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Fascists In Complete Control of Police

Smash Hitler Governor

German Left Opposition Appeals for United Proletarian Resistance

Workers, do you know what that means? It means complete starva- and throw into the fight the contion and loss of all rights, it means centrated forces of the proletariat. the destruction of all the active the speeches of the Nazi leader, there can be no doubt of this. Hitler's program is the complete smashing of all the political and trade-union organizations of the working class, to clear the way for a still more monstrous impoverishdefeat for the international prole- weapons". tariat. "for Germany is not only We must not wait, we must hit out!

Germany, but the heart of Europe." Do not console yourselves with

Either Hitler will now establish

poses, is lunacy it is a crime it lost. Even now reformism has the tween the P. M. A. and the U. M. means to let Hitler establish himdetermining influence on the deci-W. A. officials and the coal operatit means to play the very last cards class. It is still possible, at the after admitting that he was unable into his hand, and with that, to eleventh hour, to organize resist- to compel the P M. A. officials to lead directly to the defeat of the ance through a Leninist united accept "arbitration", Gov. Horner working class.

can be overthrown, however, not others have only bayonets. by parliamentary votes of "no con- Bolsheviks, too, defeated Kornilov lence", but only by the extra- at the last minute! parliamentary mass struggle.

The General Strike

But how can we achieve this acquisites-the closing of the ranks, gans of the working class! It is not enough to call for the general strike, as the Central Commit-throw of the dictatorship of hunger, ganization refrain from any efleaders of the Social Democratic party and the General German workers' press!

Trade Union Redounties

To the defense of party and the General German buildings and of the Lewis-Walker machine, the agents to neutral (2) is being party and the General German proletariate trade union buildings and of the Lewis-Walker machine, the agents to neutral (2) is being party and the General German proletariate trade union buildings and of the Lewis-Walker machine, the agents to neutral (2) is being party and the General German proletariate trade union buildings and of the Lewis-Walker machine, the agents to neutral (2) is being party and the General German proletariate trade union buildings and of the Lewis-Walker machine, the agents to neutral (2) is being party and the German proletariate trade union buildings and of the Lewis-Walker machine, the agents to neutral (2) is being party and the German proletariate trade union buildings and of the Lewis-Walker machine, the agents to neutral (2) is being party and the German proletariate trade union buildings and of the Lewis-Walker machine, the agents to neutral (2) is being party and the German proletariate trade union buildings and of the Lewis-Walker machine, the agents to neutral (2) is being party and the German proletariate trade union buildings and of the Lewis-Walker machine, the agents to neutral (2) is being party and the German proletariate trade union buildings and of the Lewis-Walker machine, the agents to neutral (2) is being party and the German proletariate trade union buildings and of the Lewis-Walker machine, the agents to neutral (2) is being party and the German proletariate trade union buildings and of the Lewis-Walker machine, the agents to neutral (2) is being party and the German proletariate trade union buildings and of the Lewis-Walker machine, the agents to neutral (2) is being party and the German proletariate trade union buildings and of the lewis-walker machine, the agents to neutral (2) is being party and the German proletariate trade union buil Trade Union Federation. A concrete program of struggle must be ist Party of Germany! proposed, the leadership of the Social Democratic party and of the ple's substance on the corrupt bar-General German Trade Union Fed- ons of the Eastern Relief and the vote be taken to decide which oreration must be call upon to negotiate in the open before the workers, in order-maintaining the pol- tion! itical independence of the participating organizations—without de-

HITLER IS CHANCELLOR! | Create Common Organs of Struggle on a National and Local Scale

The goal of the struggle is: elements of the proletariat! After Overthrow the Hitler Government! Disarm the brown murder bands! Defend all working-class organizations and their property! Defend the democratic rights

of the proletariat! The means of struggle is general strike, but this can lead ment of the working class. The to victory only if the leadership aim of his foreign policy is war of the struggle and the proletariat with Soviet Russia. If Hitler suc-ceeds in carrying through his aims against the brown murder bands against the brown murde ceeds in carrying through his aims against the brown murder bands this would mean an unprecedented must be carried with even "harder

ocratic party! Protest, compel the

be played out. No understand this gle, break the sabotage of your clearly—now is the time to tackle leaders! Comrades of the Com- lican, is taking all steps possible power completely. munist party! For two and a half years we "Trotskyists" have been ing the Progressive Miners of Am- Red Meetings Forbidden his power, or the proletariat will proposing a Leninist united front erica and improving their condioverthrow him and clear the road policy to smash Fascism, whose tions. for the dictatorship of the working perspectives we have correctly Gov. Horner is developing a drawn. Through the fault of the strong policy—that is, a crushing dissolved on the spot At this time, to wait any longer, Stalinist leadership, the Central policy against the P. M. A. With as the Social Democratic party pro Committee, much time has been the breaking off of negotiations beself in his new official positions, sive part of the German working ors which Gov. Horner called and Hitler must be overthrown, Fasc- to victory. The proletariat still his "memoradum" to the miners of ism must be struck down. The has its organizations! In its hands Illinois: Fascist government of civil war are the levers of economic life. The "That The

> All forces together! No weariness, no hesitation! A solid front of all workers' or-

tion? We must create the prere- ganizations for the united front or-A general strike till the over-

tee of the Communist Party of of war, of the murder of workers! Germany has done up to now. The | For the defense of the political at that mine, or to prevent the

Against the wasting of the peobosses of heavy industry!

For workers' control of produc-

For a decent wage!

WaronforControlofLeticia

one side while Wall Street has all and in numerous arrests, its stakes on the other.

It so happens in this case that both the United States government and the League of Nations, which OPEN FORUM latter can hardly be called an exclusive instrument of Wall Street, have declared themselves in support of Colombia in the Leticia dispute. On the other hand the British Blue Shirts (Fascists), have recruited a foreign legion in THE RIGHT AND LEFT UNION England which is aiding Bol ivia in the Chaco war. The Daily | The Policy of the Left Opposition Worker considers every factor in Bolivia's favor as due to the pressure and influence of Wall Street imperialism. Perhaps even the British Fascists are puppets of American finance capital!

Unrest in Peru

While an insane war hysteria appears at the moment to dominate the mass psychology in Colombia,

Open warfare has at last broken, there is very deep social and poli-states: out between Peru and Colombia for tical unrest in Peru. One of control of the small Amazon port Sanchez Cerro's reasons for warring who seek to enter the county for of Leticia. It is possible that this against Colombia at the present the purpose of agitating the preconflict together with that between time, was to utilize an appeal to sent controversy will be permitted Paraguay and Bolivia for posses- national patriotism as a counter- to do so. Inflammatory agitation sion of the Gran Chaco, may de- balance to the forces and tendenc- will be considered improper and in velop into a continent-wide war, ies aimed at the overthrow of his violation of the public peace." with British and American imper- regime. But the Peruvian dictatialism supporting the opposing or is playing with fire; anything Illinois miners knows what this short of a quick decisive victory, means. It is to prevent the P. The official Communist party and that is unlikely, certainly a P. A., from carrying on its relief tic and working class right achievpress in its estimation of the situa- revolutionary overturn in the near work, holding demonstrations and struggle Whom Management a tion assumes that there are already future. The petty bourgeois A. P. two clearly defined blocs of Latin R. A. which opposed Sanchez Cerro American lackey governments ser- in the last elections, and which to vile to the interests of British and gether with the Communist party, American imperialism respectively, was recently involved in a series It is however pure lightmindedness of minor uprisings which culminto jump at conclusions after the ated in the "putsch" at Trujillo fashion of the Daily Worker ex- last fall have already conducted in perts who analyze every Latin Lima and other Peruvian cities American problem regardless of a number of protest demonstrations its complexity, according to the against the war, resulting in clash magic formula wherein British im- es between the workers and the perialism unconditionally supports armed forces of the government

-ROSALIO NEGRETE.

WHAT NEXT IN THE NEEDLE TRADES"

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN

Speaker:

J. P. CANNON Friday, 8 P. M., FEBRUARY 17th

> 126 East 16th Street, ADMISSION: 15c

N. Y. Br. Communist League of America (Opposition)

ILLUSIONS ABOUT HORNER SHATTERED BY MEMORAN-DUM AIMED AT P. M. OF A.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL.-Many Illwould get "justice" when they hands. voted and helped to elect Henry Comrades of the Social Demto prevent the miners from build-

front policy and lead the proletariat made the following stipulation in

"That each of the two unions having contracts with the operators should be permitted without interference by the other to continue work under these contracts until at least April 1, 1933. In other words, where one local union has a contract with an operator of a certain mine in this State, the officials and members of the rival orfort to cause a cessation of work

For the defense of the Communin their letter of proposals under date of January 26 to Gov. Horner. The Progressive Miners of America demanded that a referendum ganization the miners of Illinois wished to recognize. But this would be self-determination! The Illinois miners, like the Phillipine The Left Opposition of the Com- Islands are not yet ready for selfmunist Party of Germany determination, maybe twelve years from to-day, etc...thus the State Government, acting in its true role as the executive committee of the employing class, through its mouthpiece Gov. Horner, spiritualizes. "memorandum" further The

"No non-residents of the county

Every eight year old child of the continued on page 2

Oehler Tour this Week

We have already announced the tour of comrade Hugo Oehler on of acting with dispatch is compelthe present situation in Germany led to proceed with far greater and the program of the Left Opposition on this vital question confronting the international proletariat. Below is specific information on the dates and places of the meetings:

UTICA, N. Y.

Friday, Feb. 17 LABOR LYCEUM 131 Washington St. Buffalo, N. Y .- Feb. 18 PITTSBURGH, PA. Sunday, Feb. 19—8 P. M. IRENE KAUFMAN SETTLEMENT 1839 Center Ave. New Castle, Pa.—Feb. 20 YOUNGSTOWN. OHIO Tuesday, Feb. 21-8 P. M. CENTRAL AUDITORIUM 225 W. Boardman St. CLEVELAND, OHIO Wednesday, Feb. 22 PAINTERS HALL 2030 Euclid Ave. Chicago, Ill.—Feb. 24, 25, 26 Davenport, Iowa-Feb. 27 Des Moines, Iowa-Feb. 27

Kansas City, Mo.—March 1, 2, 3

St. Louis, Mo.—March 4, 5

Party Must Act Now! Japs Plan

Hitler Acts with Ruthless Determination to Crush Labor Movement; Stalinists Persist in Opposition to United Front

The work of establishing the Nationalist alliance are avowedly the initiative in establishing a complete domination of Fascism in working to establish the national genuine united front movement of Germany is being carried out at speed which leaves even the bourgeois press gasping. The proposed elections on March 5 are assuming to establish the national sentine and their organiall the workers and their organial sentine matched libraries and the matched libraries and the matched libraries and their organial sentine matched libraries and the matched lib an increasingly deceptive and ludicrous character in face of the fact that the Hitlerites are concentrating every instrument of force nois miners and among them quite and violence in their own hands a few of the Progressive Miners of so that regardless of the balloting, America leaders thought that they the power will remain in their

The press reports the following

1. All political demonstrations ancient, myopic, self-hypnotism is and even ordinary meetings are to fast fading as the miners see in be "policed by Nazi storm troop action the true role of Horner in ers and members of the Stahlhelm, their struggle against the Lewis- the regular police being merely Walker-Peabody Coal Co. machine. held in reserve". Not even Musthe nonsense that Hitler will soon immediate acceptance of the strug- Gov. Horner, the Democrat, like solini was able to attain such a the late Gov. Emmerson, the Repub- measure before he took over the

2. All meetings at which critic ism is "levelled at the constructive

"Communist demonstrations," 3. according to the Berlin correspondent of the Times (2-16-33), "are to be forbidden altogether, and even the meetings of disguised Marx gatherings—are to be prevented. On the other hand, arrangements

4. "The Nationalist Deutsche

movals under the von Papen regime, the acting Prussian Ministry today cleaned out the very last Socialist police heads in the State and replaced them with National Socialists or Nationalists. The entire police administration is now in the hands of the Hitlerites and supporters of Dr. Alfred Hugenberg."

"As for the newspapers the Acht Uhr Abendblatt, which is the Tageblatt's evening publication, and the Socialist Vorwaerts were both suppressed today on the allegation that they had criticized the police in connection with Sunay's rioting in the Saxon mining town of Eisleben, where several hundred uniformed Nazis wrecked a Communist bookship and gymnasium....'

In these measures are to be found the first earnest beginnings of the extermination of every working class institution, every working class organization, every democrastruggle. Where Mussolini waited many long months after seizing power before he was ready to make the Communist party illegal, Hitler, confronted with a stronger working class and the necessity speed and violence. The dismemberment and demolition of the working class and its movements is Hitler's prerequisite to the consolidation of Fascist power.

Trotsky's Forecast

with the long-run perspective of Nazis in order to catch them napping and to deal them a death blow German situation. at the right moment," wrote Leon Trotsky more than 15 months ago. turn for their coup d-Etat."

mit this, to employ all the means which the possession of power fered the Communists by the gives them. The result of the sent situation are matchless elections March 5 and the prospect of Parliamentary opposition play

From the pen of the bourgeois firmation of the warning we issued last Monday: "The parliamentary in Germany. elections as the axis of the struggle, constitute an enormous and treacherous swindle." In this swindle which is leading

slaughtered by the Fascist butchers. the German social democracy is party, the German social democrats "have the courage to be cowards". The million-headed masses which follow behind the banner of the social democratic party and the ists -evidently meaning Socialist trade unions it controls, are not being mobilized to strike down the Fascist beast with their mighty must be made to facilitate Nazi fists. They are being drugged with demonstrations in Communist dis- the fatal illusion that the field of battle is the ballot box of March 5. But that is precisely wherein Allegemeine Zeitung", continues the lies the role of the social demcorrespondent, "published an ob-viously inspired statement to the ine mass movement of militant effect that a 'general arming' of struggle against Fascism-they Nazi storm troopers was not under consideration, but that 'in an emergency' there might be afforded stampfers and Hilferdings will not legal means whereby these and the be able to check "at the right mo-Stahlhelm men might be called on ment", which will exceed the narto relieve the police by the exten- row boundaries of the fight to presion of auxiliary services'. Further serve the democratic rights and inconfirmation is scarcely necessary.' situations of the German proletar-

ambition in the immediate future. forging ahead, will smash the last They are prepared, and readily ad- obstacle on the road to a Soviet fered the Communists by the pretheir possibilities. But are they taking advantage of them? Not in no deterrent part in their calcula- the least! They continue to repeat the old, worn-out, discredited and bankrupt formulae which have correspondent we thus have a con- brought about the present impotence of the official Communist party

For the first week and more af-Commentary on the program or tac- of the Far East. playing its tradiitonally promin- tics of the German Communists was ent part. To employ the classic not to be found. And this for the given its plessing to the patriotic expression of the Filipo Turati, the simple reason that the Stalinists undertaking delending Japan by late leader of the Italian socialist were taken altogether by surprise conquering China. The latest by the event. They were com-pletely bewildered and dumb-founded and impotent.

Stalinist Silence "Broken"

ly made a breach in this silence. Worker has been forced to speak that the uscal poncy means inion" Robert Minor has been made editor-to overflow with bile and at home. impotent fury against the "Trotskyists". To attack our absolutely unas-

cribes must resort to the most patent falsehoods and misrepresenta- in the saddie. Nevertheiess All the more reason, therefore, why the Communists must take tions. They quote with approval Tokio stock market registers the

The Dollar Props Up Hitler

America and the Fascist Danger

that the weight of the contradicthe situation in Germany.

in Germany. The interests of the ers rest can be torn away. world imperialists are bound up with the interests of the German' bourgeoisie in their struggle against the proletariat. If American and other imperialists leave Germany to her own fate in the German extension of the October revolution, the door would be left open for the deepening of internal difficulties and convulsions at home Across this contradiction between the imperialist powers themselves "He wants to lull his antagonists runs the contradiction between world imperialism and the Soviet the parliamentary growth of the Union. These contradictions are tied up in one knot in the present

To untie this knot, means to answer the burning question of "It is quite possible that Hitler's class relations in the interest of the courtesies to democratic parlia- working class. Hitler and Fascism mentarism may, moreover, help to answers this question in the most in importance only to the effects of yet this is taking place before our set up some sort of coalition in clear cut fashion for the bourgethe immediate future in which the oisie, even though they show great German working class in the 1918 result, as Radek planned, in an Fascists will obtain the most im- signs of weakness and confusion. portant posts and employ them in For this Fascist shortcoming, the errors of Stalinism have more than form of war loans and war equip-countries, that is, however, still This striking confirmed forecast compensated. Fascism has already ment, gave the necessary impetus unthinkable. Not so long as the one foot over the threshold of to the tired and shattered armies Soviets still represent the dictatorborated all over again by the events state power and the Stalinist fighting Germany. American post-ship of the proletariat. The Scott of the last few days. "It can now straitjacket is hindering the free war loans continued this necessary Nearings who predict such an be stated on the best of authority," action of the working class. Hitler dissolves the London Times declares, "that the Reichstag, the Prussian Diet and markets for American production. dictatorship of the proletariat. Nazi partners in the present Nazi calls for elections on March 5. Be-

The sharpening class relations in tween now and elections he will Germany have reached the point of see to it that the Communists and civil war. This is posing in the all other workers' organizations most acute fashion the analyses are not able to participate accordand programs of the factions of ing to their parliamentary strength the Communist International. This and thereby insure a "legal" vicanalysis must flow from the fact tory of Fascism.

Social Democracy has not out-their own method of handling tions of world capitalism finds their lived its usefulness for the ruling conquered territory, for them to most difficult relationship in Ger- class, it cannot adequately serve waste any feeling over this threat. many, revealing it as the weakest the interest of the capitalists in Manchuria has been closed to all link in the world capitalist chain. the immediate acute situation but but Japan since its occupation. Our victory over Fascism in this it can and does constitute an ac- American business has reconciled situation depends upon the ability tive reserve force ready to serve itself to this fact and has turned and action of the Communists in its master as a moment's notice to the Yangtze Valley for its fupresenting the correct program for Social democracy can only be shat- ture Chinese market. tered by a proper united front tac-The gigantic antagonisms beties in order to win the worker tween imperialism, which have socialist from the leaders, thereby been intensified since the last world the base upon which the social war, finds their deepest expression chauvinist and "Iron Front" fight- the debt tangle to the utmost as

the background, but which has England. It is intriguing with weight of first magnitude in Ger- its dollars in China, goading the many, is American imperialism. treacherous Kuo Min Tang on to During and since the last world some semblance of resistance war and since the last war it has further Japanese encroachment. been the stabilizing center of world capitalism against the revolution- come about that the League of Naary struggles for power of the pro- tions, which at its very inception letariat. A working agreement be- sent invading armies into Soviet tween German Fascism and Am-Russia to help suppress the reverican imperialism is necessary olution, will be split asunder by for capitalism to utilize the Fasc- its own internal imperalist conist hordes against the working tradictions before accomplishing class and the Soviet Union.

last word war on the side of the seems almost fantastic that the imperialist rivals of Germany was U. S should grant recognition to of decisive importance in the de- the Soviet Union because of "comfeat of Germany. It was second mon interests" against Japan. And the October revolution upon the eyes. That this recognition should revolution which overthrew the alliance against Japan of the most Kaiser. American capital, in the reactionary and the most advanced

-HUGO OEHLER.

Conquest

MANCHURIAN INVASION TO BE EXTENDED FURTHER DE-SPITE OTHER POWERS

The Japanese generals refuse to be checked by the League or Nations. The goar of their amortions for many a long time, is too close to their grasp to allow it to be snatched away again. Far 1rom giving un Manchura, the Japanese imperialists plan to extend their conquest and "legalize it by employing the mercenary Manchu tool, Henry Pu Yi, former boy emter Hitler was named Chancellor, peror of China. He will make a the official party press in this pid for the throne of North China country was as silent as the tomb. at Peiping, the Japs supplying the the German working class blind-folded and hands bound to be dispatches culied from the capital-ruiminate, let the U.S. intrigue ist press or sent by the Inprecorr. it is now or never for the bandits

> The Imperial Diet at Tokio has budget in Japanese history, two l and a quarter buillon yen, has been approved in order to mance an other year of aggression in Asia. Direct anotherns of so percent of The hammer blows of the Mili- this swonen sum are made to the ant and the Left Opposition final- army and navy. The fact that this sum of money cannot be con for the past few days the Daily lected in taxation and therefore about the German situation at evitably greater innation of the some length. But it still remains currency than has arready ocbewildered and bankrupt. It can do cured, does not disturb the runng little more than repeat the dull class. For the uevasiating efand empty twaddle about the "uni- rects of such inflation win be suiftted front from below" and "social ed on to the backs of the work-Fascism" and—now that the well- ers and peasants. Financing the known "friend of the Soviet Un- war in Unina can be accomplished only by intensitying exploitation

If the capitalists have any misgivings as to the ultimate outcome of a break with Europe and Amsailable position, the Stalinist erica, they will have to keep mum tions. They quote with approval Tokio stock market registers the tion of finance imperialism, Stocks and bonds have tumbled, revealing the Achilles heel of Japanese economy, the lack of adequate finances, one of the first blows to be delivered by the League and the U. S. at Japan, if the imminent break actually occurs, will be the clamping down on loans. It remains to be seen, even then, whether France will abide by such a decision.

The Japanese threaten to shut the door of Manchurian trade to the rest of the world if further pressure for their withdrawal is applied. The imperialist powers have had too much experience with

Meanwhile the U. S government, the political committee of American finance capital, does not sit twidmay be witnessed by the activities One force that is at present in of the League, and particularly of

By the irony of history, it may its major objective, the isolation America's participation in the and suppression of the Soviets. It

Homeless Youthtobe Militarised

SEND YOUNG WORKERS INTO hundreds of thousands. MILITARY TRAINING CAMPS

the nation. By its bill, passed Monplaced the destitute and hungry youth, who total more than 400,000, on the basis of forced conscription to military training ramps. The minimum service required in its industrial reserve army. these camps is six months.

Thus the impotent Senate has American capitalism. These young workers, whose life is one of hunt-The bourgeois sycophants are mills, and the factories.

caught in their own mesh. They howled about Communism "breaking up the family" and never before has such a wholesale disruption of family life been evident as in the "paradise" of American capitalism They gloated over the besprizorni" in Soviet Russia. But the workers state has eradicated this left-over of the civil war, by absorbing them into the industry and life of the nation. In America, where there has been no civil war \$20,000,000 APPROPRIATED TO they swarm the country-side in AND THE WAR

geois law and order propose to do General Command, etc.: According The U. S. Senate has decided to about the problem? Do they in to a reliable report the Social Demmilitarize the homeless youth of tend to give these young workers ocratic Party has the firm intenjobs, to give them unemployment tion of conducting itself in a manday by a unanimous vote, it has insurance, to place them in trade schools so they can later be absorbed in industry? It could it my duty to call attention to this hardly be expected. The boss tlass wants these jobless youth for wants these unemployed youth to constitute a threat at the factory reacted to one of the most vital gates so that wages may be conand desperate problems created by stantly dragged down. It wants them to serve as scabs in the great ALL FOR THE FATHERLAND strike battles that are yet to come. ed wandering, whose bed is a box It wants these outcasts to augment ture, much if not everything is at ally dangerous moment. Woe to car and whose food consists of the its militia for use against the in- stake in a victory of Russian de the people which stacks its arms miserable slop handed out in salva- ternal enemy—the starving working spotism which is stained with the five minutes too early! The untion army joints, and who are a class and to provide cannon fodder blood of the best among its own prey to sexual degeneracy and for its "foreign" wars that impend.

Above all it fears the danger these off this danger, to guarantee the they are the grist of the mill of discontented youths constitute to our country...In the hour of dantalist crisis, they reflect the prosecular of them into a military of them into a military of them into a military of the prosecular of the prosecular of them into a military of them into a mi found derangement, the wretched a section of them into a militant conditions thrust upon the proletar- youth movement which will strike with the International which has ian home by continued unemploy- not at the pocketbooks but at the ment and dependence upon the source of capitalist income—the handouts of charity institutions expropriation of the mines the

of the party could well afford to

assimilate. But for the naked

too much from the Daily Worker

The silence of the party press,

we have succeeded in breaking

situation. The fate of the whole

party and the Communist Interna-

world revolution-hang in the bal-

The united front-not the Centr-

ist caricature of it-must be estab-

lished if Hitlerism is to be crushed

fatal nonsense.

Fascists in Control of Police

DAILY WORKER MAKES DEMAGOGIC ATTACK ON OPPOSITION IN ORDER TO COVER UP STERILITY OF STALIN POLICY OF OPPOSITION TO LENINIST UNITED FRONT TACTICS

continued from page 1 vised support of the Bruening govsocial democracy." Trotsky wrote on December 8. 1931, "supports Bruening, votes for him, assumes responsibility for him before the of the democratic form of bourgemasses on the grounds that the the truth which the mental paralytics Bruening government is lesser evil. The Kote Fahne attempts to ascribe the same view to me on the grounds that I expressed myself against the stupid ship, this "support" becomes a Marxists regard Bruening and Hitler, Braun included, as component press, a page or two of Marx and parts of one and the same system. to combine all this with a modest The question as to which one of dash of common political sense. them is the 'lesser evil', has no But here perhaps we are asking sense, for the system we are fighting against needs all these ele-

Messrs. Professional Liars on down. But now that it has spokthe Daily Worker (2-16-1933) pro- en it has only revealed the dreadceed to declare that the Militant is ful confusion that Stalinism has trying "to convince the American introduced into the crucial German workers that the Communist party of Germany is their enemy which German proletariat, the Communist holds them back from struggle whilst on the contrary the Social tional, the Soviet Union and the Democratic leaders are now hindrance' to Fascism; in other words, that the workers cannot trust the Communist party but CAN trust the Social Democratic party leaders".

Every word here is a lie, and a typically Minoresque, i. e., not a very bright, lie. We never spoke of "trusting" the social democracy, much less its leaders. Nor did we say that the "Social Democratic party leaders are 'a hindrance' to Fascism". We spoke and continue to speak everywhere of "the craven capitulation of the social democratic leaders" (2-15-1933), of the fact that these leaders have paved the road for Fascquite another thing. This the scintillating theorists of the Stalinist school cannot understand behindrance to the complete conver a hopeless Stalinist official, fail to give an affirmative answer? Do not the latter read the daily press? Are they living on this globe or on Jupiter? Have they not read somewhere that in order to insure the domination of Fascism, Mussolini not only exterminated the Communist movement but also burned down socialist halls in Italy, drove into illegality the socialist party and the socialist trade unions, demolished socialist papers and printing establishments, destroyed socialist cooperatives, exiled and imprisoned socialist lead ers? Have they ever heard the name of Matteoti? Have they seen from the press reports that Hit. ler's first steps included the suppression or confiscation of the socialist Vorwaerts in Berlin and other socialist papers? Do they know that socialist workers have already been murdered? That the socialist mayor of Stassfurt has delegation. The narrow basis for already been assassinated by the Nazi rangsters?

MONARCHY

"As soon as the monarchy fulfills the wishes of the people, the Has all this happened because ground is removed from under all the social democracy and its insti-Republican agitation. The question: cial democrat that Trotsky "ad- tutions are "social Fascists"—O monarchy or republic? would then brainy theoreticians!-or because be much less of a theme for discussion than it is at present. And tion. On November 15, 1918, six they are a hindrance to the estab-Fascists". This petty slander is lishment of complete Fascist dom- every probability indicates that not very original, and it does not mation? Is it asking too much to this is what is coming. Even if ter the day of the revolution, the and very original, and it does not request a straightforward answer there are still difficulties to over-labor collaboration between the emto a straightforward question? The come, they will be—presumably in ployers and the Right socialist the shortest period of time-oversocial democracy and its institutions are the main social support come without a trace of a violent upheaval and without the throw of the monarchy.' ois rule-that is a kindergarten

NEVER AGAINST THE MONARCHY

Fascist form of bourgeois dictator-"An anti-monarchist propaganda and shamerul particulation of the similarnee, it becomes superfluous, a positive republican activity, was Communists in the littler referendum. But have the verman Leit the partys Political Bureau or the ocracy, because this question apdemanded that the Communists this. All you have to do is to to be secondary... The imputation viet Republic: Haase advises to name must be driven out." vote for and support Bruening? We read a page or two of modern his-

> erous social democratic leaders. crous social democratic leaders. Those who stand in the road of the Governor Strikes German proletariat's struggle to smash Fascism-must be swept aside!!

Thursday, Feb. 16, 1933. -M. S.

100 at B'klyn Meet

The third meeting in its cam paign on the German situation was held by the N. Y. branch of the Left Opposition in the Brooklyn Labor Lyceum, Williamsburg. About 100 workers came for the first time to ance. The Stalinists are either listen to the call to action of the impotently silent (THE COMMUN- Left Opposition on the menace of IST INTERNATIONAL HAS NOT Hitlerism in Germany. The speak- striking coal-miners. On the one SPOKEN YET!) or else they speak ers of the evening, comrades Shachtman and Cannon gave a lucid explanation of the situation in Germany and the grave dangers that threaten the Communist movemetn of the whole world.

-not tomorrow but today. The phrasemongering Stalinist officials This rally in Williamsburg marks stand in the way of it and thus the first meeting the Left Opposiplay into the hands of the treach- tion has held in that district.

The Relief March In Minneapolis

ism by their unbroken record of of the Communist party in Dist. workers. The appeal says "call tian County for their continued other county in time to help Ray 22 percent of the state's mines protreachery. But the leaders of the 9 is carrying out the "circular" in mass meetings in your towns and stay. Already over \$150,000 have Emondson and the rest of the gang social democracy, many of whom structions for "state relief march- elect delegates". In the Minnea- been exhausted by the State Militia to club and beat the women of the will enter directly into the Hitler ers". Cripple as it is with the polis conference there was one that is stationed in Christian Co. Progressive Miners. camp when his power is consoli- Stalin line and its consequences in trade union and the party memberdated, just as they entered Must the past struggles the party stum- ship and its closest sympathizers solinis camp after 1921, are one bles and falls into creating a move- represented eleven times over striking miners back to work un- risburg section, the Duquoin secthing; the social democracy, and ment that resembles Lovestone's (through auxiliaries). The name, especially the social democratic and Pat Devine's "genuine labor the structure, the content of the and Co. When the Unemployed Progressive Miners of America. masses and their institutions, are Party". Rather than come out in movement is nothing but the forces its own name and call upon the of the official Party, with its own tion in Springfield and they sent The Lewis-Walker union is losing. trade unions, the Socialist party, workers' and farmers' organizathe Farmer-Labor party, the coop- tion. The party, the leader of the mand winter relief, the delegation the P. M. A. a referendum vote cause they have forgotten the A B eratives for a minimum class pro- working class, should boldly carry was viciously clubbed, beaten and that they asked for is going to C of Marxism. Are the latter a gram, the party crawls into the out its task of discrediting and thrown into jail. But when it have 2 State Legislature commission of the Weimar republic into auxiliaries, and through them calls a Fascist state? Can anybody but a state relief march for the demands of the former Minneapolis Building Trades "Left wing" and farmers' organization. A real movement for a Leninist united with them. Front to meet the dire need of the ememployed in the bankrupt cities and counties would get a popular response from the masses regardless of the attitude of the reformist leaders.

> The movement is called the Workers and Farmers Relief Committee. No pretense is made to de-The Left Opposition delegates to winter. The Left Opposition sup of Progressive women two weeks the Minneapolis conference for this ports the movement and shall parmovement were not seated because ticipate in it. It will criticize its they are "counter-revolutionary". A typical A. F. of L. bureaucrats' "gag rule" was administrated by a blushing worker's chairman to prevent discussion on the motion policy of their leadership and orto unseat the Communist League ganize with the Left Opposition to the march is supplemented by the widest, loosest and most meaning-

MINNEAPOLIS.—The leadership less form of representation of the shelter of its own "third period" unmasking the whole fallacy of the comes to help Peabody Coal Co., sion from the house and senate inof competing with the F. L. P. with will always be plenty of money its own two-class party. Behind the with a few innovations from the lurk a multitude of opportunist Gov. Horner is opposed to the minprogram of its own unemployed misleaders of the working class, ers regardless of the tactics the

tion and shortcomings in policy, the movement and march will have of the march. The workers will can be seen in the statement that come, look on and go away. It is he made to Agnes Burns Weick the only action of a militant class when she asked Gov. Horner if the line its united front character, character for the unemployed this demonstration by the large groun errors and wrong orientation as we do in this article. We sound the call for the worker Communsts to take stock of the wrong correct it.

-CLEM FORSEN.

THE GREAT BETRAYAL

FIRST PART OF THE HISTORY OF SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC TREACHERY IN GERMANY TAKEN FROM ITS OWN AUTHENTIC RECORDS, WRITINGS, SPEECHES, NEWSPAPERS. WHICH SHOW HOW IT SOLD PROLETARIAT TO BOURGEOISIE

(On December 5, 1922, in the trial

against his assailants, Scheidemann

declared that he requested from

ment of Wilhelm II "i norder to

-Vorwaerts, October 3, 1918.

it today. But this demands first

"In the Right socialist trade un-

ion leaders, the Legiens, Leiparts,

Schlickes and consorts, the em

ployeds found allies to save capital

ism from the threatening revolu-

days after the 9th of November, af-

trade union leaders was concluded

.. Thus the Christian leaders once

allied themselves with the mighty

in Rome jointly to suppress the be-

-Arthus Crisbien, Chairman

"Continuation of the discussion

of the Independent S. D. P.,

July 29, 1919.

THE PACT WITH THE

CAPITALISTS

trayed people.

ON RUSSIA

-- Mannheimer Volksstimme

Nov. 8, 1918.

THE MONARCHY MUST

REMAIN

WAR TO THE LAST MINUTE

save the monarchy".)

June 1922.

THE SOCIAL DEMOCRATS

"On July 31, at 8 p. m., the War Ministry issued in No. 64 ggAI the And what do the solons of bour- following communication to the ner as befits every German under the present conditions. I consider so that the military commanders may take it into consideration It when adopting measures."

Report of Count Montgelas in the First Investigation Committee. Volume 2, page 74.

"For our people and its free fu- military standpoint a psychologic feel ourselves to be in harmony at all times recognize the right of many into a republic, we should every people to national independ- not have delayed for an instant to ence and self defense, just as we unfurl the republican banner and condemn in agreement with it every to enter into struggle for it. But war of conquest.... Guided by these up to this time we have not seen principles, we approve the rethis possibility and we do not see quired war credits."

Declaration of the Social of all the preservation of the pre-Democratic Reichtsag Frac- sent state form, the monarchy." tion on August 4, 1914.

SOCIAL DEMOCRACY AND

Blow at III. Miners continued from page 1

KAUTSKY AND HAASE

"memorandum Further the

states: "No private citizens in the county should be allowed to carry arms, or should have them under their control." Who are the private citizens, say for instance in Christian county? Mostly the hand while all the private citizens have had their homes raided and disarmed by the State Militia; on the other hand, the Peabody gunmen and strikebreakers have free excess to all the guns that they need. The striking miners are not even to be allowed the right to tacks of drunken imported strikebreakers.

for the purpose of clubbing, gassing, murdering and starving the West Frankfort section, the Hara delegation to Gov. Horner to de- So Gov. Horner instead of giving theory of two-class parties instead defeat the striking miners there vestigate the conditions in Frankso long as the capitalist system sham of the Farmer Labor Party and its representative exist. And a "white-wash-squad" to white-We must expose and not compete workers use, whether it's P. M. A. tactics as pursued in Taylorville and West Frankfort, or Gandhi Despite the crudity of organiza- tactics as pursued by Agnes Burns Weick, or the Unemployed Councils tactics, led by the Communist party. In the future he will us a considerable following on the day "headache clubs" against them all

> ago in Springfield had not beer orderly: "Yes," Horner repled, "but le me tell you one thing. Do you re member the group that rioted (!) in my office a few days ago? The only difference is that you sat here determined to force me to see you

while they demonstrated." This statement was made at the time the victims of the gangster

tion, is a ridiculous, stupid lie of be postponed. The Soviet governour opponents for agitational pur- ment will not last very much longer but will be liquidated in a few -Philip Scheidemann, Berlin, weeks.'

-Minutes of Session of Council of People's Commissioners, Nov, 19, 1918.

Prince Max von Baden the retrire- THE JUDAS ROLE OF THE SOCIALISTS

"The massacres of revolutionary workers in Berlin, Munich, Bremen, the Ruhr district and Upper "So long as the peace negotia-Silesia, in hundreds of other Gertions have not yet begun and hosman cities will be an everlasting tilities continue, the defense force monument of shame to the Right of the German people must be unwing socialist-bourgeois overlords.' folded to the highest conceivable -Arthur Crisipen, Freiheit, degree. The transition from a war November 1919. to a peace footing is also from a

NOSKE THE BLOODHOUND

"I attacked even though I knew that I would be dragged through the revolutionary history of Gerfolding of the national defense force many as a bloodhound. I carried also demands, however, the preservation of order in the interior.' consciousness of duty. At that time vigor. A number of comrades be-I said to myself: somebody must gin to press you. do the job, and it is clear to me that this means for me that I shall have to run through the German "Had we at that time seen the revolution like a bloodhound.' possibility of transforming Ger-

-Gustav Noske, Weimar Congress of S. D. P., Minutes, page 202.

INCITEMENT TO MURDER ROSA AND KARL

"Hundreds of corpses in a row. "Proletarians! "Karl, Rosa, Radek and Co., "Not one of them is there!

-Zickler in the Vorwaerts, January 13, 1919.

NOSKE'S TWO GREAT DEEDS

and Rosa Luxemburg was murder-

"I have accomplished two great deeds about which history will yet speak when I am dead, and they are the liberation of the counry from Bolshevism and the keeping of Hanover in Prussia." -- Noske, Hanover Parliament

May 1924.

FRENCH SOCIALISTS ON NOSKE-GALLIFET

"Noske directed the bloody suppression in Berlin and Bernhard carried it out: Theris and Gallifet, or still better: two Gallifets. Noske remains to this day a member of the Second International. To restore the unity of the great Opposition and myself in particular all-wise Secretariat to understand peared to us up to a certain time on Germany's attitude to the So- family of labor the violater of its -Populaire, central organ of the

S. P. of France, Sept. 25, 1919.

in with Haase; the decision must attack in West Frankfort went to see Go. Horner. The Governor at first refused to see the woman tion of coal in tons per man per ask the Governor if his statement whole this avreages about 5 tons; two weeks ago assuring the miners for the State of Illinois, 6.42 tons. their constitutional rights were to The Southern Illinois counties run be enforced. In this West Frank- above the average for the statemeetings, carrying on organization- lin affair capitalist "justice" comes al work and building their union, out in all its nakedness. On Wed., lespie is located) reported in a word, it denies the P. M. A. February 1, Mrs. Weick notified tons, Montgomery County would hold a meeting in West lorville took place). Frankfort on Sunday, Feb. 5 and asked Horner to see that the miners got their constitutional rights. Nothing of course, came out of all this and the P. M. A. was preventerful and vicious attack against trade unions, face the problems of ed from helding their meeting by the miners. Class 1A mines, (proa bunch of gangsters. Not only did State's Atorney Hart and Chief of Police of West Frankfort refuse of the total output in Illinois than must become both broader and told the committee that the meeting would be attacked by Ray Edmondson and the rest of the gang. That "law and order" under capiprotect their homes from the at- talism is a farce is seen in the action of the courts in the case of Moulin, Lipe and Whitlow who Then as a further onslaught on in the earlier part of the week total production of the state in the P. M. A. the State senate last were sentenced to six months imweek appropriated \$100,000 for the prisonment by one judge and are 24,000,000 were produced in the use of the State Militia in Chris- released by another judge in an-

The whole Southern Illinois, the der the company union of Lewis tion are all swinging toward the Councils held their State conven- The new union is growing fast. in county. In the language of the miners, Horner is going to put on wash everything and make everything rosy for the Lewis-Walker-Peabody machine. But the miners, too, are realizing that real progress can be made only in a struggle against the whole capialist system. —JOS. ANGELO.

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BUILD THE MILITANT

This is the time to do it, com-Philadelphia rades! Every shoulder to the wheel! The Militant. plays a Youngstown 10 10 Boston great historical role. It was never New Castle needed more than now, in these Lynn, Mass. South Bend fateful days. Now is the time to spread it, to build up its circula-Davenport St. Louis We are glad to record gratifying THE BUILDERS: results for the last couple of weeks. H. Capelis 16 Since the drive started we received 13 II. Nash about two hundred new subs 12 P. Vomvas through the Club Plan and the M. Koehler prepaid sub-cards. At the same B. Morgenstern time new subscriptions are on the V. R. Dunne increase at the regular subscrip-A. Ross tion rate. J. Weber Looking over the record by cit-W. Krehm es we see Pittsburgh, Montreal and A. Joel Foronto rushing to the front. Of P. Shulman course. New York stands at the C. Ingram head of the list but at the rate A. Friend some of our branches are progress-L. Baskv ing, its place of honor will be seri-B. Borsook ously contested in the near future. Toronto Group Toronto just made its immediate J. Hamilton goal fifty new sugs. And the way J. Hinich t is rushing ahead, that goal will II. Milton be reached soon. R. Spiegel As to the individual record, com H. A. rade Capelis felt quite sure to re-M. Hudson main in first place. Well, comrade F. Rayburn Capelis, look at the column and out this bloody work out of serious better get busy with renewed M. Gottlieb J. Hamilton W. Konikow

THE RECORD BY CITIES:

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Super-Exploitation in So. Illinois Drives Miners to A Militant Revolt

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Why did the revolt of the mili-, But all this concentration of tants among the soft coal miners capital, mechanization, and ration-(The next day, Karl Liebknecht take on clear-cut organizational alization has improved the efficiency features in Illinois, and particularly in Southern Illinois? What are labor. On the contrary, the coal the objective features of the situation in that territory, with which revolutionary labor policy will in any of the other big coal-minhave to reckon?

Analysis of the statistics published by the government leads to sylvania and Illinois produce the following conclusions: 1. In Illinois, capitalist exploi-

tation of the coal miner has gone In West Virginia, the average numfurther in many respects than in ber of days worked in 1930 per mine any other state in the union, and this is particularly true of the sylvania (soft coal) 198—in Illin-Southern Illinois field. 2. The concentration of capital

is proportionately greater in Illinois, and the necessity of concentration of the workers' forces is correspondingly most urgent.

3. The increased efficiency exploitation in Illinois has led to is among the highest in the whole shorter working time and lower earning power for the miners. The effect on wages will be discussed separately.

Man Production High

We use as the index of exploitation of mine labor, the produc that were beaten and who came to day. For the United States as a Macoupin County (in which Gil-7.04Gov. Horner that the women of the Christian County 7.74 (in which Progressive Miners of America the fighting centering around Tay-

These figures represent not only and powerful class opponent than super-exploitation of labor but also in the rest of the United States. the presence of large aggregations of capital able to conduct a powducing over half a billion tons a in any other state-53.3 percent deeper to enable them to fulfill against an average for the United States of 27.7 percent.

Within the state of Illinois, the concentration is shown by the following comparison: The whole state has 506 mines, of which 113 1930 was 53,000,000 tons, of which Southern district. In other words.

That the process of concentration of capital and mechanization has gone further in Illinois than anywhere else in the country is shown by the fact that in 1930, a Industrial Union. The lock-out, produced in Illinois by loading machines, or handled on pit-car est state to it in mechanization, Pennsylvania, produced only 7,035,-000 tons by these methods, and the entire mechanized output of the country amounted to 46,824,000

In Illinois, 48 percent of the coal mined is loaded mechanically, against 10 percent for the entire

Modern Machinery Used

traction of coal by steam or electraction. We refer to the case of trie shovels from an open cut after stripping off the overlying worker militant, who was barred earth. This method of mining, us- from participation in the strike be-Entered as a second class mail ing shovels that cost half-a-million dollars apiece, leads to the great- methods, copied from the A. F. of est concentration of capital, as in L. fakers, will not help the strike. the United Electric Coal Co.'s op-On the contrary, the road to viceration in Duquoin County in tory for the strike lies in broaden-Southern Illinois, and at the same ing its basis to all workers retime to the most intense exploitation of labor with production runhing 14 tons per man per day. Strip-mined coal in Illinois in James P. Cannon 1930 amounted to 6,116,415 tons, or 31 percent of all the strip-min-Illinois each shovel averaged 105,-

the whole country.

of utilization of capital, not of miner in Illinois has had more irregular employment than the miner ing states.

West Virginia, Kentucky, Pennamong them 80 percent of the country's total soft coal output was 204, in Kentucky 187, in Pennois it was 156 days in the year. In Illinois, 97 percent of the

miners work eight hours a day; the average for the whole country is less than 90 percent. Yet in spite of this fact, the pro-

duction per man per day in Illinois country. Evidently the tactics of the mine operators are to drive the men as

hard as possible for the day's pay, while giving them fewer days of work in the year than any other big coal producing state. No wonder one of the major grievances of the Illinois miners

has been the kiling pace of mechanization, as carried out by the capitalists for the benefit of the big corporations who control coal mining in the State of Illinois. The struggle of the coal miners 6.73, for a decent living wage and de-

on in Illinois on a higher plane of technical and economic exploitation. and against a more concentrated

The class organizations of the workers on the economic front, the organization and struggle on a higher plane and with greater their urgent tasks.

-B. J. FIELD.

Strike at Foltis Fisher The workers in three of the

Foltis-Fischer cafeterias have been locked out by the slave-driving bosses for refusing to invest a part of their meager, slashed-to-theduced 45 percent of the state's bone wages in shares of the company's stock. This is just another trick to cut wages by disguising it under another name. The workers have responded by militant picketing of these cafeterias under the which, has been converted into a strike, is meeting with warm symloaders and conveyors. The near pathy among the workers of the other Foltis-Fischer cafeterias. There is a great probability that the strike will extend its scope. More power to the movement! The Left Opposition will stand solidly behind it.

Our comrade, James Gordon is chairman of the strike committee and is taking a very active part in all the work of the strike. But we can say at the outset that the strike will be hampered if it limits Illinois also leads the country in its supporters to those who stand strip-coal mining, that is, the ex- in the good graces of the Stalinist comrade Petras, a well known food cause he is a "Trotskyite". Such gardless of political affiliation.

TOM MANN FREED

Tom Mann, veteran leader of the British revolutionary movement has been released from prison. He ed coal of the United States. In was jailed by the MacDonald government for his activities in leading Bundle 000 tons a year, against 58,000 for the unemployed movement against the cut in the dole.