Your World And Mine

•••• By Norman Thomas If ever there was a time for us American Socialists to take stock of the opportunities which confront us, of our own resources and the best use of them, it is now.

Numerically weaker than our comrades in many European countries, through no virtue of our own we have many dvantages over them by reason of our historical and geographic position. We are, of course, not exempt from the tragic history which has put Socialism everywhere temporarily on the defensive, and has made totalitarian tyranny the giant of the hour.

In its Communist form, totalitarianism has completely arrested the development of true Socialism in Russia, but, largely because

the U.S.S.R. is among the satisfied nations in respect to resources. Russian totalitarlanism does not aggressively menace the peace of the world. The aggressors are the profoundly dissatisfied nations fallen victims themselves to a monstrous worship of a tribal national state, ruled by a dictator. Against this menace a great many of our European comrades have. felt necessary to accept the tactics of the popular front against fascism—a coalition which by its very nature has to defend the capitalist democracy out of whose faults and failures capitalism itself has been born.

A Few Years of Grace

We Americans for the time being are mor fortunate. We may have a few years of grace, years if in which we are not swept or stam-

Heroism of Loyalists peded into war we can actively campaign for Socialism and for that democracy which in the **Surpasses Even Efforts** richest sense of both words is synomous with Socialism. **Of Russian Masses**

Of course we are not exampt from the gent eral problems of our own.

Beginning in 1933 the New Deal took over in substance the most urgent of Socialism's

immediate demands. Partly because of our educational work, Rooseyelt was able in a comparatively short time to bring the United States from a very bad last into the vanguard of capitalist democracies in respect to a wide range of social legislation. Always, however, the New Beal was intended to save capitalism by reforming it, not to prepere the way for fundamental change.

New Deal's Basic Failure

Herein lies its basic failure. Much of the Roosevelt legislation is subhet to specific criticism-for . example, the security legislation-but fundamentally the trouble with the New Deal legislation is that it is still' capitalist in conception and

That fact is now becoming more apparent and presents a new situation and a new challenge to Socalism. We have come to an end of a chapter. Even Roosevelt's intimate friend and advisor, Secretary of Commerce Hopkins, frankly admits that the emphasis must be on recovery, hot reform, and he definitely envisages recovery in capitalist terms. The New Deal has come to the end of its imaginative powers for reconstruction. It merely hopes that pump priming will work now that some minor repairs have been made to the pump."

in this respect the New Deal un-

questionably reflects public opinion. Received according to the Fortune poll holds his personal popularity; but the amazing fact is that less than 60 per cent of those who favor him would vote for him in 1940. Only about half of the voters want were situations unparalleled in Roosevelt or "a man like Roosevelt," and clearly they cannot agree fortuitousness. The Tsarist solon any man like Roosevelt in sight. Garner still leads the list of

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Auto Workers Remain Loyal o CIO-Rump Move Fizzles

UAW Unity Grows

Basic Locals, Rank And File Stick With **Parent Organization**

DETROIT, Mich .-. The rump movement against the United Automobile Workers of America is fast reaching the end of its rope. Its activities in trying to split the auto workers' union are meeting without success. The overwhelming majority of auto workers are rallying around the banner of the CIO and are attempting to bring a decisive end, to the long period of inner warfare in their union.

Relations Act Under Fire of Labor's Foes

WASHINGTON, D. C .- The attack on the national labor relations act and the most important body of labor legal gains ever put on the statute books continued on several fronts. The Supreme Court in spite of its supposed liberalization of recent date, not only declared the sit-down strike illegal, as everyone had expected, but sharply limited the rights of the labor board to order reinstatement of workers except for rather

mate organizing activity. The American Federation of La- entire city going CIO, with only oor continued to press its changes Pontlac Motors still not definitely in the act as presented by Sena- committed. There is little doubt tor Walsh of Massachusetts with that this group is behind the CIO. few changes and the only hope source of Martin's strength, mainof this most dangerous flanking tained by Bert Harris and his exof the act seemed to lie in progress tensive terror squad. Harris is a in the coming conversations on CHICAGO, Ill.-Receipt of a \$200 unity between the AFL and CIO. But even here Martin is rapiding Capitol, dopesters predicted that losing ground. The Buick division the Progressive Mine Workers of between the AFL changes and the is overwhelmingly CIO and the extreme reactionary proposals of Nebraska's Burke, the National the CIO forces. Reports indicate Association of Manufacturers a rapid shift to the CIO in Chevwould in the final show-down push In any case a change of 15 per cent of the present administrative received from Jack Battuello and staff of the board would seem, according to these same sources, an administration of the act hostile Local No. 1 also sent \$200 dona- to labor and just as damaging as tions to the striking oil workers if the changes were made in the The hard boiled boys say that labor had better get unity and Comprising a membership of organize fast for there will be a 2,200 employed in four large mines lot of dirty weather shortly and of the Superior Coal Cd., a North- what labor holds will be what is western R.R. subsidiary, Local No. good enough to stand on its eco-

cation) who were imprisoned in

Barcelona, including Julien Gorkin,

Bonet, Audrade, Giornella and So-

Leader, organ of the I. L. P., re-

kee as it-had already done in the

of the unemployed and WPA work-

Communists and War

The cap of the climax in the

South Chicago police in 1937, but

actually took money in the usual

corrupt way from the Kelly ma-

Communist leaders of the shell

of the nationally affiliated alliance

in Chicago openly admitted the

initial Kelly "gift" of \$300 and

privately admitted that the national

alliance for Kelly headquarters."

The many locals, large and small in this city. are with the CIO almost without exception. Former Martin strongholds are cracking rapidly.

Three key General Motors conters undoubtedly gave Martin the courage originally to engage on his reckless adventure. Lansing, controlled by Lieutenant Lester Washburn, has melted away from Martin's camp. Both GM plants in Lansing, Fisher and Oldsmobile, have joined up with the CIO forces and are trying to rebuild their badly shattered organizations. In addition, the Reo plant has gone CIO.

Pontine Swings Into Line

Pontiac, the most solid important Martin center in the union, has strictly defined discharge for legiti- been the big surprise. A skillful and cleancut drive on the part of CIO adherents has resulted in the Flint has been one remaining

among them they will doubtless give special emphasis to the heroic battle of the Spanish republicans. Truly incomparable is the fight which the Spanish people has put up, virtually against the entire world.

Denied all assistance, they have had to combat the legions of Caesar and Nero. In addition, they have had to combat the utter in-eptitude of world bourgeois democ-racy, an ineptitude indicative of senility. It is this democracy that dominated the world situation and was the root of non-intervention. London led European democracy by the nose. Rarely have men waged a war of liberation under conditions more discouraging.

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Bourgeois

Democrats

Bury Spain

BY NADOR SCHNEEBAUM

A Special Correspondent of the

SOCIALIST CALL

torians will record the social

struggles of this our age,

PARIS --- When future his-

Supreme Heroism It surpasses in heroism even the Russian revolution. Tilting the balance in favor of that struggle





President R. J. Thomas (center) of the United Madden (left) and Loren Houser of the UAW Antomobile Workers' (CIO) welcomes Charles E. executive board in his hotel room in Detroit after

they withdrew support from Homer Martin. Only 3 of the 24 board members are still in the Martin

Mexican Fascists Suffer Setback in First Plans Anti-Jewish Riots Di- AFL Miners

rected and Paid by

BY CLARENCE SENIOR

MEXICO CITY, D. F.-The Fas-

there were few, could not have

paid the price of a ticket, almost

the land distribution program, with

the Jewish question thrown in a

la Hitler. For weeks anti-Semitic

Nazi Henchmen

Labor Martyr **Fund Recalled**

camp.

with successors in popular esteem although most voters just don't ter, went over en know whom they want. Most surprising of all is the majority for revolution and with this force the binding the budget, a majority which applies to all groups of the proletariat succeeded in wresting min except Negroes.

A Challenge to Socialists

In these figures which are pretty well corroborated by other obwrations and, indeed, by the last election, there is evidence of a membat reactionary or conservative trend in American public opina but by no means as yet of a tidal wave of reaction or fascism. We are not forced to drop all else and defend what we have,

Here lies a peculiar challenge to Socialists. Once again obvious and bitter facts prove that the capitalist system cannot save itself made up largely of Moroccans. and us, Its basic failure under the Old Deal and the New is its failure to produce enough. It is a common-place that we have the resources. e machinery and the mechanical skill to conquer poverty. But to conquer poverty and provide security we must produce a great deal more, besides sharing what we have produced more equitably.

On this Rpublicans and Democrats, men of all shades of economic mon are united. It is a monstrous tragedy that capitalism, whether ple, ader Hoover or under Roosevelt has not in 10 years been able to equal the 1929 level of production, and that it has multiplied the number because the city feared for its copthe unemployed by at least five. The levels both of production and per, mercury and other mines from equity in distribution were low in 1929 in terms of what they might the "unreliable" people's front govwe been. I shall not pause to repeat the figures so familiar to Social-; ernment, and thus supported in iss and Socialist sympathizers.

Pump Priming Inadequate

Faced with these facts, Roosevelt and his critics give us two anwars neither of them justified by the facts. Roosevelt still argues hat we can spend our way to prosperity. He is clearly right in believa that no important item of government expenditure should be greatly iminished. But his own argument for an increase of WPA funds, wind as it was; shows how unsound are his hopes that the success **Joint Conference** a priming the pump will make a continuance of the process unnecesuy. As I write the business index is falling again. The only new ing the administration has to offer-unless it be armament economics is the sort of olive branch to private business which Secretary of ommerce Hopkins tentatively held out.

The president's critics, in and out of his own party, are alarmed but an indefinite continuance of an unbalanced budget will lead to undiation or inflation. On psychological as well as economic grounds, ity are right although they are too pessimistic concerning the time mits under which the country can manage an unbalanced budget. But then the president's critica say that all that is necessary is "to restore wolldence" by "balancing the budget," reducing taxes, and giving a iver hand to business without much government regulation, those critics alk dangerous nonsense.

Keturn to Hoover

At best they want to restore the very system which under Hobyer toke to badly in 1929. Nothing has been done in the realm of domestic foreign politics to remove the causes which brought us the Great optession. Government savings are likely to be at the expense of the imployed and the poor generally. None of the great capitalist counthe in the world has shown any ability to absorb the army of the tween the AFL and the CIO were memployed except by war or trantic preparation for war.

At this stage of capitalism, unemployment is universally chronic In is only alleviated by state intervention. Even conservative governhests, like the Roman emperors of old, have to keep the masses quiet Franklin D. Roosevelt, some provision of bread and circuses, and Roosevelt's successor, mublican or conservative Democrat, will be no exception.

He will find that he cannot safely balance his budget at the dent of the AFL and to John L. wenes of the unemployed and the poor, but in the attempt he may Lewis, head of the CIO urging arease the sum total of human misery. And he will invite the coming them to renew peace negotiations " a real American Fascism based on some demagogic appeal to the was made public last Saturday. "sery and prejudice of the "little men."

For Socialist Unity

War, temporarily would give him a way out. And that is why negotiate, although Green limited izations will consist of Mr. Philip the is such danger of war-a subject to which I will turn. I am now the authority of the AFL commitsecenced to point out that this is the hour when Socialists, with tee. wered skill, intelligence and energy, must push the case for Socialism . Green's stipulations limiting the the road to abundance," and shape their program to this end, authority of the AFL committee Wiously this requires a reawakening and a reunion of our rather are as follows: attered and somewhat discouraged forces. It requires us to call There shall be no compromise thain to definite Socialist activity men and women who, gratified with on the preservation of the "structhat the Roosevelt administration has done for and with labor, have ture" of the AFL-and its "demo-Sought temporarily that that was enough. Now, in a very critical cratic principles." He said these ber, we are summoned not only to close our own ranks, but to rein- were of "transcendant importance" in we are summoned not only to close our own tangs, out to term and that they could not be smade Then. What this may mean in concrete terms I shall discuss in my the subject matter of negotia- ings between AFL and CIO vice mat article.

^ANote on Marcantionio

The house of representatives did a real service to a same foreign political, philosophy and warning versity, former member of the old porters who asked how he intended micy and place when it refused to begin a provocative fortification that "Communist policies" will not "national labor board. At the first Guam not even related to a sound program of military defense, be tolerated in any reunited labor of these meetings, AFL Vice Presithat Communist fellow traveller Marcantionio voted for the movement. difications!

Labor Talks Peace 🗝

The president's policy for peace between the AFL and the CIO is, ciation; Matthew Woll, AFL vice dent Matthew Woll and CIO Vice

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masse to the power. To say nothing of the fact that in the Europe of that period

the left forces were on the offensive everywhere.

.In the case of the Spanish republic it is exactly the opposite. In Europe the right is on the offensive — with the permission of Whitehall. The Spanish army, sided with reaction against the workers. It allied itself with foreign powers that later took over the leadership of the war in order to wage their own totalitarian war against the Spanish peo-

London also hurried to their aid, every manner the Chamberlain non-intervention policy that final-

ly led to the undoing of the Spanish republic. It is interesting to note here

Raises Hopes for

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Both AFL and CIO

Agree to Negotiate;

Arree to Meet

tions.

By AFL Unions A Special Correspondent of the Socialist Call Special to the CALL

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - Kansas Cist, anti-Semetic movement which City-labor has been reminded of fered a setback in the abject fail the murder of William Polley, mili- ure of a "Banquet of 5,000" called tant Socialist and labor organizer, by a coalition of all the reactionary more than_three years ago, with groups in Mexico.

the withdrawal by the AFL unions A mere 14 per cent of that num-ber attended, although the affair here of the \$5,000 reward for in- had been twice postponed to gather formation leading to his slayers. more diners. Many-of those at-Polley was shot down in down- tending obviously had been given town Kansas City early on the tickets, since workers, of whom morning of October 11, 1935. He was business representative of the a day's wages. truck drivers' union. His effort to organize the truck drivers was thorn in the flesh of employers and his militancy and activity brought clashes with old line labor leaders. Following his murder, ions, the peasant organizations and AFL unions chipped in to the \$5,000

reward fund. The fund now will. be broken up and returned to the literature had been passed out Polley's greatest monument today is the truck drivers' union, with

3,000 members, one of the most powerful unions in this area

largely modeled on the charges of Father Coughlin. Jews were accused of holding all the money in the United States and Mexico, of gaining chirance to Mexico illegal ly, and of competing unfairly. Jewish blood must run in the

streets of Mexico," said one, Attack Jews The anti-Jewish riot of Jan, 26 resulted from a meeting of the group. Directed and paid by the Nazis, a crowd of a few hundred

hoodlums attacked several Jews. wrecked two stores, and stoned the Jewish Center. The ring leaders were arrested. charged with "incitement to rebellion," and further street meet-

ings of the group were forbidden. The unions and the revolutionary such events would be answered

ico did not intend to become an-

The Teaders of the group are largely discredited elements ranging from generals who have been kicked out of the army, congressmen who have been expelled from the Party of the Mexican Revolution, lawyers with questionable means of support, to known agents of the German Nazis.

Gen. Pablo Gonzales, the man who planned the treachery which assassinated the revolutionary hero, Emiliano Zapata, spoke at the banquet beneath a lanner calling for a, "rededication to the ideals of Zapata!" He has been notorious for years as a common thief, who stole everything he could move out of the state of Morelos while devas-

tating the sugar plantations of the state, which destruction he blamed on Zapata. Other "revolutionaries" connected with the movement have similar careers.

Cardenas' Position

"We shall have to push ahead with our revolutionary program," said Cardenas in answer to reto cope with the new group, "so that our country will supply the needs of the people and therefore not furnish any excuses for their

ut that a contin

Guild Strike

Aid News

contribution from Local No. 1 of America (AFL), Gillespie, Ill., cheered the 600 striking members

of the Chicago Newspaper Guild (CIO) here who continue their through a middle set of changes strike against the two Hearst pub- in a dark horse bill which would lications, now in its fourteenth sharply hurt organized labor. week.

Pledges of solidarity were also Dave Reed, left wing, officers of the PMWA.

Called by the "Center for Revolutionary Unification," it was in-(CIO) of Tulsa, Okla, and the law. tended to rally all possible_forces casket workers (AFL) of St. Louis, against the government the un-Mo.

enjoys the reputation of never nomic strength.

having turned. down an appeal from workers who are engaged in P. O. U. M. Leaders of the largest contributions ever made by the local was made for Safe in France the industrial unions of Loyalist Leaders of the P. O. U. M. Spain. (Workers Party of Marxist Unifi-

Local No. 1 officers are William Campion, president: Craig Easton. vice president; Andy Easton, recording secretary; Joe Vidmar, financial secretary.

23 MINERS KILLED ANKARA, Turkey - Twentythree coal miners lost their lives in a mine explosion at Kozlou, near

Fenner Brockway, I. L. P. leader. reports that he met Gorkin in Zonguldak, in the Black sea coal basin, Feb. 27. Paris two weeks ago.

Workers Desert C. P. **Controlled** Alliance MILWAUKEE, Wis .- Officers of , Illinois, the Wisconsin alliance was

ports.

the American Workers' Committee disintegrating outside of Milwauon Unemployment, an independent organization of unemployed and project workers in this city, began state's main city. With the events contacting groups throughout the in the neighboring state of Illinois state this week with a view to exthe demand for the rank and file panding their organization to statewide and perhaps even larger proers for a new militant state organiportions.

zation in Wisconsin grew. The American Workers' committee, according to Chairman Maxie Weber, was formed nearly two political corruption of the alliance years ago after the Communist party invaded the state Workers', came last week in Chicago when alliance, successfully conspired to the remaining Communist conplace that organization under the trolled section of the alliance not mechanical control of their politionly followed the CP line of supcal party and began by trials and porting the corrupt and arrogant expulsions to purge their political Kelly Democratic party machine, still stained with the blood of the and organizational opponents in steel workers shot by Kelley's the alliance.

Illinois Situation Even before the now completely Communist controlled national board of the alliance waded into

and will play into the hands of the fase sta. Lies about road conditions and the danger of tourist travel the boycott against Mexican oil which has forced her to deal with the fascist nations, the insults to Mexico from prominent United States congressmen, will all

Local observers, however, point strengthen the hands of what is

known leader of the Black Legion and his hold on Flint is slipping, key Fisher local has just joined rolet, the largest Flint division,

Wisconsin Loyal

All Wisconsin locals of importance are aligned with the CIO, including Case in Racine, Nash is Kenosha, and Seamon Body and Allis-Chalmers in Milwaukee. Indiana is virtually unanimous in the opposition to Martin, as is Toledo. Most of Cleveland is CIO: the west coast has repudiated Martin. According to Martin's own reports, his main remaining support come from the east where some small locals have declared their support for Martin. Whether they would follow him out of the CIO is doubtful, however.

Loses Packard

The final breaking point in Detroit has been the collapse, of the grip of Martin's machines in Packard and Plymouth. Despite favorable court decision in the Plymouth case, Martin is losing steadily in the rank, and file.

Martin's attitude toward the CIO has been ever-changing. He has denounced Lewis and praised the CIO; he has denounced the CIO lano, the youth leader, reached including Hillman and Murray; he France safely, the British New has promised to remain in the CIO; he has virtually announced a complete broak with the CIO and pointed increasingly to the AFL:

> The CIO leadership meanwhile has made clear that supporters, of Martin's dual setup will have no place in the CIO unless they break with this setup. Even now, Martin is beginning to realize that many of his supporters who feel that they can fight Communists by backing Martin, are not willing to leave the CIO. Their estimate of the entire situation is being changed by Martin's increasing indications of organizing an esti-CIO movement.

> > Intelligence Wins

A decisive factor in Martin's defeat has been the intelligence and frankness of the CIO representatives in Detroit and Washington in dealing with the whole UAW problem. Speeches and statements in most cases have been made clear that the CIO is not defending the present executive board; it is fighting dual unionism and working for a truly democratic convention in Cleveland, March 37, where the membership is being ssured of every opportunity to elect a leadership which truly represents the rank and file.

The much discussed deal between Martin and Ford has not gone through. Ford is still playing chine to set up a big "Workers" with Homer but is not giving anything away he doesn't have to. Ford is giving Martin's forces enough backing to keep them fighting but not enough to endanger the sacred principle of the open shop. Any possibility of a purge of the Illinois organization Ford-Martin deal of serious prowas to give them a free hand to portions is being made remote by insure political support of the the complete effectiveness of the

Democratic party by the alliance CIO drive against disruption. ch as part of the national Communist So low is Martin's stock that





Murray, Mr. Sidney Hillmann and the undersigned."

Murray is chairman of the Steel

Lewis left to the AFL or the president the initiative of fixing a the AFL committee.

presidents had previously been held in the presence of Msgr.

dent George Harrison and CIO

Thomas A. Rickert, AFL vice pres-Garment Workers' union. Tobin Declines Appoint Committees -Daniel J. Tobin, Teamsters'- un ion president, originally appointed WASHINGTON, D. C. - Hopes on the committee, declined to serve for an end to the civil war bebecause of press of business. 'On Tuesday evening John L

raised to a fever pitch during the Lewis announced that the CIC past week following the entrance would comply with the president's into the bicture of President request for resumption of peace negotiations and named the three A copy of a letter that he had members on the CIO's committee. sent to both William Green, presi-Lewis' note of acceptance was very short. It reads (as follows: "My dear Mr. President: Complying with the request contained in your letter of Feb. 23. I advise hat the committee to represent

Both Green and Lewis agreed to the Congress of Industrial Organ-

Workers' Organizing Committee: Hillman, president of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers.

Forbidding compromise on the AFL's established economic and Francis A. Haas of Catholic uni-

is composed of Harry B. Slater, were brought together. At the turning to such demogogs."

time and place for meetings with It was revealed that two meet-

The AFL negotiating committee Vice President Sidney Hillman, president of the Bricklayers' asso- second meeting, AFL Vice Presi-

Early Labor Peace ident, and head of the United youth groups announced that other

with "direct action" against the organizers of the mob. Even conservative newspapers decried the occurence, and warned that Mex-



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Majority of CIO Delegates Pledge Support for Unity

Young Socialists Sign Up Delegates Representing 110,000 By a Special Correspondent

Members of the Young Peo-ples' Socialist league of this Bury Spain ples' Socialist league of this city got busy at the state CIO convention here last week and that English-French military cirsigned senting 110,000 out of the tion and favored aid to the Re-150,000 CIO unionists in the publicans against the Germans and Unity" of the AFL and CIO. pressure from other sources. a half old petition launched by Kenosha Labor and the Sheboygan Times in Wisconsin explains one of the very good reasons why President Roosevelt, last week feit

it was good politics to launch a peace proposal identical with the request of the unity petition.

Petition Launched in 1937 The petition which was launched just before the first unity negotiations between AFL and CIO at the end of 1937 is a petition of union members in both groups to their officers to meet and stay in conference "until such time as they can establish a united labor movement capable of organizing the still

unorganized millions." The Young Socialists under the leadership of Leo Leopold did not stop with getting delegates representing a majority of the workers sign up in addition the various To- Siberia, with this difference, that in the state CIO but proceeded to cal, state and international union officers visiting the convention. Signers included representatives of teel, textile, rubber, shoe, elecfrical and radio, furniture, maritime, shipbuilding, leather, petroleum, sugar, Amalgamated Clothing, Indies garment and United Mine workers.

Out to Get 2,000 Signers

Teachers, printers and postoffice clerks of the AFL were among the signers, their credit the Springfield YPSL are out to run their total of Springfield and convention unionlats on record for unity up to 2,000. Powers Hapgood, president of

the United Shoes Workers and former national vice-chairman of the Socialist party was among the speakers at the convention as were she arrived, "I don't know what Brophy, director of the CIO, and

Bourgeois Democrats

up delegates repre- cles were opposed to non-intervan-

state, on the petition of the Italians-for strategic reasons, of "Committee of a Million for course. But they had to yield to The Republicans could not secure This response to the year and help, because the democracies are in a defensive position, and in addition, their freedom is limited by the power of big business. Therefore, their dilly-dallying with London - Rome - Paris - Ceneva conferences resulted finally in the appearance of Franco at the Pyrences. A Horrible Picture

At the Pyrenees the Franquists pursued the Spanish republican refugees like hunted animals toward the French frontier. These fled by the ten thousands, arriving in France under the most incredible of circumstances. The highways were filled with endless lines of struggling_ women, children on their arms, old men leaning on staffs, fatigued and starved after

three years of war. The horrible picture they composed was strangely reminiscent of Dostoieyski's description of Tsarist these horrors were-transpiring in modern times. The exodus occurred in bitter cold and snow. through the dead of night, over mountains, forests and fields. Planes Attack Refugees

The thick lines would suddenly scatter in fright as an occasional lorry drove past with lights shaded, lest it be picked up by the searchlights of the Fascist planes, that

were constantly circling above and With 250 signatures to frequently swooping low to harass the refugees. One can imagine the effect of all this upon the physical and emotional condition of the hounded refugees, particularly the impressional children among them. One mother, who fled with four

way, told French reporters when at Co-op hall on Feb. 23, 24 and 25. "He indicted medern medical prac-James Carey, secretary, John politics are all about. But if I-tice for being "too costly," for "in- gates from 12 cities in Wisconsin, istal Brophy, director of the CIO, and had to live there where these bar- efficiency," "fee splitting," etc. He five cities in Illinois and a total stated that ir cen



Some of the 18,000 demonstrators from the International Ladies Garments Workers' union who protested the policy of New York track owners in hauling nonunion dresses. Mayor F. H. La Guardia has named a fact-finding committee.

Medical Problems Headlines Racine Co-Op Conference

prices charged at the ch-op hospi-

Space will not permit a complete account of his speech but one in-107 Delegates Attend teresting fact that he did mention was that one-third of the deaths in RACENE-An inspiring talk by the United States were preventable. The high cost of medical care Dr. Michael Shadid, Sunday evecauses most persons to refrain ning, was the highlight of the threeday sessions of the institute on or-

> nesses. There were 107 registered dele-TL S. six states.

Unified Socialist Local Established in Reading; Veterans Rejoin Party ter of an old group of party mem

1938 election.

mitteeman of the YPSL.

Jim Maurer Rejoins

Membership of the veteran ap-

licants like Maurer and Stump

was restored as of the time of the

Executive Committee

Executive committee is composed

Registration of the local is pro-

Flay Boss Plans for War; Action Inspires Socialists Nationally

READING, Pa.-After more than two years of division and misunderstanding among Socialists in this important working class and Socialist center, a unified and deto close to a hunjued Socialists headed by James H. Maurer and J. Henry Stump jointly with anterminedly Socialist local is again functioning in Berks county. The other group headed by Mark Brown, a national executive comnational executive committee of the Socialist party recently confirmed the revocation of the char-



ocratic federation as well as the The magnanimous action of the Socialist party, pending outcome of unity negotiations nationally he-Berke county, Pennsylvania, Social ists in reuniting their ranks will serve-to inspire Socialist activists tion. nationally. Occuring at a time when our Spanish fellow workers and comrades are being ground under the following officers were elected: Nathan Detterline, organizer; the iron heel of fascism, the action is a fine example of Socialist loyal-Mark Brown, assistant organizer, ty and responsibility. Emanuel Switkes (a former na

It is a fool who cannot see the tional secretary of the YPSL) rehandwriting on the wall. Eurocording secretary, and Richard Mengel, financial secretary pean fascism is casting its sinister shadows on the American soil, not through the German Bund nor: the blatherskite Coughlin, but in

f Raymond Hofses, George the vast army of forgotten Amer-Rhodes, Darlington Hoopes, Miles ican workers and farmers who are Williams, Mark Brown, Loraine restless under the impact of 11 Herzog and Raymond Muringer. years of mass unemployment which has uprooted them from ceeding apace and the majority of established traditions. the local is already registered. The local meeting while in session re-Couple that with the fast militarization of the United States and ceived a congratulatory telegram we have a full-blown pre-fascist from the Socialist Pennsylvania situation that spells ultimate totalistate committee which was meet-ing in Pittsburgh at the same time, notifying the local of concurrence arianism in America. Socialist unity is not the dream sentimentalists. It is a crying

in the action of the national exneed that must be answered with ecutive committee and expressing deeds. It is a vehicle of action good wishes. 4 with which a united Socialist and labor movement can prevent the crystallization of dangerous fascist forces in this country.

Socialist unity is the first prerequisite for labor unity and united workers and farmers action. The Reading comrades have taken from seeing their doctor until it is the lead in this direction not by absolutely necessary and thus minor talking about it but by doing it. To and for legislation to outlaw pochildren, one of whom died on the ganized labor and cooperatives held ailments develop into major ill- them the Socialist movement owes a debt of gratitude.

Welcome home, Reading Socialer would-be Fascist groups.

Who Pays for **Coal Industry** bers who had completely lost their bearings in the course of fighting their fellow Socialists to the point

It's the Miner

Unemployed where they defied instructions of state and national executive committee to support the straight So-Desert C. P. cialist ticket in Reading in the Immediately following the revocation, the national executive com-Alliance mittee meeting in Chicago authorized the issuance of a charter

Continued From Page One States as an ally of Soviet Russia in the "coming war."

New Jersey Bevolts

Rebellion at this revolting betrayal of the true interests of the organized unemployed and project workers was spread rapidly. The largest section of the New Jersey siliance, the Essex county (New- The bureau reports that ark), organization broke away to form the Workers' Relief and WPA union after Communist directed. forces steam-rollered 100 per cent control of the state organization at the recent Camden state conventiqn

Kentucky Sellout

tween the Socialist party USA and the Socialist Democratic federa-In Paducah, Ky., workers on WPA who were sold out to Barkley through the alliance leader-"At a first regular meeting of the unified Local Berks in the ship if last year's Democratic primary had set up an Unemployed and Project Workers' Organizing Labor Lyceum on Sunday, Feb. 26, committee.

In Baltimore the People's Unemployment League of Maryland, one of the oldest continuous organizations of the unemployed in the nation which resigned its alliance affiliation over the mismanagement of the national organization nearly two years ago, was corresponding with other independent organizations throughout the nation, In Reading, Pa., discussions were under way looking towards uniting of the Taxpayers' Protective league (unemployed) and the Unemployed council (no relation of old Communist unemployment council) into one independent or-

ganization. The local alliance has surrandered to CP-Democratic political manipulation and is useless and in bad odor with the workers. From everywhere the same story, stirring among the unemployed

and WPA workers as the drive The Berks local meeting adopted against the standard of living of resolutions calling for unremitting opposition to "war plans of the bosses" and for local affiliation the workers grows more intense and their need for defense more and vigorous support of the Keep acute, and the preoccupation of the alliance nationally with politics un-America, Out of War congress, for carrying the unity re-established in related to the welfare of its members, becomes more obvious. When Reading to its logical conclusion local and state independent groups get their roots down deeper, a litical uniforms and military formations and practices by political new and politically independent groups such as the Bund and oth- federation of unemployed groups is nationally inevitable.-

1. Let the people vote on war!

A war referendum will help take

power to determine foreign policy

2, Keep America out of war!

Take from the president the

power to manipulate foreign

polley in the name of neutrality.

program! Stop militarization of

youth! Demand jobs and homes,

4. Pledge that youth will re-

fuse to support the government

of the United States In any war

5. Unite all peoples against

war! Not the false international-

ism of imperialists and greedy

national states, but the real in-

pernationalism of peoples

throughout the world who strug-

gle against war and for freedom,

46. Support a conference of all

nations for disarmament and set-

tlement of international disputes

on the basis of equality for all

nations. Support conferences of

the people's organizations fight-

ing war and oppression, as steps toward real unity against war!

.7. Organize for the day-by-day

fight against war! Build a pow-

erful youth movement in the

United States which can work

with labor, farm and church

anti-war movements to check the

There will be other meetings on

net guns and battleships.

it may undertake.

must win.

3. Stop the super-armaments

out of the president's hands.

Figures Show 50,00 Miners Killed in U. Mines Since 1900

BY GERRY ALLARD Editor, Socialist Call

Slaughter in the coal miniof the United States coat ues. Last year, the Unit States bureau of mines ports 1,128 miners lost the lives in American coal mine

fatality rate stood at 2 deaths per million tons a duced, whatever that is posed to prove.

More tragic figures is the that since the turn of the cent 50,000 coal miners have h slaughtered in and around . mines in the United States, I constitutes a larger number men killed in industrial acti than there were American sold killed in action in the World V Coal mining by nature is a l ardous industry, but it is m more hazardous by the econ and competitive forces of can ism. This is especially pronot in the coal mining industry w for 20 years has been in an tramely chaotic condition. greater efficiency in the use coal, substitution of oil, power, gas and other by-produ the violant introduction of chines in the mines and factors all tend to create a need for men and mines.

Neglect Safety Devices Under the rules of capital many a coal operator spends on safety devices and preven measures in order to compete v his more favorably situated petitor. The result is that I dreds of miners are needla

killed. There are good safety laws many states, the detached pe might be prone to say and the just is nothing more than can be done to lower fatal There are plenty of good min laws, but for all practical poses they remain on the size books and are often unanfor I recall a few years ago when headed a committee from a m employing 473 men which tioned a high official of Illinois department of mines minerals to do something a the extremely dangerous condition in the mine. The operator refused to clean the dust a the roadways; this created a ard ripe for an explosion. state official responded by say that his heart bled for the n but that if he enforced the the operator would shut down mine as it was too expensive clean the roadways. "There; too many people out of now," he said, shrugging shoulders Jamentably.

Father Francis Hass. Much of the convention was devoted to expression and organization of opposition to the proposed changes in the National Labor Relations act, and the invitation to Sen. David Walsh to speak to the convention was cancelled to protest his sponsorship of the amendments generally endorsed by the AFL in their drive to hold up their end of the labor factional strife.

C. P. Up to Old Tricks

It was most regrettable that the guns. Now these brave men are Communist party in a frantic drive living. In French concentration to consolidate its power, which will camps. Mr. Chamberlain and combe sharply undermined by genuine pany can now sit back contented labor unity, was permitted to con- that they succeeded in duping tinue to fill convention seats with a whole world with non-intervendelegates from paper locals of of- tion, and they can continue to fice workers and non-dues paying preach "brotherly love" "world peace." miscellaneous local unions. This

representation enabled them to dea new office of fegislative agent, a executed by the thousands in obfull time office without pay, a set scure places. The tragedy of a whole people! up for CP payroll control.

Young Socialists

Denounce Hitler, Mus-

dark menace of Europe's four fas-

solini, Daladier,

Chamberlain

Guardia's cops.

Stage Demonstration

For Spain's Workers

who machine-gunned us from air- citizens received medical care on a attendance during the three-day planes as we were fleeing, if I charity basis and that another 50 session several hundred observers had to live among them, well, per cent receive inadequate care and visitors. The following states rather a bullet here for me," and due to the high cost. she pointed to her forehead. Chamberlain's Brotherly Love The republican soldiers followed ing about the commercializing of

the example of the civilian popula-tion, and fled wherever resistance its efforts to smash the Elk City, tion, and fied wherever resistance. Okia, co-op hospital of which he seemed useless. Catalonia, thanks j to . Chamberlain, faced the well- is the head surgeon. equipped fascists virtually without

"Too many doctors," She stated, operate on the theory that a rich man's pain in the side needs a surgical operation. While a poor man needs only a dose of salts."

Indicts High Cost

Of Medical Care;

Elk City Hospital Herenzelained that between 2,100 and 2.200 member families own and and control the Elk City hospital. Since

Auto Workers

Continued From Page, One

tomotive Manufacturers' Associa

tion recently made some startling

it was established in 1929 the cost In the meantime comes the news of medical care has not only been feat a sharp anti-war and anti- that wherever France sets his reduced to members of the co-op militarist resolution by an alliance foot, wholesale massacres are tak- but also to non-members living in with some innocently reactionary ing place in the dead of night. The the western part of Oklahoma. American legion elements among unfortunate anti-fasciats who have Other doctors have had to lower the delegates and to create and fill fallen in Franquist hands are being their charges to conform with the

Loval to a

CIO Body

were represented: Wisconsin, Illi-He condemned the American nois, Indiana, Ohio, New York and Medical association for doing noth- Washington, D. C. The institute was opened with

talks by Henry Ohl, Jr., president of the Wisconsin State Federation of Labor, and Jacob Baker, president of the United Federal Workers of America.

Ohl stated that the state federa- the CCC, a determined and delibertion had always urged its members ate drive to bring the United States to support the principle of consum- to the side of France and England ers' co-operation so the people may in imminent war, students all over

"enjoy the means to live without the United States have planned being compelled to pay tribute to their fifth strike against war and some non-contributor at every point against the war preparations of in the struggla for existence" the Roosevalt administration. On in the struggle for existenc."

Young Socialists at Work

THE STUDENT STRIKE AGAINST WAR

April 20 at 11 a. m. they will leave | chlist the support of American BY ROBIN MYERS While the halls of congress are filled with new armament plans, secret alliances with foreign powers, rumors of military training for

their classes in a strike which is students. their dress rehearsal for refusal to Young Socialists are cooperating support the government of the in the strike against war which United States in any war it may, the youth committee has called, and they urge the participation undertake.

The world seened very close to of all progressive individuals and war and destruction in 1934, when groups in a strike on this genuinely 25,000 students dared to conduct anti-war program: the first strike of this kind. Hitler had come to power in Germany. the most vicious onslaught of fascism yet experienced. The the Roosevelt administration. On seizure of Manchuria had exposed and dethroned the League of Na-tions as an impartial and altrustic power. Arms budgets were soaring and throughout the world youth were on the march, goose-stepping again.

In the United States, students attacked militarization of the campus through reserve officers training corps; American Imperiaism in Latin America; plans for industrial mobilization and dictatorship in time of war. And they gave their pledge not to support the government in war which was the repetition of the old imperialist conflicts. Against reactionary opposition and persecution from school authorities, from patriots, the governmental and military sources, the strike continued and grew_in_militancy.

Fight Fascism and War At the time of the first strike. there was unity among progressive forces against imperialist war, against militarism, against dicta-torship. But in succeeding years a new devil theory of war grew up. Fascism was the cause of war, and all forces must be united against it, even those of the democratic capitalist states. This perverted theory of throwing fascist Imperial capitalism against democratic imperialcapitalism had its strongest supporter in the Comintern, which saw its chief chemy in fascist Germany and Japan, and felt it could not longer rely -upon the inter-national working class for the dewar.

fense of the Soviet Union. But it crippled the working class further by the demand that it support alliances of the democracies against the fascist powers, and the military machines of capitalism which were the teeth of the alliances. The anti-war movement began to turn into a pro-war movement. A part of the anti-fascist movement began to adopt a policy which was sure to bring fascism to the political democracies. der; conflicts which are constant The student anti-war movement felt the shock of this change. A fixed; conflicts over markets, rew year ago the American Student materials, territories. No war union under Stalinist guidance which is for empire, for exploitadropped the Oxford pledge and called for economic sanctions against the fascist powers. This year it advocates "national de-The strike dropped in fense." militancy and numbers as its purpose changed. wars.

Strike With YCAW

But the rallying of anti-war part of the fight against war and strike against war, is the forces in the youth movement be- against imperialism. The capitalist of young Socialists for the hind the Youth Committee Against democracies will not stop fasciam. The dress rehearsal of st War has halted this trend, and but their involvement in war will must become a dress rehe students this year again take the transform them into dictatorships. workers. Crisis is very nee

Miners Strike

We continued to work t those conditions for a few w because the miners are for and it took a lot of agitation convince the men that the t was "hot" and we should en the pit to explode any day.

The miners were finally vinced that an explosion was minent, they struck. The operator blamed the strike on and agitators, and the public the local Babbitt press said, indignant. The miners let the lic remain indignant but they fused to load another pour coal until the employer spa couple of hundred dollars to the roadways and improve

Even now many reaction are agitating the farmers small town folk who pay exitant prices for coal that the dustrial workers, especially miners, are a dissatisfied lot. they are preparing to strike 1, and that the high cost of a due to labor unions.

ation.

-Low Earnings

Let these same folk who coal is high be informed th they pay \$8 for a ton of cos miner who produces it gets tween 10 to 15 per cent of commodity price in wages, ... ings in the coal fields of I averaged a little better than during 1938. In the Gillespie field, which is one of the be demonstrations against war. sections, carnings averaged an \$800, or less than \$16 a week The American consumer s

be informed that the produce coal work under extremely gerous conditions and that reward as an existence is] So when the miners ask for ;

and whose starting point cannot be can strike a death blow system of imperialist exploit The strike against war by dents is their answer to the tion of peoples, for capitalist in- preparations of the govern terests under whatever name they and their declaration of so may be disguised, is a defensive with progressive forces throw war. The United States will never the world. Students slone (undertake a defensive war. And stop war. Students allied w Socialists will never support its ganized workers and farme

the fight against war are s The struggle against fascism is to be reckoned with. Exte

shops, ligh command is out to dominate the UAW, deny it autonomy and in general sell the auto workers. to the Communist party, Moscow and the World Revolution are miss-

Rockefeller center., The demonstrators called upon France and been received to date in response England to refuse recognition of to an appeal in the February 25 the fascist government in Spain SOCIALIST CALLS They are most and demanded the lifting of the gratefully acknowledged: United States embargo on Loyal- Circle 2-8 Seniors Bronx \$1.85 ist Spain.

Will Merin, executive secretary Y. P. S. L. Office, N. Y. C., 3.50 of the New York YPSL, said: "It Samson Horn; N. Y. C 5.00 is a sad commentary on a city ad- Louis Uffner, New ministration, which allows fascists Rochelle, N. Y. to meet in their hateful uniforms, but won't allow Socialists to demonstrate against fascism. This is Ex-Coal Miners Club, Chicago. 2.50 a challenge to all liberals and progressives. Since when does the Herman Welke, Thiensville, Wis.... administration and the police denartment show such favorable partiality to fascists?"

The Yipsels distributed 100,000 leaflets throughout the city which called upon the people of New York City to join the struggle against fascism. Some of the Yipsel slogans read: "No Recognition of Fzscist Spain," "England Nazi hero, was sentenced to six the UAW either at the next con-Talks Democracy - Gives Spain months' imprisonment for violat- vention or soon thereafter is gent



NEW YORK CITY-The growing Young People's Socialist league league thanks those comrades who organization staged a demonstra- have helped pay the fine which tion against the "four little angels | was levied against its national"stuof peace"-Hitler, Mussolini, Dala- dent director, Robin Myers, for dier and Chamberlain-here last picketing activity. week and four of their members The fine was paid because New were arrested by the "liberal" La York and Washington comrades

were willing to dig down and lend ! Led by black-clothed, caped and the money. It still is necessary to hooded youths, symbolizing the raise money to pay off these loans. However the danger that Comrade cist and pro-fascist leading charac- Myers will be imprisoned is past, because of the sacrifice of these ters, 150 Yipsels picketed the French and British consulates in few comrades.

The following contributions have

Circle 1-11 Seniors Bronx..... 2.00 CB 2

B. Sokoloff, Brooklyn, N. Y... 3.00 Al Hamilton, Newark, N. J.... 5.00 Janet Gregg, Cleveland, O. 3.00 broken. A letter issued, to the 1:00

.....\$37.85

FRENCH JAIL ATTORNEY PARIS Dr. Erich Frey, the attorney who defended men accused in the slaying of Horst Wessel

tlement one way or the other, said that of course Martin was "easier to deal with" and in this sense was preferred by the manufacturers, but that in any case the campanies would be satisfied to deal with whatever union actually represents the workers in the Charges by Martin that the CIO

ing their mark increasingly. The CIO is making clear not only in word but in action that it wants autonomy not only for the UAW as an international but for the

locals within the UAW which Martin tried to run without regard to the desires of the membership, Want Speedy Solution

There is every reason to believe that the sooner the CIO leaders forget about UAW troubles, the better they will like it

Charges of Communist domination have increasingly less weight. Already the domination of a Communist group, the CPO or Lovestone group, has been completely membership, by Murray and Hillman makes clear not only that the CIO ppposes CPO control of the UAW but opposes Communist par-

ty control with equal vigor. This too is being amply demonstrated by the CIO people in their work.

C. P. Can't Dominate Despite rumors, charges and fears, Communist domination of

......BY SUE LANDON JONES - You say that my eyes are much too sad For one so young in years; You chide me and say I should live in joy Not mask my youth in tears.

You tell me that youth is the greatest gift That the gods have seen fit to bestow, That gladly you'd part with some of your wealth If, young in years, you could grow.

Youth

You repeat again that it isn't right 'To sulk o'er a trival thing For I am young, you remind me again

And, therefore, my heart should sing.

You're amazed and shocked when I laugh out loud At the lovely phrases you use; I am much too bitter, you repeat once more, Suppose my youth I should lose?

You tell me to pray and hope and work For there is a God on high Who is just and good and you are sure He'll watch o'er me from the sky.

What right have you to condemn my laugh What right my bitterness to chide? My life and yours are as far apart As the ocean is deep and wide.

Have you ever tramped the streets and searched For a chance to earn some bread, . And walked and walked in a chilling rain 'Til your heart seemed to weigh like lead? -

Have you ever cursed the day of your birth And waited for hours in a line And prayed to God for a chance to live And to earn an honest dime?

It is foolish to ask. I know your reply. You belong to the class who have got: While I, unfortunate cuss that I am, Belong to the class who have not.

'Tis funny, for when you stop to think I am part of the laboring mass Who builds your house and sews your clothes

Yet, you are the privileged class!

You live by taking away from me The wealth my own hands have wrought; And when you desire you cast me aside-Cheaper labor can always be bought.

But take heed to what I am saying now 'Twill not for long be so:

There will pome a time and it is coming soon When you and your kind must go,

My laughter will ring with the joy that it should .

For when the workers unite A new world will be born from the dust of the old From the darkness will come the bright light.

No longer will children be hungry and cold

April 20 this year that may be called strikes. But these will not They will be demonstrations for

drift of war.

Against Imperialism

The solgan of "national defense" has been raised within the student movement and support for militarization of youth through ROTC and CAA flight corps has been per cent raise this spring an advocated openly. Young Socialists | coal operators begin to shoul reply that "national defense" is a der remember that the mine share and a delusion. Militariza- low pay, and remember, too, tion of youth is the government's 50,000 of their fellows were mental mobilization of youth to in the past 38 years so that A support new imperial war. Wars ican industry could secure today arise from conflicts which to operate. its hasic and are inherent in this economic ormachines.



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Labor Law

Seek to Exempt

Newsboys From

Provisions of Law

Call Appeals for Wider Support of **Party Membership**

A California comrade suggested some months ago that # was poor policy to alarm comrades and friends of the SOCIALIST CALL with repeated reports that the party's publication was in a bad way. This demoralizes the comrades, the Californian said, and appeals should be based on a positive building basis rather than on negative appeals that the CALL is in a crisis. that the CALL is in a Grisis. For more than a year now the with best wishes for the triumph of So-

CALL and the national office staffs staffs stallen."). Bundles: Helen Nichols, St. Louis, 25c; bave, figuratively packed the CALL. George Duemier, St. Louis, \$1. on their shoulders. Week to week, month to month the load has been setting heavier. Only the heroic asponse of too few comrades has made the CALL's appearance DOSible. The point that we are trying to emphasize is that if every memof the party, every local and branch and every state organization would do their bit for the CALL the load would be immensely lessened and regular publication the CALL could be easily pos-

A Glimpse at Figures

Subscriptions: Edward Emmerich. Bronx; Lee Michelson, Brooklyn; H.-M., Hoilister, New York city; Harold Kleinberg, Brooklyn, 2-1 year; Harold Massey, Rome, 4-10 weeks; Frank Dischel, 3-1 year and 1-6 months; Harriett Young, New York city (dredit VII-liege Branch); Sidney Goldstein, Brooklyn; Elizabeth Young, New York city, Bundles: Frank Dischel, Naw York city, 2.60 (New York city and Brighton Beach Circle); Jack Lifschitz, Brooklyn, 60c; Lawfence Hyman, New York city, \$1. Donations: Edward Emmerich, Bronx, \$1. Advertising: Herman Berman, Brooklyn, \$1.50. A glimpse at the figures proves the case vividly. During the month of January the CALL's not income was \$595.03. The cost of publication per month is on an average test. It doesn't take a savant in pockkeeping to understand these A January deficit of 125.97 will prove to anyone that the CALL's income compared to its expenditures is a losing business.

These are raw figures, and per-Subscriptions: Mary Porter. Philadelphia, heps, as the Californian has point-(2-1 year) ("There will be more later.") ed out, negative. But the CALL staff does not want to kid Its supporters, above all Socialists, who are seasoned veterans in labor Subscription: I. J. Kohler, Beattle. struggles and Socialist organiza-

What can be done about this CALL problem? The answer lies a before in the party membership and the CALL readers generally Here's what can be done about it immediately:

1. Renew your subscription for

Pay up your bundle orders. Pledge a definite contribution sch week, however, small the

4 Prepare now for the CALL May day anniversary issue. Send in greetings, special bundle orders

for mass distribution. & Join the GALL ASSOCIAof the CALL.

A handful of individuals, howstic support of every Socialist lication. Scing personally, and acting The March contest for a free-

Will They Agree? William Green John L. Lewis

As negotiations between committees from the AFL and CIO are

about to begin, labor, both AFL and CIO, are asking themselves the question, "Will these two leaders agree to a compromise peace plan and end the bitter ofvil war?"



NEW YORK-Mayor F. H. La laborites will have an opportunity Guardia of New York has declared to hear a first hand account of the his willingness to act as a patron heroic struggles of the povertyof 'a concert by Richard Tauber, stricken sharecroppers of the deep noted lyric tenor, for the benefit of South here March 29 and 30 when

the Southern. Tenant Farmers'-un- Howard Kester, national repreon, according to an announcement sentative of the Southern Tenant by, Miss Harriet, Young, secretary Farmers' union, speaks at several of National Sharecroppers' Week, meetings and affairs planned for 112 East 19th St., New York, N. Y. the benefit of the union.

She said that the concert would be The local program is part of the held Friday evening, March 31 st. drive friends of the union are mak- ference with schooling, health or summer, and to the five-day week Carnegie hall and would constitute ing during National Sharecroppers well-being. Mr. Tauber's farewell appearance Week.

The main event will be featured Miss Young at the same time by a dinner at the Normandie made public a list of 40 distin- House restaurant, 800 N. Michigan first officers' qualification course a revolutionary in the sense that the solution he proposes. His atguished Americans who had joined ave., 6:30 p. m., Thursday, March offered by the International La- he would welcome and participate titude toward the general strike word from W. Schevenels, secre-in acting as national sponsors of 30. Dean H. Morrison Smith, prom- dies' Garment Workers' union. By in social revolution. He represents must be understood in the light of the International Federa-National Sharecroppers' Week ment Negro churchman, will pre- March 1 the graduates will total fairly well the average Franch the fact that it was a strike that it on of Trade Unions, that its and which will be observed this year side.

> at Ida Noves hall on the University of Chicago campus. Home receptions will be held at Prof. and Mrs. Maynard C. Krue- of Steeping Car-Porters; Prof. May-

at Mr. and Mrs. Fairfield Porter's, faculty of the U. of C. Hubbard Woods, Wednesday evecommittee are:

state office and it is expected that

real progress will now be made in

organizational work throughout the

Comrade John Sommerlatte has

been elected county chairman and

Comrade Weiner executive secre-

The Greene County Socialist

party has a very valuable educa-

program will be held March 7,

tional program going. The next

Comrades in the East End branch

tany of Local Cleveland.

Maryland 🚊

Farmers' union we are not oppos- attend the home affairs. Thomas Edge, officer of the Dining | collectively consent to yield coloni- denas, who is in New York at the 124-hour altdown strike in the Car: Employes' union; A. Phillip al territories in order to relieve end of a lecture tour for the Cudahy Packing company plant mean happiness and health for the picker which has been halled as sharecropper instead of his de- "the most important in vention Randolph, Harry Jones and St. the over-population of the totall- League for Industrial Democracy, Reservations for the dinner may a parenthetical point: This must ask critical questions concerning speedup of the chain system and ance of the week, to be held at the be sent to Hazel Whitman, secre- be accompanied by an internation- the sale of oil to Germany, Italy the failure to pay "exception rates" Miss Young also announced that Fifth Avenue restaurant, Fifth ave. tary of the committee, 1414 E. Fif- al organization of control, com- and Japan. He states frankly that since the first of the year brought John Rust of Memphis, Tenn., the at 23rd st., New York, Friday eve- ty-ninth st., Chicago. The dinner posed of all, the democracies, to the "democracies" have given the no results, but the strike did. The will be \$1 a plate. inventor of the mechanical cotton ning, March 24. On the Map With

Fight Child Notes BY JAMES LOEB Secretary, Committee for Interna tional Labor Solidarity The political temper of a people

cannot always be accurately determined by the theoretical approaches or even by the (practical solutions offered by outstanding political leaders. The complexity of the situation in which the work-_**ol**d

Solidarity

WASHINGTON (F.P.)-The rag about how leaders of American ing class parties of Europe find industry, once sold newspapers for themselves today is due in large a living was trotted out again here measure to the fact that their proas Elisha Hanson, counsel for the grams are so greatly determined American Newspaper Publishers' by the international situation and association, argued before wage- are often far removed from the hours officials that the wage-hours more immediate problems of law does not apply to newsboys. workers.

Several days ago I received a Hanson was opposing regulations long letter from a French worker romulgated by Katharine Lenroot, with whose family I lived for two chief of the children's bureau of months this past summer. Some the department of labor, governing the employment of persons between the ages of 14-and 16. Miss Lenroot proposed that they the letter.

be permitted to work in all occupations except manufacturing mining, the operation of motor vahicles and messenger service provided worked outside of school they hours, no more than three bours on school days, not more than,

between 6 a. m. and 7 p. m. Ralph Hetzel, representing the CIO, and Francis P. Fenton, director of organization for the AFL, made him too valuable to be cast appeared at the hearing and ad- aside by the French Henry Ford.

Loyal to Popular Front vocated a maximum work day of six hours and a maximum work week of 30 hours. Hetzel obtained permission to file a brief challeng- mined to get the security of gov- ple had been introduced by Eding Hanson's contention that the wage-hours law does ot apply to newsboys.

Under the wage-hours law children between the ages of 14 and 16 which comes from spending his of the people of the city, has been may be granted certificates for life under tanks. His loyalty to introduced by Herman B. Weg-employment by the chief of the the popular front is due to the paid ner. children's bureau for occupations vacations, which he enjoyed for which are held to be not in inter- the second time in his life this

which, since the Reynaud decree laws, is ancient history.

NEW YORK (F.P.)-One hun-An active and militant member dred unionists have completed the of the CGT, he considers himself affairs, were directly contrary to 300 here while similar ILGWU worker of leftist tendencies. His was not a strike, but merely a ecutive council, which meets four classes in Chicago, Boston and Bal- spoken French is rather exception- demonstration. It was most certimore will bring the total to 500. would flunk, him in any beginning

as sponsors of the sharecropper French class. Quotation from his events are Dr. Curtis W. Reese, letter does not indicate agreement dean of Lincoln Center; A. Phillip with the ideas expressed, Randolph, president, Brotherhood Writes Letter

After excusing his delay in writing, because "what with the armaments program the days are full

Members of the arrangements and in the evening I am completely exhausted," he discusses the in-Hazel Whitman, Purnell Benson, ternational situation and con-

ceived from Mary Garden Sloan, have a lasting peace and do some

Wisconsin News-Views

Literally hundreds of column a bill in the assembly providing notes in the newspapers have been for the organization of cooperadevoted to the Wisconsin Council tives or other associations to supof Agricultures Labor bill. The ply hospital and medical care.

The

R-D's.

ities to patients or physicians hold-

The bill also prohibits state or

county medical societies from

denying membership to a doctor

because of his connection with a

Labor held its legislative confer-

ence in Madison recently. Among

those active in this conference

were Anthony J. King, 17th ward,

for the Plumbers' unlea; Chris

Jorgenson, Racine, Carpenters' un-

ion; J. F. Friedrick, 6th ward, Mil-

waukes, organizer, of the Trades council; Harold Back, 11th ward,

representing the Office Workers;

Marshall Fredrich, 19th ward,

Senator George Hampel Sr.

called the bluff of the Republican-

Democratic coelition, on the old

age pensions. n the last campaign

the R-D's were loud in their prom-

ises to the old folks. Last week

Senator Hampel moved to take two

pension bills out of committee to

discuss on the floor of the senate.

He was bitterly opposed by the

The reason is that they cannot

live up to their two promises of in-

creasing old age pensions and out-

ting the budget. And there were

tion of Labor, stated at a press con-

ference here that he had received

times a year, would accept the

with the quarterly sessions of the

The ISTU group will arrive in

New York on May 8 and will meet

brought quick results. Repeated

management quickly agreed to ar-

members, of the Packinghouse

(CIO), returned to work.

WGN Employes

Join AFL Union

Workers Organizing Committee

CHICAGO (F.P.) - Announcers.

sound men, singers and actors at

Station WGN have joined the Cin-

cago branch of the American Fed-

The union is expected to start me-

gotiations for a contract soon.

eration of Radio Artists (AFL).

The employes' move is especially

significant since WGN, which

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Dr. Bach on Mexico

Dr. Federico Bach, economic ad-

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News feels called upon to explain

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The only moral is that the general must mean business.

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gervice to the Call, and we thank,

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from March 24 to \$1. Cotton Problems



Club Women's Reception -Following the dinner a reception sponsored by well known Negro She declared that "this year Naand white club women will be held tional Sharecroppers' Week assumes unusual importance for all

people interested in the solution of the sharecropper problem. The progress of mechanized cotton farming has meant the eviction of ger's, 6630 S. University ave., and nard C. Krueger, member of the thousands of sharecroppers from

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Locals and branches throughout

Not since the beginning of the

work of the Southern Tenant

Farmers' union has there been a

greater need for help to this group

The yearly state convention and

general conference of the Socialist

Party of California was held in

San Francisco, Feb. 25 and 26, at

Leonard Woodcock, who has been

acting as Southern California or-

ganizer and acting secretary while

Comrade Thurber is in the North,

has recently gone to Mexico where

he will stay for an indetermined

period. There, he will work with

Clarence Senior, former national

secretary of the Socialist party, in

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With Comrade Woodcock

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Illinois Socialists Meet at Gillespie Sunday, March 11

GILLESPIE, Ill. - The Illinois state executive committee will meet here as guests of this coal town's Socialist local Saturday evening, March 11. On Sunday afternoon the 12 at the Socialist hall Sharecropper Week

in Gillespie, Socialist comrades from all of Illinois south of Springfield will hold a membership sonference on Socialist organization

and building. Comrades from Missouri are expected to participate. Discussions will cover party organzation and education work and Socialist aid of labor unity, unemployed organization and struggle against worsening conditions and other labor movement work.

of exploited Americans. Sharecroppers' week comes this year demanding greater effort than ever. In place after place our locals and branches are taking the lead in getting, plans under way.

Stalinists Imprison California

Radio Operator . In the United States a radio op-

erator who has erred can expect discipline, often he is discharged. Not in Russia. Mikhail Voznesen-

sky, 25, soviet radio operator, was accused of sabotage in the search for Sigismund Levanevsky, aviation hero. A court sentenced him to 20 years imprisonment. He was denied the right to appeal the verdict.

Fruits of totalitarian rule!

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INDIANA IOWA

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MARYLAND

Frank Hague, Jr., 34-year-old son of Mayor Frank Hague of TSEV

sailles. ed States sells it so much cheaper

pean conditions, including Socialists, might disagree with this matic necessities, the reception ac-worker's solution, but his unwill- corded Cuba's dictator Batista by ingness to fight, for the defense of the French empire is not unnatural.

The General Strike

Comrade Henri' then discusses the French general strike as it affected his factory. He himself was sick with the grippe when the strike took place, but he frankly confesses that "in view of the milltary requisitions of all the plants.

would have gone to work anyway, knowing, as I do the temper of the establishment! (He means, of course, the attitude of the government.) The entire personnel been otherwise, they would have

"In spite of the requisitions, Local New York is this week there were considerable disturbsetting up its local committee to ances in all shops until noon, and carry on the work of the Commit-I am certain that in spite of the tee for International Labor Solllies of the one-way radio an- darity. A program of immediate nouncements, the force of the activity is being planned along bourgeoisie lost at least 75 per cent reducational and fund-raising lines

expected. There are always some country is expected to take similar

And finally a postscriptum: "Long live the heroic Spanish Republic!'

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(000 Socialist work, the silles must viser to Mexico's President Cartarian states. But here I include has a ready answer for those who camplaints by workers against the

prevent the grabbing of the whole Mexican, government no' other world by the sinister team of Hit- choice but to sell oil to the fascist bitrate all complaints and the men. ler, Mussolini and the Mikado. In countries of Europe. As for Japan, good logic, we must consider that, however, Dr. Bach retorts that unwe are now paying for all the serie fortunately Mexico can sell little ous errors of the treaty of Ver- oil to that country, since the Unit-

to its great enemy in the Orient. Many modern analysis of Euro-With all due allowance for diplocorded Cuba's dictator Batista by the Mexican Labor Federation (CTM) was nothing short of a disgrace. That this opinion was shared by many Mexican workers

was present on that day, for you must understand that if it had

been crazy.

of its authority on that days, . . to meet the increasing demands of We lost about 100 union members the international situation. Every in the strike, but that was to be branch and local throughout the





Lessons of General Strike,

The thinking is not clear, but the labor movement. _____ thoroughly honest. Que obvious



have been conducting a subcessful educational campaign in their territory through extensive sales of the party pamphlet "Unions Face Friday, March 17. the Depression." One comrade, sold 15 copies to members of SWOC in one day.

Joseph G. Horak, Jerome Tucker | March 31. and Norman Price have been nominated to run as candidates for the Second | Councilmanic district and

following nominating conventions Mexico, organizational duties in in other districts it is hoped that quet behind it has decided on os Angeles has been shared. Millie a full city ticket will be placed in Goldberg has accepted as acting the field.

secretary in charge of state work. New Jersey Sigmund Arywitz has accepted as

state.

local organizer. Bessie Gillis has Beginning Friday, March 17, the Debs Forum of the Elizabeth Norman Thomas, national chair-Branch of the Socialist party will man of the Socialist party, will be inaugurate an international politiin California for more than a week cal tour, with its initial subject this coming June. He is to be in "Fascism in Latin America." For Los Angeles for about three days this meeting two outstanding and a week in the Bay district speakers have been secured. where he will speak at four night

The first speaker is Fernande meetings for the Mills college insti-Lerns de Vivero who figured tute, two at Mills and two at Interprominently in the news recently its consequences for Socialists and Negotiations are under way for in connection with the story of the New York Times correspondent, an appearance at Treasure Island, and he will probably speak before White, concerning the Fascist

Commonwealth club in Sau regime in Peru. Senor Vivero is rancisco on June 23._Those who in exile now and sub-secretary gencan should plan to attend the Mills eral of the executive committee of college institute, or at any rate get the Apriesta party (Labor party), of Peru. His book, "The Advance in to hear some of the evenings addresses of Comrade Thomas. Dates of Fascist Imperialism in Peru, will be about June 19 to 29 for his was the first-voice of alarm that was given in Latin-America, warn-Local San Francisco has recently

ing against the penetration of the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo axis. ssued a 10-page letter in German, Senór which has been circulated to Ger-Vivero, being in the United States man speaking groups in San Franonly six weeks, will speak in Spancisco. A first meeting has been ish. His interpreter will be Fanny held, with a small group coming Simon

out to discuss plans. The influx of The second speaker will be Leo new material at this time with Kent, New York district chairman Jersey City, appointed by Gov. A. Hitler's recent. annexation makes of the Youth Committee Against

the Socialist Party chosen as party organizer in Ohio. 3 Jefferson ave., Elizabeth, New He will divide his time between the Jersey.

county work of Cuyahoga county Fernándo Leons de Vivero, subthe country are very active in plans and work throughout the state. secretary general of national ex-Many requests have come into the ecutive committee of the Apriesta

party of Peru. Leo Kent, chairman, New York district Youth Committee Against

War, subject, 'Fascism in Latin-America," Friday, Feb. 17. James Loeb, executive committee member medical bureau and North American committee to aid Spain democracy, recently returned from France, subject, "France: Internal

and Foreign Policies," Friday, March 3. H. I. Katibah, director Arab National league, August Tyler, National executive committee member, S. P., Maurice M. Boukstein, representative of the Zionist organization of America, subject, 'Palestine: The Future of Zionism,'

Herbert Zam, editor, Socialist Review, subject, "USSR: An Experiment in Democracy," Friday,

Illinois

Local Cook county with the record of its successful N.E.C. ban-

monthly Sunday, evening suppers at 35 cents per at which party problems and Socialist questions will be discussed after a comradely

meal together. Branches will take responsibility in rotation. The first affair will be sponsored by the South Side branch at the Slovene Labor home, 2301 S. Lawndale ave., Sunday evening, March 5, 6 p. m. The subject will be, "A Program for the Socialist Party and What Kind of a Party." Included will

be a discussion of the present por litical campaign in Chicago and

Reg. Dinner 500

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The UAW Weathers Another Storm

Socialists helped to build the United Automobile Workers of America and at every critical point have strived to protect the unity, militancy and the spirit of the auto union.

During the critical strike days, Socialist auto workers as well as Socialists in other union groups did all in their power to bringabout the historic victories over the great automobile manufacturers:

Now when an effort is being made with the aid of Ford and Coughlin and through the personality of Homer Martin to disrupt the auto workers' union, Socialists again take their -stand-against dual unionism as espoused by Martin and his aides.

The Socialist party does not interfere with the affairs of the UAW. But the many auto workers who are Socialists fight for real unionism in the tradition of that great fighter for industrial unionism and labor solidarity, Eugene Victor Debs.

The CALL welcomes news from Detroit and other centers indicating that the UAW will weather this current storm. Backed by the CIO, the UAW is decisively defeating Martin's present policies.

The CALL sincerely hopes that the auto union will emerge from its Cleveland convention the end of this month stronger than ever, without factionalism gnawing at its vitals, ready to blaze once again a new trail for industrial unionism and progressive labor policies.

For more than a generation Socialists have fought as loyal unionists, braving prisons and thugs and blacklists to help build an ever stronger, ever more effective union of workers. Socialists cannot stand by idly when labor is in danger of losing its gains, whether that danger results from attacks by the employers or by an inner-cancer of factionalism and division.

Socialists and History

BY B. E. PHILLIPS

Socialists should be close students of history. Now the word history is employed in two different senses. In one sense history is the way the human race has come since its earliest beginnings up to the present moment. History is the aggregate of what the race has achieved on this long journey. History is motive, purpose, impulsion, being given form and body and substance as the race becomes more and more conscious of its self and of the world in which it lives.

Again, history is the record of how the race has found its way along the long road since its birth to this hour, and of what it has achieved during the ages that this journey has already spanned. Obviously this record is incomplete, inaccurate and inadequate. The record is not written down infallibly as achievement is attained.

It has to be extracted from all sorts of source materials. And these sources are seldom, examined impartially and without prejudice. It is a unique historian indeed who does not start out to write the history of a period without certain definite principles and conclusions already formed, and which he bends facts to support and sustain.

Christian Histories Differ

This explains why Roman Catholic and Protestant histories of the Christian church are so different. A French and an English historian would vary greatly in their account of an historical era in which both countries were vitally involved. - Rupert Hughes' history of George Washington varies strikingly from the story of the father of his country as fed to school children. Defenders of capitalism set out a different philosophy of history than do the champions of Socialism.

Again, history is separated into strands like the wiresof which a great cable are composed. There is, for instance, the history of music; the history of medicine: the history of religion; the history of transportation, and so on as long as one would wish to particularize. - Now it is important that Socialists take a good look at history in its meaning as racial achievement so that they may be able to get the record of this achievement straight. The race has been on its way a long time. It has come a long way. It has to its credit a great deal in the way of achievement. It presents striking variety in color, culture, energy, temperament, and a host of other factors.

Class Struggle Emerges

"Now," the alert Socialist asks, "Is there a principle around which all the facts of history can be correlated, somewhat as beads are strung upon a cord?" The answer is "Yes." And the principle is this: that the movement of the race during the ages of its life has been more or less steadily, but none the less surely, toward the emancipation of the many from the iron grip of the powerful few.

Very early in the life of the race, the wily few learded that they could live at ease through the simple scheme of compelling the less crafty many to support them. The simplest form of this device is slavery; the ownership of one man by another. In Europe, feudalism ruled for centuries. Under this system a very large percentage of the people were fixtures on the land, with about as much freedom as the livestock.

In our day the plan is capitalism. Its machinery is rent, interest and profits. It works badly, even for the the few, much of the time. But yet the few manage to live comfortably while the many have anything but a decent living. The significance of 10,000,000 or more unemployed is that 30,000,000 or 40,000,000, a large segment of the total population, are either in acute distress or on the verge of misery and suffering.

The Struggle for Socialism

There was little that slaves could do about slavery. It fell largely of its own cumbersome weight. There was little that the masses could do about feudalism. It, too, fell finally because it became outworn and inefficient. But the people can do literally everything about capitalism. It is within their power to replace it with a society of brotherhood in which production for use rather than profit shall function. But if the people are to effect. the transition intelligently and effectively, they must thoroughly understand the fundamental principle of history that the movement of the race is toward the emancipation of the many from the rule of the few. "Negro slavery fell in this country. But the method by which the Negro was freed from chattle slavery was anything but intelligent and efficient. It hardly could have been more costly, less colored by the spirit of brotherhood," or more definitely divorced from the scientific principle of social progress. Capitalism will fall ukimately. But Socialists are deeply concerned that the transition from capitalism to Socialism shall be effected sanely and without the calamity and destruction that have attended great social transitions in the past

THE SOCIALIST CALL

The Supreme Court And the Sitdown

Last week pewspapers headlined throughout the country the information that the United States supreme court in the Fansteel case in North- Chicago had declared the sitdown or occupational strike illegal, and denied the labor board the right to upset dismissals of workers for such illegal occupation of plants. In newspaper circles in commenting on elections in certain traditional strongholds, there is a cryptic phrase to describe this sort of "news." It is the laconic statement that "the Dutch carried Holland."

The same sentence goes for the event of the "liberalized" supreme court sitting down on the sit-down strike. There is no more reason for being surprised at the court action than there was at the action of President Roosevelt's secretary of labor and NRA administrator trying to break the 1934 San Francisco general strike.

Both the San Francisco strikes and the Fansteel workers were driven to action in attempt to compel employers to comply with federal law, in one case section 7a and in the other its child the national labor relations act. In both cases the employers' defiance of the law was, in effect making the law of no effect. In both cases the actual destruction of property and the physical violence came from the employers and their legal and illegal agents.

These matters are of secondary importance to the supreme court or any court in the United States. The nation's life depends on measurably continuous operation of its productive and service machinery. Government, courts, president and police representing the largest collective force in the community with all force at their disposal, must deal with any large scale stoppage of society's machinery.

In a strike there are two ways. Force the owners to grant labor's rights by taking over the operation of the machinery collectively or force the workers back to work. President Roosevelt, the supreme court, yes and the trade union movement of America, as spoken for by both Green and Lewis, accept the fundamental sacredness of private capitalism's administration of the nation's wealth.

The first solution in a major encounter is barred to them. The result is that labor's rights have been and remain secondary to the rights of private property of the few. Workers' rights to their jobs, their freedom, their very lives must in a test plways take a back seat. Ninety-nine years ago American courts finally ruled that farming a union was not illegal in and of itself. Still today courts and legislatures prefodically try to cripple and even to take away the effect of that old legal victory.

Ninety-nine years more might see the sitdown strike almost as legal as unions themselves are today. Unfortunately we do not have that much time. The private owners who have their sacred property rights can't keep their machinery going anymore in a society of scarcity for the many who can produce plenty for all. Unless organized labor passes beyond Mr. Roosevelt and the supreme court and its own present philospohy to adopt a Socialist program of democratic, cooperative collective production for use, an iron fisted bureaucratic state machine of fascism will destroy-labor's rights and hopes for a better day.

It's Up to Us

It's up to us Socialists. Capitalism has collapsed. It is now but the mere shell of its former self. Hard-Coolidge, Hoover-their generation is dead, dead ing, pitalism cannot be revived by men who and buried. are themselves dead. But around the fainting form of, capitalism a new set of would-be revivors fuss and fume, trying to impart new vitality and to dress it in an up-to-date costume. These new first aid mechanics are popularly known as the new dealers. But they are little more efficient than the lumbering; blundering old guard that tumbled into the tomb upon the exit of Hoover from the white house. Puzzled lieutenants of capitalism like Vandenburg, Knox and Landon are probably sincerely happy that the new dealers and not themselves are applying the impotent smelling saits to the once powerful gladiator. But it is tragic to sit by and enjoy the futility of the whole revival seance; whether conducted by old guard or new dealers. In the old world there is abundant evidence of the several sorts of things that can happen when capitalism collapses with nobody around to lead the way to saner heights and logical solutions. This nation cannot endure much longer under a mortally sick capitalism. Confusion now reigns and soon there will be added to it chaos and calamity. And in the darkness of catastrophe anything ean happen-Sinclair Lewis to the contrary notwithstanding. And so it's up to us Socialists. Ours is the true philosophy of economics: that the producers should own the tools and resources of production; that production should be carried on for service and not for profit. But when capitalism shall have gasped its last breath, with the new dealers at the bedside, with the old guard out in the corridor, what will we Socialists be able and ready to do about it? There is one thing that we can do; and it must be done quickly and effectively. We can organize and carry on a tremendous campaign of education. Some of us have been more or less active Socialists for ten. twenty, thirty, or even longer periods of years. We are all, regardless of how long we have been Socialists, now living in a new generation that saw capitalism rise to the heights of its power and achievement. Indeed, it is a generation that is witnessing the decline and death of this same capitalism. Can this generation he won to Socalism? Will we make the effort to win it to Socialism? Or will we stand listlessly by while the country drifts into the gulf in which Germany and Italy now wallow, and be content merely to say "We told you so ??-

Little Essays In Socialism

BY JOHN M. WORK

In a copy of the Cooperative Builder I saw a headline which said cooperation is a historical necessity, and in the same number there was a letter containing the sentence, "Rugged individualism is simply the law of the jungle."

I said to myself, "Those two sentences are worth the price of the paper to anyone who

really absorbs them." _______ It is well to differentiate between individuality and individualism.

Individuality has reference to the personal qualities of the individual, and it is something very desirable, for this would be a humdrum world if all individuals were alike. Individuality is largely crushed by capitalism, whereas Socialism will give it a chance to develop.

Individualism has reference to a social order-the existing social order, variously called capitalism, the competitive system, and the profit system-in which the rule is everyone for himself and the devil take the hindmost. It is indeed the law of the jungle.

It was natural enough that rugged individualism should exist so long as men were not .---under necessity to cooperate. The development of machinery has made them work together and has made them dependent upon one another. To attempt, to maintain the social order of individualism under these circumstances is both absurd and tragic. It throws the whole works out of gear and causes the paradox of poverty in the midst of plenty.

Thus machinery makes it a historical necessity that human beings should cooperate. There is no other way out of the tragi-comedy of poverty and abundance side by side. As soon as we can make a majority of the people see this, they will insist upon having the benign system of Socialism.

How I Became A Socialist BY RUBEN FOX Fence, Wis.

(This is the third of a series of articles on "How I Became a Socialist." The previous articles were written by a New Yorker and an Indianan. This week a young Wisconsonite tells his story. The SOCIALIST CALL invites members of the Socialist party to con-tribute stories on this subject for publication.)

Living in an isolated rural area as I do, the subject of political affiliation did not become paramount in early age, except at irregular intervals. One of those was election time, the other during depressions, or when some incidental catastrophe added its potency toward denunciation of existing conditions.

When election rolls around and the kids at school would be saying, "Rube, what's your folks voting for, the elephants or the donkeys?" So, of course, I'd ask

The Forum Likes YPSL Article

To the Editor of the Call:

It seems to me that the SOCIALIST CALL business. The very fine variety of reading lead through every paragraph with interest. Socialists at Work," by Lewis Conn took my Articles on loyalty and discipline were excellent

Here in Milwaukee we have a splendid mod the youth movement, but somehow or another we not placed it into action. I shall never formet. year's parade down the avenue to the tune of people cheering our YPSL band of 45 pieces. R good unit, well organized and trained and it creat sensation for the Socialist cause.

A couple days later the YPSL glee club me another gathering on the lake front and won a praise. We also need a fine dramatic club for productions, also one or more good labor plays, try to stop us!

J. P., Milwaukee, Wis.

Freedom of Religion To the Editor of the Call;

I enclose herewith a dollar bill as a contribuint the SOCIALIST CALL. I am glad you public Norman Thomas' article entitled, 'Freedom of Religi I was glad to read Thomas attack the churchticularly the Catholic church-for its hostility to a and freedom of thought. I agree with Thomas the should tax the church properties. It is terrible the the Fascists and their Catholic allies have street Spain. Where is God that permits such crushy! for liberty and reason,

Anders S. Soreng, Wolt Creek, Wis.

Questions to Coughlin To the Editor of the Call:

I should like to ask Coughlin the following question 1. Why is Hitler ridding hospitals of Catholic mathematical states of the state of · 2. Will Coughlin explain why radicalism is

increase in Mexico, Chile, Spain, Austria, Italy France where the Catholic religion is the do religion?

3. Why under Catholic education Mexican ett are 70 per cent illiterate?

4. Father E. Harola Smith in "Commonweal" the church in Europe has lost the working class, I 5. Why was the Catholic church one of the be losers in the Wall Street crash of 1929?

6. Coughlin says the issue is Fasciam or G munism. If he has to choose he indicates the 21,00 Catholics will choose Fascism. What does he the majority of 109,000,000 Americans will do?

W. J. B., Milwaukee, Wis,

On John L. Lewis

To the Editor of the Call: Enclosed clipping is from the "Industrial Work If there is any logical argument against it please of out with it.

You know the record of John L. Lewis as her the UMWA stinks, so why deceive your readers sympathizers.

Conditions as they exist in Illinois and through the coal fields were brought about by no other Lewis and, his clique. Socialists, like other pol groups, cannot learn from experience since they entangled in the webs of politics, too. With retionary greetings,

M. Serdar, Grumee, III.

The CALL does not defend Lowis' past re neither does it believe that the terrible economic (ditions in the coal fields were caused by off. however powerful he may be. People who sign h with revolutionary greetings ought to know more capitalism before they advocate revolution.-The B



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The fate of every worker depends in some part on the fate of the UAWA.

Whether Homer Martin marches his forces into the AFL hoping that auto workers have forgotten the record of Green and Dillon in the automobile industry or whether Martin's group chooses to remain independent, every effort must be made to crush dual unionism and to establish unity among the auto workers once again.

To have real meaning, this unity must have a clear purpose—the organization of the great mass of unorganized-automobile workers especially in the parts plants. A leadership truly representative of the union's membership and truly devoted to building new landmarks in the auto workers' search for greater security and greater happiness can achieve such unity. Domination of the UAW by any individual for by any political group or clique will be disastrous at this time: Communist domination would be a special and a fatal disaster; it is good to know, that, Homer Martin to the contrary, there is no real likelihood of Communists controlling the UAW's affairs. Domination by the Socialist party or any other party group would not be desirable.

Those who fear that Socialists seek domination or that the active aggressive work of Socialist unionists in behalf of the UAW and CIO will lead to such domination can rest at ease. These are not the tactics of Socialists; they never have been; they will not be. Socialists attempt to build and develop and educate the labor movement; sectarian domination would defeat the Socialist hope that the union movement expand and promote an ever-increasing participation by the rank and file in the affairs of their movement.

The cause of democracy within the UAW will not be served by staging a massive popularity contest between individuals. Whether the Cleveland convention should or will adopt the procedure of referendum to elect officers, the present conflict between the UAW and Martin cannot be settled on the basis of a Homer Martin vs. R. J. Thomas referedum.

This is not an issue of personal leadership. The questions involved are deeper. Shall the UAW continue its affiliation with the CIO? Shall the UAW be ruled by one man or by an executive board and its periodic conventions? Shall the membership be the determining factor in the life of the union of shall its officials use back door negotiations and deals with employers as a means of clubbing the membership into line? These are the major issues at stake, not Martin vs., Thomas,

Democracy requires that the forms set up by the auto workers themselves be adhered to. The Cleveland convention is a legal convention, called at Martin's own request. Changes to the constitution can be proposed at this convention; election of officers by whatever pro-'cedure the auto workers choose is in order; resolutions on any matters deemed proper by the delegates will be in order.

That convention is the place to look for the solution of the important and vital prob-

Socialists need to know history-and to teach it to a society that is sadly in need of teaching.

GOODWILL DEPARTMENT

Armored motor cars for use of the British king and queen during their visit to Canada will probably be made in the United States.

After all of Premier Hepburn's attempts to keep the CIO out of Canada, it looks like George VI will ride in union made goods.

* * * EXCUSE US

Leni Riefenstahl, Hitler's girl friend who came to the United States to visit Hollywood film producers, said on her return to Europe that she had a nice time everywhere in the United States-"except in Hollywood."

Wanamaker's department store in New York is displaying a new batch of rainy weather goods called "Chamberlains,"

Those are the things you put up when you hear a bombing plane.

at home. "Ma, are we elephants or are we donkeys?"

No, We Are Socialists

But they said, "No, honey, we are Socialists and Norman. Thomas must win for president." Thus I learned at an early age that I was a radical, a dissenter, and an internationalist.

The talk at the table and in the household naturally reflected the Socialist opinion on everyday affairs, and though my father did not necessarily force his political and economic views upon us he had happily supplied us with excellent books upon the matter.

My boyhood environment responded happily to contact with essays upon such subjects as evolution, ethics, and political economy.

Campaigned for Turner

In the 1934 gubernatorial election, I received temporary enthusiasm by some excellent pamphlets and Upton Sinclair's "Letters to Judd." I learned the value campaign action by helping to win for Glenn Turner in our town, 64 to 34. | (Turner was then a Nonpartisan candidate for state supreme court?)

In 1936, I helped keep my parents loyal Socialists by again voting for Thomas, though many of the liberals rsook broader ends for assurance of temporary gains.

But it was only during the past year since graduating from high school that. I received my more complete introduction to Socialism. It came in a highly-intellectual form through contact with the works of such brilliant writers as Jack London, Upton Sinclair, Arthur M. Lewis, Gaylord Wilshire, Walter Thomas Mills, Robert Blatchford and various others of the old school.

Fortunate to Be a Socialist

Also works on adjacent and supplementary ideas by men such as Darwin, Spencer, Morgan, etc.

Need I say that I consider being a Socialist the most fortunate thing in my life? It has (Socialism) relieved me of numerous degrading prejudices and influences that assail the average mind, as well as affording me an excellent general education which I consider superior to any college course. I shall continue this education the fullest degree possible in the next three years. to From then on, even as now, in gratitude of my indebtedness to Socialism, I plan to spend the remainder of my life in the service of the party, in which ever way seems most appropriate.

To Hague, Jr.

To the Editor of the Call:

I have sent the following letter to Frank Hague, Dear Junior:

So soon you will become a judge of the New Ju court of errors and appeals. Here indeed is a miles in the history of New Jersey jurisprudence. I re how pleased your daddy must be with this appoint and I hope he will find time to get up from 16 to be present at your induction.

I, too, have a junior, age 7, who like you is emin qualified to don the Jersey ermine, and I trust you will put in a good word for him with our tinguished governor in order that his daddy may be pleased. I am now preparing a biographical a to be entitled "All That He Is Today He Owes t Father and What Governor Moore Owed His I Nobody Knows," and in this connection it ma necessary to call upon you for further details as w acquisition of that degree tendered you by the rend southern college whose name both you and 14 unfortunately forgotten.

At all events at the outset of what assuredly be the growth of the fairest judicial rose is Garden State," will you accept the hearty congr tions of a layman who looks forward to years of errors but few appeals, ...

I am about to make a tour of New Jersey ! the auspices of the Workers' Defense league to p to the youth of Jersey the inspiring details of rapid rise to juridical honors.

It will indeed be an inspiration to our you think how you conned your Blackstone before burning logs in the remote Deal cabin of your tinguished father, or how in the boulevard span you nightly had by heart the dissents of Ju Holmes, Brandels and Cardozo,

Youth must be served and the fact that you f out at Princeton in your sophomore year need you no qualms. I see that another princely help. I Fumitaka Konoye, son of former Japanese Pi Prince Fumimaro Konoye, who was also ousted Princeton, is now dean of the Japanese-spot Tungwen college in Shanghai.

MCALISTER COLEMAN

Sir Stafford and the Labour Party

By Ruth Schechter The Call's London Correspondent

For many years Sir Stafford Cripps has been the had boy of the Labour party. Dubbed as an irresponsible but charming changeling, he was frequently spanked in private or disowned in public for his extreme, "left" views. When the ILP left the party, Sir Stafford remained to work in the late Socialist league for a more thoroughgoing Socialist program. Critical of the league of capitalist nations, forthright in his attack on the British empire, a lonely voice in the Labour party congress of 1936 in opposition to the application of governmental sanctions to Italy, Sir Stafford was regarded or disregarded as on the lunatic fringe.

Today Sir Stafford is again exercising the Labour party, but the issues are more serious and the roles are reversed; Sir Stafford is on the "right"; he has been expelled from the Labour party for his active. advocacy of a people's front on a diluted program, while the Labour party burocrats have dusted off the red flag and resurrected-pure socialism.

Sir Stafford is no longer, naughty but nice. To his opponents he seems to be recklessly splitting the Labour party; to his followers he is the white hope of democracy.

Background 🥣

When Sir Stafford was not embarrassing the Labour leaders, the Labour leaders were embarrassing the rank and file. For years there has been discontent with the Labour party. It lacks an outstanding national personality. It has reversed itself in essential policy, e.g., rearmament and the general strike, within three years. It has sold controlling shares in its labour press. the Daily Herald, to a notorious capitalist publishing

Godesberg, it wished him "Godspeed."

But the real rub of the discontent is in the nature of the party organization. While the Jimmy Higgins' work is done by the constituency, local labour parties, with about 400,000 individual members, the policy of the party is determined by the trade union bloc controlling almost two million votes. This does not mean rank and file trade unionists.

Small Meeting Attendance

Perhaps 2 per cent of the trade union membership attend meetings; the remainder pay their dues. Nor are the 2 per cent encouraged to consider political questions. A trade union is a trade union, and its problems are industrial. Nevertheless, that does not deter Bevin of the Transport and General Workers' union (611,000 votes) nor Dukes of the General and Municipal Workers' union (405,359 votes) nor Marshbanks of the National Union of Railway Men (364,356 votes), entrenched and upholstered oldtimers, from determining national policy for the Trade Union Congress and consequently for the Labour party. Recently when Mr. Bevin disagreed, he threatened to withdraw his union. He did not suggest that he would consult his membership.

Dissatisfaction Within Ranks

Although at the 1937 congress of the Labour party, the constituency labour parties succeeded in effecting a reform giving them their own representatives on the executive council, they are still a minority, and as such still find themselves ineffectual in determining the party's program. It is in the constituency labour parties that Sir Stafford's strength lies. 🚬

Side by side with this growing dissatisfaction in the

as a practical measure to the background. The more violent are Hitler's antics, the more obsessed with saving the status quo and the more neglectful of internal domestic problems, unemployment, poverty, industrial autocracy, become the one-time "left" Socialists. Foreign policy has completely monopolized the stage.

Given this background, on the one hand, a lack of confidence in the Labour party, and on the other hand, a shift in emphasis from creating Socialism to saving democracy. The emergence of Sir Stafford becomes clear,

Cripps' Program

The essence of Cripps' program is "Chamberlain must go." But to insure the swift departure of Mr. Chamberlain and his "fifth column" of Tory aristocrats and city advisers who are trying to buy England into the Rome-Berlin axis, Sir Stafford contends that the Labour party alone will be too weak at the next general election. The Labour party must ally itself with the Liberal party, the Communist party, and "every genuine anti-government party or group of individuals" who would be prepared to give support, not to Labour's full program, but to the following minimum program:

 Defend democracy—protect our democratic rights and liberties against attack at home and from abroad. 2. Plan for plenty-multiply the wealth of the na-

tion by employing the unemployed on useful work; increase old-age pensions; ensure a higher standard of life, education, and leisure for old and young.

3. Secure our Britain-organize a peace alliance with France and Russia that will rally the support of the United States and every other peace-loving nation and end the shameful policy which makes us accomplices in the betrayal of the Spanish and Chinese people to Fascist aggression.

4. Protect the people's interest-control armaments

for the common people against air attack and tion in the event of war.

6. Build for peace and justice end the expla of subject, races and lay the foundation of a peace through equality of opportunity for all m

Cripps Gains Support

When Cripps first presented his program ; Labour party executive, he was voted down, It with Ellen Wilkinson and D. N. Pritt supporting When, subsequently, he continued to c'reulate his i festo among the Labour party constituencies, is asked to withdraw the manifecto on pain of exp But the campaign goes on and is rapidly gained herents. Each sympathetic local Labour party ganizing a petition campaign and canvassing all voters in the constituency. The petition present program stated above, and it is hoped by Cript herents to overwhelm the Labour party at R ference at Whitsuntide with tangible evidence port for the people's front.

To understand the real conflict between Cript the party executive, it is well to look behind the on both sides. The ostensible reasons for re-Cripps' program are twofold: for one, the Labou disagrees with Cripps' analysis of the likely of at the next election of the Labour party out on its own. It claims to see the possibility of single-handed and castigates Cripps as a Secondly, it states:

"No government of the left, confined limits of these most inadequate proposals (Crip gram) could hope to deal either confidently or fully with the urgent problems of economic sa cial reconstruction with which it would soon fronted, Sir Stafford Cripps invites the Labo

