# False Passport of the Assassin of Leon Trotsky Traced To GPU

## 7 It Belonged To A Loyalist Soldier In Spanish War

(Special to Socialist Appeal)
MEXICO CITY, Oct. 7-Stalin's GPU passport-forging factory supplied the false passport with which "Frank Jacson", the assassin of Trotsky, came to this continent. the Mexican government's investigation has revealed.

Jacson used one of the many passports which Stalin's GPU took from American and Canadian volunteers who enlisted in the Loyalist army in Spain. Taken from the volunteers in the course of their transportation to Spain through Stalinist-controlled channels, the passports were then sent in diplomatic pouches to the USSR from Spain. Walter Krivitsky, former head . of the Soviet secret service in Western Europe, has told how bundles of these passports came to Moscow in every mail during that period. There, in the hands of the most skilled passport forgers in the world the passports underwent the necessary alterations to make them usable by GPU agents.

The one which the GPU altered for Jacson's use was originally issued by the Canadian authorities to Tony Babich, resident of Canada and a na-Yuralized British subject, borr at Lovinac, Yugoslavia, June

13. 1905. Babich used this passport when he went to Spain, where he fought in the Loyalist army, On May 12, 1939 the Spanish government issued a death certificate for Tony Babich.

But Babich's passport, meanwhile, was skillfully altered in Moscow. The name of Tony Babich was erased and the name of Frank Jacson put in instead. The photograph of the dead man was removed and replaced by that of the man who had been assigned to murder Trotsky.

The assassin thought that he had prevented the possibility of tracing his passport back to the GPU forging factory from which it came. He told the judge he had burned the passport along with his other personal papers, before he went to Coyoacan the day of the murder. The burning of the passport was in itself a confession that Jacson was fearful that government experts would trace the passpor' back to those who falsified it.

However, the Mexican authorities have been able to trace the passport back to its source, and thus to establish another irrefutable proof that the murderer of Trotsky is an agent of Stalin's GPU.

## Another Stalinist Jailed For Attack on Leon Trotsky

MEXICO CITY, Oct. 5-David | transgression independent of Alfaro Siqueiros, sought by the police since June as the leader of the machine-gun band which made the assassination attempt against Trotsky on May 24, was captured forts on attempting to lift the yesterday morning.

grown a beard and mustache and was dressed like a typical ran-

From hiding, during the last months, he had sent four letters to the press, justifying the attempt to murder Trofaky.

To the police upon his arrest he made the following statement press before his death, Troisis concerning the May 24th attack:

"First-I will demonstrate that it deals with a crime of political order, and not against common law.

"Second-that it deals with the transgressions of revolutionaries against counter-revolutionaries.

"Third-that it deals with the transgressions of revolugeneral headquarters of reactionaries. tolerated illegally by the Government of Mexico, and

"Fourth-that it deals with a

all organizations, international

or national."

It is clear from this statement that Siqueiros will center his efblame from the Communist Party He was hiding out on a ranch and Stalin's GPU, and particularin the state of Jalisco. He had ly attempt to absolve David Serrano, a member of the Political Bure of the Communist Party, who has been in prison for this crime since June. Siqueiros will seek to pose, at one and the same time, as a Stalinist in ideology but in no way connected with the Stalinist organizations.

> warned that Siqueiros, if seized, would attempt to pose as a "Trotskylst" who became disgusted with Trotsky-the same GPU formula which the assassin, Jacson later used.

Siqueiros' statement will be made mainly for international consumption, for in Mexico itself any at tempt by him to pose as a non-Stalinist is simply laughable. He has been a well-known figure in the Stalinist movement for many years, is president of the Stallnist Spanish civil war veterans' organ. Stallulst battalion in Spain.

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TROTSKY'S MONUMENT

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# FOR MILITARY TRAINING---INDER CONTROL OF UNIONS!

This Wednesday over five million men must register for conscription. That day should be a solemn day for the masses of this nation. It should be a day of hard thinking about the future. For most of those five million who are ablebodied know, or they should know, that they are fated to undergo training in the use of armsand they will use those arms in battle. That is already determined, the die is cast. Only pacifist fools can long delude themselves that it is not so.

About a million of those men will undergo military training this year, another million next year, and so on for five years. Five million trained soldiers! But that staggering thought merely records the government's admitted program. What are those men being trained for, what are fifteen billions of dollars already appropriated for? Not for dress parades and to stock museums with specimens of armament! These men and armaments will be used, make no mistake about it. That is already a settled question.

Some pacifist daydreamets, some voices of yesterday like the Norman Thomas "socialists", and the sinister puppets of Stalin like Browder, join in a chorus to call for repeal of the conscription law. And what do they propose to take its place? Nothing. In other words, they adopt a negative attitude toward all forms of mass military training. Fortunately, the workers do not listen to this pacifist clap-trap. The workers understand that in this age of universal war and militarism it is necessary for the workers to learn well the use of arms. The most "backward" worker who has grasped this fundamental thought is by that, infinitely far more advanced politically than the "socialist" Norman Thomas and the "communist" Earl Browder.

Yes, we say, it is a fortunate and hopeful fact that the great mass of the workers who are required to do so will go to the registration places on Wednesday seriously and without whining or empty regrets. They go to the army as they go to the factory. They do not like the exploitation to which the bosses subject them in the factory. They will not like the exploitation to which the bosses, in officers' uniforms, will subject them in the army. But they do what has to be done, in the army as in the factory.

Let them ponder deeply, however, what has to be done. Most of these five million men, between the ages of 21 and 36, are workers and poor farmers. A considerable number of them are union members, especially CIO members. They have learned that what has to be done in the factory includes not only what the bosses demand, but also what the workingmen demand and can secure by organizing into unions. Because they are many and the bosses are few, they have won many concessions in the factories -union wage scales, working rules, shop stewards, etc. Thus some ten million organized workers today have some voice in saying what has to be done in the factories. There is no reason why they should not have a voice in saying what has to be done in the armed forces

Compulsory military training? Yes, certainly, But why must it be done in the open-shop atmosphere of the army, under the life-and-death control of utterly reactionary, capitalist-minded officers? It doesn't have to be done that way. If the workers insist strongly enough, it will not be done that way. Concessions can be won in this field from the bosses, their political agents and their army officers, just as they have been won in the factory. The open shop is no more eternal in the field of military training than it is in the field of industry!

All that the workers need to do away with it is a program around which to rally, and a firm leadership to fight for that program.

That program will vary in many of its details at different stages of the unfolding of this epoch of militarism and war, just as the program of any union varies with changing conditions. But the foundation of that program, in the military field as in industry, does not change. It is: the defense of the Interests of the workers against all their enemies. That means: the defense of the working class against the capitalist class.

Concretely it means at this moment that the military training of the workers shall not be in the hands of the enemies of the workers. The workers do not want to trust their fate in the hands of capitalist officers any more than they want to trust their fate in the hands of capitalists in the factories.

Let the trade unions, the organizations which represent the workers, control the military training of the workers!

Let us demand federal military appropriations for the establishment and equipment of training camps which shall be run by the workers' own organizations!

Fifteen billions have been appropriated for armaments. At the very least, then, appropriate a half billion dollars to pay for training camps to be run by the unions!

The workers would undergo military training far more confidently if their own union brothers, the militants from the picket line, the shop stewards, led them. Then let us demand federal to train worker-officers in union training camps!

As we register on Wednesday, let us resolve. to go back into our unions and into our shops, in the time that is still left, and rouse our fellowworkers to join with us in pushing this workers' program for military training!

# Local 544 Defeats Anti-Union Suit

### Judge Concedes Baselessness Of Case Against Drivers Union in Minneapolis

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., October 2-In a 54-page ruling, District Judge Paul S. Carroll today terminated the two-year old "fink tzation, and was a "major" in a suit" against the Minneapolis General Drivers Union, Local 544. The Judge denied to the plaintiffs, four tools of the Associated Industries gang, their main demands-for the removal of the union's officers, the appointment of a receiver for the union, and the holding or a special election.

The lengthy ruling conceded the contentions which the union has established in the nine-months' trial. Among the basic points which the judge conceded are that the union elections were fairly

run, that the elected officers areconnect and have not wasted union of the union to support these ac tivities.

The judge also dismissed com-544's policy of financing the Fed- policy, the judge seized upon a eral Workers Section, an unem- number of technicalities to deal a offered direct and clear warning played workers union sponsored few blows at the union. by the Minneapolis labor movement, and of giving contributions to the Farmer-Labor party and the North Central District Driv- nical rulings was the decision that ers Council. The judge declared an ancient clause in the constitusuch donations to be "well with- tion of the International Brother in the power of the union so to hood of Teamsters, the union's

> He also conceded the right of the union to use the union's funus men, one of the plaintiffs main stated, "Usually, strikers have no union to use this money in that

On the plaintiffs' demands for removal of the union's officers bor organizations were appropribecause they are revolutionists ate and which were not. He orthe judge was constrained to say: dered union officers to repay out a drive against the entire labor desire men who are believers in which the union had loaned or the Trotsky movement to be their contributed to striking unions not officers, and the Dunne brothers directly in the Minneapolis area, have not denied that they are to the Northwest Organizer, offfriendly with and associated with cial publication of the Minneathis movement, they have a right polis Teamsters Joint Council, to

organization of the over-the-road suit brought against the Stalinist eleven state committee, which won "Daily Worker." a contract for 250,000 truck drivers. The local's Union Defense Guard, established to protect the union against the Silver Shirts and other fascist gangs, was like-standing union local in the ticipation of British workers in ation of this country for an offens wise assailed. But the court, in Northwest, a local which had been its final ruling, upheld the right

While the union thus emerged plaints of the finks against Local from court vindicated in its basic FROM CALIFORNIA BALLOT

### Ousts Militant Officer

The most serious of these tech parent body, made it impossible for a non-citizen to hold office in the local. On this basis the judge n the conduct of strikes and the ordered the removal from his post legal defense of arrested union of Carl Skoglund, president, on the grounds that Skoglund had failed to complete the requirepoint of the boss-instigated attack ments for citizenship papers. No against the union, the ruling other charge against Skoglund was citizenship had been known to the selves, and it seems to me that International officers who, howit is entirely legitimate for the ever, made no attempt to enforce

in addition, the judge assumed the power to decide which contri- son lasted at his one-time aillesbutions of the union to sister la- the Stalinists helped elect him. "If the members of this union of their own pockets some \$6,000 movement in line with the war the North Central District Driv-The finks had also bitterly at ers' Council, and for the defense tacked the role of the local in the of the union officers in a libet

> A Union-Busting Case This case, nationally known as the "fink suit," against the out-

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# All-India Congress Reports Auto Workers Strike Vicious Repressions

ALLAHABAD, India, July 1 (by mail from the Foreign Department of the All India Congress Committee)-The intensity of repression is increasing every day. In the beginning, the government arrested Socialists and Communists. But gradually it has begun to round up all active workers. Arrests are most active in Bengal, United Provinces, Bihar, Madras and Punjab. Though it is not possible to know the exact number, in Bengal alone the number of persons detained, arrested or warned exceeds a thousand

Hunger strikes have taken place in Allahabad and Lucknow prisons on account of bad treatment of political prisoners. The political prisoners are not given a special status and if their position is not improved soon, a conflict is bound to arise.

(Readers should take note that this description of British imperialist policy in India comes from the leadership of an organization which pursues a conciliatory attitude toward Britain.)

# Midland Steel Plant

### Key Auto Parts Factory in Cleveland Is Closed Down By Militant Picket Line

(Special to Socialist Appeal)

CLEVELAND, Oct. 9-1200 workers of the Midland Steel Products Co. manned the picket lines here today after weeks of fruitless negotiations. They are demanding a five cent hourly increase in base pay, upward revision of piece rates, the union shop and reemployment and back pay for Mack Cheek, local president fired two years ago for union activity.

Midland Steel produces auto frames for Studebaker, Hudson and Buick. The strikers belong to the United Auto Workers-CIO.

Local 486 This is the second strike at this plant within the past year, the last one netting a contract and union recognition. Large squads of mounted police. fully armed, swarmed on the scene as mass picket lines balted all production. The cops barricaded themselves behind all plant tional and regional officers, the gates and attempted to intimidate the strikers. The company announced the formal closing down of the plant, and the union is employing skeleton shifts on the line now. Police outnumber the skeleton crews three to one.

#### Negro-White Solldarity

A conspicuous feature of the piket line is the solidarity of Negro and white workers. The former are among the most active and militant union members. A last-minute attempt to foretion was addressed to the Comstall the strike was made by Day id T. Roadley, local conciliator

> for the U.S. Dept. of Labor. Other Plants Affected

James F. Dewey, "ace concilia and the state legislature. A tele- tor" of the government is being gram was also sent to Assembly- sent into Cleveland to attempt the man Paul Ritchie, Sacramento, same trick he pulled in December tion to the bill. This message land Steel workers, then new to stated, "White we have profound unionism, back into the plant with a weak agreement. Continuation ganization (Communist Party) we of the strike means a probable give firm support to any action shut down for Studebaker, Hudson opposing such attacks on political and Buick, due to body-frame shortage.

The strikers are in high spirits. circulated by the Trotskylsts in carrying fighting banners and an Los Angeles and other parts of the oppeal to the truck-drivers not to state, urging the California work- drive through the picket lines. ers and organized labor to rally Hundreds of the strikers, while against the ban. The leaflet relieved of immediate picket duty warns that "In fact the law bar- because of the need for only skelring the Communist Party from eton crews at the moment, are the ballot provides that any party remaining at the nearby union may be banned should the Secre- headquarters and in the vicinity tary of State and Attorney Gen- of the plant, in the event the cope istart any trouble.

Mack Check, the local's president, was fired two years ago after distributing union leafiets at the plant gates. While on reliof and WPA during the past two years, he continued to organize. Under pressure from the internalocal was forced into an agreement during the last strike which failed to include the reinstatement of Cheek.

The strikers plan to secure the co-operation of the Detroit Midland Steel. Local 410 of the UAW in an effort to tie up all plants of the company.

#### Hillman Moving Into Flint Auto Workers' Fight With G.M.

FLINT, Oct. 8-The International officers of the United Auto Workers met this weekend in Pittsburgh. The choice of city for the conference is reported to be for the convenience of Sidney Hillman, fresh from his exploits in putting a crimp into the Bethlehem Steel workers' upsurge.

One of the main issues confronting the UAW officers is the fight with General Motors. over the firing of 19 key union men four weeks ago at Flint Fisher Body No. 1 plant. The local affected overwhelmingly voted strike authority to its local officers. The International officers stepped in to conduct negotiations with G M., which have dragged on for four weeks now.

## ON THE WAR FRONTS (This column was formerly part of the leaning process. But

entitled "Behind the Lines." Every succeeding day, however has rendered that title more and more archaic. The front lines are everywhere. Modern technology has rendered meaningless the distinction between the worker in the war industries-which now means all industry-and the worker who operates the products of those industries. Which countries are at peace and which at war? One can speak only of the extent of participation in the war at any given moment. Hence the new title for this column. -EDITORS)

Signature of the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo alliance was followed last week by fresh Anglo-American of forts to woo the U.S.S.R. into a new war combination. Great Britain announced the Burma Road would be re-opened on Oct. 18 and Ivan Maisky, Soviet ambassador in London, was appreached with a proposal that the Soviet Union buy British rubber and other goods and pay for it with arms for China. Simultaneously in Washington Summer Welles called in Soviet Ambassador Oumansky for a talk along similar lines. Steinhardt, U. S. ambassador in Moscow, went to see Foreign Commissar Molotov presumably for the same purpose.

Stalln will probably lean enough over toward the Anglo-American side to secure more speedy payment to him from the Axis for his acquiescence in the new alliport on Oct. 5, suddenly introducing a friendly tone about the par-British defense, was undoubtedly live war in the future.

Stalin will not lean too far. The funds. entry of German troops into Rumanda on Oct, 8 opened up the prospect of establishment of German forces on the Black Sea and to Stalin to stay within the reservation.

The winter campaign soon to open in the Mediterranean and the Near East will doubtless reveal what new part of the reservation is to be temporarily opened to Staltn as part of the Axis strategy of dealing with first things first.

In the U. S. the new Axis

alliance has produced a new

and notable frankness, both official and unofficial. Secretary of the Navy Knox in a speech at Washington on Oct. 5 said: "An adequate Navy at this time demands that we be able to meet enemies far from our own shores and defeat them in both oceans, simultaneously if necessary." Col. Frederick Palmer. a military expert writing in the N. Y. Times, said on Oct. 6: There are signs that we no longer shall have to depend upon the false scare of a land invasion to arouse our people to the need of preparedness... Our army ... will be freed of a let of motion for public effect. which will be waste when war comes... The best defense is the offensive and the ability to maintain it until victory is

In other words, we are now told that the country has been deliber ance set up. A TASS London re- ately prepared by "false scares" for the real thing: i. c. prepar-

# BARS STALINISTS

#### Socialist Workers Party Offers United Front to Fight Ban

LOS ANGELES. Oct. 7 - | believe in the principles of united While Governor Olson tonight front action against the attacks was signing the bill of the Cali. of the capitalist class in spite of fornia legislature to ban the Com- the controversies within the workmunist Party from the hallot, the ing class movement." A second appeal for united ac-Socialist Workers Party here

ist Party on a proposal for united munist Party on October 3. awaited word from the Communfront action against the ban. In a state-wide radio broadcast the repeal of this act. Protest's following signing of the act. Ol-

Progressive labor circles here view the ban as the beginning of préparations.

As early as September 24, the Los Angeles branch of the Socialist Workers Party sent a proposal for unlied action to the trade unons, the Socialist Party and the Communist Party, declaring "We

### Success Story

America is a land of wonderful opportunity. Take Elliot Roosevelt, for instance. who has just demonstrated what hard work, perseverance and the right connections can do for a young fellow.

commending his stand in opposi- 1939. He maneuvered the Midpolitical differences with this or-Thousands of leaflets have been

The S. W. P. here is undertak-

ing an extensive drive to secure

bave been wired to the Governor

eral deem it "subsersive."

# MILITARY POLICY OF THE PROLETARIAT

# Speech By James P. Cannon At Chicago Conference of SWP

(The following is a stemographic report of the main speech made by Compute Cannon of the September 27-29 Ptonom-Conference of the Socialist Workers Party at Checkery

One first would in formally beginning our deliberations held? as devised to the inspancy of our growtest teacher and communiand our new planter mades. It is the proposal of the National Committee that we all much for a number, in tilted to both to the sectiony of Compute Yronky.

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We have continued that me can do the breather we have been left the groutest her hage that may political grouping in the birthey of the world was over given. Never before did the winkers' vanguard have such complete and thorough gaing prepareties, in a theoretical and programmatic way as we have received. Experstally in the past cloves yours since Courtsels Trotaky was exited. from the Severt Union, sloven years or girt in himself events, we have had from day to day and from room to your the and of his great Mayout bests. With his sail and guidance we have any revelled the expeteries of this epoch and found in every case the strangizal and factiful road that leads the problem in incomment.

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international party. And now, after the death of Contrade Trut-

sky, we can be care that the controdes in all parts of the world--

in China, energing on their work in daily duriger of their bees:

the compades imprisoned and in concentration camps in Germany;

in Blegality in France; In England; in Australia; in South Ame-

rica; in the Sovjet Union; everywhere—they are now booking to

the American section, in the Socialist Workers Party, to grow up

to the level of its historic responsibility and accure the continuous fractioning and development of our international movement, That

could no convected by someone wison than we. All of us, including arguell, felt that if we shalled or simulat a little bit now and

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of the Old Men. We permitted curselves more than one luxury

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puts a still greater responsibility open all of us

OURS IS THE RESPONSIBILITY!

#### indicem' to the United States. Their action was ibut, so to speak, a symbolic introduce of the Singre operational leading role of American By a construction of engagements the proportic govhave of not need auxiliar has bounty been mufitimed by concrete reality. The main political center and organizational haar of the Enoish International, which is destroyed to complete the work beyou by the Frest International of Mary and Expels, in ir truth holged here in the United States in the custody of Given committee was are guthered here and those whom they copresent in all her-Dean of the supetry . A combination of circumstations, rather than any special

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was thought and full that day by dry work of organizing trade proces, building referent parties, certies when summy some eroid legalation of see felt that along these lines, working from your import and from decade to decade, they could gradually suspects the conditions of the authors and place over pages. fully, without recivit collisions in shootin, into a new social order

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by choold enforce a peace with England, as was the case with Prance, no one would believe this would be the und of the war. It's formal peace should be declared and their should be a hult, during which there should be no way at would note be up up. We are modering one repersuited meeters are preparing on night and day to challenge Ritler for world sominion And Hither, Morrollal and the Japanese importalists are preporting to meet that challenge. The sections can only as a whole exact of uninterrupted estimation and was. The problems, which is the sole govern expelle of lifting huncardly not of this ideady number, must face this fact. It cannot include to any more department about 12.0 peaceful columns of the social problem. The workers' movement was dominated by this illusion for decades for generations it

shoulders. We must carry it. We must give the recommend mosmore than ever in energy. In discipling in faithfulness and in We must at a time of a great change in the world. Before our eyes, almost without our realizing it, there has been brought about a protoundly here would assuming A new period has approad up. The essence of the new situation in that expetalizes of its two precedented decay, in its death agency, has preced over completely from the relative stability and relative peace which characterized

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We have get to be good soldiers. Our people must take upon themselves the task of defending the laterests of the projetariet in the array on the same way as we try to protect their interests in the factory. As imig as we can't take the factories away front the bosses we fight to improve the conditions there. Similarly, in the army. Adapting ourselves to the fact that the projectation. of the country is going to be the problemial in arms we say, "Very well, Mr. Capitalist, you have decided it so and we were not strong council to prevent it. Your war is not our war but as long as the mass of the projectarial goes with it, we will go tee. We will raise our own independent proyrum in the army, in

the military focus, in the same way as we rake it in the fee-

We may it is a great thing for the morks a new to be trained in the tas of area. We are in fact, in favor of compalmey milktery training of the professions. We are in favor of every sector getter in second for this idea, We mant the 1- letternt to be well. trained and equipped to pky the nititiary game. The only thing we mijett to mithe leadership of a class that me Ara's trust. We don't ward transpigeous of the free as oblicate in our elected. Just he are during major there as officers of our introne or my during ment. them in the unlikary forces. We are willing to fight Holes. No. worker wants to see that away of faccol curberigus ever-run this country of any e-untry. But -a want to fight fasciam under a hundership that we can treat. We want our even officerson Shown who have chosen showed been come despect to those class, who have shown themselves to be the laurest and must loyed must the the picket him. thene who are intercepted in the welfage of their fellow workers. These are precisely the type of temple we want in afficient. In the parion when the whole marking class south is mobilised for war, those are the rows we saw, at the " hour our lattaliana.

Bo we comply make our endopendent demonstric upon the gosnemount. We will tolk the war as long as the workers do. We -; will any francisty to the warkers in the attleme and shops; "We would like to theme axes this whole business of capitalist exploitathon-and there as well as industrial wright poor. That he longas you are not ready for that logical uningling my will doin with you ball by your side, but to protect the men from accless waste. of flees. All that we will do, but we estall one privilege-the right to express our outsion during they out; that you must and front the leadership of your average class. Then't forget that the government in Weshington is a concentrated corresponditive. of the same hosses that you been to bold every day in order to live. It is outhing but the Papentive Committee of all bosses. who, logother and Individually, not as the exploiters and approxiare of the working stage. But no more trust in that heaves' yearestiment than you do in the Indicingal houses at home.

We will fight all the lines for the plea that the workers should have officers of their new choosing. That this great sum of mutacy that is bring improposited and of the public transcopy should be allocated in part to the today coigns for the beiling up of their even military training purply toules offices of their owe selection, that we go into buttle with the consciousness that the officer leading in it is rain of our sun first and blood who is not young to waste out fiver, who is going to be true and loyal. and who will represent our interests. And in that year, in the come of the development of the wor, we will build up in the army a great class conscious recovered of workers with arms in their bands who will be absolutely invincible. Neither the Conman Hiller and may other Hiller will be able to formula them.

We will never let anything happen as it did in France. These commending affects from top to bottom termed out to be nothing but tradiurs and connects transing on their knows before Hitler, leaving the workers absolutely helpices. They were far marg concerned to save a part of their property than to highs the family in eacher. The myth about the war of "democrary against finction" was exploded must charactelly and disgractedly. We must along at the top of our visces that this is precisely what that gang In Washington will do however they are made of the same staff as the French, Belgion and Norungian temperators. The French example is the great warning that officers from the class of becreeris despecteds that the workers only to uniform significaer, doing a mid betrayen.

## MILITARY MEANS ARE NOW DECISIVE

The workers can induled in no such daydratus any longer herpipe the world in on two with war and militarium. The one low conclusion the projects are vanguard must draw in Our. All great questions will be decided by military meson. This was the great conclusion instated upon by Commune Trotally in file last Ivmention of lefe. In his bettern in his activities and in conversations he reported this thesis, ever and ever again. These are new times. The characteristic feeture of our epoch is uncreasing was and universal militaries. That impleads in my salthy first task, the task which dismission and shapes all others, the adoption of a military policy an altitude of the problemian party towards the milities of social problems during a time of universal militarism and war.

The prospects of the United States remaining at Peace at4 shedutely zero. You have before you the draft of our typolation on military policy. It has been printed in the internal bulletin and discussed in the branches for the pest two worths. We have elaborates to this resolution our conception of these new problems. and tanks. In the very beginning we take up the question of Amerina's marticipation in the war. It is completely abound to imagine that there is some special pulsey-some layerdeness-that can make it possible for the strongest imperialist power in the world to assays participation in the struggle for the imperialist dominaturn of the world. Neisody believes in this possibility except a few module-headed parificts. And when I say multile-headed parificate I do not mean the hourgeots isolation at I mean the fools, the people who being completely to yesterday, like the Thomason scripture, the Equatomoites, the few religious isnatics.

That wing of the American hourgeoisie going by the name of inclationist are no less aggressive, no less military intoded, than the wing which wants interwetten right now in the great wer.

The Chicago Tribane atrangity exitirizes the Roosevelt policy only breatme they have a different approach to the wat. They think we should begin the struggle the struggle of American impertulant for world descinion, by conquering first the Western Numinphers and orsecreting next to the East by way of a waragainst Japan, postgroning the clash with Bitler till a later time. The more farsighted, the more consumus and. I um sure, the atrangant section of the American beaugeoiste, who are collect is: speventioniate, believe that we must begin the struggle for world dominion by intervention in the European war. What divides the two camps at this line is only a matter of sirategy. New that they are confronted by an egen notitary affiance of Germany and dupum shelv differences can easily be reconciled.

The only appealing will be how soon and at what point to begin open intervention. As a matter of fact, in all except the form-

bildes of the efficiency we are intercening in the European war rule as much as we can. We are sending patential supplies of military materials to Europe. In my opinion the maly reason we are not produce tracks in that there built any place to bind them. The Wall Street become and their guilding lackage excepted the Environment extension. They underestimated the outletimes and wankings of the conferme development of Europe on the conkard and the military strength of Hitler on the other. They wanted too long trets the party were normally by the facility. Nothing females how but England England has no room for troops, and there is a growing species among American capitalists and military expects that Sheland itself is a feet oxues.

When American participation in the war finally begins is only a arrendary question. The very fore that we have appropriatnd approximately fifteen billion dillars in one year for military experiditures before any war was formally started, that we have festillated pencertime concernation for the first time in history-shese facts the only individe that the matters of this country are properties for all explication of intitiary aggregations and a scale never seen in history before. Importablet America is out to dominute the world In its path assure Hiller Germany in the Work, In its path stands importallat Japan to the East. The conflict between these imperculat powers can so no ease he conduct by diplemacy or good washes or half measures, his only as all other things are decided in this speak... by military force.

New confronted with them facts of universal militarism and permanent war, that the higgest industry of all now is going to he wire, the army and preparation of things for the army organfronted with these facts, what shall the revolutionary party do? Shall we stand aside and simply say we don't agree with the way, it is not one affair? No, we eas's do that. We do not approve of capitalist explantation in the factories. We do not approve of this whole system of exploitation whereby arivate individuals cap take. prisoners of the means of production and antinge the meanes. We are example that, but no long up we are not atrong enough to put an end to capitalist exploitation in the factories, we subsplained. solves to twality. We don't mistain and go on individual strikes and separate correlves from the working class. We got into the factories and try by working with the three to influence as development. We go with the workers and offere oil their experirrows and try to influence them to a revolutionary direction.

The same logic applies to war. The great majority of the young generated, will be droughed into the war. The great matter, ity of these young workers will think at first that they are doing a good thing. For a revolutionary party to stand by and say, "We

## THE ONLY ROAD TO THE WORKERS

The workers themselves must take charge of this fight against Hules and anythings else who tries to invade their rights. That is the whole principle of the new policy that has been easietrained for series Comrade Proteky. The great difference between this and the economic military policy in the post is that it is an extension of the old policy, and adoptation of old principles to here conditions. In our convertations with Contrade Trickly he said he sunsidered the great danger to put mevespent is pacifism. The telest of pacifical in one monument is in part due to the left. socialist tradition of anti-militarism. In part it is also a hangover from the sent of age own movement. We said and those befare us raid that rapitalism had actived its unclatems. World economy is ready for exceptions. But when the world war started in 1914 nome of the pattier had the idea that on the agesta stoot the struggle for power. The stand of the best of them was excettially a propert against the war.

It did not serus even to the best Marxists that the time had come when the power must be wised by the workers in order to vave elvibration from degeneration. Even Louis did not rispalize the victory of the projetarian revolution as the immediate outtome of the war, Just a short time before the outbreak of the Volumery revolution in Russia Lepin wrote in Switzerland that his generation would most probably not see the socialist revolation Even Louis had postpaned the revolution to the future, to a later decade. And a few months later it exploded in all its power in Rossia. Acute revolutionary situations developed in one

European country after another. Trotaky printed but to us that even such valuent and homest anti-war fighters as Daha and others like him conducted a fight against the was as a printed, but seven upon did it occur to them that the war was directly moving the agestion of the scrongly for power. This protect against the war had a semi-partiet character. Our powerment was affected by this, especially when it was at-Spired with the mitty bourgeois element in the party. You can speak that when we were discussing and arguing with them, the pervising tradeing among time was expressed atom as follows: "We want to know, how one we kind out of the war, if the war starts how can we keep not of military service." They were primartly concerned whout the various ways of eviding the drait. More than the expressed the Mexico,

A group of herole informity it sludents in Chicago bought a small limit and eniled for Tehits or some such place to hide out there dotal the war would by over. While resilions of young probetween youth are on the battle fields gotting all kinds of onperiences, facing all kinds of dangers, becaming hardened and ready for anything, these betwee will be backing in tropical gunables and waiting for their day of dessing, I suppose when the Linux comes to make the revolution there people will probably said back from Tabeti and say: "Here we are boys, ready to lead you." It is not difficult to imagine the assurer they will get from the buys who have showedy believed their leaders in the test of blood

(thisy there who go through help with the coldiers will eyes gat signs to their hongts and he able to influence them. All those with experience in the labor movement know it takes more than fancy aproches to guide inflacture with the workers. You must be with the workers And cine times out of ten I think every trade uniformly will testify. The Sout Asset you just have it to be a good warter in the shop. If the workers only, "He is the best mechanic among us; he done but full there of the work, 501 horause he locas his bean hit brance he doesn't want to lead the teach on his follow workers, the "wolf the winkers say that about a manhis influence to transferred over late the amon, and when he gets up to say a word on the union floor he is listened to.

Mercursely the same psychology will execute in the army, A man soured, ready to run-to not wever in able to lead the worker similars by making a few speeches from the retroit. It is moremany to go with the workers through all their reperisons, through all the deserre, through the war Out of the war will time the resolution, not enhancing. The Wise Manifesto of the Functs International Sociates. We didn't want the was-we are not in favor of the war-but we are not afrain of the war. In this transisting grants believed to see from the symmetric flow or provided and the provided the provided to the pr who will lead the struggle.

We must remember all the time that the workers of this epoch are that maly workers, they are unidores. These arentes are no lunter selected individuals, they are whole cravers of the young profession youth who have been shifted from exploitation in the factories to exploitation in the military marking. They will he imband by the paychology of the protective from which they came. But they will have guns in their hand and they will learn how to shoot them. They will guin confidence in themselves, They will be fixed with the conviction that the only man who counts in this time of history is the man who has a you in his hand and knows how to me it.

The great advantage of the workers in their mass strongth. "Ye are mivey, they are few" and the poor Shelley. All the appresent smanes need to the will to mover. All that in necessary to transform this misthesian of capitalism into a world of sociclians is for the mass of the workers and the poor farmers to get the one simple general idea in their heads that they have the power and it is time now to use at The empotalist class puts using in the bands of the working class, That will, in the cost, proven their undaing.

Now war, as 2 remarked many appears that might, declaring a lot of things that are useful and exhantly it is a terrible overbead cost humanity has to pay for the delay in instituting socials iam after capitalism has outlived the usefulness. This delay of the revolution has visited a terrible plague upon macking that is going to destroy not thousands but millions of human lives. It will destroy great accumulations of material culture that took decides of human labor to revote. As one small illustration take the city of London today. Here is a group city with centuries of accumulaaded achievements of anenking being pounded to dust. Ninete-qconsecutive days of combine, and it stands to reason that the city is givendy partially in suans.

The war destroys a great more things of the will take much labor to replace. But war destroys some bad things also, War poss an end to all ambiguity and posiss every question points blank. There might have been most in the past for should as 49 how the workers can best solve the actial pumbers. There were whole generations of workers deladed with the idea that the least way was the gradual praceful, tuck by both borde entire and page. hamentary struggle. By that certical they hade up great trade unions and politics) parties with millions of members and tena of millions of votes. These organizations looked very imposing ig times of piece. They were very important that what happened to them, to these organizations, must hadn't premed how to do anything but pay dues sine say and vot, the most day? The recoment they got one violent entities; blue they were simply Shakhed. They were designed for peace, not for way, How can anyone respect reformed perfectorious and out-

car trade priorities after what tempered in Belgium, Norway and Proper? Millions of people organized, the whole proletocoat viztently organized, paying their flux; corrects warned with the beauer, all equipped with full states of well-paid officials and impirest agents in the unions; nextly of the officert of long stand-

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# Negro Struggle

By ALBERT PARKER

Jim Crow in the Golley

In this work's took of the Pittsburgh Courier third as a letter from its colored men now serving us the C. S. B. Philadelphia; stationed at Pract Harling in which they Milesty rend-ms the live Crass applied to the Navy and sound a warming to all Negre youth tousderns vitering this

Consider here they went have been driven and promot before this would write and size a lettre of this kind when they are still in the Navy. and said under control of the enothers officer casis who sum the ship!

They wale:

"Do salisting, as my given for money member and physical vanagember on the white conterand given to believe that we been the printings of viscount one branch of the mexico the Novy office. That is not time

"With there months at busing in making Seeks sharing shares and secretar officers com-· plebyd, we are spot to various ships and stations

"The white soiler, often completing his trainthe period, is not only stigible for the lizarch of provide he has elimen, but he is automatically advanced to the ball and his pay is increased to \$26. a mentile without even having to lake an exam-

"In our rane, we have to be in the service. a full your or pit a month before we are eligible for advancement rating it is also personary for se to take a nonspetitive examination. Even if we pure. It doesn't mean between it that we will be rated and have not pay arresmed to \$35 a mouth

tion this whip out of a river of 75%. Over ore \$8 colored mys. Lamping on ages from 58 to 85. They are from sex of high artest and some have A greet oil two of extinge inducations.

Their work is lauried to writing in table and making look for the officers.

'In the last aims mouths there have been hims ment attendants gives solitary confirment on bread and water.

"Five of the nine were given being time hecause of finiting and arguments with other enlitted open Fours that you will probably think we

are a postty had largely. We are not, "With the trading on and hoking around we receive here (without hence able to de anything about it, every heat one of up becomes better escoch to best a monther of our own family.

"We, she mean asternants of the Shiladelphia are not merely stating these facts because of our own plight. In donce so, we sincerely hope to discourage any other colored boys from joining the Navy and hable the same miniate we did

"All they would impressed and gather bell hope, chumbermade and dishwashen

"We take it again surprises to exite this lecter, regardless of any action the Neval authorition that take of whitever the consequences

"We arely know that it could not possibly ourpans the mental prosity inflated upon as you that eng," And the letter said with their agreem to

The semi better story in table in an armymostic perfects on the July lepse of The Crisis, suppositly long cases of the N.A.A.C.P., weither by a contract man on a warrang whose home stanks is Long-Sumble California.

#### U. S. Government's Color Line

it pends out that contrary to popular below, "Negroes carnot become petty officers in chief party officers. The highest wants that can be obinjured in although coch or atsward and even though a steward, my is still beken open as a mess attradant."

"After all he is a moss niteridant. Just a meaattendant. Or shall we say offices's lang', slav duties consist of serving offigure' picule, cleurthe officers' record, shiring their shows, rhecking their Largelley, remarker accurate for them, caring for their uniforms, ou "

The whole offices it usually the type to porsecure. He can won't draw make your exercit difficult for you, become he known that you cannot defend increelf.

"One Newto endors should be warred rever to show a spark of intelligence if they want to spend four years so the next Excipate due life best to keep a smart Megre on his piner. If one doesn't mind toing minited by his supersorn if he is the kend that mante to be the rug under the white much feet, if he is willing to stand he while others make extingn, than he in the type the may wants. Be to the type that will make a ope-Year or a messman.

"Most Negrous first that foot years in the nase in much too much for them. Perof of this fact to avident in the fact that only I'll re-collect for another four sense. This shows conclusively the activity of the modern Negra toward white supremary and brentry,"

"I would like to offer one suggestion, as this situation deeply concerns every Negro in Americs. Let's rart all and laik, and walt for syntpathy. The Navy department, and the government, can and will give you just equal tights when, and only when, you have lought and seecessfully demanded them."

Fight agreement Alm Crem in the armed forces. by demanding workers' control of military training and -ervice!

#### ARCRECECTURAL NOTE:

Says a Minreapolis Star-Journal editorial; "L'Enfant, architect who laid out the city of Washington, platfed it with pireles and diagonal atreets not because he toreness that thus would be a convenience more than a century later, when the automobile had been invented, but because that design enabled a minimum of artillery to communical the city in case of popular up-

# S. W.P. Candidate For U.S. Senate, Grace Carlson, Goes On Minnesota Ballot

# MILITARY POLICY OF THE PROLETARIAT

(Contributed from page I)

ing administration people is the community both physically and we rully; everything going has until the attention charged from proce, which is cuttiend and surmoded, to man which is the logic of the present my. All toose organizations for peace were readed the age shelps. Nothing of manufaction remains but the mall bully of recommendate people who realised that was well on the agreeds and prepared the analysis to function award-may, There is nothing but on the Jondana scions in Prince. Of all his contends, he business agents, his transary and his pseudo-importsacy mairing to left the derive of a developt Constal Pelain. We don't must them whom any from " and the game was up

And that great moralist party of Leon Blues, the party that makeheed millions of autor and looked so hig in times of pouce. The war struck one previous thew, and the French Socialist Party went down and sat him a slodged or in a also there house. Leon Blum winds up under arrest at Vichy practically like a vagcopt parked up on the atcest and thrown into hill. They are finished people these exteriorals, men of the past. New times call

sent the facts much said a time type of pasts, a party bank for war. They used to make fun of the Fourth International this little group talking about wer and revolution, which looked so instructions break their numerically imposing organizations. They beauted of their two importance when their answersenty. were already marked for ignomining death. The Fourth Internationalists, on the other hand had an elec which contemplated the coming exects and they prepared to survive them. I have the great pleasure to report to you that we have received were from our compider or Prance- we were all greatly disturbed about the late of our contrader we received word that they unword As war up to new, that pur senerades had alsowed through the nets and were aim only mile but were functioning in little groups. and in contact with each other. Even Users to just charing the war. made their way out at the time when everymen was reaning including the judger. They took advantage of the general exoclusand maked themselves, with it and are still there I am emic the same thing is true in other countries. These who propers is their men minds for the war are level qualified to survive and grove stronger. The Philatines used to oneer The Trendystes there are only a few handeed of them " True but they still exist, more confident than ever been Blum could get today tally together a salvey William Herena tales salved string. "their appeal averages can See hundred social derectiate to the whole of the occupied and ancompled territories of France. They were not argunized for war. That is why they succumbed to the first blow. Only those parties adapted for war, ready to carry things through to the very end, to a military solution of the problem .- early they will be able to survive and conquer.

#### THE FUTURE OF THE TRADE UNIONS

Now I come to another please of this problem -the transformation of this samely from a game to a permanent war basis as it affects the trade asson movement. One thing is absolutely closer: The days of the old coupling palarment trade unions are parabered 3745 will not be able to eccrim the war to independeal organizations. The tends union invenment will be able to mirvive only mentar as it takes the read of simulate atrogets against the respitables system. The traditional non-fighting trade purse in the I noted States will coffer the same fate as those in France. Relgions and Narraby unless the revolutionary elements are able to singling these from within and inspire than with a spirit of equilationary struggle.

And somewife the work of our own communes is three options. has no undergo a charge. We considers have been affected by the whole general parapective of bong years of slow progress Minety my cost of our trails union activity in the bast had in do with little agreement and openingtoom with progressore and non-progressive elements in order to get a few strices in the recommon straggle. We have to continue the straggle for imme-Mate Semands in the trade unions. It is necessary to continue all the parpent day to day work, to guard every gain, watch every contact. In this work we collaborate with everybody-whether progressive or reactionary-lin the daily interests of the workers

But at the manes time we have to realler, and make the workers realise increasingly, that there is not going to be the massibile ity in America for a bong period of growth and simbility of conservative trade unions, Such visions of the trade online hureaucents represent a minege. They are thinking in turns of the world of yesterday. America is going toto the nar with unpress train speed. The unions will be confronted with this alternative—they will either turn sharply, develop a resubitionary policy, begin a struggle for power hand in hand with the comfothmers wing of the army, or they well rense to exist. At heat they will be rolegoted to mere appendages of the government, having no independonic power, it is in this took that we send apout bouder in the unions and in the lactories.

#### WE MUST THEHTEN OUR OWN RANKS

We have to look over our own party. All shote commutes of the party who was in the conservative trade mirror, who have in inc way or another layers to morusal to that stiffing almosphete. who have began in develop bushoules, to avoid strengle and let wall spough alone all them party computes who are sinking mto that quageries most be pulled up about. They must be reminded that the one ment reported three in this speck is to build a revolutionery party. Only a pevelulionary party was imagine the unions to meet the test of the new times. We have to legist more than ever upon the posty corporability of every comrade.

Your attempth in the unions is the strength of your party. Don't forgot it. All these rollaborators of the day; all these trade union militarts who had no good in mernal, penestul times, who are good enough for a local strike but have on general concepts. -how quickly these people can be transferred under the pressum of the social crists. Only these will be able to stand up in the coming persod who are fortified by great general ideas; ast otherwise. You will have some had disappointments if you tellevel for one permanni that a man who has not got looking his allowinger to capitalism in general will be able to should up under the pressore (d way, Not at all Sense of one compades have already had some very partial experiences using this line. Those promis can stand up under pressure who have artigipated pressure and two

you beyond it to the goal of the now markety Above all, we have to develop our party as a party of a new type. All the old party organizations were book for paser. They can't survive in this own speck of universal militarium. The only party that can survive in the one that edepts steed to universal militariote and also or the struggle for power. It can't be a open-ling, show-maning, under-upland organization. It must be highly rentralized with icce durinked in my runks. It must be able to function if arcenary under all kinds of persecution, B needs a strong leadership. We have to select not of the ranks tensed and trusted people for binding positions and give them full netheraty. (raly so will be be able to move fast and strike hard as a united, destiplied organization.

During the past year we made gains of blatteric significance.

MINNEAPOLIS, Oct. 6-Peththing bearing over 2,606 signatures-600 more than legally for quired-were instelled to the Secriretars of State of Minutests Sex. terday by the campaign repeated. tee for Crace Carlson, ennoug for United States Senator on les-Training int Automas Pasty Grant Election re-trictions tuled am Unmrade Carlone's not at the party's official name. the Socialist Workers Party

The program of trade untencomind of a conversed soliting desire fritten exercise parameter on the Trotakatel marchine, bee. exhaust the increase and average by of the seasons of Myntagenta works to en good farmers. Recess of more neve and nympositions of the tip ciable Buckers Parky partitioning on the absolutors draw and reservaed a professory to endly component Signed petitions spore to test note rang the workers' neucliber smooth; In the Tern Cistes, Sat also from octstate famou communities

#### Speaks to Negroes

Dr. Carlege delivered but firet Afternated someth after fitting on Saturday afternoon at a Lorente speciment by the Military attaches Me ees Youth Pound in which ten and Certabled Ha to weetlaldeens See were instead Representatives of the Republicum Lemmanntin. Carmer Labor Secretary and comcountries parties ashe participated Streening that the emancipation

of the Newrood was great of the divingle of his booker's to feet damaging from regregated a cylind atton. Compade Cartain larged the Negry moriers to the authors to prepare to participate in the revolution which will do away ball to regeal the maran was at the free and separ." sworth Bills. Dr. Christin gard a and on his parioust defense work supporting of Respected and of the attent.



Grace Carlson, S.W.P. Candidate In Minnesota Senatorial Race.

"his I world to humans, with ear they need herst importated nearly Printeness, no beneat rights, The graphica language appropriates he who give hard a parties are ear as also prophetics à new turn with the system that apprehens some as a solution to the grade in the Continuous Party line School of the Continuous Party line School them in contrast to the percels from of the and Territor ER and if Staffe made draws them parefiet program of the represent. THAYS THE WINKSHIP," and to the Drived States and Printeds.

#### Will Speak Sanday

Sanday, October 1385, 24 Cart The second heavile with the attrion will speed at the Societar By military working class preserves district when continuing them that role at ally Margarette another. for trace enter control of multiply buts then two years ago the Core-125harcapeha. The former starts at training, and for union wages and founded Party and the Mizmonetz 3:36 p. m., The addition to the conditions in the aging and many spokesimen were the sould anders and all workers are welcome to

While Consults Tayloks was still alles to help us we had the possibility of figlings out in our canks a fundamental structile which prepared up to build the party of a new type. We had wanted a party whose one could do as he pleased have the honor and badge of the Francis Interpolating without airy personnel reapeacehillity. And if the party at any time demanded anything of taves they raised a time and see almos the legislatives they were millioning. White Done Soldange count educat "Attragraphical" they readly moved to protest applicat concruitem and disciplinet chought date times, and I said many times to variendes, rest the principles the end provided in recommission in the party wild against us was that the evenuation of the perty-beautifule BROWNER WAYN BOT AVER THAT THE

The serious in the parts soul discipline. They want contraditation. They want a party that describ result anybody to make a feel of it. They want a party that desiduals so every leader that he pid his whole the his whole time, he helding tole personal life, at the diagonal of the curt. Our movement is not playing for the . It along his taken hower in this country. For that we send a hard party, a firm party. It is a arest adopt take for us that we got the of this postromargania apposition. We improved the composition of our party, we get rid of a lot of windbarion. We get aid of a los of deadwood and are new ina resilion to take some real steps forward.

It is there now to bring the struggle with the perturbanguous faction to a definitive conduction. You know the migneity extend to account the decrajons of the consention. In order to be particuly fair and give them time to china it may we ask and them a period of bearly at a topathe, of suspension, may estudated, in account the decisions of the convention uniquely and monors their party standing. They never the middle the insertion of this threephonal. commence. In the meantime thus have standard not light's for sway from us as a typical left-for all it, qualitat glique. Their (desploying) loader. Bitchings, has yourselved surveited. We become anything in votumes with them sellingly. They have more than used up the repets futures in proposing we allowed them. We fon't want any ambiguity and confusion in the public wind to guedhas their and maint few along of the about more ment. If he the unanymous communication of the National Committee that the suspension of the controlling memorify he havinged to correctitional Augulating at their conference.

### A WARNING AGAINST SUPER-CAUTION

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## It's Up to the CIO

A week's intensive activity in Washington has resulted in complete clarification of the government's policy toward corporations which violate the Wagner Act and decisions under that act by the National Labor Relations Board. A series of statements by Secretary Knox of the Navy Department, Assistant Secretary Patterson of the War Department, the Controller General (who O.K.'s all payments by government agencies), Attorney General Jackson, and a spokesman for the National Defense Advisory Commission, have all taken the identical position. That position is that the government will continue to give contracts to corporations found guilty of violating the labor laws!

Not even Sidney Hillman can now pretend, even for a moment, that the governmental policy is not crystal-clear. As a matter of fact, when the government spokesmen whom we have listed had all put in their unambiguous statements, Hillman added one of his own. He was asked, at a hearing Tuesday of the Smith committee investigating the N.L.R.B., whether he agreed with the statements made by the War and Navy Departments. And he

"I've got to agree. The army and navy have the power. Questions of all kinds come up every day, requiring sensible and constructive solutions. In every case the first consideration is whether it will help or harm national defense."

.Less than a week previously, Hillman had sent a telegram to the Pittsburgh meeting of 125 steel workers' representatives who were considering the problem of Bethlehem Steel, which has been convicted of violating the labor laws but which has, nevertheless, received well over a billion dollars' war orders. Hillman had transmitted an "informal" opinion from Attorney General Jackson which Hillman interpreted to mean that all government agencies must refuse war orders to corporations violating the labor laws.

Yet five days later Hillman was telling the Smith committee that the army and navy could do as they pleased. "Of all the backtracking Hillman's was the most startling, causing gasps among committee members and spectators," the New York Post reported.

Hillman is a vice-president of the ClO. But he doesn't take orders from the CIO. He takes his orders from the army and navy: "I've got to agree," he whined. It was a very clever, foxy maneuver that he had cooked up-sending that message to the Pittsburgh conference of the SWOC to stymie any move toward a strike. But the men who wield the power in the government and the big corporations for whom they wield it, could not let Hillman's move leave behind any ambiguity about the government's position.

It's up to the CIO now—squarely up to the CIO leadership. The government isn't going to push the law-breakers into line. On the contrary, the government is going to join hands with those law-breakers in pushing the unions out of the way.

Three years and more of lobbying in Washington have proved utterly fruitless. It is time now for the ClO leadership to do the job where it has to be done-in the plants, organizing and preparing the workers for struggle. The fight henceforth must be a direct collision between the unions and the law-breaking corporations. Direct action of the unions to push the corporations into line—that is the only possible road for the trade union move-

## Congratulations to 544

The Minneapolis General Drivers Union merits the warmest congratulations for the unyielding 32months' battle it has waged against a frame-up. The detailed story appears on page 1 of this issue.) During the past six years of epic labor struggles, Local 544 has been unsurpassed in the field of direct action. In this latest battle, fought in the treacherous quagmires of boss courts and laws, Local 544 acquitted itself with admirable courage, devotion to union principles, and class-conscious intelligence. The begrudging acquittal wrung from a hostile judge is but an added measure of the splendid achievements of Local 544, a hard-won testimonial to its unsullied record.

For the labor movement to view the outcome of this case as an unqualified victory, however, is to invite disaster. The one real victory would be the complete rejection by the boss courts of any jurisdiction in this case. This alone might have guaranteed the elementary right of the labor movement to conduct its own affairs free from the threat of legal intervention by employer-dominated courts.

The fact of the suit constitutes in itself a sinister precedent. Through this precedent, we may be sure the bosses will soon again stretch their slimy fingers toward militant labor in Minnesota and elsewhere. Now any fink or stool-pigeon who succeeds in weaseling his way into a local union may concoct a "case" against its members and officers and drag them before an enemy court.

The removal by court order of Carl Skoglund, Local 544 president, is sheer judicial malevolence, a token of Judge Carroll's eagerness to salvage in retreat any brick from the wrecked edifice of the finks' case to hurl at organized labor.

The anti-alien clause in the International Teamsters constitution, which Judge Carroll used to oust Skoglund, is an archaic remnant of the early beginnings of the International. It is as much a living law as the Minneapolis ordinance, still on the statute books, forbidding the driving of an auto faster than 15 miles per hour on Minneapolis streets unless preceded by a runner waving a red flag. We might regard in better light the Judge's concern for upholding the strict letter of union law, had he instructed the fink plaintiffs to first seek redress for their alleged grievances through the channels of the International, as laid down in the International Constitution. While resurrecting a single discarded clause, the judge summarily tosssed into the waste basket the entire constitution of the Teamsters International. That fact alone should put the workers on guard against the precedents established by this decision.

## The Sky's the Limit

Congress has approved an "Excess Profits" Law which gives Wall Street iron-clad guarantees that many millionaires will become billionaires and the billionaries will just stop counting. The sky's the limit. The scoundrelly business is wrapped around by 350 or more pages of technical monkeyshines, but the raw meat of it drips right through. This law makes all previous blood-profits seem like mere marble-snatching.

The law accomodatingly provides two alternative methods of freeing profits from government taxation. Corporations with high profit levels between 1936-1939 can take those profit levels as their "normal" income. Industries like steel, with low rates of profit on huge capital "investment", are provided with a minimum percentage of profit so high that they will never have to disgorge more than a meager fraction of their billions of profit.

General Motors, for example, which has averaged hundreds of millions yearly in profits during the last three years, will not have to pay the excess profit tax on 95 per cent of this amount. For the rest, it will only pay a maximum of 25 to 50 per cent tax on profits ABOVE this already tremendous figure of "average" profits. U. S. Steel will not pay the tax except on profits exceeding 8 per cent of its total capital "investment", which means a guarantee of tax-free profits running into a half billion dollars yearly. Older workers, who recall how U. S. Steel and similar monopolies were put together, need not be reminded that the capital "investment" of such combines is largely a matter of slick accounting.

And in return for submitting to these "excess profits" Wall Street is rewarded with two pieces of candy: (1) an "amortization" clause which permits profiteers to divert all taxable profits within a five year period to pay for the entire cost of new plants and equipment and (2) there is no longer any limit to the amount of profit which the fat boys can make on war orders.

As Barron's, the Wall Street weekly, so aptly put it, "Probably the worst business can be justly accused of is the normal practice of trying to drive the best bargain possible."

Well, they drove it.

## **Butler's Edict**

The president of Columbia University, Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, has told the students and faculty of the largest educational institution in America what is expected of them in the coming war period. Academic freedom, he declared, is not for students, and extends, so far as the faculty is concerned, only to

the limits defined by millionaire university trustees. According to the Butler definition, the ideal student is one who uses his head for the sole purpose of supporting a steel helmet. The job of the ideal teacher is to convince the student that no sbetter use has yet been devised for the abode of the brain.

Butler's pronouncement was greeted with wellnigh universal approval by the capitalist press. It is this eager approval, rather than the words of the individual Dr. Butler, which reveals how far along the road to the complete suppression of democratic rights the ruling class is prepared to travel.

The political and technical requirements for imperialist war wipes out all distinctions of front or rear. Totalitarianism seeks to rule equally the battle-field, production line, or college campus.

## **WEST COAST** FIREMEN GO OUT ON STRIKE

#### Steam Schooners Tied Up By Walkout

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 7schooners walked off the ships this week as members of the Marine Firemen, Oilers, Wipers following refusal of the employers to consider any of the union's demands in negotiating a new

Effective at 5 p. m. Friday, the strike took men off 12 steam shooners, and crews of 20 more were to hit the bricks as rapidly as the ships reached port.

Secretary V. J. Malone of the union on steam scooners controlled by the Shipowners Association of the Pacific Coast would be affected.

With members of other unions, total of about 2,000 men are affected.

The bosses' last offer was renewal of the present agreement or, as an alternative, submission of the "entire matter" to arbitration. This would involve arbitration of gains already made by the union and was refused

The Union's Demands Basic demands of the MFOW

1. Adjustment of wage scales to restore the differential that has existed for five years between steam schooners and offshore vesrels. (Work on steam schooners has always been better paid.)

2. Saturday afternoon off. This is enjoyed by the firemen under all other agreements.

3. Handling of working rules and penalties while vessels are in port (this matter was raised by the shipowners) under the same regulations prevailing on the offshore vessels.

"During the last four years," Secretary Malone wrote in a letter to R. W. Myers, president of the Shipowners Association, "there has been a differential in the wages between offshore and steam schooner firemen amounting to \$7.50 per month.

"In the last year, however, with the raise of \$5.00 granted by the steam schooner operators, when the offshore people granted a raise of \$10.00, this not only reduced the differentlal of the firemen to \$2.50 per month but widens the gap of the oilers on offshore vessels and steam schooners to \$7.50 per month in favor of the offshore oilers."

#### "National Defense" Bunk

That the employers are going to a phoney "national de fense' issue became apparent when San Francisco newspapers reported some of the lumber on the steam schooners had been headed for "vital defense industries." Under this pressure, Malone, in an interview, offered to operate those steam schooners carrying lumber to "national defense" projects.

Meanwhile the Sallors' Union of the Pacific has voted to open the steam schooner agreement for amendment, and with the SUP the employers also have refused any concessions.

Principal demands of the sailors are for Saturday afternoon off, hourly rate on working cargo, eight men in the hold while work ing cargo, raise in wages, and clarification of various clauses in the agreement which have been the source of confusion and individual beefs.

#### Arbitration Danger

Malone declared to the press hat the MFOW was not in favor of arbitration because "It had not worked out in the past." What will happen when the steam is turned on from Sidney Hillman's office remains to be seen. The firemen, however, will soon have an opportunity to clarify their position on this question. What they do will not only affect conditions on steam schooners, but will have serious consequences for the future of all seamen.

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# Local 544 Defeats Anti-Union Suit

(Continued from Page 1) lishing Minneapolis as the best organized town in the country. began on February 16, 1938. It was dent Union, Local No. 1", financed a fascist organization.

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The first move of the plaintiffs was to secure the union records. Their attorney, Arthur Anderson. MFOW said 246 members of the are our case without examining to build a case. For months in

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the spearhead since 1934 in estab only the "most pertinent" records, and under certain limitations.

After a long fishing expedition by the finks into the union re filed in the name of five indepen | cords, the suit came to trial on dent truck owners, who at one January 2, 1940, before Judge Car time held membership in Local roll of the district court. From 544's Independent Truck Owners the start it was clear from the Section. These finks, for a con- testimony of the complainants that Crews of Pacific Coast steam siderable period prior to filing they came into court with dirty the suit, had been associated with hands. All admitted their hostin an employer-sponsored "Independity to the union and confessed to organizing an "independent" outand Watertenders, went on strike by the Associated Industries and fit with the express purpose or closely tied to the Silver Shirts, fighting Local 544 and chiseling down the wage scales. In addi-The funds poured into the case tion, it was revealed that the finover a two-year period by the ancing of the fink "union" came plaintiffs revealed they had pow- from the open-shop Associated industries.

The fink attorney had pored ovér the mountain of union recepts and records for weeks seek complained that, "We cannot prepling any tiny foothold on which the union's record"—an admission the court he wrangled over and from the start that the suit was disputed every little item, while instituted without any real evi- the case dragged on interminably. dence and solely as a means of The Associated Industries had smearing the union and its mill- millions to smash Minneapolis latant officers and of exposing its bor; but the Local 544 treasury

Minneapolis labor, which has This move was blocked by the given its unqualified support from union for over a year with the the start of the suit to Local 544 challenge, "We do not propose to and its officers is jubilant over allow the filthy and bloody thumb- the outcome of the suit. It is prints of the Associated Indus- recognized that an adverse ruling ries to soll our clean records, nor | might have established legal prepermit their foul noses to pry cedents in every sphere of proginto the internal affairs of organ-ressive labor union policy nationally, which would have immedi The final result of this phase ately crippled the entire Minneof the fight was the Minnesota sota labor movement and State Supreme Court ruling, in wrecked all the magnificent gains October, 1938, against the union's of six years of bitter struggle. plea, but instructing the district gains which have won Minneapo court to modify considerably its lis the title from the U.S. Depart order to turn over the union re- ment of Labor of the "best organ-

# **MILITARY POLICY OF** THE PROLETARIAT

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the objective of persecutions and assassinations is to terrorize others. Nobody can terrorize us. We will try to be careful, but

I had an interesting talk with Comrade Dobbs about these two dangers of nervousness and carelessness. He agreed with me that litteriness is worse than carclessness. "A careless man." he said, "is good as long as he lasts, but a jittery man is no good at any time." That is profoundly true. We must use the necessary caution and save ourselves as much as possible. But if you create an impression in front of the workers that you fear the hazards of the struggle you can never lead them. You can do without a lot of things in a revolutionary party but you can't get along without courage.

Now then, on the other hand, we have to check up on carclessness. We want to know who is who in the party. We don't want to have any universal spy hunts because that is worse that the disease it tries to cure. Comrade Trotsky said many times that mutual suspicion among comrades can greatly demoralize a movement. On the other hand, there is a certain carelessness in the movement as a hangover from the past. We haven't probed deeply enough into the past of people even in leading positionswhere they came from, how they live, whom they are married to, etc. Whenever in the past such questions-elementary for a revolutionary organization-were raised, the petty bourgeois opposition would cry. "My God, you are invading the private lives of comrades!" Yes, that is precisely what we were doing, or, more correctly, threatening to do-nothing ever came of it in the past. If we had checked up on such matters little more carefully we might have prevented some bad things in the days sone by.

We are proposing that we set up a control commission in the party. We are fully ready for that now. This will be a body of responsible and authoritative comrades who will take things in hand and carry every investigation to a conclusion one way or the other. This will do away with indiscriminate suspicions on the one side and undue laxity on the other. The net result can only be to reassure the party and strengthen its vigilance. We think the whole party now, with the petty-bourgeois riff-raff out of our way, is ready for the appointment of such a body.

We have to strengthen our professional staff. We don't pretend to be a party of glorified rank and filers. The only reason we haven't got ten, twenty, thirty, or forty more people devoting their whole time, their whole energy, to the party is that we lack the resources for it. We need more money to engage more functionaries full time. This conference has to decide how big a forward step in this direction it feels able to take. We are not coming here with a proposal for specific quotas. We want each delegation to confer and decide what they can raise in, say, two months' time. Our general plan is that, as several branches have suggested, we raise a "Trotsky Memorial Fund" to build the party. We think it is a good plan. If it meets with the approval of the conference we can adopt a resolution to that

We want to build the party henceforth in a more balanced way than in the past. In the past we gave an inordinate amount of our resources to the press. We had to do that. Propaganda had to go ahead of organization and prepare the way for it. In the next period we want to bend the stick a little for organization on the general principle of dollar for dollar-one for press and one for organization.

Since the last convention we have taken certain steps in this direction. You compades in the auto field know we maintained qualified comrades in the field continuously. The same is true in other fields. The important step taken in St. Paul will have a national meaning for all of us. It shows the growing tendency of serious comrades to regard the party as the most important thing of all. I refer to the action of Comrade Carlson in resigning her civil service job and accepting a post as party organizer. This is a good example. We should raise as much money as possible to put to work for the party on a full-time basis a great number of qualified party workers. It is appalling how many capable people we have who devote only a small portion of their time to the party because the necessary job of making a living takes so much of their time and energy. That is all right for the old party, but not for us.

# Nazi Pressure Outlaws Our Swiss Comrades

We have just learned that many of our comrades in Switzerland have been arrested, and the Swiss section of the Fourth International outlawed, by the Swiss government. The Swiss Trotskyists were active predominantly in the Germanspeaking section of Switzerland, their publications were in German, etc., and they constituted a base from which our exiled German comrades were able to carry on revolutionary work reaching into Germany. Undoubtedly this led to heavy Nazi pressure on the Swiss government to persecute our comrades and outlaw their organization. The following account of the arrests appeared in the bourgeois daily, the NEUE ZUERISCHER ZEIT-UNG, of August 26, 1940;

Shortly before the news of Trotsky's death arrived from Mexico this well-known name appeared in a resolution of the Swiss Bundesrat. It enacted a 🛼 law on August 6, outlawing all Communist organizations, the Trotskyites, partisans of the Fourth International, are explicitly mentioned.

A group of 8 accused (Trotskyists) were, consequently, brought before a military tribunal for preliminary investigation concerning breaches of military and civil law. Moreover, punishment will possibly come to more people concerning the violation of military affairs in question. The facts about the intensive activities of the Trotskyites was the result of 15 house-raids conducted by the federal police in collaboration with the local police. On June 11 twenty people were arrested and the group most guilty is still in orison.

The beginnings of the foundation of the Swiss section of the Fourth International is traceable back to the year 1933, in which year the Left Opposition became independent of the Communist International and founded an international secretariat in Paris. The leading personality, (in Switzerland) was from its inception Walter Nelz, originally a German, who in 1916 became a citizen of Zuerich. In 1931 Nelz entered the Left Opposition with a few of his comrades. His organization was first called "Marxistische Aktion der Schweiz" and published a newspaper called "Marxistische Aktion", which appeared irregularly until 1939. The real meeting place of the M.A.S. in 1937 was at Pfingsten, near Aaran, Branches of the M.A.S. existed in various places: Zuerich, Genf. and Basel. They had sympathizers and literature was distributed at the following: Lurzen, Solothurn, Biel, and Engadin. Besides their newspaper, they had a weekly discusion magazine.

After the outbreak of this war, the (Trotskyite) propaganda began to express itself in sharper and more concrete terms.

#### REACTIONARY REGIME IN ARMY

An article entitled "Frontbericht" (News of the Front) characterizes the Swiss array as "a great national concentration camp." The soldier honored with a barrage of glowing phrases, is in reality among the most oppressed people of the country. "He is a slave". "The majority of the soldiers possess nothing and have nothing to defend. Our military command isn't much better than the Polish military command. The organization is bad. The equipment is bad. The orders thwart and contradict one another. The officers corps has become demoralized to a considerable ex-

Some remarks on discipline appear in the following sentences: "The most severe breach of discipline is mutiny. Therefore the main aim of keeping discipline is to hinder mutiny. The officers, corp is absolutely powerless against united troops held together by firm will. Troop solidarity has the power to strike the whole oppressive state apparatus to fragments." A further passage from the "Frontbericht": "Our position toward the bourgeois army is one of unconditional defeat. Our i.e. Swiss army is part of the imperialist war ...

"Our aim is to generate a feeling of troop solidarity on a proletarian class basis. Such troop solidarity reduces to ruins the whole bourgeois spectre. The aim is to tear the armed troops from the bourgeois state structure and to lead them over into the camp of revolution. This process, in general, will take place as a battle between the cadres of the soldiers and the officers corps, whereby we shall witness a few officers joining the ranks of the revolution and a few soldiers descriing to the ranks of the bourgeoisie".

Propaganda in the army, dangerous to the state, the formation of groups who seek to undermine military discipline and who insult military dignitaries should, after the result of the criminal proceedings be allowed to be punished under the military code.

The followers of the Trotskyite International come from a varied milieu. Workers, functionaries, emigrants, also a few women accused in the action and also young intellectuals. Trotsky has more attractive power on young people with higher education than the Stalinists, who have fared badly in their propaganda with the Swiss social democrats.

The criminal proceeding against the Trotskyites was ended the later part of July.

In San Francisco a woman got a divorce from her sausage manufacturer husband when he threatened to cut her up and make sausage of her. Ever since I read Sinclair's "Jungle", I'm ready to believe anything-when it comes to making sausage.

In Minneapolis over 75 percent of the volunteers for navy service have been rejected for "various reasons". The bosses are certainly in a predicament: if they feed the unemployed adequately this cuts into profits; if they don't the unemployed are too weak to hold a rifle.

> You cannot hope to bribe or twist-Thank God!—the British journalist. But seeing what the man will do Unbribed, there's no occasion to.