

On April 1 mass cuts from the W.P.A. rolls begin.

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According to Col. Harrington, W.P.A. administrator, these cuts, as based upon the current appropriation measure, will have to total at least a million, more probably a million and a half, between April 1 and June 30.

This prospect is not just a wild joke or a scarehead. As things stand, it is a cold-sober necessity. The money appropriated by Congress won't go any further.

And the mass cuts are scheduled to begin on April 1.

The strategy of the administration is clear. It plans to begin the cuts suddenly, and on a huge scale, while the unemployed are off guard. It will keep throwing hundreds of thousands into the street until mass protests begin to arise.

Then, if disorders threaten, the President will propose a small additional appropriation. This will not be enough to put those already fired back on the rolls. It will not be enough to keep even the lowered figure.

Its only purpose will be to draw the teeth from the mass protest. Roosevelt counts on Lewis and the Workers Alliance swinging behind him. In other words, he plans to put across a mass reduction of W.P.A. and at the same time to get the "official" leaders of the unemployed to help him, and to praise him afterwards as the true champion of the unemployed.

This shameful, criminal plot is already well on its way. The entire press of the country is keeping a conspiratorial silence about the cuts, now only three weeks away. All the governmental and business big shots are yelling daily about "the need for greater economy." Neither the A.F.L. nor the C.I.O. nor the W.A.A. is taking a single step to prepare for a fight.

The unemployed will have to take matters into their own hands, or they are going to wake up a month from now in the doghouse.

If the unemployed wait until after the cuts have begun, it will be too late to save hundreds of thousands of workers, with their families, from destitution. They have got to prepare now.

The question is no longer one of another fifty or a hundred millions in an additional appropriation. This is completely inadequate, and a fight on such a basis would get nowhere.

The unemployed have got to make known their real needs and demands: W.P.A. jobs at union wages for all unemployed; an over-all \$30 weekly minimum; a \$20,000,000,000 public works program; opening of all idle factories to be operated with government subsidies under workers' control; all war funds to the unemployed. And no cuts whatever-not a single worker taken from the rolls.

The danger must be proclaimed from the housetops---there can be no exaggeration.

The demands must be made known not by letters to Congressmen or appearances before committees or back-stage lobbying in Washington, but by large-scale, militant mass action. This is the only move that Congress and the administration will take seriously.

As a first major concrete step, we believe that the unemployed in each locality throughout the country should carry through simultaneously on April 1-the day the mass cuts are scheduled to begin-mass demonstrations at the local relief headquarters. Thus will the unemployed make known that they will not tolerate the cut of a single man, and thus will they put forward in the most unmistakeable way their own positive demands.

There was a day when the unemployed movement in this country knew how to act with an unparalleled militancy. Let us return to that day in this new emergency!

Let us turn the heat on these scoundrels who vote \$100,000,-000 for a single battleship without turning a hair, and in the next breath decree starvation for millions of unemployed!

And let us act now, before it is too late!

Mass Against WPA Cuts on April 1! Socialist Appeal Issued Twice Weekly

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action.

to a stop.

Martin's convention was on a

rector couldn't tell whether h

had erred in starting the contrap-

of the Martin forces representing

less than one-third of the organ-

ized automobile workers of Amer-

ica had accomplished exactly the

equivalent of zero. The conven-

tion was scheduled to end today

Martin affiliate to the A.F.L.?

Martin himself has been fear-

ful of answering this question. If

tion or how or when to bring

Martin Tries to Skip

Affiliation Question

Detroit Convention Delegates Represent

Less Than One-Fourth of Auto

Workers in Nation

PATRIOTISM KEYNOTE

BULLETIN

the question of future affiliation be left in the hands of the in-

coming Executive Board. At a closed session of the convention,

Martin proposed this measure-completely contradicting all pre-

vious statements that he would leave this question up to the convention----which would give him the necessary power to railroad

the remaining locals following him into the A.F.L. The delegates

refused to grant the power and after a hotly-contested fight the

question was referred to other sessions of the convention for

(Special to the Socialist Appeal) DETROIT, Mar. 5 -- Homer BOSSES ACT FAST

merry-go-round today and the di-

After two days the convention Wholesale Firings in

but it could not because the main Court decision in the Fansteel

uestion is still undecided: will Metallurgical case holding site

he calls for affiliation, the remain- of reactionary decision, the J. E.

ing locals connected with him, Mergott Company of Newark, N.

may jump the traces. And if he J., sent summary dismissals to

does not, where will the finances 248 of its employes who had en-

-the cold cash—come from to February when the company re-

finance the union and even the fused to renew its contract with

ferent fronts.

SITDOWN RULING

Jersey; Woll Hails

Decision

The strengthening of the em-

ployer-government drive against

labor through the recent Supreme

down strikes to be illegal was

apparent this week on widely dif-

As an immediate consequence

DETROIT, Mar. 5-Even the patriotic, anti-C.I.O. delegates of Martin's convention rose up in arms when Martin proposed that

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FRIDAY, MARCH 10, 1939

MADRID SEEKS TRUCE

Generals

Take Over

In Capital

Negrin Is Charged

With Plan to Flee

With Funds

MAKE PEACE PLEA

In the hope of heading off

a growing wave of mass

hostility to the People's

Front government's prepara-

tions for surrender to Fran-

co, Loyalist military chief-

tains took power late Sun-

day night in the name of a

But one of its first acts

In the radioed manifesto

of the new regime, Col.

Segismundo Casado, head of the

new government, charged that

the Negrin ministers "abandoned

their posts and sought in shame-

ful flight the means of saving

their lives. . . . It is intolerable

that while demanding that the

in a radio speech the "traitorous

and declared that the Loyalist

ministers "are thinking of gather

were revealed by newspapermen.

Sitting in Casado's office, they

was to address an appeal for

peace to Franco.

"National Defense Junta."

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"A Job for Every Worker"

For nation-wide demonstrations on April 1 against the cuts and for a genuine answer to the needs of the unemployed!

Thousands Fired from W.P.A. in First Slashes Million Scheduled to Go by June 30 as

Various States Also Move Toward Drastic Relief 'Economies'

(Special to the Socialist Appeal) Washington, D. C.-The Roose- purposely designed to measure to a total of 62,900 workers sup- ing "disciplinary" action would carefully the amount of resistance porting Martin if the constitution velt campaign completely to abolish W. P. A. and reduce emer- to the firing. The next large rules regarding representation to Automobile Workers members for gency relief to the absolute minigroup to be dropped from the mum is now in full swing as the pay rolls will be notified this This is less than one-fourth of the order to fire 80,000 workers clasmonth and will be fired as of sified as aliens was sent out this April 1. Thousands Already Fired week.

An additional measure. designed Already thousands of workers number of unemployed workers while the Workers Alliance has plenty of recruits for the coming union in the service of the Roosewar. was the stipulation that the velt administration. fired workers are to be ineligible

for relief rolls. "Eliminate Waste"

While this campaign is under but unless the workers organize here, the true figures would reveal

way all State administrators have to fight against the cuts, Roose- that upwards of 60 percent of received instructions drastically velt will merely ask for funds these workers have already de "eye to eye" with the economic to tighten up the machinery of from a Congress which has al- clared their allegiance to the the W. P. A. offices and to reduce ready made clear its intention of C.I.O. office help to the minimum. doing away with the entire pro-"Wastes," says the order, "must gram. The President knows in advance that Congress will refuse be eliminated."

firing is now being prepared by nothing to lose by making a fee- Flint or Cleveland or the main sit-down strikes is a matter which in the Indian situation is, of the Raja in the past four years an "investigation" of all W. P. A. ble gesture.

workers to determine whether **Mass Action Needed** they have outside sources of in-

come. This investigation in many grams are not enough and unless The credentials committee has places takes the form of continual they are backed up with demon- not yet completed its report-it hounding and cross-examination strations, strikes and hunger did not have the brass to recog- your minds as perhaps no other with 75,540 people, located in the of each worker. This is designed marches, the Congressmen will ig- nize without "mature deliberato demoralize the workers and nore the needs of one-third of the tion" socalled "rank and file deleprevent them from doing the nation which Roosevelt talks so gations"-24 of them--representwork assigned by administrators. much about but does nothing to ing the "majority" of the large Labor have seen eye to eye with K. Gandhi, conservative and com-

Hundreds of forms must be filled assist. out each month and these are In New York the Unemployed It is as impossible for a pro- can employers. carefully checked to discover er- and Project Workers Union is gressive to breathe at this conrors. Home visits by stool planning a demonstration to pro- vention as it would be for a revo-

pigeons and constant cross-exam- test the cuts and is organizing lutionist to make himself at home part of the campaign to abolish the liquidation of W. P. A. and Legion or the Daughters of the

the work relief program.

More than 1,000,000 workers are now they will be without jobs, atmosphere is permeated with a to be fired by June 30th and each without relief and will be forced one-hundred percent Americanism month until then hundreds of to lower levels of living than that hits one between the eyes thousands of workers will receive ever before.

Fires Fifty Martin is waiting for the rank Another wholesale dismissal and file to pop the question. And

the rank and file, abiding by the followed this one when the good Victorian conventions are Archer-Daniels Midland Linseed House proved the altogether secwaiting for suitor Martin to pro- Oil Company of Edgewater, N. J. pose-which leaves everything in fired 50 of its employees who recently took part in a five-hour an uncomfortable muddle.

sit-down strike. Who Represented

At a third New Jersey plant Who is represented at the Martin convetion? All the backwoods the jobs of more than 200 workers and the backwash of the auto were believed endangered by the workers union. According to the Court decision.

In Detroit the Chrysler Corporreport of the credentials commitation, responding to the Supreme tee some 236 delegates were empowered to cast 629 votes at Court decision, struck a blow dismissal notices. The plan is the convention. This would add up against union workers, announcbe taken against four United taking part in a strike last week. conventions were adhered to. One of the union employees was fired and three others were laid organized dues-paying auto workoff for two weeks to a month. ers of this country.

Gleeful as were the employers With the exception of Flint and over the decision none of them Pontiac, where Martin's claims to provide a large and helpless have received dismissal notices are highly exaggerated, the locals expressed more satisfaction over the Supreme Court's action than represented at this convention for the labor market and insure gradually become a company have no decisive weight in the A. F. of L. sewer-rat Matthew Woll. auto industry. None of Chrysler

> is represented in this list. None of Woll Pledges Allegiance It is to be expected that loose- the independents. Hudson, Nash. Speaking before the Chamber velt will ask Congress for a trif- Studebaker are represented. Only

> of Commerce of the State of New ling increase in W. P. A. funds Plymouth and Packard. Even York last Friday, he pledged alroyalists.

He commended the Supreme was written, Gandhi has ended

Bulk Not From Centers The bulk of this convention is made up of delegates or supposed The next list to be used for to vote more funds so he has delegates not from Detroit or the United States in outlawing ism. The analysis of Gandhi's role

> auto centers but from such sub- we as representatives of the course, in no way changed; if has amounted to \$2,300,000. This stantial places as Meriden, Conn., American Federation of Labor anything it is made clearer. Post cards, letters and tele- Massilon, Ohio, and Philadelphia. whole-heartedly endorse.

> > locals of the union.

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"I mention this fact and this decision because it will disclose to thing in the area of constitution Kathiawar area of Western India law how definitely the responsible and ruled over by a feudal lord leaders of the Federation of with absolute powers-Mohandas the responsible leaders of Ameri- promising leader of nationalist

New Anti-Labor Decisions

"I feel confident that there will pigeons and constant cross-examplest the cuts and is organizing at a conclave of the American that other actions shall take place launched another of his dramatic, ties are unknown to Rajkot. be other decisions following, and weighing less than 80 pounds, has upon which we shall see eye to individualistic acts because of the relief. Unless the workers act American Revolution. The whole

eye, agreeing in principle, even failure of the Thakore Sahib (29though we may approach the sol-year old feudal lord) to live up ution of the problems from a dif- to an agreement that had been their Praja Mandal (States' Peoferent point of view or by differ- made between Gandhi and him- ple Congress), rose. Their mass ent argumentation." self.

reached a pretty humble status? attack against the C. I. O. as "regular" Army appropriation tonio to the arch-Tory Republic- broken up into a dozen separate h bill, totalling with its supple- ans, is 100% behind Roosevelt's bills, in order to deceive the pub. Negrin ministers and Colonel ments \$520,000,000. plan to launch aggressive war in lic about the incredible size of the Casado's private talks with them By this unanimous vote, the the interests of American imper- entire outlay.

edented in the entire history of Congressional "objections" to regular Army appropriation, it

doubt that the entire list of these

this country, the House of Repre- Roosevelt's "defense program,"

sentatives voted unanimously, and proved beyond the shadow of

convention which has already the union and began a vicious single amendment, the colossal from the A.L.P.-Stalinist Marcan. The war appropriations are being A revealing contrast between

Canada; Joins 4th Int'l.

(Special to the Socialist Appeal)

To his public repudiation of the Third International, the for-

mer C. P. writer added an expression of his accord with the

principles and policies of the Socialist Workers' League and an

appeal to his revolutionary colleagues still in the C. P. of C. "that

they too, publicly repudiate the C. I. and join in building the true

"by-lined" journalist in the Canadian Stalinist press. Previously

he was for many years widely known throughout western Canada

For the past several years Hichin was probably the most

party of revolutionary Marxism-The Fourth International."

"now irrevocable reformism" and "social patriotism."

Martin Brunn

Army Bill Voted by House Is people resist, they are preparing for a convenient and lucrative

One More Step on War Road Cipriano Mera, C.N.T. leader and army commander, denounced in a radio speech the "traitorous

Last week, in an action unprec-| ondary character of the pretended | Huge as is the sum in this and criminal conduct of Negrin,"

without even the proposal for a legislative harlots of Wall Street, being driven through Congress. are abandoned to the enemy."

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heard him explain the overturn to various Loyalist ministers over Carl Hichin Quits C. P. in C.L.R. James Ends the telephone, including Minister of Justice Pena and Interior Minister Saenz. Saenz said the min-

flight.

nevertheless is but a tiny fraction ing up the national treasury and

of the total armament budget now fleeing while the Spanish people

Tour In California isters would come to Madrid. "No," replied Casado. "With all the friendship I have for you, (Special to the Socialist Appeal) I beg of you not to come. The

TORONTO, Ont .- Carl Hickin, former political feature writer LOS ANGELES, Mar. 2.-Speakpeople are tired of you. I can on the Daily Clarion and special correspondent for half a dozen ing before 1,000 persons in Southassure you that the Defense Council has more power than the other Stalinist organs in Canada, this week made known his comern California, C. L. R. James plete severance from the Communist Party of Canada and its successfully concluded the western government." portion of his national tour.

ish Empire." Their appreciation

The change in government, therefore, can only be interpreted James spoke at three meetings in the Los Angeles area. His first as a maneuver to retain Negrin's meeting held Feb. 23 at the Em- policy of surrender, while dropbassy hall was attended by 350 ping the previous ministers, hated persons who were very enthusias- by the workers and peasants for tic in their reception of his lec- their responsibility for the loss of ture on the "Twilight of the Brit- Catalonia.

Appeal to Franco

of the talk was indicated by their Any difference of basic policy donation of eighty dollars to the between the Negrin government and its successor was not dis-

cernible to the naked eye. Speaks on Negro Question The second meeting held at the Negrin's terms for surrender, Negro Hamilton M. E. Church summed up as "independence for was attended by 500 appreciative Spain" and amnesty for Loyalist workers who received the speech leaders, were echoed in the raby James on "The Negro and dioed appeal of the Junta to World Imperialism" with marked Franco.

"In your hands, not ours, is attention. Many members of the audience were heard to remark the peace which Spain needs to recover and to end the bloody that this was the most brilliant war which is weakening it and lecture on the Negro question placing it at the service of inheard by the Negro community in Los Angeles in many years. vaders. Choose! If you offer us The final meeting was held in peace you will find generous Span-Pasadena where James repeated ish hearts." his lecture on the "Negro and

Julian Besteiro, the right-wing World Imperialism" before an socialist leader who disgraced audience of 150 persons who lis- himself by his cowardly opposiened with the same enthusiasm tion to the proletarian revolt of and appreciation shown by his October, 1934, emerged from virtual retirement to enter the new

C. L. R. James has made a Junta. In much the same langreat impression on the Negro guage as Negrin, he declared: community in Los Angeles and "Our struggle will not end so its most prominent members long as the independence of have insisted on holding a private Spain is not assured. The Spanmeeting with the speaker to hear ish people will lay down their arms only when guaranteed a more of his answer to the probpeace without crimes. Establish lem of the Negro.

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previous audiences.

such a peace. Miaja Enters Junta General Jose Miaja, whom

Azana quoted last week as having declared some time ago that further struggle was hopeless, also (Continued on Page 3)

workers, peasants and villagers ministration. The total income of peasant villages in the State.

In tiny Rajkot-a minor state

was spent on the ruler and his numerous vices. The \$8,000 con-

> It was against this tyranny that the masses, organized in

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for his militant activities. collection. Gandhi Fast Is Forerunner York last Friday, he pledged al-legiance to big business, stating that he would continue to see Of Major Indian Struggles

For the past four months the Since the article printed below, Court in the following words: his fast at the request of the of Rajkot have conducted a mili-"This clear, unequivocal action on Viceroy of India, thus once again tant struggle against the dictathe part of the Supreme Court of capitulating to British imperial- torial ruler and his corrupt ad-

Civil Liberties Unknown Today the treasury is empty.

Out of this money all but \$8,000

India is conducting another of his hunger strikes "unto death." The 69-year old Gandhi, now

include that of making the people work at forced labor. Civil liber-

stitutes the sum total spent on 'education" over four years! It is estimated that the Thakore Sahib spends \$720 per day on himself. His despotic privileges

has been sweated out of the 65 By SHERMAN STANLEY

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 In the
 Convention Marked by Red-Baiting

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When Dan Tobin, president of the powerful teamsters union, resigned from the A.F. of L. negotiation committee for peace with the C.I.O., Louis Stark, labor reporter of the N. Y. Times wrote, 'His action came as a surprise to Administration leaders who regarded it as akin to a calamity. It was a definite set-back to honors. hopes of early labor peace. Tobin, as leader of the largest and strongest A. F. of L. union, was a key person in unity negotiations. The A. F. of L. committee of Thomas Ricket, Matthew Woll, and Harry Bates, is composed of all roled in one. He chairs the "front men." None of them wield

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Comrade B. J. Widick is now on a leave of absence because of ill health. His column which usually appears in this corner in each issue will appear only in the Friday issue for the next month.

any real power in the A. F. of L. Why Tobin resigned is a matter sive trade unionists interested in er's bulbs with all the rabble-rous- against all enemies, foreign and united labor movement. Certainly, he is hardly more busy than other union chieftains and this reason was only an excuse

Believes Lewis Is Opposed to Unity

Actually, Tobin's attitude on unity of the C.LO. and A.F. of L. has changed considerably since his blast at the A. F. of L. council's reactionary stand at the last convention of the Federation. Tobin's strong plea for a more conciliatory attitude towards the C.I.O. gave impetus to the trend towards unity.

However, his private conversations with Roosevelt administration officials and with C.I.O. top leaders apparently have changed his mind on the position of the C.I.O. towards unity. At the recent quarterly meeting of the A. F. of L. executive council Tobin told reporters he had no intention of pulling out of the A. F. of L. At the convention, Tobin

Not so long ago, Tobin made paniment of sweet outpourings of a very significant statement when peace to the employers and the interviewed by Cal Tinney of the government. The old, old gag of N. Y. Post. Tobin blamed top the Chamber of Commerce was C.I.O. leaders for the failure of trotted out to frighten easilypeace negotiations!

Authoritative reports from industry [has been] driven to the Washington say that Tobin now far corners of the country to eshas gone a step further. He evi- cape irresponsibility and outlawdently blames John L. Lewis per- ry among its organized employsonally for an incorrect and in ees." But only the fools-even at transigent attitude towards the this convention—believed that this tinued wnoienearted support of the will probably be led by a man in the hands of the British im-A. F. of L. which has made nego-tiations infinitely more difficult. the bigh wages the bigh wag That is why Tobin refused to be than to escape the high wages, prompt payment of per capita tax regotiator"! low hours and decent humane of a fixed obligation of the un His resignation move evidently is working conditions introduced by as a fixed obligation of the union." Martin was clearly buffaloed intended to force Roosevelt to put unionism. The auto industry can't more pressure on Lewis in the be put on wheels and it can't esclause himself!) and the resolunegotiations! cape unionism unless the labor tion went back to committee. The Daily Worker skates open the front gates and Then a conference of the press let it out. That's what Martin is Protests Too Much trying his utmost to do. was called. Martin was asked If Tobin again joins the A. F. about his future and present rela-Worries About Government of L. committee, it would in our tions with the A.F.L. and he How reactionary a labor leader opinion signify his belief that dodged the question with usual can become when forced by his



dung heap. Foreigners, "radicals" The sentiment of the convention of every description are the devils is "to hell with the isms" and the of the food industry, regardless of this convention. Pat McCart- word is out that Martin has ney, Dies Committee witness and broken with the Lovestoneites. reactionary without rival, is the Somebody said that the Lovehero of Martin's gathering and stoneites would oppose Martin. If in the foodworkers' unions been, Ed Linder of Packard, slightly they do, historians will have to that outside of machine control less boisterous but no less reac- record a brave deed-but only as tionary is second in line for the an epitaph on a sad career. These poor people are like the boarder file. While the latter may be ter-

who doesn't know when he has **Martin Is Bandmaster** outstayed his hospitality-he has Martin runs the shows like the to be booted out the door. This is ingmaster of Barnum's circus. a world of hard knocks—and God He is cheer-leader, bandmaster, knows the Lovestoneites have fate in bureaucratic hands by Impresario and major performer taken their share ... even though having final say on jobs, they at times it seemed they liked it. convention, practically delivers Patriotic Oath the main reports, bats for the re-If any progressive manages to

get by this convention, he will

And if the progressive eats

row he will have to fufill this ob-

ligation: "no member of the Com-

porters when they run into a snag and receives all the "tributes of appreciation" and all the plaud- probaby have to take a loyalty ists 106 votes as against 216 for its for "Der Fuehrer." As "Fuehrer" of this convention he set a keynote that would make Mat- York area, whose blustering is thew Woll blush for shame in its greater than his following. "I kinds of unionism, Martin per-

orated to the flash of photographing invectives of the poisontongue of Royal Oak. One of them "responsible" unionism that "lives up to contracts" and "serves with honor and integrity." But, he emphasized:

"The revolutionist has a different point of view. We have seen that point of view at work in the local unions, under C.I.O. control, where communist policies have controlled, where communists have gained control by intrigue, deception and stealth. The revolutionist seeks only to destroy and to capture. Some of our members have not discover-

ed that fact yet. They are still deceived. But the majority, as we see it represented in this hall, has discovered that fact and is determined that our union shall not be the tool of revolution, the pawn of a communist machine which has international revolution as its goal."

The remainder of the speech was punctuated by the same type had hinted at some such action. of baiting and all to the accom-

frightened delegates. "One great

City.

Greek Foodworkers Club last ing slightly embarrassing, to put Friday night. The Club, located of political affiliation.

So disastrous has the leadership of the Communist Party crowd by means of job trusts it has lost

ship.

all standing among the rank and rorized to a great extent in union balloting, once they get away from the watchful eve of the production of munitions. business agents who hold their

for the Army has already been passed by the House and is now inevitably repudiate that leaderbefore the Senate. The sum for the proposed training of 20,000 The election in the Greek Food-

workers Club, giving the Stalinoath now being proposed by Tuc- their opponents is eloquent evici, Regional Director of New dence of this trend.



Held by C.P. for

Foster

munist party, or a member of any (Special to the Socialist Appeal) group or organization which seeks o overthrow the Government of MINNEAPOLIS. --- "20,000 Fas ists in Madison Square: What It he U.S. by force, can become a member of the I.U.U.A.W.A. and Means to You" was the subject that henceforth, any member of of the record-smashing forum the I.U.U.A.W.A. shall be immedimeeting held in the Minneapolis ately dropped from the member-Socialist Workers hall on Sunday, ship rolls of our union upon proof Feb. 26, when V. R. Dunne reported on the historic events of that he is a member of any such group or organization." This 'Nazi Monday" in New York City. resolution, worthy of the most re-Even standing room was taken at the forum-the result of a actionary of the craft union bugood distribution of leaflets throughout the city, together with reaucrats, is said to have the support of Martin himself. It origina tag day in the Jewish working ates from his pet local in Kansas

class district. At least seventy-**Dodges A.F.L. Question** five of the persons attending were Martin's dilemma on how to entirely new people. The impact nake the break from the C.I.O. of the New York events was also and join the A.F.L. came to the evident in the question period, front first in an incident on a which was vigorous and long. A resolution calling for support of collection of \$65 was taken, in the 20-point program. The resolu- addition to an entrance fee.

tion failed to make it clear that Matches German Ballies

the 20-point program involved was "This insolent Bund meeting in not the same one as adopted last New York heralds the approach April when Martin made his first of an open and formidable Amerand only progressive move. So a | ican fascism in this country. The delegate from Milwaukee arose meeting more than matched the and objected that point 17 of the Nazi rallies in Germany in 1931,"

20 point program called for "con- Comrade Dunne stated.

"Fascism in the United States This ruler is but a willing tool movement. perialist slave masters. They car

ers.

measure passed the House, for far exceeded. Attack Referendum Bill example, Roosevelt presented a new bill asking for \$123,000,000. This money is to be used also for people at the prospect implicit new anti-aircraft, coast defense loose bloc of Senators has intro- Square Garden. Let us have more and machine-gun equipment, and duced a much watered down ver and better counter-demonstra-

ed deadly Garamond rapid-fire The virtual unanimity with which try to put on their Jew and redifles

acting on a \$32,000,000 bill for in either branch of Congress can is to be used for a circulation 'educational orders" to enable be relied upon to hinder in the fund for the APPEAL." W. A. S. factories to buy, with no expense slightest the march toward the of North Chicago, Illinois. war. In spite of this, the Rooseand much profit to themselves, machines needed to handle mass mined to permit no kind of op-

position to their plans that they A \$350,000,000 to buy airplanes immediately unleashed a nationwide attack on the proposal for a referendum on war, an attack even harsher in content than that

whereby they smothered Ludlow's

before the Senate. The sum for the proposed training of 20,000 young pilots is likewise handled in a separate bill. Navy Funds Apart All these appropriations for the Army are, of course, entirely apart from the even larger sums already appropriated to or pro-jected for the Navy: the regular Navy appropriation of more than \$600,000,000, the \$50,000,000 bill for strengthening naval bases just passed by the House and now un-der debate in the Senate, the mounting appropriations for ad-ditional Naval alreraft, and the sums running into several billion dollars either appropriated of authorized for new battleship construction. In fact, a new armament bill is being sent to Congress by Roose-velt nearly every day. It is already clear, as predicted ty by the **Appeal**, that the mighty sum of two billind nollars for armaments during the fiscal year **GANDHI SEEKS TO** I 1919 and which is the mass na-tion allis concents or fit mess na-tionalist movement of the cour-ty with a membership of 44 **CANDHI SEEKS TO** I 1919 and which is the mass na-tionalist movement of the cour-ty with a membership of 44 **CANDHI SEEKS TO** I and the senate of the cour-ty with a membership of 44 **CONDHI SEEKS TO** I and the senate of the cour-ty with a membership of 44 **CANDHI SEEKS TO** I and which is the mass na-tionalist movement of the cour-ty with a membership of 44 **CANDHI SEEKS TO** I and the content of the cour-ty with a membership of 44 **CANDHI SEEKS TO** I and the content of the cour-ty with a membership of 44 **CANDHI SEEKS TO** I and the content of the cour-ty with a membership of 44 **CANDHI SEEKS TO** I and the content of the cour-ty with a membership of 44 **CANDHI SEEKS TO** I and the content of the cour-ty with a membership of 44 **CANDHI SEEKS TO** I and the second of the cour-ty with a membership of 44 **CANDHI SEEKS TO** I and the moment of the cour-ty with a membership of 44 **CANDHI SEEKS TO** I and the moment of the cour-ty with a membership of 44 **CANDHI SEEKS TO** I and the moment of the cour-ty with a membership of 44 **C**

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processions, demonstrations and India's 11 provinces. militant actions defied the repres-The waning influence of Gandhi sion of the Thakore and his Britwas clearly displayed at the reish advisor, Sir Patrick Cadell. cent election of the new president Utrecht Police beatings, arrests, firings of the Congress when his nomiand terror did not stop the work- nee was defeated by the candiers and peasants. Rajkot became date of the Congress socialists the symbol of Rebel India. From and left-wing elements. It is this outside this state thousands of new generation of radical fighters left-wing nationalists and social- who have challenged Gandhi's 20ists poured in to aid their broth year old leadership. Gandhi has undertaken his demagogic and

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> **Diverts** Struggle Instead of drawing up a plan

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some of the obstacles placed by Lewis on unity negotiations had own illogical position is seen in a been removed. It goes without statement like this. Says Martin: saying that the difficulties with "The law of the land has guaranthe "diehard" clique in the A. F. teed our right to have unions, but of L. are perhaps a greater prob. it is our solemn obligation to understand that the law will give lem.

There is another story circu- us that right only so long as we lating the rounds of A. F. of L. do not abuse it. I think we need circles in Washington that is ex- to realize how vital our industry tremely interesting. It says that is to our government. And gov-Lewis wants not only a guarantee ernment cannot permit itself to for industrial unionism in mass be either undermined or defeatproduction industries (which To- ed."

bin and others are ready to What rights did the auto workgrant) but also protection of the ers of Michigan have till they C.I.O. craft unions (office work- took the law in their own hands? ers, etc.) under pressure of the This they learned today when the Stalinists who control that seg- Supreme Court loaded with Roosevelt's "liberals" declared that the ment of the C.I.O.

Is this why the Daily Worker very tactic which ended slavery so vehemently denied last week for auto workers, which put the the "charge that Communists are kibosh on the open shop in Genagainst labor unity"? Methinks eral Motors and Chrysler and you protest too much, Messrs. Hudson and Packard and Nash Browder and Hathaway. There was "illegal." Preacher - Patriot is little doubt that the A. F. of Martin is far less concerned with L. will demand from the C. I. O. the auto workers and their union as one of the conditions of unity being "undermined and defeated" that Lewis dump the Stalinists. than he is with the government In view of this fact, one can ex- of DuPont, Ford and Chrysler bepect open moves by the Stalinists ing "undermined and defeated"!

to sabotage unity negotiations. President Roosevelt's open intervention in the union dispute this keynote. Even a simple reso-

arises from two convictions. (1) lution which would have been He believes European war with passed at any other convention American participation is rapidly with the delegates blindfolded coming and he therefore wants was referred back to committee national unity here which means because it lacked the oath of above all peace and abject ser- Americanism. The resolution callvility of the labor movement, and ed for "joining any movement (2) He knows the rank and file in looking to legislation beneficial to both the A. F. of L. and the C. its [U.A.W.] membership." A dele-I. O. wants peace and he thinks gate objected that this would alhe can strengthen his hold over low the "dirty element with their the working people by posing as theories and practises detrimental the "champion of labor peace." to the government of the U.S." to

Super-Americanism

The whole convention followed

However, the practical difficul- put something over on the patrities confronting the unity negoti- ots. He wanted a clause on "Amerations such as the wide differ- ican principles" inserted. The resences on the Wagner Act and on olution was referred back to com-Labor's Non-Partisan League, to mittee.

mention two main obstacles, will This fierce anti-red breeze blownot easily be resolved. ing over the convention is prov

dexterity. But the newspapermen pressed: If there was no technical affiliation to the C.I.O. as Martin claimed, how come the U.A.W. under Martin paid per capita tax to the C.I.O.? How explain that Martin and others were represented officially at the Pittsburgh convention of the C.I.O.? How ex-

plain that the legend "Affiliated with the Congress of Industrial Organizations" still appears on he masthead of Martin's newspaper? Martin was in a cold

ence of Joseph N. Cummings, plumbed new depths of Stalinist Michigan A.F.L. representative, at flag-waving degradation. the convention, he was all but ready to retire to the pulpit where only God asks questions and no- the meeting continued that idea

body else hears. in the decoration of the hall, Interesting sidelight was Pat which looked like the haven of McCartney's stool-pigeon paper an unrestrained D.A.R. rally. which printed photostatic copies The meeting opened with the of membership cards held by Star-Spangled Banner. Plymouth workers in the Communist Party-the Department of Justice will show its gratitude to McCartney by deporting these the discredited Nat Ross. workers, no doubt! Silent on C. P. Bole

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Roosevelt, the personality of a feel beneath Rajkot a surging of action against the British; ina police sergeant. This meeting ly gathering speed all over India. and peasants into mass action is the forerunner of a fascist The 365 million people of India is the forerunner of a fascist The 365 million people of India against their rulers; instead of A. Guabello's Stationery Store 317 Straight St. are fed up with British military urging the peasants to seize the Eckhart's News Agency, 104 Washington ness and violence.

Defense Guards Needed

"The fascists are obviously fi- the World War-to march fornanced, organized, armed and ward and do battle with the hated tician he is-is attempting to cenopenly presenting a political pro- oppressors from over the seas. ter all attention upon himself and Unless big financiers The Rajkot struggle is but the divert the masses from the real match dollar for dollar with the vanguard of mightier struggles fascist rank and file, they will to come. ose control-which they will not

by organized, disciplined Defense him to dismiss his British ad-Guards, will this rapid and alarm- visor, the British decided to make ing fascist thrust be stopped in a test-case. The Thakore had America."

* * * FOSTER MEETING

The Communist Party of Minnstitution. Under pressure from esota held a rally for William Z. the British, he rejected the pro-Foster on February 26, the day posed list Gandhi had drawn up sweat. And when someone asked of the S.W.P. Sunday Forum, in and announced the end of the him how he explained the pres- the Eagles Hall. The meeting agreement. The British Resident announced a no-compromise fight was on. A mass general stoppage

After distribution of leaflets of work immediately swept the with a red, white and blue motif, entire state.

Masses Desert Gandhi This is the background of the present Gandhi fast. But beneath lies a still more basic reason. India's masses have long out-

grown the conservative and com-The first speaker of the evening promising tactics of Gandhi. Time was Carl Winter, the new organ- after time have they been led by izer of the C. P. who replaces the Mahatma into battle with the British and then, at the decisive

moment, he and his middle-class Shrilly deriding the idea that following have deserted. The Indian Nationalist Con-

the New York demonstration and the "Trotskyites" had anything in gress which Gandhi has led since common, Minnesota's new commissar admitted that 100,000 ing cheers, Foster was honored people did demonstrate against with a large bouquet of yellow the Bund in New York. But they flowers, lightly touched with pink. did it "spontaneously," and "the workers of New York demon-

strated not only against the the audience that "I think you ascists in Madison Square Gar- people in Minnesota were pretty den, but also against that sly thoroughly fooled in that last Frotskyist fascism that slinks in election." their midst!"

The role of the C.P. in the the door of the "Trotskyists" New York demonstration did not whose criticism of ex-Governor receive the attention of Winter. Benson was "responsible for his

Foster Gets Pink Bouquet Upon the appearance of Wm. Z. Foster, everyone rose and cheered.

The occasion happened to coincide, it was announced, with Foster's 58th birthday. Amid ring- entitled "Socialism in Swing."

stead of summoning the workers and slave "democracy." They are land and the workers to take over

ready-for the third time since control of India's industry Gandhi -like the shrewd and clever poli-

business at hand. This is the real meaning of his dramatic action. And so when the action of Gandhi will try to place himself Rajkot's people had brought the at the head of India's marching "Only by smashing the fascists Thakore to his knees and forced armies-the better to strangle

them! But this time the masses cannot be deceived so easily. If signed an agreement with Gandhi Gandhi can offer nothing but his permitting him to appoint a 10old tricks he'll soon be left far man, representative commission behind. The third mass moveto draw up a new democratic conment of India since the war threatens already to outstrip the

others in scope and in extent. Previous Appeal issues have described the wave of peasant actions and labor strikes now going on. Already there are reports

> that the Congress ministries may be forced to resign due to mass pressure from the Congress rank and file.

400 Workers Hear Shachtman Explain Situation in France

> (Special to the Socialist Appeal) NEW YORK, Mar. 6 .--- Before an assembly of more than 400

workers. Max Shachtman last night analyzed the economic and political situation in France, predicting that unless supreme ef-

forts were exerted to provide the French workers with revolutionary leadership France would Speaking in a tired, wheel-horplunge into the barbaric chaos of sey voice, Comrade Foster told fascism.

At the close of the question and discussion period when the floor was thrown open to any of the

audience who wished to express Foster then laid the defeat at agreement or disagreement with the speaker, one worker joined the Socialist Workers Party.

Next Sunday night at 8 P. M. downfall." When Foster's address ended. James Burnham will finish the no question period was allowed. series of lectures on fascism by As a substitute, the meeting speaking on the subject: "The was treated to a dance number UNITED STATES, It Need Not Happen Here!"

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By FELIX MORROW

around it."

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EXPLAINS C.P. REJECTION

IN THE WORLD OF LABOR **'THE WAY TO FIGHT AGAINST FASCISM IS TO** By Paul G. Stevens

The Case of Peter Forster: G.P.U. and Refugees

In .June 1938, two courageous anti-Fascists, Emil Bargatski and Peter Forster, fled the concentration camp at Buchenwald near Weimar. An armed storm trooper tried to prevent their escape. He was laid low with a shovel. It was the only chance these anti-Fascists had of getting out of the Hitlerite hell, where thousands of socialists and communists, Jews as well as Catholics are forced to submit daily to the sadistic outrages of the Nazi degenerates.

Bargatski was caught and beheaded shortly thereafter. Forster managed to cross the border into Czechoslovakia. Immediately after the Sudenten crisis broke out, Forster appealed to the Soviet consulate for an entry permit to the U.S.S.R. Time and again he was given the runaround. In the meantime, the Communist Party and the Stalinist "Red Aid" made ample use of him in public meetings, where he was drummed up for collection purposes, instead of being guarded against the ever-watchful Gestapo.

Early in September, he was given to understand by the Czech government that it would be best for him to get out of the country. Again he made frantic efforts to get the necessary papers from the Soviet consulate. Again he was told to wait. Even a temporary visa was refused him. An attempt to flee in a plane headed for Russia was stopped by the Czech foreign office at the airport.

"Munich" came and the Czech government, which had previously refused to turn him over to the Gestapo, finally agreed to deliver him to the German authorities "on condition that his life be spared." Meaningless condition! A few days later, Forster was beheaded in a Weimar prison.

The fate of this valiant anti-Nazi fighter has recently been made public by Erich Wollenberg, German revolutionist and author of a recent work on the Red Army, in which he served as an officer for many years. Wollenberg also gives us an insight into the behind-the-scenes machinations that are back of the Forster case.

It seems that High Commissioner Malcolm, who is in charge of evacuating the German emigrants in Czechoslovakia, has as his secretary a certain German emigrant by the name of R. Katz. This Katz has been in the employ of the Stalinist G.P.U. since 1931, working for it in the "Red Aid" organizations, and finally landing, after being catapulted through various People's Front committees, as Secretary of the "Emigrants' Recognition Committee" in Paris.

This gentleman goes over the lists of emigrants to be evacuated. Naturally he had charge of the Forster case. Quite naturally, no refugee who has ever had any kind of a clash with the Stalinists stand a chance of getting a square deal from this corrupt and conscienceless tool of the Kremlin. Dissident communists, revolutionary socialists are practically doomed in advance, if their case has to be handled by Mr. Katz. How many Trotskyists and other anti-Stalinist refugees have already suffered rank betrayal by this G.P.U. agent into the hands of Hitler's Gestapo is not known.

Forster is dead. But thousands of non-conformist anti-Fascist Germans are still at large in Czecholslovakia. They must not be allowed

to share his fate.

You can do your part to prevent this, by giving every ounce of moral and material aid to the American Fund for Political Prisoners and Refugees.

New Repressions Against the 4th Internationalists in Indo-China

Readers of the Appeal are aware of the terrible treatment accorded our comrade Ta Tu Thau, municipal councillor of Saigon, by the French colonial authorities in Indo-China. Halfparalyzed, Ta Tu Thau carries on the struggle from prison.

Now word comes from Tonkin, that another leader of the Indo-Chinese Fourth Internationalists has been jailed in the hell-holes of French imperialism in the Far East. Comrade Thai van Tam has been arrested in that city and sentenced to a long term in prison for a series of anti-imperialist articles he published in Thoi Dam; the organ of the Fourth International in Tonkin. The articles were written at the time of the September crisis, when mobilization was decreed in Indo-China because of French fears of Japanese attacks in case of war, Japan being allied with Hitler.

Comrade Tam was one of the founders of the Communist Party in Indo-China and the first editor of its paper. He broke with the Stalinists after the suppression of the Indo-Chinese Congress and organized the first Fourth Internationalist group in Tonkin.

Neither the arrest of Ta Tu Thau nor that of Tam has succeeded in stemming the growth of the Bolshevik-Leninists in Indo-China. The banner of the Fourth International seems to be firmly implanted among the oppressed in the colonies. An active movement for the liberation of the two great Indo-Chinese class war prisoners has been organized by our comrades in Indo-China as well as in France,

Universal Suffrage as Practiced in Eastern Europe

On November 6 last, elections to the Polish Sejm (parliament) took place. The character of elections in this Bonapartist state, hope of the Stalinists and the "democrats" against Hitler's threat to Easern Europe, may best be illumined by a little court incident reported from Warsaw. The day after the elections, the worker Baranowski was hauled up before a magistrate. The charge: He stood in front of a polling place all day, constantly taking something out of one pocket and putting it into the other. Finally, some enterprising dick decided to arrest him. At the police station, he was frisked. But, instead of infernal machines, it was found that his pockets were full of . . . raw peas. In court, Baranowski maintained that he simply liked to chew raw peas. But witnesses were introduced who testified that Baranowski passed the peas from one pocket to the other, in order to determine the exact number of voters entering the polling place. Naturally, the court believed the witnesses, and not Baranowski.

But even so, the magistrate was perplexed when he came to the verdict. Not for long, however. Since no law exists punishing unbelief in official figures, Baranowski was sentenced for "an attempt to obstruct normal traffic."



LIE DOWN AND MAKE BELIEVE YOU ARE DEAD'

The Daily Worker Finally Breaks Its Silence and Explains That It Sabotaged the Anti-Nazi Rally

Because of Its Line Against Doing Anything to Displease the Professional Capitalist Politicians

close down the meeting but only be held? One could certainly as a protest gesture. A simple have differed with the LaGuardrealistic view of the facts make ia Administration for granting it obvious that such peaceful permission, not merely on the picketing would be an immediquestion of free speech, but on ate target for the combined whether the interests of democprovocations of the Trotskyltes and their companions in arms, racy could best be served by one course or another. But certhe Bundists. The net result tainly the Communists could not would be the same danger as undertake to forcibly prevent before, feeding the Nazi objecsuch a meeting once the City tive of collisions between the Bund and the vanguard of the democratic forces." (Daily "In the given circumstances, Worker, Mar. 3, p. 6) such a course would have played directly into the hands of WON'T ACT WHEN

BOSSES DISAPPROVE were present to enforce the decision of the city administra-

"And if it is said that there

progressive LaGuardia administration." The "anti-fascist" city administration says it wants no demonstration against the Nazis -and the Stalinists agree.

Just this is the meaning of the "Democratic front": that in it there is no democracy whatsoever. In it the "progressive" capitalists, of the stripe of LaGuardia, have a veto power, no matter what the vast majority of the workers say. In spite of the appeals of the city administration, of the Jewish press, of the Stalinists, of the labor lieutenants of capitalism generally, the tremendous turnout of the workers on Feb. 20 is proof that, had the workers been consulted democratically, they would have overwhelmingly declared for the anti-Nazi demonstration. But at the heart of the "Democratic front" is the anti-democratic principle that, in the name of unity, all the millions of workers are outvoted or vetoed by the handful of "progressive" capitalists.

CAPITALISTS ARE LOYAL TO . . . CAPITALISM

2. The "progressive" capitalists are always opposed to militant methods of fighting against fascism. This is proven by their conduct in Italy, Germany, Spain, France.

Nor is this due in any way to personal cowardice. It is due to something much more fundamental, namely the loyalty of the capitalists to the capitalist system. And the capitalist system, whether in the form of monarchy, democracy, fascism or military dictatorship, rests primarily not on the free consent of the working class but on the ability of the capitalist class to keep the workers down. All sections of the capitalist class, no matter how democratic, are therefore hostile to the working class developing militant methods of winning working class demands.

That is why, for instance, such great heroes of the Communist party as LaGuardia, Roosevelt, Attorney General Murphy, etc., are irreconcilably opposed to sitdown strikes. So, too, they are opposed to mass struggle against

the Nazi conspirators them-On the Line . . . with Bill Morgan selves: it would have incited a direct collision not only with the Bund, but with the city administration and the police who

Some of the strangest and queerest creatures ever seen by mankind appear immediately after a rainstorm. They worm themselves out of some small hole in the ground and proceed to crawl around with a smug expression and a new overcoat. Generally they head for the nearest trade union or other workers' organization and attempt to attach themselves to it like leeches.

Attach Themselves to

upon to play ball with the guy who signs the

"forcibly" preventing the meeting leave them intact to Franco-and is of course a dishonest subter- the Stalinists agreed. of a counter-demonstration. of mass picketing of the meeting.) The Communist party will undertake nothing of which its bourmeaning of Popular Frontism.

Every anti-fascist, we repeat, committees, against dividing the week-and the Stalinists agreed. fight the capitalist class too. Preshould study this statement of the land among the peasantry, against The "anti-fascist" LaGuardia cisely for this reason, the La-Communist party, for it reveals giving freedom to Morocco, administration demanded an end Guardias want no such demonthat the Communist party is pre-against rousing the proletariat to to the building maintenance strike strations-and by the logic of the paring to repeat here the debacles international solidarity, against and to the taxi strike-to men- "Democratic front" their veto of of Spain and France, is preparing the use of revolutionary methods tion no others-and the Stalinists such demonstrations is unques-

to carry out to the end here the in the anti-fascist struggle-and told the workers they had to sub- tioningly accepted by the Comsuicidal policy of the Social Dem- in the name of unity with these mit, because "you can't fight the munist party leaders.

ANTI- NAZI DEMONSTRATIONS 1. No action could be taken by this policy which led to Franco's the Communist party against the victories. The "anti-fascist" capi-Nazi meeting once the "progres- talists, loyal first of all to their sive LaGuardia Administration property, were against dynamithad granted permission for it to ing of munitions and other facbe held." (Jerome's reference to tories, preferring upon retreat to

fuge; the issue involved was that DO ANYTHING THE "ANTI-FASCISTS" ASK

The "anti-fascist" capitalists in fascism, because in mass struggle France wanted an end to the the workers learn to stand to-June, 1936 strikes, wanted an end gether without depending on any geois allies disapprove: this is the to the struggles for independence "progressive" friends; in counterin the colonies, wanted the work- demonstrations like that of Feb. The bourgeois "progressives" in ers to be docile and obedient, 20, the workers learn, not only Spain were against the factory wanted an end to the forty-hour how to fight fascists, but how to

Madrid Generals

Make Peace Plea

(Continued from Page 1)

oined the new Junta.

Most of us have had some experience with this variety of parasite but a few words of warning for the benefit of any who haven't will be worth while. These little insects can prove to be a severe pain in the side of any organization and it would be well to keep your eyes peeled before they infest your union.

We have all heard about the lawyers without clients, the doctors without patients, teachers without pupils and clothing salesmen without customers. Well, this particular insect might be called a bureaucrat without a bureau. And believe you me, there is nothing worse than a mealy-mouthed faker out to carve a career for himself in the labor movement or on one of the many civil service jobs connected with labor.

They're "Authorities" on Everything

Most of these leeches pose as authorities on all questions facing the trade unions, the working class and the world in general. Any one who disagrees with the "authority" is, of course and without question, a dope who cannot see beyond his nose. Anyone who expresses his difference with conviction and facts becomes. in the lingo of the self-appointed judges, a stooge for the party line, etc., etc. This brand of insect is always "impartial" and has no "ax" to grindtherefore he considers himself the mental superior to anyone who belongs to a party. The hours not spent in trying to get on the pay roll are consumed with burning research into all the world's problems. The answers, when found, will refute everything known to the human race. Until then one has to eat and pay rent, so why not pose as a "labor authority" and cash in on a "reputation"?

Most of these parasites are former members of some radical organization and are quick to point out the fact whenever it is necessary to prove their "liberalism." On the other hand, not being a member at present of any organization, makes them eligible for any little job that comes along. No need to worry about party discipline or having to differ with the labor skates. Coming or going, they can be depended

Government Jobs

Now that there are numerous civil service jobs which require a knowledge of the labor movement-labor relations boards, relief and old age pension offices, etc., the leeches make every effort to attach themselves to these governmental agencies. Day and night they exert every effort to take each and every civil service examination.

Once on the government pay-roll they can devote their time to proving that Marx made so many mistakes, that the revolution cannot possibly happen in the next twenty-five years. that through Roosevelt's reforms the workers will achieve everything they deserve and that anyone who advocates revolution is a poor misguided fool who cannot adjust himself to life. In the meantime and until the job is secured, these insects spend their time denouncing all who participate actively in the struggle against war and starvation. They remain "impartial" and above the fight. Most of them are cheap cowards who cannot bear to face the working class and excuse themselves from activity by finding a difference with every immediate action.

Socialist Party As Breeding Ground

The source of many of these lice is the poor, dilapidated and defunct Socialist party. Bureaucrats who can no longer find a rank and file to pay their salaries and who realize that the ship is beyond rescue, are sneaking out in the night like rats. They head for the nearest union and apply for a job as educational director. If they are not hired there, they rush out for a copy of the "Chief" and read it with an avid eye and a sly smile.

Among the Social Democrats we find many such specimens who pose as great authorities on almost everything and lend an air of dignity and liberalism to sellout after sellout.

Workers everywhere should be on guard against these insects and treat them with flit. One dose of termite remover plus an explanation of the society which breeds parasites of many kinds should do the job. And until the social system is changed from its present form to Socialism, there must be no let-up in the fight against betrayers of workers' confidence. One day the workers will grab these parasites by the right ear and put them to work with a shovel.

FARMER LABOR **COUNCIL MAKES** GAINS IN MINN

tion.

Administration had allowed it.

(Special to the Socialist Appeal) MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. -- The Farmer-Cooperative and Labor from coal royalties, is economiz-Council of Minnesota, in the few ing-temporarily quitting his 200months of its existence, has more room castle. than lived up to advance hopes The largest single owner of coal that the organization would furproperties in England, the Duke ther cooperation between the prois moving to the 20-room Lesbury ducers of city and countryside. The labor movement in Minne sota has in recent years often

move, he said. demonstrated its sensitive grasp of new problems and the ability to create weapons to deal with these problems.

Council Program The Council at present consists in 1930.

of 27 persons, all leaders in farmer, cooperative, and trade union circles throughout the state. The Labor, the central labor bodies of educational program that will Minneapolis, St. Paul and Duluth, achieve these ends. the Midland Coop Wholesale, the Farmers Union Central Exchange Council has already sponsored and its Livestock Commission, the several public meetings in rural Grange, the Northern States Coop men for labor and the farm eague, etc., are represented. The general purpose of the program. Council, as formulated at its meet-

ing February 11th, is: 1. To develop and create understanding and mutual support between farmers, cooperatives, and labor unions:

2. To prevent any attempt to pit the farmer against the laborer, and the laborer against the farmer; 3. To seek the active support of

labor unions in the development of the cooperative movement; 4. To maintain the Council as a sympathetic, conciliatory body readily available whenever misunderstandings or differences es within its field. Already, it has arise between these groups;

Society Motzs Heroically Making Ends Meet

Parasites Battening on the Rich Howard Waldron, 39, reached

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE, Engthe end of his rope with his wife and, March 4. - The Duke of and five children in the Erie Morthumberland, 26-year-old bach- Railroad Terminal in Jersey City elor who draws \$345,000 annually last night.

They were penniless and homedown fight against fascism in the less. Two of the children were United States, they will have to suffering from malnutrition. Their stage a lot better show than the

milk two days ago at Chicago. Ineligible for relief at Duluth, of the Council Against Intoler-House near by. Heavy taxes and they had been given tickets to ance in America.

declining royalties dictated the Jersey City. When they arrived there was no place for them to swer to the Bund," the circus

Death duties on the estate in-The Police Department anherited from his father are estinounced that the family would be mated at \$5,000,000, during the given relief and that it would see lustily or vociferously as the 12-year period following his death what could be done about getting Waldron a job.

-New York Times, Mar. 5. -N. Y. World-Telegram, Mar. 3.

5. To assist in the development | unions and cooperatives, in Red Minnesota State Federation of and promotion of a comprehensive wood Falls and St. Cloud, resulting in the signing of union agree-

ments with the local Producer: Associations.

The guiding body of the Farmer-Cooperative and Labor Council Central Coop Wholesale, the communities, at which spokes has been its educational committee, headed by Miles Dunne, secretary-treasurer of the Minneapolis Teamsters Joint Council.

> John Bosch, former national president of the Farm Holiday Association. is serving temporarily as Council representative.

Soon after the formation of the Council the Stalinist - controlled C.I.O. movement in Minnesota the Communist Party in wrecking the Farmer-Labor Party was wellknown to the Council members.

and the request was unanimously Paris, declaring that Barrio would for it passionately. You'll fight for rejected. not accept the presidency, and it." Since then, the Stalinists have demanding early conclusion of charged that the union movement peace to prevent "further need- of elderly American business men is using the Council to lay the less bloodshed."

groundwork for a labor party in How much "democracy" has York's workers to the Bund meet-Minnesota. Though there is no been current in Loyalist Spain is ing. That answer was given on truth in this charge (the Council indicated by the way the over- the picket lines around Madison being strictly an economic group- turn was made. Newspapermen Square Garden when 50,000 aning), the charge is interesting arriving for the usual commu-swered the call of the Socialist because it uncovers the hatred nique at 9 a.m. saw nothing un- Workers Party and demonstrated felt by the Stalinists towards any usual, but were told to wait. At on the only field that counts, the move that even looks like it midnight they were invited to field of ACTION, that fascism might further independent polit-listen to the radio speeches an- cannot rear its head in this cound ical action of the workers.

RESPECTABLE 'ANTI-FASCISTS' STAGE A VERY MISERABLE SHOW

(Special to the Socialist Appeal) the fascists and attacking the NEW YORK, Mar. 4-If the workers' democratic right to pickfriends of capitalist democracy et the fascists. hope to win in the coming show-

Call for Prayer

Where the fascists denounced war, denounced unemployment, last food had been crackers and one they put on last night at from their audience when they and drew enthusiastic applause Carnegie Hall under the auspices attacked the failure of the Roose velt administration to solve the basic economic contradictions of

Advertised as "New York's an- the nation, the Carnegie speakers called for greater belief in God opened like the Bund meeting and a return to the religion of with the congregation singing the Washington. "There's a non-logic-Star Spangled Banner-not so al part of the brain through which God speaks," said one Bund congregation-and continspeaker. "What we need is less ued with gusty Fourth of July dependence on the intellect and harangues on the "real" American more dependence on God.'

tradition of democracy and free Only one speaker, Fannie Hurst, speech, a tradition which in their. mentioned the 12,000,000 unemeyes includes above all protecting ployed to whom the fascists had

appealed at their meeting. "These people have nothing to lose," she said. "They constitute the great source of danger to the American form of Democracy. Something must be done." Not one of the other speakers so much as agreed with her that something must be done

As soon as Miaja's adherence was known in Paris, Martinez Morris Changes Mind

Barrio told the press: "He is the Newbold Morris, who was actman who can come to terms with ing Mayor of New York during Franco to restore peace to Spain." the Madison Square Garden meet-At the same time Barrio re- ing, climaxed the burlesque with vealed that while Negrin was an- the following astounding declaranouncing last Friday that Barrio tion: "Last week I told the people applied for entry. The record of had accepted the presidency va- of New York to shun the Bund cated by Azana, Negrin already meeting like a pestilence. Now had a communication from Bar- I've changed my mind. If you're rlo and other Loyalist leaders in for freedom and democracy you're

> No, the Carnegie Hall meeting was NOT the answer of New

nouncing the new government. Itry without a fight to the finish.



In pursuit of these aims, the groups discussed the Council's

The meetings were successful, and resulted in the setting up of local volunteer committees which will carry on the work of the Council in the locality for the

next period. These local committees are composed of three local people, one each representing the farmer, the

coops, and the unions. Settles Disputes

In addition to this educational work, the Council offers its services as a conciliator whenever a misunderstanding or dispute aris-

settled two disputes between

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FIGHT WITH THE SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY FOR:

I. A job and a decent wage for every worker.

- 2. Open the idle factories—operate them under workers' control.
- 3. A Twenty-Billion dollar Federal public works and housing program.
- 4. Thirty-thirty! \$30-weekly minimum wage-30hour weekly maximum for all workers on all jobs.
- 5. Thirty dollar weekly old-age and disability pension
- 6. Expropriate the Sixty Families.
- 7. All war funds to the unemployed.
- 8. A people's referendum on any and all wars.
- 9. No secret diplomacy.
- 10. An independent Labor party.
- 11. Workers Defense Guards against Vigilante and Fascist attacks.

Workers' Menus

A recent government survey has revealed that more than half of the employed workers in the United States live on insufficient food diets.

This survey, which was taken in 43 industrial centers throughout the nation shows that the "American standard of living" for the average worker is a pretty low one. The average worker and his family eats foods that "stick-to-the-ribs" and stave off the feeling of hunger.

To make him feel full after eating, the worker stuffs his belly with potatoes, macaroni, and bread. This takes from 25 to 40 percent of his income.

Only 12 percent of the families studied have "good" diets, 38 percent have "fair" diets, and 50 percent eat an "insufficient" amount of food.

Negro workers and their families are worse off than the white workers. The survey shows that 60 percent of the Negroes eat an "insufficient" amount of food.

Where was it we read that "there are no classes in America"?

Two Attacks

running to the World Fair is nothing but a trial balloon in this direction.

Hundreds of millions of dollars to keep a few security holders fat, happy, and contented. A unionsmashing, wage-lowering drive against the workers. A callous series of dismissals as fast as the administration can replace the present skilled workers with new applicant from Civil Service rolls, who, because of prior application for Civil Service jobs and for no other reason, will have seniority over all employes no matter how many years their service. That is the Wicks-La-Guardia unification plan!

To these two attacks against the subway workers there can be but one answer. Militant demonstrations against the vicious Wicks bill. Militant demonstrations demanding that there shall be no dismissals when unification is accomplished, with the work divided among all those now employed, but without reduction in pay. Unification to provide increased benefits for the public, not unification for the benefit of a few rich



security holders!

"And, for the public's information," he continued, "I want them to know we still give the third degree, and it's all that it's cracked up to be."

But Will They Ever Get Here?

Their Royal Majesties, the king and queen of the British Empire, are scheduled to visit our shores some time in June of this year.

But you'll forgive us for wondering whether they'll ever get here!

In the shiny rotogravure section of America's Sunday papers these two decadent representatives of Britain's declining imperial might look mighty secure. Their over-upholstered uniforms and dress, along with the swanky Coach-and-Four they drive about in, give the appearance of lasting forever.

We wouldn't be surprised, however, if Their Majesties found it unavoidably necessary to postpone their visit forever. The Irish are picking up the reins let drop by the traitor De Valera; the British West Indies are a seething cauldron; the Arabs are militantly demanding freedom in the Near East.

And India is set to give King George the biggest headache of his life. The working class and peasant masses of this great country are preparing to straighten out their bent and bowed backs by casting off the entire weight of England's slave masters.

So keep an eye to those crowns of yours, Elizabeth and George! How easily they can slip off and go tumbling down the hill after those of Czar Nicholas, the Kaiser and Alfonso!

Bigger And Better Takes

If Congress and President Roosevelt continue to lop appropriations for the unemployed and succeed in their campaign to jack up profits for the rich to newer and dizzier heights, it will take a planetarium and a mathematical genius to give even a faint conception of the astronomical proportions to which profits will rise over those now flowing into the coffers of the upper class.

Naturally the unemployed, the under-paid work

Japanese Economy Strained THEIR By James Burnham To Meet Growing Burdens

Reports appearing recently both countries, excluding the "yen-|nature of their enterprizes alto here and in the Far East indicate bloc" countries (Manchukuo and gether or to close down their the terrific strain to which the those sections of China under plants." In other words, in addifabric of Japanese economy is be- Japanese domination), declined by tion to the extractions being leving progressively subjected as a 34 per cent up to November 30 of ied on workers and peasants, the result of the present ruthless war last year, according to Domei, small business man, even the "middle - sized industrialist." is of aggression in China. The drain Japanese News Agency.

on the country's resources is noth- Exports to the "yen-bloc" coun- likewise feeling the squeeze. Many ing new, but it has now reached tries increased 46.8 per cent, but of them are being forced out of the stage where the entire struc- these latter increases are largely business. Others are facing the ture of the country is so delicate- spurious for from them Japan re- necessity of reorganizing their enly poised that a resounding blow, ceives no foreign currency, be terprises, a reorganization that from whatever quarter it might sides which a large part of the can only be effected with considcome, could very easily shake it total represents goods that have erable monetary losses to the inbeen "dumped" indiscriminately dustrialists involved, and loss of to its foundations. This, of course, is not the same into these areas and for which the jobs for workers.

as saying that a revolution can shippers may never receive paybe expected momentarily in Jap- ment. It should also be noted that

an. Recent history has given am-Japan's industries are feeling the ple proof that bankrupt nations can continue to exist for seeming- deleterious effects of neglect, due to lack of adequate financing. ly indefinite periods without falling to pieces, even though they Plants are wearing out, and the quality of products is declining. are waging a war, so long as they meet no determined, organized Domestic Prices resistance within their own ter- Skyrocketing ritory, and no serious reversal on Another important index of the Japan has risen so high that the precariousness of Japan's econ-gold reserves of the Nipponese the military field. Italy and Ger-

many are striking examples. **Burdens On**

People Increasing

It does mean, however, that Japan's economy is so strained that each day the war continues brings with it an added piling up of internal difficulties, that con-

stantly increased burdens are being foisted on the backs of the people, and that the basic factors capable of fomenting revolt are mounting so inexorably that a military defeat, even a partial military defeat, could readily snap the supports that now prop up the government and the economic system of the country.

now paying more than twice as "luxury" taxes; etc. It also means that even without much for articles of daily use as an overthrow, Japan has already they were in 1933. The tremen- year, just under Yen 3,700,000,000, lost a major portion of the comdous rise in retail prices also in- is the largest budget in the hismercial gains so assiduously dicates the extent to which specu- tory of the country. But this incourted in recent years. lation is rife because of the short- cludes only a portion of estimated According to a New York Times age of consumer goods. Govern- expenditures, for it does not take

dispatch from Washington of ment price regulation has been into consideration the special mil-Feb. 24, Japan's exports to this able to slow down, but not check, itary budget, which has been ancountry declined 37 per cent in the fantastic soaring of prices. nounced to be about Yen 5.270.-1938 as compared with 1937, and In the N.Y. Times report above 000,000, making a total outlay for her imports from this country de- quoted, one of the significant ef- the year of nearly Yen 10,000,000,creased 30.5 per cent in the same fects of government limitations is 000. This figure is equivalent to period. This decrease is not con- given as "the necessity for a large Japan's entire national debt at aned to trade with the United number of small and medium- the commencement of the war in States. Japan's exports to all sized industrialists to change the China.

Thomas Jefferson's Strange Return to Life

The Stalinists Do Violence To The Whole History Of Early America In Order To Present Jefferson As One Of The Patrons Of "Twentieth Century Americanism"

(Concluded from last issue) | man constantly in public life, | Jefferson died, still blind to the

Naive Agrarianist

Stalinism has long ago aband- traveller, observer of the French great historic forces gathering oned that axiom of Marxism, Revolution, President of the Uni- strength in the cities of industrial "Tell the workers the truth." In their indecent lust to become "re-spectable," the Stalinist lickspittles and toadies have made a ridicu-lous cult of certain rolitical for

Engels.

Currency Backing

omy is the skyrocketing of prices state bank are insufficient to pro-

at home, a telling indication of vide the legal gold coverage pre-

the growing deprivation suffered scribed in the present Bank of

by workers, peasants and small Japan law." Which is to say that

business men. A survey made by the backing for Japan's currency

the China Weekly Review of De- the danger point.

purchasing power of the yen- raised

the Bank of Japan and quoted in is constantly shrinking toward

cember 31 shows that the retail There can be no doubt about

prices index in Tokyo, with 1933 the extremely shaky nature of

represented as 100, stood at 211.9 Japan's economy, and the gruel-

on December 17, while the No- ling effects this is having upon

vember wholesale price index her people. But the end is not yet

(again with 1933 as 100) stood at in sight. A whole series of new

141. In terms of purchasing power taxes are being put into effect:

of the masses-not taking into new commodity taxes on soap,

consideration the decline in the tooth powder, tea and coffee;

this means that consumers are sugar, sake and textiles; new

Constantly Decreasing

Inflation is a further sign of

the strain on the country's econ-

omy. Japanese statesmen and fin-

anciers do not admit that infla-

tion has taken place, but facts

belie their pretensions. Domei, in

a December 20 Tokyo dispatch,

stated: "The note circulation in

consumption taxes on

Japan's budget for the current

writing for the workers he hon-

prehended the historical role of

No, Thomas Jefferson, a capable

and eloquent leader in the revolt

of the American bourgeoisie, re

mains just that and nothing more.

He is not the ancestor of revolu-

tionary Marxism-not even of de-

generate Stalinism. If he has po-

litical descendants today, it is in

the ranks of the Southern Agrar-

ians, dilettante reactionaries who

seek to crawl backward into histo-

ry in fright before the mighty

GOVERNMENT

The Fansteel Metallurgical Company is located in North Chicago. During the latter part of 1936, the overwhelming majority of its workers joined the C.I.O., and asked the company for recognition. The management, however, had for years enjoyed the profitable blessings of an unorganized plant. They indignantly pointed out to the men that "outside" unions were un-American.

The opinion was a normal one. After all, under the blessed system of "free enterprise," should not a patriotic American boss be permitted to keep wages as low as he pleases, to pile on the speedup when competition gets keener, to fire any employee who sneezes at the wrong moment? "Outside" unions certainly play hell with the good old-fashioned ways of bosses.

The management told the C.I.O., nothing doing. And just to be on the safe side, the management did a little organizing on its own account. It hired a labor relations magician who pulled a cozy little company union out of his hat. It isolated one of the most militant unionists in a job that prevented him from being in contact with his fellow-workers. It fired a few others. It brought a stool-pigeon or two in from one of the best agencies. It undertook a well planned publicity campaign among its employees, their families and the community on the evils of outside unionism.

But somehow the men kept asking for recognition. And the management each time kept refusing and then redoubling the campaign against the union.

Time to Stop the Run Around

So, on February 17, 1937, the workers decided that the run around had been going on long enough. They had been, God knows, reasonable enough. They were getting nowhere. They knew that the company's acts had been brazenly and openly illegal; and they knew that neither the company nor the police nor the courts gave a damn whether the acts were illegal or not. The time had come to protect the right to a job and a decent living by the only means left.

With complete quiet and discipline the workers sat down in two of the company's key buildings. For ten days they sat there, maintaining their discipline, keeping the buildings and machinery in perfect condition. The management "discharged" them; but the workers were guarding their jobs and they continued to sit.

Law and Order Yet to Work

But, lo and behold, after the long, long months of silence and reserve, the forces of law and order sprang suddenly to life. The rights of citizens were being invaded! Time for justice to come to the rescue!

Did law and order clap a summons on the management for their illegal fostering of a company union, their illegal employment of a labor spy, their illegal discriminations and discharges, their illegal refusal to bargain with the union? I need not tell you, dear reader: law and order did not.

Law and order, in the person of a dignified judge of a state court, bowed politely to the management and issued an injunction requiring the workers to vacate the premises of the company. A sheriff and his merry men came to the buildings bearing the injunction order. But the workers believed that their right to a job was superior to the injunction; and the sheriff, after an encounter which he was not willing to confine to words, retired in some confusion. Justice in Action

Law and order were now very upset indeed. Justice came back to the buildings with a formidable enough array of thugs, cops, firemen, deputized gangsters to have beseiged Pearl Harbor. A struggle, pictures of which look like high points in the assault on the Alcazar, took place. Fire ladders were raised so that tear gas bombs could be shot into all floors. Guns and clubs that would have stocked an arsenal went into action

The workers defended themselves with courage and

29,000 workers on the transit lines of New York City are facing two menacing attacks on their livelihood.

One attack comes from a bill sponsored in the Senate and Assembly of New York by Senator Wicks, a notorious labor-hater, which would place all employes of municipally-owned transit lines under Civil Service provisions without guaranteeing them pension rights, seniority over new Civil Service applicants, or collective bargaining rights.

This is a direct undisguised attack aimed at the union workers on the B.M.T. and I.R.T. transit lines.

The other attack, more covered up, is the proposed unification of the B.M.T. and I.R.T. lines with the present city-owned line when purchase plans have been completed between the LaGuardia administration and these companies.

Although it is generally understood that unification will lead to mass lay-offs of workers who have been employed for years on these lines and who have no other means of earning a livelihood, absolutely no guarantees providing for these workers have been forthcoming from the LaGuardia administration.

The Wicks bill, if it is enacted, will reduce those left after LaGuardia lay-offs to the condition of servile, open-shop slaves.

What is particularly revolting about these underhanded attacks against 29,000 of New York's workers is the solicitude of the city administration over the security holders of the B.M.T. and the I.R.T. who have been bleeding the public for years and who have received in dividends many times over what they laid out originally for the securities.

Instead of expropriating these private holders of the city's utilities through condemning the lines-the city owns the lines anyway and merely leased them to the security holders-the staggering sum of \$315,000,000 has been turned over to guaranteeing them security and comfort for life.

Why does the LaGuardia administration pay out this enormous sum to the security holders at this particular time? Why doesn't it wait until the leases expire, when the holdings revert automatically to the city?

Dividend returns indicate the answer to these two questions. For the past few years earnings have steadily declined and the trend indicates that these securities would rapidly become a losing proposition for their holders.

An additional consideration is the very strong likelihood that unification of the lines will mean a ten-cent fare-under the fallacious argument that a ten-cent fare will be necessary in order to pay off the \$315,-000,000 gift to the security holders.

The present levying of a ten-cent fare upon subways

slaves, and the young people facing a blind alley future will be expected to continue their cheering over this stellar display.

If you missed out on the juicy morsels celebrated during Dividends and Profits Week for the 1938 take, sharpen up your shears for this week's report. If you don't own stock of these particular companies in your family vault, then just imagine as you tighten your belt a notch for dinner what you could buy if you did have those dusty sheets silently earning millions for you through strenuous idleness-and praise god that the nasty workers don't wake up and take over these industries for their own benefit.

Remember, no celebrating over anything less than a million dollar take, and bless Harry Hopkins for his speech this week dedicating the Roosevelt administration to fighting for bigger and better takes for the wealthy capitalist.

Again we congratulate the happy stockholders of the companies listed below, who according to the publishable reports of their bookkeepers bled the point of production for not less than the following fat items for 1938:

Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass Company	\$ 3,930,460
Atlantic Refining Company	\$ 4,317,297
Armstrong Cork Company	\$ 1,150,796
Mesta Machine Company	\$ 2,909,957
Gillette Safety Razor Company	\$ 2,941,889
Arundel Corporation	\$ 1,007,783
Penick & Ford, Ltd., Inc.	\$ 1,139,921
Reed Roller Bit Company	\$ 1,832,112
Radio Corporation of America	\$ 7,412,072
New York Telephone Company	\$ 29,377,181
General Foods Corporation	\$ 13,577,075
Sun Oil Company	\$ 3,085,119
Mellville Shoe Corp	\$ 1,484,061
Scott Paper Company	\$ 1,379,950
Eastern Utilities Associates	
and Subsidiaries	\$ 1,572,435
Wisconsin Electric Power Company	\$ 2,228,020
Bell System	55,543,144
American Tobacco	\$ 25,435,643
Homestake Mining Co.	6 ,9 40,848
Beech-Nut Packing Company	\$
Abbott Laboratories	\$ 1,648,326
Electrolux Corporation	\$ 2,040,922

\$ 5,663,989

1.277.798

Who said the unemployed were starving?

Greyhound Corporation

Lambert Company

"Found on the west side of the Huey P. Long Bridge with his left arm nearly severed below the elbow, a Negro identified by state police as Martin Hays, 20, of Napoleonville, was taken to Charity hospital by ambulance last night where physicians amputated his arm. Although state police were not able to say how the Negro was injured, hospital authorities said Hays told them he had caught his arm in a pumping machine where he had been employed."---From The New Orleans Tribune, Jan. 28, 1989.

lous cult of certain political fig-Jefferson had a most naive out- ored and loved, the "Communist ures from the history of the

American bourgeoisie. They bandy look on the agrarian life. "Cultiva- Manifesto." Yet it is the name of about the names of Paine, And- tors of the earth," he cried, "are Jefferson, idealist who never comdrew Jackson, and others with a the most valuable citizens," and reverish devotion bordering on "Those who labor in the earth, the machine, and who, like any unacy, going so far as to have are the Chosen people of God, if bourgeois, mistrusted and feared Earl Browder declaim, "Our pro- ever he had a chosen people, the workers—it is this name that gram for Socialism is organically whose breasts He has made his the Stalinist, Browder, would inked up with, is a necessary peculiar deposit for substantial write beside those of Marx and outgrowth from the traditional and genuine virtue." A slave-hold-American Democracy as founded er, a large landholder, Jefferson by Thomas Jefferson-whose po- could easily forget that farm life itical descendants we are." This meant back-breaking labor from slippery Stalinist hedges and qual- day to night for all but a few, and fies enough to admit that the thought of it in terms of the leiseconomic basis of an agricultural ure and culture which he could nation of small land holders has enjoy, browsing in the classics of completely disappeared, but that Greek and Roman literature. It nevertheless, by being loyal to was not given to this Virginian Jefferson's humanitarianism. ". . .

gamation of Jefferson's teachings of rural life." with those of Marx, Engels, Lenin, and Stalin. We have the full program of the Communist Party." cities as the focal points of in- modern capitalism. Their program Misunderstands Industrial Revo-

lution This historical "lesson" thus

dissolves itself into a meaningless and nonsensical generalization. Jefferson's many utterances on freedom, liberty, and so on, can be used and have been used by any demagogue to back up any program. Every capitalist politician

gentleman to understand what we have thereby a complete amal- Marx so bitterly called, "the idiocy

The Marxist understands the problems posed by the collapse of

dustry and progress, from whose proves their legitimacy --- as exsuffering working population have pressed by Herbert Agar, it sees and will come revolutionary lead- our crisis as primarily a "moral"

ership for all the exploited. Jef- one-"a selfish and greedy people ferson bewailed, "When we get cannot be free." Let Mr. Browder piled upon one another in large return Jefferson to Agar, Allan cities as in Europe, we shall Tate, etc., if he belongs to anyone, become corrupt as in Europe, and he belongs to them. Expect Lies to Pass

do there."

Why does Stalinism seek to **On European Events** wrap itself in these musty but

makes similar remarks; what he In Jefferson's own day, the patriotic robes? Betraying the true does in practice with power when he has it is the important test. workers of Paris gathered on the interests of workers everywhere. The stultifying effect this faked Champs de Mars, to demand from it intends to deliver into the and murky "history" has upon the the victorious bourgeoisie-in the armies of American imperialism young students and intellectuals name of those fine ideals the its befuddled and deceived followassociated with or under the in- bourgeoisie claimed - full, man- ers and sympathizers. Sweating fluence of the C.P. is disagree- hood suffrage. They were ruth- with the anxiety that they will ably evident to all who know lessly dispersed by armed troops not be recognized and accepted as allies by the powerful Ameria them. This is the famous "educa- under Lafayette.

tion" the Stalinists were going to The unrest of workers in Eng- can capitalists, the C. P. abandons bring to their "allies" of the land and France, the birth strug- internationalism for patriotic slogles of this new class could mean gans, and clothes itself in what-Popular Front! In an effort to bolster up their nothing to Jefferson who believed, ever Stalin and Browder think

phoney "ancestor," the Stalinists "The mobs of the great cities add will please the new-found mastell us that Jefferson's aspirations just so much to the support of ters. Thomas Jefferson and his were wrecked by the Industrial pure government, as sores do to "democracy," his empty but elo-Revolution, "which he could not the strength of the human body." quent catch-phrases, have been foresee." This is absolutely false. The proportion of the working greedily seized, for Browder's The Industrial Revolution dates class of a country to its farmers, contempt for his own following from the middle of the 18th Cen- he described as the proportion "of is such that he expects the most tury, was producing its effect all its unsound to its healthy parts." | stupid lies to pass unnoticed.

around Jefferson all throughout The unorganized, desperate revolts Nothing, however, will save the his life, and was understood by of the laborers seemed to him Communist Party from the commany observers — Hamilton, for like anarchy, and senseless vio- ing split in its own ranks, the reone. Had not Jefferson been blind- lence; "I consider the class of sults of the anger and awakening ed by his class interest as an ag- artificers (city workers of the of its long suffering rank and file. rarian, he would not have so com- period) as the panders of vice, In so far as American history pletely misunderstood the impor- and the instruments by which the becomes clear to them, the Stalintance of the machine and the liberties of a country are general- ist nonsense about Jefferson will add its bit to the final crack-up. new mode of production, for as a ly overturned."

honor. But the forces and weapons against them were too much. They were routed, and placed under arrest. Most were later fined and jailed-for violating the injunction.

The company then happily re-formed its company union, as the Rare Metal Workers of America. Some of the sit-downers were graciously permitted to return to work. Many of them were not. Those who were not petitioned through the Labor Board to get their jobs back.

This was the Fansteel case. The facts, known to every worker in Fansteel, to every resident of North Chicago, recorded by the Labor Board, are uncontested. The Supreme Court did not question them.

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"The sit-down," wrote Chief Justice Hughes in the Court's decision for the company, "was a high-handed proceeding without shadow of legal right. . . . The conduct on the part of the employees manifestly gave good cause for their discharge. . . .'

Manifestly, Justice Hughes, yes, manifestly.

Labor Looks Through The Press

By ARTHUR HOPKINS

Carl Winter, newly appointed state secretary of the Minnesota Communist Party, speaking before the "Marxist Club" at the University of Minnesota, declares that the new pilot training courses being instituted by American universities will be of benefit in making the air force more democratic. He adds that the United States army should be cleansed of disloyal and reactionary elements, and points to Spain as a horrible example where the army joined the fascists in opposing the Loyalist government. It will be a great consolation for foreign and domestic workers to know that they and their wives and children are being bombed and murdered by democratic air men.

Says President Roosevelt at Key West: "Private business, and the utilities in particular, need have no fear over New Deal programs."

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"Pope Pius had the objective of a Christian renaissance which would have placed the principles of Jesus Christ in Russia and in Asia," says Father Coughlin in a recent radio spiel. We are to presume that Italy, Germany and the "democracies" are plumb full of Christian principles! * * *

One in every fourteen persons in the United States is allergic to certain foods and other substances, according to Dr. Theodore D. Beckwith, professor of bacteriology of the University of California at Los Angeles. And all of us are allergic to capitalism, only it doesn't affect us all the same way.

Persons who are not full-fledged citizens of the United States will be purged from W.P.A. relief rolls starting March 5, according to S.L. Stolte, deputy state administrator of Minnesota. The bosses will not be so particular when they call upon the ex-W.P.A. workers to protect "our" investments overseas.

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