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# The 'Thieves Kitcher' and Minneapolis Workers' Policy in War Battle

Reformists and liberals of all spoiled the party. No, they deshades and varieties are fond of clared, the League is not an agency calling Marxists "sectarians," "dog- for peace. On the contrary, it is matists," fantastic "extremists." only a ganging up of the imperial-This is the way in which jelly- ist robbers. Its purposes, its real backboned individuals always de purposes, are: (1) To make an imscribe those who have principles perialist united front against the and who take them seriously. It is post-war threat of international a verbal cover that reformists use proletarian revolution; (2) To ento hide their own cowardly refusal force the Versailles Treaty, and ento face facts and draw conclusions. sure the hegemony of France on

Nowhere is this more evident the European continent; (3) To than on the question of war. Re- protect the colonial empire of Great formists are grievously "offended" Britain and to prevent any attempt when Marxists are not merely by Germany to regain its colonies; scornful of every form of pacifism and (4) to provide a legal and but fight mercilessly against it. "So moral coloration for the next war many good people," the reformists which the dominant imperialist complain, "are honestly and sin- powers undertake.

cerely against war; we must all This analysis of the League join with them and if enough of us made by Lenin at its foundation, genuinely wish for peace, then holds as firmly today as ever. The peace will surely come." But Marx- only alteration is to realize that ists have an inconvenient habit of the League is becoming outworn looking beneath men's wishes and even for these purposes. The ishopes to the material reality under-sues of proletarian revolution, prelying them. Consequently they re-servation of France's continental ply that pacifism, far from being a position, and prevention of German force against war, in practice aids colonial recovery, have been intensthe war-makers; they describe pac- lified to a point that takes them ifism as the hypocritical front for outside the League orbit. Neverimperialism, a means whereby, un- theless, the League has still its der the pretense of opposition to role to perform. Before it is thrown "war in general," this particular into the discard, it can still be used war-whichever it may be-is made triumphantly for purpose (4): to morally respectable.

Lenin's Analysis of the League of Nations

In a similar manner, reformists take.

objected to the Marxist analysis of Crime of Stalinism the League of Nations. "The Herein rests one of the great his-League," said the reformists, "may torical crimes of Stalinism. The not be perfect. But it represents a League can fulfill this function efgreat step forward. It symbolizes fectively, a function that strikes to the desire of the peoples for peace, the very heart of the working class, after the carnage of the Great War. solely because of the Soviet Union's We must aid in strengthening it." entry. Hopelessly discredited by Alas, once again the Marxists Continued on Page 3



ALLENTOWN, Pa., Sept. 17.- | taking picks, shovels and wheel- stifling of workers' democracy and were preparing the groundwork for ing to annihilate them physically. When Latimer evaded the N.P.L.D., With every one of the 1017 workers barrows from the scabs and throwon strike, WPA projects have been ing them into the river.

rounding communities in protest to tor, issued an ultimatum that all distortion of Lenin's views. 140 hour \$55 per month wage scale workers who did not report for All the more important is it being foisted on the unemployed of work on Monday, Sept. 16, would therefore that a sharp contrast be tral Labor movement took heart at him, will now make possible a Pennsylvania. Hundreds of pickets be stricken from the relief rolls, made between the Comintern under the victory of the progressives and campaign to mobilize proletarian should the Mayor abandon the Casper, killed on his way home organized into flying squadrons When Monday came, over a thou- Lenin and the organization using immediately voted back into good public opinion throughout the hearing or forbid the N.P.L.D.'s from a church gathering: "I saw a persuaded workers in Catasauqua, sand pickets were at hand. Not a the same name, under Stalin's dom- standing delegates whom he had world. We must set ourselves reso-Northampton and Treichlers to pick or shovel budged. Afraid to ination. join the strike which is being con- carry out their threat, relief offi- The lecture "From Lenin to

ducted jointly by the Pennsylvania cials ordered a two-day holiday Stalin" will clearly reveal the un- passed a resolution demanding that a fund to provide comrade Tarov was going on in the Mayor's office the bullet. He walked on a few Unemployed League and the Key- with pay, offering the excuse that bridgeable gap between Leninism their international officers fight for with the necessities of life and the leaflets appeared, announcing the steps, tried to say something, and



### By JACK WILSON

AKRON, Ohio, Sept. 16.-Delegates here were rallying around the banner of their autonomous new international union, the United Rubberworkers of America, this week to consolidate the gains of their tremendous victory over William Green and the A. F. of L. bureaucracy.

Led by progressives, the delegates resisted successfully every effort of Green to choke down their throats through threats and intimidation the reactionary leadership of Coleman C. Claherty, symbol of the betrayal policies used in the past two years by the bureaucrats in the rubber industry.

Cannon to Speak 'Lenin to Stalin'

"From Lenin to Stalin. the Degeneration of the Communist Inter- unions. national." is the subject of James P. Cannon's lecture this Sunday the Road to the Fourth International."

revolutionary Marxism. Stalin, head basis. of the Soviet bureaucracy, revision- Backed by unions in Akron who ist of Marxism, symbolizes the dis- are already sending protests to tortions and falsifications of the Washington, the delegates are deearly Comintern theories and prac- manding Green withdraw his threat tices which are responsible for the of no financial support to the interworking class defeats of the last national unless he can appoint Cladecade.

the dictatorship of the proletariat fascism. leads to the dictatorship of the leaders within the party, to the

The heroic Russian Bolshevik-Leninist, Tarov, who has been in prison and exile since 1928, has

made his escape and is now in Asia awaiting financial aid from his international comrades to enable him to make the journey to Europe where he will unfold the full story of the bestial persecutions and tor-

They refused to compromise tures inflicted on the Bolshevikwhatsoever on the issue of demo-cratic election sending Green for cratic election, sending Green fleerade Taroy, a locksmith by trade, ing from the convention with the roar of their protest over his dicta-is the first Bolshevik-Leninist to As Murderer At wednesday night climaxed the picketing demonstrations. By nine

Sunday Night on torial policies at the autoworkers escape from a Stalinist jail. Comrade Tarov spent three years Mpls Mass Trial convention, ringing in his ears.

**Refuse to Bar Communists** in exile and four years in prison, They wiped out of the proposed the Werchne-Uralski "Isolator." In constitution a clause which would this one prison alone 485 Bolshevik-

bar "communists" from the new Leninists were confined. After a great hunger strike, during which They told Green bluntly that the they were subjected to terrible "A. F. of L. leadership today is too beatings and tortures, they were evening at Irving Plaza. It is the antiquated to give the workers in dispersed to various other prisons. first of a series of four lectures "On mass industries correct leadership." The hunger strike was declared be-

They declared they would appeal cause the prison terms of the comto the national convention the rulrades were automatically extended Lenin, the leader of the Bolshevik ing of the executive council of the from two to three years after the Party, the founder of the Commun- A. F. of L. that the rubberworkers original sentences had been served. ist International, is the symbol of couldn't organize on an industrial The intention is not to let our comrades get out alive.

During the hunger strike, which lasted 18 days, the prisoners were artificially fed. beaten and shot at through the windows of their cells. Several comrades attempted to commit suicide. herty.

The social democratic scribes of They passed resolutions unaniable to publish extensive and deour time try to pass off "Stalin- mously protesting the Italian Fascommunism" as a logical continua- cist aggression in Ethiopia and tailed information about the con-Progressives Take Heart

At this writing, the delegates is shown. The Stalinists are seek- truth of what caused the massacre. how." new international by hook or crook. class. The escape of comrade Tar-Anti-Claherty forces in the Cen- ov, and the information supplied by

lutely to this task. succeeded in ousting.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Sept. 16.-Not for a year has Minneapolis had such a hectic week of working class struggles as took place during the past week. On Monday, September 9, around 9 o'clock at night, a group of strikers and sympathizers staged a demonstration at the Flour City Ornamental Iron Company, where a strike of structural iron workers, Local 1313, A. F. of L., has been in progress for about two months. Again on Tuesday night, over 5,000 demonstrators gathered at the plant, to be finally scattered at midnight by repeated police charges. Armored cars patrolled the district, drenching block after block with tear gas, and mercilessly clubbing men and women.

Scores were injured by the police, acting under the orders of Mayor Farmer-Laborite.

Wednesday night climaxed the o'clock in the evening, over 5,000 workers and sympathizers had again gathered outside the plant. A double shift of police and half-

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Sept. 17. a-dozen armored cars were on hand -A jury of more than 800 workers to greet the crowd. Within the met last night and after hearing plant were over a dozen imported testimony on the massacre of pick- Pinkerton thugs, armed to the teeth, ets by the Minneapolis police unan-protecting two scabs. It was this imously convicted Farmer-Labor provocation, staged by Walter Tetz-Mayor Thomas Latimer and his ad- laff, plant owner, which had aroused ministration as exclusively respons- the ire of Minneapolis workers. At eleven o'clock sharp, things began

The public trial, widely reported to happen. There are many differin the local press, was held under ences of opinion as to just how the auspices of the Minneapolis events developed. Some workers on Committee of the Non-Partisan La- the picket line claim that the first bor Defense. Francis Heisler, Chi-shots came from the Pinkerton cago attorney who represented the gangsters within the plant. Others N.P.L.D. in the Fargo "riot" cases | say the cops, after tear-gassing the early this year, and who will short- crowd across the street from the ly take the Fargo appeal to the plant and driving them back be-North Dakota Supreme Court, acted tween the houses, whipped out reas prosecuting attorney at the mass volvers and began to fire hyster-In the near future we will be trial. ically into the crowd. Other cops

Latimer having announced he fired shotguns into the demonstrawould hold his own investigation tion from the confines of the armtion of "Lenin-communism." They urging the workers of the world to ditions in Stalin's exile camps and of the murders committed by his ored cars. Inspector Fritz Ohman, write that the Leninist theory of unite in a fight against German prisons. Already, from this brief police, the N.P.L.D. tried on Snn- on the other hand, when questioned report, the situation of the Bolshe- day to get in touch with him to Friday by the grand jury, said, "It vik-Leninists in the Soviet Union discuss methods of establishing the just started. No one knows just

One fact is indisputable. Aside the supremacy of the bureaucracy. further attack against Claherty and They can pursue this course only a public statement was issued by from slight injuries sustained from Stalinism conspires with the social Green in order to pervent them because the truth has been hidden the N.P.L.D. asking him to hear its thrown rocks, no cop was hurt. Two closed tight in Allentown and sur-Henry Mack, district WPA direc-democrats to make effective this from still obtaining control of the from the international working witnesses and to permit its attor-innocent bystanders were instantly ney to cross-examine witnesses as- killed from gunshot wounds in the sembled by the Mayor. chests. An eye-witness has described The N.P.L.D. also declared that, the death of 18-year old Eugene

participation, the N.P.L.D. would policeman shoot Casper as he was hold a trial of its own. crossing the street in a little trot. The Akron typographical union First in order is the collection of While the white-wash hearing Casper staggered when struck by

stone Workers Association.

The following demands have been extended the deadline to Wednes-\$1 per hour. 2) A minimum of 30 day again showed the solidarity of ing. 4) Weekly pay. 5) Pay for has been cut off of relief.

rainy days. 6) Adequate compensation for injury. 8) No discrimination against strikers or mem-

Militant Women Picket

In spite of adverse propaganda bers of uncemployed organizations. in the capitalist press, the spirit of the strikers remains solid and the

Strikers' Spirit Strong

Tuesday was election day. They

provide a legal and moral colora-

tion for the next war which the

dominant imperialist powers under-

The strike started on Sept. 11 community sympathetic. A daily when an attempt was made to open bulletin, Strike News, is issued by the first WPA project. Four hun- the strike committee to inform the dred men threw down tools after public of the true state of affairs. Daily mass meetings open to the working for two hours. Picketlines were immediately formed and public are held.

At a conference on Sept. 15 at kept on every job. Militant women were instrumental in preventing scabs from working, on one occasion

### **Capitulation Planned by** Stalinists to Right Wing **Of Teachers**

Reports reaching us from reliable sources state that the trade union opposition groups under the influence of the Stalinists in Locals 60 and 22 in the LLG.U. and in the Teachers Union have announced their willingness to dissolve and even give up their opposition to the administrations in these unions. This policy shows that the local Stal'nists have not been slow in carrying out the new class collaborationist policies adopted by the Seventh World Congress of the Communist International and already carried into practice in France in the unity agreement between the two central trade union bodies: the General Confederation of Labor and the Red Unions, which provides among other things for the dissolution of trade union fractions. In practice this means the capitulation to the policies of the reformist bureaucracy. This new policy is also in line with the policy of the Stalinists to make blocs and election agreements with shady careeristic cliques and reactionary elements, the most glaring examples of which were those made in the recent elections in Local 22 and attemptod in the Furriers Council.

tended by 25 delegates from as many labor organizations, including the Central Trades and Labou Council. the WPA strike was unanimously endorsed and a committee was appointed to work in conjunction with the project workers strike committee in conducting the

struggle. The conference called upon the Pennsylvania Federation of Labor to support WPA strikes wherever they occur and offered to do anything in its power to aid in winning the local strike, even to the extent of calling a general walkout of all union labor.

#### Organizations at Conference

Among the organizations represented at the conference were: The Central Trades and Labor Council. International Ladies Garment Workers, Amalgamated Clothing Workers, Carpenters and Joiners, Brick Layers, American Federation of Teachers, Typographical Union, Electrical Workers Union, Stagehands, Keystone Workers, Citizens Wel are League and the Pennsyl vania Unemployed League.

On Monday, Sept. 16, when Ray Bader, local labor faker, appealed to the strikers to go back to work pending arbitration of the demands before the WPA appeal board, he was given a loud and long Bronx cheer. At a mass meeting later in the day, the strikers passed a reso-Iution condemning Bader's strikebreaking appeal and calling upon the Central Trades and Labor matter

financial support of the new rub- means to travel to Europe. Every N.P.L.D. mass trial, Attorney Heis- then slumped to the ground." Aside and Stalinism. the principle of collective bargain- 100 percent closed. So far, nobody' Oct. 13-The Road to the Fourth rubberworkers. International.

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The other lectures of the series berworkers international at the internationalist must regard it as ler visited pickets, by standers and from the two killed. a dozen or formulated: 1) A minimum wage of day. But huge picketlines on that include: Sept. 29-Working Class next meeting of the executive coun- an urgent duty to contribute to this neighbors of the Flour City plant more were injured by police gun-Polcy In the Impending War! Oct. cil and they sharply criticized fund. Collections will be received where the massacre occurred, and fire. Dozens more were injured by hours per week. 3) Recognition of the workers and the projects remain 6-The Struggle Against Fascism; Green for his threats against the by the National Office of the Work-last night appeared before the the clubs and blackjacks of the ers Party, A. J. Muste, Secretary, workers to present the truth about cops. One woman was struck in 55 East 11th Street, New York City. Latimer's police. (Continued on Page 4)

the coming Italo-Ethiopian war. | thirteen leaders of the revolution | proletariat the road to victory. . .

What this program and protest ary Socialist Youth of the Seine Forward to the battles of the fu-

amount to, we already know. Aris-Federation. The majority of these ture!" A youth comrade writes

ible.

### Plan Expulsion of the French Bolshevik-Leninists as War Nears

#### By H. F. ROBERTS

The bureaucracy of the French Socialist Party has openly announced its intention to smash, if it can, the revolutionary left wing represented by the Bolshevik-Leninist group. In the face of the imminent threat of war the Socialist and Stalinist bureaucracies with one voice call for "pressure on the League of Nations" and the extermination of the revolutionary left wing of the French labor movement. Shouting loudly to drown out the rumble of tomorrow's war and of tomorrow's betrayal, the bureaucrats hope to silence the one voice in France which is calling for the revolutionary mobilization of the masses for the seizure of power, for the proletariat's only answer to the threat of imperialist war-the over-

throw of the war-mongers and im- presumably heroic leaders of the League, self-styled "vanguard of of the Seine Federation and 30 out pared if necessary to follow their perialist freebooters. A set of special decisions adopted Faure, to say nothing of Cachin, hurl itself into the struggle against have solidarized with the expelled path of revolutionary action against by the Permanent Administrative Thorez and Co. Moreover, and this war by inviting the Socialist Youth leaders. On this support the Bolshe- the capitulants." From the Feder-Committee of the S.F.I.O. (French comes second, "the group of which to join it in a delegation to Geneva vik-Leninists and their allies led by ation of Finistere: "We have de-Socialist Party) on August 28 (Po- La Verite is the organ has associ- to "exert pressure" upon the League Fred Zeller knew they could count. cided to govern our future conduct pulaire, August 30) call for the ex- ated itself with an attempt to create of Nations! communication of La Verite, organ a Fourth International."

In this attempt, the indictment is of the French Bolshevik-Leninists. which is "no longer to be regarded as an organ of the Socialist Party." Populaire is expressly forbidden aloft the banner of revolutionary rilous journal, La Verite, insist youth of France is ready to assume tion. Step by step but surely the to mention or cite from the columns defeatism, rejecting the blatant so- upon exposing these policies as pol- its full responsibilities in the strug- revolutionary youth are drawing of La Verite, or to publish any an- cial patriotism of the Socialist and icies of betrayal. They insist upon gle against war, against Fascismnouncements of meetings of any Stalinist Internationals. They have exposing the bankruptcy of the two in the struggle for power. Letters reformist-Stalinist betrayal. groups in any way connected with alone put before the French work- old Internationals and call for a of solidarity have poured in from La Verite. Party members who ers the slogan of general strike and new, Fourth International. Their the Federations of the Rhone, Pyr- the Bolshevik-Leninists and their help distribute this journal are to the struggle for power as the an- voice is beginning to be heard by eneces Orientales, Haute-Savoie, Var, allies. In Paris, the unemployed be informed that they are carrying swer to the threats of war and broadening sections of the French Bourges, Narbonne, Angers, Puy- organization of St. Denis, counting out work "prejudicial to the inter- Fascism. They have alone dared to proletariat. What is it that the de-Dome, from Morocco and Alger- in its ranks 8,000 workers, has anests of the whole party and of the call for an armed workers' militia bureaucrats fear? They fear the in, from the Maritime Alps, Morbi- nounced solidarity with the revolu-International to which they belong." as an answer to the growing Fas-Finally-and here is the threat it- cist bands. The French Bolshevik- party in France which will cut Indre-et-Loire and others. self-the committee decided to "re- Leninists are the sole obstacle in

quest that the very next National the path of the Socialist-Stalinist bankruptcies of reformism and measures, however grave they may the support of the French bourgeoi- this new party will win to its ban- reports that "half of the Federation be, against the comrades responsunity of the Party."

The "Crime" of La Verite

sie in the coming war. That is why ners a section of the French prole of Loiret is in agreement with the ary forces." ible for the editing of La Verite, as the bureaucrats want them smashed tariat large enough to put a spoke revolutionary left." A letter from are required by the interests and and silenced. There is no other in the plan for social patriofic be- the Orleans leadership says: "We reason.

At the same meeting of the C.A.

traval!

loose once and for all from the

Spectre of New Party

Youth Support Left

tide Briand himself was never more were Bolshevik-Lenisists. Since the from Tarn: "Words fail me, but I eloquent than the Socialist and expulsions, which took place early bid you keep courage. Do not for-Stalinist leaders of today who offer in August, the Socialist Youth or get you have comrades behind you!" the workers of the world no other ganization throughout France has The secretary from Lot: "I can asway out of the war danger but reli- been thrown into turmoil. The new sure you that the Federation of Lot ance upon the League of Nations, and "safe" committee installed in is entirely in solidarity with you." the league of what Lenin called the Seine Federation by the bureau- From Grenoble in the Federation of "imperialist brigands." In France crats has been unable to establish L'Isere: "The Socialist Youth of last month the Young Communist its leadership. Instead 65 sections Grenoble declare themselves preproletariat like Leon Blum, Paul the proletarian youth," offered to of the 44 sections in Seine et-Oise comrades of the Seine along the But all during the month of August by the instructions of the comrades

the fight was carried out to the of the Paris region." Scores of What, then, is going to happen? provinces with results to date which such letters, official communications careful not to add, the Bolshevik- This annoying left wing, these both- already prove to the hilt that a from whole sections of the youth, Leninists have raised and alone held ersome Trotskyists with that scur- large section of the revolutionary overflow the columns of Revoluthe necessary conclusions from the

Voice after voice joins those of spectre of a new revolutionary han, the North, Bouches-du-Rhone, tionary left wing. The Communist Youth of St. Denis, expelled from the Stalinist Party, announced on The last issue at hand of Revolu- August 10, its readiness to work Council of the Party take any program for a union sacree and for Stalinism. They are afraid that tion, organ of the left-wing youth, with the expelled youth leaders for "the regrouping of truly revolution-

Convulsions in S. P.

It is this ferment which is drivurgently await your directives." In ing the bureaucracies of both par-Ample evidence of this perspec- the Federation of Gard one section, ties to hasten their unholy union P. which announces the open offen live is already at hand in the situa- that of Ales, writes that the little and to sharpen, if they can, their What, according to the French sive against the Bolshevik-Leninists, tion which exists today in the group of eight adherents of the blows to the left. The attempt to Socialist bureaucrats, has been the it was also decided to carry a step French Socialist Youth. Readers of left of a year ago has now grown amputate the living, vital left wing crime of La Verite? That repre- further the negotiations with the the NEW MILITANT know that in to ninety and that they are all of the French Socialist Party will Council, of which he is secretary, heusible little sheet, it seems, has Stalinist Party for a common pro- August the first barrage of the anti- awaiting orders. From the group not take place without terrific conto take appropriate action in the been guilty of "outrageous attacks" gram of action and for the elabora- Bolshevik-Leninist offensive was in Nimes comes word: "The hour vulsions within the whole party. on good, sterling revolutionaries, tion of a common "protest" against laid down with the expulsion of has come to show the struggling

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DETROIT

**NOTES** 

By BURKE COCHRAN

dustry, the Mechanics Educational

Society of America has inaugurated

an organization campaign to stage

a comeback in the Detroit area, to-

day, at its first mass meeting, held

at Carpathia Hall. Mathew Smith,

national secretary of the society,



dere emily,

about 5,000 pickets an frens gath- tionary work brought the response a lotta yung kids with slingshots, thetic and respond to our work. an they had more fun peggin away

mpls, winsday

at the rats in the plant. finally broke out.

the bosses an the mayor an sumningham has figgired out a indus-

trial piece policy, which is just like bin the Law and Order.

ya no, emily, the difference between us an the guys that vote

sed, the memory a the working class is in its Party. but the workers aint mind readers an so the way we refresh there memorys all the time is to get em readin r paper, the NEW MILITANT. an by the way, i got 2 more subs last week, what did you do? ya better get goin, baby, or yure goin to owe me that meal.

cudda nocked me over with a crow

James P. Cannon was held Friday hevy here, what with all the Boston. The subject, "The 7th MINNEAPOLIS well kid, things is shure hot n evening, Sept. 13, at 6 Byron St., strikin goin on between the work- Congress of the Third Internationers an the bosses. fer the past 2 al," was a very attractive subject nites there has bin hevvy picketin and it brought the most class congoin on at walter tetzlaff's bordin scious workers to the meeting. The house, the Flour City Iron cumpny. | lecture started at 8:30 and, with a ya no, he brot in a lotta gangstirs | free discussion and question period, with machine guns an boms an went on for three and a half hours. summa the scabs is livin in the The appeal which comrade Larry plant with the gangstirs. las nite made to help us finance our revolu-

ered at the plant, marchin aroun of \$38.00. That shows that the an yellin at the finks. there wuz workers in Boston are very sympa-

The plans of the Educational mayor latimer's cops cum up with Committee include a few classes a giv it to the crowd, an a big fite ters are not large enough for the larger delegatd conference is planwork which we will carry through ned for the near future, where the \* \* \*

This week a meeting of the Nonthe ol committee a 100, only with Partisan Labor Defense Committee a clean shirt on-an will probly get was held which worked out plans ned for October 5, to be given in about as far. honest, r farmer-la- for future work. A united front the branch headquarters at 631 3rd bor mayor can pucker up his face open air meeting will be held at Avenue S. A new entertainment and the recent action of the A. F. an talk about Law an Order just the Boston Common Sept. 29, where committee of seven members has like of bainbridge used to. what many organizations will be invited just been elected, and has already the bosses mean by Law an Order to participate. It was also decided held its first meeting. The commitis that they got the worker down to have a conference and to invite tee and the entire branch is workan is sittin on his hed. an evry all political organizations, unions, ing hard and swinging enthusiastictime he wriggles, why thats distur- and fraternal organizations. The ally into the autumn season. date will be announced.

Our Spartacus Youth League is Workers Party literature was sold farmer-laborite is that we got mem- growing rapidly. Many members by the Minneapolis branch during orys an they havent. like sum 1 came in this week and, with the the month of August.

> **Budenz** and **The Stalinists**

The revolutionist in the modern world has no trustworthy guide ex-

cept the principles and method of we had a swell tag day the other Marx and Lenin-to be used, of sunday up in north mpls for the course, not as a dogma but a tool NEW MILITANT-8 of us coleckt- and a weapon. Those who go off ed \$12.40 in a coupla hours. almost the Marxian road even at what apevry house wud giv us a nikkel or pears to be a small angle find thema dime. one house we cum to, there selves in the end in a swamp, far wuz Spaniards livin there, an i sez indeed from their starting-point and Buenas Dias like ol gonzales used from the goal toward which they to say bak in turtle creek, remem- thought they were heading. ber. the Spaniards sed Buenas

Making these observations at this Dias, an i cudn't think of what to particular time is prompted by the say next, so i just shoved the colekrecent course of Louis F. Budenz shun can an a Workers Party tag whose resignation from the Workat them. oh, sez one of the yung ers Party the NEW MILITANT an-Spanish fellas, its to fite fascism, nounced some months ago. eh. sure, mister, i'll kick in. ya

Last year Budenz was among the bar, emily, here i wuznt expektin they knew what it wuz all about. the guy gave us 2 bits, to. next ordination of the C. I. to the Soviet sunday about 20 of us is goin out agin, an we shud raze about 25 know," Budenz should in anger smackers. you oughta pass the and disgust, "the C. P. will be word aroun, emily, this is 1 good calling on us to fight in the U. S. way to raze money for the paper. army in the next war on the plea with things gettin so hot all around that there is an alliance between the whole U. S., baby, we gotta Roosevelt and Stalin!"

have a daily paper, an thats all But Budenz had no time for the there is to it. the 8-pager will be a long step in that direkshun. if a All that, he said, was logic-chop

plans they are going to carry through this winter, a strong or-A successful lecture with comrade ganization will be built up in Bos-

The Minneapolis branch has in-

stituted a series of Tag Days. Every other Sunday morning from five to ten couples cover the North Side selling "Fight Fascism" tags. On Sept. 1, over twelve dollars was raised. Another Tag Day is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 15. All comrades are to meet at the Labor Lyceum at 9:30 A.M.

reported on the plans for the campaign and the enthusiasm which the Delegates from a number of other Detroit locals have shown in the working class organizations are co-

organization drive. The recent acoperating in the building of a local tion of Green in handpicking the committee of the Non-Partisan Lab. or Defense. Two committee meetautomobile International has made there armored cars an gas guns an week and lectures, so our headquar-ings have already been held, and a joint action and cooperation between the A. F. of L. and the M.E. S.A. much more difficult and has next winter. A committee was el- Labor Defense work in this section convinced anew the members of strictly no-partisan basis. as an independent union, at the

> present time. A dance-and-card party is plan-

has helped sow more confusion in decision and hesitation to the whole

movement. \* \* \* Over twenty dollars worth of

The various federal locals of the A. F. of L. in Detroit continue stagnating: Dillon is threatening that

"a campaign to unionize 141 U.S. auto plants will be in full swing by Oct. 1"; but Dillon has been threatening the automobile workers

Vigilantism Shows with an organization drive for the last year. **Growing Peril To** West Coast Labor

A new savior of the automobile workers has entered into the Detroit ring; none other than the justice-loving radio priest-Father

SAN FRANCISCO .--- Vigilantism, Coughlin. This unscrupulous demawhich started its activity as a gogue is already beginning an atmany automobile workers.

Coughlin."

This is the report from the capi talist press of September 9

### Challenge Lovestone Group to Debate

The Lovestone group, which continues to talk about the "reform" of the Comintern after its social-patriotic betraval, has been challenged to debate in the following letter. The NEW MILITANT will print the reply to this challenge as soon as it is received.

September 18, 1934. Communist Party (Opposition) New York City Comrades.

Manager's Corner

Our contributions this week to- | R. Gardner, Brooklyn, N. Y... 1.00 ward the eight page weekly did not Flatbush branch, N.Y.C..... 1.00 reach even last week's low point. Boro Park branch, N.Y.C.... 2.50 MARCH TO VICTORY ... East Side branch, N.Y.C.... 1.00

DETROIT, Mich., Sept. 15.— On However, many party branches the heels of the betrayal of the have made a prompt response automobile workers by the top-offi- to a call for finances to take care .....\$24.25 Total Advance Subscriptions

cialdom of the American Federation of other needs of the party press. of Labor in setting up the Interna- This helps to secure its economic Schlossberg, Boston ..... 2.00 tional union in the automobile in- foundation and makes the coming H. Lewis, New Castle..... enlargement of the present weekly more feasible. But even this sup-Center branch, N.Y.C..... port leaves the campaign for the total sum necessary to launch the

eight-page weekly still far short. From the point of view of total We have to date collected less than one third of this sum. and.

contributions the Boston branch is Unite! Fellow-voters! while we look out first of all for a secure economic foundation be- outstripped the Harlem branch. Vote the C. P. with Carl Brodsky fore the expansion actually takes The Boston branch has made a total And with C. A. Hathaway! place, we cannot afford to delay. contribution to date of \$70.25. Next

The season more favorable for acexecutive committee of the new tivities of this sort is here now. It total contribution of \$68.40. The For the sales tax, not a cent; should be taken advantage of. We West Side branch, N.Y.C. follows For relief we want more money would urge in particular that our with a total of \$56.40; Center For us all, a cut in rent. supporters now concentrate on ac- branch, N.Y.C. \$49.40; Kensington

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tivities to obtain more subscrip- branch, Philadelphia, \$37.78; Minntions. Let us remind you again of eapolis branch, \$33.50; Los Angeles dog-catcher in Toonerville have we ma the fakirs like honest john cun-ningthem hos firsten of the prizes for the best sub getters. branch, \$31.50; Chicago branches seen such a popular program' as the one embodied in this society that they must remain the prizes for the best sub getters. The one embodied in this song. With The prizes offered are, for a total (three branches) \$30.25; Flatbush the one embodied in this song. With of 10 yearly subs (\$2.00 each) or branch, N. Y. C., \$28.50; Bronx

20 six months subs (\$1.00 each), branch, N.Y.C., \$22.80; Newark candidates that smell equally as The automobile unions in Detroit turned in by one individual: "His- branch \$21.50; New Haven branch good we really believe the C. P. are still in a very precarious state tory of the Russian Revolution," by and Boro Park branch, N. Y. C., has the edge on Tammany Hall in Leon Trotsky. For a total of 5 \$17.50 each; East Side branch, N. I. C., the 8th Assembly District. A tip of L. at its automobile convention yearly or 10 six months subscrip-Y.C., \$12.75; Astoria branch, N.Y.C., for Casey: an excellent quartette to tions, a bound copy of the "Correspondence of Marx and Engels." [\$1.0., \$12.75; Astoria branch, N.Y.C., pondence of Marx and Engels." [\$11.30; Brownsville branch, N.Y.C., Sing that song—Phil Frankfeld, Bill Dunne, Jack Stachel, and George Detroit branch \$8.00; branches of Mink, with Amter at the piano. the trade unions and has added in- pondence of Marx and Engels." Cleveland, Kansas City and Gulfsubscriptions.

During the week we have received port, Miss., each \$6.00; Berkeley branch \$5.50; Pittsburgh branch the following amounts:

Contributions

West Side branch, N.Y.C.... 3.00 each.



movement against the red, alien tack against the A. F. of L. Inter- largest employer of labor at Defi- to operate without any safety deagitators, has, as predicted by the national union on the grounds that ance—was at a complete standstill vices on its machinery. The wages Workers Party, developed until the officials were appointed and for two days, as over 400 workers paid are in many cases almost half statesman, in a recent speech, were not democratically elected by walked out on strike, at the call of of what a worker would receive in stated. "The United States is a the membership. Without question the Defiance Local No. 1p of the Toledo for the same work. The Christian country. We are the only this attack will meet with a sym- Mechanics Educational Society of naive and ignorant farm boys of pathetic reception on the part of America, after the company had 1933 have had a taste of what a ey: 'In God we Trust'"... And flatly turned down the contract pro- factory workers' life means, and he might have added, the only coun-

Toledo Leaders On Job

At the Dodge-Chrysler plant, the posed by the union, establishment have become the strikers of 1935! local union, which arose out of the of the 40-hour week, time and a collective bargaining board of the half for overtime, no discrimination Automobile Labor Board, has after against union members, seniority, of all of the strikers and their lack a long evolution become a bona-fide 50c base rate and a signed contract. of understanding of what a strike CROOKED GOVERNMENT ... independent union with considerable For two days a mass picket line of implies, the first day of the strike influence at the Dodge plant. Re- 350-400 men and women employees was like a nightmare. The picket cently it has decided to start an of the Pressed Steel Co. kept the lines looked like a Sunday picnic;

organization drive for all Dodge plant shut tight as a drum. Late nobody had the courage to boo the the Catholic clergy. "What about workers and, at the suggestion of Thursday afternoon, the manage- scabs as they walked out of the Mexico? A Congressman recently some member, Father Coughlin was ment gave in to most of the union plant; the management was trying told me that of 28 state governinvited as the first guest speaker. demands and the workers accepted to divide the strike committee and ments there, 26 are crooked." Well, The Father has remained to help the agreement by a vote of an over- thus break the strike. the union officials "direct" the cam- whelming majority.

position at the Dodge local to or- extraordinary about this compara- the mass meeting at Woodmen's like Al, a friend of the devout and ganize new "Coughlin" unions, tively small strike. The Defiance Hall and help organize the strike. honest John Curry-God rest his based upon peace and justice and to Pressed Steel Co. is one of the Burke Cochran of M.E.S.A. local soul-can speak with authority on take the whole thing in tow to his many independent companies No. 4 of Toledo remained at the re-

"League for Social Justice." As a result, the union is now engaged in the manufacture of automobile organize the picket line and put SHADOWS OVER LOVESTONE ... a death struggle between two fac- parts. Competition in the field is some spirit into the strike. Next The Lovestone Group is in an em-



1.00

From the Daily Worker of Sept. 17 we clip the following:

LEFT

"The March of Victory" (To the tune of "O Susanna") Words by JAMES CASEY

If you want more jobs 3.00 If you want more pay Previously reported......\$631.31 And want to have your say

Then line-up for Carl Brodsky CHORUS

now back in the lead, having again You can make things turn your way;

comes the Harlem branch with a For an end to all high prices

Not since Simon Squibbs ran for songs like that and a platform and

### "OH SUSANNA"

If all articles written in the and St. Louis branch \$4.00 each; Daily Worker on the united front, Boston branch ...... 8.75 Y. branch \$1.50; and Charleston, cism and democracy were pieced Los Angeles branch ...... 1.50 W. Va. and Cleveland branch \$1.00 together, they could be sung to the

tune of "Oh Susanna" and would fit in well with "It rained all day self, Susanna, don't you cry." . . . "Mighty Casey" could arrange it, in between managing the Daily Worker and conducting Hathaway's

"Share-the-wealth" campaign. \* \* \*

**PBOOF OF CHRISTIANITY** ...

Al Smith, the great American country that puts on its cash montry where you will find tens of thousands of signs saying "In God

Naturally, with the inexperience we trust, all others pay cash."

In the same speech, Al took a crack at Mexico for its attacks on Al, even that is a better average That night about a dozen M.E.S. than we can find in the U.S.A.;

At first glance, there is nothing A. men came from Toledo to attend but, of course, a Tammany brave



comrade is serious about his or her ping, "theology." etc. Furthermore, work, why theyll go thru alot to Budenz wanted an "American" revolutionary party, by which he get that paper. meant not only a party which

we was sittin aroun the head-1/4s would apply Marxist-Leninist princafter the meetin the other nite talk. iples to the realities of the Ameriin, and jack pulled a good one. he can scene (a sound requirement) sez, i dont mind a scab who goes but that, for example, we must aroun lookin ashamed an slinks in build a party here first and only the back door of a plant. but when after that concern ourselves about i sees a scab with a smile on his international problems and organmap walk rite in towards the front ization!

door, why then i see red, an i jus In March he blossomed out in have to give em the works. i gess the Modern Monthly with an arthats about the way mosta the ticle setting forth in a solemn and workers feel, eh, emily, which is somewhat pontifical manner the why the bosses an the cops is havin fantastically absurd idea of achievso much trubble here in mpls an ing the abolition of capitalism in all over the country. an once all the U.S. by an amendment to the the workers gets to feelin this way Constitution! Today he talks like an actin this way, why we'll all an under-cover recruiting agent for get sumwheres. the 1 step is to the Stalinist party. In the present get em to read r press, an thats period, when it has capitulated to why i feel so ceenly about the cam- | social-democracy and social-patriotpane for the 8-pager. ism, the C. P. will of course have

yure ma sent me down a brace a no qualms about welcoming an adducks las week, kid, an they sure vocate of "revolution by constitutasted good. a course they were tional amendment." Budenz on his outa season. but then the farmers part is drawn to an organization up aroun turtle creek never were which has become so "realistic," great ones for believin in law or which shouts even more eloquently the seasons. when theyre hungry, and uncritically than he was wont they go out an get it, which seems to do about "American revolutionrite sensibul to me. ary traditions"-though Stalin now

i appreshiated that LA VERITE openly approves the "defense" plans ya sent me. unforshunately, i cant of French imperialism, though the read french without my glasses. an C. I. openly propagates the concepts i never had no glasses, emily, so ya of "good" and "bad" capitalist mite as well save em. or teach me powers and of defending "bourgeois french when ya get home. tho its democracy," though the secretary bin sum job to master the inglish of the Young Communists brazenly language. i'll sure be happy ta see tells the Young Socialists of France ya soon.

mike.

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that they will be "traitors" to the working class if they seek to overthrow the French state in a war in which France and the Soviet Union are allies! Clean forgotten by Budenz, it would seem, his fulminations against these things when the tendency was by no means so completely carried out and so openly registered as by the recent Comintern Congress.

The next step presumably is for Budenz to step forward as an official of some "non-partisan" C. P. innocent outfit.

READ THE NEW MILITANT.

JOIN THE WORKERS PARTY.

In view of the Seventh Congress of the Comintern and the decisions of your recent national conference, the Workers Party proposes that representatives of our respective organizations debate the question: the Fourth International or the reform of the Comintern? You no doubt recall that the

debate on the same subject a year and a half ago between Jay Lovestone and James P. Cannon aroused great interest. Comrade Cannon has signified his readiness to defend the Fourth International in a second debate in the light of the new develop-

We urge that you consider the matter and reply at an early date. A joint committee can make all the necessary detail arrangements.

Fraternally. JOSEPH CARTER, Educational Dir.

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very keen, and the management ob day, with Earl Streeter, secretary barrassing position. Its business tions - "Pro-Coughlin" and "Antiviously could not afford to hold out of M.E.S.A. local No. 4 acting as during its five years of existence for very long, if the union ranks re-spokesman for the strike committee, has been defending the theories of

in mind, of course, the building up some 400 workers; nothing differ- picket line, the strike really began tions of the C. I. outside the U.S. of their union; but they must real-ent in this strike than any one of looking more like a strike. The S.R., and denouncing Trotskyism. ize that Coughlin can only wreck the thousand petty disputes , be- local newspapers began running At last, after years of patient sertheir union and make it an adjunct tween labor and capital that occur large scare headlines (Deflance has vice, the reward seems to be just to his reactionary "League for So- every year throughout the country. never seen a strike before) and the around the corner. "Real progress" cial Justice." Father Coughlin demagogically attacks the A. F. of L. leadership for a lack of demo- the development of unionism in this the farmers and small business men were exchanged. "Happy days are country, since the NRA. cracy, but as was suggested at a

recent meeting of the Dodge loca'. no one has ever heard of any elections ever taking place in the body living in the town. There is stated the management met with alack, without consulting either "League for Social Justice." These attacks have all the ear-marks of kind; a few of the more skilled two o'clock in the afternoon agreed with Stalin not only at the head, a home-grown variety of propaganda used by Hitler or Mussolini in their own respective countries prior to their seizure of power; after they seized power, they smashed the

terested in exploiting the dissatissevered. faction of the workers with their National Guardsmen in Strike own treacherous trade union offi-

lante committee and one of the was "impartial"; they thought the Bukharin crawl exceeds that of all largest national guard contingents deputy sheriffs were "neutral." But others, acknowledged that "degenin the Toledo area. At least eight it was surprising how their class eration threatens the C.I." Some percent of the Pressed Steel strik- instinct saved them in almost every in Lovestone's ranks are still ready ers belong to the National Guard situation that arose, and how the and were present in uniform at the spirit of "fight" and solidarity com- if Stalin says so, but others place Auto-Lite strike in Toledo, gassing municated itself to everyone of "world revolution as the only real and attacking the strikers of the those 400 workers on the first picket defense of the U.S.S.R." Between line they had ever walked! Auto-Lite plant.

But there is something relentless in the workings of the capitalist not travel 100 miles in any direction Wolfe teeter back and forth with system with its large, disciplined but come up with some plant em- eyes longingly cast on the fleshpots armies of factory workers. The ploying over 150 workers. In every of Stalinism. The "mass workers" very people who but yesterday were rural community the farmers' sous haven't said much as yet; but if used by the industrialists of Ohio or daughters are employed in the they could be induced to swallow to smash any attempt at organiza- neighboring steel plant or auto- their disgust with the antics of the tion on the part of the automobile parts plants, etc. It is becoming Stalinists in the needle trades. workers are today themselves em- more and more difficult for the capployed in the same factories and are italists to artificially divide the driven inexorably onto the path of rural communities from the cities,

unionism and strike against their because the factory system has employers. And the very people bound them together. When faithwhom they gassed and attacked ful national guardsmen are begin come down to Defiance to lend them ning to strike and walk picket lines a helping hand in the battle against the capitalist class has good reason their common enemy! Many of the to tremble for its property and boys, no older than 17-18 years, monopoly of wealth

Those workers who favor allow- mained solid. The strike took place and Burke Cochran in charge of Stalinism, criticizing the "ultraing Coughlin to remain only have in a small town and involved only the now spirited and well-organized left" errors of the individual secaround Defiance! No more than 5 here again" became the theme song First, there has been no strike in or 6 scabs entered the plant during of the Communist Party Majority Defiance within the memory of any- the whole day, and as previously Opposition Group. But alas and absolutely no labor tradition of any the strike committee and at about Lovestone or Brandler, the C. I., chine shops and have had previous. The Defiance strikers did not lengths, caught up with and, surcontact with unionism but were possess any superior intelligence or passed Lovestone; and with a daselost among the overwhelming ma- greater class-consciousness than the ling speed that left the reformers jority of the men and women who ordinary mine-run of men in any dizzy with success, went over to a trade union movement by open and had come off the farm only several other Ohio city of 10,000. On the social-chauvinist position. Enough undisguised terror. Coughlin is inillusion that these men were not is too much. Lovestone did some burdened with at the beginning of | fancy squirming. First, the French the strike. They were afraid that and American sections were blamed Defiance is not only a typically the company would move out of for "confusing the matter"; but at peaceful Ohio town removed from town; they thought the mayor was last the horrible truth must come the hattle and strife of the larger on their side and fighting for them; out; and with bitter blasts at Trotcities, but has in addition the repu- they thought that Col. Light, head skyism, Lovestone was forced to antation of being a particularly reac- of the National Guard of Ohio, who nounce "Shadows of 1914 over C.I." tionary city. It boasts a large vigi- had been sent in by Gov. Davey, Even Wolfe, whose anxiety to do a to shoulder a rifle for Uncle Sam

these two, the revolutionary and the In Ohio today you probably can- chauvinist position, Lovestone and chauvinism would just make a good chaser.

> Brownsville Mass Meeting "55th CONVENTION OF THE A. F. OF L." A. J. MUSTE National Secretary, W. P. FRIDAY, SEPT. 27th, 8 P.M. 1776 Pitkin Avenue

cials only for his own reactionary ends; the automobile workers, in order to grow and build fighting unions must steer clear of Coughlin!

### SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 21, 1935

### NEW MILITANT

### **MARCH OF EVENTS**

### By JACK WEBER DESTRUCTION THREATENS ROBBER LEAGUE

The League of Nations was organized by the victorious Allies ists. Where is there any demand after the first World War to safe that the English ruling class give guard their plunder against the up British Somaliland, or India or attacks of the defeated powers. Its Egypt? How is it that no voice is function as the "organizer of peace" raised by the "official" movement was to maintain the status quo, to against the small war just started guarantee to the imperialists their in India, against the mere punitive colonial possessions and the right expedition into the territory of the to exploit the colonial peoples. The Mohmands in the Northern native attempt by Mussolini to seize Eth- states? It is by such fakes as the iopia is a threat to the very exist- support of "sanctions" that the ence of the robbers' League pre- leaders of British labor tie the clasely because it ends the truce, workers to the bourgeoisie, enlist threatens the status quo, and re them for national defense and for opens all the antagonistic issues the support of English imperialism. temporarily "settled" by the first True there is a small minority of World War. Rearmament and re-"left socialists" like Cripps who alignments of the advanced capital- warn the workers against putting ist nations are the preparations for their heads in a noose by supportthe assault by each against all for a new division of the earth. One British imperialism. But these eleafter the other, each great power ments organize no real mass movethat is forced by its internal econ- ment against British imperialism omic crisis to seek desperately for and its role in the next World a solution by outward expansion, War. The Bolshevik-Leninists of quits the League in order to be free England, who understand the need to act without hindrance. First it for rallying the masses against the was Japan in order to plunder enemy at home, who set forth clear-China, then Germany to rearm for ly the steps necessary to convert expansion to the East, and now imperialist war into civil war, are Italy for the swallowing of Ethio- too meager a force as yet to exert pia. Not even the bourgeois press much influence. They have before tries to foster any illusion that them the tremendous task of build-France or Great Britain is in the ing the revolutionary party. least concerned about the fate of the Ethiopian people. Each of these EFFECT ON BRITISH GENERAL powers, with a tremendous colonial ELECTIONS empire, is acutely aware that the

"deprived" states aim to capture by the Labor Party in its class colpart of the plunder it took earlier. It is the fear of the deep repercuscauses England and France to general elections. By covering the threaten Italy with sanctions to uational capitalists with the cloak out of the League.

ATTITUDE OF BRITISH LABOR The Ethiopian crisis is a class power. If it is all right to conduct issue of fundamental significance a war, if necessary, the masses It becomes the test of the working will prefer to leave things in the the rubber workers' convention. It will be much more closely bound-up appeared with greatly reduced struggles. class movement in all countries. hands of those who are more ex-For in face of the threat of the and in which the development and growth ranks. The reason for this is not For in face of the threat of the sec- perienced in such matters. By showond World War, the working class ing this readiness for civil peace in must once more take a stand on case of war the Labor Party aids the question of defense of the na- the bourgeois campaign of patriottional capitalist state in an imper- ism. It furthers, whether it likes it heels of the defeat administered to ialist war. The answer of the Brit- or not, the armament propaganda, ish Labor Party and of the official for sanctions mean the need for labor movement is a shameful be- force to back them up and force trayal of the proletariat. The de might just as well be as effective manifestations of certain progresmand of the official labor leaders as possible. Thus the Labor Party sives elsewhere, the issues involved for the support of the League of is helping to defeat itself in the Nations in the applications of sanc- coming elections. The masses will to the fifty-fifth annual A. F. of L. tions, means not the support of the prefer to give support to the masters Ethiopian people against Italian directly rather than to their lackaggression, but the support of Eng- eys in the labor movement,

### **Plan Expulsion of French Bolshevik** - Leninists

sentiment against the expulsions of of handpicked officers. (Continued from Page 1) Out of these and out of the ferment now shaking the ranks of the youth, a unified process which will sift into the party. Far from heeding

## Anti-UnionConspiracyRevealed inChamber of CommerceLetter

### NEW YORK .--- The operations of

secret and heavily financed aplish imperialism against Italian. paratus set up by bankers and To suppose that the League of Nabusinessmen to control the Califtions could act in the interest of ornia State Legislature and courts, the exploited peoples, is to place and large-scale preparations by the confidence in the English capital-California Chamber of Commerce to launch an anti-union drive, are revealed by a confidential letter of the Chamber, made public today here by the National Sacramento Appeal Committee, 41 Union Square. The letter, dated August 7, on the official stationary of the powerful Stockton, California, Savings and Loan Bank, and signed by fourteen leading industrialists, financiers and ranchers of the Golden State, after taking credit for the defeat of "many radical and unsound tax measures," goes on to boast that the Chamber, by securing the enact ment of legislation enlarging the powers of the Attorney General "proved perhaps the most important factor in winning the recent trial' of eight Sacramento unionists... This boast refers to the convict ion of Norman Mini, 26-year old ex-West Pointer and Workers Party member now in San Quentin Prison and seven other union organizers sentenced to 14-year terms under the notorious criminal syndicalism act and to the recent statute, admit tedly passed by the pressure of the Chamber of Commerce, which enabled the Attorney General to re move, as prosecutor District Attor ney Babcock and substitute Neil R.

### of banking interests in the Sacramento valley. The betrayal of the working class

danger plays directly into the hands

that in the national emergency the bourgeoisie may be trusted with the

Bill Green and the whole A. F. bureaucratic domination and its case in the past. reactionary "red baiting" campaign. this leadership by the teachers' convention, the rebuke by the automobile workers' convention and the are sure to loom large as a prelude convention. The new-born rubber workers'

sented to the convention by Green, right of appointment of officers for probationary period to be left at his discretion. With that vote the



### Duar Mr.

At the last Legislature our California State Chamber of Commerce was able, by vigorous opposition, to defeast many radical and unsound tar measures. It also secured legislation that will prove beneficial to all California busi-mess. It is continuing its efforts for economy in county budgets and for the elimination of many duplicate services in state and local governments.

The State Chamber is now active through its Councils in all sections of Gelifornia in vigorously combating all subversive influences that threater to overthrow our government. It feels the growing menace of redicalism must be stamped out.

We find that as soon as one community has dealt properly with these agita-tors who are fomenting strife and trouble, they move into other communities where there has been no training in organization to offset them.

It appears that the only effective means to combat the situation is state-wide leadership for training community leaders in this work. The problem is costing us all money and is undermining the very foundations of our business and social structure

At the recent election the State Chamber secured the enactment of four measures calling for better administration of justice. One of these measure Constitutional Amendment No. 4, giving to the Attorney General the power to uniformly and adequately enforce Lars in the various counties of the State, proved perhaps the most important factor in winning the recent trial of Communists in Secremento.

These matters are so important to business in California we feel we must call them to your attention, feeling that you will want to do your share to support the Chember in the fight it is making.

It is vitally important that the Central Valley district subscribe its pro-rata of the funds necessary to carry on this fight and we would greatly appro-

McAlister, who had just failed of problem is costing us all money," es to push throughout California. charges made in the National Sacra-| In a letter just sent to the N. S. re-election but who was in the pay and "must be stamped out." They The letter concludes with an appeal mento Appeal Committee's pamphlet A. C. by Raymond W. Henderson, propose, therefore, that "the only to the rich Central Valley district "Union Smashing in Sacramento," Bakersfield Socialist and noted effective means to combat the sit- to "subscribe its pro rata of the by Herbert Solow, that the Sacra- labor attorney, he reports that the The signers of the Chamber letter untion is statewide leadership for funds necessary to carry on this mento convictions were part of a transcript of the trial record will characterize the low-paid agricul training community leaders in this fight," since "the need for immedlaborationist attitude on the war tural workers who organized unions work," and then refer to the Sacra- iate, organized, united effort on our sions of Mussolini's adventure that of the ruling class in the coming strikes and trouble," declare "the the kind of work the Chamber wish- The letter thus substantiates the unions.

eight your making a substantial contribution to this fund. The situation is serious and the need for immediate, arganized, united effort on our part

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Very truly yours

Elas H Segustrom

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state-wide conspiracy of anti-union not be delivered by the court until employers to use the criminal syn-Sept. 28. As soon as it is delivered dicalism statute to destroy the trade | Henderson will begin work on the Mini brief.

> existence. Only tendencies in that direction are manifested so far: and much confusion still prevails among these tendencies. Where they appear they represent, generally

sciousness. But in most cases they

are not yet strongly influenced by

tion cannot escape facing these is-Without at this moment going sues in one way or another. Of downright treason of the A. F. of course, they will not be reflected at into the positions that these parties L. officials who had been in charge this gathering in the same direct hold in regard to the problems of of affairs up to now. Still, with an and decisive manner as in the gen. the trade unions and the issues and aggressive policy of organization, eral field of the class struggle. The struggles within them, it is neceslabor party issue will most likely sary to remember that the building pects for the building up of strong appear. There is little chance that up of a progressive movement is a very many distinctly progressive first class political job. But it will life of the movement as a whole spokesmen will slip into the con- also be a test of these parties, not vention hall. But it is to be ex- only of their ability to organize pected that perhaps several of the the movement, but above all of well-paid officials already now in or their ability to influence it in the near to the higher councils, out of dimection of political consciousness. fear of the potential progressive There will be a struggle of politi-

movement for one reason, or due cal tendencies in this movement. It should not be difficult for the to pressure from below for another, will take up some of these issues in revolutionary party to meet this which would confer upon him the Mass production has advanced and stances on a local scale the demand order to appear as spokesmen and test. But there is more required head off the actual crystallization than merely to counterpose its proof a genuine progressive movement. gram to those of the other political future the very existence of an ef. cies gained. Wherever unions have When that occurs it is well for real tendencies and parties. It will be necessary also to take over the re-**Political Tendencies** sponsibility for active, persistent

It is yet too early to speak of a and devoted work right on the fir-

force a compromise without war. But the very threat is driving Italy out of the League. A stry leads the workers to believe By ARNE SWABECK and the mass production industries | At the time of receiving their progress has been made. A good where exploitation is most ruthless. charters, both the automobile work-And here the A. E. of T. officials and progressive of various degrees of

**Old Basis Undermined** 

So long as the hidebound craft unions of the skilled trades formed the backbone of the movement matters were comparatively simple. These workers enjoyed certain privileges and questioned much less the doings of their union officials. The unions could be managed fairly easily and the bureaucratic regime solidified. It was not so difficult

for the latter to make all kinds of international union refused, by a shady deals with the bosses. Much vote of 44 to 9, to accept certain has now changed. Many of the A. F. of L. charter provisions, pre- privileges formerly enjoyed in the

tions places as the first point on

ions were stunted in their growth

and their power of organization re-

of L. leadership was challenged at And here the A. F. of L. officials ers and the rubber workers' unions

ed simultaneously at its methods of of these unious than has been the difficult to find. It was due essentially to the sheer incompetence and there are undoubtedly good prosunions in these industries. For the this is necessary; but this has very much to do with the kind of lead-

> **Progressives Grow in Struggle** It is no accident that more voices are heard every day in the trade unions demanding an aggressive skilled trades have disappeared. policy of organization. In many inthe unions of the skilled trades play has been carried out in practice. a far less important role. For the and thereby the progressive tendenpends upon its ability to build up ly without fear of the bitter strug-

leadership is being seasoned in such

ership.

convention also rejected his choice fective trade union movement de set to work, organizing aggressive- progressives to be on guard.

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the revolutionary gold from the re-actionary and reformist dross will begin to clarify itself. The initial reaction area of the Bolshevik-Leninists 1 ; still remains a deacon of the

From this, coming at so critical Baptist church. a moment, increasing sections of **Problem of New Unions** 

These recent experiences cannot union democracy. This was inevit many, by the miserable showing in tate the left-wing takes the form of the parties, will in the heat of be easily ignored by the A. F. of L. able. Only by means of its bureaua stiffening resistance to this ampu- events swiftly draw the necessary officials. No doubt they are begintation. It is expressed in the Youth conclusions. The voice of revolu- ning to ask themselves some sernow, for example, in a widespread tionary internationalism, calling to- ious questions and preparing to as the agents of capitalism and and new blood pumped into it by

day for the Fourth International, straighten their own fences. But prevent the unions from engaging Stalin. Litvinov, in the League, will redouble in strength. As the there are many difficulties to over- in serious struggles for their rightwar crisis hits France and all Eu- come, particularly in regard to the ful demands. As a result the unrope in full force, it will bring new unions.

It was with the greatest reluctforth a resounding echo from the very depths of a proletariat unwill- ance that they had agreed in the mained largely ineffective. ing to let itself meekly be strangled first place to grant international or shattered to pieces against the union charters to these unions. guns of an imperialist enemy of its They fought to the last against the own bourgeoisie. Blum, Cachin and idea of granting industrial union

Co., with all their conspiracies, will charters and accepted it in princonly uncover themselves before the liple only to sabotage it in actual French workers as the traitors they practice, as they have done so far. have become. The struggle of the But they are still faced with the Bolshevik-Leninists of France for a dilemma of pressure from present revolutionary solution to the prob- economic conditions out of which lems of the day will be carried a grow the demands of the rank and in the test for leadership. mighty step forward. file workers. These demands begin

to crystallize into distinctly pro- fact that the progressive tenden-

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### 'Thieves Kitchen' at Geneva be "peace-loving"; and to call on the working class at the same time, not to cease its own class struggle It is very interesting to note that the change toward the new condi

(Continued from Page 1) and so do the diplomats of every the agenda the question of trade the withdrawal of Japan and Gerother nation.

**Imperialist Bargains** 

the Manchurian and Chaco affairs, cratic control were the reactionary the League has been kept actively officials able to function effectively alive only because of the prestige speaks with the voice of the Workers' State, but his words are the words of the British Lion,

Whoever doubts this, let him review the facts.

The free and unhampered devel-Why does Great Britain try to opment of the trade union movepreserve "peace"? Why does she ment therefore demands democratic object to Mussolini's campaign in union control as a first prerequisite. Ethiopia? One glance at the man It becomes a first class progressive issue and it will play an important role in the crystallization of a progressive movement in the trade un-(2) Italian expansion in Northeast a short time only. The solution ions. The attitude to this issue will be of a determining character In these recent experiences the life line of the Empire." (3) Increasing Italian strength in the reactionary kind. Its sole purpose cies reflect the needs of the move-Mediterranean, together with the development of air fighting, have ests is verified once again. On the already placed in jeopardy the forces. opposite side, the retarding reac-British route from Gibraltar to Port Said. Malta, for example, is al-

tionary influence of the A. F. of L. top officials is just as clearly revealed. Not only did the latter attempt to maintain its control by the celebrated steam-roller method. but they did actually succeed in

trial form of organization is only ness. (7) The National Govern- talk.

reinforced as a progressive issue. ment, faced with an election in the growth of the trade union move- of "national unity" before the war tions, to make its own boycotts, to makers.

production industries are to meet Labour parliamentary victory. the ruthless onslaughts of the gi- This is what the high-minded masses-rejecting all talk of "na- proletariat. There is only one solugantic corporations effectively, this public talk of British statesmen tional unity," all pretense that a tion for war: the international revform of organization is imperative. boils down to. And they know it; capitalist nation is ever or will ever olution.

be "peace-loving"; and to call on before the war danger, but to intensify a thousand-fold the revolutionary fight at home.

And is it to explain this-these elementary working-class principles The present League session is, that Litvinov uses the public forum then, seeking a "solution" of the of the League meetings, and that Ethiopian question. That is to say, the C. I. uses its press throughout it is seeking a deal that will recon- the world The direct opposite is cile these requirements on the part true. Litvinov speaks in the League of Great Britain with, first, France's as the stooge of Hoare and Eden. need to get British guarantees Even in phrasing, nothing distingagainst German aggression on the uishes his remarks from those of Continent, and, second, the drive the agents of British imperialism.

of nent-up Italian capital for an Policy of Betrayal outlet together with Mussolini's And what of the sections of the desperate necessity for consolidat-C. I.? Do they "make up" for ing his rotting internal regime. Litvinov's diplomatic necessities? But whether or not the "solu-Quite the contrary. In Sept. 18th's gives the answers. (1) Italian rule tion" is found, the fundamental is Daily Worker the Communist party over Ethiopia would threaten the sues are not altered in the slight- calls on Great Britain "to close the sources of the Blue Nile, and thus est. War will be not stopped, but Suez Canal"; it appeals (on the put Egypt at the mercy of Italy. merely postponed, and postponed for front page) "For united action of" Africa threatens the Suez Canal, will be not a triumph for the peace- How naive, comrade, to suspect that the route to Britain's colonies-"the loving League, but an imperialist Stalin still has his eyes even partly maneuver of the most brazen and turned toward the international working class. No- "the united will be to strengthen temporarily front of all nations to prevent war the lines of the world imperialist on Ethlopia." So thoroughly has the Communist party now gone

Working Class "Sanctions" from the Third Period rejection of The elementary duty of Marxists the united front, that united fronts ready helpless. (4) A serious con- is clear beyond argument. It is are to made-with the political infict between Europeans and native for them to sound the alarm against struments of the class enemy. In Africans would promote unrest or all the machinations of the imper-<sup>1</sup> Great Britain, the Communist party' even rebellion on the part of the ialist powers. It is for them to calling for sanctions applied by the natives throughout the British col- expose every facet of the war dang- government, supports thus the buildonies. (5) Great Britain would er. And this means not merely to ing up of national unity and lays likewise enjoy sharing in the ex- fulminate against the tyrant Mus- the full basis for acceptance of imploitation of Ethiopia. Two fur-solini, and to beg the League to perialist war on the part of Great ther reasons, of a somewhat differ-| step in to save the world. It means Britain as (shades of the United ent kind, must be added: (6) Great to expose every step of the League's States in 1917!) a war to prevent

the European proletariat of the on "peace-loving Great Britain" to Workers, this is the witness of possible failure of Mussolini to con- close the Suez Canal and apply betrayal. Before it is too late, requer quickly. Such failure might sanctions-but to reveal the rotten- ject capitulation. Turn from "nat-In the light of recent economic well prove a mighty impulse in ness of British imperialist policy ional unity", take your eyes off the changes, the question of the indus- awakening revolutionary conscious- beneath the mush-mouthed peace "national governments" of "peaceloving nations." tear the mask from

It means to call on the interna- the League, and drive from your It is likewise connected up intim- near future, wishes to consolidate tional working class, the only force ranks the social-patriots who make ately with the future life and England internally around slogans against war, to apply its own sanc- ready to give you up to the war

ment. If the unions in the mass danger, against the chance of a voice its own material and ideolog- There is only one force against ical solidarity with the Ethiopian imperialist war: the international

preventing the new-born international unions in automobile and rubber from taking on their necessary industrial form. According to the charters, the shop crafts are to

old craft unions, separate and apart

from the production workers. Industrial Unionism

be organized as heretofore in their Britain fears the repercussions on robber course. It means not to call war.

### and Claherty for lying. Burns even Rubber Workers Ride Over Green's Plans

Already rubber workers began to to do with the question of election rejoin the unions .rom which they of officers."

had fied after the A. F. of L. bu-"We can have our own president reaucracy's treacherous betrayal and officers and still take your this spring during the strike threat. | money. In fact, we hope to !" he The only serious threat on the added as Green blustered. "We the local hall also met with defeat horizon which faced the delegates aren't voting down the support of as progressives continued to estabwas the perplexing question of se- the A. F. of L. by defeating the lish democracy in the new internalection of officers. There is a pos- resolution. That part doesn't be- tional. sibility of a split between Akron long in the resolution aad we'll and out-o town progressives over change it later." which man should become president.

Defeat Green 44 to 9

F. of L. leadership as antiquated. them powerful weapons against the to the State Executive Committee Smashing through every treach- the A. F. of L. if it is to survive."

erous move, every ruse and false argument, the rubber workers brought to a brilliant climax their Goodrich local for the right to elect egates with it on every vital questerrific fight for democracy by over- officers added much weight to the tion is preparing a slate of candiwhelmingly voting 44 to 9 against cause of the progressives as Dal- dates for officers and also watching a resolution which would sanction rymple is recognized as one of the for further moves by Green to atleaders in the rubber unions. Green's appointment of president.

The blunt repudation of the A. F. of L. bureaucracy and its disastrous policies in the rubber industry was so decisive that Green, to keep our pledges. I would rather ternational were expected to be inyour judgment as final. No one can ignore the preponderance of your charges of the workers who would pledged support of the convention on the final ballot, faced with a vote."

The defeated resolution would pointed out. have given him the approval of the convention to appoint Coleman C. Claherty, his rubber organizer, as But, as predicted in the NEW MIL- shattered only by increasing "Noes" ITANT, the rubber workers were so incensed at Claherty and his policies that his defeat was a foregone conclusion.

To show how strong the antibureaucracy feeling was, it is only necessary to realize that the resolution defeated was a compromise delegates lambasting both Green ment. by the bureaucracy to the delegates It specified that all other officers be me appoint Claherty."

#### Green Threatens Delegate

When Green spoke for the resolution he threatened Thomas Burns, of Chicopee Falls, Mass., a leader for democracy, because of an alleged association with a dual union movement in the rubber industry. Burns took the floor in his de feuse and flung back into Green's teeth every argument used against him. In .act, he proved that Green had appointed Phillips, a dual unionist, to a high post where Burns

first met him. Burns proved that Green, not he, had associated with the dual unionist. The progressive bloc began its fight for democracy by presenting bureaucracy as represented by Wm.

Green, when he arrived at the convention, with a petition signed by 40 out of 47 delegates asking for the officialdom over the rubber march forward to increasing vic- ing for higher relief standards by Spartacan Slugged in Picket democratic procedure and election workers' unions which had virtual- tories. of all officers. From then, Green ly ruined the trade union movement and Claherty were on the defensive in the rubber industry and reduced

The bureaucracy went so far as once powerful unions into mere to threaten reporters time and skeletons. again, newspapers said, for printing The rubber workers did what the struggle! accounts of the inner-struggles and auto workers and other unionists thereby, indirectly, exposing each had not succeeded in doing-cleans- of democracy in the trade union move of Claherty and Green. Men-ing their ranks of the Clahertys tion of the auto workers' conven- and other misleaders who only lead militants who lead in every fight tain conditions to save fellow worktion by anyone brought panic to them from one defeat to another.

Green Bars Industrial Unionism Although delegates were prepared militant program for organizing to fight for industrial unionism, through drives the rubber industry Green effectively stopped that by reading a mandate from the executive council which declared that those who accepted the international charter must obey the following of their own officers, smashed bet following all makes tax. You haven't the provision: "To organize all rubberworkers in mass production of rubber products, same not to include building and construction employees: making and installing machinery employees, and employees engaged in maintenance work or in work outside the factories.

the bureaucrats.

arose and called Claherty a "gd-liar." A constitution was adopted after clauses barring "communists, I.W. W.'s and members of other dual union organizations" was changed to exclude naming of political par-

"We'd do better to exclude all republicans than communists," a delegate argued. Another clause preventing caucusing on union questions outside

Both clauses had been placed in the draft of the constitution on the

"We need an industrial base for progressives if he became president. Progressives Prepare Slate The progressive bloc which has Powerful and blunt argument by

S. H. Dalrymple, president of the been able to rally most of the del-

tempt to regain control of the in-"We've been promised for two ternational. Resolutions asking A. F. of L. to the end in favor of voting for years our own international. The rubber workers will join us if we say we betrayed them," Dalrymple even though defeated. Pay for officers was picked as:

Thunder of Protest

When the roll call vote began on the resolution of appointment of Union dues are \$1 per month and Green's machinations and trickery. ternational will do all necessary to dicated themselves as Socialists by trial, to the exhorbitant expenses

torting and lying about their past." recognizes the failure of capitalism tax, but they had been defeated and ist justice must be played to the A heated argument followed with and the necessity for its abolish | relief was still needed. Where does

elected. All Green asked was "let Rubber Workers Took Big Step

tions.

By JACK WILSON A tremendous step forward in national union through the farreaching consequences of their ac-

convention. antiquated craft union, class collaboration policies of the A. F. of L.

troit and the other scenes of class

Rally forces around the slogan in the McLevy machine: movement. Protect the rights of scribe to a sales tax, but under cer-

dom of the top!

### Sales Tax Big Issue at S. P. Convention

By New Haven Correspondent

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Sept. 16.-Just before midnight tonight the two-day Socialist state convention succeeded, after a bitter seven-hour fight, in putting itself on record against . . . a sales tax! A resoluwith it. tion introduced to the resolutions

committee on the Italo-Ethiopian situation, the only sign of awareness of the outside world during Mooney in Court running with blood." Another delegate scored the A. bequest of Claherty who saw in the whole convention, was referred to the State Executive Committee In Legal Struggle in the morning, with the armored lice department did the bast they as being a national matter. The In Legal Struggle debate on the sales tax waged fast and furious for seven hours; the war question was dismissed as being "outside the jurisdiction of the state body."

of habeas corpus in the California On the sales tax issue Mayor courts opened last week. The over-McLevy and the three state legiswhelming proofs of his innocence. lators from Bridgeport, Taft, Secor the perjury of the state's witnesses. and Eccles, held their machine firm

help to aid financially the new in- the sales tax in the next session of save his ace, declared. "I accept go down defeated after fighting my troduced and passed. This will maining method of "raising relief" the judge of the original trial. best for democracy than face the again place Green on the spot. He for the starving unemployed." Even

substitute resolution more conciliatory in tone than the original, they Mooney's appeal was heard by the president, \$3,200; vice-president, rallied 49 votes against 75. All but U. S. Supreme Court last year and \$2,700; secretary-treasurer, \$3,000. three of the 28 Bridgeport votes re- he was sent back to try the courts mained loyal to the very end.

McLevy Arguments

McLevy in the debate shouted more months, perhaps years in pristhat he and his legislators had vin- on, to all the tortures of a new innocent, the cruel game of capitalend.

all your theory and principles get case before a referee in the Cali- Latimer, the first speaker, was inyou, the McLevy supporters maintained, when you have the practical problem of feeding the desperate unemployed? Besides, they argued, it is not true that we are introduc-

with Mooney into the court. would merely soak the poor to sup-The outcome of the case cannot hostile, and fresh from the triumph of framing the eight Sacramento

criminal syndicalism defendants. Whether the labor-hating capital-Later. in answer to this, a Waterists who first sent Mooney to prison for his activities as a labor organizer are more afraid of him in prison or out will determine the outcome. For nineteen years the case

men, and they didn't pay the levy own heroic battle and by the organized support and préssure of labor all over the country. And only that pressure can free him.

militant organization from below, Of Heasrt News Reel

It must be obvious to the leftward-

Some time ago a group of organzations including Spartacus Youth We set forth below a few of the choice thoughts of the chief cogs State Senator Taft: "I don't sub

of Bensonhurst as well as several Latimer and the police. He called reach in my pocket and give a half Hearst's Metrotone news from the that he resign as mayor. theatres in which they are s

workers." The substitute resolu-tion was then quickly passed, but the McLevy machine was powerful Mass Uprising Against votes. All in all, the victory was a hollow one. Every Socialist worker must draw lessons from this experience.

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moving workers in the S.P. that a party which permits such a level the mouth by a tear gas bomb fired the hall with his bodyguard through of discussion, such suggestions of at her just as she was descending the rear door, he was accosted by unprincipled maneuvering for pur- from a street car. The Minneapolis an angry iron worker and struck poses of prestige, such ignoring of Journal writes that "the receiving in the mouth. Friends hurried him the crucial issues of the day, has room at General Hospital took on away to his limousine. something fundamentally wrong the appearance of a wartime behind Latimer Gets In Deeper and Deeper

the-lines hospital as the stream of wounded started coming in. The zens Alliance-dominated grand jury hospital corridors were literally completely exonerated the police

Fighting continued until 2 o'clock To Gain Freedom small grouplets wherever they Tom Mooney's appeal for a writ

the next night. Mass Pressure Closes Down Plant

the flimsiness of the state's evidence, and his own alibi have long clear out all scabs and gunmen. ago convinced the jurors and even But capitalist courts are in no hurry to free class war prisoners. himself in the bosom of the Citizens After nineteen years in prison Tom rank and file of the Farmer-Labor of the state that originally framed him. He was condemned to many hurriedly arranged for Thursday night at the large Eagles Hall, called by the Farmer-Labor Women's Federation and the F.-L. Vet- of the city rose even higher. erans Association.

### **Mayor Booed Down**

The hall was packed with rank-The defense is now trying the and-file Farmer-Laborites as Mayor

fornia courts. So far they have troduced from the platform. The suffered two setbacks, in failing to mayor turned pale as he was booed obtain a judge instead of a referee, by the enraged crowd. Finally he and in the refusal of the court to managed to make himself heard bring Billings, who was convicted and made a lame statement, crying that the Hennepin County grand jury bound him hand and foot. be predicted-but California law is promising that a "thorough investigation would be made of all that occurred" and begging for three more months, at the expiration of which it was understood he would have fully proved himself. Alderman Ed Hudson, another Farmer-Labor member, was jeered when he started to say that what was done by police at the riot was done "by men who in the skirmish lost their so that the true story of what took minds.'

"You're trying to whitewash the mayor. Don't play politics!" yelled the audience.

State Representative Bellman (F.-L.) drew cheers from the audience by the Minneapolis branch, Workas he placed direct responsibility ers Party of the U.S., where V.R. for the situation upon Latimer, and Dunne, prominent Minneapolis demanded the dismissal of the policemen participating in the riot. Alderman Scott earned the cheers League branch of Boro Park, Yipsels of the crowded hall by taking a of Farmer-Labor Rule in Minneaof Bensonhurst, and the League clear-cut position on the whole afagainst War and Fascism branch fair, and exposing the excuses of

other organizations, organized a for the expulsion of Latimer from cussed by comrade Dunne are: the against the betrayals of the official ers from starving, I am willing to campaign in Brooklyn to remove the Farmer-Labor party, and asked Mayor's employer-employee board It remained for Bill Bi

crowd for support. As Latimer left

As was to be expected, the Citifrom Wednesday's murderous onslaught, saying "we believe the pocars patrolling for blocks around, could with the number of men they continually pouring tear gas into had." The report concluded with the observation that "the unemgathered. Finally the pickets and ployment being so great, so many the crowd left, vowing to come back people with nothing to do but follow disturbances for excitement, the spirit of unrest existing in Minneapolis will undoubtedly be The reaction to the wanton police responsible for additional outsavagery was so great that the next breaks." (As though the unemmorning the mayor was forced to ployed demonstrated "for excitement," instead of for increased refrom the plant. These people were lief, for jobs, and in a spirit of solescorted to St. Paul. The grand idarity with employed workers.) jury immediately prepared a white- The grand jury also asked for an wash investigation, as Tetzlaff hid addition of 200 to the police force.

The Farmer-Labor mayor fell in Alliance. In the meantime, the with this report and meekly asked for 200 more police. This was too party were boiling at the actions of much for the Farmer-Labor countheir strike-breaking mayor and cilmen even, one of whom, Aldercity council. A special meeting was man Pearson, said: "I am opposed to the proposal to add more policemen for the explicit purpose of clubbing laboring men." The anger

> On Saturday afternoon, hundreds of workers participated in the funeral processions of the two hystanders shot down Wednesday night.

#### **Investigations Continue**

Latimer intends to continue his phony riot investigation this afternoon at 4:30, calling in some "impartial observers." When representatives of the Non-Partisan Labor Defense called on the mayor's secretary yesterday and offered scores of witnesses, including many people who live in the neighborhood of the scene of the riot, they were told that no more witnesses are needed. The Central Labor Union, the Hennepin County F.-L. Association and the Non-Partisan Labor Defense plan to hold separate public hearings during the next few days, place can be brought to light for all to see and understand.

Workers Party Plans Meeting

On Friday night, Sept. 20, a meeting at the Pythian Hall is called trade unionist and member of the National Committee of the Workers Party, will speak on "Three Months polis: What They PROMISED and What They GAVE!"

Among the questions to be disand the meaning of the phrase, "industrial neace": can the Farmer-

# Forward at Akron Convention ing something new with the sales tax, which our opponents claim Behind this immediate cause lies port the poor; in Waterbury today

the long and hard work of forces the employed workers are forced to A tremendous step forward in the direction of organizing workers in basic industries was taken by ers in their search for nether workrubber worker delegates at their worker their search for paths which tunate brethren. convention which formed an inter- would lead to a strong union movement. Efforts of progressives who bury worker, Philip Brainard, vicearose from the working class itself chairman of the convention, made without stimulation but through the best fighting speech in defiance

The rubber workers repudiated by an overwhelming majority the

The result of the convention at- on wages. Waterbury Socialists tests once more to the fact that were trying to do the same for the only through careful education and whole city. Outside of Brainard's work along class struggle lines can speech there was no mention what-

Build a progressive bloc with rather than by political maneuvercorrect policies based on the exper- ing and compromising by the So iences of Minneapolis, Toledo, De- cialist parliamentariana,

The rubber workers have won a

bitter experience with Claherty and of the Bridgeport machine. In his Green, came to a climax at the own factory he had organized the has been kept alive by Mooney's Green and the executive council.

Adopt Militant Program

They broke the stranglehold of the working class prepare itself to soever of the possibilities of fight-

The preamble of the constitution

Enraged beyond control, Claherty further the economic and social ad- fighting for an income tax, and of a new trial. No matter if he is charged Burns and others of "dis- vance of the rubber workers. It then for a dividends and interest

president of the new international. Claherty, a tense silence reigned, initiation fee, \$2. which continued until they sounded has a clause recognizing the class like a thunder of protest against struggle and declaring that the in-

In other words, the seven craft unions in the rubber industry will keep their independent existence and the rubber workers are left facing the possibility of disastrous i trisdictional disputes.

Green told the delegates. "You can neither accept, reject, or change this charter. It is conferred on you." A move to fight the provision at the next convention of the A. F. of L. has begun.

"Surprise Move" of Bureaucrats The bureaucracy tried a "surprise move" the second day. A resolution, introduced out of order, was presented for appointment of

Claherty. Only two out of seven of addition the rubber workers learned the future. The seven craft unions government?" he asked. "It's not the resolutions committee had much through fighting. They tore in the rubber industry must become our problem to run the capitalist signed it. It was supposed to be away the illusions from their own amalgamated in the new interna- government. It's our duty to make 21st. Nothing was said of the ma- eyes of the "greatness" of Green tional. Demand that the next na- our own position clear and to edu jority resolution which asks for and his cohorts.

election of officers, through "nonconcurrence" with the majority.

the resolution. It requested finan- them can and should take heart duction of rubber products must be was the wrong place, so I went to cial aid of the A. F. of L. The two- from this notable victory against eliminated so all employees in the the Democrats, and that was the fold clause was thus introduced so reaction in the labor movement. that the delegates would vote them-There are many reasons why the union. selves out of financial support from rubber workers have been able to The Workers Party has continu- cialists would work for the workthe A. F. of L. if they didn't vote win, so far, in their struggle for ally served in the past as the beacon ers every day in the year. But after to accept Claherty. Everybody saw self-control with its consequent fav- light for leadership in the struggle this how can we speak before the through the move. orable possibilities.

Green took the floor, urging the The lessons of the auto workers' in the rubber industry. It first wrong place too?" Green appoint Cluberty, we'll have tempted at the convention. no money to support the new in-

#### ternational." **Progressive's Reply**

Green's argument that the interna- group of progressives that the bu- a powerful movement. tional needed money, should accept reaucracy would do anything to and support, but that has nothing unions.

The rubber workers adopted a -one of America's leading open shop industries.

present bureaucracy.

increases in membership.

Learning Through Struggle

the convention so that those dele-Green's avowed intention of ap their fellow-workers.

**Organization** Plans pointing their officers and gave him a blow which will have even greater repercussions at the coming national convention of the A. F. of workers back within the fold of the McLevy and the Socialist legislat-L. for the rubber workers are pre- union. Sentiment for rejoining the ors was carefully avoided in this pared to fight with other progres- unions is strong in Akron and discussion.)

sives for industial unions and thus throughout the country since the wipe out the craft base for the hated bureaucrats went down in de- "If there is any advocate of the feat. No time should be lost to sales tax in this hall, he had better Officers were picked whose per- take advantage of this fact. sonal honesty is beyond question, Special plans must be made to here like that. . . . You want to

who have the confidence of the rub- unite completely with progressives break up all our plans with this ber workers, who are earnest, sin- throughout the country so that a damn fool resolution." cere and continually learning the solid bloc will confront the A. F. meaning and significance of the of L executive council and its anticlass struggle. The president is a quated ideas at the forthcoming na- to expel all those favoring a sales man who already is rallying the tional convention so more workers tax if you're honest. Expel the Soranks of the deserted rubber work- in basic industries and elsewhere cialist Party then!"

ers around the banner of the auton- can be made free from the strangle-"Function of Socialist Legislators' omous international with immediate hold of the present leadership. In the ranks of the opposition,

No Compromise with Misleaders An uncompromising struggle must a good showing. "What is the func-

This much they have done. In be waged against the misleaders in tion of a Socialist minority in any

tional A. F. of L. convention grant cate." A worker whose ardor was Workers in all unions who have that right. The clause in the new somewhat dampened arose in this been fighting desperately against charter confining membership only discussion and said: "I was once An illegal clause was attached to efforts of the bureaucrats to curb to rubber workers engaged in pro- in the Republican Party, and that

rubber shops can join in one great wrong place. Then I joined the Socialist Party. I thought the Soto build a powerful labor movement workers any more? Is this the

passage of the resolution. His convention aroused the Akron dele-warned the workers of the coming At last, after an adjournment, a stooges followed but to no avail. gates to a boiling point of indigna-spring betrayal. It first called for substitute resolution was brought The central theme of their false tion which made them sensitive to building a progressive bloc to rally in. As Allen pointed out, it restated arguments was, "If we don't let every move the bureaucrats at all forces at this convention against the party's stand against the sales the hold of the bureaucracy. It tax, but was careful not to aim The crime of the auto workers' pledges itself in the future to do itself at the Socialist legislators. international brought home sharply everything in its power to aid the But McLevy remained unappeased, the truth of the ideas constantly workers in their fundamental bat- with something of a martyr-like at-A progressive nearly shattered pointed out to them by a small thes for uniting themselves into titude. "Do you want to put your Socialist legislators in a straitjack-We will do everything possible to et," he demanded, "so they can't money and therefore pass the reso keep in power and they must or make the United Rubberworkers of use their influence? ... I still think lution. He answered. "We need ganize to fight against such reace America a stronghold of the work the important issue is relief. I your money, we'll take your money tion with its fatal effects on the ing class against any onslaughts of don't want to climb into political capitalism or any of its agents. office on the backs of starving

dollar. (This last offer of genervictory, but that is only a start. | osity was repeated twice, indicating Every local must have its pro- that the senator was willing to congressive bloc carrying on a daily tribute at least a dollar and a half struggle for the ideas accepted by on his own hook.) State Senator Secor: "We know

fighting successfully for the election gates who stood by the bureaucracy you can't instruct us to be against Oriental theatre.

held were invariably broken up by ate removal of the police butchers. guts. You know you'd be subject

to the corrupt practices act." (The majesty of the law seemed to im- property, the police, and members mayor's latest "employer-employee" The resolutions on organization press the opposing delegates someof participating organizations were call for special efforts to bring the what; the question of disciplining thrown into the hoosegow. Last Sunday two Spartacans.

> comrades Bert Kane and Jack Lee while picketing were attacked by a Secretary of the Party Freese: group of thugs. Fortunately, neither

were hurt seriously. When interviewed the folowing was the story obtained from the attacked comget out now. But there's nobody

rades: State Chairman Plunkett, "If you pass this resolution you'll have that took place between these two telling the Farmer-Laborites that these charlatans.

clusion of their "negotiations"

Workers of Brooklyn, Boycott city." Hearst's anti-labor propaganda ma-Perlstein as well as Brainard made chinery. Don't attend theaters at

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BANQUET To Greet THE THIRD PLENARY MEETING of the National Committee of the Workers Party THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3, at 7:30 P.M.

#### Speakers to include:

VINCENT DUNNE, of Minneapolis, Minn. JERRY ALLARD, from Illinois coal fields. MAURICE SPECTOR, Chairman Workers Party of Canada. ARNOLD JOHNSON, National Secretary, N. U. L. JAMES P. CANNON, Editor of the New Militant. A. J. MUSTE, National Secretary of Workers Party. MAX SHACHTMAN, Toastmaster.

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The campaign revolves around ident of Local 574, to say what had Labor Party be reformed?; what is the anti-labor attitude of Hearst to be said. Brown completely ex- the meaning of the present attacks and the previously mentioned organ- posed the gutlessness of Mayor Lat- upon progressive trade unionists in izations have been concentrating in imer, told the crowd how a true Minneapolis and throughout the removing Hearst's film from Loew's working class mayor would have nation?; what is the attitude of a acted even though it led to his im- real workers' political party toward

Open air protest meetings when peachment, and called for immedi- the trade unions? etc.

In the meantime, resentment 'our' honorable defenders of private Brown also completely exposed the among all the workers continues to arbitration board, which is a 1935 see the and grow. And what a workpocket edition of the Citizens Alli- ing class there is in Minneapolis! ance. He was cheered for several For dauntless, inspiring courage minutes, as Latimer, sitting at the against all odds, for solidarity back of the stage, looked like a against the bosses and the labor whipped dog. As other Farmer-La- fakers, Minneapolis workers need borites rose and tried to ease the not bow to working class fighters pressure on the mayor, the meeting anywhere in the world.

Hundreds of relief workers in almost broke up through indignation. Order finally was restored Local 574's Federal Workers Section They had been picketing for over and the meeting was officially ad- have already demanded that the an hour when the manager of the journed. It fell to Harry Mayville, united front with the Stalinists be theatre motioned to the cops stand- local Stalinist, to demonstrate the immediately broken off. They can ing near the corner. The discussion Communist Party's bankruptcy by no longer stomach the quackery of

gentry was very evident from the "your party is not rotten. I and Governor Olson, eager to place incident that took place at the con- my party want to see a mass Far- his heel on Latimer's neck as a mer-Labor party in the state and maneuver to get back in the good graces of the Minneapolis workers, Now we of the Workers Party has mobilized 150 national guards-

know better than Mayville that the men in St. Paul and is keeping them which his Metrotone News is shown. Farmer-Labor rank and filers are in readiness for any further outcertainly not "rotten"; but we also breaks.

Today a movement was making know that if ever the workers have had a chance to see the complete headway to read Latimer out of the impotence of reformism, it has been Farmer-Labor party, and petitions in this state and city during the for his impeachment began to cirpast few years. To claim otherwise culate all over town.

At this writing, word comes that is to cry for a Stalinist moon. The meeting ended with reprethe Non-Partisan Labor Defense sentatives of the next day's relief will open its public trial tonight at

> The trial of the people vs. Mayor Latimer, Police Chief Forestal and the city administration will get under way with the hearing of dozens of witnesses to the Wednesday massacre-witnesses that were refused a hearing by Latimer's star chamber proceedings.

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