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BREAD NOT BULLETS

President Roosevelt's message to Congress on the state of the nation, Wednesday, Jan. 3, and his budgetary presentation, Jan. 4, opens up an ominous new year for the American people.

President Roosevelt asked the American people to gamble on a war economy bringing us prosperity and solving unemployment. On this war gamble billions are proposed for "national defense" at the expense of social legislation and appropriations.

We Communists offer the following constructive peace program to the American people for 1940:

FOREIGN AFFAIRS:- Stop giving active assistance to one side, the Allies, and adopt a policy of neutrality, of keeping America out of the war; no more intervention in Finland; in the Far East, end the shameful shipment of war materials to Japan, and give financial aid to China; In Latin America, curb the growing activity of American imperialists and reshape United States policy on the basis of the enunciated principles of the Good Neighbor Policy; towards the Soviet Union, abandon the present enmity, which dovetails with plans of American, British and other imperialists to organize a general capitalist war against the Soviet Union.

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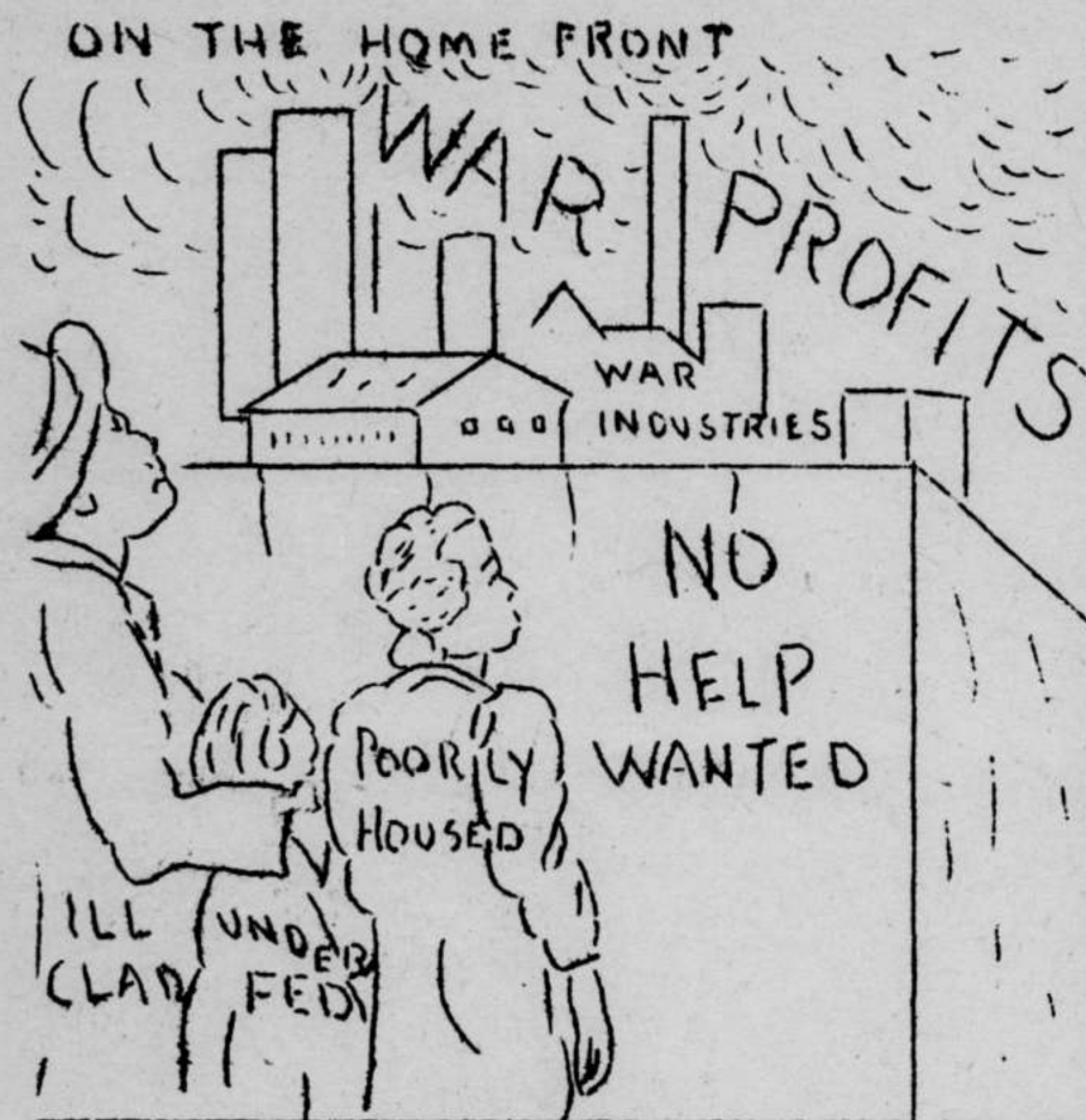
CAPITOL NEEDS CLEAN SWEEP

○ The people of Arizona enter 1940 at a crossroads. Down one fork is increased & continued domination and herd-riding by Phelps-Dodge, Southern Pacific and Santa Fe, Arizona Edison and Associated Farmers. Down the other fork unity of labor, the small farmer and city and town lower middle class for political freedom, an increased standard of living and peace.

○ In January 1939, Gov. Jones was inaugurated. He had been elected on a BUSINESS and ECONOMY administration platform and demagogic promises of all things to all men. To date he has only served his Associated Farmers and corporate masters.

○ Just a year ago the 14th regular session of the Legislature convened. It was everything but a body representing the interests of the people of Arizona. It was dubbed "the futile 14th" and "the peopleless 14th" and rightly so. What

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COPPER

"Arkzona Fax" of Jan. 5 & 12 shows \$451,000 copper company "savings" on 1938-39 sales tax, by "mistake" in reporting \$45,000,000 less gross income to Arizona than to Federal government. "Tax" calls it good business. What do you call it? Even if copper barons buy a Governor and Legislative Staff every election year, they are still doing a good business. A 3% Severance Tax will keep mining prosperity in Arizona, where the ore originates, where the workers get it out and where the citizens elect Officials who give it away.

CAPITOL NEEDS CLEAN SWEEP (cont'd)

a travesty on representative government. Refusing to act on nearly every bill the people wanted; killing the teachers' retirement bill; civil service bill; occupational disease bill; state wage & hour bill; tax-free homes bill; sales tax bills to repeal it, exempt food and increase it on minerals; municipal power bill; and a miserly \$30,000 for two years was appropriated for the unemployed, who need more than that each month.

○ A year's record of the Jones Administration has been a year of brazen patronage; a scandalous state hospital mess (due to patronage and veto of corrective legislation); the highest tax rate in the history of the state; inadequate relief to the unemployed and pensions to the aged; waste of taxpayers money by state officials padding travel accounts, to the tune of \$60,000 a month; raising salaries of state employees to pay for campaign support; appointing labor-haters, bankers and Wall Street representatives to state boards and commissions; slandering labor publicly and supporting and condoning unlawful mob attacks on union pickets, led by his political appointee, Kemper Marley; taxation "where ability to pay is the cornerstone" a cynical farce.

○ The Communist Party of Arizona is proud of its 1939 record.

Following adjournment of the Legislature we issued a statement exposing the record and nature of the Legislature and the Jones Administration. It called for and continues to call for a special session to take up what "copperheads" refused to pass. Months ago it called the attention of Arizonans to the rotten conditions in the State hospital. Thru its leaflets and paper "20th Century Arizonan" it has exposed the corrupt political situation, Wall Street economic strangulation and helped to unite and organize the people.

○ It is time that Arizonans clean house from attic to cellar in 1940. The Joneses, Mendersons, Minottos, Angiuses, etc. etc. have got to go---oust Wall St. ~~stoges.~~ To do this a program is needed around which the people can rally.

We believe a program answering the immediate needs of Arizonans should include the following:

1. Immediate calling of special legislative session for a public probe and prosecution of public officials misusing public funds; increased relief and age pensions; relieve workers and small farmers of tax burden and make Wall St. pay.
2. Unity of Labor, small farmers and lower middle class to oust Wall St. from the Capitol.

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OUR PROGRAM

FREE ARIZONA FROM MONOPOLY CONTROL!
KICK WALLSTREET FROM STATE CAPITOL!
JOBS OR RELIEF AT ADEQUATE PAY!
TAX ABSENTEE MONOPOLY!

KEEP AMERICA OUT OF WAR!
GUARD BILL OF RIGHTS!
CURB PROFITEERING!

FARMERS
UNITE

The situation of Arizona farm-
ers is more critical at the begin-
ning of 1940 than in any period,
perhaps, since 1932. While nearly
all of Europe and Asia are engaged
in war, the price of American
farm products has not been raised.

The following table from
"Facts For Farmers" published by
Farm Research Inc., shows that the
price of most farm products was
higher on Sept. 15, the beginning
of European hostilities, than on
Nov. 15, two months later. This
explodes the theory of warmongers
that a European War brings pros-
perity to American farmers.

	ACTUAL PRICE	%BELOW PARITY	ACTUAL PRICE	%BELOW PARITY
	Nov. 15th		Sept. 15th	
Corn	\$.47	43	\$.56	32
Wheat	.73	35	.72	36
Barley	.42	47	.44	46
Rye	.45	52	.44	52
Cotton	.088	45	.093	42
Hogs	5.87	36	7.02	24
Hay	7.51	51	7.14	53
Apples	.62	50	.63	49

(U S D A Marketing Service)

Roosevelt's proposed budget
has ripped away \$225,000,000 the
farmers of America have received
as parity payments in 1939. Slash-
ing of 500,000 persons from the
W P A rolls means that much less
purchasing power to buy farm prod-
ucts. Arizona citrus growers are
faced with ruin simply because the
American workers cannot buy the
'beans' they must have to exist, let
alone citrus fruits, which are so
necessary for good health, but are
eliminated. Arizona vegetable
growers are faced with the same
dilemma and all other farm prod-
ucts are affected in like manner.
The Arizona poultry & dairy man is
hardest hit in years.

Will the sale of war materials
to Europe restore prosperity? Will
the building of 'national defense'
restore prosperity? Brother farmer
remember what the World War (1914-
1918) did for American agriculture.

So, what can Arizona farmers
do about this situation? The 20TH
CENTURY ARIZONAN recommends the
following program:

1. A strong militant farmers' org-
anization, such as the Farmers Un-
ion, controlled by working farmers
is the first great step toward
solving these problems.
2. Protest, individually and in
organizations, the proposed Roose-
velt budget slash in farm parity
payments and W P A rolls.
3. Shower your congressmen with
demands that no credits be extend-
ed to European belligerents; that
no action be taken to involve the
U. S. in war, particularly in the
Finnish situation.
4. Cooperate with Labor in build-
ing a strong political movement.
Sit down around the table with
Labor groups and work out a pro-
gram to the interest of all who
toil.
5. Patronize and build more and
stronger cooperatives, joining
City consumers to build producer-
consumer cooperatives.
6. Expose and denounce "Associated
Farmers" as a labor-baiting, demo-
cracy-hating financiers group mas-
querading as farmers and using
farmers to pull their chestnuts
out of the fire.

POLITICAL

P O T S H O T S

Will the latest Statehouse scandal, stealing public funds, be quietly buried? We bet the midnight oil is being burned out at the Capitol on ways and means of laying this latest alongside the carcass of the State Hospital affair.

We hear there is a move afoot to change the name of the Statehouse to Den of Thieves. We believe a better scheme is a good old fashion house-cleaning. Overheard a suggestion for a new popular tune, "Lift the lid off the Capitol Dome, it begins to smell like the Teapot Dome."

The tax-free home movement is sweeping the state. It answers the desire of the people to make Wall St. pay taxes, but we offer a friendly warning to be on guard against the Wall St. slogan, "If you can't lick 'em, join 'em". No increase in sales taxes, but a severance tax.

The mountain has labored and brought forth three little mice. They are so much alike, they were named Jones, Menderson and Osborn.

If the La Follette Committee holding hearings in Los Angeles on the un-American activities of the Associated Farmers would call 'our' Highway Commissioner, Kemper Marley Local head of the A. F., it would help Arizona get rid of an undesirable.

The figures released by the Arizona Dept. of Social Security on direct relief are enlightening. 7,532 persons in the month of Dec. received \$46,761 --- totalling up to the generous sum of \$6.20 per. It seems like the \$30,000 appropriated by the Legislature for two years was a cynical gesture. All the more a Special Session needed.

Here is an opportunity for those who get their names in the Society column, helping Finns, to sponsor a relief cause at home. Too bad the 'terrible reds' thought of it first. But we are willing they take the glory.

AN INTELLIGENT REPLY

The Arizona Labor Journal of December 28th carries an editorial which must have been the product of none other than its permanently lodged Editor and Manager, A. S. Holohan. It is fittingly labelled "An Insult To Intelligence".

Saying that "the arguments advanced by the mouthpiece of Arizona Communists" (20TH CENTURY ARIZONIAN) are futile, a half column is used to 'prove' its futility. Space which should have been used to expose labor-hating groups and bad conditions of Arizona Labor. Can the following quotation from the editorial be the real reason?

"Undoubtedly there are members in our ranks who are in sympathy with some of the aims of the Comintern, ..however, ..it is becoming increasingly dangerous for any one who carries a card...to voice his approbation of those tenets."

It will be highly significant to the rank and file of Arizona Labor that its "manager" intends to make dangerous "the voicing" of certain tenets. It is well to remind "manager" Holohan that RED-BAITING IS THE TACTICS OF EMPLOYERS AND THEIR STOOGES IN DESTROYING ALL UNIONS, and how Governor Jones and the Associated Farmers denounced the A.F.L. as led by agitators, last summer.

Even now it is an open secret that "manager" Holohan would have been ousted from his seat, but for the clamps he has on democratic expression in the various locals of the State Federation. How much more difficult will it be to oust him if he can label his opponents, Communists, "to be thrust into the outer darkness"?

It is also an open secret that so long as the State Federation of Labor is "managed" by an official who has more concern for the amount of advertising than for the necessity of organizing the unorganized, Arizona workers will be subjected to even greater unemployment, wage cuts and healthbreaking speed-up.

○ SUPPRESSED NOTES

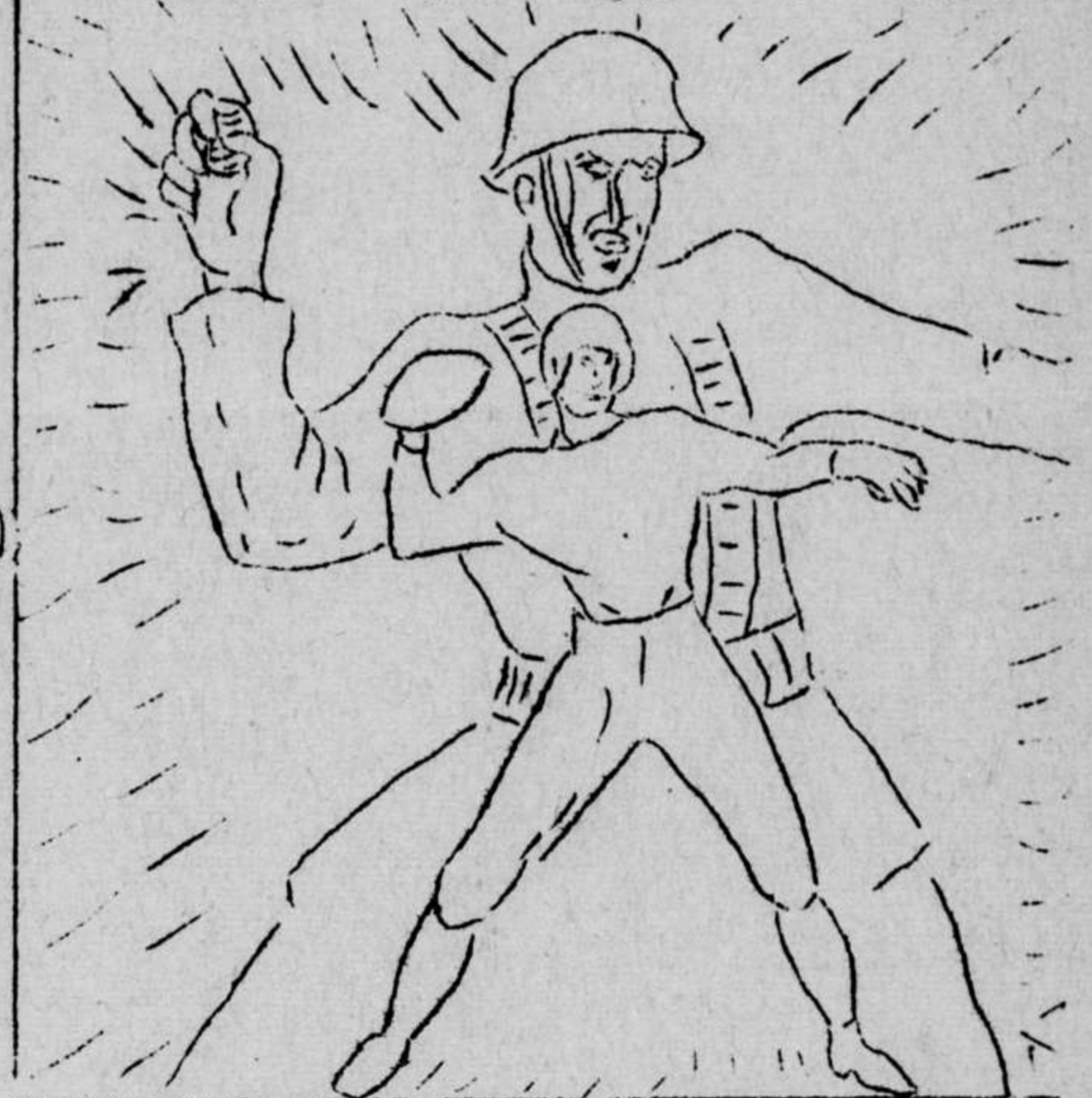
The testimony of Lewis Irvine, director of Arizona Employment Service, a state and federal agency, and A.E. Tabor, manager of Farm Labor Service, a private firm run by the ginning Cos., before the La Follette Civil Liberties Committee.

Tabor testified his outfit lured thousands of agriculture workers to Arizona by false ads and "We suppressed all newspaper stories about picking conditions." Asked by Senator Thomas "Do you have trouble controlling the newspapers", Tabor said no. (free press?)

Tabor admitted having his desk in Irvine's office and defrauding the U.S. mails by using the franking privilege (free postage) of Irvine's office, & the reason for this close "cooperation" was it cost the ginning Cos. less (how about the tax-payer, Mr. Irvine? Are you working for the people or gins?).

FOR A FREE PRESS SUPPORT THE
"20th CENTURY ARIZONAN"

○
WHICH SHALL IT BE?



○ AMERICA SAYS:

○ "KEEP OUT OF WAR!"

BUT

○ WALL ST. SAYS:

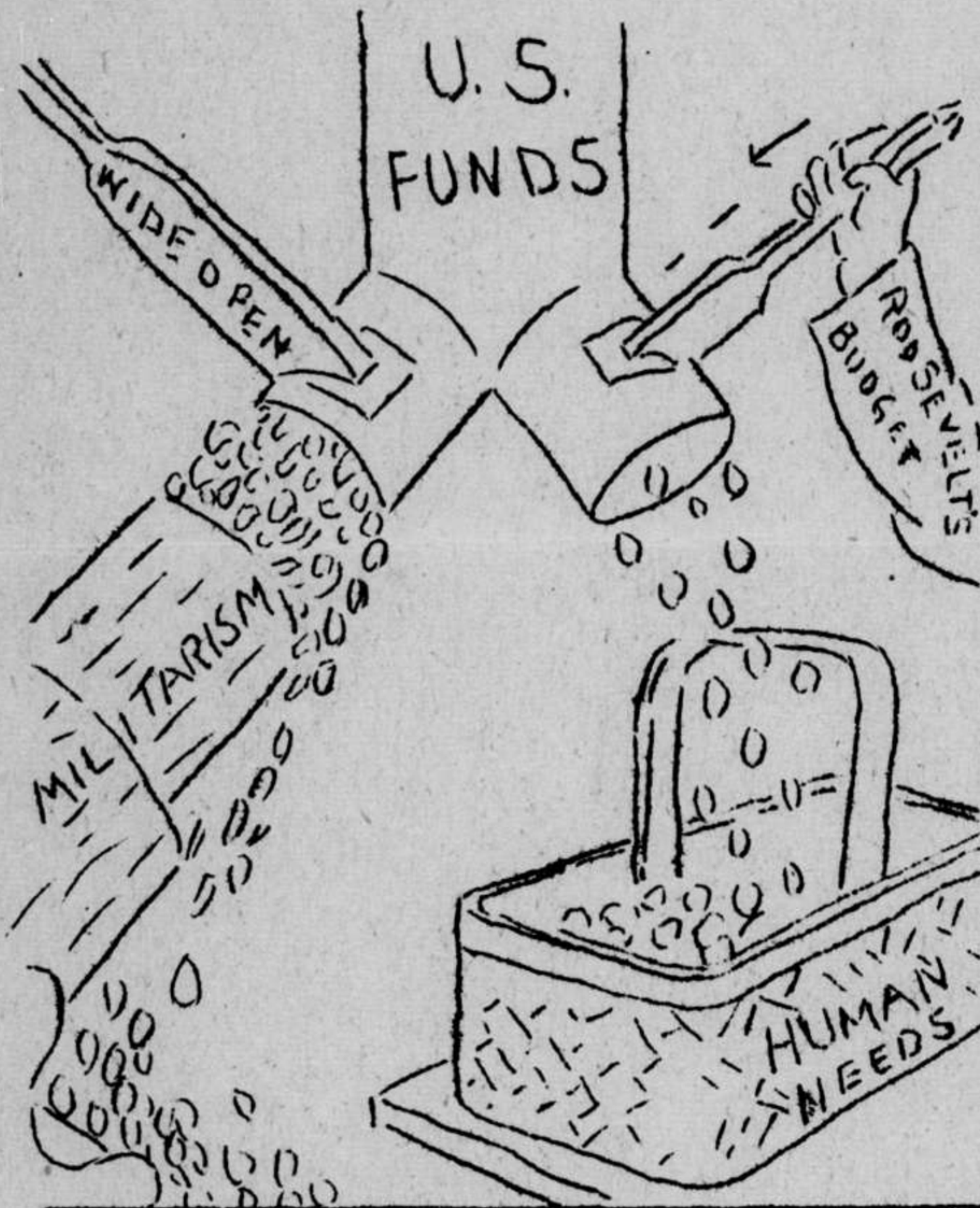
○ "WE WANT WAR!"

To carry out the will of the people the truth must be known and the tricks of the warmongers exposed. The Wall St. press lies and plays the game of its owners.

Knowing this the "20th CENTURY ARIZONAN" was launched months ago by the Communist Party of Arizona. The favorable response to it all over the state and the war crisis has encouraged us to contemplate improving and extending it. We want to print it and reach new readers.

We appeal to our readers, the people who suffer from war, for donations to make this possible. If some of our readers will pledge regular monthly contributions, continuation will be guaranteed.

You need not use your name in making a contribution, if you so wish, just send contributions to our office.



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LABOR APPEAL

The Phoenix Culinary Workers and Bartenders have been involved in a bitter court fight for over a year, since Judge Rodgers issued an injunction practically invalidating picketing by unions of this area. Labor must have this unconstitutional decision set aside.

The Arizona State Federation of Labor, Phoenix Central Labor Council and Phoenix Building Trades Council have appointed a committee to handle this matter.

Please send any amount that your organization may see fit to Arizona State Federation of Labor, 225 Ellis Bldg, Phoenix, Arizona. Receipts will be issued and acknowledgement made in the Arizona Labor Journal of every check received in this campaign.

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DOMESTIC ECONOMY:- Stop orientating the country on the basis of achieving prosperity THROUGH WAR ORDERS; intensify, instead, efforts to strengthen the purchasing power of the masses with such measures as an extension of WPA and direct relief, broadening farm relief, carrying through a vast housing program, rehabilitation of the railroads, elaborations of a national health program, INCREASING WAGES, and making sharp reductions in the working day and week. Active measures should also be undertaken to check the monopolists and profiteers, including the nationalization of the banks, railroads and munitions industries.

CIVIL LIBERTIES:- Prevent the growing curtailment of civil liberties. Prosecution of the Communists is the prelude to prosecuting anyone who raises his voice against war or war economy.

From the foregoing it is obvious that the Roosevelt government is not following a peace policy. Its active aid to Great Brit-

ain and France in the war; its assistance to Japan against China; its intervention in Finland; its open hostility to the Soviet Union; its overgrown armaments program; its growing orientation upon national prosperity based upon war orders; its attacks on the trade unions (anti-trust law prosecution) the Communist Party and other progressive organizations-----all total up to an imperialist policy which is leading this country rapidly into war.

Therefore the question of electing a Congress and an Administration that will follow a peace policy for the United States will be the central issue of the 1940 presidential elections. This will require solid education and organization of the peace forces of the country, the creation of a great democratic, anti-imperialist, peace front, primarily based upon the workers, poor farmers and lower city middle class. Only when the United States becomes a socialist country, however, can it pursue a fully consistent and unswerving peace policy.