaning, thus insuring the suc- dition, the plan for the Drive in- to the audience and reader to doubts that it will be enthusisimilar campaign by our party— cess of the Drive:

similar campaign by our party— cess of the Drive:

sists upon continuous, comradely join our party. At the same astically accepted—to double the contact and attention to the new time, any contact, any prospect Los Angeles organization's memour party reveals itself to the American people as the driving force for gathering into a united to the least two contact, any prospect Los Angeles organization's members on the part of those who can be and attention to the least time, any contact, any prospect Los Angeles organization's members on the part of those who can be and the least time, any contact, any prospect Los Angeles organization's members on the part of those who can be a subject time, any contact, any prospect Los Angeles organization's members on the part of those who can be a subject time, any contact, any prospect Los Angeles organization's members on the part of those who can be a subject time, any contact, any prospect Los Angeles organization's members on the part of those who can be a subject time, any contact, any prospect Los Angeles organization's members on the part of those who can be a subject time, any contact, any prospect Los Angeles organization's members on the part of those who can be a subject time, any contact, any prospect Los Angeles organization's members on the part of those who can be a subject time, any contact, any prospect Los Angeles organization's members on the part of those who can be a subject to the subject time, any contact, any prospect Los Angeles organization's members on the part of those who can be a subject to the subject time, any contact, any prospect Los Angeles organization's members on the part of those who can be a subject to the subject time, any contact, any prospect Los Angeles organization's members on the part of those who can be a subject to the subject time, any contact, any prospect Los Angeles organization's members on the part of those who can be a subject to the subject time, any contact, any prospect Los Angeles organization's members on the part of those who can be a subject to the subject time, any contact, any prospect time, and can be a subject to the subject time, and can be a subject to the subject time, and can be a subject to the subject time, and can be a subject to the subj

solve by all its delegates to roll ists, must recognize our unpar-should be directed towards the up their sleeves and double the donable slowness in undertaking enrollment of toilers in trade of our units. The Drive calls must take full advantage of for by offering numerous valuable

the nearly 125 officers of our sections, units and fractions, who, The delegates, guided in their at a special meeting on Septemdecision by our Central Commit-ber 17th, pledged themselves to tee, recognized the existence of come to the Lenin Memorial two major conditions that will Day-January 21st-with a mem-

hand, the enormous influence At this writing, the decisions our party gained literally among of the September 17th meeting millions of our country's toilers, are already becoming the propand on the other, the powerful erty of our entire membership. force which our membership of In discussing the various fea-50,000-young and old-repre- tures decided upon in our Brow-

ONE of the striking features gressive to heat back the omi- to allow himself to delay the portunity to bring back into our paign. of the Ninth Convention of nously growing forces of reac communist Party was the communication of the communist Party was the communication of the communica

membership by the end of 1936, and developing our share of the party's huge task—to double the building of our membership and the party's huge task—to double the building of our membership and the building of our membersh resolve, born out of a sudden aim to go into this phase. Its greater number of Negroes, means for educating and devel- tember 17th meeting fully rec-Spanish-speaking, women and oping our personnel. young workers in our party and the Y.C.L.

sents in such undertaking.

These two conditions are 'enhanced by the present nation
members are to party books to the acceptance of new members, their five weeks' stay in the New Members must strive towards a person of the country and is a condition of the country and is a

| whole all that is honest and pro- that no one of the members is | The Drive gives us a real op- the course of the Election Cam- gle, to build many new units in Secondly—our special efforts of our organizational difficulties think and act politically. It is State Executive Committee is Drive must likewise result in a the use of the best possible Fifthly and finally—the Sep- The culminating point—Lenin

Fourthly-our membership enrollment drive is an inseparable of our Browder-Ford Enrollment Thirdly—the Drive should be part of our Election Campaign. Drive lies in arousing the highused as a vehicle for a decided We are a legal party, with a def- est enthusiasm possible among improvement of our organiza- inite and rightful place on the tional machinery, the faulty nation's and California's ballot porters. A powerful medium for functioning of which causes per- As such the California laboring this is unquestionably the develpetual fluctuation in our mem- and middle-class people recog- opment of a most tempestuous after our two standard bearers bership. With this in mind, the nize our party as a normal, revolutionary competition be- Earl Browder and James plan for the Drive calls for the regular part of the state's and tween sections, units and among Ford. These are the names bership. With this in mind, the nize our party as a normal, immediate creation of an order- the nation's political life. Our ly and rapidly functioning ma- Election Campaign in San Franchinery that will care for the cisco is therefore our strongest night of September 17th wired American people-white and new members until the very mo- medium for filling our ranks to the Los Angeles County Comment when he is fully adjusted with additional hundreds of toil- mittee, challenging our Los An- Let us be worthy of these noble

sists upon continuous, comradely join our party. At the same astically accepted—to double the be with greater ease) clinched in weapon for the workers' strug- MEMORIAL DAY!

ognized that in the final analy- ially convened Assembly on a sis, the guarantee of the success our membership and our sup-

individual members.

shops and factories.

Memorial Day-will see a specstate-wide scale of all the shockbrigaders-comrades who by their personal example have led the entire organization in achieving our goal-doubling the membership of our party.

The Enrollment Drive is named whose very sound inspires a The Officers' Meeting on the great and growing number of black, native and foreign-born, to the party's life, ers out of the tens of thousands geles sister-organization to particle the rapid delivery whom our election program the Drive—the State Banner to bership by Lenin Day. Fivery the Drive—the State Banner to be acceptable to the acceptable and the Drive—the State Banner to be acceptable to the acceptable and the Drive—the State Banner to be acceptable to the acceptable to the acceptable and the Drive—the State Banner to be acceptable to the acceptable to the acceptable to the acceptable and the Drive—the State Banner to be acceptable to the accep against growing reaction and Fascism in our country and is a new recruit in the vanguard of the fight for a new, happy and prosperous America.

EVERY MEMBER ENROLL A NEW MEMBER!

1,000 MEMBERS BY LENIN.

State Federation Convention Decisions Most Progressive Yet

SALINAS STRIKE DOMINATED THE SCENE, AS PROGRESSIVE RESOLUTIONS WENT THROUGH

C.I.O., War and Fascism, Fight Against Vigilantes Were Vital Issues Dealt With In A Progressive Manner

By ROY HUDSON

(Cont. from Page 4) adopted, the most important one turn of a charter to a lodge of

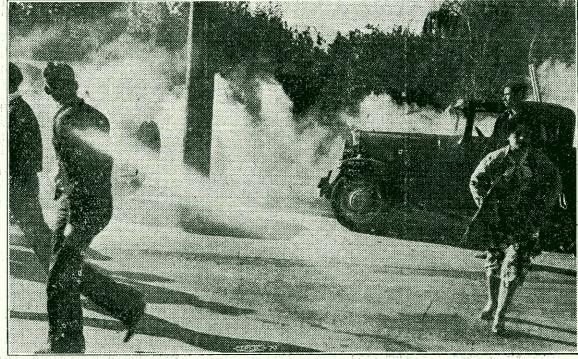
RESOLVED, that this organ- Machinists in Oakland which had ization officially goes on record been revoked by the Internacondemning any war of aggres- tional on the grounds of "an unsion and pledging itself to resist the entrance of the United posed by the Resolution Com-States into war:

"RESOLVED, that members of from the floor the resolution this organization go on record was overwhelmingly adopted. endorsing the position adopted by the Pacific Coast Maritime Federation and the Convention of was voted to provide funds for

ment of these materials to ag- a statewide charter immediately gressor nations."

In reply to a question from the floor as to how "to resist immediately unify all the scatentrance into a war" could be tered agriculture unions, nevercarried out, the reporter for the theless these decisions constitute

WHEN THE STATE POLICE AND VIGILANTES RAN WILD 100 In Kroehler



IN THE HEIGHT of the gas and gun attacks on the Salinas lettuce pickets last Wednesday.

Organizing Agriculture An increase in per capita tax

Longshoremen's Association as and a resolution stressing the C.I.O. caucus many delegates and wagon. importance of the agricultural in- union officials who on other is-"Go on record in favor of an dustry and recommending forembargo on munitions and war mation of an International in with the progressive bloc. material and against the ship agriculture and also granting of

A resolution recommending re-

the International Association of

constitutional strike" was op-

mittee. After a sharp debate

was adopted. While no steps were taken to

WHY STEEL MEN ARE ORGANIZING the fight." When the Resolutions



PHOTO shows new speed-up machinery being loaded on plane in Pittsburgh for shipment to U. S. Steel mills in Chicago. Confinuous strip mills are making a few do the work of hundreds.

"By mass action!"

tion instructing:

range, conferences in each district of trade unionists, educators, teachers, social workers and other people who would be Convention was the suspension willing to aid movement for the of the unions affiliated to the purpose of working out a pro- Committee for Industrial Organgram that will insure the success ization. It was expected a sharp of the Junior Union movement fight would develop on this issue. In California," was strengthened In the San Francisco Labor Counby the Resolutions Committee cil, Vandeleur, who is also Sec-who added an additional resolve retary of the State Federation, authorizing and instructing the had a short time previously suc-District vice-presidents to call ceeded in sidetracking the orig-

such conferences. Trade Union Democracy On two important occasions at-

up, in organizing the unorgan- a roll call vote;" and The American Youth Act was ized, especially the agricultural endorsed, and a youth resolu- industry which while one of the the part of the Executive Coun- storm of protest from the Lakey industries in the state has cil of the American Federation bor Party supporters, only one "The Executive Council to ar- been the most neglected by the of Labor, if unchallenged, will of them was able to get the floor State Federation and A.F.L.

> The C.I.O. at Sacramento A major question before the

inal resolution introduced by the progressives there. A number of resolutions on the tempts of the Resolutions Com- C.I.O. had been submitted to

the Pacific Coast International organization of the unorganized, that there were present at the climbed on to the C.I.O. band- unionists draw the conclusion

sues did not go down the line Tense Atmosphere

The C.I.O. resolutions were not reported until the afternoon of the final day of the Convention. When the reporter announced the C.I.O. resolution a murmur went up from the Convention as if to say "now comes Committee began to report out not the minimum resolution, but a much sharper one, and Vandeleur took over the chair, when the question came to a vote, it had all the ear marks of a showdown fight.

The atmosphere in the Convention became tense as the Convention waited to hear what what the recommendation of the Resolutions Committee would be on the following resolution:

"Whereas, ten International Unions, comprising 1,200,000 odd members have been expelled from the American Federation of Labor by action of the Execcan Federation of Labor, to wit, a two thirds majority vote of stab Roosevelt in the back. a regular Convention of the Am | They stampeded the Conven-

Progressives Well Organized

fore the fight was not so strong, ple of the United States? although it must be noted the Labor Party resolutions were steamroller measures upon the tion reached a new high in use part of Vandeleur and his ma- of demogogy to keep the work-

this issue shows that on other issues the reactionaries were held in line only because of the pressure of a strong, clear united opposition. Their steamroller tactics, which prevented a real dis cussion, showed the fear of the machine to put this question to test vote.

The arguments of Vandeleur and of his "radical" stooge Peterson, the reactionary former Pacific Coast organizer of the I.L.A. against the Labor Party utive Council in violation of resolution were of the crudest the Constitution of the Ameri- sort. Their main argument was that the Democratic Party was Article 9, Sec. 12-"The Execu- the Party of Labor, and that tive Council of the American under Roosevelt's leadership, la-Federation of Labor shall only bor could capture the democrahave power to revoke the char- tic party, and that a third party ter of an affiliated national or would only split the workers, revocation has been ordered by and that this resolution would

Resolutions Committee replied, an important step, if followed erican Federation of Labor by tion into voting down the resolution and shutting off the dis-"Whereas, this usurpation on cussion. Although there was a

from their daily experience, that those issues upon which they On the C.I.O. and other ma- are reacting to even now on an jor questions the progressives ever greater scale, can be most were clear and well organized effectively dealt with if Labor and conducted an effective fight, acts independently on the polit-On the question of indepen- ical field, through a party based dent political action there was on the trade unions and supporta lack of real clarity and there- ed by the farmers and poor peo-

respect was on the resolution enother things it states:

all the disciplines of privilege; didate such as the Liberty League, the and great mass of people."

The fact that in this Convention, where the left wing influreactionary forces united around the Landon-Knox ticket, un-

THEIR UNIONS SUPPORTING C. I. O. No Red-Baiting This Time One other question deserves mention, that is the question of red baiting. In the 1935 Convention, the first resolution adopted after a bitter fight, was one calling for the barring of Communists from Central Labor bodies. question in the 1935 Convention, Maritime Unions. the reactionaries were able to create a division by the "red"

munist resolution was introduced. 400 delegates, local unions had sive policies. elected about 40 Communists to represent them.

THOMAS F. McMAHON, at left, is president of the United ident of the International Typographical Union. Conventions of and known Communists. In con- nized by the Convention. trast with the 1935 Convention,

strike was started by regular conservatives has been weak-

strike. It was also reported that putting forward of "left" leaders of labor who are not working vigilantes were tearing Roose- as spokesmen for their policies, or have no business in town, to velt buttons off the strikers coats. and in recognition of the stay off the streets and not to

organizations representation at tion, in advancing demands on a convenient excuse for the Gov- progressive bloc throughout the the coming Convention of the the state government and its ernor to retract his promise for decision on the Merriam recall, an immediate investigation with fight or issues that were clear structions, to foment trouble. To the surprise of most of dramatically show that the immediate action should our and had strong support. Committee instructing the execu- tive council and "requested ab- the Convention, the Resolutions trade unions can be won for in- charges against the State High-

ruled the resolution adopted and the trade unions generally? rank and file was reflected not progressives now is to secure the on the streets Thursday night tizing young boys and irrespononly in the decisions of the execution of the decisions adop- that he had to be arrested by sible citizens. It denies that Lessons From Convention only in the decisions of the execution of the decisions adopton that he had to be an another the police department.

Lessons From Convention only in the decisions of the execution of the decisions adopton that he had to be an another than the police department. a lack of serious, systematic of red baiting, but also in the ning the support of even wider

Furniture Strike SAN FRANCISCO.—The 100 Upholsterers Union members who struck the Kroehler Manu-

wages and conditions that prevail in every similar plant in The strikers were newly organized into Local 28 of the Up-

holsterers and of Furniture Workers Local 1541. S.S. King is the Upholsterers' business agent.

facturing Co. here demanded

this area.

elected to the Executive Board outstanding of whom were Harry Bridges, leader of the 1934 strike and now District President of the ILA, and Walter Mahaffey from the Stockton ILA.

Bridges received 50,000 votes, defeating Lawrence Palacios, a reactionary, who had the support of the Vandeleur machine.

Of equal interest and importance was the fight for the presidency, where the growing divisions in the ranks of the Vandeleur machine were most glar- ter to Sanborn is printed here, ingly revealed.

Three reactionaries were in the field: Hopkins, a member of the at work in Salinas. Teamsters Union of San Francisco, having the backing of the Vandeleur machine; Ennis of Sacramento, having the backing of most of the reactionaries of that city; and Buzzell, secretary of the Los Angeles Labor Coun-A further weakness in this cil around whom were grouped most of the Southern California defeated by the most reactionary dorsing Roosevelt. This resolu- delegates, including some progressives; John Shoemaker, a ers chained to the support of filer of the San Francisco ILA, Their undemocratic conduct on the two party system. Amongst but little known up to that time in the general trade union move-"On the one hand we have ment, was the progressive can-

In the first election Hopkins the city of Salinas. DuPonts, the Mellons, the house the official machine candidate of Morgan; the Insulls, the failed to get a majority, and Sloans and Steel Trust and all Shoemaker ran third with a vote his official title is secretary of others who in time past have of over 19,000. In the first run- the Western Protective Associaheld a license to loot the un- off Hopkins still failed to get a tion of Growers and Shippers. suspecting. And on the other side majority, and Buzzell increased Individual members of the we have Franklin Delano Roose- his vote due to the votes that grower shipper association have velt, fighting with his back to were swung by the Ennis ma-stated they were willing and the wall, AGAINST ALL THE chine. Shoemaker, while being ready to sign the agreement of FORCES OF THE EXPLOITING eliminated, nevertheless in the Fruit and Vegetable Work-CLASS (our emphasis) in an creased his vote by over 2,000. ers' Union to pack and ship letunselfish desire to bring aid and The vote was: Hopkins 33,000; tuce for the coming year, but comfort to the workers, farmers Buzzell 30,000; Shoemaker 21,500 that they were powerless to do

Although eliminated from the final run-off, Shoemaker's strong ence was strong, not a single bloc of votes constituted a balvoice was raised to point out that giving a blank check to Roosevelt was not the way to fore made a statement before defeat and hold in restraint, the the convention in which he declared that in view of the cooperation of the Teamsters Union with the maritime unions in 1934. doubtedly created confusion in the minds of some and certainly in the recent lock-out this spring the minds of some and certainly in the interests of further the minds of some and certainly and in the interests of further tended to weaken the fight for unity, the longshore vote of the Farmer Labor Party resolution.

In the recent lock out this pind in the interests of further unity and in the interests of further this also claimed he was refused banking credit to operate the big banking credit to operate the pind of the big great the pind of the pind of the big great the pind of th be thrown behind the teamsters candidate.

His statement decided the elections and forcd withdrawal of Buzzell. The stand taken by of a dictator. Shoemaker, while in no ways constituting endorsement of Hop- tor is not only to destroy the kins, should lead to a further Fruit and Vegetable Workers' strengthening of the growing Union of California, but all or-On every other controversial unity between the Teamsters and ganized labor in Salinas.

The 21,500 votes for Shoemaker, and the generally pro- their jobs rather than take the gressive character of the Con- insults and insinuations it was But in the 1936 Convention vention, reflected the consolidajust concluded not an anti-Com- tion of a strong, conscious progressive bloc in the California Even in the sharpest debates trade union movement, with innone of the reactionaries attempt creasing influence, and capable ed any red baiting. Amongst the of leading the fight for progres-

This fact, and the role played by the maritime unions in stim-Amongst the delegates elected ulating the growth of the trade was a candidate for the State union movement and in giving same vigilantes who brandish Legislative on the Communist leadership to all progressive forticket and a few other prominent ces, was more than once recog-

And even though the progresthe following remarks of Vice- sive forces in the Convention un-President Cowan, who served on doubtedly felt the absence of the committee sent to Salinas, one of its best leaders, Harry Bridges, who was attending a an attempt to force strikers into will be interesting:
"We told the City Manager Conference in New York, the a public melee that would disof Salinas-if you know who is achievements that are to be reresponsible for this strike, and corded, show the growth of adwho they are and where they ditional forces gaining in ability what were lettuce trucks doing

"He replied that he knew the organizational position of the union men, but that 'as long as ened, and that while they still this strike is on, any man in are able to retain organizational favor of the strikers is branded control, they can no longer deas a Communist."

"Communism has only been strength and influence of the congregate in public places.

Convention avoided any sharp deputies have been given in-

sections of the membership and liquor are not responsible for

DICTATORSHIP To "Get" King

Labor Council Head Exposes Terror Set-Up There

SALINAS - "Col." Sanborn tin-horn soldier and would-be czar, got quite a tongue-lashing from organized labor here for his "red herring" activities in the lettuce strike.

The "Colonel" has quite a fer tile imagination—it's his bread and butter to fish out "red herrings" so that he can gallop into action against union men and women.

The sharp blast at Sanborn came through E. E. Winters, secretary of the Monterey Central Labor Council, whose open letin part:

Yes, subversive elements are Fascist Italy today is ruled by

a dictator. Nazi Germany is ruled by dictator.

Salinas, today is being ruled by a dictator, just as surely as is Germany and Italy.

And who is this dictator? The dictator of Salinas today is not even a citizen of the Salinas valley. But he is here dimilitant and active rank and recting the affairs of the Grower-Shipper association; directing the activities of the Citizens Association; directing the acts of the duly constituted authorities of the County of Monterey and

> "Dictator" Chet Moore His name is Chet Moore. And

Pressure By Growers One member did withdraw from the Association and enter an agreement to ship. But the power of the dictator was so great that he could not buy ice

nor box shook. Despite the fact that it was claimed he had bought and paid for the shook several weeks before, he was refused delivery. fused banking credit to operate his business, although he is recshippers of lettuce in the Sa-Broken Off

Yes, Salinas is in the control

The avowed plan of the dicta-

Two waitresses at Sambo's cafe Thursday voluntarily quit necessary for them to listen to from members of the deputized vigilante squad-for that is what they actually are-deputized vigilantes.

Waitresses Insulted

Other waitresses Friday re ported to their secretary and business agent that they must have some relief from these their guns in restaurants and eating houses and make statements of what they think of union workers.

The Central Labor Council charges that the so-called riot was deliberately engineered in credit labor in the eyes of the citizens. If this were not so, on Main street in violation of a The election also showed the city ordinance after strikers had first been driven to the center of town by a barrage of tear gas and nauseating gas?

Labor may be dumb, but it is not so dumb that it does not know when it is being deliberately framed. For that reason both the Fruit and Vegetable Workers and the Central Labor

But many of these so-called They have access to beer and The Convention reflected the other alcoholic liquor. Plenty of with labor also stay off the policies and one of the main case after case of beer sold to Meanwhile labor protests

Men under the influence of a riot.

Fourth Attempt

SAN FRANCISCO.—With support from A.F.L. unions rolling in for the King-Conner-Ramsey Defense, District Attorney Warren of Alameda County and the hipowners behind Warren's attempt to frame up King, Conner and Ramsey have something to make them sit up and think.

The murder charges come

just as all maritime unions on the Pacific Coast are negotiating with shipowners for new agreements, and apparently are intended to give the impression that "thugs rule the waterfront," This attempt to get King ou of the way is in reality the fourth attempt on his life within the past 14 months.

Elected to his present office August 1, 1935, King was fired upon as he drove along a San Francisco street five days later. The hullet tore the handle from the door of his car.

Early this year, after he had been re-elected in a coastwide vote, three gangsters sent from he East were turned back by San Francisco detectives.

The Hunter Case Then, on April 7, 1936, Ivan Hunter, secretary-treasurer of the International Seamen's Union, was arrested in San Francisco on a charge of attempting to hire a gunmen for \$500 to kill King. The case was dismissed under mysterious circumstances.

The defense committee has accumulated a tremendous amount of evidence completely disproving the story presented to the grand jury by District Attorney parl Warren-evidence that defense attorneys cannot make public until the trial.

The San Francisco labor coun cil has asked Senator Robert La-Follette to bring his Senate committee now investigating violations of civil liberties to San Francisco to probe the activities of employers' spies in trade un-

S.F. Cap Makers Win 10 p.c. Raise

SAN FRANCISCO.—Cap Make ers and Milinery Workers Local 9 got pretty good results for its strike here last week.

The six firms which signed up granted 10% wage increases time and a half for overtime; and pay for Labor Day, which is a holiday. There was good picketing.

SEATTLE. - Hearst arrogance has led to an end of negotiations between the Post-Intelligencer, struck by the Newspaper Guild, and officials of the Guild.

The Guild was anxious to settle the strike through negot tions. The Hearst representativ were so unwilling to listen to reason that Richard Seller, preschapter, announced:

"Negotiations are over as far as we are concerned and we will have no statement to make until The P-I makes one."

Woolworth Picket Case Postponed

BERKELEY—Saying he questioned if there could be such a thing as peaceful picketing, Judge Oliver Youngs last Monday postponed decision until September 25th on arraignment of six University of California students, who were arrested with 12 other students two weeks ago for picketing the local Wc worth store.

Twenty members of the Warehousemen's Union were arrested at the same itme .

Attorney Aubrey Grossman challenged the legality of the anti-picketing ordinance on the grounds it interferes with rights of unions, as picketing is necessary for collective bargaining; it places undue and unconstitutional limitation upon freedom of the individual, and it is inconsistent with existing state laws.

Most of the students are members of the American Student

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> E. E. WINTERS, Secretary Monterey Central Labor Union.

mittee to prevent the Conven- the Convention, and at a pro-OF INTEREST TO COTTON PICKERS



THE NEW MECHANICAL cotton picker, invented by the Rust Brothers, is of interest to California cotton pickers. It can do the work of ever 100 human beigns. But Mack Rust, shown further be it with machine, says the brothers will not sell it unless employers guarantee protection for labor.

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Textile Workers of America. Charles P. Howard, at right, is pres-

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