

Japan Bombs Four Chinese Cities in Drive on Peiping

Japan's Manchukuo Officials Fire 100 From Chinese Eastern; Threaten to Seize Funds

SHANGHAI, May 9.—Four cities in North China, Lwanchow, Changli, Funing and Lulung, were bombed today by Japanese airplanes in the rapid drive south now being made by the Japanese and Manchukuoan armies.

This marks the complete re-occupation of the Lwan River triangle by the Japanese forces, for in they now have fresh troops of the Japanese and Manchukuoan armies.

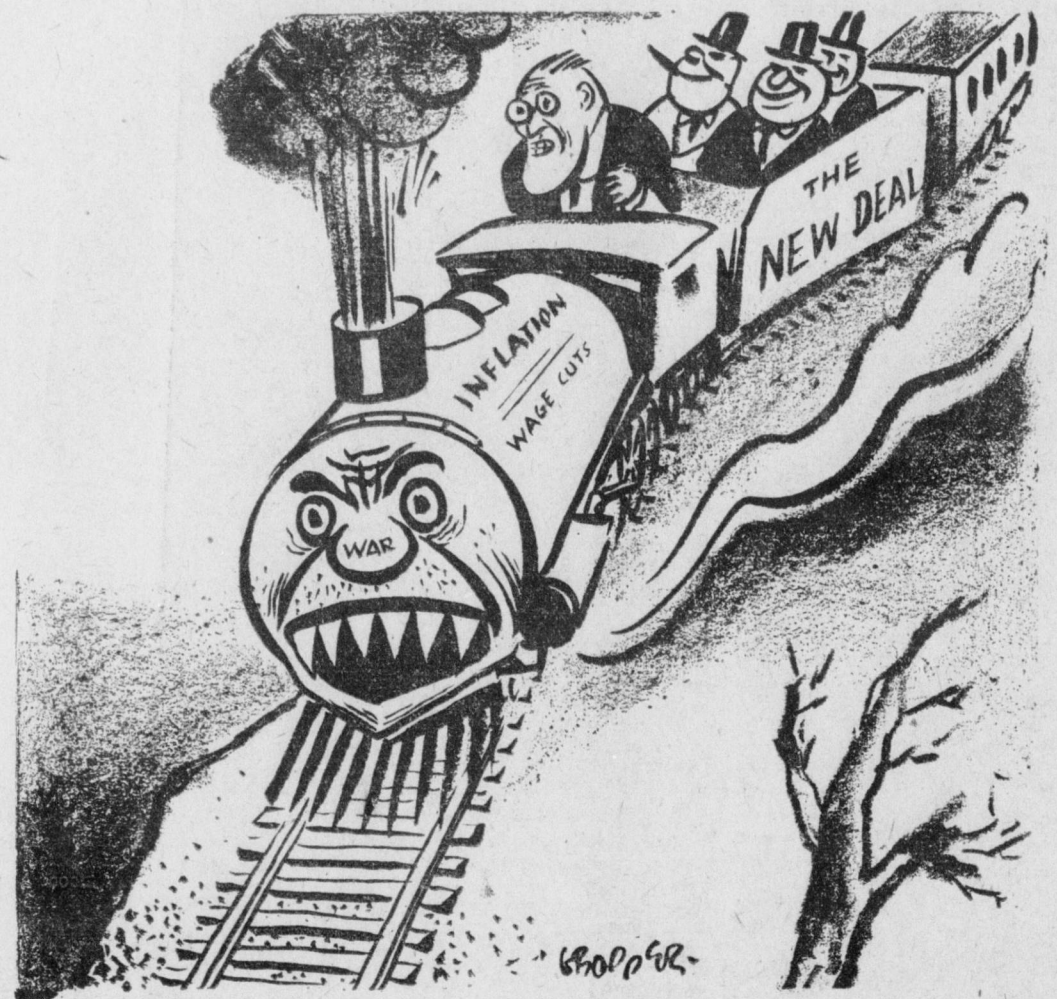
Foreign business men in Tientsin are in a near-panic at the approach of the Japanese forces, for if they push on Tientsin, grave conflicts with the British and American troops stationed there are not unlikely.

Chiang Kai-shek, Chinese dictator, is withdrawing troops from the North China front to reinforce the Kuomintang forces fighting the Chinese Red armies in Central China, and deliberately weakening Chinese resistance to the Japanese invasion.

The Chinese Soviet forces under Ho Lung have again seized the Tungking Lake district near the Central Yangtze. New Red armies are advancing eastward from the province of Szechuan, in Western China, causing the Nanking authorities grave concern.

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By Gropper.



ROOSEVELT PLAN ATTACKS THE TOILING MASSES

Inflation Must Lead to a Still More Drastic Decline of Production and Greater Suffering

By H. M. WICKS. "We cannot ballyhoo ourselves back into prosperity," said Roosevelt in his speech over a nation-wide radio hook-up Sunday night.

But Roosevelt's speech was essentially ballyhoo. He tried to make his listeners believe that the activities of his administration were beneficial to the toiling masses.

Proceeding from the fallacious viewpoint that the fall in prices is solely responsible for the financial crisis, Roosevelt tried to lay the ground-work for defense of his inflation policy.

Carries Forward Same Program. The Roosevelt policy is fundamentally a continuation of the one pursued by Hoover. Only the words he uses to cover up his attacks on the standards of life of the masses are different.

HAVANA, Cuba, May 4 (By Mail).—Even the children of Cuba are in revolt against the unspeakable bad living conditions imposed upon them by President Machado and his hunger government.

When questioned by police the leader declared that conditions in the orphanage were so bad that he and the others involved in the break had decided that it would be better to beg in the streets or forage in the fields than remain under the care of the city.

An Inflation "Boomlet". In the course of his demagogic speech Roosevelt told his hearers: "Today we have reason to believe that things are a little better than they were two months ago."

and of pamphlets, and collecting at least a million signatures to the resolution. It is announced that the P.S.U. has decided to extend the signature drive until July 4.

600 COMMUNISTS HELD IN AUSTRIA

Heimwehr Head Attacks Nazi Anschluss. VIENNA, May 9.—The Fascist Dollfuss government has ordered mass arrests of Communists throughout Austria.

Another article by A. G. Bosse presses the connection between this latest espionage and sabotage trial and similar trials of the past—the Shakhty trial, the Industrial Party (Ramzin) trial, and others that have exposed the plans of various imperialist governments for intervention.

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BRITAIN CONTINUES TO FORM SEPARATE TRADE TREATIES, DESPITE TRUCE TALK

LONDON, May 9.—Walter Runciman, President of the British Board of Trade, yesterday told Norman Davis, American Ambassador-at-large, that Great Britain would not insist on postponement of the debt payments to the United States as a condition for accepting a tariff truce.

Nevertheless, England is speeding up its trade agreements with other countries, lining up in a fortified position that will give it added bargaining power at the coming World Disarmament Conference.

Bulgarian Workers' Leader Arrested in Berlin by Fascists

(From the Moscow Correspondent of the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, May 9.—I. George Dimitroff, Bulgarian workers' leader, has been arrested in Berlin and provocatively accused by the Hitler government of alleged participation in the Reichstag fire.

Dimitroff's wife, Ljuba Dimitrova, has gone insane because of the strain of German reports reaching her which stated that the Fascists intended to hang her husband.

Mrs. Dimitroff, a well-known Serbian writer, whose poems are among the best in modern poetry, had to be transferred to an insane asylum for attention.

SPARKS

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, reads a newspaper account, will study three big problems on his yacht today.

First problem: How to guarantee profits for the ruling class.

Second problem: How to make the workers accept more wage cuts in the form of cheapened dollars.

Third problem: How to assist the capitalist class and maintain the appearance of being a friend of the people.

HERE is a story from Ella Winter's new book "Red Virtue", an exciting account of life in the Soviet Union.

"A visiting school teacher was examining a class in mathematics. 'If I buy a case of apples for 25 rubles and sell it for 50 rubles, what do I get?' he asked."

"Three years in jail" chorused the class.

GHANDI is going to fast again. That's his job. To train the Indian masses not to resist hunger.

THE Indian masses have been starving for centuries. And nobody puts their names in the papers.

A headline in today's paper reads: Stocks Rising, Roosevelt's Talk a Factor.

Rising on hot air, of course.

James H. Rand, Jr., president of the Remington Rand Corporation, a company whose factories can be immediately turned into munition plants, is on the committee to put Roosevelt's "national planning" schemes into effect.

"We have faith in the wisdom of the President," declares this exploiter of workers.

This exploiter of wage-labor can hardly conceal his delight at the new Roosevelt schemes.

Naturally, he has good reason for his joy and his faith in the wisdom of Roosevelt. Every act of Roosevelt has been a gift to the Wall Street money masters.

His wisdom consists in protecting the profits of the ruling class while pretending that he is all "for the people."

The negotiations of the capitalist diplomats are for the division of markets, are agreements about the division of spoils in the next imperialist world slaughter.

The Soviet Union is the only country in the world that has nothing to hide from the workers. It brought to light all the secret documents from the archives of the Czar.

And were the faces of the European diplomats red.

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Roosevelt's report on eight weeks activity of his administration is a call to further attacks on the standards of life of the American toiling masses.

It is a challenge that must be met by determined and united resistance to wage cuts, the fight for unemployment and social insurance at the expense of the government and the employers, for stopping evictions and foreclosures, for freedom for Tom Mooney and the Scottsboro Boys, for struggle against imperialist war.

PARIS, May 9.—The conflict within the French Cabinet over the payment of the \$19,000,000 debt installment to America due last December is raging unabated.

Envy Herriot is pressing for debt payment as an advantage to France's diplomatic position before the Economic Conference, getting American support in the present maneuvers for the re-division of Europe's territory.

Premier Daladier and other members of the Cabinet, under the pressure of industrialist circles, wants to defer payment until the World Economic Conference, when the whole subject of debts will be raised anew.

In preparation for the opening trade war, a conference of French and German colonial representatives opened today in an effort to make the French colonial empire as self-sufficient as possible.

Following the lead of the British Ottawa Conference, five French cabinet ministers, the governors of all the colonies and protectorates, and industrial and financial advisers will discuss plans for erecting an airtight wall against foreign imports around the French colonial empire.

WASHINGTON, May 9.—Secretary of State Hull today said that the Roosevelt Administration's policy was to discuss war debts at the same time as the World Economic Conference meets.

In other words, the United States will use the war debts owed by the former Allied Powers as a lever to obtain foreign trade concessions for American capital from the countries concerned.

Dr. Alfred Sze, Chinese envoy, and Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, President of the German Reichsbank, today conferred with President Roosevelt on the silver price problem and reciprocal tariff reductions.

Schacht also discussed the liquidation of Germany's two billion dollars of private debts owed American capitalists.

'Calamity Threatens' Economic Conference Declares Henderson

Von Blomberg, Reichswehr Head, Refuses Any Arms Agreement That Might Cripple Fascist Control of Armed Forces

GENEVA, May 9.—Arthur Henderson, president of the Disarmament Conference, warned the Steering Committee that "calamity threatens the World Economic Conference" if some arms reduction is not reached before June 12.

Immediately afterward, the Conference adjourned for several days to make room for negotiations with the German representatives on their rearmament demands.

COLO. STUDENTS GREET WORKERS OF SOVIET UNION

Teachers' College Union Condemns Vickers Sabotage. GREELEY, Colo., May 4.—The Union of Students Clubs, embracing 63 delegates, of the Colorado State Teachers College here sent a letter to the People's Procurator of the Soviet Union in Moscow, protesting against the sabotage of the Metropolitan-Vickers engineers and adding that "their act is a part of the scheme of the international bankers and industrial capitalists to hinder and discredit the historical task of the Soviet workers and peasants in building Socialism."

The resolution continues: "We send revolutionary greetings to the workers and peasants of the Soviet Union, urging them to keep constant vigil against both internal and external enemies until as the gallant vanguard of the working class of the world, they have triumphantly led the world to an International Socialist State."

Demonstration in Cleveland Against Balkan Fascism

CLEVELAND, O., May 9.—This morning a demonstration was held against Balkan Fascism and for the freedom of Macedonia. A parade started at 10 a. m. from the Ukrainian Labor Temple, marching to Public Square, where a meeting was held attended by 1,000 workers.

Among the speakers were George Pirinsky, National Secretary of the Macedonian Peoples League, now holding its 3rd Annual Convention in Cleveland, Cross Mitchell, of the Central Committee of the League, and S. Loven, of the Yugoslav Anti-Fascist Committee of Chicago.

Delegations elected by the Convention presented a resolution to the Greek and Yugoslav Consulates this morning; both consulates agreed to transmit the resolution to their respective governments. The resolution raised the following demands:

1. The rights of workers and peasants organizations to exist without governmental interference; 2. The immediate release of all political prisoners; 3. The immediate and complete independence of Macedonia.

Czecho-Slovak Toilers Seize Wire Factory When Boss Cuts Wages

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia, April 25.—The management of the Haln wire factory in Oderberg posted a bulletin reducing wages 50 per cent. The workers at once decided to stop work and not to return until this notice was taken down. They did not leave the factory, and when the night shift arrived, they immediately joined the strike. In the evening, police entered the building and arrested the workers by force. The next morning the workers returned to their places in the plant and continued the strike. The strike is continuing with no settlement reached as yet.

U. S. Auto Firm Gets Monopoly in Persia; Hard Blow at Britain

TEHERAN, Persia, May 9.—The Persian Government yesterday awarded the American-Persia Corporation, a firm financed by General Motors Corporation and other American groups, a trading monopoly in automobiles, tires and furs for all Persia.

American representatives are A. J. Meste, of the Conference for Progressive Labor Action; J. B. Matthews of the Fellowship of Reconciliation; George Soule; John Dos Passos; Prof. H. W. L. Dana, and Alfred Wagenknecht of the Workers International Relief.

You can help by sending your contribution to the National Committee to Aid Victims of German Fascism at 76 1/2th Ave., New York City and by helping to collect funds on National Day, May 19, 30 and 31.

International indignation against the terrorism of Hitler has led to the development of the Committee to Aid the Victims of German Fascism, with headquarters at Paris, France. This international committee provides food, clothing, home, medical aid when necessary, to refugees, and it sends funds into Germany for the oppressed there.

The English representatives are Lord Marley, Labor Party, International Chairman; Prof. Arthur Edington; Fenner Brockway, Independent Labor Party; Alice Neal, Co-operative Guild; Saklatvala, Communist Party; Jim Wilson, Catholic Crusade; Mme. Wanner, Women's League for Peace and Freedom; Prof. Francis Jourdain, International Secretary. Czecho-Slovakia, Prof. Nejedly; Egon Erwin Kisch; J. C. Weiskopf; Franz Hoellering; Prof. Schalda, Holland, stage director Joris Ivens; Helene Andersmith, and Belgium, Henri Matteau; Speak; Karel Von Dooren. The German representatives are Ernst Toller; Arthur Holtscher; E. J. Gumbel; Rudolf Leonhard; Hans Eisler; Willi Muzzenberg.