

the bosses which would force a "discrimination" clause on the union and hold wage scales at their present miserable levels by means of a complex stalling process

Prepared behind closed doors, the plot had wide ramifications and was intended as a body blow to the striking drivers. Its entire aim was to throw the onus for continuance of the strike on the union.

Acting in concert, the military, the kept press of the bosses, the federal mediators planned against the strike as follows:

1. The press reported that Haas* and Dunnigan abandoned their original plan in favor of the slavery ginal plan in favor of the slavery proposal of the bosses, setting up bus and any that the union along a hue and cry that the union alone blocked an immediate settlement.

2. The military announced a loosening of the military permit system and at the same time began to slap heavy sentences on pickets in the military court. 3. The refusal of a permit for

a strike mass meeting at the parade grounds on Tuesday.

4. A broad hint in the pres tempt to cajole the strikers to acleadership.

But the bosses and their government agents reckoned without their host-the courage and intelligence of fighting strikers and not the cowardice of a herd of sheep.

Haas and Dunnigan were submitted to such a cannonade of dynamite-laden questions by members of the committee of 100, with whom they met last night, that they left the conference room with their tails between their legs, put to shame by the very rank and file they thought would fall for the thinly-disguised swindle.

A Fusillade of Questions fter an admission hy Haas an



Wednesday at New York University, refused to permit the Central Bureau to arbitrarily determine its rules. The delegates elected their own chairman and committees. Viola Ilma, the chief organizer of the Congress, withdrew with small group of fifty delegates.

The Congress was called for the avowed purpose of gathering representatives of all sections of Am-

erican youth, collect data on the youth and work out a common min-The Central B mum program.

ion and Japan, strained ever since eat." the creation of Manchukuo into a separate state, have been getting steadily worse. The seizure of the C.E.R. (Chinese Eastern Railway) merely added fuel to the flame and has since then served as the pivot about which the inevitable conflict between the two nations has taken

form. Japan, in continuing its ruthless policy, has been attempting, ever since the seizure of the railroad, to compel the Soviet Union to sell its share in the road. The Japanese militarists have organized bandit raids on the road, blown up bridges and tracks, stolen rolling stock and used every conceivable device to weaken the road financially in their attempt to force the Soviet Union to surrender its share in the road

The negotiations for the sale of the road have, despite these acts of sabotage on the part of Japan,

order and ask a much higher price than Japan is willing to concede. The Japanese, on the other hand, pointing to the present disorganized state of the road, the irregularity of trains and regularity of bandit Rugby Theatre, 823 Utica Avenue, raids, offer a ridiculously low sum Brooklyn, N. Y. for the Soviet share.

War Clouds Gather

Having made no headway in their attempt to secure "legally" what Knitting Mills, also in Brooklyn, they have already seized by force, his coppers were gleefully swinging resorted to the present action of workers.

The deputies hastily pitched

(3) Production of most canning the cans from the truck and crops will be normal. poured gasoline over them. The (4) Fruits and vegetables are flames mounted. fairly abundant outside the drought The crowd became frenzied area.

as they saw the "food" being de-(5) The supply of meat, dairy stroyed before their eyes. They and poultry products will be ade ignored the guns of the depuquate for the remainder of this ties, and rushed to the blazing year. heap, snatching out the cans In a word, there will be famine with sticks, and rushing away only for the worker living on already near-starvation wages.

licking their chops in anticipation. Food prices, that have already ris- ful struggle for better conditions Club Strikers en ten per cent over last year, are now starving will discover this aims of the general strike, to pre-_a Guardia winter that they did not know what vent the building of a strong knitstarvation means.

a higher level of food prices on the whole may be expected," the report Apparently uninformed of the of the Department of Agriculture never made much headway. The grave investigation into police brureads. Soviet officials always point to the taility against pickets being con-

However, the workers will not earning power and value of the line ducted by Mayor LaGuardia and be without their champions. Presiprior to the recent period of dis Chief Inspector Valentine, the copdent Roosevelt has served public to brow heat the workers into subpers swung into action againnotice that he will frown his sevwhile the investigation was going erest frown upon "chiselers" aton---and beat up pickets of the tempting to profiteer in grain and Moving Picture Operators Union other foodstuffs as the result of the who were picketing in front of the drought. He will combat-how he does not say-any "excessive" rise in prices.

While the Mayor was assuring "Officials," an A. P. dispatch union leaders that he saw no rea-

reads, "said they anticipated no son for the police attack with clubs development which would make it upon pickets at the Commodore necessary to use drastic powers; that cooperation was expected from the Japanese police in Manchukuo their clubs against a new group of the majority on the Exchange and sters and the police. The workers tiles has been long delayed despite from food handlers as well."

Then a delegate right from the firing line in Alabama limped to the Knit Goods stage, wounded in head and foot by thugs and guardsmen, and said that he was ready to die for the **Strikers** Show union.

McMahon, Gorman and the rest of the sell-out tribe that now heads the United Textile Workers, moved heaven and earth to force another delay of the strike. It will be remembered that time and again this rotten clique has threatened strike only to call it off on some flimsy promise of the Washington administration. It took the power of the aroused rank and file to turn the to rise still higher. The thousands forts of the bosses to defeat the hypocritical talk into action.

At the same time the danger of another postponement or a sellout soon after the strike starts is to be seen in the announcement from Washington that McMahon has been appointed a member of the Labor Advisory Board of the NRA. The NRA is already reported to be

"ready to act" in the strike. **Reactionaries Challenged**

As we go to press, voting on a NRA and the police in their efforts new Executive Council for the U.T.W. is in progress. A progresmission, the Joint Council of the sive wing is challenging the cor-Workers Union and the United rupt officialdom in the elections. The strongest guarantee that the Textile Workers Union, have sucstrike will not be betrayed lies in ceeded in unifying 14,000 knitted garment workers in one united the ousting of McMahon and Co. and replacing them with militant left wing workers.

Action on a tie-up in the closely It is stirring to note the miliallied silk and hosiery industries is tancy of the workers in the strikers' halls and on the picket line, defy- to be taken at the convention today. ing the bosses' hirelings, the gang- A strike in these branches of texhave accepted the challenge of the convention and executive board de-



for a song.

with their "loot". as Investigates

Dunnigan, who opened the session reau, which has no youth support railway. The arrested officials, with speeches, that militant pickof its own, received financial and ets would be discriminated under other aid from high officials of the the new agreement and that the ab-Roosevelt government, the New sence of the fixed minimum of 421 York City administration, and and 521 cents would be a blow to the union, the rapid machine-gun the Congress were arbitrarily sefire of rank-and-file questions began lected by the Central Bureau. to resound: Plan of Sponsors

Whose plan is this, yours or the

The real plan of the sponsors

was to get the youth behind the

The original plan of the Congress

is further made clear by its receipt

of a telegram of congratulations at

its first session from Mrs. Franklin

D. Roosevelt. Its speakers list in-

cluded Mayor LaGuardia and A.A.

Arbitrary Rulings

Representation to the Congres

was arbitrarily given to individu-

Berle, original "brain-truster"

arbitrary!

The answer was that it is "nei Roosevelt program. They proposed ther ours nor the bosses". the extention of the Civil Conser-Then whose is it? vation Camps and the Transient No answer: laughter.

How do you know the arbitrators won't cut us to 30 cents? No answer.

hosses?

Why do you go over the head of our Negotiating Committee, and not over the head of the bosses Negotiating Committee? Are you Agriculture Wallace and reminitrying to insult our Committee, or scent of the cries of the Hitlerites. question their sincerity?

Answer: Oh, no. Your Commit tee is made up of fine men. We have no criticism of them. They have done their best to get a good settlement in your interests. (Someone velled "You bet!")

Why don't you force the 166 bosses to get together and take a secret ballot on the Haas-Dunnigan plan?.

Answer: We can't. Then why don't you at least ask

them if they are willing to do it? No answer. Why didn't you make the bosses given one delegate; others were

accept the original Haas-Dunnigan completely denied representation. plan?

We did not have the power to informed that it would not be given make them do anything.

Then how do you know you will have the power to make them live represent its point of view"! Could up to government decisions on the anything be more ridiculous and

basis of this settlement?

No answer. Will the man from Washington who judges "violence" cases wear

a white collar or overalls? "He will be fair in any case."

What is our guarantee?

No answer.

If you had been a picket and were now asked to sign an agreement which might bar you forever from a job, would you do it? No answer.

Then why do you bring it up? **Mediators** Squirm

The questions of the strikers sive groups. At a conference of pinned the conniving mediators to these groups a series of resolutions the wall. They sat through the were adopted to be counterposed to barrage sweating blood and look- the Rooseveltian program of the

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citizens of the Soviet Union, have been charged by the Manchukuoan authorities with collusion with bandits in recent raids on the rail- showed particular interest in the wealthy individuals. Delegates to road. The brazen effrontery of the testimony of witnesses who report-

17 accused, when it is common knowledge that it is the accusers in the strike. who have encouraged and incited

these bandit attacks (frequently with these Jews and Wops," the with Japanese manufactured arms). The present arrests have taken Camps; the outlawry of war, the limitation or abolition of arma- liet Union, in protesting the sum- his ears. ments and the investigation of mumary arrest of its citizens, has nition production. They called for voiced fear that the present move and unselfish humanitarianism" of complete seizure of the C.E.R. by the youth; a plea of Secretary of Japan.

Precisely what action the Soviet tained.

Union will take in this eventuality Of course, it would seem a simple cannot vet be predicted. In any matter for Chief Inspector Valencase, the war clouds, ever-present tine to issue instructions that on the Soviet-Japan horizon, again would put an end to the beating up as striking for a living wage. God of pickets. And Mayor LaGuardia forbid! Green expressly states, lest begin to gather. Now, more than ever, does the slogan of "defense of is Mayor, and not the foreman of the Soviet Union" take on real sig- a coroner's jury.

nificance for the workers of the But they prefer to hold investigaworld. Any moment may see it tions. transformed into a slogan of action.

MARINES LEAVE HAITI AS DIRTY WORK IS FINISHED

The Marines have finally evacuated Haiti.

Dispatches in the capitalist press from Port-au-Prince report that the evacuation was accomplished with great solemnity, and considerable enthusiasm on the part of the civilian population. Haitian officials and officers of the Marine Corps exchanged compliments. In the general rejoicing, it was undoubtedly forgotten, save by

the workers, that the marines have accomplished their purpose. American investments have been saved. The revolt of the starving workers has been crushed. The lackeys of American imperialism are, for the time being, firmly

in the saddle. There were conciliatory remarks and compliments passed a-plenty, but the assurance is still not forthcoming that the marines will not return-when it is necessary to protect American property and the sacred rights of foreign investments.

Nor does William Green, presi-Six arrests were made. Pickets dent of the American Federation of the situation quite well in the face and bystanders were bruised and Labor, intend to accept the situa- of numerous arrests and abuses. trampled upon as the coppers tion lying down. He has hurled a charged with all the old-time gusto.

typical William Green "challenge" But, at City Hall, the Mavor into the teeth of the "gougers". In the event of a price rise, Japanese-Manchukuoan officials in ed that at the Knitting Mills dem- Green says, the executive council propagandize the workers by such levelling these charges against the onstration, a policeman had re- of the A. F. of L. will seek revision of the codes of fair competibuked an Irish girl for taking part

tion in the major industries to pro-"What the hell are you doing vide for an increase in minimum wage schedules.

"If the cost of living is to be policeman was quoted as saying. The Mayor, who is himself half- affected," he said, with the old on a critical appearance. The Sov- Jewish and half-Italian, pricked up fighting spirit that has ever characterized him, "it seems proper and

And he turned the whole case just that wages should be lifted to over to Inspector Valentine, who a higher level. We propose to a "spiritual renaissance", "service is but a preliminary one to the promised disciplinary action make plans to meet the situation against the policemen involved-if as best we can, so that the working the charge of brutality can be suspopulation will not be compelled to

suffer from this changed economic situation."

> Not that he contemplates anything rash or "un-American", such



Price gougers and speculators are

"With smaller supplies and the

ing through commercial channels,

REPORTERS PICKET SCAB PAPER IN STATEN ISLAND

Newspaper men, members of the Newspaper; Guild of New York, are picketing the plant of the Staten Island Advance, Staten Island, New York City. They demand the re-instate ment of Alexander Crosby, news editor of the Advance, who was discharged for joining the Guild. Crosby was with the paper for five years, and had been given a raise just prior to his joining the Guild. The reason assigned for firing him was "incompetency and incompatability."

Realizing that the very existence of their organization is at stake, members of the Guild have developed unexpected spirit and solidarity in the fight against the publisher of the Advance, whom they defeated before when he sought to block the organizing of employes on the Long Island Press, which he also owns.

It is significant that the Guild refused Mayor LaGuardia's offer to "arbitrate" the dispute. The right of newspaper men to join the Guild cannot be arbitrated, was the reply.

to call a strike bosses association and are meeting

Militancy

The knitted garment workers

now awakened to union conscious-

ness are on the march to a success

in their industry. The united ef-

ted garment workers union that

will aid the workers in their strug-

minimum wages scales, is being

met by the workers with effective

While the knit goods bosses are

utilizing all of their resources, such

as the Regional Labor Board, the

International Ladies Garment

struggle for improved working con-

vers. A telephone call would come

to the strike headquarters of the

Joint Council stating that the work-

ers of a given shop are ready to

to take them down to the hall.

When the committee of strikers ap-

pear, the workers in the shop stand

up, wave their Industrial Union

books, sing the International (of

course), tell the committee that

they are members of the Industrial

Union and that they dare them to

be taken down, in hope to cause a

fight. The strikers' committee is

"successfully" fooled and the revo-

lution is completed. But it never

occurs to the "wise revolutionary'

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necessary increase in volume mov- gie for shorter hours and higher

militancy.

ditions.

Strike Demands

The demands of the strike reveal the coolie conditions under which Company unions were the last ditch the textile workers have been slavthat the bosses have attempted, ing. Chief among them is a dewith complete failure to date. They spared neither money nor efforts to mand for a wage scale ranging from \$13 to \$30.

methods as sending leaflets direct Cotton operatives have been to the workers' homes, as well a working for as low as six and seven dollars a week throughout the calling meetings in their shops for company unionization. They en-South.

gaged the services of the Chamber Second, but not less important, is of Commerce to help them in their the demand for the elimination of scheme for company unions, with the vicious "stretch-out" system. the result that in the shops where The "stretch-out" is an inhuman the strongest efforts for company speed-up under which the workers unions were made, the workers are required to operate more looms demonstrated their resentment to per person than is physically posthat scheme, by registering 100 per sible. One of the most intense cent with the Joint Council for genmeans of exploitation, it has been eral strike activities and are fight a constant demand of the textile ing bravely against all the forces workers that the "stretch-out" be out to defeat them. abolished.

The Fight for Recognition

The enthusiasm of the strikers marks a high pitch. Their deter-Recognition of the union and colmination to struggle on to victory lective bargaining is another carover the bosses is evident in al dinal demand over which the strike their strike activities, and they will is to be called. The bosses have not stop short in dealing properly in this industry as elsewhere, with with all the enemies of their cause the wholehearted cooperation of whatever the label they parade unthe NRA, been trying to foist a der. The question of "revolutioncompany union on the workers. ary" unionism is again creeping up Here, as elsewhere, it will again with all its accompanying ills be proven that only battle and not bringing in its trail demoralization the ambiguous section 7a of the and disruption. As for instance,-NRA will win for labor the right when the Joint Council of the I.L to a union of their own choosing. G.W.U. and the U.T.W.U., embrac-Together with the amended ing three locals called a general strike resolution, which was adoptstrike on Wednesday, August 8th ed as against the proposal of the our "friends", the Industrial Unofficialdom, and which makes the ion also came out with a leaflet calling of the strike within a deflcalling for a general strike in the nite period of time mandatory on knitted goods industry. Less than the Executive Board, was the pro-300 workers appeared in their four vision that the contracts of all lohalls. As a result of such poor cals with the employers be uniform response, they embarked on new, on a national scale. very supposedly "clever" maneu-

A resolution condemning William Green for his desertion of the strike in Frisco, unanimously introduced by the Resolutions Committee, was lost after extended discussion by strike and requesting a committee the narrow majority of 193 to 103. Other resolutions instructing the delegates to the Frisco Convention of the A. F. of L. in October to fight for a labor party and for industrial unionism were adopted by the convention.

> DON'T FORGET THE BOATRIDE Tickets for this excursion are available at the City headquarters of the League, 144 Second Ave. The price is \$1.00. The boat will leave Pier 11, East River foot of Wall St. 6 P.M. Saturday, Aug. 18.

als, "unaffiliated delegates" and to official government heads, as in the case of the transient camps. Large organizations at the same time were The Spartacus Youth League was

a credential because "the National Student League (Stalinist) would

Nevertheless the largest national vouth organizations had delegates to the Congress. The Young Communist League, Young Peoples Socialist League, Student League for Industrial Democracy, National Student League, the National Student Federation, sections of the Y. M.C.A., and other radical, liberal and conservative youth groups were

represented. The revolt against the non-demo cratic character of the Congress was prepared by preliminary meetings of a number of the progres-(Continued on Page 4)

before the Mayor and his investigators. The transcript of evidence piles mountain-high. The facts are common knowledge; have been reported even in the capitalist press. But to date, not one police officer has been punished. Not one has

been transferred, or even warned. And the dirty work of beating up workers who are striking for the right to live goes on without interruption—just as if there had been no investigations.

Almost as if the Mayor and Chief Inspector Valentine were not sincere.

teeth knocked out, ribs broken, and

other evidences of police brutality,

Bronx Lecture

Eye-Witness Account of the MINNEAPOLIS STRIKE Speaker MAX SHACHTMAN Editor New International Sunday, August 19th, 8 P.M. 1739 Boston Road-Room 5 Auspices: Communist League of

America, Bronx Branch.

Admission 10c.

There have been many such investigations in the past few months. Witnesses, victims, have paraded their bruises, broken noses, cracked heads, hair torn from their heads,



A picture of that bunch of fat sleek, agents of the bosses appears in the press with the caption the Kidwells and the William "Leaders of labor." Trailers of Greens for their aid to "law and capital would be a more fitting order" in breaking the strike, can caption.

praises the Vandeleurs, the Caseys,

there be any doubt that trade un-

ionists learn from their struggle the

meaning of this type of leadership?

Can there be any question that the

teamsters who came out even be

fore the general strike was de

clared, who in fact were key men

in exerting pressure on the rest of

the one hundred thousand who

question that they feel outraged

and betrayed at the role unwilling-

ly assigned to them by the Caseys

of helping to break the longshore-

men's strike? It was not the team-

sters but the reactionary clique of

An Act of God

A heavy downpour of rain, the first in many weeks was received by the Tyler Kansas Chamber of Commerce with "Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow," at the same time Earl Winkles, repairing downed tools,--can there be any a pump, was electrocuted. Proving that, for the drought, for death, for cold, we should always "Praise God." It's a great game the church plays, for favorable phenomena, thank God and the church, for unfavorable, blame yourself and your sins .--- Heads I win, tails you lose.

Who Is God?

scab drivers on the streets. The The Daily Worker says in argu- ing that any movement for unity of working class in its attempt to orproof will be repeatedly forthcoming against the thesis "Father Di- the working class and militant ganize. These raids, conducted

misleaders who brought the strike to an inglorious end by permitting period of 1919. Pledge The general strike has united the forces of reaction against the

Legion and by the police. In their Nathan Berman 1.00 city, in spite of the fact that the the press tried to place the onus Two Friends 1.00 storm of protest throughout the laof these raids on conservative A. A., Chicago 1.00 bor movement developed. Within strikers, longshoremen and team- A. R., California 2.00 Olson's own party, the Farmer-Lasters. This lie it is unnecessary to A. Sympathizer1.00 bor Party, this revolt took on dimrefute. Of course we must always Max E. Croton 3.00 ensions that produced fright in the

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point out that such an attempt to M. K., N. Y. 1.00 heart of Olson and his forces. This separate the "sheep' from the L. Kogan, 1.00 caused a retreat. The pressure of "goats" could never have been Kansas City Branch 7.00 the working class against the radmade if the Stalinists had not pre- New Haven Branch pared the way for it by separating Boston Branch 3.00 their followers from the masses in L. W., Brooklyn the trade unions. Such raids would Friends of Militant Club.... 25.00 have met the united resistance of Diego Rivera 50.00 all the strikers had the Commun- A. S. M. 1.00 Total\$203.10

but Olson obtained big political finished. He has regained lots of

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change his policy.

He raided the Citizens Alliance.

most normal after a week and a the division within the camp of the purity"! Thus in France antihalf of military rule. Olson's new enemy.

-HUGO OEHLER. A"HandkerchiefHead" Speaks Out

the capitalist world market hit petty-bourgeois to alter his course. French economy last. but it is The mass support of Local 574 is bringing precisely the same consegreat. This is true not only in quences in its train in France as Minneapolis among employed and lsewhere. Unemployment is spreadunemployed, thanks to the leadering, both on the farms and in the ship of 574 and to the M.C.C.W. towns. The fascists, appealing to but also throughout the state. This the lowest and most reactionary support for the union exists in spite emotions of the petty bourgeoisie of the local reactionaries of the in their efforts to obtain a mass Central Labor Union-+who are the basis, do not fail to point their at-7.00 ical petty-bourgeois Governor, was tools of Olson, in spite of Tobin tack at the "aliens". If there is so great that he was forced to and Green, and in spite of the unemployment that is because so scoundrelly role of the Stalinists. many foreigners have been permit-The strike is still on. Olson is ted to take the bread out of the The strikers got nothing out of this on the frying pan, but by no means mouths of the French workers and peasants. These foreigners must capital. Next he revoked all truck lost ground. It is up to the leaders be driven out. And besides, think permits. Trucks were running al- of local 574 to continue to utilize of the danger to French "racial Semitism is rivalled by the fomenting of hatred against the foreign worker.

The French Communist League

"The Scottsboro Boys have been only that the pressure was not deep Our comrades in France, small

ists been in one organization with the rest of the working class. But these raids duplicate those of the war days or those of the Palmer

vine is God" party members ab-	struggle has the immediate effect of	now to break the unions and to es-		L	ionabed Properly defended they	enough, was not wide enough.	as are their forces, are at the
stractly tried to prove that Father	setting the rank and file against	tablish the open shop, although			might ere this have been Pullman	Which does not exactly mean that	forefront of the battle against fas-
Divine was not God. We wonder	in the second seco	they start by attacks on the "reds",	Manhattan		porters jazz hand players, or la-	the lawyer's place in a labor case	cism and the looming menace of
if they had another candidate for	struggle is now transferred back	under present conditions gather mo-		monthly	borers for C.W.A." " the for-	is entirely negligible-it only means	war. Under the guidance of a
the position—the infallible, inflex-	into the unions.	mentum, form part of a process of	1 0.000	0 weekly	bearance of the mob-minded crack-	that his importance be not exagger-	leadership schooled in the principles
ible, steeled and unchangeable, the		crystallization out of the forces of	Deciminal Letters		er proletariat is so unprecedented	ated. That Leibowitz was an evil	of Bolshevik-Leninists, our French
same today, yesterday and forever.	ization of Struggle	utter reaction, determined to crush	Clara Nelson 1.00		in these parts (the South) as to	choice the Militant was the first to	League has given timely and correct
* * *	An elemental action of American	all democratic rights. It is hardly	J G Wright .50		merit commendation." In an effort	point out. His shyster behavior in	analyses of the march of events,
Warden Lawes of Sing Sing		an accident that the inception of	J. G. Wright	monthly	to outdo the cynical Mencken in his	the courtroom even brought a re-	has understood clearly every move
		this process on such a scale should	S Bleeker .50	-	choice of insulting euphemisms for	proof from William Z. Foster. Law-	of fascist reaction. It was under
"The fellow who doesn't have	i i e and in	occur in the city that witnessed the frame-up of Tom Mooney. It is	S. Gordon 2.00		the word Negro, the author resorts	yers don't win labor cases. They	the League's influence that the first
much money or many friends does-	the building up of class conscious-	the same A. F. of L. bureaucrats	Paul King 1.00		to such tidbits as "the lowly Sene-	can postpone, appeal and postpone	real united front was established
n't get much of a break. I am not	ness. Two things become clear by	who betrayed Mooney that also be-	Florence Becker 2.00		gambians" and the "accused black-	again until the pressure of the	with the Socialists to combat the
a Communist but there ought to be some changes in the social order to	study of the recent events. First of	trayed the General Strike. Only	I. Weber 2.00		amoors". Now who may the au-	masses becomes so intense that the	immediate menace of a fascist coup
get across the idea of fair play	all, the workers in their trades un-	the united front of workers' organ-	Com. Tamas 1.00		thor of the above quotations be?	judicial hirelings of capital will	d'etat in the February days. And
both in prison and out." So said	ions are ripe for new leadership,	izations, including all trade un-	F. Victor .50		Is it some kindly southern gentle-	think twice and three times before	this at a time when the Stalinists,
the Warden, under the shock of a	are in fact in their own fashion	ions, can meet properly the attack	M. Kling .50		man talking down to the poor, be-	they go through with their frame-	still opposing the united front as
triple execution. He seems to sense	casting about for leaders with cor-	of the incipient fascists whose	E. Konikow 1.0		nighted blacks of his vicinity? Is	ups, executions and imprisonments.	counter-revolutionary, were going
the fact that only a Communist	rect policies to direct their strug-	forces are being gathered now to			it one of the newly formed group of	Is there a fool or a Schuyler in	through a briefer phase of the Ger-
revolution can put "across the idea	gles, for they show every willing-	prevent the closed shop. The reac-	Harlem E. Beecher .50		reactionary southern aristocratic	the United States who still doubts	man Red Referendum by demon-
of fair play both in prison and	ness to struggle. That means that	tionaries are not yet making their			literati talking of southern "en-	that only a serious nation-wide	strating on February 6th together
out."	the left wing elements must intens-	bid for state power but we must	Condy		lightenment?" No. The above quo-	movement of the masses will free	with the fascists against the gov-
∪u * * *	ity their enorts as never before to	prepare to meet this bid.	0000		tations are from an article by a	Mooney? Is it for a lack of good	ernment of Daladier, and by call-
	establish then mildence in the un	JACK WEBER.	Jerry Marsh 1.0 T. Smith 2.0		Negro. An above-the-race and	legal talent that Mooney still rots	ing for the imprisonment of Dala-
Capitalism Safe and Sane	ions. Again we see the criminal			,	above-the-class Negro. A typical	in prison-or is it that the pressure	dier and Frot for shooting down
J. B. Priestley after a survey of	folly of the Stalinists in stupidly	OUTCACO PLONIC TO DUNES	Bronx	,	handkerchief head. A writer for	of the masses is not as yet deep	fascists who were attempting the
the slums of Birmingham, England		CHICAGO PICNIC TO DUNES	S. Eckstadt 1.0		the Negro bourgeois Pittsburgh	enough nor wide enough? Mooney,	immediate forceful overthrow of
"Never were there so many people		For the benefit of	M. Lifshitz 1.0		Courier. A contributor to what	Billings, the Scottsboro boys, An-	the bourgeois democratic parlia-
doing nothing and never was there		Young Spartacus	Others in New York	City	was Mencken's Mercury. A writer	gelo Herndon and others can be	mentary system. Our League has
so much to be done."	eral strike with all its indications		H. Porter 1.0) monthly	for the super-cynical sheet of	freed. It is up to the working	set up the slogan of Workers Alli-
	of class solidarity, should pass	SUNDAY, AUGUST 26th	E. Alby 1.0) "	George Jean Nathan-the American	class organizations to build a pow-	ance (the united front and the in-
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Si we informed him that the medal were exempt and also that up to the present Roosevelt basyit na	slogans it is evident that with a correct approach we can begin to propagandize for wider aims of struggle. In this epoch the class struggle cannot be carried on in distinctly isolated stages,—first eco- nomic, then political. Our strug- gle is a "combined" one in which we must learn to combine issues prop- erly so as to lead the entire class one step or two steps or many steps forward along the road to power. Only by conscious experimenting can we learn how many stages can be "skipped" and how many com- bined through the present struggles. Any preconceived, fixed notions of distinct and separate steps, each one taking so much time will prove to be pedantic and sterile. Workers' Control of Production The workers demand recognition of the union as a step in the direc- tion of the closed shop. The bosses refuse recognition of any "outside" upion and fight for the open shop. In this fight the workers—the long- shoremen, for example, who want control over the hiring halls—are really setting up the slogan of con- trol of the ir own labor power as a	2557 W. North at 8 A.M. Ogden and Kedzieat at 9 A.M. 51st and Cottage Grove at 10 A.M. Games - Bathing - Refreshments. Auspices: Spartacus Youth Clubs of Chicago. THEE MILLITANT Entered as a second class mail Post Office at New York, N. Y. Un- der the act of March 3, 1879. Published Weekly by the Com- munist League of America 144 Second Ave., New York, N. Y. Phone: Gramercy 5-9524 EDITORIAL BOARD Martin Abern James P. Cannon Mar Shachtman Maurice Spector Arne Swabeck Vol. 7, No. 33, (Whole No. 237) SATURDAY, AUGUST 18, 1934 Bundle rates one cent per copy. Subscription rate: \$1.00 per year \$0.50 per half year — Canada and Foreign: \$1.50 per year; 75c for six months.	L. Haidous 1.00 Samuel, E. 1.00 The Geltmans 1.00 P. Miller 1.00 Sydney Moroff 1.00 Sydney Moroff 1.00 City Subway Worker 1.00 Edith Sher 1.00 City Subway Worker 1.00 Edith Sher 1.00 (paid for 25 weeks) A A Teacher 1.00 (paid for 26 weeks) Geo. Cooper Geo. Cooper 1.00 M. M. 2.00 John Delaney .5 Newark, N. J. Geo. Holley Geo. Holley .50 Newark, N. J. Geo. Lambert J. Bccker 1.00 Lambert 1.00 A Sympathizer .5 M. Henderson .5 W. Henderson .5 J. Chiplowitz .5 A. Wolfe, New Haven 1.00 A Friend, Youngstown 2.00	0 " 0 " 0 " 0 " 0 " 0 " 0 " 0 "	Sneers at Mass Pressure Mr. Schuyler's opinion is that mass pressure in labor cases or what amounts to the same thing— the attempted framing of Negroes in southern courts—is useless and even contemptible. For him mass pressure is an effort on the part of the "boa feather workers and pants pressers" to "embarrass" the south- ern courts. (Mr. Schuyler is not referring perhaps to a lot of Rus- sian Jews who are starting all this trouble in the country?). What a callous way of dismissing the her- oic protests of workers in every part of the country and every part of the globe. Protests held in sym- pathy and in solidarity with their persecuted brothers in the south of these United States. Who can deny that but for these very protests, this very mass pres- sure, the Scottsboro boys would long since have been chunks of charcoal dangling from southern magnolia trees. If mass pressure cannot save a worker from the frame-up which has been developed into a science by America's ruling class then nothing can save him.	American Workers Party. Does the A.W.P. take responsibility for his opinions- Does it agree with Mr. Schuyler, a responsible member of its organization, that a benevolent protectorate (armed intervention) is the solution for Liberia? Does the A.W.P. consider Mr. Schuyler a fit member for a revolutionary	and the formation of the Workers' Militia to meet the attack of the military formations of fascism. *** Comrade Trotsky in Danger! No wonder that the fascist forces aided by the Doumergue govern- ment, the prelude to fascism, aim to crush the League! Today the forces working against time to build up the Fourth International are rightly viewed by French reac- tion as the worst enemy of fascism. Hence the spearhead of the attack against the working class is turned first of all towards comrade Trot- sky. Under constant surveillance by the police, forced to move about so as to destroy any possibility of doing concentrated work, he is threatened constantly with deporta- tion to the French African colonies, perhaps to Madagascar. His life is in danger! We must rally to his defense! Every aid must be given to assure his safety. A campaign must be started to secure political asylum in America. Above all, money is needed. 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result of this experience it becomes fixed in your ary Party is in the midst of serious mind that when a contradiction exists between what internal trouble, that may lead to Lenin said and what a Stalinist says, you can be a split.

sure that there is something wrong with the statement of the latter. If, as your friend states, Lenin this rumor are the supporters of ing "Red" unions, you can be sure that he spoke to tions: the brown shirted "Mexican them in the spirit of his "Left-Wing Communism" Revolutionary Association and the and not a la Stalin.

national of Labor Unions was formed during Lenin's group is the present president in time; or to be more exact, in July, 1920. (In 1921 office, A. Rodriguez. the Constitution of the R.I.L.U. was published in English by the American Labor Union Educational ments of the ruling class who see the possibility of any class in mod- sia, these parties last only a few drama very shortly. Elements who Torgler, who was reported to have had differences national center of the various national "T.U.U.L.'s". ruling the masses are still good only class that can abolish the native capitalists was suppressed may find themselves uncomfortable. Is dead let us redouble the fight for Thaelmann." Nothing could be farther from the truth. The R.I. enough. L.U. was intended as the international center of revolutionary unions, it is true, but unions made turing the existing organization, and not by creating newspapers (even from a bourgeois "paper" ones. To prove this statement we will call point of view), the general unsetupon none other than Lozovsky himself.

Reporting upon the international council of trade condition. Even the lowest peon basis for the R.I.L.U., he states: "The question that in the large governmental bureauraised most discussion was that of the tactics of the cracy who will tell him "confiden-Communist revolutionary elements within the trade tially" all sorts of fantastic stories. union movement in connection with the old mass This rumor, however, has grounds unions. The question was: Should the old unions be for belief. split or captured? . . . To leave the unions and to The various fascist organizations set up small independent unions is an evidence of have been experiencing some weakness, it is a policy of despair, and, more than growth lately. The usual collection that, it shows lack of faith in the working class. of social filth, the refuse of life, (ahem) One must choose between two positions, ei- has been flocking into these organther the soical revolution is inevitable, that the work- izations: Ex-governmental officials, ing class is pressing toward the overthrow of capital- unemployed generals, colonels, capism, and the trade unions, however reactionary they tains and lieutenants (and Mexico may be at present, will change their character under with its 25 years of revolution and the influence of the revolutionary mass-or the social counter-revolution is more populatrevolution is a matter of the distant future-in that ed with men wearing, or entitled case no unions, however revolutionary their pro- to wear, epaulets than it is with grammes may be, will be of much use. . . . That the doctors); petty-bourgeois alarmed conference took up the correct point of view is proved at Jewish and Chinese competition; by the Second Congress of the Third International ex-landowners who dream of the which sharply opposed the tactics of leaving the un-glorious days of peonage under ions. The motto put forward by the Communist Porfirio Diaz; ambitious students; International, and which is our motto is: NOT THE lackeys of the imperialist groups DESTRUCTION BUT THE CONQUEST OF THE **TRADE UNIONS.** (Emphasis in original.)

"It may have been possible on other questions to compromise in order to secure agreement, BUT ON WAS POSSIBLE . . . neither the Communist Inter- at the given signal to shout "Vive national nor the TRADE UNION ORGANIZATIONS (emphasis ours) affiliated to it could put forward and "Abajo los Judios y Chinos"any other motto, because for the revolutionary ele for the price of a brown cotton antry from the big bourgeoisie. The ers to at least talk radically. ments to leave the unions would mean playing into shirt and a half litro of Tequila. Legien's and Gomper's hand. . . ." (A. Lozovsky, "The International Council of Trade and Industrial these fascist organizations in large Min Tang. The same will take urban workers will without doubt the rapidity with which a real Comsubstantiated in another pamphlet by Lozovsky. "What is the Red International of Labor Unions?" published by the R.I.L.U. in 1927.

Now as to the contention that the present "red" unions were formed primarily to organize the unor faction which is in power and ganized. This argument cannot stand up either in which represents American imperthe face of an analysis of such a position or in the ialism in alliance with the large face of the facts as stated in the official Party docu- native capitalists. The latter, ments or as the matter actually developed in life.

Point 1. The theoretical basis for the new unions (7th National Convention of the C.P.U.S.A., 1930) cal elements, as well as the former, was that the A. F. of L. is "outright fascist" and have everything to fear from these since a fascist organization is only fit to be destroyed, fascist organizations, made up of "only on the basis of the Trade Union Unity League reactionary, clerical, feudal elewill the Party be able to assume the leadership of ments and those imperialists . . . economic struggles."

Point 2. If the new unions were formed primarily Street's. to organize the unorganized, it would be reasonable to expect that the new unions would be formed only Calles group depends upon the peaswhere none with a mass base existed. The Stalinists, ants who were given a few hec- militant workers in the Socialist term is used in the declaration of however, split the Workmen's Circle and founded the tares of land, and very liberal party the Detroit declaration of principles means a democracy

On the one side, according to

green-shirted "Pro-race Commit-In the first place it is correct that the Red Inter- tee". Supposedly directing this class which hopes to complete the cause of a lull in the struggle of

Society.) What your Stalinist friend implies, how- in these groups a peril, and who ern society but the proletariat. days. In China where the class attack the National Revolutionary with them, up till the time rumors of his death were ever, is that the R.I.L.U. was intended as the inter- think that the democratic ways of Speaking concretely of Mexico the struggle between the workers and Party from the side of the right heard. Then the Stalinists said: "Now that Torgler

> **Rumors of Solit** Mexico is a land of rumors. The

ship of the proletariat. tled state of affairs causes this

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capital; and the usual lot of de-Kuo Min Tang in 1927 split into And the peasants are not satispowerful National Revolutionary village.

Composed of such elements, these groups are a danger to the Calles which gained its standing in the struggle with the feudal and cleri-

(This is the second of a series | of "workers' democracy"? of articles on the problems facing the members of the Socialist whose interests clash with Wall

party.—Ed.) Militant. But let us examine Kan-II. torovitch's utterances on the ques-Even among the more advanced tion. "A workers' democracy as the I.W.O.; split the Amalgamated Food Workers' Union promises-for the future of course, principles is hailed as a revolution- where franchise is based on useful

GERALD DAVIS, Philadelphia.--I hope that as a the governing National Revolution- The Significance of the Impending collapse into distinct groups: the international solidarity and the Crisis in the Government Party commercial grand and small capi-

class forces. In Russia this stage as left side. The Communist move said something to the French comrades about build- the newly-formed fascist organiza- lasted but several months, in Mex- ment in Mexico must push this ico years. Basing itself generally forward.

upon the petty-bourgeoisie they The unity of these above menrepresent the vacillation of this tioned parties is only "secure" bebourgeois revolution without hav- the classes. Where the class strugcan League.

ing recourse to the proletariat. $A \mid g_{le}$ is given free play and even en-On the other side are those ele- task of such magnitude is beyond couraged, as was the case in Rus-

clergy, give land to the peasants on by all the strength that Stalin had, Members and groups may be exeither an individual or collective the Kuo Min Tang maintained an pelled. Calles may defend demo- froy, the secretary of the Belgian Young Socialists basis, and free the land of imper- appearance of unity from 1924 to cracy. They can permit themselves which numbers some 35,000 members had with Kosrevolutionary by the communists expanding and cap- large illiterate population, the timid ialism is the proletariat organized 1927. Again the turn in the events this luxury because of the inactive in its own class form, the dictator- or 1927, the stunning defeat given attitude of the mass.

the proletariat has kept the Chinese But with increased movement of The petty bourgeoisie and the mass movement from reappearing. the workers and peasants, many united front proposal made by it for the purpose of upper reaches of the peasantry hope The major difficulties for Chiang of the sections and individuals now and industrial unions of June, 1920, which laid the has a friend, or a friend of a friend, to avoid this by throwing their Kai Shek and the bourgeoisie sup-supporting Calles may find themsupport behind Calles. He will porting him now is from the right, selves taking up the arms they are and deported back to Hitler Germany. Kossarev re-The working class of Mexico has forcing the fascists to drop now, plied that they "had no time to waste defending

ists.

New Stage Approaching

There is yet another analogy that number of strikes, and their mili-present enemies. But renewed rev- revolution." We have no doubt that this declaration from the viewpoint of the struggle tancy have been decreasing. The olutionary activity on the part of of solidarity will be extremely pleasing to Hitler and between Stalinism and Leninism is agrarian movement seethes below the masses does not mean that the his cutthroats.

of great importance. In the follow- the surface, appearing only in upper classes will solidify theming we naturally exclude Russia. nightly expeditions of the white selves but will probably result in REACTIONARY DECREES IN HOLLAND In both China and Mexico the guards of the land owners who at- further disintegration of the bloc working class and its party was tempt to do the same to peasant that Calles has under control now Following the crushing of the spontaneous uprising harnessed to the chariot of the leaders-or has degenerated as far into a left social democratic sec- of the unemployed, reported in this column two weeks bourgeoisie by the Stalinists. Just as pleading on the part of peasants tion and a right fascist one. Em- ago, the government has undertaken repressive measas Chiang Kai Shek was hailed as before the agrarian committees of bryos of this division are to be user against the revolutionary section of the labor seen at present.

Labor on New Upswing

Speaking at least from the point But "parties" built upon so many of view of the working class, there own arms, their own government; nominated. This deposit is forfeited unless at least classes, antagonistic classes more- are signs that this peaceful period the dictatorship of the proletariat; three members are elected. Fourth, another law has over, are not parties. They split is drawing to a close. The number their own party and their own in- been approved making it illegal for any paid official apart into warring parties, each of strikes and their militancy is in- ternational; and to teach the mass- of a trade union to sit on any public body. This party with its own class, in time creasing, due to the same economicof crisis. In 1917 the Social Revo- political conditions that work for represents can neither liquidate of the R.S.P., who is likewise one of the officials of THIS CARDINAL QUESTION NO COMPROMISE the nearest cantina and instructed lutionaries split into a pro-Keren- the increase of the number of the reaction, nor abolish fanaticism, an independent trade union movement as well as sky pro-war wing, and into a left strikes in the U.S. The leadership nor give land to the peasants, nor being a member of parliament. Mexico", "Mueren Los Comunistas", pro-Soviet wing. Broadly speaking of the union movement has been bring socialism. The masses, led

this separation divided the peas- forced by pressure from the workones that can do this. The solution of this problem in

nothing

ervice to society, and

Instead of the declaration reading:

'workers' democracy, that is so-

great stress, from the right as well pressure of the class struggle, the cated politically.

Democratic voting was impossible because of the capitalist collapse This has been discussed at some length in previous issues of the majority are reflected in the workership.

Social Democracy came into power dervelde, being no novice at political squirming, was on the tide of the revolutionary well aware of this.

-C. C.

National Revolutionary Party will ers, the native industrialists, the STALINISTS

WORLD OF LABOR

The following incident should serve to illustrate talists, the artisans, the imperial- to what abysmal depths the Stalinist conception of international solidarity has sunk. In cases where The poor peasants and the prole- the hand of reaction reaches out and seizes a fighter tariat will be thrown into space to for the proletariat one would expect that every secevolve toward the Internationalist- tion of the labor movement, irrespective of other Communists at a rate of speed political differences, would unite to wrest the victim which partly will depend upon the from the enemy. Not so with the Stalinists. Unless efficiency of the work of the Mexi- they have a private concern in the case they wash their hands of it because they have "interests separate and apart from those of the working class".

We may witness one act of the This is illustrated in their criminal neglect of

The instance at hand is an interview between Godesarey, the secretary of the Young Communist International. Kossarov was asked why the Young Communists of Belgium (500 members) had refused a defending the 4 German youths arrested by the Dutch police during the International Youth Conference been dormant since 1927. The Calles may make friends with his Trotskyists who are in the vanguard of the counter-

Reaction is paving the way for Fascism in Holland. movement and passed laws aimed directly at the Rev-All this places a very delicate olutionary Socialist Party (Dutch Section of the task upon the vanguard of the pro- I.C.L.), the Independent Socialist Party and the wall of defense around Calles by the National Revolutionary Party letariat, the L.C.I. of Mexico-to Stalinist party. First is the Sedition Bill. Second. the Stalinists. These are the re- has been able to maintain unity or fight, against our enemy and the the passage of another bill making it impossible for enemy; to fight against the fascists any party to be represented in parliament unless at while training the workers to have least three members are elected. Third, a denosit faith only in themselves; in their of 250 guilds must be paid before candidates can be es that Calles and the class he would strike directly at comrade Sneevliet, chairman

One further word on Holland. We are not at all by the proletariat, are the only surprised to see a reprint in the New Leader, for August 11th, in the column "The Workers Abroad", of the account of Peter Schmidt of the revolt of the Above all, Catholics are entering two groups: a left and right Kuo fied. The increasing activity of the a proletarian manner depends upon unemployed in Holland which is practically a verbatim reproduction with the exception of the part Unions", pp. 37 to 39). You will find this further numbers and becoming the chief place in Mexico. The seemingly awaken the class struggle in the munist Party can be built in Mex- that deals with the treachery of social-democratic ico and that miserable caricature trade union leaders who called the police when work-Party will collapse in moments of With the greater and greater that now bears that name is eradi- ers came to them for help. Very convenient, but obvious facts cannot be concealed that way.

VANDERVELDE ON THE UNITED FRONT

Emile Vandervelde, president of the Second Interso the Social Democracy assumed national, and leader of His Majesty King Leopold's power. Space does not permit a de- Most Loyal Opposition, indicates how enormous was tailed examination of this prattle, the mass pressure for united action in France when a few words are however in place. he said in an article published in the Petit Proven-1. Kantorovitch's conception of cal: "I am fully in accord with Leon Blum, with "majority" is a parliamentary, bal- Paul Faure and with Lebas that it was morally imlot box, view. Revolutions have a possible for them to decline." He refers to the unity far more realistic view of "major offer of the Communist Party of France. It was ity". In a period of economic and "morally impossible" because the French proletariat political chaos the opinions of the was clamoring too loudly for the united front and any bureaucrat, Stalinist or reformist, that stood in ers' organizations and their lead- its way, would be immediately discredited and brushed aside. To accept the united front was to 2. In Germany and Austria the save the face of reformism temporarily. And Van-

wave. In Germany, the develop- For this ex-Minister of the King, who wept bitter ment of strikes, the revolt of the tears at the funeral of Albert, the united front offer Kiel soldiers for which the revo- was not accepted so as to bring power to the struggle lutionary Socialists are partly re- against Fascism but rather because it was "morally sponsible, lead to the organization impossible" to decline the offer. That Vandervelde of Soviets. The Majority (right and his colleagues in France have found a convenwing) Social Democracy had con- ient ally in the Stalinists in hamstringing the united trol over the workers n the trade front, confining it to meetings, speeches, etc. but not unions and soviets. After they to struggle is manifest in the same article. Here were forced to proclaim the Repub- Vandervelde attributes the turn of the French C.P. lic they did not destroy the old to the new position occupied by the U.S.S.R. interarmy leadership, its reactionary nationally. This position has led the Soviet Union generals and officers, but rather to follow a policy of attempting to maintain peace at all costs, even at the expense of revolutions and workers. Violence against the most upheavals in European countries. Vandervelde and Co. certainly do not want any drastic change in the capitalist countries where they hold down fat jobs. The Stalinist parties must follow blindly and obediused against the revolutionary ently the foreign policy of the U.S.S.R. Politics make strange bedfellows! was frustrated and converted into tion in peace time leads to social patriotism in war time. The alternative is a revolutionary Marxist party, to the exclusion of reformists and centrists. 3. Oneal and Waldman have no bones to pick with the assumption to power of the German and Principles, or Kantorovitch in his Austrian Social Democracy in 1918. They are opposed to presenting the problem in the same manner as the declaration; they are against saying anything at all about it in the declaration. On the politics there is no disagreement. The Revolutionary Policy Committee therefore has made a serious mistake in advising the Socialist party members to vote for the Detroit declaration of liamentary system collapses? A principles. No explanatory statement of such an action can wipe away its support of a centrist program. Undoubtedly many militant Socialists think that a support of the Detroit declaration is a blow at the not only does not answer these Right wing. The "Militant" group accuses those fundamental problems, but does not left wingers who oppose the declaration as supporters of the Right. But is not this the universal cry of the Centrists? By their very position between the extreme right and the genuine left wing they threaten the latter with the growth of the former and the former with the growing power ialist America? Here the forces of of the latter. At this stage with a small and hesitant left wing in the S. P. the Centrists warn them of their "support" of the Right. Tomorrow when the left wing grows stronger the Right wing will be warned of this new danger by the centrists. What is needed is a clear cut revolutionary promaintaining a government under threat of Fascism will appear as an gram and grouping in the Socialist party. This immediate menace. Can a revolu- means an unambiguous struggle against the rights, According to Kantorovitch: "No tionary workers' party at such a Thomasites and the self-styled "Militants". It means a fundamental understanding of the revolutionary road to power, of the task of the workers' and so as to make it clear that he practical program of action on such party in the struggle against war and Fascism and is anti-communist he states that an eventuality is to substitute the the need for a new revolutionary workers' party. Such a party cannot be a member of the reformist Labor and Socialist International. The revolutionary workers in the Socialist party-if they are to break from reformism and centrism-must demand a break tained? What does it look like in It is such a program of "theoreti- with this International and proclaim the need for a cally possible" roads to socialism new, a Fourth International. Only along this path can the left wing Socialist which is at the bottom of the cenforces contribute in a progressive and revolutionary and Austria in the period immedi- that is unity with the reformists, manner to the solution of the problems of the Ameri--JOSEPH CARTEB.



liberator of the Chinese from im- the National Revolutionary Party. perialism so was Calles. The mass- Under such conditions of comes were instructed to build an iron parative peace in the class struggle suits of the theory of "the demo- what appears to be unity. cratic dictatorship of the proletar-

scramble with American finance-

generated proletarians recruited at and most militant elements in all the demonstrations.

For fists, for mass support, the

A few days ago Calles came to the

withdrawn.

liquidate these organizations. Upon

his arrival the army band was

The main step that lends cred-

ence to these reports is the motion

passed July 28 by the Central Com-

mittee of the National Revolution-

ary Party, expelling anybody from

its ranks who joins any organiza-

tion of a political type—a move

directed against the shirted ones.

Workers' Industrial Union nd on the proletariat. the National Miners Union was maintained in the port was gained because of fear of is heightened on the one hand by face of the mass U.M.W. of A.; and the Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union exists alongside ing the revolution (Article 23 of the other, by the absence of a genu- cialism), according to Kantorothe mass I.L.G.W.U. Those cases which are not the Constitution and the Labor inely revolutionary criticism of the mentioned would only further destroy the Stalinists' Laws). contention. These fascist organizations, be-

Point 3, which concerns the C. P.'s position prior ing liberally supplied with funds to the inception of the T.U.U.L. requires fairly leng. from German, French, Spanish, thy quotations which will be given in order that the Catholic, and in all probability cy of capitalist parliamentarianmatter can be cleared up once and for all, and so British sources, elements high up ism" and calls for its replacement that no accusations can be levelled against us that in the government have enrolled in by "workers' democracy" is a revwe make use of hastily snatched quotations. Since them. This trivial fact may illustrate other questioners are pressing for answers, lack of space requires that this be-CONTINUED NEXT this. The Department of War, ru- howling: communism. mor has it, advised all foot-loose WEEK. officers to join these movements. It

* * * COMRADE H. M. K., Philadelphia-Unfortunately, also gave its band to the fascists since they are out of print, or their publishers out of business, there is no record of all the versions, in the brown shirts at the Bull Ring. English, of Lenin's "Left-Wing Communism." check-up at the N. Y. Public Library shows that the capital, it is said to personally

only copy on file is a French translation.

However, there is handy, in addition to the one recently published by the International Publishers an edition entitled "Left Wing Communism, An Infantile Disorder", published by the Marxian Educational Society, 1921; and an edition entitled "The Infantile Sickness of 'Leftism' in Communism", published by the Contemporary Publishing Association in 1920. The latter translation appeared simultaneously with the first Russian, French and German editions.

Analogy with Kerensky A comparison of the 1920 "Infantile Sickness" The Calles Party in Mexico is copy with the latest International Publishers publi- built upon many elements and ter of democracy since the World sion of supporting something revocation indicates that, as far as can be judged by the various subject headings, the text covered by both lutionary Party of Russia in is the same. Both editions have in their appendix 1917 or the Kuo Min Tang of China al "have made a fetish of democra-Lenin's correspondence with the Dutch Communist Party, an article about Turatti in Italy, etc. Except for some typographical errors it will probably be difficult to show why the 1920 edition is "inadequate".

However, the Stalinists will bear watching. They are making a turn in their trade union policy and a was to carry the war to a success- boration." (American Socialist proclaims that if the capitalist sysslight distortion of a sentence or the addition of a ful conclusion. In China it was to Quarterly, April, 1932, page 40). "drive the imperialists out". In No less ! word, particularly in that part of Lenin's work which deals with work in the reactionary unions, might Mexico it is to liquidate the help them in their oily maneuvres, especially since clergy and the foudal elements. it is this chapter which stands as a condemnation There is another analogy. All of their whole policy.

LEFT S. P. ite, N. Y.-Because of lack of space, our cal government of the ultra-reacanswer to the Boston Yipsel of August 4 did not go tion (the overturn of the dynasty in China, the March Revolution in completely into the question raised which may account for the impression you got. It was never in- Russia and the overthrow of the tended to convey the idea that the question of pro-Czar, and revolution against Porletarian power might be settled by the ballot box firio Diaz in 1910 in Mexico) and even under certain circumstances. No! The ques- the victory of the proletarian revtion of power will be decided by the dynamics of the olution, supported by the poor pea- asites and the militant workers. On class struggle of which elections are, at best, but a santry. crude barometer.

You will find an answer to Kautsky's "Terrorism vs. Democracy" in Trotsky's pamphlet "Dictatorship The duration of this period depends the position of the Old Guard. vs. Democracy" which was written as a reply to on the specific conditions in each Does the declaration of principles Kautsky.

ary document. Their enthusiasm else." It includes both the transiloss of the social reforms won dur- the attacks on the right wing, on document within the Socialist principles it applies to the final party. goal." (p. 15)

Surely, we are told, a document What an explanation? In the first place, it is obvious that the which opposes the "bogus democradeclaration formulae is intentionally vague, so as to unite the largest, even if conflicting, forces behind it olutionary one. The Old Guard and permit the left wing Socialist gives aid to this interpretation by to think that the S. P. is for the

What does "bogus democracy"

Does not the "Militant Program" mean? Kantorovitch again comes of Kantorovitch state that both to our assistance: " . . real demoterms are synonomous? On the to be used at an entertainment of cracy is incompatible with capital- other hand, has not Thomas repeatism. Real democracy will only be edly stated that workers' democramade possible by the abolition of cy is not the dictatorship of the class divisions in society." ("The proletariat?

Socialist Party at the Cross But Kantorovitch goes further: Roads"). What Socialist would in the declaration the term "worknot give lip-service to such a state-lers' democracy" refers only to the

ment? One can find the same view final goal. Which means that it expressed in Hillquit's "From takes no position---that is no posi-Marx to Lenin"; but did this make tive position-on the all important Hillquit a revolution st? problem of the transition period between capitalist rule and socialism!

Kantorovitch goes no further than general remarks on the question of socialism and democracy And for good reason! For only cialism" so as to make the full yesterday when the old "Militants" meaning clear, the latter phrase is group showed the changed charac-

omitted, thereby giving the impresclasses similar to the Social Revo- War and stated that the parties of lutionary! Can one imagine any the Labor and Solalist Internationgreater deception than this apparently innocent phrase!

was in 1927. These elements (sup-cy" Kantorovitch replied: "But The So-Called Minority Revolution porting one of the imperialist fac- Comrade Shapiro and the Militants Many Socialists may be ready to tions, of course) attempt to "unite" never seem to have thought that grant that the declaration of princthe nation, and to suppress the their anti-democratic propaganda iples as a whole is vague. But class struggle in the interests of must be very welcome to capitalism. they are convinced that it is una "national" task. In Russia it It is a strange case of class collatem collapses in a general chaos and confusion, the Socialist party.

Now the Old Guard repeats the argument of Kantorovitch — by a majority will not shrink from the quoting his past statements! The responsibility of organizing and torship is to be expected. The phrase "bogus democracy" plays these parties appear in the period into the hands of the reactionaries, the workers' rule". between the downfall of the politi- they shout. However, if Kantoro-

vitch's recent interpretation of the phrase were put into the declaration of principles, Oneal and Lee would find little to disagree with. In a word, the phrase is used so majority" revolution to be at- real dangers and prepare for them. the fundamental question of demo-

real life? To this Kantorovitch responds triumphantly: Look at Germany trist theory of a united partycountry and the relationship of fare any better with its statement ately following the World War! whose opportunist class collabora. can working class.

tion period and the final goal (sovitch, "but in the declaration of used them against the revolutionary dictatorship of the proletariat! reactionary supporters of capitalism was avoided by the Social Democracy only to have these forces workers. In a word, a truly Socialist working class revolution

a capitalist counter-revolution. In Austria the same social process was less violent.

But what has the Declaration of analysis of it, to say about the lessons of these events? Is violence against the active counterrevolution to be avoided? Is the capitalist state apparatus to be destroyed? What is going to be the basis of "workers' rule" if the parnew system or soviets? The declaration of principles or Kantorovitch in his learned explanations of it, even recognize their existence!

b) But what relevance has the post-World War collapse of capitalism, except as a theoretical possiequivocally revolutionary where it bility, to do with powerful imperreaction are strong; the petty bourgeoisie numerically large. Particu-"whether or not in such cases it is larly in a deep-going social crisis one or another form of open dictacommunist, however, would sub- time take power without violence, scribe to the above paragraphs"; without insurrection? To base a "The declaration of principles does platonic wish for the sordid reality. not call for insurrection and vio- More, it blinds the working class lence." Then how is this "non- so as to make it unable to see the

as to appear near-Communist and yet Socialist: to satisfy the Thom-

In this period Kerensky appeared cracy and socialism the declaration in Russia and Calles in Mexico. is not in irreconcilible conflict with

THE MILITANT

Fraternal Orders Begin **Drive Against Labor**

"Nation-wide Drive On Reds | sons advocating the overthrow of Planned", "Citizens Committee Or- the American government. 2. To make these records, in-

ganized To Combat Reds", "Assails Communists for Strike Activity", cluding criminal records, available "Hunt Reds Among Jobless", "Cit- to every police department in the country. izens to Organize to Curb Reds." 3. To act as a clearing house Translated, these headlines mean nothing more nor less than that a for all information concerning all concerted effort is now in prepara- radical activities of this character. tion to exterminate the labor movement. To crush labor if and when it lifts its head. To stem the tide for disloyal purposes. of the growing strike struggles throughout the country. To scare and bewilder the workers. To confuse the issues. To crack down on the unions. To establish an openshop America. To pave the way

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for Fascism. That the above are not the usual run of scare-heads common to the boss press is attested by the fact ing information concerning radithat they flow from resolutions cals. adopted by various mass organizadeportation of all alien radicals. tions of the petty-bourgeoisie-the fraternal lodges.

From Atlantic City comes the news that the Grand Exalted Ruler lantes will be sponsored by the of the Elks has pledged to enlist East Bay Rotary Clubs. As a rehis entire organization, numbering sult of the activities of this arch-500,000 in a battle "against radical- reactionary Warren not a worker's ism". "The time has arrived in home is safe from attack by his peasants, shepherds, workers, arti-America," says he, "when the issue armed gorillas. In one issue of the sans and petty tradesmen. A few is between the Star and Stripes Oakland Tribune is listed the is between the Stars and Stripes places of ten different workers cease talking our devotion to the institutions of the United States been smashed up by the District and to act our love of country." Attorney's hooligans. It should not be necessary to go in-

to a detailed analysis of such a statement. The reference to talking and acting is all too clear.

At the convention of the Knights of Pythias held this last week in reading: "Hunt Reds Among Job-Chicago, the 700 delegates present less." Who are the "jobless reds?' "cheered a proposal that the lodge's Those who refuse to starve in similitary department (are these the lence. How to deal with them unembryo of our American Storm der the New Deal? Grant 75,000 Troopers?) merge with the Nation- Krags (rifles a bit antiquated-but al Guard in the event of Communnot too antiquated for purposes inist emergencies." Again it does not tended) to the American Legion. That gang of professional and semirequire any too much perspicacity to translate "Communist emergenprofessional killers will know upon cies" into strikes, struggles of the whom to use them. So from Atlantic City to the Bay

unemployed, etc., etc. In Cincinnati the Order of Eagles adopted a resolution to "condemn all Communism as we know it to- lated effort on the part of all the day, and likewise all kindred theories or doctrines. . .

band together to crack down on the From the heart of the terror belt rising head of American labor. of the United States - Alameda | These fraternal lodges of the pettybourgeoisie and the bourgeoisie County in California—comes the news that District Attorney Earl proper can become the organizing center for American fascism. They Warren is the head of a countyare organizing. We must organize, wide organization which has elaborated the following seven point too. American labor is only now learning to pronounce its syllables program:

1. To list and classify all per- Wait till it learns to talk!

Left Wing Needed in Paterson

Paterson, August 15. The deep | son's backyard, as the last issue of going ferment among the silk work- the Silk Shuttle reports, a stretchers is rapidly coming to a head. out has been introduced, 6 looms at (Continued from Page 1) This ferment has two aspects; on \$1.25 per 100,000 picks in a shop leadership that they have called a the one hand there is anger against which has just reopened. Tomorgeneral strike, while here they are the bosses because the few gains row, the stretch-out will move into which were won in the last strike the heart of Paterson itself, that are vanishing before the workers' is of course unless the workers do eyes; and on the other hand there something about it. What has the "fooled" would think them scabs union officialdom do is strong resentment against the for working while a general strike present union officialdom, particu-Keller's Achievements in the industry is on or that they larly because of its failure to meet The "progressive" achievements might even jump to the conclusion miitantly the encroach ments of Keller, the general manager, have that the "Industrial" general strike already been reported in the Mili- call was a fake. Of course, such against the union. The conditions now prevailing in tant, which were crowned by his stupidities will inevitably grow out the industry as a whole are the di- expelling the militants who op- of their theory of dual unionism. rect consequences of the failure to posed him. The membership re-It should be said at this time that win the 6-hour day and 5-day week belled and voted to reinstate these the general strike situation of the during the last strike. The com- militants - but the long overdue knit goods workers commands compromise settlement only postponed general membership meeting has plete unity and that the continuous the struggle on this fundamental is- still failed to materialize. Natural- agitation by the Stalinists only rely, feelings are running pretty high sults into splitting the ranks of the sue. However, the leadership of the Associated, and particularly of against Keller these days in Paterworkers who are now in a fight the United Textile Workers, failed son. The workers find an outlet for primarily for improved working to utilize the respite in order to their grievances in indignation conditions in the industry. Particuconsolidate the workers' ranks, na- first, and later in actions. larly, does such disruptive propaganda and action befog the minds But the problems facing the silk tionally for a nationwide struggle. workers immediately go beyond of the newer elements in the union This demand can be won in no other way. Instead of acting, the Keller. At present there are other who are badly lacking in the knowledge and experience of the class burning issues. For one thing, officialdom of the Associated togethstruggle. It is clear that the Stalthere are the expelled who must be er with the U.T.W. officialdom inist policy plays right into the reinstated; union democracy must talked "left" and then acted very hands of the bosses and it is therebe safeguarded: then there is a much to the right. need to shift immediately to a mil- fore necessary that the workers McMahon's Empty Threats abandon these disruptive tactics itant policy in the union, rebuff the McMahon, of course, spares nei onslaughts of the bosses and and splitting policies by joining the ther words nor his wind bellowing struggle for one strong union of the achieve complete industrial unionabout the need of the 30-hour week, ism; and finally preparations must knitted garment workers against and the calling of a general strike be planned and fulfilled for a nathe bosses. to enforce the demand. McMahon Those of us who recognize the tionwide general strike. has grown gray and sleek screen need of the class conscious elements Build the Left Wing ing his servile obedience to the to aid the as yet backward work-By now it must be clear to every bosses with "militant" blabbing. A ers in their struggle for better consilk worker, despite the activities few months ago he sold his threat ditions on the job, shall join the of the National (Stalinist) Union workers where they are to be (clique) that the way out in silk

building of the Associated is the

central problem locally. Despite

its present obvious and dangerous

always ready to sow additional

area in California—from coast to

coast-one can see a clearly calcu-

agencies of American reaction to

Behind the Algerian Massacre Economic Factors Provoking the Recent Anti-Semitic Riots

A drunken Jewish soldier in a the Moslems having a small voice the European-Jewish bourgeoisie; mosque-race and religious riot- in purely local government, wher- second, the colonial army, which in this is the way French authorities ever there are enough non-Moslems the true shrewd method of French and the bourgeois press explain the to guarantee French control. On imperialism consists almost entirethe other hand, the Jews have a full ly of native Algerians, officered by recent massacres in Constantine,

Algeria. Glibly we are told that voice, and though native Algerians, Frenchmen. As a check upon this "anti-Semitism has long been an the same privileges as French col- army, the Foreign Legion, used issue in Algeria," and asked to beonists. lieve that a vague something called

4. To see to it that school and "race antagonism" makes men murother public buildings are not used der their neighbors. But let us look at the class stratfication in Algeria, and try to place 5. To see that propaganda dis-Jews and Moslems within it. The loyal to the government is not sec-Moslems include Berbers, Arabs, retly distributed to school children. Spanish-Arab Moors, and Negroid-6. To keep in constant touch

Arab mixtures: of these, the Arabs with immigration authorities, the and Moors are racially Semites, naturalization department and the like the Jews, and the Berbers are intelligence units of the Army and semi-European, semi-African types, Navy for the purpose of exchanglike many of the Jews too. There ference between any of these 7. To militantly strive for the

groups. **Class Differences**

The first meeting of this commit-However, there is a sharp class tee of legal and extra-legal vigidifference between the Jews and the other native Algerians. The Moslems, who make up the great homes or organizations that have without exception part of the large and petty bourgeoisie, sharing this

class position with French, Italian And as a centralizing feature of and Spanish traders. all these activities comes an A. P. Algeria is largely an agricultural dispatch from the seat of the New Deal — dirty deal government, Washington, with the headline

use of French colonists, of whom goods. there are 750,000. In order to strengthen the authority of the colonial government, the French enfranchised the Jews in 1870, forty

years after the invasion of Algeria. On the other hand, the Moslems are subjects but not citizens. They may become citizens by one of several roads: serving in the French army or navy or colonial civil ranks; learning French, or owning property enough to make them considerable taxpayers. Citizenship involves subjection to French law, whereas Moslem subjects are judged by Moslem law, which privilege, however, entails the penalty of little or no voice in government. Nominally Algeria is supposed to be "part of France," and has

deputies and Senators in the national Parliament. However, they are elected only by the bourgeoisie,



never occurs to them that the strik-

only for "war" purposes while the natives act as "police" completes **Pressure on Moslems**

The economic pressure on the the picture. Thus revolt becomes a giant's undertaking, to be carried Moslems has steadily grown greater out usually with foreign aid-Geras the French expropriated more man, during the War-or else indiand more land-before the invasion rectly, by means of anti-Jewish owned tribally or communally---riots. And thus a Moslem attack and turned it into private property. on the ghetto in Constantine is al-Greater and greater numbers of lowed to "wear itself out", the na-Moslem landless were then drafted tive Algerian troops ignoring it and into factory, mine, and road-buildthe French authorities keeping the ing work, while the rest, remaining Foreign Legion in the background. peasants or shepherds on a petty In this way the Jews pay dearly scale, were exposed to the exploitis no clearly traceable racial dif- ation of the merchants, traders and for their privileged political and affected. economic position; much as in Palbanker-usurers, among whom the estine. Jews are conspicuous.

At the same time the Italian and The problem, from a Communist Spanish tradesmen in competition viewpoint, resolves itself into the with the Jews, and some under the typical colonial set-up, not fundathumbs of the Jews, nurse a conmentally different from the picture stant petty-bourgeois grievance. in Latin-American countries, relimajority of the population, are Nazi propaganda among this class, gious and racial differences notwhich includes some Moslems, re- withstanding. In Algeria, as in most colonies, the weight of crisis cently elected a whole municipal government in the city of Oran, on is felt more heavily than in the The Jews, on the other hand, are an anti-Semitic ticket. Spread to boss-country, for exploitation is almerchants, industrialists, hardly the peasants and some of the workways carried to the utmost in them, ers, it becomes at the same time a without even the counter-check of locally useful tool against the political democracy or labor organ-Jews and a German thrust at ization. Revolt is therefore always

French colonial strength, since Alclose to the explosion point, and it geria is one of the richest and most generally takes on a nationalist country. The best land, a strip powerful of French colonies, supalong the coast, fifty to a hundred plying wheat, olives, oil, wine and miles wide, has been appropriated wool, and providing a great and by the French authorities for the richly exploited market for French

Dividing the Colonials Moslems suffering under the French colonial yoke are held down

Drivers Smash

(Continued from Page 1) ing for the first chance to make a

get-away. Following the questions, the union leaders, William Brown, Vincent Dunne and Miles Dunne began to pound away at them, denouncing the proposal, demanding to know whether the mediators associated themselves with the plan .--

If they did not then why had the press reported them in agreement and would they make a public statement disassociating themselves from it?

Dunnigan stated in reply, that he neither endorsed nor rejected the new proposal, but that he would make no statement or enter into

any quarrel with the press. Here the reporter for the Organfound in the shops WORKING. It izer entered the discussion. He told Haas and Dunnigan that he ers' committee who are so easily would print any statement by them youth, against the C.C.C., C.M.T.C., in the organizer disassociating

Drought and New Deal **Ruins** American Farmers

In the midst of a severe agrarian donment of 50 million acres of procrisis produced by the contraction ductive land. This wholesale deof the foreign market and the in- struction of primary wealth was capacity of the American workers subsidized by the government to the to purchase the necessities of life, tune of over 3 billion dollars.

At the same time the Public the American farmers are now faced with the most destructive Works program calls for the outlay drought in the 75 years during of more than 300 million dollars which the Weather Bureau has for dams, irrigation, flood control, and soil erosion reclamation-to kept records. While the drought, in which 27 bring hundreds of thousands of new

million persons in 24 states are af- acres into productivity. Thus we get a classic example of fected, has caused a damage runplanning under capitalism! First, ning in excess of 5 billion dollars, the Roosevelt administration has so a reward offered for not producing -while at the same time spending far allocated only 165 million dolmillions to increase productivity. lars for relief purposes. This The logic behind it all being to amount is not only totally inadestabilize prices above the level dequate, considering the amount of damage wrought, but is insufficient termined by world competition.

Now the drought has come to the to even feed the millions of people aid of the government and with one fell swoop has accomplished the

As a result of the crops de srtoyed, thousands of farmers will objective of all its planning: Tens of thousands of farmers' be thrown into bankruptcy. Almost 250,000 animals are killed daily for crops have been destroyed (without benefit of government subsidy).

Live stock slaughtered for lack of feed and water.

that prompt action by the govern-Thousands of farmers thrown off ment in shipping feed to drought areas and the removal of cattle to the land as a result of destroyed other regions would have saved a crops and failure to pay mortgage good proportion of the live stock. indebtedness.

-WASSERMAN.

it would have interfered with the government's agricultural program "surplus" and boost Newark Meeting

Prices Soaring Prices of commodities are soaring in the meantime in expectation of

Agricultural experts maintain

This was not done, however, as

lack of feed.

to reduce

prices.

character. In Algeria, the nationa shortage this winter. And Secalists are led by petty-bourgeois retary of Agriculture, Wallace, de-French, or French creoles, or by Mohammedan tribal chiefs; in Latin America, it is led by petty-bourgeois European-natives, and by In-There is nothing one can do about dian or semi-Indian "generals"

things of this sort." much like Chinese war lords. But in all these places, the nationalist parties, when triumphant, will always make a deal with the imperrequirements, the monopolists and ialist power, becoming weapons to be used against the proletarians, who of course are the force that in case of a triumphant nationalist revolution, has actually put the petty-bourgeoisie in power.

In the bourgeois press, it is far cry from a drunken Jewish culture. soldier in French uniform, starting a race-riot in the city of Constantine, to a Mendieta policeman in worker. But race, religion, and uniform are secondary characteristics of the identical mechanism of exploitation and repression. 1920.

-JEAN MENDEZ.

Youth Defeat present crisis. F.D.R. Aides (Continued from Page 1)

Central Bureau. These included proposals for social insurance, against the militarization of the

A resolution on education was

On Minneapolis Newark, N. J., Aug. 13 .- A meeting on the Minneapolis strike was clares that: "You can't have a held here today under the joint drought like this without an ad-auspices of the American Workers vance in prices. That is inevitable. Party and the Communist League. The meeting was attended by over 70 workers, most of whom re-While conservative agricultural mained until the end of the ques-

economists claim that there is tion and discussion period which enough food supply for domestic ended at 11:40. The speakers, Rosenberg of the the government are busy spreading A.W.P. and Kotz of the C.L.A., gave scare stories of a food shortage in an account of the conduct and order to increase prices. It is gen- progress of the strike; an analysis erally conceded that the greatest of the role of Gov. Olson and the

damage was caused to feed for live role of the C. P. The Stalinists and their sympastock, which amounts to 60 percent of the total gross income of agrithizers present repeated the accusations and criticisms made in the The Roosevelt administration's Daily Worker against what it calls handling of the drought situation the Trotskyite leadership of local will not only fail to aid the reha- 574. They were treated to refuta-Cuba cracking down on a sugar- bilitation of the destroyed areas, tions made by direct quotations but will only serve to further ac- from the union's paper, the Organcentuate the crisis which has izer, and other literature. They plagued the American farmer since were not particularly pleased to learn that even the capitalist press in Minneapolis was aware of the

Stalinists' role and had printed a We will here try to summarize story pointing out that the "166 he causes which have led to the noble employers, Dan Tobin, and the Communist Party are united in As a result of the World War, European agricultural production their attacks on the leadership of local 574". The story also contained vas reduced to approximately 25% of normal by 1918. This led to a the information that "no one seemed to like the poor leaders of tremendous increase of American 574 but the truck drivers."

agricultural production. The gross The enthusiastic response to this income of American farmers which meeting was another testimonial amounted to \$6.900.000.000 in 1913. rose to \$16,900,000,000 in 1919. Land to the increasing recognition of the prices took a tremendous upward League's intelligent and correct leap as the prices of farm products trade union policy.

The Newark branch of the Com In order to finance this colossal munist League is undertaking an organizational drive and urges all sympathizers and Militant readers reage. The mortgage debt increased in Jersey to communicate their addresses to L. Nagy, 843 So. 19th St. Newark, N. J. An interesting series of lectures and classes are being that land prices were 70% above prepared for the Fall. We urge our sympathizers to cooperate. -J.K. OPEN FORUM COMMUNISM, SOCIALISM-**IS UNITY POSSIBLE?** Friday, August 24, at 8 P.M. 144 Second Avenue, N.Y.C. QUESTIONS :: DISCUSSION Admission Free Auspices: Manhattan Branch Communist League of America.



of a textile strike for a few phony promises of Roosevelt's Board; and, of course, he is ready to repeat his is through building the American Federation of Silk Workers. The performance upon orders at any hour of the day. At the U.T.W. convention, now in session, more than fifty resolutions were sent in

weaknesses the Associated must be by Southern delegates on the first maintained today, in order that today demanding the general strike. morrow it may be solidified. What And the convention voted for a decides is the strength and morale strike, "if necessary". But as the of the militants in the union. The New York Times itself smugly reformation of such a left wing was ported, such a strike will never long delayed, and only now is in take place if the decision rests with process of crystallization. The McMahon and his gang alone. United Silk Workers Club has tak-

In Paterson, too, there has been en the lead in this direction, but no end of militant talk, but in realthe real job has still to be done. ity the bosses have been having it Once the left wing is formed it will all their own way. Undercover wage cutting is not the exception but the rule. The recent "raise" of 12 (twelve) cents a week which was granted by the Arbitration Board is ust a little spice to season the jokers in the contract. Chisshifting wind and current, to say elling on the yardage is getting worse, as are the conditions generally. Unemployment is becoming

more and more widespread and with

confusion. If McMahon is able to sell out at it the pressure of the bosses nahis leisure, it is only because there turally increases. Only a stone's is no left wing inside the U.T.W.

found, to spur them on for greater militancy in their struggle for bet ter living conditions. -A KNIT GOODS WORKER.

of the Associated lies also in the on the one hand they must defeat the demagogues, job-seekers, disrupters and cliques who thrive on

trouble and who put their personal interests above the interests of the union; and on the other hand they must fuse so solid a front as to teach the bosses that an end must serve as the greatest bulwark of be put to the disgraceful chaos and misery now prevailing in the indus the union. It and it alone can provide the proper leadership in the try. Only a left wing can accomunion. Without the left wing, the plish this task. It is the need of the hour. A real left wing in Patunion is like a ship without a ruderson today means a real left wing der and is at the mercy of every in the U.T.W. tomorrow and the nothing of shifty people who are dawn of a new day for textile

> -SILK WORKER. Don't forget the Boat Ride

Saturday, August 18. Boat leaves throw away, practically in Pater- And in the last analysis the plight Pier 11, foot of Wall St. at 6 P.M. | and place for the blowout.

workers.

themselves from their reported introduced to the conference which agreement with the scheme in the condemned education which had boss press. He wanted to know any other than "scholarly ends", whether, when that appeared, Haas against the domination of educaand Dunnigan would enter into tion by "political groups, religious whether it is only with the boss groups or economic interests". It should be mentioned that the Napress they do not like to fight. tional Secretary of the Y.C.L., Gil This question, met with a round Green and a representative of the of laughter by the strikers, received Yipsels were members, together no answer from the mediators. with liberals, on the resolutions

Backing Down After the federal mediators had est again stated that they did not de-

sire to endorse the proposal but merely to submit it for discussion, they left the conference room. A brief discussion ensued and then by unanimous vote the strike N.S.L. delegate amended the reso- is of 1929. Between 1920 and 1930 committee of 100, upholding the sections. The objectionable section policy of their Negotiating Commitwas defeated. tee, rejected the new scheme and

instructing the union president to resolution on war and Fascism. write a letter to that effect. Among the proposals made was one Both the union and the confidence of the strikers in their lead- calling for the support of the Sovership came out of this session im- iet Union peace proposal for gen- fell to a little over 5 billion in measurably strengthened. For eral disarmament. A sound basis 1932. At the same time the value more than a week the Organizer for united front of pacifists and of property dropped from 78 billion had been cautioning the drivers to Stalinists! The Yipsels present dollars to 44 billion. Taxes on the were silent on this point. The S. other hand increased over 150% watch out for tricks and maneu-

vers, and advising them to maintain The splendid showing of the day; in wars between imperialist pre-war level.

they had been well prepared. BOUND VOLUMES OF THE

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BROWNSVILLE COMRADES ATTENTION!

The social affair, in connection vith the three volumes of the "History of the Russian Revolution" scheduled to take place on August this will be done immediately. 18th in the headquarters of the Brownsville branch 1776 Pitkin Ave, has been postporied due to the moonlight excursion which occurs

amendment: "Defend the Soviet Union Against Imperialist Atslogan of disarmament as a method of exposing the capitalists who talk in favor of disarmament but refuse to disarm. The S.Y.L. amendment was defeated. The organizations at the Confer-

ence agreed that they would fight for the right of all youth groups to be represented at the Congress

the hands of the Central Bureau for Young America it is expected that

AN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT The City Committee of the N.Y. on the same date. Watch the Mili- Ed Robbins for the donation of a expense. If you cannot renew at surplus. If there is a shortage they tant for announcement of new time typewriter to the organization. We this time let us know how soon you must starve because of the shortappreciate comrade Robbins' spirit. | can.

oared to unheard of heights expansion, farmers mortgaged their holdings to acquire additional acfrom \$3.300,000,000 in 1910 to \$7,-900.000.000 in 1920. The Bureau of Agricultural Economics estimates normal during the war.

Causes of Crisis

With the end of the war Europ ean agriculture began to regain its committee. Education above classplace in the world market. The huge mortgage burden of the Amer-The representative of the Spar- ican farmers accumulated at inflatacus Youth League took issue with tion prices during the war and the this conception as utopian and un- climination of the European markdesirous under a class system. An et. contributed to the financial crislution by cutting out this and other more than 450,000 owners lost their farms and mortgage indebtedness

increased to over 10 billion dollars. Another dispute arose on the Tenancy increased by over 250,000. Drop in Value of Farm Products While the farm income for 1919 amounted to 15 billion dollars. it

Y. L. representative briefly ex- since the war, while prices of farm plained the role of armaments to products were only 52% of their

committee of 100 demonstrated that nations, against colonial peoples, In the face of the contracting exagainst the workers at home. To port and home market, production ask the imperialists to disarm is continued to expand at an increasto ask them to abdicate. Further, ing pace. American capitalism was

the slogan of disarmament is based faced with the curse of plenty There are only a limited number on the notion that the emancipation Cries of "overproduction" were of the working class is possible heard on all sides while over 40

1933 on hand. They can be ob- without arms. His organization, million people were forced to live the S.Y.L. could not subscribe to on charity and another few million such a slogan. He introduced an on the borderline.

The Roosevelt government, in line with its "New Deal" program, tacks." An N.S.L.er defended the set up a plan for disposing of the "surplus", which the workers whose buying power had been constantly reduced by unemployment and the NRA minimums were unable to absorb at the artificially inflated prices established by the

government.

Now that the Congress is out of If the number on your wrapper is

Militant expired. Do not delay.

Food Prices Rise

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anyone take undue alarm at his "fighting" words.

"We do not contemplate strikes. Not at all! We want to avoid strikes!

"We hold that the interests of the wage earners can be protected only through Government administration of the NRA."

That is Green's message to the workers who are underpaid and underfed as never before in American history, by the grace of God and the NRA.

A cold winter threatens, and a hard one for the workers of the United States of America, richest land under the sun. If prices are high now, they must go still higher. Workers who hunger, must now starve. For the drought has completed the work begun by the NRA farm administration in plowing under corn, wheat and cotton. God himself came to the aid of the Roosevelt-Wallace farm program and food prices will rise, as high as he contemplated, and higher.

But where, in any statement issued by our beaming President since the drought began, has there been one word about a corresponding rise in wages?

Where, Mister Green?

The upshot of the whole business is, that under capitalism workers Send your renewal in at once and must starve. If there is a surplus, District wishes to thank Comrade so save us unnecessary labor and they must starve because of the age. But starve they must.

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