

Thomas J. Mooney

Mooney's Release Speeds Harmony **Among Miners**

United Mine Workers Invite Progressives to Wage Scale Parley at Herrin, Ill., Jan. 22.

BULLETIN GILLESPIE, Ill.-The Progres-

GILLESPIE, III.-The Progresvote of 6 to 2 qualified Local No. 1 for the ran-off election here Satur- Prisoners' day, Election date was set for Release

HARRISBURG, III.-Representa- NEW YORK-Calling upon the Assembly chambers in Sacramen-ice meeting in conference here last Gov. Olson of California in free- most- dramatic moment in the can war veterans. voted to approve the move-ing Tom Mooney, David L. Clen-that followed Governor Olson's rement to un. the two Illinois mine denin, secretary-treasurer of the mions' scale committees for joint Workers' Defense League has septiations before the wage asked Lieut.-Gov. Keene Johnson pardon should not be granted step egreement expires March 31, 1939. of Kentucky to free the four Ken-The action followed a declara- tucky miner prisoners, and Gov. ion by Jack Battuello, left wing Frank Dixon of Alabama to free

said.



Saturday, January 21, 1939

Sharecropper Refugees Stranded Along Missouri Roadsides

Workers' Action A Personal Message From Norman Thomas Made Tom Mooney

For us, the New Year holds forth the golden opportunity of building for the world of tomorrow in our native land.

But for thousands of political and religious refugees, 1939 means another year of hopeless desperation as they wander in foreign lands, outcasts in a barbarous world.

They look to us for help. Exchange your dollars for lives

Contributions will be received for political and religious refugees by the Committee for International Labor Solidarity of the Socialist Party, 348 Third ave., New York, N. Y.

-NORMAN THOMAS.

Teamsters

Picket Neb.

Legislature

LINCOLN, Neb.-When the 1939

Nebraska legislature assembled m

its new one-chamber state legisla-

ture in its modern capitol building

SAN FRANCISCO-Tom Mooney, convicted 22 years ago on perjured testimony for a crime he did not commit, has at last been freed on his own terms—a full and uncondi-**Jersey Strike** Behind this simple statement lies one of the most dra-Spreads to matic stories of our era, the heroes of which are not Tom Mooney and Warren Billings-a fact which both of them

Chicago Area would be the first to admit-but rather hundreds of thousands, even millions, of obscure workingmen and women CHICAGO-When the Elizabeth New Jersey, plant of the Wilson Jones' loose leaf and blank bool factory tried a squeeze play agains the CIO union in that city by fir ing three union members over a

> party, they found they had caught a bear by the tail. The solidly organized Chicage plant upon hearing that 150 of the workers at Elizabeth had 300 and

Wealthy Owners **Refuse to Share Relief Grants**

Son of Man Hath No Place to Lay His Head-Preacher-organizer says.

NEW MADRID, Mo .- Hovered around open fires along highway 61 in the immensely fertile cotton country of southeast Missouri this week are some 1,000 men and women who raise too much cotton but themselves can't afford enough clothing to keep their bodies warm.

They are the former sharecroppers who have been evicted from the land. Some simply aren't needed any more because the plantation owners have retired some of their land from cultivation.

Miners To Ask For **Pay Raise**

it found members of the striking teamsters of Omaha and friendly PITTSBURGH, Pa.-The United unionists picketing the assembly Mine Workers of America will ask in protest over the anti-picketing a fiat 20 per cent wage increase, statute of Nebraska, the worst law a six-hour day and a guaranteed of its kind in the United States. annual wage with vacations for its Entering their twentieth week of 612,000 members at the expiration strike and lockout local 554 conof the Appalachian bituminous tinued to wage their battle against wage agreement which expires truck operators who have chosen Omaha. as the testing ground of March 31, 1939, the Sun-Telegraph the ability o_ the Teamsters' In-

reported last week. ternational union to make its "1 It was pointed out that John L. states over the road drivers con-Lewis, president of the U.M.W.A. tract" stick. The local in fighting and his international officers are boin the reactionary local press and the anti-handbill ordinance under convention mandate to, has been using the facilities of the L Bring about changes in "Farmer-Labor Press" at Council

The federal government, struggling to maintain cotton; prices at a level that will prevent bankruptcy for cotton raisers, pays benefits to the landlords to keep a portion of their land idle.

Price Five Cents

But the landlords, many of whom in this area are wealthy. refuse to share these benefits of non-production with their tenants. The tenants have either been hustled off the land, or invited to outle vate the production areas as day laborers at wages of \$1 or less per day.

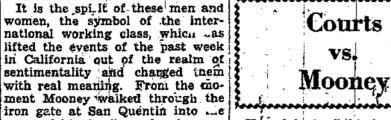
In desperation, the underfed and poorly clothed sharecroppers moved with their hungry children and acanty belongings to the public

highway. A Negro Baptist preacher, who is also an organizer for the Southern Tenant Farmers' union, led the mass migration.

"The foxes have hole

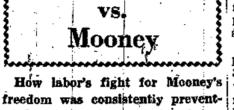
they have accomplished a part of

their purpose. They have won no-



arms of his family and a barrage of camera men and reporters, it is these unseen guests at this a... all subsequent ceremonies have really counted. DRAMATIC HEARING

whisked by fast auto to the State Assembly chambers in Sacramen-Oct. 7, 1916—A home-made bomb



ed by the various courts of law deserves the serious study of the workers' movement. Following is

From San uentin, Mooney was a chronology of the highlights of er by 10 a. m. the following morn

World Famous

Labor's Living Martyr Leaves San Quentin to

Become Most Influential Leader in Our Era

BY TRAVERS CLEMENT

A Special Correspondent of the Socialist Call

framed-up tussle at a Christma

walked out, called a union mass meeting to which non-union mem bers were invited and allowed t vote and voted overwhelmingly to strike, unless the company agreed to reinstate the New Jersey work ing. When 10 a. m. came around the company tried to parley killed 10 people and injured 40 in further, all but three of the 600

bers representing practically all the Feb., 1817-Billings convicted of non-union workers in the plant

closed shop contract in the Chicago

the present scrap which is steadily

kader of the Progressive Mine, the Scottsboro boys. Workers of America, calling for "Gov. Olson's pardon of Mooney united action for an increase in not only corrects one tragic ina uniform production quota for spotlight on other injustices that mechanized mines and security remain uncorrected," Clendenin

ezainst ployment. G. R. Price, president of U. M. congratulates Gov. Olson on his

VACES.

h. A. Local 30, announced that eminently just action, which four the Harrisburg conterence had ap- of his predecessors either did not proved the harmony movement and dare or did not want to take. With augulents to can a much more emphasis and feeling. meeting at Herrin, Ill., Jan. 22, we pay humble tribute to Tom shere local unions of both organ- Mooney, a gallant and courageous mions may conter on a prelimi- man, who through years of persethat invitations would be sent to sidered his fight as one merely for a cavalcade of autos. En route, ten to attoin the conference. organized labor to unite their working people of the world."

"We are showing Mooney," he **Phil's Ticket Got** and, "that the Illinois coal diggers **Phil's Ticket Got** te not 'ceping on the job." 2,120 Iowa Votes Progressive Rank and DES MOINES-An official can-

Fie Hold Conference vass of votes cast in last November's election reveals that the Na-Le Gillespie, Belleville, Couins- tional Progressive candidate for

delegates to a conference Jan. 16, Follette, John F. Wirds, received rade in 1916, the bombing of which by Local No. 1, Progressive a total of 2,120 votes. Weinerica, to .sthe problems of mechaniza-

unen., ment and the need for joint wage negotiations, -

finers Invite Mooney To Springfield, Illinois

Warmen _____ Ill-Ray Ednundson, president of the Illinois district. I the United Mine Work-Americ , telegraphed 1'om Mooney asking him to visit the Illinois coal fields and to speak at huga raliy at which thousands of Difficis miners and other trade mionistsld attend. His telegram read:

"A telegram cannot convey adestately the rejoicing which prewills in the homes of tens of thouand of Illinois miners tonight

your liberation from San the We who have steadfastv believed in your inhocence "na, loght for your free. om since 1916 ers, has been raised every miner nost cordiauy invite you to cele-

• our triumph at a the mass meeting in the center; the Illinois coal fields when it k converiant or you. We pieuge ou our cooperation in the noobjectives to which you have

engaged in a strike. objected your life." William Cr. vion Gillespie, reone another in such controversies. eactly elected president of Lacal Neither should one inject the old No. 1, P.M.W.A., also wired Moobey have ng him to speak at a cry of the U. M. W. A. being this e or that kind of an organization as macs met 3 plained by

Progressive Miners

Election Postponed A - 12. Ant - ne executive ward of the Progressive Mine clear. What the leaders or rank

quest that anyone who had any onment. evidence to present as to why the forward.

tional pardon.

throughout the world,

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In the course of his review of the case, Governor Olson declared: There is no doubt that Mooney was convicted on false and per-

jured testimony." Immediately after receiving wages, better working conditions, justice, but it throws a glaring pardon, mooney pleaged himself to Fickert defeated in a special elecdedicate his life for a better social order, secure freedom for Bi.mgs,

and work for unity in the labor movement. A few hours later he "The Workers Defense League visited Billings in Folsom penitentiary and then returned to Sacramento to attend the inaugural barbecue at which Olson collageed while speaking to an audience of some 140.000 guests.

VISITS MOTHER'S GRAVE On the following day, Mooney ary program. Price announced cution never for a moment con-, was escorted to San Francisco by

in rogressive local unions asking his own personal freedom but who he planted a tree at the grave regarded it always, and correctly, of Mother Mooney which overdon the U. M. W. A. local unions, as a fight for the rights of all looks San Quentin prison. Mother Fice said, were inspired by Tom working men and women. Moo- Mooney's efforts to obtain release

histey's statement appealing to ney's freedom is a victory for the of her famous son continued right later retracted statement. up to the day of her death several Dec., 1929-Sixth juror expressed belief Mooney innocent. years ago. She, Tom's wife, Rena, Dec., 1929-Police Capt. Duncan Mooney, his sister Anna, and sister-in-law Belle Hammerberg con- Matheson, who aided prosecution, stituted the backbone of the Mco-, urged pardon.

ney Defense Committee for many turned down appeal to pardon In San Francisco, Mooney head-Mooney. ed a parade up Market Street Sapt., 1931-Mooney attorneys un-

Civic Center, the same to the successful in attempt to set aside the and Edwardsville areas sent governor sponsored by Philip La route of the Preparedness Day Paconviction through suit in equity. sion. Feb., 1932-House of Representa-

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murder, sentenced to life imprissigned up in the union. 17 Week Strike

Feb. 9. 1917-Mooney convicted, summarily sentenced to death. April, 1917-State Witness Frank local which was organized in a C. Oxman, who committed perjury against Mooney, acquitted. 1937, in its 1938 contract traded a

June, 1917-Rena, Mooney's wife acquitted of murder. Oct., 1917, Taxi driver Israel Meinberg acquitted.

both Chicago and New Jersey plants. Dec., 1917-Prosecutor Charles M. tion

March. 1918 - State Supreme Court sustained death sentence for om Mooney.

Nov., 1918-U. S. Supreme Court efused to review case. Gov. W. D. Stephens commuted death sen- a charm. Roy Burt, Art McDowell tence to life imprisonment at Pres. Codrow Wilson's request.

Feb., 1921-State Witness John ing their services as speakers in McDonald swore his testimony was

winning larger support in the part Sept., 1921-Trial Judge Franklin Griffin and Assistant Proceculy organized Jersey plant. tor' James F. Brennan urged par-

State Executive Board March, 1929-State Witness Es **Favors Compulsory and** telle Smith admits perjury and

> Voluntary Insurance MILWAUKEE-Plans for a legislative conference in Madison to

which will be invited delegated July, 1930 Gov. C. C. Young from all AFL unions of the state were announced last weekend by the executive board of the Wiscon-

sin State Federation of Labor meeting here in its semiannual ses

The conference will consider leg islation favorable to labor, and wil

YES!

ica, Gillespie, III.

BY WILLIAM FULTON

bulletin under that heading and have been distributing \$0,000 copies

In anticipation of a move of the in the cities and towns of Nebrascompany of this kind the Chicago ka and Iowa. Twenty-five thousand were put out in Omana militant 17 week strike in early alone. Not only did Lincoln unionists

help the capitol picket line but plant for a joint contract covering support is being brought up steadily from other locals, Kansas City teamsters have assessed themselves

The keen young workers of the \$200 per week for the Omaha Loose Leaf and Blank Book Work strikes. Local 710 of Chicago uners chose, one president Burt Mason covered a dummy for three Omaha a day and decreased hours from concerns operating in Chicago and eight to seven-hour day, 35-hours for a single local with vice presipromptly folded the outfit up and a week. dents in charge of each division When the company tries to divide pontely but firmly referred them to the Omaha local for settlement. the joint organization works like

Maynard Krueger and other Chidiscuss means of combating uncago Socialists who aided the origfavorable legislation. inal strike in 1937 have been lend

The meeting, which will be held in the state since 1931. Ohl, Jr., president, and John J

Handley, secretary of the federa- manda tion; and board members, Louis Butterfield, Sr., Green Bay; J. F. Friedrick, Milwaukee; Fred E. Gas- Australia Will Raise trow, Madison; George B. Hanner Milwaukee; William Nagorsne, Milwaukee; Edwin Nelson Manitowoc; Harold Newton, Kenbsha; Ray-

ids; George J. Schneider, Apple- pression level of \$4,000 a year. The Sommers of Racine was absent. | annually,

district and local agreements. 2. Establish the six-day and birds of the heaven have nests. but the Son of Man hath newhere 30-hour week. 🤞 to lay His head," the preacher told

3. Abolish wage differentials his followers. between northern and southern Huddled along two of the na producing fields. tion's major highways—50 and 51-

4. Increase wages. 5. Reduce the problems of

tional attention. Their plight, typimechanization. cal of hundreds of thousands in A nation-wide walkout was avertthe cotton belt, has suddenly beed two years ago when the oper-

come front page news. ators raised wages from \$5.50 to \$6 Gentlemen and ladies of leisure from St. Louis, Chicago, and Dt. Paul, riding behind chauffours to southern beaches, found them The blennial wags conference beselves face to face with some of

tween the U. M. W. A. and the. the underfed third of the nation coal operators association is schedthat "that awful man Roosevelt uled to open in New York March has been talking about. In New York, H. L. Mitche

Support of the Progressive Minabout March 1, will be the first ers of lilinois for this program will legislative conference of its kind much that 98 per cent of the soal miners in America are solidly be-Those attending the three-day hind this program and stand presession of the board were Henry pared to take the necessary economic action to attain the de-

Parliament Salaries

CANBERRA (U.P.)-Members of the federal parliament are to have mond A. Richards, Wisconsin Rap- their salaries raised to the pre-deton; and David Sigman, Two Riv- prime minister's salary and allow- three-months term as visiting proers. Board Member William' H. ance, will also be raised to \$16,000 fessor on democracy's problems

Officials of the department is Washington indicated that they would withhhold benefits as reuested by Mitchell. BENES HERE FEB. 15

secretary of the Southern Tenant

Farmers' union, appealed to the

department of agriculture to with

hold benefits from landlords who

refuse to share the wages of non-

production with the tenants who

have been doing the work.

CHICAGO - Dr. Eduard Benes former president of Czechoclava kia, will arrive at the University

of Chicago Feb. 15, to begin a officials announced.

Evicted Sharecroppers Camp on Highway

Retiring secretary of L. U. 1, Progressive Mine Workers of Amer-

Here are some of the shivering Mis-

Sharecroppers claim Agricultural Adjust

the Best Possible Wage Scale? YES! BY DAVE REED Candidate for President of the Vice President, L. U. 1. Progressive Progressive Mine Workers of America, Collinsville, III.

Specifically, as far, as the Lui-

nois situation is concerned, the

miners should before March 31,

1939 (when the contract expires)

reach a common understanding on

the economic problems prevalent

in the mines. There is no need

for me to recite the details here.

today are generally very bad.

Should the Coal Miners of Illinois Join Forces to Effect

Twe dug coal for 63 years, if that means anything, and I must venture to say that no struggle which who is interested in unionIsm finds workers pitted against corporations can be successful unless from the beginning there exists

we lost ground. This is true of the widest possible solidarity every labor union.

America are practicall yall organized there is no reason why we cannot win for ourselves and our

Now that the coal miners of

families those wages and corditions which we rightfully deserve. March 31, 1939, marks a splendid opportunity to wipe up the hunger and privations that keep the coal miners down.

If we in the Progressive Miners We have nothing to lose in a are not willing to do our share

YES! BY CRAIG EASTON *

Mine Workers of America, Gilléspie, Hl.

Mark me down as one of the I have yet to hear, a serious crit-Progressive coal diggers that be lcism against the proposition from lieves in the solidarity of workers the right wing of the rank and file everywhere. In the miners' union of the miners, and certainly I have we won great victories when we heard no opposition from the left

were strong; when we were weak wing The

people perched smugly in office who oppose the idea of joint action would sing a different tune if they had to grapple with a pick and shovel in the bowels of the

earth Both scale committees ought to work together to effect the next wage agreement. The miners need a substantial wage increase, vacation with pay, the six-hour day and

security against unemployment. In Illinois we've only got nine more

ILLINOIS MINERS' DEBATE

YES!

BY JOE BURRELL

Former President, an Active Mem-

ber of L. U. S4, Progressive

Mine Workers of America;

Gillespie, III.

tween the United Mine Workers

and the Progressive Mine Work-

should take a stand. We believe

that joint negotistions on scale

matters is just as important and

perhaps more important as that of

No one would bebject to union

men regardless of labels, helping

a reason for opposing joint nego-

fraught with grave dangers. We

take the position that the issue is

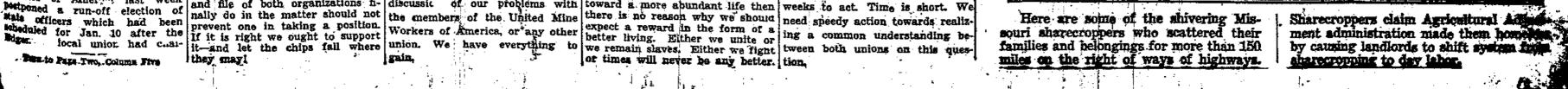
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excuse to evade responsibility The conditions in the coal mines

Since the question of unity be



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SOCIALIST CALL

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Auto Workers Demonstrate Against WPA Cuts Jan. 20

Militant Union Takes Lead in Defense of Nation's Jobless

BY ARTHUR G. M'DOWELL The growing rumble of complaint and protest over the shoving of a million workers off WPA back onto unemployment relief rolls or into starvation proposed in pending congressional cuts in WPA funds appropriations has burst into the open in Detroit.

The Auto workers union from the first fought to get its unemployed members on WPA and poured forth in the Targest demonstration for unemployment relief action ever seen in the United when over two hundred States thousand workers poured into Cadillac Square last fall. The Auto union organized its own members on WPA in Michigan into an Auxiliary and avoided the undermining of militancy which characterized the organized WPA workers in most other sections where the principal organization was the now over-mild Workers Alliance of America under Communists and New Deal Democratic leadership ON THE MARCH

The Detroit Auto Workers are **B**gain in the march with the rest of the Detroit workers who on Friday. Jan. 20 at 3:30 p. m; will come piling into Cadillac Square for another solemn demonstration. The first cut has already been put through in Detroit sweeping a thousand workers off the lists, while thousands more out of jobs with the let down in auto production at the mid-year, clamor in vain for reinstatement.

In the nation, the Workers Alliance has awakened to some degree from its Rip Van Winkle sleep in its New Deal Fools' Paradise and called its units to demonstrate Saturday, Jan. 28 for a billion dollar emergency appropriation which will prevent any cuts, while Roosevelt asks an appropriation which will cut a half a million from rools and his fellow Democrats would improve on him by cutting a hundred thousand more. CRIPPLE MOVEMENT

The Workers Alliance got off to a lote start and only had their ka's lady of the fancy imagination spine fortunately stiffened by a who devotes her worthy life ... President Lasser and Secretary have found a few red faces in Ke-Benjamin of the Alliance to turn nosha this work. the Alliance from an organization | for struggle for the unemployed

into a New Deal political vehicle

English Unemployed Protest



Unemployed men, bearing posters demanding work or bread, lie in the snow on the road in Oxford Circus, London, to draw attention to their

pleas. Traffic was stopped until police pushed the men out of the road. Clearing the road, however doesn't provide jobs for hungry men.

Dr. Frank and Frankfurter Both Reds, Frank View of Mrs. Dilling

Lady from Winnetka Sees Moscow Control **Of Supreme Court**

victory in 1940, w strong CIO stand against any finding the reds in America, might to be reds." That Isn't All, Either

The red faces belonged to some talk, Mrs. Dilling was prepared to She was particularly indignant beof the guilible local folks who have go on and on about the red menace. cause he was an officer of the into a New Deal political vehicle of the guilling local forks who have There was for example, Presi- American Civil Liberties Union, of has involved them in contradictions used her book, "The Red Network," dent and Mrs. Roosevelt, who, she which she docsn't approve. a reliable inventory of, radicals, And two of the nation's most as dependable and handy as Dr. dangerous reds were sitting there Miles well known almanac. before her as members of the com-The embarrassment was caused mittee that will be expected to much because she told a not so recommend approval of Prof. United States senate committee Frankfurter's appointment. They Wednesday that Felix Frankfurter, were Senator Borah and Senator soon to wear the robes of a su- Norris. She identified themabota. preme court justice, was a dapger-perhaps from their pictures, and ous revolutionary - perhaps even was ready, to tell the country all they believe that-but because she about thria. also exposed none other than Glenn Doesn't Like Norris Frank, chalman of the Republi-To Senator Norris she pointed an can party's national program comaccusing finger: mittee, and close adviser to Gov. "I'll be glad to go into your Julius P. Heil. record, if you wish, senator. I Wisconsin's Little Stalin object to you, Senator Norris, be-Dr. Frank, according to Mrs. cause of your policies. Senator Tom Connally of Texas was a red. Dilling, "ran a little Moscow at

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Wisconsin" when he was president said he knew about Senator Norof the university. ris and asked the lady from Win-

we--od leading Republican sena- which was the appointment of tors, who are depending on Dr. Frof. Frankfurter. Frank to write a program which Well, then, about Mr. Frankfur-Mrs. Elizabeth Dilling, Winnet- they hope will carry their party to ter: why, he was qualified even to be a lawyer, much less a mem-She said she considered "both

Pleased with an opportunity to announced with a knowing air,

Workers Released Mooney

Continued From Page One resulted in the death of 10 and injury of some 40 persons. The parade was scheduled to move up. one side of the street, but the thousands of marchers who joined in filled it from curb to curb and all traffic was at a standstill.

FUTURE PLANS At Civic Center, Mooney addressed a huge throng estimated at 25,000. He repeated the pledges he had made at the end of the Sacramento hearing. Afterwards he retired to the seclusion of a local notel to rest several days while he is underging a complete medical checkup. His future plans, he states, are indefinite except for attendance at the convention of California's Labor Non-Partisan League which opens soon at Sacramento and a trip to Los Angeles. There is talk of an eastern tour in the spring.

One thing is clear. He faces an opportunity to render a tremendous service to the labor movement at this time, when his prestige and influence are so great. It is greatly to be hoped that he will resist any pressure to dissipate this prestige and influence for any partisan and factional objectives within the labor movement itself. Genuine unity can only be achieved by working with the labor movement is a whole.

This victory is now a tremendous nspiration to the mighty forces of the labor movement. Now is the time for workers everywhere to increasé their efforts to free Warren Billings, the Kentucky miners, the Scattsboro boys and other working class political prisoners.

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enged the election of Local No. 1.

cessfully challenged the election of

the Taylorville local union when

had used irregular methods in con-

was revealed that poll tellers

William Leck, conservative, has

been replaced on the ballot by

Dave Reed, left winger, as a can-

didate for president of the state

organization. Reed is opposed by

ent, secretary-treasurer, and indi-

cations are that the left winger

will win the election if it is held

Another highlight of the election

is the race between Jack Battuello,

left wing mine leader, and Lester

De Wall, right winger, who are candidates for the position of board

Members of Local No. 1 had suc-

Mooney

Spurs

Miners

along traditional lines.

YOUR WORLD AND MINE -By Norman Thomas-

The President and the country are to be congratulated on his recent appointmen to high office: Frank Murphy to the Attorney General's office; Felix Frankfurter Harvard to the Supreme Court; Dean Clark of the Yale Law School to the Circu Court. These appointments could hardly be improved. Harry Hopkins is of court greatly superior in brains to the political "stuffed shirt" whom he succeeds. It w probably good politics, but otherwise very unfortunate that the President should point an army man; who promptly made two other army men his assistants, to fill He kins' place. It is to be hoped the President will try to maintain the same high stand ard of judicial appointments when he fills the vacancy on the Federal bench in Ne Jersey. Rumors are still persistent that he wants someone who has the okay both c Hague and of Senator Smathers. These two Démocratic leaders who fell out over patronage, both presented very inferior candidates as their first choices. Under the circumstances, no one should be appointed in Jersey who in any sense is Hague's cand date.

President Roosevelt's Message

The President's policy, in general terms, was clearly and very ably stated in his address to Congress. The terms have been made less general by his budget message and his statement of what he wants for defense.

As against his Republican critics of the right, the President does well in stressing the advantages of governmental spending. but I see no reason except hope to believe that under the capitalist system the government can spend the country into more than a very temporary pros-perity, or avert the crises inherent in the system. The President is right in bringing up again the reorganization of the Federal government. His opposition to the Dies Committee does him credit. That Committee, of course, has found out certain things that are true and which are worth making public, but its methods are wholly unscientific, wholly political, wholly based on the hopes of a few Congressmen to ride to glory, and perhaps to higher office, on a wave of what they narrowly call "Americanism," regardless of truth or of that fair play which is the best part of the American tradition.

Danger in Foreign Relations

The dangerous part of the Roosevelt program is precisely that which superficially commands the highest support. I mean his foreign program. Already the President of the United States has almost dictatorial power in foreign relations. The President is now asking us to increase that power by amending the Neutrality Act--which he has never enforced-so that he and he alone can judge between nations and decide with whom to trade in war time.

He wants no brake of any sort upon his power and is bitterly and relentlessly opposed to the Luc low Amendment or any device for letting the people vote in democratic fashion on the terrible tax of war. And finally he as commander-in-chief of the army wants to double our already huge appropriation for defense, which means giving to him and his successors a military instrument which can easily be turned to aggression. Even those who trust Roosevelt more than I think his record in foreign affairs warrants, ought to realize that this immense military machine will not be ready until a new Presidential election has rolled around and that means that we do not know who will have this terribly powerful weapon at his disposal.

A labor man the other day told me that for that very reason it would be better to get into war while Roosevelt is still President. The war he envisaged would give labor higher wages, would necessitate the sending of no troops to Europe, but only supplies, and would not be thought, especially if Roosevelt were President, run the risk of bringing any Fasciat dictatorship which would not end as soon as the war was over.____

That is I think an Honest position subjectively, but, the most dangerously and falsely optimistic theory that I have heard."

How to Fight War

bound to

To my mind it is clearer than ever that we ought to fight harder than ever-

1. To establish the rights of the people to vote on the declaration of war. Under modern conditions that vote can be taken in plenty of time. It is democratic as is nothing else.

2. To insist that neutrality should be the general rule of the United States and that exceptions if any, in favor of an innocent nation, can be made by congress after solemn discussion, so that the people can know what are the issues involved. The military expert Major Ellot, who does not share our Socialist position, has powerfully pointed out the reason why American intervention in European war

be futile or worse for ideal ends, and why no degree of preparedness that is

"He is a dangerous man," she netka to stick to the subject,

ber of the supreme court, she said. C. E. Pearcy, conservative, incumu-Dr. Frank and Prof. Frankfurter

"Fran urter belongs to a section of society which defends all murderers--- if they are reds," she

unemployed leaders. MILITARIST APPOINTED

When Roosevelt put a military officer in actual charge of the WPA, who promptly chose two other army officers as aides, most of the country had their attention diverted by the genial magician in the White House who at the same time shifted Harry Hopkins to Secretary of Commerce and appointed Frankfurter, the overwhelming favorite of even conservative lawyers according to the Gallup poll, but whose appointment seemed a daring piece of

iberalism to many. Lasser and Benjamin could not pretend to be diverted in the same release they bewalled the "tory pressure" on Roosevelt which caused Harrington's appointment and at the same time congratulated Harrington and pledged cooperation, having already approved Roosevelt's militarization program.

It is small wonder that independent organizations of the unemployed and WPA workers like the New York Unemployed and Project Workers' Union are shooting up in many localities between the very feet of the political pipe trade unionists. Secret political dreaming of the Alliance leadership.

Courts VS. Mooney

Continued From Page On tives rejected pardon resolution. April, 1982, Appeal for parcion rejected by Gov. James Rolph. .larch, 1933-Directed verdict of entered in remaining labeling opponents as disrupters, moulin, former Communists like icauittal nurder indictment. May, 1934-U. S. District Court denied habeas corpus writ.

July, 1934—Habeas corpus writ denied by U. S. Appellate Court, Aug., 1934-Appellate justices twice more refused writ. Jan., 1935-U. S. Supreme refused appeal.

March, 1987-Legislative pardon granted by State Assembly of Caritornia. Senate killed bill. Oct., 1937-State Supreme Court reiused habeas corpus.

March, 1938-California legisiature repeated action of 1937. Oct., 1938 - Review of case re- the pro-English orientation. fused by U. S. Supreme Court.

Oct., 1938-Gov, Frank Merriam refused to par: 'n Mooney. the U. S. Sup me Court: J. 7. 7, 1533-Gov. Culbert L. C.

son grants Mooney full parden. **Dutch** Admit

Child Refugees

AMSTERDAM - Upon orders of Having confidence in their conthe government. Dutch frontier trol, the Communists pushed these guards last week began admitting strikes until the Czech crisis. When Jewish child refugees from Nazi war seemed about to break, the Germany without making them building workers called off their walt for an examination of their strike and the Communist miners

work.-

The technique by which the

fluence is well known to American

fractions ("cellules") organized in

the local unions flourish despite

unionists imbued with the anti-

political tradition of the CGT. The

scores of peripheral innocent or-

ganizations, the large sale of "Hu-

manite," the Communist daily news-

paper, and of "Ce Soir," the cam-

The most interesting aspect of

CP TACTICS

current

Communist party exerts its

ito be.

There was that dangerous radi-

vord for lt.

Attorney . 1 W. Dittman is one the left wing slate will sweep the of the local folks who has public- election. The antics of the reacly quoted from Mrs. Dilling's al- tionaires seem to confirm this only manac to "prove" that somebody too vividly," one of the Socialist

spokesmen said.

Hughes a Red. Tou members in the Gillespie sub-dis-And, speaking of the supreme trict. Five thousand miners reside court, raminded her of some other in this sub-district and it constifolks that weren't all they ought tutes the backbone of the Progres-

sive union. Socialist miners in this area excal. Chief Justice Charles Evans pressed dissastisfaction with the Hughes, And Associate Justices executive board's ruling in post-Louis D. Brandeis and Harlan F. poning the election. They char-Stone, whose names are now re-lacterized the board's maneuvers as corded in the hearings of the sen-"horse-play" and "an attempt to

ate judiciary committee as radi- provokę Local No. 1 into extreme als, and consorts of Communists. action against the state organiza-Posterity will have Mrs. Dilling's tion. "If we are given an honest vote

will make a European nation hesitate to fight for fear that we will become its enemy. The dictators, he insists, unless they are completely mad, will go into war only if they think

they can win in short time before we, under any practicable degree of preparedness, can bring of forces in Europe. In any long range war the preponderance is clearly on the anti-fascist side Europe anyhow. It must be remembered that especially under modern conditions, war trade with on group of nations only is a kind of war itself. Senator Pittman, head of the Foreign Relations Com mittee of the Senate is quoted as saying: "Why shoot a man with a gun when you can starve him to death?" One abover to that is that a man with a gun in his hand won't quietly permit himself to be starved to death, and certainly that is true of armed nations.

3. We must oppose what is called "rearmament" but what is really armament economics We are not considering rearming. We are arming as we never dreamt of arming. And why Certainly not to protect our shores which are not in danger. What then? Are we arming to protect trade and to be better able to interfere in Europe, or for the sake of "hemispheric protection" which, in practical terms, Roosevelt to the contrary notwithstanding, is the protection of a lot of dictatorships which are likely to be rendered fearful and jealous by such an armed increase of American power, and hence more-not less-receptive of foreign influence.

It cannot be too strongly insisted that armament economics is always at the cost of the worked It may give them, jobs, but it produces nothing for the national wealth. From that angle it is where a waste. This, in a country which so terribly needs housing and so many other things for the manne of the people!" It is not even possible rapidly to shift any considerable number of WPA workers the manufacture of armament, and the danger is very great that congress, with or without the press dent's blessing, will give the nation what it calls defense at the price of an even worse provision for the unemployed than at present. We Socialists have a work to do that challenges all our devotion and all our powers of persuasion.

The Radio and Public Issues

The radio question is pretty sure to be brought up before congress. One of my readers has written criticizing my tentative proposal in the CALL the other week in a way which makes me wonder if I made myself clear. Of course I want to provide for the discussion of public issues over the radio only I want that discussion to be in what is called "sustaining" time.

I do not want it to be controlled by what powerful interests or skillful demagogues can manage to pay for at high rates. I want discussions to be part of the price stations pay for a license and I want that discussion, by law, to be many-sided. Most emphatically I fear government censorship o the censorship of the private owners of radio stations. . This we can best avoid by the plan I have outlined. While recognizing the difficulties, I do not think it impossible to extend the law of libe so that speakers can be made reasonably responsible for faise or malicious statements which injust racial, religious or other groups.

Tom Mooney

Mississippi

bank.

Officer Kills

Mooney's pardon is a cause at once for rejoicing and for shame; rejoicing that at las justice has been done; shame that the delay was so ghastly, and that in the end Mooney is free by pardon and not by action of the courts to vindicate justice. His own faith has been magnificent and he is continuing it to free Billings.

Russia's German Trade

Recently in my column I carelessly made the inaccurate statement that Russia was "building her trade with Germany. That implies an increase of trade which is not the case. On the contra Russian trade with Germany is declining and is declining sharply since the recent understanding wi Poland. Nevertheless my main point is true: Communists for years, and with renewed emphasis late have been urging upon the United States and other capitalist nations a policy of trade embargo again Germany which the Russian government itself has not followed, yet the Russian government, become it has an absolute monopoly of foreign trade, is in a better position, one would think, than capital countries to carry out this plan.

When I was in the Pravda building in Moscow I was shown with much pride certain print machinery recently arrived from Germany which my guide told me was the best machinery of sort in the world, better than could be got in America.

Now I will not say that there was no case for purchase of such machinery. I simply say that highly inconsistent for Communists to have one policy for the U.S.S.R., and another policy for oth nations in relation to trade with Germany. Certainly the U.S.S.R. has far more, not less reason, to a whatever economic power its purchases present to hamper the dictator who is likely to make an atta on it than have the capitalist corporations of more distant countries. As I have previously reports I am one of those who is skeptical about the usefulness of absolute embargoes. I do think a positi policy of building up trade with friendly and peaceful countries, however, can be followed and the seems to be the present Communist policy for the U.S.S.R. but not for the U.S.A.

As Comrades to Comrades let us advise you that it pays th be insured where it pays. JOIN Fenant Farmer The Workmen's Sick & Death Benefit Fund TUPELO, Miss. - Dan Bishop, (A Non-Profit Seeking Fraternal Organization) 50 years oldi a tenant farmer, was ence council were also listed for killed near here Jan. 2 by a county RELIABLE — SOUND ++ PROGRESSIVE bailiff when he and his 80-year-old Protect Yourself and Your Family mother resisted attempts to evict Against the Hazards of Life. We Pay them from their home. Jack Grissom, the bailiff, had gone to the SICK—ACCIDENT—DEATH BENEFITS tenant farmer's home to serve an We Provide for Medical and Hospital Care eviction writ issued by a Tupelo Emergency Relief-Juvenile Insurance Recreation Farms The aged woman was placed in jail by Grissom and Sheriff J. E. for Further Information Write to "The Socialist," which they put Wiygul. The sheriff said that WORKMEH'S SICK & DEATH BENEFIT FUN

The French Trade Union Movement they refused to work more than minorities, get no voice. Within by the General Strike Call, its par-BY RUTH SCHECHTER the French local unions, there is tial failure and the aftermath. Be-IV.

40 hours a week. SOCIALIST PARTY The Socialist party, to counterwhich I. attended, two minority act the influence of the Communist groups were each given as much "cellules," established S.o.cialist clubs, "anucoles" in the trade the majority. On the other hand, there was no proportional represenunions. These, however, are propathe resentment of many trade- ganda groups open to non-Socialist trade unionists and do not consider inner-trade union questions. Centers of Socialist strength are the civil servants, teachers. indus-

trial workers of the north, and peasantry "Syndicate" is a weekly newspaper edited by Rene Belin, one

ouflaged Communist evening paper, and particularly the prestige of the of the assistant secretaries of the Soviet Union which represents not CGT and is the voice of influential merely the "Socialist Fatherland" veteran trade unionists who are but also the Soviet army and air opposed to Communist colonisation force combine to heighten Commu-A the CGT It includes among its nist influence. The technique of fleading figures pacifists like Du-

fascists, and Trotskyites is equally | Ray, and reformists like Belm who support national defense.

SYNDICALISTS

Communist tactics in the CGT is "La Reveil Syndicaliste," a weekthe method of using the trade ly trade union newspaper, also opunions for political ends. One posed to Communist influence in Court might expect that the CP, since

the CGT is the organ of the most t supports rearmament would also extreme syndicalist elements in the support a watering down of the CGT. It includes diverse left ten-40-hour week to increase armadencies and differs from "Syndicalment production. However, Preist" in its unyielding revolutionary mier Daladier did not consult the Dosition. Its program calls for Communists. Moreover, in a cabcomplete independence from all inet composed of Anglo-philes and political parties and from the in-Russo-philes. Daladier represents fluence of the Free-Masons.

It is completely opposed to gov

ernment interference in industrial disputes. It bases itself on the Consequently, this very summer, the Communists used the issue of class struggle. It calls' for com-Dec., 1938-Plea for habeas cor- the 40-hour week to create intense plete internal democracy. On the rus writ three times rejected by anti-Daladier sentiment among the question of war, it recognizes only the civil war. Its outlook is proworkers. In the unions they conletarian internationalism. "La Retrolled, e.g. the building trades, the Communists encouraged strikes veil Syndicaliste" has some strength both in Lyons and in Paris, in in the union of Post, Telegraph. the Miners' union, the Communist and Telephone Workers, as well as minority refused to recognize an small fractions in the Building and agreement extending the hours of Metal trades. "La Revolution Pro-

letarienne" is the monthly theoretical organ most closely associated with it. Both journals hark back to the pre-war days when the CGT was a revolutionary body. DEMOCRACY

There is far more rank and file cases as in the case of Jewish publicly acceded to the agreement participation and control in the Commonweal, Inventors John and leading the Party. adult refugees. Many child refu- in the interests of national defense. CGT than in the British trade Mack Rust, Socialist B. Charney gees crossed the Dutch border in a But with the end of the war scare union movement. 'lach local union Vladeck, Politician Stanley M out each' month, is becoming instate of complete exhaustion after and the full blown Munich agree- has its own voice in the national Isaacs. Prof. Jabez C. Street, Dr. creasingly important as a means of Bishop and his mother had rewandering aimlessly around for bent, the Communist-controlled

tation, a reform which the minorities are working for. In general, the unions controlled by the Communists have less democracy than those controlled by the reformists. gress held at Nantes during the course of French history. week of Nov. 14, has been obscured Liberal Weekly Honors

Men Who Fought Hague Prof. C. A. Elvebjem, and Play-

Socialists Thomas, Vladeck, Mattson Listed Jonathan Daniels,

in Merit Roll

Norman Thomas, John Longo, Jeff Burkitt and Herman Mattson, prominent fighters for civil liberties and workers' rights in New former for "charting the course of Jersey, were listed in the "Honor | a rejuvenated labor movement" and Roll for 1938" in The Nation, liberal intellectual weekly, which annually cal venture "Pins and Needles." presents a list of American individuals and organizations deserving tem, the Medical bureau and North honorable mention for their activities during the year.

The four men were honored "for carrying on at great personal risk a war for independence against orable mention. Frank Hague's dictatorship in Hudson county, New Jersey."

American Volunteers to Spain for "crystallizing and giving voice were bailed "for their front-line to progressive forces in the old defense of democracy." Others listed for meritorious oublic service were: Secretary of in- "its bold and thorough report on terior Henry L. Ickes, Journalist the South." Paul Y. Anderson, Columnist Dor-

othy Thompson, President Franklin D. Rosevelt, Writer Thomas Mann, Columnist Drew Pearson and Robert S. Allen, Editorial Writer Lee Morris of the St. Petersburg (Flor-

ida) Independent, Justive Hugo L. Black, the editors of the Catholic

a varying degree of democracy. fore the congress-were the legiti-At the Teachers' Union congress mate claims of the civil servants, 250,000 of whom received no wage increase to match the fast climbing time to present their positions as cost of living, the defense of the 40-hour week, the adjustment of wages to the higher cost of living. the Popular Front, the question of collective security, the role of the Communists. Perhaps on the decisions and leadership of the CGT more than on those of any of the The importance of the CGT con- political parties, rests the future The End.

wright Clifford Odets and Editor

LIST UNIONS

ganizations and the International

Ladies Garment Workers' union

were cited for 1938 honors, the

the latter for its successful theatri-

The Columbia Broadcasting sys-

American Committee for Aid to

Spanish Democracy, the American

Friends Service committee and the

American Red Cross received hon-

The Southern Conference for

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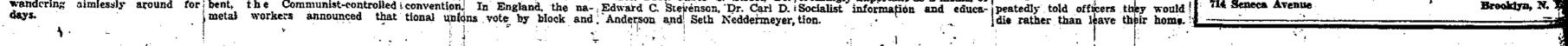
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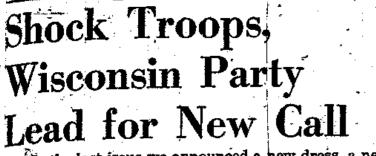


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Fit to Print-But Not in Chicago Papers



In the last issue we announced a new dress, a new policy and a new beginning for the SOCIALIST CALL. With this issue our end of the bargain has been partly fulfilled. The real job of maintaining and building the CALL is now up to you-the comrades and friends of the Socialist Party throughout America.

With this issue the CALL begins publication in the Milwaukee Leader plant. Arrangements have been made for publication in this up-to-date shop on a strictly cash basis. This means that the responsibility of the entire Socialist Party for the CALL has been increased. It means that

More subscriptions will have to come in.

More people will have to subscribe to the CALL's sustrining fund. More members must be recruited for the CALL AS-

SOCIATION. '

Bundle orders must be promptly paid.

The first note of good cheer for the new program comes from the Wisconsin Socialist Party which has contracted for 2000 new subscribers payable on a weekly basis.

Another heartening bit of news is the fact that our drive to enlist CALL SHOCK TROOPS who will pledge to pay \$1 week for 8 weeks is growing-slowly, it is true, but nevertheless the response to this fund is increasing and it was the remittances to this appeal that made possible the publication : of the last two issues of the CALL.

Here is a newspaper Socialists can be proud of. A newspaper that can still be improved, that is true. But your first in is to assure its continuous publication. Let us show the Milwaukee Leader press that we mean business in this new undertaking. Write to us. Let us have your comments. riticism, but above all begin an avalanche of cash remittances that will enable us to resume publication as a weekly instead of a fortnightly!

The following is the honor roll of comrades and friends who have pledged or paid \$1 a week for a period of 8 weeks:

Call Shock Troops HONOR ROLL ILLINOIS

| ILLINUIS . | | | for the recruicing drive, and mans |
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| Cock County: | 1 | PAID | for this drive went out this week in the Local and Branch Bulletin. |
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| Rath Weitz, Chicago. Arthur G, McDowell, Chicago. | | . 2.09 | under way include very branch and |
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| Menroe Parker, Chicago | | | membership census is completed. |
| Vernon Runge, Chicago | | | In this recruiting drive no guota |
| Vernon Runge, Chicago | | 8.00 | for state or local organization will. |
| Emma Kay, Chicago | | 1.00 | be set by the national organization. |
| J and E, Miller, Chicago | | | Each local and branch sets its own |
| Anton Garden, Chicago | | | quota. As soon as the membership |
| Roberta Schneid, Chicago | | | census is completed, set your quota |
| Hyman Schneid, Chicago | | •• | for this recruiting drive and report |
| Guiseppi Bertelli, Chicago | | . 8.00 | it to the national office. Next issue |
| C. S. Curtis, Chicago | | . 2.00 | we want to give a list of the, |
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| NEW YORK | 1 | | made toward reaching that quota. |
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| The June The Martin North Volle City | | 00.00 | |
| Virginia Duff, New York City | ****** | | On Sunday, February 5, there will |

in Chicago the first of a series of membership conferences on Party work and problems.

Ward Rodgers, member of the

California

Pennsylvania and Indiana.

conterence

This Chicago

Eastern Iowa.

and tentative dates.

Recruiting Drive

ties at the moment are the plans

for the recruiting drive. The plans

First on the list of Party activi-

we want to give a list of the branches who were first in reporting the quotas set for themselves. Then, from time to time, we will carry reports on progress being made toward reaching that quota. Special Conference ROY E. BURT U. S. A.

The press and publicity committee of the strik-

ing American Newspaper guildsmen in Chicago

are busy printing information nat, carried in

National Secretary, Socialist Party, Comrade McCallister, with other next issue.

On the Map with

the Socialist Party

Socialists from southern states, was A city-wide convention has been

Wisconsin News and Views

Legislature Convenes The Wisconsin legislature convened at noon, Wednesday, Jan. 11. Almost immediately the organiza tion of the assembly was interrupted by a contest of seats. An issue took place between the Progressives and the Republican-Democrat coalition. The members of the Farmer-Labor Progressive rederation. although overwhelmed by the numbers of their opponents; forces them into a none too gradeful surrender. The fight was led by Andrew J. Biemiller, Paul Alfonsi and Jack Harvey.

The readers of this column would State Secretary, Socialist Party of have been proud to see at their

Kiefer, who is nearly the dean in 'interested. point of service; Herman B. Weg-

ner, Arthur S. Koegel, Ben Rudin, George Hampel, Sr., was at his desk. Republicans are warning their new assemblymen not too say too

watchful federationists. New Year's Successes sales tax to reduce the property is business agent. . . Harry Dris-Christmas and Sylvester eve tax. At the party office in Mil- coll, new president of the Coke and brought on a number of successful waukee leaflets are available de- Gas Workers of the Racine-Kanosocial functions by state organiza- scribing how the sales tax soaks sha district, is so busy that he re-tions. The Kenosha local to a the poor. man attended a Christmas party featuring games, dancing, sauer- te- executive hoard of Milwaukee and Victor Cook, Racine, attended kraut and pork shoulder. The main county was elected. Wednesday, the UAW district council executive event of the evening was a test in Jan. 11. The members are Mrs. meeting in Milwaukee Jan. 7. . . rowed to Harold (Red) Newton, Paul Porter, Ruby Chambers, Kathlyn Meyers, Hilds Roberts and Harry Miller. Adjournment at 2 Mayor Hoan issued a six-page Salvens of the Newspaper guild.

speakers for all interested

groups. Michigan faces a battle over the right of minority groups to use the ballot. Up to the present mopretense of economy and a shorter its annual children's Christmas ballot, a drive is being made party on Dec. 30. This party has against this democratic right. The capable bandling of finish from capable handling. Assemblyman Edward J. Kiefer and Supervisor state organization is taking the lead in rallying all possible oppo-Emil Brodde were the arrangers. sition to this attack. One event lacking in this year's Local Wayne County is planning

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Hearst's struck papers. Left to right are Hazel

MacDonald, Bob Kipp, Harry Hertz, chairman, press and publicity, and Bill T. Maslowe,

dinner for Comrade Thomas, National Chairman of the Party, when waukee Leader. he visits Detroit on Reb. 12.

New York The State Executive Committee has set the date for the state con-vention for Sunday, Feb. 12, in master of ceremonies. Martin Lieb-New York City. Comrade Leonard Bright of the lang; I, was the perfect gentleman;

and Mrs. Frank Jaeger led the jit-terbug contest. Over 100 persons attended at Miller hall. State Executive Committee is on a-tour upstate. We hope to carry a full report of his trip in the

Milwaukee. About 150 persons at- from a serious operation. Best called for Feb. 11 and 13 by Local

The Milwaukee comrades will conduct a panel discussion on the future of the party in the West Side Turn hall, Monday "evening, Jan. 30, at 8 p. m. Refreshments will be served.

John Brophy is our candidate for the special election for alderman in the Fifth ward. Rumor hath it he is going to be elected. Films shown: Eleventh ward,

"Housecleaning in Milwaukee"; Fourteenth ward, "Vacationland-Wisconsin"; Hillquit Junior circle, "History of Rai.roads." Jan. 24. Second and Tenth wards, "Co-operative Movement in Wisconsin."

Kenosha Flashes

Henry Rutz, Milwaukce, has fo our regret resigned as state secre-

tary of the Farmer-Labor Progressive federation, but Harry Miller, Kenosha, has taken the job into capable hands. . . Even capitalist newspapers cannot disand the newly elected Clem Stacho- Nonpartisan aldermen in Mil- guise Red Newton's undoubted wiak, and Claude Larsen. Senator waukee want to take away the brauty. Girls, you should have repairing of police cars from the seen him pictured in a Milwaukce

new assemblymen not too say too (Twenty-fifth ward), testified ef- State Federation of Labor. . . much, or they will encounter the fectively in opposing the stand of Ruby Chambers is the new president of Retail Clerks' local no. 511.

These same aldermen want a city Edward Rice, school commissioner. linquished his position as agent for The new county central commit- the CALL. . . . Bill Kult, Kenosha a. m. followed an unscheduled statement to the ministers of Mil- but some like Pete Jacobsen and speed contest in downing a draft walkee advising them that a Ed Bergren do earn a handicap for

of brew. Contestants will be name-less, but a certaain tall dark and extremely urgent, since the dilapi-handsome man with a mustache won. Honorable mention for serv-to the tarmana biogeneric death a finite transfer of the tarmana and t ice goes to Harry Miller and Andy to the taxpayers. Nonpartisan death of Comrade Eugene K. Milment Michigan has been one of the Van Hazinga, tapsters, and Tony aldermen with real estate interests ler, who was the financial secre-fairest states in this attitude Robertson and Carl Benson, cooks are blocking public improvements tary of the Machinists' union and toward minorities. Now, under the Twentieth ward, Milwaukee, ran in Milwaukee. Walter G. Bubbert, the party's bearers were all Socialist machine

nature man, was the author of an ists: Eric Bjurman, Carl Dau, article appearing in the Wisconsen Frank Hill, Glyn Roberts, Leonard Archeologist on the Lasley Point Mattson and Carl Benson, Comrade Indian Mounds in Winnebago Mattson succeeds to his duties. Harold Magin, former Socialist Call county. The retiring president of the business manager, and talented ar-Cosmopolitan club for 1938 was tist of the labor comic strip, the

program was a tenor splo by Art Wiesner, sports editor of the Milnone other than the popular Arthur John Smiths, is working at his K. Hellermann who served ef- profession of factory personnel ficiently and well. manager in Kenosha. . . . Arthur The extra ordinary Hungarian The sympathies of the Socialist McDowell, labor secretary of the goulash cooked by Jacob Algaier party are extended to Anthony J. Socialist Party of America, will crowned the Sylvester eve party of King, who in recent months has speak in Kenosha at the Labor the German branch, Milwaukee. Otto Reiss, capable secretary, was

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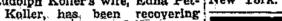
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programs of education. WASHINGTON

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mento, but the caravan numbered

Each local maintains a public Charles Wallace, Seattle, \$2.50 bundles forum which is regularly reaching the public with worthwhile lectures and debates on vital issues of the day

In addition, a joint membership meeting of the two locals is held each month for discussion and study which provides a valuable! means of Socialist education for the Party members.

Colorado

"The Colorado Socialist." edited SAN FRANCISCO (F.P.) - This by the state secretary, Comrade city welcomed Tom Mooney on Sherman, and published by the, Jan. 8. with the most enthusiastic State Action Committee, carries demonstration in the memory of live Socialist news and items of interest to all concerned about the old-timers. A procession of only Socialist mov jent. 20- cars had started from Secra-

Florida

at least 200 when it rolled into Comra: McCallister, member of San Francisco shortly after noon, the NEC, is busy directing the Passing between cheering, hys-In addition, he is carrying on ferical crowds, the people went to a number of other activities. As the scene of the Preparedness day this is written, he is on a trip bombing. Mooney was almost which will take him to Washing-ton, D. C. There he will appear crushed by wildly shouting sym- before congressional committees in NEW MEXICO Numana, Ciovis, SZ bundles for pathizers until a guard of union the interest of the housing promembers formed a hollow square gram adopted, by the Southern

very active in this conference. planned for Party members and workers in the Middle West. The Illinois

conference is open to all Party members and workers, particularly Gillespie counades - held a very of Socialist activity. from Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illisuccessful meeting for Spain with nois, Southern Minnesota, and Comrade Sam Romer as speaker. in its new beadquarters at 304 Castern Iowa. Other conferences will be held of Comrade McCallister on Feb. 1.

in various sections of the country. . This local; in the heart of the The next issue of the Call will carry Illinois mining field, is one of the a list of these regional conferences most loyal supporters of the Call. Cook County is making progress Since the NEC is meeting in Chi-cago the week-end of February 3-5, in its drive to provide for-a full time organizer.

the conference will have the ad-The entire county organization is now hard at work preparing for sel of these Party officials. The the NEC meeting and Party conmeetings are planned so that mem- ference to be held in Chicago, Feb. bers of the NEC will be free to 3-5, inclusive. Local Cook County participate in the conference. will be host to the NEC at a din-All members and workers in th ner on ---- urday evening, Feb. 4. Middle West are urged to attend. A number of public meetings are being planned in connection with Visiting Locals the visit of the NEC.

Indiana -

the February NEC meeting to visit-Lake County has been conducting branches and locals in Mich,igan, Northern Ohio, Western ing a consistent program of eaucational activity; during the winter. Gary and Hammond are making He will represent the national office in helping locals and branches special plans, for a meeting to be consider their financial problems addressed by Comrade Roy ...euand aid them in getting the recruit- ther on Feb. 2.

Iowa Comrade Arnold Sather of Ames

\$1.20, and Henry Meltzer, \$1. Donation: Bob Delson, \$35.00 (Proceeds he will give every possible aid to of party at Delson's home, Saturday, Dec. locals and branches in their efforts 17, by Upper West Side Branch). to build more adequate Call supis engaged in some significant efforts to reorganize and strengthen state. Comrades and former members

the efforts of the fall election cam- in strengthening Party activity should get in touch with him.

Michigan

The state office has set up a speakers' bureau under the direc- more Open Forum on the subject and Industry. tion of Comrade L. Riercy. This "The Road to Dictatorship."

New York. The State Executive Committee is planning an enlarged program

Local New York is now located

Ohio Cleveland is going ahead with its

campaign for increased organization. Anti-war work is receiving a great deal of attention. Their work in this field is very effective.

The state secretary recently vis-

state office, are engaged in a program of organizing activity for Stark County.

Maryland 👌 On Jan. 8 Local Baltimore held

its 1939 City' Convention and nominated a municipal ticket for the coming city election. Wm, A. Toole, veteran Socialist attorney, was nominated for mayor, Joshua Dawson, steel worker.

for president of the city council,and Henry Smith, steel worker, for 20. Helen Duncan, an officer of the comptroller. A program for work in mass organizations was also adopted and

but little time in resting up from in that part of the state interested under S. P. auspices.

the guest of honor at our conven- workers' union, Rev. W. B. Walt-Thomas also spoke at the Balti- Clark of the Commission on Church

tended, tand made a large evening. wishes for a speedy return to health. According to Harry Dadin, Ra-Herman O. Kent is publishing a cine's new secretary, the New Year's affair at Bebs hall was a new and interesting magazine named "SKAT," All, the skat fitting climax to 1938.

onkels can purchase a year's subscription for a dollar. Trouble on the Farm Clarence O. Senior and family stopped in Milwaukes for a day

Revolt among dairy farmers is growing because the price for milk en route to Mexico City for a year's and milk products is at a low ebb. stay. Now is the time for farmers to consider the milk authority plan used by the city of Wellington, New Zealand, and proposed for Wisconsin by the Socialist party. 931 Flatbush Avenue ited Toledorend reports increased Under this plan milk becomes a rublic monopoly. The price to the The contracts in Canton and producer is raised, the price to the Massillon, in cooperation with the public is lowered, and the wages of the milk drivers are raised un-

der this plan, while the authority still makes a profit. Liferature explaining this program will be given



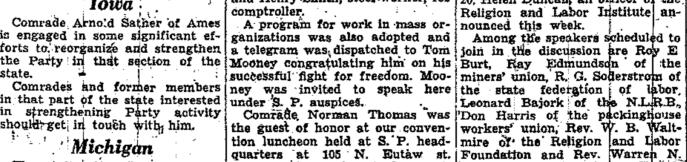
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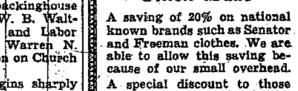
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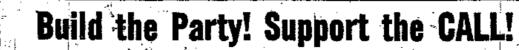
tion luncheon held at S. P. head- mire of the Religion and Labor quarters at 105 N. Eutaw st. Foundation and Rev. Warren N.

The first session begins sharply bureau attempts to provide Social- i-mlun, ... wwota-Rea shrd w w dwd at 2:30 P. M.









BY EUGENE VICTOR DEBS

Need I say to my comrades that the crying need of the day is **ORGANIZATION?**

And this is now the crying duty of the hour!

Will you take hold now, and stick to the job, and do your part?

I appeal to you.

Build up the local build up the state, build up the national party organization.

Do it and do it now!

Ours is the liberating movement of the ages.

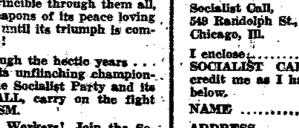
It is consecrated to the cause of the oppressed.

It bears the scars of a thousand defeats but it grows stronger and braver and more invincible through them all, and it will never lay down the weapons of its peace loving crusade, never cease its hely war until its triumph is com-plete and sets the whole world free!

Proud of its record down through the hectic years . . . battered and vilified because of its unflinching championship of the cause of labor . . . the Socialist Party and its newspaper, THE SOCIALIST CALL, carry on the fight for PEACE, JOBS AND SOCIALISM.

Socialists! Build your Party! Workers! Join the Socialist Party!

SUPPORT THE SOCIALIST CALL



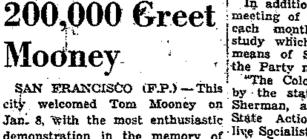
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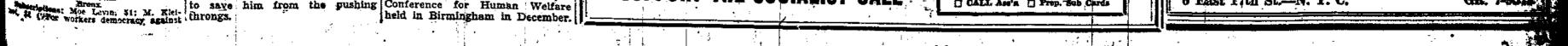
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America's

Refugees

Precisely at the moment when President

Roosevelt was asking Congress for an addi-

tional appropriation of \$525,000,000 for na-

tional defense, raising the total for arms ex-

penditures to \$1,661,558,000, largest by far of

any peace-time outlay, more than a thousand

men and women and their children were

stranded along the roadsides of southeast Mis-

souri, victims of mass evictions decreed by

many of the evicted sharecroppers, the House

of Representatives by a vote of almost two to-

one passed an inadequate appropriation for

WPA which is tantamount to the summary

discharge of another 500,000 federal project

the name of democracy. The WPA curtailment

pers? Don't be silly! Military men would not

even lend the dispossessed women and children

army tents which are wasting away in the ware-

houses of the War Department-at least at this

writing the war lords were still checking up

on "rule 14978" to see if it was within the

jurisdiction of the military to shelter their fel-

dominated by capitalist Republican and Demo-

cratic politicians gave the sharecroppers their

negative verdict and gave to"the workers and

farmers generally a clear picture of what the

immediate future holds for them: for the

masses, increased misery and insecurity; for

the privileged class, economy-which in plainar

language means accumulation of more profits.

The theory being according to the old school of

capitalist economics that with greater profits

matically and tragically focuses the atten-

tion of the workers to what depths of economic

servitude capitalism will lower them. But the

sharecroppers are only a part of the picture.

The nation is rife with incidents of coal miners

without coal, building trade workers without

homes, shoe workers without shoes and cot-

ton pickers without clothes. Hundreds of thou-

sands suffer in silence what the sharecroppers

chuckle over the "hypocrisies of democratic re-

gimes." And unfortunately the cause for fas-

cist contentment with our own refugee prob-

lem has consistency, whether or not we like it.

"Who are these democrats to reproach us for

our refugee problem?" the Nazis are asking.

But a reactionary Congress and a flounder-

The sadists in the fascist camp can well

have dramatized at great cost to their lives.

The case of the sharecropper refugees dra-

the employers may give more jobs.

The new House of Representatives still

The military recommendation was made in

Democracy for whom? For the sharecrop-

While death from exposure threatened

ruthless cotton plantation owners.

was made for the sake of economy.

King Cotton-Land and Mills

Saturday, January 21, 1

War Madness

By Lillian Symes

A few months ago, a Scripps-Howard editori marked that not since 1916 and 1917 has this ca been subjected to such frenzied preparedness and propaganda as at this time. The remark was an m statement. In that pre-war period we didn't in radio in every paylor, the manipulation of the new had not been perfected and we didn't have the a magazines and the March of Time.

When the Administration and the newspaper pa ers undertook, after the Panay incident, to a America war-conscious within 20 days, the effect comparatively flat. Movie audiences sat through peated performances of the Panay newareel w showing the slightest eagerness to do and die for old Standaru Oil. Their indifference was undou a jolt to the Administration and it promptly turned

attention to war mongering on another front. During the past few months every medium pression has been mobilized to work up a bysteria over another Holy War in Europe. The cesses of Hitler at Munich, the intensified reagainst the Jews, have of course played inte J hands. Moral indignation against Hitler has skillfully canalized into alarm over fascist invad the Western hemisphere, and our more feverish fascists have become so "hot with morals," to Charles Beard's phrase, that they are ready to 1 themselves against the Slegfried line.

Rabble Rousing

One of the most effective and subtle pieces of a war rabble-roasing is being performed by The m of Time, as might be expected from a project spon by Time and Fortune, the job simply recks of "of Here are none of your vulgar varieties of tub-thus and flag-waving. Instead we have absorbing play of the Thin, Red Line-beg pardon-the Maginot is built by a sister democracy to hold the Hunnish at bay. On a chronicle, in the best Boy Scout man of young arrow-collar diplomats aiding the distriand carrying the burden of empire in every quarks the globe. But if the subject matter is seemingly jective, the accompanying remarks and the lust tones of the commentator are not. (Somewhere, a time, I am sure those same luscious tones have suaded me to buy Grape Nuts or Old Golds.)

They are vibrant with the great moral issues a stake, our responsibility for once more saving the l Democracy from the Dragon. Fascism, one gate is something that has happened in certain benin countries and from which the democracies are inne -except by military conquest. The sponsors are i dently out to see that we save ourselves and dentally Europe from that fate worse than death. Ex-employes of Time, Fortune, Life have refut to the cwner of these publications, Mr. Henry L as a "budding fascist." Personally, I object to loose use of "fascist" as a synonym for reactionar tycoon. But the sudden outcropping of democra idealism among those plush-lined gentlemen mi be more impressive if they cleaned up their e economic back-yards.

Look! Beats War Drums

The most painful casualty to the war hysteria the picture magazine field is Look! which has any a circulation second only to Life. Less than a year Look! performed a distinct service to humanity publishing a series of pictures and commants deb ing the atrocity pictures and storles current du the World War It showed how some of these tures and stories had been manufactured, in the m ner of Hollywood, how others had been distorted twisted beyond any resemblance to the truth. It lished this series, so it said, in order that it might immunize the American public against the new of war propaganda which was about to break over

at that time. Today, Lock: is becom

Relief for South Cannot Come While We Rely on Profit and Price

BY BROADUS MITCHELL

The South is the concern of the nation today as it has not been since the Civil war and reconstruction. In the long intervening period there were southern troubles' enough, but they were generally regarded as local to the South. Some who tried to solve the puzzles offered within the South-a long and distinguished list of men and women who tried to remove the ills of sectional animosity, racial hatred, poverty, ignorance) ow vitality, narrowness of economic pursuits.

Very friendly help came from the North, especially in the founding of schools for Negroes and in the whole emphasis upon education identified with the name of Robert C. Ogden. Southerners who had got a start elsewhere, partly in the matter of money and more largely in the quality of vision, deliberately and patriotically came back to the South and lent impetus to industry and to inter-sectional tolerance.

But, despite all of these efforts, mostly infernal, the South had a long way to go in catching up to national standards, and the proof of it is that the president of the United States now galls the South the country's "No. 1 economic problem." On one important score, however, this very announcement evidences the progress which the South has made.

.____ Bill of Particulars

The indictment, except in certain expected quarters, is not resented. Instead, a committee of influential and representative Southerners subscribed, last summer, to the bill of particulars, adding suggestions toward solution. Just as the South learned earlier that it did not want to drag itself down, so now it understands that it does not want to hinder advance of the nation. The South, as was said a few years ago by President Chase, then of the University of North Carolina, has gone far toward being Americanized.

The crucial question now is as to the preservation or removal of the many remaining differentials which set the South below other sections of the country in social and economic behavior. I believe that the South is rapidly repudiating the group who would like to protect these differentials-say lower wages and relative absence of labor organization-for their own interest, or, as some assert, for the advantage of the South. We do not need to deal with the selfish ones who are thinking of private industrial profits, of a repressed Negro population, and of feudalism on the farm. Those who declare, honestly, that the South must keep its competitive advantages for the sake of its economy now and in the better future, do need to be answered. They are being answered from two quarters-from the South and from the rest of the nation.

Labor Unions Grow

Growing labor organizations - of cotton and steel mill workers, of sharecroppers-are protesting against continued exploitation. There are many Negroes in these groups, and there are more who have registered their protests by leaving the South. These workers are saying that they cannot afford to submit to bad conditions in the interest of employers who will not pass back to them any resulting prosperity. They are unwilling to listen longer to pleas of Southern patriotism which cloak familiar capitalist designs.

From the rest of the country particularly the in-dustrial North, comes a chorus of objection to permitting the South to go on with sub-national standards, This is of course because exploitation in the South undercuts prosperity and stability elsewhere. Time was when northern industrialists were glad to have the South a labor slum. They transferred their plants from New England and the middle states, paid lower wages, escaped from the demands of organized workers. found lenient tax treatment. But there was an inevitable end to this glee. After all not every factory could move from districts with better standards, many forms of enterprise had lost by the trek of their fellows. and the question arose, long before the depression, "What is going to become of New England?"

Capitalist Barbarism

lower costs in the South which are not a part of nature, but result from greed and poverty and ignorance, southern enterprise will stand on a much more nearly equal footing with that of the remainder of the nation.

Two Schools of Thought

Concerning southern problems at en.s interesting juncture there are two principal schools within the section. One of them consists of the "Agrarians," who, if I understood them, would like to see the South return to the purely agricultural economy. It is not the planting economy finat we had before the Civil war, but an idealized one, which omits, in literary imagination, many of the inevitable consequences of that way of life. This school will have, I take it, little or no effect upon national councils.

The other and much more hopeful school is that of the Regionalists centering at Chapel hill, 'they are positive, believing in intenigently guided social action. They know that we must, in our reforms, improve what we have, and add better, not wasting time in tlights of fancy which call up ancient simplicity and harmony which never, in fact, existed. These earnest and resourceful students are having a primary part in formation of national policy toward the South. They deserve every credit for high-mindedness and devotion. They are as imaginative as the Agrarians, but they look to the future, not to the past.

Capitalist Contradictions

Unless I miss my guess, they deserve a better fate than they are likely to tind. What they are up against, and what the South is up against, is not just a comlication of disorders which may be treated one or several at a time, and so, hopefuily, be removed.

The South it illustrating the contradictions

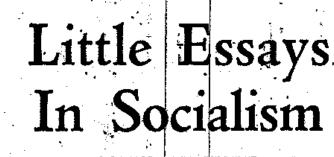
South's Problems Result From Greed, Poverty and Ignorance

whole kingdom of cotton. A sugar cane cutter looms a fresh torment.

A New Order Needed

The circumspection of the Regionalists will be defeated by this primary fact. The partial remedies of the New Deal-excellent in themselves as thy are in so many instances-must remain partial. Other desperate efforts of the New Deal, which look not toward more output as does the TVA, but to less as with the agricultural adjustment program, cannot recommend themselves to the thoughtful observer.

Curtailment of output is what we have had al along. It has been our lot because of ignorance, oad health, lack of skill and lack of funds, racial frightfulness on the one hand and racial tremblings on the other, Surely, we are not now to add deliberate devices for discouraging production. The only answer for the South and the nation lies in release of energies, in the application of knowledge and science, in rationalization of industry and agriculture and commerce, And this plenty cannot come while we rely upon profit and price. It cannot come until we produce for use, and improvement of the standard of living of all the people becomes the obsession of government.



- BY JOHN M. WORK

I am asked why I said the price of a prod-. uct, under present conditions, is usually more than the value. As I understand it, the inquirer $\frac{1}{2}$ thinks the statement conflicts with something written by Karl Marx. I have learned much from Marx but I do not believe in the infallibility of any man or book. I believe in learning all we can from all sources and then thinking for ourselves.

It is possible that in the early stages of capitalism price and value may have coincided,

but I do not see how that could be true in these later-stages of the system when there are excrescences and artificialities to cause divergence. Costs of advertising, for example, are in-

cluded in the price. There may JOHN M. WORK be advertising by both the manufacturer and the retailer. Often several commissions, profits and other rakeoffs are added to the price. In some lines of industry there is more or less trustification and more or less arbitrary juggling of prices. Big steel sells its products at a given price for a while and then suddenly fixes a lower or a higher price. Both of these prices

program to save capitalism, which after all is fascism's purpose.

ing liberal President remain undeterred in their

The solution lies not in prayers, not in WPA. cuts, not in high-powered speeches about democracy in foreign lands, neither will it be found in a super-armament program which is socially and economically wasteful. Rather the workers of this and other countries must rely in their own cause and by intelligent action and organization supplant decadent capitalism with a democratic Socialist society which will assure peace, jobs and abundance for all mankind.

These are the conclusions intelligent workers should draw from the plight of America's refugees.



Tom Mooney has returned actively to labor's ranks after spending 22 years behind the walls of San Quentin, a captive of the union hating corporations and their political hirelings of California.

That Tom Mooney was not legally murdered as was I. W. W. poet Joe Hill is due largely to the militant section of the working class movement, which from the beginning and throughout the history of the Mooney case, fervently believed in his innocence and acted to gain his freedom. Mooney throughout the whole savage persecution kept up his end of the fight with magnificent courage. His indomitable will and intelligence was the driving force that sustained the campaign for his release.

In prison he was the symbol of working class persecution the world over. But even there the union haters did not succeed in stifling his effective energies. Behind prison walls Mooney became a great organizer and recruiter for organizations that were fighting the battles of the workers. Countless numbers of people here and abroad attribute their first interest in the labor movement to the Mooney **case**,

Mooney emerges from his prison cell to find the labor movement stronger than ever before. His services for the California trade union movement, both in and out of prison, have borne fruit. Today that movement holds within its grasp a political influence which if progressively applied can render much aid to the workers. Mooney's clarion call for labor unity and greater organization is a timely appeal that will be heeded to increase labor's power.

His release has been welcomed by the overwhelming majority of the American people. This is a sharp contrast to the time when many who were misinformed persecuted not only Mooney but the militants who championed his defense. In the war days defenders of Mooney were "German spies" and "bombers." Even the masses who are slow to learn and easily antagonized with new ideas fell for anti-Socialist propagand, which was tied up with the war mongers' deliberate campaign to plunge this country into war.

He is now a free man and there is a bit of irony in the fact that saved from the hangman's noose he survives to carry on for his ideals while most of his persecutors are dead.

We salute Mooney, champion of the oppressed working class. His release is now the gnal for greater action to free Warren K. Cost of Living

Does the question remain in the area of national volition, or is the answer determined by stubborn economic and climatic facts over which we have sittle immediate control? Some costs of production are really lower in the South than elsewhere, just as some are lower in the North, say, than in the South. It's oftenest asserted by those who want to keep couthern wages below those of the North that the cost of living is lower beneath the Mason and Dixon line. The specialists are by no means agreed that this is the case. We shall now, what with the new wages and hours statute; have many more inquiries to discover the truth for different parts of the South. Similarly, there is doubt as to how much effect dlimate may have in other respects. Long ago, when the first cotton factories were being erected in the South in the '80's, it was said in the North that they could not succeed because the South did not have a "spinning climate," and that finishing processes could never be naturalized to the South because the rivers were too muddy. Mechanical means soon overcame these objections. So now, when climate is being presented as an advantage, not a disadvantage, to southern production, it may turn, out that northern industry is not without devices to help itself.

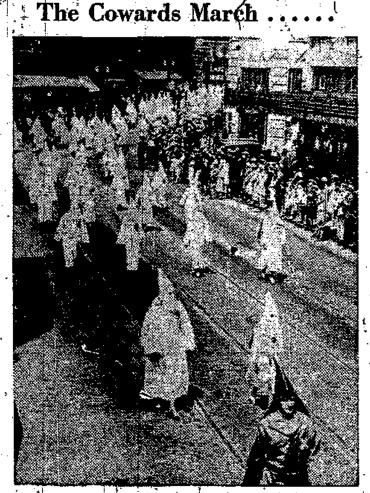
I think we may conclude that if we remove the

Hitler Anecdote

An American just back from Berlin tells us the latest story"that is going on around surreptiously there. It reports a conversation between an enthusiastic German Nazi and a friend of his, an inhabitant of the Netherlands. Says the German: "Why don't you get yourselves a Fuchrer like us? You'd have prosperity then-factories going full tilt, everybody busy." To which the Hollander replied:

"Well, perhaps you are right. Maybe if we hed a Hitler we would have better employment, factory chimneys smoking. But "then again-if somebody knocks on my door at 14. o'clock in the morning, I know it is the milkman."-The New Republic.

are bedded in capitalism, which follow the profit mo- _ could not have coincided with the value and it tive. We are stymied. The ordinary injunction to the South would be - in the past has been - main your economy more efficient produce more, have more to distribute to your own people, the nation, and the world. But it is just here that the capitalist system cannot move, The mechanical cotton picker seads shudders along the spine of the secretary of agriculture. New and almost man-less rayon factories threaten the



is probable that neither of them did.

However, have it as you like. I don't give a rap whether you believe price and value coincide or diverge. The statement was incidental, and the repetition was only for the purpose of connecting the second essay on the subject of value with the previous one. What I was trying to say was that even though price and value may diverge under capitalism they will be approximately the same under the planned economy of Socialism, and therefore there is nothing in the assertion that hordes of experts will have to waste their time figuring out how much value each worker produces.

SYEAR END DRAMAS

The head of an \$18,000,000 corporation, McKesson and Robbins, turns out to be a swindler and crook. Two 15-year-old orphans break into the new \$1,-000,000 San Francisco mint "for fun, to see if it could he done.'

The house of representatives has finally been wired for sound.

The next improvement would be to unwire some of the representatives.

SAVE US FROM FURTHER GAINS, PLEA Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain of Great Britain, in a New Year message, says 1938 saw the world moving toward peace, with "trials and anxieties outweighed by gains.'

WHAT! NO LIQUOR?

And the Scotch and rive cost only \$1,000, while flowers. and decorations amounted to a mere \$2,500.

Looks like no man could get anything to drink and no lady could have a corsage.

But even with such careful hudgeting, Brenda should be careful to marry a man who has a steady job. No fellow who's likely to land on WPA could pay for many \$25,000 parties.

BELOW RIO Occasional Notes on Labor, Peasant, and Anti-Imperialist By Paul Porter Movements in Latin America.

Chile begins the New Year with a popular front government-the first of its kind in the new world-but it is doubtful if it will last the year out. It is dependent for its support upon forces entirely too contradictory to cooperate for any major social aims.

Those aims, if the popular front election program has meaning, are to provide jobs, raise wages, lower prices, develop public works and restore land, at least a little bit, to the prasants. To this the Socialists, who when they ran their own candidate for the presidency, Col. Marmaduke Grove, in 1937 polled 37 per cent of the votes, would add a program of extensive socializa-tion. But they have only three members of their party in the new cabinet, and partial achievement of the campaign planks would be the utmost they can expect at this time,

Others upon whom President Pedro Aguirre Cerda must depend don't even want, the campaign planks enacted into law.

Aguirre, a cautious liberal, millionsire landowner, and publisher of the daily, La Hora, owes his office to the united electoral support of his own Radical party (read, liberal), Radical Socialists, Socialists, Communists and -catch your breath-Nazis,

Last autumn he bested conservative former President Arturo Alessandri by 3,000 votes.

And thereon hangs a crazy tale of politics. The Chilean Nacistas (Nazis) are a small party, smaller even than the Communists who in Chile enjoy their greatest parliamentary strength outside of Russia and France, The Nacistas probably swung not more than 15,000 votes, but that was enough to clinch the election.

Why did they command their followers to vote for Aguirre? As a tactic. Last September they attempted telligence service (Germany and the U. S. see-saw for first place in Chilean imports).

The Nacistas figured they'd nave a better chance under a democratic government than under a rival dictator. No doubt they recalled the experience of their brother Integralistas in Brazil last year, who were rewarded for helping put President Vargas into office by being smashed when they asked too much for their

Nazis of any land do favors only at a price, and already they are exacting a heavy price from Chile's Agairre. Agairre has pardoned all Nacistas arrested after the patisch that flopped, and has removed seven high army officers who put down the revolt. (There were also other reasons for their removal.)

Grateful chaps that they are, the Nacistas paraded in green shirts and military caps a fortnight ago to. weldome the return from Argentina of Gen. Carlos Ibanez, who was implicated in their revolt and is looked to by the rightist landlords as their. General Franco in the civil war they think to be not fer distant. Remember that the war in Spain is close to the hearts

of Latin Americans. To the peasant and labor masses, whose heritage is so largely Indian, a Loyalist victory would be more than the triumph of a militant democracy. It would mean to them the final liquidation of the cruel Spanish conquest of four centuries ago. The conquistadores conquered in their homeland-what historic justice!

Loyalist leaders are not unaware of these sentiments. The Negrin government sent the well known Socialist Indalecie Prieto as a special ambassador to the Aguirre inaugural. He was tumultously welcomed by s throng of 80,000 in Santiago's new national stadium. Not unnaturally, he warned of a rightist putsch.

Underneath this quaking political situation, rumble the conflicts of an economy in turmoil for almost a decade. Chile's serious troubles really began onting the

supply. They accounted for 60 per cent of her rev-

A semblance of prosperity was restored during the hectic 'Twenties, largely as a result of huge loans thrust upon the Chilean government by Wall Street, which was smart enough not to keep its bonds as investments but promptly unloaded them on a sucker public.

When Wall Street went into a tailspin in 1929 Chile was jerked about like the little tike on the end in a crack-the-whip game. Indeed tumbling prices in the copper market (Chile is next to the U.S. in copper_ production) during the summer of '29 might have warned the gamblers of reasons for leaping from skyscrapers.

Since then Chile in a succession of revolutionary and counter-revolutionary governments has groped toward a greater degree of self-sufficiency as a basis for economic stability. The hitch in that is that none of the Latin-American nations, not even Brazil, can solve their economic problems within their own boundaries. Economically, South America should be organized as a unit.

Of course, that isn't wanted by the imperialist nations that vie for the South American trade-the United States, Great Britain, Germany, Italy, and Japan. Nor is it wanted by the military-landlord ruling class at home. Like the overseas imperialists whom they serve (at a nice price) they'd be put out of business.

The strong Socialist movement of Chile and the powerful underground Apra movement of Peru know that freedom for the masses can be won only by breaking the power of the imperialists and their own semi-feudal ruling classes, and by organizing the great resources of the continent under the people's ownership.

Workers and farmers of the United States, hy understanting these needs and aspirations, can help the labor ust move

propaganda as we find in Ken, The New Massed the news-reels, and which it denounced less th year ago. Recently it published an atrocity pio Japanese soldiers bayoneting their Chinese pris with appropriately horrifled remarks, Leaving the fact that the picture was obviously posed (Japa -soldiers do not leave such films for developme a Chinese camera store-the explanation offere the scoop), Look! did not see fit to mention the killing of prisoners is a good, old Oriental an practised by both Japanese and Chinese, Nor they limited this custom to foreign prisoners. thousand Communist prisoners-good Chinese is shughtered by order of Chiang Kai Chek after Nor was the practice unknown in some of the desperate fighting on the Western Front in the War-as some of our franker doughboys add when they came home.

War—Supreme Atrocity

It would be slily to deny that atrocities are mitted in gractically every war. You can't kill sensibilities of human beings in bayonet drills wi expecting some of them to run amuk. But war its the SUPREME ATROCITY both against those participate in it and against the human race.

The most important difference between the war aganda pressure of this period and that of 1916-17 in the fact that today the most effective war-mong is that being performed by the LEFT-or at least pseudo-Left. Before and during the World was, revolutionary movement in America-the Socialists Wobblies, the Anarchists-were practically unan against war and immune to the flood of propagand When war was declared a few intellectuals

psuedo-intellectuals succumbed. Their detection h effect upon the movement itself. Drawn together mutual protection and resistance during the war, radicals stood firm. Today, one whole section of radical movement-by numbers, prestige, power money its most influential section-is not only when it up for bigger armaments, and another crusses in the person of its secretary, Earl Browder, b fered its services to the government, to "liquidate" position at home. Social democracy has produce 'social patriots" and is still producing them. never pledged itself to such a job.

Living through the next World war, in opposition going to be an experience that will make 1917-18 like a pleasant dream."

Cooperative Medicine

First actual retreat of opponents of the Group I Association of Washington, D. C., following the I ment of the American Medical association on ant charges came as the Garfield hospital lifted it against doctors amployed by the cooperative.

Though Fishbein and his clique are still fighting indictment under the anti-trust act has enous more and more practicing physicians to approve erative health plans and has acquainted more with medical cooperatives than all the material is ponents could distribute in a year.

Even if conviction does not follow, the fact the A. M. A. will not exert quite as much authority in b doctors and physicians what they can and can will mean that medical cooperatives will have sledding. The A. M. A.'s defense will be that the monopoly laws cannot apply to a professional orga tion.

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