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NAZI CRUISER SHELLS SPANISH SHIP

LEADERS MEET AS GMC TIEUP STILL SPREADS

25,900 in Auto, 15,000 in Glass Slow Up All Production

FLINT, Mich., Jan. 1.—Representatives of United Automobile Workers' locals in General Motors plants arriving here for a conference tomorrow morning drew central attention today as strikes in ten of the corporation's basic plants slowed the entire vast motor production system.

The representatives, consisting chiefly of leaders in the sit-downs and strikes now taking place in six cities, were called by Vice-President Wyndham Mortimer, who is in direct command of the move against General Motors, to consider collective bargaining terms to be put to the corporation.

One of the vital questions to come before the union leaders will be an answer to William S. Knudson, executive vice-president of General Motors, who in his latest letter to the union again referred all negotiations to local managers of the company. Knudson did, however, agree in his letter to meet representatives "for general discussion," though he said that all matters concerning collective bargaining will have to be referred to local managers.

Demands Listed From the list of demands that Mortimer announced as having been approved at the Cleveland mass meeting of Fisher Body strikers, it appears that the following will be up for approval at the conference:

- 1. Recognition of the United as the bargaining agency for the workers;
2. A six-hour day, five-day week;
3. Elimination of piece work and speed-up;
4. Seniority rights and reinstatement of all workers fired or laid off for union activity.

The conference, it is expected, will also consider the next steps to tighten the tie-up if the corporation still persists in its open-shop policy. A likely step may be a sit-down in the very delicately organized motor line of the Chevrolet plant, here, the sole source of supply of motors to all Chevrolet plants in which a total of 66,000 workers are employed.

Another important reserve for the union is its organization in the vital Chevrolet transmission plant at Toledo, where it is strongly entrenched.

Thus far GMC's plants have mainly suffered for lack of Fisher bodies and safety glass. The latter is due to the strike of 15,000 flat glass workers, who supply almost all the safety glass used in the automotive industry.

25,900 ON STRIKE The latest survey of the situation showed 25,900 workers directly involved in the struck plants. A

Hundreds See Opium Pyre In Nanking (United Press Staff Correspondent) NANKING, Jan. 1.—Hundreds of narcotic addicts thronged the temple of Confucius today to witness a bonfire in which huge quantities of opium and pipes were destroyed.

Tough on General Motors



Scenes like this are being enacted in six cities where sit-down strikes are in progress in General Motors. This particular shot was taken at Leeds, Mo., during the sit-down strike at the Fisher Body plant in that town. Friends of the strikers are shown handing a five-gallon can of coffee over the fence to the men on the inside.

Churches Issue Call to Action On Relief Cuts

Congregational and Christian Churches Take Stand Backing Workers Alliance Against Slashes in WPA—Urge Projects Be Expanded

A militant "Call to Action," paralleling Workers Alliance demands against WPA layoffs and for WPA expansion, was issued yesterday by the Council for Social Action of the Congregational and Christian Churches of America, representing a membership of more than a million.

As a means of balancing the federal budget, higher income taxes and reduction of war appropriations, instead of slashing relief, are recommended by the Council in its message. It was released just as Workers Alliance locals throughout the country are preparing for demonstrations on January 9 and for a march to Washington on January 15, to fight for a \$1,250,000,000 relief appropriation, reinstatement of dismissed WPA workers, and a 20 per cent increase in WPA wages.

WHAT ABOUT 1937? "The present crisis in relief relief calls for protest from all who believe in governmental responsibility for adequate protection of the unemployed," the statement says. After citing the lopping off of more than 800,000 workers from WPA rolls, the statement adds: "Growing protests, however, have apparently slowed down the tempo of dismissals."

"But what about 1937?" the Council asks. (Continued on Page 4)

Fisher Body Strikers Know What They Want

By DeWitt Gilbin (Special to the Daily Worker) KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 1.—What kind of New Year's resolutions are the 2,000 striking Fisher Body workers here making? Your correspondent, wandering from union office to picket line and from soup kitchen to striker's home, thinks he has the answer.

Has the union, which has been on strike against General Motors for 17 days because of the firing of a union man, a New Year's resolution? "Certainly," explains Jack Swift, union president, "and everybody knows what it is. That we are going to win this strike and a collective bargaining agreement. And we hope that doesn't give Mr. Knudson indigestion so that he can't enjoy his turkey today."

SIMPSON DUE TO LAND HERE TOMORROW

Militant Seaman Jailed by Nazis to Get Mass Welcome Wednesday

Lawrence Simpson, militant American seaman recently freed from a Hitler prison through international protest against his incarceration, will arrive here tomorrow aboard the President Roosevelt. Striking seamen and the New York public generally will welcome him at a huge mass meeting at the St. Nicholas Arena, next Wednesday night, January 6.

Prominent speakers from the trade union movement, and various mass organizations will take the platform in the Arena to honor the young seaman, whose imprisonment in Nazi Germany roused a world-wide stormy protest. Simpson was accused by the Nazi government of carrying on Communist propaganda work among German workers. He served 17 months in jail, before his release was effected.

The waterfront will be the scene of a mass funeral march Monday afternoon, when striking seamen pay their last respects to a union brother who died from pneumonia contracted on the picket line.

The casket of the deceased, J. Tellechea, will be marched along Eleventh Avenue, and halted in front of strike headquarters on Monday at 2 P.M. Leaders of the marine workers will deliver brief addresses from the headquarters' second story window, which looks out over the waterfront, the two-month old maritime strike battleground.

Seamen were saddened at the death of Tellechea, who was known as a staunch militant. His death marks the second passing of a strike picket this week. C. U. Koog, active on the Brooklyn waterfront, also died from pneumonia a few days ago.

UNIONS BACK MEETING FOR SPAIN'S ENVOY

Ambassador de los Rios to Speak at Garden Monday Night

With the support of many trade unions and fraternal organizations assured, a capacity audience is expected by the United Spanish Societies at the Madison Square Garden rally for Spanish Ambassador Fernando de los Rios this Monday night.

Aside from union backing, the societies also announced that a number of liberals will give five-minute talks at the meeting pledging their support for the embattled Spanish people in their fight against fascism.

Dr. de los Rios's address on the Spanish situation will be the main event of the meeting. Professor John Dewey of Columbia University will be chairman.

Among the unions that have officially endorsed the rally and bought boxes in the Garden are the Dress Joint Board of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, the Furriers Joint Council, the Knit Goods Workers Union, the Dress Patternmakers, the Retail Grocery Clerks, and the Brotherhood of Pullman Porters.

Other organizations include the Workmen's Sick and Death Benefit Fund, the Workmen's Circle, the International Workers Order, the Workers' Defense League, the International Labor Defense and the Socialist and Communist parties.

Holds Crew As Hostages In Reprisal for Seizure Of Contraband War Cargo

Hitler, Mussolini Speed Troop Shipments to Aid Franco

40 PLANES SENT

4,000 Leave Milan for Spain as Nazis Also Send 4,000 Men

(By Cable to the Daily Worker) GENEVA, Switzerland, Jan. 1.—Troops from Germany and Italy are being rushed in unprecedented numbers to the Fascists in Spain while the British and French governments await the formal reply from Mussolini and Hitler to their request for an agreement to stop "volunteers."

The troops are sent, though there is reliable information that at the last minute many recruits refuse to serve. According to information just received from Lupato and Posolo, forty bombing planes flew to the Fascist forces in Spain on Nov. 27. Four thousand so-called "volunteers" left Milan on Nov. 30 to be sent to Spain.

Another 4,000 German soldiers are being sent to help General Franco, Fascist chief, passed through Milan thereafter. The Italian Fascist "Seamen's Association" is recruiting non-commissioned officers for the Spanish rebels and is promising them extremely favorable conditions. After a hurried training in Spezia, Italy, these recruits are sent to Seville in Spain or to Majorca, in the Balearic Islands.

Italian Note Demands Spain's Gold Impounded

LONDON, Jan. 1.—A note presented Wednesday by Mussolini's ambassador here, Count Dino Grandi, to the Non-Intervention Committee, makes outrageous conditions for Italy's consent to the agreement not to ship volunteers to Spain.

The note demands that there must be "particular measures to prevent gold belonging to the Bank of Spain and transferred abroad after the beginning of the Civil War being used in connection with the conflict."

The Spanish government is not to be allowed to spend its own money to buy arms for its soldiers or food for their wives and children, or medicines for the civilians wounded by Franco's bombardment of Madrid!

Furthermore, Italy proposes to send "foreign hiers" in Spain or in any of the countries signing the non-intervention agreement—a proposal to prevent any one explaining the Spanish government's side of the case! The prohibition would extend to broadcasts, pamphlets and leaflets, said the note.

"Prohibition must include," said the Italian note, "government loans and credits, and also loans and credits from public bodies, banks, firms and private persons, as well as public subscriptions and all forms of gratuitous assistance in any way susceptible of prolonging the conflict."

Such private humanitarian subscriptions as would be allowed must, said the note, be "subjected to strict control and supervision. It is taken for granted that the

Minor in Spain for Daily; Working Class Leader Famed As Writer and Cartoonist

Robert Minor, one of the leaders of the American Communist Party since the early days, is also one of the best known newspaper men in the country, as he was also the outstanding American cartoonist until he ceased drawing under pressure of other work. Minor's experience in all phases of the class war from ballots to bullets has been unique. He was the first secretary of the Mooney Defense Committee. He was a newspaper correspondent in Europe during the World War, and was active in Soviet Russia in the days of the Revolution and Civil War. He knew Lenin personally. He was arrested and faced death in Germany during the period of Allied occupation. He was since then at various times editor of the Daily Worker and of other workers' papers and magazines, and has missed few major struggles in the United States. In the last election he ran for Governor of New York State.

His brilliant reporting from the plains of German-invaded Ukraine to the gun fights of West Virginia mine fields are fresh in the minds of many an old timer.

Madrid Confident As New Year Dawns

Daily Worker Special Correspondent Arrives in Spanish Capital as Fascists Send 12 Shells Into City in Brutal Parody of Old Spanish Custom

By Robert Minor (Daily Worker Correspondent in Spain)

MADRID, Jan. 1.—As I approached Madrid last night at midnight, twelve artillery shells were fired into the city—General Franco's brutal parody of the old Spanish custom of eating twelve grapes at New Year's.

During the night the enemy attacked with tanks, successfully in the University City, and Moncloa sectors. But New Year dawns with the initiative for the first time really in the hands of the troops of the Government and the People. They are now beginning new tactics of defense, by means of a general offensive, only now possible because of the newly instilled discipline and improved munitions situation.

The People are celebrating with a new spirit, one of joyous optimism, justified by the advance of nearly one mile at Usera, a southwestern suburb of Madrid, and at Boadilla del Monte, near the road to Escorial, northwest of Madrid. Boadilla was one of the most endangered points; it was rumored that German soldiers were in action there on the Fascist side.

The capture a few days ago of Villanueva de la Canada menaces the enemy communications. On the Guadalajara front, the People's Army has captured the village and fortress of Atienza (about 75 miles from Madrid and a key point to other towns held by the Fascists).

The enemy, repulsed at Madrid, has sharpened his activity in the South and has made some advances against militia that is as yet undisciplined and without a centralized command there. The militia dispatched to the South within the past few hours was a new discipline and has regained the lost ground, capturing Villa del

Governor of Santander Immediately Protests Shelling, Seizure

DEMANDS ANSWER

Diplomatic World Is Aroused by Capture of Spanish Ship

SANTANDER, Spain, Jan. 1.—The German cruiser Koenigsberg today shelled and captured the Spanish (Loyalist) steamer Soton and held its crew hostages. Immediately after this outrageous act of intervention and aggression, the commander of the Koenigsberg radioed to the governor of Santander that he had captured the ship "as a reprisal for the retention of part of the Palos' cargo."

The German freighter Palos was seized within Spanish territorial waters a week ago by Spanish government officials who caught it running war materials to the Fascists. The Palos was released, but the war materials were held to prevent their being used to kill Loyalists.

The Palos was violating both international law and the non-intervention agreement signed by the Nazi government, among others.

GOVERNOR PROTESTS Within a few minutes after the Koenigsberg's captain had made his brazen announcement, the radio cracked back from Santander with this message, signed by Governor Ruiz Olizaran:

"I protest energetically against the capture of the Spanish ship, Soton, and demand immediate deliverance of the whole crew, unjustly arrested, according to all international law. I demand an immediate answer." The commander of the Nazi cruiser then radioed back: "The Soton was captured as a

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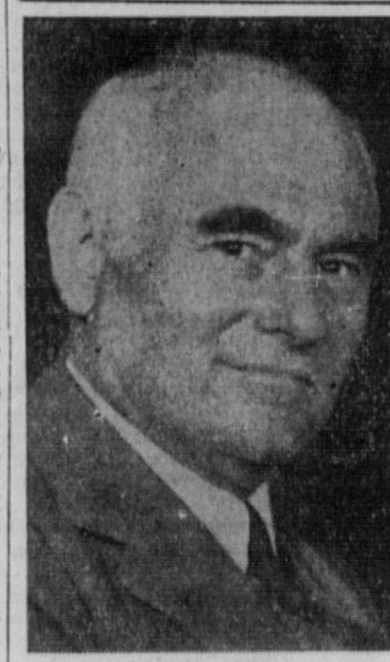
5th Regiment Greets Daily On New Year

The Daily Worker yesterday received the following cable of greetings from the Fifth Regiment, the military organization with the greatest responsibility in the defense of Madrid, whose heroic record is acknowledged by everyone in Spain. The cable is as follows: "To the Editor of the Daily Worker: "At the beginning of the New Year, in the name of the Fifth Regiment, we greet your great daily which is an honor to the international press and which every moment reflects the truth of the heroic struggle of the Spanish people against fascist barbarism.

"Your paper fights against the slander campaign carried on by the mercenary imperialist press in all countries, against those who try to pervert the true character of our struggle and the heroic self-sacrifice of our people in the fight for its liberties and against the enemies of peace, liberty and progress. "We warmly greet your great daily in its grand task of disseminating the correct information about Spain and in mobilizing the anti-fascist masses to assist our struggle in Spain.

"Anti-Fascist greetings to your readers and to the editors of the Daily Worker. (Signed.) "ENRIQUE LISTER, Chief Commandante of the Fifth Regiment. "CARLOS J. CONTRERAS, Political Commissioner." MODEL REGIMENT The heroic Fifth Regiment which has just wired the Daily Worker is

IN MADRID



ROBERT MINOR

Rio, not far from Cordova. The People's Army inflicted heavy losses on the enemy and captured some artillery from them. In general, the developments are favorable and indicate that a certain important enemy city will be captured soon.

WPA Worker Answers Drive Call of 'Voice of Progressive Humanity'

"After reading the Daily Worker for about four years, one realizes that to risk discontinuance of the only working class daily newspaper because of lack of funds would mean that the greatest working class organizer, the voice of progressive humanity, would cease to function in America."

That is what J. W., a WPA worker, wrote us in sending in \$1 to the \$100,000 drive of the Daily and Sunday Worker. We have told you of the great need to speed up collections in the drive for immediate cash to permit the Daily Worker to survive. Such an eloquent appeal to our readers for quick action in the \$100,000 drive is made by J. W. that we are publishing the letter in full. "Where would we get our aid in exposing labor fakers and racketeers?" the letter says. "All progressive trade unionists, especially those in the furriers, painters and maritime unions, know very well the part the Daily and Sunday Worker played in ousting their racketeers and fakers, which in turn meant democracy in their unions and better conditions in their industries. "Were the Daily Worker to cease publishing for lack of speed in the \$100,000 drive, it would mean that we would no longer know the truth about Spain, China, America, and other important countries and events. "I, being a WPA worker, want to take this opportunity to extend my thanks to the Daily Worker for the consistent fight it has put up on behalf of the WPA workers and those workers who are on relief. "Here's for a successful campaign in the shortest time possible." Take this message to heart! Act quickly to raise money in the drive, send it to the Daily Worker immediately, so there will be no danger that "the voice of progressive humanity" will cease.

COLUMN LEFT!

"Madame Regrets..." On Lemmings and Professors By Harrison George

"MADAME regrets she's unable to lunch today," begins an ironic ditty about the lady who, it finally developed, was in jail for murder.

In Washington, Roosevelt regretted two things yesterday.

First, he regretted that the growth of child labor, long hours and starvation wages "has been constant and increasing."

His second regret was that a certain Mr. Cuse of New Jersey is selling some airplanes to the legally elected democratic government of Spain.

How many American planes and how much war supplies have gone "to Portugal" is a dark secret and needs no regrets or indignation.

That Rockefeller's Standard Oil from its tanks at Tangier is fuel for Franco's planes and army trucks is a subject for science, but not for regret.

And, quite differently from child labor, long hours and starvation wages in America, President Roosevelt has power and is determined to use it to stop democratic Spain from getting planes to defend itself from fascism.

He'll see to it that Congress "extends the Neutrality Act to Spain and with certain discretionary features, to all countries where internal strife occurs."

Why this "discretion"? Well, for example, suppose the people of Cuba revolt against the bloody tyranny of Colonel Batista, why that would be a different matter! Batista's "government" would get arms to crush the revolt.

So, you see, the whole matter boils down to whether or not we approve of the government elected by the people of Spain. It is clear that the American people passionately support it against Franco and Hitler's fascists.

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MUSSOLINI GETS FEET SET FOR WAR

Merchant Marine Is Reorganized in New Plans

ROME, Jan. 1.—As war clouds lower and the naval race begins, the Italian merchant marine was reorganized today.

The Italian Line was given North America, Central American trade went to the Lloyd Triestino, South America is a monopoly of the Adriatica Line and the Tirrenia Lines take over the Orient trade.

The Italia is ordered to recondition its best ships and try to capture the "blue ribbon" for speed.

Nicaragua Inaugurates President

Somoza Takes Office Pledging to Cooperate in Peace Efforts

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, Jan. 1 (UP).—With a promise to cooperate in the maintenance of American peace, Gen. Anastasio Somoza, former director of the National Guard, today was inaugurated as President of Nicaragua for the 1937-41 term.

Somoza, elected Dec. 8, succeeded Carlos Erenas Jarquin, who was chosen by Congress last June 9 to replace President Juan B. Sacasa, ousted by the National Guard.

In his inaugural address, the new President declared his government plans to develop a program for the maintenance of peace, democratic order, social justice, education and employment. He eulogized President Roosevelt's "good neighbor" policy.

Youngstown Hears Spain Youth Envoys Tomorrow Night

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Jan. 1.—Spanish anti-fascist fighter in Madrid will benefit from a rally for his youth envoys from Spain this evening at 7:30 p.m. at Central Auditorium under the sponsorship of a number of trade union and progressive leaders.

The four speakers will be Luis Simarro, wounded militia commander; Maria Simarro, his wife, a war orphanage director; Josefina Ramirez, a Red Cross nurse; and Eugenio Imaz, a Catholic youth editor.

Spanish Ship Reaches Vera Cruz for Cargo

VERA CRUZ, Mexico, Jan. 1 (UP).—Federal health authorities today ordered disinfection of the Spanish steamer Motomar preparatory to its docking to load cargo for the Loyalist government of Spain.

The vessel, chartered by an American company to transport faxseed from Argentina to the United States, arrived here Wednesday after being diverted to this port by the Spanish government. It was expected the faxseed would be unloaded here and transferred to another ship.

Canterbury Archbishop Deplores Anti-Semitism

LONDON, Jan. 1 (UP).—The Archbishop of Canterbury today deplored the growth of Anti-Semitism in England in a New Year's Day message to his diocese in which he expressed deep concern at the gloomy outlook for peace in Europe.

He did not mention the Duke of Windsor. The prelate pictured "restless, ominous" war clouds hovering over the continent and expressed the hope that "responsible rulers," regardless of the language used for domestic consumption, would really "make loyalty to the prince of peace active and effective."

Record Broken

HAVANA, Cuba.—Katherine Rawls of Miami, Fla., swimming against her sister, Dorothy yesterday established an unofficial world 80-meter breaststroke record of 35.2 seconds. Miss Rawls, competing in Cuba's National Sports Carnival swimming meet, broke the record of 36.4 seconds held by Margaret Hoffman of Scranton, Pa.

Richmond D.A. Named

ALBANY, Jan. 1 (UP).—Governor Lehman today appointed Frank H. Innes, of New Brighton, District Attorney of Richmond County. Innes, who has practiced law for more than thirty years, succeeds Thomas J. Walsh, resigned.

Guffey in Car Crash

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1 (UP).—Senator Joseph Guffey, D. Pa., was reported resting comfortably today at Emergency Hospital where he is recovering from injuries received in an automobile accident yesterday. His injuries were not considered serious and he was expected to leave the hospital in a few days.

Soviet Conquerors of the Arctic



The famous ice-breaker Krassin conveying ships near Vankarem in the Chukhot Sea. Photo shows transshipping of coal from the Mikoyan to the steamers Pravda (Truth), Rabotchi (Workers), and Volodarsky.

Spain's Leaders Hail USSR In Ardent New Year Greeting

Caballero, Pasionaria, Diaz Send Messages—Published in Press

By Sender Garlin (Daily Worker Moscow Correspondent) MOSCOW, Jan. 1 (By Cable).—Three outstanding leaders of the fight of the Spanish people against fascist reaction and intervention hailed the Soviet Union in ardent New Year's greetings published here today.

They were Largo Caballero, premier of Spain, and leader of the U. G. T. trade unions, Dolores Ibaruri—La Pasionaria—and Jose Diaz, General Secretary of the Communist Party of Spain.

The Soviet press also published ardent greetings from the famous French author and devoted friend of the Soviet Union, Romain Rolland.

Caballero wrote: "I am very glad to send greetings and best wishes to the Soviet people for the New Year. The Spanish working class is united in perpetual friendship with the Russian workers."

"Their solidarity with us at this difficult period will never be forgotten. The proletariat of Iberia, during and after the war, will try to follow the example of your great country."

PASIONARIA'S GREETING

Dolores Ibaruri declared: "On New Year's Day we want to repeat words of brotherly love and heartfelt friendship and deepest gratitude to you, our Soviet brothers and sisters, the sons and daughters of the great Socialist Fatherland."

"The feelings of the people are embodied in this war cry, which arouses us against the traitors, the generals, the robber aristocrats and landlords, against bloody fascism."

"The bankrupt fascist governments of Italy, Germany and Portugal, which exist on a basis of terror, starvation and poverty of the working people, in the attempt to maintain themselves are forced to continue the policy of the enslavement of the peoples."

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GREET THE SOVIET UNION



LARGO CABALLERO



LA PASIONARIA

PRaises Stalin

"We were alone. Our fighting spirit began to weaken. Desperate countries, not daring to look fascism in the face, cowardly left us."

"Only you, our brothers in the Soviet Union, led by our beloved Stalin, heard our cries of despair. Only you, the beloved brothers of our people, stretched out the aiding hand. Our children are no longer hungry. Our fighters in the trenches and on the barricades feel profoundly the warmth of your fraternal solidarity."

"The struggle is being resumed with still greater force and enthusiasm, because we do not feel alone—because you are with us. With us is the great Stalin, who proclaimed to all weak-willed democrats that the 'liberation of Spain from the oppression of Fascist reactionaries is not the private affair of the Spaniards, but the cause of all advanced and progressive mankind.'"

"Thank you, brothers, thank you. At the beginning of the New Year, which for us will be a year of victory over bloody fascism, we declare to you as a solemn promise the slogan which has now become the flesh and blood of our fighters and of all the Spanish working people: NO PASARAN! [They shall not pass!]"

DIaz MESSAGE

Diaz's greeting follows: "In difficult conditions, it was necessary to organize with our own forces armies to throw back the attack of the hirelings of world reaction."

"Only the U.S.S.R. raised its mighty voice against the foul plot designed to crush our people. 'The slogan, 'Madrid will be the grave of fascism!' is beginning to be carried out. 20,000 members of the Communist Party are fighting on the Madrid front alongside Socialists, Anarchists, Republicans, non-Party workers, peasants, employers, employees and intellectuals. 'The International Brigades,

heroically fighting with the Spanish people and symbolizing international solidarity with them, understood that the struggle being waged at the gates of Madrid must be a death blow to international fascism."

"The present situation confronts us with the necessity of immediately undertaking the formation of a mighty people's army, comprising the best fighting elements of our people."

"The efforts of our Party, which obtained priceless lessons from the civil war in Russia, are directed to this end. All efforts of the People's Front Government are directed to this end."

"The Spanish Communist Party wants to become worthy of the heroic people of Spain and lead them to victory under the banner of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin. The brilliant example of the Bolshevik Party of the Soviet Union inspires the international fight against fascism."

ROLLAND EXPRESSES LOYALTY In his New Year greeting, Romain Rolland declared: "At this hour, when the hatred of all varieties of fascism and all breeds of frantic reaction are directed against the U.S.S.R., when the Soviet Union is subjected to cunning and bitter attacks even in Western democratic countries, where certain people in parties of the Left, who should feel pride that they can fight alongside the Soviet Union, attack it because of their fear and hatred of its great successes and the fact that it is peacefully winning the minds of the whole world—in this hour, I want to express my unchanging loyalty to the Soviet Union and its unwavering friendship with its mighty people and leaders."

"I must say that I am drawn most to the Soviet youth, who are filled with the warmest confidence and courage, and I feel myself fraternally linked with them. 'Dead or alive I shall be with them, with all my ideas. I shall be with the peoples of the Soviet Union in their trials and struggles, in their joys and sorrows, in their herculean work of clearing the swamp of the old world to build the new world on purified soil. I shall be with them in the hour of decisive victory which all unite the peoples of all countries.'"

PRESS RECOUNTS VICTORIES

The entire Soviet press is devoted today to recounting the achievements of the U.S.S.R. during the past year, all emphasizing the epochal Soviet Constitution, which solemnly codified the achievement of the people of the U.S.S.R. during the past nineteen years.

The newspapers also contain statements from leading Stakhanovites, outstanding men of art and science, on the plans for the coming year. Prof. V. I. Komarov, the newly-elected President of the Academy of Sciences of the U.S.S.R., declared that all three branches of the Academy are striving on the basis of the principle of socialist competition to win first place by their achievements in the field of scientific theory, adding:

"I also hope that in the struggle against fascism, the scientists of the Soviet Union and of the Academy of Sciences will contribute greatly to

Romain Rolland Vows His Loyalty to Soviet Union

the common cause of all humanity."

MOSCOW FESTIVE

Alexei Tolstoy, leading Soviet author, said: "I do not want my words to be regarded as a sort of boast, as a manifestation of arrogance and super-patriotism, but I do want to state that ours is the only country where the people meet the New Year with a sense of calm security and look boldly into the future. This is due to the fact that we have created the real conditions for growth of human happiness. We are sure of this, and invite other countries to cooperate in the struggle against the worst enemy of mankind—fascism."

Tolstoy, who is a kinsman of the classic Russian novelist Leo Tolstoy, said that in 1937, he will finish two major works: a novel "Ariad" and a play "Lening."

The theaters, concert halls, restaurants and cafes were crowded with merry-makers last night as the people of the Red capital celebrated New Years in the gayest fashion yet seen here.

The city was given a festive air by thousands of brilliantly lighted and decorated fir trees in store windows and public squares. Hundreds of thousands of workers gathered in the New Year with banquets, concerts, and dances at factory clubs. Followed by gay intimate parties at homes.

Radios broadcast New Year's greetings from all parts of the Soviet Union to the Red capital, all echoing the words: On to 1937, the end of the Second Five-Year Plan, and the Twentieth Anniversary of the great Proletarian Socialist Revolution.

WHAT'S ON

Philadelphia

"Spain and International Peace," a lecture by Harry Martin, leading New Year's speaker, will be given at the People's Forum, 311 S. Juniper St., Sunday, Jan. 3, 8 P.M.

Philadelphia Music Center, 310 S. Juniper St., presents all Bach program, Sunday night, January 3rd, 8:30 P.M.

The Section that is going over the top presents: Mother Bloor, James W. Ford, Pat Toohy, Art Shields, and others who will greet the Shock Brigades of Section 6, C. P. Saturday, January 3rd, 9 P.M. Park Manor Club, 31st and Ridge Ave. Supper served 9:30 P.M. Program. Four prizes will be given to the branches that go over the top. Admission at door \$1.00. Benefit DAILY WORKER drive.

Detroit, Mich.

West Side Peoples Forum opens the first of a series of weekly Sunday Forums with a lecture on the "Peoples Front and Spain." Speaker: Lawrence Emery, Director of Peoples School, Martin Hall, 4852 Martin Ave. January 3rd, 3 P.M. Admission 10c. Questions and discussion.

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'European Catastrophe Started by Germany' Feared by Britons

Group of Ultra-Conservative Members of English Parliament Due Here on Mission Sees War Alliance of Nazis, Japan and Italy

LONDON, Jan. 1.—Members of an unofficial Parliamentary mission, coming to America soon to encourage a general understanding between the United States and Great Britain, predicted today a "European catastrophe" with Germany, Italy and Japan forming an alliance.

Hitler Stresses War Moves in Year-End Word

Hails Rhineland Step and Conscripted as High Points of Year

BERLIN, Jan. 1 (UP).—Chancellor Adolf Hitler, as commander-in-chief of Reich forces, and various government leaders issued brief New Year proclamations.

Hitler stressed the most important events of the past year were re-militarization of the Rhineland and introduction of the two-year military service plan.

He addressed his proclamation to the "soldiers" while Gen. Hermann Wilhelm Goering, Minister of Air, greeted "Comrades" in his New Year's message.

As commissioner of the four-year plan, Goering proclaimed: "A year of hard work and wonderful achievements lies behind us. Through the four-year plan the Fuehrer set us to the task of claiming all the energies of the German nation."

Change in Prison Awaits Action On Mercy Plea

NANKING, Jan. 1 (UP).—Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang, who recently detained Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek for a fortnight, was held in a military prison today but was hopeful for clemency and an early release.

Chang, who was sentenced to ten years imprisonment and five years loss of civil rights for his rash act, may not be detained after Monday. At that time the government will consider a formal petition for clemency made by Chiang.

Title Go In London

Matchmaker Syd Hulls yesterday announced Pety Sarron, world featherweight champion of Birmingham, Ala., had signed for a title defense against Johnny McGroory, British and Empire champion in London this spring. The bout will be held in the Tarringway Arena, probably April 19, he said.

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Students Declare for Collective Security After Stormy Debate

Student Union Convention in Chicago Favors International Cooperation Against Aggressor Nations as Part of Peace Policy

(Daily Worker Midwest Bureau)
CHICAGO, Jan. 1. — The American Student Union climaxed a three-day convention here with a stormy session on the question of collective security.

The storm broke on the peace program of the union, precipitated by a group which declared endorsement of the Oxford pledge outlawed any stand in favor of collective security among nations.

Their resolution stated: "It is the sense of this convention that the Oxford Pledge, which is taken in the face of preparation of an imperialist war by the United States Government, is incompatible with any proposal to have that same government collaborate with other governments against so-called aggressor nations. Furthermore it is incompatible with propositions for collective security, which are at base war-waging propositions."

After a long debate the final vote was 136 to 99 against the resolution—a victory for collective security. The stand of the delegates clearly brought out their determination that all peace forces shall work together.

PLEA BY CELESTE STRACK
A final appeal by Celeste Strack, high school secretary, pointing out that passage of a resolution against collective security would drive out of the A.S.U. all who believe in the principle, undoubtedly clinched the vote against the resolution.

Ironically, opposite sides in the debate were led by two young men who recently wrote an anti-war book together, Joseph Lash and James Wechsler. Lash led the debate for those who wanted to declare that the Oxford Oath (refusal to support any war the U. S. Government might declare) precluded any collective security action among the nations. Wechsler took the opposite side, defending collective action against the aggressor nations in any dispute.

Lash's argument was that of Norman Thomas: that collective security pacts only rouse the fascist to war, because they are thwarted. That in any war, the United States would become fascist, and so, to prevent the United States becoming fascist, during a war, the students must refuse to support any war, or any international action, economic or political, to stop fascist aggression.

WECHSLER'S STAND
Wechsler, on the other side, declared that supporting international collective security in no way bound anyone to support American armaments, or to support any imperialist war the United States might engage in. He said the opponents of the resolution had no illusion that Roosevelt or the capitalist government were fighting for democracy, or against fascism. The only thing that would make the U. S. government a force for peace was the pressure of the people who demand peace. He declared that capitalist war was almost inevitable, but the object of collective security was to keep it from breaking out as long as possible.

The final vote, by show of cards, was 136 to 99, against the resolution. Prolonged applause broke out when the decision was read. Lash, who had led the fight for the resolution, expressed satisfaction that the organization could work together, on a united front base, though there were points of disagreement among its members.

Earlier in the session many important decisions were made. The session began with the reading of a telegram from two Catholic delegates to the National Student Federation convention calling the ASU "an American" and challenging the ASU to debate them publicly.

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Publishers' Tip Sheet Begins Crusade Against Marine Strike

'Editor and Publisher' Rushes In Where Finks Fear to Tread

By Harry Raymond
"Mob Rule," "Terror," "Guerrilla Warfare," "Economic Calamity." These were a few suggestions for headlines offered free of charge to enterprising newspaper publishers in the Christmas week issue of Editor and Publisher, unofficial mouthpiece of the Newspaper Publishers Association.

Of course, none of the ideas are new—they've been used over and over again to describe strikes and labor disputes—but Editor and Publisher is not opposed to the use of old slogans for a new campaign, especially if it is directed against striking seamen and longshoremen. Indeed, the publishers' magazine has sallied forth in its crusade to break the maritime strike, carrying aloft the banners of "democracy," "freedom of the press" and "collective bargaining."

NOT BACKED BY FACTS

The publishers' tip sheet staunchly agrees that collective bargaining is the "law of the land," but in this case where maritime workers are testing the law, it is called a "FRANCHISE FOR MOB RULE" (headline No. 2).

"The Wagner Act gives workers the right to collective bargaining by representatives of their own choosing, free from interference," says Editor and Publisher, "but it does not legalize 'TERROR NOR GUERRILLA WARFARE. . .'" (headline No. 2).
For some mysterious reason the publishers' journal, which has always advised up-and-coming cub reporters to "get the facts," failed utterly to present a single concrete fact to prove its contention that "mob rule" and "guerrilla warfare" exists any place along the maritime front. That is the job of the local editors. It's left to them to cook up the "facts," incite the vigilantes to mob rule and terror, as they did during the San Francisco general strike in 1934.

As a golden text for his sermon against the marine unions, Editor and Publisher has selected an unoriginal remark made recently by Emil Reinhardt, Oakland, Cal., advertising man.
"Newspapers should settle this strike," said Reinhardt, "they are the ones who can shout loud enough to do it."

The publishers' sermonizer then goes on to criticize the adman's proposal that the papers shout. Shouting, it says, is not the thing. They could end the strike "by throwing a little more light on the struggle for the benefit of union members as well as the public."

And it is wages, hours and working conditions on the docks and ships that Editor and Publisher is endeavoring to undermine through its Christmas week blast against it to do it.

Newspaper publishers sometimes tread where "Chowderhead" Cohen's finks and nobles refuse to go. It's hard to say how far they will go in their attempts to break the maritime strike. But if and when the "mob rule" headlines begin to appear labor knows what to do. Put the offenders on the unfair list. Falling circulation hurts a publisher more than a new shoe.

DIGS UP OLD ANDY

The papers, says Editor and Publisher, should "examine attempts of agitators to move in on the moribund leadership of the International Seamen's Union." It sets forth a journalistic program, which, under the guise of democratic procedure, actually supports the "moribund leadership" which is aiming to sell the seamen down the river. The present strike is called an "OUTLAW STRIKE" (headline No. 3), and the papers are advised to resurrect the ancient and discredited Andrew Fursueith, international president of the Seamen's Union, Fursueith, hated by the seamen for his long years of sabotage to the ship owners, is considered news today by Editor and Publisher. An old guard is needed to hold back the seamen.

"Now he has disappeared," says the publishers' journal speaking of Fursueith, "and his beloved union is the prey of warring factions."

Joseph P. Ryan, president of the International Longshoremen's Association who has joined the ship owners in the strike, also looms as a man of great importance in the program for publishers. He is lauded as the man who "defended orderly union procedure."

The new agreement leaves out the "no boycott" clause which Hearst papers tried to write in, and which caused the agreement to be rejected as a "yellow dog contract" on Nov. 25.

Prologued chapel meetings, amounting to sit down strikes, called at edition deadlines speeded up negotiation of the agreement, which had been hanging fire for two months. The local printers officials had not been able to make headway, until these sit downs began.

After a week, during which the sit downs spread from the Hearst plant to the "Times" President Howard's new agreement here in Chicago, and negotiations got started. Howard's draft proposals are said to have contained the "yellow dog" section the union had rejected earlier, but it did not appear in the agreement as put to a vote.

Chicago typos said they had a hard time forcing Howard to come to town. He refused, on the grounds that only Harvey Kelly could negotiate for the Hearst papers, and Kelly was busy with the Seattle P-I strike. But the sit downs brought action, fast.

Editor and Publisher wonders why the newspapers don't let loose the barrage. But the magazine does not record the fact that many publishers who went the limit in the past stirring up wild campaigns against union labor and strikers lost heavily in circulation. Labor consciousness in America is rising and union men today feel less inclined to support papers that attack them. They have learned to use the boycott weapon.

But Editor and Publisher skips this. The American Newspaper Guild has put the soft pedal on good old journalistic practices, publishers' journal declares.

"One possible explanation of cautious news treatment in dealing with

Target of Publishers' Attack



HARRY BRIDGES

rising young men of the soap box and picket line might be found in the self-consciousness of editors, momentarily confronted by the extraordinary union, the American Newspaper Guild," says Editor and Publisher. "Publishers cannot deal with it on the terms it demands without endangering control of policies, and yet these men, who have dealt fairly with mechanical unions for years, are made to look bad by the charge that they won't let their reporters organize."

If the Guild has caused reporters and editors to be more cautious about the facts in reporting labor news, or any other news, it is certainly to the credit of the Guild. But negotiations with the Guild or a contract with the Guild does not bind the publisher to any specific policy. Guild contracts deal with wages, hours and working conditions of editorial employees and nothing else.

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Straukas Is Out Now—Built House, Got 47 Days

Job Gone, But Home Intact, He Is Ready to Take Up Fight Again After Term in Bridewell, Worse Than Czarist Dungeons

(Daily Worker Midwest Bureau)

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 1.—Stanley Straukas just did 47 days in the "Bridewell," Chicago's notorious jail, for trying to build a home. He would have done a good many more, except that the I.L.D. got him out on a pauper's petition. Straukas says that he had some little experience with Czarist Russian dungeons, but the Bridewell has them beat.

The Bridewell was built to house about 1,000 people. Its "population" runs steadily around 1,612 men and 73 women. They are two in a cell, four feet wide and five feet six inches long, and six feet six inches high. "Sanitary facilities" consist of a bucket, which you can empty in the yard when you go to work in the morning. You leave it in the yard, to "air" till noon, when you take it back into the cell.

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80-Hour Montana Sit-in Wins WPA Promise That Demands Will Be Met

Led By Workers Alliance, 500 Jobless Fight for Restoration of Cuts, No Discrimination, Special Consideration for Emergencies

BILLINGS, Mont., Jan. 1.—After two weeks of steady meetings, day and night, climaxed with an 80-hour sit-in strike in WPA headquarters, 500 unemployed workers, under direction of the Workers Alliance, won a promise from WPA officials that all demands would be met.

CHICAGO WPA FIRES 4,265 FOR NEW YEAR

Workers Alliance Maps Fight to Regain All Lost Jobs

(Daily Worker Midwest Bureau)
CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 1.—The Illinois Emergency Relief Commission bade "happy new year" to 4,265 WPA employees by cancelling their "certification" for WPA jobs. This is only a beginning of the "happy" joblessness prepared by the Illinois relief body. Thirty-nine state counties have been "re-examined," as IERC calls it. There are 102 counties in the state. All will be combed for people who can be thrown out of their jobs on WPA.

The reasons the state relief body threw them out were that 1,425 failed to show up for re-examination, so the commission assumed they had jobs, that some were eligible for old-age pensions, that some were unfit for hard labor, and that some already had as much income as their "relief budget" would entitle them to. Housewives with children to care for were also out, presumably to go on the starvation relief budget.

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Demands include full and immediate restoration of WPA workers, with improved working conditions, special consideration for cases getting only partial relief, restoration of women with dependent children to the work relief rolls, no discriminations as to race, color or creed, provisions for admitting unemployed hitherto considered ineligible for WPA jobs.

Eugene Burris, regional coordinator of the WPA in Montana flew here from Helena to confer with L. G. De Nayer, local administrator, and the Workers Alliance Joint Emergency Committee.

The demonstrations, sponsored by the Billings, Laurel and Columbus locals of the Workers Alliance, were supported by merchants who suffered considerably from the WPA cuts. Thirty days before Christmas credit to retailers was suspended and when the WPA rolls were slashed the merchants found their shelves loaded with merchandise and with no buyers in sight.

During the sit-in, the unemployed elected their own committee to solicit funds and to feed themselves, once at noon and once at midnight. An unemployed reporter among the demonstrators borrowed a mimeograph machine and put out a "midnight edition" of unemployed news. Guards were placed outside, volunteers maintained a policing squad which patrolled the grounds and guarded buildings and equipment which had been deserted by the staff under orders of the administrator.

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Student Federation Votes Against ROTC

Compulsory Drill Opposed, Disarmament Urged, Foreign Wars Assailed—Student Strike Resolution Tabled, Aid to Spain Loses

Progressive student delegates at the National Student Federation of America convention at Hotel Victoria yesterday won a partial victory against militarism with the adoption of a resolution against compulsory R. O. T. C. by the vote of 69 to 35. Although the liberal bloc was defeated in the elections of officers, the group managed to lead to success a number of resolutions on a progressive program. Their resolution in favor of the nation-wide student strike in April was tabled.

Outstanding in the progressive measures approved by the delegates representing 225,000 students from 114 colleges was a peace program which denounced the increase in armaments and urged furthering "plans for disarmament on an international scale." It also said that "American youth should never again go beyond the continental borders of the United States to participate in a war."

SPAIN AID MOVE FAILS

President Roosevelt's attempt to bar shipments of arms to the legal government of Spain was approved by the majority of the students coming from rural Southern colleges, while a minority from New England favored helping Spanish democracy against fascism.

The delegates at the convocation unanimously voted to protest the course of Professor Jerome Davis from the Yale Divinity School. In the resolution freedom of thought and expression was urged for both students and faculty.

Question of affiliation with the American Youth Congress came late in yesterday's session when many delegates had left and it was voted to submit affiliation to a poll of the member schools.

A final lukewarm resolution on the student strike which called for nothing more than publicity for the strike was adopted with a few nays.

FASCISTS RUSH MORE TROOPS TO FRANCO

Grandi Asks Spain Be Prevented from Asking Own Gold Abroad

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note to the Committee foreshadowed the general line of the Italian government's answer to the Anglo-French proposals. But Mussolini and Hitler both delay answers to the British and French governments themselves.

Militia Begins Pincer West of Madrid

MADRID, Jan. 1.—Heavy firing took place tonight along the entire Madrid front, with trench mortars and machine guns going into action in Moncloa and University City at 10:30 P. M.

Fighting in the Guadarrama mountains and Guadalupe sectors to the north and northeast was reported, but details were lacking.

Loyalist advances recently from Pozuelo, a few miles northwest of Madrid and from the Aranjuez front, about the same distance southwest of Madrid, have opened the possibility of a "pincer" drive soon to cut the lines of communications of the Fascist army west of Madrid, and perhaps to surround it.

Reported Ban On Passports

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—It was reported here today that the State Department had ordered stamping of all American passports granted now: "Not Good in Spain." Only passports of Red Cross agents, consular officers and certain others especially excepted would not be stamped, it was said. Confirmation could not be obtained.

Fascists in Rome Admit Prices Are On the Upswing

ROME, Jan. 1 (UP).—Fascist officials admitted today there has been a sharp upward swing of prices in many categories, even the most essential. Wholesale prices alone have gone up 20 per cent since March, 1935, Thon Di Reitel, finance minister, admitted under questioning in the Senate.

The government still firmly refuses to publish any statistics showing the cost of living indices for the present year as well as foreign trade figures. But, officials privately admitted there has been a marked tendency of prices to move upward as a consequence of devaluation.

Batista and Puppet At Official Cuban New Year Reception

HAVANA, Cuba, Jan. 1 (UP).—For the first time since his rise to power in the "Sergeants' Revolt" in September, 1933, Col. Fulgencio Batista, Army Chief of Staff and "Cuban Warwick" today stood in the receiving line with President Federico Laredo Bru at the traditional New Year's reception in the palace.

NAZI CRUISER OPENS FIRE ON SPANISH SHIP

Governor of Santander Immediately Protests Seizure, Shelling

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reprisal against the illegal retention of a part of the cargo and one passenger of the steamer Palos. The Soton did not heed orders to halt. (Signed) Commander, Koenigsberg. Later Governor Cisneros said: "The Koenigsberg shelled the Soton without warning in Spanish territorial waters, but it was not hit."

STUDIED REPRISAL

The Governor said the Koenigsberg had forced the captain of the Spanish ship to sign a document stating that his ship would navigate as it was directed by the German cruiser.

The Soton was anchored, and the crew was landed, the Nazi cruiser meanwhile training its guns on it. The governor immediately sent a report on the matter to the Spanish government.

Proof that the action of the Koenigsberg was not the irresponsible act of a single naval commander but was a studied insult and injury to the Spanish government and a slap in the face of all peaceful nations by the Nazi government itself was quickly forthcoming.

The official German news agency, (D.N.B.) issued a statement from Berlin that the Koenigsberg has "provisionally seized" the Soton, because the "German government was obliged to apply reprisals against the Spanish Loyalists who captured the German ship Palos."

Called an Act of War Against Spain

LONDON, Jan. 1.—It was reported here that the whole diplomatic world was roused over the capture of the Spanish ship Soton. Soviet diplomats here characterized it as "an act of war against Spain's legal government."

UNIONS BACK MEETING FOR SPAIN'S ENVOY

Ambassador de los Rios to Speak at Garden Monday Night

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ments for the heroic Spanish fighters. "Now your union calls upon you to come in the thousands together with the workers of all other unions to hear the Spanish ambassador at Madison Square Garden. We call upon you to attend this historic meeting and add your voices to the voices of labor in New York City in protest against the fascist slaughter of Spanish men and children."

"We call upon you to join in this mighty demonstration at Madison Square Garden to show our solidarity with the fighters for freedom, democracy and peace in Spain. Their fight is also our fight. Their fight is the fight of the workers throughout the world for peace, for democracy and for the very life of the trade union movement."

CONTRERAS' WARNING

"Madrid at this moment is in greater danger than it was the first days of the siege. Hear this well: The enemy has concentrated everything he can to take the city and is prepared to commit all the crimes that may prove necessary to do that. "Leningrad not only resisted. All theatres in Madrid had been showing the Soviet film, 'We Are From Kronstadt' telling the story of the defense of Leningrad and the defeat of Yudenich's White Guard army. But when Leningrad saw that its resistance had demoralized the enemy it passed to the attack and won. For one cannot remain eternally on the defensive. War is movement. A firm and unbreakable resistance is already the beginning of an offensive that must be initiated all along the line and with full energy on the flanks, in the center, and in the rear."

RECORD OF BRAVERY

Similarly, Hugh Slater, writing from Madrid in International Press Correspondence, Oct. 24, pays a high tribute to the initiative of the Fifth Regiment in getting adopted by all organizations, even the anarchist, a regime of military discipline within the army.

Slater goes on to point out: "This regiment was formed by the initiative of the Spanish Communist Party. It takes its name from the fact that originally there were four regiments quartered in Madrid. The regiment is recruited and politically influenced by the Communist Party, though all loyal supporters of the Popular Front of whatever party are eligible to join."

"It is now more than 25,000 strong, and it has a record of bravery on the most difficult fronts—at Navalperal and Siguencia, in the mountains north of Madrid, and also in the Valley of the Tagus near Toledo. The Fifth Regiment has the reputation for being the most reliable and most disciplined of all the government forces."

HONOR "TANK HUNTERS"

In addition to this, the Fifth Regiment has carried on the extremely important work of liaison between the military units and the civilian population of Madrid.

Soviet Exports to Germany on Decline; Drop to \$100,000,000

MOSCOW, Jan. 1 (UP).—A sharp decline in Soviet exports to Germany was indicated today by statistics showing that whereas in 1934 they amounted to 23 per cent of all Soviet exports, last year Germany purchased only \$100,000,000 worth or one-tenth of the goods sold abroad. Germany and Soviet Russia today signed a protocol extending their present trade and financial agreements until the end of 1937.

Five Dead, 20 Injured In Factory Explosions

Three Dead in Jersey Textile Plant Explosion; Sun Drydock Company Workers Back After Strike Hit by Tragedy

Five workers were killed, and more than 20 injured in two explosions Thursday night.

Three died in a blast which wrecked the Standard Textile Products plant in Clifton, N. J., and two in Chester, Pa., when a propane gas tank in the Sun Shipbuilding and Drydock Company exploded.

John Johnstone of Philadelphia, a skilled hull worker, and Vincent Closteran, were killed at the Sun Company plant when the highly volatile gas exploded, hurling several into the air and scattering debris on hundreds of others.

Two of the twenty injured in this blast are not expected to live. Workers in the plant returned to work Monday following a three-weeks strike.

The three who died in the New Jersey explosion were Cornelius Kusan, Joseph Peckar and Stanley Kietcher. Two others were badly burned. Similar explosions in the same plant in recent years were responsible for deaths of two others. The work in this plant is carried on in air filled with volatile fumes and highly combustible dust from the coating on oilcloth and other fabrics.

LEADERS MEET AS GMC TIEUP STILL SPREADS

25,900 in Auto, 15,000 in Glass Slow Up All Production

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three-day holiday break made difficult estimation of the number of workers made idle because of the tie-up, as not until Monday morning, when production is due to resume, will that be evident. But from the thousands of workers who were told to stay home until further notice, it is clear that the figure will run into tens of thousands.

With the Buick assembly line employing 4,000 down, it is doubtful if the remainder of the plant can hold out beyond Monday. The Chevrolet assembly and sheet metal plant closed here as the last of the bodies from the No. 2 Fisher plant were put through the conveyor Thursday.

Stop orders wired to hundreds of companies that feed General Motors with numerous small parts are already bringing layoffs in some major supply plants.

FEEDER SHOPS DOWN

From Youngstown it was reported that the closing of the large Fisher plant in Cleveland forced the layoff of the night shift of the Youngstown Metal Products Company and the McDonald strip plant of the Carnegie-Illinois Steel Corporation. These departments will not work Monday morning.

The Collins and Alkman Company, of Providence, R. I., suppliers of automobile upholstery, announced curtailment of production. Companies producing ball bearings, meter instruments and other such parts, chiefly in Eastern cities, were affected by the "hold" orders from their main customer.

Ten thousand strikers in the two Fisher plants here held their lines solid, as they waited the next move. A portion of them celebrated the New Year inside the two plants. Heavy enrollment of union members was stimulated to sky-rocketing proportions since the sit-down began. It is predicted that most of the 40,000 Flint G.M.C. workers will be in the U. A. W. by the time the showdown reaches a climax.

MARCH OUT IN CLEVELAND

In Cleveland, where sit-downers prepared to celebrate New Year's inside the plant, union officials announced that enrollment of members into the union was so overwhelming that occupation of the plant was no longer necessary.

Fisher Body Strikers Know What They Want

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named Henenah warming his toes after a swing around the picket line. He is the fellow who acted as master of ceremonies over the vaudeville acts that the strikers entertained themselves with during their eight-day sit-down in the plant.

AUTO WORKERS' FOLLIES?

He wanted to tell me of all the talent he had uncovered, and asked if it wouldn't be possible to make up a Auto Workers Follies to tour the country and play only at sit-down strikes, but I pinned him down to a resolution. "I have got to make a resolution," he said, "to get my wife into the ladies auxiliary. Since this strike started I have been away from home so much, she hardly recognized me any more. She started to call the police the other day when I knocked on the back door."

Once a master of ceremonies, always so—I reasoned. At the soup kitchen across from the plants I heard a much more practical resolution from Mrs. Lloyd Profit. "There should be a law, or maybe a resolution," she said, "that would limit the amount of food a picket can consume. But it really isn't the men's fault. At the rate that assembly line goes over in the plant, no man feels like eating when he gets home at night. Since the strike began practically every man has gained weight. My resolution is down with the speedup, so that auto workers may have a halfway chance to be healthy."

Over on the picket line it was cold enough to freeze your thoughts but that didn't stop one picket from coming right back at me when I asked for a resolution. He was one of the pickets who had to defend himself when company guards attempted to bring an unusually large number of "maintenance" men into the plant.

"I'll never," he said, "hit a company guard again—at least not in the head." He held up a fist as swollen as if he had swung it into a concrete wall, all of which made his resolution seem sensible enough.

The next resolution had me groggy for a moment. It came from Phil Garvino, a union picket, who declared: "I am going to hold a sit-down strike every year just before Christmas."

FINK COULDN'T HOLD HER

It seems that he had lost his girl while locked up in the plant for eight days—lost her to a fink. But his resolution still didn't make sense. "Don't you see?" he explained. "Look at the money I saved on a Christmas present. And besides that, I've got my girl back now—nobody can stand a fink very long."

That wasn't news to your correspondent, who walked away to get a New Year's dinner of roast beef and potatoes with a striker, whose wife informed him that their New Year's resolution was "not to eat another potato for three months after the strike was over."

WOMAN MAYOR MOUNTS GUNS TO KEEP JOB

Florida Governor Calls Troops to Oust Her From City Hall

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla., Jan. 1 (UP).—Mrs. Alice Armstrong, dark-haired, middle-aged Mayor of Daytona Beach, tonight won an injunction preventing Gov. Dave Sholtz from using military force of the State to make good a coup by which he sought to oust her administration.

Mrs. Armstrong, only woman Mayor in Florida, had packed the city hall with the full city police force, armed with sub-machine guns, and Governor Sholtz had mobilized four companies of the National Guard when circuit Judge Herbert Frederick granted the injunction blocking the Governor.

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla., Jan. 1 (UP).

Troops were mobilized tonight as Gov. Dave Sholtz fought to depose a city administration entrenched in a City Hall bristling with sub-machine guns.

National Guardsmen here and at nearby Sanford were mobilized and ordered into service as Irene Armstrong, Florida's only woman Mayor, defied efforts of Sholtz to remove her and five other city officials from office.

In the heart of the resort country which America's millionaires make their winter playground, American Legionnaires were organizing to take over routine policing of the city, anticipating dismissal of both the regular police force and firemen later tonight.

Martial law was expected to be declared. Sheriff S. E. Stone, follower of the Florida Governor who served the notices of ouster today for Sholtz, was commissioning special deputies at nearby Deland. It was feared that violence might develop should the sheriff attempt to take control of the City Hall by force.

More than 2,500 citizens surrounded the City Hall, whose windows bristled with sub-machine guns manned by more than 150 policemen. The City administration also had mobilized the entire Fire Department to aid in the fight.

The conflict developed today when Sholtz, who steps down from his office Tuesday to devote his full time to the office of Exalted Ruler of the Elks, sought to sweep out the administration of a city coup.

Charging excessive expenditure of municipal funds, "malfeasance, misfeasance in office, neglect of duty and incompetence," the Governor ordered the ouster of Mrs. Armstrong, who became chief executive of the city only a month ago when her husband, Mayor E. H. Armstrong resigned to forestall removal by the Governor.

Others ordered out of office were city commissioners Mrs. Eliza Robinson, Lyle C. Ramsey and Ralph W. Richards; City Clerk Francis Mills and City Manager Milton S. Couch.

Negro Theatre Plans Battle On Dismissals

Parley Called by Harlem Actors in Fight on Pink Slips

(Daily Worker Harlem Bureau)

Declaring that the Federal Negro Theatre "faces a crisis," the Negro Theatre local has called a special meeting of all workers on the project for Jan. 6, 7:30 P. M. at Lafayette Hall, 165 W. 131 St. The local is a part of the City Projects Council, 328 Lenox Ave.

Plans will be laid to stop the threatened dismissals of 700 workers on theatre projects, and to end the classification of actors into grades A, B and C. The "classification system," a spokesman of the local said, will result in increased discrimination against Negro employees.

Fifteen members of the African theatre unit have already received "pink slip" dismissals.

Gangster Shot Dead; 'Happy New Year' Card Only Thing in Pockets

(By United Press)

Peter V. Felice, one-time henchman of the late Jack (Legs) Diamond, was shot to death yesterday.

His body, a bullet through the back of the head, was found on a sidewalk in front of 350 East 114th St. There was no money in his pockets—only a card which read "Happy New Year."

Mrs. Roosevelt Joins The Newspaper Guild

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt became a union member yesterday. She joined the New York Newspaper Guild, giving her employer as the United Features Syndicate, Inc.

Toscanini Band Stoned

JERUSALEM, Jan. 1 (UP).—Automobiles carrying 72 members of the orchestra of Arturo Toscanini were stoned today while passing the village of Nablus.

Bull's Eye!

Walter Behrs, 37, of New York bowled a perfect game, 12 consecutive strikes for a score of 300 at the Broadway Billiard and Bowling Academy last night.

Harlem Moves to Halt Pink Slips

City Projects Council and WPA Teachers Union to Hold Mass Meeting Uptown Against Relief Slashes—Many to Join Jan. 15 March

Harlem Branches of the City Projects Council and the WPA Teachers Union on Jan. 7, will hold their first large-scale mass meeting against relief slashes and dismissal slips in the Negro community, it was announced yesterday.

The meeting will take place in the Renaissance Casino, 138th St. and Seventh Avenue, at 8 P. M. The announcement was made by Charles A. Collins and Addison E. Storey, vice-presidents of the C.P.C. and the Teachers Union respectively.

LEHMAN IS SWORN IN FOR THIRD TERM

Governor Appeals for Social Legislation, Warning GOP

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pledged himself to new social security legislation, warning the Republicans, who blocked the measure last year, that the people of New York State "have rejected the forces of selfish opposition to liberal policies."

By their vote last November, he said, the voters had shown that they stand ready to fight against reactionary philosophy of government.

SPLEANS TO EMPLOYERS

Addressing himself to employers, he continued: "It is all too easy to condemn liberal economic and social reforms as mere inconveniences or unnecessary burdensome harassment."

"I do not believe I am too optimistic when I express the hope that in the coming years employers will realize that it is to their advantage to initiate and sponsor legislation for the protection of their workers."

"I am counting on receiving their willing co-operation during the next two years in an ever-increasing degree."

Lehman took the oath of office from Secretary of State Edward J. Flynn in a glittering, flag-bedecked assembly chamber, studied with members of the national Cabinet, Senators, Assemblymen, members of the Court of Appeals in their court robes, National Guardsmen, Boy and Girl Scouts and many personal friends and acquaintances of the Governor.

HINTS CONCESSIONS

A brief but ominous hint that some concessions would be made to reaction was given by the Governor when he announced that the State no longer had to proceed at "emergency speed."

It was believed that the Governor was referring to relief when he said: "The command will no longer be to go forward at emergency speed. And in this connection we may all candidly admit the greater risks sometimes imposed by too hurried action."

Previously he had said that "some modifications, some adjustments may well have to be made."

WAGES, HOURS

Speaking of labor, he declared that his administration would "bend all our efforts to the achievement of greater and steadier employment, higher wages and more humane working conditions."

"We know," he added, "that in many industries and business wages are still pitifully low and hours unconscionably long."

"We know that we still have before us the task of establishing a broader system of social security for those who live on wages and modest salaries."

Housing was disposed of without any indication whether the Governor plans to initiate any large grants for slum clearance and low-rent housing. "We must concede," he said, "that the homes of thousands of men, women and children of low-income groups are deplorable; they are discordant with what we are proudly heralding as the American standard of living."

The Governor similarly avoided any direct reference to State farm aid, simply declaring on the agriculture question that "we know that the lot of the farmer and dairyman is still burdensome."

Lehman Re-Names Judges

ALBANY, Jan. 1 (UP).—Governor Lehman re-designated a number of jurists last night to courts throughout the state. Designations and re-designations included:

Supreme Court Justice Daniel V. McNamee, Hudson, Appellate Division, five years; Justice Ernest I. Edgecomb, Syracuse, term expires Dec. 31 next; Justice Edmund H. Lewis, Syracuse, five years; Supreme Court Justice Benjamin B. Cunningham, Rochester, Appellate Division, four years; Justice John V. McAvoy, New York City, five years, First Judicial Department; Justice William F. Hagarty and William B. Carswell, Brooklyn, Appellate Division, five years, Second Department; Justice Frederick P. Close, Tuckahoe, Appellate Division, Second Department.

G.O.P. Hangover

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Jan. 1 (UP).—The fire department started the New Year today by taking down an old and tattered banner that stretched across Atlantic Ave. The banner read: "Elect Landon and Knox."

CHURCHES CALL FOR ACTION ON RELIEF CUTS

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oil asks, pointing to President Roosevelt's indication that he would recommend only \$500,000,000 for the relief deficiency appropriation. This would mean that 800,000 fewer persons will be on the WPA rolls from January to June, the statement goes on, querying: "Are these cuts justified? Are we adding to the misery of the unemployed?"

CUTS UNWARRANTED

Refuting the assertions that the WPA cuts are warranted by improved business conditions and re-employment, the Council cites figures showing that even if production is returned to 1929 level, there would still be 6,800,000 unemployed, and WPA rolls at their present level would take care of only 30 or 40 per cent of these.

The Council's statement continues: "It is also said that the cuts are warranted because persons on work relief prefer to remain on it rather than to accept work in private industry. This may be true in individual cases. But as Mr. Hopkins said at the Conference of Mayors on Nov. 17: 'The average earnings of a WPA worker are \$50 a month. . . I ask you, is it reasonable to suppose that an American worker who is the head of a family will reject desirable private employment to remain in such a situation?' As industry provides jobs, the unemployed will leave work relief to accept them, without the coercion of further cuts."

NEED SEEN GROWING

"Another justification offered for the cuts is that many of the unemployed can live on other resources. This too may be true in particular cases. But it does not warrant a net reduction in work relief expenditures. Mr. Hopkins estimates that one half of the unemployed have received no form of public aid. Seven years ago depression have wiped out a large part of their savings. The need for relief from this source can be expected to grow."

ASK WAR COST OUT

"The desire to balance the budget is laudable. But to economize at the cost of human suffering is intolerable, especially at a time when industrial profits are soaring. During the month of November \$883 million were paid out in dividends, an all-time high record. This should suggest a better way to balance the budget—by increased revenues from income taxes—a method which does not involve physical suffering. If further economies are necessary, let them come from the projected billion dollar war expenditure, not from relief."

"It is imperative the Government fulfill the President's promise that we will provide useful work for the needy unemployed. Therefore it is important that groups and individuals make known in Washington their views on adequate relief. This is a responsibility that must be executed at once. The budget estimates are now being prepared and relief appropriations probably will be voted soon after Congress convenes this month."

"We call upon our fellow churchmen to take the following action: 1. Write at once, protesting these proposed cuts in the WPA rolls to the President, White House, Washington, D. C.; Your Representative, House Office Building, Washington, D. C.; Your Senators, Senate Office Building, Washington, D. C. 2. Investigate your local relief situation, and take steps to ensure adequate relief."

Union to Sue Six More Runaway Dress Shops

Encouraged by Previous Success, Garment Workers Aim to Crack Down on Open Shoppers Who Skip Town

The International Ladies Garment Workers Union will bring suit against six more garment manufacturers who skipped New York with their plants to evade contracts they signed with the union, Julius Hochman, manager of the Dress Joint Board announced.

The I.L.G.W.U. decided upon the suits after it won a victory in the first of such court cases last week. Supreme Court Justice Phillip J. McCook, ruling in the case of the two "runaway" Blue Dale and Blue Fox Dress Companies, decided that the firms must return their machinery to New York, reemploy all former employees and pay back wages as damages for time lost by the workers thus thrown out of jobs.

Hochman said that an effort will be made to settle with the "runaway" employers, before the court suit is instituted.

Meanwhile, it appeared that the two defendant runaway firms, though having already announced that they will appeal Justice McCook's decision, weakened on the probable outcome.

Their attorneys already indicated that efforts will be made to come to a settlement with the union. Eli Goldstein, agent for the two firms, exclaimed very indignantly that "it was a raw decision. . . . It was not the judge's decision but the union's" that "we got a bad mayor as far as the workers are concerned" and "how can you run a business like this with a bunch of racketeers around."

Julius Hochman commenting on the McCook's decision said that "it will prevent unscrupulous employers from making deals with chambers of commerce, outside of the State who offer free rent and other inducements to get the industries."

Reno Marriages Go Up; Divorces Fall Off in 1936

RENO, Nev., Jan. 1 (UP)—The state of Nevada where divorce business is considered a major industry—astonished itself with a 25 per cent increase in marriages in 1936.

A United Press survey showed 3,001 divorce suits were filed in Reno last year, a decline of 87 from the 1935 total. The 1936 figure represents the fourth largest year on record and brings the total number of divorces since 1931, when the "six weeks law" was enacted, to 25,288.

Marriage licenses for the year totaled 7,596, a record which compares with 6,054 in 1935. It was estimated that 90 per cent of the licenses were issued to California couples evading that state's three-

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BARTON CASE REOPENING IS ASKED BY CITY

High Court Is Asked for Review Refused in Alabama

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Jan. 1.—Application for review of the case of Jack Barton, recently freed on a writ of habeas corpus from a 380-day chain gang sentence in Bessemer, was made by the attorney of that U. S. Steel controlled town before the State Supreme Court.

The decision of the state court of appeals, freeing Barton, Bessemer Communist organizer, declared unconstitutional the Bessemer "sedition" ordinance under which he was sentenced. The same court has refused an application by the city for a re-hearing.

Bessemer is a Birmingham suburb company town of the Tennessee Coal and Iron Corporation, a U. S. Steel subsidiary. The Barton case gained national prominence when Joseph Gelders, Southern secretary of the National Committee for Defense of Political Prisoners, was kidnapped and flogged three months ago, following his visit to Mayor Jasper Bryant of Bessemer, with a group of Birmingham liberals, to ask Barton's release.

Is It a Monster Or a Hangover?

TRIPOLI, Jan. 1 (UP)—A monster right out of an acute case of delirium tremens was dragged from the sea here by astounded fishermen.

The weird beast measures 1 1/2 feet in length. Its mouth is reminiscent of an elephant's trunk.

There are two long flapping ears, a large protruding jawbone and a powerful tail with sizable dorsal scales. It is toothless.

6 BOYS HAVE 144 HOURS TO LIVE--UNLESS--

Final Efforts Planned to Save Doomed Slum Victims

144 hours to live! The lives of six Brooklyn boys—three of them minors, two of them in their early twenties—may depend on the strength of the protest raised by New York residents against the mass execution set for Thursday, the City Defense Committee for the Six Brooklyn Boys stressed yesterday.

A city-wide meeting of the Committee will be held at 2 p. m. today at its headquarters, 271 Sackett St., Brooklyn, to map plans for the final week's drive to obtain clemency. In spite of Gov. Lehman's refusal to answer a request for an interview Tuesday afternoon, a delegation from the Committee will go to Albany to make another plea for commutation of the sentences.

MEETINGS SET

Throughout the city on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, meetings will be held in neighborhood centers to protest the scheduled execution of the six victims of slum environment. Among these meetings are two tomorrow, one at 3 P. M. at Manhattan Lyceum, 66 East Fourth St., and another at 7 P. M. at Rex Bowl, 62 East 187th St., Bronx, at which community leaders and mothers of some of the boys will speak. On Monday, Joe Zagarella, chairman of the City Defense Committee, will address a meeting in Carpenter Hall, 217 Court Street, Brooklyn, starting at 7:30 P. M. On Tuesday, Ex-Congressman Vito Marcantonio will direct a "re-trial" of the case at Union Settlement, 237 East 104th St., beginning at 8 P. M.

The six boys—Salvatore Scata, Eugene Bruno, Samuel Kimmel, Joseph Bologna, Dominick Zizzo, and Theodore DiDonne—were sentenced to death in connection with the hold-up slaying of Edwin Esposito, B.M.T. subway employee.

At 9:45 A. M. today, Sam Berg, social worker, will deliver an address over WOV, answering the statements made by Governor Lehman on Dec. 22, at the formal clemency hearing conducted for the boys. At that time, the governor took a stand against legislation which would do away with capital punishment for minors. The WOV broadcast can be tuned in at 1130 kilocycles, or 265 meters.

Grounded Ships Floated on Tide

BOSTON, Jan. 1 (UP)—Two freighters, grounded in Buzzard's Bay in dense fog last night, floated on a rising tide today.

The City of St. Louis of the Ocean Steamship Co. of Savannah struck soft mud on Hog's Island shortly before midnight. Freed by rising waters, the vessel proceeded under its own power.

Lafcoem of New Orleans, which grounded off Wing's Neck last night, pulled itself free this forenoon and anchored to await arrival of wrecking tugs. Though two holds were reported filled with water, the freighter radioed it was in no immediate danger.

A radio report from the Coast Guard patrol boat Faunce that there had been a collision in Buzzard's Bay later was disproved.

Brunner Takes Oath as Head of Aldermen

Aldermanic President William F. Brunner, former Queens sheriff, yesterday took the oath of his new office in a brief city hall ceremony. Supreme Court Justice James T. Hallinan of Queens administered the oath.

Brunner's formal induction will take place Jan. 4, when the Board of Aldermen holds its first meeting of the year. No changes are expected in the aldermanic president's staff, the Queens allotment of patronage already being filled. Brunner will probably bring his confidential secretary with him, however, it was said at city hall yesterday.

C.P. Dockfront Office Is Fired by Arsonist

Fire Department Officials Find Kerosene Can After Blaze Was Quickly Put Out—Orders of Ryan Against Sea Strikers Recalled

A fire of incendiary origin just above the Communist Party waterfront headquarters at 229 Tenth Ave. was extinguished New Year's eve by firemen in time to prevent destruction of the organization offices.

The fire, the fourth attempt to wreck the party headquarters, was linked by party spokesmen with recent assaults made upon striking seamen and their supporters.

Seamen have charged that Joseph P. Ryan, president of the International Longshoremen's Association, has ordered attacks made upon the strikers and their leaders and supporters.

The blaze, which began on the third floor of the tenement, directly above the party offices, was discovered at about 9 P. M. An engine company quickly put it out. A kerosene can was discovered on the premises by a fire official.

One unidentified man found, was questioned closely by fire officials. He charged that the fire was undoubtedly linked with the other attacks on the party offices. The attacks, he told the firemen, were inspired by opposition of the shippers and their agents to the seamen strikers and to the support given the strike by the Communist Party.

"It's very strange, this fire," a local party leader commented yesterday. "It comes on the heels of orders issued by Joe Ryan to his delegates to 'mop up' on the striking seamen and their supporters. Very strange."

Indian Girls Lost in Western Blizzard

GALLUP, N. M., Jan. 1 (UP)—Two little Navajo Indian girls, both about six-years-old, were sought today by 150 of their tribe, the best trail men of the old west.

The little girls were lost in the wild Kean's Canyon, N. M., country Sunday night when a blizzard trapped 300 of the tribe in the Painted Desert.

Word of the search reached here when Supt. E. R. Fryer of the Navajo Reservation announced he had ordered 50 government employes to aid the Indians.

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Cropper 'Serf Law' Test Due in Court

Workers Alliance Organizer Appeals \$1,060 Fine for Leading Tenant Farmers in Strike—Was Arrested by Convicted Slaver

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Jan. 1.—Constitutionality of an Arkansas law which holds sharecroppers to the status of slaves will be tested in circuit court at Forest City, Ark., next Wednesday, when the appeal from conviction of David Benson, Workers Alliance organizer, will come up.

SOCIOLOGISTS CONDEMN DAVIS OUSTER

Sympathy With Labor Angered Donors to Yale's Funds

(Daily Worker Midwest Bureau) CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 1.—A resolution passed by the American Sociological Society, at its convention here, expressed the conviction that Yale's dismissal of Prof. Jerome Davis infringed on academic liberty, and urged an investigation of the case.

Prof. E. A. Ross, of Wisconsin, who introduced the resolution, told the convention:

"After a 13-year tenure, Dr. Davis has been notified his services at Yale as professor of practical philanthropy will end next June on the flimsy pretext that finances do not permit his retention.

"Actually, it is clear that the difficulty is that Dr. Davis' sympathy toward organized labor has made him offensive to some of the prospective donors to Yale's \$85,000,000 building program. That, I submit, bears clearly on academic freedom."

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"This Is the Year of Victory!"

George Dimitroff's inspiring New Year article, published in yesterday's Daily Worker, is not to be looked upon as a passing seasonal greetings.

In his usually trenchant style, Comrade Dimitroff places before every anti-Fascist, before every fighter for human freedom and progress, the most burning tasks of the New Year.

In his message, Comrade Dimitroff pointed to the outstanding recent milestone of human progress, the Stalinist Constitution.

This record of the greatest social achievement of world history up to this time must be made familiar to the majority of American toilers. Disseminating the knowledge of what the Soviet Union has achieved in the way of ending capitalist exploitation is one of the most powerful means of winning the American workers to the goal we are striving for.

The New Year opened with Hitler and Mussolini deeply plotting their next drastic step in the invasion of democratic Spain.

And thus Comrade Dimitroff's declaration that the highest task of every anti-fascist, of every fighter for democracy, is the defense of Spain, should be taken with the seriousness it demands.

Comrade Stalin, explaining why the Soviet Union was aiding Spain defend itself against Fascist barbarism and a reactionary invasion against its legitimate government, said:

"The liberation of Spain from oppression of the fascist reactionaries is not the private affair of the Spanish people but the common cause of all advanced and progressive mankind."

Dimitroff added: "Platonic, passive sympathy with the Spanish people is far from real aid."

The heroic Spanish people need immediate, tangible assistance in their fight.

Let us resolve as the New Year unfolds that the slogan "This is the Year of Victory!" will be realized by the People's Front of Spain!

C.I.O. Calls Workers To 1937 Battles

The Committee for Industrial Organization opened the New Year in appropriate fashion.

With 35,000 auto workers on strike for a national union agreement, Chairman John L. Lewis of the C.I.O. delivered a fighting message to the working people of the nation.

He blasted the Big Business slogan of "an era of good feeling," and exposed it as the smokescreen under which these gangsters plan to rivet industrial serfdom on the American workers.

He called for battle against Reaction on two fronts:

1. In the organization of America's unorganized millions—in the giant basic industries and among white collar and professional workers.

"The year 1937," he forecasted, "will witness an unparalleled rise in the strength of labor in the heretofore unorganized industries and the definite achievement of collective bargaining on a wide front."

2. In the halls of Congress, for the carrying out of the people's mandate of Nov. 3.

"Labor demands legislation," he declared, "the enactment of laws making realistic the principles of industrial democracy. It demands that Congress exercise its constitutional powers and brush aside the autocratic rule as represented by the Supreme Court."

On the first front, he called attention to the fact that the C.I.O. "is carrying its plans forward." The tremendous organization drives in the basic industries are making headway. They will lead to great struggles in 1937, arising on "employer trouble"—the stiff-neckedness of the "moguls of incorporated industry."

On the second front, he challenged President Roosevelt to carry through his "just begun to fight" pledges of Madison Square Garden. He served notice on the Congress that the voice of the people must be heard in the legislation of the coming session.

He warned of the necessity of continuing the LaFollette Committee investigation into labor spies, and demanded the disarming of industry—"lest labor in this industrial democracy should have to take by storm the barbed wire barricades, machine guns, prepared, built and maintained" by the Trusts.

This message of the C.I.O. found an en-

thusiastic response in millions of workers' homes on New Year's eve. 1937 is a year of battle—for bread, peace and freedom. It is a year in which the shackles of anti-union serfdom can be struck from the millions of America's working people; in which a big beginning can be made in legislation that will make for progress and the strengthening of democracy.

This C.I.O. message should impel local unions in all parts of the country to endorse the great drive for freedom, represented in the union campaigns in steel, auto and the other basic industries. The craft unions, city central bodies and state federations can applaud this drive, and give it their strong support.

The message should also hasten the calling of national and state legislative conferences of labor, farmer and progressive forces—to see that Congress and the White House do that which the mandate of Nov. 3 demands.

Death Got There First— How Long Must It Keep Up?

Death got there first. Mrs. Mattie Frank, Negro woman, was rushed to the Harlem Hospital the day after Christmas for emergency treatment for diabetes. But that was after the family had waited TWELVE HOURS for the ambulance. It came too late. Mrs. Frank died shortly after her admission into the institution.

This Negro woman is only one of the steadily rising toll of victims of the notorious conditions that prevail at the Harlem Hospital. On Thursday the Daily Worker published an article by Ben Davis, Jr., telling the grim story of Harlem Hospital in recent weeks.

That story spells danger to life and health for 250,000 men, women and children in the largest Negro community in the world. Some of the shocking facts disclosed by Davis are that:

On Dec. 26 Harlem Hospital ambulance service was more than 60 calls behind schedule and twelve hours late in transporting patients; on Dec. 27 it was more than 80 calls behind schedule and 14 hours late.

The hospital administration has forced ambulance doctors to pick up more than one patient on a single trip in direct violation of a city law.

Patients have ridden in ambulances on linen used by victims of such contagious diseases as erysipelas, tuberculosis, scarlet fever, pneumonia, and influenza.

Four physicians were compelled to do 24-hour service in a single day on a dirty, unsanitary ambulance.

On one night last week only two junior physicians were on duty for 325 patients in the old hospital building and 312 in the women's pavilion.

In addition, the two junior physicians had to look after more than a score of new patients who came in that evening.

These are only the latest manifestations of a situation that has been a growing scandal for months. Part and parcel of these abominable conditions is the vicious discrimination practiced against Negro internes and nurses, for which City Hospital Commissioner S. S. Goldwater is directly responsible.

A cleanup of the Harlem Hospital situation is required at once. A cleanup that will provide another full-sized hospital for Harlem, an end to all discrimination, Jim-crowism and segregation in Harlem Hospital and the entire city hospital system, and the carrying out of the recommendations on health and hospitalization of Mayor LaGuardia's Harlem Commission.

How long will the Mayor continue to softpedal a situation which grows daily more critical? How long must death continue to get there first?

A Word of Warning On 30-Hour Fight

Mark Twain's observations about the ancients, we hope, will not be applicable to the modern leaders of the railroad unions.

What the ancients had NOT learned, Twain declared, "was voluminous." If an item in the financial pages of last Wednesday's New York Times is correct, the railroad labor executives are in imminent danger of having learned less than nothing.

The announcement in the Times comes from J. J. Pelley, president of the American Association of Railroads. It emanates, therefore, from employer sources. It reports that a conference will be held on next Thursday in Washington between a committee of the railroad managements and representatives of the railroad union leaders.

Then it says:

"A result of the meeting may be the relinquishing by labor of the announced plans to push for a six-hour day law, which, according to the managements, would place an unbearable financial burden of some \$400,000,000 annually on the railroads."

This railroad employer propaganda does not gibe with the statement made yesterday by George M. Harrison, as president of the railroad union leaders association. From Chicago, Harrison declared emphatically that the railroad unions will present the 30-hour work week bill, without reduction in pay, to the coming Congress.

We cannot forget, nevertheless, that the railroad union officials crumpled up before the railroad managements on the layoff issue last year. They accepted an absurd "compromise," defeated only by the alertness of the rank and file.

Local unions of other crafts and indus-

World Front

By HARRY GANNES

An organized campaign is afoot around the issues of Spain to win Catholics for fascism. We can see it especially in Ireland and in the United States.

In Ireland, the pro-fascist campaign goes so far as to get Catholic lads to join General Franco's forces.

But the Dec. 14 issue of the Irish Press, a Dublin newspaper, which was just brought to our attention, reports that the campaign is not going so well.

Most of the Irish recruits are transported on German ships. Immediately they come smack up against the anti-Catholic sentiment of the Nazis.



Recently 700 Irish recruits were put aboard a German vessel flying the Swastika in Galloway Bay. Later in the evening 50 of the "volunteers" jumped off the boat. The Irish Press gave the reasons:

"There was no food forthcoming. Although many of them had not eaten since 6 P.M. Saturday, they were offered hot water and salt and were called 'lousers' by the officers in charge when they threatened to leave the liner."

How many were held against their will is not reported.

In the United States, we find the Sunday Visitor, a national Catholic Weekly, taking up the campaign of Father Coughlin, which was repudiated by American voters, Catholic and non-Catholic. Every item in its Dec. 27 issue is a vicious attack on Communism and the Anti-Fascist struggle. An editorial goes so far as to say:

"Now that the issue is regarded as one which is to determine whether Fascism or Communism shall prevail, the sympathy of the world should rather be for Fascism than for Communism. . . ."

The issue is not one immediately of Fascism versus Communism, especially in Spain, as the Sunday Visitor well knows. But in the battle of the Spanish people for the retention of their lawful, democratic government, this paper takes the side of General Franco and wants the Catholic people of the U. S., who in the overwhelming majority are ready to fight to retain their democratic rights, to give their sympathy for Fascism.

Against such ideas, we find the Rev. Father Michael O'Flannagan, distinguished Irish priest, who is famed for his struggle for the freedom of Ireland from British imperialism, speaks as follows to all Catholics on the issues in Spain: [We quote from an address by Father O'Flannagan, delivered at Engineers' Hall, Dublin, Dec. 3.]

"The fight in Spain is a fight between the rich privileged classes against the rank and file of the poor oppressed people of Spain. The cause being fought for in Spain was nearer us than was realized. The Foreign Legion and Moorish troops were to Spain what the Black and Tans (British troops) were to Ireland. The Spaniards didn't send any people to join the Black and Tans here and they didn't make collections in their churches to help the Black and Tans in Ireland."

"The Government of Spain was elected by the votes of the people, and on the other side was a body of rebels, mostly the old army. They were just the same type as our own General Gough and Carsons at home. The people who were calling the Spanish rebels 'patriots' had proved to be very bad judges of Patriots in Ireland."

"When we had real Patriots fighting in Dublin they were called looters and it was said they were in the pay of Germany. We had an editorial in one newspaper (an allusion to Murphy's 'Independent') asking for the death of two of the noblest Patriots in the history of Ireland, James Connolly and Sean McDermott."

"It was in the Republic of Russia that nationalities similar to the Basques got their fullest freedom."

"We have had the experience here," Father O'Flannagan continued, "of men being refused the rights of their church because they were real Patriots. Even clergymen who were true to their country, such as Father Murphy and Father Murphy in '98, were spurned by the ecclesiastics of their time, who were hand and glove with the British Government. Now we have monuments erected to these Patriotic priests. I hope the Irish people will see through the hypocrisy and sham of their enemies and rally to the cause of truth and justice." (Loud applause greeted the conclusion of Father O'Flannagan's speech.)

As the truth of what the Irish Catholic recruits are called upon to do in Spain seeps back to Ireland the ardor for "volunteering" under the Nazi swastika decreases.

Failure to win recruits on the Catholic issue in other countries is one of the reasons for Hitler's and Mussolini's shipment of their regular army in an effort to help Butcher Franco enter Madrid.

Nevertheless, the poison campaign against Spanish democracy such as the Sunday Visitor is carrying on continues with more vehemence as the chances for a people's victory in Spain increases.

tries might well remind the railroad union officials that any hedging on this legislation cannot be tolerated. Such hedging would injure the entire fight for the 30-hour week, without reduction in pay, for all workers.

A Blow at Fascism

A contribution of \$6.05 to the Daily Worker financial campaign, to be credited to the Editorial "WE," has been received from A. B. Magil's class in the Workers School on Fascist Trends and Tendencies in the United States.

The contribution is given to aid the paper which is leading the fight against fascism in this country.

Who will be next to deliver a blow at fascism in the same way?

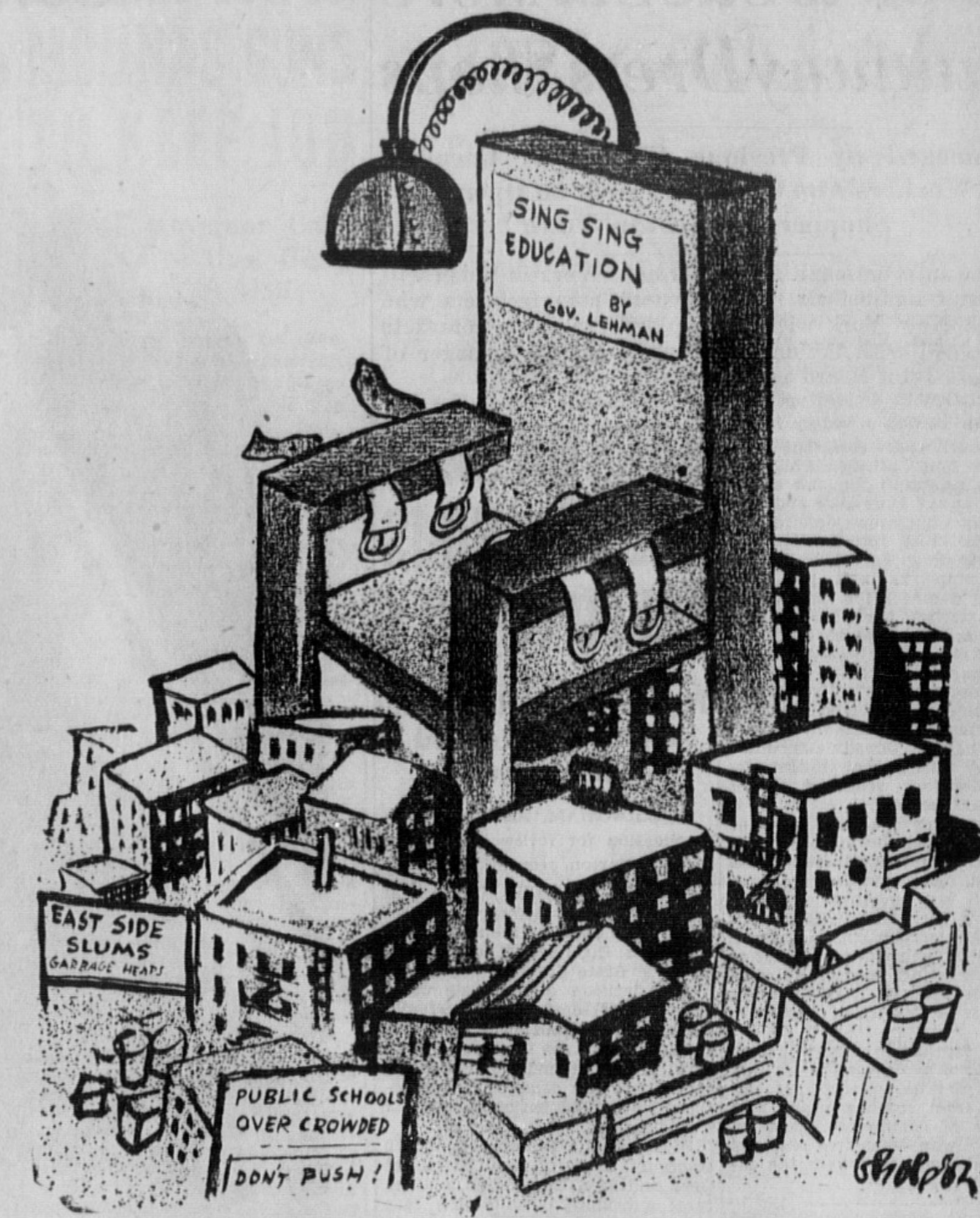
The Shade of John Adams

Representative John W. McCormack of Massachusetts announced that he will re-introduce his anti-sedition bill in the coming Congress.—News item.

We suggest that the gentleman consult the sixty or so legislators of his State who voted for the "teachers' loyalty oath legislation," and who were "retired" by the people on Nov. 3. He might also profitably consult the shade of one John Adams of Massachusetts, who attempted anti-sedition legislation quite a few years ago and thereby ran afoul of the American people.

SLUM BLOSSOM

by Gropper



Negro Single-Handed Foiled Lynching; Is Imprisoned as 'Criminally Insane'

Though the Christmas rush is over, the long cold months of winter lie ahead, and \$15,000 more is needed to fill the \$20,000 quota set for the 1936 Christmas and Winter Relief Drive for labor's prisoners and their families. The Daily Worker prints below additional histories of labor's neediest cases. All contributions should be sent to the national office of the Prisoners Relief Fund, I.L.D., Room 610, 80 East 11th Street, N.Y.C. or to any branch office of the I.L.D.

CASE NO. 37

Four years ago, a young Negro worker named Charles Alexander succeeded in performing a deed of

heroism which will not be recorded in present-day history books of the South. He succeeded in preventing a lynching almost single-handed. He was almost lynched himself, but he defended himself valiantly. When he was finally tried for this terrible "crime" he was found "guilty" of "second degree murder and resisting an officer," and sentenced to 12 years imprisonment.

But even that was not vengeance enough for the state of Tennessee. They have shut Charles Alexander away in a hospital for the criminally insane, where he is entirely cut off from the world outside. No one is allowed to see him and he is not allowed to answer letters. The only contact he has with the world

is the monthly message of solidarity he receives from the International Labor Defense. We know he gets that though he himself is not permitted to acknowledge it.

That check he gets every month reminds him that his heroism will never be forgotten by friends of liberty and justice who will never accept the beastly verdict of the state of Tennessee which adjudges a man ready to risk his life to save that of another—insane.

In the hospital for the insane, a message of holiday cheer and solidarity will be especially welcomed. You can help us send it to Charles Alexander by contributing to the Christmas Fund of the International Labor Defense, 80 East 11th Street, New York City.

Letters from Our Readers

'A Spirit That Commends Itself'

Akron, Ohio

Editor, Daily Worker:

Prior to the victory of the Popular Front Government, Spain was a semi-feudal state, ruled by landlords, most of whom were always absent from the country. They were the owners of the land; even the church owned two-fifths of the national wealth; while the broad masses of the nation who tilled the fields, lived in low, miserable huts, sharing them with their animals.

The vote of February was a verdict of the masses against the unbearable conditions of Spain. But when the People's Government started its program for economic reconstruction, the big landowners, the upper clergy and the military officers, who are the sons of the grandes, spat on the popular will, and plunged that country into the present appalling situation.

The broad masses of humanity are beginning, fortunately, to see their proper interests and act accordingly. In Berlin, during the month of August, the papers were filled with big headlines glorifying the victories of Franco. Sometime later the news of Spain was conspicuously absent from the headlines. "The rebels must be losing," the whisper ran through the ranks of the German toilers, and immediately in the corners of the factories and secret meetings, collections were taken up "for the comrades in Spain."

The spirit of class solidarity in a country where fascism is reigning rampant is an indication of a courage which is far-reaching. It is a spirit that commends itself to the peoples of other nations to rally themselves to the urgent cause of the preservation of Spanish democracy.

G. A. S.

Against Unkept Promises And For A Pilgrimage

Hueysville, Ky.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The daily curtailment of the WPA would almost make one think that Landon had been elected.

Men rated at 50c per hour are cut to 35c per hour with 75 per cent of skilled men on the WPA cut to 20c per hour. Thousands are being laid off. At Kentucky, some hundred or more miners are out of a job—or trying to get on WPA now. Where are all the

pre-election promises of the administration gone to?

The miners, the textile workers and the farmers down here are now beginning to know that the bag of promises must be swapped and turned into something real. Millions of people will refuse to be misled in the midst of knowledge and plenty. The need for a real united Farmer-Labor Party is being brought to light more clearly every day.

The pilgrimage to Washington should be all-inclusive, representing hundreds of thousands of workers, to show the administration that they mean to back up their votes of November 3rd.

F. S. Workers Alliance
Local No. 9.

Alexandria, Va.

Editor, Daily Worker:

'In The Interest Of Truth'

In the interest of truth and justice I wish to reply to a recent dastardly attack on the first successful labor college in America—Commonwealth College, near Mena, Arkansas, by Bernarr Macfadden's weekly, "Liberty."

The author of the defamatory article, Nolen Bulloch, by his own admission, spent only a couple of hours on the campus, yet compiles a three-page article from antiquated and discredited accounts of the farcical legislative "investigation" in March, 1935.

My wife and I both attended the college in the summer term of 1932, and our experiences were pleasant and favorable to the college. Classes conducted by the professors were freely given without salary. The turnover is big because few talented professors can afford the expensive luxury of teaching without pay and also working in the fields to earn their salt. Other classes in journalism, psychology, labor drama, etc., were efficiently conducted in much the orthodox manner except that at the end of the lecture sufficient time was allotted for class discussion.

Bernarr Macfadden's attack, unfair and garbled, characteristic of his method of fighting liberalism, is in line with that of the Hearsts, Liberty League, Munitions Manufacturers and fascist sympathizers generally. No space will be granted in "Vox Populi" to the defenders of the college a hearing. However, the injustice of Macfadden's vitriol will be to begin a financial defense from liberals all over America.

H. F.

READER-CORRESPONDENTS:

SPEAK FOR YOURSELVES.

LET THE DAILY WORKER STAFF KNOW YOU'RE READY TO DEFEND YOUR CORNER OF THE EDITORIAL PAGE.

A PENNY VOTES FOR "LETTERS FROM OUR READERS"!

The Brown Derby And Prosperity

He's Still Ringing Liberty League New Year's Bells For Mr. Morgan and He Feels Fine Down on Miami Beach in the Nice Hot Sun

By Beth McHenry

Al Smith feels fine and says the New Year looks bright. Al Smith says everything is picking up. Business is growing and buildings are springing up and the resorts are full of people.

Al Smith is 63 years old and likes living and it's not hard to see why he should. He's got a nice big building of his own and places to go winters and a pocketful of plenary indulgences to keep him out of hell when he dies.

They say Al has had 63 nice full years. He's lived comfortably for the last two-thirds of them, and mingled with some lovely people and expressed himself in a lot of ways. Whenever he got tired of expressing himself one way he just picked another and it's been just an unending bit of fun and change for our Al.

Of course, he's had his ups and downs like the other boys. They took away his candy when they wouldn't let him be president and they took away his mask when they let him choose to be with the Liberty League. The old happy warrior became a general in the ranks of reaction with a full dress costume and a bugle to blow on that. He can't pull the East Side-West Side stuff any more and my happy memories of life in a tenement house and you can make good if you just put your nose to the wheel.

He's in With the Biggest Boys Now

But he kept plugging along and there's no question but that his fellow leaguers think a lot of him. They can overlook his little crudeness and the Mayflower he hasn't got in his family and his flare for homely touches. He's so up and coming and quick with his tongue and so all around Johnny on the spot so to speak.

They used to say that Al would make a fine American pope and it's not so bad an idea at that. On paper bulls he'd be fine and he surely wouldn't slip up on the regular run of red-baiting. But of course there's no question of being the right sort of a Vatican for such a guy as Al and of whether he could wear his derby on the altar.

But I'm not sure they'd even let him be Pope anymore. Because he's lost a lot of friends lately and many of them are fellow church members of his. People who were ready to lay down their lives for him in the contest with Herbie Hoover and who believed all the pretty things he said about being the right sort of a nice everyday common language he talked.

The Stuffed Shirt Took the Stuffing Out of Al

But then they saw him getting in with the stuffed shirts and making speeches at fancy banquets and a lot of people got to figuring there's something wrong with this setup. What's our Al doing away from town and how come he's such chums with the guys who can't even count their own coin.

Well, one thing led to another and then the elections and here he comes out talking just like Mr. Mellon and Mr. Morgan, only worse because he makes more speeches. So it's just another New Year to Al Smith who hasn't seen a bad one since he was ten. Only this year he's ringing bells in the Liberty League house for everyone to hear, and the drinks are on Mr. Morgan.

Dots... and Dashes

By MIKE LISTENER

The first little item that comes to our attention as we write this column is that 1936 has scrambled, and in its place there are 364 blank spaces ahead of us. We can't help noting that the past year has brought us a number of pleasing things via the air waves.

First, of course, were the broadcasts of the Communist Party Presidential Election campaign, the voices of Earl Browder and other leading figures in the working class movement. Millions who had never reached at home now heard the message spread by the party that is leading them away from fascism and into Socialism.

Secondly, the International Workers Order's organizational campaign by radio, through six or seven stations, sent their electrically recorded programs into the living rooms and hearts of America's workers.

Third, the radio was used extensively in the Steel Organizing campaign of the Committee for Industrial Organization. Hundreds upon hundreds of low-paid steel workers flocked to the call of the SWOC as a result of these broadcasts. Other organizations and trade unions used the microphone for their work. Last, and far from least, radio, as a weapon in the actual struggle of workers against layoffs and wage-cuts, was demonstrated when microphones were installed in the headquarters of the Associated Workers in Public Relief Agencies. Leaders of a sitdown strike held by ERB workers gave instructions to strikers.

And that was commercial radio broadcasting. What about the seamen's strike instructions flashed to members of the American Radio Telegraphists Association aboard ships. They gave the word to A.B.'s who were swabbing deck, and it was carried far into the bowels of ships to members of the black gang. The ship came into port and the seamen walked off.

TIDBITS THAT FALL NEAR THE MIKE—Times change and radio programs do too. . . . Fannie Blum, star of the Ziegfeld Follies, and Beatrice Lillie has taken her place as of last Wednesday . . . and right after that on Thursday evening she guest-starred with Rudy Vallee. . . . And as for the Metropolitan Opera broadcasts . . . this afternoon if you tune in to the WJZ blue network of NBC you will hear Kirsten Flagstad and Monsieur Melchior do right by "Tristan und Isolde" . . . next Saturday . . . just in case we forget . . . the broadcast will be of "Carmen" . . . with the newly wedded Rosa Ponselle in the featured role . . . both operas at 1:55 P.M. EST . . . And tomorrow at 10 P.M. over the WEAF-Red network Paul Whitehead conducts a symphony orchestra in a program of American music and the St. Louis Blues will be heard. . . . Next Wednesday at nine (WEAF-Red) Fred Allen celebrates the third anniversary of his presence on the air for the same sponsor. . . . Tonight marks the debut of Joe Cook on that gasoline program—9:30 WEAF-Red . . . and from the galaxy of guest stars he has lined up it looks a corker . . . listen . . . Vallee, Grofe, Goodman, Waring and others will be in the orchestra . . . no kiddin' . . . Bill Robinson will be one of the guest stars. . . .

We very politely 'fess up that it takes an extraordinary thing to phase us . . . and we've been banished. . . . Martha Raye has done it . . . when we first saw her on the screen she was unbelievable . . . now after seeing her some more . . . and listening to her on the Al Jolson show we still don't believe our eyes and ears. . . . We didn't know whether to pity her or to laugh. . . . She settled the question for us . . . we've laughed until our sides have ached . . . the show . . . Tuesdays at 8:30 WABC Columbia chain. . . . Readers . . . your comment after you've listened to the show will help us to decide . . . What do you think?

Gracie Allen is a very pleasant surprise to us . . . she's in New York for a two-week vacation and we stopped in on last Wednesday's broadcast . . . and we found that Gracie is a very pretty personage . . . much prettier than the fillums play us up . . . we wanted to avoid the romantic interest on the show but we couldn't . . . the women present sighed and ah-ahh-ahhh until we admitted to ourselves that Tony Martin is a very handsome young man . . . which makes us what? . . . The gags on the show are swell and sometimes they can put the most astute people into stitches . . . the music is furnished by Henry King and smooth and sweet and often . . . not too often swings. . . .

"A GREATER PROMISE" AT RADIO THEATRE The attraction at the Radio Theatre is Soviet Russia's film "Birobidjan, A Greater Promise," presented by Amkino. The story is based on the activities of the Soviet government in solving the Jewish problem.

With this screen attraction is presented the musical—"Thanks a Million" with Dick Powell. Both are to play indefinitely at the Radio.

ANGNA ENTERS RECITAL Angna Enters will give another recital at the Alvin Theatre tomorrow night. Three episodes, "Dance of Adolescence," "Narcissism" and "Prelude to Dementia," will be given for the first time. The rest of the program will be made up primarily of request numbers.

NEWS OF STAGE AND SCREEN

Mr. Meredith Meets Miss Ashcroft 'That Girl From Paris' Doesn't Make a Comedy



Burgess Meredith and Peggy Ashcroft, the young English actress, who will be seen together in the second of Maxwell Anderson's plays of the season, "High Tor," opening soon.

Lily Pons' Second Picture Tells a Dull Tale in a Dull Way and Doesn't Do Justice to the Singing Star's Ability

By Dorothy Gates

The three musicals that came to the screen this week, via the Christmas season, brought us no joy. Neither "Sing Me a Love Song," "The Gold Diggers of 1937," nor "That Girl from Paris," which opened just the day before New Year's at Radio City Music Hall, could boast more than a couple of good songs and some nice looking girls.

The latest of the trio, Lily Pons' picture, contributes little to the art of the musical film. Somehow the producers have gotten the notion that Miss Pons and the young men and women who are featured with her, Gene Raymond, Jack Oakie, Mischa Auer and Herman Bing, are the stuff of which light comedy are made. All you have to do is put

Miss Pons and the accompanying quartet on a sound stage, and there you have a light comedy in the best Rene Clair or Frank Capra manner.

"That Girl From Paris" indicates that the producers are all well. Miss Pons sings very well indeed, as her successful career on the operatic stage indicates, but singing, no matter how good, has never yet made a picture. Gene Raymond who would get about an 80 if he were in our class in comedy, does alright provided he's got what to do it with. He's not so good alone.

The Fleeing Opera Star The tale is about the young opera singer who is engaged to marry a man with oodles and oodles of money whom she doesn't love and how she finally meets a band leader, Mr. Raymond, who has no money but loads of love. And how she pursues him across the ocean, only to almost marry him, to come dashing back to the arms of her rich gentleman friend, finally to marry the waiting Gene Raymond. And there it is.

By far the outstanding musical of the year, which boasted a "name" in its cast, was "The Gay Desperado," with Nino Martini in the lead. Viewing these lesser efforts of the musical funds, we wish for the really smart comedy and excellent script that accompanied Martini's effort.

girls from Paris. We do have a couple of minor ones, but why go into that?

And for that reason the Daily Worker has endeavored to learn from its readers what pictures they believe were worth seeing in 1936. The Ten Best Movies Contest ends tonight at midnight. Letters post-marked midnight will be valid.

From Tony, a metal worker, comes a five dollar bill for the Daily Worker's \$100,000 fund and a letter which is several thousand words longer than the one hundred words required by the contest rules. Tony does not wish to choose Hollywood-made films.

It is quite true, as Tony says, that certain Hollywood pictures employ sensuality to distract young people from their problems and to make it easier for what Tony calls "sharks" to fasten their clutches upon young, vigorous labor.

This is true. But it is doubtful whether that is reason for condemning all Hollywood pictures, or even more than a few. Many films emanating from the studios are dull, deadening dull. Many others are inconsequential, even worse. But many others are fine examples of motion picture dramatizations.

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AMKINO presents
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'Bury the Dead' Is Alive And Marching on to Glory

An American Legion Post In Ex-Governor Landon's "Prairie State" Produces the Play

By BEN COMPTON

Coinciding with news that Alex Yokel's professional company of "Bury the Dead" is readying itself to go on the road, come reports from across the width and breadth of America of new and important audiences being reached by Irwin Shaw's anti-war bombshell. That the social theatre is positively not carrying coals to Newcastle is seen in the statement of J. B. Lyles, vice-commander of the Burns, Kansas, American Legion and vice-president of the Burns' State Bank. In a letter addressed to the New Theatre League, Mr. Lyles said:

"The American Legion Post No. 348, and its Auxiliary, are very happy to have the opportunity to speak a word for the play 'Bury the Dead.' It is a masterpiece, dedicated to youth, to life and to liberty. . . . Our greatest wish for your excellent play is that every citizen of these United States could live through two hours of war and hell in the audience of 'Bury the Dead' and we would have recruited that many people for peace."

"Bury the Dead" has also penetrated the deep South, where the Arden Club in Southern Methodist University just completed a run of the play before capacity audiences. It will shortly see a production in ultra-conservative New Orleans, when the leading little theatre in that community, "Le Petit Theatre du Vieux Carre," presents the play. With another anti-war play from the pen of Mr. Shaw soon ready to be released for production, the social theatre is indeed making a fighting contribution to the cause of peace by encouraging the production of such plays. It would certainly seem that, with the war danger as pronounced as it is today, there might well be a revival of "Bury the Dead" on Broadway at reduced prices, so that labor and trade union audiences could find it possible to see this important play.

Other Towns

A supplementary statement from Irene Vickers Baker, director of the Quakers' Friends' University Theatre of Wichita, Kansas, which produced the play for the Burns' American Legion, stated that Burns was a village of only 420 citizens, but that many more than that number were present in the audiences when the play was presented in Burns!

HUSTON AND AHERNE CO-STAR IN "OTHELLO"

Walter Huston and Brian Aherne will be co-starred in the Robert Edmond Jones production of William Shakespeare's "Othello," which Max Gordon will bring to the New Amsterdam Theatre on Wednesday evening, Jan. 6.

Russel Crouse has resigned as press representative of The Theatre Guild to devote his full time to writing. He will be succeeded by Helen Deutsch. Joseph Heidt will remain as Miss Deutsch's assistant.

The exhibition, which will continue through January, is open to the public and professional theatre workers.

The Ruling Clawss by Redfield



"I abhor anything not streamlined."

BOOK NOTES

By JOE FIELDS

"WILLIE" GALLACHER, first Communist member of Parliament, whose ironic wit has made many an old die-hard Tory turn pale with rage in the House of Commons, has written one of the best autobiographies of the year, which has just been released by International Publishers. Of course, the life of Gallacher is also a portrayal of the life of the thousands of his fellow workers in the big Clyde shipyards. It is a reflection of the struggles of the British working class as a whole, whose staunch representative in Parliament this beloved little Scotchman was elected to be in the last elections. Some of the high-points of the book, of real historical value, are Gallacher's description of his meetings and conversations with Lenin. The price is \$2.50.

A MILLION COPIES of any pamphlet is an important event in publishing history. But when that pamphlet happens to be "Stalin on the New Soviet Constitution," price 2 cents, it means that millions will learn the meaning of Soviet democracy, of Socialism and of the role of the Communist Parties which are today leading the toiling people of all lands toward the peace, security and freedom which only socialism can bring. Comrade Browder took the lead at the December Plenum of the Central Committee to launch a campaign for the printing and distribution of a million copies of this historic document. Charles Krumbin pledged the New York district to distribute one-third of the total, namely 333,000 copies. Other districts and language bureaus followed. Be sure to get a copy of "Stalin on the New Soviet Constitution" for yourself, and an extra few copies for your friends.

others you missed, stories, fables, dialogues, biographies, letters, sketches, poetry and polemics. EROOLI'S BRILLIANT pamphlet, "The Spanish Revolution," price 5 cents, which will be ready this week sports one of the most attractive covers we have seen. Charlie Dillner is responsible for doing this excellent cover design which includes a striking map of the Spanish peninsula.

COMRADE EROOLI, in this pamphlet, analyzes certain specific features of the revolution in Spain, and reveals their significance for the whole world. It is one of the most illuminating studies of Spain available today. Lawrence Hathaway had some high words of praise for Robert Minor's pamphlet, "The Struggle Against War and the Peace Policy of the Soviet Union," price 5 cents. This is what he had to say in the course of his report to the December Plenum of the Central Committee, held earlier this month: "I find that this very excellent report in which Comrade Minor developed and explained in the most popular manner all those factors leading to war, the particular role of American imperialism in this developing war situation and our role and tasks, has hardly been circulated in the Party at all. . . . And what is true of Comrade Minor's report is also true to a degree, although to a lesser degree, of the "Resolution" adopted by the Ninth Convention. For that reason, I would urge that those two documents even now be taken up and brought to the attention of the Party and the workers as still a basic analysis of those problems that confront us in this further sharpening war situation."

TWO NEW PAMPHLETS by Earl Browder are now in preparation at Workers Library Publishers. They are his splendid report to the Central Committee at its December Plenum, just concluded, which will bear the title, "The Results of the Election, And the People's Front," price 10 cents, and his radio broadcasts made in the course of the election campaign, which will be gathered together into a pamphlet as "Talks to America," price 5 cents. Both will be ready before the end of the month.

1937's SAP NO. 1 IS A COLUMNIST

By Ted Benson

ONE of the most horrible results of an education is the fact that some of the stupidest people in the world get one.

A case in point is that of one Bob Shea, an alleged sports writer for an alleged newspaper, the New York Enquirer, a Sunday yellow sheet that gets its circulation by running faked stories of impending wars that never happen and wild tales with a sexual connotation that have no basis in fact.

This Shea person takes it upon himself to viciously criticize Paul Robeson, the great Negro athlete and singer, for his decision to educate his son in the Soviet Union where the boy won't have to face the discrimination his father had to overcome.



PAUL ROBESON

In listing Robeson as Number 1 in his 1937 Black List, Shea sobbingly tells of the great opportunities offered to Robeson in this land of the free and home of the brave.

Here's Shea's Baloney!

Says Shea: "... all this came from one who got his start in the public school system of America and who was educated to such a high degree as a youth in these same elementary and high schools that he was able to qualify for a Phi Beta Kappa key while enrolled as a student at Rutgers College. "And, my hearties, that is no small distinction for Paul Robeson or any other Negro to attain in America or any other land. He was taken in as a brother by the fraternity to which he aspired and became a full fledged brother.

"Then again this colored boy who was carried along to Rutgers College by the stellar education afforded him not only in studies but in sports was named as an all-America football star while at college.

"And for every great running back in football there are seven prejudiced linemen and at least one great blocking back to carry their prejudice so far that they lose all sight of self to enable to Robeson to grab the spotlight.

"No. 1 in this pillar's 1937 Black List is Paul Robeson and not because that is his outward color. Inwardly the big lug is colored the deepest saffron."

Some Questions to Answer

Now if I thought that Shea had sense enough to answer some questions I would address these to him:

If Robeson found it so easy to get an education, what makes it so difficult for millions of other Negro boys?

Does your argument mean that only geniuses among the Negro people should be given an education?

Would Robeson have gotten a Phi Beta Kappa key if he hadn't stood head and shoulders above the white students in Rutgers?

Would he have made a fraternity at all if he hadn't been the greatest athlete in the history of his college?

Would he have been so popular if he had been just an ordinary boy with no golden voice and tremendous physique?

The answers to these are so obvious that it's a shame to waste the white space to answer.

Robeson knows the answers. That's why he's sending his son to a country where a Negro boy doesn't have to be a genius to be treated the same as anyone else.

... And Some Answers

In words of one syllable so that Shea can attempt to understand it, let me say this:

Robeson, if he hadn't been the great athlete he was and if he hadn't possessed that glorious voice, would never have gotten past high school—and Robeson knows it!

If he hadn't been the genius he is he would have been lucky to get a job as a porter sweeping out a factory—and Robeson knows that, too!

If he hadn't been Robeson, he would have had to live in a horrible hovel for which he would have to pay the major part of his wages; he would have had to live in a closely restricted, disease-ridden area in New York or any Northern city, or if he lived in the South he would have lived in a condition but slightly removed from actual slavery—and Robeson knows that, too!

Robeson knows these things, thousands of others know these things, but Shea, I am afraid, does not.

Therefore I nominate Shea as Sap No. 1 for 1937.

SPORTS DAILY WORKER SPORTS

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Hard Luck Champ of 1936



HARRY FIRST CAME UP TO THE MAJORS 12 YEARS AGO BUT DIDN'T MAKE GOOD IN TWO CHANCES WITH THE SENATORS AND ONE WITH THE GIANTS!

LET'S HOPE IT WILL BE A HAPPY NEW YEAR FOR

HARRY KELLEY

OF THE A'S! IN 1936 THE 30-YEAR-OLD ROOKIE WAS WELL ON HIS WAY TO WINNING 20 GAMES FOR A LAST PLACE TEAM, BUT WAS STRICKEN WITH APPENDICITIS AFTER HE'D WON 15!

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Hakoah Downs Red Sparks

The Red Sparks soccer team went down to a 3 to 0 defeat before the powerful Hakoah club in the first of the series of games to aid the Daily Worker fund.

Hakoah rushed into an early lead, scoring all three goals in the first half. Raab booted home two beauties and Frankel drove in the other on a well executed play.

The Red Sparks came out fighting for the second half, and had the Hakoah on the defensive throughout. Due to some sensational goal keeping and a little hard luck they couldn't score.

In the preliminary game the Red Sparks B. tied the Hakoah B., 1-1. It was a well played game, with the Red Sparks leading at the half.

Faces Champion

Bobby Cortez, known fistically as "Wild Mexican Pete," may upset the pre-battle dope when he gets his haymakers in action against Attilio Sabatino, Porto Rican middle-weight champion, in the feature event at Rockland Palace tonight.

Sabatino is expected to have a few pounds weight advantage but the Mexican has fought and kayoed heavier opponents and has no fear of Attilio's ability. The Mexican has dropped Joe Pennino and Andre Jessurun in his last two fights. Sabatino is undefeated in nine American starts and wishes to keep his record intact especially with the scramble now for a shot at Freddie Steele's title.

Furriers Nosed Out

In a fast, well played game at Starlight Park yesterday, the Prospect soccer team downed the Furriers J. C. 2-1. Doc Rubin booted home both goals for the victors, while Fachler counted for the fighting Furriers.

Hero of '36 Sports

Hubbell Was Year's Star

Turn back the sports calendar day by day through 1936 and see if you can answer the question: "What was the outstanding athletic achievement by an individual?" For many reasons Carl Hubbell's magnificent pitching for the New York Giants is our nomination for the year's outstanding individual feat.

Four of these reasons are:

1. Won 16 straight games, longest winning streak by a National League pitcher in 24 years.
2. Most effective National League pitcher with an earned run average of 2.41.
3. Best won and lost record in the National League with 25 victories and 6 defeats for a mark of .813.
4. Inspirational leader in the

Giants' drive from second division to the pennant.

The records are filled with praise of Hubbell, who as time goes on may win a niche in baseball's hall of fame as the game's greatest southpaw.

Hubbell's 16-game winning streak remained unbroken when the season ended. He might have gone on to tie or better the string of 19 hung up by Rube Marquard in 1912 if given the chance.

With proper support and a few breaks Hubbell might have won every single game he pitched.

Hubbell lifted a mediocre team by his boot-strap to a pennant. With Hubbell blazing the trail the giants climbed from fifth place in July to the Pennant. He was the star of stars, the sports hero of 1936.

Amateur Booters Test Pros' Mettle

Amateur and pro-booters will vie for superiority in two games, in Brooklyn and in the Bronx tomorrow afternoon.

Picked teams from the New York State Football Association will meet combined elevens from the four local professional booting aggregations in the first of the inter-league competitions which will be held annually. At Starlight Park, the New York Americans and the Brookhattan will pool their best players together to defeat the simonpures which have been selected from eleven different clubs, while across the bridge, the St. Mary Celtics and the Brooklyn Hispanos will do the same for their encounter with the Brooklyn Selecteds which will have three Olympic stars on their line-up.

Manhattan League Title at Stake

The championship for the first half of the season in the Manhattan Soccer League will be at stake, when the Bronx Knights tackle the Ecuador F.C. tomorrow afternoon at Betsy Head Park. The Knights and the South Americans are on top of the heap, tied with eleven points each, and the winner of tomorrow's tilt will gain a place in the play-offs next spring.

The day's schedule is rounded out by four exhibition matches. The Brownsville IWO booters hook up with the second division Young Zion S.C. in a noon game at Betsy Head Park, while the Yorkville Hungarians battle the Dauntless F.C., champion Negro soccer squad at Central Park. In a second game at Commercial Field, the Red Sparks A take on the Scandinavians A at 12:30 P. M., while the Hanseater are paired with the Scandinavian

Fourth Game for Spain

Three leading labor sports organizations have combined their efforts and will stage the fourth "Games for Spain," tomorrow afternoon at Wingate Field, Avenue K and 17th Street, Brooklyn.

The event will be a soccer double-header and features a picked team composed of the best players from the Vanguard F. C. and the New York Turn Verein against the crack Italian Giuliana in the main game. The preliminary at 1 P. M. brings together the Vanguard I and the Sarlatad I in a regular second division, Eastern District League game. Tomorrow's double-header will mark the first of a series of sport events, planned by the Eastern District Soccer League for the heroic defenders of Spanish democracy.

Wingate Field can be reached by Brighton line B.-M. T. to Avenue J station.

LSU Trowned By Santa Clara In Upset, 21-14

Westerners Amaze With Deadly Air Attack

TULANE STADIUM, New Orleans, Jan. 1 (UP).—Santa Clara brought a new brand of football on a muddy field, to win from Louisiana State, 21-14 before a crowd of 40,000 in the Sugar Bowl.

The Southeastern conference champions, hitherto unbeaten this year, were stunned and helpless before the brilliant blocking and pass defense of the broncos from the little college on the Pacific Coast. Every Santa Clara man executed his assignment to perfection and usually the L.S.U. runners found themselves stranded with no interference.

AIR RAID

The westerners' aerial attack was as deadly as their defense. The muddy field did little to retard them. Nello Falaschi, Santa Clara's All-American quarterback, and Manuel Gomez, the 175-pound half-back from Mexico City, were all but flawless in their handling of the ball.

Santa Clara scored in less than ten minutes of the first period. Crass had punted weakly to the L.S.U. 44-yard line. De Rosa outran Tinsley after the Louisiana end broke through the line and prevented his pass. De Rosa stopping on the L.S.U. 27-yard line, Falaschi then heaved one of his well-aimed passes to Gomez, just short of the goal, and Gomez raced on to score.

Louisiana scored in the last minute of the second quarter. Tinsley made it after taking a pass on the Santa Clara 40-yard line and racing to the goal in his one outstanding run of the day.

It was a thrilling game for the crowd, and a hard one for the team. The ball changed hands six times on intercepted passes, and there were 24 punts which kept the ball moving from one side of the field to the other.

THE SCORE

L. S. U. 0 7 0 7-14
Santa Clara 14 0 7 0-21

Merriwell Finish

MIAMI, Fla., Jan. 1 (UP).—A 55-yard pass by Boyd Brumbaugh in a desperate, back-to-the-wall stand, gave Duquesne a 13 to 12 victory over Mississippi State today in the annual Orange Bowl football game.

A shouting, shirt-sleeved crowd of 12,000 went wild when Brumbaugh's bullseye in the final period pulled the Dukes from almost certain defeat after they trailed, 12 to 7.

With the final minutes slipping rapidly away in the final period, Brumbaugh opened a shoot-the-works aerial attack. After half a dozen unsuccessful tries, he faded back to his own 20-yard line and rifled a perfect pass to Ernest Hefferle on Mississippi State's 25. Hefferle was in the open and crossed the goal standing up.

Brumbaugh's try for extra point failed, but it was not necessary. The touchdown took the heart out of the Maroons.

Score by period:
Mississippi State 6 6 0-12
Duquesne 0 7 0 6-13

Says Doc:

Now Will Those West Coast Smarties Pipe Down About Their Football Supremacy?

Pitt Wins Rose Bowl Game, 21-0

Smashing Ground Attack Routs West Coast Champions—Patrick Goes Over Twice for Winners—Daddio Runs 65 Yards for Final Score

ROSE BOWL, Pasadena, Cal., Jan. 1.—Pittsburgh's Golden Panthers, pouring on power when they needed it and fighting off every threat, today steam-rolled the Washington huskies to defeat in the annual renewal of the tournament of roses football classic.

The score was 21 to 0, marking Pittsburgh's first Rose Bowl triumph in four trips to California.

The Easterners, pivoting their power on the driving legs of bulky Frank Patrick, struck twice with loaded dynamite—once in the first period and again in the third—and then closed the day with a sparkling 65-yard run by Big Bill Daddio in the dying minutes of play.

Melchusen of Pitt returned Bond's kickoff 22 yards to his own 29-yard line. La Rue swept left end for five yards. Goldberg added two yards to his own 36, and La Rue made it a first down inches short of his own 40. After Patrick and La Rue picked up five yards, Goldberg was held and on fourth down, Patrick punted to Johnston who returned four yards to his own 20. Johnston made four yards each on two stabs at the middle. Nowogroski hit center for first down on his 31. Two tries netted four yards and Johnston kicked out on Pittsburgh 45.

After La Rue made two, Goldberg, on a reverse, ran down the sidelines to Washington's 35, where Bill Johnston, safety man, drove him out of bounds. La Rue skirted down the sidelines, and was tackled on the Husky 10. Goldberg made three then added two more. Patrick moved to within six inches of the goal line. Patrick went over for a touchdown. Daddio kicked the extra point.

Score: Pittsburgh 7; Washington 0.

PATRICK GOES OVER Starting the second half, Hoffman of Pittsburgh returned Bond's kickoff to his own 32. Peters of Washington recovered Goldberg's fumble on the Pittsburgh 29. Hensley intercepted Haines' pass for the Panthers on their own 25. La Rue raced down the middle of the field 44 yards to Washington's 30. Patrick made five, two and then first down on Washington's 16. On a fake reverse, Patrick drove through right guard. Patrick dived over for a touchdown. Daddio kicked the extra point.

Score: Pittsburgh 14; Washington 0.

Hispano Trims Celtics

The Brooklyn Hispano eleven scored a brilliant 4 to 0 victory over their bitter rivals, the St. Mary Celtics, yesterday at Celtic Park. Smith scored two goals in the first half and Giannotti booted home the other two in the second period.

In other games Brookhattan downed an all-German team, 4 to 1, and the Philadelphia Germans beat Baltimore to the tune of 3 to 0.

Steele Drubs Jones

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Jan. 1 (UP).—Middleweight champion Freddie Steele thumped old Gorilla Jones all over the ring tonight, easily defending his world championship with a 10-round decision over the former title holder.

Late Rally Gains Tie for Villanova

HAVANA, Jan. 1 (UP).—Villanova's fighting wildcats put on a sustained last period drive to come from behind and tie Auburn 7-7 here today in the Bacardi Bowl game, climaxing Cuba's national sports festival week.

The Cubans appeared to get a tremendous thrill out of the way big time football is played even to a fight between Auburn's Sam McCroskey and Joe Missar. Villanova guard, which broke out in the second quarter and caused both to be banished from the game.

Score by periods:
Villanova 0 0 0 7-7
Auburn 7 0 0 0-7

Today's Events

BASKETBALL
Collegiate
Doubleheader at the Garden—N.Y.U. vs. Manhattan; City vs. St. Johns.
Scholastic
Madison Square Garden, afternoon—Monroe vs. Memorial; Erasmus vs. New Brunswick; Loughlin vs. St. Peter's; Newtown vs. Union Hill.

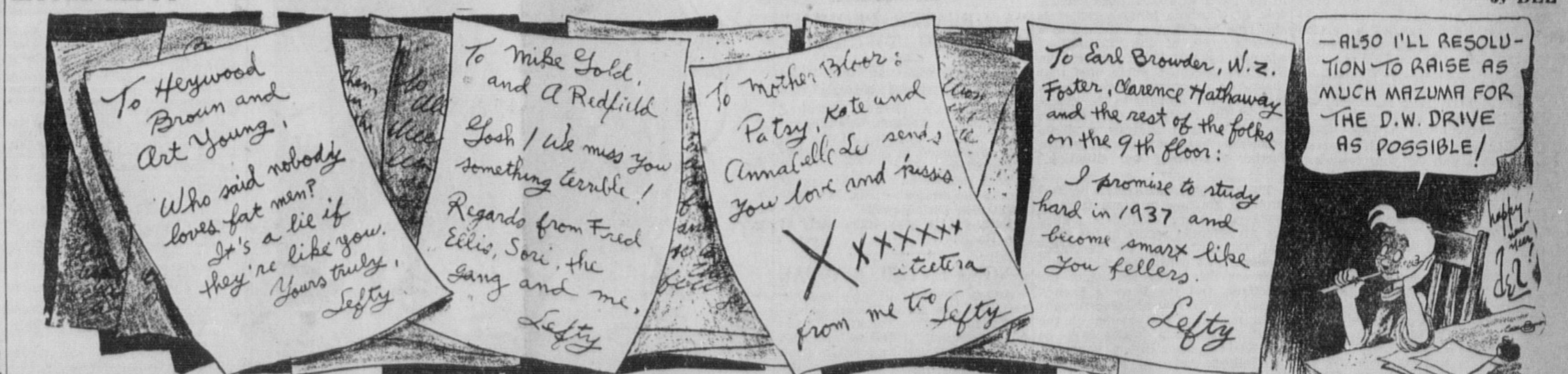
BOXING

Ridgewood Grove—Johnny Horstmann vs. Nick Pastore, Sammy Julian vs. Jimmy Murray, Patsy Rubini vs. Dewey Anderson, eight rounds each; Phil Somese vs. George Higgs, six rounds; Tommie Perez vs. Eddie Zimmers, Johnny Fernandez vs. Johnny Malina, four rounds each.

Rockland Palace—Allie Sabatino vs. Bobby Cortez, Yustin Siretis vs. Young George Godfrey, eight rounds each; George Brothers vs. Eric Lawson, Al George vs. Oscar La Rosa, six rounds each; Havana Kid vs. Sammy Crocetti, Pete Valtilio vs. Willie Johnson, four rounds each.

by DEL

LITTLE LEFTY



"A Little Child Shall Lead Them—Little Orphan Annie or Little Lefty?" Del speaks on the role of the press tomorrow, Sunday, Jan. 3, at Brownsville Community Center, 381 Rockaway Ave., B'lyn, N. Y., at 8:30

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