

# Nicaraguan Invasion Is Part of Attempt to Build World Empire for U. S., Secretary of Anti-Imperialist League Warns Workers

The All-American Anti-Imperialist League calls upon all of its branches to protest against the intervention in Nicaragua by the United States imperialists and against all that the present intervention signifies, Manuel Gomez, secretary of the United States section with headquarters in Chicago announces.

The league will conduct a vigorous campaign against the Nicaraguan intervention, he declared, principally among the trade unions and other workers' organizations. The league demands immediate withdrawal of American troops from Nicaragua, "Hands Off" Latin-America, immediate investigation of Admiral Latimer's action, cessation of the U. S. state department's attitude toward Mexico.

Gomez points out that the present invasion of Nicaragua is not an "accidental" incident, but is a part of a long standing and well-developed imperialistic program of the United States to dominate entire Latin-America, and to place all of the nations near the Panama canal, especially, in an indirect colonial status.

## U. S. Seeks World Empire.

"The United States is using the Panama canal as an excuse to build a world empire," said Gomez. "It is as sensitive about the Panama canal as Great Britain is about the Suez canal, and is using it for the same purposes." This policy was evidenced in the acquisition of Cuba, Porto Rico, and the complete domination of Panama, he points out, and the establishing of a virtual protectorate over all of the nearby states.

## Wants Servile Government.

The United States wants control of Nicaragua because of its proximity to the canal, and because of the proposal to build another canal thru Nicaragua, Gomez declared. As far back as 1916, this policy was adopted, and then the U. S. acquired the rights to build the Nicaragua canal, whenever it desires to do so, by paying the Nicaraguan government \$3,000,000. The United States is desirous of maintaining in Nicaragua a government that will be a servile tool of the American imperialists, and it is for that reason that it is attempting to crush the liberal movement and support the Diaz regime. A government in Nicaragua which could not be controlled is seen as a block to the extension of American imperialism thruout this continent, and from here to the rest of the world.

## Threatens Latin-American.

The action against Nicaragua is not only a threat against the sovereignty of the people of that country, but is a threat against the whole of Latin-America, Gomez points out. It is a flagrant violation of the agreements made by the United States with the other countries at the Bolivarian congress held at Panama in the summer of 1926. At this conference, to which the United States was invited, the Latin-American countries agreed unanimously to a resolution that they would not make war on each other, and that if war is made on any one of the nations, the others would join against the aggressor. The United States agreed to this. The Nicaraguan intervention is clearly a violation of this, Gomez declared, and proves that it was a mistake to allow the United States to be a member of the congress.

## Part of Mexico Attack.

This action of the United States cannot be considered apart from the

state department's policy toward Mexico, Gomez said. It is clearly a move toward war with Mexico, altho definite signs of war are not yet evident.

## Latin-American Bloc Forming.

The situation is now assuming the character of a Latin-American bloc against the United States, with Mexico taking the lead in Latin-America against encroachment of the North American nation, he said. The present incident will serve to precipitate the definite formation of this bloc, Gomez warned.

## Mexico Admittedly Active.

Gomez declared that it could not be denied, and he did not wish to deny, that Mexico has been active in Nicaragua and in other Latin-American countries as charged. Mexico, he said, was forced into this position by the hostile actions of the United States.

The United States is aware of the growing sentiment against it in Latin-America, he declared, and realizes that if there can be formed a real Latin-American defense, the American imperialists will have a difficult time to carry out its program of acquisition. The Nicaraguan action is an attempt to get control before the bloc is consummated, Gomez says.

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