DELEGATES! STOP THE BUREAUCRACY! 
GIVE THE LEADERSHIP TO THE RANK AND FILE!

Dear Fellow-Workers: 

Last year the Revolutionary Workers League pointed out to you the necessity of a militant program to struggle against the bureaucracy and to serve the interests of its members. At that time we pointed out that the basic lesson before the convention was: 

1. No bureaucracy. 

2. The daily, three-day, thirty-hour, with double shifts. 

3. Democracy in the union. 

4. No discrimination against Negroes and women. 

5. Relegation of the "labor" members from the WLAB and no reliance of government agencies. 

We point out that it is with such a program a new leadership was needed, that nothing could be expected from the Beethoven-Thomas-Adams group that the leadership must come from deep in the ranks of the auto workers, not big names, but people with militant programs. We pointed out the necessity of a militant struggle for organization based on progressives in the plants from all unions. 

LEADERSHIP VS. RANK AND FILE: 

What has been the history from the last convention to now? The identical struggle between the top-leadership dependency and the rank and file trying to carry into life the very program we advocated at the time of the Buffalo conference agitate that time other things have also come. On the part of the bosses, the nearer it appears that there will be many millions of other German and US workers who will become the vanguard of the battle for the new world. Now that the workers are beginning to discard the big promises of the early days of the war and to openly proclaim that the post-war world will be the same old pre-war world with the same inequalities and the same exploitation by the shift from a war to a peace economy. How that will hit the auto workers everywhere is a mystery, and that the most important work of auto workers who are being used to white collar work and the question of the work cutbacks remains impossible of solution. According to Minsk and Mencken, the leadership plans to send the mass of auto workers will be helpless by the end of the year. 

In the face of the renewed class struggle and the social upheaval that is coming, what has the leadership of the UAW done? Nothing for the workers, everything for the bosses and the government. A militant leadership would have rallied the auto workers to fight for the program we have given at out first convention. The UAW needs the machinery of the union for the purpose of suppressing the fight of the workers, even going to the extent of attempting to delay the negotiation of a contract; yet maintenance the bosses. What kind of a leadership is it which acts for the bosses and not for their kids for the very things for which we created the UAW? 

In the meantime the title of militant of the workers has risen higher and higher. Uncordinated, leaderless, or with only local leaders and not in the forefront of the battle, the UAW has promised the workers to back out of strike action, hoping that they can hold on to their jobs by making verbal concessions to the rank-and-file and then hold them back from strike action. 

THE WAR AND THE UAW: 

At this convention, again, every faction of the leadership will try to divide the workers and hide the facts which matter for the war. In the first place the auto workers, as all other auto workers, have had the main burden of the war and are being used to keep it going. At a time when the auto corporations have waxed rich and fat on our toll, our wages, despite the lying propaganda of the newsreels, have been the best, barely kept up with the increased cost of living, and that "favorable" condition in the exception, not the rule, of the case. 

In the second place, and most important, the delegates must raise the question: What war? This question is what the workers are asking all over the place, and fundamental question of all workers. "Leaders" claim, a war is in the interest of the workers, then it follows that sacrifice is necessary; but if it is not, then other conditions must be found for that sacrifice to be necessary. This war is easy on all of the post offices that work the post offices, the main offices in the capital of the machine leadership is the same kind as the war of the 1914-1918 conflict, characterized by John Wilson, after that war, at St. Louis as a "commercial war." It is a war in which we workers are called upon to shed our blood, break our backs, drown our pockets, and the war may be more (Continued on Page 3)
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mili-ions for the millionnaires, thinner soup for the unem-
ployed, and a new Mackinaw, or maybe the same one
sho-shoing and binging for the new hobo merchants. At this con-
ven-tion we should some and for all shoot the idea that we
should sacrifice in order to bring back the same old 1921,
1929 and 1937.
FROM BOSS WAR TO WORKERS' REVOLUTION
But already the character of the war is changing. In
Germany, in France, in Japan, on the island of Zanzibar, on the
island of Guam, and on the island of Opel and Ford, our class
brothers, are preparing one of the greatest working-class revolts in
pre-historic war history, a war against the imperialist war, before
our very eyes, is being transformed into civil war. The
horrible spectacles of workers cutting each other's throats for the
sake of the rentier is changing into the mass spectacle of
visions of workers turning their guns against the lords of
money and murder, and now for the first time in the history of
the world of Workers' Council rule which will march on
through the blood of our classbrothers, the working class.
Not the murder of man by man. In this fight the Beethoven,
the Thomaso, the Address, the Frankensteinen are on the side
of the bosses: the American bosses and the German bosses.
But we have no doubt as to where the heroes of the
UAW sit-downs will be, and it will not be on the side of Ford or
General Motors.

WORKERS' CONTROL OF PRODUCTION
We see at this convention all factions of the leadership
evolve to the process of the coming unemployment. Why?
Because the only practical solution, as stated in the slogan
"Workers' Control of Production for Us Under a Workers'-
Council Government" means fight, fight against the bosses,
fight against the government. And "our" leadership is
good for only one kind of fight, a fight to hold back,
suppose, expel their own membership.

TWO ROADS
It may be that our neon, is a small and puny voice at
this convention. But we say this year, as we did last year,
that all efforts to solve our problems by any other means than
by our own decisive action are futile. We shall con-
tinue to say this, and events will continue to prove if cor-
rect or incorrect, that the German workers, without even
carting into consideration, that the two roads are before the
union. One leads to speedup, hunger, unemployment, and yes,
the third imperialist war. Let us take the other and make this the real
turning point of the UAW. Let us build, not sell for jobs, but the effect-
ive fighting machine for the future.

A PROGRAM FOR THE UAW
In this convention, after this convention, organize for
and for the program of the coming workers' revolution.
1. IMMEDIATE RESCINDING OF THE NO-STRIKE PLEDGE AND THE USE OF THAT VERY EFFECTIVE INSTRUMENT TO secure the realization of the slogan "Workers' Control of Production for Us Under a Workers-Council Government".
2. THE FIVE DAY, THIRTY HOUR WEEK, WITH DOUBLE TIME FOR ALL OVERTIME.
3. DEMOCRACY IN THE UNION. SHOP STEWARD LEADERSHIP CONTROLLED BY THE RANK AND FILE, NO OFFICIALS SALARY TO BE HIGHER THAN THE PREVAILING WAGE. FORMATION AT THIS CON-
VENTION OF A PERMANENT PROGRESSIVE CENSUS.
4. NO DISCRIMINATION AGAINST NEGROES AND WOMEN.
5. FIGHT FOR THE RIGHTS OF THE VETERANS WORKING MEN TO GO NON-STOP JUST AS YOU WOULD FIGHT ON THE PICKET LINE FOR THEM WHILE THEY FIGHT FOR US.
6. IMMEDIATE DESIGNATION OF ALL LABOR MEMBERS FROM THE WLB AND ALL GOVERNMENT OFFICERS, DIRECT DELEGATES BY THE UNION TO WORK WITH THE EMPLOYERS.
7. SMASH THE LITTLE STEAL FORMULA. FOR A GENERAL INCREASE IN WAGES OVER AND ABOVE THE RISING COST OF LIVING.
8. FOR WORKERS' CONTROL OF PRODUCTION FOR USE UNDER A GOVERNMENT OF WORKERS' COUNCILS.
9. FOR REJECTION OF THE FALSE SLOGAN "SAC-
RIFICE FOR THE WAR." FOR AID TO THE GERMAN WORKERS IN ALL THERESISTANCE AND FOR AN END TO THE WAR THE WORKERS WAY.

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Post-War Prosperity or Pauperism — Which?

As the present imperialist world conflict is at the very doors of the leaders of the American Labor Movement and the more optimistic newspaper economists are turning to crystal balls to read the future, let's see if these crystal balls reader are not as out of date for an unprecented cycle of world-wide business revival after the war. Particularly, with respect to the future of our labor movement, we can only contend that in the wake of closed war plants, when millions of war workers will be out of work, demands for new autos, ice boxes, radios and other average consumer commodities will be so great that the wheels of peace-time produc-

tion will be kept turning at a terrific pace.

There probably will be considerable industrial activity after the war, but to say at any time that boom prosperity is a mere thing is simply to be wrong. Any orthodox economist knows that people do not rush into buying cars, radios or other durable goods in the face of economic uncertainties. On the contrary, they conserve their savings as much as possible if they remain unemployed too long, their money is not there for food and shelter and other basic necessities.

FROM WAR TO PEACE

Undoubtedly, if the war workers could step out of war production into the goods production of peace, a great number of them would spend their savings for new cars, furniture, washing machines, etc. But they cannot do that.

Under the most favorable circum-
stances, the war workers will not suffer protracted periods of unem-
ployment, and even if they did...

Moreover, this country's post-war economic health will be largely con-
ditioned by world conditions. In

a world, the war workers
could not find in peaceful ways. The great demand for cars, radios and other durable goods will be world and an economic crisis more wide spread and convulsive than any previous one, is an historical certainty.

PROSPECTS AND TASKS

It should be clear even to the most clouded thinkers of the workers of Europe in 1939 all of the capitalist nations, albeit, exceptation, were in the throes of a major war crisis. Each nation in its own way tried to every conceivable means to arrest the economic crisis of Germany and Germany's Napoleonic, Japan's Asiatic Imperialism, Italy's Fascism. Promoting agreements with the Dis-
mantled nations, as well as the New Deal of the Roosevelt regimes, were one and all developments of the capitalist economy; and each has failed. The Hoover economic stock beds the capitalist nations plunged into war in search of the economic health and recovery which

government agencies. The fat boys have to scratch each other's backs this year.

There are some signs of activity from the "outs" who want to be "in." McVill of Stilfl is staging a special sand-bag campaign, a yearly con-
vention performance. He gathers what support he can among dele-
gation dissatisfied with the officers threats to take over the national na-
gions, then of course has no collective bargaining power.

Dick Leonard has been visiting militant delegates offering to join the fight against the no-strike pledge in return for a seat on the Executive Committee for 1st Vice-President. This can only mean that he believes the pledge may be rescinded, and wants to get on the band-wagon in a po-

sition to use his newly discovered role as a "militant" to head off strike action. That is a regular Beatrice tactic, getting in front of a rack-and-file revolt in order to slow it up. The Beatrice clique, however, is rather cold toward the idea of getting in a big fight this year for the sake of "Blind" Dick Leonard. They are more likely to support him for a job as 3rd vice-presi-
dent which might be put over with-

out pushing anyone else out of a soft job.

May Beuther, Walter's wife, who does most or savings for the Beatrice clique, is reported to be up-

posed to any dealings with the UAW on the grounds that he is too hard to watch.

Dick has gone out on his own hope to line up enough delegates to use as a club against both fac-
ions. We hope that Murray Ray and Thomas will settle the squabble on the basis of more hope or nothing for Leonard. They dare not risk a chance on a 20-man race for two jobs which would probably result in the elimination of Beuther. That would leave only Leonard and Frankenstein as vice-presidents. They can easily settle the dispute against the shot-witted Thomas, who is a perfect stogie for Murray and Roosevelt.

Ever since Thomas has been President he has thrown enough support to the rank and file organiza-
tions to keep them in office where they can fight other than to there. There is no chance of them gathering, they know each other too well. It is only a matter of time for the one remaining would be more than a match for the other and Thomas would eventually eliminate him.

The Stalinists are training their usual group of pretty girls to gather votes from persecuted delegates as only a woman can, if you know what I mean. A...

For a general increase in wages over and above the rising cost of living.

Revolution and Defeatism — Revisionist and Marxist
Max Schachtman — the Ghost of Eugene Debs

In September, 1944, the American Labor Movement was beating the drum for a post-war prosperity. The Report of the National Economic Council of the Federal Government was heralded as a boon to workers in search of a better post-war life. The war was to be ended, and the economic recovery to follow in its wake. But the reality was that the war was far from over, and the economic recovery was a mirage.

However, after the war, there was a belief that the world might be better off. The idea of a "New Deal" for the working class was on the horizon. However, the reality was that the capitalist system would continue, and the working class would continue to struggle for a better life.

The war was a catastrophic event that brought about massive social and economic changes. The working class played a key role in the struggle against the war, and the potential for a revolutionary transformation was real. However, the capitalist system would continue to dominate, and the working class would continue to fight for a better future.

The United States was the world's economic powerhouse during the war, and this gave it the ability to dictate terms to other countries. However, the war also created massive destruction and displacement, and the process of reconstruction would be long and difficult.

The post-war period was marked by a process of deindustrialization, as factories were dismantled and the working class was displaced. The process of deindustrialization would continue throughout the 20th century, and it would have a profound impact on the working class.

The working class would continue to organize and fight for its rights, and the struggle against the capitalist system would continue. However, the road to a better future would be long and充满 challenges. The working class would have to continue to fight for a world without exploitation, domination, and oppression.

In the meantime, the working class would have to fight against the post-war policies that would continue to exploit and oppress them. The struggle against the capitalist system would continue, and the working class would continue to fight for a better world.

The post-war period was a time of great potential, but it was also a time of great danger. The working class would have to be vigilant and organized in order to fight against the capitalist system and create a better world.
The recent transportation strike in "Philippines" was described as an "anti-Negro" strike. Concluded in the position of a strike with the drivers and other strikers, the strike leaders are the criminal, reactionary, and uncivilized elements in the community who fomented, provoked, and tacitly encouraged.

Tools of the Bosses

It must be seen that the economic interests of the strike leaders are the material and economic interests of the class, which is represented by the strike bosses.

The monopoly of the strike bosses

The strike bosses have in their hands the economic and political power that they wield. This monopoly is based on the fact that the strike bosses have a monopoly of the means of production and the commanding heights of the economy.

Thus, the strike bosses have power over the workers in the community. They are able to impose their will on the workers, and they use this power to exploit the workers.

The strike bosses are the leaders of the strike movement.

The strike bosses are the leaders of the strike movement and are able to impose their will on the workers.

The strike bosses are able to control the workers' lives and the conditions of work.

The strike bosses use their power to maintain their own position and to advance their own interests.

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There are undeniably those factions within it who are preparing for restoration of capitalism. The factory managers are the leaders of that class. They are not so much terrified by the Inflations as they are frightened by the idea that the workers are thinking of forming a different kind of commune. The fear of this commune is so great that the government has been forced to adopt a policy of repression and terror. The workers are resisting this policy, and the workers' movement is growing stronger. The workers are now more determined than ever to throw off the yoke of the capitalists and establish a workers' state. The workers are ready to fight for their freedom and for a better world. The workers are not afraid of the reactionaries. They are determined to fight for their rights and to win the revolution. The workers are ready to do whatever it takes to achieve their goal. They are ready to die for their cause. The workers are united, and they are invincible. They are the future of humanity, and they will not be defeated. The workers are the masters of their fate. They are the ones who will decide the future of the world. They are the ones who will shape the destiny of humanity. The workers are the ones who will create a new world, a world of peace, freedom, and justice. The workers are the ones who will bring about the revolution. They are the ones who will bring about the new society. They are the ones who will bring about the workers' state. The workers are the ones who will bring about the revolution of the proletariat. They are the ones who will bring about the end of capitalism. They are the ones who will bring about the revolution of the proletariat. They are the ones who will bring about the end of capitalism.