NEWS AND NOTES

Revolutionary Youth of France

The example given by Catalonia of a Revolutionary Youth Front has been followed by the Revolutionary Youth Front of France. The Anarchist Youth and the Left Socialist Youth have made an agreement, which it is hoped will become the nucleus of an inclusive Revolutionary Youth Front of France.

A Literary Competition

Every revolution and every war gives rise to its own literature and song. Those who are close to the action express their political aspirations. The P. O. U. M. is trying to encourage by the punishment of counter-revolution. They will beg to receive a banishment to the provinces.

Another Suppression

The Basque government, composed of socialists, communists, republicans, autonomists and Catholics, has created the Regional Committee of the C. N. T., and the editorial staff of the newspaper El Pionero Rojo, of the North which appeared at Bilbao. Furthermore they have seized the print shop, which has been turned over to the daily El Pionero Rojo, organ of the Basque Communist Party.

P. S. U. C. (United Socialist Party of Catalonia) have been imprisoned. The Anarchist Youth and the Left Socialist Youth have made several "expeditions" against the revolutionary workers' districts, to control movements in the city and to prevent new barricades from coming in.

Radio Badalona

Another new broadcasting service of the P. O. U. M. has been opened — Radio Badalona, wave length 260 metres. It will be on the air every evening at 6-9 (Greenwich time) — programs in Spanish and Catalan.

Radio Badalona — AT THE SERVICE OF THE REVOLUTIONARY WORKERS

WE ARE IN A REVOLUTIONARY SITUATION AND THEREFORE THE POLITICAL PROBLEMS CAN ONLY BE SOLVED BY THE WORKING CLASS.

THE ATTACK ON THE TELEPHONE BUILDING

Barcelona, the workers' city, has lived through glorious days. Just as the working class of Catalan, one in arms against the fascist uprising of July 19th, from the 3rd to the 7th of October almost without a break, they resolved to allow Stalinism and reformism to snatch away their revolutionary conquests, won at the price of their blood.

Everywhere abroad, an attempt is being made to throw dirt on the hard-won victories of the Spanish Revolution. This has been exposed. It was not true that the Stalinists and the reformist leaders were to blame for the defeat of the Spanish people.

Among the agents of these counter-revolutionary acts were British agents, who were sent by the English government to carry out this policy. They were paid by the English government to carry out this policy.

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THE WORKERS' REACTION

Within two hours, Barcelona was in a state of war. The workers went into the streets with their arms to defend them and to take up strategic positions throughout the city. The revolutionaries of the C. N. T., the P. O. U. M. and the P. O. U. M. understood from the first how great was the danger. They resolved to take up arms and to form an armed corps in order to prevent the fascist uprising of July 19th.

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The length of the streets

The Greatness of Catalonia and its Provisional Government were recognized Wednesday and Thursday, the power was in the hands of the Barcelona Bourgeoisie. The working class had completely reestablished order in the suburbs by driving out or disarming the bordering forces. At the center of the city, a few streets were still in the hands of the P. S. U. C., the Esqueria, the Estat Catala and the Civil and Assailant Guards. The Generalitat buildings were surrounded on all sides by the Assailant Guards. Only the Monc d'Escudera was left defending them.

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At the present moment, a sub-secretariat of the International Secretariat in making arrangements for the International Congress. Various circumstances have forced us to postpone several times the date for the holding of the conference. However, it is expected that the conference will last about eight or ten days during which a series of visits will be made between factories and workers' homes, all of which will be of interest and information.

The task of the Barcelona conference shall be as follows: To analyse events and to stimulate the forces necessary for the future organisation of an International which is truly revolutionary. This does not mean that a new International will arise at the Barcelona Congress. The projects of its foundation will be influenced by events, the conditions of maturity and the particular needs of the international workers' movement. Nevertheless, from the Barcelona Congress, there will doubtless spring a revolutionary Marxian's Congress, a Congress which will bring about the necessary differentiation in the 'workers' movement (grouping around it as yet remains the same revolutionary nucleus working for a new International).

The International Conference which was held at Brussels on the 22nd to the 30th of May. A short time remains for the military, fascist uprisings and its crushing by the revolutionary working class. For this reason, the P.O.U.M. is subjected by those who still pretend to be the successors of the Bolsheviks of 1917. This short article is the剂 of this Congress, which will be held on July 19th, 1937. How is it that three months before the date of the Congress, when it has not been officially announced, the Stalinists commence their attacks upon it? This Congress will unite delegates from all revolutionary socialists organisations in the world at a moment when the Third International is everywhere intensifying its 'Popular Front' policy, its policy of class collaboration. The aim of the Congress is to point out the aim at which the struggle between bureaucratic and revolutionary socialists will lead to the collapse of the International and the betrayal of the confidence placed in the Communist International by the working masses of the world. The International Congress at Barcelona will have a tremendous effect and will result in a modification and even a revolution of the revolutionary forces which will emerge from it.

These are the reasons that have caused the publication of the article in the «Red Front». We shall see that as the date of the Congress approaches it will increase in vigour and bitterness. They will be made in the name of the working class, it is necessary that they be made in the name of revolutionary socialism.

When the P.O.U.M., as it pointed out in a recent leaflet, is about to open, its decisive importance for the future. This Congress will decide whether the party is as yet revolutionary, or whether it is not just a grouping of the members of the party, which we'gh upon us. The discussion of the theses is obligatory. The party, however, which stands like all eminently revolutionary parties at the beginning of its work, should take advantage of this discussion period to become informed and to understand our slogans and the motives which lie behind them. It is impossible to maintain a purely literary balance. We must mobilise all the forces of the party to defend the principles and the aims of this Congress, which the P.O.U.M. is subjected by those who still pretend to be the successors of the Bolsheviks of 1917.
Dissent in the Socialist Youth

John Langdon-Davies has won a great reputation reporting the false attacks of the Spanish Civil War, from the anti-fascist front to its Trotskyite Counterrevolutionaries. This is why the Stalinist and socialist movement in Spain, which is supported by the Russian and international Communist Parties, should be turned into a policy of absorption and submission to the decisions of the Stalinist and Trotskyist Pravda and the Trotskyist and Stalinist P.M.U. Parties. This amounts to saying all youth organizations must be dissolved and the Socialist Party and Youth should be turned into a policy of submission to the decisions of the Stalinist and Trotskyist Pravda and the Trotskyist and Stalinist P.M.U. Parties.

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False "News Chronicle" and "Daily Worker" version of Barcelona Fighting

"On my arrival in Valencia from Gijón, I learned that I had been named by the National Conference of the J.S.U. as a member of the National Committee of the J.S.U."

"Such a decision of the Conference, naming members of the Committee, without taking the opinions of the sections of the Conference into account, does not oblige me to accept the position, unless the Socialist Youth of Valencia, in a decision on the matter, consider that I lack the necessary authority to represent sections which may or may not be consulted, and therefore I am resigning from this seat."

This was the letter addressed to the other members of the J.S.U. party, which was sent to the National Committee of the J.S.U., and the General line of the P.O.U.M. in the front. We believe it is a progressive step, but clearly a bureaucratic one, taken before the present sections of the Federation which were not consulted, and which are quite out of the control of the National Committee of the P.O.U.M.

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Mass Dissertations

The works of R. Fernandez, Secretary of the Asturian Federation, to the young workers of our rank, are very significant. He is withholding their names? Why are they not tried and put in prison? They must be outcasts, their affairs exposed? If Pitcairn's story was true, his silence would be treason to the People of Spain!

These cases of opposition come from powerful Federations, which are quite out of the control of the National Committee of the P.O.U.M. Why has no action been taken against them? What are the facts?

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Fleeing from Fascism
News comes from Dakar (in French Morocco) of 80 socialists who have escaped from the Canary Islands. Together with the soldiers who are supposed to watch over them, they captured a fascist ship and persuaded the crew to join them in their flight. Pursued by fascist ships, they reached Dakar, and now they are trying to get to Spain to join the fighting workers.

Why They Fleed
Word comes from San Sebastian, through France, that the rebel, military government of the Basque Province obliges the people to speak Spanish and absolutely prohibits the use of the Basque tongue.

Franco Fascism
Franco has decreed a single Party. This is an effort to solve the differences, sometimes violent, between the Spanish Falangists and the Requetes. At the same time, Spain is attempting to militarize the entire population, by obligatory membership in this fascist party. This is not the first time Spain has arrived in Italy at Spezia and Gaeta. Three Italian merchant ships are anchored at Seville, in which several hundred Italian soldiers are detained for having refused to fight. Every day a few trucks carry soldiers into the city where they are shot. Thus Queipo obeys the orders which several hundred Italian soldiers are detained for having refused to fight. Every day a few trucks carry soldiers into the city where they are shot. Thus Queipo obeys the orders of Cazorla, Councillor of Public Order of the Defence Junta and member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party, has closed the social home of the Red Aid of the P.O.U.M. of Madrid.

Italian Fascism
Eight merchant ships bearing Italian soldiers wounded in Spain have arrived in Italy at Napoli and Gaeta. The Italian military authorities have ordered these men to say absolutely nothing of what happened in Spain, under threat of severe punishment.

Valencian Freedom?
The Valencia Anarchist newspaper, La Voz de los Trabajadores, has been suspended again for infringing the standards imposed by the censor.

IN SPANISH: ORDER FROM THE EDITORIAL MARXISTA
Political Econimics by Bogdanoff, price 6 pesetas.
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The Thid of the Communist Youth, by Lenin and Capitalist Spain in Ruins by Mauvem, price 30 centimos.

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PRECEPTS OF A MILITIAMAN
I. HOLD high the banner of the world revolution, though the winds of reforms blow from all directions.
II. FULFIL your duties as a red soldier till all the revolutionary slogans marked out by the Spanish working class are attained.
III. AUTOMATICALLY carry out the orders received from your comrades in command, because the needs of the war against brutal fascism demand it.
IV. WITH persuasions and dialectical Marxist tactics, win the men, women and children to the Revolution, the cause of the working class.
V. RESPECT the men and children who fall under your care, watching your conduct which will be the moral basis of our victory.
VI. WORK with all your might for the emancipation of the towns under the power of the fascist criminals, without sparing your moral, intellectual and physical support to this end.
VII. BE prepared to speak and ready to discuss any subject whatsoever, trying to avoid certain unseemly expressions which are unworthy of a true revolutionary.
VIII. IN the military operations undertaken, work as calmly and prudently as possible, not taking alcohol to avoid the duties entrusted to you.
IX. THE coward and the timid have deficient nervous systems, but the militiaman, conscious of himself and the historic moments of our times, will be able to overcome this by self-suggestion.
X. IN night or day attacks, locate the enemy and shoot at the objective, never shooting about aimlessly, since at some other time the situations may save the lives of your comrades.

By a Militiaman of the Lenin Division of the P.O.U.M.

EXCESSES
The Central Committee of the Red Aid of the P.O.U.M. demands before the workers a criminal outrage against the unity of revolutionary action. The Madrid police, under the orders of Casoria, Councillor of Public Order of the Defence Junta and member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party, has closed the social home of the Red Aid of the P.O.U.M. of Madrid.

The Central Committee of the Red Aid of the P.O.U.M. hereby denounces deprives the workers of the aid of their comrades when they most need it.

The Red Aid of the P.O.U.M. has evacuated scores of wounded from the Madrid front, thousands of women, children and aged people from the city, who are now being cared for in all the cities of Catalonia and the Levant. The police measures ordered by Casoria, an insult to the wounded and an attempt against the security of the victims of the fascist assassins.

The Central Committee of the Red Aid of the P.O.U.M., representing 138 sections in Catalonia, Levant and throughout Spain, raises the most energetic protest against this monstrous act.

The workers cannot remain passive any longer in face of such vexations.

DEMAND THAT THE GOVERNMENT LIFT THE CLOSING OF THE RED AID OF THE P.O.U.M. AT MADRID.
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DOWN WITH THE REACTION AGAINST THE WORKERS’ LIBERTIES!

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