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By Carl Reeve
(Daily Worker Staff Correspondent)

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Oct. 17.—Characterizing Fascism and Nazism as "a system of glorified and gory gangsterism," the A. F. of L. convention today adopted a resolution sharply condemning German and Italian Fascism and calling for boycott of German goods, non-participation in the Olympic games and support to the labor chest for victims of Fascism.

Paying honor to the labor men murdered by German Nazism, the resolution says, "In Germany, the Nazi Government exceeded all crimes known to history in its attempt to establish itself and to insure for itself the spoils of victory. Under the pretext of leveling the German people down to one state of equality, the powerful German trade union movement was stamped out in blood and fire in order to clear the way for an attack upon the living standards of the German working class. We stand with bowed heads before the graves of the many true and tried leaders of labor who were killed in cold blood for their allegiance to labor by Nazi gangsters, and we extend a hand of friendship to those in exile or in prison and concentration camps, assuring them of our most sincere and brotherly assistance."

Condemns Nazi Crimes

The resolution condemns the horrible crimes of German Nazism in persecution of the Jews in particular and of other religions, and declares of Nazism and Fascism, "Born in bloodshed, it thrives on force and moves onward in hopes of war and conquest. For the sake of the human race and for its own sake, labor must combat it and must strengthen the hands of all its true opponents."

The resolution calls on "all American sport organizations not to participate in the 1936 Olympic games in Berlin. Such participation is a disgrace to the American people."

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60-Year Sentences In Gallup

5 To Be Deported—2 Are Held on Charge of Aiding "Escape"

By Sue Adams
(Daily Worker Rocky Mountain Bureau)

AZTEC, N. Mex., Oct. 17.—A savage sentence of forty-five to sixty years at hard labor—tantamount to a life sentence for men now in their 30's—was passed today against three of the leaders of the Gallup mine strike of 1933, in a frame-up engineered by the Gallup American Coal Company.

Juan Ochoa, Manuel Avitia and Leandro Velarde, convicted yesterday of murder in the second degree, showed splendid spirit, as Judge James D. McGhee gave them one of the severest sentences in American labor history.

Of the other seven miners, acquitted of the murder charge, two, Bartol and Gonzalez, are being held under charges of "aiding a prisoner to escape." The other five are being deported to Mexico so that they will not be able to give evidence in the event of a new trial. The State had attempted to send all ten to the electric chair.

"We will not rest until we have secured these workers their freedom. We call upon the unions of the American Federation of Labor to come to their rescue," Frank L. Palmer, secretary-treasurer of the National Gallup Defense Committee, declared today.

Palmer called for immediate protests, especially from the locals of the United Mine Workers, to Governor Clyde Tingley, Santa Fe, N. M., demanding the release of the three miners. Protests should also be made to the Department of Labor, he added, to halt the deportations. Funds for the appeal, for which thousands of dollars will be needed, are to be sent to Frank L. Palmer, secretary-treasurer, National Gallup Defense Committee.

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'Social Credit' Plan Fails to Assist Farmers in Canada

CALGARY, Alberta, Canada, Oct. 17.—Premier William Aberhart's "social credit" scheme with which he swept to victory in the last election has not started to pay any dividends to farmers of this province although Aberhart promised \$25 per month to each adult in the province. The Aberhart government has just announced that funds are not even available for long-term loans to farmers requiring assistance in municipalities suffering from a disastrous hailstorm.

Applicants have been refused by the government and told to "apply for relief." No mention is being made by "social credit" supporters of their \$25 per month campaign promise.

Browder Asks Aid To Save Herndon

By EARL BROWDER
General Secretary, Communist Party, U.S.A.

The United States Supreme Court has spoken a second time on the Herndon case. Its verdict is that Angelo Herndon, heroic young Negro leader of the white and black toilers, must go to his death on the chain-gang—under an old slave-law made in Georgia in 1861.

But the masses of America still have more than one word to say about whether Herndon shall die on the chain-gang!

Mighty united action can force Governor Talmadge of Georgia to free Herndon! Much has been done in the past few months in the development of such action. Much more must be done in the next few days!

I call on every friend of justice and freedom, and first of all on every member of the Communist Party, inheritor of the great fighting traditions of the struggle for freedom waged by our forefathers in the Revolutionary War and the Civil War, to carry on this task.

A million and a half more signatures to the Herndon petitions addressed to Governor Talmadge must be obtained within the next few days.

Thousands of letters from organizations and individuals must flood Governor Talmadge's office in Atlanta.

Thousands of dollars must be raised to carry on the fight in the next week. Rush all funds to the International Labor Defense, 80 East 11th Street, New York City.

These are our tasks. Through energetic united action we can accomplish them. No man ever lived 20 years on a Georgia chain-gang. Save Angelo Herndon from death.

Schuschnigg Cabinet Falls

VIENNA, Oct. 17.—An inner crisis swept the reactionary ruling circles in Austria today as Chancellor Kurt Schuschnigg and his cabinet were forced to resign and the lower Austrian Heimwehr, or armed fascist guard, was reported marching against Vienna.

President Miklas immediately commissioned Schuschnigg to form a new cabinet. Indication that the chief opposition centered around the figure of Major Emil Fey, commander of Vienna's Heimwehr, was given when Fey absented himself from the cabinet meeting earlier in the day which decided upon their collective resignation.

The government immediately took military measures to meet the bid for power by the dissident reactionary elements. Machine guns were set up in the radio station building. The Chancellor where the cabinet convened was heavily guarded by police.

Fritz Lahr, vice-Mayor of Vienna, told the United Press that Dr. Karl Buresch, Minister of Commerce, Minister of Agriculture Reither and Major Fey, Acting Minister of the Interior, were slated to be ousted when the cabinet reorganized.

Officials of the Vienna Heimwehr stated that they had not yet mobilized but that the entire lower Austrian Heimwehr was marching to wards Vienna. According to one report, the Heimwehr plot was manufactured by the government as an excuse for getting rid of Fey.

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Invasion Planned In North

Militarists Seize War Situation for Moment of Aggression

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

SHANGHAI, Oct. 17.—Japanese imperialism has just presented eight demands to the Chinese government virtually requiring their fulfillment the establishment of a complete Japanese protectorate over the whole of China. It has just been confirmed here.

The extremist wing of Japanese imperialism is rushing forward towards the complete subjection of China, utilizing the imperialist conflicts aroused as a result of Italy's invasion of Ethiopia for their own advantage. It is felt by the dominant military forces shaping Japan's policy in China that the opportunity now offered for independent Japanese action against China may be indefinitely delayed in the event that Great Britain and the other European powers again find them selves free to take a strong position in the Orient.

Big Puppet State Planned

It is now plainly revealed that the Japanese project for the establishment of a puppet state in North China similar to that organized in Manchuria and the drive planned in South China are but part of a larger scheme for control of the

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Peace March Appeal Issued

"Only the united will of all people opposed to war will stop Mussolini. Only unity of action by all friends of peace will prevent world war," declared a stirring call to the people of New York to support and participate in a people's march for Peace on Saturday, Oct. 26, issued yesterday by the initiating committee for the march, supporting organizations and prominent individuals.

Appealing to all organizations opposed to war to forget their differences in one huge action which will express the peoples' desire for the preservation of peace, the call was signed by: Waldo McNutt, national chairman of the American Youth Congress for the Peoples' March for Peace Committee; the Committee for Ethiopian Independence; Dorothy McConnell, daughter of Bishop Francis J. McConnell; Paul Reid, executive secretary of the American League Against War and Fascism; Dr. Harry P. Ward, professor of ethics at Union Theological Seminary; Rev. Herman Reissig, pastor of the Kings' Highway Congregational Church; Roger Baldwin, director of the American Civil Liberties Union; Winifred Chappell, secretary of the Methodist Federation for Social Service; and Allan Taub, administrative secretary of the New York City Committee of the American League Against War and Fascism.

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FRENCH AID DEMANDED AS BRITAIN PREPARES FOR LEAGUE SANCTIONS

Fleet and Air Forces Strengthened in Mediterranean

LONDON, Oct. 17.—British imperialism geared for action today on the diplomatic front by issuing a virtual ultimatum to France, demanding cooperation in the Mediterranean against Italy on penalty of losing any possible British support on the continent, informed quarters stated today.

Without themselves making definite commitments to France for cooperation against German fascism, the British are nevertheless driving hard and driving forward towards forcing Premier Pierre Laval of France to decide between Italy and Great Britain.

At Geneva, Britain also made an advance to put into effect her proposal for a complete boycott of Italian goods when an embargo on selected key products to Italy was agreed upon by a League sub-committee today.

France Orders Penalties

Indicative of the fact that France is still wavering between the choice of fulfilling Laval's alliance with Mussolini made last January in Rome giving Italian fascism a free hand in Ethiopia and throwing her support to the British lion, now thoroughly aroused in defense of his imperialist interests in the Mediterranean, Egypt and the Red Sea, was given today when France notified the League of Nations that she is raising the embargo on the shipment of arms to Ethiopia and applying it against Italy. France will thus be the fifth nation to apply the first sanctions voted by the League.

This notification by the French belies the widespread reports that Laval has definitely informed Great Britain that a break between them is inevitable.

Britain Masses Planes

Britain is, however, not taking such definite steps both in Geneva and Paris without at the same time preparing to back up her threats with actual warfare.

Reports from the Mediterranean disclose that 200 British planes loaded with munitions have delivered their cargoes at Malta, Gibraltar and Haifa. Egypt has been put on what amounts to military regimentation. It is estimated that more than 1,200 British planes are concentrated at the air base situated sixteen miles from Alexandria, near the mouth of the Suez Canal. In the last few weeks there has been a continuous arrival of squadrons of seaplanes flying directly from Great Britain.

Fleet Also Strengthened

The number of British warships in the vicinity of Aden, at the entrance of the Red Sea and strategically located directly across the waters from French Somaliland, and in the Persian Gulf has also increased.

Great Britain's present strategy

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E. R. B. Staffs Win Hearing On Layoffs

Moving full speed ahead towards the public hearing next Monday granted as a result of a threatened stoppage, the Association of Workers in Public Relief Agencies, the organization of Emergency Relief Bureau employees, yesterday laid plans to present a united front of relief staff and unemployed before the officials of the E. R. B. against a threatened reduction in the E. R. B. staff.

Support from the unemployed is already certain, as an aftermath of the joint appearance of a huge Association meeting at St. Nicholas Arena Wednesday night of David Lasser, head of the Workers Alliance of New York, and Sam Wiseman, organizer of the Unemployment Councils. Both spoke briefly, pledging the support of the organized unemployed to the E. R. B. workers in the fight of the latter for job security.

The stoppage had been called for yesterday and postponed by decision of a membership meeting Wednesday night after the E. R. B. conceded the demand of the employees for a public hearing. "Full discipline was maintained," Bernard Riback, president of the Association, said, commenting on the reaction of the staff to the temporary postponement of the stoppage. The staff stands behind the executive and the decision of the St. Nicholas Arena meeting to hold the stoppage in abeyance pending the outcome of

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W.P.A. Program Used to Cut Wages of Technicians in Park Department

By HARRY RAYMOND and S. W. GERSON

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ARTICLE V

Caesar built roads in Africa with slave legions; Moses landscapes parks in New York City with relief labor.

The difference is not as great as it may seem at first glance. Robert Moses, Commissioner of Parks by appointment of Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia, has pressed thousands of New York workers into forced service. Laborers, skilled craftsmen and engineers today toil at relief wages on work that should be done at union and civil service wages.

Zoo's swimming pools and museums are being built by under-the-scale labor. In a few years there will undoubtedly be something for the administration to point to with pride. But every brick being laid and every tree planted by men working under Moses is being done at the expense of the interests of the American working man and woman. Beauty is being fashioned out of the clay of human misery.

Moses has more than 70,000 W. P. A. workers in various projects in the Park Department. If it were not for W. P. A. the city administration would have to spend \$2,500,000 more in its 1936 budget for the work now being done in the parks—a saving effected through Federal wage-cutting by the W. P. A.

Wage Cutting Program

Laborers working in the Park Department under the W. P. A. receive \$60.50 a month. In addition they are called "bums" and various

other epithets by Moses. If they venture to protest, they are given the standard term "agitator" or "trouble-maker" for their pains.

Engineers and other technical workers in the Parks Department are the greatest contributors to whatever monuments to Moses that are shooting up around the city's park acres. They do the same work today, in many cases, that they did two years ago—but at half or less than half their former wages. The great wage-cutting trick was done in the following fashion:

In January, 1934, when Mayor LaGuardia took office, he got the Economy Act passed at Albany, virtually giving him the same authority in the city as possessed by President Roosevelt nationally.

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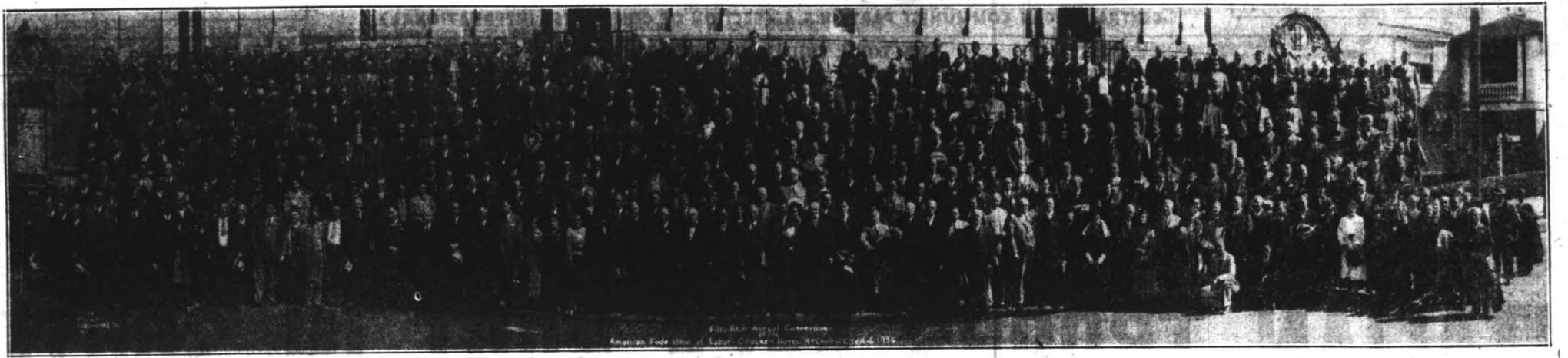
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At the Fifty-Fifth Annual Convention of the American Federation of Labor

THIS PHOTO SHOWING THE DELEGATES WAS TAKEN AT THE CHELSEA HOTEL IN ATLANTIC CITY WHERE SESSIONS ARE BEING HELD



Italian Local of Clothing Workers Backs Baltimore Anti-War Conference

Two Other Amalgamated Locals Also Back District Parley

DETROIT, Mich., Oct. 17.—The Socialist Party County Committee here informed the Communist Party in a letter today that an answer will be given to the appeal of the Communist Party for united action against war and fascism in a week.

BALTIMORE, Md., Oct. 17.—The District Conference Against War and Fascism to be held here on Nov. 2 and 3 at Levering Hall, Johns Hopkins University, is receiving wide support from prominent individuals and union and mass organizations.

Local 51, of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, the largest local, and the Italian Local of the Union, has endorsed the conference officially. Also Local 100, the Polish Local of the Union, The Peoples' Unemployment League, local affiliate of the Workers' Alliance of America, has also endorsed the conference officially.

Other trade unions endorsing the conference as a whole are the Bakers' Local 209, and the Jewish Building Trades. The Federation of Church and Synagogue Youth has also backed the conference as an organization.

Mr. Edward Lewis, Executive Secretary of the Baltimore Urban League, and Mrs. Edward Lewis of the Women's Auxiliary of that organization are among the individual endorsers of the conference.

The supporters of the conference present a wide cross-section of the population of this city who are friends of peace and against war.

The committee urges all interested in the conference from the District of Columbia, Virginia, and sections of Maryland to communicate with it immediately so that proper arrangements can be made for delegates from out of town.

Japan Threatens To Grab China

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entire country. The North China puppet state is planned to include the five provinces of Hopei, Shantung, Suiyuan, Chahar and Shansi. The Japanese drive in Southwest China was clearly disclosed by the recent "incident" temporarily settled in Swatow.

Invasion Threatened

Japan has determined to separate the five northern provinces of Hopei, Shantung, Suiyuan, Chahar and Shansi from the administration by the Central Chinese government for the establishment of a puppet state similar to that formed in Manchuria, a spokesman at the Japanese Embassy at Shanghai today informed the United Press.

Actual invasion will soon occur unless the Chinese government voluntarily abdicates, or, as put by the Japanese spokesman: "Japan feels," referring to further economic development of North China and efforts to suppress Communist activity there, "that these objectives, which are equally to Japan's and China's interest, can be achieved best with Manchu's voluntary cooperation with a change in the political status of the North."

"But, if such cooperation is lacking, Japan must proceed independently, which would doubtless mean the political separation of the Provinces of Hopei, Shantung, Suiyuan, Chahar and Shansi from China proper."

Italian Groups in Pittsburgh Appeal for Fight Against War

(Daily Worker Pittsburgh Bureau) PITTSBURGH, Oct. 17.—Fifteen thousand leaflets are being distributed to Italian and Negro workers of the city, bearing the manifesto of the Italian United Front Against Imperialist War in Ethiopia, in both English and Italian—an appeal for a "mighty people's front" against Mussolini's imperialist invasion.

"Workers, small businessmen, intellectuals, housewives," the manifesto declares, "Join our united front against war. Let us unite and halt these persecutions against the foreign born. Let

statement that "the movement for the establishment of an independent state in North China begins to adopt ever more definite and open forms."

Press Names Overlords The Japanese newspapers appear so well informed that they already mention the names of candidates for the leadership of the future puppet state.

The Japanese imperialism is hurrying on to concrete action in order to take advantage of the crisis in Europe created by Mussolini's attack upon Ethiopia is borne out by statements openly appearing in the Japanese press. The Tokio newspaper, Tsugi Siojio, writes:

Admit War Situation Brings Issue "Naturally, the corrections made in Chinese policy by Japan is due to the changes in the international situation and primarily in connection with the rise of an alarming situation in Europe."

At the present time, Japanese imperialism has not yet succeeded in brushing aside all inner imperialist opposition to its robber program, notwithstanding the pre-occupation of the British in Europe, particularly the Mediterranean and Red Sea. The "settlement" of the Swatow "incident" fully bears this out.

Past "Incident"

The Japanese invasion of southwest China, necessarily proceeding through Kwantung Province, induced the Japanese to threaten the city of Swatow, gateway to the north part of Kwantung. They seized upon the confiscation of a junk loaded with a cargo of rice, beans and oil for the non-payment of custom duties to demand that the Canton government release the prisoners and cargo, and cancel the taxes on threat of immediate invasion. A Japanese cruiser and eight Japanese destroyers descended upon Swatow's harbor.

Red Army Victory

(By Cable to the Daily Worker) PEIPING, Oct. 17.—The Chinese Red Army has just registered one of the most spectacular victories in its whole magnificent career by completely annihilating two regiments of the 110th Division of Chiang Kai-shek's Nanking Army in Gant'sun District, northern part of Shensi province, reports the Tientsin newspaper Tsinbao.

The Nanking forces under the command of He Li Chung had been sent out to smash the Red forces. They were unexpectedly attacked by detachment of the Chinese Red Army under the command of Lu Tai Tang. The offensive of the government troops turned into a rout, with the Nanking Army beating a hasty retreat to the North under the driving attack of the Red Army.

prime gag bills, so stubbornly and effectively opposed during the last session, by unions, liberals, pacifists, and anti-war and anti-fascist forces, will be pushed through the House on the first Monday after Congress meets in January, unless public protests meanwhile force a slower, more cautious procedure.

Cleveland Negroes Plan for Direct Assistance to Ethiopia

(Daily Worker Ohio Bureau) CLEVELAND, Oct. 17.—Collection of medical supplies for Ethiopia was decided upon by delegates of thirty-three Negro and white organizations at a conference called by the American Committee of the Friends of Ethiopia last Sunday.

Mrs. Lethia Fleming, national chairman of the Colored Women's Clubs, was elected chairman of the committee. The conference decided on the collection of medical supplies and on organization of a symposium on Ethiopia.

The Negro Real Estate Association and Vigilantes' Society, the Women's League for Peace and Freedom, the American League Against War and Fascism, the Colored Women's Elks, were among the organizations represented at the conference.

Other officers elected include: O. Forte, editor of the Cleveland Eagle, secretary; Tina Lewis, vice-president; R. K. Moon, treasurer; Claude White, assistant secretary; Carl Marchand, financial secretary.

The American Committee of the Friends of Ethiopia was organized to collect medical supplies, money and develop acts of mercy for Ethiopia.

E. R. B. Staffs Win Hearing

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The planned stoppage was the answer of the Association to reports that a layoff of at least 10 per cent of the staff, or more than 1,000 workers, were pending.

According to administration, 1,000 will be dismissed Oct. 23 unless the public hearing causes a change in plans. Whether these workers will be transferred to Works Progress Administration jobs is extremely doubtful.

Assailing General Johnson's rebaiting and his "intelligence division" on the W.P.A. I Amer. district organizer of the Communist Party yesterday issued a statement terming the charge that Communists propose "crippling the W.P.A.," a "bare-faced lie." The statement calls upon Mayor LaGuardia and W. P. A. Administrator Victor Riddler to declare openly that the "Intelligence Department will be abolished."

and simple . . . a brash piece of Hitleristic fascism." House action alone is needed to make this bill law. It was sneaked through the Senate, last session, without debate.

French Support Italian Demands

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so far as France is concerned is no longer to demand whether France will cooperate in the event of an Italian attack upon Britain but whether the British fleet will be permitted to make use of French naval dockyard facilities in the Mediterranean. The British are reported to be particularly interested in the port of Toulon, in southern France, and Bizerta, Tunis, which is about 126 miles from the southern tip of Italian Sardinia and the same distance from the western end of Sicily, also Italian territory.

All observers here are aware of the fact that England has shifted from the original demand for strategic, diplomatic purposes only Superficially, the use of France's ports would appear to indicate no more than passive assistance by France. Even this would not be granted to Italy, of course. The English know that the line between passive and active military assistance in time of war is a very tenuous one. Meanwhile, they ask for a passive commitment by France losing nothing because the situation has not yet reached the active stage. They figure that they will cross that bridge with the French when the time comes.

Final decision by Laval is not expected to come before Tuesday when the French cabinet is scheduled to meet.

One of Britain's trump cards in this whole situation is the well-known split in France over the whole issue of sanctions. The London press is full of warnings to Laval that a decision against England means the fall of his government. Nobody here doubts that Laval's position is precarious due to the great and growing strength of the French People's Front but the press campaign in England against Laval is asserted to be the British lion treating Laval to some effective back-firing.

"Laval is on his last legs," stated the London Star. "The fall of his cabinet is perhaps only a matter of days, and certainly a matter of not many weeks."

The entire British press is now full of such dark threats to Laval. At Geneva, the Committee for Economic Sanctions adjourned after a two and a half hour session after accepting a list of prohibited key products for Italian war purposes. Their selected products comprise List No. 1 of a three-part classification of products necessary for war, of which it is hoped to deprive Italy entirely in time.

This List No. 1 consists of raw materials whose production and world markets are predominately controlled by League members, and therefore may more easily be controlled.

To the original list, however, the subcommittee added aluminum and nickel. These had been on List No. 2, comprising materials partly or largely controlled by non-League members.

WPA Program Used to Cut Wages

By HARRY RAYMOND and S. W. GERSON

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relief architects up the river to private firms at relief wages. Incredible, perhaps? Let's look at the record, then. On Sept. 10 the Architectural Guild of America, New York Chapter, and the Federation of Architects, Engineers, Chemists and Technicians received definite word that on the following day relief men would be put to work in private architects' offices to do P.W.A. housing work at the relief wages being paid on one of the W.P.A. housing projects, the well-known Project 33.

Both organizations promptly filed objections and arranged to meet General Johnson and Langdon Post, head of the New York City Housing Authority. That very evening Wilfred S. Lewis, secretary to the Housing Authority came to the P.A.E.C.T. and practically begged the architects to "lay off" on further action until they saw Commissioner Post.

The next morning Post told the architects that the employers offered the men \$40 for forty hours. Describing the incident in detail in the October issue of the Bulletin, official organ of the P.A.E.C.T., Theodore Vovodick, president of the local chapter of the Architectural Guild, writes:

"He (Post) also suggested that we accept these terms because if we did not the architects (employers) would get men elsewhere."

After considerable conferring with the organized architects standing firm, the private employers raised the rate considerably. Organization effected concrete gains for this section of professional workers.

The story of professional workers in the city employ (via the W.P.A. route) would be incomplete, however, without one last but significant bit about the Housing Authority.

Company Unions It seems that the secretary of the department—actually the publicity man and ghost writer for the big names—was Charles Yale Harrison. He was at one time around the fringes of the revolutionary movement but left it a few years ago after breaking into print with a vicious attack on the Communist Party and Stalin.

Now he is forming a company union type of organization of the architects in the Housing Authority. He warns the architects to stay away from the militant Federation and Architects Guild. His companion effort to boost his political stock is his work in Democratic organizations in the Hillside housing development, a private development financed to a large extent out of government funds. Resentful architects point out that there is an excellent affinity between Mr. Harrison and the Hillside properties. Scandal, only a few details of which have leaked out, has been associated with the place for years.

Italians Face Rout in South

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Belgian sources to endanger its success. "An Ethiopian army at Jijiga estimated to number more than 100,000 men already has received four fast whippet tanks and several thousand rifles through British and French Somaliland."

"Six Yemenite boats laden with war materials and a British freighter with machine guns and ammunition arrived yesterday at Berbera, British Somaliland, official sources said. The munitions were reloaded immediately on camels and pack mules for the caravan trek to Jijiga."

Referring to the huge concentration of Ethiopian fighters for defense of the Southern terrain, Dr. Hockman stated that the veteran and skilled fighter, Ras Nassibu, has more than 1,000,000 effective fighters hidden away in the canyons and jungles of the valleys up which Gen. Rodolfo Graziani is driving his Italian troops.

"It may be the greatest ambush of history," Hockman said earnestly. "Airplanes by scores have bombed and machine-gunned Ethiopian ground almost two weeks and have devastated dozens of villages but made little advance, he said, against the guerrilla bands that hide in the bush while the aviators circle unalarmed overhead and then fall upon Italian regiments."

Ethiopians Confident "After two weeks of fighting," Hockman said, "the Ethiopian leaders are so confident that they boast they will drive Italians out of Africa—out of Somaliland, Eritrea and Lybia."

"The men down at the front are supplied with everything they need except lemons, lemons and fresh vegetables. Quite a few of them have scurvy, but Ras Nassibu has ordered citrus, that should remedy the condition."

The only military supplies needed, he said, were gas antidotes and small trucks. "I think Italy is licked already," the young missionary said. "Since the invasion began I've talked with hundreds of people from the Ogaden front and I've held the hands of quite a few who died. I think Italy will never conquer Ogaden and I doubt whether it will succeed in the North."

From Ethiopia's capital, Ras Mulu Getta, Minister of War, left today for the front. Emperor Haile Selassie at the same time reviewed more than 100,000 Ethiopian fighters from the western sections of the country who only now have arrived at the capital to take their positions in the front ranks.

Anti-Labor Forces Set to Rush Federal Gag Bills Through in January

By MARGUERITE YOUNG

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau) WASHINGTON, Oct. 17.—An effort will begin "on the first Suspension Day after Congress convenes" to spearhead to enactment the Kramer Bill H. R. 6427, and the Tydings-McCormack Bill, S. 2263. These are the sacred twins of big business' current drive to smash unions under the guise of re-dunting.

Announcement of the plan to speed Congressional approval comes, appropriately enough, not from the legislative sponsors but direct from the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, red-baiting and union-busting headquarters of America, and the real initiators of the fascist gag bills. The Chamber of Commerce is not notably acknowledging its children. But its generalship in the campaign to put them over is revealed. Bulletin No. 3 of the Chamber of Commerce's new monthly publication, "Safeguards Against Subversive Activities," just issued quietly to insiders, declares authoritatively:

"The Tydings-McCormack Bill and the Kramer Bill will be called up for consideration on the first Suspension Day after Congress convenes."

Labor Nominees for the Bench Push Drive in Cleveland

Communists Propose Unity Of Minorities

Fight Is Urged Against Reactionary Municipal Charter Amendment

(Daily Worker Ohio Bureau)
CLEVELAND, Ohio, Oct. 17.—The campaign for Yetta Land and Harry A. Lubeshkoff, candidates for municipal judges for a six-year term on labor program, is gaining momentum here as election day approaches.

Yetta Land is a noted International Labor Defense attorney, who has handled innumerable labor cases, throughout the right of the workers during Ohio.

Harry A. Lubeshkoff is also an I. L. D. attorney, well known for his activities among the Ukrainian and Russian masses.

Both Yetta Land and Harry A. Lubeshkoff pledged to bend all their efforts in behalf of the following program:

1. Upholding the fundamental rights of labor to strike and picket.
2. Against the indiscriminate use of injunctions in industrial disputes restricting the rights and privileges of labor.
3. Invoking maximum penalties for all violations of the Ohio Civil Rights Bill and city ordinances that make it unlawful to discriminate against Negroes.
4. For an eviction and foreclosure moratorium.
5. Upholding civil rights, guaranteeing the freedom of press, speech and assembly, the right to organize, petition and protest grievances.
6. For an industrial political action by labor.

Negotiations are proceeding with other Judiciary candidates to present a united front ticket based on the above program.

Election Manifesto Issued
Fifty thousand copies of an election manifesto are being issued by the Communist Party for the forthcoming Nov. 5 elections.

Explaining that the voters have no choice between Burton and Miller, the two Mayorality candidates winning the nominations, the manifesto calls upon the workers not to vote for either of them.

The Communist Party, after proving that both of these candidates are backed by the Chamber of Commerce, the open shoppers and the reactionary elements in Cleveland, points to the necessity of building a Labor Party to safeguard the interests of the toiling masses.

Charter Amendment Proposed
The most reactionary charter amendment ever proposed will be submitted to the voters on election day.

The amendment proposed an almost fascist concentration of power in the hands of a county manager, who is to be elected not by the people, but by a city council of nine. This city council is to be elected on the basis of a most undemocratic proportional representation plan.

The charter amendment, which is promoted by the open shoppers, declares that, in time of emergency, the county manager has full powers to take command over police, deputies and all armed forces of the county and city.

The Communist Party calls upon all workers to defeat this charter amendment, which would drastically curtail civil rights and would be used to defeat strikes and crush unions.

3 Framed Miners Are Sentenced

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41 East Twentieth Street, New York City

Red Herring Dropped In
As he passed sentence, McChes said, "I understand that all or part of the defendants are Communists. I hope that no future governors will release you."
Then, hypocritically: "If the jury had not recommended clemency, I would have given you the maximum penalty." For men now around the age of 30, there is practically no difference between a 45-60 years sentence and one of a life.

"I understand an enormous amount of money has been raised for the defense," McChes continued, referring to the thousands of dollars that have been spent for investigators, transporting of witnesses and so on.

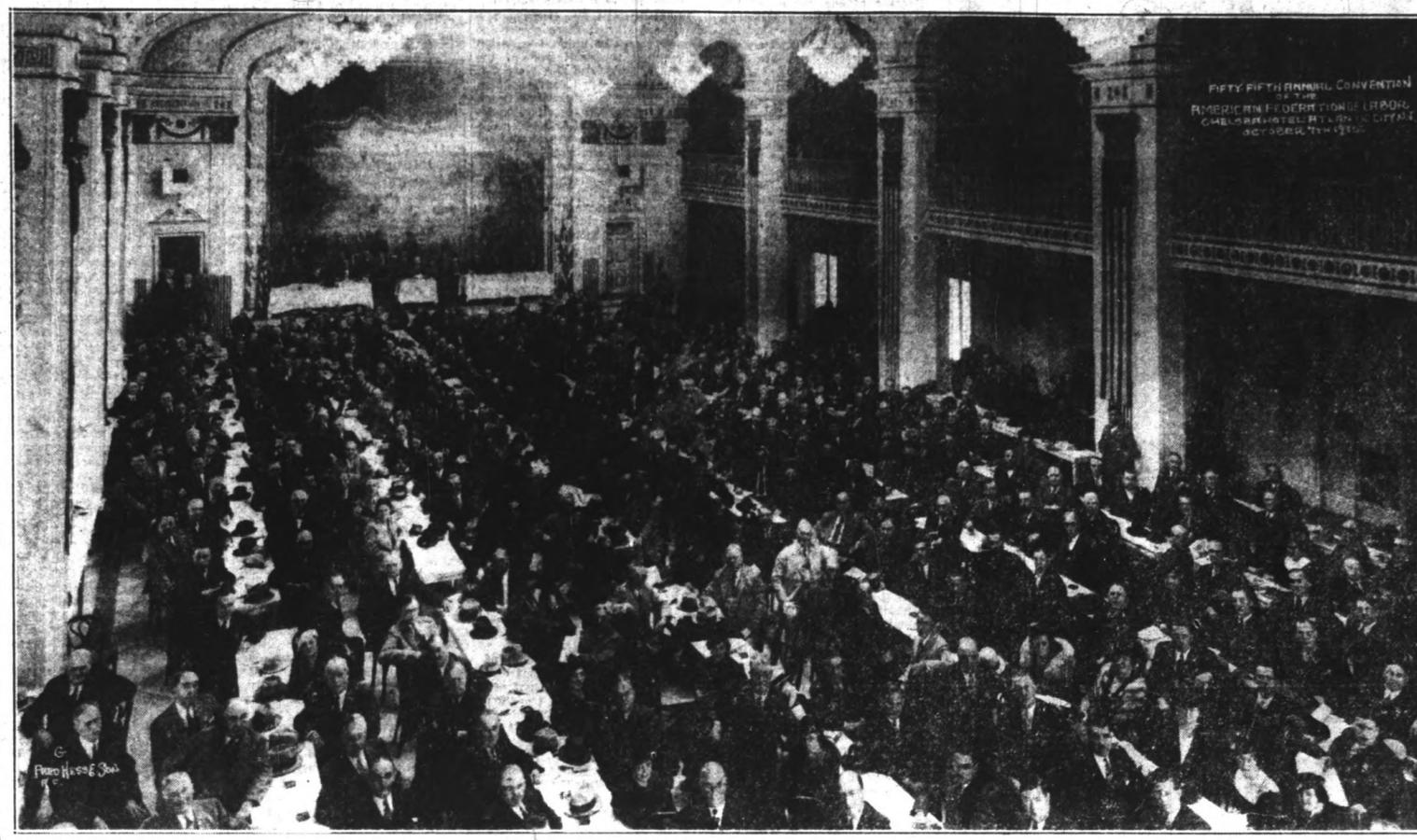
"But none of it has gone to the lawyers. This money should be used for the appeal. I hope the Supreme Court will be spared the attempted intimidation and the abuse that has been heaped on me. I and Judge Ciero have received many telegrams and resolutions demanding the release of these defendants. These are the tactics of Anarchists, Communists and Reds. We don't operate the courts of New Mexico by mob rule!"

He told the defendants that they had the most able legal defense in Attorneys Woodward and Sims who had been appointed by the court and tried to make it appear that it had been merely the efforts of the ten miners, and not the mass protests, that had saved them from the chair. He thanked the State Police for protecting him while he had been laboring under severe "strain and fear."

In answer to the Judge's anti-Red speech, Gonzales, one of the defendants, said, "I am member of the U. M. W. of A." Nine contempt warrants were served Albuquerque students, who had protested the frame-up of the ten miners, when he was through. He ordered the judge to tell the warden not to shave his head. It hurts his

The A. F. of L. Delegates in Session at Chelsea

PHOTO TAKEN IN AUDITORIUM WHERE STIRRING FIGHT WAS WAGED OVER INDUSTRIAL UNIONISM



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Labor Polls Record Vote In Dearborn

Court Ruling Was Used Against Candidates Of the Workers

(Daily Worker Michigan Bureau)
DEARBORN, Mich., Oct. 17.—Final results of the local primary elections show a vote of 633 for Nicolai H. Catana, one of the three labor candidates for the city council here. Charles Regan, candidate for mayor polled 533 votes. Mrs. Lucille Snyder, with 577 votes and Clifford Briggs with 554 votes were the other two labor candidates for the Council. There was a total of 12,817 votes cast in the race of 49 candidates for the Council and five for mayor.

An outstanding result in the election is the defeat of Mayor Clyde Ford, a cousin to Henry Ford. He was a poor third with only 2,163 votes and therefore will be off the ballot in the finals. The two nominees are, however, likewise merely racing for the jobs to serve the Ford Motor Company. They are John L. Carey, Ford sales manager who openly boasted of the company's support during the campaign, with 5,467 votes and Clarence Ford, nephew of the motor king with 3,392 votes.

The election was the most heated in Dearborn's history.

An ordinance requiring a permit for distribution of leaflets was used against the Labor Campaign Committee. Distribution of its platform was prohibited unless references to the Ford Motor Company would be deleted. A decision by Judge Arthur Webster on injunction proceedings taken to test the law, advised that the Labor Campaign Committee should take mandamus proceedings against the city administration. The decision was handed on election day.

A factor which reduced the labor vote was the candidacy of a traitor to labor, David Jones, who is also said to be in the service of police. He was candidate for mayor on the Labor ticket in 1933. Cashing in on his identity, with the labor movement in the past, he polled 695 votes.

The regular open forum of the Baltimore Workers Guild, Sunday, Oct. 20, 8 P.M. at 209 South Bond St. The election will be followed by a social.

A benefit restaurant for the Daily Worker, Drive will be open from 12 noon to 7 P.M. on Sunday, Oct. 20, at 209 South Bond.

The 18th Anniversary of the Russian Revolution will be celebrated Sunday, Nov. 10, 1:30 P.M. at Lehigh Hall, 84 North Howard. Earl Browder will be the main speaker. Tickets \$20c, on sale at 209 S. Bond, 309 N. Erie. At the door 25c.

WHAT'S ON

Hillsboro, N. H.
Anti-War and Pro-Labor Chateau meeting, Sunday, Oct. 20th, 2 P.M. at O'Donnell Hall, 29 High Street, Nashua, N. H. Speakers from the Communist and Socialist Parties, from the trade unions, farmers and others.

Philadelphia, Pa.
Hard Time Party and Dance given by Section No. 5 of the C. P. will take place on Friday, Oct. 25, 8 P.M. at 735 Fairmount Ave. All money raised will be turned over to the Daily Worker Drive.

Beginning Oct. 17 the Unemployment Council will hold a benefit showing of "Peasants" at the Europa Theatre, Market St. above 16th. Get your tickets for this moving picture through the members of the Unemployment Councils, 57 N. 8th St.

Cleveland, Ohio
Victory Celebration, Sat., Oct. 19, 8 P.M. at South Slav Workers Home, 5407 St. Clair Ave. Earl Browder will present the honor banner to the Daily Worker Comm. of Sec. 2. Program: Dancing, games, refreshments, Workers Male Quartet. Also a mass display of revolutionary literature.

Celebrate the Victory of Socialism, Thursday, Nov. 7th, 7:30 P.M. at Main Auditorium, Erie St. and 2nd St. Program: Musical program, Main speaker, Rev. Minnie Brown, C.P. U.C.L. Cleveland, Ohio.

Chicago, Ill.
Daily Worker Festival, Sunday, Oct. 20, 4 P.M. at 2457 W. Chicago Ave. C.P. U.C.L. Chicago, Ill. Program: Entertainment, dancing and championship contest. Admission 5c. Communist Party, Section 9.

City-Wide Daily Worker Affairs, Concert and Ball featuring the New Theatre Group, Sunday, Oct. 27, Hungarian Culture Center, 2011 West North Ave. 7 P.M. Ending of Daily Worker \$40,000 drive. Put Chicago over the top.

Tenth Anniversary celebration of the C. P. Temple 3 Cabaret and dance, Saturday, Oct. 19, 8 P.M. at Polish Temple, 3737 S. State Street. Musical Children, C. P. Dist. Org. guest of honor. Entertainment, refreshment, Music by Adams Bros. Jazz Band. Admission 15c.

Pittsburgh, Pa.
Entertainment and Dance. Opening district convention of the International Workers' Order, Saturday, Oct. 19, 7 P.M. at Lithuanian Hall, 1721 Jane St. S.S.

Baltimore, Md.
Roy Hudson, member of Central Committee of C.P., will lecture on the "Seventh World Congress" at

River Grove, Ill.
Dance, benefit Daily Worker, Saturday night, Oct. 24, at 2351 West Grand Ave. Music by Ted Jessima's Orchestra. Admission only 15c.

CHICAGO TAKE NOTICE
JOIN IN THE VICTORY OF THE CHICAGO WORKERS' SCHOOL!

To Former Students, Workers and Professionals: The Chicago Workers School has opened its new headquarters at 161-163 North Franklin Street. It has succeeded in defeating all attempts to delay its opening. Classes in economics, politics and history from the Marxist-Leninist viewpoint.

JOIN UP NOW! CALL DEARBORN 3398 or Write for Catalogue Chicago, Ill.

DAILY WORKER Concert and Ball

FEATURING "Union Label," by New Theatre Group Daily Worker Sketch, by the Puppeteers "The Great Philanthropist," by the New Theatre Group

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27 HUNGARIAN CULTURE CENTER 7 P. M. 2011 WEST NORTH AVE.

ADMISSION 25c. Tickets at Workers Book Stores, 2135 Division St.; 161 N. Franklin St.; 1926 E. 57th St.

A collection list for the Daily Worker financial drive brought \$29 when it was circulated at a banquet celebrating the 25th Jubilee of Jewish Local 75 of the International Bakery Workers at the Fort Wayne Hotel, Detroit.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.
Europa Thea. 16th & Market Sts. Philadelphia, Pa. Now Playing ANKING presents Soviet Russia's Greatest Film "PEASANTS"

Belongs among the great motion pictures of all times. ROBERT FORSYTHE, New Masses

McMahon for Industrial Unions
Last night delegate Leonard of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers admitted there was no effective organization drive in steel. He blamed it on the Communists

Teachers Union Inquiry Voted
ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Oct. 17.—Following an agreement between the two factions in the American Federation of Teachers, a resolution calling for an investigation of charges of anti-American Federation of Labor tactics was adopted by the A. F. of L. convention.

Leads termed the actions of the craft officials as "secret nocturnal raids in secret conferences on men who were engaged in a life or death struggle."

McMahon for Industrial Unions
Last night delegate Leonard of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers admitted there was no effective organization drive in steel. He blamed it on the Communists

HOME LIFE - By Ann Barton

THIS letter of Tatiana Shapovalova, member of the Central Executive Committee of the Soviet Union, is continued from yesterday.

OUR kolkhos (collective farm) is in socialist competition with another of the best collective farms. All brigades are in socialist competition with each other and all workers also compete.

Women are highly honored everywhere. There are women brigades, sub-brigades and link-leaders. We have three women members of the village soviet, three others are managers of the different farms.

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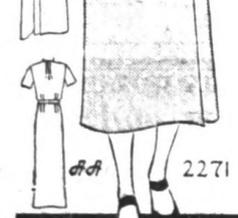
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"TATIANA PETROVNA SHAPOVALOVA"

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International Workers Order Issues Appeal on Fifth Anniversary Drive

To the Members of the International Workers Order, To the Militant Workers Everywhere:

The Fifth Anniversary Drive for the building of our proletarian fraternal Order to 100,000 members by January 1 has opened.

YOUR HEALTH - By Medical Advisory Board

Because of the volume of letters received by this department, we can print only those that are of general interest.

Lecture Tonight on 'Sex Hygiene' 'SEX HYGIENE' will be the topic of the lecture to be delivered tonight by Dr. Carl Michaelson.

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Newspaper Guild AFL Referendum Lost by 1 Per Cent

Affiliation with the American Federation of Labor has apparently failed by the narrow margin of 1 per cent of the required two-thirds vote.

Mathews Dropped By L.I.D. for Role in Research Strike

J. B. Mathews, former radical who has been active in the fight against the strikers of Consumers Research, has been dropped from the board of the League for Industrial Democracy.

Garment Workers End Newark Strike With Big Victory

NEWARK, N. J., Oct. 27.—The 3,000 garment workers who have been on strike for nine weeks against twenty-six women's garment shops here, returned to work today following the successful conclusion of the strike yesterday.

Banquet, Mass Meeting in Racine Will Greet Class-War Prisoner

RACINE, Wis., Oct. 17.—A banquet and mass meeting will be held here on Friday, Oct. 25, to greet John Sekat, working-class leader of Racine and class-war prisoner, recently released on an executive pardon from Waupun State prison.

Jones-Laughlin Company Union Demands Raise

Example of Tin Plate Co. Workers Followed at Aliquippa

(Daily Worker Pittsburgh Bureau) PITTSBURGH, Pa., Oct. 17.—The movement started three weeks ago by the company union convention of employe representatives of the American Sheet and Tin Plate Co., in New Castle, when demands were drawn up for a 15 per cent wage increase, yesterday spread to workers of the Jones and Laughlin mills as company union representatives in Aliquippa plant circulated petitions for a similar pay raise.

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Meetings and Petitions Speed Fight for Herndon

Broad Representation Indicated at New York Conference—Negro Youth Appeals to A. F. L. Leaders to Raise Issue at Convention

Meetings and demonstrations in every part of the country, and a flood of signed Herndon petition lists is the answer of the workers of America to the decision of the United States Supreme Court last Monday refusing a second time to review the case of Angelo Herndon, and dooming him to death by torture on the Georgia chain-gang.

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Change the World!

By MICHAEL GOLD

IT HAPPENED in a certain New York firehouse. While the brave firemen were snoring and sleeping each night, an awful commotion would begin. There would be a fierce clatter, as if some giant were hammering on wood, then squeals, screams and snorts. It sounded worse than a children's playground or a battlefield.

The firemen, cursing and half-awake, got out of bed to turn on the light. They could see nothing in the dormitory, only beds and rubber boots.

Was it a joke, or what? They looked for a joker, but even Scotty, the smartest fireman of them all, couldn't find one.

The firemen set traps. They lay awake and stared into the darkness. They tried every trick they ever read about in detective stories. But the noise came every night. And they couldn't see who or what was making it.

It scared the firemen. They missed their sleep. Often at fires, they would be so tired and absent-minded they would even forget to turn on the water.

The Fire Chief held an investigation. The firemen broke down and confessed to him about the noises every night.

"Chief, I think the place is haunted!" said big, red-headed Scotty, pale as a peanut with fear.

"Nonsense!" roared the Chief. "What ghost would be fool enough to haunt a firehouse?"

Scotty, ashamed, stammered out the truth: "Chief, us boys think the ghost is a horse."

It's a Horse!

THE Chief roared with anger. He didn't like his firemen to be so silly and scared. As you well know, a fireman should always be brave. But getting angry at them didn't help the firemen. One night the Chief went down to the firehouse himself.

Just to show the boys he wasn't scared, the Chief went to sleep at once. He snored as loud and bravely as he could. Bang! and he jumped up; he too had heard the noise.

"Don't turn on the light," he whispered. He listened in the dark for a while. Then the Chief said, "Yes, boys, you are right. It's a horse."

The Chief stood up in his underwear and twirled his moustaches. He thought and thought and thought.

"I must call in Smoky Pete," he said. "He used to be the best driver in my time, when there were still firehorses. Pete understands horses."

Dear Old Betsey

SO THE next night Pete was called in. Pete was almost 80 years old, but still healthy and full of fun. Pete lived on a pension in a little cottage on Staten Island, where he fished and chewed tobacco all day, and was happy.

Pete hated to leave his fishing, but when he heard of the trouble the boys were in, he came at once. Old Pete was always loyal to the Fire Department.

Pete went to sleep at once and snored. Then he was awakened, and heard the horse running up and down the dormitory. But old Pete understood horses. He wasn't scared for a moment, even by the ghost of a horse. Pete knew exactly what to do in such a case.

"Whoa!" he yelled bravely. "Whoa! back! gee, whoa!"

The horse slowed down, backed up, and stood near Pete's bed. Of course, you couldn't see the horse, but you could hear its heavy breathing.

Pete laughed out loud with pleasure. "By the snip! I think it's my old Betsey," he said. "By crickets! I'm glad to see yuh again!"

The horse squealed and almost laughed too, with delight. The firemen couldn't understand her, but old Pete did.

"Yeah, it's my old Betsey," Pete said joyfully. "The gamest, fastest, kindest, biggest-hearted white mare that ever dragged a fire engine over the sidewalks of New York. Gentlemen, salute a queen! You can have all your big Marks, Buicks and Studebakers, but show me a gasoline motor with a noble heart like Betsey's! She liked kids and apples and sugar, and she could count up to four, and once—"

The old fireman was very fond of telling long endless yarns about the old fire-fighting days. He was just about to begin on another such yarn, when Scotty interrupted him, anxiously.

"But ask her why she's haunting us, Pete! Ask her to stop it, if her heart's still true to the Fire Department of New York!"

So Pete asked Betsey why she was haunting the boys. For ten minutes the old horse squealed, whinnied, snifled, and snuzzled. She made all the queer horse-noises you ever heard.

At least the firemen thought they were only noises. But Pete understood every word, and listened to the end.

"Boys," he then said, quietly, "didn't I tell you Betsey had a big heart? She was having a good time in the fire-horses' heaven, when she heard about that last big tenement fire in New York. Twenty kids and their mothers and fathers were burned up. Betsey likes kids, and she doesn't want it to happen again."

"So what?" the firemen yelled. "We can't prevent fires; we can only put them out. Be reasonable, Betsey!"

"Betsey wants all the New York tenements torn down, and new buildings put up for the kids," Pete said. "She's had time in the fire-horses' heaven to figure out such things."

"But preventing fires, that's up to the Mayor!" wailed Scotty. "That ain't our job, fer gawd's sake, it's the Mayor's!"

Pete explained this patiently to old Betsey. She whinnied at length, and he translated for her. "Boys, she says she's damned sorry to have bothered you. It's all a big mistake. Betsey won't do it again. She's going to haunt the Mayor after this."

Haunt the Mayor

AND that's just what Betsey is doing now. She tries to remind the Mayor of the promises he made before election. Didn't he say he'd pull down all the New York tenement firetraps?

Betsey haunts him every night. The Mayor can't sleep. But what has the Mayor done? He has blamed it on the New York noise, and started his anti-noise campaign. He won't answer Betsey; won't even admit she exists. Our Mayor is always dodging issues like that.

Children, we must all help Betsey spoil his sleep until he has done something about the firetraps. One burned-up kid is a worse crime than all the noises in the world. The Mayor doesn't think so, but kind old Betsey does.

LITTLE LEFTY

All Is Forgiven!

by del



Big Sale of Tickets For Browder-Thomas Debate on Nov. 27th

The tremendous interest in the debate between Norman Thomas and Earl Browder to be held at Madison Square Garden, Wednesday, Nov. 27 is demonstrated by the sale of over 1,500 tickets during the first five days the tickets were put on sale at the New York Workers' Book Shop, 50 East 13th Street. The other book shops report that the tickets are selling like "hotcakes." Tickets for the debate are 40c., 80c., \$1.10, \$1.65, \$2.20 and \$3.30 and can be had at the following stations: 140 2nd Ave., N.Y.C., 609 Prospect Ave., Bronx, 369 Sutter Ave., Brooklyn, 50 E. 13th St., N.Y.C., and 4531-16th Ave., Brooklyn.

Judging by the sale of tickets one may expect a packed Madison Square Garden on Thanksgiving Eve when the debate is held. The subject of the debate is "Which Road for American Workers—Socialist or Communist." Reservations on tickets will be taken by all book shops upon receipt of a deposit, depending on the number of tickets desired.

Rootless Rooming House Life Theme Of Vogel's Book

AT MADAME BONNARD'S, by Joseph Vogel. Alfred A. Knopf, New York, 297 pages, \$2.

Reviewed by HARRY KERMIT

THE shabby world of the lower middle-classes and the harassed white-collar worker is the background for this interesting story of life in a Manhattan rooming house. It is a smoothly constructed novel in a minor key and it depicts the snatch-penny existence of one strata of the urban population under the pressure of economic uncertainty.

All the shoddy facets of rooming house life are present: the loneliness of the roomer, the desperate and furtive romances, the grubby intrigues, the worry over rent, the petty-bourgeois gentility, and always in the background the fear of unemployment in a strange city. The roomers are men and women without root, a Dutch immigrant shoe salesman, a spineless intellectual from out of town, a beaten nurse from Canada, a taxi driver, several stenographers, a one-time member of German nobility, all eking out a precarious living in an unfriendly city.

What Joseph Vogel has succeeded in giving us in this novel is a picture of rudderless existence as spawned by the present system of society. It is the story of men and women clinging to straws, waiting for unemployment to engulf them.

This is Vogel's first novel and its maturity—even though on a minor scale—is a tribute to the "little" magazines which published his early stories and sketches. As one contemplates the growing number of proletarian novelists who received their first encouragement in such periodicals as the New Masses, the New Left Front, The March, Windsor Quarterly and other similar magazines, the realization grows that they have performed distinct service to the literary movement of the left. Michael Gold, Erskine Caldwell, Jack Conroy, Benjamin Appel, Nelson Algren, Edward Newhouse, Josephine Johnson, these are only a few of the many revolutionary writers who received their early training in the left wing "little" magazines. Most of the authors, like Vogel, have outgrown the early stage. But the periodicals which still survive are performing a similar service to new and younger writers.

Widow of Murdered Striker Describes Terror in Alabama

Sharecropper Delegation to Make Tour of Universities

By BETH McHENRY

THE Share Cropper delegation is preparing a tour of some of the universities, where they are to speak on the campuses. Mrs. Merriweather, 27-year-old widow of a murdered strike leader, and herself a victim of landlord terror, listened eagerly to the plans.

"About them schools," she broke in. "You mean to tell me they just keep on going to school after they're grown up?"

The nature of colleges and graduate schools was explained to her. She shook her head wonderingly.

"I didn't have no chance to go to school no more'n two months out of no year—and then they made us stay 'thome most of the time. We had to walk so many miles, and when it rained, the teacher she couldn't always get to the school-house. Me I learned to read 'n write fair enough, but there's most of them down there didn't get no chance even for that. I got nine brothers and sisters, and most of them can't write, though some can read a little. The white lady on the plantation where I been working most of my life, she keeps telling me I'm lucky 'cause I got to go to school as much as I did. I went for four years, pretty near."

Mrs. Merriweather "piped high" for her learning down in the Black Belt of Alabama. She and her husband, Jim Press Merriweather, read the leaflets and literature of the Share Croppers' Union and became active fighters for a strike against the terrible conditions of the cotton workers. Together they distributed leaflets and called meetings of the poor farmers in Lowndes County. And when the strike broke on August 19, she and her husband were among the first victims of landlord terror.

MRS. MERRIWEATHER was beaten by a mob of 25 landlords and deputies, who used a "prop" to beat her half-unconscious. They "strung her up to the rafters." They did not cut her down until she had lost consciousness entirely. Her husband, Jim Press Merriweather, was shot by the mob, then carried to a barn behind a landlord's house. All day long he was tortured by the lynch gang. At sunset, Mrs. Merriweather relates how she and the others "heard about a hundred shots. So we knew Jim Press was dead."

Mrs. Merriweather, with Henry Roberts and Wesley Smith, two other militant sharecropper victims from Lowndes County, Ala., are in New York to win support for their struggle against landlord-police terror in the Black Belt. Accompanying the delegation is young Thomas Burks, assistant secretary of the Share Croppers' Union. After telling their story at meetings in New York the delegation will go to



ANNA MAY MERRIWEATHER

Washington to demand government protection for the terror-stricken poor farmers of the South.

On Monday night, Oct. 21 all four members of the delegation will address a mass meeting at Irving Plaza. Also speaking will be Roger Baldwin, Louis F. Budenz and Loren Miller. The meeting will begin promptly at eight o'clock. A large attendance is urged. The sharecroppers are to return to fight for their most elemental rights in the Black Belt. They must win the support of working class and liberal elements in the North, if they are to defeat the murder tactics of the large landowners and their police in the South.

Theatre Art—Right or Left?

THE rise of the left cultural movement in the last several years has established the revolutionary theatre in the top flight of dramatic art. The existence of the Group Theatre, of Clifford Odets, Paul Peters, George Sklar, The Theatre Unit, Albert Maltz, John Howard Lawson, Theatre of Action, the New Theatre Magazine, etc., has forced the attention of the bourgeois critics upon this movement.

However, despite varying degrees of recognition, they all seem to have one condemnation in common, namely, an overemphasis on theme. The franker ones call it "propaganda." Others accuse the left theatre of violent bias in portraiture, in theme selection, and arrive at the same conclusion. Champions of the bourgeois stage have steadily maintained that any production that is well written, well staged and well directed is a good play, regardless of theme.

The revolutionary theatre claims, and is rapidly proving it through its work all over this country and Eu-

rope, that the theatre is a weapon in the class struggle; that it is a reflection of the prejudices, social and political, of the society that nurtures it; and that only a classless society which has destroyed the system of private ownership of the means of production, can produce a culture which has vigor, imagination and purpose.

This engrossing subject will be

Soviet Film 'Sniper' In Toledo Saturday

TOLEDO, Ohio.—The Educational Films League of this city will sponsor a showing of the film, "Sniper," at the Blue Room of the Rot Davis Auditorium, Saturday evening, October 19. Seats for the showing are on sale at the Workers Book Shop, 214 Michigan Street.

The League plans to present an outstanding Soviet motion picture during each month of the winter season.

come a matter of public discussion at a theatre symposium to take place at the Manhattan Opera House on the evening of October 19th. The participants are all well-known representatives of their respective points of view. There will be Heywood Brown, famous columnist, who will act as chairman; Leo Simonson of the Theatre Guild, one of the foremost theatrical designers of the country; Kyle Crichton, writer for numerous national weeklies, and theatre critic; Joseph Freeman, writer and critic; and George Sklar, co-author of "Stevodore," "Merry-Go-Round," and "Parade."

The symposium will be preceded by three one-act sketches, two of them new plays by Clifford Odets and Paul Peters, to be presented by the New Theatre Players, the Theatre Collective, and the Negro Peoples Theatre.

That at one time there will be presented authors, actors, critics and plays in an event which should prove of major importance in the theatre world of today.

Ten Strike Leaders Facing Death

The Life Stories of Rafael Gomez and Jose Lopez, Gallup Defendants

This sixth installment of the biographies of the Gallup miners who faced a judge and jury last week in framed murder charges, tells the story of Rafael Gomez, acquitted on the murder charge, held on the additional charge of "aiding a prisoner to escape," and for deportation to Spain, where death or long imprisonment awaits the militant labor leader.

It also tells the story of Jose G. Lopez, who was charged with murder, but is one of the 14 charged with "aiding a prisoner to escape."

At the conclusion of the murder trial, Juan Ochoa, Manuel Avitia and Leandro Velarde were found guilty of second degree murder. The other defendants were acquitted of the murder charge.

An appeal will be taken, the National Gallup Defense Committee has announced, and the remaining cases will be fought to gain unconditional freedom for all the defendants.

Correspondence in regard to the defense, and funds to further it, should be sent to Frank Palmer, secretary-treasurer, National Gallup Defense Committee, 41 East 20th Street, New York City.

Rafael Gomez

RAFAEL is no relation to Altagracia Gomez, another of the Gallup defendants. He is held on both charges under \$7,500 bond.

Like most of the other defendants, Gomez was a child laborer from the age of nine. He came to Gallup from years of toil in many jobs—in a Greek restaurant in Texas, with a gas company in Los Angeles, and many other jobs including metal mining. For several months he worked at the Allison mine, Gallup. A severe cave-in occurred at the place he was working, necessitating five days' hard work cleaning up. When Gomez found that the company would pay him only \$5 for these five days' back-breaking toil, he threw up the job. During the strike of 1933 in Gal-

lup he joined the National Miners Union and became a steady on the picket line. He was nominated as chairman of the unemployed local of the National Miners Union, but declined, feeling there were others better suited as leaders. In 1934 he obtained F.E.R.A. work and participated in two successful F.E.R.A. strikes as a member of the strike committee and picket captain. He was still on F.E.R.A. work when arrested following the April 4 shooting in which two of his fellow-workers, Ignacio Velarde and Salomon Esquel, were murdered by the present sheriff, Dee Roberts.

Jose G. Lopez

JOSE is the oldest of the defendants in the Gallup case. He was 37 in February, and still a good coal miner.

Lopez married twice, the first time in 1900. But he suffered a tragic loss when his wife and two of their four children died of smallpox at Mimbres in southwestern

New Mexico, in 1914. There were two other children of this marriage; the boy is an unemployed miner living near the copper mines at Santa Rita; the girl is married and living near Pueblo, Colorado.

Lopez in 1915 married a widow with one son. That son is Juan Ochoa, heroic leader of the New Mexico workers who is also framed in the Gallup case—held without bond on both charges. Indeed, Lopez believes the only reason he is held at all is he is held only on the aiding-escape charge) is because he is the stepfather of Juan Ochoa, the man whom Sheriff Roberts and the other servants of the Gallup-American Coal Co. specially wanted to get rid of.

From childhood Lopez has worked on New Mexican ranches and mines. At 18 he was in the metal mines near Magdalena. But until 1915 he was chiefly an agricultural worker—on truck and grain farms and in sugar fields, always very poorly paid. But from 1915 on he was pretty steadily a coal miner—in various Colorado and New Mexico camps

AROUND the DIAL

By P. D. COSLOE

WHEN Baron Aloisi, Mussolini's marionette at Geneva, was told that he couldn't use the facilities of England's short-wave stations to spread his fascist propaganda over the Atlantic, WABC-Columbia, famed "champions" of free speech, gave a flourish and jumped into the breach. Aloisi's speech was relayed to these shores and broadcast over WABC last Sunday. Alert listeners, however, eluded the radio station with protesting phone calls. Here's a sampling of the speakers on the Herald Tribune program "Fifth Annual Forum on Current Problems," aired over NBC's channels. Mrs. F. D. Roosevelt, Sir Samuel Hoare, Mayor LaGuardia, Igor Sikorsky, Josephine Roche, Alfred P. Sloan, Jr., Ogden Mills, Colonel Frank Knox, David Sarnoff, et al. . . . Columbus Day oratory set a high-water mark in "patriotic" declamation. Honors to the Central Park Mall celebration, which included the American Legion, the Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution and the Columbian Order of Tammany.

Studebaker takes time out during his broadcast to comment on the happiness (?) and efficiency of his workers. Like all good Fascist demagogues, the Studebaker policy is to praise the workers out of one side of the mouth and order wage cuts out of the other. It's a neat trick and it's being done. . . . We made a point of listening in on WEVD's two "Harlem Parade" programs last Friday at 10 and 10:45 p.m. Our hunch was that we'd hear nothing but jazz and spirituals and we were so right that it hurt. . . . Richard Roman, Newspaper Guild speaker over WEVD last Thursday, praises the N. Y. Times for its impartial reporting. We recommend to Mr. Roman's attention George Seligson's "Freedom of the press" especially a 20-page chapter entitled "The N. Y. Times."

NOW it's Walter B. Picken who will take a microphone to the people in the streets in search of "unbiased" opinions on questions of popular interest. We Americans, WABC-CBS, All the larger stations feature these man-in-the-street programs. The idea is to make the broadcast appear unprepared and spontaneous, but next time one of these man-in-the-street things comes over your radio, notice the clever questioning and avoidance of ticklish subjects. No sane person, of course, can believe that the choice of speakers is random or haphazard. And the reporters, we have observed, keep away from the vicinity of Union Square, Times Square and the railroad terminals are the favorite spots. . . . Transradio Press is guilty of a tinge of fairness in reporting the news. It and the publishers, by the way, are on far from friendly terms. . . . "Hollywood Hotel" has been awarded the Blue Ribbon certificate for radio programs of "merit." In making the award, Jack Parker, managing director of the Radio Board of Review, said: "Our association has . . . made a daily check of network programs to select the best-type program and we are happy to see that 'Hollywood Hotel' has met the requirements because of its clean, home-type form of entertainment. The guiding spirit of 'Hollywood Hotel' is Louella Parsons, and Miss Parsons happens to be one of Willie Hearst's lieutenants, all of which is qualification enough for any blue ribbon certificate. . . . For a modern-edition of the slave-market auction block, vide WMCB's "I Want a Job" hour. White-collar workers describe their qualifications and employers are asked to pick.

HORSE LAUGH OF THE WEEK: Alfred E. Smith and Gen. Hugh Johnson are the luminaries of the World Peaceways program.

Questions and Answers

Against the Sales Tax

Question: Are Communists in favor of sales taxes? T. V.

Answer: Emphatically, no! The present spread of the sales tax plague has been consistently fought by the Communist Party. It points out that the sales tax hits those workers who can least afford a reduction in their living standards and leaves the rich untouched. In this connection an economist in a recent issue of the New Republic pointed out that, proportionately, the sales tax hits the poor worker 61 times as hard as it does the rich. This is soaking the poor with a vengeance.

The capitalists have turned to the sales tax as a means of putting more of the burden of the crisis on the poor. The workers used to pay 30 per cent of federal taxes; now they pay 65 per cent, while the share of the rich has fallen from 70 to 35 per cent under the New Deal. But now in addition to imposing these burdens, the capitalists have added the additional burden of sales taxes, which are now enforced in 28 states.

These taxes out the living standards of the poor, since they must pay on every one of their small purchases. Thus the tax is not a mere one or two per cent; in actuality it runs as high as 15 per cent as far as the workers are concerned. Not only is this vicious movement spreading, but there are strong forces moving toward the adoption of a national sales tax. This movement is supported by the National Chamber of Commerce, the Hearst press and other reactionary groups.

It is necessary for the workers to fight this movement to put the entire tax burden on their backs. The burden of taxation should be borne by the rich and the big corporations. Their surplus funds could furnish the taxes needed for unemployment and social insurance, health and educational activity and other social reforms desired by the workers. One of the planks for a fighting workers' and farmers' party must be against the sales tax and for taxation of the rich.

Short Wave Radio

High Frequency Antennae Systems

ANY old hunk of wire hung out the window or tied to Mrs. O'Grady's clothes pole, will act as an antenna when used for local broadcast reception. But in order to receive foreign short wave stations, a well designed and properly constructed antenna is an absolute necessity. Receivers that give very poor results with an ordinary antenna, can often be made to give excellent performance when the right kind of antenna is used; signals that are too weak to understand may be strained out of the static and increased to the point where listening-in becomes a pleasure instead of a chore.

Every wire used as an antenna has a definite amount of capacity and inductance in addition to its resistance. These properties have the effect of tuning the antenna to some particular frequency. The result of this "self tuning" is that the antenna is very sensitive to signals of a certain wave length and much less sensitive to all other waves. If we wish to hear one particular station as loud as possible, we may simply cut the antenna to the length that will make it resonate at the same frequency as the station to be received. Another method of attaining the same result is to add inductance or capacity, in the form of coils and condensers, to the antenna. This second way is most often used because of the ease of adjustment. It is much easier to turn the knob of a condenser than to climb up on the roof and cut six inches off the antenna.

The common type of antenna, a horizontal piece of wire with the lead-in attached to one end, will receive best from stations which lie in the direction toward which the other or free end points. This property, which is called the directional effect, is not very pronounced in the ordinary antenna, but if the antenna is constructed in the form of a letter V or in a diamond shape, this effect can be increased tremendously. A well designed, highly directional antenna has one other important effect. Due to the fact that it can receive signals from only one direction, it can also receive only that small amount of static which originates in the same direction. This results in a great gain in the signal to noise ratio, which means that the volume control may be turned up much louder in order to bring in those weak stations.

TUNING IN

Station WBBG, 12 midnight, 1400 kilocycles. The Labor Theatre Group presents: "Rumor," a sketch exposing whispering campaigns, strikebreakers and "Black Leg" agencies.

- 7:00-WEAF-Amos 'n' Andy
- WOR-Sports Resumé - Stan Lomax
- WJZ-Talk-Hendrix
- William van Loeke
- WABC-Music and Marge
- WJZ-Uncle Ezra
- WOR-Jeanette Mary
- WJZ-Stamp Club-Capt. Tim Healy
- WABC-Lazy Dan, Songs
- 7:30-WEAF-March Through Life
- WOR-The Lone Ranger
- WJZ-Lum and Abner
- WABC-Football Coach Harold Richards, Tenor
- Ed Sullivan
- WJZ-Dangerous Parade
- WABC-Booker Carter, Commentator
- 5:15-WEAF-Bourdon Orch.
- Jasira Dramatic, Soprano, Cavaliers Mail
- Quarterly Football Grant
- WJZ-Booker Carter
- WOR-Front Page Drama
- WJZ-House of Cards
- WABC-Rich Orch. Willie Morris, Soprano, Male Chorus, Jim Hawkins
- WJZ-Gabriel Heatter
- WJZ-Lucille Manners
- 8:30-WEAF-Rhythm Fantasy
- WABC-Football Coach Warner, Temple
- WABC-Football Coach
- WABC-Oscar Shaw, Baritone
- Carmela Ponselle, Contralto; Elizabeth Lennox, Contralto Arden
- 8:00-WEAF-Lyman Orch.
- Frank Mann, Tenor
- Violante Segal, Soprano
- WOR-Tommy McLain, Song
- WJZ-Opera-Maxime
- with Rose Bampton, Contralto; James Melton, Tenor
- WABC-Hollywood Hotel
- WABC-Dick Powell, France Langford, Songs, Ruby Keeler in Scenes from Shipmates Forever
- 9:15-WEAF-Heywood Brown, Commentator
- 9:30-WEAF-Court of Human Relations
- WOR-Variety Musical
- 10:00-WEAF-Dramatic Search
- WOR-Dr. Charles Courbin, Orator
- WJZ-Meats House
- WABC-Hunter Orch.
- 10:30-WEAF-Mills Brothers, Songs; Kasel Orch.
- WABC-Rich Orch. Willie Morris, Soprano, Male Chorus, Jim Hawkins
- WABC-March of Time
- 10:45-WEAF-Mary Eastman, Soprano
- 11:00-WEAF-Talk-George R. Holmes, Chief Washington Bureau, INS
- WOR-News, Dance Music
- WJZ-News, Candullo Orch
- WABC-Hopkins Orch
- 11:15-WEAF-Keller Orch

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10,924 Industrial Union Votes! A New Era Opens in A. F. of L.

INDUSTRIAL UNIONISM is on the march forward within the American Federation of Labor.

Those 10,924 votes for this form of organization represent the upsurge of the new, progressive forces in the ranks of the Federation. It is the pressure from the federal labor unions, largely in the mass production industries, which is making industrial unionism the issue which the A. F. of L. will shortly adopt officially. Already, the debate has shown: The future belongs to industrial unionism.

The delegates from the federal unions, close to the rank and file, have joined hands with their brothers in other organizations to challenge the old, ineffective exclusive craft union policies.

Those 10,924 votes demand a dynamic and productive organizational drive. They are a condemnation of

PRESS FORWARD THE FIGHT FOR EFFECTIVE ORGANIZATION IN THE FEDERATION!

the staid, ingrown methods used by the Green-Woll machine. They say, in effect: "Stop trying to unionize workers through the employers! Organize them, on the basis of the drive and force of Organized Labor!"

The minority report—a very impressive minority, 7 to 8—scathingly indicts the methods and tactics of the Executive Council. Never was that Council so thoroughly discredited by one of its own committees.

"The fact that after fifty-five years of activity and effort, we have enrolled under the banner of the American Federation of Labor approximately three and one-half millions of members of the thirty-nine millions of organizable workers is a condition that speaks for itself."

So declares the minority report of the Resolutions Committee. These are words that will haunt the Green-Woll bureaucracy. They should ring in every local

union. They should be used everywhere to continue the industrial union fight.

And likewise, this declaration: "We declare that the time has arrived when common sense demands that the organization policies of the American Federation of Labor must be molded to meet present day needs."

Mass production demands industrial unionism. There is no other answer on the part of the workers, to the gigantic unity of the employers. The Green-Woll machine hangs to a shadow that has passed. To the workers in the great plant and factory industries, the bureaucracy says: "Divide up! The employers are one, but you shall remain divided—into small, jarring craft unions. Continue jurisdiction disputes! Continue that disunity which hampers and destroys union organization!"

President John L. Lewis of the United Mine Workers and President Charles Howard of the International Typographical Union, in particular, threw down the gauntlet against this policy.

Whatever these union officials, whatever admissions they may have made, their stand for industrial unionism marks a new era in the history of the American Federation of Labor.

The 10,924 votes, for a new policy dedicated to the mass organization of workers throughout all industry, is the demand of the American working people.

The rank and file of those workers must keep the issue alive. They must press it forward relentlessly. Final officially-recorded victory means a new A. F. of L.—one that can organize the workers of America!

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Herndon Can Be Saved!

IN six short days Angelo Herndon must surrender to serve a sentence of eighteen to twenty years on the Georgia chain-gang.

The hands of the lynchers, itching for three years, will close around this heroic young Negro leader, unless—

The power of the mighty working class organized in nation-wide protest and support of legal moves forces the State of Georgia to release him.

Send your demand, the demand of your trade union and mass organization, for the unconditional freedom of Angelo Herndon, to Governor Eugene Talmadge of Georgia.

Rush funds to carry on the legal and mass campaign to the International Labor Defense, 80 East 11th Street, New York City.

Defeat These Bills!

A NEW move is being prepared to sneak through Congress two bills that threaten the entire labor movement and every progressive person in the country.

The rails are being greased to rush through the Kramer Anti-Sedition Bill and the Tydings-McCormack Bill under the tricky suspension of the rules procedure which would practically eliminate debate.

The board of strategy that is preparing this maneuver is none other than the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, organization of the most reactionary big capitalists.

Working with the Chamber of Commerce are the Hearst press, the American Liberty League, the national leadership of the American Legion and similar groups.

And supporting them are high government officials, such as Secretary of War Dern and Attorney-General Cummings.

The reactionary open-shoppers who are pushing this legislation are also counting on the passivity of Speaker Byrns and President Roosevelt. Roosevelt during the last session of Congress persistently avoided taking a stand and professed to know nothing about these bills.

Undoubtedly these pro-fascist Big Business interests also welcome the attempt of certain members of the A. F. of L. Executive Council to put through an anti-Communist amendment to the A. F. of L. constitution. That's right up their alley.

The Kramer and Tydings-McCormack Bills are an attempt to make the ideas of Hitler and Mussolini the law of the land.

Labor and all progressive groups must act—and act quick. The A. F. of L. convention should adopt a clearcut resolution opposing these fascist measures.

Every union, every labor and liberal

Labor Chiefs

Barred Unity

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for joint action against war and fascism.

Labor Leaders Ask Unity
Ted Williams, Labor member of Parliament from South Wales, writes:

"Whatever causes split the labor movement in the past, the present fascist attack on the independence of Ethiopia is so important that both Internationals must act jointly for the purpose of stopping the war and preserving international peace. A favorable reply must be

given to Dimitroff's telegram calling for joint activity."

John Hill, secretary of the Boiler Makers Union: "It is neither timely nor proper to raise questions now upon which we differ. The workers of the whole world passionately desire to preserve peace and justice and these can only be achieved through the unity of the working class. We must now unite still more and double our efforts to ensure a real parliament for peace, security and justice. The leaders of the organized workers of all countries must now take steps to create a world international based on our common principles."

Agree with Dimitroff Call
Steve Lawler, Labor Municipal Councilor from Brighton: "I have read and fully agree with Dimitroff's

letter on Ethiopia and the world situation and I am doing all I can here to insure support for the rapid calling of a meeting of both Internationals."

Frank Rollands, member of the Executive Committee of the Painters and Decorators Union: "This appeal is timely. Never before was it so necessary to unite the whole working class into a single international. The rank and file members must make their leaders devote more attention to this urgent problem. May the entire labor movement in Great Britain follow the example of the French, Swiss and Latvian Socialists and unite to remove the menace of war in Europe and to deal a death blow to fascism."

Party Life

CENTRAL ORGANIZATION DEPARTMENT

Tasks of Wisconsin Section Work Reviewed Plan Adopted

SECTION 7 in Wisconsin is a product of little planned activity. It has a membership of about 150 members of the Party, sprinkled thinly over an area of six counties in central Wisconsin. Nearly all of the units are in farming territories, and the membership is predominantly farmers, with a few farm workers. It covers an area which should be divided into at least four sections in order to function properly. In the entire section there is not a single shop unit, nor a unit whose principal work is the building of a fraction inside a trade union; this, in spite of the existence of ten large paper mills and many other important industries in the smaller towns. The section headquarters are located in one of the least important cities in the section.

This decentralized condition of the section brings about many new difficulties, besides accentuating all the ordinary difficulties of a section: The units being predominantly farm units, require a great deal of attention in order that they continue to function properly. This problem alone raises the question of cadres. The distances are so great, and we do not have any means of transportation, so it requires at least two days to visit a single unit and return. It takes a month to make a tour of the units, if all of them are to be visited.

Then there is the question of finances. The section office can carry on only so long as the units raise funds to keep it going. Since raising funds depends on the proper functioning of units, and since we have insufficient time to give the units proper attention, the section office is always in a bad state financially, which seriously hinders all work. The improper functioning of the section as a whole makes it extremely difficult to carry on any effective work, which means proper rate of recruiting, leading of mass activity, or linking up the campaigns with our recruiting work.

WHAT is to be done? The section committee has recognized these shortcomings, and has adopted a plan of work. But there are several obstacles to carrying out the plan of work which is correct in essence. The fulfillment of the plan of work means certain needs of the agrarian units, and the transferring of the most capable forces to the concentration points.

The plan of work involves two principal tasks: First, is the rooting of our Party among the proletarian masses, and, second, getting our units in condition.

The problem of properly rooting the Party among the basic elements of the proletariat is the answer to nearly all of the questions raised in Section 7. If this task is to be fulfilled, our most capable comrades must be sent to the concentration point, and must be allowed to remain there, with no other work until this task is accomplished. Already more than a month has passed since control tasks were adopted, and very little progress has been shown. The reason is that the comrade who was sent there has not worked steadily, but has traveled around, divided his time with several other localities. Even at the expense of neglecting all other work, this comrade must not be allowed to stay at the concentration point until an organization has been built there.

The second task, that of preparing the units, and the leadership in the section so that it may be divided, is more difficult. The major task is to involve the farm units in systematic activity in the reformist organizations, and to build systematic and responsible leadership in them. To accomplish this task, each unit must be visited. A careful plan of work, including individual assignments to each comrade, must be worked out. And the unit bureau must check up on these tasks.

Thirdly, regional or county committees must be organized and placed upon a functioning basis. Three or more units in scattered territories may form regional committees. These committees should be composed of the unit bureaus of the various units. Where more than three units form a regional committee, the unit organizers and the dues secretaries should form the committee. Each committee must have a secretary. The section organizer must work very closely with these committees.

FROM PARTY BUILDER
Wisconsin District.

ADDED WEIGHT FOR GOOD MEASURE

by Phil Bard

World Front

BY HARRY GANNES

British War Policy What They Tell Laval Move to World War

IT IS now revealed that the words were Laval's but the voice was Mussolini's. We refer to the French Premier's "peace" feelers which were so flatly turned down by British imperialism. Laval tried to put himself forward as the "honest broker" who risked losing the business of both sides in order to do right by them.

Instead of accepting Premier Laval's transmitted proposals, even as a basis for conversations, the British imperialists hardened their attitude against both France and Italy.

To France British imperialism now says:

"Ethiopia and your relationship to Italian Fascism are only a small part of the whole business for you. If you want to retain our friendship, and if you want, above all, to utilize our power in your dealings with your chief foreign enemy, Hitler, you must support our particular methods of solving the Ethiopian problem. They require defeat of Mussolini's major objectives in Ethiopia, and support of our division of Ethiopia which will give Mussolini only enough face-saving territory to preserve Italian capitalism without necessarily bothering whether Mussolini remains."

"That will mean France must sit tight behind Britain in the League to defeat efforts of the Soviet Union, the smaller nations, and growing world anti-Fascist opinion and actions for ending of the war against Ethiopia without any territorial sacrifices, without League mandates. We must both work against a final victory of Ethiopia, which would stir up colonial rebellion, and against the absolute defeat of Italian capitalism, which would raise the question of proletarian revolution in Italy."

"But we demand first, and last, that the Ethiopian problem be definitively settled not by the power of the armed force of Mussolini, but by the threat of greater armed action by us, so that there can be no doubt whatever of the ultimate solution, that the British empire is the master in these parts of the world."



Letters From Our Readers

Says 'We Are Not Asleep to Damnable Propaganda'

Long Branch, N. J.

Comrade Editor:

I want to congratulate you in your fearlessness in being unafraid to term the Ethiopians a Negro nation. It is disgusting to read such rotten propaganda in the American press to the effect that the Ethiopians are not Negroes. They are typically Negro, according to America's own descriptive classification of the Negro (although in America one may be descriptively white with blue eyes and golden hair and be classified Negro if he is known to possess one drop of Negro blood. Such hypocrisy!)

I have discussed this with several members of my racial group and we are not asleep as to the reason for such damnable propaganda. Its purpose is to put a damper on the enthusiasm and support of Negroes in this country for the independent Negro nation of Ethiopia. Hearst aims, on slavery in Ethiopia, aim likewise to destroy the support of all fair-minded Americans, Negro and white, who are horrified by Mussolini's barbaric invasion.

H. M.

On the Disfranchisement of the Negro People

New York, N. Y.

Comrade Editor:

A news article printed in the September 16 Daily Worker, describing the wholesale disfranchisement of impoverished sections of Alabama's population, again makes timely a portrayal of the unbelievably wretched conditions throughout the South.

In 1867, Clark County, Ga., had

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an aggregate population of about 12,000 of whom 2,273 were registered voters. Of this number 1,117 were whites, and 1,156 Negroes, giving the Negroes a majority of 39 registered votes. As a result, two Negro representatives were elected to the General Assembly in the Spring of 1868. At an election in this same county (which is a typical Georgia county) in the Spring of 1920, the lists of registered voters contained only 2,033 names, of which 1,886 were those of white men, with only 145 Negro men. By "legal" means (laws of disfranchisement of 1901), many different kinds of violence, the Ku Klux Klan, dishonesty of public officers, and all the other means available, political control had been taken from the Negroes. The population had doubled since 1868 (being in 1920 about 25,000) and yet the actual total voting strength of the county had been diminished the white voters had increased by about 70 per cent and the Negro voters had been cut by some 90 per cent! And still William Randolph Hearst, with many thousands of Southern people (among others) applauding, calls the Supreme Court, which somehow cannot rule correctly on cases brought before it in complaint on just such conditions as these, the bulwark of our country in these years of depression.

R. W.

Hails News of Merging of Student Leagues

New York, N. Y.

Comrade Editor:

Enclosed you will find \$1 toward the \$60,000 campaign drive.

Being a student in one of the metropolitan colleges, I am eagerly awaiting the amalgamation of the National Student League and the Student League for Industrial Democracy into the American Students' Union.

This move will indeed be a landmark in American student history. It will be an impetus in organizing the youth of the nation into a powerfully knit body.

Many of my friends who have hesitated joining either of the present organizations have signified their approval of the American Students' Union and announce they will join it as soon as it is under way.

A STUDENT.

While Rocking Our Crying Baby to Sleep

Lancaster, Pa.

Comrade Editor:

While rocking our crying baby to sleep, crying for milk, I received an advertisement, with which the greedy prey on us workers, in the form of a cute little picture with a baby smiling on it, telling how to improve baby's health by using products which I know is all bunk.

On this little piece of paper is this: "When baby laughs, the angels smile in heaven."

I want to know what the angels do when the baby is crying for milk, or when it is an orphan whose parents have killed themselves from worry how to keep alive.

H. R.

C. I. Congress on United Front

"The establishment of the united front of the working class is the decisive link in the preparation of the toilers for the forthcoming great battles of the second round of proletarian revolutions. Only the welding of the proletariat into a single mass political army will ensure its victory in the struggle against fascism and the power of capital, for the dictatorship of the proletariat and the power of the Soviets. 'The victory of revolution never comes by itself. It has to be prepared for and won. And only a strong proletarian revolutionary party can prepare for and win victory.'" (Resolution of VII World Congress on Dimitroff's Report.)