

formal announcement of the of Romanism and Papism, but a League's acceptance of the Soviets new regenerated movement, reportinto its fold, Litvinoff was informed ed to have 100,000 new recruits that a seat in this body was as- throughout the south, with about sured.

The minor opposition that developed to the entrance of the Soviets was easily brushed aside through the steamroller of the three leading the new outfit, but he has forgotten imperialist powers of the League: all about prohibition and the pope. France, England and Italy. In fact, No, Dr. Evans is a man that keeps these are the only remaining lead- up with events and he knows when ing imperialist powers since the an issue is dead and should be barexit of Japan and Germany.

The invitation to the Soviets was ger game in sight, these days for with special formal invitations is why he has united with M. O. from the Scandinavian countries. Dunning of Savannah, Georgia, his These capitalist nations hail the "Chief of Staff" and together they entry of the Soviets in the League are engaging in a great fight of Nation. The Stalinist press runs against the New Deal and the Comlong apologies and at the same time munistic Brain Trust. defend it along the line laid down by Litvinoff's Text.

The Soviet's entrance in the League marks another step in the Garden in 1924, is reported to be collaboration of France and the one of the most talented organizers Soviets since Hitler's victory. The and promoters in the whole counfact that Japan and Germany are try. After McAdoo lost Dunning outside of the League, and at pres- turned Republican, was rewarded ent constitute the most direct with the Collectorship of the Port threat of imperialist invasion of the of Savannah, and with the prohi-Soviets is the axis upon which all bition coordinatorship of the South Stalinist writers base their argu- west. It is he who is reported to ments for the entry into the League, be the brains of the whole thing. the instrument of British and They are now building their war French imperialism. It has come chests and are actively "organizto pass, of course unofficially, that ing" the southern workers. They the strategy of Litvinoff is the stra- got into Griffin, Georgia, before the tegy of the Comintern. No matter United Textile Workers had a which way Stalinism instructs Lit- chance, dragged the red herring vinoff to jump the Comintern must across the town, warned all textile follow in his steps. Litvinoff scrapped the theory of "social-fas- who would destroy the sanctity of ing by leaps and bounds, the manucism" and the "united front from below" with a stroke of the pen in family and told them that the klan patriotic, 100% full-blooded Amer-France and now his text on the Soviet's entry into the League, as against the employers, not in the tion for the decisive struggles to the outcome of his circle of regional pacts around Germany, lays the but in the good old fashioned red-

basis for additional Comintern antics.

"Our attitude in principle to the League of Nations does not differ from our attitude to each and every individual state whether in or out later on. and the Fourth International, p. 19.) The criticism of Stalinism on this move cannot be isolated from the chain of events that led up to

The Klux Brains

bor Day parades of the United Textile Workers in the South, as in Columbus, Georgia, where some one-third of its membership con-12,000 textile workers are emcentrated in "Chain-Gang" Georgia. ployed.

Dr. Hiram Evans, the exalted On Wednesday, just as the strike cyclop of the old Klan is chief of was gaining headway in the South, ied. Besides, there is much bigand picketing was actually begun. Greater Yew York. The strike is reported to have been

nivance of the boss. Klan to go among the workers on have been slashed 50%. Dunning, former floor leader of

manufacturers, the line is altogether different. They outline to them the plan by which all unions will be crushed in the south, when wages will be set as low as they wish, the Klan will be in a position to start on a real crusade against the New Deal with the possible assistance of the American

Liberty League. The picture is sufficiently clear. With the South rising against the feudal industrialism of American capitalism, and unionzation growworkers against foreign agitators their homes, the church and the facturers are already subsidizing a ican fascist movement in preparawould fight their battles for them anarchist-bolshevik-Russian way come.

The conclusion is clear. Fasblooded American way. The super- cism while still weak, has "a big intenents of the mills advanced the future ahead of it" in America. money to the workers to pay their The American working class must initiation fees to the Klan, which now begin the preparation for a was to be deducted from the pay struggle against it, by organizing mighty united fronts and sweeping of the League of Nations." (War The Klan proclaims itself a behind them the bulk of the Amer-

friend of labor. "We are not ican working class.

Buried Alive

If you were never buried alive

don't become discouraged; your

chance may come yet. The above

comes to us on good authority. The

appropriations usually alloted for

maintaining an emergency rescue

squad to be used to combat disas-

ter. The congress said that a sur-

vey by a special committee showed

that whereas formerly the Bureau

of Mines had eleven rescue cars in

operation, today only two such

Furthermore, the decrease in the

bureau's funds for research pur-

1920. This course means the com-

plete stopping of all work in the

themselves and others when the

walls begin to tumble down upon

cars remain.

American Mining Congress.

their word, Dunning had the Klan ating along the Atlantic and Gulf swing into line in many of the La- coasts. The walkout will involve This Monday 40,000 unlicensed seamen. Pledge cards, pouring in from all locals of the union, indicated unanimous sentiment in favor of the strike. "Conditions at sea today

The A.F.S.W. local in Paterson are so had that a respectable American seaman would rather surhas sent a telegram to the National again Dunning pulled a master vive on a bowl of soup in the street Strike Committee in Washington demanding that the dyeworkers be stroke to capture the southern than accept the conditions imposed working class. Before the union upon him", said Patrick J. Keane, called out immediately. This behad a chance, the Klan called a representative of the union to the lated action on the part of the Asstrike at one of the mills at Griffin, Trades and Labor Council of sociated officialdom was directly

While living costs of the families themselves, and the silk workers the impoverished mill owners can signed by over thirty countries, and enterprising individual. That just a "fake" called with the con- of seamen have increased, officials already on strike. Gorman has alof the union said, the number of rtady issued a statement to the heart bleeds for George Sloan. The In any event, this was the signal men employed on ships have been press that dyers would be among wails of the bosses reach to Heav-

for all of the organizers of the decreased about 25%, and wages those called out nationally Mon- en. As God is their judge, that is day, Sept. 25. Failure of the As- all they can pay. the picket lines and warn them! Following the Federal govern-'sociated officialdom to take more that they would never get any-ment's stubborn indifference to the decisive steps would indicate that

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where by following the union reds. demands of the union a resolution its latest action is merely an at- find thmselves possessed of inex-The way to fight the bosses was to was passed that "The District tempt to pass the buck and thus haustible funds, of millions of dol-Wm. G. McAdoo at Madison Square join the Klan and fight with the Committee of the Atlantic District evade the responsibility. The mood aid of God, the Constitution and of the International Seamen's Un- of the workers in Pattrson is such the Star Spangled Banner, etc. etc. ion of America does hereby decide that one can say with assurance When Dunning approaches the to issue a strike call effective Mon- that order or no order, injunction leen, N. C., wages that are fairly day, October 8, 1934 to enforce the or no injunction-the dyeworkers representative of those paid wage rates and working conditions will come out next week; and with throughout the Southern textile inas submitted to ship owners by the them also the throwsters.

National Labor Board and the Widespread abuses in the indus-

try have combined to bring the is scale submitted last year to the Roosevelt under pressure from foreign shipping interests: Able Seamen \$75, carpenters \$80, firemen \$75, oilers \$80, water tenders \$80. The vicious job racketeering sys-

NRA."

"Germany is decades ahead of tem was also revealed. Job agenthe rest of the world"-in torture cies along the waterfront, recogchambers, barbarism and concennized by the ship owners, give em- tration camps. ployment to inexperienced seamen,

Alfred Rosenberg, Hitler's mouthwilling to work for lower wages piece, bragged aloud of these and to pay more for the privilege of achievements. But that was begetting a job. Thousands of capfore the textile strike and before able, experienced seamen, conse-Georgia said "You've got nothing quently have been discharged. on us." The Morro Castle disaster also

gave an impetus to the rapidly mounting strike sentiment when it latest 1934 model of Nazi concenwas disclosed that there weren't enough men on board to insure the attition camp and flung more than if it could be computed, would mills and the coining of profits on 140 strikers into it. proper inspection.

The union demands that the gov- The German papers, says a dis- than enough to guarantee the vestigation". patch in the N.Y. Times, are hall- workers extra wages and shorter ernment act to regulate the hiring

Millions to break a strike; not one cent for wages!

Breaking?

Strike-

Workers in the textile industry are paid \$3 and \$4 a week, men with families are forced to live on due to the pressure from the dyers from \$6 to \$12 a week. This is all afford to pay. General Johnson's

> But suddenly, when the textile strike is called, these same bosses lars, for strike-breaking purposes. Here are some of the wages paid out by the Caroleen mill of Caro-

> > rest.

dustry. "American" Wages



These amounts were not all paid The United States in cash. The commissary and company housing in most instances took all of the pay-check, and wanted more. One head of a family who earned \$10 did not receive a single

cent in cash. Money, ready cash, millions of dollars, flow like water however. when the pockets of scab operators special deputies, armed thugs and State and County officials charged with breaking the strike. The bosses are not so poor that they Not at all outdone by Thyssen's cannot hire thousands of highly stooge, Georgia has imported the paid gangsters, a veritable army. The cost of breaking the strike, tal to resume the operation of the

with pressure for a settlement-but not until the list of martyrs had mounted to thirteen, not until 11,-000 troops shot, bayonneted and

gassed strikers in a half a dozen states, not until concentration camps in Fascist style were set up in Georgia, not until one of the most drastic anti-labor injunctions was handed down in Paterson.

Relief is Vital

For Victory in

Strike Battle

Presidest Roosevelt has person-

ally intervened in the textile strike

He let all that go by without patting an eyelash, hopeful that it would smash the strike and save him the trouble of directly having to give the strikers the "raw deal". Unfortunately for Mr. Roosevelt and for Hooie ("my-heart-bleedsfor-Sloan") Johnson their expectations have been blasted. Not all the thugs in the country, not all the troops in the garrisons have been able to dam up the river of militancy that has been overflowing since Labor Day.

Dye Workers' Strike Call

Reports are at hand that despite the injunction the dye workers of cleaner, \$7.20; weaver, \$8.40; quill Paterson and vicinity will be called out on Monday. Further statements from union officials say other tens of thousands will be asked to strike in affiliated textile industries.

> Everywhere new mills are closing down and everywhere the battle lines are holding firm. It is becoming universally recognized that the optimistic statement of George Sloan are just whistling to keep up courage.

Roosevelt's mediation board has returned to him with a proposal to arbitrate the strike. It smells strongly of the betrayals of steel and automobiles. It offers labor nothing but ambiguous promisesthe kind that working men have been choking on since the beginning of the New Deal. It permits capireach a staggering total; more the old basis pending further "in-



Summarized the proposals of the

President's Inquiry Board are as

1) Recommendation to the union

3) Declaration that national set-

tlement is not feasible and advice

to workers to accept local mill

4) Appointment of a board simi-

7) Request that the Department

This, says Roosevelt, "is a good

which industrial problems can be

a republican form of government".

This, Mr. Roosevelt, is the best

expression of your National Run

Around, the classic way of trick-

ing workers out of victory when it

What is offered the strikers?

The union demands call for the 30-

hour week with the same wages as

of Labor investigate wage condi-



it. Considered by itself, and in relation to the precarious position the Soviets are in, between Japan and Germany, it represents a compromise and a retreat. But considered in its relation to other events, as well as the Litvinoff statement, it is a disgrace to the revolutionary interests of the proletariat and to Marxism. One mis-

take leads to another. The adoption of the theory of

A meeting held last Wednesday socialism in one country, led to the of these most outstanding mining rejection of the theory of the per- engineers of the country sounded manent revolution and of internaa note of warning that is best tionalism and laid the basis for summed up by the above phrase. revolutionary defeats on three con-They showed that the safety of the tinents. The low point was in the thousands of men working underbankruptcy of Stalinism and its ground is being jeopardized by collapse in the German revolution curtailment of Federal efforts to and the struggle against Fascism. protect the minors from accident.

The mistake of vesterday in relation to the struggle against Fascism in Germany has forced the have seen fit to cut down on the Soviet Union to take dangerous expedients in the diplomatic field, among them is the entrance of the Soviets into the League. The Stalinists will be obliged to take further steps in this direction of the present leadership persists. Since the German debacle, the agreement with the United States and the collapse of the Comintern. and because

no revolutionary parties exist in the capitalist countries that surposes has almost stopped work round the Soviets the Stalinists along this line completely. The apgeois methods of maneuvering propriations for the current fiscal among the imperialist powers. From the recognition of the Soviets by the United States to the Soviets training given to miners to help entrance into the League a whole series of compromises and backward steps have been taken.

them. The experimental mines de-The Litvinoff statement and reveloped by the Mine Bureau as a ply to the League of Nations, in part reads as follows: "The Soviet Government, which has made the organization and consolidation of peace the main task of its foreign proposals for international cooperation in the interest of peace, con-

siders that, coming as it does from

the overwhelming majority of these

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means of studying explosions has been practically shut down. The congress of mine engineers

along these lines.

again.

policy and has never been deaf to government to resume its work and furious that many have been

What this meeting failed to see atories of the General Electric, was a direct connection between Radio Corporation, Bell Laboratorthe building of more battleships ies, etc.

members of the League of Nations, and the cut in the appropriations to | If you are a poor working stiff, this invitation represents the real save workers lives. Research has the government will pinch every will toward peace of the League of been cut down to almost nothing penny to keep you from being bur-Nations and is in recognition of the where it concerns the life of mis- ied alive. If you manage to keep ahead. Long before his 8-year-old terested in life or limb but in proof cooperation with the U.S.S.R., erably underpaid coal diggers, but yourself alive, they will draft you battalions are ready to be delivered fits. If it has its own way about is willing to respond thereto, and in the field of war preparations into the army, and then the govern- to slaughter, he and his Fascist things all of humanity will be eligibecome a member of the League of there has been no cut whatsoever. ment will spend millions on how murderers will be remembered only ble for the Cripples Congress ex-

Miners to Be Pocketbook to adopt the proposed wage scale, Makers Out and increase the number of men employed at sea.

BULLETIN As we go to press over 4,000 pocket book workers went out in a general strike. Within a few days it is expected the strike will assume national proportions. Already many employers have called the union and asked for individual settlements.

vice. After the resignation of the socalled legal adviser, Wolinsky, the Joint Council of the Pocketbook | the Fascist Balilla organization, Workers Union elected a Conference Committee to negotiate an Because of the economy program of agreement with the Industrial Counthe government. the authorities cil of the Leather Goods Manufacturers Association. The Committee had several conferences with the bosses and they came to an understanding that the new agreement should provide 371 hours a week, a 5% increase in wages beginning February 1935, and the employment from the ranks of the unemployed grave. pocketbook workers equal to five percent of the workers employed in

each shop. This last was only a swaddled infants, who will be cy" is over. verbal promise by the bosses.

This agreement was recommendplace at Stuvyesant High School, Papa. September 7. The meeting was packed by two thousand pocketbook workers although it was Friday the recommendations of the Joint Council the membership was thrown into turmoil. A heated discussion tanks.

took place in which the anti-Wol-

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"let out" to the big research labor-

they learn to walk. All toys, by says that these unarmed men, taken edict of Il Duce, must henceforth in battle with troops carrying manight. When Secretary Levine read be of military character. They will chine guns, tear gas and bayonets, cut their teeth on toy cannons, are "military prisoners".

they will pedal imitation armored

consideration, in which the prospective mother will be alternately defenseless as they are now. wooed by military music, or fright-

hope that warriors may spring,

fully armed, from the womb. It is a sickening farce that is War Cripples and War Veterans is being played by Mussolini, a fright- now in session in Geneva. At the the starving mill-workers? ful exposure of the true aims of time when the world drives head-

only one subject: War! But Mussolini dreams too far effect. Capitalism is not in-The problems to be solved along the to get you blown up so high in the as a hideous nightmare, a ghastly cept for those who are pushing up change is from tweedledum to twee-

air that you never come down but brief episode in world history. daisies.

of seamen, force the shipping lines ing President Roosevelt as the hours for years. Each deputy "Nazi Fuehrer of America", gloat- earns triple the amount paid the ing that he has taken another leaf workers, and there are many depu- follows: out of the Nazi book and thereby ties: almost as many as mill hands.

tation. This is not exactly correct, how-

Babes Born With ever. For the state of Georgia. **Gun in their Mouth**

> tration camp. In Germany concen- ers' children. tration camps are made out of deserted factories, abandoned ware-

are to be pressed into service in living and are prepared to fight for is exhausted—the State and Fed-wages. with less conveniences than any duty whose wages and subsistence tions and make investigations plug-horse has in his stable.

> agerating the death" of American democracy, it must be said that democracy has taken a new turn in a hard working weaver can earn oned strikers are held without

class war. But General Camp is

He is anticipating the day when that term will really apply. And

oners" not only on the side of the strikers who will be not quite so

sanctioning Nazi practises by imi- Each scab has to be gharded, fed,

that the strike be called off. paid extra, and in other ways pro-2) Recommendation that employvided for. ers reinstate strikers without discrimination.

Cost of ammunition, tear gas, which "leads" the rest of the world and other armaments in the war in the "art" of chain gangs and against labor could buy food, shelthe sport of lynching has added ter and adequate clothing for thou-

But lest the cost of strike-break- lar to the Steel Labor Board to ening prove too great a drain on the force code provisions.

bosses' treasury—and there is no 5) Request that the Federal gia, workers who want a better indication that the bosses' treasury Trade Commission investigate 6) Appointment of a committee

There are 11,000 troops on strike

cost eight states \$37,000 a day. This known to workers and bosses

is irrespective of the cost of tear A Good Example of the Run-Around and nausea gas, ammunition, etc. Double pay, \$2 a day, or more than example of the practical way in

on full time, is paid to guardsmen calmly discussed and solved under on special duty. Rhode Island has so far spent over \$6.000 for tear

dledee.

and nausea gas alone. Meanwhile, these same states. willing to spend close to \$50,000 a

day to break the textile strike, are seriously challenging the right of starving strikers and their families to a relief pittance. With disgusting hypocrisy, the

received for 40 hours. The board Federal relief authorities promise offers them an investigation comaid to the distressed, whether on mittee to make inquiries. strike or not, but leave the distri-The union asks for the establishbution of this relief in the hands ment of a maximum work load for

of violently biased county officials, operations in the various divisions under the thumb, and often in the of the textle ndustry. The board pay of the mill owners. offers them a research committee

is within reach.

And at the same time, the State which will look into the matter. governments give without stint to The union asks for recognition help the mill owners break the of the United Textile Workers on strike. Nearly \$50,000 a day for a national scale. The board tells strike-breaking troops. Can the them it isn't "feasible" and tells relief figures approximate this? them to go to the individual bosses Is one-tenth of this amount or and get whatever recognition they one-hundredth being spent to feed | can. Or, in other words, it is per-

nationally but the union must break its fighting instrument into thousands of ineffective weapons. The union wants the reinstateto take his place. Valentine, if we ment of all workers fired for orrecall correctly, is the flatfoot who ganizing under section 7-a. The personally directs the slugging of board offers them a set-up like the strikers and unemployed. The Steel Labor Relations Board.

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fectly alright for the bosses to acc N.Y.C.Chief Inspector Valentine is

Children at the age of S years are to be trained by the Italian Fascist butchers for military ser-

At this tender age, the children which will train them until they

reach the age of 14 years. There they will learn the delights of war through "frequent contacts with the armed forces of the nation, whose glories and traditions will be

taught to them." Thus does the "totalitarian state" spring one step nearer to its ultimate objective: Every citizen a

The next step in the program will, undoubtedly, be extended to oners", until the strike "emergen-

taught to remove their gas masks before suckling; who will learn to centration camp because they ed by the Joint Council to the union gurgle "sinistra! destra!" as their wanted to picket a mill, are prismembership meeting which took first words, instead of Mamma and oners, true enough, prisoners of the

They must learn to march before | overshooting his mark when he

sun, shiver in the rain and wind ammunition. and take care of their human needs

it, are quartered right out in the eral governments have rushed to open where they can broil in the their aid with unlimited troops and to investigate the stretch-out.

While the Nazis "are greatly ex-

charges "strictly as military pris-

These strikers, held in the con-

A pre-natal course is also under then there will be "military pris-

ened by the roar of cannon. In the

CRIPPLES MEET The International Essociation of

the "totalitarian state", which has long into a new world war their John F O'Hyan has resigned from mute protest will have little or no the post of police commissioner of

soldier from the cradle to the early these United States. The impris-

houses or unused prisons. In Geor-

another improvement to its concen- sands of ill-fed, half-naked work- agreements.



grafting labor skate who is ready to sabotage a militant strike for a price. "Alien Communist Agitator"-

Any worker who speaks for labor solidarity and practises what he preaches. "Minute Men of '34" --- Weasel brained morons or reactionary cockroach business men who can be on the wrapper and to renew with-

bribed or scared into shooting or clubbing strikers when they know they have the support of the armed police and the National Guard. * * *

Flying Squadrons

In courage, in readiness to bat tle against the powerfully armed forces of reaction, the Flying Squadrons of the mill workers are the ones who can be compared with the "Minute Men of '76".

General Hooie Johnson

The windbag Johnson, like the steel industry has reached a new low. The picture of the Falstaff of the NRA weeping for the sufferings of Sloan would go well in a burlesque show.

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Hot News

One hundred and fifty leading industrialists met in Hot Springs, West Virginia. Geo. Houston of the Baldwin Locomotive Works had A few of us here are trying to ina plan. They adopted it. The telligently decide where to go. We plan calls for: (1) Monopolistic Cartels, (2) All social legislation to be scotched, (3) Hours extended New International. (4) Wages reduced.

Generous America

ten years for attempted burglary. the last two issues possible: Herbert Corwin was sentenced to oled. Last week, desperate and A Friend, Youngstown 8.00 destitute, he appealed to the police South Side Branch, to send him back to Sing Sing or he'd have to steal to live. Dr. Joseph Moore of the Parole Board said: "The fact that he might be about to commit a crime was sufficient ground to recommit him." ... "Are you better off now than a year ago?" asks the President. Harry King, N. Y. C...... 4.00 "No." answers Corwin, "last year Katz, Montreal 1.00 strike. The resignation of the six Paterson Group Calls

overcome.

pay up on their bundle orders and ers a 35-hour week, a 20% increase to make efforts to increase the cirin wages, and many other demands. culation. But the administration instead of

We appeal to all our readers to negotiating an agreement got busy and brought back the notorious Local 76, A. F. of L. finds the upsubscribe and to get others to subscribe.

We appeal to all our subscribers to watch their expiration number and make it 36. He also forced to immediately. out deasy. If the Pledge Fund can be raised reduce the demand for a 20% in-

to \$100 monthly; if the bundle crease in wages to 10%. Wolinsky payments are promptly paid; if the subscription list is increased at the tion were busy in Washington foolrate of 25 weekly, we can assure ing around for months with the

a bigger and better Militant, published without convulsions and workers for struggle for a new mailed earlier in the week. That the Militant is serving a realizing that nothing would come historic need for the labor moveof this, organized and kicked Wolment is indicated by the many insky out.

comments we get in the mails. Here **Bosses Refuse Committee Demands** is an example from a Socialist from In order to carry through the a mid-west city:

'Dear Sirs: "A dollar for the Militant, in new Conference Committee. This response to your call for help). Committee is anti-Wolinsky and Wish I could send more. Would anti-administration. A conference be disappointed greatly to miss even one issue.

"I am a member of the Socialist Party of the R.P.C. (Revolutionary Policy Committee). Personally crease in wages or a strike. The action to include mass picketing, I have no illusions concerning it. manager, Stein, had said that there imminent. are very much impressed by and would be no strike this time. The indebted to the Militant and the bosses refused to grant the de-"We sincerely hope the crisis in

The Conference Committee there-upon called a meeting of the union and the task of rebuilding it will a meeting of the union the task of rebuilding it will a meeting of the union and the task of rebuilding it will a meeting of the union the task of rebuilding it will a meeting of the union the task of rebuilding it will a meeting of the union the task of rebuilding it will a meeting of the union the task of rebuilding it will a meeting of the union the task of task of the task of task of the task of t the Militant will be immediately —М." upon called a meeting of the union for Monday, September 17 to dis-fall on people with strong should-macists' Union overwhelmingly re-The following comrades made S. Kaufman, Bronx\$.50

Chicago Local10.00 A. Shambon, W. Haven..... 1.00 meeting there were three things to crew of incompetents. Measures George Cooper, N. Y. 2.00

lost but it is not yet too late so long mands of the Conference Commit- as there is some talk of strike. If this situation continues, the future

the same time six members of the The task of the moment requires jected the "starvation offer" of the the same time six members of the The task of the moment requires administration resigned because of that every upholsterer looks to the strike call. their opposition to the Conference safety of his union. Its very ex-

nation of the six, and whether the a degree of victory out of the dif-Cleveland Branch 1.00 Conference Committee and the ficult situation created by the lead-A Socialist 1.00 strike committee should lead the ership. Harry King, N. Y. C..... 4.00 strike. The workers voted unani-

"The workers of Paterson will agent of the bosses, Wolinsky, holsterers faced with a situation tear this injunction to pieces. When Wolinsky came back to the which mght result in the organiza "Yours truly. union he forced the Joint Council tional dissolution of the union un-"F. GIORDANO, Secretary" American labor is beginning to

ers general strike conducted by in our power to smash the same.

to withdraw, the 35-hour demand less drastic measures are taken find its voice. Although about 15 shops which

The third week of the upholster-

The lessons of Minneapolis and employ about 150 to 200 men have Toledo are being quickly absorbed and the Fraternal Club administra- already settled, 85 percent of the and applied by the textile workers. industry still remains unorganized American textile workers are in New York City. Practically adding glorious pages of militancy, at the outbreak of the war, your NRA instead of preparing the nothing has been done about strikself-sacrifice, solidarity and devo- total profits on the \$100 would ing the open shops with the result tion to the history of the American have been \$832. agreement. Finally the workers, that several of the former union labor movement. Out of the great shops cannot be brought to a set textile strike, the American worktlement. ing class will come out a head tall-

No daily strike meetings are be er; in the heat of the struggle it ing held and mass picketing is ta will forge its left wing cadres. boo. These policies of the officialwishes of the meeting of September dom have led to the demoralization questionably not only carry on the 7, the Joint Council met and elected of the strikers' ranks. militant traditions of their past understood to bump somebody off While many unions in other in struggles but take the lead in the it never occurred to him to, at the dustries have conducted strikes of a militant character, this is far for the textile industry.

with the bosses was arranged in from true in the upholsterers union The activity of the U.S.W.C. another attempt to draw up an nor is any improvement promised. gives every promise that this re-If the officials in charge of this mittee told the bosses plainly: ei-ther 36 hours a week and 10% in-and present an organized plan of generation will proceed very rap-

bosses told the Committee that the the defeat of the upholsterers is Drug Clerks Prepare Much valuable time has been General Strike

A general strike of all drug the statisticians will have a far clerks in the Bronx and elsewhere

The union plans to concentrate Committee. At the membership istence is being threatened by a its forces in the Bronx where it is lipine Islands, when a submarine George Cooper, N. Y. 2.00 meeting there were three things to crew or incompetents. Measures best organized. Altogether the suddenly appears and sends a tor-voss, Davenport, Ia...... 1.00 nation of the six and whether the a degree of victory out of the difsome 1,600 members, and believes fore you go down for the last time others will join when they see the don't forget-"It's all for dear old union means business.

The demands of the union are of the latest designs in death deal- liberty to oppress or exploit and for a 54-hour week with a mini- ing submarines to the 'enemy'."

were 3.830.000 families on relief in vicious anti-labor injunction and extra dividends. Orders which July and this number is steadily our determination to do everything went to the company during the increasing so that it is estimated years 1915-1918 totaled \$1,245,000, that the number will be 5 million while the total dividends paid in February, 1935. It is generally during those years reached the fabacknowledged that of the 37 million ulous sum of 458 percent of the par who work for wages and salaries, value of the original stock. The no less than 10 million are unemstock itself increased in value a ployed. In addition to this there total of 374 percent. Translated are a large number of the 11 milso that it means something to you tion who usually work for them--if instead of going to France to selves, many of them farmers, who become one of the ten million, you are also unable to support themwere able to stay in this country, selves. Thus Bohn states in the and invested \$100 in DuPont stock New York Post that there are 40.-000 families out of a total of 80,-000 on relief in the agricultural state of South Dakota. The youth from 16 to 25 who are neither at work nor at school, a good many This is only part of what this of whom are not shown in any of week's investigation into the arms the statistics, number some seven And the Paterson workers will un- these munitions makers Al Capone million. Small cause for wonder racket brought out. Compared to was a cheap piker. Whenever he the thought that the vast reserve army of unemployed may establish regeneration of a genuine left wing same time, aproach the victim and their right to relief as a matter of course, as a part of the duty of the

Capone Can't Take It

that of profits made.

Johnny Goes For a Swim

Perhaps you will be one of the

unlucky many on board an army

transport on your way to the Phil-

offer to protect him. A bump-off capitalist state, not a mere matter was a bump-off, and no fanagling. of charity. Not so with these respectable citizen munition manufacturers.

The Constitution and the NRA They would undertake both jobs at Constitution day has been made the same time-killing you and prothe occasion of a concerted attack tecting you. If only some of the by the outright capitalist reactionboys who are destined to make gold aries on the "liberal" Roosevelt star mothers in the next war reand his NRA. member some of the testimony

Bainbridge Colby, former Secrewhen rifles are put into their hands, tary of State, comes to the rescue of the sadly buffeted Constitution. easier job, both from the point of "It is a gross calumny against the view of numbers killed and from Constitution to represent it only as the protector of property." Of course it is not Roosevelt, as Colby would have us believe, who thinks of the Constitution in such sacrilegious fashion. The NRA is designed to save the Constitution and the capitalist property system embodied in it, but by bringing the ancient document a bit up to date. Colby goes on, "Men high in the government speak of it as only a Electric Boat Co.; they sold some ask if there is not an overlooked liberty, the liberty to live and to

"No," answers Corwin, "last year	B. Rabinowitz, N. Y 2.00	strike. The resignation of the six		mum \$35 weekly salary. They also	Maybe you will be one of the	work and to eat. This is a rather
I was in Sing Sing." Possibly	M. M., The Bronx 2.00		For Violation of	call for abolition of the split shift	"fortunate few" to get into the avi-	low type of political charlatanism.
Moore's idea could be extended.	W O Stort Philadelphia 1.00	workers against 2. manager stern,		and recognition of the union.	ation service. When you wonder	(N type of political characterism.
Inasmuch as unemployment drives	Jewish Writer 1.00 Militant House Party given by	one of the six, made a demagogic	Injunction	At a meeting with the Pharma-	why you can not shake that Japan-	(Now, now, Bainbridge!)-The un-
men to crime, it might be arranged	Jewish Which Stress Darty given by	speech and urged the membership	,	ceutical Conference, an employers'	ese pursuit plane chasing you re-	employed of the moment (after all
to give a ticket to Sing Sing with	Minitalit House Party given by	to elect a man to take his place in	Bataman flast 10 Starmy NO	organization, the bosses had the	member that Curtiss-Wright (isn't	five years is historically even less
each discharge slip. A very fitting		mediately and lead the strike or	Paterson, Sept. 19Stormy re-	impudence to suggest a \$20 a week	that the name of the company that	than a moment) and other victims
addition to the New Deal or Epic	The following helped by pay-	he would remain as manager in or-	sentment is sweeping through the	minimum with a 60-hour week.	made the motor of the plane that	of the depression are not victims
	up on their regular monthly	der not to desert the workers. Dave	ranks of the dye workers in Pater-	And even on this cut-throat offer,	made the motor of the plane that	of the Constitution."
plan. * * *	pledges:	Wax, a Wolinsky henchman, urged	son over the chancery court m-	there was hedging, the Conference	you are flying?) sold its best planes	Quite so, they are victims of the
"The Hatred of Communists"	P. Miller, N. Y.; M. Spithos, N.	the union to bring back Wolinsky	junction restraining the Dyers from		and patents not only to the Amer-	system of capitalism whose incep-
"Ine Hatred of Constitutions	Y.; E. Konikow, N. Y.; J. G.	to lood the strike He was preeted	even tarking strike. The senti-	promising only to recommend these	ican government but to the Tokio	tion from the point of view of po-
Judging by the capitalist press,	The state of a Transand Student	with cries of 'N'o! No!" The anti-	ment for an immediate strike is	terms to its membership.	one as well, and can one Curtiss-	litical state power can be traced
one would think that the favorite	HELP STABILIZE THE INCOME.	with cites of No. No. The and	manifest and overwhelming. But	The drug clerks form one of the	Wright outfly another?	back to the coup d'etat carried
sport of 99.9 percent of the popu-	HELP STABILIZE THE INCOME. PLEDGE TODAY AND REMIT	Wolinsky group, Diamond, Matlin and many others spoke against it	the Local officials of the dyers are	most exploited branches of labor in	the Temptons Chapper?	
lation of California was hunting		and many others spoke against it	stalling. They have announced	the whole nation. The hours run	Are Tomatoes Cheaper?	through by the wealthy mercantile
Communists and other radicals.	,	and showed that Wolinsky is an		from 75 to 80 hours a week, and	But, if you are one of the lucky	forerunners of the capitalists, and
That's how the press read during	THE PLEDGERS	agent of the bosses. A vote was		the wages fom \$15 to \$25-this for	ones to stay at home (flat feet or	given state form in the Constitu-
and since the general strike. Now,	Those who cannot continue,	Laken aller a nealed discussion. Dy		highly trained, experienced and	a politician friend or something of	tion. That document was clearly
when they soberly weigh the chanc-	please notify the Militant office to	a vole of 004 to 400 the wormer.	hose of unscussing the injunction i	the word employed Why aplit shift	a similar natura) and are enough	intended to do nothing other than
es of the leading red-baiter, Gov-	take your name off this list.	decided to put the leadership of the	While the onicial dom of the Dyers	keeps the drug clerk tied to the	of an engine expert to recognize one hum from another you will	to protect private property, parti-
ernor Merriam, the situation looks	New York Local	strike in the hands of the Confer-				
a little different. Says the N. Y.	Downtown Branch	ence and Strike Committees.	immediate action, hoping against	ing time at night; with only a few	certainly be entranced by the fam-	jority. Its liberty was and is the
Times-"There is evidence that	(All Monthly)		hope to somehow succlude the h	hours of freedom during the after-	iliar hum of the huge bomber	liberty of the ruling capitalist class
the reaction is not against radical-	Paul King\$1.00	-	resistible urge of the dye workers	noon So-called part time employ-	dropping tomatoes in your grand-	to exploit the working class. The
ism so much as against the Vigi-		In order to win the strike it is	to join in the general strike, the	mont is particularly vicious in the	mother's back yard-correct again,	only liberty possessed by the work-
lantes." The "great public opinion	E. Vietor 2.00	necessary that the best elements be	Unicials of the hissociated with 1	trade meaning usually a 40 to 50	you guessed it, the darn thing was	er is the right to work or to starve
		drawn into responsible posts. Mass	Keller at the head are not even go-	hour week at \$10 and \$15 wages.	built right here in the peaceful	at his own expense when he can-
which is innamed against commu-	M. Spithos 1.00 J. G. Wright 2.00	DICKETING and mass demonstrations	mg infough the gestures of exerc-	We call upon all friends of labor		not.
mists" generally similars down to	J. G. Wright 2.00	should be organized. It should be	ing pressure to force the issue.			And it is perfectly in line with
	S. Gordon 2.00		Injunction Is Gallows Noose	to support the Pharmacists Union	Every deck, however, must have	this "eternal" usage for Dr. Ger-
groups of drunken morons with	F. Becker 2.00 M. Kling 2.00	the entire industry in the first few	Injunction is Ganows Roose	in its struggles, and in the event	its joker, and the joker in this bus-	stenberg, former professor of fin-
American Legion badges and Mat-	M. Kling 2.00	days of the strike. The Conference Committee should demand from the	Yet to allow the dye plants to	of strike to stay away from scab	iness of shipping corpses on futures	ance at New York University to
thew Woll.	S. Bleeker 2.00	Committee should demand from the	keep operating is to place the noose	shops. The Pharmacists Union de-	from one country to another is-	say before the Controllers' Insti-
	I. Glade 1.00	bosses that the agreement include a provision to reduce hours to 35	around the necks of the silk work-		that the government is against it.	tute of America, "Any person who
Liberal "Spirit" Again	L. Lewis 1.00	a provision to reduce hours to 35	ers now on strike. Every silk		They are agin it, and its down in	tute of America, Any person who
Discussing the "boycott" of Ger-	D. Morris 1.00	a wook in the near future to ab-	worker in Paterson understands	FALL FESTIVAL	black and white—as a matter of	draws a cent from the government
many in the Nation, Oswald Garri-	D. Morris 1.00 C. Nelson 1.00	sorb more of the unemployed. Pro-	this.		fact they have been agin it since	in relief should not be permitted to
son Villard says"Of course it	J. Weber 2.00	vision should also be made for fu-		Entertainment and Dance Band	1921. It's even in the Versailles	vote. We should say to him: 'You
would be a great deal better if the	John Beicker 1.00	vision should also be made for fu- ture upward revision of wages in	is being made to beat down the re-	SATURDAY EVENING, SEPT. 29	Treaty, and every other year the	are our servant, and we shall make
boycott could be restricted to the	Bronx Branch	dow of the recent 40% cuts and	sistance of the workers by thugs		government sends out a mimeo-	the rules."
spiritual field." Reminds me of	S. Egstadt 1.00	view of the recent 40% cuts and the rising cost of living. Although	and bayonets, the New Jersey boss-	144 Second Avenue, N. Y. C.	graphed copy of its form letter	Our answer to these vile prosti-
the Quaker bride who always wait-	M. Lifshitz 1.00	the rising cost of living. Although the impartial chairman, Dr. Mos-	es for the moment are resorting to	Admission 15c	telling the boys that, "We are agin	tutes of capitalism is: Messrs., you
ed till the spirit moved her. The	M. Lifshitz 1.00 S. Eidensohr 1.00	kowitz, a great humanitarian,	the club of the law.		1419	have made the rules long enough;
			The United Silk Workers Club	Auspices: Communist League and	Some wise sage once said, "War	you have forced us overlong to ex-
also suitable for Oswald Garrison	A. McAbe 1.00	"Triend" of the Soviet Union, who		Spartacus Youth Club Downtown	is a serious business!" So it is,	ist in a form of society rotten and
Villard,	Ann Toven 1.00	has been instrumental in bringing	alarm against the passivity with	Downtown Branch		corrupt and decaying in every limb.
* * *	1 Harlam Kranch		which the strike leadership has		and that is why the United States	
Yachts and Scabs		F0 50				Our rules will be entirely different
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H. E. F., SPRINGFIELD, III .--

Question: What is the basis for the split among the capitalists on the question of inflation?

Answer: In the first place the demand for "cheap" money usually comes from the rural sections, where the small farmer, usually heavily mortgaged, expects that an inflation will make it easier for him to pay his debts. For illustration let us assume a farmer whose farm is worked only by himself and his family. Interest at 6% on his \$7,000 mortgage is \$420, taxes are \$210 a year, so that his annual debt is \$630. For goods bought from the city he must pay his farm in a few years.

If we assume an inflation which raises the price of farm products 40% and the price of city-made 1918 being defeated in his candi- the boss class. goods 50%, the farmer would then get \$1,260 for his crop out of which purchases from the city would tions with the underworld; for a take \$600, leaving him \$600 for interest and taxes. while things would go along nicely to 400 country weeklies throughout Even if his taxes were raised to \$240 a year, he is between Guilford and local gamstill able to pay his debts.

This is the underlying idea back of the farmers' demand for inflation and the basis for the "silver" and "greenback" advocates. The various factors, in the Twin Cities would appear in Goebbels could not have conceived however, may so operate that the farmer will be as his paper. In 1927 Guilford was any filthier propaganda. Especially badly off as before. The prices of city-made products attacked and wounded by gunmen may rise much higher in proportion than is indicated of the underworld. At another vice" were the Communists-and in the foregoing example and overproduction of farm time this man dabbled in local theproducts may so depress their prices that the gain atricals, being a partner of Bain- enemy of Guilford's. from inflation may be wiped out, despite the fact bridge, present mayor of Minneathat the farmer would be even worse off under these polis. At no time in his life has graphs from issues of the Saturday circumstances than if the inflation had not taken place.

That capital which is sunk into farm mortgages productive bit of work. In short, to give readers an idea of bossor other sources of fixed money income stands to Guilford is a quite common type of journalism at its most brazen exlose by inflation. The owner of the capital receives parasite, a 100% American, a man treme. Readers of the Chicago as many dollars as before but whether this is used always for sale to the highest bid- Tribune, the Los Angeles Times, der; absolutely conscienceless, mefor expansion of capital or for personal consumption, it can purchase fewer commodities because of diocre, cruel. His latest publishing venture was the higher prices.

weekly paper, the Saturday 11: The worker, unless he fights for, and gets, a proportional pay increase, is the worst sufferer from an Press. It was this paper that the inflation, and his loss is the gain of capital sunk Citizen's Alliance used during the eaten, brainless wonders who yowl into industry, which pockets the decline in the workers' REAL wages. This wage cut also places the capitalists in a better competitive position on the neapolis workers, and to express of proletarian rule-communismtheir Black Hundred desires. world market. **Tool of Citizen's Alliance**

In modern imperialist society, where the owners of the farm mortgage and the factory are the banks, the conflict among the latter over inflation reduces itself to whether or not they stand to gain more, economically and politically, through the cut in the workers' wages, than they pass out to the farmer as the most vicious ways imaginable. a subsidy.

HENRY BLOOMBERG, Brooklyn-

Question: What is the truth about the following?: Minneapolis feel for the class-con-The Stalinists say that the "Trotskyists" lie when they state that the C.P. called the A. F. of L. a they think it advisable not to show fascist organization, whereas the C. P. said that the in their other papers, the Journal, leaders are fascists.

Answer: On several occasions recently the "Question Box" (see Militant of August 4, 1934) has given the official Stalinist quotations and the word organization and not leaders was used.

However that may be, the Stalinists are only stepping from the frying pan into the fire. Bill Green ping from the frying pan into the fire. Bill Green ing letter was found among Guil-and his ilk are NOT fascists. The prime purpose of ford's effect. This letter is signed fascism is the annihilation of the democratic insti-by none other than Joseph Cochran, tutions of the working class, of which the trades unions are by no means of least importance. If the A. F. of L. were to cease to exist, so would the salaries, sinecures, etc. of all the Bill Greens, and so would cease their right to sit at the same dinner table with the capitalists. Why should such people stand for fascism which, for them, means political suicide?

The appellation which best applies to these individuals is that of Daniel De Leon: "The Labor Lieutenants of the Capitalist Class."

The Rise and Fall of a Gangster-Journalist

By Mid-Western Correspondent | journalist and radio speaker, has On September 6. in Minneapolis, volunteered to lead such a move Howard Guilford was shot and ment, working in co-operation with killed by unknown assailants while all agencies now trying to restore driving home from downtown. This conditions to normalcy and elimiman's activities, his connections nate the regrettable spirit of class with the underworld and with the hatred which is being propagated employers, has a significance for in Minneapolis. The ability of Mr. Guilford to secure results in his all workers.

Guilford had been in the publish- campaign will not be doubted by ing field for over twenty years, those acquainted with him, provid-\$400. He sells his annual crop for \$900 which leaves getting out blackmail and scandal ed the necessary support is extendhim \$500 with which to pay interest and taxes, so sheets for the tittilating delectation ed by business men and public spirthat he is in the red \$120 each year and faces losing of his wealthy readers and for the ited citizens interested in the fu benefit of his pocketbook. His pature of the state."

pers were never of a "popular" na-This letter reeks with the hypo crisy, the statesmanlike diction of ture. He dabbled in politics, in

Since July 1, Guilford was mail ing out a "political news service" the state, all these articles containbling interests. Then Guilford ing the most scurrilous attacks. not would be "cut" out, and an exonly upon the working class but posure of commercalized gambling upon every liberal sentiment. A criticized in Guilford's "news ser-Governor Olson, an old political I shall reproduce a few para-

he ever been known to do a socially Press published during the strike,

etc., will recognize the style. **Guilford's Bile**

Reading in the issue of Augus

"In this city a dozen lousy, moth ty to defend the socialist interests Local 574 strikes to spew out their against and urge the overthrow of the Social Democracy proved its hatred against the militant Min-lour government and the adoption fend even the "bourgeois" demo-

have forced more than five thoucratic interests of the proletariat. sand workers to stand idle while The bourgeoisie, resorting to the ruffians and communists riot and Fascist solution because it could no raise hell. A handful of weevillonger solve its problems with the brained burros, who haven't the aid of the Social Democratic phyintelligence of a mud turtle but sician, exterminated the latter have the vocal organs of a caliope without mercy or gratitude.

The Third International was cost the workers and common peobuilt up on the ruins of the Second. ple of this city a million dollars in In the first years of its existence lost wages within the last ninety it was the rallying ground of all days.' the progressive and revolutionary

In this same issue, the Press forces in the ranks of the proletawhoops it up for the vigilantes. It riat and all other oppressed toilis significant that, try as it could, ers. In the second, Stalinist period, the Citizens Alliance was totally it experienced an almost uninterunable to form such an organizarupted decline under the banner of tion during the last strike. The bureaucratic Centrism. Corrupted memory of the Battle of Deputy by the poisonous theory of "social-Run in the Market district the last ism in one country", the Third In-Tuesday of the May strike is too firmly implanted in the souls of the better element". revolution. By virtue of this na-

Featured on the front page of tionalistic theory, the harmony of the Press for Aug. 11 is a letter interest between the preservation from the United Vigilantes of Amof the Soviet fatherland and the erica advancement of the world revolu-Greetings from Fellow-Murderers

tion, was replaced by the conflict "As the Director of Investigaof interests between the world revtions of the Vigilantes of Californolution and the Soviet bureaucracy ia, a subsidiary of the United Vigdominating the Republic and the ilantes of America, I want to again International. The theory of nacongratulate your Saturday Press tional socialism in which was imfor the splendid way in which you plicit from the very beginning the denounced the un-Americans, in a recent issue of your splendid publitilled for the world proletariat-

Manifesto of Worker's Party of Canada

atter another, prostrating the revo (continued from last issue) lutionary movement abroad and For the Fourth International! undermining the proletarian dic-But while the general crisis of tatorship in the Soviet Union. To capitalism has created all the necthis theory can be traced not mereessary objective conditions on a ly the bureaucratic degeneration of scale for the successful struggle for Socialism, the internaof the English proletariat in 1926, tional working class movement has itself been passing through a deepgoing crisis. Time after time revolutionary opportunities have been lost, and capitalism has "stabilized" itself owing to the absence or failure of a party of the working class capable of giving leadership. The International of the Social Democracy crumpled up in 1914 as themselves openly in the service of bourgeoisies. From that time on-

ward it became, not a working man proletariat which resulted in it has further isolated our small group in France. class party, but a bourgeois labor buttress of a collapsing capitalist order. It ceased to offer the possibilities of reform and became an objective obstacle in the path of the proletariat. For that reason from it and raised the banner of 1934, the Second International, its

most important wings at any rate International, we continue our fight ary youth.-Ed. Note) (the conservative German Social Democracy in 1933 and the "radifor the revolutionary theories of

cal" Austrian Social Democracy in Marx, Engels, Lenin and Trotsky and 1918-1921, the Social Demo- To continue the struggle for revo-International, and new Communist equally inherent incapacity to de- Parties in every country in the als. world.

> The Crisis in Canada and the Workers' Party

The crisis in Canada has thrown demands that it build the vanguard party powerful into sharp relief the deep-seated enough to play a decisive role as soon as possible. contradictions and antagonisms in Since February 6th a pre-bonapartist regime emerged the class-structure of capitalist so- which has been balancing itself between hostile

ciety. At one pole we find grow- classes. Without excluding a reactionary stabilizaing centralization and concentra- tion of the crisis in France, the most probable pertion of wealth and capital, giant spective. the one upon which it is necessary to base monopolist banks and industrial activity, is an intensification of the class struggle corporations (finance-capital), fa- and the development of a number of sharp crises will bulous profits, luxurious living; at pose the question of power and lead either to the the other pole-increasing misery victory of the proletarian revolution or to the victory and insecurity of the masses, merof Fascism.

ciless wage-cutting, over a million unemployed, foreclosures and evictions, inhuman exploitation of women and youth, violation of legal minimum scales, inadequate relief pittance, and absence of social inthe directing staff of international surance Fearing radicalization of the masses, the capitalist state sets of these slogans. in motion all its machinery of re-

pression. The Criminal Code outties. Freedom of speech, assemblage and other civil liberties are trampthe masses move to the left, even channels of social reformism.

in the next issue

WORLD OF LABOR

YOUNG LENINISTS OF FRANCE TAKE DECISIVE STEP

(The full text of the resolution adopted by the Young Leniaists of France, the counterpart of the Spartacus Youth League of America, on the next step to be taken by their organization is printed below. To some it will appear as a departure from the International, but the defeat our traditional position in this resolution. The decision contained therein, to join the Socialist youth the collapse of Polish Communism of France should not come as a surprise to any of at the time of the Pilsudski coup our membtrs or sympathizers. The Militant has time d'etat in the same year, the fright- and time again stressed the momentous importance ful mangling of the Chinese work- of the events now transpiring in France. As in ing class and peasantry by the Kuo Germany the question of Fascism or proletarian rev-Min Tang in 1927, the topping off of olution is posed with razor-like sharpness. Of vital the revolutionary wing (Bolshevik- necessity, there, is a vanguard, a new Communist Leninists) from the Soviet Union party, to guide the working class in its moment of Party in the same year. Turning decisive action. Because our organization is small its back upon the world revolution and weak despite its correct policies and slogans, it a progressive factor in the working in which it lost faith, in order to is isolated from the masses and is thereby ineffecclass when its national parts placed pursue the illusion of a national tive. The united front between the Communist and utopia in the Soviet Union, the Socialist parties, which has remained in the leading their respective warring national Stalinist Bureaucracy ended by a strings of the bureaucrats of both parties has not treacherous desertion of the Ger- set the proletariat into action against Fascism but

delivering it, unarmed, and unpre- The entry of the Leninist Youth in France---that is party and the most substantial pared, into the hands of Hitlerism. the only country whert such a step has been decided The German defeat for which Stal- upon-has as its purpose the welding of the revoluinism bears joint responsibility tionary vanguard of the working class youth with with Social Democracy, is that last the leftward moving young socialists and together drop which precipitated the final with them build the new party on the solid foundacollapse of the Third International tions of Marxism and Leninism. As will be noted the advanced Marxian wing broke and removed it from all possibili- in the document, not a principle, not an idea, not a ties of reform just as definitely as line of the Fourth International is renounced, rethe Third International. In 1933- was the case with the Social Demo- vised or compromised by the Young Leninists in takcracy twenty years earlier. ing this step. They do it with their eyes open, their

In breaking with the Stalinist banner flying and in the interests of the revolution-

The defeat of the German proletariat has posed the 1934) was annihilated as an OR- which were the foundation stones task of regrouping the revolutionary faction of the GANIZATIONAL factor. In 1914 of the Communist International. proletariat into new parties. Especially the necessity of winning the young workers to the cause of revcracy proved its inherent incapaci- lutionary Marxism today can mean olutionary Marxism requires that an international of only one thing: to build a Fourth the youth in the spirit of Liebknecht be rebuilt of the proletariat. In 1933-1934 International, a new Communist against the impotent and bankrupt bureaucrats of the Young Socialist and Young Communist Internation-

> The development of the political situation in France has not only confirmed the fundamental line adopted by the International Communist League but

The program of action of the Ligue and the youth, the creation of a worker's militia, the workers' alliances, workers' control of production, the arming of the proletariat, etc. was predicated on this short perspective. This slogan, more timely than ever, must penetrate into the masses. Our tactic should aim towards swinging the masses into action on the basis

Towards this end it is necessary to work for the laws working-class political par- creation of a party and a youth organization unfettered by reformism, centrism and Stalinism. When the Communist party is beginning to justify in advance led underfoot, the workers' press its "conditional" participation in national defense, it is subjected to censorship, militant becomes clear that only a party which holds aloft the workers are jailed or deported. Un- banner of internationalism and revolutionary deder pressure of the crisis, however, featism can stand the test in an imperialist war.

But correct ideas alone do not suffice for the conthough their discontent with capi- stitution of such a party. Despite the successes of August 4th of the Comintern, disvik-Leninist ideas, our organization is too weak to guide the experience of the masses, as an independent

Local 574 was aware that Guilford was speaking over the air as a representative of the Citizen's Alliance, attacking the strikers in and the courage of coyotes, have

and hatred which the employers of scious workers; a hatred which Tribune and Star.

But it is one thing to be aware of the connections between the employers and one of their tools, and another to have definite proof. So it was with satisfaction that Minneapolis workers read that the follow-

the notorious chairman of the "Employers' Advisory Committee", so active in the last strike. The letter was addressed to citizens of the

"A statewide campaign of education in the matter of economic disturbances of the past few months, their cause, their effect

The Blacklist

and their cure is most urgently .needed.

Local 574 was aware that the columns of Guilford's paper were * * * filled with the frantic insane fear

state, and reads as follows:

PROF. W., Boston-

Question: How can you Communists speak of the "revolutionary working class" when it is obvious that 99% of the American workers support the capitalist parties?

. . .

Answer: The capitalist press usually puts this affirmatively as follows: The workers are not revolutionary; all they want is more wages, shorter hours, etc. This is of course either a naivite or a "subtle" blurring of the truth.

It is precisely because it must defend its material interests that a class may be forced to act in a revolutionary manner, whether or not it is conscious of the fact. Cromwell's Puritans fought for the right to pray in their own manner; the French Revolution was fought in the name of 'Liberty, Equality, and Fraternity." Nowhere in the English or French bourgeois revolutions was there inscribed on the this article. banners: We are fighting so that the privilege of exploiting the masses shall be transferred from the feudal lords to the bourgeoisie, which is the revolutionary task of the day. After February 1917 large 1922 until the latter part of 1933. sections of the Russian peasantry were swearing that During this period the longshorethey would kill any Bolsheviks they got their hands on, at the same time that they were seizing the land. The Bolsheviks later gave consciousness to these men were forced to pay dues in the acts. The Italian proletariat seized the factories Blue Book Union in order to hold some fourteen years ago but because their acts were a job on the waterfront. In this not given consciousness, i.e. there was no revolutionary Communist Party at their head, they are now prostrate under the heel of fascism.

The modern industrial proletariat has absolutely society; their material needs require a revolutionary waiting to be called. Even when of the hiring halls. It was also social transformation and they have been prepared by history to effect such a transformation. It is in this sense that we speak of them as revolutionary. The ideological superstructure lags behind its material base, and it is essentially to close this gap without receiving any pay until they went to work. that a revolutionary Communist Party is needed.

J. R., BRYAN, Ohio-As the Militant has already noted, we are having our National Convention in a few weeks, on the agenda of which is the Negro question, which is now under discussion. It is obvious that within the limits of this column, the subject could hardly be adequately treated. Unless you insist otherwise, therefore, it would be preferable listed. that you get your answer officially and fully from the adopted theses which will be published in the not too distant future. At any rate the best you could get at present is the personal opinion of this editor.

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EDITOR'S NOTE: It would be greatly appreciated in this unionization campaign were by the "Question Box" editor if comrades, upon receiving answers through this column, would inform of the Proletarian Party, members us in a brief note whether or not such answers satis- of the Communist Party and other factorily clear up the points in question, or give the militants as well as many conservdesired mission. All suggestions for improvement elected President of the San Fran- the I.L.A. in all coast ports result- Industrial Union, and the greater strike activities. are welcome, and will be acknowledged.

(Continued on Page 4) "Howard Guilford, Twin City

The History of the Frisco General Strike

= By JIM OSBORN and DICK ETTLINGER =

The San Francisco Waterfront | By January 1934 approximately in favor of the strike. The strike | fast as they came into port. The and General Strike is now history. 90% of the stevedores of the West date was set for March 23. A tele- International Seamen's Union had sings which will follow, regrouping of all workers, such a tremendous struggle involv- Coast were carrying cards in the gram was received from President been a union in name only for a currents into one movement with a democratic reing as it did almost a hundred I.L.A.

thousand workers demands a detailed analysis in order to clearly bring out the lessons of the strike the workers on the waterfront in and the steps to be taken in the the Marine Workers Industrial Undevelopment of future struggles of ion without success. Their failure concerned, and instead they into be found in the conditions that I.L.A. and build within that organprevailed on the waterfront from ization a militant left wing.

In February 1934 a West coast convention of the I.L.A. was called Blue Book or Company Union. The for the purpose of formulating defor a strike.

It was decided at this Convenger of a split. company union they were subject tion that the scale of wages should to all of the deplorable conditions be \$1.00 per hour and \$1.50 per possible in their craft. Such as hour for overtime, that the 30 hour having to report every morning week should be put into effect, and and stand on the Embarcadero that the I.L.A. should have control

hey were hired and instructed to decided that the I.L.A. was opposed report at the dock for work, they to any arbitration of these dewould have to wait for hours, day mands. The convention also went or night, for ships to come in on record in favor of a coast-wide agreement and the formation of a water front federation consisting

of all maritime workers. While

the so-called left wing was able to Those men who most willingly accepted these conditions and did of the demands to be presented to not object to the speed-up system in vogue on the water front were ments secured control organizationnaturally the favorites and received the bulk of the work, while those members to the coast executive they also joined the strike. who protested were quickly blackboard.

These demands were presented When Section 7A of the NRA to the ship owners at a meeting of went into effect organization again developed on the front. This new Regional Labor Board on March 5. organization was formed within the 1934. The owners turned down all framework of the International Longshoremens Association. Active of the demands and publicly accused the I.L.A. of being dominatvarious elements. A few members ed by "a bunch of reds", and also that the officials of the I.L.A. did not represent the men.

cisco local of the new organization. ing in an overwhelming majority portion of them left the ships as

Roosevelt on March 22, asking that number of years as the seamen gime can constitute a very progressive factor for the The Communist Party had for the strike be postponed and that were almost wholly unorganized evolution of large proletarian sections. Especially some time been trying to organize new negotiations be entered into. prior to the strike. Nevertheless, William Lewis, district president the vast majority of the striking learn collectively in the struggle against Fascism. of the I.L.A., on his own authority seamen joined the I.S.U. during the issued a statement saying that the strike. The seamen's wages had mighty professors but to go through the same exthe labor movement in this city. forced them to abandon this plan strike had been called off. His ac- been reduced from \$90.00 in 1921 This in the main is the purpose of as far as the longshoremen were tion was later endorsed by the Ex- to an average of \$40.00 per month, to find the path to the real revolutionary youth orecutive Committee, but there was but at first their walkout was a The background of the conflict is structed their members to join the strong criticism of Lewis by many sympathetic one with the longof the rank and file, although some shoremen. Later, however, they forof the conservatives did support mulated their own demands includ-

him, stating that "we must give ing recognition of their union. the President an opportunity to In their walkout they were joined settle our demands". If the left by firemen and oilers, the cooks and stewards, the Marine Engineers elements had attempted to force and the Master Mates and Pilots. the issue of a strike at this time, Workers Support Marine Strike there would have been grave dan-From the very beginning the

rank and file of the San Francisco Negotiations were carried on

during April without any progress labor movement supported the marine workers' strike. So overbeing made. The waterfront emwhelming was this support that ployers refused to make any concessions although many meetings the bureaucrats of the San Franwere held. Practically all elements cisco labor movement were forced today, is in the vanguard of the working class youth in the I.L.A. were convinced by to issue an appeal to all unions for who will fight in the united youth organization of inevitable. Negotiations were brok- were contributed to the support of right to defend our own opinions in its ranks; in the the first of May that a strike was the waterfront strikers. en off and a strike called, effective The strike committee of the I.

on May 9.

Ryan's Maneuvers off the strike, this time openly by sent speakers to all the unions, in order to spread our slogans, and to pass rapidly secure a majority for the adoption of the strike, this time openly by sent speakers to an the united, over to action, in order to work for the united Youth Ryan, international president of the both with the idea of getting funds I.L.A. The longshoremen of Seattle and propagating the idea of a gen- organization of tomorrow, circumstances compel us the employers, the conservative ele-were at first influenced by these eral strike. If such a policy had today to join the Young Socialists. actions but on hearing of the ac- been carried out it would have been ally and elected the majority of the tion of the San Francisco local possible to organize left elements nor do they want any deals. Each unit of the Young

The teamsters who are the key San Francisco labor movement Young Socialists. craft in any waterfront struggle, around the idea of a general strike ship owners, the I.L.A. and the A. pickets were constantly working a position where they could not every member of the organization, among others the at first took no action, but the I.L. to get them to refuse to handle any have so easily kept the complete right to defend their conceptions within the framescab cargo. These efforts were leadership under their control when

very successful and the Teamsters they were forced to call the general Union, over-riding the wishes of strike. their reactionary officials, overcargo to and from the docks.

organization in the short period of time before us. Our organic weakness will cause us to remain mere 'advisers'' to the existing parties.

It is in thes conditions that we see a powerful movement towards organic unity. This marks the ideological reaction which has taken place since noted the ferment in the working masses and the ried this out a year ago. In these conditions, having

Tours (1920). But the reaction has ended. We pointwe, the youth, should stand shoulder to shoulder and Our task is not to cast judgment like high-andperience with the working youth and then with them ganization on the bases of Marxism and Leninism. That is why the Young Leninists approve the slogan of the Central Committee: "One revolutionary youth organization."

As partisans of the creation of a new revolutionary youth international, we believe that a step in this direction is the break in the Y.S.I. with the bloc of patriots and reformists (Holland, etc.). The first task is to solidify all the left socialist youth who orient towards Marxism (Belg um, Spain, France, etc.) and to clarify the vital problems of the young workers.

In France the problem is particularly sharp begause of the rapidity with which they are orienting themselves towards decisive measures. Our place, support. Thousands of dollars tomorrow; in the Communist youth if it gives us the Socialist youth especially, where more and more important sections of militants are breaking with re-

L.A. did not effectively capitalize formism and finding the road to Marxism. In order Again efforts were made to call on this support. They should have to assist the left in its evolution towards Leninism,

The Young Leninists are not making a maneuver within the various unions of the Leninists will join the corresponding section of the

Respectful of discipline the Young Leninists dethereby placing the bureaucracy in mand for themselves only the rights and duties of work of proletarian democracy and discipline.

The Young Leninists will enter the Young Socialists without hiding their banner, without surrendtr-Another mistake made at this ing any of their principles. These principles are the whelmingly voted not to haul any period of the strike was that the ones which made the victorious Russian Revolution. strike committees of the various The world revolution will be made by them. We are A few days after the I.L.A. strike unions met separately which pre- fully confident that our ideas will find their way After their demands were turned began, the seamen were called upon vented effective coordination of into the masses, permitting thus the effective strugknowing whether or not the column is fulfilling its tive by the name of Holman was down a strike vote was taken by to strike by the Marine Workers picketing and other important gle against the common enemies of the youth and

(To Be Continued)

ers.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1934

American Workers Party Sends Letter on Unity

would be a great handicap in our

efforts to build the new revolution-

ary party if we failed to clear up

from you on the question of pro-

gram, we are prepared to take im-

mediate steps to bring about organ-

ic unity. This would mean, in the

last analysis and as we understand

it, the merger of the two organiza-

tions, the C.L.A. and the A.W.P.,

members of either organization

ceasing to have any connection with

this point from the outset.

(Ed. Note-We print below the | as the expression of an antagonisletter of the American Workers Party on the question of fusion with the Communist League. In next week's MILITANT the reply of the National Committee of the Communist League will appear. * * *

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September 18, 1934 National Committee, c/o Arne Swabeck, Communist League of America, 144 Second Avenue, New York City. Dear Comrades:

Both your organization and ours any other political organization, have declared for the formation of national or international, save such a new revolutionary party of the as may be determined by the party workers, and for a new interna- to be formed as part of the effort mic distress is still upon them, that tional as soon as conditions permit to build the new international, and so little is being done anywhere by actual organizing efforts. We have ceasing to issue or to participate anybody to give them real enlightall been working to this end during in issuing any political organ save enment. This, together with widethe past months. As a part of this those sanctioned by the new party. held between committees of the for accomplishing the merger and Communist League of America. At may wish to offer. these meetings the programmatic statement of the A.W.P. and certain phases of the program of the C.L.A. have been discussed in a ner as to make unity not only centers. frank and comradely spirit.

possible but likewise enduring. We We believe sufficient headway specifically refer to the fact that has been made in these meetings to in the past years our respective make it necessary for both of us organizations have pursued somefinally to clarify the relation be- what different courses and attitween our organizations and, if we tudes. For a period of six years are in essential agreement on fun- your membership has been engaged damentals, to take concrete steps in a fierce political struggle with toward the accomplishment of or- the C.P. and the C.I., and because ganic unity. Your letter dated of it they have developed a strong September 7 reached us toward the tendency to emphasize points of end of the Pittsburgh session of the disagreement and an aptitude for P.O.C., after an exhaustive analy- dogmatism. Our organization has sis of the general situation in the functioned primarily in the econocountry and in the movement, and mic conflicts of the American labor of the problem of unity before us, scene and many of our members had been completed. We were glad are but slowly coming to realize to discover that you too arrived at the significance of clear-cut theorthe conclusion that discussion of etical positions. We know that organizational merger is the logical your organization is consciously consequence of our earlier joint moving from sectarian existence toward conscious and purposive meetings.

You state in your letter that the participation in mass movements. revised edition of the Draft Pro- Likewise our members are developgram of the A.W.P. has come to ing the desired party and theoretiyour hand. This new edition was cal consciousness. There would be discussions on program held be- members of political organizations appears on the faces of the heads liberty and opportunity, that their tween the committees of our re- do not easily discard habits of reaspective organizations and with soning and acting. Consequently, mind. It is our opinion that in all this state of affairs and we must make a picture the itinerant ob- of the United States awaited every fundamental respects the revised exercise utmost care in working program of the A.W.P. correctly out the procedure.

We believe that the name A.W.P. states the position of the revolutionary party of the workers which should be the name of the new party, both because we consider we want to build.

Since the question of program is this a name excellent and approparamount and primary in the priate in itself and because it is alformation of the new party, we ready known to thousands of workwish to learn from you, at the ear- | ers as the name of the new party. liest date possible, whether you If, however, you have in mind a are prepared to accept this Draft name which you consider more Program as a working basis for suitable, we are prepared to discuss the program of the new party. it. We are convinced, though, that Should there be any question on the name of the new party must your part as to certain, formula- not make use of the labels, "so- he was ready, right now, to take tions will you please include in cialist" or "communist", because a gun and join in an armed upris-your reply the versions which you the use of either of them would ing against Wall Street. choose to propose or sections which tend to make the new party appear you wish to add, so that we may as a faction of or in some other way related to either the socialgive them proper consideration? democracy or the communist inter-Our program contains criticism, national in some detail, of the principles In the meantime, as we proceed and the activities of the Communist Party and the C. I. We hold with the steps aiming at organic unity, we propose that united acthat such criticism must be made and that a thorough critical analy- tivities, in which our organizacation. sis of all the revolutionary parties | tions have been engaged for some in the field is an indispensable part time, be extended upon both a local of the preparatory work in the and a national scale. We propose building of the new party. How- that a committee from each organever, we must take care that our ization meet to draw up a plan for criticism of C.I. and C.P. policies such united activities. Furthernot only is not, but is free from more, we suggest that we attempt any appearance of being, an attack to make this plan a general model upon the Soviet Union. We are for the united activities of worksure that you will agree with us | ing class groups, and that we make that the defense of the workers' every effort to secure its acceptfatherland to which so many have ance by the largest possible numgiven lip-service is a major task of | ber of other working class groups. the new party; that in the light of We wish that these united activithe world situation such defense, as | ties be entered into and continued well as counteraction of the disas- whatever the immediate result in trous policies of the Communist | the matter of merging our organiz-International, can only be weak- ations, sisce both our organizaissue their ultimatum to the Comened by any attempt to build a new ations, since both our organizamunists to pack their bag and bagparty within the S. U.; asd that this kind with other groups. gage and leave the confines of this these ends can be most rapidly and We propose that all documents in glorious city. If any questionable effectively achieved by the building these negotiations between our oror politician dares to take sides of powerful revolutionary parties ganizations be promptly published with them, he may be called before In the major capitalist nations and in the respective organs of the C. the Tribunal to ANSWER. of the new Intersational. The es- L.A. and the A.W.P., or if in any tablishment of an actually func- case this proves physically impostioning workers' government in sible, that they be made promptly charter so that they can function Russia, and the unbroken existence available to the membership of both under the head of this great instiof the Soviet Union during these organizations in some other way. tution and keep America for Ameryears of capitalist reaction and Our organizations are agreed that icans. disintegration everywhere else, these questions of unity and united constitute an inspiring contribuaction must not be delayed. No main, tion to the world revolutionary significant step toward unity in the movement. While the rise of the revolutionary workers movement fascist powers in the west and the has been taken in a decade. The aggressive imperialism of Japan in need for such a step is a matter of the east may be taken as specific supreme importance. The building arguments in favor of careful stateof the new revolutionary party is ment in any criticism of the S. U., a first and indispensable item on the fundamental solidarity of all the agenda of the workers' revolufollowing: revolutionary workers with the tion. Russian Revolution is of basic sig-Fraternally yours, nificance. This is the paramount **Provisional Organizing Committee** reason why a legitimate critical an-American Workers Party alysis of policies and attitudes A. J. MUSTE, should not be permitted to drift in-Chairman to a virtual attack. This utmost care in handling all matters con-INDIAN SUMMER cerning the S. U. is of cardinal im-FESTIVAL & DANCE portance to our task of building a SATURDAY, OCT. 27, at 8 P.M. revolutionary consciousness among **IRVING PLAZA** the workers in our country as well as in all other lands. We think it (Victoria Hall) is important to emphasize this 15th St. & Irving Place point because, however justified C. Refreshments Entertainment Admission 35e L.A. criticisms of certain policies of the S.U. may have been, they Auspices: International Workers have stood out in the public mind School, 144 2nd Ave., N.Y.C.



The "New Deal" president has A sailor in Providence, in discus- ark, Elizabeth, Perth Amboy and been in office for nearly two years. sing unemployment, said he did not smaller centers are closed down tic attitude toward the S. U. It Billions of dollars have been spent see how this country could be completely with their former emby Roosevelt's administration on saved from revolution. Such statements and declarations Coolie Conditions Come to America

national recovery, the Soviet Union has been recognized, prohibition made over and over again by workhas ended. And yet there is no vis- ers of all trades and all localities Southern Massachusets it was said In the event of a favorable reply ible sign of that great American are the outspoken expression of that laborers at \$1 a day could be boom, the prosperity that was to the unrest and rebellion which had in abundance.

follow the long depression years- rages in the hearts of these men. to fill the empty pots with fat They were not uttered merely by chickens and the equally empty jobless and hungry men. They China are making rapid progress garages with shiny cars -after were made by textile workers em- in the United States. these great anticipations had been ployed up till the present strike,

sailors temporarily ashore, small farmers, small storekeepers and down to New York and beyond are by workers on the job, all of whom,

however, are conscious of their to know why it is that the economic insecurity and fearful of ing winter is a mystery. the future.

blight of unemployment and econo-Understanding Still Superficial Seldom did one hear a single principle or proposition which cut to New York to Philadelphia and through all the surface down to on to Baltimore it was one continuspread and bitter personal poverty the basic cause of the depressionwork, several conferences have been We shall be ready to suggest a plan and a vast amount of ignorance to the capitalist system. They do women and children. Many of among them concerning the causes not know whether there is any sys- these charity applicants were un-American Workers Party and the to consider any plan which you of the sufferings, constitute the tem or any lack of system. They ashamed as they took the bread outstanding phenomena observed on simply know they are out of work It is important that in seeking a recent tour around New York in and starving. The small store- ingly. Others swallowed their

to bring about the organic unity we a 300 mile radius which included keepers knew they were near bankshould go about it in such a man-some strike territory in the textile ruptcy in their efforts to compete with the great chain stores and the

small farmers were conscious they were losing their farms to the banks.

From where the waves of the Atlan-Precisely what is the matter, tic beat upon the shore lines of New York and New Jersey to the whom or what to hold responsible, New York and New Jersey to the and what might be done to remedy opinion seemed to prevail that if confluence of the Hudson and the confluence are quantized in the president Roosevelt were not emsacandaga rivers at Hadley and the conditions are questions in barrassed by his opponents-the beyond, unemployment is general which the people generally are at

and widespread. It is not a fictitious sea. situation concocted by radicals to Opportunity on the Slave Market plague Roosevelt's administration. It is a shameful and damning fact. small town of Phillipsburg, a crowd good times again. Among other Large numbers of workers are similar in size and character to the measures advocated were tariff angry and desperate. Many of Somerville aggregation had gaththem are openly advocating revo- ered at the promise of jobs. Furlution and civil war. They know ther investigation revealed that the nothing of the system which grinds company had advertized for 30 for an acceptance of the situation out the inequalities of wealth and stone quarriers. It was to be noted with holy resignation, claiming poverty. All they know is that that they were all white and of that the depression was sent by they are without work and starv- native American stock. Their ages God as a blessing in disguise. ing in a land of plenty, with a host | ranged from 20 to 40 years. Splenof parasites splurging on the top. did specimens of physical manhood, that quite a number of workers are Ragged families in dilapidated au- they were a credit to the country sympathetic towards the Soviet tomobiles roam the country search- that gave them birth. From their Union. The news that the workers ing for work and something to eat. youth each of them had been taught of Russia were all working while The weary, haunted look which that their country was a land of fifteen million Americans were of these families, and the despair- government was the best and finest the to increasing dissatisfaction ing appearances of their withered that could be devised, that a milwives and undernourished children lionaire's fortune or the presidency

men and boys tramping from here to answer the call of opportunity, tile centers and large coastal cities, to there looking for work they will and that failure was due to no one never find add to the impressive- but himself. The sentiment of these men was munist publication. But every one ness of a situation that is full of

contingencies. What the People Think About

fulfilled! On the contrary. The

working class suffers more than

The workers everywhere want

Privation Everywhere

Times are hard, undeniably hard.

ever.

ever saw would surely come". Another man, a textile worker in



ployes wondering what next.

In the Springfield district in

To the matter-of-fact observer it looks as if the coolie conditions of

Conditions in Coast towns from Massachusets and Connecticut truly deplorable. How, the workers are going to weather the com-

Is there any need to mention or the common action. describe the breadlines that meet

one's horrified gaze? From Boston to attempt any maneuver for the purpose of winning away adherous breadline, replete with men, ents from one another. "It is understood that for the duration of the pact the organizations shall refrain from all insults, and soup handed out so condescendeven outside of the joint action. pride with difficulty as they drove action itself, each organization retheir miserable bodies to accept the serves for itself complete indepenfood necessary to sustain life. dence for the carrying on of its

Aside from an armed uprising of the workers, measures of relief proposed by some were as amusing as they were futile. The popular

last (and further restricted by the reservation of the Young Socialist opinion seemed to prevail that if Guard and the Young Leninist League on the right to criticize the capitalists (!) -conditions would foreign policies of the Soviet Unimprove. Others thought that reion). What are the "quarrels" bestoration of gambling, lotteries and tween the organizations for which About 50 miles northwest, in the the old-time saloon would bring a "truce" is established, if not precisely the "doctrinal propaganda" for which they reserve "complete changes, disarmament, a stiff forindependence"? None can be found. eign war that would kill off the Independence is impossible without unemployed. Some were outspoken the right to criticize. During a united front the participating parties do not establish a ruce in their conflicting programs

Curiously interesting is the fac

with present conditions. Marxian Information Scarce

Diligent inquiry failed to unearth a solitary worker, outside of texwho had ever heard of the Militant, or who had ever read a com-

distinctly against the receipt of had heard of Eugene V. Debs, Lencharity. What they wanted was in and Trotsky. Very few had an In Albany, N. Y., a man of some work. While outwardly good-na- intelligent conception of the Marxlocal consequence predicted that if tured, it was apparent they were ian philosophy, the communist prosomething is not done by somebody in no mood to be trifled with and gram or objectives. The few more soon to alleviate the situation the that if they could not get work they knowing ones were quite sure that "biggest strike riots this country were not going to starve quiescent- the Soviet Union was a country where the workers had come into

The stone quarriers in northern | their own through revolution, but Cumberland Mills, R. I., declared New Jersey have adopted the rotat- were ill-informed of the economic conditions on which the Soviet Reing process of giving the men three days work a week. Scores of inpublic rests. dustrial plants in the east-New

Evidence of breakdown of capitalism are at every hand. The cry of "The Coming American Boom" er than at present or the need as

and action.

One of the most interesting debates of the season is scheduled to echoes with the hollowness of its

A Comment on Belgian **United Front Pact**

We printed in the September 8 at all costs and also fear criticism. issue of the Militant, for the in- However, the Socialist ranks formation of our readers, the unit- have their own reasons for suped front pact signed by the Bel- porting a non-aggression pact. gian Young Socialist Guards, the They have observed the conduct of Young Communist League and the the Stalinists, their slanders and Leninist Youth League. As prev- disloyalty; they have encountered iously stated the Young Socialist | Stalinist hooliganism at their meet-Guards, numbering some 35,000, are ings. They have little confidence, many times larger and more influ- based upon previous experience, of ential than the other two groups the Stalinists carrying out an agreement. They demand a "guarcombined. antee" against Stalinist treachery.

At this time we wish to call at-But is a non-aggression pact a tention to section 4 of the pact as guarantee? Hardly. There are no unacceptable to Marxists. guarantees against the miserable sider it logical and elementary to conduct of the Stalinists. A united "4. The three organizations con-

"However, outside of the joint

The first paragraph is in direct

conflict and incompatible with the

doctrinal propaganda."

solemnly promise to establish a front agreement can include a sectruce in their quarrels and cease tion pledging the participating parreciprocal attacks in the course of ties not to indulge in slanders, etc. But it cannot, if a genuine united front is to be established, prohibit "Each organization promises not or restrict the right of criticism.

-Editor.



Cold Steel for Textile

And in that last response to the union demand you have the gist of the matter. By its own admission this Steel Board after months of existence is still investigating, workers are still being fired, Weirton Steel continues its old course.

It may be good politics for the bosses not to rush into print, heralding the findings and recommendations of the Inquiry Board as the "salvation of civilization" . . . and the safeguarding of their profits. It might make the textile workers sceptical of the whole business.

But for the union and its leaders to be silent, or to see in the report but rather accept a common mini- a basis for settlement, is not only mum program and are bound by a not good politics, it is not good discipline of action. Loyalty to unionism and it is detrimental to voluntary agreement is essential the cause of the mill workers.

No Settlement a la Winant!

The right to criticize does not There is no need of sending the mean slandering and insulting. strikers back to work and then Working class bodies should retrying to settle the strike. This is frain from such methods in all a national and not a local battle. their dealings with one another, More workers are involved than whether they are in a united front ever before in any one labor strugor not. "Maneuvering" in the gle in this country. The militancy, sense of deceptive tricks is also the flying squadrons, are on a par alien to the tactical arsenal of with the most glorious class conworkers' groups in their relation flicts in American labor history. with one another. The third week of the strike finds To declare a "truce" between the ranks tight as a drum. The workers' organizations organiza- textile strike can and must be won tions is a non-aggression pact and on the picket line. Victory is in cannot help, but rather hinders the sight. The bosses' ranks are becommon action and runs counter to coming panicky. Under these con-

the basic class interests of the ditions the attempt of any labor workers. The Social Democratic leader to settle the strike at this eaders favor a non-aggression pact time on the basis of the Winant because they fear revolutionary proposals would be treachery to the criticism. The Stalinist bureau- embattled mill workers. crats submit to it because they have

Relief! Relief!

What is most needed now to see the strike through to a triumphant conclusion is relief, relief and relief. If the strikers are to win they must be fed. Who will feed

William Green did lip-service to

the strike when he announced his

for its effectiveness. without jobs contributed not a lit-

Journalist (Contined from Page 3)

"Again congratulating you. I re-

now!

lante?" etc., ad naseum. I have quoted at some length "It is indeed fortunate for the from Guilford's paper to indicate true Americans to have a man like yourself as editor of an outstanding the venom and vulgarity with which it is written, and to show publication that will denounce the once more the connection between corrupt official and crooked politician which I believe is more dan- acts against the working class and fine talk of "Americanism" and gerous, etc. . . . and your splendid "patriotism". paper should have among its sub-

Incidentally, it is evident that scribers all the real Americans. the Saturday Press is quite cozily "Twelve Americans had the communists here jumping out of second subsidized by those whose interests story windows and next Friday it serves. This paper is mailed night there will be a meeting for free to all business houses in the purpose of organizing 10,000 town, and any one interested can Veterans of all wars as the 'Shock write in and get a free copy or Troops' of the Vigilantes and in the have copies sent to all his friends very near future the Vigilantes will gratis.

The Bosses' Scruples

This then is the way the Minne-

acute for a solid phlanax (G. Here

in Minneapolis. Are there enough

American citizens to form a Vigi-

apolis employers, organized in their Nations, occupying therein the place Citizen's Alliance, move against the due to itself and undertaking to workers. They think nothing of observe all international obligabuying up a newspaper, lock, stock tions and decisions that are binding and barrel, and hiring its editor to upon members in conformity with

"I believe that the Minneapolis propagandize throughout the state, Article 1 of the covenant." (M3 Committee will soon secure their by means of the paper, the radio emphasis, H. O.)

and the "news service". They go This statement is no different further and praise a man of the from any pacifist declaration which foulest character, just as the Hit- has been used to characterize the League ever since its inception. lerites sing hosannas to Horst Wessel. They underhandedly agi- This pacifist statement is no accitate for the creation of a Vigilante. dental incident in the life of Stal-

"Yours sincerely, That such a newspaper as the inism. It is merely the continua-"WILLIAM J. OTTS, tion of the pacifist position that Saturday Press continues to be "Vigilantes of California. published-this alone is enough to Stalinism has adopted at the Am-"Director of Investigations damn forever a society which persterdam Anti-War Congress which "San Francisco, Cal."

mits such a journalistic excrescence it has followed throughout the Two weeks later. in the Press to poison the air. And yet this world in its other "Anti-War" oredition of August 25, we read the paper is not only permitted but ganizations. Under Stalinism the encouraged by the rulers of our Comintern has degenerated into a

For God and Pocketbook capitalist society. A Marxian soborder patrol of the Soviet Union. ciologist could discover from the It is not an instrument for revolu-"Now glet me right on this. I am columns of this paper the whole tion, and its fight against war deinterested first and last in the or-

ganization of a Minnesota Vigi- history and background of the fes- generates into pacifism. The pacifist illusions the Stalinlante. I want that organization to tering corruption, gross dishonesty and hypocrisy, that is the lot of ists are sowing in the ranks of the get going-not after a while, but Minneapolis and of the nation to- working class, both through the

"I want you business men, you day. Comintern and the foreign office of Incidentally, Guilford's death has the Soviet Union, can be compared Americans, to get together. . . Just move around and talk this of course been laid at the door of to the role of the Second Interna-Vigilante matter over with some of the communists. The man was tional on the eve of the last world your intimate and trusted friends. probably wiped out by some of his war. Now it is the Stalinist Third You'll be surprised to learn that gangster associates whom he had International which competes with they believe as you do-that the double-crossed, or possibly by some the Second International for these

time is here! ... There's never been of the "solid" citizens whom he reformist honors, on the eve of a a time in the history of these Unit- had blackmailed during his un- new world war. -HUGO OEHLER. ed States when the peril was great- scrupulous career.

take place Thursday, October 11, he probably means p halanx) of own mockery. In the entire history them but their brother union? at Irving Plaza.

American citizens. . . . There are twenty-three thousand communists more acute or distress more dis-The subject of the debate will lutionary Marxist Party" Alfred intention of calling a conference of be: "Farmer-Labor Party or Revotracting and the outlook for the future so gloomy. The concentra-Bingham, editor of Common Sense tion of riches-greater than any will take the side of the Farmer nation ever knew before-into the Labor Party and James P. Cannon hands of a privileged class is the will speak for a Revolutionary essence of capitalism's infamy and

Marxist Party. the forerunner of capitalism's fall. the occasion for a concrete test of is this but aid to the mill barons The working masses everywhere the role of the Farmer-Labor Party who want to starve the workers are looking now for a new revoluworkers. The experiences of this

been ordered to form a united front

CANNON-BINGHAM DEBATE

strike give the scheduled debate an SUBSCRIBE TO THE MILITANT exceptional interest at the present time.

Both debaters are familiar with mobile. JOIN THE COMMUNIST LEAGUE part played in them by Governor weapon-FIGHT!

Olson, the Farmer Labor Governor. Soviet Union Joins the

League of Nations (Continued from Page 1)

the unions to arrange relief for the textile workers. But this conference has not taken place. It has been postponed to the A. F. of L. convention weeks off. What is this The Minneapolis strike provided but sabotage of the workers? What

to understanding-to organization in regard to the struggles of the into submission? No! The strike must not end on the basis of the Winant report.

Roosevelt wants to break the revolt like he did in steel and auto-

the events in Minneapolis and the Let labor answer with its best

Let the fight take the form of Besides that, the debaters are ex- financial support-relief-and let perienced proponents of the con- labor tell Green to stop playing flicting party concepts. These facts around with the lives of a half a assure a fair and thorough presen- | million workers and back the strike tation of the question from each not on a baptist pulpit but in action.

point of view. Make a note of the date and Then Roosevelt will join the place: Thursday, October 11, at whistling chorus led by George A Irving Plaza, 15th Street and Irv- Sloan and the strikers will march forward to victory. ing Place, New York.



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