

Not a Penny, Not a Man to the Military Aims of the Government!

"War, under a declining capitalism, becomes an ever greater menace. The owners look toward the imperialist conquest of backward nations as a means of diverting attention from unrest at home, and of gaining new markets, new investment areas, new sources of raw material.

"This has already caused us to increase our military expenditure to three times as great as before the World War, and if unchecked can have but one ending—an international war.

"We reaffirm the historic position of the Socialist Party of the United States of opposition to any war in which

the government engages. We propose the elimination of military training from our schools; the abandonment of imperialist adventures of a military or economic nature abroad; the development of internationalism among the peoples of the world; the maintenance of friendly relations with Soviet Russia; the elimination of profits from war and war preparations; and the strengthening of neutrality laws, to the end that we may avert immediate wars while fighting for the attainment of a social order which will eliminate the basic causes of war."

—From the Platform of the Socialist Party.

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Conversation in a Graveyard

(The Unknown Soldier and the Forgotten Man meet in the graveyard by the light of the moon—on the 22nd anniversary of the beginning of the World War.)

Unknown Soldier: "Hello, there. Who are you?"

Forgotten Man: "I'm the Forgotten man."

"Who forgot you?"

"Practically everybody, but mostly the Democrats. That is, until Roosevelt dug me up in 1932 as a campaign slogan. After he used me, he forgot me."

"That's funny. The Democrats were always great forgetters. The Democrats forgot to keep us out of the war after we elected them in 1916 to keep us out. Then they sent us off to France and promised us a nation fit for heroes when we got back. They forgot that, too. And now there are millions of unknown soldiers still alive looking into the face of hell."

"Sometimes they remember," said the Forgotten Man. "The Republicans remembered long enough to send an army of soldiers and police to burn down the miserable shacks of Anacostia. The Democratic governors in the different states remember us too when we're out on strike, and send the militia against the picket lines. Roosevelt must remember us, too, when he thinks of his billion dollars a year for a war that will kill off millions of us. Sometimes, we're better off to remain forgotten. But most of the time, they let us stay unremembered, forgetting relief appropriations, and letting us starve."

Silence fell on the graveyard. The Unknown Soldier looked thoughtfully at his tomb-stone. Finally, he spoke.

"Some night I'm going to get a chisel and change that epitaph," he said.

"To what?" asked the Forgotten Man.

"I'm going to say: 'Here lies a Forgotten Workingman, who died in a fake war for democracy and lasting peace. All we got was death, and the living death of hunger and starvation for those for whom we fought. Never again! say we, the forgotten.'"

"No!" said the Forgotten Man. "We won't remain forgotten. The millions of Forgotten Men will remember themselves. Even now they are rallying to the banners of a better world, in which misery and starvation and war will be the Forgotten Fears of a dead civilization, wiped out by men who fight for their Remembered Hopes!"



The Unbalanced Budget Of President Roosevelt

HITS LANDON TALK

Thomas Asks Clear Stand On Unionism

NEW YORK—Norman Thomas, Socialist candidate for President, this week challenged Gov. "Alf" Landon of Kansas, Republican nominee, to place himself on record with regard to the organization drives by labor unions in steel and in the southern agricultural fields.

"It is clear that you do not believe that government should outlaw company unions," Thomas commented in his letter. "Where do you stand on the present drive to organize the steel industry or on the effort of the Southern Tenant Farmers' Union to organ-

ize share-croppers? The steel magnates and the planters have denounced the effort to organize exploited workers as "outside interference." Is that your position?"

Thomas' letter follows in full: My dear Governor Landon:

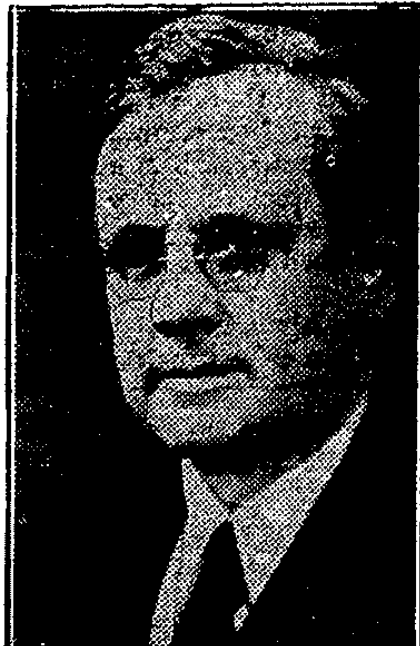
Your acceptance speech contained a declaration of your views on the rights of labor which for the most part is explicit. It is clear that you do not believe that government, state or federal, should outlaw company unions. This is a matter which I, along with other candidates, will discuss during the campaign.

At one important point your statement is not entirely clear. I refer to your last sentence on the subject. It reads: "Under all circumstances, so states the Republican platform, employees are to be free from interference from any source, which means as I read it entire freedom from coercion or intimidation by the employer, by any fellow-employee, or any other person."

The history of the American labor movement shows that repeatedly employers' organizations like the National Manufacturers' Association have used the phrase "free from interference from any source" to mean a denial of the right of a labor union or labor unions, actively to promote the organization of an unorganized factory or an unorganized industry. It is absurd to talk about labor's right to organize if in every factory workers more or less at the mercy of the owners of their jobs must organize spontaneously without any help from their fellow-employees. Is this the interpretation to be given to your words? Specifically, where do you stand on the present drive to organize the steel industry or on the effort of the Southern Tenant Farmers' Union to organize share-croppers and field workers? In the former case the steel magnates, and in the latter case the planters and such spokesmen for them as Senator Robinson and Governor Futrell of Arkansas have denounced the effort to organize exploited workers as "outside interference." Is that your position? As President of the United States would you give direct or indirect support to such a position?

I take the somewhat unusual step of writing you directly to ask these questions because I hope that you share with me a desire to clarify the issues of the campaign so that they may not be lost in a fog of words and abstract statements of principle. I shall give publicity to this letter, but not until it has had time to reach you by air mail.

NORMAN THOMAS.



Norman Thomas, left, Socialist candidate for President, put Governor Landon strictly "on the spot" when he challenged the Republican to take a clear-cut stand on organization campaigns by labor unions.

Tomorrow's War Means Fascism

The destruction of all of labor's rights and the establishment of fascist control over labor is being planned by the United States War Department for the next war, Rose M. Stein, Socialist author, told the students gathered at Brookwood Labor School for the first Workers' Anti-War and Anti-Fascist Summer School.

Miss Stein, author of the book, "M Day," which describes the plans of the War Department for "mobilization day," the day the United States enters the war, told how the Industrial Mobilization Plan had been developed by the War Planning Division of the War Department as a result of ten years study, and based on the experiences of the last war.

Bosses Consulted

"This scheme, which has as its basis the complete mobilization of labor, and the complete suppression of expression, was drawn up with the cooperation of the largest American industrialists, but without consulting labor at all," she pointed out. "Not only was labor not consulted, but no provision at all is made for representation of labor in its administration, except in one instance, that of a bipartisan mediation board without any real power."

The speaker asserted that the most important features of the plan, which consists of seven bills to be introduced when the United States is on the verge of war, were a selective draft law to control labor, and a law providing for the control of public opinion. The army, she said, realizes that a modern war cannot be fought without the backing of the entire nation. Those bills are intended to insure it.

The proposed draft law is based



on that of the last war, and requires the registration of all males in the country. Those between the ages of 18 and 45 will be subject to military service, those above 45 subject to draft for those jobs considered necessary by the war machine. Miss Stein stated the purpose of the plan was not primarily to raise an army, but rather to see that the war industries had an adequate labor supply, and were not disturbed by any demands by the workers.

"It will be very easy to send to the front those workers who are the agitators in the factories. Agitators at the front can be dealt with very simply by court martial and the firing squad."

Conscript Women

"Even women and children above sixteen will be drafted for war service if necessary. Elaborate plans have been made for drawing women into the essential labor services. A provision in the law would suspend from operation all protective legislation which the

states have adopted covering hours, wages and working conditions. Thus the women would be subject to merciless exploitation without any recourse."

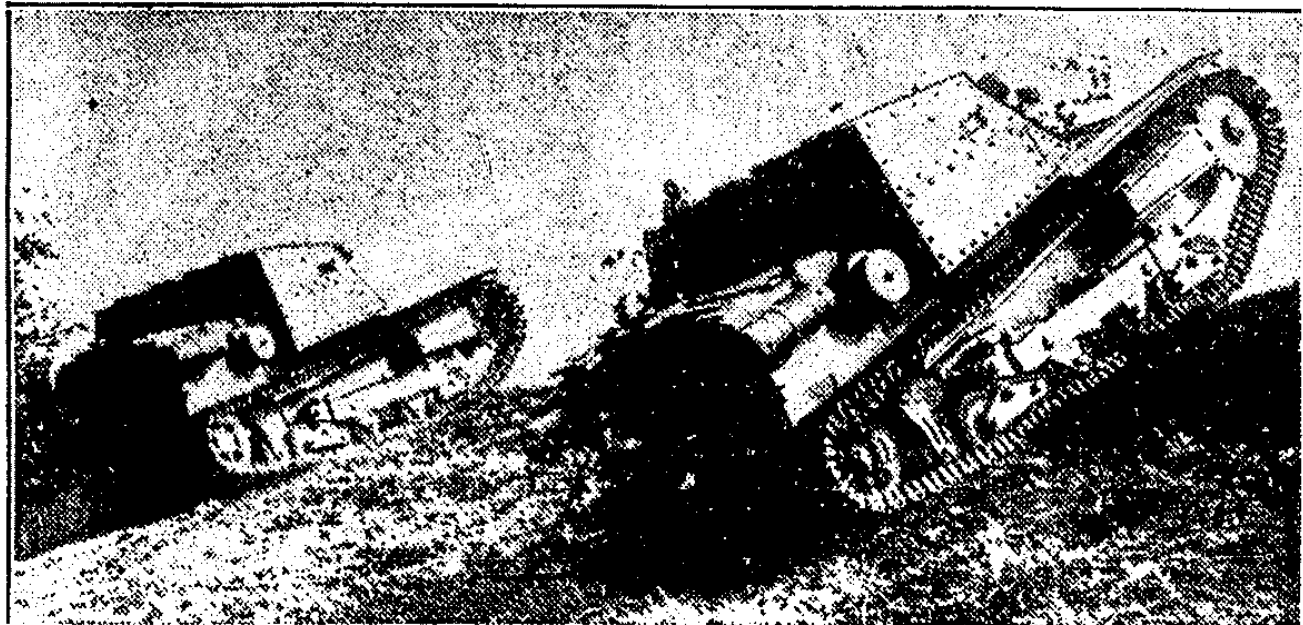
Miss Stein also described the provisions for the control of public opinion, which include what is called a "voluntary" censorship, over the radio, press, and movies. A large force of reporters, artists, and scenario and radio script writers will be put to work flooding the country with war propaganda.

The speaker maintained that the provisions of the proposed laws are so drastic that the War Department spokesmen before the Senate Munitions Investigating Committee admitted that they could only be passed in a time of war hysteria.

"The War Department has attempted to prevent a widespread knowledge of the plan. It was generally not known before the War Policies Commission met in 1933, and then dropped out of sight again until the Senate committee brought it to light during its investigations. Even the newspapers, while occasionally commenting on the features of the plan, almost never give it its title, the Industrial Mobilization Plan.

"American labor must face the fact that if America enters another war, fascism at least for the duration of the war, will exist. Who can say that once established it will voluntarily give up its power?"

READY FOR THE NEXT WAR



While a struggle for air supremacy continues in the capitalist world, no tricks are overlooked by those master minds who plot mass murder in making war on the ground as horrible as possible. Here is a bevy of the new tanks ready to crash through stone and brick as they plow their furrows of death.

AN EDITORIAL Is Everybody Happy?

Alf Landon has spoken. He's in favor of everybody.

He's the friend of the poor oppressed employers who are suffering from "governmental intimidation." He's also the friend of the poor oppressed workers who are the victims of "economic forces over which they had no control."

He's for labor unions and says that workers have the right to "join any type of union they prefer." He's for the manufacturers' associations and tells them in their own language that their workers are going to have the right to "join a union or refuse to join a union."

Landon says, Yes-and-No. Then he becomes more definite and says, No-and-Yes.

But the oil, poured out by Alf, the Kansas oil magnate, is cruder than crude oil. Labor won't be fooled. The workers know that the freedom to "join a union or refuse to join a union" means the freedom of the employers to force their serfs to remain unorganized.

It is pretty clear these days that the workers are fighting a war with their employers, a battle for better wages and better conditions. The arm of government is definitely plunged, up to the shoulder, in this struggle.

There is no neutrality. Attempts to put oneself (as Landon describes it) in "the position of an umpire" are merely methods of concealing which side one favors.

This is true of Landon who promises the bankers "economy in government expenditures" and then adds that "those who need relief will get it." He cannot keep his promises to both the bankers and the unemployed.

The same is true of his Democratic opponent, Franklin D. Roosevelt. Like the Republican, he poses as the friend of all, but is condemned by his own capitalist system to serve the owners of industry.

As against this picture of the old party candidates carrying water on both shoulders, Norman Thomas, the Socialist candidate, definitely takes his stand in favor of one of the conflicting forces. He is for the workers and farmers, for the exploited, for the suffering lower middle-class—for those who toil and are robbed of their reward.

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Labor in Action

PITTSBURGH—Aluminum workers in four states have demanded higher wages and vacations with pay from the Mellon-owned Aluminum Corporation of America. The company, which netted a \$23,000,000 profit in 1929 and \$9,500,000 last year, refused.

SANTA ANNA, Calif.—The Orange County citrus strike ended here with a signed contract which provided for a 20-cent hourly wage for a 9-hour day, plus 3¢ per box of fruit picked. Pickers previously received no hourly wage but were paid 5 1-2¢ a box with an unlimited working day.

TALLEDEGA, Ala.—The Alabama National Guard were ordered in here by Democratic Governor Bibb Graves after a gun battle between striking members of the United Textile Workers of America and company thugs and deputy sheriffs.

NEW YORK—More than 300 shops were struck here by the Fur Floor Boys and Shipping Clerks without losing a single one. The boys won raises of \$4 and \$5 a week.

SYRACUSE, N. Y.—The strike against Remington-Rand in Middleton, Conn., Norwood, O., and local plants continues in full blast. Scabs at the Middleton plant asked the mayor to appoint them special deputies with the right to carry arms.

RUTLAND, Vt.—The 8-month strike of 500 workers of the Vermont Marble Company ended here after "arbitration" by the federal conciliation commissioner.

STERLING, Ill.—The strike at the Northwestern Barb Wire Company here, the first strike involving the national drive to unionize the steel industry, is going strong. More than 1,700 are out.

QUAKERTOWN, Pa.—An important victory was won by the Suit Case, Bag and Portfolio Makers Union when the 6-week strike against the Samuel Brier and Co. plants in Philadelphia and Quakertown was won with full demands. Murray Baron, noted Socialist, led the strike.

NEW YORK—The U. S. Re-employment Service was accused of acting as a scab agency in strikes conducted by the Knitgoods Workers' Union by Louis Nelson, union manager. The union is on the eve of a general strike in the industry.

VINCENNES, Ind.—Local Socialists took the lead in forcing Vincennes police to renege on the Mayor's refusal to allow the Workers' Alliance to hold a meeting in the city's central park.

WASHINGTON—Seamen who strike for better wages and working conditions are not guilty of "mutiny," the Department of Justice decided, reversing a previous statement by Secretary of Commerce Roper.

MINNEAPOLIS—For the first time in 15 months, delegates representing the militant drivers' union were seated at the Central Labor Union, here. They represented Local 544 of the Teamsters, formerly Local 574.

CLEVELAND—The Cleveland Federation of Labor has appointed a committee to organize local Negroes into trade unions.

Spanish Rebels Routed By United Labor Militia

Capitalism
THE MORE YOU MAKE
THE LESS YOU GET

WASHINGTON—(FP)—Because workers are now producing more than they did in 1914, only half as many are needed, according to the Council for Industrial Progress.

In 1914 over 335,000 workers were needed to add \$378,000,000 to the value of raw materials in the glass products, clay and sand industries.

In 1933, value exceeding \$395,000,000 was added in the same industry by only 173,000 workers.

Hapgood Leads Hunger Strike

CAMDEN, N. J.—In protest against illegal arrests and exorbitant bail, eighteen of the 24 jailed RCA strikers and sympathizers went on a



HAPGOOD

"hunger strike" in the Camden jail here. Included among the hunger strikers were Powers Hapgood, noted Socialist and organizer for the Committee for Industrial Organization, and Harry Harmer, president of Local 103 of the United Electrical and Radio Workers which led the strike.

The union later put up bail amounting to \$180,000 to free them.

The strike ended when workers accepted a compromise agreement which provided for union recognition, return to work of all strikers and a poll in the near future to determine if the Radio Workers or the company union shall represent the workers. Among those who acted on the settlement committee were John L. Lewis, President David Sarnoff of the corporation, union officials and Gen. Hugh S. Johnson.

Bail totaling more than a \$1,250,000 was slapped on pickets as the county judges vented their ire against the union. On the last day of the strike, the judge held three strikers in \$15,000 bail each, six in bail of \$10,000 apiece and 23 others in bail of \$5,000. Hapgood is being held in \$5,000 bail.

An independent survey conducted by a group of liberals found that the disorders during the 4-week strike were not caused by the strikers. The RCA was accused of fostering a company union in a complaint issued by the National Labor Relations Board.

Ask Bennett Release

CHICAGO (LSP)—Hundreds of petitions are being circulated asking for the freedom of Sam Bennett, Negro sharecropper, who is being held in Chicago for extradition to Arkansas. Bennett refused to work during the recent strike conducted by the Southern Tenant Farmers' Union and was framed on a charge of assaulting with intent to kill an overseer.

The fight for his freedom is being conducted by the League of American. Copies of the petitions can be obtained from the League, 20 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago.

MADRID—The Socialist and workers' militia of Spain are routing the fascists in most of the key positions. After several days of doubt, the civil War now appears to be turning decisively in favor of the proletarian and loyalist forces.



THEY CRUSHED SPANISH FASCISM. Here are some of the loyal troops which, aided by the workers' militia, dealt a death blow to the attempted fascist rebellion in Spain. This picture was taken in the battle-torn city of Barcelona.

Rebel attempts to march on Madrid have failed. Heavy fighting in the Guadarrama mountain passes to the north of the Socialist stronghold has resulted in defeats for the fascists.

CIO Unions Hit AFL 'Trial'; Push Steel, Rubber Campaign

WASHINGTON—The member unions of the Committee for Industrial Organization refused this week to stand trial before the craftist executive council of the American Federation of Labor on charges of dualism, and continued with their drive to enlist the unorganized steel, rubber and auto workers into the AFL on the basis of industrial organization.

While the AFL leaders were studying the clauses in the AFL constitution and scrutinizing the proceedings of the Atlantic City convention in order to make out a case, the Steel Workers Organizing Committee of the CIO were driving the steel barons to cover.

A frenzied effort on the part of the Steel Institute to withstand the assaults of the union organizers led to the announcement of a new policy of "overtime" wages. The news was received cynically in steel circles, since there is no overtime work at all in the industry. The sudden move was labeled by Phillip Murray, chairman of the SWOC as "an attempt to becloud the issues by appearing to grant concessions. It is an admission that the campaign of the SWOC is certain to bring forth definite and bona fide improvements for the steel workers."

Refuse to Appear

The leaders of the 12 unions comprising the Committee for Industrial Organization have formally notified the AFL executive council that they will not put in an appearance before that body on August 3, when the trial is scheduled to take place.

Charging the craftists with attempting to split the labor movement, the CIO declares in a letter to President William Green: "The council, which incidentally is notoriously prejudged the issue, is without authority to dismember the federation. The CIO declines to submit to its jurisdiction."

Trial "Unconstitutional"

Their reply says further: "The proceedings you contemplate are wholly unwarranted by the constitution of the AFL. The AFL constitution provides that the expulsion of an affiliated national or international union can only take place at a regular AFL convention and upon a two-thirds roll call vote of the delegates. Suspension would disqualify the unions affected from having any delegate representation in the convention, and in this case is intended to have the effect of expulsion. The right to either suspend or expel is declared in the constitution to be 'in the AFL,' and its action must be taken in its regular convention."

A request that the council drop charges against the CIO unions was received here by the AFL from the Dressmakers Local 22 of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, numbering 30,000 members. It also asked the council to back up the CIO steel drive.

John L. Lewis, chairman of the CIO, declared that the industrial union group "will carry on" in its drive to organize the steel, automobile and rubber industries. It is planning to extend its activities into the aluminum field and the rayon and synthetic yarn industries.

A by-product of CIO activities was the request this week addressed to the AFL executive council by officers of the council of federal unions of gas and coke workers for an industrial charter. The United Mine Workers claim jurisdiction under their own charter.

The victories have been won by the united efforts of all labor forces, including the Socialists, communists and syndicalists, many of whom received their arms from the government. They have borne the brunt of the fighting against the fascist army.

Playing a leading role in the ranks of the workers' militia is Francisco Largo Caballero, Socialist and trade union head. His son is reported to have been killed in one of the battles in the Guadarrama mountains.

Women Fight

Remarkable tales of heroism from all sections of the country are being reported. Workingclass women have participated with their husbands and brothers in the struggles of the militia. Peasants and farmers, under orders from their organizations, either took arms or occupied themselves with harvesting in order to feed the workers' armies.

The fascist forces, when they seized Barcelona, prevented the holding of the workers' olympiad that had been planned in that city. Workers from other countries who had come for the events joined their Spanish comrades in the fighting. Their number included Francis A. Henson and William Chamberlain, New York Socialists, both of whom participated in the building of barricades and co-operated in the defense, bringing to the fighting workers the solidarity of American Socialists.

N. Y. Demonstration

NEW YORK—The New York Socialist Party is joining with trade unionists, the Communist Party, and Spanish and fraternal organizations in calling a mass demonstration of solidarity with the Spanish workers for Friday, July 31, in Union Square. The demonstration will begin at 4:30 p. m.

A drive for funds to be sent to aid the Spanish workers will be started by the committee.

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BEG YOUR PARDON!

Last week, our headline was "SPANISH LABOR ARMIES CRUSH FASCIST THREAT." We'd like to apologize for it—because, using our hindsight, it was an exaggerated headline and we don't want our readers to get the idea that the CALL exaggerates.

Of course, we were excited by the events in Spain. Any worker would be. Here were thousands of union men, Socialists, in a heroic struggle with the Fascist armies, ready to lay down their lives for the cause of labor's freedom. You were probably excited about it, too. So, if we let a little wishful thinking slip into that headline—we'll take the blame but we hope you'll excuse it.

And, as a matter of fact, when we wrote that story and the headline, all the cabled dispatches and our own sources led us to believe that the story was accurate. The situation changed about every hour, however.

We hope you'll accept our apology. It's our policy on the CALL to be accurate in every sense—we agree whole-heartedly with the motto of John Herling, the CALL'S Washington correspondent:

"Why Exaggerate? The Truth Is Good Enough!"

Looks like Mr. Roosevelt told the money changers to keep the change.

STORMS AHEAD!

The world is running for cover. In the distance, the thunder of war can already be heard.

They're off in the naval race; the war-budgets pile high; the diplomats pull strings; treaties are broken and re-written; secret pacts line up the warrior-nations. The world gallops headlong into the storm.

Such a haven is the League of Nations and the whole theory of "collective security" to which many sections of the labor movement have succumbed. Under its calm surface lie dangerous reefs on which the friends of peace may find their hopes wrecked.

Under the guise of "collective security," the international robber barons have banded together for their common good. The hijackers of the highways of the world have set themselves up as the guardians of peace. For them, "collective security" is the club with which the strong beat the weak.

Those who have all to gain from war—the extension of their own foreign markets, the expansion of their own territory, the subjection of other races for their own profit, the coining of gold out of human sacrifice—have dressed themselves in sheep's clothing and growl of "collective security" through jagged teeth.

In this game of war, the fascist nations and the Democratic nations—all of them capitalist—continue to feed the war-dogs. Business is business, and profit is profit, no matter what form of government it is that serves the golden coin, at home and abroad.

Capitalism wants war. It can maintain itself only by letting blood every so often. Living according to the jungle laws of competition, it must fight for its foreign markets in order to make other sections of the globe safe for its profit-bearing investments. The cloak of collective security is merely a cover for international insecurity.

Only those who want peace can establish it. It is for the workers of the world to enforce law and order among the nations. They who have the most to gain from peace must insure it.

TO WIN A WARLESS WORLD

Labor in all countries must unite. Only the independent and powerful action of the workers will put an end to war and the threats to peace. They dare not depend on their capitalist governments.

There is only one way to insure permanent world peace. That is to destroy the profit-system and build in its place the co-operative commonwealth of nations. There is only one way to prevent the immediate dangers of war. That is to build the economic and political strength of the workers.

Faced with the threat of war, workers can prevent its outbreak or bring it to a speedy end through their economic power. No nation can go to war if the workers refuse to create munitions, refuse to weave uniforms, refuse to transport troops. Organized workers hold in their hands the weapon of the general strike.

In addition, the workers must strive to take over the state. With the reigns of government in the hands of the laboring masses, there will be no presidential signature on declarations of war. That is why the workers must hasten to build their political party, the party of Socialism, into a mighty organization that will win the seats of power.

Roosevelt-Landon Definitions

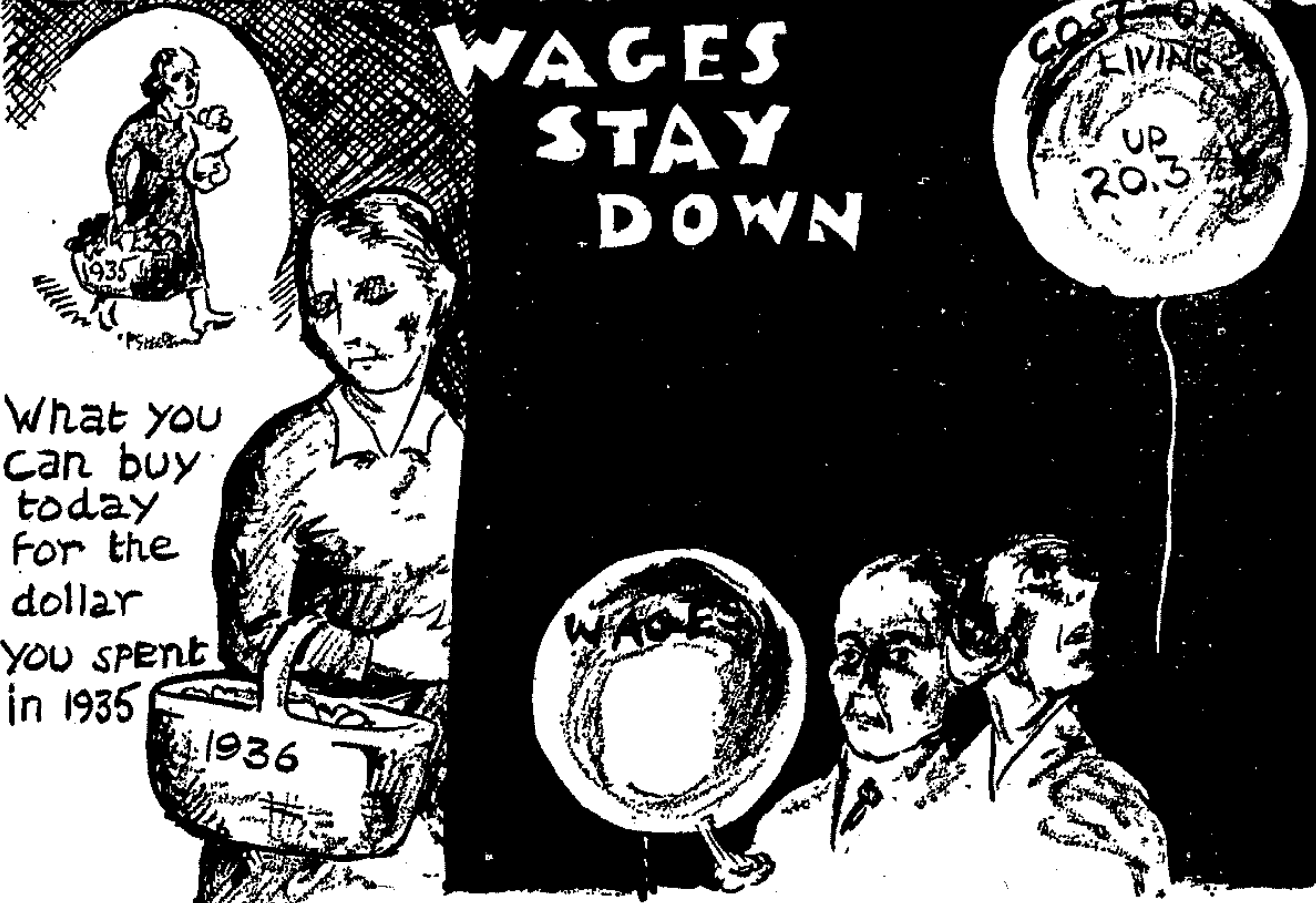
"Reckless expenditure of funds."—\$50-a-month relief jobs.

"Adequate national defense."—Two billion dollar war preparations bill.

"Social Planning."—Plowing under cotton and wheat.

"The Good Neighbor Policy."—Murdering Cuban labor leaders.

UP GOES THE COST OF LIVING WAGES STAY DOWN



EARNING POWER OF THE DOLLAR



Cannot Support Capitalist Candidates

To The Editor:

Having studied the decisions of the recent state convention of the People's Party, and being firmly convinced that Louis Waldman and other leaders of the People's Party intend to have our organization endorse both Roosevelt and Lehman in the coming election, I would thank you to note that I find it utterly impossible to even think of voting for candidates of a capitalist party, even though they may have the blessings of a so-called "labor party," or to belong to an organization that endorses such candidates.

Surely we cannot ask workers to vote for the standard-bearers of the party of Robinson of Arkansas, McAdoo of California, Farley, Walker and Dooling of New York—the party of Tammany Hall and of the Ku Klux Klan, the administration that has suppressed all freedom and liberty in Cuba. Roosevelt was placed in nomination at the Democratic convention by John Mack of this state. As you know Mr. Mack is the gentleman who obtained an injunction against a local of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers up-state, not so very long ago. Surely, Waldman the attorney for the Amalgamated, and Sidney Hillman, the head of the Amalgamated, cannot form a "united front" with Mr. Mack to support the same candidates!

Mr. Roosevelt has also been extolled to the skies by Governor McNutt of Indiana, the gentleman who proclaimed martial law last year in several counties of Indiana to smash the strikes of trade-unionists there. Surely any trade unionist or Socialist must feel very uncomfortable (to put it mildly) in the company of such "friends of organized labor." The People's Party is surely aware that Roosevelt's "New Deal" administration has appropriated a billion dollars this year for war

preparations, the greatest military budget in peace-time in the history of the country. Surely this will not be of benefit to the working class!

Louis Waldman has stated that we have not very much to deliver, but for my part I have my Socialist integrity which I intend to preserve.

I therefore resign from the People's Party, as a member and as a delegate to the City Central Committee, etc. and am applying for reinstatement in the Socialist Party, even though I am not in entire accord with all of the policies of that organization.

CHARLES B. DRISCOLL
(The above is the letter of resignation of Charles B. Driscoll from the People's Party of New York which is affiliated with the Social Democratic Federation.)

'Truth In Advertising'

To The Editor:

In front of the East New York Savings Bank is an advertising poster of whimsical interest to Socialists. Under the picture of a working man who looks at his bank-book with a happy grin is the caption, "Part of all I earn belongs to me!"

How neatly this could be turned Marxist simply by eliminating the grin and prefixing "Only" to the slogan! It shows the insulation of the capitalist mind that it cannot see the ironic implications of such advertising.

EVELYN ORNE YOUNG
New York City.

Total of the federal budget for the year 1936-37 is \$10,489,000,000. Of this amount, \$4,752,000,000, or 45%, goes to pay for past and future wars.

Thomas' Speech At Cleveland

To The Editor:

A friend of mine gave me a copy of your paper with Norman Thomas's speech to the Townsend convention. I am in favor of the old age pension idea. A lot of my friends are too, and we were disappointed when we read in the newspapers that Norman Thomas attacked the Townsend Plan.

But reading his speech made it look a lot different. It was a really fine thing for Mr. Thomas to come to the convention and to honestly tell his opinions to people that he knew thought differently. The more I think it over, the more I think he was right in telling them that old age pensions are not enough to end the suffering, even if the government could afford to pay us \$200 a month. I guess we'll have to have Socialism. It's capitalism that is to blame for the troubles of the old and also of the young.

Everybody who wants to see people happy and living in a better world is wishing the Socialist Party a great deal of luck. I am sure you will win in the end.
DAVID COLLINS
Los Angeles, Calif.

Educational

And Alive

To The Editor:

The CALL is educational and alive, and I mean just what I say. Keep up the courageous and splendid work. Now more than ever, we need a hard-hitting, debunking paper such as THE CALL to help rouse all of the people from their lethargic stupor.

H. PERLIS
Detroit, Mich.

LESSONS IN HISTORY

By Pete Hawks

HISTORY repeats itself, the college professors say. Well, maybe it does and maybe it don't—but I know one thing: that if the last war ever happens again, damned few of us will be alive to tell our grandchildren about it.

I wasn't in it—I was only a kid of thirteen or fourteen in the first year of high school. But I wanted to go, all right. I enrolled in the OMTC and was plenty proud of the uniform. (OMTC stood for the Officers' Military Training Corps which is now called the ROTC—the Reserve Officers' Training Corps.) All us kids drilled on the grass lawn in front of the school while the girls were green with envy as they watched us. Some of the bigger boys left the OMTC to enroll in the regular army and we put up a stone tablet in the front hall with a list of those who never came back.

Of course, drilling was not the only thing we used to do. We had the Liberty Bond drives and all of us worked like mad chiselling nickels and dimes and dollars out of all our relatives and Mr. O'Malley, our boarder, to keep up with our school quota. We had big parades and everything. A good time was had by all, except my aunt cried when the War Department sent her a letter telling her that Uncle Harry got "killed in action." But she put a star in her parlor window and we didn't mind very much, just like we didn't mind buying our sugar with a card and going without fresh vegetables.

Socialists Had Guts

We didn't pay much attention to the Socialists in town although they seemed to have plenty of guts. Some of the people who came over to the house to see Dad wanted to treat them the same way they treated the Huns—but, outside of a raid on the Socialist headquarters when they smashed all the furniture and burnt the files, they were pretty well let alone. They held a real large meeting for Eugene Debs after he got out of jail and thousands turned out. They all seemed to respect and honor him, even if they did send him to the penitentiary for fighting conscription during the war.

I first got my eyes opened to the war ballyhoo in 1932 when I heard some Socialist speeches. One speaker was going down the line on Herbie Hoover because of his war program. "What do we need to spend all this money for?" he asked. "Who are we going to fight? Why don't we take some of this money and feed the unemployed, build schools instead of battleships!"

There was some wise guy in the crowd and he yelled out—"Hey, if some bully would push your sister in the face, wouldn't you fight?" The speaker jumped on him heavy.

"Listen, mister," he said. "You can't be a Socialist and a coward. It takes a lot more courage to fight war than to stand by and nod your head like a dummy and then march off to be blown to bits. Sure, we'll fight—but we'll fight our real enemies, the bosses, and not some poor German or Japanese worker who doesn't want to fight us any more than we want to fight them."

That's real sense. And Roosevelt certainly hasn't give any answer to it. He's gone right ahead and Congress has passed a law giving a billion dollars to the army and navy for military preparations! A billion bucks!

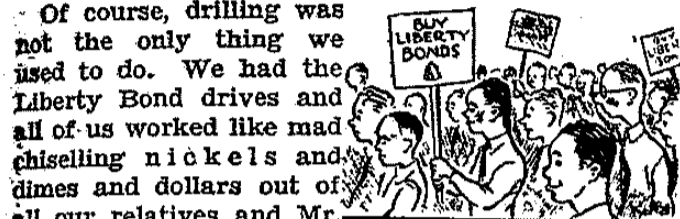
Boy, that's plenty of oday! Figure it out for yourself. Some college professor who's smart at arithmetic took out his pencil and paper and here's his answer:

If you or me would spend a dollar a minute for 1,900 years, we'd be about a million dollars short of a billion. That is, if someone about the time of Jesus would go on a spending spree and throw away a dollar a minute—sixty bucks an hour—for 24 hours during the day and 365 days during the year, he'd just about be getting around to spending the last of the billion dollars in this year of the Roosevelt depression. Think about it for a little while, and you'll agree with me that it's a lot of money. Plenty.

And what're they going to use this money for? To kill and be killed! They're going to use it to manufacture instruments of destruction and death. We could build roads and schools, electrify our farms and build playgrounds for our kids.

—And they're going to use the billion bucks for war! It's about time all of us called a halt to this. We can do it by getting Norman Thomas in the White House and our own people, the Socialists, into Congress and into the legislatures. That's a job that's to be done—and we'll do it.

I'll tell you more about it next week.



Editors Hit Conditions On The Call!

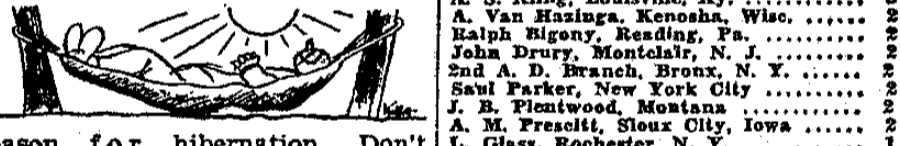
NEW YORK—The workers' revolution in the United States started this week in the offices of the CALL when the editorial staff, after a two-hour mass demonstration, marched into the sanctum sanctorum, lifting placards high and denouncing the Call Press, Inc., for failure to maintain humane working conditions. They presented the following manifesto to the business-manager:

WE DEMAND!
We don't mind taking it on the chin pretty regularly on the subject of wages (even if the grocer, laundryman and landlord kick)—but why, in the sacred names of Marx and Engels, doesn't the business office get us a water cooler?

Have you ever figured out how many dimes we've borrowed in order to buy sodas at the corner drug store because we're thirsty in this weather? Forget the wages—but with one iron voice we make our demand:

WE WANT A WATER COOLER.
CALL Shop Committee, Labor Press Unit, American Newspaper Guild.

Seriously, though, it's no joking matter. The staff is entitled to its water cooler, and incidentally its wages. It's up to you folks in the great "out there" to come through. How about your contribution lists? Why aren't they filled?
Summer is no excuse. As a matter of fact, your work to build the CALL is more necessary now than before. Winter is the



season for hibernation. Don't waste the summer in siestas. Get out and raise the money so that our press run can leap into the hundreds of thousands as it must if we are to have a real, vital campaign for Socialism.

And don't forget the contest. The race is on. Don't fall behind. Your prizes are waiting for you: twenty volumes of the CALL's first year of issues, bound in a beautiful red buckram cover. Send in your twenty subs before August 12, and it's yours—a his-

Looking Backward

1916—TWENTY YEARS AGO—1916
NEW YORK, July 31 (From the files of The New York Call)—A terrific explosion of war materials on Black Tom peninsula shook the city, strewn tons of plate glass in the streets. The number of dead is unknown; property loss is estimated at \$70,000,000.

NEW YORK, Aug. 1. (From the files of The New York Call)—Formally introduced by Senator Warren G. Harding of Ohio, Charles E. Hughes, Republican candidate for President, denounced the Democratic regime and urged the country to vote Republican. He proposed an "impartial settlement" of all labor disputes.

1932—FOUR YEARS AGO—1932
READING, Aug. 6. (From the files of America For All)—More than twenty thousand Reading workers in this Socialist city heard Norman Thomas, Socialist candidate for president, open his 1932 campaign. "Repeal Unemployment" is the Socialist slogan.

NEW YORK, Aug. 6 (From the files of America For All)—The United States Steel Corporation, despite the depression, is a paying industry. Although the industry is operating at less than 30 per cent of normal, the board of directors announced a quarterly dividend of \$6,304,919.

THE TOPEKA DROUGHT

By McAlister Coleman

Follows an open letter to the editor of The CALL.

DEAR Comrade Boss: You asked me to get all the papers and read very carefully the speeches of Alf Landon and Franklin D. Roosevelt and what's his name? (I mean his first name) Lemke and to write pieces about these speeches in this column. So I got all the papers including The Martha's Vineyard Gazette, and read the acceptance speech of Alfred Mossman Landon, delivered at Topeka, Kansas, last week.

Now I ask you, how can anybody write a piece about that thing? I gathered from the buildup and the ballyhoo that came out of Republican press headquarters, before Alf said his speech, that he was going to come clean, and tell us what he has been thinking about all these long, hot years out there in Kansas. He was going to take off his whiskers and let us all know him. Come to think of it, maybe that's just what he did. Maybe that's all there is, there isn't any more. It sounds incredible but perhaps this is the whole Landon story. At any rate that's all we have to go on and it needn't detain us long.

He Came to Pray

That speech was just about the nearest approach to nothing at all that has ever been sent through a composing room. Alf goes in there with a prayer and ends up with another and between the prayers he says that he ought to be elected because he is an "everyday American." He thinks that we have been too long recovering and that the Democrats have spent a lot of public money that could have been more profitably spent by the Republicans. He grants labor the right to organize but comes out for the Open Shop and company unions. He thinks that people ought to earn money by working for it but he forgets to tell the unemployed how to get jobs that pay that money.

The New York Herald Tribune says: "The Governor ended upon a note of vision and high endeavor. He pledged his party to restore and to maintain a free competitive system."

There's a statesmanlike statement for you. "Free competitive system." There stands a man praying out loud to God that he will get a majority in the electoral college on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in next November, pledging himself in the year 1936 to restore "a free competitive system." This sort of mish-mash might be understandable if Mr. Landon were taking the part of a cracker-box philosopher in a historical pageant depicting the economic theories of the Andrew Jackson Administration. But, Comrade Boss, you wrote me that this feller was running for President this year and to keep an eye on him. You were not kidding your old friend and comrade Uncle Mac, were you?

Anyway, He Writes

Don't they have any telephones in Topeka or are they still getting their information about current matters via the pony express? Couldn't you send a wire to Alf telling him about the facts of life in America in 1936, or is the cash drawer as empty as when I left a month ago? Try sending it collect. Apparently he'll sign for anything, after putting his name on the dotted line of the Republican platform, and it really does seem a shame to let this economic innocent go around believing in things like a "free competitive system," and, no doubt, unicorns and ouija boards and such. If Alf is as simple as his speech, he must be wondering how he got Peggy Anne for a daughter and how electricity gets through those little holes in the great big wires.

However, there will probably be a lot of "everyday Americans" who will love this nursery-school recitation and it would be sort of mean to spoil their pleasure by getting rancorous about it. But you really shouldn't ask me to comment on the outcry of a candidate who wanders out into the storm and stress of the earthshaking tempests of the Neotechnic Age with no more protection to offer than an umbrella of the vintage of the 1830's.

Have Mercy on Mac!

On the whole, you can see that I'm getting sort of gloomy about this job you've wished on me. What have I ever done to you fellers down there, anyway? Haven't I always written my copy neatly on one side of the paper, commenced it about a quarter way down the first page and signed my name to it in the upper right-hand corner of page one? Next time Alf emits a "note of vision and high endeavor," send over to the Secaucus Home for the Feeble-Minded for comment.

Dammit, stop pestering me with such nonsense. Your Uncle Mac is getting old and he's been wearing long trousers for some time, and he can't be bothered commenting on the childish prattle of small-time Kansas banana oil producers.

Temper-tantrumly yours,
McA. C.

A Piece of String
A piece of string on your finger will help you remember to send in your contribution list with as much money as you have collected. All lists must come in, even if no money has been collected.

story of labor during the last eventful year.

ARE YOU LISTED?

The donations are picking up a bit, but it's hardly what it should be.

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Total \$1,392.10
Subscriptions hit the figure of 334 this week. Upward and onward, is the slogan:

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Total for the week 344
There are 53 persons enrolled in the contest. Here are the leading contenders:

Contest

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Hugo Rasmussen, Indianapolis, Ind.	7
J. Fishman, Bronx, N. Y.	7
Euben Jones, S. Norfolk, Va.	6
Joe G. Brinocar, Peoria, Ill.	6
A. Zager, N. Chicago, Ill.	5
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Kenneth W. Porter, Boston, Mass.	5
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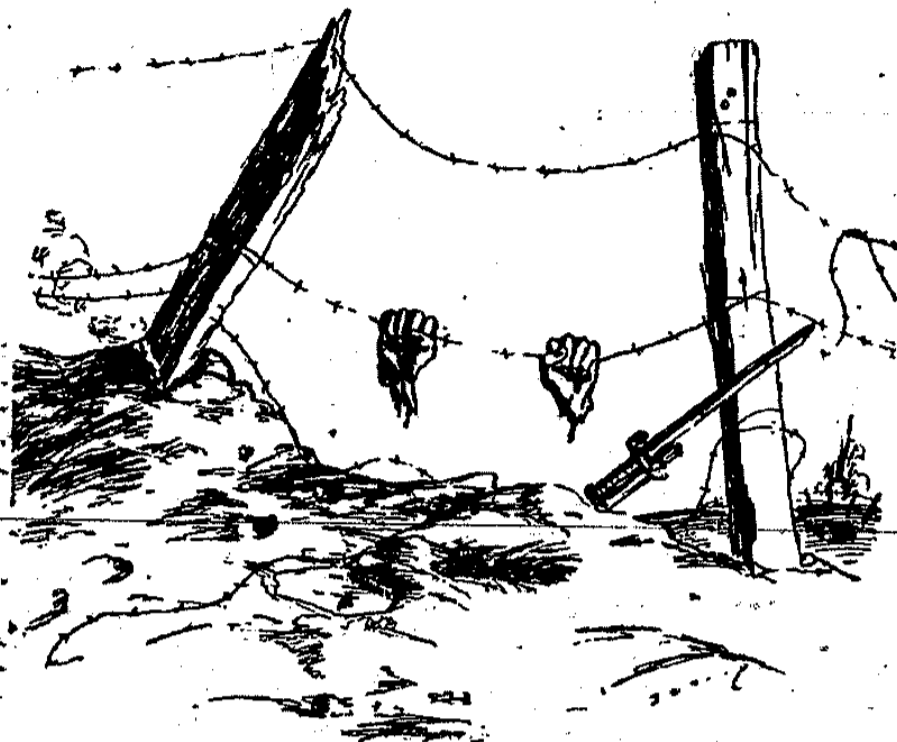
Cheer Up!

By CARY E. NORRIS

The following leaflet by Cary E. Norris, originally printed in *The American Socialist*, June 9, 1917, was used as evidence by the Government in the famous war trial of the five Chicago Socialists, all national officials of the Socialist Party. Although each was sentenced to 20-year terms in Leavenworth, the verdict was reversed by the United States Supreme Court.—Editor.

Cheer Up Boys! Wave your caps and shout for joy; For a kind, beneficent government has bought 200,00 coffins for you.

It is not customary to purchase the coffin until after death; Therefore, such thoughtfulness and consideration on the part



of the government ought to be fully appreciated.

Cheer up! Of course, it is hard to see the boys march into the whirlpool of blood;

But some of them may possibly return; And you will always have the consolation of knowing that the ones who fell had a coffin; —Unless they were too badly scattered.

Girl, say "Good Bye" to your sweetheart with a smile on your lips.

Part of him may come back; But if you never see him again, try not to think of him with his arms and legs blown off;

With great holes torn in his body; With his face crushed beyond all resemblance to a human;

Just think of him peacefully sleeping in the coffin provided for him by the benevolent government and imagine that his last words were:

"We are taking Democracy to Germany."

1917—Our Stand On War—1936

Excerpts from the Resolution on War, adopted by the 1936 national convention of the Socialist Party, follow:

The treaties, the non-aggression pacts, the League of Nations, the sanctions, and the capitalist system of "collective security" have not only failed to give a firm basis for peace but have in themselves become a source of friction and war.

The present international situation proves conclusively that war is inherent in capitalism.

The inherent forces of capitalism leading to war are the struggle of rival imperialisms for new markets, sources of raw material, and fields of exploitation.

In the struggle to maintain or extend the power of rival capitalist states, the world has already been divided into separate camps. The next war, regardless of how it begins, regardless of whether countries are fascist or democratic, small or large, will be one of imperialist interests on both sides.

"Lovers of Peace"

The Socialist Party warns against mistaking the peace loving pose of any capitalist state for an honest interest in ending the imperialist struggle. Such poses are intended to strengthen the immediate imperialist interest of the capitalist states and to prepare for future imperialist wars as "wars to end war."

In the light of the experiences of the last war, where many working class movements were tricked into support of imperialist war under the guise of a holy crusade, the Socialist Party of the U. S. A. proclaims that no capitalist war can be a good war, that no capitalist device can be a basis for a policy of peace. Only when the workers take political power into their own hands in the great nations of the earth will the world have a sound basis for lasting peace.

The Soviet Union, where capitalism has been abolished, is really desirous of peace. The Soviet Union, surrounded by capitalist enemies, is in constant danger of imperialist attack, and all



BY LYNN WARD

class conscious workers must be prepared to defend the Soviet Union against imperialist attacks. Such defense, however, can only be a proletarian defense, independent of capitalist governments and their policies and independent of the diplomacy of the Soviet Union, and carried out with the instrumentality of organized labor.

Should the American government, or any other capitalist government, for reasons of its own enter into an alliance with the Soviet Union, defense of the Soviet Union does not include support for capitalist allies of the Soviet Union in war. The Soviet Union can best be defended by vigorously carrying on the class war in all countries.

As in 1917, American Socialists will refuse to support any war the capitalist government of America might undertake. Should war break out despite our efforts, we will continue to carry on the class struggle and fight against war, and through mass resistance to it, through agitation for a general strike, will endeavor to convert the imperialist war into an organized mass struggle for the overthrow of capitalism and the establishment of a workers' and farmers' government.

[At a national convention of the Socialist Party in St. Louis, in April, 1917, American Socialists then adopted a militant, anti-war resolution which has served as a guiding beacon to the international labor movement. Excerpts of this resolution follow.]

The Socialist Party of the United States, in the present grave crisis, solemnly reaffirms its allegiance to the principle of internationalism and working-class solidarity the world over, and proclaims its unalterable opposition to the war just declared by the government of the United States . . .

The Socialist Party of the United States is unalterably opposed to the system of exploitation and class rule which is upheld and strengthened by military power and sham national patriotism. We refuse support to their governments in their wars.

The wars of the contending national groups of capitalists are not the concern of the workers. The only struggle which would justify the workers in taking up arms is the great struggle of the working class of the world to free itself from economic exploitation and political oppression, and we particularly warn the workers against the snare and delusion of defensive warfare.

International Solidarity

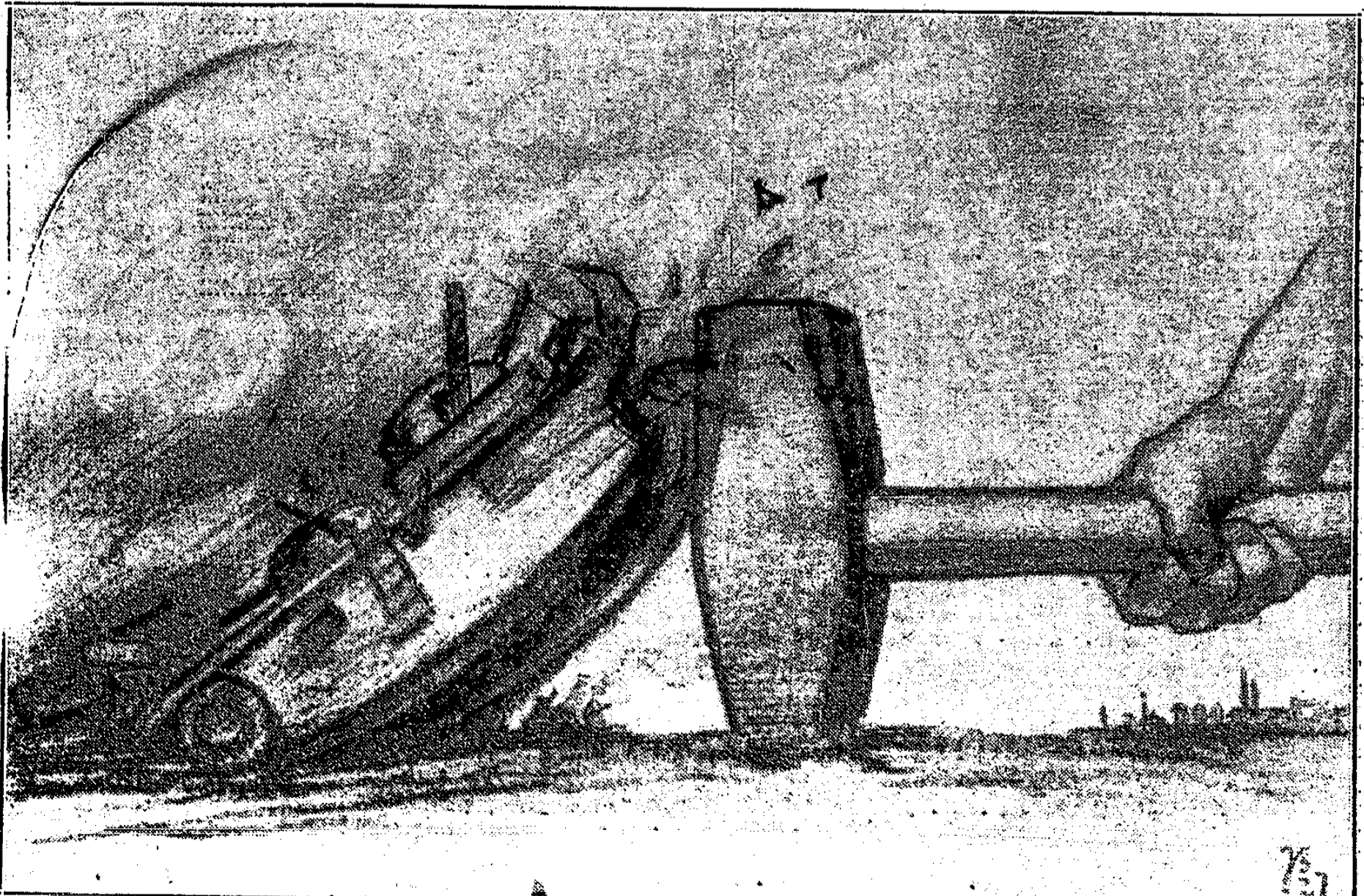
As against the false doctrine of national patriotism, we uphold the idea of international working-class solidarity. In support of capitalism, we will not willingly give a single life or a single dollar; in support of the struggle of the workers for freedom, we pledge our all . . .

Capitalism, imperialism and militarism had laid the foundation of an inevitable general conflict in Europe. The ghastly war in Europe was not caused by an accidental event, nor by the policy or institutions of any single nation. It was the logical outcome of the competitive capitalist system . . .

We brand the declaration of war by our government as a crime against the people of the United States and against the nations of the world.

**Strike
A Blow
For
Peace
And
Freedom**

**VOTE
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EUROPE RUSHES TOWARD WAR

By GUS TYLER

Europe moves toward war with seven-league boots.

The whole world trembles as Hitler, Schuschnigg and Mussolini throw their combined weight into the international scale against London, Brussels and Paris. Europe is no longer a great jumble of armed nations; the central continent of world politics is sharply divided into two great battle camps; and the whole world prepares to line up with one side or the other.

The inequality of military forces gradually becomes evened. Italy is armed to the teeth, its lips warm with the taste of newly spilt blood. Germany has thrown a military shield over its previously exposed industrial heart in the Rhineland. With Austria in alliance, Germany and Italy have an inner line of communication. Italy can now, with Ethiopia in its hands, strike at Britain's imperial life line. It can hit the Nile and break the passageway to India. Italy's huge air force over the Eastern Mediterranean would seriously affect the strategy of war.

Several months ago there took place a meeting of the military staffs of France, Britain, and Belgium. This was a renewal of pre-war alliances, secretly concluded, involving mutual military support.

Have and Have-Nots

This alliance represented the

"The working class who make the sacrifices, who shed the blood, have never yet had a voice in declaring war. The ruling class has always made the war and made the peace."
—Eugene V. Debs.

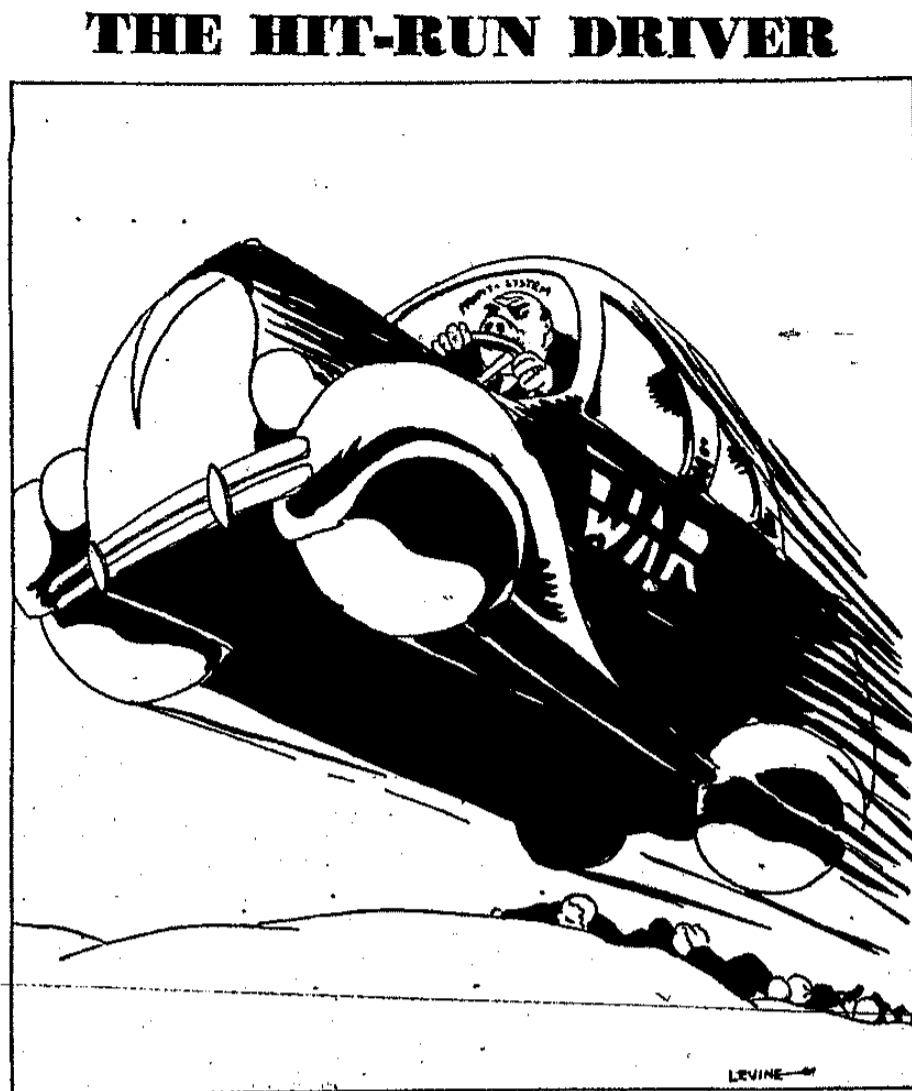
common action of one set of nations, anxious to preserve the present status quo of the world against another set of nations, impatient for a redivision of the world's surface. These last powers are united; they make haste to strengthen their position; they prepare to strike!

Italy and Germany have been natural allies since the war. Both countries were bitterly against the settlement made by the victorious powers. They have thirsted for a revenge which their weak military strength could not quench.

Hitler and Mussolini have been working hand in glove for the past half year. Hitler's march into the Rhineland was staged like an eleventh hour rescue for Mussolini. Just as Mussolini planned to denounce the Locarno Pact should France and England apply oil sanctions, Hitler took the words from his mouth, turned the attention of Europe to himself, and shoved all talk of anti-Italian sanctions into the deep, dark past. Within the same hour Italy accepted a proposal to talk peace.

Move Into Austria

Hitler's move was the first step in a long time policy of zig-zagging Germany back to a new place in the sun. The next move eastward was made into Austria. An



BY RALPH LEVINE

additional agreement with disgruntled Hungary encircled Czechoslovakia. A strong Nazi movement boring from within Czechoslovakia now opens the doors for the expansion of the Central Powers into that country.

The Balkans are rapidly dividing on the main questions of European politics. Rumania, by placing its railroads at the dis-

posal of the Soviet Union, has squarely taken its stand with the anti-German-Italian forces.

Hungary on the other hand leans toward Hitler and Mussolini, thirsting as it does for revenge against those who partitioned the Balkans after the World War.

Turkey is still a question mark. With the Dardanelles in Turkey's

hands, it becomes a major part of the European riddle. An indication of how the various powers treat Turkey today was that disgusting scene of flattery by the various great nations after the settlement of the Straits question. They all loved Turkey, they said, because the balance of war power is becoming so close in the world that every nation strategically situated becomes important.

No matter from what nation one proceeds or what evidence one collects, the conclusion is the same and compelling: Europe Rushes Toward War!

War will never be ended by either great armed camp of Europe. They can only bring war and drag the whole world into the war. Only a third camp—the camp of the workers in all countries—can end war, and keep the countries of the world from being dragged into the war.

This third camp—the workers of the world—must carry through its campaign of preparedness just as do the capitalists. It, too, must propagandize, mobilize, raise a great and disciplined army, whose slogan shall be:

Capitalism, if you give us war, we will give you war!

Capitalism, if you would destroy us, we will destroy you!

Straight From The Shoulder

IN SPAIN

The workers' weapons are rifles—bayonets—pistols,

Workers are putting up barricades against fascism.

Workers are giving their lives.

The Socialist Party is in the vanguard.

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OFFICIAL CAMPAIGN PAPER OF THE SOCIALIST PARTY

Party Activity:

Dirt Farmers Form Thomas-Nelson League

Socialist campaign headquarters announced the formation by prominent farm leaders of a Farmers' League for Norman Thomas and George A. Nelson, Socialist candidates for President and Vice-President.

The league is headed by Chester Graham, secretary of the Farmers' Union of Michigan. Other members are J. T. Phillips, master of the Missouri State Grange, Rodney Salisbury, president of the Farm Holiday Association of Montana, H. L. Mitchell, secretary of the Southern Tenant Farmers' Union, Robert Miller, president of the Minnesota Farmers' Union, Mrs. Henry C. Wolfe, treasurer of the Minnesota Farmers' Union, and Samuel E. White, secretary of the California conference of Agricultural Workers.

Summer Schools

Plans have been completed for four of the series of summer schools to be conducted by the Socialist party. The northern California school will be held near La Honda from Aug. 9 to 16 followed by one in southern California from Aug. 16 to 23.

Italian Federation

A. Camboni, secretary of the Italian Socialist Federation, announced that the federation has moved into the national headquarters of the Socialist party, 549 Randolph St., Chicago, in order to more closely work in coordination with the general activities of the Socialist party during the presidential campaign.

Colorado

A Socialist summer school to be followed by a Western States Conference will be held at Red-feather Lakes. The summer school will be held September 5 to 11, and the conference from September 12 to 13. State organizations are urged to send delegates and should communicate with Cray Trimble, conference secretary, at 116 1/2 West Ninth Street, Los Angeles, Calif., or Paul McCormick, Room 205, 1026 Seventeenth Street, Denver, Colo.



Al Loyd, formerly on the CALL editorial staff, who died this week. Loyd is well known by Socialists all over the East and was appointed as secretary of the national campaign press committee at the last meeting of the Socialist national executive committee. He had served as managing editor of The New Commonwealth, official Connecticut Socialist paper.

States Try to Rule Thomas Off Ballots

CHICAGO (LSP)—It is becoming increasingly difficult for the Socialist party and other minority groups to win a place on the ballot by the restrictive laws recently passed, asserted Clarence Senior, campaign manager of the Socialist party.

According to latest reports which have reached Socialist headquarters, the Socialist party has been ruled off the ballot in Maine together with other minority groups. In North Carolina 10,000 signatures on petitions are required to get on the ballot. A. A. F. Seawell, attorney general, in an apparent effort to frighten prospective signers, said that he would hold a person guilty of "fraudulent intent" if he signed the Socialist petition and then did not join the party.

Angela, Calif., or Paul McCormick, Room 205, 1026 Seventeenth Street, Denver, Colo.

Florida

The state convention will be held August 8-9, at 1424 Franklin Street, Tampa. Candidates will be nominated and plans will be made for the fight to get the Socialist designation on the ballot.

Illinois

Socialists in Gillespie, a small mining town, have already raised 60 percent of their quota in the national campaign fund drive, which is \$100. Craig Easton, chairman of the drive committee, started the fund-raising the night of the Thomas broadcast. Gillespie now leads the state.

New York

Vice-presidential candidate George Nelson will tour the state from August 16 to 22. Locals desiring dates should communicate with the state office. Gubernatorial candidate Harry W. Laidler opens Elmira's campaign on Friday, July 31, in Southside High School and will also speak over radio station WESG, Elmira, the same day at 4:45 p. m.

Pennsylvania

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Books

War In The Pacific

By BRUNO FISCHER

In this column I praised highly the first two books of Headline Books (Foreign Policy Association, 35c each), "War Tomorrow" and "Made In U. S. A." On the third and fourth books, "Dictatorship" and "Peace In Party Platforms," I maintained silence, for they were greatly inferior to the first two.

"Dictatorship" stupidly lumped the Russian government together with the German and Italian governments under the general heading of "Dictatorship," dealing only in passing and inadequately with the vast economic and political differences between the Soviet Union and the Fascist states. "Peace In Party Platforms" stated only the liberal panaceas for peace, ignoring utterly the Socialist contention that peace can be secured only with the abolition of capitalism.

The fifth book, "Clash in the Pacific" is inclined to border on the reactionary. The attempt of Japan to swallow up China is well stated, as are the rival interests of the United States, Great Britain and the Soviet Union. But the solution the editors see is the collective action, military if necessary, if these three countries against Japan.

Why are the imperialist interests of Japan any less holy than those of Great Britain and the United States? The editors show that a handful of capitalists control Japan and her policy. Why not at least give some sentences to the Socialist point of view, as was done in the first book, that while there are imperialist countries there are bound to be clashes?

I have heard on excellent authority that the wealthy backers of the Foreign Policy Association,

picnic at Falcons Park on August 2. Powers Haggood, member of the Socialist national executive committee and CIO organizer, is scheduled to speak. The park will open at 10 a. m. There will be a program of athletic events, dancing and refreshments.

The 5-county picnic, organized by Pennsylvania Socialists, will be held at Central Park, Allentown, on Sunday, August 2. Charles Sands of Reading will speak in the afternoon. In the evening an audience of at least 5,000 is expected to hear Norman Thomas.

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One wishes he could say a lot of nice things about "Injunction Granted," because it is so obvious that, between the 35 research workers, fifteen dramatists and a cast of something like a hundred, here was intended a tabloid portrayal of American labor history. But good intentions have never of themselves proved very interesting—and despite all the work that has evidently gone into the production, it proves for the most part to be dull and boring.

The idea was to present, sympathetically, the struggle of American labor against the two-headed hydra of industry and the courts. From the time when indentured slaves were packed like sardines in the holds of the New England-African-West Indies rum-runners until that scene two months ago when the organized unemployed stormed the New Jersey legislative chambers to demand adequate relief, we were to be shown the riddle and the solution of the class war. But it just doesn't jell.

The faults and limits of the production are accentuated by those three or four scenes (there are thirty scenes, all told) that are effective and dramatic, as for instance in "Precedent." As the

THE GYPSIES ARE HERE



Lola Chernaya, Moscow artist, who plays the role of Alta in "Gypsies," the Russian film now at the Cameo.

worker seeking justice is rebuffed and manhandled by courts, high and low, the moral of the futility of capitalist justice is plain. These high-lights however, merely make deeper the shadows of obscurity before and after.

It was perhaps the unhappy lot of this reviewer to know his labor history somewhat better than the average member of the audience.

It became uncomfortable therefore, when he saw episodic fizzle while he muttered to himself quotations and dialogue far more dramatic than those on the stage. Too, this reviewer knows either personally or by sight many of the notables in labor today; when, then, he sees John L. Lewis portrayed as a thin, wiry business man or Mayor LaGuardia as tall and well-developed, confusion is added to boredom. Better than "1935" (which was rotten), "Injunction Granted" has far to go to reach the dramatic heights of "Triple-A Plowed Under." —SR.

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What Next In Spain?

By HERBERT ZAM

WITH the military-fascist counter-revolution in Spain in its last throes, it is necessary to take stock of the breath-taking events. The present movement is not an isolated incident, but a phase of the development of Spain toward proletarian revolution. It shows, definitely and beyond dispute, that the struggle in Spain between Socialist revolution and Fascist counter-revolution cannot be compromised by a middle-of-the-road bourgeois republic. Either Socialism or Fascism! There is no middle ground.

It shows that all learned talk about the "peaceful road to Socialism" is but pacifist twaddle. For in Spain Socialism was not being established. The Republic was merely granting the workers elementary concessions usually connected with the bourgeois revolution. But the reactionary big-capitalist-landlord-Catholic Church alliance could not tolerate even these reforms. In the last analysis, the Spanish workers do not have any such choice between "peacefulness" and "violence" as the utopians like to picture. They have a choice between the permanent violence and bloodshed of the counter-revolution, and the temporary violence of the Socialist revolution which will put an end to all violence forever.

Republic Asleep

The Republican government was caught napping by the counter-revolution. This is a rather mild term. For the government had done everything to make it easy to prepare a successful coup d'etat. All the reactionary militarists were kept at their posts. The few who were "punished" were merely helped thereby.

For example, the military leader of the counter-revolution, General Francisco Franco, an outstanding reactionary plotter, was "exiled" by being made commander of the Canary Islands where he could plot in peace. Others were "punished" by being placed in charge of the Foreign Legion and other troops in Morocco, with the result that they assumed control over these

PLEDGE LOYALTY TO THEIR CLASS



With their fists clenched in Socialist salute, these young Madrid workers pledge their loyalty to the working class while Jose Castillo, young militia lieutenant, lies in his coffin, a martyr to the cause of workers' emancipation.

forces to throw against the Republic.

In Spain itself, the preparations for the rebellion proceeded almost openly, with the Fascists enjoying full "democratic" rights. There is no doubt that the rebellion was well-planned, well-prepared, nationally organized. It came close enough to being successful to show how dangerously unstable social conditions in Spain are. Indeed, the failure of the counter-revolution is not due to its military inadequacies but rather to the mass resistance of the workers and revolutionary sections of the peasantry.

Even the capitalist press recognized that the decisive factor in the fighting was the armed workers' battalions. The Austrian miners, with dynamite, the tools of their trade converted into a weapon of war, took the rebellion in the rear and paralyzed the march on Madrid. In the army and in the fleet, the rank-

and-file soldiers and sailors rapidly put an end to attempts at counter-revolution by arresting their officers and electing new commanders from among the ranks.

The main reliance for the defeat of the counter-revolution was not in the "formal" troops of the government, but in the extra-legal troops of the working class. The Government was itself compelled to arm the workers and accept the help of the Labor militia, just as Kerensky accepted the help of the workers and revolutionary troops when he was threatened by Kornilov.

Will They Dissolve?

When the counter-revolution is crushed, will the workers' militia dissolve? Will they give up their arms and place themselves at the mercy of the next coup d'etat?

A dual power has been established in Spain. The official government represents the bourgeois revolution which, in the period of capitalist decay throughout the world, cannot even carry out its own tasks. The armed workers' troops represent the Socialist revolution, which in its course will also complete the work left undone by the bourgeois revolution.

The Kornilov counter-revolution in Russia was followed within two months by the proletarian revolution. Nobody can predict whether the proletarian revolution in Spain will come within two or twelve months. But one thing is certain—history has placed the proletarian revolution on the agenda of Spanish events as the next stage of development.

Out of the present chaos in the proletarian movement in Spain there must crystallize a power which will make this perspective the hub of its program. Whether this power will be the left wing of the Socialist Party, led by Caballero and Javier Bueno, or a Socialist-communist alliance, or the "Allianza Obrero," the united movement of all the revolutionary proletarian forces, remains to be seen.

The present counter-revolution is neither an accident nor was it unpredictable. If the bourgeois republic does not give way to a proletarian republic there will be other attempts at counter-revolution, as well as more indirect methods by the counter-revolutionary landlord-capitalist alliance to seize political power. Indeed, reaction is nurtured andism.

grows strong under the wings of the Republic, which preserves the economic power of the landlords



Francis A. Henson, New York Socialist visiting in Spain, who took an active part in routing the Fascists in Barcelona.

and capitalists. And having economic power, they must eventually also succeed in securing political power.

Only the destruction of the economic power of the landlords and capitalists through the socialization of industry and the division of the land among the peasantry can remove this source of reactionary violence. Simultaneously, the complete transformation of the military forces will have to be undertaken, cleansing them of all reactionary elements and reorganizing them into a workers' militia.

But the present regime cannot be expected to undertake these measures, which are basically measures against the capitalist system as such. The present regime is concerned with the preservation of capitalism. Therefore the present alliance between the workers and the Government can only be of short duration. With the defeat of the open counter-revolution, the proletariat passes over from defense to attack, and in this period it must not be hampered by the timorous middle-class elements whose sole role becomes that of slowing up or stopping the advance toward Social-

Consumers' Cooperation

By BENJAMIN WOLF

During the last few months this column has on a number of occasions discussed several of the Rochdale principles, Universality, Democracy and Equity. As a philosophy of economic action these principles are not only consistent with Socialism—they form the essence of Socialism. Our major criticism of the American cooperative movement has been levelled not against these principles but rather against the limited application they have been given by the leaders of the movement. Any one of the more important Rochdale principles, if logically and consistently applied, must inevitably lead to the acceptance of Socialism as the universal principle. No democracy is really possible unless it is a democracy which transcends consumer action and provides for democracy in production, in political action and social intercourse.

The same incomplete logic of some cooperative leaders is found in their application of a fourth Rochdale principle, the principle of liberty of action. The cooperative movement prides itself on being a voluntary association of consumers in which the member is neither coerced into joining nor restrained from withdrawing. This, they proclaim, is true liberty of action as opposed to the dictatorial methods of fascism. Yet hasty inquiry into the idea of liberty will readily reveal that this is an immature application of the principle.

Liberty involves at least two other concepts. There is, first, social restraint so that liberty does not devolve into license. Liberty of action does not permit unrestrained, unreasonable action. Due regard must be had for the rights of others, and, more generally, society as a whole.

Secondly, there can be no liberty unless a choice between real alternatives is presented. There is no liberty in a choice between life and death, or working for miserable wages and starving, or even working or being unemployed. Before we can say we have fought and won liberty for ourselves we must win the right to curb the license to exploit, to enslave and to destroy.

Before the cooperative movement can say it is for liberty it must join in the fight against all exploitation, whether it be of the consumer or the worker. It must join in the struggle to provide not only an alternative to the shoddiness and adulteration of profit made goods, but to form a society which offers a real opportunity for life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness for all persons. Cooperators who accept their Rochdale principles must, if they think clearly, accept Socialism as the all-embracing principle.

In August ASM

A scholarly analysis of the American political scene is the leading article in the "American Socialist Monthly," official theoretical organ of the Socialist party. The article, "Ferment in Politics," by David P. Berenberg, author and lecturer, is followed by articles on "World Labor's Peace Dilemma," by Devere Allen, militant campaigner against war, and "Socialists and the Coming War," by James Burnham.

CHILDREN'S MAGAZINE

CHICAGO (LSP)—The August issue of the "Falcon Call," workers' children's magazine, has just been issued containing short stories, pictures, handicraft material and features. The magazine is published by the Red Falcons of America, Moxley Bldg., Chicago, to interest children in the labor and Socialist movement.

MILITIA IN ACTION



Here are Madrid Socialist militiamen receiving bombs and other ammunition before they left for the mountain passes to hold back successfully the Fascist advance.



Norman Thomas Says:

LANDON'S ADDRESS DODGES THE ISSUE

TODAY, nothing matters so much as the defeat of the armed rebellion in Spain. That rebellion is nothing in the world but an appeal to violence on the part of the landed and industrial interests in Spain, the clericals and the fascists and a large section of the army. With this sort of rebellion, time is definitely on the side of the popular forces. If the workers who stand by the leftist government are not conquered by sunrise they will not be conquered at all. As a fascist triumph would be a disaster not only to Spain but to Europe and mankind, so will fascist defeat be an immense blessing. It is the business of the workers of the world to see that no help goes to the rebels from reactionary governments or forces in either hemisphere.

Gov. Landon's Acceptance Speech

Either some Republican editors have been touched in the head by the recent heat or they think that their readers are. The New York Herald Tribune almost bursts into poetry over Governor Alf Landon's acceptance speech. It quotes with rapturous approval the opinion of a Portland editor that the speech was like "a drink of cold water out of a tin dipper on a hot day." (Now that the elephant has moved to Kansas the circus trimmings and balmy hoo are on the bucolic order, but his fodder still comes from Wall Street).

Actually, the speech was a dull affair, completely unspecific and conservative. On the whole, it was an attempt to appeal to the small-business-man, small-town psychology, with the speaker "just one of the folks." Its most specific passage was a definitely anti-labor union in its implications. At once I wrote the governor an air mail letter to ask him whether his declaration against outside interference with workers was meant as a condemnation of the Committee for Industrial Organization's effort to organize the steel workers, or the Southern Tenant Farmers Union's effort to organize sharecroppers. I have had no answer, just as I have had no answer to specific questions which I have addressed to Messrs. Roosevelt, Lemke, and those clerical demagogues, the Father Coughlin and Rev. Gerald Smith. I intend to ask specific questions, and to press for specific answers, in this campaign.

The Situation In the AFL

It ought to be inconceivable that the craft union majority of the Executive Council of the AFL while the crucial steel organization campaign is in process, should spend time and energy on drastic disciplinary action against the C.I.O. Socialists in common

Thomas to Tour New England

The month of August will find Norman Thomas, Socialist presidential candidate, busy filling request speaking engagements in and around the New England states. His schedule was announced as follows:
 Aug. 2—Allentown, Pa., at 2:00 p. m., International House, New York City, at 7:00 p. m.;
 Aug. 8—Providence, R. I.; Aug. 10—Brockton and Quincy, Mass.;
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with all friends of the American labor movement, should make it clear that they want no split, and will regard any drastic disciplinary move by the old line AFL leaders as a kind of treason to the American labor movement.

But if blind and willful men, more concerned for their own power, prestige, and per capita than for the organization of the unorganized, split the AFL, we, unlike the Waldmanite organ, the New Leader, will unhesitatingly give our support to the industrial unionists. It is their activity alone which promises to revitalize American labor.

The Democrats And Labor

The same working class solidarity and self reliance which led to the organization of the CIO ought, we think, to have prevented progressive labor leaders from becoming a tail to a Democratic kite. That is what Labor's Non-Partisan League for Roosevelt is. That is what its creature, the so-called Labor Party in New York State must be. It was avowedly formed to make it easier for "from 75 thousand to 100 thousand workers" accustomed to voting a working class ticket, to vote for Roosevelt and Lehman.

The same logic which makes the endorsement of Roosevelt and Lehman a condition for the membership in the new party, will make it necessary for that new party to endorse most of the Democratic candidates for Congress and Legislature. Otherwise Roosevelt and Lehman will say to it, "You have nullified the effect of your endorsement of us by splitting the vote for our legislators and making it easier for Republicans to get in."

If the one essential for this labor party is the reelection of Democrats to the highest offices in the nation and in New York state, it cannot draw the line at any Democrats except a few who may be anti-labor. The party will be a rather feeble annex to the Democratic Party. We do not challenge the good faith of the men who have founded it; we question their judgment. If any of them ever supported the Socialist ticket in 1916 against Woodrow Wilson, they should apologize. If any of them ever criticized the German Social Democrats for supporting Hindenburg, they should repent in sackcloth and ashes.

If in spite of this unpromising start, this new party should some time break away from its Democratic moorings, nobody will be gladder than we. But it is an inauspicious beginning for a real labor party to start it in order that Socialists and near-Socialists may find it easier to vote the Democratic ticket.

Political Circus In New York

One amusing thing about the political circus is to contemplate the plight of our Waldmanite friends. They said that they left the Socialist party to avoid contact with communists who had got into the party or were friendly to the party!

They will find far more communists in the one to which they go than in the one they left. For the communists, although they will not get into the labor party as a communist party, are very friendly to it. Many of them will be active in it as members of trade unions or of innocents clubs. Well, that's all right with us. Our objection to the new labor party is not to the communists

Everybody's In Favor Of Peace

Take a vote on it: "Everybody in favor of peace, say Aye. All those opposed, say Nay."

It's unanimous. Nobody wants war. Everybody wants peace. The general, who's going to become famous in war, has voted for peace. Mr. Gunpowder, the munitions maker, who gets millions out of war, also says that he is for peace. But still we have wars.

Everybody loves peace—in peace-time. And then they go right ahead and make wars. Not because they are bad men, though some of them are, but because they are living in the kind of world that drives them into war.

This profit-system, in which men set their hearts on making profits for themselves, forces us into war every few years. War is the method by which the capitalist engine, in danger of being stalled, lets off steam, scalding everybody who's standing around, and then crawls on.

Back of all wars today is the fight for profit. Through the months of peace-time, the seeds of



war are planted. As men go on working calmly in the factories, making goods of all kinds, as the employers continue to pile up profits, the nations move closer and closer to war.

Why?

Workingmen get only wages. The things which they create go to the factory owners, to the employers, who give back to the workers only a part of what they have made. With their wages, the workers have to buy up all that they have created. But they can't do it. The wages amount to only a part of the value of the goods. The rest belongs to the employer, as his profit.

The result is that a huge quantity of stuff

cannot be bought back by the workers who are the great majority of the people. The workers, then, haven't enough for their needs, and the business men have too much on hand which they can't sell. They won't give it away; instead, they go on looking for customers.

Since the workers here (due to the fact that they get wages and not the full value of what they make) cannot buy up all the goods, the manufacturers send the articles to other countries. If, for example, American merchants can't sell to Americans the shoes that their workers have made, why not try to sell them to the Chinese? But there are Japanese business men



who have the same idea. Why not sell the Chinese the shoes their workers have made and can't afford to buy back? And the British have that idea, too—and so have the French and the Germans, and the rest of the commercial nations.

The only way, then, to throw war into the ocean and drown it for good, is to get rid of the profit system that causes the whole bloody business. Instead of giving the worker wages, give him the full value of what he creates. If that is done, there won't be this mad scramble to sell surplus goods for profit in foreign markets.

That is what the Socialist Party intends to do. The Democrats and the Republicans admit that they stand for profit. Roosevelt, in accepting the Democratic nomination, said he was in favor of the "American system of initiative and profit." It is a system in which Profit takes the initiative in destroying American lives.

[The above is one of a series of articles on various phases of the Socialist program.]

Socialism Will Solve The Farm Problem

MILWAUKEE—George A. Nelson, Socialist vice-presidential candidate, was the principal speaker at the Wisconsin Socialist State picnic held at Pleasant Valley Park, Sunday, July 26.

Nelson, a Polk county dairy farmer, is a leader in the Farmers' Equity Union and the Farm Holiday Association. He has served in the Wisconsin assembly and was speaker of the assembly in the 1926 term. He has also been a member of the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin. In 1934 Nelson was the Socialist candidate for Governor of Wisconsin.

Warning against the campaign promises of the Republicans and Democrats and the completely undemocratic organization of Lemke's new Union party, Nelson declared that the Socialist party is the only one that farmers and workers can support this year.

"I'm a farmer," said Nelson. "I



GEORGE A. NELSON

who will be in it but to the Democrats. Still it will be amusing to hear how the Waldmanites will explain things.

The Three Messiahs

The Townsend Plan clubs did not endorse Lemke, but the three political messiahs, Coughlin, Smith and Townsend cemented their beautiful friendship in support of Lemke, and will barnstorm for him. Socialists who come across Townsendites ought to remember that neither Smith, Coughlin nor Lemke himself, has specifically, and in detail, promised aggressive support to the Townsend Plan. Father Coughlin, who under ecclesiastical pressure made a sort of apology to the President, never apologized to the Townsend Clubs for calling their plan "economic insanity."

know that the farmers want to keep their farms which are both their jobs and their homes. And I also know that the city workers want to work for an honest living, so they can buy the food the farmer raises.

"But under the present political set-up neither one has a chance. Workers can't get jobs and can't buy food. Farmers can't sell food and can't buy clothes and automobiles. It's a crazy system. And neither the Republicans nor Democrats nor Father Coughlin's outfit propose to fix it."

All the capitalist parties, the Socialist candidate declared, are dodging the one fundamental issue. "Unless the workers can buy food, the farmers can't find a market," he said. "Unless the farmers can buy what they need, the workers can't get jobs making things."

"The only party that offers a reasonable solution is the So-

cialist party. Socialists know what every farmer and worker with common sense knows — that the mass of the people must be provided with jobs, in field or in factory. This need comes before any other.

"The Socialists have a practical and intelligent farm program that should appeal to every farmer. They propose to cut out the exploiting middlemen by encouraging cooperatives and giving government assistance in transportation and other fields so as to reduce selling costs. They take away the fear of foreclosure with the declaration that no farmer who uses and occupies his own land can be thrown off it.

"The Socialists offer both immediate and long range programs for the workers, and include many of the demands put forward by the unions themselves, for unemployment insurance, thirty-hour week, and other reforms. Under Socialism any man able and willing to work would have a good job.

"Farmers and workers have only one party that they can support this year—the Socialist party. They must unite and get behind it."

Nelson Tours Illinois

CHICAGO—George A. Nelson, Socialist candidate for Vice-president, will speak:
 July 31—Gillespie, Ill., City Park.
 Aug. 1—Oneida, Ill., afternoon.
 Aug. 1—Galesburg, Ill., Public Square, evening.
 Aug. 2—Starved Rock, Ill., picnic.
 Aug. 3 to 8—Indiana.
 Aug. 8—Reading, Pa., Farmers' Day picnic.

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ROOSEVELT WAR BUDGET MENAGES WORLD PEACE

Old Parties Okay Billion Dollar Cost

A billion dollar war-budget, adopted by the Roosevelt administration, stared the American people in the face as their thoughts turned this week, the twenty-second anniversary of the outbreak of the World War, to the problem of maintaining peace.

This is the largest peace-time military budget that the American people have ever had to pay for. None of Roosevelt's predecessors

in the White House has ever dared to throw so much money to the dogs of war.

The last Congress, under the whip of Roosevelt's floor leaders, set aside more than half a billion dollars for the army and a similar amount for the navy, as a capitalist offering of the gods of war.

Republicans joined with the Democrats in paving the way for the tanks and heavy artillery that will some day crush human beings into a mass of disfigured flesh.

FDR Supporter Urges Arming CCC Camps

MILWAUKEE — James Van Zandt, commander-in-chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in convention here, called for the introduction of military training and discipline in the CCC camps at the VFW convention here. Van Zandt's statement bears out the recent CALL expose of the Roosevelt plan to militarize the camps; he is a warm supporter of the Democratic administration.

Socialist Mayor Daniel W. Hoan, addressing the convention, condemned war as a product of capitalism. Quoting Abraham Lincoln's statement that governments should dedicate themselves to the task of getting the full fruits of their labor for all who toil, he declared that if governments all over the world followed this policy, war would be abolished. He called upon the veterans to unite their strength to wipe out the causes of war.

THE ROOSEVELT RECORD

WASHINGTON — War appropriations voted by the 74th Congress for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1936, have been computed as follows:

Naval	\$ 526,546,500
Army military	383,104,900
Army non-military	189,342,000
Naval airplane contracts ...	13,000,000
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Public works, Navy (1937) ..	556,000
Public Works, Army	706,000
Army repair and construction	440,000
Army air depot, Sacramento	4,000,000
Other contract authorizations	3,000,000

Total\$1,131,385,200

While the unemployed were left to struggle for life on meager relief rations, the hand of President Roosevelt was awarding heavy contracts to munitions makers. Roosevelt, always a friend of the navy since his assistant-secretaryship in that department, is already engaged on his program of building 78 ships. In addition to that, he plans to construct 54 battleships when future funds become available. The President has in view a navy of 313 ships by 1941, which the House Appropriations Committee estimates will cost \$555,000,000 a year to operate.

It is conceded by experts that such a fleet is far greater than is necessary to protect American shores. There can be only one purpose in expending such great amounts of money for a navy that is stronger than our defense requires. That purpose is use in an offensive war.

Roosevelt intends to defend the foreign markets and capitalists investments in foreign lands, just as Wilson did in 1917, after promising to keep us out of war.

DEMAND CASH RELIEF



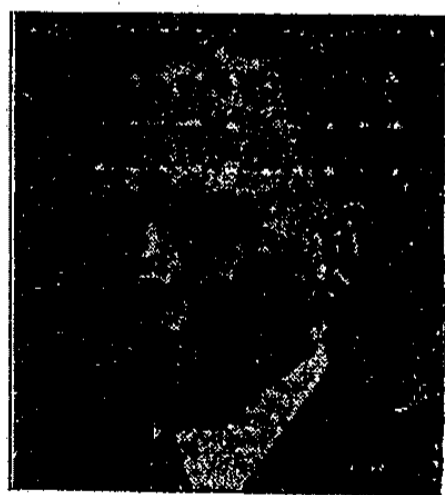
Here is part of the 10,000 Chicago jobless who marched under the banners of the Workers Alliance there in protest against the reduction of relief funds.

Ask Hundred Million For Jobless Relief

HARRISBURG, Pa.—Sick and tired of the political tricks played upon them by both the Republicans and Democrats, more than 2,000 members of the Workers' Alliance marched on the State Capitol here to demand the immediate enactment of the \$100,000,000 jobless relief bill sponsored by Assemblyman Darlington Hoopes, Reading Socialist. The marchers were led by David Lasser, noted Socialist and national president of the Alliance.

More than 600,000 men, women and children were left penniless while the old party legislators jockeyed for political advantage and refused to agree upon a program to finance the \$45,000,000 compromise relief bill passed two weeks ago. When the Senate adjourned, the jobless entered the Senate chambers and passed the Hoopes bill before they were evicted by state troopers.

Elected as "president" of the unemployed Assembly was



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Charles Sandwick, Allentown Socialist. John Muldowney acted as "speaker" of the Senate.

Unions Seek To Organize War Industry

"This is our country and not the country of Congress," said Major K. K. V. Casey, a director of sales in the duPont munitions company in a confidential memorandum.

That the United States shall become the country of the workers and not the merchants of death, however, is the intention of munitions workers. Through union organization, they are building their own economic power and preparing a basis for labor action to prevent war.

Plans under way for the organization of the rayon industry, closely allied with the manufacture of gun-cotton, will bring more than 55,000 workers into the army of labor.

Socialists Active

Socialists have taken an active part in all efforts to unionize those engaged in the munitions industry. The Colt strike in Hartford, which included the highly skilled mechanics who assemble the machine-guns, put a stop to all production while orders were left unfilled. Nation-wide attention was focused on the situation when a strike picket-line journeyed to Washington and encircled the White House and the Department of Justice in an effort to force Roosevelt to carry out the favorable decision of the National Labor Relations Board.

Outstanding in the successes of organization campaigns among workers in the armaments industries were the victories of the Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers of America in the Camden shipyards last year and in Staten Island a few weeks ago. Led by Socialists John Green and Phil Van Gelder, the workers tied up the yards.

Remington Arms

The merchants of death are terrified by the prospect of their workers organizing. In the city of Bridgeport, Remington Arms, a duPont concern, attempted to block future efforts at unionization by introducing an ordinance forbidding the use of loud speakers in city streets, thus preventing union organizers from appealing to huge crowds. Alderman Michael Gratt, a member of the Socialist city administration, promptly exposed the ordinance.

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