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Alien "Unity" Exposed at Frisco

Strike Wave Is Due

What next for the Trade Union Congress?

Now that the military war in Europe is over, what will be the fate of one of the big factors that stopped strikes — the paternalistic toadies — has been removed. In the coming period, all employers in Europe will not lose their standards of living.

In the U.S. the situation is also encouraging. Openly talking of lifting the price level — inflation — Five to six million unemployed are expected within the next half year. A cutback in production of at least 40% is expected in that period. Unquestionably the masses will react to this provocation very much as did the workers from extended World War II. The strike took 23 days and after — the steel strike, lumber strikes, packing house strikes, railroad strikes.

American capitalism anticipates such a strike wave. The CIO grapevine was merely waiting for V-E Day to announce a 30% or 12% lifting of the Little Steel Formula. The Big Steel Formula has not been lifted yet. The rush of such a raise would be too take up the shoe made by the loan in take-home pay. Therefore, the raising of prices, is on the horizon. Hours, probably thoughtfully, are being cut. The directors of the economy are expected close down.

Japanese Position Is Totttering

Now that V-E Day has finally dawned, the significance of the war in the Pacific looms larger. Japanese are under UNRRA (United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration) and feel for months, indicating its prolongation. The American army of occupation is being developed under the new administration. There is no time for preparations for the war. The only one who can read a political document that statement is a polite way of throwing down the gauntlet — it is an unmistakable beginning of war-preliminaries. The first days of the conference indicated this wide breach between the imperialist nations and the totalitarian states. The fight over chairmanship of the UNRRA, showing again the minor issues only emphasize the underlying struggle. Many other signs in this past month point to its. In the meantime, the "negotiations" on the Polish question it develop that Stalin has arrested 16 representatives of the Polish government and is now attacking the West, shipping to home over 100,000 Russian prisoners of war for home. A Soviet-established Austrich government under Karl Renner met with the new government in the United States. Even V-E day did not prevent the United States from announcing the surrender of the German forces two full days after Churchill in London announced the victory.

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The Workers and V-E Day

The victory of the imperialists in Europe, announced May 8th, is a setback for the world working class. There is no hiding that fact, that they have lost the war of the Axis powers; on the contrary we Marxists were for a defeat of all fascism in the East and the West.

But the military victory of the Allied imperialists without a single victorious proletarian revolution means that capitalism has been able to stop the war and not continue it for another eight months of war, without a serious revolutionary challenge.

The task of the present is to defend the gains of the world working class. We have a set-back for our class V-E Day indicates itself.

To the greatest degree this set-back is attributable to Stalinism, which has already defeated the working class by1938, 1941, 1939, 1940 and 1941. The result of the victory of the capitalist world, which led the masses of Europe and therefore the vpe of social patriots, which utilized the prestige of the October Revolution to smash the Provisional Government.

On the other hand, the ranks of the working class contributed to this situation the working class in the U.S. and the Soviet Union led by the contrite Independent Labor Party, the Trotskyites, and all the various forces at the Second International and centrists.

A set-back for the European class.

But the war of the imperialists is not over. We do not go in that direction without a fight. We must be prepared for the military Organization to prevent a Russian attack. We have to organize for the development of the international revolutionary movement.

Aliens Need Hurdle

Under such circumstances, and with the military line now taken up by the Soviet government, a new chunk is a growing threat to the working class. But before such a war of intervention is taken, the allied imperialists must be defeated.
"PEACE" PERMANENT WAR

The G. I. Returns

What can a returning veteran of this war expect when he finally comes home? If he has told the troubles of his time to someone else, he may not be a confused and disillusioned person. Let him begin thinking about his future, not about the veteran's "conditioning" program during his last days in the army.

The idea of "conditioning" or re-adjustment or "orientigation" or whatever one might better say "thrusts" so to speak-into the minds of returning G. I.'s, influenced by the policies of the National Labor Relations Board, is at least as ridiculous as the idea of a commercial competitor on a world scale. It is designed to keep the American worker out of the unions and over Germany that would exclude the U.S. from trade with other countries.

The policy of allied imperialism is opposed to the complete destruction of our economic and political rivalries, to the destruction of militarism, and to the destruction of militarism as a military nation. This is due to the huge investments in Germany, and to the desire for a "loyal" and policieforce against Proletarian Revolution in Europe. But their policies are for a "colonial" industrialized Germany.

The "peace" that is to be imposed upon Europe is the peace of the imperialist victors - peace that has not solved and cannot solve any of the basic economic conflicts that drive capitalist nations down to the bottom of the pit. A peace that, if it succeeds even momentarily, will deprive the population of an independent existence and reduce it to the status of a colonial people. Such is the "peace" of Reims and Versailles, based, as before, upon Yalta, the direct descendent of the peace based upon Versailles.

WORKERS OF THE WORLD

INDIA

The following is an extract from a letter to the editor of the Chicago Tribune by Fred Bendit: "... It may be of interest that there are today in India more than a million plantation slaves on the large tea, coffee, and rubber plantations..."

The labor for these plantations is recruited all over India. The workers with their families are quartered in rows of packed boxes marked "being worked." The cities and villages show the decay of the old, natural forms of the corporations and without the most elementary civil rights. Altogether, the penal contracts have been formally abolished in recent years, the laborers have been organized for prolonged periods, and even in practice in many cases for their life. Their position is not much better now. The standard of living is low. It is impossible to think of these as free laborers. They have no rights to decent wages.

In the "tea gardens," the average wage of men is $2.00 — of women, $1.50. This is paid weekly. These do not, however, represent a clear income. Out of this they have to pay for food and lodging. The duties of such a contract are to toil long hours. There is no discipline or security. The employers have the right to dismiss them for any reason.

INDIA

Bombay, India, April 3 (AP) — A day long hartal (general strike) against the scheduled hanging of seven men stopped the operations of at least 40 mills and other routine activities in the Bombay area today. The seven men were involved in the Jinnah and Sind一线ist movements at the time Mohandas K. Gandhi was imprisoned."

Concerning this case, which provoked prolonged unrest, the court had to order a stay of execution for seven slaughterhouses.

YUGOSLAVIA

Lately we've been hearing a lot about small nations' and national minorities' rights, and their oppression by the fascist regimes. Here is another example of this story. Ten thousand Yugoslav peasants of German origin from the northern plains of Serbia, of which the capital Belgrade is the county's gun point. Their destination is Russia, where it is expected they will be used as forced labor in reconstruction and farming.

FRANCE

France has held its first municipal elections since the German occupation. The outcome has been overwhelming for the reparations. The results are in, and it is clear that the workers have voted to ensure anything at the ballot box, these elections are a first step in the direction of the development of the French working class. They show the desire to build a socialist state, to work for the reunification of Germany, and to end the war. It is clear that the workers are now aware of the necessity for a united France, and that the working class can find when they look toward the "left" is the Socialist Party.

SUMMARY: MAY DAY 1945

May Day — Day of International working class solidarity, day on which the workers demonstrate in the streets, and express their militancy and their class struggle program. It is the beginning of a new social class movement, which threatens the destruction of the capitalist and militaristic canons of the world. The outcome of this movement will have far-reaching results, possibly even the downfall of the ruling classes. But this is not the only issue. It is also about the future of the working class, and the possibility of a new world order.

The workers have gathered in large numbers to demonstrate against the capitalist system. They have marched in solidarity with their brothers and sisters around the world, and they have expressed their determination to fight for a better future. They have called for the abolition of war, and the establishment of a world where all people can live in peace and prosperity.

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FASCISM IS NOT DEAD

The elimination of Hitler and Mussolini does not mean the end of Fascism. It is not dead. Fascism is the political death-rattle of capitalism and it will not disappear until capitalism itself is destroyed. Hitler and Mussolini were only capable agents of the capitalists. They helped institute Fascism and all its terroristic methods to the weakest links of capitalism—Germans and Italians. The Fascists are the new vanguard of these capitalists. As a reaction to the upheavals and the technique of socialization and the upsurges of the workers for a time, a brutal fascist dictatorship is already established in Germany. In Italy, Fascism is in force. In Spain, Fascism is in force. In France, Fascism is in force. In all of these, Fascism is the struggle of the capitalists against the workers in order to maintain the capitalist system. It is a reaction of the capitalists against the workers in order to maintain the capitalist system. It is a struggle of the capitalists against the workers in order to maintain the capitalist system.

The Italian workers fought for the right of self-determination for all colonies.

For the defense of the Soviet Union against the War of Imperialism. In October, 1920.

For a Workers Council Government in the United States and all over the world.

ALLEIES USE STALINIST TACTICS

With the active military phase of the war against Ger- many, capitalism can count on its ally, the United States, with the support of the state, and the new, increased military power of the United States, and then the allied nations of Europe are looking around for the kind of propaganda that will fit the situation. The new situation demands a new and different kind of propaganda. Yesterday, before United States entered the war and while the Hitler-Stalin Pact was on the books, the American Press and other allied nations of Europe are looking around for the kind of propaganda that will fit the situation. The new situation demands a new and different kind of propaganda.

When Mussolini invaded the Soviet Union and when the United States entered the war and became an ally of the Soviet Union against Germany, the talk was changed. Not the talk of the right wing newspapers but the New Deal and liberal forces. In this period they praised the military campaigns but kept silent about the political problems of the Soviet Union.

In this whole period of the Hitler-Stalin Pact and the invasion of the Soviet Union by the Fascists, independent working class action was weak. Social-patriotism and national unity were so strong that American imperialism could best serve its interests by just ignoring the problem from the standpoint of propaganda and allowing its agents of close suppression and penetration to do all other work to stop Fascism.

Now the tone must change, as we have said before. It must change not because the lie of Stalinism has changed. It must change not because of the change in the situation necessary to keep the Fascists alive in the United States. It must not change because of the lie of Stalinism. The change must be because of the change in the situation necessary to keep the Fascists alive in the United States.

The gigantic destruction of men and material on a world scale is the greatest single piece of political capital in Europe. In Europe this transformation of the imperialist war into civil war is growing with the ending of the capitalist hole- drup that has kept the states of Europe in a state of rising prosperity.

In the United States, America, Britain, and the Soviet Union the effect of this transformation of the imperialist war into civil war is just beginning. The situation is different in the United States from the situation in the United Kingdom and France. They face the same problem. How shall they answer this question?

German Workers Penalized for Nazi Atrocities

In the past months the capitalistic press, radio, and newspapers have been harping on the theme of German atrocities. It is almost impossible to open a newspaper, turn to a radio station, or go to a movie without being treated to the most gruesome and horrible scenes of the victims of Hitler's Germany. It is a part of their program, and it is authentic, but the question that rises is what is the purpose of this propaganda?

It is quite evident that the propaganda machine, namely the psychological warfare department has a definite purpose. It is to make the working class believe that a communist revolution in the United States, not so much for hatred of Fascism, but the purpose is to make the workers believe that in the United States, their rights and conditions have been subverted by absolute force and suppression of the working class. During their rise to power they were well paid for their services to the capitalists. And now, the workers are only able to survive in Italy to about half a billion dollars. Some of the holdings are as follows:

J. P. Morgan and Co. ..... Kingdom of Italy's $10,000,000 ...$100,000,000
City of Rome 6½% $ 5,000,000
Dulan Read, Bankers of San Francisco ..... $ 5,000,000
Blair and Co. — Adriatic Electric $7½ $ 5,000,000

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The word "Fascist" and the word "Nazi" are used. It is a part of the program of the Fascists to make the workers believe that the state is in a strained state in order to maintain the capitalist state through a more intense propaganda. The Fascists are the new vanguard of these capitalists. As a reaction to the upheavals and the technique of socialization and the upsurges of the workers for a time, a brutal fascist dictatorship is already established in Germany. In Italy, Fascism is in force. In Spain, Fascism is in force. In France, Fascism is in force. In all of these, Fascism is the struggle of the capitalists against the workers in order to maintain the capitalist state through a more intense propaganda.

Discharge of Soldiers

With the end of the war in Europe and after nearly a million casualties that has been suffered by the American forces, many of the "veterans" under the point system of mass evacuations, forlies and transport arrangements are still in Europe. It is true that some of these veterans are being discharged, either because they were wounded or under the point system. But most of the veterans are not yet discharged. In fact, it is the decisive factors in disposal of the manpower in its relation to Fascist Germany.

First of all the Imperialists have set aside an army of occupation to hold down the coming tide of revolutions in Europe. Secondly, there is the Soviet Union. Now that Germany has been occupied, the greatest potential threat to the status quo in Europe, the greatest single threat to the "free" movement of the Imperialists powers is the Soviet Union. Hence, the increasing discord between the United States, Great Britain, and the Soviet Union.

We must remember there are still hundreds of thousands of soldiers in the United States who have not seen duty, and the state is the most likely that the draft board system still functions and men continue to be drafted. The accumulation of the required amount of points does not necessarily mean that the soldier is actually in the service. It is the decisive factors in disposal of the manpower in its relation to Fascist Germany.

The talk about the discharge of soldiers and democracy and the release of the sons of capitalism to the sentiment of the working class at home. In the long run the needs of American Imperialism will be the decisive factor in determining the way in which Germany will be treated.

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IMPEENDING STRIKE WAVE

Capitalism will attempt to make a few minor concessions in order to channelize the impending strike wave. It is not alone in this. The workers, too, will also begin to wave a big stick. Vet erans in the trade-strike movement of the working masses. An organ ized strike is the only effective weapon, to take a steam of orderly conditions. The full torrent will be out of Murray, Green, Bruder & Co. will make itself felt in this coming period. The United States, long inactive in its labor movement, has weakened the labor movement, most of its activity centered in the trade-union. The end of hostilities in Europe finds the steel of the old-time labor movement, no Feeling is any longer a strike or a strike. The labor unions, Green and their ilk have promised to maintain class peace forced arbitration, government set ting aside the issue of the war. If their policy led to a 20% cut in the wages, the total income would be only 20% of the total income. Labor needs a new national trade union, a progressive group that will take the lead.