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## Too Much and Too Little Not Enough

The Chaos of Production and Destruction, of Wages and Prices, Money and Markets, Folly and Fools, in a Looney System that Socialism Will Destroy

THOUSANDS of years ago the Greeks puzzled their brains for a word that would fit what they thought the universe was at one time. The word has come down to us as "chaos." It means formless, confused, unorganized drifting matter, shifting here and there without plan.

This sorry scheme of producing and distributing wealth has become chaos. The products do not reach those who need them and millions who need them are not allowed to produce. Some products pile up and we destroy them and human beings who need them are destroyed by disease and hunger. We are caught in confused, unorganized, drifting forces. We face chaos.

### RAISE CROPS, DESTROY THEM, AND CHAOS

There is more cotton than can be sold although plenty can be used by those who cannot buy clothing. So acres of cotton are plowed under to make us happy. Understand that?

Of course you do. It is reported in headlines of the daily press. It is chaos.

Well, here is the tobacco crop. Too much tobacco although jobless workers pick cigarette butts out of the gutter. There is more than can be sold, yet there are millions who could use what cannot be sold. They cannot buy but they could use. So-O-O-O, as Ed Wynn would say, the Wise Men at Washington will reduce this year's crop from 700,000,000 to 500,000,000 pounds. Again chaos.

Now it is plain. Plow under what cannot be bought though it could be used or reduce the next crop for the same reason. Work like a slave then destroy much that is produced. You couldn't make a Sioux Indian accept that sort of thing.

NRA is going to get the farmers out of the hole by increasing prices of their products. Yeah? Last week the new Federal processing taxes on pork were effective. Bread has been taxed a cent a loaf, cotton goods bear a few cents, and later cheese, butter and milk will be taxed. Farmers are expected to be helped a half-billion dollars within a year by these taxes.

Fine! We want the rural workers to get out of the hole. City workers also want to get out of the pit. We don't object to paying more to help farmers get more. But to pay more for their products we must receive more wages. If a higher price level absorbs any increase in wages it is a game of see-saw.

### MORE PRODUCTS AND WAGES, LESS INCOME

Here is how it works. The farmer gets his increased prices for his products. He begins to climb out of the hole but is halted. He finds that workers pay more but they buy less.

It's the same the other way around. Say the workers get more wages and buy more farmers' products, but the price level is not higher. The farmers sell more but at a low price level. This curtails the buying of industrial products and workers are laid off. If there are less workers to buy both rural and urban workers are still in the hole.

Farmers have half the income they had ten years ago and workers have about the same. The NRA hands the workers a wage lever to lift the farmer and hands the farmer a price lever to lift the wage workers. One lever cancels the other one.

It is a looney system. It works against the labor-

ing masses and favors those who live on their labor. We lose and they win. We make and they take. We work and they shirk. The dice are loaded and the cards are stacked against us.

Prices for the farmer and wages for the worker are realized in dollars. Here again there is chaos. You get a dollar which is supposed to be equal to a certain quantity of things. Next year it may represent half the present quantity. Or a certain quantity buys a dollar now and buys fifty cents a year later, for goods buys dollars as dollars buy goods.

Suppose you started to build a house with a standard footrule. Suppose that rule contracted and expanded from year to year or month to month. You start the basement with a certain dimension and by the time you start to build walls the rule has contracted one-half. By the time you reach the roof the rule recovers a fourth of the length it lost.

What a chaos of basement, steps, walls, roof, rooms and halls we would have in a house erected by the use of such an absurd method of measurement! Two feet are four at one period and four are three at another.

The dollar measure is based upon the capitalist system of production of commodities. It compels us to destroy food while there is hunger. It heaps billions of wealth into the laps of idlers and makes chaos of everything. Socialism is planned and scientific production for human welfare with the idlers discharged from their ownership and control.

Which do you want, chaos or Socialism?

## McLevy Sworn as Bridgeport Mayor

BRIDGEPORT.—This important industrial city is now in the hands of the Socialist administration swept into office by the election landslide November 7th.

Less than a week after the election the outgoing administration surrendered control of the city to the Socialists chosen by an overwhelming majority by the workers and jobless.

Jasper McLevy, Socialist workingman and member of the party's National Executive Committee, received the gavel of Mayor and the keys to the City Hall and to the Mayor's office before a wildly enthusiastic throng at a ceremony in the auditorium of the Central High School Monday at noon.

Tuesday morning, less than a week after the election returns were announced showing the great Socialist victory, Mayor McLevy is in his office in the City Hall, running the city in the rest of the workers.

So great was the enthusiasm and interest of the workers that the inauguration of the Socialist administration could not be held in

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## BRIDGEPORT'S SOCIALIST ADMINISTRATION



RULERS OF THE CITY.—Here is Bridgeport's Socialist administration. Top row, left to right: Sheriff Isadore Kravets; Selectman David Widdop; Sheriff George Puyda; Sheriff Solomon Snow. Third row: Alderman Andrew Auth; Alderman James Kane; Alderman John M. Toft; Selectman Kiev Lishofsky; Selectman Meyer Zucker; Alderman John B. Sheerin. Second row: Alderman William Hutton; Alderman William S. Neil; Alderman Charles Mottaram; Alderman Harry A. Williamson; Alderman Angelo J. Canevari; Alderman Henry A. Costello.

Front row: Education Commissioner Jack C. Bergen; Town Clerk Richard Schultze; Mayor McLevy; City Clerk Fred Schwartzkopf; Treasurer Richard Shenton.

## Heavy Socialist Gains Scored Everywhere

RELATED election returns show that the Socialist Party scored heavy gains in every part of the country except where special conditions existed, as in New York City.

Details of the voting in Reading, Pa., shows that in that industrial city the Socialists more than held their own despite the inability of thousands of workers to pay the poll tax required before voting, and that they are now the strongest party in the city by 4,000 votes. Only a Democratic-Republican fusion, plus the disfranchising of many Socialists for inability to pay the poll tax, defeated the party's candidates.

In other cities and towns, as returns straggle in, it appears that the people in increasing number turned to the Socialists as their only hope. Some of the details are given below.

### THE READING VOTE

READING, Pa.—The Socialist Party, despite the terrific fusion campaign waged against it, actually increased its vote in this city over the record Presidential vote of 1932. In a total poll 6,000 less

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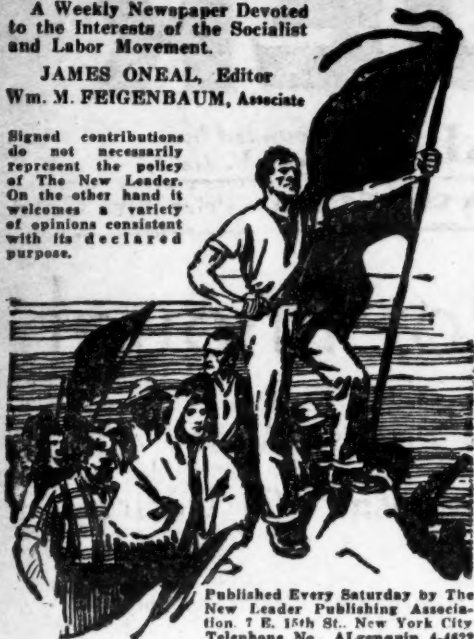


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## One Aim of the NRA

ONE purpose of the NRA is to realize "fair competition" in the capitalistic jungle. Just what is fair is not disclosed. The big owners, the middle owners, and the little owners of industry are to continue to fight each other for business and profits. Uncle Sam is to be a referee. The heavyweights, middle weights, lightweights and other weights are to carry on as before except that Uncle Sam will order them not to gouge, not to kick a rival on the shins, and each is to leave his dirk at home.

Leave the industries in the hands of corporation despots, fight each other by "fair" means, and live on the labor of the tens of millions of workers dependent upon those industries for a living. Nothing in the miserable game of capitalism is changed except a few rules about how to fight. Why not discharge the owning fighters and take over the industries for ourselves? Socialism? Yes, why not?

## Get Something for Nothing

YOU haven't any job or any money. Well, don't get discouraged. You do not need either. Last week the Senate Banking and Currency Committee, investigating investment banking, learned that one can make millions of profits with no risk because no money is put up. America is another word for opportunity. Here is your opportunity!

One happy gentleman told how a syndicate reaped more than \$12,000,000 by clever dealings in a number of oil stocks and not a penny was put up by them. What greater opportunity could one ask than that? Invest nothing and get oodles of cash!

If you have ambition, energy, inspiration, push and a big appetite, apply to the Senate committee for the secret of how to get something for nothing. Don't go broke; consult your broker.

## Swill Politics

THERE is one offense Tammany leaders may commit that is never forgiven. If their strategy brings loss of power heads must drop like a housewife slicing onions. They opposed Roosevelt at the Chicago convention last year and lost. They opposed the nomination of Lehman for Governor and lost. Then they lost the city election and now there is an internal feud.

No sap from Albany and no sap from Washington. Jobs and graft scarce. Only a few can chew at the pie counter. That is an unpardonable sin and "principles" require that there should be new strategy and probably new leaders. Fat boys must have their swill and that is about all there is to the politics of the average Democratic and Republican ring.

## Sacrificing the Children

WE recently considered how much it costs workers to belong to capitalist parties. In lost incomes and savings it mounts into billions of dollars and we concluded that voting for the parties and candidates of the possessing classes is the most expensive luxury the workers ever indulged in. They don't want to throw away their votes. No. They throw away jobs, incomes and savings!

Like some primitive people, they also sacrifice their children. There are about three million children out of the schools and the number deprived of an education is on the increase. Nearly 2,000 rural schools in 24 states are closed and in some communities schools are operated on a tuition basis. School terms have also been shortened in one out of every four cities. In Michigan alone 90 per cent of the schools will shorten their terms this year.

Throw your incomes and savings into the capitalistic fire, but why sacrifice your children as well?

## The Class Struggle

WE are asked to explain what is meant by class consciousness. Answer, there are class antagonism, class interests, class struggle and class consciousness. The antagonism is due to capitalist property which creates class interests. Class interests occasionally result in a class struggle. Examples, a farmer class against a creditor class attempting to foreclose mortgages or wage workers striking against a corporation attempting to reduce wages.

The class antagonism, class interest and class struggle may exist without clear knowledge of them by the laboring masses. When the workers clearly understand that they belong to a definite class in society with their own interests to advance then they are class-conscious. That is to say, they know how to fight for their interests intelligently. Many a struggle in accord with the interests of the workers is guided more by class instinct than by class-consciousness. The class struggle supplemented with basic knowledge of it is essential to a Socialist movement.

## In Fascist Fairyland

WELL, well; we thought that Fascism brings peace and bliss and the saving of capitalism, but here is Mussolini worrying over the sad plight of the Societa Hydroelectrica, the great power trust of Italy. "The situation of this company," says a Rome press agent, "represents one of the greatest setbacks in the history of Italian business. Its capital has had to be reduced more than 500,000,000 lire, despite the intervention of the Industrial Reconstruction Institute to aid it." Mussolini has split it into three units and injected more Fascist serum into it to give it more life.

The Corporate State has its troubles and the depression disease eats into it as it does in the other capitalist countries. Capitalist production is the same whether a king, a president or a Fascist heads the government or whether a parliament or a Fascist council sits with him. The future belongs to a Socialist working class, let the despots do what they will.

## Throwing the Bull

INCIDENTALLY, when the Fascist as well as any other politician talks to the masses he becomes woozy. He takes a collection of words and strings them together. The language is impressive, but he really says nothing.

This week Mussolini issued a pompous statement regarding new legislation. He said that a new system, "an instrument under the aegis of the State, will actuate the integral, organic and single discipline of productive forces with a view to the development of the wealth and political power and the well-being of the Italian people."

Read it over and tell us if you know what it means. It is what in American slang is known as "throwing the bull." Ask the cop in the street if he ever knew of any person who could "actuate the integral, organic discipline" of anything and he will have you on the road to a padded cell in short order. However, Mussolini is the darling of some of our ruling silk hats.

## Top o' The Leader Tower With Readers 'n' Boosters

By the Editor

## New Leader Edition for Pennsylvania

THE expansion of The New Leader in circulation has been continuous since the appearance of the first number of the National Edition. Aside from this circulation increase a number of states and cities have asked for special editions.

For more than a year The New Leader has been publishing an edition for the Maryland party organization. This consists of the regular National Edition except for the inclusion of Maryland matter of interest to readers in that state. The Maryland Socialists get the best of the propaganda and educational material of the National Edition supplemented with local matter.

Arrangements have now been completed by which The New Leader will print a weekly edition for the Socialist Party of Pennsylvania. That leading industrial state has always had an effective party organization. The state organization and all the party subdivisions will cooperate with The New Leader in building the circulation of the Pennsylvania edition.

To make this cooperation most effective, it is necessary for party organizations and members to also cooperate with State Secretary Sarah Limbach in providing news of the movement each week for the Pennsylvania edition.

## NEXT WEEK

THE Socialist movement is international and the fate of the working class is bound up not with what happens in one nation but in many nations. The conflict around the Chinese Eastern Railway is fraught with danger of war between Russia and Japan that may involve other nations. What is it all about? An article sent out by the International Transport Workers' Federation tells the story. Watch for it next week.

## Our Front Page

Many readers have missed the propaganda articles that had appeared on the front page frequently in the last two years. They have not appeared for some months because of the large amount of material that came in relating to the campaign and party activities. Much space was also taken to get the National Edition started. The campaign is now history and we are returning to this popular feature with this issue. On every occasion possible we shall run these "broadcasts."

## WEVD NEW LEADER SPEAKER

Ben Blumenberg, of The New Leader staff, will be the speaker of The New Leader period of Station WEVD on Friday, Nov. 24th, from 4:30 to 4:45 p. m.

James Oneal, editor of The New Leader, speaks on Friday, Nov. 17th, at the same time.

## New Leader Plans

The New Leader staff is never satisfied with The New Leader. We receive many fine letters of approval and some criticism, but whether one or the other, we plan for a better paper. New type, new features, better display and better paper stock are being considered as plans of improvement unfold. Our aim is to make The New Leader the most effective Socialist Party weekly ever published.

## New Leader Meetings

On Tuesday, Nov. 21, the editor will lecture in the Odd Fellows Hall, Hempstead, L. I., and this meeting will also be a New Leader sub drive.

Last Sunday the editor spoke in the afternoon in Washington and at a dinner in Baltimore at night, both Leader affairs. Washington comrades had only a few days to arrange for an anti-Fascist meeting and about 75 people turned out. Sixteen subs were taken.

At night about 150 people attended an inspiring dinner in Baltimore for the benefit of the Baltimore and New York Leaders. Speakers were B. Charney Vladeck, the editor, a representative of the Baltimore Federation of Labor and Prof. McDougal of Goucher College. Each presented his view of the NRA. A fine collection was taken for both papers.

## The Sub-Getters

Martin Heisler is still running amuck in upstate New York and passing in a bunch of subs each week. His latest batch includes 14 and he roars defiance to anyone who attempts to compete with him. Will some one take up his challenge and deflate him?

Carl Parsons at New Rochelle comes in with five and invites the editor to come into his territory for a drive. Comrade Parsons kept the patriots of Minnesota in hot water after the war by organizing soldiers against the reaction of the patriots.

A. Savinow of St. Louis enlists in the sub drive and his first installment is a list of seven. Not a bad beginning in the ancient home of Anheuser Busch.

H. Kulkin and A. Silver in Los Angeles have started a rivalry in the game of sub-getting and send in six, but whether this is a fifty-fifty result or one scored against the other we are not certain.

The lists come from many states, and this week was another humdinger. We cannot report all who have helped, but we may add that the percentage of renewals is also the highest we ever had.

Here are a few scattered over various states: Herbert Lubin, Yonkers, N. Y., 4; Albert Strief, Portland, Ore., 3; Charles Pogorelec, Chicago, 3; Max Kalle, Detroit, 5; Arthur Rohan, Racine, Wis., 2.

We ask all our readers now to turn to page 3 and note the half-page suggestions made to them. Can you do it? You can if you try.

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## For 10,000 Party Members In Good Standing by 1934

**Duties of an Organizer; a Disciplined Membership;  
Planned and Well-Organized Branches.**

By Leon Gibson

THE success or failure of any organization depends to a great extent upon the ability of its manager. If he is wideawake, aggressive and blessed with sound judgment, the business will prosper and develop; if not, it is bound to fail, and that is also true of a Socialist Party branch. The organizer in a branch fulfills the same functions as the manager in a business. He can make or break a branch.

To be a successful organizer a comrade must possess a thorough understanding, not only of the Socialist philosophy but also of the history of the Socialist and labor movement at home and abroad. He must be in constant touch with the movement through the Socialist press, and never allow himself to grow rusty on current events. This is the first requirement, it is true, but it is by no means enough.

Since the organizer must supervise all branch activities and be in touch with other active comrades who at times may have to be disciplined, it is necessary to be level-headed and persistent. He must never play the role of a politician, for thus one becomes the center of factional disputes, which often proves fatal to himself and to the branch. In our movement the spirit of comradeship plays an important part, and it is up to the organizer to develop it.

The organizer should be a psychologist; at the very least he should possess a sense of humor. There is no room for a grouchy in such a position in the Socialist Party.

Since our party is composed of branches it is obvious that its strength is dependent directly upon the strength of the individual branches. Strong branches make for a strong party; weak branches mean an impotent and ineffective party.

I am one of those who believe that all blame for inefficiency, lack of activity or mismanagement cannot justly be placed with the central party office. I am of the opinion that at least a part of the fault is with the branches themselves. Of course, I agree with those comrades who say that, in order to function properly, the branches must be guided and their activities coordinated by some central authority.

Through the initiative of Henry

### THE RESEARCH STAFF

By Harry W. Laidler

In behalf of the three city-wide candidates on the Socialist city ticket in the municipal campaign, may I express, through the columns of The New Leader, our very great appreciation to the many hundreds of workers in the Socialist Party in New York City for their splendid support during the campaign. May I take this opportunity particularly to express our thanks to the Executive and Research staff of the Party.

Henry Rosner, Research Secretary of the Socialist Party, and Louis E. Yavner did magnificent work throughout the campaign in obtaining exact facts regarding municipal problems and placing those facts at the disposal of the candidates.

Personally feel, and am sure Comrades Solomon and Cross- agree with me, that the of the research staff should only be continued under the directorship of Henry Rosner that everything should be done the Party to strengthen it. It

Frchter, member of the City Executive Committee, a Propaganda and Organization Committee has been created as a sub-committee of the City Executive Committee. Its members are the organizers of all the branches of Local New York, and they meet every Tuesday from 6 to 7 p. m. in the Rand School.

The Propaganda and Organization Committee has nothing to do with controversial matters, but concerns itself primarily with organization problems. It plans to strengthen poorly functioning branches, to coordinate the work of the various branches, and to create new branches in localities where none exist at present. In addition it will undertake to print and supply branches with literature, and to act as a training school for organizers.

The creation of that committee was a splendid move. The new committee can be made the natural connecting link between all the branches and the central office. While it is still in the process of formation, I feel certain that it

will play an important part in our movement as time goes on.

Although the Propaganda and Organization Committee has been in existence for more than six months, so far it can scarcely be credited with great accomplishments. Here again the fault does not lie with the principle or with the committee, but with the organizers, who have not given it their fullest cooperation. The sooner the organizers realize the importance of this committee the sooner we will be able to begin our onward march.

The organizers are becoming aware that they are the backbone, the builders of the party. They are its engineers and architects, upon whom the burden of creating an effective organization falls. They also understand that, to be effective, they must carefully plan their work.

With this in mind the committee is about to begin a Survey, Research and Statistical department. When the necessary material has been gathered—material concerning the problems confronting each individual branch and locality in the city—plans will be laid and the job of systematic organization begun.

There is every reason to expect that the undertaking will be a success; 10,000 members in good standing by 1934 is an objective which should prove easy of attainment under this new plan.

## Forum Season Begins With NRA Symposium on Sunday

THE Brooklyn Forum opens its 1933-34 season this Sunday, Nov. 19, at the Brooklyn Academy of Music with a symposium on "Is NRA America's Way Out?", in which Edward F. McGrady, Charles Edward Russell and Louis Waldman will participate.

The season consists of fifteen events on successive Sunday nights, ending 4, 1934. The program follows: Nov. 26, debate—Frank Crosswaith vs. Prof. Roy Clark Hanaway, "Resolved: That Socialism Is Superior to Capitalism"; Dec. 3—Louis Untermeyer, "What Americans Read and Why"; Dec. 10—Fenner Brockway vs. Fred Henderson, "British Labor Today"; Dec. 17—Norman Thomas vs. Scott Nearing, "Which Way Out—Socialism or Communism?"; Dec. 31—New Year's Eve Frolic; Jan. 7—to be announced; Jan. 14—to be announced; Jan. 21—George Gordon Battle vs. Jacob Panken, "Resolved: That the Democratic Party Expresses the Hopes and Aspirations of the American People"; Jan. 28—to be announced; Feb. 4—to be announced; Feb. 11—Max Eastman vs. B. Charney Vladok, "The Workers' Triumph Cannot Be Achieved Through Democracy"; Feb. 18—Prof. Sidney Hook, Louis Boudin, Haim Kantorovich, symposium on Marxism;

would have been absolutely impossible for the candidates to have discussed the constructive issues of the campaign from day to day as they did during September and October without the splendid aid of the Research Department.

### Brownsville W. U. L.

The Brownsville Group of the Workers' Unemployed League is holding a concert and raffle Dec. 9th at the Labor Lyceum, 219 Sackman St. The concert will start at 8 p. m. and will be given by Palockoff's orchestra. Admission is free.

Workers' organizations are asked to aid the Brownsville W.U.L. and all members are invited to attend the concert and participate in the raffle.

**BOOST THE NEW LEADER!**

## Results of Campaign Will Emerge in the Near Future

**Our Vote Was All Out of Proportion to the Real  
Strength of Socialism in New York—Praise for  
the Ypsels for Their Work.**

By Frank R. Crosswaith

BY general consent New York City never witnessed a municipal campaign with so much surface confusion as that just ended. The candidates of three groups, representing basically things as they are, studiously avoided any discussion of the really important problems underlying the campaign. Instead they sought to turn the election upon unrelated moral and meaningless abstruse issues. It was the candidates of the Socialist Party alone who brought into the arena of discussion light and sanity. On every occasion we presented to the people the real and vital economic and social problems upon which politics is predicated.

The vote received by our ticket by no means reflects the constructive force we represented. The people voted against Tammany, exactly as the nation a year ago voted against Hoover. We are confident that time and events will prove the short-sightedness of those who voted for LaGuardia and Fusion, believing they represented something fundamentally new in socio-economic and political thought.

For the effective campaign of enlightenment waged so decorously by the Socialist Party, great credit is due our standard-bearers, Charles Solomon and Harry W. Laidler. Above the din and confusion the scholarly, dignified and

clear voices of these comrades were a welcome relief.

That our party is stronger as a result of the campaign is admitted by all who see beneath the surface. The demeanor, stability, spirit and unselfish devotion to the lofty principles of our Socialist ideals which the comrades everywhere showed—especially the members of the Young People's Socialist League—gave me a great thrill that neither time nor years will erase. It was indeed an honor to have fought by their side in the campaign.

Now that the campaign is over, let us show the same spirit and devotion to our ideals by starting in preparation for the day when the hosts of enlightened labor of all races and creeds will advance irresistibly and victoriously upon the citadel of capitalism as a necessary step in our determination to recapture the world which labor has built with its tears and pains.

The days of capitalism are numbered. The system is doomed to go the way of its predecessors. Let us, therefore, continue to organize and educate our class, confident that no wind can drive the bark of Socialism astray, nor change the tide of destiny.

To all of you who fought so nobly and so well in the campaign I lift my hat in comradely admiration. I salute you and say: Together let's fight on until labor reaps the full social value of its efforts; until Socialism sweeps off the face of the earth capitalism—that pyramid of pain for the workers of the world. In this cause I am enlisted for life.

Party and a member of its national Public Affairs Committee.

B. Charney Vladok is chairman of the Brooklyn Forum Committee and Dr. Harry W. Laidler is vice-chairman. The other members of the committee are Henry Kritzer, the director, Paula Arnaud, Dr. William E. Bohn, Herman Rivkin, Sarah Rutes, Norman Thomas and Louis E. Yavner. Season subscriptions may be secured at either the Brooklyn Academy of Music or the city office, 7 East 15th St. Tickets for individual events are on sale at the Academy, the city office and the Rand Book Store.

### Rebel Arts Housewarming

The Rebel Arts group will hold a housewarming package party and dance to celebrate the opening of their new headquarters at 22 East 22nd Street, Friday night at 8:30 P. M.

Norman Thomas will be a guest. Those who can should bring packages to be auctioned off.

the state, and for compelling certain industries to accept the principle of collective bargaining.

The committee has examined the remarks attributed to Comrade Cahan that appeared in the press and declares that some of them are not consistent with the position of the Socialist Party. Letters were sent to the newspapers which had printed them calling attention to this fact. A full report with the committee's action and recommendations was ordered presented to the City Central Committee.

The committee has given this statement to The New Leader for publication and recommends to the Central Committee the adoption of the following resolution:

"The City Central Committee is glad to have the statement by Comrade Cahan as presented by the special committee correcting the reports of his speech at Madison Square Garden October 4. It notes that this unfortunate incident was partly the result of Comrade Cahan's failure to inform himself adequately on the position of the N.E.C. and Local New York on the NRA before speaking on it. It hopes that in the future Comrade Cahan, recognizing his party responsibility as a beloved and honored veteran of the movement, will be more careful to inform himself on the position of the Party on vital matter before addressing his fellow comrades and workers on such subjects in his role as a Socialist Party member.

"Resolved, that a copy of this resolution be sent to Comrade Cahan and the Jewish Daily Forward."

## Local New York's Stand On Cahan's Garden Speech

AT a victory celebration meeting held October 4th by the Dressmakers' Joint Board, I.L.G.W.U., in Madison Square Garden, Comrade Abraham Cahan, editor of the Jewish Daily Forward and long a Socialist spokesman, made a speech greeting the 26,000 garment workers in the hall "as a Socialist" and congratulating them on their gains. In the course of his extemporaneous address he made certain references to President Roosevelt and the NRA to which many comrades took exception as inconsistent with the position of the Socialist Party, as expressed and made clear in a statement of the National Executive Committee of the Party and by Local New York.

The City Central Committee, on receipt of a protest by ten party members, eight of whom had heard the remarks, elected a committee of six to interview Comrade Cahan and prepare a statement for the Party and the capitalist press. The committee consisted of Comrades August Claessens, Max Delson, Samuel H. Friedman, James Oneal, Theodore Shapiro and Bradford Young (Friedman, secretary). A sub-committee (Delson, Friedman, Young, Julius Gerber (ex-officio) was named to confer with Comrade Cahan.

The sub-committee conferred with Comrade Cahan for three hours, and got his consent to issue the following statement in reply to the committee's questions about his speech and about the newspaper reports of his address, especially in the Herald Tribune and the News:

1. In his speech at the Garden, Comrade Cahan prefaced his remarks by saying that he knew very little about the NRA, having been out of the country for a considerable time. He admitted also that at the time he did not know the party position, since he had not read the statement of that position as expressed in the N.E.C. and the Local New York resolutions.

2. Comrade Cahan denied that he had intimated in any way in his speech that the NRA was Socialism.

3. He denied absolutely having said (as quoted in the Herald Tribune) that "if anybody is entitled to membership in the Socialist Party, President Roosevelt is."

4. He affirmed that, while expressing doubts as to the success of the NRA, he had congratulated President Roosevelt for having tried to bring order out of chaos, for tackling problems ordinarily considered outside the function of



## Thomas and Oneal to Discuss The A. F. of L. Convention

THE first of a series of symposiums and lectures arranged by the Education Committee of local New York and the New York County Committee will be held this Saturday afternoon at 2 p. m., in Room 508, People's House, 7 E. 15th St.

Norman Thomas, James Oneal and possibly Fania Cohen, Vice-President of the I.L.G.W.U., will discuss "Lessons from the A. F. of L. Convention."

These symposiums are designed to help clarify in the minds of party members many of the important issues before the Socialist and labor movement of the world. Speakers in every case are selected

because of their familiarity with the subjects under discussion, and then the floor is thrown open to discussion by the party members.

Only party members, with paid-up cards are admitted, and discussion is full, free and frank.

Future events at this new forum will include:

November 25—"Trends of the Revolution in Spain," Vincenzo Vacirca.

December 2—"The NRA," Harry Rogoff, Louis Waldman, Algon Lee.

December 9—"The Progress of the British Labor Party," Fred Henderson.

### Features of the Week on WEVD (1300 Kc.)

Sunday, Nov. 19—11 a. m., Forward Hour; 8 p. m., Modern American Composers; 8:30, "Psychology Clinic of the Air," Dr. Jacob List; 10, Symposium.

Monday, Nov. 20—4:30 p. m., Musicales with Edith Clemens (mezzo soprano), Jeanette Hauser (violinist), Carlo Lanzilotti (bass); 5, Actors' Dinner Club sketch.

Tuesday, Nov. 21—5 p. m., Afternoon Musicales, Elvira Helal (soprano), Jean Kantner (baritone), Metropolitan Ensemble; 8, Michael Strange, "The Theatre"; 8:45, "What American Youth is Thinking and Doing"—talk; 10:30, "Around the Samovar," featuring Eli Spivak (gypsy baritone), Mile. Mirayev, Paul Zim's Russian Gypsy Orchestra.

Wednesday, Nov. 22—4 p. m., Bartow and Strange, Viennese duets; 8, The New York Singers; 8:15, Oswald Garrison Villard—talk; 10:30, Concert Hour—Eugene Byron Morgan (baritone), Joe Lippman (tenor), Nathan Radoff (violinist), String Ensemble; 8:30, Hunter College Musicales.

Thursday, Nov. 23—5:30 p. m., Musicales—Helen Lanvin (soprano), and string ensemble; 8:45, Foreign Affairs Forum—talk; 10, Opera Tidbits, "Il Trovatore"; 10:30, Half Hour with Shakespeare—"Hamlet," Edward Doize and his Players.

Friday, Nov. 24—4:30 p. m., Ben Blumenberg, The New Leader period; 8:30, Harriett Britton, soprano, and string ensemble; 8, "King and Queen"—musico-comedy; 10, Charles George, "Memory Press Book"; 10:15, "Author Reviews His Book."

Saturday, Nov. 25—8:45 p. m., Eva Miller, contralto; 8, International Exchange Concerts, under the direction of Henry Cowell; 8:30, Music Hall Program—Helen Steel, contralto; Conrad and Tremont, piano duo; 10:30, "Labor Marches On"—drama.

### WALDMAN AND LEE AT RAND SCHOOL

Next week Louis Waldman, State Chairman of the Socialist Party, and Algon Lee, President of the Rand School, will be star lecturers at the Rand School. Two great courses will be brought to an end.

The course on "Nation, Race and Class," in which a series of important scholars have been dealing with race prejudice, nationalism and Fascism, will reach its climax Monday evening when Algon Lee will speak on "A Socialist View of Dictatorship and Democracy." Last Monday, in the absence of Dr. Otto Nathan, the subject of Hitlerism was dealt with by Siegfried Lipschitz and Martin Pletzi. A large audience was deeply moved by the description of conditions in Germany.

Louis Waldman will discuss "The Roosevelt Policies and the Socialist and Labor Movement" Thursday evening, Nov. 23, at 8:30. As adviser of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, Waldman has been deeply involved in the practical working out of NRA policies.

### RAND SCHOOL BALL

"Forget your troubles and be gay" is the slogan for the Rand School ball Thanksgiving Eve, Wednesday, Nov. 29, at the Hotel Lismore, 253 West 73rd St. This was formerly the Level Club, at one time the scene of many Socialist rallies, dinners and dances.

This big event is sponsored by Camp Tamiment and all proceeds will be given to the scholarship fund of the Rand School, which pays for the tuition of several hundred workers each year who take the systematic courses of the Workers' Training classes.

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### TERZANI TAG DAYS

The Terzani Defense Committee, headed by Norman Thomas, has designated Nov. 17, 18 and 19 at Tag Days for the collection of funds for the defense of Athos Terzani.

Terzani goes on trial Nov. 27, and funds are urgently needed. Regional headquarters have been set up throughout the city from which collection cans will be issued Nov. 17, 18 and 19.

Every member of the Socialist Party should help collect funds on these days. Your red card is necessary for identification. The headquarters are: Williamsburg—289 S. 3rd St.; 167 Tompkins Ave. Flatbush—844 Utica Ave.; 2239 Church Ave. Brownsville—219 Sackman Ave. Borough Park—1372 42nd St. Brighton—1113 Brighton Beach Ave. Downtown Brooklyn—157 Montague St. Bensonhurst—87 Bay 25th St. Coney Island—2202 Mermaid Ave.; 333 Sheffield Ave.

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### Y.P.S.L. NOTES

We challenge you to be a Challenger. The official organ of the Y.P.S.L., for which we fought so long, will go under unless we support it. The National Executive Committee has reduced the rate of subs to 35 cents per sub. Special rates for subs, if secured in clubs of 4, will be 25 cents per year. Bundle orders may be secured at 1 1/2 cents per copy if bought in bundles of 100 or over.

Attractively bound Convention Proceedings on sale at City Office at ten cents, includes all committee reports in toto, as adopted either by the Convention or by the NEC as in the case of unfinished business.

Athletics.—Candidates for basketball team report in City Office at 2:30 on Saturday, Nov. 18th, with outfits. Fencing team meets at 809 Westchester Ave. at 10:30 p. m., Nov. 19th.

The Y.P.S.L. is participating, together with several Party branches, in a celebration of the Russian Revolution. Speakers include Gus Tyler (Y.P.S.L.), Murray Baron, Dr. Alexander Fischandler and Ethel Schachner, chairman. Meeting Sunday, Nov. 19th, 22 East 22nd St., at 8:30.

Joint dance of Circles 1 and 8, Sen. Bronx, Saturday, Dec. 9, at Bronx Labor Center, 809 Westchester Ave. Youth Forums have been organized by the Y.P.S.L. in various sections of the city. All Circles should undertake the running of such forums.

James Oneal will speak on the life of Eugene Victor Debs on Sunday, Nov. 19, 4 p. m., at 809 Westchester Ave. (Continued on Page 6A)

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The Socialist administration was sworn in and took office on Monday last.

Frank Crosswaith, Socialist candidate for President of the Board of Aldermen in the recent election, will greet Mayor McLevy in behalf of the New York Socialist movement.

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The concert that will precede the midnight showing of the picture will consist of unique dramatic and musical selections in keeping with the spirit of the subtle humor of the picture.

The following artists will participate in the concert: the well known poet-actor, Mark Shweid; excellent soprano, Rosa Bruska, accompanied on the piano by Max Zaslowsky; the tenor, Sholom Tanin and Israel Shlyen at the piano.

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# Silk Workers Are Making Brave Fight for Entire Labor Movement

By Charlotte Glassman

IN an effort to regulate conditions in the silk industry, the National Labor Board has issued another decision with the consent and cooperation of the National Recovery Administration, requiring that payrolls of all factories be sent to the National Recovery Administration to determine what is really being paid, so that a guarantee to the Northern manufacturers may be supported. A meeting of the National Recovery Administration branch in New Jersey at Paterson is taking up the question of enforcing the determination of the National Labor Board.

Until now the National Recovery Administration refused to budge in changing the code provision for a minimum of \$13 per week to the silk industry workers. By doing this, the executive orders of the President have been overlooked, since the minimum wage of \$13 per week applies only to the unskilled laborers. The other crafts were to get an increase proportionate to the increase of the unskilled laborer. Thus from this standpoint alone the wages of the silk weavers should be about \$25 instead of the \$15 or \$17 they have been receiving.

The National Labor Board fixes the wage of the silk weaver at \$25 because of the fact also that the rayon weaver in the Southern area has been receiving \$22 per week.

The silk manufacturers argued continually that they would pay a differential of \$5 as compared with the South, yet these employers refuse to pay the differential of \$3 fixed by the National Labor Board.

Some shops have accepted in Pennsylvania, but not in Paterson.

The new decision of the National Labor Board that payrolls of all factories are to be sent in to the National Recovery Administration to determine what is really being paid, is not considered a reliable step by Jacob Panken. He said: "Workers cannot depend on decisions of the National Recovery Administration nor upon decisions of the National Labor Board. Any decision of either branch of government favorable to the workers may not be accepted by the employers and so the workers must fall back on their own solidarity for improvement of their condition."

"The silk workers are really making a fight for the entire labor movement. What they are trying to do is to rectify wrongs committed against labor in codes approved by the President. If they succeed it will help labor as a whole. If they fail it will hurt labor. For twelve weeks the strikers have made terrific sacrifices for the cause of labor. Labor must come to their help to insure victory."

## Radio Workers Strike

The employees of the Cornell-Dubilier condenser factory, members of the Radio Factory Workers' Union, are on strike for union recognition and a living wage. These workers receive even under the "New Deal" a wage of \$11.42 per week. Their union is attempting to organize the sweated low paid workers in the electrical factory industry and has aroused the powerful open-shop opposition of the National Electrical Manufacturers' Association.

## LOCAL 22 WARNS ITS MEMBERS AGAINST BOSSES' PROPAGANDA

Dressmakers' Union Local 22 of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union is sending out an appeal to its workers not to be gulled by the insidious propaganda circulated by the bosses.

As a result of their recent strike the dressmakers won minimum wage scales and a 35-hour week. Now, however, in the slack season, it is charged, the employers are scheming to nullify the gain of the workers. With many workers unemployed and many others working only part-time, the bosses are trying to beat down wages and lengthen hours. Contractors go from shop to shop spreading false rumors that other shops are working under the union scale of wages, say union officials.

To combat this activity, Local 22 is undertaking a systematic campaign of jobbers' group meetings. All union members are requested to come to these jobbers' group meetings and are, above all, asked not to work for less than union wages.

## 40,000 Anthracite Miners Return to Work

FORTY thousand members of the United Anthracite Miners of Pennsylvania returned to work Monday after assurances that the National Labor Board would investigate conditions. The miners walked out November 6th to force recognition of the new union, organized in protest against the policies of the old organization and a desire to have an anthracite union independent of the soft coal miners.

Two companies declined to employ strikers on the ground that they had contracts with the United Mine Workers. Other miners had

been hired by the two companies after pitched battles with the strikers and the companies decline to discharge these miners.

The Labor Board, in addition to investigating the issues involved in the strike, will have to consider the problem raised by insistence of the new union that it be recognized. Thomas Maloney, district president of the new union, states that he is willing that the miners take a vote to decide which union they want.

## Shipping Clerks to Fight Code Violations

THE Ladies' Garment Shipping Clerks' Union is planning a strong fight to enforce the NRA code. It is charged that at least 90 per cent of the employers in the coat and suit and in the dress industry are violating the code as far as shipping clerks are concerned. The code calls for a maximum of 40 hours per week and a minimum of \$14 per week. It is common knowledge that shipping clerks work as much as 60 hours per week and receive salaries as low as \$10.

The union is asking all shipping clerks in the dress industry to notify it of violations, to be sent to Amicus Most, Chairman, 1270 Broadway, Room 318, the union's headquarters.

The union, which is applying this week for a charter from the I.L.G.W.U., is progressing rapidly. Over 400 were present at its second meeting, and over 350 of those present signed up. At the meeting, addressed by Frank Crosswaith, Max Delson and Amicus Most, a delegation from the newly chartered Men's Clothing Wholesale Clerks' Union was present and gave their greetings. M. Finestone of the United Hebrew Trades sent his greetings. Frank Crosswaith, who at one time was a shipping clerk himself, stressed the fact that Negroes and whites must unite. At least half the members are

## Racine Unemployed Aid Striking Farmers

News comes from Wisconsin of the active Workers' Committee in Racine. The organization has about 5,300 members and helps striking workers and farmers fight their battles. It has also done good work in securing better relief for the unemployed.

At one strike of 160 Racine radiator workers the Committee arranged for a picket line of from 200 to 500 men day and night. A vacant lot next to the factory was used for a mass meeting and for distributing hot coffee and rolls to the pickets. Two mass meetings a day were held. The strike, which was to force recognition of the workers' union, was won in a week.

On receiving a call for help from striking farmers near Racine, the Workers' Committee offered 500 pickets if the farmers would supply food and transportation.

Due to the Committee's efforts, the unemployed of Racine get free gas, light, fuel, clothing, and "just enough food to get by."

The Workers' Committee now publishes its own paper. It is also holding an organization campaign to enlist the support of the women and confidently expects to have 10,000 members by the New Year. Art Rohan, formerly of the Auto Workers, is the moving spirit.

Negroes and a splendid solidarity was shown.

The union is planning a dance and entertainment in the near future. Educational work is also planned. All shipping clerks are urged to get in touch with the union.

## GAIN IN BUFFALO

BUFFALO, N. Y.—Herman J. Hahn received 4,894 votes for Mayor, compared with 4,544 for Waldman for Governor in 1932, and 3,696 polled by the Socialist candidate for City Comptroller in 1931.

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## Old Pals' Corner

### Joe Wants to Punch the Editor's Mug for an Insult but Finally Decides That He Is a Tomato

By Autolycus

"HEY, Bill, wait a minute," Joe yelled as he ran after Bill who had just left the Rand School.

"What's the excitement all about?" asked Bill.

"That bum editor last week compared workers to tomatoes, and that's going the limit. 'Don't be a tomato!' That's what he said about us. Said we were commodities like the tomatoes the housewife buys at a store. Get that, will you?"

"If you get it you won't be excited," said Bill. "Many of us aren't worth even the price of a decayed tomato. Your carcass would hardly bring ten cents for fertilizer, you cheap skate."

"Bill, if you talk like that to me it will take seven doctors eight days to dig this bunch of bones out of you," said Joe with a menacing shake of his fist.

#### War Is Narrowly Averted!

"YOU seem to be bones from toes to noodle, with a vacuum above the ears as well," Bill replied with a taunting look. "You have slipped back into your bourgeois cave again. Perhaps you will have to be knocked down; you will then at least ask what hit you. When that editor compared us with tomatoes he told the truth. Instead of reasoning about it you get mad."

Joe stared for a moment, and then cooled down. "Well, it riled me for a moment to be paired with a decayed tomato," he said, with a trace of indignation.

"It should disturb you that the comparison is possible," said Bill. "The fact is he might have compared us with convicts as well as tomatoes and found much that is similar. Many a capitalist factory does not differ so much from a penitentiary."

"Now you are exaggerating," said Joe.

Oh yeah? Well, let's take a look at one of these corporation bastilles. If you sell your labor power to the owner you fill out a long application. You tell the boss how old you are, whether married or not and, if married, how many children you have; whether foreign or native born; who your last boss was; whether you left him or he fired you; whether you ever belonged to a union; your height, weight, health and color of eyes and hair.

#### Wage Worker, Tomato, Convict

"HAVING filled out that document the corporation will have you listed and branded and classified like any other commodity it uses up in the production process," Bill continued. "By this time your likeness to the tomato the housewife buys at the store is evident. The boss has inspected you as the storekeeper inspects his vegetables. I hope that I am not exaggerating."

"Oh, I suppose there is a likeness," said Joe, "but how you can transform the tomato into a convict gets me."

"Wage worker, tomato, convict," said Bill. "One is not transformed into the other; I am simply establishing striking similarities. As you are tagged and branded by the boss of the private bastille, so the convict is when he enters the public bastille. Complete records are taken of both."

#### Joe Will Be Eaten Anyway!

"NOW observe what happens," Bill continued. "Millions of workers receive a check with a number and the convict receives a number. Both lose their identity, one in the factory and the other in the prison. Both work under overseers whom they do not choose. Many private bastilles are surrounded by stone walls and barbed wire, the same as prisons, and some are so built that they can be transformed into forts. The company union plants have their slaves meet under the direction of company guards, as convicts meet in a penitentiary. Is there much difference between serving the warden and his guards in a penitentiary and serving the capitalist class and their guards in a plant?"

"Have a heart, Bill," said Joe, throwing up his hands.

"Have some brains, Joe; don't get excited over unpleasant truths," said Bill. "There is, however, this difference. When the convict is discharged he tries to avoid the penitentiary; when the worker is fired from one private bastille he looks for another one and hopes to crawl in."

"I wish I were a tomato now," said Joe.

"It would make little difference. You would be eaten just the same," said Bill, as they parted to return to their rooms.

# SOCIALISTS ALERT AS GERMAN

EVERY day, every hour the crisis nears in Austria. Trapped between two ambitious Fascisms, the Republic erected by the Socialists following the collapse of the Austro-Hungarian monarchy is the target of savage assaults from within and without.

Hitler's Nazis want to "coordinate" Austria into the Swastika realm, while Mussolini wants to make a pawn of that country in his ambitious diplomacy. Chancellor Dollfuss, seeking to keep Austria independent of Hitler, is accepting financial and moral support from Mussolini. Daily the Fascism of the Crutch-Cross, Dollfuss' emblem, is growing more arrogant. Parliament has been suspended. The freedom of the press is banned. Meetings are outlawed. Martial law is threatened. Every day the danger grows that the Socialists will have to take up arms to defend their City Hall and their great achievements on behalf of the Vienna workers.

The Fascism of Dollfuss threatens liberty, democracy and the very existence of the labor and Socialist movement fully as much as did Hitler's a year ago. The Socialists, brave and eager to defend their great movement and to safeguard the peace of the world, have to fight a Fascism armed with powerful foreign support.

On November 12th, the 15th anniversary of the proclamation of the Austrian Republic by Dr. Victor Adler, the great Socialist who died immediately thereafter, was signalized by a ban on all meetings and the arrest of Dr. Fritz Adler, his son, Secretary of the Labor and Socialist International. In 400 factories over 100,000 workers defied the ban and held meetings to celebrate the day. Under the pretext of fighting the Nazis the Heimwehr is in reality seeking to overawe the Socialists.

The following article by Otto Bauer is of the utmost importance, and gives a clear picture of the situation as it shapes itself today.

By Otto Bauer

THE struggle which is going on in Austria at the present time is by no means only an internal fight between political parties. It is a fight between two external Powers.

Germany and Italy are in dispute over Austria, just as Austria and Russia were fighting over Serbia before the war, or as Great Britain and Russia did over Persia.

Germany is out to annex Austria. A Nazi Government in Austria, taking its orders from Berlin, would transform Austria into a German province.

Italy does not want to see Austria fall under German domination. For, if Germany were to swallow Austria, she would become Italy's neighbor, and this might consequently mean a danger to Italy's German-speaking provinces in the South Tyrol.

On the other hand, Italy does not want a democratic Austria, but a Fascist one, which would take its place within the Italo-Hungarian alliance directed against Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia—so that Italian guns may be running freely over Austrian railways into Hungary and the sons of the Austrian

Otto Bauer, Valiant Leader

in this Article Tells of the

Facing the Workers

people should go out to die for Italian and Hungarian interests against the Little Entente.

For this purpose Italy has hired the services of Austrian Heimwehr, for which she pays and provides arms. The Heimwehr are 100 per cent. Fascist organization, which aims at destroying democracy in Austria and establishing a Fascist dictatorship in the Italian model.

The Dollfuss Government defends Austria's independence against Hitler's aggression. Therefore, in Austria, Hitlerism has been outlawed, the Nazi Party dissolved, their papers suppressed.

But the Dollfuss Government thinks of defending Austria against Germany only by relying on Italian support. They have obtained an assurance of diplomatic and—in the case of an attack by the Austrian Legion, which is formed and trained in Germany—also of military assistance from Italy.

They pay for it by directing Austria's home policy according to Italy's wishes. The Heimwehr, although they have no support in the country, are strongly represented in the Government. The democratic institutions, i.e.,

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## Dr. Butler Speaks Out Bravely—Between Wars

SOME thirty years ago Prince Henry of Prussia visited the United States to be wine and dined. Among those who entertained him was Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia University. Later he paid high compliments to Emperor Wilhelm, and still later during the World War he "kept the home fires" burning at feverish heat in support of the imperialist struggle.

Recently he broadcasted in behalf of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. The address shows a very chastened man fearing that hell may be popping soon.

Two paragraphs of the address are worthy of reprinting for those who care to quote Nicholas against capitalism, militarism and war. Ladies and gentlemen, Nicholas Murray Butler at the microphone:

"Each government, it is urged by the militarist and naval lobbies in every capital and by the munition-makers and their allies among politicians and in the press, must be kept in position to defend itself and it cannot defend itself unless it is ready to prevent an attack by attacking first on its own part. This is the cruel, the stupid and the irrational argument by which hundreds of millions of dollars and pounds and francs are taken from a country's income and

poured out upon favored militaristic classes and munition-makers as doles for the maintenance of the one and for the profits of the other.

"How long will the public opinion of civilized man stand this sort of thing? Should another war come—which God forbid—every munition-maker, every military and naval lobbyist, every politician and every journalist who has expounded and defended this incredibly false doctrine might well be carried to the place of greatest danger and left there in order that he may learn for himself, and not merely by the testimony of widows and orphans and stricken parents, what that mass-murder which is called war really means."

#### NAZI HEROISM

The police at Steglitz recently raided the home of Karl Hildebrand, who was a member of the Prussian Landtag before the Nazi victory. At the age of sixty-seven, with the brown-shirt terror raging on every side, Hildebrand had not given up his Socialist faith. In his home the police found over 400 pounds weight of "illegal" literature. Hildebrand was, of course, arrested, and what has become of him is not known.

## As Socialism Regarded

By Eugene Hillquit

President, Labor

IT was with a feeling of sadness that we learned from a telegram by Algernon Lee that our good comrade Morris Hillquit, a member of the Executive of the L.S.I., had died.

With him has disappeared one of the survivors, who are becoming so rare, of the first years of the Second International. For thirty years he had been present at practically all our Congresses—at Amsterdam in 1904, at Stuttgart in 1907, at Copenhagen in 1910, and, later, at Hamburg, Marseilles, Brussels and Vienna.

In the eyes of the Socialists in Europe Hillquit was the incarnation, par excellence, of the Socialist Party in the United States.

Born in Riga in 1869, he arrived in the United States in 1886. In his early youth he was one of those pioneers of Marxism from Germany and Russia whose action has been a dominant factor in the history of Socialism in the United States which Hillquit himself has written ("History of Socialism in the United States," New York, 1903). Like so many Jews he was and Russian with almost equal familiar with all the great Euro-

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# GRAND AUSTRIAN CRISIS NEARS

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Parliament, the Constitution, the liberty of Press and of meeting are suppressed. Everything points in the direction towards an Italian-bred and Italian-controlled Fascism.

Austrian Social Democracy is fighting Hitlerism as well as an Italian-modelled Fascism. The Austrian Party defends democracy against both. In this defensive fight it was bound to be driven into the strongest opposition against the Dollfuss Government, which has suppressed the democratic institutions.

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## the World Over Morris Hillquit

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Socialist International

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recruiting ground. Our comrade was at that time what he remained until the end—frail and slight, delicate and smiling, but as supple and resistant as steel in action as well as in thought, giving the impression from the beginning that he had an obstinately tenacious will which would not flinch at any obstacle or let itself be discouraged by any reverse or disappointment.

When we see in detail from Nathan Fine's book, for example, what have been the conditions under which our American comrades have had to struggle before and since the war, we realize that men of this temper were needed who would hold out in spite of everything and never despair of the future of Socialism and the labor movement in the United States.

Throughout his life Hillquit devoted himself to ungrateful tasks, without ever being able to reach a political position in which it would have been possible for him to give his full measure. In spite of all their efforts the Socialists of New York never succeeded, for example, in securing the return to Congress either of Hillquit or of Algeron

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Fascism without fighting.

When in September the Heimwehr came out clamoring for a Fascist Constitution to be imposed by decree, for the destruction by force of the self-government of Red Vienna, for the dissolution of the Socialist Party and the Trade Unions, the Joint Executives of the Party and of the Trade Union movement met to declare that they would answer the carrying through of each of these Heimwehr demands by calling a general strike.

Under present conditions a general strike would most likely lead to civil war.

The Government's reply to this resolution of the Socialist Party and the Trade Unions was to gag the Socialist Press and to decree new measures against the Railwaymen's Union.

Only 30 per cent. of the Austrian population are backing the Government. Another 30 per cent. have gone Nazi, and 40 per cent. in the country, more than 60 per cent. in the capital, are supporting the Socialist Party. It need not be explained that a Government with so small a backing is unlikely to win a war on two fronts: against the Nazi and at the same time against the Socialists.

## If There Is a Dictatorship

If the Government forces the working-class to come out in open fight, and if such a fight should result in a Fascist dictatorship being established, this dictatorship could only survive if supported by the Nazis. And soon the Nazis would gain the upper hand, as they have done in Germany.

As this would mean the *de facto* union of Austria with Germany, a Fascist victory in Austria must entail a serious danger to peace in Europe.

The Austrian Socialists have repeatedly declared their willingness to come to an understanding with the Christian Social Party (the largest of the Government's parties) about a peaceful solution of the present conflict, on the basis of democracy.

But, although the peasants' group within the Christian Social Party may desire such a solution, the Government, under Italian influence, and under the pressure of the Heimwehr, has repeatedly rejected it.

And Austria is tumbling along the path which may lead to most disastrous events.

In view of this dangerous situation, the Austrian workers are delighted to learn that in the double fight which is forced on them they may count on the sympathy and the solidarity of the great Labor Movement in the countries of Western democracy. That is why the recent visit of British Labor leaders like Comrade Citrine, Hicks, Hayday, W. R. Smith and Compton was greeted with so much joy by the Austrian workers.

## Adolf Wins a Great and "Popular" Victory

LAST Sunday was a great day in Germany when 40,618,000 Germans voted for the "champeen" of Nazi culture, Hitler. Only 2,055,000 voted against him and his proposal that his "government" be endorsed.

All the Nazi candidates for the Reichstag were also elected! Isn't that wonderful! They received a total of 39,655,000 votes and only 3,352,000 voted "defective" ballots.

The election returns were given out direct by the Federal Election Commission after the returns had passed through the Government Propaganda Bureau. And just to show that Hitler was in earnest in polling the "popular" will, his brown shirt squads in automobiles rounded up the halt, the lame and the blind.

For weeks before the "election" rumors were rife that ballots were secretly numbered and that other methods were adopted to discover any "unpatriotic" voters. However, those who know Adolf assert that such rumors had their origin in subversive circles and are to be discounted.

By grapevine wireless we learn that the polls were manned by Nazis to insure that the "popular will" would have free expression. And we have the figures before us.

"Hans, do you love Adolf?" our

correspondent writes, reporting the balloting in a working class quarter of Berlin.

"I love my wife," Hans replied to the Nazi who was curious to ascertain the affections of Hans.

The Nazi gently caressed Hans with a club, taking care that it would make contact with his dome. "Don't you love Adolf, too?" inquired the Nazi who was filled with emotion.

"I love my daughter, Gretchen," said Hans. "I never had the pleasure of personally meeting Adolf."

"You do love Adolf, you know you do. Everybody does. It's the popular will," said the Nazi, as he knocked Hans down and placed his feet in Hans' face. "Do you love Adolf?"

"With all my heart," replied Hans, his heart swelling with emotion and his face swelling from the Nazi's caress, and he passed into the election booth to add his vote to the "popular will."

From an authorized source our correspondent learns that Adolf sent a wireless, expressing sympathy with John F. Curry in New York, saying: "Dear John—Propaganda Bureau returns a whale of a vote for me. My regards also to Al Capone. Job awaits him here when he leaves Leavenworth. With affectionate greetings, Adolf."

## Napoleon Tried It

In Fact, Two Napoleons Held  
"Popular" Elections and  
See What Happened

WELL, Adolf Hitler held his election, if that's what you call it. The German word is *Wahl*, and it implies something about a choice. He's welcome to whatever comfort he can get out of it, including a look into history—that is, if he knows how to read.

It was the sort of "election" a traveler from Peru once told about; on a main street in Lima the election officials sat at a table perched on a high platform. Soldiers with loaded rifles and fixed bayonets stood around as the Cholos shambled up to exercise their free and untrammelled suffrages.

"What's your name?" shouted the man from on high, and the citizen gave his name.

"Who do you vote for?" he demanded of the trembling man down on the street. Elections in those days had a curious way of being almost unanimous for the gang in power at the moment; but they also had a curious way of being set aside. Augusto Leguia and other ex-presidents could tell you more about that phase of popular democracy. So could Sanchez-Cerro if he were still alive.

## The Little Corporal

THERE was the case of General Napoleon Buonaparte, like Hitler an alien in the land he sought to bring under his rule. His time came in 1799, when he was but 30 years old, already the most brilliantly successful general in all history. France had had a revolution, and rule by extremists and a Reign of Terror. A Directory had been placed in power, supposedly a subject to a Legislative Assembly. Actually, the Directors constituted the most inefficient and corrupt government in French history. The young general had done a pretty good job at Toulon and in defending the Directory; he had done a superb military job in Italy, and he had been sent to Egypt to gather more glory while Director Barras, who had sent him, dallied at home with Josephine. Thus are historical events affected and complicated by other things.

He came back—as per plans—and saw everything ripe for his *coup d'etat*. With the aid of his brother Lucien and the snaky Fouché he put it over and became Consul; and then First Consul; and then Sole Consul for life, with power to nominate his successor. Then, having complete control of the police and army, he decided to take a poll of his people in a "popular" plebiscite; the vote was about three million to three thousand. About that time the duc d'Enghein was taken out and shot in a ditch. It was a tactful warning. . . .

A little later he decided that since he had the power anyway he might as well have the name, and he had himself "elected" emperor, with only a negligible vote against him . . . just like Hitler. It was a time of glory and parades. Freedom was dead. No one dared speak up in opposition.

Then came more glory; Austerlitz, Wagram, Jena, Spain, Russia, Leipzig, Elba, Waterloo . . . and St. Helena.

## Le Petit Corporal

BUT we're not through with the Napoleons. There was a nephew named Louis Napoleon Bonaparte who also dreamed of glory. Three times he tried to seize power. Three times he was thwarted. He played with the idea of being a sort of "national Socialist" and wrote books about the abolition of poverty while in prison.

A revolution came, and a republic, and he ran for president—and was elected because of the glory of his uncle's name. He took more and more power. He placed the police and the soldiers under his personal command. There came a December day when the cavalry clattered in the streets of Paris . . . and the republic was dead.

But he, too, wanted a plebiscite. He wanted to be elected Emperor. He let his beloved people vote, and although about half a million voted No, many millions voted Aye. He placed a crown on his head and played at being Napoleon. Then came Solferino and Magenta; there came the Crimea and Mexico; there came the Ems despatch and war with Bismarck. There came Sedan . . . and exile and death.

There have been other "popular" referendums. Porfirio Diaz, doddering exile in Paris after his beloved people had cast him out, might have reflected bitterly upon the huge "popular" majorities he won in 1876, in 1884, in 1888, in 1892, in 1896 and in 1900, 1904 and 1908. Gerardo the Assassin, wherever he is, can also reflect upon the "popularity" won by the revolver, the garotte, and the dagger.

These plebiscites seem very impressive. They are trumpeted to the world as great popular vindications. But somehow they never seem to take.



# As Terzani Goes to Trial

By John Nicholas Beffel

**ATHOS TERZANI**, young anti-Fascist, is the newest prospective victim in our long national history of labor frame-ups. He is to go on trial in Long Island City on November 27, for the killing of his comrade Anthony Fierro, who was shot in the back while defending a friend who was being thrown out of a meeting of the fascist Khaki Shirts of America in Astoria, L. I., on July 14th. Fierro was a pre-medical student in Long Island University.

Much more than the liberty of one worker is at stake in this case. The trial will be a test of how far Fascism is to be permitted to go in this country in its endeavor to silence opposition, even with guns. For behind the prosecution of Terzani is that strutting soldier of fortune, "General" Art J. Smith, commander of the Khaki Shirts, which, with their subtitle of "U. S. Fascists," have been the most notable of the proponents of Mussolini and Hitler doctrines in this country.

It was Smith's strident voice that sent Terzani to jail on the night of the tragedy. Two eyewitnesses had identified a member of the Khaki Shirts as Fierro's slayer, but Smith insisted to the authorities that Terzani fired the death-shot. And solely on the fascist commander's word Terzani was jailed, and the accused Khaki Shirts' member was permitted to go free.

## Smith Dreams of Power

Love of guns and force to achieve power had frequently been manifest in Smith's utterances to press and public. Last June he was claiming 7,000,000 membership, and he boasted that the Khaki Shirts were getting ready to march on Washington, sweep aside the federal government and set up a dictatorship. "And if anybody thinks we can't do it," he said, "look at Hitler and Mussolini."

Money poured into the Smith treasury from thousands of men, for \$2 membership fees and for khaki shirts, pants, trench coats and spiked helmets. Some of these men were war veterans with grievances about unpaid pensions and bonuses. But the great majority were Italians in Philadelphia. Through one of his generals there, Smith learned that Queens County in New York offered a fine opportunity for recruiting. Contacts were made, and a meeting was arranged in Astoria.

One hundred or more persons came to Columbus Hall on the night of July 14, to hear speeches by "General" Smith and his chief officers, who had arrived in automobiles. A local undertaker was chairman. "General" Dominic Siani began speaking. He referred to Mussolini, and a listener booed. Khaki Shirt members removed the interrupter. Fort Vellona, cartoonist and reporter for *La Stampa Libera*, anti-Fascist daily, got up and attempted to explain the interruption—"we don't like Mussolini because of the wrongs he has done to the working people."

Commander Smith strode from the speaker's table to where Vellona stood, and "bawled him out." Vellona kept talking. There was a scuffle, in which Smith used his riding crop, and the Italian's spectacles crashed on the floor. Khaki Shirt guards grabbed Vellona, rushed him to the back door, and another one threw him downstairs.

## Fierro Dies Aiding Friend

While Vellona was still struggling with the commander, Anthony Fierro, seated nearby, had sprung to his defense. Again Smith used his riding crop, and other Khaki Shirts struck at the boy with clubs and fists. Blood flowed

from wounds in his head; he was obviously dazed, but kept fighting gamely. Suddenly a shot sounded and Fierro's body straightened, went limp to the floor.

The fighting stopped all at once. "General" Siani, chiropractor, used his medical knowledge to aid

## FRAME-UP VICTIM



Athos Terzani

Fierro; but his life flickered off quickly. Other wounded on both sides were aided by those who knew something about first aid. Meanwhile dozens of spectators quit the hall by way of a fire escape. Terzani could have gone, too, if he had been the murderer, his friends aver, for it was several minutes before the police came, and only the few in his own group knew him.

Instead he stayed beside Fierro, and when the police arrived, Terzani pointed out one of the Khaki Shirts as the slayer. And he led them to the piano, opened the key-cover, and disclosed the hidden murder-gun, a 25-caliber Colt automatic. Michael Palumbo, another eyewitness, who met Terzani for the first time that night, also

identified the Khaki Shirt as the killer.

## Real Slayer Turned Loose

But Commander Smith called them liars, and accused Terzani of the crime. Assistant District Attorney Joseph Loscalzo, in charge of the inquiry, accepted Smith's word, turned the identified Khaki Shirts' member loose to leave the state, and ordered Terzani and Palumbo jailed. On Smith's word also the latter was held for a stabbing of which he was cleared a few days later.

Loscalzo has never explained why he took such arbitrary action that night. Did he foresee himself on the tide of a successful fascist prosecution into the office of county judge? It is well known that he has ambitions in that direction. If he had sought even-handed justice, Terzani's defenders argue, Loscalzo would have held both accused men that night and let the grand jury sift the facts.

Before July ended a united front Terzani Defense Committee was organized—the strongest labor defense alliance since the Ettore Giovannitti murder trial in the 1912 I.W.W. textile strike in Lawrence, Mass. The committee comprises delegates from the American Civil Liberties Union, the General Defense Committee of the I.W.W., the International Labor Defense, the Italian Defense Committee, and the Socialist Party. Norman Thomas is chairman. Arthur Garfield Hays is chief defense counsel, assisted by Harry Sacher, Morris Shapiro, A. C. Weinfeld, A. S. Cutler, Joseph Brodsky, and Leon Pomerance.

## Smith Boasts of Killing

Before 1,000 persons in Philadelphia on July 23, Art Smith boasted that his men "killed one radical and sent 19 others to a hospital in New York." Medals for bravery in action were bestowed by Smith in September upon eight of the Khaki Shirts who took part in the Astoria affair, including himself.

Smith fled from his headquarters early on October 12, after members of his general staff mutinied against his suddenly announced plan to take over the city

of Philadelphia and seize three armories preliminary to a march on Washington that day. He was missing four days, then came back, surrendered on a fraud charge, and declared that he would rehabilitate the Khaki Shirts. He asserted that the "police and the radicals" had plotted against him.

District Attorney Charles S. Colden promised August 28 to make a new inquiry into the Fierro murder, but evidently that was only a gesture. No representative of Colden's office has ever interviewed a man in Philadelphia whose name has long been in his possession and who could give vital information.

## Notables Here Help Defense

Terzani will put his case before the people of Philadelphia at a mass meeting in the Labor Institute, 818 Locust Street, on Friday night, November 24. Speakers will include Norman Thomas, Carlo Tresca, Girolamo Valenti of *La Stampa Libera*, Herbert Mahler and the General Defense Committee of the I.W.W., Phillip DeLuca of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, and Arturo Giovannitti. In announcing that gathering, the defense committee makes the direct charge that Art Smith "is an accessory to murder because he has shielded the real killer ever since the crime."

Two Terzani mass meetings will be held in New York Sunday, November 26. One will take place at 1 p. m. in Brownsville Labor Lyceum, 245 Sackman Street, Brooklyn. The other is set for 3 p. m. in Irving Plaza Hall, 15th Street and Irving Place.

## Vandervelde on Hillquit

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Lee, nor, with the exception of the brave Meyer London, of any other of their best speakers, who were endowed with all the gifts of great parliamentarians and would have been the qualified spokesmen of a powerful Socialist or Labor Party in any of the countries of Europe.

Hillquit vanishes at the moment when better prospects seem to open up for the creation of a great independent party of labor with Socialism as its solid kernel, as in England.

At least he will have had the comfort of having seen a whole legion of men arise to carry on his effort, men whose intellectual prestige and influence upon the masses has not ceased to increase in recent times. And they will never forget that the historian of "Socialism in the United States," the author of "Socialism Summed Up" (1912), and of "From Marx to Lenin" (1921) was their prophet and their master, and that if they are able to march today along easier roads it is because he opened them up for them by his indefatigable labor.

And at the moment when his great and noble life has come to an end the International communes with them with a profound feeling of appreciation, sympathy and admiration.

The Socialist, who had faced thousands of audiences large and small for many years, seemed nervous at this, his first official appearance, and he hesitated as he read his little inaugural address promising to fulfill the campaign promises of the Socialist Party. He departed from his manuscript, however, to emphasize the fact that his administration had been elected as Socialists and would act in office as Socialists.

Outside there was enthusiasm, and the usual Communist handbills distributed by the party that had polled 209 votes, in which "on behalf of the workers of Bridgeport" the Socialist administration was warned that it would be held to account "before the working class for the immediate enactment of favorable measures." But everybody was too happy to pay any attention to them.

# STORIES of the NRA

Do you know of any cases of nibbling at the NRA in a code industry? We recently asked our readers to report cases of violations. Do not rely on gossip and do not exaggerate. We want the facts. Here are a few reports from the NRA front.

**SPOKESMEN** for the Building Trades Department of the A. F. of L. charge that bosses in the construction industry are trying to nullify the Recovery Act. About 1,500,000 building workers are organized and their charges involve the administration of the master code in the construction industry.

President Green of the A. F. of L. asserts that the proposed code fixes a 48-hour week, which is absurd considering that 80 per cent of the workers in the industry are jobless. Moreover, the unions have generally established a 40-hour week. Objection is also made that a minimum wage for the unskilled is fixed but none for the skilled.

The code would permit the code authority to decide which are and which are not unions and the character of collective bargaining. Labor is not given representation on the code authority, although this authority would have the power of life and death over unions and conditions affecting workers. The code would permit boys of 16 to work, while the workers demand an 18-year age limit. A demand is made for a separate code for the building industry.

The Construction League replies to the charges in detail, denying each contention that is made.

Intimidation, transfer of workers to outlying points and outright discharges are attributed to gasoline companies in New York City by the Gasoline Station Workers' Union, an A. F. of L. affiliate, in a complaint to the Regional Labor Board of the NRA.

The union, through its counsel, William Karlin, named the Shell Eastern Petroleum Products, Inc., and the Star Service Station of Brooklyn as practicing anti-union discrimination, in violation of Section 7A of the NRA. The Sobol Company was also charged with forming a company union. The union last week warned that a general strike of 25,000 gasoline station workers in the metropolitan area was imminent unless discrimination against union help ceases and the companies show a disposition to confer with the union on the basis of its demands.

## HEAVY SOCIALIST GAIN IN CORNING

**CORNING, N. Y.**—W. W. Arland, veteran Socialist, polled the sensational vote of 701 for City Judge. The vote in past years has been about 110 to 120.

In Steuben County, Comrade Otto F. Vollgraf polled 859 votes for Sheriff, a gain of 626 over the last election. Last year Louis Waldman polled 414 votes in the entire county, and the two Assembly candidates received 459 votes.

## WESTCHESTER DOES WELL

**MOUNT VERNON, N. Y.**—Top vote this year was 869 for Harry Davis, bettering last year's Thomas vote. New Rochelle doubled the vote of two years ago, and White Plains maintained last year's vote. In Yonkers, William Schwagerman polled 1,109 votes for Mayor, a gain of 400 over two years ago.

# McLevy Takes Office

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the Council Chamber of the City Hall. The huge auditorium of the Central High School was pressed into service, but even that was inadequate.

## Roses and Cheers

Long before the noon hour the platform was banked high with floral pieces, sent by labor and Socialist organizations.

Socialists came from many cities, a large delegation from New York included. National Chairman Krzycki came to see his fellow N.E.C. member inaugurated. But the ceremony was a Bridgeport show, and Bridgeport held the center of the stage. Row on row was jammed with people, every seat in the orchestra and in all three balconies being taken and hundreds standing. In addition, the corridors were jammed and the streets outside were black with cheering workers, come to celebrate their victory.

The excitement of the campaign had not yet worn off, and the Socialists continued to refer to their chosen spokesmen as "the candidates." They had not yet got used to the fact that "the candidates" now constituted the administration of their city.

At 11 a. m. the hall was jammed. At 11:50 "the candidates" began to arrive and they were hustled to the platform. At once the cameras began to go off.

At 12 sharp there was a shout of "Jasper!" as the worn face of the new Mayor appeared. "Yeah! Jasper!" they shouted. It was like a high school commencement, with Mayor E. T. Buckingham as principal handing out diplomas and with McLevy as prize pupil getting the greatest honors.

## A Brief Ceremony

It was a brief, a simple, a democratic and a deeply moving ceremony. Mayor Buckingham had not run for re-election, so there was no bitterness of defeat to mar his part in the proceedings. He opened the meeting with a stroke of the gavel that within a few moments he turned over to his successor, and then retiring City Clerk Robert E. Noonan called upon each official in turn, swore him in, and shook him by the hand.

Most of them were Socialists, and the excitement and enthusiasm in the crowd were intense.

Mayor Buckingham, in a graceful little speech, referred to the size of the Socialist sweep. "There must be enormous satisfaction for you in the knowledge that as you assume your duties you are fortified by the substantial good will of the community. It is a rare occasion when a man enters public life supported by such a sizeable portion of the electorate."

When McLevy took the oath the flash lights popped again, and the air was rent with wild cheering.



# Watch The Clock in The Season's Deftest Melodrama

**TIME TELLS**  
**"TEN MINUTE ALIBI,"** by Anthony Armstrong. At the Ethel Barrymore.

Slow gathering but sure, "Ten Minute Alibi" moves from a murder planned in a dream to the discovery yet escape of the hero, who, to save, is beloved from white slavery, has killed the villain who had fascinated her. Most ingeniously planned, the killing is deftly carried through; and the moving hands of time turn the screws more tightly on the hero. By a most ingenious turn, however, the slip by which the hero thinks he has betrayed himself is the very answer the detectives await as proof of his innocence. But what if he just

hadn't noticed the passport? And, at the final moment, one sound of the clock ingeniously betrays him—but the kind heart of the one detective that notices prevails over cold justice, and spares the hero of a tense and clever melodrama—for which, incidentally, Watson Barrett has designed a most attractive setting, and an accomplished cast performs.

## "Footlight Parade"—Last Week at Brooklyn Strand

"Footlight Parade," which is said to be still playing to capacity crowds at the Brooklyn Warner Strand Theatre will end its run of four weeks on Wednesday night,

## On Globe Screen



Charles Laughton and Binnie Barnes as they appear in the successful English film "Private Life of Henry VIII" which United Artists is presenting at the Globe.

November 22, and will be followed by a preview showing of Paul Muni in "The World Changes."

"DIE FLEDERMAUS" IN AS PERFECT A FORM AS MONEY AND ART CAN BUY... it was the singing and frolicking of the cast that made the entertainment tonic to Saturday evening's appreciative "Strangethings!"  
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On Saturday, today, at noon a new French musical comedy will have its premiere at Leot Brecher's Little Carnegie Playhouse.

"Mam'zelle Nitouche" is the name of the new offering, done from the well known operetta of the same name by Melhac and Milhaud, the music for which was composed by Herve. Long a favorite of the French comic opera stage, this screen adaptation was made under the direction of Charles David. It will be presented at Little Carnegie with English dialogue titles.

## "Mad Game" on Screen in Fox Brooklyn—New Stage Show

This week at the Fox Brooklyn Theatre, the screen offering is "The

Mad Game," dealing with the fight waged by the underworld its-elf against its illicit offspring, the kidnap racket. On the stage, lighter fare is offered, with Sammy Cohen,

## Y.P.S.L. Notes

(Continued from Page 2B)  
 Circle 1, Sr., Bronx.  
 New Circle being organized at 1638 East 172nd St., Bronx, to be known as Circle 13.  
 Circle 10, Sr., Bronx, will hear Manny Goldberg on the "History of British Trade Unionism" Friday, Nov. 17, at the Amalgamated Auditorium.  
 Youth Rally, Circle 6, Sr., Kings, Sunday, Nov. 26, at 8 p. m., at 167 Tompkins Ave. Julius Umansky is the principal speaker.  
 Yipsels needed to aid Brotherhood of Edison Workers and the newly organized shipping clerks' union.  
 Circle 10, Sr., Manhattan, has come out of the campaign with banners flying. Plans for intensive membership and organization drive include youth rallies. Meetings every Friday night at 8:30, at 100 West 72nd St., Room 504. Nov. 17, discussion of current events.

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# Union League Joins Union Square in "Let 'Em Eat Cake"

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The sequel to "Of Thee I Sing" brings satiric somersaults to the land. Wintergreen is swept out of the Presidency by Tweedledum—pardon, Tweedledee, swept back to dictatorship by an agitator who dictates to the army until a woman dictates in her turn. Then it's a toss-up between the guillotine and the dictaphone, but Throttlebottom (as usual) comes blundering to the rescue, this time with pistache ice cream.

There is a deal and a dash of hilarity in the piece, especially in the organizing of the cream-cake revolution. To win the army they must win the Union League Club, and the members of this organization join on the strength of Buncombe (excuse me, Bunker) Hill.

But it's all, really, so that ex-President Wintergreen can go into business—what with European Black-shirts and Brown-selling Blue shirts to the nation.

The music and the costumes are colorful; the cast, largely held over, but with the good addition of Philip Loeb, is gay or—especially Victor Moore—comic; but the most novel note (sustaining some otherwise dimmer moments) is in the deftly satirical chorus arrangements by Von Grona and Ned McGurn, for the lassies who have a lot to do with letting 'em eat cake—and like it too! J. T. S.

George Bancroft is to be seen on the screen for the first time in more than a year in the star role of "Blood Money," which is the current attraction at the Rivoli Theatre. Judith Anderson makes her talking picture debut in "Blood Money" in the leading role with Bancroft.

## Wieck in "Cradle Song" in the Paramount Anniversary Show

Dorothea Wieck, who gave so brilliant a performance in "Mädchen in Uniform," opens at the New York Paramount in her first American starring appearance. She has the principal role of "Cradle Song," a story of frustrated mother

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In presenting "Cradle Song," the Paramount celebrates its seventh birthday. A stage anniversary show headed by the first stage appearance of radio's "Showboat," features Charlie Winninger, Lanny Ross, Muriel Wilson, Conrad Thibault, Molasses and January, the Eight Buccaneers and the Paramount Ballet.

## New Bill at the RKO Jefferson

"Torch Singer," with Claudette Colbert, Ricardo Cortez; and "Deluge," with Peggy Shannon, will be the two features at the RKO Jefferson Theatre, starting today to Tuesday, November 21.

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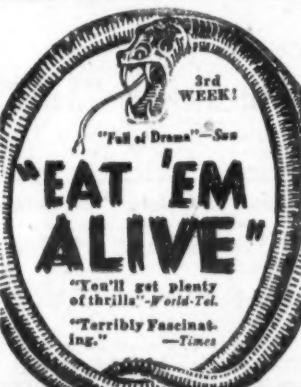
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## Reichstag Trial Is Fizzling Out

THE trial of the Communists and Marinus Van der Lubbe for the burning of the German Reichstag is being minimized by the Nazi press as it draws to a close. This is no doubt due to instructions of the Ministry of Propaganda and the fact that the government has not made out a case against the accused.

Early this week Van der Lubbe started the court by saying that he was with the Nazis the day before the fire. He later explained that he was watching Nazi demonstrations. He testified that he bought kindling coal to fire the building and then declared that he had begged food near Berlin. If he begged food, where did he get money to buy the materials to fire the building?

When the trial opened a few weeks ago, the Nazi press featured it and continued to make it prominent down to the period of the recent "election." The radio was also used extensively, but now the radio is silent regarding the trial and the press prints little about it. With the election out of the way, failure to prove any connection of the accused Communists with the fire, and the prospect of an acquittal verdict for all except Van der Lubbe, the Nazis seem inclined to let the affair slide into oblivion.

## Oneal and Russell Speak on Fascism in Washington

Responding to the appeal of the N.E.C. of the Socialist Party for demonstrations against Hitlerism and Fascism on Sunday, Nov. 12th, the date on which the German "elections" were held, Washington, D. C., Socialists, joined by other progressive workers opposed to Fascism, filled the Typographical Temple to hear James Oneal, editor of The New Leader; Charles Edward Russell, author and journalist, and Marx Lewis denounce an economic system which has brought many leading nations to the verge of Fascist dictatorships.

The meeting, which was well attended in spite of the fact that little time was available for preparations, because of the short notice of the N.E.C. call, is the first of a series to be held by Washington Socialists. About 20 subscribers were taken for The New Leader following Oneal's address.

A regular Friday evening forum is being maintained, and increased Socialist activities are bringing back into membership many who had permitted their membership to lapse.

## SPANISH FASCISTS TRY PROVOCATION

MADRID. — Sternly asserting that the present Spanish government and the reactionary forces behind it are encouraging syndicalist gunmen to incite a general strike, "thereby trying to provoke disturbances and gain advantage over Labor," a manifesto of the powerful Federation of Trade Unions warns its 1,200,000 members to beware of provocations.

That Spanish Fascism is willing to use violence against its enemies was openly expressed at a recent Fascist mass meeting in the capital. The main speaker was Jose Antonio Primo de Rivera, son of the former dictator, who was wildly cheered as the "leader of the future Fascist regime." Over 3,000 persons participated and applauded the orators who discounted the coming elections and stressed the necessity of keeping arms

## NEW LEADER DINNER IN NEWARK DEC. 10

THE Public Meetings Committee of Newark, N. J., has arranged for a New Leader Dinner, December 10th, at the Workmen's Circle Lyceum, 190 Belmont Ave. Charles Solomon and Frank Crosswaith will be the guests of honor and the main speakers.

The subject that will be discussed at the dinner is: "What Is the American Answer to Hitlerism?" Comrade Solomon, recent Socialist candidate for Mayor of New York, and Comrade Crosswaith, who ran for President of the Board of Aldermen in New York, will give the Socialist answer.

The Public Meetings Committee of Newark is backing the dinner to the full extent of their power, and the results promise to be gratifying. The committee is headed by G. S. Pfau, chairman; Agnes Martin, secretary, and Charles Schapiro, treasurer. The other members are: George H. Goebel, Milo C. Jones, Morris Rosencranz, Wm. Thetford, J. Crowley, A. Odam, E. Suchomel, S. Smith, H. Maguire, S. Moss, Dr. Louis Reiss and D. Keehner.

With this backing the dinner promises to be a milestone in the history of New Leader dinners. December 10th will be a gala day in Newark!

## West Virginia Nominates

(By a New Leader Correspondent)  
CLARKSBURG, West Va.—On Nov. 5th the Socialists of the third Congressional District held a convention here and nominated Dorsey Annon for Congress in the special election to be held Nov. 28. Comrade Annon is a member of the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees, Local 270, whose members have been on strike for four years. As the election laws of this state are unfair to minority political parties, a sticker campaign will be launched. He is assured of strong support in the ranks of organized labor.

Over one thousand tin mill operatives are back at work, having won a strike that lasted all summer. Many of them have promised to support Comrade Annon on Nov. 28. An active campaign under the direction of H. W. Glasgow of Fairmont, State Organizer, is now being actively waged. Comrade Glasgow is assisted by G. G. O'Kane and P. J. Audin, both of Fairmont. Comrade Annon will be opposed in the race by A. L. Edminston, reactionary Democrat of Weston, formerly state commander of the American Legion, and Howard M. Gore, Republican, formerly Governor.

The sticker campaign was a disagreeable surprise to both old party nominees, especially as organized labor in this Congressional district is sick and tired of the unfulfilled promises of both of the old parties.

## MERRILL POLLS 1,626

SCHENECTADY. — Herbert M. Merrill polled nearly three times as many votes for Mayor this year as he did as candidate for the same office in 1931. However, the Socialist mayoralty candidate with 1,626 votes ran behind the rest of the city ticket. Robert A. Jones, for President of the Common Council, received 1,821; Irving D. Pangburn, for Comptroller, 1,857; Nina M. Taylor, for City Treasurer, 1,821; Nathan M. Seltzer and Paul R. O. Peters, for Assessors, 1,724 and 1,712 votes, respectively.

Mrs. Margaret Walker, Communist, got 192 votes. A feature of the 1933 municipal campaign was the arrangement of symposiums by the Taxpayers' Association in High School buildings, at which all six mayoralty candidates spoke.

## A "Lily-White" Election in Florida

TAMPA, Fla.—In this city there are over 100,000 people, and possibly 40,000 qualified voters. But the free and untrammelled American citizens are not interested in self-government; they are interested in keeping the "niggers" from voting. The election held here last week was known as a "No-nigger" election.

There was only one party, described in the local press as the "white municipal party," and that was enough to satisfy most citizens that all was well. Never mind what problems beset the world, never mind if the economic system is in a state of collapse, never mind if the future is dark; if niggers are kept from voting everybody is satisfied.

Needless to say, this situation is eminently satisfactory to those who profit by the present system.

The "white municipal party" swept the city in what was described as a "landslide." Out of 100,000 people less than 5,000 voted. And the only opposition came from Socialists, who had to write in the names of their candidates.

The "party" nominee was elected City Clerk with 4,681 votes to 252 written in votes for John P. H. Kimball, Socialist. The following Socialists received written-in votes for Aldermen: M. F. Blitch, 24; J. N. Dudley, 31; Kathryn E. Fraley, 41.

Last year the Socialist Party was barred from the ballot on a technicality. There is considerable latent Socialist strength throughout the state, but as elections are conducted it is impossible to bring it out.

## L.I.D. RADIO PROGRAM

ONE of the most interesting and important national programs to be broadcast throughout the nation this winter will be that on "The Economics of the New Deal" under the direct supervision of the League for Industrial Democracy over the Blue Network of the National Broadcasting Company every Saturday evening from 8 to 8:30 E.S.T.

The broadcasts will begin Nov. 18th and continue at least until the latter part of January. On Nov. 18th "The Economic Background of the New Deal" will be discussed by Professor Alvin Johnson, Director of the New School for Social Research, and Levering Tyson, Director of the National Advisory Council on Radio in Education.

This will be followed by "The Social Philosophy of the New Deal" Nov. 25th with Rexford G. Tugwell, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, and Harry W. Laidler, Executive Director of the League for Industrial Democracy, as speakers. December 2nd "The New Deal—What It Is" will be discussed by Willard Thorp, Director of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, and Felix Morley of the Brookings Institution. Dec. 9th the subject will be "The New Deal and Social Planning" and the speakers, George Soule, editor of the New Republic, and Mary Van Kleeck, Director of Industrial Studies of the Russell Sage Foundation.

Dec. 16th Donald Richberg, legal adviser of the NRA, and Norman Thomas will talk on "The New Deal versus Socialization."

Other speakers thus far secured are A. A. Berle, Jr., adviser of the Railroad Administration; Professor Wesley C. Mitchell, of Columbia; Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace; Roger Baldwin, of the American Civil Liberties Union, and Morris Ernst. Discussion groups throughout the country are planning to listen in.

The Blue Network and affiliated stations of the National Broadcasting Company from coast to coast are as follows: WJZ, New York; WWNC, Asheville, N. C.; WSB, Atlanta, Ga.; KGH, Billings, Mont.; KFYR, Bismarck, N. D.; WBZ, Boston, Mass.; KGH, Butte, Mont.; WENR, Chicago, Ill.; WCKY, Cincinnati, Ohio; WGAR, Cleveland, Ohio; WIS, Columbia, S. C.; KOIL, Council Bluffs, Iowa; KOA, Denver, Col.; KPRC, Houston, Texas; WJDX, Jackson, Miss.; WREN, Kansas City, Mo.; KECA, Los Angeles, Cal.; WIBA, Madison, Wis.; WMB, Memphis, Tenn.; WSM, Nashville, Tenn.; WWSB, New Orleans, La.; KVV, Oklahoma City, Okla.; RTAR, Phoenix, Ariz.; KGW, Portland, Ore.; WHAM, Rochester, N. Y.; KDYL, Salt Lake City, Utah; KPSP, San Diego, Cal.; KPO, San Francisco, Cal.; KJR, Seattle, Wash.; KHO, Spokane, Wash.; WBZA, Springfield, Mass.; WSYH, Syracuse, N. Y.; WMAL, Washington, D. C.

## THE CHALLENGE!

To the attention of thinking readers: A bonafide \$100.00 prize reward was offered. It was a challenge to disprove the soundness of a new economic plan, one wherein business depression, unemployment and poverty, with all concomitant evils, would immediately disappear. In other words, a plan for economic security and individual freedom. The challenge was announced through the press and by mail, yet not a single logical attempt has been made to disprove the soundness of the new plan for economic security. The referees who read the replies to the challenge were prominent experts on monetary questions and economics. The reason why the proposed plan is so sound that it cannot be disproved is given in the 56-page pamphlet entitled, "The Monetary System and Depression" with comments by prominent economists and journalists. If you are interested in human welfare, you should not fail to read "The Monetary System and Depression" as besides it being a clear solution of our economic problems, you will find it also very interesting. To cover expense, please enclose 10c in stamps and the pamphlet will be forwarded to you. Address, A. WOLDMAN, General Distributor, 619 EAST 15th STREET, NEW YORK.

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## Party Notes

### New Locals

Arizona, Glendale, Phoenix; Arkansas, Mississippi County; Indiana, Watah; Illinois, Aurora, Chicago (Y.P.S.L. No. 9), Rockford; Minnesota, Montevideo; New Jersey, Plainfield (Y.P.S.L.); New Mexico, Bloomfield, Cedar Hill; New York, Brooklyn (Y.P.S.L. No. 11, Jr.; No. 13, Sr.; No. 16, Sr.), New Rochelle (Y.P.S.L.); North Dakota, Christine, Fargo (Y.P.S.L.); Pennsylvania, Gordon, Reading (Y.P.S.L. No. 7, Jr.), Sellersville, Tamaqua (Y.P.S.L.).

### November "Challenge"

Featuring the effect of the NRA on America's youth, the fight of young people's organizations against gathering war clouds, and the struggles in the farm belt, the November "Challenge," official publication of the Young People's Socialist League, is just off the press.

### California

"Using suggestions given in the national headquarters' organization leaflet No. 1," writes Carl C. Nielson of Marin County, "we were able to double the sale of Socialist literature at our first meeting."

### Illinois

Chicago.—The Socialist open forum conducted by the 6th Congr. District Branch has in the past seven weeks presented well-known speakers on many subjects. The branch announces for Nov. 24th a lecture on "American Newspapers—A Force for Good or Evil," with two speakers—Carl Hassenauer, Chicago head of the Federated Press, and Irwin St. John Tucker, now one of the editors of the Chicago Evening American. The Forum is held at 3223 W. Roosevelt Road.

A hundred thousand fliers were distributed in downtown Chicago during Armistice Day celebrations. Two pictures showing wounded and dead soldiers took up most of the space on the handbill.

### Tennessee

A summer camp will be established by the Socialists of Tennessee for workers' children, the State Executive Committee has decided. The camp will be on land near Allardt donated by J. K. Stockton.

### Michigan

Detroit.—Wayne County Local is sponsoring a dance to be held Dec. 31st at the old Strasburg Academy, 53 Sprout St. Speaker for Saturday night at Branch 1 is Roscoe Rodd of Canada, on "The Origin and Plans of the C.C.F." Prof. Royal Hall of Albion College will speak at the Labor Forum at Northern High School, Sunday evening, Nov. 19, at 8, on "This Changing World."

### Maryland

Baltimore.—At the call of the Socialist Party, a federation is being formed in Maryland to work for legislation to make civil and police authorities criminally liable for lynchings. Roger Baldwin, director of the American Civil Liberties Union, was the principal speaker at the organization meeting, participated in by peace organizations, inter-racial groups, the local unemployed league, the Y.M.C.A., and similar groups. The immediate impeachment of Governor Ritchie for gross incompetence in handling the recent lynching on the eastern shore was called for in a resolution passed by the Party.

### Massachusetts

Boston.—A fall festival will be held Tuesday evening, Nov. 21, at the 20th Century Club, 3 Joy St. Games, dancing and entertainment. The Huckleberry Finn Radio Trio will furnish the music. Refreshments.  
Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 25 and 26, a week-end conference on "Socialism in a World of Chaos" will be held at the headquarters of the Cambridge local, 631 Mass. Ave., Cambridge (Central Square). August Claessens of New York principal speaker. He will address the conference Sunday afternoon at 3. The conference will open Saturday, Nov. 25, at 3:30.

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August Claessens will address the Wellington Hill Auditorium Forum, off Morton St., Dorchester, Sunday, Nov. 26, at 11 p. m.

The weekly meetings of the Boston Central Branch are held Fridays at 1 Stuart St. An educational program precedes the business meeting. F. N. Hurd, candidate for Mayor of Somerville, and William Dobbie, candidate for the Quincy City Council, will speak on "Out to Capture City Hall" on Nov. 24th. The meeting begins at 8 p. m.  
The Dorchester Branch meets Tuesdays at 7:30 at Bluehill Ave., Dorchester. Study class on "Essentials of Socialism" is being conducted at the meetings by Joseph Bearak.

### New Jersey

Newark.—Branch No. 3 of Essex County will celebrate its thirty-fifth anniversary Sunday, Nov. 19, at the Workmen's Circle Lyceum, 190 Belmont Ave. Concert and mass meeting at 3 p. m. and banquet at 8. Hart W. Lee, county chairman, will address the Bellevue Branch Monday evening at the Recreation House, Jorammon St. and Garden Ave. Tuesday evening August Tyler will continue his Rand School extension class at county headquarters on "The Philosophy of Marx—Dialectic Materialism." The Newark Branch of Brookwood Labor College will meet Wednesday evening at county headquarters; David J. Sapos will lecture on "Trade Unions in Decline and the Boom of 1933."

Mathias Alexander will speak on "Soviet Russia Today" before the branch of the Oranges on Wednesday evening at the West Orange Community House, 242 Main St.

Fred Henderson will speak in Newark Dec. 2nd. The Saturday evening dinners and socials at county headquarters will be taken over by the men on Nov. 18th and 25th.

Passaic.—Branch One celebrated its first anniversary Nov. 12th with a banquet and entertainment. Plans for a New Leader dinner are now under way. Election of officers and executive committee Nov. 24th.

### New York

State Executive Committee will meet at People's House, New York, Sunday, Nov. 19, at 10:30 a. m. The members of the S.E.C. are Julius Gerber and U. Solomon of New York County, Wm. M. Feigenbaum and Harry Kritzer of Kings, Louis Hendin of the Bronx, Carl Parsons of Westchester County, and Theresa B. Wiley of Schenectady. State Chairman Louis Waldman is chairman, ex-officio.

Schenectady local meets at Van Culer Hotel Nov. 27th.  
Westchester.—County party and musical entertainment Saturday night, Nov. 18, at Debs Hall, 284 North Ave., New Rochelle. Music, movies, dancing, refreshments, prizes.

Yankers.—The local has sent a resolution to the Bridgeport Socialists congratulating them on their victory and expressing hope that they will achieve something fruitful for the workers despite difficulties the Socialists face.



## Socialists Score Heavy Gains In All Parts of the Country

(Continued from Page One)

than last year's the top Socialist vote was 11,642 as compared to the top Socialist vote of 11,288 in 1932.

The vote was almost invariably straight. Reading Socialists vote for principles, not personalities.

In all major contests the Socialists were a mere 3,000 or so behind the combined Republican-Democratic vote. The party carried 31 of the city's 73 precincts, and came in second in many others.

A graphic picture of the situation in the city is the lowest Socialist vote as compared to the highest old-party vote. Birch Wilson, running for School Commissioner, received 11,149 (only 493 lower than the highest Socialist vote); while F. A. Muhlenberg, high old-party man, polled 7,529 as a Republican. His Democratic vote was 6,674.

In the county of Berks, outside the city, the Socialists nosed out the Republicans for second place in virtually every contest, and in every single case carried the city for county officials by substantial majorities.

Two Socialist Aldermen were elected, John J. Hommas in the Sixth Ward beating his combined opponents, and in the Tenth Stanley J. Mehoskey coming within five votes of beating the combined votes of his two opponents. In five of the nine wards the old parties fused to defeat the Socialists.

### GAINS IN LANSING

LANSING, Mich.—Substantial gains in the Socialist vote were registered here. Although the party candidates were not considered serious contenders they piled up more votes than in any previous election.

Howard Beagle, candidate for the state legislature, polled 659

### Toledo Elects Klotz, Former Socialist, as Mayor

(By a New Leader Correspondent)

TOLEDO, O.—Toledo has elected as its Mayor Solon Tremblee Klotz, 73-year-old trade unionist and one-time active Socialist, but the election is in no sense a victory for the Socialist Party.

Klotz, member of the Musicians' Union and long active in state trade union circles, was victor over Mayor Addison Q. Thacher, independent Republican, on Nov. 7th by a vote of 35,323 to 33,116, with a vote of 23,000 for Dr. Hartung, Democrat, who ran third. Ohio city elections are on a non-partisan basis, but party organizations have a way of letting the public know who their candidates are. Klotz, once nearly elected Mayor as a Socialist Party choice, naturally benefited by the strong Socialist sentiment in the city, but he made his campaign strictly on a "good man" basis. He was supported by Republicans, whose candidate was eliminated in the primaries.

In 1930 Klotz came within 200 votes of election as Mayor, and with sworn evidence of widespread irregularities available it was believed a recount would have seated him with a comfortable majority, and the Party was prepared to go ahead. Under the law, however, the candidate himself would have had to start proceedings for a recount, and that Klotz failed to do. Since that time, according to the records, he has not paid dues in the Party, although permitting himself to be considered a "Socialist." In his campaign he was supported by a number of ex-Socialists, and there are reports that he was also supported by the Republican machine of Walter F. Brown, old-time political boss and Postmaster-General in the Hoover cabinet.

votes, the largest ever given a Socialist candidate here in many years. In 1932 the party polled less than 1,000 in the entire county when the total vote was 65 per cent greater.

Meinte Schurmans, candidate for Alderman in the city's largest ward, trailed the winner by less than 200 votes.

### ITHACA GAIN

ITHACA, N. Y.—Darwin J. Meserole received 381 votes in Tompkins County, compared with 267 votes polled by Waldman last year. Wesley Eastman, candidate for Assembly, received 372 votes, compared with 340 in 1932 and 237 in 1931.

### IN COXEY'S TOWN

MASSILLON, Ohio.—The Socialist vote in this city, long the home of "General" Jacob S. Coxey, who was elected Mayor two years ago, was good, but it varied considerably from office to office. The two high votes were 729 for Milhorn and 2,494 for Slusser for Board of Education. The straight party vote ran as follows: Mayor, Long, 287; President of Council, Weltlich, 333; Councilmen at Large, 287, 279, 291. The Ward council candidates polled 50, 30, 45, 80, 66, 54; total, 325.

### SAYRE SHOWS GOOD GAIN

SAYRE, Pa.—The Sayre Socialists nominated a ticket and carried on a campaign for the first time in fifteen years. The highest vote ever polled in the past was 50. This year the vote for various offices varied, rising as high as 246 for school director. The branch printed its own literature on its own press and widely distributed the Socialist case throughout the community, laying the foundations for greater success in the future.

### VOTE IN FREWSBURG

FREWSBURG, N. Y.—The Socialist vote for the township of Carroll was excellent for a first attempt at putting a ticket in the field. Henry Johnson polled 41 votes for Highway Commissioner out of approximately 450 votes for all candidates. Rutenbur received 32 for Supervisor, Alleman 21 for Town Clerk, and Emma Alleman and Wm. C. Stanley 26 and 37 votes respectively for Justices of the Peace.

### GRATIFYING VOTE IN BERGEN COUNTY, N. J.

RUTHERFORD, N. J.—The Socialist vote in Bergen County was gratifying to party workers. It was kept down somewhat by a fierce factional fight in the old parties, but a good gain was registered nevertheless.

The candidates for Assembly, running at large throughout the county, received from 1,984 votes to 2,087. For Sheriff, Lightbourne polled 1,634; and for Freeholders, Hoke, Doremus and Carman polled 1,901, 1,972 and 1,900 respectively.

### NEWPORT NEWS

NEWPORT NEWS, Va.—The party scored a heavy increase in this city. George Cary White polled 77 for Governor, and J. Luther Kibler for Lieut.-Gov. and Herman R. Ansell for Attorney-General polled 173 each. Norman Thomas polled 69 votes in 1932.

### IN JAMESTOWN

JAMESTOWN, N. Y.—Fred J. Smith received 670 votes for Mayor of Jamestown this year as candidate of the Social Progress Party, national party names not being admissible in municipal elections. Although the Communists have been very active in Jamestown, their mayoralty candidate polled only 104 votes.

By Norman Thomas

## TIMELY TOPICS

### Fascism and Capitalism

MUSSOLINI, in furtherance of his plan for a "corporate" state, plans which in reality have moved very slowly, now announces that the next Parliament to be elected in the spring will be expected to abolish itself in favor of government by guilds. In the course of his speech he denounced capitalism along with Socialism.

This tendency of Fascists to denounce capitalism is confusing. In reality Fascism is a stage of capitalism. It still protects private ownership of property in production goods and the operation of it for private profit. But it is true that it is a form of capitalism in which the state is supreme. It is not the form of capitalism which would be the first choice of big business men. For instance, Mr. Gerard Swope's plan gives business more power and the state far less power than Mussolini or Hitler would approve.

The fact that Fascism is not the first choice of big or little business men in America and the further fact that President Roosevelt neither by nature or past experience is cast for the equivalent of Mussolini's or Hitler's role, give us time—though not too much of it—to build the forces which would substitute the cooperative commonwealth for the totalitarian state. It is I think, a tactical mistake, and it certainly is an incorrect statement of fact, for Communists and other radical speakers to say that we have Fascism now. Thus to cry "Wolf, wolf!" is likely to dull the sensibilities of the workers so that the real wolf will catch them off their guard.

We have not Fascism now. We have tendencies toward it and possibilities of the development of existing laws in that direction. These tendencies and possibilities are so strong that the fact that Fascism is not the first choice of most capitalists will not prevent its coming with the approval of such capitalists as see in Fascism a way to keep the workers quiet.

### Teeth for NRA

ALL over America I have heard the cry: "NRA lacks teeth." It is hard for workers to make effective complaint; it takes time, and sometimes it proves dangerous to them. When they do make complaints not much is done. The worst proof of the toothless condition of the NRA or, at any rate, of its slowness to operate is to be seen in the way manufacturers are sabotaging settlement of the great strike of the silk workers.

The workers agreed to accept a decision of the Labor Board pending a favorable interpretation of the code and recognition of the union. The employers, or most of them, have been stalling for time, hoping that their two allies, cold and hunger, will drive the workers back with broken ranks. This has been going on for two weeks or more and nothing effective has happened as yet at Washington or in the field.

The newspapers have been the allies of the manufacturers because most of them by the news they have printed and the news they have not printed have given the impression that the strike is settled.

Incidentally, the strike which has been heroically carried on by the workers shows the extraordinary need for central machinery of relief on the part of the labor forces of America.

### Oil Prices

THE Independent Oil Companies Alliance of America is making a strong appeal to the consumers to block the price fixing of petroleum products which is to begin under government auspices December 1st, 1933. Now the oil industry is in a bad way. There has been cut-throat competition, enormous wastes, and general chaos. The last way to cure these evils is to leave oil and its products in the hands of private owners, whether these private owners compete or whether there is virtual monopoly.

On this issue Socialists and the Independent Oil Companies are poles apart, but I think that the Independent Oil Companies make a fairly strong argument for the danger of price fixing under

### SPLENDID VOTE IN ROME

ROME, N. Y.—The City of Rome gave Darwin J. Meserole, candidate for Court of Appeals, 515 votes this year, compared to 262 polled by Thomas and 175 by Waldman in 1932. Mrs. C. Dorothea Greene, Socialist candidate for Mayor, received 989 votes out

of a city total of 10,043.

### GOOD VOTE IN GREENSBURG, PA.

GREENSBURG, Pa.—The Socialists polled a high vote in Hempfield Township, running ahead of the field in straight votes and beating the Democrats throughout.

capitalism. It is notorious that the consumers' interest, in spite of the valiant efforts of certain individuals, some of them in public office, has not been well taken care of in any of the machinery of NRA. Price fixing almost certainly should be on the basis of a profit for the marginal man; that is, for the less if not the least efficient producer. This in turn, will make huge profits for more successful producers. At a time when rising prices threaten all the gains, such as they are, that workers have made in wages, the price of all petroleum products is bound to be forced up. The whole situation illustrates the difficulties of patching, up capitalism and of relieving one evil without creating new ones in its stead.

### Houses and Warships

WE Americans are told that at a time when we cannot build decent houses for the ill-housed, we must spend hundreds of millions on the Navy because England and Japan are doing it. The Japanese are told that, although their workers and farmers are near the line of hunger, they must spend hundreds of millions on the Navy and Army because England and the United States are doing it. Now comes along the British Admiralty to explain that with regret it must build its new cruisers up to the limit of size because Japan and the United States have done it. So we have guns instead of bread. We arm because we are afraid and we are afraid because we arm, and this is likely to go on until the great cry: "Workers of the world, unite!" is something more than a slogan for an occasional radical meeting.

### Nazi Propaganda

FASCIST propaganda in America, especially when it includes anti-Semitism, is vicious. Official German Nazi propagandists should be checked up on and if Hitler's government is involved it should be compelled to stop its evil work at once. Any Fascist terrorism—Italian, German or American—must be crushed.

Nevertheless there is very grave danger when anti-Fascists, whether they are liberals, Jews, Socialists, or Communists, seem to demand of government the kind of restrictions on meetings which "patriots" of the wrong sort and business interests have so often demanded against radicals. By handling our case against Fascism in a Fascist manner not only do we run the risk of encouraging a precedent which may be used against ourselves, but we also run the risk of creating a dangerous sympathy for the Nazis among the German and other sections of our population as if they were the victims of persecution. We can answer and discredit their talk far better in the open than by giving them a few cheap martyrs.

### Farm Prices

SECRETARY WALLACE is right when he tells the farmers that adjustment and a planned program will be necessary whether America decides on economic nationalism, internationalism or a compromise between them. He is probably right when he says that the nation must cut its tariffs or reduce its agricultural output. The trouble is that his program of a subsidy at the expense of consumers in order to persuade farmers to produce an artificial scarcity does not go to the root of any of our agricultural problems and does not even guarantee a cut in production. By intensive measures farmers can produce more wheat on fewer acres if they want. So far as cutting tariffs is concerned, the principle ought to be to use tariffs only as protection against a flood of goods from a country which does not live up to the minimum working conditions which the Labor Office in Geneva and other agencies are trying to establish. This is a principle which is very hard to carry out under a system of capitalist production for profit where the manufacturers are bound to try to exploit it and distort it for their own ends.

### The Prohibition Agony

OF course it is a good thing that the prohibition agony is over and that an amendment to the Constitution consistently disregarded is finally repealed. To think, however, that the liquor question is settled is an immense illusion. We shall not drink ourselves out of debt or into prosperity, and at least as long as there is great private profit in exploiting men's alcoholic tastes there will be plenty of trouble, political, economic, and social, out of the liquor traffic.

On the ballot straight votes are listed separately from split ballots; there were 20 marked for the Socialists to 5 Democrats and 12 Republicans. For all offices there were about 30 to 35 Socialist votes, to about 60 Republicans, and in some cases the Socialists ran up to 60.