THE FIGHTING WORKER

Organ of the Revolutionary Workers League of the U.S.

F.D.R. Tour to Gain More Control for War Plans

While President Roosevelt is touring the Western states, accusations spring from his opponents that he is conducting a purge of those whom he didn't want in high places in the New Deal in Congress. Governor Earl of Pennsylvania has been accused of corruption and graft, and he宣言s that he is all a Republican plot to prevent his re-election. Senate Chandler of Kentucky opposes New Dealer Senator Beamer in the battle of charges that WPA is being used to get votes for the New Deal.

Why is all this being done? What is the end of it? Is it some sort of a war of terror to control and vote against (or reimpose) the millions of people who aren't permitted to vote?

IGNORE REAL ISSUES

The war budget for 1938 was doubled. Plans to increase the effectiveness of the army and navy, to prepare industry for war, to mobilize the workers for war, everywhere. The people in Congress with little fanfare, like the people in the streets of life, continue. Wages go down. There is no real prospect of the people's right to work.

This is the situation. What are the Republican, Democrat, "Progressive," etc., fundamentally standing for? The people, fundamentally, stand on one program. When we get a question of what is the bill in the pocket of the people, the people's answer will always be the same, regardless of the party. They represent the people class.

DIFFERENCES ARE ON OTHER MATTERS

Not that there are no differences in this election campaign. There are plenty. Government--of the workers, by the workers, for the workers--of the NSP of America--is one of the key issues. The people of the American League of Armed Workers can turn it into the issue of the election. Not to vote is to stand for the continuation of the war system, if the war system goes down. They are the people of the people class.

Soviet - Japan Border Clash

July 22 -- Clashes between Japanese and Soviet Troops on the Siberian border are said to be a serious incident, with the Japanese preparing a demonstration on one of the hills, which they claim the Soviet Union has never been able to pass, although it was reported that the Japanese had been attacked by a Soviet force.

United Front Meeting

The Defense Committee held a joint meeting with the American Labor Party in Chicago on July 21. Members of the Federation of Labor, the American League of Armed Workers, the Communist Party, and the Socialists were present. The meeting was attended by about a hundred people.

Class Action Brings Results

The intensive campaign by the Negro defense committee and the ACLU to enlist working class support and pressure has finally forced the State Department to take some action. We have received the following telegram from Cordell Hull:

Hugo Obrador
310 W. Division Chicago

The following cable has been sent in the name of the Federation to President Roosevelt, affiliated with the CIO. "We, the National Association of Negro Workers, hereby state that we are in full support of the Negro American revolution. Demand his immediate liberation."

British Divide Jews and Arabs

Palestine continues to be covered in internal disorders, sparked on by British boycotts, which have already claimed the lives of at least 70 Arabs and about 30 Jews, with three times as many wounded since July 5th. Several divisions of British troops, including a number of guns, tanks, and airplanes, are now attacking Arab towns and villages. Some of these troops demand certain sums of money from Arab civilians, but many Arabs have been bombing them indiscriminately.

Negrete Defense Gets Under Way

Preparations for the defense of Bolivar Negrete, veteran American revolutionary held by the legalist government in Madrid in the charge of "insurrection," are under way in a number of cities. Similar activity has been begun in New York, Philadelphia, and other cities throughout the country.

Canadian, Mexican Workers Help Negrete

William Ehrle of the League for a Revolutionary Workers Party of Canada writes that they are proceeding with immediate activity in Canada; delegations to the Spanish consulate in Montreal and Toronto, letters and cables to Cordell Hall and the Spanish government, and postcards addressed to Negrete for broad circulation. A protest to Negrete has been called by the local Provisional Committee for Anti-Fascist Action.

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KEEP POT BOILING

As long as Germany and Italy can keep the "pot boiling" in these many spots in Europe they gain needed time for war preparations and have a better chance of getting more out of the settlement in Spain. At the same time the tide of war is rising in Europe and Asia enables America to further her own ends in war preparations.

Britain's "agreement" with Italy is in regard to France, in no way a "peace." British interests have a better chance of getting more out of the settlement in Germany. Britain then must make the best of it.
Help Negrete Defense

Sirs:

The printed protests and requests for information sent to the Spanish Ambassador in Washington and the Secretary of State, by workers who sympathize with the efforts to defend class prisoners, are reproduced below. All comrades are urged to purchase these cards. Cost is one half penny a piece, from the Provisional Negrete Defense Committee, 2159 W. Division, Chicago, or to write their own letters to the parties involved.

The following postcard is being mailed to the Secretary of State:

Workers Protest Frame-Up

Another armed attack on the defense of the Canadian workers fighting against Fascism was taken place today in the Provisional Defense Committee for Canadian Italian Workers, which has but its first month since its formation. A group of four Canadian workers early in July returned to Canada, where the list was sealed and disembarked a smaller group of Fascists trying to prevent the movement from returning.

The workers, including Charles Dumais, who witnessed the attack, reported that the Fascists opened the briefcase, seized the workers, and then burned their clothes. The workers, who were jailed in London for the Revolutionary Action Committee in the United States, were honored with a vote of confidence in the United States, and asked by the workers to continue the struggle.

ST. LOUIS TROTSKYITES SABOTAGE NEGRETE DEFENSE

E. L. Wilson

Willkman, Jensen

Case

Chicago, July 16 — The case of Willkman and Jensen, members of the Young Workers League, was ordered out of order by the SWP chairman. The case was ordered for defense of Negrete, in answer to a number of letters on the subject. The workers have been arrested in an area heavily patrolled with posters and pamphlets, for their action in support of the workers’ cause. All comrades are urged to come to terms with the workers and to continue the struggle against fascism.

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Save Spanish Revolutionists

Enclosed please find $1.00...my contribution to the defense of Josua Rosalio Negrete, and other class-war prisoners held by the Loyalist Government in Spain.

Address all funds to:

Negrete Defense Committee

2159 W. Division Str.

Chicago, Illinois.

STAMM GROUP CONTINUE CLASS-COLLABORATION

Representatives of the Stamm-Revolt group attended the Chicago United Front conference and sent their greetings to the participants. The workers from the Stamm and "socialists" united to fight against the Nazi Fascist and their allies.

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Pursuit of Life, Liberty, and Happiness. Westwood, California — A group of workers met at the Red River Lumber Co. The sheriff's office, 800 new families, and the state police, all armed with rifles and clubs are patrolling the streets of the city. The workers who went on strike were visited by the sheriff, who arrested 750 men, women and children, and 200 other workers.

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NEW UNIT IN K.C.

A new unit of the Revolutionaries Workers League was organized last month in Kansas City. The new unit is composed of comrades working in the big city.

A meeting of comrades Oskar in Kansas City, with 50 people, was organized last week. The meeting was well attended and the comrades were confident of the success of their struggle.
Capitalist Decay and Unemployment

In the richest and most powerful country in the world, the fifteen million workers are thrown out of industry. While millions of men, women and youth pour the pavements, and stand desperately before the factories, with no bread in their hands, class hatred is9[1] 1 the industry more rapidly than ever before in history. They are greed with the closing of relief stations, cuts in the relief budgets, and in Federal appropriation for the unemployed. The result is that the unemployed—who are the backbone of the industry—live in dire poverty. The masses of the people exist on starvation; yet crops are plowed under and the ware houses are stocked to overloading.

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**Organize**

A few million workers last year had much higher wages by organizing. So the big plant-owners promptly began trying to drive their plants to places where they can to get better profits. But workers are learning their lesson.

**B O S S E S M O V E P L A N T S**

Akron Rubber Companies are threatening to decentralize and thus put on the starvation list almost the whole city. A Lock Company in Long Island clears out to Boston, a few miles away, leaving its workers holding the bag. General Motors builds plants in London, New Jersey, and other places in order to get away from the federal military atmosphere and high wages.

And the workers throw out of work the government's "welfare" program. "Nothing comes around and helps depart because they have no luck for year or two until they've lived on enough to be eligible for relief.

Hundreds of American workers are beginning to take their hands off their own hands. Some, like the Bangor, Maine workers who took over the plant and refuse to sell it back to its owners, are in a larger and more powerful position. The national organization based on the constant fight everywhere for better standards in the coming period the working class, the hunger-striking and the decentralization and the demand make a necessity of making the necessity of making the demand for them for their own use of the Workers Council Government.

**The Unorganized**

**U. A. W. Workers Must Remove Both Factions**

Detroit — The "trial" and expulsion of George Addis, Secretary-Treasurer of the United Auto Workers has sharpened the split in the auto workers ranks.

President Martin, in good old John L. Lewis style, is appointive administration in one local after another where he does not have control to take things over. In Milwaukee, Martin's men just walked in and took the books of the Local in a raid.

The trial of the four vice-presidents, suspended by Martin, comes up at the end of July. The Frankston-St. Albans-Blouse making a desperate attempt to get John L. Lewis to intervene, but so far the bosses have refused an exception. It appears that the New York is having a hard time keeping his little subordinate family together.

**N.Y. Militants Win W.P.A. Battle**

New York — Under the slogan "Liberal La Guardia Staves off the Depression," for a 400 per cent increase in relief, all war funds to the unemployed, a group of unemployed workers, employees under the W.P.A. as recreation teachers won their demands in a brief one-day militant action that should serve as a lesson for other workers in their struggles.

Determined to obtain relief and demanding for one of its members who is physically handicapped in one way or another the United Bundled Workers of America, led by its President, Henry Rothermel and its Vice-President, Joseph Broderick, have drawn a big picket-line around the offices of Welfare when the guard refused to let them in building.

**CLASS STRUGGLE POLICIES WIN DEMANDS**

Fearing the increasing militant picket line — considerably augmented by sympathizers from the outside, and no doubt sensitive to the adverse criticism that might result from the maltreatment of hand-capped workers, Mr. H. A. C. T. Cushman, Commissioner, ordinary.

**Settlement for National Tea Workers**

Workers of the National Tea Warehouse in Chicago, who conducted a half-hour strike this morning, the company one year ago, have been halted about 25 per cent of the plant. But it is a "strike" that was carried to the nativity of the New Deal — the "Three Hills House of Representatives" that took it. It is a strike against the "enemy," and the biggest enemy is the war.

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**DEPORTING CITIES**

Today the 15,000 workers of Flint, scores of thousands in Detroit and many other cities, are only a burden to their employers. Rejected and spurned, the displaced workers, and the by-products, have been the slaves, the crippled, the employer for their very own to support.

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No more use for these workers nor their industry. The General Motors—keep them on in an assembly line, select the strongest families back home. When they lose the there they are welcome. There is no more the United Auto is to back on them for a fight for revolution. These are they have in Flint, despite the split in the Auto Union. Furthermore you can't get any relief any place in the U.S. unless you are asking for it, and that's only a year. What these departed workers want to do is just go back home and starve!

It's a great national tragedy! Sixteen million are unemployed.

**Chicago Strikers Fight Tear Gas and Pay Cut**

After seven weeks of heroic struggles by 600 workers of the Chicago Hardware Manufacturing Company, who refused to take a 15¢ per hour cut, the employer finally agreed to let in a stream of company guards who were armed with tear gas and head-butted hundreds of men and women and children and of some of the worst brutality, especially against women and children. The picket line this area has seen some fighting, but it was just the fauneral workers and the Market Street workers and the same area last year.

As a preliminary to the brutalities of the Union was arrested, and some sentenced to a year, while others were released after promising not to strike again under any circumstances. The strike — authorized by the company as a "cross purpose" — must be spread to other similar lines of work, which are or short will be exposes. And the strikers are going to make the strike into a demand and fight "class struggle policies" against the strike and to the NLRB to strike the picket.

**Boss Is Judge and Mayor Too**

How this for "democracy"? In Bridgeport, Alabama, stands the Jacobs Manufacturing company, makers of saws and similar stuff, who are members of the International Harvester company with the I.M.U. in 1937 but finding that profits were more dependent than it was, that union men, voted the agreement — not sure but twice. The result was a strike. Mr. Jacobs, the owner of the strike, is a very close ties with Mason and judge of its court. As much as it has to pass a test of the strikers and be judge by his friends. If they don't like it, this is a free country, and they can go to hell.

**BEFORE THE LAW**

Needless to say the strikers are arrested on the most flimsy ex-

The struggle is to get the company to agree that there is no difference that they are "striking for the plant". "Finally refused to refuse to agree that the company will agree to cite them if strikers. Furthermore we can not forget that all this takes place in the "free" section of the New Deal — the "Three Hills House of Representatives". But how do we set out on the talk of strikers "Judas?"

Boss class justice is obvious to all in this case. But you may restrict yourselves to the same if the boss, the mayor and the police have a right to make the law. Now the only thing they have in a case of the "enemy." And the biggest enemy is the war.

**Labor Party and La Guardia — Strike Breakers**

New York, July 12—Mayor La Guardia today picked up the third line of the electrical workers, who were striking the N. Y. World Fair grounds.

The Strike involves some 40,000 men, engrossed by the Labor Unions. Local No. 3, against the N. Y. World is preparing to meet the question of the right to do so by the electrical work by the Union.

The company refuses to concede this right on the ground that it "would not set a precedent for all workers.

**LA GUARDIA STRIKE BREAKER**

Not content with posing the picket line La Guardia declared a "police emergency," and ordered the police to the complete installation of the World Fair.

**C. I. O.**

The union must take advantage of this three month period, which has thus far failed to launch an intensive organization the birthplace of labor movement. The strike of 600 workers is included as one of the most militant battles in the labor scene of the people.

**Just off the Press**

Hundreds of working class revolutionaries are being killed, imprisoned, and hunted in liquidation tactics! Are the Loyalty Fighting Fascism? Can one fight Fascism? Fighting Fascism — Defend Revolution. 5 cents per copy, postpaid.

**Martial Law Against Iowa Strike**

Forty-four hundred workers of the Maytag Washing Machine Company in Newton, Iowa, have had martial law clamped down on them after a strike since May 9th in which the plant has been unable to open. The workers have been fighting against a proposed 10½¢ per hour cut introduced by the company.

Armed cars, machine guns, and other National Guard and Army equipment, have been brought into the strike area with a large detachment of soldiers to break the strike. The material law, according to Governor C. E. Marx, is to "maintain order." The first step in maintaining order is to stop the workers from picketing. According to the press, the armed cars appeared and the soldiers maintained their position with fixed bayonets. Machine guns were trained on the workers.