Labor Aroused By Midwest Murder

Economic Crisis Grows With More Lay-Offs And Rising Cost Of Living

By James Casey

The new capitalist crisis has definitely arrived. Wall Street and its press are calling it a "business recession," while New Dealers, Stalinitists and other faithful healers of the decaying "democracy" are frantically looking about for panaceas. Workers and farmers are being lashed, buffeted and overwhelmed by this latest economic typhoon.

Here is a condensed word picture of the situation:

(1) Industrial activity has declined for the thirteenth consecutive week, according to the New York Times business index, and there are no signs of any immediate upturn in the figures of April, 1933.

(2) Retail prices have soared 42 per cent, as compared with the figures of April, 1933.

(3) Building construction dropped 50 per cent for the same period.

(4) Rents have risen 40 per cent, with housing costs up January, 1934.

Job Drop

(5) Factory employment has dropped 5 per cent during Oct. in New York State, according to the State Department of Labor figures. Several Federal projects have been eliminated, bringing to the number of layoffs, Federal data on the number of unemployed are not available, but the government census now being completed will give an approximate idea, though not an accurate figure.

(6) Relief expenditures have been cut by $102,416,000 for the first nine months of the year as compared with the 1930 total. Payments for all of various public agencies has been cut to the national emergency. This is a woefully insufficient sum, many members of Congress having admitted the need of two-and-a-half to six billion dollars to meet the national emergency.

(7) Stock market prices, which were at one of the many barometers of trade trends, are now running in the pothole directly after the October, 1929, crash.

By James P. Cannon

Minneapolis — The atrocious murder of Pat Corcoran, Secretary-Treasurer of the powerful Teamster's Joint Council, has once again brought to the center of national attention. Once again the keenest interest and concern of progressive labor circles from coast to coast have been aroused in this stormy outburst of labor in the Northwest, the pace-setter for the country. The forces of organized labor cried out with one voice for the apprehension of Corcoran's assassins. At the same time the dark forces of reaction, and their dubious agents and stooges, couldn't wait for the body of the martyr to be lowered into the grave before they began to sing their traditional songs of unmanliness and enthusiasm — as though the song had been rehearsed and the parts assigned beforehand — for a police investigation of the trade union movement of Minneapolis.

For everything there is a reason. Here, on the ground in Minneapolis, the facts and the reasons are clear for all to see. Who killed Pat Corcoran, and why? And who wants to cover up the crime and shield the criminals, and why? The search for the truth in reply to these questions, can proceed intelligently only on the basis of the main facts standing in the black round of the murder. These can be established approximately as follows:

1. Advance of the Unions:

Minneapolis, once the open trestle of the Citizens' Alliance, is today the best organized city in the entire country. One must go to San Francisco for a near-comparison. The famous slogan of the 1934 strike, "Make Minneapolis a Union Town," has been realized in action.

And these unions are not fly-by-night paper organizations. The Minneapolis unions are real unions, tested in struggle, militant in their methods and capable of enforcing their demands. The "teamsters" who drive trucks and other automotive vehicles in this great distribution center of the Northwest are the dominating and inspiring force in the movement. From a membership of a few hundred men, four years ago, the driving trades in Minneapolis now embrace twelve thousand organized men. The same leadership directs a total of twenty-five thousand men in a joint council extending out into all the arteries of commerce over five North Central states tributary to the Twin Cities.

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Who Killed Patrick Corcoran -- Why?

By James P. Cannon

Ten thousand union workers paid their last tribute to Patrick Corcoran on Saturday, November 20, in funeral services acknowledged by the daily press to have been the biggest ever held in this part of the country.

In an unprecedented move, the Minneapolis Teamster Joint Council called a Holiday during the time of the funeral, and from 9 A.M. to noon no trucks or cars moved in the city.

Delegations were present at the services from General Drivers Locals affiliated with the five-state North Central District Drivers Councils, of which Corcoran was chairman. Among the delegations represented by driver delegates were Duluth, St. Paul, Minneapolis, St. Cloud, etc.

In issuing the call for the stoppage of work, the Joint Council stated that "no member of the Teamsters Joint Council jeopardizes either his job or his standing in the union by observing the holiday. The membership of the driving crafts responded to a man to the call.

Over a hundred local labor officials acted as honorary pallbearers at the funeral. The church was packed to the doors half an hour before the ceremonies began, and thousands of workers stood outside on the steps during the services. Active pallbearers and ushers were drawn from the ranks of the various driving crafts. The procession to the cemetery tied up traffic for over an hour.

MINNEAPOLIS, Nov. 28. — While organized labor here closed ranks to fight for a thorough investigation to "find Pat Corcoran's murderers," the boss press and the Stalinitists moved in the dark forces of reaction, with charges of union gangsterism as the source of Corcoran's death.

The capitalist press of the twin cities, Minneapolis and St. Paul, have attempted to raise a lynching spirit against unionism. Their animus is clear. Minneapolis drivers are 95 per cent organized and have inspired similar organization in other industries. Under the lead of the Minneapolis locals, a North Central District Drivers Council was set up a year ago to push the union in five states. A few months ago, the St. Paul locals joined this powerful council, and thus spilled the end of unionism. At the time St. Paul Todd. Twenty-five thousand drivers are united in the council.

Boss Press Leads Attack

The St. Paul Daily News, always an unremitting foe of labor, is leading the pack in viciousness. Under the hypocritical slogan of "That is terrorism, not unionism," it is daily linking Pat Corcoran's death to "gangsterism" in the labor movement. Columns are devoted to references to "labor wars," of Lyons as the martyr to "gag by violence," as the background out of which came Corcoran's.

The real intent of the Daily News is summarily revealed in a passing reference. In an editorial of November 19 to the power of the drivers: "It is apparent that the truck drivers' union is strategically the most effective labor weapon in this or any other community. It can rally almost any business." For this reason, the organ of the bosses tries to smear the drivers' unions.

Stalinitists Follow Suit

Repeating word for word the slanderous labor-murder press, the Stalinitists here have called a meeting which is described, in their leaflet, as a "mass public hearing on gangsterism."

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The Stalinists lie, and they know they lie. Not a single A. F. of L. leader here is even alive, as they claim. Before their eyes, however, the Stalinists have run their leaflet over the city limits, have quoted from the Bolshevik newspaper, "L'Humanité," which has now tried to accuse the elementary, most traditional, and most fundamental method of gaining terrorism out of the Minneapolis labor movement.

Labor Indignant at Tactics

Who is Mayor Losch? In a revolting attempt against the Stalinists, he has stopped the true labor men from unloading the body of Pat Corcoran, the labor leader who has been murdered, and has called labor the "gangster and muggering Cornelian Center of the Minneapolis labor movement." While the bodies lie here in the morgue, hounding of all governmental agencies to get an investigation of finding Pat Corcoran's murder, and the "fascist-minded general" with a way to shield Pat's murder.

Local trade unions are re­fusing to stop the labor men from unloading the body of Pat Corcoran. And their appeal to the board of the state to investigate is being rejected. Of course, all other unions, including the Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce, and the Professional Club of Minneapolis, are joining the protest and are in favor of the Minneapolis Board of Police and the Minneapolis Police Department of Justice.

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By Clark

PONTIAC—The evacuation of the Fisher Body plant marks the beginning of a critical period in the history of the United Automobile Workers.

The eyes of the automobile workers in the United States General Motors was beginning its new round of strikes when the company began to face with the repudiation of its agreement by the rank and file. With the corporation decided on a test case; to test men and the mettle of the leadership.

With thousands of Pontiac men already stripping the streets as a result of the General Motors' refusal to come to terms, the transformation of work to Lincoln, N. J. and Northeast, California, the layoff of hundreds of others, had the union pretty well in the stew that broke the camel's back. The night shift down. A strike committee had ordered furloughs at the hands of the first strike fund.-The result, a speed-up, constant abuses by factory officials. The strike committee finally drove the desperate Fisher Body men to re-establish their committee. 

Committee men Fired

500 men sitting in the Fisher Body plant constituted a threat to the United Auto Workers. Immediately upon notification by the local, the International Office of the United Auto Workers, fired four committeemen; George Meek, chairman of the罢工, Lester Clusius, committeeman in charge, Al Unruh, committeeman in charge of women, and Bernard Piter, committeeman in charge of men. The committee had no alternative but to submit to the management's edict and fire the strikers, rejecting the revolts against the leading militants. On Wednesday night the plant was re-opened and the sit-down was on in earnest. The strikers in the plant, using the Fisher bodies, closed down, raising the stakes of the strike from $15,000 to $75,000.

The issue of the strike was a crucial one for the entire International. If General Motors could be forced to grant the strikers in Pontiac and get away with it, then they could repeat the performance in Detroit and wipe out the United Auto Workers in all their plants in the country. The result of the strike in Pontiac and Packard would follow. And the open out the strike would be impossible.

The Pontiac workers were fighting the battle of the United Auto Workers in the United States.

From the very beginning, the question mark hung over the strikers: would the Executive Board of the U.A.W. in Pontiac and get away with it. Martin had already given indications of a hostile attitude. On Thursday night, the strikers were given to the press the General Motors' strike committee and "an assembled relationship and determination to understand and cooperate." Without mentioning the Pontiac strike, the implication was all too clear.

That same night Fred Pieper, member of the U.A.W. and one of the committee members, returned from a meeting before a meeting of the entire strike, ready, etc., and chairman Body, Pontiac Motor and Yellow was the only group which came to return to work. His chief argument consisted of the specific economic situation that the present slump is a conspiracy of big business to break the union. Therefore, he concluded, the workers must strike and not return to work before it is time to strike. As far as the discharged committees were concerned, the Labor Relations Board and the U.A.W. would not support them. His report was seconded by Don Mitchell, race leader, and the Secretary of the local, who gave them emphasis by refusing to turn over local strike funds to the strike headquarters that was down. The argument was quite unanswerable. The strike headquarters was quite unanswerable. They were great men of confidence in their own secretaries.

Act Under Government Threat

On Saturday, members of the National Labor Relations Board came to the Fisher Body plant, and, after a meeting or the local, made a statement to the effect that the strike was illegal, and that the local in the plant which was one of the two rights of the U.A.W., could not accept that fact. While fully accredited with the facts of the sit-down, there is no question but the union, according to some, and uncertainty prevailed.

Moments later, the Strike

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C.P. Faking of Signatures Hit by M.S. Unionists

MINNEAPOLIS. That agent of the Communist party attacked the name of Minneapolis labor union officials to a leaflet, without the knowledge or consent of the union officials listed, was revealed at the opening morning session of Coroner Seawhite's inquest's investigation.

One after another, offices of local unions took the stand and testified against the leaflet issued under the name of "A. F. of L. sponsors" without their ever having been approached for authorization.

Among those testifying to this were Lewis Boneste, carpenters; Herman Osland, carpenters; W. H. Hackett, electricians; Ray Stetfem, sign writers; Peter Murck, sheet metal worker; Carl Hagland, G.P.U. officer; Corcoran, member of "Workers Front," and unidentified." The leaflet accused the Minneapolis labor movement of being a "murderous bunch of criminals" and decried the moral and political courage and ability of the union officials in question.

MINNEAPOLIS. — More than 150 officials of the Minneapolis labor movement assembled Monday night at the call of the Minneapolis Board of Union Agents voted almost unanimously to adopt an anti-Soviet resolution denouncing the solving condemnation of the anti-"gangsterism" meeting called by the Stalinists and their stooges and an excoriation of the false "anti-fascist" campaign and campaigns the Minneapolis labor movement by the Daily Worker.

The stinging blow at the pseudo-national frame-up and murder of the Daily Worker published by the Communist party have joint the Minneapolis G.P.U. organ, voted against by a minority of the union officials led by the Stalinist Harold Bean, rank as follows:

WHEREAS, The brutal murder of Pat Corcoran, Secretary of the Teamsters Joint Council, was a blow to organized labor as a whole, and the Minneapolis labor movement, obviously inspired by the enemies of organized labor, and

WHEREAS, The Teamsters Joint Council has offered $10,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the assassins, and

WHEREAS, In order to protect the labor movement and its chosen officers from a terrorist campaign of organized crime, we believe that the murder attempt must be brought to a close by the authorities; and

WHEREAS, Every attempt to protect the labor movement and its leaders must be made to bring the murderers to justice by the courts, and

THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED:

The assembled official representatives of the A. F. of L. unions, and the leaders of the Minneapolis labor movement, and the labor movement in general, will cooperate with the authorities to bring the assassins to justice, and

THEREFORE IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED:

We condemn the mass meeting called by the Minneapolis Daily Worker on December 3, at Eagles Hall, as an example of government in the name of labor, and declare that the Minneapolis labor movement is consistent with the principles of democracy and free speech.

Meeting of Business Agents Denounces Daily Worker Lies

The labor movement of Minneapolis does not follow the policy of the Daily Worker. The Minneapolis labor movement here consists of a powerful group of A. F. of L. unions, the results of organizing campaigns of the years 1924 and 1925, and the results of organizing campaigns of the years 1924 and 1925, and the results of the organizing campaigns of the years 1924 and 1925. These campaigns were engineered by the unions in the name of millions of organized workers, but in Minneapolis it is only the Charlie McCarthy type of "unionist," who makes a show of protest for its crooked machinations and the scarecoup for its crimes. The A. F. of L. unions, that is, the bona fide labor movement for a labor country is concerned, reacted militantly to the menacing of Corcoran. A flood of statements, letters and telegrams poured into the office of the Teamsters Joint Council and all struck the same chord: sympathy and solid support for Unionist and members of the Minneapolis labor movement. The rank and file turned out ten thousand strong to honor the memory of the assassinated leader. Grief and rage and the militant will to carry forward those aims and goals—sentiments of the Minneapolis labor movement as a whole, and of all that is honest, genuine and decent in it.

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Bertram Wolfe On The Moscow Trials

His Sincere Acknowledgement of Mistaken Judgement Makes Necessary, on His Part, a Re-Evaluation of the Problem of the Soviet Revolution

By Leon Trotsky

Bertram Wolfe writes in The New Republic, November 24, 1937:

"The writer owns that his previous position was a gross distortion of facts. If Wolfe's book, The Stalin School of Fabrication, bear partial witness to that. Neither can one be silent about the fact that the group of Brandenburger-Lovestone, to which Bertram Wolfe belongs, has been clearly exposed in this school of fabrication, and Lovestone himself, by no means a model of conscientiousness, has done his bit in the preparation of the Moscow trials."

Source of the Frame-Ups

This judicial frame-up, unprecedented in human history, is the result of the historically unprecedented reaction against the first proletarian revolution. Fabrication—philosophical, historical, biographical, political, literary, judicial—is the inevitable ideological superstructure over the material foundation of the usurpation of state power and the expropriation of the conquest of the revolution by the new bureaucracy. A Marxist who openly declares that the Moscow trials were an enigma to him until the appearance of the report of the Moscow procurator by the Comintern, and that he has not understood the most important events and processes of contemporary history.

We would not begin to uphold Wolfe posteri or for a lack of understanding what he did. The necessary political conclusions would be clearly drawn, i.e., had he re-examined the position he has taken during the past thirteen years, but Bertram Wolfe behaves in exactly the opposite manner. Having come to the conclusion that the Moscow accusations are a frame-up and that they confirm the position of the Left Opposition about the degeneration and the decay of the Thermidorian bureaucracy, Wolfe demands that... we re-examine our outlook. Unbelievable as this sounds, that is, nevertheless, what he demands. The Moscow trials and the subsequent development pleased me—don't you see?—before a new dilemma. I pointed out to the Commission and to the press that Stalin consciously brought several dozen former revolutionaries to moral prostitution and physical ruin with but one aim: that with their corpses he might draw a bow to the Fourth International and to its followers. Now it is becoming clear that Stalin has been into a devil large enough to make a case against others—leaders of a new opposition which has grown up against Stalin and his methods—among his closest supporters. This is completely correct. Long before now we were aware of this "diabolic" of the frame-up. Stalin had to sacrifice dozens of his former comrades in order to create a fantastic figure of the counter-revolutionary arch-conservative Trotsky. And then he used this figure in order to destroy all his adversaries. They were more of them than Stalin had thought. Their number is growing. It is exactly the coldly prepared bloody frame-up of innocent people, the builders of the Bolshevik party, which cannot help causing the ranks of the bureaucracy itself to shudder. There is nothing unexpected in all this. From 1921 we, the "Left Opposition," more than once foretold that the Thermidorian bureaucracy would come into deeper and deeper conflict with the development of the country and that this contradiction would decompose its own ranks. Organised control of the masses, the like of which is at present impossible in the quite democratic discipline of the party, has long since ceased to exist. Only the completion of the Bolshevik regime can overcome the centrifugal forces within the bureaucracy. The new constitution prepares this completion. After the elections there will follow, in one form or another, the "revolution" of Stalin. Philistines will reduce all this to a love of personal power. In reality, the Thermidorian regime has no perspective other than that of a Bonapartist corroboration. But it is exactly now when our prognosis receives an irrefutable confirmation that Stalin, Bertram Wolfe makes his completely unexpected demand—that we re-examine our views."

"What that looks like, he writes, "to Trotsky's central party that the entire military and party and police and state machinery were as degenerate that no opposition (1) could any more arise within the Party, and that a new revolution was necessary as the only road to revolution."

We have never said that "no opposition" could ever exist within the "party." On the contrary, we have affirmed that the so-called "party," i.e., the political organisation of the bureaucracy will, due to the centrifugal tendencies, further and further decompose. The right—right to Rykov-Bukharin, but the actual restoration of tendencies, is immeasurably stronger in it than on the left. Under the label "Trotskyite," Stalin is now shooting not only the remnants of the revolutionary generation but also the extremely impatient parts of the bourgeois regime. The traditions of the October Revolution undoubtedly live in the masses. The Left Opposition, the bureaucracy is growing. But the workers and peasants, even those who formally belong to the so-called party, have no channels and levers through which they can influence the policies of the country. The present trials, arrests, trials, judicial and extra-judicial shootings, represent a form of preventive civil war which the bureaucracy as a whole leads against the following elements and which the more consistent Bonapartist wing of the bureaucracy leads against the older less firm or less reliable elements. If the ruling clique manifestly approaches completed Bonapartism, then it is clear that every serious Left Opposition movement cannot help taking the lead of a new revolution. But that means Stalin is shooting many people, that shows the possibility of a peaceful reorganization of the regime.

Bertram Wolfe saw a little piece of truth, but as he has said already, he saw it from a formally judicial and individually psychological point of view. This shows that he belongs to that generation of Marxists which is left in organizational manoeuvres and chaos moves but completely immersed in a Marxist approach to great problems. We value the extreme importance of the acknowledgement of Wolfe and we say this without the least irony. But it is exactly because of this that we advise Wolfe to throw off the petty considerations of classlessness, to approach the problem in all its lines, i.e., the particular organisation of the bureaucracy, as due to the centrifugal tendencies, further and further decomposing. The right—i.e., the label "Trotskyite," Stalin is now shooting not only the remnants of the revolutionary generation but also the extremely impatient parts of the bourgeois regime. The traditions of the October Revolution undoubtedly live in the masses. The Left Opposition, the bureaucracy is growing. But the workers and peasants, even those who formally belong to the so-called party, have no channels and levers through which they can influence the policies of the country. The present trials, arrests, trials, judicial and extra-judicial shootings, represent a form of preventive civil war which the bureaucracy as a whole leads against the following elements and which the more consistent Bonapartist wing of the bureaucracy leads against the older less firm or less reliable elements. If the ruling clique manifestly approaches completed Bonapartism, then it is clear that every serious Left Opposition movement cannot help taking the lead of a new revolution. But that means Stalin is shooting many people, that shows the possibility of a peaceful reorganization of the regime.

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THE SOVIET ELECTIONS

By Carlo
Economic Crisis Grows With More Long-Off And Rising Cost Of Living

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1929, crash. Seventy so-called representative industrial issuers are down 240,000 points. As a result of the 1929 high, after having recorded a record low of 325 points in November, 1077, according to the New York-Herald-Tribune stock market report. Legitimate and non-legitimate railroad stocks have shown similar behavior. At the end of the week, the Hooton venture, to guess that in a few isolated instances, more than one candidate may perhaps appear on the ballot. That still remains to be seen. Thus, in view of the new National "non-legitimate" election, being conducted in the Soviet press. From the data already available, the possibility of such elections being held is reduced to a dream. No "non-legitimate" elections, let alone "non-legitimate" candidates, have appeared on the ballot. The "non-legitimate" election, as such, remains a dream.

A breakdown of the candidates already registered, and in effect, already "elected," reveals that among them there is not a single rank-and-file worker or peasant. The candidates have been hand-picked exclusively from among the ruling togs in the party and government, and for many weeks (Continued from page 1)
This week we salute the appearance of a new literary magazine of the left under a new name: the Partisan Review. Originally an off spring of the John Reed Clubs under the bureaucratic despotism of the Communist Party, it has undergone a metamorphosis. It has declared its independence of the Stalinists and their literary policies and struck out upon its own. Its editors are, evidently, clearly, cleanly with Stalinism is the primary condition of progress in any sphere of the radical movement and requires not a little backbone, we can only congratulate the editors of the new magazine as a bold decision and wish them well.

Significant Step

This divorce of a talented group of the bulk of those from Stalinism signifies that the most sensitive and searching mem bers of literature and politics can no longer live in the poisoned atmosphere of the Left in any way that one can move forward. That prison house of the Dead to breath fresh air and to make for freedom, that is where creative and independent revolutionary thinking and writing can flourish without police regulation and the censorship that has strangled that has raged around the Moscow Trials in the past year. This is the crux of advanced American intellect ual life, the crux of the issues involved and more in the crux of the whole question of Stalinist rule of lies and terror that they are not sufficiently acquainted across the Atlantic. The stand of the Partisan Review is the most vital, the most hopeful, and we would give it a direct answer to it.

Two Wrong Views

The Partisan Review was in its first issue to say, "...we want to fight the tendency to confuse literary and party politics." Not all the confusion on this point, however, is on the side of their politics. Stalinist artists are guilty of identifying literature and politics, and this is part of the party's policy of "realism." Poli tics may make them move their lines clearly and consistently express and ignore for the ideas, and interests, and ambitions of the people. Stalin's real purpose and action in the class struggle is, in fact, to define the base of the revolution. The only thing that must be considered the vanguard of the revolution is the struggle of the Stalinists, and that struggle is clearly attributable to the revolution. The Partisan Review, on the other hand, speaks to the Stalinist and not the revolution, and to the revolution, to the revolution, and not to the Stalinist. The two views, however, are clearly in direct lines.

Both the Stalinist conception of the absolute subordination of literature to politics and the Partisan Review's conception of its absolute independence are equally false and flawed. It is a third thing. According to the conception, the correct Marxist position, there need be no conflict between the revolution and the cultural revolution. The Stalinists, it is true, promise a profound harmony between them. But the Stalinists promise a correct working relationship between them and their organized political parties.

What should be the nature of the cultural revolution, within the party and service and development, as the Stalinists demand, or one of them, for the ends of the Partisan Reviewers think of the cultural revolution as the norm. The nature relationship between a genuine Marxist organ and a genuinely Stalinist party should be one of fraternal collaboration in a common work. It is not strange that the two should be considered mutually exclusive. This is a very effective misconception, for as many people are barbaric and backward as are interested in the Stalinist authoritarianism. The form of this collaboration is such that it is its real content. Once the correct position is recognized, it will be easy enough to define clearly the content of conflict for collaboration.

Cannot Be Indifferent

In any case, the editors of the Partisan Review cannot remain indifferent to the literary and political actions and strikes out upon have another end, for any kind of revolutionary san reasoning of the editors for expressing differ ences of opinion within the party, and to be indifferent to these expulsions and this "gagging" of the party have been resulted in a complete flop.

At its last meeting, Local Clubs has voted to submit the resolution, and by expelling party representatives and by the Illinois Branch, it has also undergone a change in the last year. No longer able to allow a hand's breadth of independence to their followers, their grip upon the most critical and atomic bureaucratic and active, they have already suffered heavily in the sleeping masses in colonial countries. May it help to create a new movement.

With the Party

Kansas City Local Endorses Challenge

The Kansas City, Missouri, local of the Socialist Party has endorsed the new challenge to the Socialist party and will send delegates to the Chicago Convention. In a letter sent to us, the Kansas City committee encloses the following resolution for publication:

Resolution of Kansas City Local of the Socialist Party

Whereas: the National Executive Committee has separated itself from the members of the Socialist Party by disregarding the dictates of the rank and file for expressing differences of opinion within the party, and whereas: the rank and file of the Socialist Party have a right and duty to determine its policies.

Therefore Be It Resolved: that the resolution of the rank and file be opened in Chicago on December 31, 1937 to determine the future policies of the Socialist Party.

(Signed) Socialist Party, Kansas City, Mo.

C. O'Hara, Secretary.

The December 31st resolutions that the last meeting of this week with all its changes, present case. Funds are being raised for the delegates.

Attempt to Split Rochester Party Fails

ROCHESTER, N. Y.—The attempt of the left-wing "Socialist" clubs to split the Monroe County Socialist Party has failed miserably. After announcing in the express action for the election of R. C. B. Hensleigh, Benjnimnn County, and other left-wing candidates, Peter Peters launched boastful press releases and "editorials" about the "anti-communist," "pro-Wisconsin." Plans actually. Their "organization" activities have resulted in a complete flop.

Greetings From India

Need New Challenge Out

The First Revolutionary Convention of the Socialist Revolutionar y Party of the U. S. May the independent workers' party in the United States be the true representative of the working class. May it become the stimulating force that will awake the sleeping masses in colonial countries. May it help to create a new movement.

In expecting itself hopeful, experimental, democratic, the Partisan Review has set its foot on the right road. But it is not enough to have a broad economic; it is equally necessary to have an ideological and political center from which all the rest logically radiate. Such a center is required for the orientation of the masses. The view of forces of our time. This alone can create, cultivate, that is to say, the ideological policy and enable it to become a genuine force among the intellectuals of the rising revolutionary generation. And in breaking with Stalinism and launching upon a new course, the eyes are opened up to the Partisan Review. It need not consider the Stalins as the only ones to realize these opportunities can be richly realized.
Are You Ready for War?

A Discussion on Imperialist War, Past and Present, on the Presidential "Peace-Lovers" and How They Prepare the Minds of the Masses in Support of a New World-Wide War for Plunder and Exploitation.

The Second Principle of the War-Makers

The second principle of the war-makers is to split the working-class opposition to war, warning its members that in unity with the workers of the world the way is clear. Full speed ahead.

In short, in the struggle against the foreign foe it is necessary to the government to split its own workers. The government has a policy of splitting its own workers.

The trade-union leaders have adopted the so-called "American" policy of union solidarity: "the foreign foe is our first enemy".

The government has no such policy.

As long as the government remains unionized there is a possibility of winning the foreign foe. But as long as the government remains a government of war it is impossible to win the foreign foe.

The foreign foe is the government.

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The government is the war.

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